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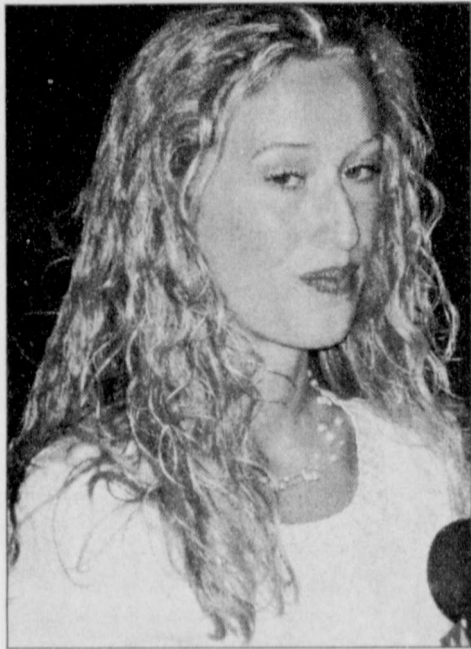
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Rider's horse put to sleep because of injuries



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MASKED RIDER KATIE Carruth addresses the crowd during a press conference Monday afternoon at Frazier Alumni Pavilion.

UNEXPECTED DEATH:
The Texas Tech mascot will be buried after a memorial service in Junction.

By Pam Smith/Staff Reporter

Black Phantom Raider, the Masked Rider's horse, died Monday stemming from injuries suffered in an automobile crash last week.

"I'm glad he's not in pain anymore," said Masked Rider Katie Carruth. "I've been crying about the accident for two days now, so at least now there is some closure."

A memorial service will be held for the horse in Junction, where the horse will then be buried. Vice President for Student Affairs Michael Shonrock said he is hoping some students will get involved in the memorial service. Plans for a memorial service, which could take place on the Tech campus, have not been cemented.

"We hope to have some of the student lead-

ers assist in a memorial there," he said.

Vice Chancellor for News and Information Cindy Rugeley said Black Phantom Raider was humanely euthanized Monday afternoon about 3 p.m. after university officials had consulted two veterinarians who concluded that the horse could not be saved.

"He was doing well Saturday and could stand up for 8 to 12 hours," she said. "However, when the vet checked on him Sunday morning, his condition had worsened and he wasn't able to stand. Monday morning it was discovered that he was suffering from kidney failure."

Dr. David Rosberg, the veterinarian at Mason's Hill Country Veterinary Hospital who treated the horse, said Black Phantom Raider began to show increasing complications from his injuries and paralysis was beginning to set in.

"Saturday night, he laid down and could not get up the next day," Rosberg said. "It just got to the point where he could not get up."

Rosberg said the horse will be picked up from his clinic today and taken to Junction.

Black Phantom Raider was injured in a car accident Friday afternoon while he, Carruth and her assistant Mike Reynolds were traveling home

from a parade in Fredericksburg. About 13 miles south of Mason on U.S. Highway 87, another vehicle crossed over into their lane, said Rugeley.

Reynolds, who was driving the Tech-owned pickup, swerved out of the way, but the other vehicle crashed into the trailer holding the horse. Officials finally rescued the horse using hydraulic rescue equipment after three hours. During that time, the horse was lying on his head.

Shonrock said the university had not been made aware of any charges stemming from the accident.

Sam Jackson, associate professor in the Department of Animal Sciences, said the university is already looking into finding a new horse to replace Black Phantom Raider.

"There are several horses that we are looking at," he said. "I have already looked at one to see if it could be a temporary or permanent replacement."

Jackson said that time was definitely a factor in choosing a replacement for the horse.

"We need to find a horse as soon as possible," he said. "We have to try to let Katie work with the horse and build a connection with it."

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Texas Tech mascots make up large part of Raider tradition

By Whitney Wyatt/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech's Masked Rider tradition began Jan. 1, 1954, when Joe Kirk Fulton, the original Masked Rider, dressed in a cape and mask, led the Red Raiders to a 35-13 Gator Bowl win over Auburn.

Today, 47 years later, the Masked Rider is known as one of the most recognizable collegiate mascots.

Michael Shonrock, vice president for Student Affairs, calls the Masked Rider the best mascot in the nation.

"(The Masked Rider) is the symbol of Texas Tech," he said. "It is how students connect to Texas Tech."

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Aggie returns for first time since tragedy

COLLEGE COMEBACK:

Bonfire survivor makes his return to classes almost two years since the accident.

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Normalcy was all John Comstock wanted on his first day back at Texas A&M University after being the last survivor to leave the hospital following the school's bonfire stack collapse almost two years ago.

"I want to get on with being a regular college student," said Comstock, 21, whose left leg was amputated above the knee and his right arm was partially paralyzed after the log pile fell, pinning him for nearly seven hours.

Comstock was hospitalized for five months after the Nov. 18, 1999, collapse that killed 12 Aggies and injured 27.

He had to have several surgeries and months of intensive physical therapy, and now uses a wheelchair and has been outfitted with a metal prosthetic leg.

Comstock still goes to physical therapy three to four times a week, which he hopes will allow him to one day walk again.

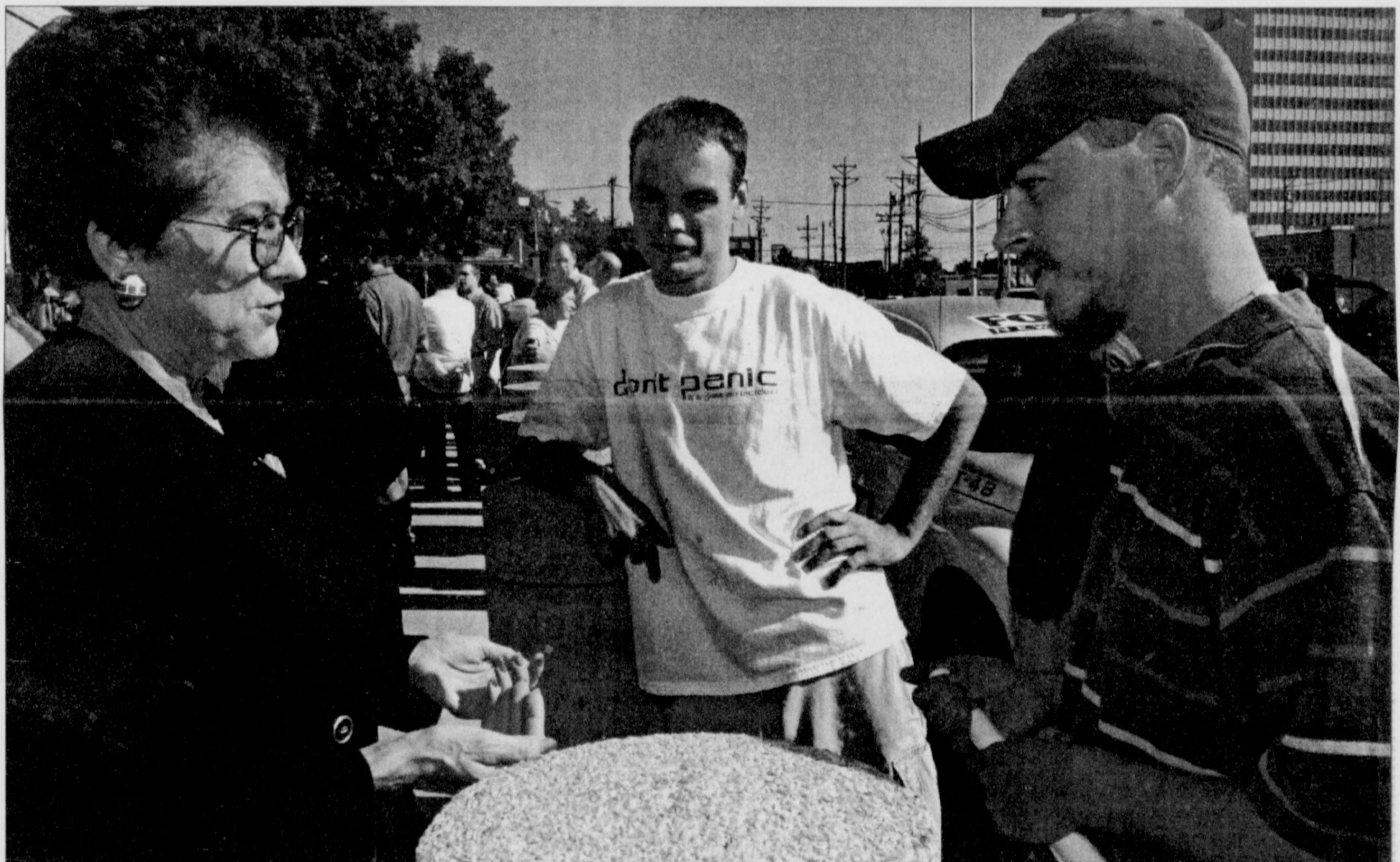
But on Monday, Comstock was just another Aggie: He ate grilled chicken and fried shrimp at the school's main dining hall, spent time talking and catching up with old friends outside of his residence hall and was five minutes late to his first class.

Comstock zoomed across campus on his motorized wheelchair, with a friend hitching a ride on the wheel, as he went to class.

"Coming back with a disability, learning the campus ramp-wise, being independent will be the hardest part of coming back to campus," said Comstock, who is from the Dallas suburb of Richardson.

As he learned the route and the locations of wheelchair ramps from his dorm room to his first class, a business math course, a pair of fuzzy black dice bounced up and down on the back of the wheelchair.

"This is the most expensive vehicle I've ever had," Comstock said about his \$7,000 wheelchair, which tops out at 7.5 mph. "All of the other vehicles have been beaten up. So I decided to get some fuzzy dice for it."



TECH TERRACE RESIDENT and landlord Ruth Schumeir talks with Shane Davis and Patrick Harrison, both tenants of the house that was recently painted purple in protest of a city ordinance that prohibits more than two unrelated people from living together in the same single-family residence.

Rally touts ordinance's importance

By Pam Smith/Staff Reporter

Beatrice Navariz, a 30-year resident of the Tech Terrace neighborhood, said she is tired of picking up garbage off her street left from parties held by the people in her neighborhood.

She said she believes part of the problem lies with the reality that she may have too many neighbors.

"Five out of the ten houses on my street are rented houses," she said. "The (landlord) might rent to two people, but sometimes there are ten living there."

