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## Bush urges Congress to 'save' Social Security

By Terence Hunt/Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush challenged a hesitant Congress on Wednesday to "strengthen and save" Social Security, saying the nation's costliest social program was headed for bankruptcy unless changed. Bush's plan would cut guaranteed retirement benefits for younger Americans but would not affect checks for people now 55 and older.

Bush, in his State of the Union address, pledged to work with Congress "to find the most effective combination of reforms," although he has ruled out some remedies such as raising Social Security taxes.

Democrats said Bush's proposal to divert Social Security

revenues into private investment accounts was dangerous and that there were better ways to fix the program, the 70-year-old centerpiece of the New Deal.

Republicans stood and cheered when Bush urged lawmakers to approve "voluntary personal retirement accounts." Democrats sat in stony silence, underscoring the partisan divide on an issue likely to dominate the year in Congress. Democrats also groaned and grumbled when Bush said Social Security would require drastically higher taxes, massive new borrowing or severe benefit cuts unless the system is changed.

Bush's 53-minute speech spanned problems at home and abroad, but it was the first State of the Union address since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks that focused most heavily on domestic issues. Despite Democrats' criticism, he offered no hint of a timetable for a troop withdrawal from Iraq.

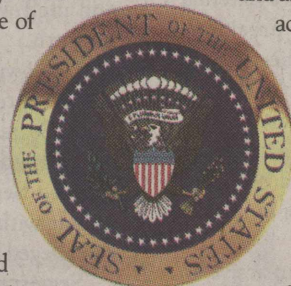
The longest applause was when Bush recognized Janet and Bill Norwood, the parents of Marine Sgt. Byron Norwood of Pflugerville, who was killed in the assault on Fallujah. In an emotional gesture, Mrs. Norwood hugged Safia Taleb al-Suhail, leader of the Iraqi Women's Political Council.

Bush pledged to confront regimes that promote terror and pursue weapons of mass destruction and singled out Syria and Iran. Returning to his inaugural address' theme of spreading democracy, Bush hailed the success of Sunday's elections in Iraq.

"And the victory of freedom in Iraq will strengthen a new ally in the war on terror, inspire democracy reformers from Damascus to Tehran, bring more hope and progress to a troubled region," he said. In a challenge to Iran's government, he told the country's citizens: "As you stand for your own liberty, America stands with you."

Bush also promised to push forward for Mideast peace,

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## Tech students sound off on Princeton grading cap

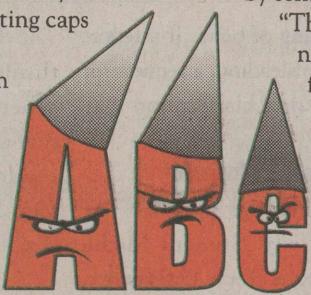
By Katherine Amerson/  
The University Daily

Getting into college can be tough, and making the grade can be even more of an arduous task. Princeton University made As even harder to get by putting caps on grades.

Since so many Princeton students were making As, the school decided to limit the number of As each department can give students each semester to 35 percent.

Princeton Dean of the College Nancy Malkiel said grades should be rigorous markers of academic performance.

"We won't really have any hard information on what happened to grading patterns until after this academic year is over" and we can run reports on student



grades," she said.

Right now, Princeton is working on disseminating the new grading policy information, Malkiel said, and to convey proper understanding of the issue by sending out letters.

"The letter notes that the new grading policy reflects the commitment of the Princeton faculty to hold a select group of unusually accomplished students to the highest standards, and to make very careful distinctions in evaluating their work," she said.

Candace Goggans, a junior nursing student, said she is glad she attends

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## Healing Harmony



ANDREW WEATHERL/The University Daily

STACEY MOORE, AN employee of Tech's Student Counseling Center, discusses the soothing properties of drumming while Jeff Martindale, also an employee, demonstrates the use of a Native American flute in the counseling process in the waiting room of the Student Counseling Center in West Hall.

### Beating drums a new therapy for dealing with stress

By Kelly Gooch/  
The University Daily

The Texas Tech Student Counseling Center had its first drum circle meeting for students Wednesday night.

Jeff Martindale, psychology intern, said drum circling was introduced at the counseling center because drums have been used for

ages as a method of healing.

"You can get lost in it," he said.

Keith Boyle, a freshman civil engineering major from Pflugerville, said after his first drum circle meeting, he is planning to attend the next one.

"The beat just makes your heart slow down," he said.

At the meeting, participants began

with breathing exercises, Boyle said, then different instruments were explained, and each participant was able to choose which instrument fit him best.

Martindale said he became aware of drum circles after spending time with Native American flute players in flute circles.

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## North Overton demolition, reconstruction continuing

By Brittany Barrientos/  
The University Daily

The demolition of buildings in the North Overton area continues, as a Lubbock music store is annihilated.

According to the McDougal Construction Web site, the project, named for the founder of the neighborhood, Dr. M.C. Overton, has been happening since July 1999.

Clifton Wilkinson, vice president of business development for McDougal Corporations, said the project is aimed to redevelop and upgrade the buildings that previously were in the Overton area.

He said for all the buildings torn down, new buildings will be erected.

"We are going to upgrade and clean up the older buildings," Wilkinson said. "There will be buildings put back up, but that is not being handled by McDougal."

He said he is not at liberty to tell who the new contractor will be, but the deal is expected to close as soon as the end of this month. Once all is finalized with the contrac-

tors, Wilkinson said, building can begin within the year.

Wilkinson said a piece of the property at 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Avenue Q has been sold to Wal-Mart. A new upscale Wal-Mart is expected to be under development by the end of the summer.

He said all of the new buildings in the Overton area are going to be a bridge between the style of Texas Tech campus buildings and downtown Lubbock. For instance, many buildings will have a Spanish look with tile roofs.

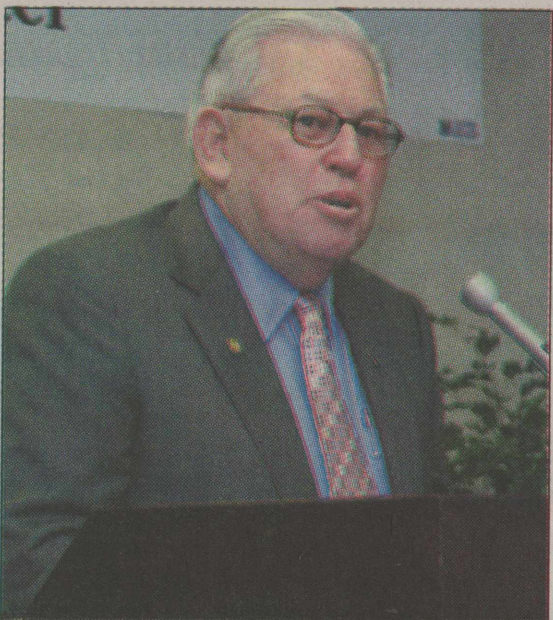
"(We are) trying to bring the Tech look and downtown Lubbock together," Wilkinson said.

Larry Thompson, owner of the Ralph's Records on University Avenue, said his company moved out of the building they leased about two years ago because the building was going to be torn down.

"They gave me enough money to move," he said.

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SHIRLEY GARRISON SPEAKS to the media and members of the faculty at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Wednesday afternoon about the \$5 million donation he and his wife, Mildred, gave to the TTUHSC to benefit the Institute for Healthy Aging.



LINC ARMES/The University Daily

## Garrisons donate \$5 million to Institute for Healthy Aging

By Lindsay Wharton/  
The University Daily

The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center announced a \$5 million donation, the largest amount to be donated individually to the center, Wednesday.

Mildred and Shirley Garrison donated the money. It will go to the Institute of Healthy Aging, now named the Garrison Institute on Aging.

The presentation was made at the Academic Classroom Building at the HSC.

"We are very appreciative of the continued support of Mr. Garrison," said Dr. M. Roy Wilson, HSC president.

This general endowment will give sustainability to the Institute, said Paula Grammas, executive director of the Garrison Institute on Aging. The funds will enable the institute to be able to seek out more money to continue their research, she said.

The donation will make it possible for the organization to continue growing, Grammas said. The institute promotes an educational series.

The money will go towards clinical programs and research, Grammas said. Faculty and operations also will benefit from the donation.

Wilson said proceeds continue to fund different functions of the institute, which

covers a broad range of aging health issues including dementia and quality of life.

Wilson said Alzheimer's disease is one of the major areas the organization focuses on, and continued research enables researchers at the institute to learn more about the causes of the disorder.

"The institute has been very involved with education," Wilson said.

The Garrison Institute is not just for medical and nursing students, Wilson said. The institute's research spans all the schools and education programs.

Nurses and other health professionals also will have more opportunities with this new donation, Wilson said.

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# Election campaign on agenda for today's SGA meeting

Student Government Association will hold the ninth meeting of the 40th session this Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Electrical Engineering building Langford Lab room 101.

According to the meeting agenda, Student Senate President Nathan Nash will report on some upcoming events for SGA including the fall election schedule and the lobbying trip to Austin.

Several Senate bills will be addressed during the meeting. Particularly, Senate Bill 40.03, suggesting a change in the SGA Constitution.

According to the ballot, currently the Senate has the power to both remove and replace executive officers. This amendment would set up a clear line of succession as well as allow the president of SGA to appoint replacements for vice presidential vacancies, thus creating the appropriate separation.

Senate Bill 40.11 will be discussed concerning a revision in the rules of the Senate. The bill states there has been some confusion as to the role of law students on the committee. This bill is meant to clarify any questions

about that role. Senate Bill 40.12 will address the issue of collective campaigning. Collective campaigning is not currently permitted, but the goal of this bill is to change those restrictions in the Election Code.

Some major points of the bill include financial aspects of collective campaigning and regulations on the number of posters that may be used by a group of candidates while they are campaigning. According to the bill, allowing collective campaigning may help to promote the election of candidates that share common goals, therefore they may work better together.

