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Legislature passes bills affecting Tech, HSC

by Matt Green
Staff Writer

A busy weekend in the Texas Legislature led to the passing of several bills which will have a direct affect on Texas Tech.

The most important legislation was an update of the General Appropriations Act that will result in a 12.9 percent increase in the amount of funding Tech and the Health Sciences Center will receive in the 2000-2001 school year. The university itself will receive an additional \$25.6 million, and the HSC will receive an additional \$25.5 million.

The GAA includes an amount for "capital equity and excellence funding," which is issued for the purpose of hiring new faculty members. The appropriation amount Tech will use for this

purpose is about \$4.4 million.

Ben Lock, executive assistant to the chancellor, said this money will aid Tech in the area of research.

"This new source of money will help universities like Tech to make the next step up in research," Lock said.

Lock said new faculty will allow Tech to conduct more research without sacrificing the quality of classroom education.

"We don't want to sacrifice classroom instruction for research purposes, and hiring more faculty will allow us to spread the load," he said.

The GAA also will allow merit-based pay raises of 3 percent for faculty, and the state will underwrite the costs of across-the-board pay raises of \$100 per month for non-faculty

employees.

The legislature also approved an increase of \$4.1 million per year in Tech's Higher Education Assistance Fund. This also will go into effect in the 2000-2001 school year.

The legislature also passed the Tech System Bill, which will officially form one governing body for Tech and the HSC.

Chancellor John Montford said this system has been in practice since the implementation of the chancellor's office in 1996, but the legislation will make it official.

"This legislation will have a minimal impact on the university, but it might put us in a better position to receive funding," Montford said.

This legislation also would allow Tech to open campuses in other areas of the state, similar to the way the University of Texas has locations in

Arlington, Dallas, El Paso and San Antonio.

Lock said this is not likely to happen anytime in the near future.

"Opening separate locations would require additional legislative approval," Lock said.

The legislature also approved the Tech University Center Bill, which would allow Tech to raise the current fee cap from \$30 per semester to \$100 per semester.

Carrie Evans, Student Government Association internal vice president and a junior economics major from Dallas, said the UC fee will not be increased without a student vote.

"The fee cannot be increased by more than 10 percent without a student referendum," Evans said.

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Woman gets life term for ordering husband's killing

BAIRD (AP) — Prosecutors say a 46-year-old woman, unhappy with her husband, his failing windshield repair business and mounting debts, hired two men to kill him in hopes of collecting on a \$200,000 life insurance policy.

A Callahan County jury agreed on Wednesday, convicting Ann Saunders of Clyde of capital murder and sentencing her to life in prison for the April 10, 1997, fatal shooting of Ted Saunders.

She promised two brothers \$2,500 if they would kill her husband, whose life insurance policy linked to his military service was scheduled to lapse when he retired from the Army Reserves in six months. The brothers who killed Saunders also lived in Clyde, a town of about 2,000 people on Interstate 20 some 15 miles east of Abilene.

The jury reached its verdict after nearly three hours of deliberation, ending what one prosecutor called a "sordid, ugly case."

Stand Up for Children: Michael, Alexander and Gabriel hold up a banner as they cheer for the Texas Tech Child Development Center. Along with their schoolmates, the children participated in Stand Up For Children Day at Tech's Memorial Circle.

Darrel Thomas/
Student Publications



NCAA officials to visit campus

by Angel Wolfe
Staff Writer

NCAA officials will be on campus Monday through Thursday as a follow up to the self-study that was completed by Texas Tech.

The NCAA requires every Division I university to be certified every 10 years, Tech is at the end of this cycle. The study was conducted to show compliance in areas of academic integrity, fiscal integrity, gender and equality integrity.

Robert Ewalt, vice president for Students Affairs, said this is like an accreditation process to be certified again.

"The self-study has been completed and sent to the NCAA," Ewalt said. "We have already answered some questions and have been in contact with them all month."

The site team will collect information to add to the study and to answer questions they have about the study, Ewalt said.