Because of the situation, Navariz, along with

50 other citizens, expressed their concerns involving a petition three students began in an attempt to repeal a city ordinance, which limits the number of unrelated people living in a single-family residence.

A press conference took place Monday at City Hall where members of the Tech Terrace neighborhood voiced their opinions in support of the city ordinance.

"We've been having this problem for a long time and no one has listened to us," Navariz said. "Many of the students live there for six months and leave, so they don't care. We are there to stay. Many of us can't afford to move

anywhere else."

Student Government Association President John Steinmetz said the SGA and the university want to stay involved in this issue on behalf of the students as long as the student body at Tech is affected by the situation.

"The most important aspect of this situation is that Tech students are being affected," he said. "President Schmidly has also told me that as long as students are involved, the university will be involved."

Steinmetz said he believes the solution to the controversy could be found by forming a task force comprised of individuals from both

sides of the issue.

"There needs to be a lasting solution to this problem, not just a quick fix," he said. "If a solution benefiting both sides isn't found, this problem will just reoccur."

Robert Deahl, a 26-year resident of the neighborhood, said that he wouldn't mind where the students lived as long as they took responsibility for the property.

"You can live where you want to, but be responsible about it," he said. "I put a lot of blame for this on the landlord for supporting this and for

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Senate Bill approves \$10M-grant for Tech from Texas Excellence Fund

By Melissa Guest/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech will receive more than \$10 million from the Texas Excellence Fund over the next two years, as part of the state legislature's most recent round of bills passed for the upcoming year.

According to the Senate Bill, the fund was established to provide funding to promote increased research infrastructure while developing institutional excellence to ensure Texas and its workforce remain at the forefront of sci-

entific and technological innovation.

Eligible institutions include all those in the state except the University of Texas in Austin and Texas A&M in College Station.

Tech President David Schmidly said the majority of the funds would be used to hire new faculty.

"It not only benefits the university in terms of research, but it benefits each student with new faculty," he said.

In addition, Schmidly said Tech received the second highest award of funds

from the new legislation.

"It's enough money for us to really move out and do something," he said, "recruit new faculty and improve the graduate and undergraduate programs."

Lynda Gilbert, the vice president of fiscal affairs, said the fund allocation is designated for improving Tech's research programs.

"It's a special appropriation which allows us to target our growth of research," she said. "It will provide additional funding for us to hopefully move

into the top tier. It will help us become recognized nationally and we're very, very close."

The fund was designed to provide increased funding to Texas schools not covered under the Permanent University Fund, commonly referred to as Flagship schools, which only include UT and A&M, said Mike Sanders, Tech's vice chancellor of governmental relations.

"The thing that separates the two, quote, Flagship institutions, UT and A&M, from the rest of the institutions

in the state, in wealth and the ability to engage in research, is because they are the beneficiaries of the Permanent University Fund," Sanders said.

The money earned from the PUF is in addition to the biennial appropriations received by each state institution from the state formula funding.

For universities, appropriations are dependent upon student enrollment figures and semester credit hours taken by those students.

"Through the formula system, and

this will sound corny, but we all get to eat what we earn," Sanders said. "Through these formulas we only generate so much money."

Sanders said UT receives about \$115 million a year from the PUF and A&M receives about \$70 million.

"They share in a cash component, which are called Excellence funds, extra funding over and above what the funding formulas drive for the rest of us," he

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Commuters turned away from full lots

By Jeff Stoughton/Staff Reporter

For most college students, the beginning of the semester means getting situated in new classes and meeting new people.

For Texas Tech students, it also means dealing with crowded parking lots.

Eric Crouch, operations manager for Tech's Traffic and Parking Services, said that although parking officials directed about 280 vehicles to the campus' overflow parking lots on Monday, the crowding is normal at the beginning of the semester.

"Once everything settles down, the overflow isn't used very much," he said, noting that the overflow lots near the C-11 commuter lot on the west side of campus are not paved.

Crouch said parking officials have been trying to inform students of parking rules and regulations in an attempt to reduce problems. He said those efforts seem to be helping.

"All in all, the campus looked better today than it did at this time last year," he said.

Crouch said he thinks most of the people who have problems with parking are typically new students on campus who are not familiar with Tech's parking regulations.

Citibus offers several bus routes on campus to transport students from the commuter lots to buildings on campus.

Rosie Cruz has been a Citibus driver on the Tech campus for three years. She said she noticed the commuter lots are usually crowded during the beginning of the fall and spring semesters.

"It's normal for this time of year," she said.

Citibus officials placed cones in the C-1 commuter lot near Jones SBC Stadium to keep cars from parking in areas that would prevent the buses from making the sharp turns around parked cars.



DAVID JOHNSON/Staff Photographer

THE C-1 COMMUTER parking lot, which was repainted last week to include more spaces, appeared to be full on the first day of classes Monday afternoon at about 3 p.m.

Officials also assisted the buses in maneuvering the lot and helped new drivers learn the bus routes.

"It's hard to turn in these buses," Cruz said.

Citibus also offers a free alternative to parking on campus by busing students from several apartment complexes along 4th Street and Indiana Avenue to

Holden Hall, the University Center and the Business Administration building on campus.

"You can drive around in those lots and not find a place and be late to class," Cruz said. When students take the bus from their apartment complexes, she added, "You don't have to worry about your car being towed."

Crouch said that the increase in enrollment for the fall has caused longer waiting lists for residence hall parking passes, which in turn has subtracted from the total number of commuter spaces available. Students who are on waiting lists for residence hall passes must park in commuter lots, he said.

The recent renovations to the C-1

commuter lot, Crouch said, probably contributed to the problems. Construction at the stadium blocked access to about 250 parking spaces during the summer, and 100 of those have since been reclaimed. The spaces in the lot, he said, were repainted to make more efficient use of the space available for commuters.

Blood drive organizers seeking help

This week, Mix 100 FM and United Blood Services are holding the 5th Annual Mix Labor of Love blood drive.

Blood usage generally increases during Labor Day weekend, while blood donations decrease. Mix 100 and United Blood Services have teamed up to stop this shortage.

In the last five years, United Blood Services has not reported a single critical shortage over the holiday weekend. So far, the blood drive has not received the amount of blood officials were hoping to receive.

"We're off to a slow start this year. We need people to remember how important this is during the holiday," said Les Long, spokesman for United Blood Services.

Donations can be made from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. today through Friday at United Blood Services at 2523 48th street and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday. A dunking booth and other games, as well as food booths, are set up for the drive. All donors will receive a Mix 100 Labor of Love T-shirt.

Mix 100 and United Blood Services are encouraging everyone to donate blood and help save a life this week. Donors must be 17 years old, at least 110 pounds and be in good physical condition. Donors must present a picture ID before donating.

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Marriage may be a rushed sentiment

COLUMN



DALLAS GRANT

As we look to the coming school year and see the difficult road ahead, we must ask ourselves a question. Why are we here? Not why am I at Tech, or why am I in a crummy dorm, but why did I come to college? Some came because they were expected to. Some came to get away from home. Some came because they want a high paying job. Brace yourselves, this may come as a shock, some actually came to land a husband.

It makes perfect sense. After all, these bountiful hunting grounds might not be available to us after we graduate, right? Wrong.

Now, no girl is going to admit that she's here in search of Mr. Right, but a lot of them are. Guys, consider yourselves warned. Please beware, read carefully, and you might make it through without getting suckered.

Single girls start to get nervous toward the end of their junior year. What if I graduate without a boyfriend, they think.

Even in this day of enlightenment and sexual equality, I assent that marriage is still the single most important issue in women's lives.

They need at least some glimmer of hope. I call this variety of women, snipers. They are here loaded down with ammo and ready to bring down a trophy husband. They are on the hunt.

You may find yourself saying, my girlfriend is independent and would never sucker me into marriage. That's why I call them snipers.

Even in this day of enlightenment and sexual equality, I assert that marriage is still the single most important issue in women's lives. A girl can have a high-powered career, live an independent life, but without the husband, kids, house, and dog, they can't be satisfied.

The pressure is great and many guys buckle. Whipped can't describe these panty waists. I'm engaged to the most gorgeous, beautiful, fantastic, blah, blah, blah...I'm sorry, what were you saying? Oh, I think you were discussing some sort of castration.

While I'm not an expert, let me offer this expert advice. Do not get engaged in college. No matter how cool you were before the engagement, you will turn into a dork. It is inevitable and it's not a pretty sight.

Men need time to explore the world, live life as a bachelor in the free world. The time you were single for six months before you met her isn't sufficient. Take an entire year for yourself. If you already have a girl and you would like to have one last adventure, just tell them, "If it's meant to be, then it will be." For some reason that makes perfect sense to girls.

Any man who takes this hiatus after school will be a better man for himself and his future wife. Consider the alternative.

I can't imagine being engaged now at 22, having known my fiancée since I was 18. Are you kidding me? What the hell could we possibly have to talk about besides the boring drivel of everyday life? It is impossible for a person to have thoroughly explored themselves and interests in four years of college.

Folks, you don't know yourself in college. The growing continues when you graduate. Would you buy a new pair of shoes right before you feet stopped growing? Then why get married right before you figure out who you are?

People are getting married out of college because their significant other is sweet, nice, and caring. So what, I say, it takes more. For instance, life experiences would be good. Something to share with your husband or wife that could possibly enrich their life.

I want it to be known that I'm not just picking on girls for wanting to get married so badly. It's also the guy's fault. It's the guys' fault for giving in. Wake up guys. Girls are wired to play the wife-and-kids game.

