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STATE
Judge sued over handling of inmate's appeal

HOUSTON (AP) — The wife of an executed man is suing a judge who prevented his state appeal from being filed. The lawsuit by Marsha Richard (ree-SHAHRD') against Texas Court of Criminal Appeals Presiding Judge Sharon Keller, filed in Houston, accuses her of violating the rights of Michael Richard by preventing his attorneys from filing an appeal hours before his execution.

NATION
Oil prices stalled in rise toward \$100 per barrel

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil prices stalled in their climb toward \$100 a barrel Wednesday after a government report said oil inventories fell less than expected last week while refinery utilization remained flat. Oil investors largely viewed the report as neutral in that it confirmed a view that oil supplies are falling, but offered no real surprises. A larger than expected drop would most certainly have propelled oil past \$100 a barrel for the first time. Crude inventories did fall at the closely watched New York Mercantile Exchange delivery terminal in Cushing, Okla., but that did not appear to be enough to propel prices higher.

WORLD
Teen shoots, kills 8 then kills self

TUUSULA, Finland (AP) — An 18-year-old gunman opened fire at his high school in this placid town in southern Finland on Wednesday, killing seven other students and the principal before mortally wounding himself in a rampage that stunned a nation where gun crime is rare. Police were analyzing YouTube postings that appeared to anticipate the massacre, including clips.

DEATH TOLL
3858
U.S. military deaths in Iraq since fighting began
SOURCE: Associated Press, confirmed by the Department of Defense

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PART FIVE IN A FIVE-PART SERIES HIGHLIGHTING STUDENTS WHO LEAD LIFESTYLES OFF THE BEATEN PATH

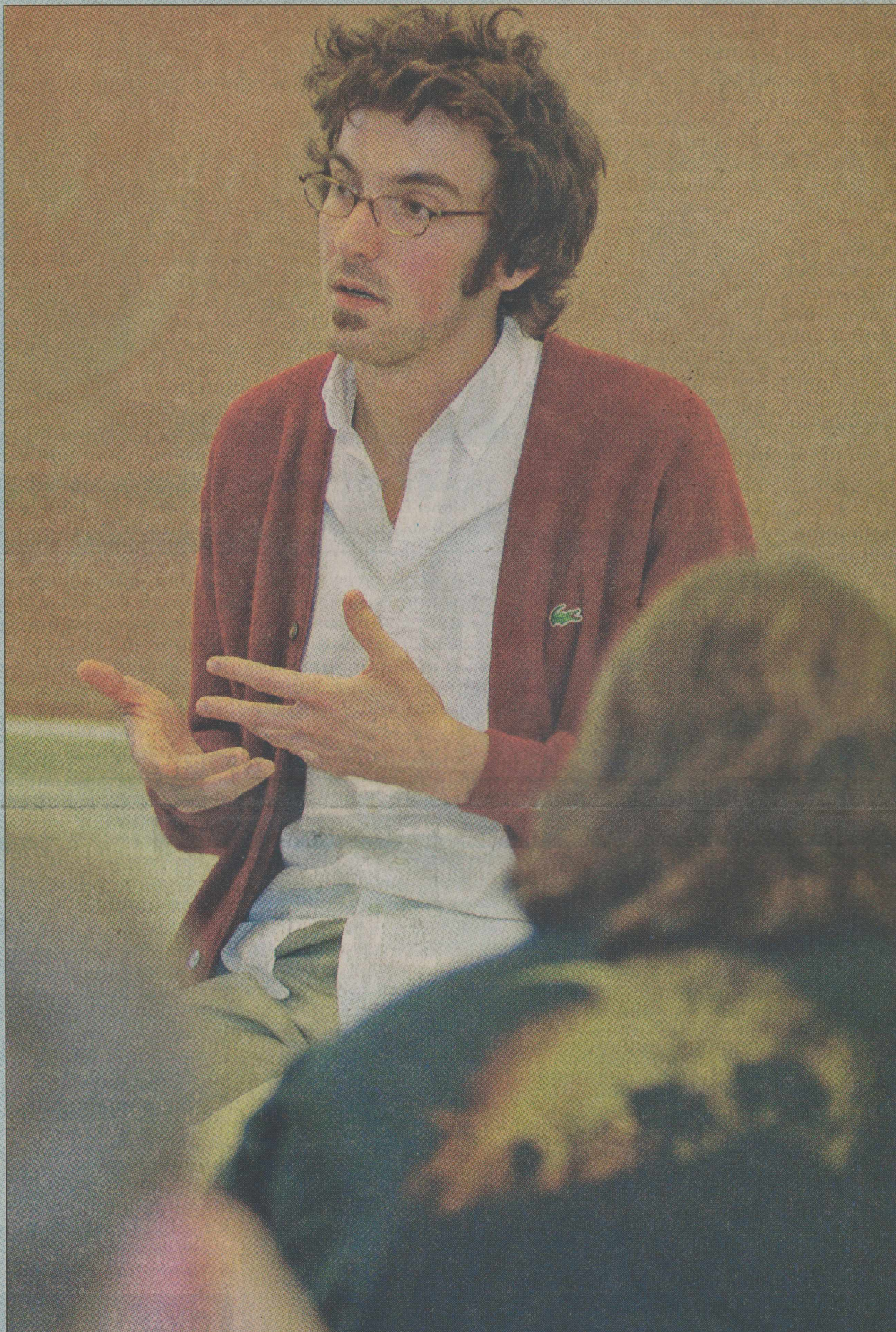


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JUSTIN MCNAMARA, A graduate student and teacher's assistant in the Texas Tech history department, lectures to a class Wednesday afternoon. McNamara enrolled in graduate school in 2006 because of his interest in the Vietnam Center and Archive.

Teaching assistant transitions between student life, professional world

By ELLIOTT COCHRAN
STAFF WRITER

The relationship between students and their teachers is a professional one, and sometimes bringing the two together can be a daunting task.

Justin McNamara, a 23-year-old graduate student from Hattiesburg, Miss., studying 20th century American history, is enrolled in nine hours of academics while teaching four classes as a teaching assistant in the history department.

He said reading the relationships between his students and himself vary because of his age and ap-

proach to students.

"A lot of times, students are trying to feel their way out with you too," he said. "I get called 'professor' or 'Mr. McNamara' and all this kind of stuff; really I'm just a year older or two or three years older than most of these people I'm teaching. Some students get really stand-offish outside of class. I try to tell my students to speak with me if you see me outside of class, but students are timid sometimes."

McNamara received his undergraduate degree at

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Bush, Sarkozy oppose nuclear-armed Iran

By DEB RIECHMANN

MOUNT VERNON, Va. (AP) — President Bush and French President Nicolas Sarkozy stood shoulder-to-shoulder against a nuclear-armed Iran on Wednesday, demonstrating the cozier relationship between the two countries under France's new conservative leader.

Bush said agreement on Iran was a hallmark of their talks here at the Virginia home of George Washington. He said they expressed "the desire to work jointly to convince the Iranian regime to give up their nuclear weapons ambitions for the sake of peace."

"It is unacceptable for Iran at any point to have a nuclear

weapon," said Sarkozy. He said, "I believe even in the need to toughen" United Nations sanctions now leveled against Tehran for continuing to enrich uranium.

Although some suspect Bush of leading a march toward war to stop Iran from developing a nuclear bomb, the U.S. president said the diplomatic course is his preferred choice.

"The idea of Iran having a nuclear weapon is dangerous, and therefore now is the time for us to work together to diplomatically solve this problem," Bush said.

Sarkozy emphasized that Iran should be allowed to have civilian nuclear power, which Tehran argues is the sole aim of its nuclear program. "Iran is entitled to the energy of the future which is nuclear energy," he said.

First lady visits Tech campuses

By GLENYS BOLLS
STAFF WRITER

Check out a video at
<http://www.dailytreador.com>

First Lady Laura Bush visited the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center in Amarillo Wednesday for a luncheon and roundtable discussion recognizing the renaming of the former Women's Health Research Institute in her honor.

The institute, established in 2000 and renamed the Laura W. Bush Institute for Women's Health Aug. 7, brings together Tech's five regional campuses in Amarillo, Lubbock, Abilene, El Paso and the Permian Basin.