Senate Bill 40.13 will be discussed concerning the new addition of the College of Mass Communications. The bill calls for the election of senators to represent the College of Mass Commu-

nications and asks that the students of the new college vote for their representatives. The bill would add the College of Mass Communications to the Election Code.

Senate Bill 40.10 suggests a change in the Election Code for the vice president of graduate affairs. According to the bill, candidates for president, internal vice president or external vice president will be allowed to cross-file as senator-at-large.

Also, a candidate for Vice President of graduate affairs may cross-file for senator-at-large or graduate senator.

The bill will be retroactive to include the spring 2005 SGA elections.

The meeting will conclude with reports from each of the committees.



# Bill to cut offensive movie scenes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Legislation that would enable parents to skip movie scenes deemed offensive on DVDs is moving quickly in Congress.

It also would create stiffer penalties for people who bring videocameras into theaters to make pirated copies.

"Parents have a right to decide what their children see on television, and no one should deny them that right," said Rep. Lamar Smith, R-Texas, who introduced the bill in the House. "Fortunately, technology exists that shields children from violence, sex and profanity. It is the electronic equivalent of fast-forwarding over unwanted content."

The legislation was introduced because Hollywood studios and directors had sued to stop the makers

and distributors of the technology. The movies' creators had argued that changing the content would violate their copyrights.

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said the bill would create an exemption in the copyright laws to make sure companies like ClearPlay, a Salt Lake City business, will not get sued out of existence.

The bill "will help to end aggressive litigation threatening the viability of small companies like ClearPlay which are busy creating innovative technologies for consumers that allow them to tailor their home viewing experience to their own individual or family preferences," Hatch said last week.

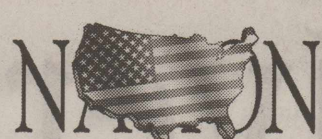
The House Judiciary Committee is

expected to take up the legislation soon. The Senate passed a similar bill by voice vote Tuesday.

In addition, the legislation introduced in the House and passed by the Senate would create new penalties for criminals who use small videocameras to record and sell bootlegged copies of first-run films.

The legislation would stop "the most egregious form of copyright piracy plaguing the entertainment industry today, the piracy of film, movies, and other copyrighted materials before copyright owners have had the opportunity to market fully their products," said Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas.

## The Rundown



# Pregnant Houston Plane skids across woman stabbed busy NJ highway rush hospital visit

HOUSTON (AP) — A man remained jailed Wednesday on a capital murder charge, accused of stabbing his pregnant wife and killing the baby she was carrying. The woman survived.

Wharton County District Attorney Josh McCown said the baby was delivered alive early Saturday and died within a few hours of his birth.

McCown filed a capital murder charge Saturday against Jeremy Wade Segrest, 19, because the victim was under the age of 6. He also charged Segrest with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon for the alleged attack on his wife.

Segrest remained in the Wharton County Jail on a \$1 million bond Wednesday. He does not have an attorney.

His wife, Ashley Segrest, 20, was listed in stable condition at Memorial Hermann Hospital.

An autopsy performed on the baby showed he died from a combination of prematurity and stab wounds, said Beverly Begay, chief forensic investigator for the Harris County Medical Examiner's office.

Police arrived at Segrest's grandparents home after receiving a domestic assault report late Friday.

TETERBORO, N.J. (AP) — A corporate jet skidded off a runway Wednesday on takeoff and hurtled across a six-lane highway during the morning rush hour, smashing into two cars and punching through the wall of a warehouse. About 20 people were taken to the hospital, including two injured in their cars.

Crew members and passengers walked or crawled from the burning wreckage after the crash at Teterboro Airport, a small airport about 12 miles from midtown Manhattan that caters to executive jets.

"I think everybody at this point is extremely lucky and fortunate," said acting Gov. Richard J. Codey.

The cause of the crash was not immediately known. The Bombardier Challenger CL-600 was carrying investment bankers from several companies to Chicago, Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Jim Peters. He had no other details.

All 11 people on the plane were taken to the hospital; the most seriously hurt among them was one of the pilots, who had a broken leg. One of those injured in a car was in critical condition. Five firefighters were taken to the hospital with minor injuries, and a man in the warehouse was also hurt.

"The pilot said he dragged himself out," witness Robert Sosa told WNBC-TV. "He literally crawled out like a baby, and all the other people just walked out normal."

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II had a restful night and his condition stabilized after he was rushed to a hospital with breathing trouble, but he will spend several more days at the clinic to recover from the flu, the Vatican said Wednesday.

Around the world, Roman Catholics paused to pray for the health of the 84-year-old pontiff.

Tests showed John Paul's heart and respiration were normal, and he got several hours' rest after being taken by ambulance to the hospital Tuesday night, papal spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls said. The pontiff was running a slight fever from the flu and would spend "a few more days" at Rome's Gemelli Polyclinic for treatment of respiratory problems, he said.

"There is no cause for alarm," Navarro-Valls said.

The pope has Parkinson's disease, and Cardinal Javier Lozano Barragan, the Vatican's top health official, told Associated Press Television News that the slumping pontiff's inability to hold his back up straight has left his lungs and diaphragm in a crushed position.

Navarro-Valls insisted the pope had never lost consciousness, and he did not need a tracheotomy to insert a tube into his windpipe to help him breathe. He said John Paul participated from his hospital bed in a Mass celebrated by his secretary in the room.

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# Treatment for post-traumatic stress available

By Brittany Barrientos/  
The University Daily

Soldiers returning from war likely will experience a plethora of emotions. One that may be unexpected, however, is unintentional anger and anxiety toward family and friends.

Post-traumatic stress disorder is defined by the National PTSD Web site as a psychiatric disorder following life-threatening events such as combat, natural disasters, terrorist incidents, serious accidents or violent assaults.

Stephen Cook, associate professor of psychology and director of the Texas Tech Psychology Clinic, said when soldiers return from war, they have difficulty fitting back into family.

"The families (of returning troops) need to be patient and understanding," he said. "(Sometimes it is) easier to talk about it in a safe

setting, (where they can) normalize their fears and reactions."

This safe place could be a veterans association or support group rather than family and friends, because the group can understand the extreme circumstances and vast emotions people are feeling, Cook said.

Because he was never in the military, Cook said he cannot understand completely, but can teach people how to get through hard times and deal with grief.

Latreca Eyer, a readjustment counselor at the Lubbock Veteran's Center, said the first step returning troops need to take is to realize if they have a problem.

Soldiers should realize this is not uncommon, and they are not wrong for feeling this way, Cook said.

"There is a personal cost to serving in the military," she said. "Help is available. Don't sit out there in isolation."

Eyer said many soldiers return from war and have strained

relationships with families, often resulting in divorce. This could be because of paranoia and lack of trust, or because of the major adjustments some have to make to their lives to make it seem normal and OK again.

Post traumatic stress disorder is a lifetime condition that can be comparable to physical circumstances.

"(They are) disabled, emotionally and mentally from things they have dealt with," Eyer said.

According to the American Psychiatric Association Web site, PTSD usually appears within three months.

The Web site classified the disorder in three categories: Intrusion, which includes flashbacks, avoidance, which includes avoiding emotions that can trigger traumatic and emotional situations, and hyperarousal, which includes paranoia and exaggerated reactions.

James Reckner, history professor and retired Navy personnel, said he did not experience any form of PTSD upon returning from Vietnam. He said he enjoyed his time in the army and thinks their could be a link between those who joined the military on their own free will and those who were drafted and then throw back into reality after they completed their service.

"Staying in the military and getting to serve with people who respected us for our service made it a lot easier," he said. He said those who were drafted returning from Vietnam, because of its huge unpopularity on the home front, while he was surrounded by people who understood and respected his sacrifice. Cook said he believes Reckner's idea is solid, because there could be a definite difference in attitudes between people who volunteer and people who were drafted. He suggests both people who are having a hard time after returning for war and their family members find people they feel comfortable with to talk to about their experiences. According to the Veteran's Center, PTSD can be accompanied by substance abuse, addictions, depression, anger control problems,

trust issues, sleep disturbances and aggression.

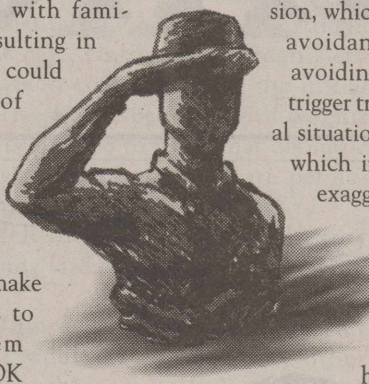
Reckner said he loved his time in the Navy, and if given the chance, he would go back.

"I still feel very connected to the military; it is a huge part of my life," he said. "I would go tomorrow."

Reckner visits Vietnam regularly and helps in the development of Vietnam relations. He does cooperative research and has seven centers in Vietnam. He also gives scholarships to students in Vietnam, and he said one year's tuition is \$100.

For more information on post-traumatic stress disorder, visit the American Psychiatric Association Web site at [www.psych.org](http://www.psych.org).

If symptoms of the disorder are present, help is available at both the Veteran's Center by calling (806) 792-9782, and the Tech Psychology Clinic, located in the Psychology building Room 101.



# Students may make new 'Choices' about alcohol consumption

By Meghann Lora/  
The University Daily

Texas Tech wants students to know they have choices about alcohol consumption.

Juli Benson, manager of health education for Student Health Services, said the Choices program is an interactive journaling program geared toward students to decrease high-risk alcohol behaviors.

Benson said Student Health Services began researching the program about two years ago.

"We looked closely at this program," she said. "It has 20 years of research-proven effectiveness."

Surveys of Tech students have estimated the actual rates of drinking by students at the university may be surprising, according to the "Choices" journal.

Twenty-two percent of Tech students chose not to drink alcohol when they socialized last year, and 51 percent of students estimated their blood alcohol content remained below 0.08

percent the last time they socialized, according to the journal.

