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Pets aren't just pets for some Tech students.

STATE School official arrested for camera in bathroom

WACO (AP) — Bruceville-Eddy's school superintendent was arrested for allegedly placing a hidden video camera resembling an air freshener dispenser in a women's bathroom at the school administration office.

Danny Edward Doyen, 46, told investigators that he bought the camera with a school district credit card and placed it in a restroom to obtain nude photos of female employees, according to the McLennan County Sheriff's Office.

Doyen has been superintendent in Bruceville-Eddy, a town of about 1,500 residents about 20 miles south of Waco, since 2002. He was booked Wednesday into the McLennan County Jail on a charge of improper photography or visual recording, punishable by up to two years in a state jail.

The school board had an emergency meeting Wednesday night and placed Doyen on administrative leave. School officials searched all campus bathrooms and found no recording devices, so they believe the camera in the administrative building was an isolated incident.

NATION CDC: HIV diagnoses down in minorities

ATLANTA (AP) — The rate of newly reported HIV cases among blacks has been dropping by about 5 percent a year since 2001, the government said Thursday. But blacks are still eight times more likely than whites to be diagnosed with the AIDS virus.

"The racial disparities remain severe," said Lisa Lee, an epidemiologist at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The falling rate among blacks seems to be tied to overlapping drops in diagnoses among injection drug users and heterosexuals, CDC researchers said.

The study was based on 2001-04 data from 33 states that have name-based reporting systems for HIV. Health officials do not know which diagnoses represent new infections and which ones were infections people had for years but had just discovered.

The CDC found that overall diagnoses in the 33 states decreased slightly, from 41,207 cases in 2001 to 38,685 in 2004. The rate fell from 22.8 cases per 100,000 people in 2001 to 20.7 per 100,000 in 2004.

WORLD Zoo visitors get to eat the attractions

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — VIP guests at the grand opening for the night safari zoo in northern Thailand will not only get to see exotic animals — they'll also get to taste them.

The Chiang Mai Night Safari Zoo will open officially on New Year's Day, with the "Exotic Buffet" for the event including tiger, lion, elephant and giraffe, said project director Plodprasop Suraswadi.

"VIP guests who pay 4,500 baht (\$110) for the buffet will have the privilege of tasting an exotic menu, ranging from dog meat from (Thailand's Sakhon Nakhon province) to lion meat from Africa," he said.

Critics have lambasted the idea, saying it will encourage wildlife trafficking in a country and region notorious for smuggling endangered species for unproven traditional medicinal benefits.

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Former CFO faces charges, SEC suit

By JAY LANGLEY
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

In an emergency lawsuit Thursday, U.S. District Judge Sam Cummings entered orders freezing the assets of Jonathan Nelson, former chief financial officer of Patterson-UTI Energy Inc.

Patterson-UTI said in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission Tuesday, the former executive allegedly embezzled \$70 million from the company.

In the lawsuit, the SEC alleged that Nelson created false invoices that caused Patterson-

UTI to pay millions of dollars to XIT, a company he secretly owned.

"He stole millions of dollars from the shareholders of Patterson-UTI," said Katherine Addleman, lawyer for SEC.

Addleman said she does not represent Patterson-UTI; she represents the company's shareholders.

"Since Patterson-UTI is a publicly-owned company, I work in the best interest of the shareholders who lost millions because of Nelson's dishonesty," she said.

The SEC complaint alleged that Nelson transferred the embezzled funds from an XIT

bank account to other entities he controlled, including Chisum Travel Center, which is located a few miles east of Lubbock, Z8 Properties, Three Stars Aviation and Chisum Coach.

"Nelson used these funds to purchase an airplane, an airfield, a cattle ranch, vehicles and a full-service truck stop," Addleman said.

Patterson-UTI provides on-shore contract drilling services to exploration and production companies in North America. It is the second largest such company in North America with 403 land-based drilling regions

in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Mississippi, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Nelson resigned from his position as chief financial officer Nov. 3 for "personal reasons." He admitted to embezzling \$29 million from Patterson-UTI, but company records filed to the SEC showed that he allegedly stole about \$70 million from January 2001 through October 2005.

Patterson-UTI reported in its filing that as a result of "information received by senior

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GOIN' CRAZY

Tech's band free to play whenever it wants; other Big 12 schools feel more limitations



THE GOIN' BAND performs in the stands at the Kansas game.

KELLY MATHER-LY/The Daily Toreador

By BRYAN WENDELL
MANAGING EDITOR

They're not worried that the games will be played on Sundays, but some Big 12 band directors do fear that college football games are turning into NFL-style affairs.

Directors across the conference agree that the classic role of bands at football and basketball games is being diminished in favor of flashy, big-screen promotions and canned music.

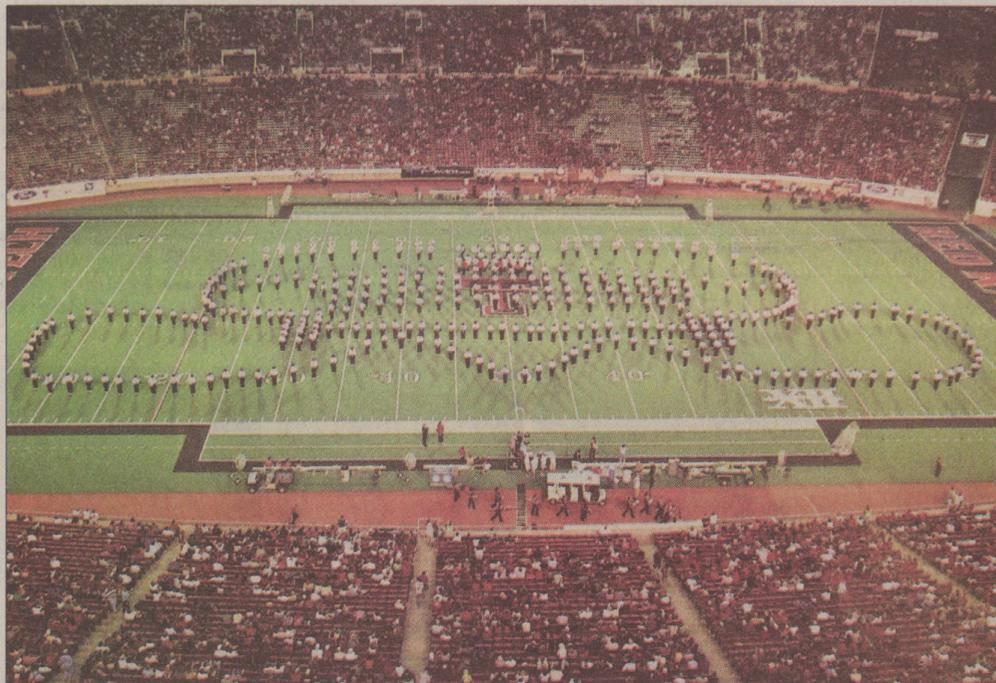
The problem of the diminishing role of bands is compounded at some schools in the Big 12 because the bands have been moved at stadiums in favor of better seating for higher-paying customers.

Lucky in Lubbock

While some directors complain about marketing decisions that limit the number of times they are allowed to play, the director of the Goin' Band from Raiderland feels lucky.

"We have one of the best situations that I've ever witnessed," said Christopher Anderson, who has been director at Texas Tech for three years. "The athletic and marketing departments here completely understand the game atmosphere and the band's involvement in that atmosphere. I have never been to a place that was easier to work in those

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THE GOIN' BAND performs at halftime of the game against Sam Houston State Sept. 17 at Jones SBC Stadium.

Jury convicts mechanic of raping, killing 11-year-old girl in Florida

By MIKE SCHNEIDER
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — A mechanic with a long criminal record was convicted Thursday of kidnapping, raping and strangling an 11-year-old girl whose abduction was captured by a car-wash security camera.

Joseph Smith, 39, could get the death penalty.

The jury took about five hours to find him

guilty in the slaying of Carlie Brucia, whose half-naked body was found outside a church more than four days after the sixth-grader disappeared in February 2004 while walking home from a friend's house.

Smith was arrested after being identified as the burly, tattooed man seen taking the girl away by the arm in a fuzzy video that was broadcast nationwide during the search for the killer.

Prosecutors built their case on the foot-

age, the testimony of Smith's friends and co-workers who said they recognized Smith in the video, DNA and hair-analysis evidence, and the word of the defendant's brother, who said Smith confessed.

Smith, who did not take the stand, showed no emotion when the verdict was read. The jury will return for the sentencing phase on Nov. 28.

Carlie's mother, Susan Schorpen, wept softly with her head bowed when the verdict

was read, and the girl's father, Joe Brucia, nodded when each of the three convictions was announced.

As he left court, he said only that he was happy with the verdict.

"I can never hold her again. Where's the closure?" Schorpen said outside the courthouse. "I've lost one of the most precious things to me in my life because of an animal,

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Knock, knock: Stanford study shows men, women handle humor differently

By DANIELLE NOVY
STAFF WRITER

Men and women have long been known to have a variety of physical and physiological differences, and Stanford University's latest study pinpointed one more — the funny bone.

A recent study conducted by a team of Stanford researchers found the differences between men and women trickle down to the ways in which the two sexes process humor.

The study, led by Alan Reiss, a psychiatry and behavioral sciences professor at Stanford, showed that male and female brains respond differently to humor, according to *The Associated Press*. Women were found to be more analytical in their response to jokes, while men gravitated more toward the more simplistic brand of humor associated with slapstick comedies and one-liners.

According to an article posted on the Web site of the

Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America, www.pnas.org, 20 healthy subjects, 10 men and 10 women, underwent functional MRI scanning while classifying 70 verbal and nonverbal black-and-white cartoons as either funny or unfunny.

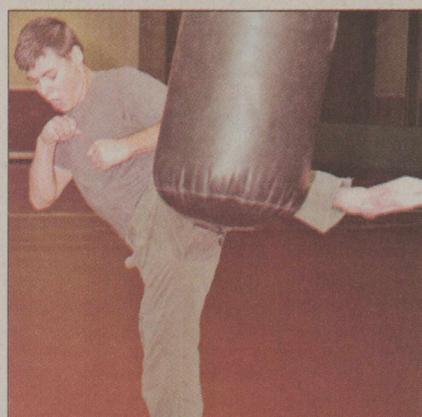
While there is some overlap in the way the two sexes process jokes, females felt more delight than males when they concluded something was extremely humorous.

Data was analyzed by comparing blood oxygen level dependent signal activation during stimuli considered to be both humorous and unfunny, according to the PNAS Web site.