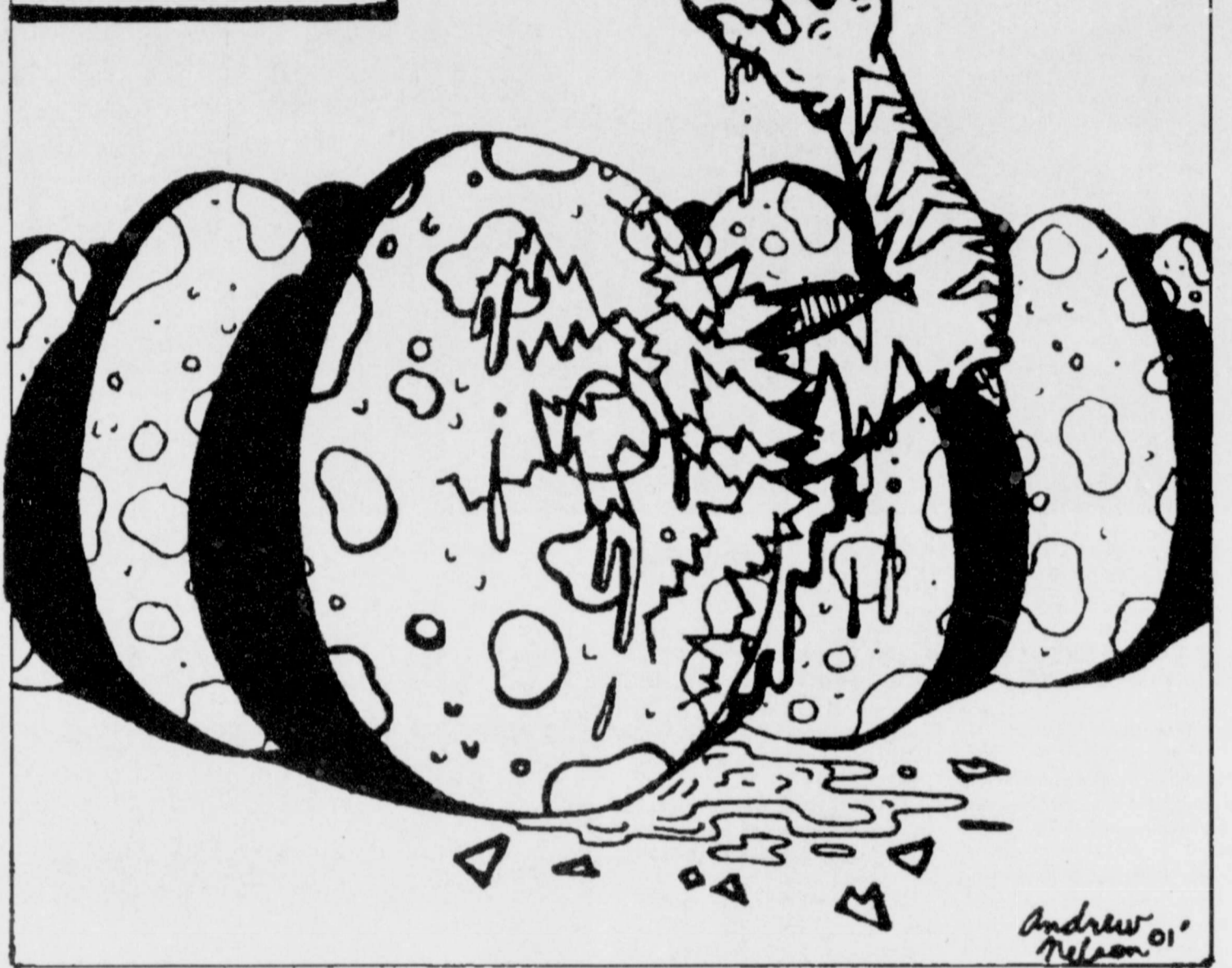
I realize there are girls out there who don't fit the martially obsessed wanna-be-mom mold.

I salute you. You will have a happier marriage because you explored. You realized that out of the 5 billion people on earth, the chances of finding your soulmate in a freshman level psychology class is a little slim.

It all sounds a little disheartening, I know. Don't get down, boys and girls. Just remember; find out who you are before you throw yourself into the marital fire.

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...AND SO, THE FIRST MATH TEACHER WAS BORN.



Discrimination not the answer

EDITORIAL

Members of the Tech Terrace neighborhood gathered at City Hall on Monday, to protest the recent proposed amendment of the residential zoning ordinance that prohibits more than two unrelated people from living together.

In a written statement, Andrea Mahan, James Mahan, Ron McClendon and Kim McPherson, representatives of the Tech Terrace neighborhood association said, "We are here today as representatives of several neighborhood associations of Lubbock to express our continued support of this city's single-family residential zoning ordinance."

While the group said they support the local colleges and universities in Lubbock, they believe students to be irresponsible and blame rental property owners for their poor choice in tenants.

In an editorial published in *The University Daily* on Monday, the editorial board showed its support to the student body, especially those who reside in non-single-family homes in an attempt to save money and continue paying for their college education.

According to the association statement, "When zoning ordinances are violated, property values of entire neighborhoods can be negatively affected." Furthermore, "The litany of factors that contribute to declining property values hasn't changed much since our ordinances were enacted; limited parking availability, traffic safety

on overcrowded residential streets, excessive noise, trash in yards, neglected lawns, are just a few. Residential overcrowding is a common factor that contributes to these symptoms."

The so-called supporters of the local university and college systems scheduled their protest and plea to the Lubbock City Council on Texas Tech's first day of class, during a time when most students would be on campus and unavailable to defend their rights as students and citizens in the Lubbock community. These so-called supporters unabashedly and irresponsibly portray all college students as locusts that deplete neighborhood associations of their precious resources, without any regard to their own property.

Like it or not, Tech and other Lubbock college students are fellow consumers and are simply trying to fray the enormous cost of their higher education, an education that is supposedly going to make them productive members of society and eventually the leaders of this free country.

Not every college student litters their front yard with trash, nor does every college student host raging, wild parties that force traffic to overcrowd residential blocks. May we remind our esteemed and fellow Lubbock citizens that there are local misfits and criminals who willingly and disrespectfully refuse to abide by city ordinances, despite their loyalty and financial ties to the Hub City?

Likewise, how many upstanding Lubbock citizens are guilty of throwing "get-to-tog others"

in their backyards, permitting their guests to line the block with their automobiles — perhaps to bring gifts and share in the festivities for a loved one's birthday? Before those Lubbockites begin touting their financial means to own their own property and demand that no more than two unrelated residents reside under the same roof, why don't they turn that discrimination on themselves?

How would they feel if there was a city ordinance limiting the number of children per household, thus keeping the juvenile crime rate at a minimum, not to mention the financial revenue in taxes Lubbock citizens would save, after all, Lubbock's finest would not be wasting valuable time chasing after young children, mispending their youth.

According to *The UD's* market survey, Texas Tech is the largest employer in Lubbock, 18,664 students live off campus and 55 percent of students have jobs and many of them pay their college expenses — including the cost of living. Thirty-one percent of Tech students earn over \$11,000 annually, 86 percent of Tech students shop at local department stores. In short, Tech students spend an estimated \$208 million in Lubbock each year.

We are a significant part of the Lubbock community and demand we not be treated like second-rate citizens because of the university we chose to attend. Before members of Lubbock's neighborhood associations begin rallying against us, listen to our voices and learn to compromise.

Students looking toward future

COLUMN



KATIE HARRIS

In a July 1990 article in *Pacific Computer Weekly*, Richard Pratt observed the following: "A university professor set an examination question in which he asked what is the difference between ignorance and apathy. The professor had to give an A+ to a student who answered: I don't know and I don't care."

I don't know and I don't care. Has this become the motto of our generation? Much has been said about the apathetic attitude of America's younger generations. Low voter turnout and lack of activism among students provides proof that this apathetic attitude exists.

During the 1960s and 1970s it was not uncommon for college students to participate in protests, such as the Free Speech Movement protest at California-Berkeley and the Vietnam War protest at Kent State. Today, however, it is very unlikely that you will find many students who have taken part in a demonstration.

Are we apathetic because we just don't care, or are there barriers holding us back? I can think of several obstacles that could cause a student to have an apathetic attitude, but all are barriers that can be overcome.

It seems the main reason students are apathetic is

because most of the time issues do not directly affect us. Why should we care about Social Security when we are in our early 20s? We tend to filter out things from our own little worlds that do not concern us at first glance. The thing is that these issues that seem trivial in our college life do indeed affect us. Just look at what taxes are taken out on your paycheck and you will realize how things such as Medicaid and Social Security affect you.

Many times students in college just do not have the time to care. Between going to class, studying, working, and having somewhat of a social life, attending that Student Government Association public meeting is last on the priority list. Time is hard to find while in college and much is devoted to school. However, there are many things to learn and understand while in college that cannot be found in a classroom. Taking time to learn about issues can help you understand how they may affect what you spend your time on. An issue concerning financial aid may determine how much you have to pay for tuition, and how much you will have to work to pay it.

Why should we care if we cannot do anything about it? It seems that you might disagree about an issue but feel it is not in your power to change it. Legislation in Washington, D.C. seems far away from Lubbock. The problem is we tend to think problems are solved at a national level, rather than at a

community level. You can make a difference on the Texas Tech campus and that in turn may influence what goes on at other campuses in America. Voting is an easy way to express your opinions. One vote can make a difference; just take a look at the 2000 presidential election.

Today it seems we would rather fit the mold then break it. We join organizations that encourage us to be involved in certain activities, go to certain parties, or be friends with certain people. When we get a job the same thing happens. We have certain rules to learn, protocol to follow and certain values we should instill. In both cases we are given guidelines on how to live, and above all we learn not to question authority.

I know none of us want to be told what to do and how to do it on a consistent basis. We will have no choice, though, if we remain placid and keep an apathetic attitude. We cannot create change without first learning about what we want to change.

The happenings of the world can give us perspective on what is going on in our own lives. It is important to look and see what is going on outside our own fishbowls. I hope that this semester we can all look past the glass.

Just look at what taxes are taken out on your paycheck and you will realize how things such as Medicaid and Social Security affect you.

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History

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Not only is there a connection between the mascot and Tech students, but also between the Masked Rider and the mascot.

Katie Carruth, a junior agricultural communication major from Lubbock and the current Masked Rider, said she had a special bond with Black Phantom Raider, who was humanely euthanized Monday after a traffic accident south of Mason.

"It starts with you being his sole care taker," she said.

Carruth fed and took care of the mascot, as well as traveled to countless appearances over the summer.

"We had tons of fun," Carruth said.

Cheryl Shubert, chairwoman of the Masked Rider Committee, said the Masked Rider carries a huge responsibility for Tech.

Forty Masked Riders in the history of Tech have carried this responsibility, she said.

Seven Masked Riders have repeated the position. Some of those include Joe Kirk Fulton, from Lubbock, who was the Masked Rider from 1953-55, and Katie's father, Johnny Bob Carruth, from De Leon, who was the Masked Rider from 1968-70.

Carruth is the first child of a Masked Rider to take over the position as the university's mascot.

Two sets of siblings have held the honor of being Masked Rider. Lesley and Lisa Gilbreath, both from Flower Mound, and Douglas and Donald Hollar. Lisa Gilbreath was the Masked Rider from 1993-94, and Lesley Gilbreath was the Masked Rider in 2000-01.