The visit is independent of all NCAA problems that the Tech athletic department was involved with between 1996 and 1998.

Street repairs set to begin on campus

by Wayne Hodgin
Editor

The north part of Memorial Circle and the Engineering Key will be closed off beginning Wednesday for street repairs in those areas.

Repairs include the street resurfacing, installation of new ramps along Memorial Circle and the Engineering Key, along with widening of the street around the circle, said Dewey Shroyer, project manager and director of Texas Tech Department of Grounds Maintenance.

At a press conference Wednesday, Shroyer outlined the project, which also will entail the resurfacing of Boston Avenue from Memorial Circle to 15th Street and the resurfacing of the R-4 parking lot behind the Petroleum Engineering building. The project, contracted by Ronnie Zahn Paving, Inc., is expected to be complete around Aug. 20, Shroyer said.

Because of the renovations, traffic on the south end of Memorial Circle will be two-way.

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Closed for Repairs: A sign in Memorial Circle informs campus visitors of upcoming construction.

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LP&L refunds Tech \$287,000; largest rebate check given out

by Jonathan Biles
Staff Writer

Announcing its largest rebate program in history, Lubbock Power and Light gave its first and largest rebate check to Texas Tech in the amount of \$287,000.

All LP&L customers will receive credit on their LP&L bills for the months of June, July and August. The summer rebates are made possible from a new power plant, lower fuel costs and reductions in purchased power, said Paul Thompson, managing director at LP&L.

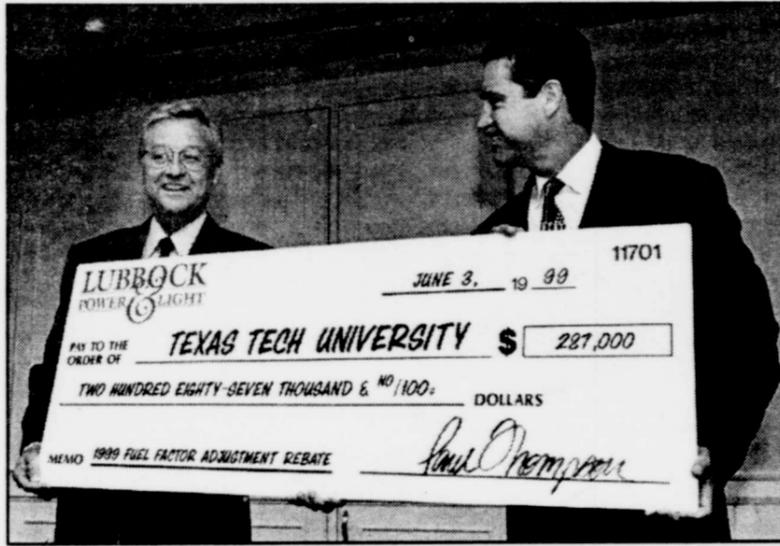
In all, LP&L will give rebates for \$5.4 million, and the check being given to Tech is the biggest rebate check given in the 83-year history of LP&L, Thompson said.

The relationship between Tech and LP&L began when Tech opened its doors in 1925, however, in 1980 Tech signed a contract with LP&L to make the relationship more significant.

The contract with Tech allowed LP&L officials to build a power plant on campus. This deal saved Tech more than \$80,000 in energy costs and allowed the money to be used in ways that could further Tech into becoming a better institution, said Tech Chancellor John Montford.

"The rebate check signifies the working relationship between Texas Tech and Lubbock Power and Light," Montford said.

Because of the agreement between



Chase Perry/The University Daily

Big Check: Chancellor John Montford is presented a check from Lubbock Power and Light for \$287,000 for the 1999 fuel factor adjustment rebate.

Tech and LP&L, Tech has become the university in Texas with the lowest utility rates, Montford said.

All rebates to LP&L customers will be given in three different credits to their accounts, except for large business that will receive one lump sum from LP&L,

such as the check given to Tech, Thompson said.