Women were found to activate the left prefrontal cortex more than men, suggesting a greater degree of executive processing and decoding. The nucleus accumbens, part of the brain's reward center, also was more active in women

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KICK IT UP A NOTCH



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SHANE BUMP, A senior electrical engineering major from San Antonio, practices Kuk Sool Won at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center Tuesday afternoon.

LET'S TALK ABOUT SEX



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LINDSAY DOHERTY, A senior law student from San Antonio, right, and Sonya Jones, middle, a senior law student from Lubbock, talk to Christina Hoff Sommers before her presentation on "Sex, Lies and Feminism," Thursday afternoon at the law school.

GPS satellite technology creeping into workplace

NEW YORK (AP) — While they're out chasing the news, employees at a local television station are wondering if anybody is tailing them.

The news trucks at WABC-TV were recently equipped with Global Positioning System transmitters, raising concerns among the station's union workers about privacy. It's a small but growing workplace topic as companies increasingly embrace the GPS technology already in use to track everything from wayward teens to sex offenders.

"We're concerned about the possible misuse of the information that these systems can supply," said Gene Maxwell, head of Local 16 of the National Association of Broadcast Engineers and Technicians. "In particular, we wanted to make sure that it really wasn't going to be used as a disciplinary tool."

The station, which had no comment about the move, assured the union the GPS system was intended only to improve efficiency and worker safety, Maxwell said.

The union wants a training session so all employees understand the system's capabilities, which allow the instantaneous tracking of all equipped vehicles — exactly where they are,

and exactly how long they are there.

The New York Civil Liberties Union doesn't get involved in a private company's use of GPS, but it did take issue with a proposal by the city Taxi and Limousine Commission to fit cabs with the system.

"Once the government starts tracking people's whereabouts, it starts raising concerns," said Chris Dunn, an attorney with the rights' group.

Taxi drivers felt the same way. Last month, they demonstrated outside the taxi commission offices.

Maxwell, the television union head, said he was aware of only two other stations nationwide with GPS technology in their news trucks — one in Los Angeles, the other in Houston.

In other industries, however, GPS is increasingly appearing in delivery vehicles, construction machinery and tractor-trailers.

The technology can help companies improve productivity and customer service. UPS Inc., for instance, is giving truck drivers GPS-equipped hand-held computers to alert them when they're at the wrong address or help them identify an unfamiliar location.

Military recalls more than 18,000 body armor vests

WASHINGTON (AP) — The military is recalling more than 18,000 protective vests because they did not meet ballistic test standards when the body armor was made up to five years ago.

It is the second recall in about six months.

Some vests in the latest recall may have been used in Iraq or Afghanistan. Made between 1999 and 2001, they were green or woodland camouflage, making it less likely they were used in the Gulf, where troops use the newer, desert-colored camouflage vests.

Marine Corps spokesman Maj. Douglas Powell and Army spokesman Paul Boyce said no Marines or soldiers were at risk because the vest met field test requirements.

The vests did not meet the higher manufacturing standards. Officials discovered the problems in September.

The recall affects only the outer tactical vest and its soft inserts, made by Florida-based Point Blank Body Armor Inc., and not the ceramic insert that also is used in the armor.

Because troops may have moved some of the soft inserts from one of the older green vests to a newer desert-colored vest, soldiers and Marines need to check all parts of their body armor for the recall numbers, officials said.

Experts provide tips for preparing home for winter

By ANDREW WOOD
STAFF WRITER

Colder weather is approaching the South Plains, and people are making adjustments to their homes, inside and out.

The latest drop in the temperature surprised many local residents, said Al McCarty, Home Depot sales specialist. Many people were not ready and did not make the proper adjustments.

"Last night, it was 29 degrees and we're seeing right now that they weren't very prepared for it," he said.

Windows and doors are some key areas indoors that need winter-proofing, he said.

Doors, he said, need a weather strip to keep cold air from coming inside the house.

To keep cold air from coming through the windows, he said to use heat shrink film. People who have heating systems at their residences need to change the filters once a month.

In addition to making adjustments inside the home, changes also need to be made outside.

While bringing plants inside the house, there are several other steps needed to care for the plants.

Judith Wilmington, horticulture garden and complex manager, said people make a mistake when they wait too late to bring the plants inside. She said plants need to be brought in by early October.

Flowerpots need to be cleaned from debris and insects before they are brought inside, she said.

Before taking the plants inside a room, she said the garage is the first place they should go.

The plants, she said, should stay in the garage for 24 hours to acclimate to indoor temperature.

After the plants are moved

out of the garage, she said to take them to a room where there is enough light, and the plants are not vulnerable to cold drafts of wind.

The plants need to be watered differently while they are inside, she said.

People need to water the plants at the bottom of the pots, instead of from the top, she said. Plants suffer when people pour "random water" over the plants.

The water, she said, also needs to be the same temperature of the room.

She said people need to wait until the end of February to fertilize the plants because they would have an easier time adjusting to the outdoor weather before they are taken back outdoors.

In addition to taking different steps to care for the plants, people need to do the same for their pets.

Kapper Stevens said it is important for people to bring the pets inside during the winter months.

For people who own a dog that stays outside, she said they need to have an insulated doghouse with a doghouse heater. She said the doghouses should not face north, because the dogs could be subject to cold wind.

People also can bring their dogs to sleep in the garage overnight, she said.

While the pets are outside, she said water needs to stay fresh to keep from freezing.

She said most dogs with heavy coats can adapt to cold weather and people make a mistake when they shave them.

"The big thing is people shave their long-haired dogs," she said. "People should never have their long-haired dogs."

Stevens said any dog could behave indoors if it is trained properly.

"All dogs should be housebroken," she said. "If you train them to be well mannered, it will be a happy dog and will have happy owners."

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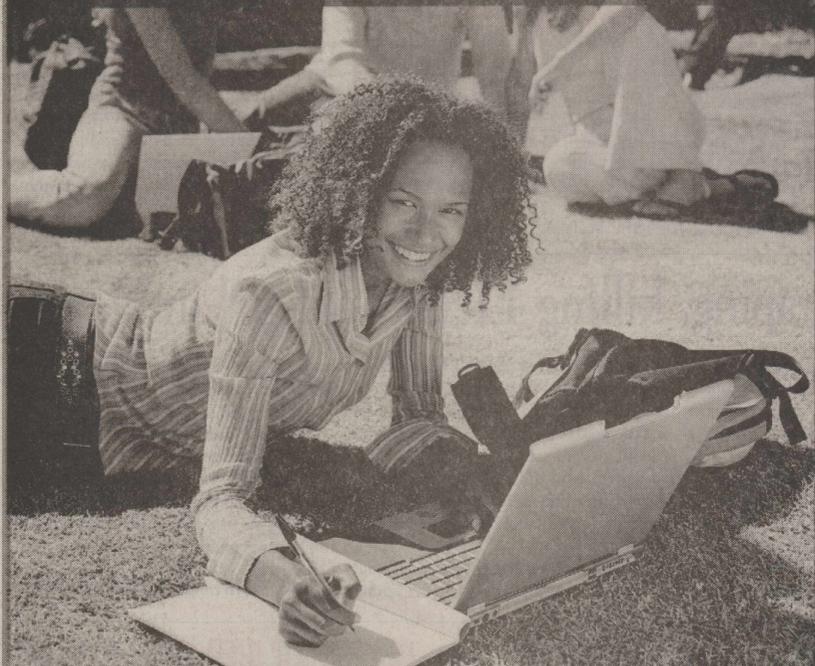
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Phrase 'Man's best friend' proves true for many Texas Tech students

By **KELLEN McMANUS**
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

A teacher wrongly accusing students of cheating, parent problems, relationship woes and roommate squabbles are only among the issues college students deal with. But for many Texas Tech students, there is something to come home to that makes them forget their problems — their faithful companions that think the world of them, and make the world feel a little less lonely.

Though pets are quite a responsibility, many college students find that owning one is rewarding and comforting during this time away from home, which is filled with academic pressure and relationship turmoil.

"You always have someone to keep you company when no one else is around," Jenny Mountcastle,

a senior communications major from Bedford, said in reference to her beloved Chihuahua, Maverick. "He never leaves my side when I'm at home, and he wants to go everywhere with me."

Medical studies have shown interaction with a pet can decrease anxiety and boost peoples' moods.

Mountcastle agrees having a pet around makes life better.

"No matter what mood I'm in, Maverick always keeps me company, and when I'm sad, he will sit and snuggle with me until I'm ready to get up," she said. "He also gives me kisses when he knows I need some."

Andrew Rathwick, a senior advertising major from Dallas, said he fully appreciates the companionship his German sheppard Doug provides, especially in times of stress.

"I've had a lot of tests and proj-

ects the past few weeks, and while I'm studying, it's good to know that my best friend is lying on the floor next to me, patiently waiting for me to finish so we can play," he said.

A pet's company is priceless, Rathwick said.

"It's like having your best friend around you all the time, who never talks back to you," he said. "Coming home to something that is always excited to see you just makes your day better."

To some, their pets transcend the realm of four-legged friends, and actually become like people to them.

Michael Bannon, a senior public relations major from Colleyville, said he would never consider his Jack Russell Terrier Stryker just a pet.

"He is a human, and not a dog. Stryker really cares about people," he said. "He makes my day better, and is always making me a better person. The people around him are better for knowing him."

Owning a pet isn't for everyone, however. Some students may not be able to handle the responsibility that comes with having another life to take care of, said Jon Mayo, an employee of the PetSmart in

Lubbock.

"It depends on the person," he said. "If they are the kind of person that as soon as they get their cash they just turn and blow it on things like video games, beer, and possibly a little for gas, then they shouldn't have an animal."

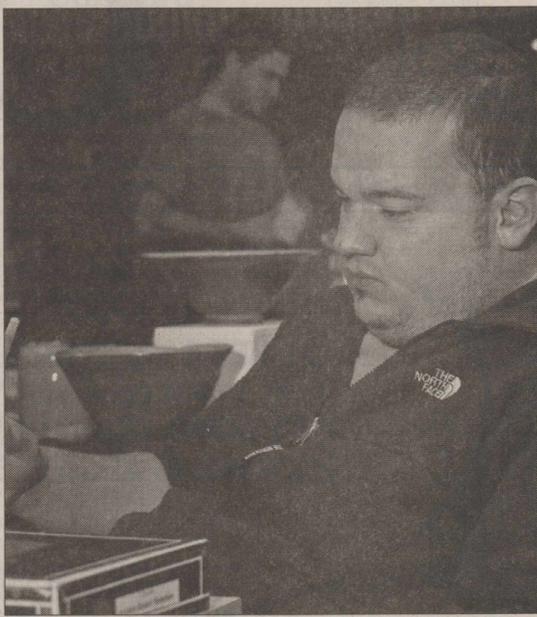
Mayo said they get quite a few college customers, and they primarily adopt dogs and cats from their adoption center.