Shubert said there have been 12 horses in Tech's history of the Masked Rider.

Blackie, Fulton's personal horse, was the Tech mascot until 1956. Tech owned the second mascot, Tech Beauty, the mascot from 1956-59.

The next six mascots were loaned to the university. Beau Black was the mascot from 1959-61; Charcoal Cody from 1963-72; Showboy Huffman from 1972-73; Happy V from 1973-78; Happy VI from 1978-80; and Happy VI-VII from 1980-87.

Shubert said Tech has owned the last four mascots. Midnight Raider, the mascot from 1987-93, was retired for medical reasons.

The last three mascots, Double T, High Red and Black Phantom Raider have all died while being the current mascot, she said. Double T was the mascot from 1993-95, High Red from 1995-98, and Black Phantom from 1998 to 2001.

Carruth said Double T died at Jones Stadium after he ran into a wall at Jones SBC Stadium in 1994. Amy Smart, from Dallas, was the Masked Rider at the time.

"It was a freak accident," Carruth said. "Safety standards have been put into effect to prevent future accidents from occurring in the stadium."

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not complying with the ordinance in the first place."

Patrick Harrison, a South Plains College student and resident of the house, said that the trash in the neighborhood, especially the trash and garbage that is sometimes in his yard, is something that is not always caused by the residents in the neighborhood.

"Our house is located on the corner of 25th (Street) and Indiana (Avenue)," he said. "People throw trash out of their cars and they blame us for it."

Despite the protest, Harrison said his roommates do not plan to stop fighting the ordinance.

"We are not going to give up," he said. "They say they are in support of the students, but they really don't."

The Council will meet at 8:30 a.m.



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer
PATRICK HARRISON, A student of the purple house, listens Monday in front of City Hall.

Thursday at City Hall. Steinmetz said concerned students who would like to

become involved with the issue could also contact the SGA office at 742-3631.

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said.

The Texas Excellence funding comes from efforts made by Tech in collaboration with the University of Houston to gain more funds to increase their research capabilities, Sanders said.

"Austin and College Station are light years ahead of the rest of the state in research," Sanders said. "We've tried a

couple sessions before to get some money set aside, but been sort of a lone ranger endeavor with Tech and University of Houston. Tech and Houston have been on their own bootstrapping themselves up into the research game."

However, the resulting legislation includes all Texas institutions except UT and A&M.

"The concept was to create a fund, extra money to go to institutions that wanted to expand their graduate programs and really fine-tune and increase

the quality of our graduate schools," Sanders said. "To do that you have to have faculty. This extra money will enable us to hopefully invest in added faculty that will have both research and classroom potential."

After the first biennium, funding from the TEF will depend on how much restricted research is generated from the institution.

"That's why it's important to wisely invest this money over the next two years," Sanders said.

Horse

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Carruth said there is a lot of preparation that will need to be made while

training a new horse that could be used during a football game.

"It's crunch time, we have two weeks for me to build a bond," Carruth said. "The horse also has to be able to ignore an enormous crowd, the band and the

poms during a football game."

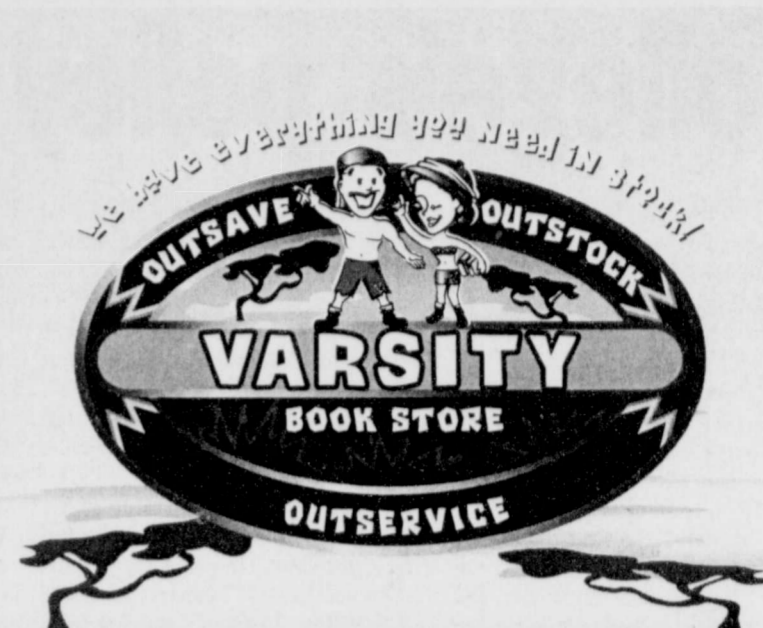
She said it would be hard to adjust to a new horse after the death of the horse.

"I fed him twice a day, took care of him and brushed him," she said. "We traveled a lot of miles together."

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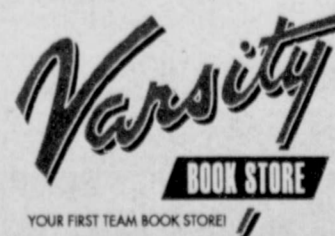
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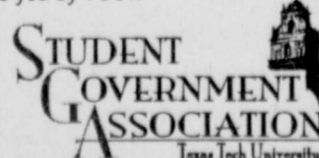
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College's policy ruled unconstitutional

ATLANTA (AP) — A federal appeals court ruled Monday that a University of Georgia affirmative action policy is unconstitutional because it arbitrarily gave non-white applicants a statistical boost.

The three-judge panel of the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld a lower court's ruling in favor of three white women who were denied admission in 1999.

The appeals court said the policy, which awarded race-based points to borderline students, violated the Constitution's equal-protection clause.

"UGA's policy is not only rigid and incomplete, the benefit it awards each and every nonwhite applicant is wholly, and concededly, arbitrary," the court said. "If a university cannot even articulate a

basis for the amount of the numerical bonus it awards nonwhite candidates, then it has no right to award such a bonus."

The university suspended the consideration of race last year while it awaited the court's decision. The school could appeal Monday's ruling to the full appeals court or to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Ninety percent of students at the university were accepted on grades and test scores alone. The policy applied only to the remaining 10 percent, assigning them points on factors ranging from alumni relatives to race, with nonwhite applicants getting a boost.

Lee Parks, an attorney for the women who challenged the practice, cheered the ruling.

"The policy that was in place was functioning as a quota," Parks said. "Under any set of rules that would be unconstitutional."

The university's attorney did not immediately return a call for comment.

Similar admissions policies at other schools have been challenged and the issue may ultimately be decided by the U.S. Supreme Court, which can resolve differences among appeals courts' rulings.

The 9th U.S. Circuit sided with a Western school that considered race, but a 5th U.S. Circuit ruling led to an injunction barring Texas universities from using race as a factor.

The University of Georgia had argued that campus diversity is a compelling state interest and that the policy helps remedy a long history of discrimination.

No black students were allowed at Georgia until 1961.

The university has struggled for years to boost black enrollment. Blacks make up about 6 percent of the student body, while the state population is more than one-quarter black. About 13 percent of the student body is non-white.

State Rep. DuBose Porter, chairman of House Higher Education Committee, said the university was prepared for such a ruling and has taken other steps to bring more blacks to campus.

"I think the focus UGA is taking is more on recruitment than maintaining the old way of having additional basis points for admissions," he said. "They're looking more at how to recruit graduate students, how to recruit transfer students from two-year colleges and how to re-

cruit minority students as you would any other student."

House Republican Leader Lynn Westmoreland said the court made the correct decision.

"I think it does matter that we have an equal protection clause to the Constitution and I'm glad to hear that the judges upheld that," he said.

The University of Georgia eventually granted admission to the three women who sued in 1999, though only two accepted.

In 1999, the university stopped using gender as a factor. Male applicants had been given a boost similar to non-white applicants because the university is mostly female. 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals: <http://www.ca11.uscourts.gov>

Attorney asks jury to indict Condit

ANOTHER CONCERN: Flight attendant says the congressman asked her to deny their affair.

MODESTO, Calif. (AP) — An attorney for a flight attendant who claims she had an affair with Rep. Gary Condit asked a grand jury Monday to indict the congressman on charges that he tried to coerce the woman to deny they had an affair.

In a rare legal procedure, James Robinson, the lawyer for flight attendant Anne Marie Smith, submitted a citizen complaint Monday directly to a Stanislaus County grand jury.

Robinson also hoped to meet personally with the foreman of the grand jury and county prosecutor Jim Brazelton to urge them to bring perjury and obstruction of justice charges against Condit; his chief of staff, Mike Lynch; and Don Thornton, an investigator for a California lawyer who has represented Condit.

Condit is already under intense criticism at home and in Washington for his responses to questions about his relationship with missing intern Chandra Levy.

"I would love to have a grand jury investigate" whether Condit had anything to do with Levy's disappearance, Robinson said.

Under the citizen complaint procedure, the grand jury could undertake its

own investigation, bypassing law enforcement and prosecutors.

However, it would still be up to prosecutors to decide whether to pursue a criminal case, and Brazelton said Stanislaus County isn't likely to take any action based only on Robinson's legal maneuvers.

"My office is not driven by the political process," Brazelton said. He said he would weigh the case like any other citizen complaint.

Added Assistant District Attorney Carol Shipley: "If he wants criminal action taken, he needs to go to the law enforcement agencies in whose jurisdiction the acts happened, and they will investigate. If there's a crime, they will forward it to us and we'll decide if we'll pursue a criminal case."

Robinson said he approached Stanislaus County authorities because Lynch and Thornton allegedly called Smith from the county seat of Modesto.

He said calls to Smith also were made from San Francisco and San Mateo counties where could pursue charges.

Smith says she and Condit had a 10-month affair. After Levy disappeared, she says, Condit called her several times and asked her to sign a statement denying they had an affair.

In a series of interviews last week, Condit said he never had an affair with Smith and never asked her to sign a statement.

"I didn't ask anyone to lie about anything. I did not ask Anne Marie not to cooperate with law enforcement. That's

an absolute lie," he said on ABC.

Federal officials have questioned Smith twice as part of their preliminary criminal investigation to determine whether Condit obstructed the investigation of Levy's disappearance.

Joleen McKay, a former Condit aide, also has spoken to investigators about her allegations that she had an affair with Condit and that Condit aides tried to pressure her to remain silent about it.

Condit ended a nearly four-month public silence and agreed to a series of print and broadcast interviews last week. He repeatedly declined to provide details about the nature of his relationship with Levy, a 24-year-old from Modesto who disappeared May 1.