Benson said the program began last semester, and the results seem promising.

"Last fall was the first time the program was implemented on our campus," she said. "During the first semester of implementation, we had pretty informal methods of evaluation."

The evaluation of the program consists of a pre-test given before the Choices presentation and a post-test given after the presentation.

"There were more students who were able to answer questions correctly after meeting with a facilitator," Benson said.

George Parks, one of the creators of the program who is affiliated with the University of Washington, trains facilitators of the program, Benson said.

"(Parks) came to campus during the summer of 2004, and we had 21 facilitators who were trained," Benson said.

Evelyn McPherson, director of Student Health Services, said the choices program positively impacts Tech students. "We've gotten some information to the students," she said. "The students are learning."

McPherson said the program does not tell students not to drink alcohol. "The thing I like about the program is it's not telling students not to drink," she said. "It's not an abstinence program."

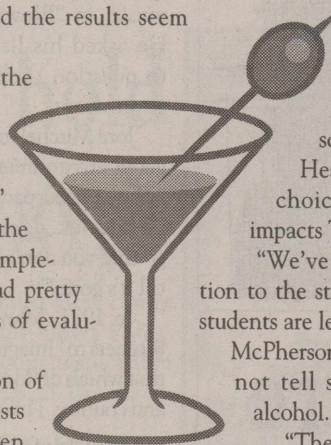
McPherson said students mature while they are seniors. "What this program is trying to do is increase this maturing process," she said.

"I do hope it's a positive for Texas Tech, and we've got a lot of confidence in it," she said.

Laura Mullen, area coordinator for Stangel-Murdough, was trained as a facilitator for Choices. She said the facilitators went through the same process students go through. "It was sort of learning by example," she said.

The program is intended to give students the information, real options and the opportunity to reflect on those values and goals.

of the realities of alcohol abuse, Mullen said.




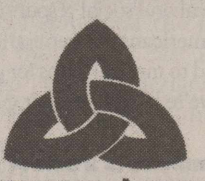
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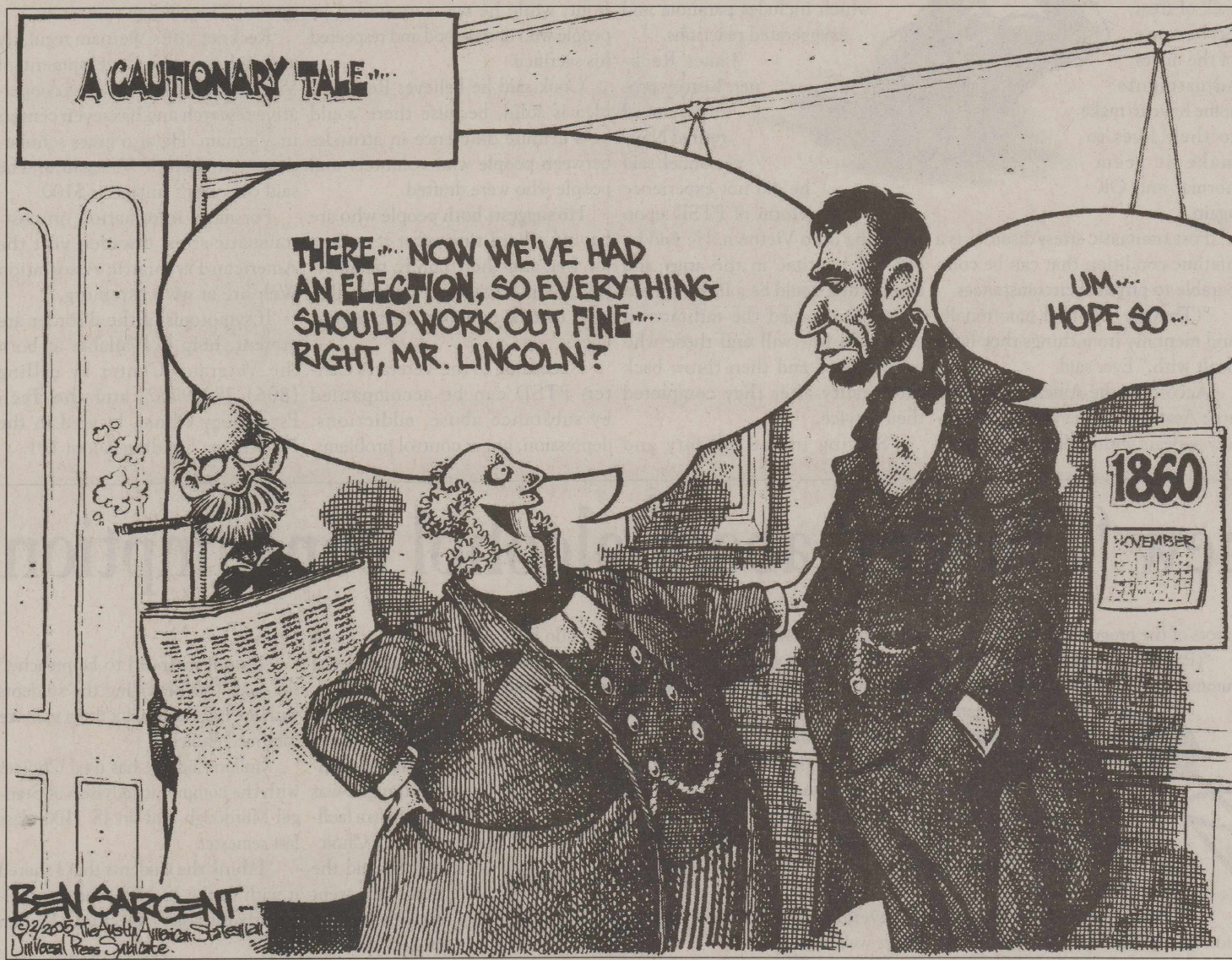
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## The truth about who Europeans are

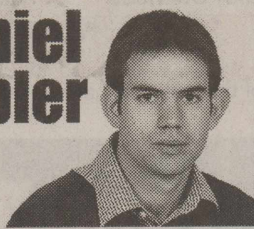
What's a European? An inhabitant of Europe. Simple, right?

They live on the same continent; they must all be pretty similar. They have the same currency, a federal government of sorts and free trade agreements within the European Union. Even this is true only for some of Europe. In fact, "European" is difficult to define. Yet the term is used every day to describe the 576 million inhabitants of the continent. What causes this generalization and more importantly, why is it so dangerous?

Places are described as "European," yet anyone who has seen or has been there instantly can tell you Stockholm is different from London. Melbourne is described with this term, as is Buenos Aires, yet the cities are almost opposite.

The word seems to conjure an image related to culture, atmosphere and way of life. "European" in this context seems to imply a variety of culture. Visitors can find art galleries, concerts to suit a plethora of tastes, historical buildings and a multitude of eating options, to name a few.

**Daniel Kubler**



*The use of words like 'European' and 'African' is lazy and ignorant. It shows a lack of understanding of the regions, cultures and basic geographic location.*

The atmosphere is more difficult to define. What is the ambience of a place? How do the people treat one another? Boucé is a small village just two hours from Paris. It's tranquil and friendly, unlike the brusque, roaring metropolis.

Way of life is harder still to box up and to present neatly. Issues like working practices, how to get the groceries or how people socialize all come under this category.

So if it is this difficult to explain why a place can be called "European," how do we define an individual person as European and make the generalization they are all similar? The answer is simple: don't do it.

Yes, there is common ground between people who live in Europe, just as much as there exists between Canada, Mexico and Brazil, but there are huge differences. Languages, alphabets, political systems and levels of affluence contrast hugely. Fashion tastes and basic diets vary. The values and beliefs of individuals who live in the 44 countries are different, so why continuously group them together?

The use of words like "European" and "African" is lazy and ignorant. It shows a lack of understanding of the regions, cultures and basic geographic location. The information is not hard to come by. Maps of the world are readily available, as are magazines, Web sites, newspapers and books.

This matters to you because the people who have more influence than they realize are American voters. American foreign and trade policy affects everybody in the world, yet the people who elect the decision-makers are desperately ignorant about fellow citizens of the world. The temptation to generalize always is there; it makes things easier to understand. However, it should be avoided. It simply leads to stereotypes and shows prejudice.

Please make an effort to find out what variety exists among those who live in Europe and in the rest of the world.

Appreciate the differences, and perhaps the citizens of the United States will be seen in a better light when the rest of the world makes its own generalizations.

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### TECH TALKS BACK

#### Davis leaves bad taste in readers' mouths

Will Davis, I am glad you show interest in the educational system and your concern for bias in educational programming such as the blocked program "Postcards from Buster." I do have a problem with taking an opinion by conservative public figures and presenting it as fact when it is simply not the case. I find this case to be another quick "point the finger" action for why people cannot explain the fact that family values are declining and rampant sexual abuse is on the rise. I find this column no different than the idea that Spongebob is a homosexual, or Tinky Winky from the Teletubbies is a homosexual.

As a conservative homosexual attending Texas Tech, I am not angered by your column but disappointed. I am glad this is only an opinion and not the news because it is certainly not newsworthy. The ideas that homosexual groups find it normal to want to desensitize children to homosexual orientation is the exception, not the rule among homosexuals. The research you used is from the 1980s. I hate to inform you, but it's now 2005.

Human sexuality and the culture of America has changed since the '80s. You also assert you think not all homosexuals are bad. I really wish those statements came across not as a means to cover yourself just in case there may be a backlash to your column, but rather a means of apology for feeling the need to write and have published another column that puts homosexuals in a bad light and ultimately leaves a bad taste in the mouths of *University Daily* readers.

— Brian Ray, senior advertising major from Dallas

#### Stereotyping wrongly labels individuals

I am writing in response to Will Davis' Feb. 2 column "Radical homosexuals targeting young children."