"If you aren't willing to spend the money, then having a cat, or even something as high-maintenance as a dog, is probably not a good idea," he said. "You'll spend probably as much as you do on your college tuition in the lifetime of caring for your pet, or at least in a decade of having a pet."

Communications major Mountcastle believes owning a pet is more than worth the money, and couldn't imagine her life without her Maverick's unconditional love.

"He is protective and loving, and worth every penny I spend on him," she said. "He's my baby, and I love that no matter how mad I am at him, he still loves me."

WANNA BUY SOME POTS?



COLEMAN MOREFIELD/The Daily Treador

IAN SHELLY, A senior ceramics major from Lubbock, collects money for pottery sold at the pottery sale in the lobby of the Art Building Thursday morning. Proceeds go to benefit the pottery club.

More than 50 guns found in home of teen accused of slaying girlfriend's parents

LITITZ, Pa. (AP) — Police seized 54 guns from the home of an 18-year-old man charged with killing his girlfriend's parents and fleeing the state with her, according to court documents filed Thursday.

Warwick Township police removed the collection of rifles, shotguns, handguns and ammunition Sunday from the home where suspect David Ludwig lived with his parents. The search occurred as police were still trying to find him and 14-year-old Kara Beth Borden.

Ludwig was being held without bail on murder and kidnapping charges after being flown back to Pennsylvania on Tuesday from Indiana, where police captured him following a chase.

Police allege Ludwig shot Michael and Cathryn Borden on Sunday at their home in Lititz following an argument over his relationship with Kara. The two had been dating, apparently secretly, according to friends and witnesses.

Ludwig was arrested Monday after crashing his parents' car into

a tree in Belleville, Ind., about 600 miles from the murder scene, during a police chase. Neither Ludwig nor the girl, who has not been charged, was injured in the crash.

Investigators have said they are treating Kara Borden as a victim but that the investigation is continuing.

Ludwig's parents, Gregory and Jane Ludwig, issued a statement Wednesday expressing their sorrow over the slayings but have not spoken publicly. They have not returned multiple phone messages seeking comment.

It was unclear whether the confiscated weapons belonged to Ludwig or his parents.

David Ludwig apparently was an avid hunter and posted 20 pictures labeled "Hunting 2004" on a Web site that included an image of him posing with freshly killed deer.

Neither of Ludwig's parents is licensed as a firearms dealer or collector, according to the national licensing center of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Woman recounts career as jewel thief

LAS VEGAS (AP) — When Doris Payne went to work, she stepped into her fancy dress, high heels and donned a wide-brimmed hat. Her creamy, mocha skin was made up just so, her handbag always designer. Sometimes a pair of plain gold earrings would do. Always, she looked immaculate, well-to-do.

It was a lonely job. She worked by herself and few people knew what she did.

New York. Colorado. Nevada. California. They all beckoned, and so did Greece and France, England and Switzerland as she plied her trade over five decades.

She is 75 now, and she remembers the things she has done with amusement. Yes, she says, that was me, and she throws back her head and laughs.

There was the February day, eight years ago, when she strolled into the Neiman Marcus store on the Las Vegas Strip.

Employee Linda Sbrocco showed her several diamond rings — this one ... no, this one ... how about that one? Soon Sbrocco was swapping jewelry in and out of cases at a dizzying pace. Payne slipped rings on and off, and had Sbrocco do the same.

Then Payne was gone. And so was a \$36,000 marquise cut, 2.48-carat diamond ring.

This was how Doris Payne went about her work as an international jewel thief.

She glided in, engaged the clerk in one of her stories, confused them and easily slipped away with a diamond ring, usually to a waiting taxi cab.

She is, says retired Denver Police Detective Gail Riddell, like a character from a movie.

And she has been very, very successful. Every month or every other month she strolled into a jewelry store and strolled out with a ring worth thousands of dollars.

Occasionally, she was caught. Mostly, she was not.

She grew up in Slab Fork, W.Va., where her daddy worked in the coal mines and her mother sewed dresses and did alterations for extra money. Payne was the baby, the youngest of six.

When she was a teenager, the family moved to Cleveland. One day, her mother gave Payne a \$5 bill.

"My mom says if I get good grades this year, she's going to buy me a watch," Payne boasted to the store owner, Bill Benjamin.

Mr. Benjamin was kind and friendly, and he showed her some watches. She tried a few on, but then a boisterous white man entered the store, and suddenly it seemed that Mr. Benjamin didn't want to be seen being nice to a black girl.

He rushed her off and she made it

to the door before she realized she still had a small gold watch on her wrist. Mr. Benjamin had forgotten.

"Oh Mr. Benjamin," she shouted gleefully, holding up her wrist, "I forgot this watch."

Mr. Benjamin snatched the watch from her arm.

People could forget. It became a teenage game. Payne would enter a jewelry store with her girlfriend and try on watches. She didn't steal. Not yet.

After high school, Payne and her mother lived together, her mother having left her abusive father. Payne was pregnant at 18 with a son, and would later have a daughter, too.

Doris wanted her mother to know that she had figured out a way to raise money, to take care of her. "I know how to cause the man in the jewelry store to forget," she confided.

"That's stealing," her mother warned.

"It's not stealing because I'm only taking what they give me," Payne said.

She knew she needed the right lingo, the right plan, the right dress. Clerks had to assume she had

money.

When she was around 23, she took a Greyhound bus to a Pittsburgh fine jewelry store and easily walked out with a square-cut diamond with a price tag of \$22,000. Then she went to a pawn broker and told the man she wanted to sell the ring.

She got \$7,500 cash.

At first, her longtime boyfriend, a tavern owner, gave her tips. Don't talk too much. Don't give too much away. Don't even give your name.

But mostly, Payne was a one-woman gang, with her own patter. Maybe she'd come into some money and wanted to buy a few pieces of jewelry. Or maybe her jewelry had been stolen and she needed to replace it.

The story didn't matter; she took her leads from the sales clerks and confused them easily. She had them take rings out all over the store and tried many on, asking about the cut, clarity, the carat. Usually jewelry stores only show one expensive item at a time. When a customer comes in and claims they have thousands of dollars to spend, rules are often relaxed.

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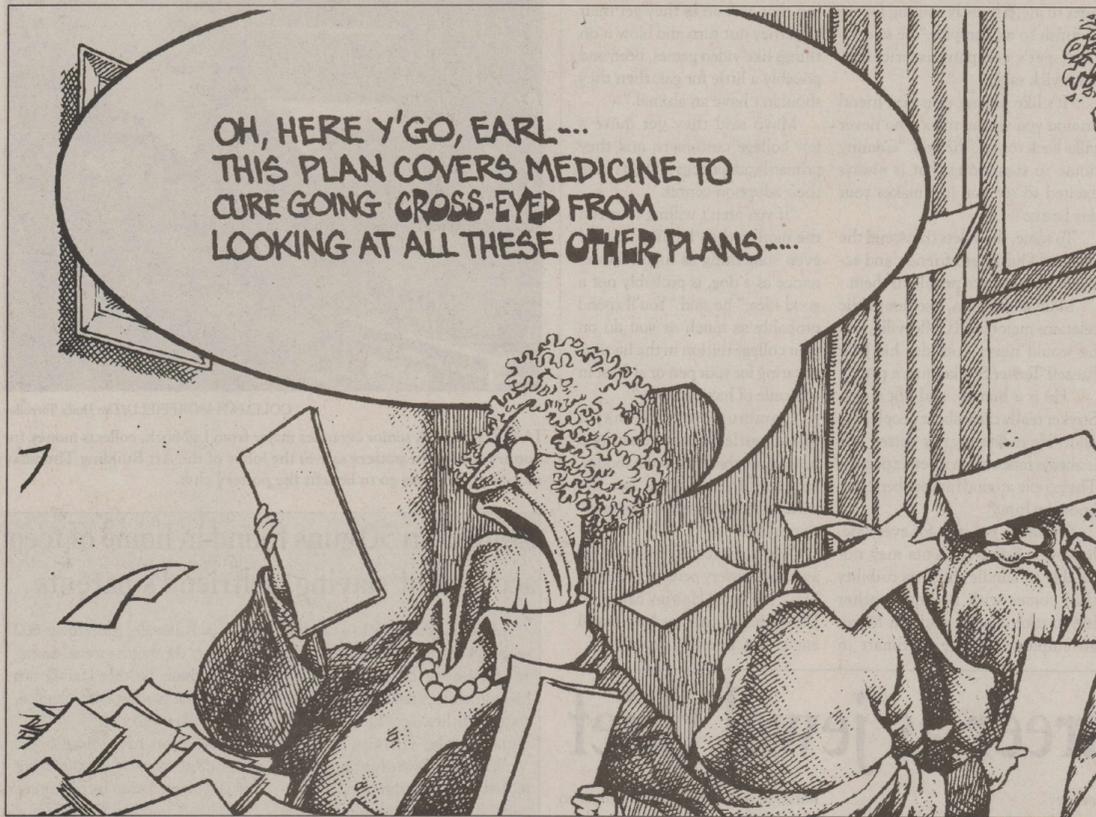
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That's so hetero...

Being straight isn't the only way to be normal; don't assume everybody is

It was a beautiful Tuesday afternoon about two weeks ago. My friend and I were out and about going to dollar stores so that I could purchase picture frames, dishes, or any other random items for 99-cents apiece.

After maybe two hours of bargain hunting, having gone from the Dollar Tree on one side of town to a Dollar General on the other, we decided to find a place to eat before we both had to go to class.

By odd chance, we stopped at the first place we saw: McDonald's. Yes, please cringe at the quality of their food coupled with the fact their "processed chicken" is probably (at most) 10 percent actual chicken.

We ordered food, like any normal gay guy and his best friend/lipstick lesbian would — together. We get our food, eat it and realize it's 1:30 p.m. and we should return to campus.

On our way out the door, we were stopped by a woman behind the counter, presumably the manager. "May I ask you two a question?" she asked, and we stopped and turned around.

"Sure," we replied, wondering what in the world this woman wanted from us: We hadn't taken any fries from little kids or tried to play in the Kid's Play Place.

"Are you two 'together?'" she asked. "Because you look exactly like my son and daughter-in-law."

Our jaws dropped as we heard this, and we looked at the woman, then at each other, and then back to the woman.