Condit's reluctance to discuss the topic brought harsh criticism from many constituents and even some Democratic colleagues, most notably House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo. Gephardt said Condit was not candid and forward, and raised the possibility of removing the congressman from the House Intelligence Committee.

On Monday, Gephardt spokesman Erik Smith said the minority leader would talk to Democratic colleagues about Condit when they return from vacation next week and then decide whether to take any action.

Abbe Lowell, Condit's attorney, attempted to stem criticism Sunday. He said the congressman's aides misled the media when, soon after Levy disappeared, they denied an affair between Condit and Levy.

State labels Hearne ISD academically unacceptable

BRYAN (AP) — For three months, Hearne Independent School District Superintendent Norris McDaniel braced for the news. When it finally came, it was even worse than he thought: The district was the only one in Texas rated academically unacceptable by the state.

The Texas Education Agency informed McDaniel in May that Hearne's 1999-2000 dropout rate of 7.1 percent exceeded the 5.5-percent maximum deemed acceptable.

Hearne was the only district among 1,040 in Texas not to earn a rating of acceptable, recognized or exemplary.

"We saw and knew that the dropout rate was high, and we needed to make some effort to recover," said Hearne High School Principal Debra Lamb told the *Bryan-College Station Eagle*. "But we had no idea in reference to other schools what our standing was."

Hearne had held steady at "acceptable" since 1995. McDaniel took responsibility for the decline.

"This is just something that I failed to get taken care of with the dropouts," McDaniel said. "We didn't get them recovered. Other districts recovered theirs better than we did."

In July, the district established a "Graduation for All" committee to stem the dropout tide and encourage wayward students to at least earn a high

school diploma equivalency.

Hearne must hold a public hearing on the issue and meet with a team of TEA experts to discuss their plans to reverse the dropout problem, agency spokeswoman Debbie Graves-Ratliff said.

Rita O'Neil, a 23-year veteran teacher who used to knock on doors encouraging teens to return to class before her retirement, said an impoverished student body makes stressing education difficult.

In the 1999-2000 school year, Hearne had 23-year veteran teacher Rita O'Neil knocking on doors and encouraging teens not in school to return to class. It was the first such effort.

"(Students') concerns are daily survival," O'Neil said. "They're not worried about what kind of car they're getting for their birthday. Their parents don't have a car. It's a whole different ball game when you're teaching in a poverty area compared to College Station."

The property wealth per student was at \$121,003 in 2000, and the tax rate was at \$1.46 per \$100 valuation. In contrast, the wealth per student in nearby College Station reached \$301,546 this year and the tax rate was increased to \$1.79.

Eighty percent of students are from low-income families. The rural district is 77 percent black or Hispanic.

However, the dropout rate was only 1.8 percent in 1998-99, which has district officials hoping that last year was an aberration.

Powerball jackpot is spoken for

(AP) — A 46-year-old ex-convict from Kentucky and a medical records clerk from Minnesota stepped forward Monday and claimed their one-quarter shares of the \$294.8-million Powerball jackpot.

"It's a poor man's dream," David Edwards said at the Louisville Slugger Museum in Louisville, Ky.

"A lot of people work hard and a lot of people are out of work. And you dream you want a better life, and playing this lottery has done that for me," Edwards said with fiancée Shawna Maddux, 26, standing by his side.

The jackpot is the third-biggest lottery prize in U.S. history. The four winning tickets in Saturday's drawing of the multistate lottery were sold in Kentucky, Minnesota, New Hampshire and Delaware.

The holder of the New Hampshire ticket was expected to claim a piece of the jackpot later Monday. There was no immediate word on the holder of the Delaware ticket.

Each winning ticket is worth \$73.7 million, or \$2.9 million per year for 25 years. Ticket-holders also have the option of taking a lump sum of \$41.4 million, before taxes.

In Roseville, Minn., medical records clerk Sheryl Hanuman beamed as she claimed the cash option. The married mother of three said she'd given notice and may buy a new house.

"I better pinch myself," said Hanuman, who bought her ticket at a Minneapolis grocery.


"It means a little more freedom," she said of the jackpot. "It means I'll be able to help my family in ways I wouldn't even have thought of prior to this."

Edwards, a bearded figure who wore a suit to the news conference and gathered his long hair into a ponytail, also chose a lump-sum payment.

"I want to do good things with this money," he said.


Kentucky corrections officials said Edwards has been in and out of prison for the past two decades.

When asked about his criminal record, which includes a robbery conviction, Edwards said: "I've made some mistakes in my past ... but now I can do something positive with my future."



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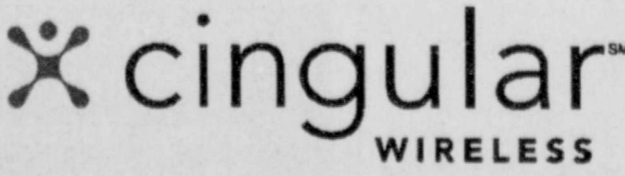
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Foreign language boost likely to help gain votes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The political importance of Hispanics is growing, and so is the number of politicians learning Spanish to try to tap into that voting bloc.

All over Capitol Hill, lawmakers are picking up audiocassettes and textbooks to learn Spanish so they can use it to chat with voters, deliver speeches or give interviews to Spanish-language television, radio and newspapers.

"It's a very quick and easy way for a candidate to indicate that they're simpatico," said Lisa Navarrete of the National Council of La Raza, the nation's largest Hispanic civil rights group. However, she added, candidates need to back that up with solid policies on such issues as the minimum wage, education and health care if they're actually going to win votes.

The nation's Hispanic population jumped

nearly 60 percent during the last decade and now comprises more than 13 percent of the population in 122 of the nation's 435 congressional districts.

Both political parties are keenly aware of the potential for Hispanics to change the political landscape and are aggressively courting them for the 2002 congressional elections and the 2004 presidential race.

There's no orchestrated effort to get candidates and members of Congress to learn Spanish, but many are doing it on their own.

Rep. Patrick Kennedy, D-R.I., the former head of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, took Spanish lessons so he could help candidates campaign last year in California.

Rep. Mike Rogers, R-Mich., has been prac-

ticing the language with Hispanic friends, while Rep. Christopher Shays, R-Conn., has taken an immersion course, in which all instruction is in Spanish.

Democratic Leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri, a possible contender for the 2004 Democratic presidential nomination, hopes to start lessons this year, said spokesman Eric Smith.

Gephardt has twice used a translator to deliver the weekly Spanish-language Democratic radio address, a fixture that was started after President Bush, who speaks some Spanish, began his own weekly Spanish-language addresses on Cinco de Mayo, a Mexican holiday.

Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., took a turn giving the address this month in Spanish. Kerry, another possible 2004 presidential candidate, said politics has little to do with his interest in be-

coming conversant in the language.

Still, he acknowledged, "You'd have to be blind not to understand the demographic transition of our country. And it's going to have an enormous impact."

Kerry, the son of a U.S. diplomat, speaks Italian, French and a little German and Vietnamese.

He started studying Spanish over a year ago with tapes and a book, and co-chairs with Sen. Jeff Bingaman of New Mexico a Democratic task force that organizes meetings between lawmakers and Hispanic community leaders.

Of course, public officials don't necessarily need Spanish to reach Hispanics. They can hire Spanish-speaking staffers, as many do, or have their office materials translated.

For those who don't have a knack for Span-

ish, or who know just a little, the question is whether to say anything at all.

Sen. John McCain of Arizona, who vied unsuccessfully for the 2000 Republican presidential nomination, knows quite a bit of Spanish but rarely utters a word because he believes his accent isn't up to par.

On the other hand, California Gov. Gray Davis, a Democrat, knows minimal Spanish but likes to sprinkle phrases into his speeches.

At his inauguration in January 1999, he broke away from the prepared text to stress — in Spanish — that he and his Hispanic lieutenant governor, Cruz Bustamante, would work together.

"I'm going to put this in here anyway: Cruz Bustamante y yo trabajaremos por ustedes," Davis said.

Drowning case in Houston prompts action

HELPING HAND: NOW establishes coalition to aid depression victims.

HOUSTON (AP) — Using the case of a Houston mother who drowned her five children, the National Organization for Women and other groups said they have established a coalition Monday to not only help defend Andrea Yates, but aid women with postpartum depression.

"It gives us a platform for something that obviously needs education," said Deborah Bell, president of Texas NOW. "One of our feminist beliefs is to be there for our women. Some good may come out of this tragedy."

NOW was joined by the American Civil Liberties Union, other women's and health groups and several anti-death penalty organizations, all of whom agreed that executing Yates would only continue the suffering.

"Addressing violence with more violence creates more suffering, grief and victims," said Gary Norman of the Murder Victims Families for Reconciliation. "Let us end this suffering and treat Mrs. Yates'

illness and not allow ourselves to continue the perpetuation of pain."

Dianne Clements, of the Houston-based victims' advocacy group Justice for All, counters that jurors should be able to consider lethal injection in a case where five young children were killed.

"How can (these groups) say she doesn't deserve the death penalty when they don't know all the facts?" Clements asked. "They can't say she doesn't deserve it any more than I can say she does deserve it."

Another concern, Clements said, is that if Andrea Yates were a man, she probably would not be receiving nearly as much support.

"I respect the goals of NOW and the equality issues, but I think a woman who murdered her children has the same equality and guilt as a man who did the same thing," Clements said. "If a man claimed to suffer from depression, he would not get the support that she is."

Yates, 37, faces capital murder charges in the deaths of three of her children — sons Noah, 7, John, 5, and Mary, 6 months. Prosecutors have said they plan to also present evidence concerning the deaths of sons Paul, 3, and Luke, 2.

Bell said Yates, a former nurse, is a men-

tally ill woman who found herself overwhelmed by caring for a newborn, four other young children and her ailing father, who died in March.

"This woman was in a nightmare and the end result of it was that she didn't wake up until this horrible tragedy occurred," she said.

Clements said those are excuses. "Obviously, it is a horrible, horrific thing," she said. "I think that it is so horrific and such an aberration that we try to find a reason for it other than she may just be evil."

NOW and the other groups, which have formed the Andrea Pia Yates Support Coalition, plan a candlelight vigil on Sept. 11, a day before a hearing is scheduled to determine if Yates is fit to stand trial.

During the vigil, attendees will wear purple and white ribbons and light candles across from the jail where Yates is being held to show their support. Purple is Yates' favorite color. The white will represent peace and nonviolence, Bell said.