Studies which have concluded that there is a positive link between homosexuality and child molestation all have been shown to employ improper methodologies and biased assumptions. These studies were, of course, biased to begin with but also are scientifically unsound. They are pseudo-science put forth to

promote a specific world view. Do some homosexuals molest children? Sadly, yes, but it is a logical fallacy to assume that one creates a predisposition to the other.

I'd like to point out that studies confirm a rapist is more likely to be a man than a woman. In response to this, I urge society as a whole to separate men from women completely, so that we may not allow these perverts the chance to rape anyone. Using Davis' reasoning, this is the only obvious course of action.

It is also, of course, utterly impractical and downright silly. Men are a part of society, as are homosexuals; however, as much as some people wish they weren't. Some men rape women, but not all men.

Some homosexuals molest children, but not all homosexuals. We cannot deal with problems done by individuals by sanctioning an entire segment of our society. You deal with the problem of child molesters the same way you deal with rapists — you punish the individual who committed the crime. It's that simple.

As far as the "radical homosexual agenda" to which Davis refers. Well, most people would call that education. It has nothing to do with being politically correct. It has to

do with freedom and personal choice. Is it radical to show that people have the freedom to live as they choose, regardless of how immoral some others may think it is? We have freedom in this country, freedom to do as we choose within the bounds of the law, not freedom to do as other say we should. Those who would restrict that freedom have many names. The nicest I can come up with in this instance is bigot. It seems the ideology and reasoning Davis espoused in his column were the direct descendants of those which opposed the "uppity niggers" in their struggle for civil rights partially on the grounds that black men naturally would rape white women. Utter stupidity, but it was an argument used at the time.

People are individuals, and while it would be easy to judge them on stereotypes of groups they belong to, that's simply not the way the world works. I would suggest Davis and his ilk abandon their psychological turpitude and stop trying to restrict the freedom of others.

— Jason Moscovitz, junior business major from Arlington

## Deaf ears, mute singers

*Lazy musicians, lazy listeners forget responsibilities as world citizens*

In 1963, an American singer, songwriter and one-man band asked listeners to ponder in this question: "How many ears must one man have before he can hear people cry; how many deaths will it take till he knows that too many people have died?"

That was Bob Dylan, a beatnik who routinely took politics into folk music, in "Blowin' in the Wind." He asked his listeners constantly to question their world and their government.

Joni Mitchell mourned our endangered environment when she sang: "They paved paradise and put up a parking lot...don't it always seem to go that you don't know what you got till it's gone?"

In 1971, John Lennon asked his listeners to "Imagine" a world without that which divides us, such as religion and country. This man was no atheist, nor was he a communist — he simply wondered if people the world over could imagine such a world of unity.

While I lament daily the fact that so few of my peers are familiar with these artists, that is not for what I am writing.

I lament more that so many of my peers are unwilling to familiarize themselves with issues that at one time would have been at the forefront of the musical scene — and that goes for the oodles of musical stars who do not use their fame, power and money to be avid activists for any issues. Musicians always have created the soundtrack for generations, and our soundtrack these days is pretty sad.

I do give credit to P-Diddy and Sheryl Crow for campaigning either for young people to vote or for the Democrats just a few short months ago. I appreciate their efforts.

There are also the members of U2, whose front man Bono only has increased his political awareness and activity along with his fame. With songs such as "Sunday Bloody Sunday," U2 has tried to make listeners aware of civil strife.

However, they're just a few diamonds in the vast rough.

Maybe it all started with Madonna and her "Material Girl" phase; the 1980s were a stage for American youth to become self-involved and obsessed with material gain.

Then the early '90s brought us artist after artist crying with self-pity and drug abuse, beginning with Kurt Cobain and continuing with Green Day.

Generation X embraced these artists' remorse and self-pity and made it their own, instead of choosing to be pro-active for their own world — a world which needed their attention.

So we don't have Vietnam or the civil rights movement. What do we have to be angry about, right? Well, how about Iraq? And we're far from where we need to be in terms of equality.

In "Changes," Tupac Shakur sang, "It's war on the streets and war in the Middle East; instead of a war on poverty, they got a war on drugs."

Shakur was letting us know American priorities were in the wrong place. But no longer was anyone really listening to his message.

So now we have angst-driven pop stars, making millions off listeners who choose not to think and instead try to relate to adolescents' empty lyrics.

Avril Lavigne, at barely 20 years old, contrives a punk image and whines about heartbreak. The Pixies should get their hands on her.

Ashlee Simpson embarrasses herself and her generation with useless lyrics and on-stage debauches. She

**Angela Timmons**



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cries about living in the shadow of her older sister, when she really should be crying about how Americans love to popularize an idiot such as Jessica. Now there's a social issue we should get into.

I have a hard time differentiating whether Britney Spears is a singer (and a terrible one, at that) or a soft porn star, and I wonder why she has a record deal at all.

The Black-Eyed Peas and Justin Timberlake tried to bring attention to today's problems with "Where is the love," but I know that personally, I have a hard time taking the former N'Sync member seriously, and the lyrics of the song were a little too hackneyed.

Shakur's protégés are no better off. Hip-hop has the ability to make powerful social statements, but they aren't.

The '60s had its share of songs about lost love and frolicking carelessly. I know, because until I reached about 12th grade, I didn't listen to much but classic rock. (I still can't name one New Kids on the Block song.)

But at least in the '60s and '70s, the majority of singers took their chance at making a point with their lyrics. They saw a lot of problems and saw their music as a possible catalyst for social movement. They did not settle for status quo.

Neither should we. It's sad we no longer are interested in listening to music that makes us think. Musical artists have the power to be at the apex of social change.

It's sad we fail to embrace the messages of yesterday and realize how much they are our own.

I can't really blame the musicians themselves so much — major record labels are more interested in selling sex and image than ideas, and musicians agree to do so to make a quick buck.

It's devastating that as listeners, we continue to pay for today's image and don't demand musicians take political and social responsibility.

Americans for generations have looked to musical icons for guidance, and we're lacking in that guidance.

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# Cosmetic surgery popular with young adults

By Kelly Aaron/  
Contributing Writer

Plastic surgery is popular among young some adults looking to boost their self confidence. According to the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, the top five procedures for females in 2003 were liposuction, breast augmentation, eyelid surgery, breast reduction and rhinoplasty.

Dr. Ronald North, a plastic surgeon, has been in practice in Lubbock for 27 years

"Patients tend to be self conscious about things on their body that probably don't bother anybody else, but after having surgery, they are able to focus on something else," he said. "Once they have fixed what was bothering them, patients have more confidence and are able to focus on other things, which believe it or not, can lead to higher grades."

North said patients need to look into what is motivating them to have surgery. If a patient believes having surgery will fix all problems, it is not true.

There can be underlying emotional issues that need to be addressed as well, he said.

Emily Estrada, a senior political science major from Levelland, said she understands why some people may decide to get cosmetic surgery.

"I think plastic surgery is a personal and private choice, and I understand why some may consider the option especially with society's pressures and constant bombardment of the perfect body," she said.

Although she would not consider plastic surgery, Estrada said she does not judge those who have elected to do so.

According to the ASAPS, 17 percent of women between 18 and 24 years of age would consider having plastic surgery. The most recent statistics show that 19- to 34- year olds had 24 percent of the cosmetic procedures done in 2003.

"The most common thing I see for this age group is girls graduating from high school or college and getting either rhinoplasty or breast enlargement as their present," North said.

If this is the case, North said, he highly encourages parents to come along for the initial consultation. He said he believes with parents present patients are able to grasp that cosmetic procedures are major surgery and are permanent.

Candice McKinney, a sophomore history major from Irving said she had surgery done on her nose.

"I had my nose done because I couldn't breathe, but I wouldn't consider any other procedures unless there was a medical reason," she said.

"One thing we have our patients understand, is that over a period of time (15 or so years), their implants will probably need to be changed," North said. "I tell them it's like a car, and you're not going to drive the same car for 15 years, are you? This is when it's important that the mother is there to help the patient fully understand all aspects of said procedure."

According to the ASAPS, liposuction is the second most performed procedure.

"The ideal candidate for (liposuction) is someone who is their own right weight for their height," North said. "Liposuction is meant only to contour areas patients see as problematic."

North also said liposuction is not an alternative weight loss plan.

Ashley McKeever, a senior social studies composite and exercise sports medicine major from Crawford, said she is comfortable with the way she looks.

"If students want to get plastic surgery, I guess it's OK," she said.

Many patients come in for consultation and are turned away because they want to look like a magazine picture.

"The patients have to high expectations or unreal expectations, and we don't have anything that helps them," he said. "For all of those reasons, we frequently have to say we wish we could help, but we don't have the right thing to help you."

North said these patients will go somewhere else and that if they are turned down several times and will eventually find somebody to do the procedure.

North said the ideal surgeon has completed four years of college, four years of medical school, four years of general surgery and two to three years of cosmetic surgery training.

The doctor also has to pass a written and oral test, he said.

The process takes about 18 years, North said.

"Always make sure to see your doctor's credentials," he said.

## Mideast leaders hold conference in Egypt

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Egypt Israel says Syria must first clamp down on Damascus-based Palestinian militant groups responsible for killing hundreds of Israelis in suicide bombings.

Egypt, a key U.S. ally, is seen as a linchpin in Middle East peace process is in the offing.

Word of the summit, which all parties agreed to attend, came as Damascus-based leaders of the Palestinian militant groups Hamas and Islamic Jihad met Egyptian intelligence officials in Cairo, seen as a key step toward securing a truce from Palestinian factions.

The summit, to be held Tuesday in the Red Sea resort of Sharm el-Sheik, was expected to focus on a possible Palestinian prisoner release, the fate of Palestinian fugitives and a West Bank troop redeployment.

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas and King Abdullah of Jordan have all accepted invitations to attend from summit host, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

The White House welcomed the development. "That's an encouraging step that's being taken to build upon the recent discussions between the Israelis and the Palestinians," White House press secretary Scott McClellan said. "There have been a number of encouraging steps from both parties that show that they want to seize this opportunity before us to move forward."