"Ummmm, no," we replied. "We're just good friends." As if we had all the time in the world, this woman continued asking us questions.

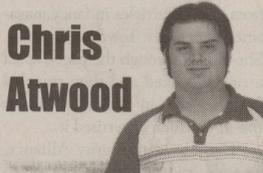
"How long have you guys known each other?" she questioned, apparently ignorant of exactly what she was up against. "About a year, maybe a little less; if you'll excuse us, however, we need to be going," was our almost simultaneous reply.

"Well, there's still time for y'all to get engaged and married," she told us as we were walking out the door.

My friend and I just laughed at this poor woman, who had no idea she was dealing with a couple consisting of a gay man and a lipstick lesbian (for those of you who aren't aware of the term "lipstick lesbian," they're more feminized).

What's the point of this somewhat drawn out, and seemingly useless narrative? It exemplifies an attitude I've really tended to notice in West Texas, but have seen in different places around

Chris Atwood



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the country. This attitude is the one where everybody is straight, or heteronormativity.

Gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgendered people just don't exist, or so many people tend to think.

As my gender roles professor told our class one day, you'd be surprised how many people aren't heterosexual if one day they were all a different skin color.

What many people don't realize, however, is that by automatically assuming a guy is straight and asking about his girlfriend, it can be disenfranchising; or asking a woman about her husband, who's to say she has one (even if she is straight)?

At this point, most of you are probably thinking, "What in the sam hell is he talking about? Being heterosexual is normal in our society."

News flash: In the day and age where it's safe to be out and proud, heterosexuals may be in the majority, but I wouldn't say it's a good idea to call it a norm.

You could easily make a person very uncomfortable in a situation by silently making their sexuality an issue.

So next time you're meeting somebody new, watch yourself. Don't make assumptions about that person without getting to know them.

They may be straight, maybe not. Keep your questions open, and you'll be OK.

It's great to be straight, but that's not the only normal way to be great.

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VIEW FROM THE BIG 12

Don't link troop support to war

By **ZACHARY ECKELS**
KANSAS STATE COLLEGEIAN

(U-WIRE) MANHATTAN, Kan. — In John Prine's song "Your Flag Decal Won't Get You Into Heaven Anymore," he describes a man so patriotic that he continually covers his windshield in American Flag Decals. Eventually, the man is unable to see because of the decals, crashes into a tree and ascends to heaven. Upon reaching the pearly gates, the chorus breaks in reminding the man that heaven is already crowded from our "dirty little war." Even though he had collected so many flags, they weren't enough to get him into heaven.

Although this song was originally written for the Vietnam War, Prine has recently brought it out of a 25-year retirement due to a similar problem we are facing today.

The only difference is that during the Vietnam period, the protesters were the ones who had a problem separating the war from the warrior. Their ignorance quickly led to them associating the evils of war with the men drafted to do a job nobody else wanted. The events that took place when the soldiers returned home were despicable.

Now it is President Bush who is

making this horrendous mistake. His recent speeches have included sharp criticisms of those who oppose the war.

In a speech on Nov. 11, Bush went as far as to suggest that opposing his administration for its war efforts hurt American troops and empowered the enemy. It seems he is once again trying to suggest that bad war translates into bad soldiers.

It is understandable that anti-war speech may be perceived as encouraging an enemy. However, it is far more important to let our government know we don't support these wars and avoid future confrontations.

The real question is how the message to the troops could be considered wrong. Is it really better to celebrate a war that should have been avoided?

Of course not, as long as you are able to tell the difference between the war and the warrior. When one is able to separate the two, it becomes no problem understanding why it is good to criticize an administration that so easily and carelessly threw our troops into battle. After all, if it wasn't for these troops, a draft would be necessary and it could very easily be you or me over there right now.

Rehnquist was a natural leader

By **JAMES BURNHAM**
DAILY TEXAN (U. TEXAS)

(U-WIRE) AUSTIN — This November's issue of Harvard Law Review was dedicated to the memory of the late Chief Justice William Rehnquist. Its lead article was penned by Chief Justice Roberts, Justice O'Connor, Justice Ginsberg, Texas Solicitor General Ted Cruz, James Duff, David Leitch and Maureen Mahoney. Their commemoration of the former chief justice is poignant and emotional. It powerfully and personally conveys the impact of this man. It also provides a valuable perspective on one of our nation's finest leaders.

Rehnquist's interests were diverse. From a love for the high arts of poetry and theater to an intense affection for college football, the former chief justice is said by current Chief Justice John Roberts to have been "so interesting in part because he was so interested in just about everything." These interests extended even to playing charades. Cruz, a former clerk of the Chief, recounts one of his favorite memories "is his [Rehnquist's] lying on his stomach on the floor, pantomiming firing a rifle and mouthing

'pow, pow' as he acted out 'All Quiet on the Western Front.'

The Chief also was adored for his lifelong humility. He was born in the Midwest to modest means and in 1943, at age 18, enlisted in the Army. As Cruz notes, "Law has too long been a profession of the privileged few, and it is fitting and worth noting that the Chief was an enlisted man, serving as a weather observer in North Africa."

It is impressive that despite his powerful intellect the Chief contentedly served his nation in such a simple fashion. It takes unique character and strong dedication to serve our country as an enlistee in the military.

And he was tremendously brilliant. James Duff, his former administrative assistant, recalls former justice William Douglas, who served for 36 years on the Supreme Court, saying that "of all the justices with whom he served, Bill Rehnquist is the brightest." He performed his judicial duties with such alacrity and efficiency that he was able to manage the court effectively while still finding time to write four highly acclaimed books on issues as diverse as the 1876 election and civil liberties in wartime.

Texas Tech is no place for sharing new ideas, beliefs

I could see the hatred written all over their faces. It all went down at a meeting of Namaste, an organization that my sister and I started this year.

The purpose of the group is to create awareness and understanding of the groups society persecutes or ignores like homosexuals, the homeless, those living with AIDS, different races and also different religions.

At this particular meeting, we were speaking with the Muslim Student Association and also a few of their spiritual leaders. Somehow, a few students must have gotten lost or perhaps took a wrong turn looking for the Starbucks. Whatever the case, after a few minutes the whole room filled with the anger of these two students.

You see the problem was the students were Christians, and they had a huge problem hearing most of the Muslim's beliefs. They gave each other knowing glances about every 1.5 seconds and rolled their eyes in disbelief of the heresy that was occurring before their very eyes.

They even took it a step further and started heckling the minister, challenging his Muslim doctrine. My sister stepped in and told the students that we were not trying to convert the Muslims to Christianity or any other religion. Nor did the Muslims wish to convert anyone in the meeting. We were simply a group of people exchanging thoughts, beliefs, and questions.

The students looked at my sister like she was speaking Chinese. It occurred to me that on this campus, the exchanging of ideas is foreign to most students. The university used to be a place where students came to enlighten themselves, broaden their horizons, and form new and independent thoughts.

At Texas Tech, however, ideas are not fluid, but rock hard. Students enter with specific religious, cultural and scholastic ideals and leave with the very same ones. Apparently, at age 18 our ideas are perfect and without flaw. And if you happen to be one of the few that oppose any dominant idea, you are an outcast.

For instance, we are living in a very tumultuous time, politically speaking. But if you want to discuss any negative aspect of the war in Iraq, the president or a Supreme Court nominee, then you are labeled an unpatriotic hippie.

If we ponder an existence where any two adults can marry and enjoy health insurance and other basic rights, you are an enemy of the family and probably a communist, too. In fact, if you dare to challenge any idea that is outside of mainstream thought, not only are your ideas dismissed but also your value as a person.

When did this happen? When did the university stop promoting an education of diversity and progressiveness, and start limiting any ideas that oppose the majority? If the new ideas are not coming out of the university, where are they coming from? Most of us chose to attend a

Abbie Kopf



university in order to have an advantage over others in the job market. What is that advantage, specifically? It's not that a high school graduate can't be as successful in the professional world as a college graduate, but the idea is that we are a more complete package.

Our education is supposed to encompass many different areas of thought that, in turn, make our thought inventive and fresh. But when we graduate our thinking is not inventive, and it's not fresh. It is our parents' thought. If the school paper has any thought that isn't conservative, we'll make our own paper so as not to ever have to hear an opposing viewpoint.

We will not listen to a liberal professor, because a doctorate, published articles and scholarly research don't mean anything if one of them wears a shirt with a Darwin fish on it.

We won't have anything to do with anything unless it is exactly like us. If it's not white, protestant, middle class, straight and conservative, it has no business talking about anything.

I once read a story about a society that completely had erased inequality. This society had accomplished this by masking the beautiful, hindering the strong with weights, and administering loud and distracting noises anytime an intelligent person had an above average thought.

I believe that Tech students wish for a society like this one. It is not perfect equality that the students desire, however, but a sickening, unnatural sameness. If every liberal would just move to California, if every homosexual would fall off the face of the earth, if every Jew would convert to Christianity, if every minority would forget their culture and language, then society would be perfect.

Then it would just be us, the right ones. The ones who are never wrong. The ones who will not listen to professors or even other students.

Let us surround ourselves with people who will tell us exactly what we already believe. I want to saturate myself with my own thoughts, and never listen to someone who might have an opposing one.

This is not a university. A university welcomes ideas and thoughts and considers them seriously. This place is a mere formality for the 18-year-old geniuses who must go out and show the world that my thoughts are the only valid ones, just like my father, and his father before him, and his father before him.

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management," an audit committee began investigating "unauthorized payments" for assets that were never delivered to the company.

On Nov. 3 John Vollmer, the company's senior vice president of corporate development, replaced Nelson as CFO. Vollmer told *The Daily Toreador* he could not comment on the case.

"There are still facts that need to be gathered," Vollmer said. "So I really cannot comment on that."

In the only public statement made by the company, Patterson-UTI President Cloyce Talbot told analysts at a Bank of America energy conference in Florida he was "stunned" to learn about the embezzlement. Talbot said that he would spend "the rest of my working days," restoring the reputation of the company.

According to the Patterson-UTI Web site, the company is in the process

of advising appropriate criminal enforcement agencies. In the filing with SEC, Patterson-UTI said it plans to seek legal counsel and a forensic accountant to conduct an investigation into the loss.

Vollmer could not confirm whether the company would seek legal recourse against former CFO Nelson.

Addleman said the court order immediately froze Nelson's assets and appointed a receiver over Nelson and the relief defendants. The order requires Nelson and the relief defendants to account for all proceeds stolen from Patterson-UTI.

XIT, Z8, Three Stars, Chisum Travel and Chisum Coach are all named as relief defendants in the case, meaning Nelson had some sort of tie with each company.