"The Women's Health Institute of Amarillo has many accomplishments over an eight-year period and a tradition of excellence in education and community outreach," said Dr. Steven Berk, dean of the School of Medicine in Lubbock. "Now that tradition will extend to all campuses under the Laura Bush name."

Tech Chancellor Kent Hance said the institute will help the campuses work together because they now have common goals.

"We're working on women's health issues, we're working on prevention, we're working on research, and there's going to be some great things coming out of this," Hance said. "(Wednesday) morning

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LAURA BUSH

Bush tells Musharraf to hold elections

By DEB RIECHMANN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush, personally intervening in the political crisis in Pakistan, told President Pervez Musharraf on Wednesday he must hold parliamentary elections soon and step down as army leader.

"You can't be the president and the head of the military at the same time," Bush said, describing a 20-minute telephone call with Musharraf. "I had a very frank discussion with him."

It was Bush's first contact with Musharraf since he declared emergency rule on Saturday and granted sweeping powers to authorities to crush political dissent.

Bush revealed the call to Musharraf during an appearance with the French president, Nicolas Sarkozy, at George Washington's home in Mount Vernon, Va.

For several days, the White House has faced questions about why Bush was taking a relatively soft line on the crackdown and had not spoken directly to Musharraf, whom Bush has called a friend he trusts.

State grants Tech new technical communication program

By MATT MCGOWAN
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board approved the establishment of a separate undergraduate program for a bachelor of arts in technical communication at Texas Tech this week.

The new program, which before was a part of a bachelor's degree in English, now will be offered as an independent degree program within the College of Arts and Sciences.

As a separate program, the technical communication curriculum will make the field of study more visible to prospective students and will give it an identity of its own, said Sam Dragga, chairman of the Department of English.

"Most people, when they think of a degree in English, they think of it as the study of literature and language in great variety," he said. "They don't as often think of it as technical writing, so having this specific degree in technical communication will make this area of study something where we can recruit students directly out of high school."

The board spent approximately three-and-a-half months examining several factors before it granted Tech the new program, said James Goeman, program director for the board's Division of Academic Affairs and Research.

He said the factors included many aspects surrounding the degree program, such as industry employment demand, program faculty, program facilities and program curriculum. Cost analysis also is an integral part of the approval process.

There may be a need to recruit

more faculty members to accommodate potential growth in technical communication enrollment, Dragga said.

"That would come from tuition and fees, formula funding," he said. "As the number of students in a particular study grows, the number of faculty will grow with it."

Thomas Barker, director of technical communication and rhetoric in the College of Arts and Sciences, said administrators project enrollment in the undergraduate program to peak at 100 students within five years.

The minor accompanying the technical communication major is an important new aspect of the degree, he said. More than 60 minors across the university have been identified that would be applicable to technical communication, some of which are anthropology, agriculture, business, sciences and engineering.

"The message that I have for students entering into the program is that the career in technical communication is the minor, but the profession is the major," Barker said. "That means that a person who is a professional technical communicator can work in a variety of industries."

Technical communication is one of the nation's most sought-after specializations, he said. Employers from a wide variety of industries are seeking graduates with the ability to bridge the gap between technology and those who use it, which is why development of user-centered technologies is at the heart of modern technical communication.

"Our poster child for a job straight out of college is \$55,000 at IBM for the first year, and that student had a minor in industrial engineering and a major

in tech comm," Barker said. "I would say our graduates generally go into a \$40,000 to \$50,00 thousand range."

While working as interns at a local business, he said, several technical communication students reported that the store's managers had oversimplified inventory data after falsely assuming the students would not understand its complexity.

"The students came back and told me that, and I vowed right then that it would never happen again if I can help it," he said. "They need to have as much information as they can to do a good job, and being stigmatized as English majors is not what we want our students to do."

Tech's technical communication program has long been one of the best of its kind in the state, Dragga said, especially now that it officially is its own academic entity.

"That's unquestioned," he said. "That's because we offer, now, the BA, the MA and the Ph.D. We offer the MA and Ph.D. both on-site and online, and we offer the only online Ph.D. program for technical communication in the world."

Advocates of the program at Tech did well in providing the board with all the information it needed during the review process, Goeman said.

"They did a good job of giving us information and following up with us," he said. "When I had additional questions, the head of the program . . . was very prompt in getting additional information to us to help us make our decision."

The state board does not encounter as many applications for technical communications degree programs as it had in the past, Goeman said.

"This is an area that was hot about

seven or eight years ago during the dot-com boom," he said. "When that segment started to go bust around

2000, 2001, the demand for additional degree programs in that area dropped off. There has been a big change in

the field, and this is the first one that I have seen in some time."

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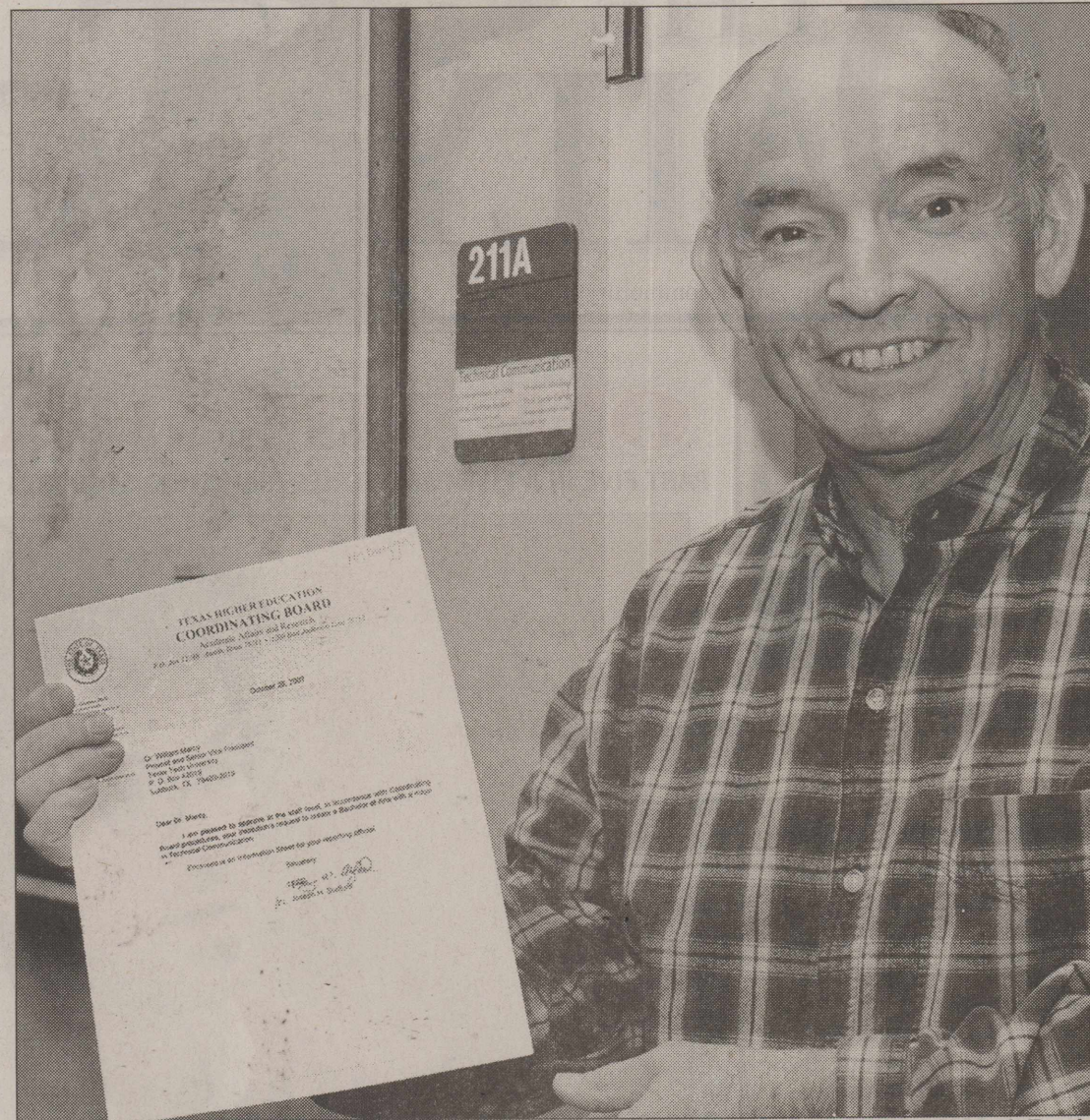


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THOMAS BARKER, DIRECTOR of technical communication, proudly displays the acceptance letter from the Higher Education Coordinating Board making the bachelor of arts in technical communication an official degree Wednesday afternoon outside his office in the English building.