The coalition also voiced its opposition to a judge-imposed gag order preventing parties from discussing the case and is promoting donations to a defense fund already established by Yates' attorneys at a Hous-

ton bank.

Any money received in addition to the costs of Yates defense will go to groups working to educate and help people suffering from postpartum depression, Yates' attorneys said.

Clements said the reality is that the funds raised for the defense fund will be eaten up by experts hired to explain postpartum depression and little if any money will actually go toward education and support of women suffering from postpartum depression.

"There obviously is more focus being put on her than on her children," Clements said. "This woman acknowledged that she killed her five children. Those who want to divert that attention somehow want to reconcile that acknowledgment with some sort of excuse."

Yates called Houston police to her home on June 20 and admitted drowning the children in the bathtub. Russell Yates told police his wife was depressed and had been treated for her condition. She remains under suicide watch in the psychiatric unit of the Harris County Jail.

The fund was established a day after Harris County District Attorney Chuck Rosenthal announced he would seek the

Defense's turn in Rivas case

DALLAS (AP) — The defense gets its turn now in the punishment phase of the trial of convicted capital murderer George Rivas.

The goal will be to spare Rivas from the death penalty, and it could prove to be a difficult task.

Just last week, jurors listened to testimony depicting him as a career criminal and child sex offender.

The 31-year-old was convicted of capital murder Tuesday for killing Irving police Officer Aubrey Hawkins during a Christmas Eve robbery of an Oshman's sporting goods store. Jurors will continue hearing testimony Monday to help them decide whether to sentence Rivas to death or life in prison for the crime.

Rivas admits he orchestrated a meticulously planned Dec. 13 escape from the Connally Unit in South Texas that freed six other felons from prison and resulted in a six-week man-

Last week, a tearful relative told jurors that Rivas started sexually abusing her when she was 6 and initiated intercourse at 12. The 26-year-old revealed the allegations after the prison break.

Prosecutors have presented dozens of Rivas' robbery victims to plod through a criminal history dating to 1988. Rivas was serving 17 life sentences for armed robbery and kidnapping when he escaped.

Defense attorneys have tried to paint Rivas as the compassionate fugitive, dwelling on courtesies he extended to victims. He left ice water for his hostages in the Connally Unit and alerted police to one of his robberies so victims would be freed.

His attorneys have maintained that Rivas shot Hawkins only to disarm him, not kill him.

Rivas is the first escapee to be tried for murder since the gang was apprehended Jan. 22 in Colorado.

\$100M Cancer center in works

HOUSTON (AP) — Eight years after the demise of the Superconducting Super Collider project killed a North Texas proton beam cancer therapy center, another one is in the works — this time in Houston.

The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center is partnering with investment firms Sanders Morris Harris Group Inc. and The Styles Co. to build a \$100-million advanced proton therapy center, the parties said Monday.

"The M.D. Anderson proton therapy center will be the third and largest facility of its kind in the nation," said Robert E. Garrison II, president and chief executive officer of Sanders Morris Harris.

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mors with little damage to surrounding tissue. The therapy is especially popular on parts of the body sensitive to other types of radiation, such as the head and prostate.

Leonard Arzt, executive director of the National Association for Proton Therapy in Bethesda, Md., said he envisions such centers sprinkled across the country, each able to serve large regions. "I can't imagine a heck of a lot of hospitals in this country being able to spend that kind of money," Arzt said. "M.D. Anderson has been looking at it for a long time."

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The Bosstones are Mighty Mighty in Lubbock

The Back to School Bash brought the Mighty Mighty Bosstones, Flickerstick, Podunk and others to the Hub City

By Jane Aldred/Staff Reporter

Damaged egos, cancellations and a small audience couldn't stop the rock music at the Back to School Bash on Sunday at the West Texas Amphitheater.

The Mighty Mighty Bosstones headlined the punk, alternative and heavy metal lineup including Flickerstick, Soil, Podunk, Chomsky and Riddlin' Kids.

Skid Row was scheduled to per-

form, but backed out at the last minute because Flickerstick was scheduled before the Bosstones, concert, promoters said.

The Bosstones gave an energetic performance bringing their own dancer, Ben Carr. He was dressed in the trademark suit and tie and did nothing but dance through the performance.

The lead singer Dicky Barrett chastised security for escorting a woman off the stage who had

climbed onto it to dance with the band. Barrett encouraged all the women in the audience to get up on stage. Within minutes half the crowd was dancing with the band.

"Skid Row went home and nobody gave a (expletive). This is so great," Barrett said onstage. "We didn't come for the people that were supposed to be here, we came for the people that showed up."

Flickerstick, from Dallas, took the stage before the Bosstones and played a polished set of radio-friendly alternative rock songs.

Brandin Lea, the lead singer for Flickerstick, took a few minutes before their performance for an interview and said that life has changed drastically since the completion of VH1's Bands on the Run, which aired earlier this year.

The series followed four bands who toured the country competing for ticket and merchandise sales. Flickerstick won, earning \$50,000 cash, \$100,000 worth of equipment from Guitar Center and A&R Showcase and a music video budget for their first single, "Smile."

Lea said the transition from playing small clubs to headlining in large venues has been a thrilling experience.

"You don't recognize the bass player from Fuel on the street but people recognize Fletcher (Lea, bassist for Flickerstick)," he said.

Bands on the Run gave Flickerstick the public medium they needed to publicize their work, he said.

"The rewards of doing the show have been 100 percent positive," he said. "We have no complaints."

This is the band's second trip to Lubbock on a tour that will last for the next few years, Lea said.

"We'll be on the road for three years touring. Next year we are going into the studio to record the next album," he said.

Lea said touring has become easier since the show wrapped up last year. For one thing, there are more people to handle the details of traveling and performing, he said.

"I like touring a lot. At first it



Greg Kreller/Staff Photographer

A CROWD DANCES on stage during the Mighty Mighty Bosstones performance at the West Texas Canyon Amphitheater Sunday evening at the Back to School Bash. Lead singer Dicky Barrett invited the fans onto the stage after security escorted a woman away for climbing onto the stage with the band.

was hard when you have a whole tour where you are doing everything. But now we have everyone behind us," Lea said. "We aren't in the van, we have a tour bus."

When asked about Skid Row's decision to boycott the show because Flickerstick was placed above them on the schedule, Lea said, "They were mad because we were scheduled to play ahead of the Bosstones. That's what the promoter did."

"They just need to know that it's not 1989 anymore and you can damn sure quote me on that."

The small but lively crowd didn't seem to mind the scheduling conflicts. Underground Union, a gothic heavy metal band from Austin, had the crowd jumping despite the band members screaming insults at the audience.

Podunk played two sets on the main stage to cover for Skid Row's absence.

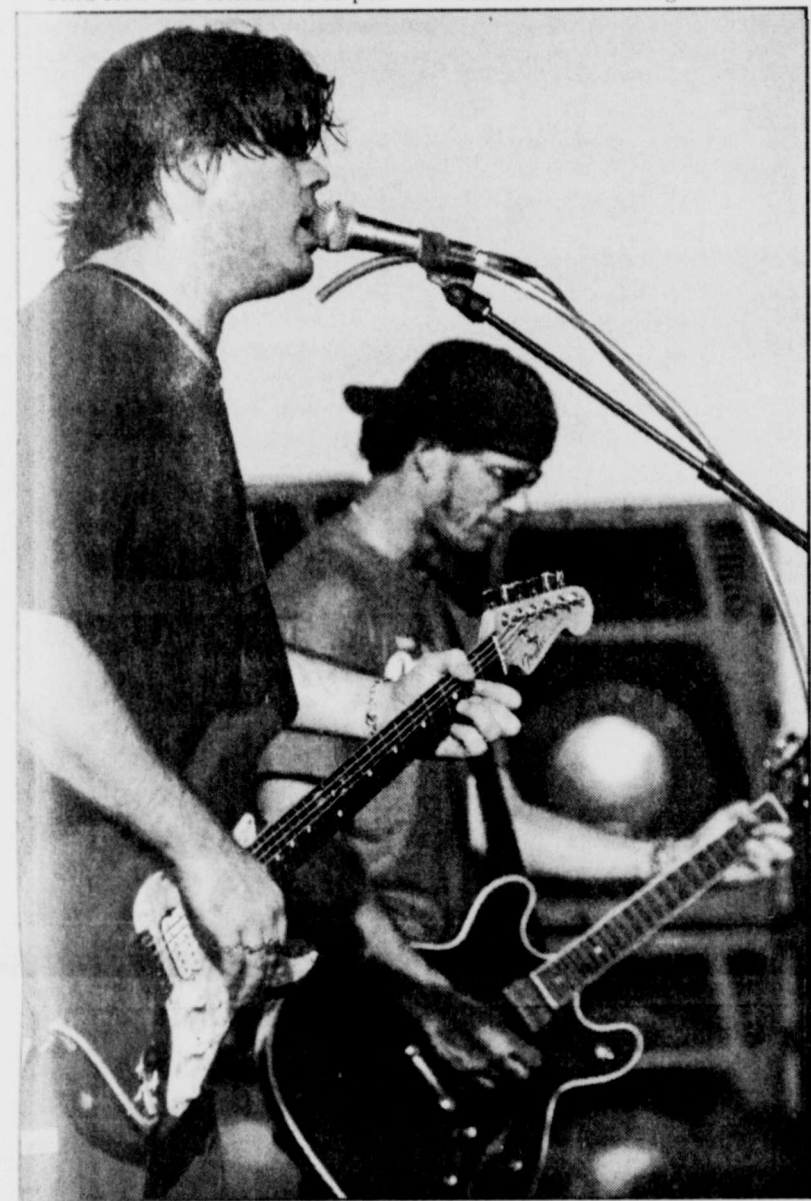
"It's good to see Lubbock getting different kinds of music," said Adam Giglio, a senior jewelry design major from Plano said.

Spencer Perry, a sophomore psychology major from Olton, Texas said, "I came for all of the bands. The music scene is a lot better since this place (West Texas Canyon Amphitheater) was built because more bands come through."

Wendy Barnes, a senior English from California, said she has been

a fan of the Mighty Mighty Bosstones since the early 80's and is a huge fan.

"How can you beat getting to see the Mighty Mighty Bosstones for free?" she said. "I called my girlfriend in California to tell her I was going to the Mighty Mighty Bosstones. She was so jealous."