The expected arrival of Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice in the region over the weekend also intensified pressure on both sides to settle some differences over what should be announced after the meeting. There has been no word on whether Rice might attend the summit.

Israeli television reported the summit would also likely result in the return of Egyptian and Jordanian ambassadors to Israel. Egypt withdrew its envoy after the latest Palestinian uprising began in September 2000. The violence also caused Jordan to delay posting a new ambassador. Egyptian and Jordanian officials declined to confirm the reports.

Judith Kipper, an analyst at the New York-based Council on Foreign Relations, said the talks would be about "feel-good symbolism, and then the real work begins."

The Egyptian president's office released a statement saying the summit was arranged in view of "the critical state that the peace process in the Middle East is going through" and was designed to "realize tangible progress on the Palestinian track."

The statement also said Mubarak, who had steadfastly refused to meet with Sharon since he became prime minister in 2001, would discuss with the Israeli premier ways "to push peace on the Syrian track."

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**Overton**

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He said he rented the old building, which was on 18<sup>th</sup> Street and University. He said they moved a couple blocks down to 16<sup>th</sup> Street because of the construction, but said the move has worked in their favor.

"Business is up by 50 percent since we moved into the new building, a number of people wouldn't go inside the old one," Thompson said. "We got a better building out of the deal."

Wilkinson said about 90 percent of residents in the Overton area lived in rental homes. He said they were many of the older homes, and when rebuilt, much of the area will be student-friendly.

He said the most noticeable part of the project right now is the expanding of Glenna Goodacre Boulevard,

formerly 8<sup>th</sup> Street, to four lanes. Goodacre is a former resident of Lubbock who designed the Women's Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C., and the new gold dollar coin, said Wilkinson.

The middle of the project is scheduled to be an apartment complex with 277 apartments, above the first floor, which is reserved primarily for retail space.

"(It is) a mixed use facility," Wilkinson said. "(The apartments are) scheduled to open in June, and the retail in August."

He said the area around Avenues U and V should be comprised of single-family homes to replace those torn down.

The construction on those is scheduled to begin sometime after the first quarter of the year.

According to the McDougal Web site, the project is expected to cost \$26 million.

**Grading**

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Tech, and not Princeton.

"It doesn't seem right. If you study and don't make it in the top percent, that's not fair," she said. "If they're all smart, then there'd only be a few there who could get in the top percent."

According to information from the Office of the Dean of the College at Princeton, the new policy does not mean that only 35 percent of students in each course will receive a grade in the A range, or that a student who completes A quality work will receive anything less than an A.

Long-term expectations, according to the Office of the Dean of the College, are that about 35 percent of undergraduate students will be doing work of the highest excellence, and 55 percent will be doing independent

work of the superiority. Students attending Princeton are extremely smart, so there should not be an even stricter grade policy, Goggans said. She said she is glad Tech has not implemented this policy.

"Tech isn't as hard to get into (as Princeton)," she said. "I don't think Tech would do that because it's not that hard to get in here, and then no one would be making A's."

Tech should not implement a grade cap, Goggans said.

"I don't understand how they can do that (at Princeton)," she said.

Meredith Matlage, a sophomore broadcast journalism major from Roswell, N.M., said she does not like Princeton's policy.

"I think it's unfair for the students," she said. "I don't know why they would do that. I don't see any reasoning behind it."

It would be a bad idea for Tech to implement a cap on grades, Matlage said, and if Tech did, she would think about transferring schools.

According to a summer 2004 edition of "Princeton Parents News," 65 percent of Princeton seniors graduate with grade point averages of B+ or better, whereas 30 years ago, the average grade in undergraduate courses was a B.

The new grading policy suggests faculty be more discriminating in their grading, according to "Princeton Parents News," and does not suggest faculty fail to give students As who deserve them.

"We want to convey this information about the new grading policy to everyone we possibly can who will be considering applications from Princeton students," she said.

**Drums**

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He said major companies now are hiring drum circle facilitators to facilitate their own circles.

Mental health professionals are starting to use drums as therapy and as a type of meditation, he said.

Stacey Moore, counseling psychologist and outreach coordinator for the Counseling Center, said drum circling reaches students who are not always comfortable with sharing their problems.

Nine students were at the group Wednesday, with only two having any musical experience, Moore said.

"It's a more appealing group for students to be involved in at the counseling center," Martindale said.

Ginger Angstadt, teaching assistant in the theatre and dance department, said she was involved with other drum circles on the east coast.

She said she believes drum circling is a way to create community and to build strength.

"It gives you a way of communicating in rhythm with a community," she said. "You don't rely on words to communicate with people."

Boyle said drum circling makes him forget about all of the homework he has to do.

"It was really relaxing," he said.

Angstadt said she also relaxes by swimming daily and riding her bike. "If I didn't have a method of de-stressing, I probably wouldn't be walking around right now," she said.

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including \$350 million in aid to the Palestinians.

"The goal of two democratic states, Israel and Palestine, living side by side in peace, is within reach, and America will help them achieve that goal," the president said.

With more than 1,400 Americans killed in Iraq and the United States spending more than \$1 billion a week on the war, Bush urged Congress to support his request for an additional \$80 billion. "During this time of war, we must continue to support our military and give them the tools for victory," he said.

While key allies like Germany and France opposed the war, Bush said his administration "will continue to build the coalitions that will defeat the dangers of our time."

House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, delivering the Democratic response, challenged Bush on Iraq.

"We all know that the United States cannot stay in Iraq indefinitely and continue to be viewed as an occupying force," she said. "Neither should we slip out the back door, falsely declaring victory but leaving chaos. ... We have never heard a clear plan from this administration for ending our presence in Iraq."

Emboldened by his re-election, Bush called on lawmakers to move on several controversial fronts, including liberalizing the nation's immigration laws, imposing limits on medical malpractice lawsuits, simplifying taxes and extending the life of the tax cuts enacted during his first term.

He also urged passage of long-stalled energy legislation and promised to send Congress a budget next week that holds discretionary spending below inflation. Warning Congress that it will face painful choices, Bush said his budget would substantially reduce or eliminate more than 150 federal programs.

Bush said his wife would lead a nationwide effort to reduce gang violence by encouraging young people to remain crime free. In a nod to conservatives, he renewed support for a constitutional amendment to ban gay marriage.



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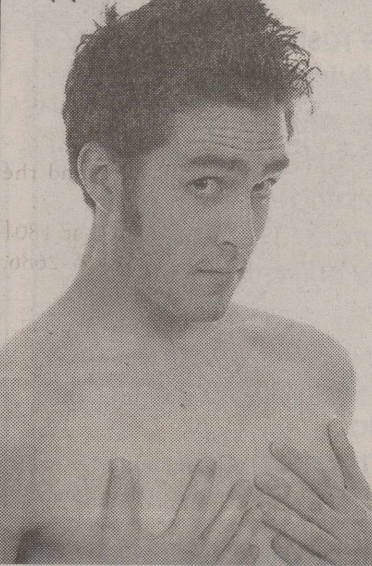


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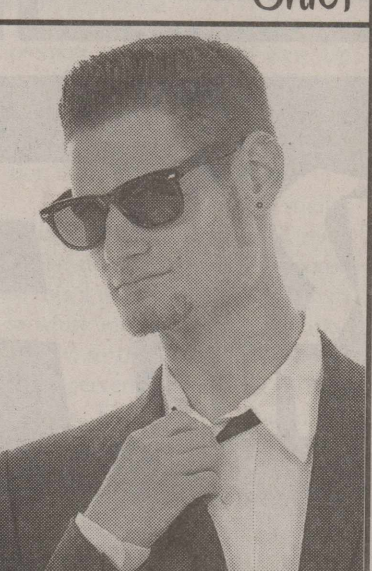
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## THE DAY THE MUSIC DIED

### Buddy Holly's legacy lives on

By Jeremy Martin/  
The University Daily

Though junior engineering major B.J. Reynolds does not seem to have a complete image of Buddy Holly, his idea of the Lubbock-native rock star is probably common among students at Texas Tech.

"All I know is I had a Buddy Holly stamp one time, and he had on some (funky) glasses," Reynolds said. "That's about it."

Among people from the baby-boomer generation, Holly generally is not known for his fashion sense but as an innovator in early rock 'n' roll.

However, Jennifer Bush, a junior from San Antonio, said she recognizes the name because of a film, not a song.

"I know who he is from that movie 'La Bamba,'" she said. "He was one of the guys who died in the plane crash."

Neither Bush nor Reynolds mentioned Holly's music.

But, for many others today — the 46<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Holly's death — has long been known as "The Day the Music Died."

Music researcher Bill Griggs, who saw Holly perform twice, said Holly had a different image in the late 1950s. Back then, Griggs said, Holly and his band The Crickets were international stars, revered by fans and musicians.

The Beatles were some of Holly's biggest fans. Griggs said the first song they ever recorded was the Holly hit "That'll Be the Day."

"The Beatles got their name from the Crickets," Griggs said. "They had the same line up of a drummer, a bass player and two guitars. John Lennon didn't wear glasses on stage until he saw Buddy Holly do it on TV."

Griggs said the Rolling Stones' first American hit was "Not Fade Away," another Holly song.

The Crickets, Griggs said, were one of the first self-contained bands. They did not rely on studio musicians to help them record their songs. The line-up at their concerts was the same in the recording studio.

"That's what most of the people I've talked to said about seeing Buddy," Griggs said. "He sounded just like the record. That was unusual back then."

Griggs said Holly is important to rock 'n' roll because he incorporated elements of country music into his songs and created a different sound. Holly also was one of the first performers to write his own songs.

"Buddy was one of the few singer-songwriter musicians back then," Griggs said. "He was one of the first who did it all. Not even Elvis did that."