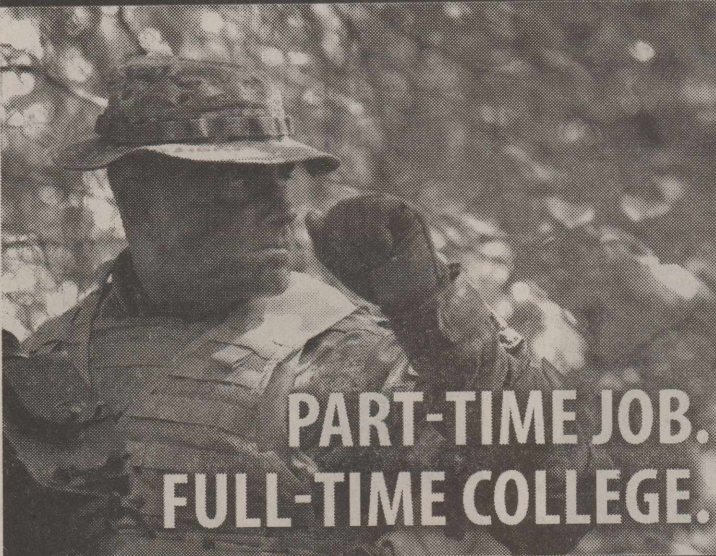
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Bush

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we had a roundtable discussion with Mrs. Bush and explained some of the things that we're doing with the Laura W. Bush Institute for Women's Health, and she's very excited about that."

According to the White House Web site, www.whitehouse.gov, women's health is one of the key issues Bush stresses through her position as the first lady. She tries to educate women about the need for a lifestyle "that promotes lifelong health, not only for every woman's own benefit, but also for the benefit of family and loved ones."

In her speech, Bush said women's health is an important issue because of the plethora of diseases and conditions that only affect women.

"A whole range of health concerns are unique to women," she said, "from devastating illnesses like cervical and ovarian cancer to the joys of pregnancy and motherhood to the less than joyful experience of menopause."

Dr. Marjorie Jenkins, executive director of the institute, said women's health is an issue because it is misunderstood.

"Women's health, for decades, has been viewed as gynecological health, and that is what we thought women's health was: pregnancy and reproduction," she said. "But if you ask any man or woman, if you ask my husband sitting here, 'Are men and women different?' he would say a resounding yes."

Jenkins said the differences between the genders go farther than the normal stereotypes.

"Our communication styles are different, our reactions to

stress, our abilities to multi-task, and yes, we do differ in disease manifestations and treatment response," Jenkins said.

"There is a huge difference between men and women."

Jenkins said the institute will have an impact because of the diverse needs of the women it will help.

"Women are physical health, emotional health, social health, spiritual health and financial health," she said. "All of what we do at this institute is actually for the ultimate benefit of those that we serve, and that is the women."

stitute has much to offer the women it serves.

"When it comes to women's health," she said, "education and prevention are often the only cure we have."

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— DR. MAJORIE JENKINS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
LAURA W. BUSH INSTITUTE FOR
WOMEN'S HEALTH

After leaving Amarillo, Bush headed to the Health Sciences Center's Permian Basin campus in Odessa for a reception announcing the creation of the Jenna Welch Women's Center in honor of Bush's mother. The Women's Center will be a part of the Laura W. Bush Institute, but no further information about the center was available at press time.

Bush agreed, saying the in- ▶▶ glenys.bolls@ttu.edu

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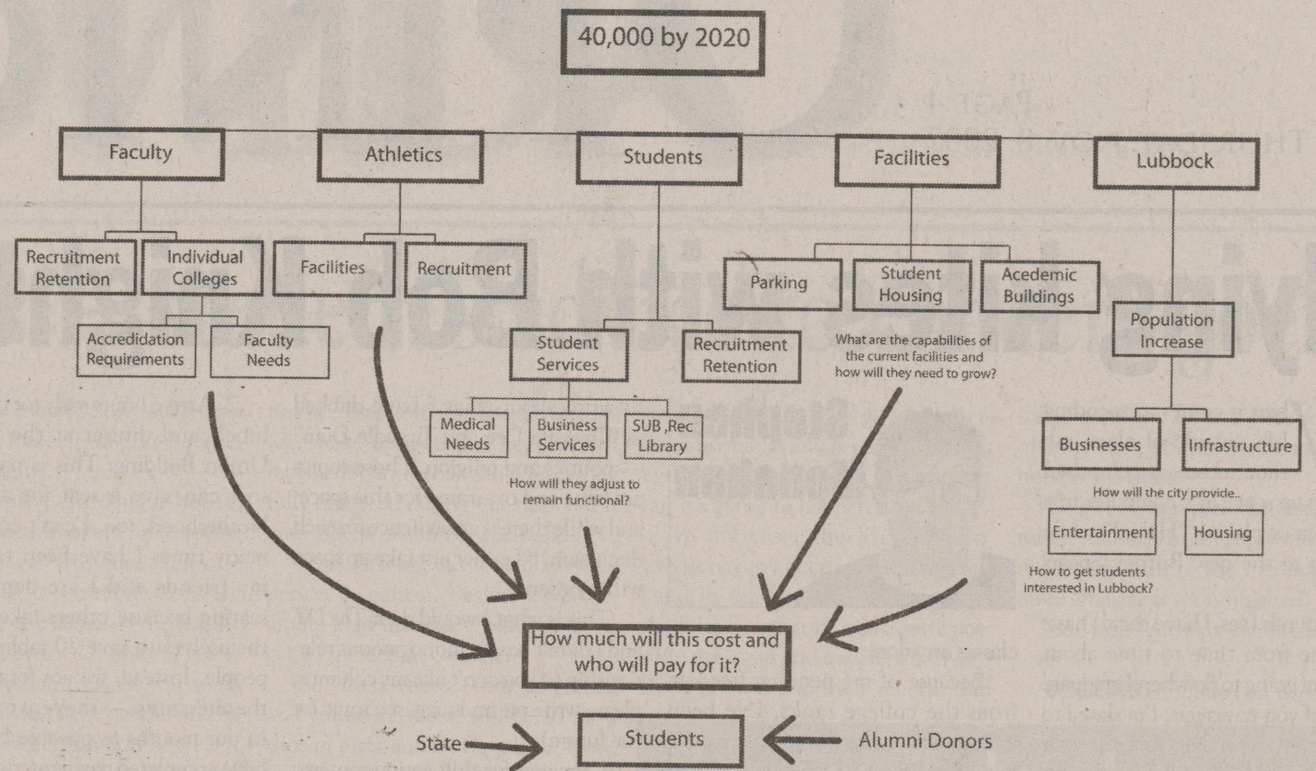
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40,000 by 2020 means big changes for Tech

Shortly after his arrival at Texas Tech, Chancellor Kent Hance unveiled a massive recruiting and funding effort designed to increase the university to 40,000 students by 2020, approximately 12,000 more students than are currently enrolled.

In next week's issues of *The Daily Toreador*, a five-part series will run taking an in-depth look at these changes and what they will mean for the future of the university. We hope the series will provide current

and prospective students an opportunity to see the new directions this university is pursuing and perhaps utilize their time in Lubbock to shape the outcomes of some of those decisions. The chart to the right is a diagram explaining the areas of the story we will report on. We hope this chart will provide a clear explanation of why this story is so large and how it could affect every Tech student, past or present, and the residents of the City of Lubbock.



Tech Police Blotter: Flaming bicycles, public display of pornography investigated by officers

By ADAM YOUNG
STAFF WRITER

Oct. 31

An officer investigated a false alarm, which occurred in the Music building basement after a fire-alarm pull station was activated.

The rear window of a van was broken out in the R6 visitor parking lot.

An officer investigated criminal mischief in the R19 parking lot after the driver's side of a vehicle was written on with a dry-erase marker.

A window was shattered in the Clement Residence Hall. An officer investigated the criminal mischief.