"We also put a permanent bar against Nelson serving as an officer of another public company," Addleman said.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Smith

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a disgusting, perverted animal."

When asked if she was satisfied with the verdict, she responded: "When he's dead. When he meets his maker."

Carlie's killing spurred the introduction of federal and state legislation to crack down on probation violators.

At the time of the slaying, Smith was in violation of the terms of his probation on a cocaine charge because he failed to pay \$411 in fines and court costs. But a judge declined to put him in jail, saying Florida does not have a "debtor's prison."

At the trial, Smith's lawyers raised questions about the reliability of the FBI lab where the evidence was analyzed and challenged the motives of Smith's brother, John, suggesting he was interested in the reward money.

The brother told the jury Smith had confessed to having "rough sex" with the girl and killing her, and told

him where the body was. Prosecutors played taped jailhouse conversations Smith made with his brother and others in which Smith talked of being on drugs while committing the crimes.

An FBI code breaker translated an encrypted letter Smith wrote his sibling saying he had left Carlie's clothes and backpack in four trash bins.

Also, DNA analysis connected him to a semen stain on Carlie's shirt, and strands of hair from Smith's vehicle were found to match the girl's hair.

Before Carlie's slaying, Smith had been arrested at least 13 times since 1993, mostly on drug offenses. In one case, he was charged with kidnapping a 20-year-old woman, but was acquitted. He pleaded no contest in another case in which a woman said he hit her in the face with a motorcycle helmet. He was sentenced to 60 days in jail. He also served 17 months in prison on drug possession and fraud charges.

Stanford

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than men.

Still, overall, men and women elicited similar responses to things they considered funny; both used the parts of the brain responsible for the structure of language and comprehending juxtaposition.

Steven Parks, a sophomore psychology major from Sugar Land, said he is dubious of the study's findings that women were more analytical in when processing jokes.

"It is really hard to make a blanket statement like that," he said.

Women preferring films like "The Importance of Being Earnest" while men tend to gravitate toward movies like "Dumb and Dumber" is a general pattern Parks has said he has noticed in his peers.

Despite such sociological trends, Parks said there are other factors than just gender that a sense of humor can be partially attributed to.

"Age might be a bigger factor than humor," he said.

Speculation into how much gender contributes to a sense of humor gave headway to a discussion of how much someone's sexual category defines his or her overall personality to one Texas Tech professor.

Clyde Hendrick, a psychology professor, said society's stereotype is that men are usually more analytical while women tend to be more in tune to their feelings.

"I don't think that is necessarily true," Hendrick said. "That's just a stereotype."

He said similarities generally overwhelm any potential differences of the two sexes.

Hendrick said society's definition of the two genders goes back to when baby boys are given blue blankets and girls are given pink ones.

"There is this artificial distinction," he said. "We define men and women as almost two different species. I'd rather focus on the similarities."

Band

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elements."

Anderson said the marketing staff has promotional clips that it must run on RaiderVision, and the band is careful not to play during those moments.

He said, however, if the game is on the line in the fourth quarter, the trumpets, trombones and tubas will be ready to blast the fight song for the more than 50,000 screaming fans.

They would play in that scenario instead of being muted in favor of moneymaking promotional videos, Anderson said.

"This university loves its band, and as a result we don't find that we're dealing with those issues," he said.

not noticed a competition between marketing staffs and marching bands at other schools in the Big 12, some directors do complain about their situations.

Robert Carnochan, director of the Longhorn Band, said the University of Texas experiences the pull to play less often.

"With marketing and feeling pressures of raising money, the athletic department has definitely cut back on the amount of time that bands are able to perform," he said. "That cuts into the collegiate feel of a college football game."

Carnochan compared some Big 12 games to professional football games in the way they play pre-recorded rap or rock music in lieu of allowing the band to play.

Barry Kraus, Baylor's band director, said his Golden Wave band plays with more frequency and variety than most other schools in the conference.

He said the recent push to make

college games more enjoyable for fans shouldn't amount to bringing in an NFL atmosphere.

"People go and see the NFL games and they say, 'Let's create the atmosphere here,'" Kraus said. "I think people are trying to get away from the collegiate atmosphere in favor of short attention spans."

Mix in 'it up

Paul Popiel, director of the Cowboy Marching Band at Oklahoma State, said the best way to solve the music issue is through compromise.

"Traditionalists who like the college game prefer more live music," he said. "The answer is somewhere in the middle. There's gotta be a mix of both."

The band can blow its horn at the decision makers to try and effect change, but the people in the stadiums have the most pull when it comes to deciding what music to hear, Popiel said.

"The solution comes not from

the band people complaining, which they do," he said. "The solution comes from fans complaining that they want to hear the band more."

Women's basketball games at OSU are a big problem, Popiel said, because the band feels underused and underappreciated.

"At women's games the band starts to resent being there, because they'll play a total of 10 minutes, but they're there for three hours," he said.

The question at OSU, Popiel said, is: Does the administration and athletics staff appreciate and value student groups like the band?

Can't sit here

The band at Boone Pickens stadium in Stillwater, Okla., has moved three or four times in the past six or seven years, Popiel said.

The band now can be found in the east endzone of the stadium on bleachers. For the Cowboys, the move represents a symbiotic rela-

tionship for the fans and the band.

"They picked up 500 seats to sell, and we have 50,000 people that can now hear the band every time we play," he said, adding that the band used to be positioned where the fans could hear the visiting team louder than the home team.

The problem of hearing the band was found at Royal Texas Memorial Stadium in Austin, where Carnochan said his band was forced to purchase a loudspeaker system to amplify the band.

Without it, he said, the band could not compete with the piped-in, canned music.

Another example of paying customers forcing bands out of seats is at the classic Red River Shootout in Dallas.

When Texas and Oklahoma battle each year, the bands now are relegated to the field. This is change from six years ago when the band sat comfortably in the stands, said Oklahoma's assistant director

Michael Boone.

Space at the SBC

The Goin' Band has life good, Anderson said.

Instead of sitting or standing on the field, he said, the band sits in the student section — where they belong.

"We sit in the student section, and our students are paying students at Texas Tech," Anderson said. "In some ways we have a very unique setup, and since we're housed in the student section there really hasn't been any discussion."

At Jones SBC Stadium, the band sits behind the visiting bench and adjacent to thousands of cheering students — the perfect location for the pulse of the stadium.

When Anderson thinks about the situation other directors face, he can't help but be glad he is a Red Raider.

"I smile every time I hear (other directors) talking about it," he said.

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'BALLYHOO' REVISITS WWII, DEEP SOUTH

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It is the biggest night in Atlanta for the Jewish community — Ballyhoo — but the Freitag-Levy family has a heavier agenda.

As war begins in Poland and Adolf Hitler takes power, the Jewish community in 1939 Atlanta begins to prepare for a tradition meant for social advancement.

The character LaLa (Tiffany Anderson) is preoccupied with the Ballyhoo ball while her cousin Sunny (Lauri Wynne) concerns herself with college course work. The rest of the family flits about with well-painted facades around their Christmas tree. The only Jewish household on the block — besides the family "on the tacky end" — proudly displays an evergreen, offset by a menorah, in their front window. Seamlessly blending in an anti-semitic Atlanta is difficult for the family while they try to balance reality and make-believe.

"I think as a viewer, this play shows self-hate extremely well," said Adam Zarowski, a senior theater major from El Paso and member of the

technical crew as he explained the meaning and content of the play.

The Texas Tech Theatre and Dance Department presents "The Last Night in Ballyhoo," directed by Richard Privitt. It consists of a seven-person cast.

House manager Max Campbell said he enjoyed working with his peers on the production.

"The cast is very tight and comfortable," he said.

A committee of faculty, staff and students chose the play prior to the fall semester. Privitt was eager to direct.

"I played Adolph in a Lubbock Community Theatre production six years ago," Privitt said. He cast Sean Cooper, a Fine Arts doctoral student studying theater, in the same role.

Melissa Merz, who has been teaching at Texas Tech for five years, dressed the cast.

"I'm excited to be involved," Merz said at the cast's first dress rehearsal.

The cast consists of six Tech students and one equity actor, Janet Jones. Aaron Jennejohn, a senior English major from Plano, plays Sunny's love interest Joe Farkas.

His character uncovers what Judaism means to him and tries to help Sunny see the same.

While the characters grow personally onstage during the course of the production, the cast found personal growth as well.

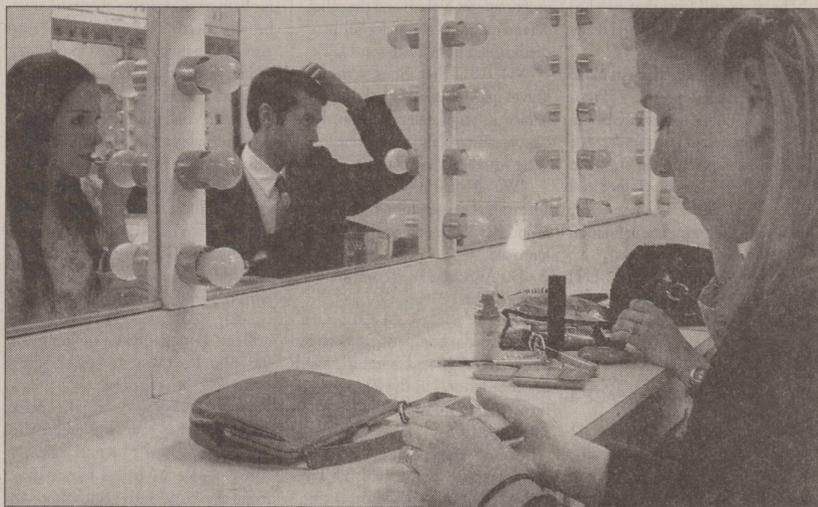
Lauri Wynne said she was able to try new method and find herself as an actor.

"This is my first play at Texas Tech, my first play at a big university," she said. "Mr. Privitt opens things up to his actors. He lets us experiment."

Tiffany Anderson, the youngest cast member, said her the production required her to work hard to perform in a professional theater environment.

"This is also my first play at Texas Tech," she said. "I've had to do more homework with this production than any other. I've started to take myself more seriously and learned how to be professional very quickly. Mr. Privitt is not too knit-picky with his cast; I've grown as an actress."

"The Last Night in Ballyhoo" began with a sneak peak Thursday, and opens to the public at 8 p.m. today in



CAST MEMBERS PREPARE for dress rehearsal Monday night in the dressing room at the Charles E. Maegden Theatre. "The Last Night in Ballyhoo" opens to the public today.

the Charles E. Maegden, Jr. Theatre. It will continue to run through Nov. 20 and again from Dec. 2-4.