Cindy Rugeley, Tech's associate vice chancellor of News and Information, said at this time there is no plans for use of the money and it will go into the university's general fund.

Students to vote on UC fee increase during elections

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Any increase in funds approved by Tech students could be used for either renovation or expansion.

Dan Burns, assistant director for the University Center, said a committee will be meeting over the summer to determine what improvements student's wish to see in the UC.

"Surveys indicate that students want a larger eating area, more variety and improved study areas," Burns said.

The student vote to increase UC funds will take place during

the Homecoming Queen election Oct. 12.

Although these bills were approved by the legislature, they still must be certified by State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander and approved by Gov. George W. Bush.

The comptroller's office must make sure adequate funds are available, and the governor has the power to veto certain provisions.

These were the last bills pertaining to Tech during this session of the legislature, which ended May 31.

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Bringing home the bacon

Faculty/Staff achieve Horizon Campaign goal

by **Angel Wolfe**
Staff Writer

Texas Tech Chancellor John Montford announced Wednesday that the Faculty/Staff Horizon Campaign had reached its goal and raised more than \$10 million.

"When I decided to ask the faculty and staff to begin this, I knew I was asking a lot of the people that work tirelessly for Texas Tech," Montford said. "They stepped up to the plate to help benefit the students and faculty."

He said the faculty/staff portion of the campaign received donations ranging from \$5 to millions of dollars. The donations will go toward building new professor development scholarships and contribute to exist-

ing scholarships.

Tech President Donald Haragan said staff members from every area on campus contributed to the campaign.

"I wasn't particularly surprised when I saw the numbers ...," Haragan said. "Tech has been blessed with generous faculty and staff."

Haragan told faculty and staff members that they represented a level of excellence at Tech, and they were benefiting the future for students.

Robert Baker, chairman for the faculty/staff campaign, said although the faculty/staff portion is finished, there still is a way to go to reach the \$300 million goal of the Horizon Campaign.

"We are closing this campaign, but are not far from reaching our next



Wes Underwood/The University Daily

Victory: Horn Professor Robert Baker points out top campus fund-raising groups as Chancellor John Montford and Provost John Burns unveil the totals.

goal," said Baker, a Horn professor in the Department Biological Studies. "There are many gifts left that may

push us over the top." To date, the Horizon Campaign has reached \$278 million.



Police Blotter

from the files of the
Texas Tech Police Department

May 29
1:18 a.m. Officers documented information concerning a student attempting to gain access to Doak Residence Hall with an expired identification card.
4:16 p.m. Officers investigated damaged property in the south parking lot of the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.
May 28
3:32 a.m. While stopped at the 7-Eleven at 2902 4th St., an officer was advised by the store manager that an individual in the store was causing problems. At the request of the Lub-

bock Police Department, the officer arrested a non-student for theft and public intoxication.
8:01 a.m. Officers arrested a non-student at the Health Sciences Center for outstanding LPD warrants.
8:46 a.m. Officers responded to a 911 medical emergency in Room 79 of Holden Hall. A student had fainted, but refused treatment by EMS.
10:53 a.m. Officers documented an incident of possible drugs found in the men's restroom of the Physical Plant
12:30 p.m. Officers investigated the burglary of a motor vehicle in the R-3 parking lot.

May 27
1:10 p.m. Officers responded to a medical emergency at the Range and Wildlife building. A staff member fell and injured her wrist and was treated by EMS at the scene.
1:23 p.m. Officers investigated a traffic accident without injuries in the service drive of the Aquatic Center.
8:06 p.m. Officers responded to a report of smoke in the Chemistry building. A freeze-dry machine in Room 8 had malfunctioned and filled the building with water vapor mist. No damage was reported.

May 26
8:38 a.m. Officers investigated a false alarm in the Health Sciences Center Library. It was later determined that the pull station had been triggered on the first floor.
May 25
1:15 a.m. Officers investigated a theft in Office 1A101 of the Health Sciences Center.
10:13 a.m. Officers investigated criminal mischief in the Engineering building.
12:20 p.m. Officers documented an unwanted e-mail, which was sent to Room 106-C of the Library.