A male student was arrested for public intoxication in the 3000 block of 19th Street after a report of the student walking down a lane of traffic and nearly being hit by vehicles. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

An officer arrested a male student for driving while intoxicated after an observed traffic violation in the Z4P parking lot. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail, and the vehicle was impounded.

Nov. 1

An officer responded to a traffic accident in which passenger suffered minor injuries at the intersection of Fifth Street and the Texas Tech Parkway.

The burglary of five coin-operated vending machines in Holden Hall was investigated by an officer.

An officer responded to a traffic accident in which no passengers suffered injuries at the intersection of 18th Street and Indiana Avenue.

The burglary of a men's Magna bicycle and lock, taken from the bed of a pickup truck in the Z5-C parking lot, was investigated by an officer.

A report of a suspicious person on the east side of the Child Development Center was responded to by an officer. The individual volunteered to seek treatment and was transported to the University Medical Center.

An officer responded to a medical emergency at the Medical Office Plaza, where a visitor fell and hit her head. She was transported to UMC by Emergency Medical Services.

Officers investigated a reported-Class C assault, which occurred on the northwest side of Holden Hall. The victim refused to file a report.

Nov. 2

An officer responded to a medical emergency at the Tech Health Sciences Center canopy. An elderly female fell and injured her knee and wrist. Emergency Medical Services transported her to UMC for treatment.

Information concerning a missing autographed football helmet, which occurred Sept. 8 in Suite Level 1 of the Jones AT&T Stadium, was documented by an officer.

An officer investigated the theft of a cellular phone, which occurred Oct. 26 in the Gates Residence Hall. The owner was visiting the resident of the room when the phone was taken.

Officers investigated the display of pornographic material on a computer in a science building.

Officers detained three male students in the Bledsoe Residence Hall. One student was issued two Lubbock County citations for possession of alcohol by a minor, and two students

received citations for possession of drug paraphernalia. Two of the students were released pending the filing of charges with the Lubbock County District Attorney's Office for possession of marijuana.

A male student was arrested for public intoxication and criminal mischief after damaging a cigarette urn on the south side of the Murray Residence Hall.

A bicycle was found on fire on the north side of the Bledsoe Residence Hall. An officer investigated the criminal mischief.

A female student was arrested for public intoxication in the Wall Residence Hall.

Nov. 3

An officer responded to the Tech Health Sciences Center canopy in reference to a female asking for assistance. The female volunteered treatment and was transported to UMC by Emergency Medical Services.

An Alpine stereo face plate and an iPod were taken from an unsecured vehicle in the Z1B parking lot.

After observing a traffic violation in the 1700 block of Akron Avenue, an officer arrested a male non-student for possession of marijuana and an alcoholic beverage in a motor vehicle.

An officer detained four students

and one non-student in the Gates Residence Hall. One female student was issued a Lubbock County citation for possession of alcohol by a minor and released. The other students and non-student were issued citations for consumption of alcohol and released.

An officer investigated criminal mischief in the lobby of the Wall/Gates Residence Hall after a window was shattered.

Nov. 4

An officer investigated a burglary in the Coleman Residence Hall. A named suspect allegedly entered a residence and assaulted the resident. The suspect and a witness completed a voluntary statement. The suspect was released pending the filing of charges with the Lub-

bock County District Attorney's Office.

Nov. 6

Officers responded to a traffic accident in which no one suffered injuries that occurred at the intersection of Fifth Street and Texas Tech Parkway.

An officer investigated a theft that occurred at the Sneed Residence Hall south bicycle rack. A front tire and wheel were taken from a bicycle.

Officers found and documented a bicycle tire and seat which were burnt with an unknown object. The bicycle was secured in the south Bledsoe Hall bicycle rack.

A male non-student was detained in the Health Sciences Center. He was issued a criminal trespass warning from all Tech property.

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By Alan P. Olschwang
Huntington Beach, CA 11/8/07

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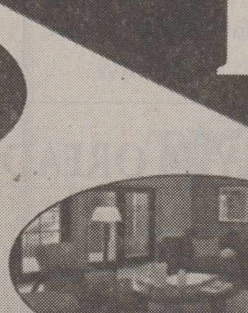

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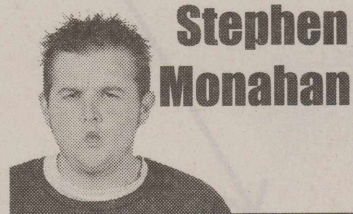
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Flying kites with Bob Knight and Mike Leach

When it comes to spending life outside of class, my time mostly is comprised of taking up space at a computer in a newsroom or playing "Halo 3" while listening to the new Britney Spears album.

My friends (yes, I have them) have asked me from time to time about what I am going to do when I graduate (for all of you naysayers, I'm slated to graduate in December, so keep your fingers crossed). I've submitted résumés to a myriad of employers, and I have a part-time job lined up so I can get my feet wet.

But working for *The Daily Toreador* takes precedence over most of my time, and because I'm graduating and I have no intentions of returning to graduate school at this point, I've been thinking about all of this extra time I will have afterward when I won't have to attend classes, write papers, study for tests and weigh the idea of skipping



Stephen Monahan

classes anymore.

Because of my pending freedom from the college ranks, I've been curious as to what I would have done with my time had I not been hired by this publication or even if *The DT* shut down abruptly.

Of course I know what I should do with that free time: homework, pump iron, eat healthy on a daily basis, lift up toilet seats when I use the restroom and, of course, join a fraternity — not.

So why live your life only for your needs rather than your wants? I believe we all need some variety in our lives, which is why I choose not

to write about what I have dubbed as "Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dum" — politics and religion. Those topics are lame and overrated for this space, and while there is an audience for such discussion, I'd rather just take up space with nonsense.

This is what I would do if *The DT* and I didn't have a monogamous relationship (if you don't like my columns, please write me and suggest a topic for the future).

1. Practice for chili-eating contests: My competition would be a blue whale named Popeye and Takeru Kobayashi. Who or what can eat more than these two monsters of the earth? A blue whale is at least three times my size and constantly eats, consuming the equivalent to something like 70,000 Hot Pockets per hour. Kobayashi needs no introduction. He murders his opponents in any eating competition. If I can get to their level, I want the nickname "Large Farva."

2. Arrive hours early for breakfast, lunch and dinner at the Student Union Building: This is paramount so I can save a seat for all of my brotherhood, too. I can't count how many times I have been tardy and my friends and I are deprived of seating because others take it upon themselves to save 20 tables for five people. Instead, we are forced to do the alternative — shove as much food in our mouths as possible before we have completed payment, ridding our worries about trying to ask a guy in a backward hat — with his bangs flailing — if he is using the seats occupied by backpacks, textbooks and extra pairs of plaid shorts.

3. Wallow in self-pity for my pre-season selection of Baylor winning the Big 12 South: I suppose I am a terrible Red Raider fan for predicting the Bears to finish first in the Big 12 South over perennial conference powerhouses Texas, Oklahoma and A&...

well, I won't go that far. To some Red Raider fans, I must be the equivalent of a rotting peach smothered in warm mayonnaise and boogers for choosing Baylor over Tech last weekend (sorry folks, I can't abandon the Bears or my prediction). My sixth sense has failed me miserably this season, and if I had the time to curl up in the corner with a warm blanket and a pacifier, it would be atop my list of time-occupying activities.

4. Fly kites with Tech coaches Bob Knight and Mike Leach: Knight, Leach and myself frolicking through Urbanovsky Park laughing, sharing tales of our childhood and sipping on hot cocoa would be my dream come true when it's all said and done. I imagine myself flying a kite resembling Gizmo from the "Gremlins" movie series, while coach Knight would fly a No. 880 cut-out and Leach would fly a model pirate ship named "Booty Licious."

5. Become a superhero: Sure Superman, Batman, Mighty Mouse, Robin and Hiro Nakamura have their own sweet abilities (wait, now that I mention it, Robin was basically Batman's boy-toy, so he can't be cool), but being my own comic-book hero to help counter the world's destruction is enticing.

It would take years for me to prepare for my unveiling in order to save the world from impending disaster from such villains as Sergeant Slaughter, Ronald McDonald, Michael Moore and Richard Simmons (trust me on this one, sequin factories produce the most pollution on earth). I won't need steroids or any supplement to help me become a beefcake, I just need a name. So to all of you super-villains, beware of "The Uncanny Astro Puffin."