Elvis Presley played in Lubbock at the Fairpark Coliseum five times in the 1950s, Griggs said. After seeing Presley's first performance, Holly stopped playing country music and switched to rock 'n' roll. The next time Presley performed, Holly was his opening act.

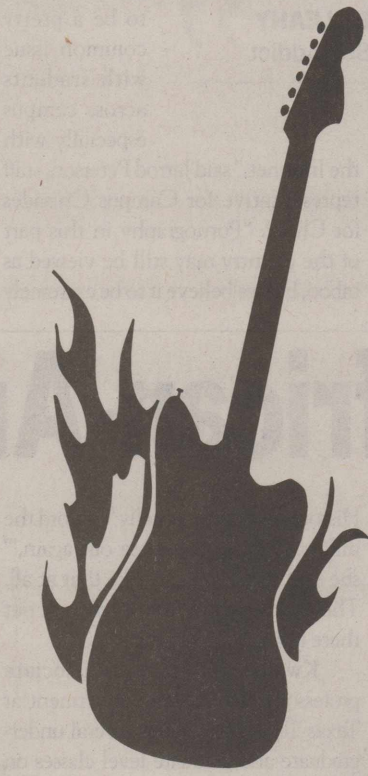
Griggs said Holly is better known internationally than he is in his hometown.

"The Brits are still fans," Griggs said. "Over there, if they like somebody, they keep liking them. If you go to Europe or Australia and tell somebody you're from Lubbock, Texas, they'll say, 'Oh, yeah. The home of Buddy Holly.'"

In Lubbock, Holly's legacy often is taken for granted and always has been. Griggs said few Lubbockites were proud of Holly's achievements when he was popular. Rock musicians were viewed as a disgrace to the community then.

"In the '50s, rock 'n' roll was seen as the devil's music," Griggs said. "We're in the buckle of the Bible Belt here."

Griggs will give a guided tour of the Buddy Holly Center today at 4:30 p.m. He said the tour will be



beneficial to people who want to know what makes Buddy Holly famous.

At 5:30 p.m. Lew Allen will be giving a guided tour of his "On the Road" exhibit, also on display at the center.

The exhibit features photographs of Holly, Presley and the Everly Brothers on tour.

The center is located at 1801 Avenue G. Call (806) 767-2686, or go to [www.buddyhollycenter.org](http://www.buddyhollycenter.org) for more information.

As for Holly's trademark glasses, Griggs said rock musicians usually would take their glasses off before performing for vanity's sake.

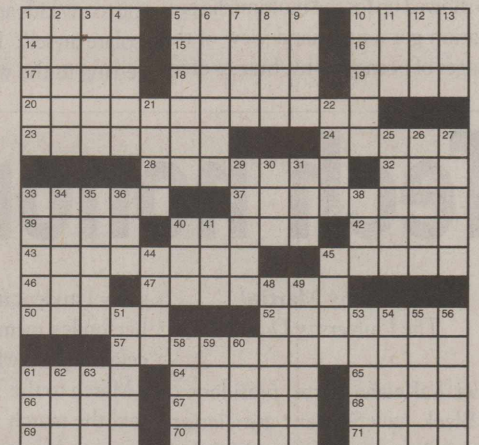
For Holly, that was not an option. "I can tell you, Buddy had 20/800 eyesight," Griggs said. "There's no way he could have played without those glasses."

*"I can tell you Buddy had 20/800 eyesight. There's no way he could have played without those glasses"*

— BILL GRIGGS  
Music Researcher

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# 'Porn Nation' discusses sex addiction

By Nicole Portman/  
The University Daily

Sells. Nobody knows this more than the students on a college campus. Being a college student enables one to get a discount on bulk porn magazines. The way society now views sexual images as something that just happens and something that can not be helped worries some, especially Michael Leahy, the presenter at Wednesday's "Porn Nation."

Texas Tech's chapter of Campus Crusades for Christ helped fund the presentation to get the former sex addict to speak to Tech students about the hidden dangers of porn and sexual addiction. The few hundred students who showed up for the multimedia presentation got a first-hand view of the damages of pornography. Images of re-

ality TV were sprayed across the screen, and scenes of lesbians kissing riled up the audience along with a testimonial of an elderly man who explained of the wonders of porn.

These images were used along with Leahy's explanation of his life and the problems his sexual addiction caused his family to convey to the audience the message that porn is bad.

"Over time I pulled back from relating to my kids and wife, and I started to isolate myself," Leahy said. "They were getting in the way of my addiction."

Campus Crusades for Christ thought the presentation would help make college students more aware that there were consequences to something widely viewed as harmless.

"We felt like it might be a bit controversial here, but at the same time we find it to be a pretty common issue with students across campus especially with the Internet," said Jarrod Peterson, staff representative for Campus Crusades for Christ. "Pornography in this part of the country may still be viewed as taboo, but we believe it to be extremely

prevalent." Some fears were held that because the "Porn Nation" presentation had an organization like Campus Crusades for Christ attached to it that it would create a religious stigma that would shy away some students from getting the presentation's full message.

"We know there will be a lot of students who hear it and go about their life, but we hope they hear another voice other than the culture that says that pornography is harmless," Peterson said. Sexual addiction is becoming a huge epidemic in today's society with

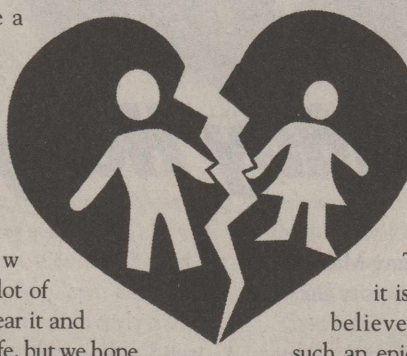
the use of high-speed Internet, high resolution streaming video and new cell phones, Leahy said, adding that with the capability of people receiving sexual images through their phone, porn

can be accessed almost anywhere. With sexual images and innuendo shown everywhere from TV to billboards, it is no wonder some believe it is becoming such an epidemic among the public. "Internet porn is the crack cocaine of the porn industry," Leahy said. "Because it is so affordable and accessible, and you can be totally anonymous. I

really see college students at being at ground zero of this perfect storm." Leahy said he believes the idea that porn is a harmless way for a quick thrill leads to the onset of a sexual addiction.

"I think it inherently seems harmless, porn seems kind of innocent," Leahy said. "You kind of treat it lightly, but what porn does is it leads to a person to change their belief system." That is why Leahy and his organization, Bravehearts, go across the country presenting "Porn Nation" to college campuses where he believes porn usage is at its worse. "I know that college students are really dialed in to new technology and with being away from home and the accountability of parents, it makes them really susceptible to it all," Leahy said.

*"Internet porn is the crack cocaine of the porn industry."*  
— MICHAEL LEAHY  
Former Sex Addict



# Tech honors African-American History Month

By Jeremy Martin/  
The University Daily

For LaKeisha Forte, president of the Black Law Student association, African-American History Month is about unity. Forte, a second year law

school student from Austin, said one of her fondest memories of the month long celebration is when she participated in a March to the Texas state capital. She said the march affected her because it was a multicultural event. "When people talk about Black

History Month, it's usually 'Oh lord the militant black people are out again,'" she said. "But it wasn't like that at all. There were people from every race out there trying to raise awareness."

Kwame Alford is an associate professor in the history department at Texas Tech. He teaches several undergraduate and graduate level classes on black history. Alford said this year marks the 79th anniversary of the beginnings of African-American History Month. In February 1926, Carter Woodson founder of the Association for Negro Life and History, began the tradition of Negro History Week as a way to celebrate the heritage and history of black people throughout the world.

"They literally built this country, based on their brawn and established the economy by growing products such as rice, cotton and indigo," he said. After the Civil War, Alford said, African Americans were instrumental in building the railroads. "John Henry was no myth," Alford said. "There were many John Henrys. They built the railroad system, and then they became the firemen, brakemen, and porters."

Woodson, a Harvard-educated historian, chose to hold Negro History Week in February in honor of slavery abolitionist Frederick Douglas and president Abraham Lincoln, who signed the Emancipation Proclamation.

During the civil rights movement in the 1960s and '70s, Alford said, the con-

cept of Black History Week, renamed to reflect the changing times, spread among college campuses throughout the United States. In 1976, President Jimmy Carter proclaimed the entire month of February Afro-American History Month, a time to celebrate the worldwide history of people of African descent.

For Alford, African American History month is about inclusion. He said the month is significant because it shows an acceptance of black history. "It's a symbol and a signal of validation," he said. "It's a way to replace the missing pages of world history."

Alford said having a special month for black history is important, because it usually is not included in the regular history curriculum. "Americans in general have studied Anglo history," he said. "African American history should have been included, but it never has been."

Before the history of black Americans can be integrated into regular history lessons, Alford said it must become accepted by the public and given equal importance. He said the educational

system has to make up for lost time. "We can't have an educational curriculum of inclusion without an educational curriculum of correction," Alford said. "That's what African American History Month is trying to bring about. We're a long ways from there."

Maria Valerio, a senior history major from Lubbock, has taken one of Alford's African American History classes. Valerio, who is not black, said the month is important to Americans of every race. Learning about a culture encourages tolerance of it. "It's just an eye opener," Valerio said. "African-Americans have been extremely excluded from American history classes. Learning about their history promotes open-mindedness."

Tosan Eruwayo, vice president of the Black Student Association, said African American History Month gives him a chance to be proud of his heritage and others to learn about the achievements of African Americans. For this reason, Eruwayo, a junior electrical engineering major from Austin, said the spirit of the month should persist after February 28th has passed.

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## Tech inks 20 on National Signing Day

By David Wiechmann/  
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Mike Leach and his coaching staff secured 20 recruits Wednesday as national signing day commenced, and the Red Raiders found out who will be coming to join the team and fellow recruit Todd Walker, who enrolled in class and began working out in January.