Greg Kreller/Staff Photographer

PODUNK TAKES THE stage to perform for a second time Sunday afternoon at the West Texas Canyon Amphitheater. The band scheduled to perform cancelled leaving Podunk to pick up the slack.

James Taylor performs at Tech's arena tonight

James Taylor will perform at the United Spirit Arena today.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and Taylor will take the stage at 7:30 pm. Tickets are on sale at all Select-A-Seat locations or can be purchased at the University Center and the Arena ticket office. Prices are \$28.50 and \$38.50.

Taylor is scheduled to per-

form hits from his Greatest Hits Volume 1 and Volume 2. He has sold more than 11 million copies of his first greatest hits album and is a member of the Songwriters' Hall of Fame.

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FUN IN THE SUN



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RESIDENCE HALLS ASSOCIATION (RHA) President Gina Weber, senior marketing major from friends plays beach ball at the Beach Bash in Urbanovsky Park on Saturday afternoon. The event was organized by KTXT and RHA.

Students enjoy the last drops of summer at Tech's Beach Bash

By Trent Johnson/Staff Reporter

KTXT-FM and the Residence Hall Association presented their 2001 Beach Bash Saturday at Urbanovsky Park.

The event began later than scheduled because of stage problems caused by high winds, event organizers said.

"When the wind came it ripped the tarp," KTXT station manager Michael Porter said. "We had to tie the tarp to the scaffold on the stage."

During the stage mishaps, Tim House, a Lubbock disc jockey from Odd-E-O Network, kept the staff and crowd entertained with his mix of house music and drum and bass beats.

Watermelon Fastbass took the stage next. The Lubbock band used lots of sampling from other types of music to supplement its alternative/funk brand of music.

Odibe, a mainly acoustic band from Dallas, was the third act to take the stage. Their music is influenced by acoustic rock and is very similar to Guster's style of music.

Carlton Pride and his band Zion from San Marcos broke the trend of alternative music at the concert with songs that used many different types of reggae elements.

Spitfirevolver, who was flown in from Los Angeles, was scheduled to take the stage at 7 p.m. but heavy rains came and the stage was taken down. The band was able to play their set at a house show later that evening.

Taking down the stage during the storm took about two and a half hours although there were many people putting the dismantled stage back in the trailer, Porter said.

"It was a lot of work from a small amount of people," he said.

Planning for the concert began in June and the event was going to be held elsewhere on campus, but Urbanovsky Park was chosen as the site. The venue provided good sound and a good viewing and listening area for fans.

"We wanted to have it between the towers (Chitwood/Weymouth and

Coleman Hall)," Porter said. "But the acoustics weren't good between the buildings. It was the first time that everything and everybody came through in the end."

The concert's future is still up in the air because of the hard work that is needed to put on the concert.

KTXT and RHA provided beach balls, kiddie pools and water for the spectators.

The concert was another way for KTXT to be heard on campus, because many people do not even know the station is on the air, Porter said.

"A lot of people have been here for four years and don't even know we exist," he said. "We are trying to do everything we can to get our word out."

Most of the publicity for the concert was done in the residence halls and on the radio, he added.

Porter also said that he wants more people involved in the station. Anyone who missed Monday's information meeting about working for KTXT can contact the employees of the station in the journalism building.

Famous chef headed for the tube with new prime-time show

NEW YORK (AP) — Emeril the Underdog.

That's how chef and TV personality Emeril Lagasse sees his role in drama known as the fall television season. Believe it or not, the confident man behind the "Bam!" says it's a part he's used to playing.

Lagasse, already in the top draw on cable's Food Network with "Emeril Live" and "Essence of Emeril," is getting his own half-hour comedy on NBC. Plain old "Emeril," premiering Sept. 18, is being written by Linda Bloodworth and directed by her husband Harry Thomason, the team behind "Designing Women" and "Evening Shade."

The series already is the victim of some bad buzz. Several changes have been made since the poorly received pilot, including adding Robert Ulrich to the cast as Lagasse's agent and concentrating on workplace antics instead of a fictional family.

But Lagasse has faith that his populist, no-frills style will attract viewers, if not praise from critics.

"We've often been beaten up by the 'Hollywood experts,' and that's OK," he says. "The foodie community used to bash me, too."

That was before he opened his six restaurants — all of which rank among the 20 most popular in their respective cities, according to Zagat Survey dining guides — and taped more than 1,000 cooking shows.

Turns out, Lagasse's leap from reality to sitcom isn't a big one: On the new show, he plays a chef with a TV cooking show who struggles to balance work and home (Mary Page Keller plays his wife).

"It's not a stretch for me to be Emeril," he says. So far, the hardest part was kissing his on-screen wife when his real-life wife, Alden, was in the studio. "I guess that was acting."

To Thomason, the secret ingredient for the show is the real Lagasse. He doesn't want Lagasse "the actor," he wants Lagasse "the everyman."

"He comes across as a guy everyone would want to know. He brings a familiarity of people you know to TV." Those qualities are what first attracted Bloodworth and Thomason.

"Linda started watching the Food Network a couple of nights in a row. One night she woke me, and she just thought he's a star," Thomason explains.

All the Hollywood attention is flattering, Lagasse says, but he'll never give up the food that first brought him accolades. In fact, he's mixing a little bit of his two worlds together, posting recipes on NBC's Web site.

"Part of my passion about cooking and TV is people receiving, getting happy and being fulfilled," says Lagasse. Sounds like a pretty good recipe, but the 42-year-old Lagasse, who also is the

food correspondent for ABC's "Good Morning America," worries about saturation.

"I always think about overexposure. I think things out very thoroughly and I'm very thoughtful. I'm not selling out. I do only what I believe in, which is, first and foremost, cooking. I'm behind a stove every day — it just might be on a set."

Since he doesn't live in Los Angeles, where the show is taped, he demanded that there be a full-time chef advising the fictional cooking segments.

"If we're eating raspberry coffee cake on the show, I want it to be a real raspberry coffee cake, not a prop. I have my food reputation to consider."

But Lagasse's food and entertainment projects can't always blend perfectly. Food Network's "Emeril Live!" is on Monday through Friday at 8 p.m. EDT. NBC's "Emeril" will air Tuesdays at 8 p.m., so Lagasse will be competing with

himself.

Food Network president Judy Girard says having a network use a cable show as the basis for a series is the highest form of flattery, but she is concerned that NBC will steal some of Lagasse's cable viewers.

"It angers me a little because it will hurt us more than it hurts them," she says.

However, this also might be a chance for Lagasse to attract new fans to his food shows — at least on the other nights of the week.

If anyone can bridge the gap between niche television and the mass market, it's Lagasse, Girard says with confidence. "He's a wonderful communicator."

So, has she seen the new show? "It's interesting," she allows — "there are moments when you think Emeril can pull off a scripted comedy. He has comic timing."

Studio pulls movie trailer from Web site

CULVER CITY, Calif. (AP) — Sony Pictures Entertainment has pulled an R-rated trailer for the upcoming comedy "Not Another Teen Movie" from an Internet site.

The Motion Picture Association of America, which rates films and advertisements, complained to the studio last week that R-rated trailers should not be shown on the Internet, where underage children can view them.

MPAA President Jack Valenti said the ad, which rated profanity and partial nudity, was withdrawn immediately by Sony from the Redbandtrailer.com preview site.

The site could not be accessed at all last Friday.

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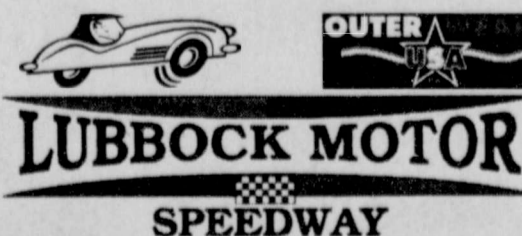
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Two-a-days over; fall practice begins today

By Phil Riddle/Staff Reporter

Today's 3 p.m. football practice marks the beginning of regular-season workouts, as well as the end of grueling two-a-days.

Texas Tech head football coach Mike Leach, in his weekly Monday press conference commended his players for their efforts in the season's preliminary practices.

"I think the last two weeks have gone really well," he said. "We've come a long way and we've gotten to do a lot of one-on-ones. That really helps. Now we can kind of settle down and do more work

every week that's more specific to our opponents."

Drawing the most praise from Leach was the Raiders' offensive line.

"The offensive line has been the most improved unit," Leach said. "Everything begins with the line. Kliff (starting quarterback Kingsbury) has had a good fall. Sometimes he'll leave practice with a 90 percent completion rate. That's amazing. But the improvement of the offensive line will really make the passing game, and everything else, work a lot better."

Kingsbury, a junior from New Braunfels, also noticed the improvement of his protectors.

"The O-line came in as a really tight-knit group," Kingsbury said. "They've gotten their assignments down pat and they've bulked up a lot in the off-season. They should be really impressive."

Projected starters for the Red Raiders' offensive front this season are 6-foot-4-inch, 295-pound Toby Cecil at center; Matt Heider, a 6-foot-5-inch, 305-pound senior; 6-foot-4-inch, 299-pound junior Rex Richards at the guards; tackle Jason May, a 6-foot-4-inch junior weighing in at 300 pounds; and 6-foot-5-inch, 288-pound senior Paul Erickson.

Newcomers, especially on defense, were cited by Leach for outstanding efforts in preseason drills. Those spotlighted included transfer defensive back Jose Harmon and linemen Clayton Harmon and Josh Ratliff.

Leach sees all three making an immediate impact for Tech.

"If the season started today, our starters and C.J. Johnson would be our Harner and C.J. Johnson," Leach said. "Harner has also worked himself into the starting rotation on the defensive line. And Ratliff has been good. Of course, we stress that you have to win your job every day."

Hanson is a 5-foot-10-inch, 175-pound junior who comes to Tech from El Camino College, where he snagged three interceptions, returned one pick for



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer

TEXAS TECH OFFENSIVE lineman Paul Erickson protects the pocket during Red and Black game last spring. The Red Raiders begin fall practice today as they gear up for their season opener Sept. 8 at Jones SBC Stadium against New Mexico.

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New rule changes to favor Tech volleyball

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

When students go to a Texas Tech volleyball match this season at the United Spirit Arena, they may notice some differences from last year.

The National Association for Girls and Women in Sports, who currently holds jurisdiction over women's volleyball rules, made numerous changes that include significant switches in the way a team wins and the way a team can score on a serve.

The most noticeable modification may be the change to a rally-scoring format.

In rally scoring, the team winning each rally receives a point whether they are serving or not.