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Repairs to be complete Aug. 20

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Barricades will be set up on the southeast and southwest portions of Memorial Circle allowing access to the R-8 parking lot in the Science Quadrangle.

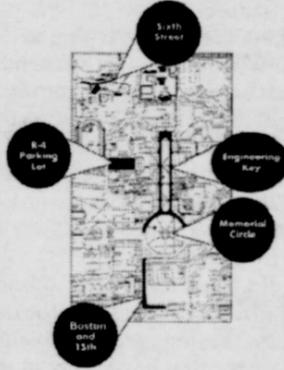
Parking will not be allowed on the south end of the circle during the project.

"Weather permitting, our contract says the company should be finished by Aug. 20," Shroyer said. "But there's a factor there that you can't control — the weather."

Beginning Monday, traffic around the area of the Drive of Champions from Dan Law Field to Canton Avenue will be diverted around construction of a 10-foot sidewalk along the north side of the field.

All eastbound traffic will be re-

1999 Street and Parking Lot Repair to be complete Aug. 20



duced to one lane. Shroyer said this phase of the project is expected to take two weeks.

Beginning July 1, barricades will

be set up from Detroit Avenue to Boston Avenue when pavement resurfacing begins on Boston Avenue from Memorial Circle to the UC.

This portion on the project is expected to last about one or two weeks, Shroyer said.

Gail Wolfe, director of Traffic and Parking Services, said reserved parking on the last row of the R-7 parking lot between the administration building and the UC on Boston Avenue will be closed.

"We will be contacting the people whose parking that affects and giving them alternate parking spaces," Wolfe said. "It will probably be in a dorm lot. That's the best we can probably do."

Doctors are curing some cases of blindness with transplants

(AP) — Giving new hope to people blinded by fire, chemical burns or certain illnesses, doctors are restoring victims' sight by transplanting special tissue-making cells into the eye.

Up until recently, blindness caused by damage to the eye's was considered largely untreatable.

This procedure, pioneered a decade ago but refined since then, would not help people who were born blind or lost their sight because of nerve or retina damage. It is only for patients who are legally blind but can still sense light.

In the first long-term study of

the procedure, Japanese researchers restored sight to half of the eyes on which they performed surgery, though some needed as many as four operations. The study was reported in Thursday's *New England Journal of Medicine*.

The 39 patients had become legally blind in one or both eyes, meaning they could, at best, count fingers held up in front of them.

"The best patient recovered from a finger count to almost 20/20" and was able to drive again, said Dr. Kazuo Tsubota, chairman of ophthalmology at Tokyo Dental College.

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SUMMER ROAD/PARKING LOT REPAIR

Each summer the Department of Grounds Maintenance schedules the repair/repaving of various roads and parking lots around campus. This summer's projects include the following:

Engineering Key and North Memorial Circle: This entire area will be resurfaced beginning on June 9. During this time there will be two-way traffic on the south half of Memorial Circle to retain access to the parking lot adjacent to the Science, Math and Chemistry buildings (R-8 parking lot). Street parking in front of the Administration building will not be permitted to allow adequate room for the two-way traffic during the con-

struction. It is expected that this project will take about 8-10 weeks, weather permitting.

Boston Avenue in front of the Agriculture Sciences building to the 15th Street intersection (northwest corner of University Center): During this project, 15th Street will be closed off to vehicular traffic from Detroit Avenue to Boston Avenue; parking spaces on the west row of the R-7 parking lot will also be inaccessible. (Traffic and Parking will contact those affected in R-7 with alternate parking instructions when we are advised of the start date.) This project should take 1-2 weeks, weather permitting.

Resurfacing of the R-4 parking lot (south of Petroleum Engineering): Traffic and Parking will contact those in R-4 with alternate parking instructions when we are advised of the start date. This project should take 1-2 weeks, weather permitting.

Sidewalk at Dan Law Field: A sidewalk will be built north of Dan Law Field on Drive of Champions. During this construction, eastbound traffic will be reduced to one lane. This project will take about 2 weeks, weather permitting.