"Most people don't know that there is free food opening night and

free admission to Texas Tech students during the entire run," Campbell said. "We do not have late seating, so we ask students to come to the theater at least fifteen minutes before

curtain to ensure a reserved seat," Privitt could not be more excited for opening night.

"It tickles me to see my vision come to the stage," Privitt said.

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'Laguna's' Talan to tie the knot

NEW YORK (AP) — Kimberly Stewart will wed Talan Torriero, one of the stars of the MTV reality series "Laguna Beach."

Stewart, the 26-year-old daughter of singer Rod Stewart, and Torriero, 19, are engaged, People magazine reported Thursday. Torriero's spokesman, Jack Ketsoyan, confirmed the couple's plans to the magazine.

Stewart also confirmed the engagement to Us Weekly, saying, "We're getting married."

They announced their surprise engagement Wednesday evening at a Los Angeles party for Microsoft's Xbox. Stewart flashed a 5-carat diamond engagement ring, according to People.

Stewart and Torriero, who have

been dating for several weeks, were recently in the news as the back seat passengers of Paris Hilton when she was involved in a minor car accident Nov. 9. No one was hurt and police said no one was cited after the mishap.

Stewart is a close friend of Hilton's and was at one time reported to be a possible replacement to Nicole Richie on the canceled Fox reality show "The Simple Life."

Torriero, who stars on the MTV high school reality show, has said he's attempting to start a music career.

Los Lonely drug charges dropped

SAN ANGELO (AP) — Los Lonely Boys drummer Ringo Garza had misdemeanor drug possession charges dismissed after his wife said marijuana found in their West Texas home belonged only to her, prosecutors said.

Lenora Garza, 25, was fined \$2,000 and credited with time served after she pleaded guilty Wednesday to a misdemeanor charge of possession of marijuana.

The same charge against her husband was dismissed because she claimed sole ownership of a container housing less than two ounces of the drug, Tom Green County Attorney Chris Taylor said.

"It's a misdemeanor marijuana case — in some circles, that's a badge of achievement," defense attorney Dick DeGuerin said in Thursday editions of the San Angelo Standard-Times. "I don't mean to be flippant, but I don't think it's a terrible thing."

Ringo Garza, 23, and his wife were arrested in January after their home was searched by police.

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Former Raider returns

Zane Lewis and his band are ready to deliver a high-energy show by playing "fuel injected country" music at Bash Riprock's Friday. Lewis, a Texas Tech graduate, is coming back home to showcase his seven-piece band.

The band is planning to bring a different sound to Lubbock as they play original songs as well as vintage covers.

"We play Merle Haggard, Waylon Jennings and even some (Rolling) Stones," Lewis said.

A former advertising major at Tech, Lewis claims he was on "the six-year plan." After graduation, he moved back to Dallas to pursue a career in advertising sales.

Two years ago, he started the band

and began its recording career. The Zane Lewis Band's latest CD titled "This Town" on Brand Z Productions produced two Texas Music Chart hits. The title track is currently No. 48 on this chart. Lewis' first single, "I Hate to See Her Go," stayed on the Texas Music Chart for 18 weeks and peaked at No. 21.

Lewis, a former Saddle Tramp and Raider Red, was back in Lubbock for the Texas A&M-Tech game two weeks ago.

"I miss Lubbock," Zane said. "I forgot about going out to the strip."

Lewis is excited about playing in his college town this weekend. "The whole group is pretty amped," he said. "We're definitely not your average country band."



RaiderGate raps'n'rolls

Country music performer Wade Bowen will make a stop in Lubbock to play at Wild West on Friday night, and then at RaiderGate on Saturday afternoon.

This is not Bowen's first trip to the Hub City and it will not be his last. He got his start playing in Lubbock. Playing at RaiderGate is something he said he has always admired throughout the years.

"I remember going to school there, and going out to RaiderGate to see the bands play," Bowen said.

Bowen, in 2002, finished at the No. 26 spot on the Texas Music Chart's Songs of the year. His album, "Blue Light Live," won the 2004 Album of the Year from MyTexasMusic.com.

He won the 2004 Male Vocalist of the Year from MyTexasMusic.com. Bowen is coming off six years of touring with singers such as Randy Rogers, and is currently writing songs for an upcoming album.

His stop in Lubbock will be one of many in Texas in the coming year. The upcoming album, "Lost Hotel," will feature new songs for the first time in two and a half years, Bowen said.

Bowen does not like to define his

music, but he said if he had to he would describe it as a mix between country and rock.

"Sometimes it can get too loud," Bowen said.

He will perform at RaiderGate before the Texas Tech-Oklahoma football game. The game is an early start for the Red Raiders — 11 a.m.

Tickets for Friday's performance will run \$10 for adults over the age of 21 and \$12 for minors.

Sparxxx also will be flying this weekend, and not just at the football game.

Rap artist Bubba Sparxxx will be in Lubbock this weekend to tailgate at the Tech-Oklahoma football game. He will join Bowen at RaiderGate Saturday.

He has been visiting various colleges to promote his new album "The Charm."

According to a news release, he is a personal fan of college football.

Sparxxx is best known for his song "Ugly."

Sparxxx, a Georgia native and continues a country theme in all of his work.

Six-pack attacks today

There is no better way to kick off this holiday season than having a hot, young country music group come and share their talent with the Hub City.

The 2005 Holiday Happening, presented by the Lubbock Junior League, will welcome award-winning Emerson Drive to perform at the Civic Center today.

The six young band members consider each other family. The band has been non-stop since they signed with DreamWorks. They practically call their tour bus home, performing more than 250 shows a year.

Their hard work paid off when they were awarded Top New Vocal Group/Duo at the 2003 American Country Music Awards.

Wallace said winning the award was a dream come true.

"It was unbelievable," he said. "We were sitting there, sweating bullets and heard our name called, and it was just an overwhelming feeling. It feels good to be accepted."

Not only did they win an AMC, the band also had two top-five hits with "Fall Into Me" and "I Should Be Sleeping," and a No. 1 music video on CMT's Top Twenty Countdown with "Fall Into Me."



Emerson Drive also toured with country recording artist Shania Twain, where they performed for sold-out arenas all over the country.

"I have played in other bands, and never wanted to tour, but there were many more opportunities in this band," he said.

The famous Richard Marx produced two songs on their last album "What If."

"That was an amazing opportunity to work with someone that talented," he said.

There is much more to come from Emerson Drive; it's working on a brand new album that fans can expect to see soon.

"We are working on an album with Alabama right now and should expect a single in late January, and the album out in March," Wallace said.

'Honey'-sweet sounds

With smiles everywhere and the energy level at an all time high, Fred Andrews said Lubbock is the place to play on a Friday night.

Texas Tech's loyal fan base and love for Texas music are what draws him back time and time again. Honey-browne plays today at Blue Light Live, and this lead singer said the crowd's reaction to the music could create a better concert atmosphere.

"We're going to get up there, and we're going to rock no matter what," Andrews said. "It just bumps it up to another level of energy. It takes it to a new level, especially at Texas Tech and in Lubbock."

Although unable to determine whether the energy was from the alcohol, music or Tech students' personalities, Andrews said Lubbock shows are always fun to play because everybody is always happy at their shows.

The band is scheduled to hit the stage around 10:30 p.m.

Andrews said he is ready for the show.

"Everybody has such a good time at Tech," he said. "They party. It's never a downer."

While the band originally began in the San Marcos and Austin area the

band began touring in Southeast Texas about four years ago. The four-piece band is currently out on tour to promote their new album.

Beyond Andrews on guitar and vocals, the band also consists of Cody Banks on drums, Alex Weeden on lead guitar and Jake Bass Blackwell on bass guitar.

"Something To Believe In," Honey-browne's newest album, was released Tuesday. The CD has 10 new tracks, and Andrews said the best part of the new release was the songwriting.

"They're songs that grab parts of your emotions," he said.

With everything from anger to love, Andrews said the album features songs for every emotion that can be imagined without making the different tracks on the CD seem completely unrelated.

"I think it has a similar vein, but they're pretty eclectic sounding," he said. "It's a good blend."

Andrews said was his favorite track on the new album is "8 Roses."

"It just makes you want to shake your fist and turn it up louder," he said.

As Honey-browne's fourth studio album, Andrews said this album has a little something for everyone.

"It's a good listen," Andrews said. "I think it's wonderful."

MC Chris, SNMNMNM won't melt in your hand

Some know him as MC Pee Pants from Aqua Teen Hunger Force, others know him as Hesh Hipplewhite from Sealab 2021.

The rest know him as MC Chris. KTXT-FM will bring "nerd-core rapper extraordinaire" MC Chris to Lubbock to perform at 9 p.m. Saturday at Jake's Sports Café's backroom. Admission is \$10.

Playing with MC Chris on his Revenge of the Nerd Tour will be SNMNMNM and the Ergs.

SNMNMNM is a band whose name stands for its member's names. Seamus, Mark, Matthew and Matt equals SNMNMNM.

Opening up the show is the pop punk band the Ergs, fresh from its new release, "DorkRockCorkRod."

MC Chris and DJ John have released five total albums.

The latest album was released under the label DC Flag.

For more information, go to the MC Chris Web site at www.mcchris.com.

On the MC Chris Web site, the show is scheduled for the Winchester Slaughterhouse, and since that posting the site has been changed to Jake's backroom.