This year's recruiting class is ranked in the top 25 for the fourth consecutive year and boasts a number of top offensive and defensive linemen Leach said he is excited about bringing to the program.

"The other thing I thought was really key was both sides of the line of scrimmage, offensive line and defensive line," Leach said. "We not only got big people, but good athletes."

Getting big men up front, like Shawn Byrnes (6 feet 4 inches, 302 pounds), Brandon Carter (6'5", 320), Andrew Johnson (6'4", 265), Louis Vasquez (6'6", 331) and Marlon Winn (6'6", 285), ensures Tech's quarterbacks should be able to have confidence in the pocket that they will not get hit by blitzing linebackers or ends. O-line is the one position Leach said he believes is the heart and soul of a team's offensive productivity.

"I've never made it any secret I think offensive line is the most important position on offense," he said.

Tech landed some players who came into the recruiting process with a list of accolades and rankings. Defensive end McKinner Dixon was one of the top 10 defensive end prospects in the nation, and Walker was listed as the No. 11 athlete prospect in the country by Tom Lemming. The pair was listed in the top 150 recruits regardless of position as well.

Whether his new recruits come to him with a list of accomplishments or rankings does not matter to Leach. All he cares about is can they play football, and that's why he went after them.

"Suffice it to say these rankings and however many stars they got receive virtually no consideration in our selection process with regard to players, because we don't care about that," he said. "We look at film and decide whether we think they can play or not, and I'm proud to say we believe all these guys have potential to be great players and representatives of this class."

One player coming to Tech in the fall who comes in with a lot of attention and high school honors is quarterback Chris Todd. The signal caller from Kentucky signed his letter of intent late in the day, causing tension at Tech, Oklahoma, Ole Miss, North Carolina State and Louisville, to name a few schools seeking one of the nation's top QBs.

Leach said Todd will be able to make

a push for playing time if he makes adjustments to the college game and learns the offense. He said any player can do that in his program.

"It's not always a size thing. It's not always a speed thing. It's who adjusts the quickest. The guys that adjust the quickest are the ones that contribute first," he said. "I think the biggest asset a guy needs to play is to adjust quickly, carve out a role and build on it."

One aspect of the players that does not come out on a stat sheet is their academics. Leach said none of the players appear to be in danger of not qualifying academically with the NCAA.

The recruiting process has become a dogfight over the last few years, Leach said, and it is becoming harder for teams to land desired recruits. Texas learned that the hard way after the nation's No. 1 recruit Ryan Perrilloux gave an oral commitment this fall to the Longhorns but signed with LSU Wednesday instead.

Beating the No. 4 Golden Bears could not have hurt Leach's situation in recruiting, but he said it is hard to determine how much it helped. He said it was a topic of discussion with nearly every visit, however.

"It helped. We bragged about it quite a bit," he said. "It's hard to gauge (how much it helped). I'll tell you what I think it did illustrate. I think we played together as a team when we played California."

### LEACH'S COMMENTS ON EACH RECRUIT:

Edward Britton (RB, El Paso): "(He is) one of the fastest guys in the state."

Shawn Byrnes (OL, Phoenix): "(He is) a prototype center, (can) play (a) couple positions on line."

Chris Cunigan (WR, Wills Point): "(He is) similar to Hicks and Filani!"  
McKinner Dixon (DT, Lufkin): "(Dixon is) extremely athletic for size, got on a lot of radar screens early and progressively improved, impressive high school player and expect to see him in college."

Ryan Hale (LB, Baytown): "A versatile player."

Catron Houston (IR, Houston): "A great player with the ball in his hands, key is to develop him as a player and find a way to get the ball in his hands."

Rashad Hunt (DE, Lufkin): "He finished season as good as any player I saw. Impressive how hard he hits; he blows it up when he gets there."

Victor Hunter (DE, Irving): "Extremely hard-playing guy that makes a lot of plays. Example of a great football player."

Phillip Jones (DE, Lewisville): "Good frame, one of the best wrestlers in Texas."

Kobey Lewis (RB, Abilene): "Was kind of the cornerstone of a team that had a great season this year. A running back that you can hand it to between the tackles and can give it to him in space."

Brent Nickerson (CB, Irving): "A lot of range, great academic record."

Pete Richardson (RB, Muskogee, Okla.): "Great coming off his cuts; will have a great college career."

Sandy Riley (LB, Houston): "Great football player and will have a great career when he gets in the mix."

Jordan Thomas (LB/S, Keller): "Very fast and athletic."

Chris Todd (QB, Elizabethtown, Ky.): "Is one of the leading passers in the nation. (Is a) very polished passer, very similar to quarterbacks we've had here in the past."

Louis Vasquez (OL, Corsicana): "(He is) a gigantic guy; guess he weighs 265 because he's a flat-bellied guy, one of the best linemen in the state and expect him to do a great job anchoring our line."

LaShawn Vation (S, Irving): "Big-hit guy, very athletic, versatile."

Todd Walker (WR, Pflugerville): "(is) one of the fastest players in the state."

Marlon Winn (OL, Waxahachie): "Long arms, good feet, smart."

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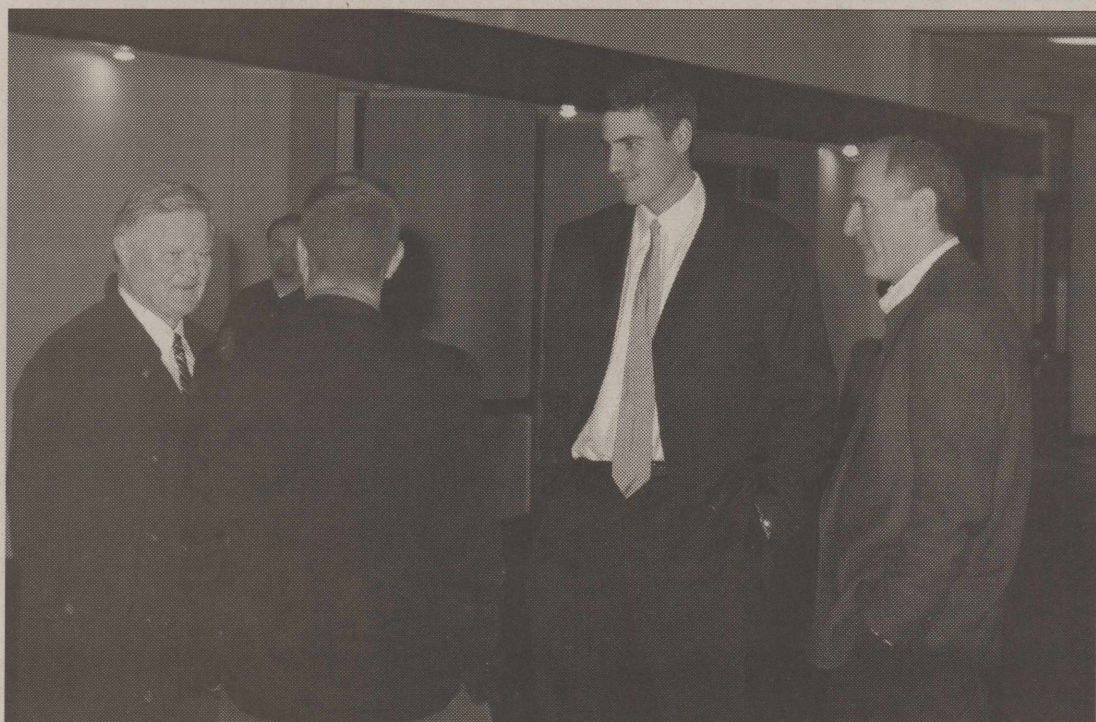
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# Baseball, softball teams throw out first pitch



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FROM LEFT: TECH Athletic Director Gerald Myers, Texas Rangers Public Relations Director Gregg Elkin (back facing), Rangers pitcher Chris Young and Rangers broadcaster Eric Nadel talk at the First Pitch Luncheon.

By Anne Gepford/  
The University Daily

baseball, there was cause for smiles at the fourth annual First Pitch Luncheon held at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center Feb. 2.

The event encompassed a luncheon and silent auction to support Texas Tech's baseball and softball programs.

While there may be no crying in

Tech Heckler Chris Snead, one of the Hecklers on the first pitch committee, said 650 to 700 people attended the luncheon.

"The money we'll raise today will go directly to baseball and softball," Snead said. "It's outgrown the original venue. We continue to be amazed at the crowd and support."

Snead said the luncheon is a way to show support for the team beyond yelling behind the bench.

"They have a fan base here that will step up and help their program," Snead said.

The proceeds will go toward banners, recruiting and travel for the teams, he said.

"This is great for us as a Heckler because we're probably getting close to the end of our tenure as fans," Snead said. "It's another way for us to give back to the program."

This year's featured speakers were Texas Ranger Chris Young and Rangers play-by-play announcer Eric Nadel.

Nadel, who spoke at last year's luncheon as well, said the feeling in the room was electric.

"I know how much excitement

there was in the room," Nadel said.

The season after last year's luncheon followed that same path, as Nadel said last year was a spectacular year for the Rangers.

"Last year we had a tremendous season," Nadel said. "A lot of young players took the next big step in their careers. We had a lot of very pleasant surprises."



## Baseball

Coach Larry Hays said the Rangers' season last year might be comparable to the Red Raiders' season this year.

"We may be like the Rangers," Hays said. "We may surprise a lot of people. We're hopeful, and I'm proud of this team."

Hays said the support of athletics at Tech extends up to the president's

office.

"I have a lot to be thankful for," Hays said. "I appreciate so much being a part of Gerald Myers' staff, but it starts at the top with President Jon Whitmore. It's an honor for these young people to go someplace where athletics means what it does."

Teresa Wilson, Tech's recently-hired softball coach, also spoke at the event.

"It's such a pleasure to be at an event like this," Wilson said. "I am amazed at the turnout."

We're anxious to follow in the success of baseball and other programs here at Tech."