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Turn off the iPod and read this column

Our generation has witnessed substantial increases in regard to personal technology. Think of the difference in the video game console or the cell phone of the mid-1980s and that of today. About 17 years ago, my sister and I were playing Pac-man on an eight-bit, two-controller system. Today, my closest friends and I, using the Xbox 360, can join forces in real time with a global community of fellow warriors, employing full communicational capacities to engage the dreaded Covenant in interstellar war and utilizing high-tech weaponry for the sole purpose of human survival.

In the '80s, the only people carrying the 10-pound-minimum cellular communications device were Zack Morris, Air-Force combat controllers and your neighborhood pimp or drug dealer. By the time I have children, my five-year-old will no longer want a Barbie or G.I. Joe for Christmas but rather the latest Motorola Razr. Yes, times have changed indeed.

Today however, I would like the Texas Tech student body to ruminate on how different forms of modern technology affect personal social interaction. It is my assumption that modern technology inhibits social interaction on a personal level, which, in turn, harms society as a whole.

Mostly from observation, I believe many use technological devices for mere distraction — distraction from one's own thoughts and distraction from other people.

As I walk the Tech campus, I am inundated with mobs of students lumbering around jamming out with their iPods while ignoring the rest of us groundlings. On the buses, I see people doing one of two things: listening to music or talking/texting on cell phones.

Gone are the days when you actually would introduce yourself and carry on a conversation with a stranger in a public setting. My friends tell me this brave new world of distraction makes it extremely difficult to meet women; while I have never struggled in this endeavor, I no less sympathize for their situations. But in all seriousness, we continually surrender our opportunity for social interaction and trade it for iPods, cell phones and video technology. The signs are everywhere.

I served a couple at a restaurant who spent the entire date on their cell phones rather than talking to one another, at Tech's student rec center,



David Stapp

I find people running on treadmills while plugged into mounted flat-screen televisions two feet in front of them, in the weight room I can workout while watching MTV music videos and God forbid I go anywhere without Sheppard Smith giving me the latest Fox update on current global issues.

We walk the path of least resistance when we choose to isolate ourselves with our iPods, cell phones and televisions. It does take a certain amount of courage (very minimal) to engage in social interaction but many of us find it easier to spend our time surfing the Web or playing video games in isolation. What is it about other people or perhaps even "intimacy" that we find so scary we must hide behind our distraction machines? I don't know; these are thoughts for you to think about.

Two examples that occurred re-

"Gone are the days when you actually would introduce yourself and carry on a conversation..."

— DAVID STAPP

cently I think will help clarify my thoughts to you. First, a few weeks ago I called a friend who moved to San Antonio recently for a new job. When my friend did not answer the phone, I left a message asking how she was doing. A few days later, my friend sent me a text message also wanting to "catch up" but writing that she was "good at text messaging." Did you get the hint? Relationship by way of text message, I think I will pass. And again yesterday, having a 10-minute break during a three-hour class, I walked outside with five classmates hoping for some fresh air and perhaps some con-

versation. Five out of five classmates pulled out their cell phones to check or send messages instead of speaking to the people only steps away. Does anybody else think this might be a problem? The cell phone and other technological devices have become the social crutches we hobble on when we are faced with any awkward or quiet situations in the presence of others.

So what are the negatives of "plugging in" rather than interacting with one another? I believe the consequences are worse than we think them to be. Make no mistake, humans are social creatures. Social interaction is vital to our physical, emotional and mental well-being.

Before automobiles were invented, people rarely would travel outside a 100-mile radius from where they were born. Therefore, people would spend most their lives living in a tight-knit social network. Such networks were — and still are — vital to personal well-being. In today's world, we graduate from college and are shipped off to various metropolitan areas only to spend our days working in cubicles.

The lives we have built for ourselves stifle personal communication and interaction. In fact, the entire basis for modern psychotherapy is communication; simply telling another person what is bothering you does enormous good. Should we then really be so clueless as to wonder why many Americans suffer from mental illness?

According to a National Comorbidity Survey, nearly half of all Americans meet specific criteria for having a mental illness at some point in their lifetimes, most between 14 and 24 years of age.

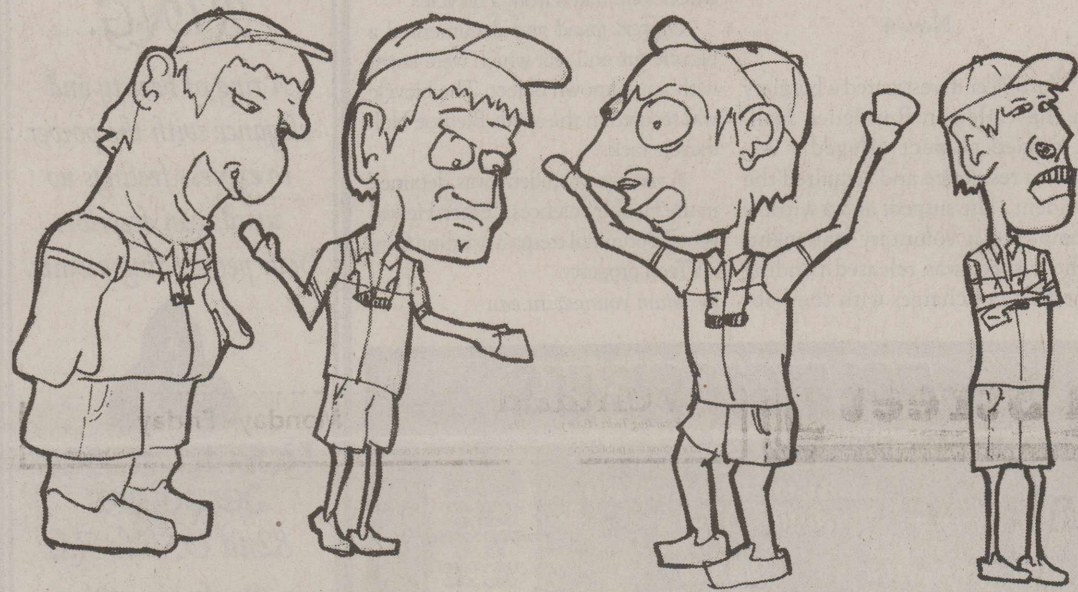
While technology obviously brings positives to the table, it brings negatives as well, and technology that inhibits face to face interaction (if we let it) is one of the negatives. Our job is to identify the harmful habits we find ourselves in and squash them like the plague if we deem our lives of any importance. So again, I purpose we make an effort to spend less time isolating ourselves with our televisions, cell phones, iPods, computers and video games and spend more time enjoying each other, because the truth is each other is what we really crave.

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dude bra, this is random... what do you think the chances of us all dressed the same are?

this looks soo ridiculous

eh, whatever "I" am still going to dress the way i always have



BY CARTOONIST MARQUEZ COLBY

Oxymoronic taxes perpetuate addictions

BY ANDY GIONNETTE
IOWA STATE DAILY (IOWA STATE U.)

(U-WIRE) AMES, Iowa — Beer sucks.

Well, let me rephrase that. Cheap beer sucks. Sure, a nice German lager or an Irish cream ale can really help ease the pain of a cold Iowa fall or winter day, and nothing beats a martini while wearing business casual at a high-rise cocktail party.

But in large part, anything you can get a 30-pack of with change from underneath your couch cushions is beer that should be avoided. So you would think that the idea of a tax increase on it that may soon be proposed to the state Legislature by drug czar Gary Kendall would not bother me so much.

But just as utterly confusing as this tobacco tax increase is, which allows the state government to benefit financially off of cancer-stick users much like big tobacco does, this concept gives me a bad case of the heebie jeebies (but since the government admits that smoking is addictive then it's OK for them to make a profit).

Chet Culver wanted to raise the tobacco tax to increase teachers' salaries but also to help prevent new users from smoking. In the same way, a tax increase on beer would "help fund state drug prevention and treatment programs" as the Daily reported last week.

So, like the tobacco tax, they want to pretend like they are preventing usage, while using money earned from people who still use alcohol, meaning that if they achieved their goal of decreasing alcohol consumption, they would be losing money.