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8 AM	Bears	Johnny Weir skates. Also: "Toy Test 2005."	Also: chef Bobby Flay.	About Animals	Roseanne	Roseanne	8 AM	Biscuit Bros.		Backyardigans	Paid Program	Lilo & Stitch	Bratz	8 AM	Buster	Texas Reporter	Sunday Morning	Special Edition	Feed Children	Believers Voice	
9 AM	Dragon Tales		Judge Mathis	Tony Danza	Martha	Martha	9 AM	Auto B. Good	Tutenstein	Little Bill	Paid Program	Proud Family	Sonic X	9 AM	Maya Miguel		Nation	Petseeping	Safari Tracks	In Touch	FOX News Sunday
10 AM	Sesame Street	Regis & Kelly Patricia Arquette.	Price Is Right	Judge Joe	The View	Tyra Banks	10 AM	Texas Parks	Trading	Paid Program	Pollard Ford	Suits Life Zack	G.I. Joe Sigma	10 AM	Destinos		Hour of Power	Access Holly-wood	Si se puede!	Encounter Truth	
11 AM	Mister Rogers	Jeopardy!	Young and the Restless (HD)	Judge Hatchett	Paid Program	Starting Over	11 AM	Wild Chronicles	Darcy's	Cadwell Bank	Satum	Phil of Future	One Piece	11 AM	Destinos	Southwest Baptist Church	NFL Today	Extra	This Week with Stephanopoulos	NFL Sunday	
12 PM	Router	News	KLBK 13 News	Jerry Springer	All My Children	Access Holywd	12 PM	Victory Garden	Endurance	Paid Program	Paid Program	Power Rangers	Satum	12 PM	MoneyTrack	Bull Riding PBR in Uncasville, Conn. (Live)	NFL Football Teams TBA (Live)	Paid Program	Women's Golf ADT Championship (Live)	NFL Football To Be Announced	
1 PM	Sewing	Days of Our Lives	Bold & Beautiful	One Life to Live	People's Court	Extra	1 PM	HomeTime	College Football Syracuse at Notre Dame (Live) (HD)	College F1ball	College Football Alabama at Auburn (Live) (HD)	Paid Program	Paid Program	1 PM	Religion	NASCAR Pre race (HD)	"Gloria" (89) A tribute to the Army's first black regiment, created during the Civil War.	Golf WGC World Cup (T)	To Be Announced		
2 PM	The Lions	Inside Edition	Maury	Montel Williams	Elen DeGeneres		2 PM	Antiques Roadshow	Wife and Kids	Ebert & Roeper	Access Holly-wood			2 PM	Independent Lens "Mirror Dance"	Auto Racing NASCAR Nextel Cup in Homestead, Fla. (Live) (HD)	NFL Football Teams TBA (Live)	Paid Program	World News	Paid Program	
3 PM	Clifford	Dr. Phil	Judge Judy	That '70s Show	Insider	Fox 34 News First@Four	3 PM	MotorWeek	Jeopardy!					3 PM	Journey of Sacagawea		60 Minutes	Veronica Mars (HD)	Funniest Home Videos	Simpsons	
4 PM	Arthur	News	KLBK 13 News	Access Holywd	News	Malcolm	4 PM	Barbecue	Jeopardy!					4 PM	Lawrence Welk		"The Poseidon Adventure" (05)	Cold Case "Honor" (HD)	★★ "The Preacher's Wife" (96, Fantasy Denzel Washington, (PG)	Desperate Housewives (HD)	American Dad
5 PM	Maya Miguel	News	KLBK 13 News	Family Feud	News	Friends	5 PM	How Cook	NBC News					5 PM	Masterpiece Theatre "The Virgin Queen"	Law & Order: SVU "Ripped" (HD)	48 Hours Mystery	24 "7:00 AM-8:00 AM"	Fox 34 News		
6 PM	NewsHour with Jim Lehrer	Wheel Fortune	Who Mil.	Extra	Entertainment	Raymond	6 PM	Destinos	Wheel Fortune	Paid Program	Extra	News	CSI: Crime Scene "Snakes"	6 PM	Nature (HD)		"Snow Wonder" (05, Drama) Mary Tyler Moore. (NR)	Star Trek: Enterprise "United"	Sports		
7 PM	Washington Now	Dateline NBC	Ghost Whisperer "Voices" (HD)	Friday Night SmackDown!	Supernanny	Bernie Mac	7 PM	Lawrence Welk	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "In the Wee Small Hours" (HD)	Without a Trace "Light Years"	"The Rock" (96, Action/Adventure) Sean Connery, Nicolas Cage.	"Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" The boy wizard investigates students turning to stone.	America's Most Wanted	7 PM	Masterpiece Theatre "The Virgin Queen"	Law & Order: SVU "Ripped" (HD)	48 Hours Mystery	24 "7:00 AM-8:00 AM"	Fox 34 News		
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10 PM	Nightly Business	(35) Jay Leno (HD)	(35) David Letterman (HD)	Fear Factor	(35) Nightline	Seinfeld	10 PM	Soundstage "America" (HD)	Saturday Night Live "Eva Longoria; Korn" (HD)	(35) At Home	(35) Love Lucy	(35) Entertainment Tonight	Mad TV	10 PM	Silent Killer	(35) Inside Ed.	Paid Program	Red Raider	(35) Entertainment Tonight	CSI: Crime Scene "Nesling Dole"	
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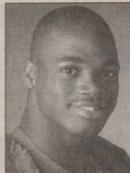
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TAUREAN HENDERSON
SENIOR RUNNING BACK

After turning in his worst performance of the season in Stillwater, Henderson will be eager to put forth a standout performance in his final game at Jones SBC Stadium. Henderson must be contained for the Sooners to leave Lubbock with a victory.

OKLAHOMA



ADRIAN PETERSON
SOPHOMORE RUNNING BACK

Injuries have kept Peterson from putting together the Heisman caliber season he did in 2004. Though Peterson appeared healthy last week against Texas A&M rushing for 135 yards and two touchdowns. OU needs a big game from Peterson to keep pace.

THE MATCHUP

QUARTERBACKS



OU's Rhett Bomar is showing improvement, but he's no O'Brien candidate. Cody Hodges is.

RUNNING BACKS



Adrian Peterson was a Heisman Trophy candidate last season. Injuries have kept him from it this year.

RECEIVERS



The Raiders receiving core is still one of the best in the nation, and have the Top 4 receivers in the Big 12.

OFFENSIVE LINE



The Sooners have allowed seven fewer sacks, and average 61 more yards rushing per game.

DEFENSIVE FRONT



OU's defense is not what it usually is, but it's linebacking core and defensive ends can still give opposing offenses headaches.

SECONDARY



Tech is No.2 in the Big 12 in pass defense, and Dwayne Slay will be key in slowing Adrian Peterson.

Leach and Co. look for happier holidays

Leach hopes to spend Thanksgiving celebrating a win over the only Big 12 opponent he's never defeated

By **JOEY KIRK**
EDITOR

Mike Leach has a lot to be thankful for in his six years at Texas Tech.

When he sits down to carve the turkey this year, he hopes to add something else to that list.

Under the Red Raider coach, Tech has beaten every Big 12 Conference opponent with the exception of one — his former employer, Oklahoma.

But Leach said there is a reason for his 0-5 record against the Sooners.

"I am in a long line of people that have struggled with Oklahoma over the years," he said.

It's not because OU understands his offensive strategy, throw the ball time and time again. Just ask him.

"There is no more legitimacy to that than the fact that everyone else has had trouble with them too," Leach said.

The real reason rests in success — something the Sooners have had much of in the past.

"I can't think of many that have just had their way with Oklahoma," Leach said. "Of course of all those years, Oklahoma was more successful than all of (the Big 12 teams)."

Since Leach moved to Lubbock at the end of 1999 from Norman, Okla., where he was the Sooners' offensive coordinator, OU has appeared in three national championship games, winning once in 2000. The Sooners went to the NCAA's top bowl game during the past two years, but emerged defeated by LSU in 2003 and Southern California

last season.

Because his third, fourth and fifth times were not a charm, BCS No. 19-ranked Tech and Leach have another shot to do it this year at 11 a.m. Saturday in Jones SBC Stadium. But senior quarterback Cody Hodges said it won't be an easy task, despite BCS No. 25-ranked OU (6-3 overall, 5-1 Big 12) having its worst start in several years, going 2-3 in its first five games.

"They have owned Tech in the last five years," he said. "It's a big challenge for us."

Something else the Raiders must face is Adrian Peterson, the Sooners' sophomore running back who had 146 yards rushing and a touchdown in last season's 28-13 victory over Tech.

"He is really a key. They have had a lot of guys in there that do a pretty good job," Leach said. "Whether he is in there or not, I think that they want to run the ball. So, I think that is a big key."

After giving up 303 yards on the ground to Oklahoma State Saturday in Stillwater, Okla., changes to Tech's defense probably will be made to accommodate one of the nation's most productive running backs.

In Peterson's eight games played this season, he leads the Sooners with 679 yards on 144 carries, averaging 4.7 yards per touch. But he has sat out once this season and has only started in four of the contests he has played.

Whether the defense stops Peterson's chances on the ground, Hodges said Tech's offense has to try and produce more than it did in the game against OSU.

"The offense needs to move the ball early and get in the endzone early," he



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

OKLAHOMA RUNNING BACK Adrian Peterson, No. 28, is taken down by former Red Raider Clay McGuire in the Sooners' 28-13 victory over Tech in 2004.

said. "They will try to stop our run game just like Oklahoma State did."

The Raiders had 30 yards rushing Saturday, ending in their second loss of the season, 24-17.

With an 8-2 overall record, 5-2 in the conference, Tech still has a chance to place second in the Big 12 behind No. 2 Texas — only if the Raiders beat OU, however. A win would likely give Tech a berth

to the SBC Cotton Bowl in Dallas, but a loss probably would result in a trip to the Alamo Bowl in San Antonio.

With one last opportunity for Tech's seniors to savor victory over the Sooners, Hodges said he hopes to help make Leach even more thankful this holiday season.

"It's a chance for the seniors to go out with a win and for us to get a win for coach Leach against his former team," he said.

Peachy Paterno will be the nation's new chocolate

You know you're somebody when you get an ice cream flavor named after you. Not that Penn State coach Joe Paterno needs ice cream to solidify his legacy, but he's got it.



Trey Shipman

Peachy Paterno is reportedly a favorite at the Penn State campus creamery. I admire this man. Not because he's got a flavor of ice cream, Mint Chocolate Shipman just doesn't roll off the tongue.

I admire him, because at 79, he puts as much energy into his job as he did 55 years ago when he was an assistant for the Nittany Lions. I admire him because even in recent years when some of his most loyal supporters called for his resignation, Paterno responded with perseverance and has the No. 5 Nittany Lions on track for a Big-10 title and berth in a BCS bowl.

He's the epitome of what hard work and determination can ac-

complish — even at 79. He's got a passion for the game, and a passion for life, the world needs more of that — one scoop of Peachy Paterno please.

No. 5 Penn State (9-1) at Michigan State (5-5)

Michigan State was nothing more than a tease. After a 4-0 start, including a win over No. 10 Notre Dame, the Spartans since have lost five of their last six contests.

The Nittany Lions, on the other hand, are a last-second loss to Michigan away from being considered for the Rose Bowl.

Penn State quarterback Michael Robinson has thrown and rushed for a combined 2,687 yards and 25 touchdowns. Not a bad stat line, but he might not even be the best quarterback in the game.

Spartan quarterback Drew Stanton has thrown for 2,844 yards and 21 touchdowns, and should provide a challenge for a stingy Penn State defense — but not for long...