During this time you are asked to obey all signs indicating any change in traffic patterns and be most observant of pedestrians.

We urge you to share your concerns, questions, suggestions and other input with us. Information gained through this input may be used to correct inefficiencies and promote positive customer relations.

If you have a question, just submit it and we'll do what we can to get you an answer.

As time allows, we'll use this column as a tool to notify the campus community of upcoming changes, closures, to educate readers on facts to enable the campus community to form opinions rather than base them on rumor and conjecture and to allow readers to submit ideas and concepts — the user is our best resource.

We look forward to your input. Please contact us: Traffic and Parking Services, Texas Tech University, P.O. Box 43161, Lubbock, Texas 79409. Or through Campus Mail at Mailstop 3161.

EDITORIAL

Texas lawmakers should consider women's rights in abortion decision

(AP) — Conservative Washington lawmakers are proposing to make it a crime to take a minor across state lines to have an abortion if laws in the girl's home state require that her parents must be notified before she may surgically end her pregnancy. The plan professedly is a bill to protect parental rights, but it really is just another attack on women's constitutional right to control their reproductivity.

If passed, the impact of this federal proposal would be felt in Texas. That is because the Legislature passed a bill changing Texas law to require doctors to notify parents before a minor daughter may have an abortion. That law will require girls who fear violence from their parents to disclose the most private details of their lives to a judge — many of whose opposition to abortion is an open secret — in order to bypass the notification requirement.

Texas lawmakers did not recognize the wisdom of at least allowing notification of some other adult relative, which is important for the many teen-agers in this state who live in households with relatives who do not have formal guardianship. ...

Teen-agers should not have sex. The fact is, however, that many do. It stands to reason that most girls who become pregnant go to their parents for help. Even those who are reluctant should be encouraged to do so.

But Congress should not throw up still more obstacles before those girls who want to end their pregnancies and have very valid reasons for not informing their parents of their decision.

Nor should lawmakers be working to turn caring relatives into criminals.

Houston Chronicle, on interstate abortions.

Graf reaches French Open final Saturday with surprise to even herself

PARIS (AP) — Steffi Graf looked as if she had crossed a desert in a sandstorm — arms, face and legs coated in red dust, clothes caked in clay. In a very real sense she had completed a journey just as difficult.

Graf emerged with a dirt-creased smile from all that swirling dust Thursday, a 6-7 (2-7), 6-3, 6-4 victor

over longtime rival Monica Seles, and will play for her sixth French Open title against No. 1 Martina Hingis.

"Honestly, I came here to get a few matches before Wimbledon, not really thinking that I'd be doing that

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wants to keep playing, she said, "until I can pick my own time when to quit."

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Texas governor hopeful on Kosovo

HOUSTON (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush said Thursday he was hopeful Yugoslavia's acceptance of NATO's peace terms for Kosovo would mean Kosovars could feel secure enough to eventually return home.

Bush, who polls show is the front-runner for the Republican presidential nomination in 2000, said it was important, however, to be aware that Yugoslav leader Slobodan Milosevic has a history of breaking agreements.

He also said a timetable was needed to establish how long American troops would be required in any peacekeeping force and criticized President Clinton for keeping U.S. forces in Bosnia.

"I'm hopeful the rhetoric is real," Bush said at a news conference after he signed a \$506 million tax cut for Texans.

"I'm hopeful the developments indicate a real decision by Mr. Milosevic to completely withdraw his troops from Kosovo.

"If in fact there is an agreement, and it meets strong conditions, all Americans will be pleased that men and women won't be placed in harm's way."

Bush also told reporters he didn't expect accomplishments in the just-completed legislative session in Austin would translate to a boost in support in Iowa and New Hampshire, where he heads next week for "testing the waters, shaking hands and lisening to what people have to say."

And he characterized a scaled-back effort announced earlier Thursday by potential GOP presidential rival Lamar Alexander as one of those "bumps in the road for a lot of campaigns."