Rules in the past only allowed points to the team that serves.

Rather than reaching a 15-point plateau to win a game, the new alterations show a team must reach 30 points for the victory.

Still in effect, however, is the rule that the winner must win by two points.

If a match goes to five games, the winner of the deciding game is declared the winner using the old rules - first to

15 walks off the winner.

Outside hitter Heather Hughes-Justice said the switch to rally scoring will benefit the Red Raiders because their style of play fits it well.

She said rally scoring would lead to good ball control and less errors.

"It's a good thing for our team because we're a good side-out team," Hughes-Justice said.

Competitions in international play already use rally scoring, and Tech coach Jeff Nelson said it is important to play the same way in collegiate volleyball to show consistency.

"It's already in use, and we need to follow that lead," Nelson said.

Colored balls may be used this season as long as one-third of the ball is white, and all volleyballs used in a match must have the same specifications.

However, that rule is optional and because the Big 12 Conference as a whole opted to stay with the all-white ball, Tech will not take that rule into effect.

The reason the Big 12 has chosen to not use the colored ball is because

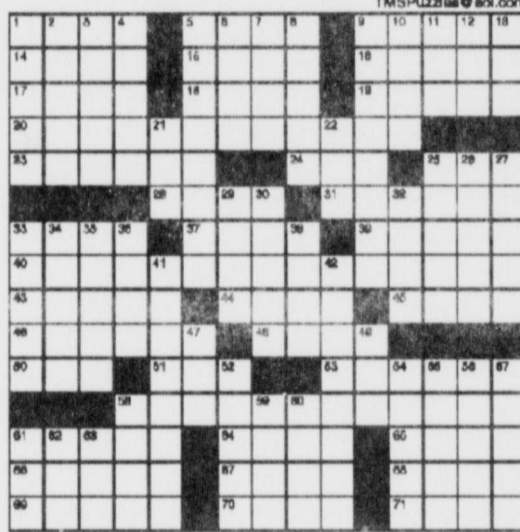
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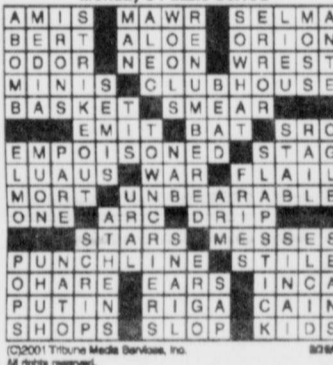
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A question for Tech football



MATT MUENCH

football team. "What are you going to do about it?"

Gone are the days of the SEC and Big Ten ruling the AP Top 10.

That is because of national champion Oklahoma and the always-talented Texas and Nebraska squads.

Don't forget Texas A&M, Kansas State and Colorado, who are not far behind.

I just named the best six preseason squads in the conference.

The Red Raiders sit at No. 7.

I ask you again, Tech, "What are you going to do about it?"

When you think about it, the Tech gridiron team is similar to that of a middle child as far as the Big 12 is concerned.

Like the kid whose birthday is often forgotten, no one cares about the teams in the middle.

Of course the top six teams I named will be the bar talk and ESPN Gameday chatter every week.

And the teams on the bottom, such as Baylor and Kansas, are brought up because fans always want to see when their team is going to have easy competition.

As for middle teams like Tech, they are in a group of squads where people say, "Oh yeah, and then there is Texas Tech."

So I ask Tech again, "What are you going to do about it?"

I have a suggestion.

Just by looking at the conference schedule the smart gambler puts his or her money on Texas, Nebraska and Oklahoma to beat Tech

Give Tech fans a season that doesn't read mediocre.

Give the Red and Black faithful a season of more than one upset.

Give this city a campaign that doesn't hear the cliché quotes like, "Well at least we hung in with one of the best teams in the nation."

Make the team play the role as the favorites rather than the underdogs.

The Raiders made a big step last year by reaching a bowl game in Mike Leach's first season at the helm and Kliff Kingsbury's first year under center as the triggerman. Keep making steps.

The Big 12 is growing fast and Tech can't lag behind like my brother in sixth grade did when he was the only male

under 5 feet tall.

It is time to take the middle child characterization out of the Tech football stereotype. And by looking at this year's schedule, the Raiders can become an older sibling in the conference.

The first three games must be won — no excuses.

Right now it looks like New Mexico and North Texas should be walks in the park.

As for UTEP, that is the most important game on the schedule.

A win in El Paso gives Tech great bowl chances because all the Raiders would have to do is win five of the eight conference games to have a better record and most likely a better bowl than last year.

Just by looking at the conference schedule the smart gambler puts his or her money on Texas, Nebraska and Oklahoma to beat Tech.

Kansas State and Texas A&M are key home games that could go both ways.

But Tech has the advantage with the home turf.

And there is Kansas, Baylor and Oklahoma State.

Lose any of those and it's trouble.

Tech should go 8-3.

Seven wins will be mediocre.

Six wins or less will result in no bowl and the team will be put in the same category as Baylor or any other team who constantly dwell in the Big 12 cellar.

So I ask again, "What are you going to do about it?"

To make it easy, win them all.

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injuries, the team is still in good shape.

"We're basically pretty healthy going into the regular season," he said.

"We've really only lost Loliki (RB Bongo-Wanga) for the season. Everybody else is just kind of banged up."

Bongo-Wanga ruptured a hamstring during two-a-days last week, underwent surgery, and is lost for the season. Wide receiver Anton Paige is expected to be out four weeks with an injured right hamstring.

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Rules

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the NCAA will not allow colored balls in the championship tournament.

"I prefer to play with what we'll play with in the tournament," Nelson said.

Other new rules include the way a coach can walk the sideline.

Coaches will now be allowed to consult with the referee to clarify a ruling or confirm the number of substitutions or time outs their team has used while the ball is out of play.

If a coach enters the substitution zone while instructing players on the court he can be penalized for disruptive coaching.

The new rulebook states that the server is only allowed one toss and

must contact the ball within eight seconds of tossing the ball for service and if a served ball contacts the net and continues to the opponents side of the net it will be considered a let serve point.

Even if the ball grazes the net and goes out of bounds it is still a service ace and the point is awarded to the server. The addition of let serves as legal may cause mixed reactions from both teams in a match Nelson said.

"I think (let serves) could be really frustrating if a team racks up three or four in one game," Nelson said. "But it's fair for both sides."

Coach Nelson said the let serve will allow players to be more aggressive with their serves by hitting lower and flatter serves, but also said it can lead to sloppy play.

Hughes-Justice agreed.

"You will be a little more aggressive with your serve if you can hit the net and it will be all right," she said.

The NCAA will take over jurisdiction for women's volleyball rules for the 2002 season.

Nelson said he thinks some rules will not hold up while others will continue on to next season.

"The NCAA committee was very involved with the rule changes."

Nelson said. "Some, I think, will become permanent."

THE CHANGES

New rules for Tech volleyball

- 1 Rally Scoring
- 2 Let serves are legal
- 3 One toss for server

SOURCE: Tech coach Jeff Nelson

Top seeds advance in U.S. Open

WHO'S NEXT?: Rafter and Hingis show no signs of early exit in final major.

NEW YORK (AP) — Patrick Rafter, his trademark ponytail cut off, struggled Monday in beginning his bid for a third U.S. Open title with a 7-6 (3), 6-3, 7-5 victory over wild card Bob Bryan.

Another former champion, Martina Hingis, also advanced on opening day of the Grand Slam event. The top-ranked Swiss used precise if not power tennis to eliminate wild card Laura Granville 6-2, 6-0 in 46 minutes.

Rafter, who the U.S. Open in 1997 and 1998, was a first-round casualty each of the last two years. The Aussie seemed in trouble again when Bryan forced him to a first-set tiebreak.

But Rafter shrugged off punishing heat and humidity to win the tiebreak 7-3 and then held off Bryan's 116 mph serves through the next two sets.

Hingis, ranked No. 1 but without

a Grand Slam title since 1999, was in command against Granville, the two-time NCAA champion from Stanford. She won the last nine games and had four aces but she never pushed her serve up to the speeds so common among today's top women players.

"I know I'm not going to hit it like Venus," she said, referring to the 124 mph serves of Venus Williams. "Placement, mixing it up so the opponent doesn't always know what I'm doing. That's my strategy. I know I'm not going to overpower anybody or hit a hole through someone."

So she picked apart Granville, who was making her first appearance on center court at the Open.

"It was a difficult experience because I haven't played on anything even close to the size of that stadium," Granville said. "Hopefully in the future, I'll be more comfortable on it."

After dropping the first three games, Granville broke to briefly get the first set back on serve.

But Hingis was not about to stumble against the 20-year-old from Chicago who set an NCAA record with 58 consecutive singles victories over 13 months.

Hingis, who won her only U.S. Open in 1997, did not drop another game, taking advantage of 29 unforced errors by

Granville.

Hingis has gone more than two years without a Grand Slam title since winning the 1999 Australian Open.

Michael Chang, who has not been a factor at the Open since reaching the semifinals in 1997, was a first-round casualty, beaten by No. 26 Nicolas Pietrangeli 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.

Amy Frazier, No. 29 in the Open's expansion to 32 seeded players, was the first seeded player to lose, beaten by Barbara Rittner 6-1, 6-2.

In other early matches, Iva Majoli defeated Tatiana Panova 6-1, 6-1, and No. 29 Nicolas Kiefer retired because of the heat against Rainer Schuettler after splitting the first two sets. Also in action on the first day was former champion Lindsay Davenport, with Serena Williams and Andre Agassi scheduled for night matches. Andy Roddick, owner of one of the top serves in the game, had the opening day off.

"It wasn't always big," he said of his serve. "One day in practice, when I was probably 16, I was getting mad in practice. I just kind of walked up to the line and tried to hit the ball as hard as I could, just out of anger, and the ball went in. And I did it three or four more times and the serve was pretty good, and that's what happened."

Pigskin

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a touchdown, and registered 30 tackles.

Johnson, expected to start opposite Hanson, is a Raider senior who worked on defense and special teams a year ago, posting four tackles and one broken-up pass.

Hammon joins the Raiders as a 6-foot-5-inch, 270-pound freshman from Stephenville. Hammon was rated 15th nationally as a d-line recruit and was courted by Texas A&M and Nebraska, as well as Tech.

Ratcliff, a 6-foot-3-inch, 248-pound talent from Butte (Calif.) Community College, was an NJCAA All-America selection at BCC.

Leach also said in his Monday comments that in spite of a rash of offensive

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