Penn State 45, Michigan State 21

No. 9 Ohio State (8-2) at No. 17 Michigan (9-3)

Should a miracle occur, and Penn State was to lose, this classic rivalry would serve as the Big 10 championship. Conference title on the line or not, these two squads still should serve up yet another epic grudge match.

"The Big House" in Ann Arbor, Mich., might be the most difficult stadium in the country to emerge with a victory. Though the Buckeyes are riding a five-game win streak and should have a good shot.

OSU's only two losses have come at the hands of Texas and Penn State and have won every other game by at least 11 points.

Behind the duo of quarterback Chad Henne and running back Michael Hart, the Wolverines will keep the rival Buckeyes modest, but won't be able to finish the job.

Ohio State 34, Michigan 30

No. 8 Alabama (9-1) at No. 11 Auburn (8-2)

Talk about a game that could go either way. Not only do these teams hate each other, but the fact

that at least a share of the SEC title is up for grabs only intensifies the rivalry. 'Bama suffered its first setback of the season to LSU last week while Auburn squeaked by Georgia 31-30.

The Crimson Tide still doesn't have an offense and this week it might cost them. Call me crazy, but I saw Alabama's deflating loss last week as the beginning of the end. After having their hopes set so high, the disappointment will be too much to overcome.

Auburn will use the momentum of last week's victory to help bring the Alabama resurgence to a screeching halt ...

Auburn 20, Alabama 14

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No. 13 Lady Raiders learn from loss to No. 3 LSU, ready for next test

By TRAVIS CRAM
SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

Starting off the season against No. 3 Louisiana State could turn out to be a good thing for coach Marsha Sharp and the No. 13 Lady Raiders.

Sharp said although the game will count as a loss for her team, it was a great learning experience and will help the team improve throughout the season.

"I think we are really focused and we learned a lot before we get further into the season," she said.

Tech (0-1) was able to hang with LSU until a key three pointer by Texas-native RaShonta LeBlanc fell in with about two minutes left in the game, sealing the victory for the Lady Tigers.

Senior forward LaToya Davis notched her 11th career double-double against LSU, scoring 21 points while grabbing 13 rebounds in the effort.

Davis said the team performed well in the absence of senior guard Chesley Dabbs and showed determination with their overall performance against LSU, which hopefully will transfer into some wins for the Lady Raiders.

Freshman guard LaVonda "Tiny" Henderson did her best to

help out Tech in her first start, scoring 11 points and taking four steals away from LSU.

Davis said Henderson should provide help down the stretch of the season and proved herself to other teammates with her performance as a freshman.

"She just threw everything out the window and stepped up and filled the role out there," she said.

The Lady Raiders should face less of a test against Southeast Missouri State (0-0) on Friday night after playing a team like LSU, but do not tell Sharp that.

State has three returning starters who helped the Redhawks win over 20 games a year ago. Their key returner and high-scorer is senior center Tariana Conceicao who averaged 17.6 points and 6.1 rebounds in 2004.

One thing the Lady Raiders will continue to do is work in plenty of players off the bench and work on different defensive strategies, something Sharp said is important to establish before the team begins Big 12 play in January.

Although the goal of every game is to win, Sharp said she wants to keep working on differ-

ent scenarios that are difficult to simulate in practice, especially for the underclassmen.

"They have to adjust to game situations that they have never seen before and it's important to continue to work on that as much as we can," she said.

The Lady Raiders will face three teams in less than one week after Friday's game. That includes back-to-back trips to Houston and Oxford, Miss., to play Rice and Ole Miss before returning home to square-off against No. 10 Stanford Nov. 27.

Sharp said although the trips will be physically tiring, it will be a huge mental test for her players as well.

"We're in good shape," she said. "They'll have to get over whatever happens in the game before and refocus quickly for the next team."

Most teams may find it hard to start thinking about the next game that quickly, but it could play as an advantage for Sharp and her players next week.

"I think it does give you an opportunity to redo things," she said. "I do expect us to play well in this game and against Rice, so hopefully we will be able to build on those positives."

Orange savor flavor of Big Apple

No. 16 Syracuse peels Red Raiders, 81-46, in Coaches vs. Cancer

NEW YORK (AP) — Syracuse had big runs in each half and the 16th-ranked Orange ran away to an 81-46 victory over Texas Tech on Thursday night in the semifinals of the 2K Sports College Hoop Classic.

The defending champion Orange (3-0) will play Florida in the championship game Friday night at Madison Square Garden. The Gators advanced with a 77-72 victory over No. 19 Wake Forest in the other semifinal.

The matchup of two of the winningest coaches in college basketball history was never much of a game. Jim Boeheim got his 706th career win and improved his record against Bob Knight to 4-1, although Knight's lone win was in the 1987 national championship game when he was with Indiana. Knight has 856 victories.

Gerry McNamara had 12 points and nine assists for Syracuse, which opened the game with a 20-4 run. The Red Raiders (2-1) missed their first 12 shots from the field and 16 of their first 17.

Demetris Nichols hit a 3-pointer just before the halftime buzzer to give Syracuse a 34-22 lead.

Dior Lowhorn scored to bring Texas Tech within 42-28 with 17:08 to play, then the Orange went on a 21-3 run to take a 63-31 lead with 9:13 to go.

In that span, the Red Raiders committed eight turnovers against the 2-3 zone and Knight called two timeouts and there was also a TV timeout. None of the talking on the bench helped. Syracuse led by as many as 39 points — 75-36 with 5:15 left.

Knight's worst loss in his four-plus seasons at Texas Tech was 90-50 to Kansas on March 9, 2002, his first season there.

Nichols and Eric Devendorf each had 11 points for the Orange, while Louie McCroskey had 10. Syracuse shot 51.6 percent from the field (33-for-64), including 8-for-25 from 3-point range. The Orange were a combined 7-for-35 from beyond the arc in their first two games with McNamara going 1-for-14. He was 3-for-7 against Texas Tech.

Lowhorn had 11 points for the Red Raiders, who finished 17-for-59 from the field (28.8 percent) and committed 18 turnovers, 11 in the second half.

Tech to honor seniors in home finale

Texas Tech volleyball returns home to Lubbock for its home finale against Iowa State 7 p.m. Saturday against Iowa State.

Tech (11-17, 4-13 Big 12) lost its seventh-consecutive match against Texas on Wednesday night 3-0, by the scores of 30-19, 30-20 and 30-18.

Iowa State (14-14, 7-10 Big 12) snapped its six-match losing streak with a win over

Oklahoma on Wednesday and will be looking to get back to over .500 for the season.

Tech seniors will be honored at the game before the first serve at 7 p.m. This year's class includes middle blocker Bridanna Florus and libero Desiree Batista, both have been at Tech for the last two years.

—Travis Cram/Senior Sports Writer

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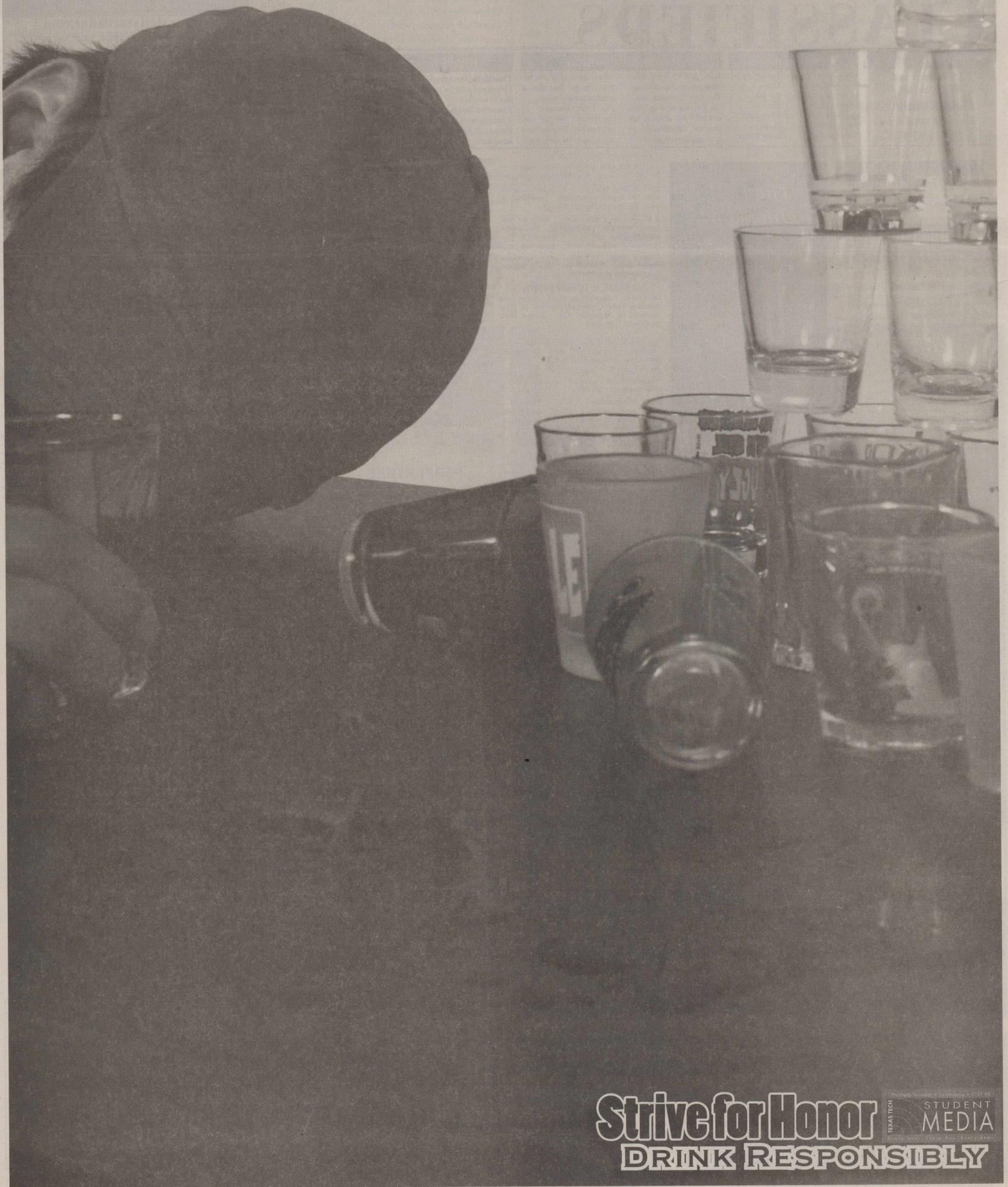
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