Brilliant. Now the idea of a tax increase

is appalling, but there has to be a better reason the drug czar can come up with to raise the tax that doesn't involve lying to your citizens about your true intentions. And I think there may be a solution. In April 2000, a study was released by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that claimed that raising the tax on beer could actually decrease the spread of STIs, specifically gonorrhea.

Now you are probably asking yourself, how the hell did they come up with these conclusions? Answer. According to an article from Reason online, the CDC claimed "recent history showed that cases of the clap declined when beer prices went up" and proposed that "a 20-cent state tax increase per six-pack of beer could reduce U.S. gonorrhea rates by almost 9 percent." Well, there you have it, Gary Kendall — a reason the Legislature might actually bite on, even though they would probably be naive enough to agree that alcohol prevention is best funded by alcoholics — so much for compassionate liberalism.

But truly, this study may be just what the doctor ordered. Because not only could this curtail the thousands of new cases of STIs that surface daily, but you could really kill two birds with one stone here. Drinking less could quite possibly be the end of going home with the guy or girl that you wouldn't tell your friends about. And on top of saving yourself money, you also save yourself a trip to student health for your free confidential exam. Cut the alcohol out of the equation, you are more likely to keep your pants on, and save yourself from an STI — it's flawless.

Now this study may sound bogus, and it probably is grossly

inaccurate — you are not going to get an STI if you drink alcohol. It is unfortunate that our government thinks we are naive enough to think that the czar is genuine in pronouncing a tax increase in order to curtail drinking and smoking.

The least the drug czar can do is come up with an excuse to raise the beer tax that doesn't involve lying to the citizens of this state. And just like Culver and tobacco companies, it's now the drug czar's turn to profit off of the addictions of others.

So maybe Kendall could provide the state Legislature with close-up pictures that we all saw in high school health class and at least be honest. Until then, we will always be under the impression that our government cares about our health and welfare when in reality it's only the profit that matters.

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Surviving the weekend: A student's advice to concert-goers

This past weekend was the second-annual Fun Fun Fun Fest in our backyard playground, Austin. I decided, for purely journalistic purposes, to attend the event to report back to you, the reader (and also to talk about my all-time favorites, the Murder City Devils, who were doing a reunion show, but we'll get to that).

The event lasted Saturday and Sunday and was well worth the seven-hour drive. Yet, there are a few things I feel I should pass on in case you, the restless road-venturing youth, decide to leave town for a weekend of debauchery and live rock.

Now, depending on what time your festival or show begins, the departure time constantly will vary.

The Fun Fun Fun festivities started at 12:50 p.m. Saturday, so an early drive was imperative to this aforementioned trip. We decided to leave at 7 a.m., which put us in Austin around 2 p.m., not missing any of the bands my friends and I wanted to see.

Yet, the night before, our concert-going group wanted to see the Lawrence Arms in Lubbock — a dilemma bringing me to my first point in concert viewing: moderation.

Sure, I would love to wash all worries and obligations out of my mind through a cool tidal wave of alcohol straight to the brain, but let's be real-

David Ward



istic — finals season is upon us.

We are all at Texas Tech to retain information so we can scribe essay tests and complete class projects to get one step closer to reality. So no matter how many of Ted Leo's songs you know with a full fifth of Jack Daniel's whiskey in you, the chances of a reciprocal effect with your anthropology final are slim to none.

As my mother — who was soundly correct — told me before the weekend started, "you can't burn the wick at both ends all the time." Driving in shifts is encouraged and should be mandatory. This rule stands on the way there and back. As Stephen Colbert's new audiobook "I Am America (And So Can You!)" proclaims, "No free rides."

Second, and this is a big one, no drugs in cars. I have left myself and my car susceptible to many instances of profiling, and this trip was no exception. Just because I have a few band stickers on my car doesn't mean I'm a strung out like a menace to society.

But leave it to rural Texas forces to stop us 30 miles out of Austin to

let us know exactly how much crap they won't take from some punk, college students.

Thankfully, no drugs, booze, weapons, dead hookers or terrorists were in my car this time, but one can never be too careful. Cops are still pulling the same, "I'm hearing conflicting stories," and "This is your last chance to save you some jail time" stories, so be careful and be straight-forward. They don't expect it half the time. If you are clean, there is nothing they can say or do to put you into an immediate weekend resort with free, orange jumpsuits.

This also means you can still refuse to be searched. Even if you're in the clear, searches are a hassle and

not necessary. No warrant, no spread-leg, shake-up special. They can still let the dog sniff your car; which they fully enforced during our stop, but if your ride is unsullied, you're fine.

Now, driving music will vary for person to person, Dethklok's Dethalbum kept me wide-eyed, but let us get to the actual concert.

So you're there, ready to get in, and you realize food will be \$5 for a slice of pizza and \$4 for a beer. Now, I will say the pizza was pretty good, but with alcohol prices such as those, outside food and drinks before entering the venue are encouraged.

Note: I'm not advocating drinking and driving, so let's move on. So you're pre-partied, well fed,

saved a few bucks, now go to the merchandise tables and get this necessary evil done with. You may not want to, but it's going to happen.

In my case, the Murder City Devils haven't been in Texas as a full band in the last six to seven years. Add the fact that they are quite possibly the kings and queen of drunken Rock n' Roll and their records and

songs correlate so well with friends of mine and past histories, and a \$35 hoodie is a must.

So go buy your merchandise, then watch your bands and enjoy watching the frantic rush to the merchandise table after their set is finished.

But wait; perhaps you are in the

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That's a rap: Speaker to address 'low down' on hip-hop's culture

By LONDON CLARK
STAFF WRITER

More just than a filmmaker, Byron Hurt, a gender-violence-prevention educator, gives the "low down" on hip hop's most contested issues.

The Texas Tech Activities Board and Student Union and Activities will welcome Hurt at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Student Union Building's Allen Theatre for "The Low Down on Hip Hop." Hurt will discuss the hip-hop music genre as more than just beats and creative rhymes.

Kara Stringer, TAB coordinator of the speakers' committee, said the event is free for Red Raiders. Students must bring valid Tech IDs to get in the door. TAB is expecting around 200 students to attend.

During Hurt's discussion, he will show his documentary, "Hip Hop:

Beyond Beats and Rhymes," Stringer said. The documentary tackles issues in today's hip-hop culture — masculinity, sexism, violence, misogyny and homophobia. Following the film, a question-and-answer session will take place.

"(The documentary discusses) not just the issues in rap, but everything that embodies the hip-hop culture," she said.

Hurt's documentary, a co-production of God Bless the Child Productions, Inc., examines the representations of gender roles in hip hop and rap music and their effects on society, according to a TAB press release.

Hurt's film "goes beyond polarizing arguments to explore hip hop's most contested issues," according to the press release. The film previously was televised on the PBS series "Independent Lens," according to the

Web Site www.bhurt.com.

TAB adviser Jana Vise said Hurt's film features many interviews with famous rappers, including Chuck D, Russell Simmons, Jadakiss and Far Joe.

Conceived as a "loving critique" from a self-proclaimed "hip-hop head," Hurt deplores the hip-hop "tell it like it is" expression that is commonly portrayed through rappers' lyrics, according to the release. His discussion focuses on the glorification of many controversial issues of hip hop, including violence as well as the roles misogyny and homophobia play in the wider mainstream culture and the basic principle of right versus wrong.

Hurt, a New Jersey-based producer of the award-winning documentary "I Am A Man: Black Masculinity in America and Moving Memories: The Black Senior Video Yearbook,"

has visited more than 100 college campuses lecturing to young men and women about issues in hip hop, according to the Web Site.

Hurt, a 35-year-old former Northeastern University football quarterback, works to inspire men to reduce the risk of violence against women in the United States, according to the Web Site.

In today's society, hip hop and rap music have become popular; hip hop is one of the fastest growing genres of music, Stringer said. "The Low Down on Hip-Hop" aims educate students about the type of music to which they are listening.

"(This event will) make students aware of things that are going on in hip-hop music and culture," she said.