Regarding Kosovo, Bush said if an American presence is needed in a peacekeeping force it was essential the troops be under either U.S. or NATO command and that Americans needed to know how long they would be required.

"I think it's important for the

president to lay out a timetable as to how long they will be involved and when they will be withdrawn," Bush said. "In Bosnia, the amount of time we were told the troops were going to be there went from a limited period of time to years. I think it's going to be important for the president to make that decision."

"I think it's important the command structure is NATO or U.S. command structure," he continued. "I think it's important for the president to work with our European allies, that if there needs to be a residual force, that over time the U.S. troops are withdrawn and the European allies carry the majority of the load. U.S. troops, for example, should never be under UN command, in my judgment."

As for his "exploratory" presidential swing beginning next week, Bush said there's "a lot of speculation about me and I understand that. But I think it's a little presumptuous for Texans to think people from other states are

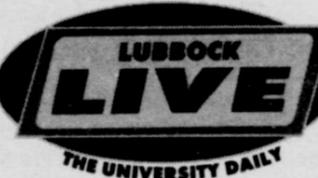
watching closely what happens in our legislature.

"I think they are watching to determine whether I can set an agenda, that I can work with people from both political parties to achieve the agenda."

"And I think they look to determine if I'm the kind of fellow who will do in office that which I say I will do on the campaign trail."

He did label Texas as "a shining example of how limited government can work," saying he hoped people would notice that lawmakers in the nation's second-largest state meet for only 140 days every two years, "get the people's business done and then go home and live under the laws we've passed."

About Alexander, the former Tennessee governor who has trimmed press, legal and research operations until a hoped-for falter by Bush, the Texas governor said he was pleased with all the support he has received so far.



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Draft takes seven Red Raiders from Tech

by Brent Dirks
Contributing Writer

Josh Bard had always been a fan of the Colorado Rockies. Now the Tech catcher will get to play for his hometown organization.

The Englewood, Colo., native was taken in the third round as the 100th overall pick of the major league baseball amateur draft Wednesday.

Bard, along with Red Raider shortstop Chris Sampson and pitcher



Bard

ers Shane Wright and Brandon Roberson, were selected during the first day of the draft.

During the second day of the draft Thursday, shortstop Jason Huth was chosen by the Cincinnati Reds in the 26th round as the 788th pick.

Pitcher Brad Ralston was picked



Sampson

up by the Milwaukee Brewers in the 27th round as pick No. 814.

Bard finished his three-year Tech career with a .366 batting average, 43 home runs and 232 RBIs. He was named as a consensus All-American in 1998 and 1999 while being an All-Big 12 selection during his three years in the



Wright

conference.

With being taken by the Rockies, Bard will join former Red Raider Clint Bryant who is also the only other player in Tech history to hit 40 home runs and drive in more the 200 runners.

Sampson, a native of Channelview, was chosen in the eighth round as the 262nd overall pick by his hometown organization, the Houston Astros.

The transfer from Lon Morris Junior College played both shortstop and pitcher for the Red Raiders during the 1999 season. He hit .281 and compiled a 2-2 record as a pitcher.

Wright, one of Tech's all-time most productive pitchers, was pick No. 272 in the ninth round by the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The senior finished at Tech with a 34-7 record, a 3.42 ERA, 281 strikeouts and 53 walks in 368.2 in-



Huth

nings. He was a consensus All-American in 1998 while earning all-conference honors for three years.

He leaves Tech as the program's leader in career victories, career innings pitched, career complete games and career winning percentage.

Junior Roberson was picked in the 19th round with the 575th overall pick by the Seattle Mariners.

Roberson was named to the first team All-Big 12 squad and led Tech in ERA, saves and strikeouts per nine innings leader. He held opponents to a .236 batting average during the 1999 season.

Red Raider baseball signee John Lackey, from Grayson Junior College, was taken in the second round as the 68th pick by Anaheim, while football signee Shaud Williams was drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the 13th round as the 414th pick.

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