Young, a pitcher with the Rangers, said he was honored to speak at the First Pitch Luncheon.

"It's a pleasure to be here," Young said. "It's a great tradition Texas Tech has. It's an honor."

The event raised about \$12,000 from the silent auction, raffle and ticket sales.

Tech's baseball team begins its season Feb. 8 in Lubbock against New Mexico. The softball team faces Texas A&M Corpus Christi on the road in San Marcos Feb. 4.

## Men's tennis begins spring schedule at home

After an offseason of high expectations and lofty goals, the Texas Tech men's tennis team finally gets a chance to take the court as it will take on Texas Southern at 3 p.m. today at McLeod Tennis Complex.

Leading the Red Raiders into competition as the No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 seeds will be Jakob Paulsen, Bjorn Szumanski and Esat Tanik, respectively.

Assistant coach Toby Hanson said the team is looking forward to get back on to the court.

"Everyone's been looking really sharp in practice," he said. "We just need to get a few matches under our belts that will help get us ready for the rest of the season."

Tech's scheduled match against Lamar University Friday has been canceled because of personal reasons for Lamar's head coach.

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# Patriots have clutch players; do Eagles?

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — With the game on the line, the New England Patriots hardly lack for clutch players — Tom Brady, Adam Vinatieri, Rodney Harrison.

With the game on the line, no one is sure if the Philadelphia Eagles have the kind of performers who could lift them past the defending champions in Sunday's Super Bowl.

Though Philly's track record before this year was not very promising — three straight NFC championship game flops — the Eagles insist past failures were erased when they finally won the conference title.

They had better be correct, because the Patriots simply do not get stressed out, particularly in the Super Bowl, which they have won two of the last three seasons.

"We haven't been to the Super Bowl, but we're battle-tested," said All-Pro safety Brian Dawkins, the leader of a defense that includes one starter who has played in the big game — end Jevon Kearse with Tennessee in 2000. "We've been tested in championship games. We feel pressure year after year, and we know how to win in those situations."

They had not won in crucial situations, though, until beating Atlanta to avoid becoming the first franchise to lose four straight NFC title games.

The Patriots have won eight consecutive postseason games with Brady at quarterback and Bill Belichick as coach, and they are seven-point favorites over Philadelphia.

"I don't feel we're at a disadvantage," coach Andy Reid said. "They go in and think they are as good as anybody in the NFL, but they understand they have to prove it every Sunday."

Especially this Sunday, against a team on the verge of being considered a dynasty. Not only are there questions about how the Eagles might perform on such a stage, but there are no questions about how the Patriots will deal with it. They already have displayed their steely nerves and skills under the burning spotlight — twice.

Which presents Philadelphia with yet another challenge: treating the Patriots with too much respect.

If that happens, they are beaten before they take the Alltel Stadium field, and Vinatieri will not need to match his two, last-second, Super Bowl-winning kicks. Nor will Brady

have to stage any late heroics. Matters will be decided much earlier.

McNabb, echoing Reid's statement, basically told Philly fans not to worry.

"It's a slap in the face" to hear such criticism, the Pro Bowl quarterback said. "But they are the champions. And we have made it; we are here in the Super Bowl. No one can take that away from us."

"Can we win this game? How can you ask anybody that?"

No one is asking the Patriots that. If they play true to their history, not only will they match Vince Lombardi's Green Bay Packers as the only team to win nine straight postseason games, but they will do it dramatically.

Brady will complete critical passes to Troy Brown or David Patten. Harrison will rattle a receiver and force a key drop. Tedy Bruschi will create a turnover. Richard Seymour will get a crucial sack.

We have seen it before. Most everyone outside of Philly expects to see it again Sunday.

"The important thing going into these games, and what I've learned, is you need to be well-prepared,"

Brady said. "When you're prepared, you're confident going into a game, you're calm. You have the answers to the test."

The Eagles answered just about every test this season, but those were like midterms. New England in the Super Bowl is the final — pass or fail.

So are the Eagles up to winning Philly's first championship since 1960, seven years before the Super Bowl existed?

No less an expert than Belichick knows they can if his team isn't careful.

"They are a very complete team," he said. "They led the NFC wire to wire. I don't think you could do much more."

"They have been running out the clock since the end of November waiting to get it over with, because they had everything wrapped up. They came back and played well against Minnesota and shut down Atlanta."

"There's no question that they not only deserve to be here, they've done about as much as you could possibly do this year as a football team."

# Tomjanovich resigns as Lakers coach, citing health concerns

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (AP) — Rudy Tomjanovich resigned as coach of the Los Angeles Lakers Wednesday, citing health concerns brought on by the job.

"There are no outside influences, be it pressure from above, anything to do with my players or being here in Los Angeles," he said. "This is all about me and how I'm wired. Nobody put pressure on me but me."

Tomjanovich, 56, went 22-19 in his first season as Phil Jackson's successor and with a revamped lineup built around Kobe Bryant. Assistant coach Frank Hamblen led the Lakers to a 2-0 record when Tomjanovich missed their last two games because of a stomach virus and a sinus infection.

General manager Mitch Kupchak said Hamblen would stay on indefinitely as interim coach.

After victories, Tomjanovich said he would celebrate with a dinner of steak and fries, but the grumbling feeling in his stomach always returned by the time he finished his meal.

"It just kept wearing on me and wearing on me, and my resistance got low. It hurt my health," he said, clearly subdued. "Maybe I'm an old general that needs to get his butt off the front line and do something else."

Tomjanovich, who led the Houston Rockets to NBA titles in 1994 and 1995, returned to coaching after recovering from bladder cancer.

He said that he began wearing down mentally and physically about a month ago.

"I went from this energetic, pumped-up guy to being sapped of a lot of energy," Tomjanovich said, adding that he takes antibiotics regularly now. "It just seems like I got deeper into not feeling good. Why this happened now and why my body couldn't take it, I do not have the answer."

Tomjanovich said the Lakers offered him a consulting position for two years, which he planned to consider.

He denied that his resignation was prompted by any conflict with owner Jerry Buss or injured superstar Bryant.



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# Tech survives Colorado's strong second half to win

## BATTLING BUFFALOES: Colorado outscored Tech 61-48 in second half.

By Joey Kirk/  
The University Daily

Although Texas Tech finished with a victory, it did not come with ease, and coach Bob Knight said it was one the Red Raiders should not have escaped with.

"That was a game we shouldn't have won, the way we played the second half," he said. "We should've got our asses beat."

The Raiders had a 20-point halftime lead before Colorado came back in the second half, only to lose by seven, 97-90, at the United Spirit Arena Wednesday.

Tech (13-5, 5-3 Big 12) narrowly beat the Buffaloes (10-9, 2-6), once again proving why

the Raiders are the No. 6-ranked team in the nation for free-throw percentage.

In the closing minutes of the match, Tech scored 15 points from the line, totaling 32 during the night.

Prior to that, the Raiders scored 49 points in the first half, compared to Colorado's 29. A shooting percentage of 63.3 in the first half allowed Tech to get ahead of the Buffaloes.

Guard Jarrius Jackson began an 11-0 run for Tech with a 3-pointer in the opening minute of play, lasting for four minutes. At the 14:08 mark, guard Ronald Ross knocked down another Raider 3-point shot to start a 17-5 run that lasted for

seven minutes in the first half, spreading the gap to 20 points.

Colorado's Richard Roby scored 29 points, and he closed the first and second halves of the game with 3-pointers, which were still not enough to defeat Tech.

Jackson finished with 25 points, a career-high, 12 of them free throws, while forward Devonne Giles followed closely, hitting all 11 of his attempts from the stripe.

Since Big 12 Conference action has begun, Colorado has allowed the most points scored by its opponents, with an average of 73. On the other hand, Tech is the No. 1 scoring offense in the conference, averaging 82 points per contest.

Following halftime, Tech kept its 20-point margin against Colorado, only giving up a 6-0 run midway through the second half before

Ross ended it with a 3-pointer at the 11:03 mark.

Giles fouled out of the game with 8:04 remaining, finishing with 13 points and 7 rebounds.

Tech gave the ball up nine times during the second half, allowing the Buffaloes a chance to bring the game within reaching distance. But five Colorado fouls in the final five minutes of the game sent Tech players to the line for free throws.

An 80 percent free-throw per-

centage again gave the Raiders the victory, similar to Saturday's game against Nebraska, where Tech scored 30 of its points from free throws.

Five Raiders scored in the double-digits, including Jackson, Ross (21), guard Martin Zeno (19), Giles and forward Darryl Dora (13).

Prior to the game, a statement was released that said John Ofoegbu is no longer on the Tech team because of personal reasons. No other information about his status was released.

**COLORADO (10-9)**  
Osborn 1-5 0-0 3, Roby 11-20 0-1 29, Ashby 4-8 0-2 8, Obazuaye 2-7 2-6 6, Hall 9-13 5-6 24, Eddy 1-1 3-4 6, Freeman 2-6 0-0 4, Copeland 3-8 2-2 10, Arrington 0-0 0-0 0, King-Stockton 0-1 0-0 0, McGee 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 33-70 12-21 90.

**TEXAS TECH (13-5)**  
Zeno 8-16 3-4 19, Giles 1-5 11-11 13, Dora 6-7 0-0 13, Jackson 6-10 12-15 25, Ross 8-13 2-5 21, Coffman 0-0 4-5 4, Marshall 0-1 0-0 0, Suljagic 0-0 0-0 0, Hawkins 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 30-53 32-40 97.  
Halftime—Texas Tech 49-29.  
3-Point Goals—Colorado 12-30 (Roby 7-12, Copeland 2-6, Eddy 1-1, Hall 1-4, Osborn 1-5, Freeman 0-1, Obazuaye 0-1), Texas Tech 5-11 (Ross 3-5, Dora 1-2, Jackson 1-3, Zeno 0-1). Fouled Out—Ashby, Freeman, Giles.



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