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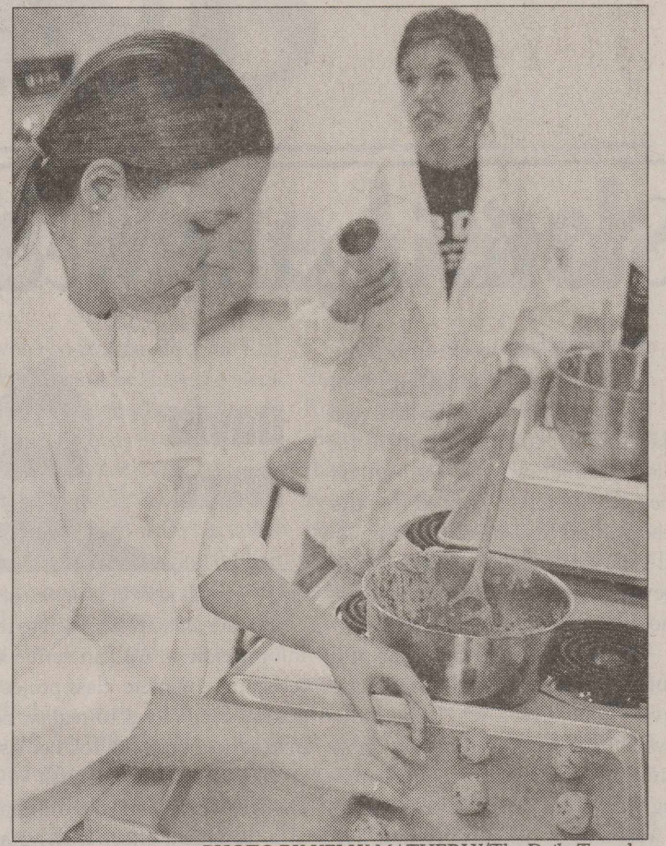


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MEGAN STONER, A senior nutritional science major from Greenwood, places cookie dough on a baking sheet while her partner, Whitney Preston, a senior nutritional science major from Lubbock, asks the teacher a question.

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same inquisitive boat as me and just can't stand that there is a backstage area probably laden with fountains of champagne, free guitars and cures for AIDS, which you can't get into. I know you've all been there.

This is where your BS skills have to come into play. This year backstage goals came to fruition. Now, some of you don't have the opportunity to flash business cards for radio stations or newspapers you work for, but this just means you'll have to get creative.

You could always say you're Cat Power's massage therapist and are not on

the guest list because she was in so much pain when she called in your name, it came in as a muffled croon reminiscent to an injured baby calf.

Bam, you're in.

So, you have finished the show for the night and desperately need to get some sleep so you can do it all over again tomorrow. You have called all your contacts and know that you have a few too many guests in your party to impose crashing on their floor (and perhaps you don't know them well enough to let them see your bodies natural preventative urinary release functions, fellas).

Cheap hotels are the way to go. They make for interesting stories, and you can fit seven to 10 people in a room, sharing beds and floor space. The real trick is to

not get caught by management. Avoid places with security guards marauding around to catch cheapsters like our group on this trip. At most, you should spend \$70 for a double room, split between everyone. It can be done (thanks Park Way Inn).

So there you have it. A fairly thorough look into a successful trip to Austin with advice for all of you who have always thought you couldn't do it. Not only did we all make it back this morning with enough time to get a few hours of sleep before classes, but I personally felt no worse than after an all-nighter.

So go take a trip and give yourself a break; you deserve it.

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the University of Southern Mississippi and came to Texas Tech in fall 2006 because of the Vietnam Center and Archive as well as the Southwest Collection. McNamara is writing his thesis and examining civil rights and the anti-war movement in Lubbock and at Tech. He places an emphasis on social movements, and he said a former professor instigated his passion for domestic issues and civil rights.

"I did military history and a couple of courses in the Vietnam war from a professor I had," he said regarding his stint at Southern Miss. "I got really interested in the backlash that happened domestically. Being from the South, I also had a soft spot for the civil rights movement because of the issues that went on in Mississippi and all across the South before then."

Justin Hart, an assistant history professor, knows McNamara on professional and educational terms. McNamara is a student in one of Hart's graduate classes and also teaches the discussion portion

of one of Hart's undergraduate lectures. Hart said being a teaching assistant requires a personal approach in terms of formality.

"One way that teaching assistants break down relationships is how they interact with students," Hart said. "Some are more formal; some are less formal. (McNamara) is fairly conversational with students. He's definitely the one in charge, but he tries to keep a sense that he's kind of one of them."

McNamara said he feels being a moderator between students and teachers is an important position that can carry a stigma from prior experiences between students and teaching assistants.

"More than anything, I try to relate to students; I feel my position and being a teaching assistant is to help students," he said. "I never want them to feel that it's uncomfortable for them to approach me or that I'm putting off some kind of ego. If anything that defeats the purpose of what you're supposed to be there for from my perspective."

Hart said some teaching assistants draw a strong line between personable and professional relationships with students, but there is no textbook example of how to reach students.

"If he just said, 'I'm Mr. McNamara, and you will see me in my office hours — I am the instructor and I give the grades,' I understand why you would want to keep that line," he said. "I'm not saying one way is better than the other, but the way that Justin does it is

hard to do."

McNamara said teaching assistants live normal lives, and his approach to educating reflects his view that the university can enforce an equal community between professors and teaching assistants.

"It isn't like we're not human. We want to relax and we want to take a break here and there," he said. "If anything, besides the university's main purpose of being an educational institution, (it) is to instill this idea of community among everyone with an equal basis."

Kirk Essary, a graduate part-time instructor in classics, said the adjustments younger teaching assistants make for their students can reflect the reality of the classroom.

"You have to come to terms with the fact that these students might not care about what you're teaching as much as you do," he said. "Teaching similarly aged students, occasionally they will call you 'man' or 'dude' — it happens."

McNamara said teaching a student and expanding his or her thoughts on a subject can be an emotional experience.

"It's really inspiring when you can see a student learn something from what you've told them, when you see education broaden their perspective, it's a real moving thing," he said. "I know that sounds very sentimental, and you hear that stuff, but it's true."

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Milestones lay ahead for Knight, Red Raiders

By ADAM COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

The 2006-07 men's basketball season presented many story lines for Texas Tech, including coach Bob Knight becoming the NCAA men's basketball all-time leader in wins.

Although there are still milestones ahead for Knight this season, the Red Raiders look forward to playing without the added attention.

"That's a double-edged sword as far as we're concerned," Knight said. "Our kids feel a pressure to play and do this, and other people say, 'I'm not going to let that happen. I'm not going to be the guy that gives up Hank Aaron's 715th home run.' Well, somebody was. Things like that always add a little incentive to what the opponent is trying to do."

Prior to Knight earning his 880th victory, passing Dean Smith for most wins all-time in Division I men's basketball, the countdown became more evident with each game receiving extra attention. After reaching the milestone, the Red Raiders were left to concentrate on completing the rest of the schedule — a focus they have ahead of them without much distraction in 2007-08.

Knight said there were many memorable moments in gaining win No. 880, but one of the moments he cherished the most came when the countdown finally ended.

"The best parts of it all were all the kids that were involved in that over all these years," he said. "A kid can look back and say, 'Boy I remember I made a free throw at the end of a game.' There's so many kids that had a part of that, that

I thought that was the first thing that was really important about that. The second thing was, it was over with. Because now we just concentrate on playing and just doing as well as we can without the additional (distractions)."

Finishing the season with 890 wins, No. 900 approaches as another notch on Knight's belt. With this being another milestone, Knight does not expect No. 900 to be as celebratory as No. 880 last season.

"I just think that (means) you've coached a long time, he said. "I don't think that'll be anything near what the last thing was in terms of the two things I was talking about."

Although Knight's players enjoy being a part of his accomplishments, their only focus is on the opponents on the 2007-08 schedule.

Tech guard Martin Zeno said even

as No. 900 approaches, the Red Raiders' attention remains only on completing a winning season.

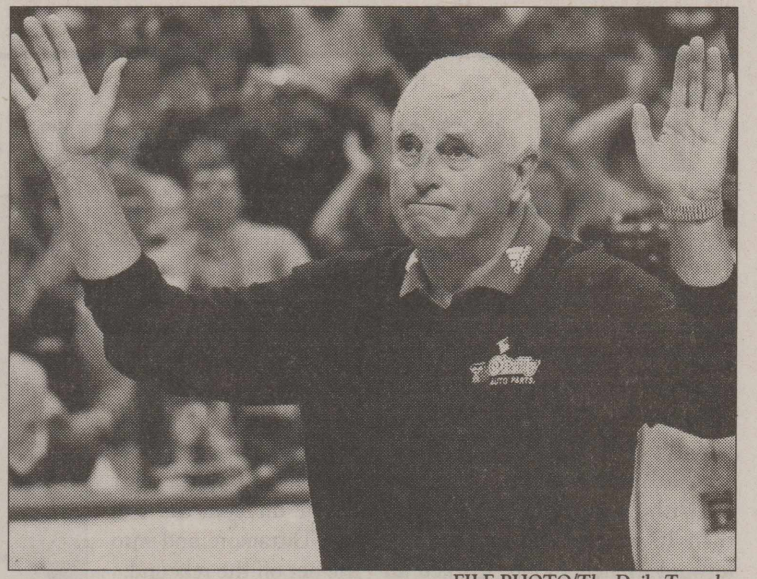
"It's a good accomplishment for him, but you know we'll get it and all that, but we just (have to) go out there and play and win," Zeno said.

Tech guard Charlie Burgess said a key to winning this season is not to let the milestones affect the game.

"We really don't think about that," Burgess said. "We just go out and play the games that's on the schedule because if we get caught up in that, then we won't be focused on the games actually."

After Knight's record-setting win, the Red Raiders' focus on the rest of the season earned them back-to-back wins over two top-10 teams and a berth in the NCAA Tournament.

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TEXAS TECH COACH Bob Knight is 10 wins shy of win No. 900.

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Tech soccer season ends with 2 OT loss

By ALEX YBARRA
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech women's soccer team's season came to an abrupt end after a golden goal in the second overtime knocked the Red Raiders out of the Big 12 Conference Championship Tournament Wednesday in a 4-3 loss to Missouri.

With Tech down 3-1 and less than 10 minutes remaining, Tech forward Zhaleh Rezaie sparked an offensive flurry that resulted in two goals within 23 seconds.

Rezaie scored her second goal of the game on a turnaround shot in the 82nd minute, and a tear-drop goal off a rebound from midfielder Maegan Wilber's foot tied the game 3-3, sending the match to overtime.

In the 101st minute of play, Missouri's Kristin Andrighetto scored the game-winning goal that sent the No. 4 seeded Missouri to a second-round matchup with No. 1 seed Texas A&M.

"It seemed like it was slow motion," Tech goal keeper Tina Rincon said of the goal. "To me it felt like (Andrighetto) was on the ball for five minutes, just standing there in front of the goal five-yards out."

Rezaie said the team rallied for seniors Priscilla Esquivel and Kim Cypert and left no regrets out on the field.

"We didn't want this to be our last game," Rezaie said. "We played with our hearts; that's basically what that was. We played hard for each other and hard for our seniors because this could be their last game."

After Andrighetto's goal, Esquivel said her teammates froze because they had no idea the Tigers scored.

"It was just like, 'It's really over?' It was just surreal," she said.

Tech came out with a lot of intensity in the first half, getting on the board in the fifth minute — the

fastest goal of the season. With the offense positioned inside Missouri's box, midfielder Karen De Leon angled a touch pass to Rezaie, who got a shot off.

Rezaie's shot bounced off Missouri goal keeper Tasha Dittamore, but Rezaie directed the ball past Dittamore and into the net off the rebound.

All-Big 12 First team selection Andrighetto tied the game 1-1 in the 12th minute when she got behind Tech's back line to earn a one-on-one with Rincon. Just before Rincon could scoop up the ball, the charging Andrighetto was able to secure an open shot and capitalize.

In the 43rd minute, Missouri went up 2-1 after Tech defender Sarabeth Clopton scored an own goal. She tried to clear the ball before halftime, but the header left Tech trailing during intermission.

"Obviously that hurt us," Tech coach Tom Stone said, "but if it wasn't for Sarabeth, we wouldn't even be in this game. She's played so well all year and been such a great leader for us. I really felt for her after the game."

Missouri controlled the shot selection for the majority of the first half, as the team maintained the advantage in shots 13-5 during halftime. The Tigers' had seven shots-on-goal, giving Rincon four saves.

In the 48th minute, the Tigers added to their lead when forward Alysha Bonnick made a move inside Tech's final third and kicked the ball



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TEXAS TECH MIDFIELDER Zhaleh Rezaie and the Red Raiders lost 4-3 in double overtime in the first round of the Big 12 Conference Championship Tournament Wednesday in San Antonio.

inside the left corner of the net.

Near the 70th minute, Tech was rewarded a penalty kick and Clopton stepped up to try to close the lead. Clopton's shot was chest-high and aimed toward the right side of the net before Dittamore made a diving save to deflect the ball into the defense.

The Tigers outshot Tech 31-14 and created three more corners while committing 18 fouls compared to Tech's eight.

Esquivel said although the team

had to endure a tough loss, the 2007 season left her with memories she will never forget.

"The seniors realized this was a special year, they realized this was a special team and they were great leaders and gave us everything they had," Stone said. "When people look back at the 2007 team, they'll say that's the team that turned it around for Texas Tech, that's the team that set the standard, they're going to need to remember those two."

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Tank to play in first game after suspension

IRVING (AP) — Wearing a blue practice jersey and clutching his white Dallas Cowboys game jersey, Tank Johnson headed off for a photo shoot during his lunch hour Wednesday.

The club needed a fresh picture now that he's truly part of the team.

His half-season suspension over, Johnson is preparing for both his Dallas debut and his first game since the Super Bowl, when he started on the defensive line for the Chicago Bears. He's been practicing for a few weeks, but things are different now that he knows he'll be playing Sunday against the New York Giants.

"I'm ready to go," Johnson told coach Wade Phillips.

"You're going to be in the game, so you better be!" Phillips responded.

Johnson sure looked eager,

being among only three players who practiced in their game pants. Impressions and words of others are all we have to go on, though, because Johnson said he won't be talking until after the Giants game.

Phillips said Johnson will play mostly on first and second downs, getting in for about one-third of the game in place of starting nose tackle Jay Ratliff.

"He's in the rotation," Phillips said. "I think he's got quickness and strength. We'll see where he is pass rush-wise. But if he will help us on the pass rush, we'll put him in there, too."

Jason Ferguson began the year as the primary nose tackle, then was lost for the season in the opener. Soon after, the Cowboys signed Johnson, whom they'd already been considering because of his talent and availability.

Probation recommended for Oklahoma St. LB

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A Texas jury recommended Wednesday that an Oklahoma State linebacker receive five years of probation after he pleaded guilty to aggravated sexual assault of a 12-year-old girl.

The recommendation means that Chris Collins Jr. of Texarkana, likely won't have to serve any prison time as long as he meets the requirements of the probation.

District Judge Leon F. Pesek Jr. set formal sentencing for Dec. 10. Pesek ordered Collins to undergo a psychological exam as part of a presentence

investigation, Bowie County Assistant District Attorney Kristian Young said.

Young said Pesek will determine the length of Collins' probation, which could be as long as 10 years. Pesek also must decide if Collins will have to register as a sex offender.

Collins, a 6-foot-2, 235-pound starter for the Cowboys, pleaded guilty on Tuesday in New Boston, Texas, after a seven-man, five-woman jury was seated for his trial, Bowie County District Attorney Bobby Lockhart said in a statement. Lockhart said prosecutors made no plea deal with Collins.

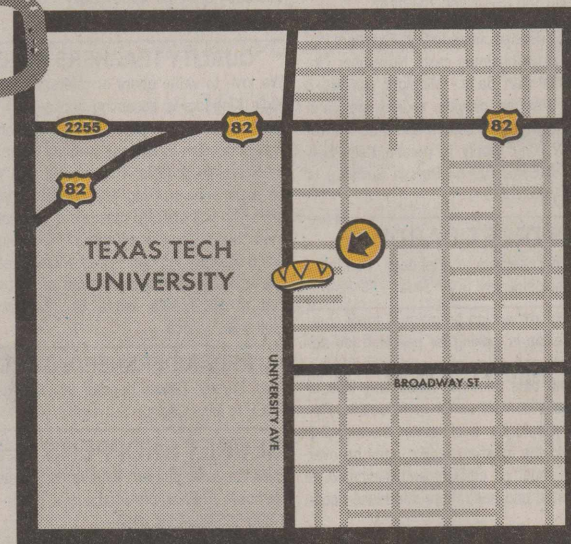


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