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# Tech officials swear in three regents

by Ginger Pope/UD

Newly appointed members of Texas Tech's Board of Regents were officially sworn in Thursday and Friday.

The three new regents — John Jones, Nancy Jones and Mike Weiss — were appointed by Gov. George W. Bush in January to replace outgoing regents Elizabeth "Cissy" Ward of Longview, Patsy Woods Martin of Austin and John C. Sims of Lubbock.

Deputy Chancellor James Crowson said the regents completed orientation sessions to familiarize themselves with Tech. The swearing-in process was a formality to assure the new regents' succession.

Thursday's orientation session concentrated on Tech's finances, and Friday's session was a general briefing of the campus and its functions, Crowson said.

The new regents will be publicly sworn in during the regents' May 9 meeting.

Tech's Board of Regents is an independent governing body and is the ultimate decision maker for Tech, Crowson said. The board's primary function is to determine university policies.

Tech's nine regents serve a staggered six-year term, which end Jan. 31 of every odd-numbered year.

Every two years three regents rotate off the

board, and a new group is rotated on.

"It is designed this way for continuity, and every year we have experience on the board at all times," Crowson said.

Jones, chairman of the board for Commercial National Bank of Brady, said he wants to improve the academic environment of the Tech campus.

"My focus is towards academic excellence and to provide every young person with a first class education where they can go and make their contributions in life," Jones said. "This can be done in many of the programs at Tech."

John Jones graduated from Tech with an animal science degree in 1956 and received a

master's in animal science from Texas A&M University and a graduate degree from Southwestern Graduate School of Banking at Southern Methodist University.

John Jones said he believes he is entering his position as regent at a critical time for Tech because of the recent NCAA investigation into Tech men's basketball and football programs and the proposals of Tech's Master Plan.

"The Master Plan is necessary because I think we've got to look forward, but the plan needs to be studied and well thought out," John Jones said.

Weiss, a 1970 Tech accounting graduate and a 1983 Tech School of Law graduate, said

this is an exciting time for Tech, adding he will not let athletic issues override the importance Tech's Master Plan and the school's new role in the Big 12 Conference.

"I guess it would be oversimplified to say I want to see Tech grow," he said. "But I have no particular agendas and am excited about Tech's future."

Weiss is a CPA for Weiss and Associates of Austin, and he recently served as a fiscal policy director for Gov. Bush.

The third new regent, Nancy Jones, is a medical doctor at the Community Foundation of Abilene and could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

## REIGNING RIDER

Student achieves dream as mascot

by Laura Hensley/UD

When Becky McDougal was 3 years old, she already was riding horses. On the back of a horse is where she seemed to belong.

When McDougal, a junior agricultural economics major from Comanche, was in junior high school, she already had made a goal for herself — she was going to attend Texas Tech to someday become the Masked Rider.

At 3 p.m. Tuesday at Jones Stadium, McDougal's dream became reality. She participated in the Transfer of Reins, the official ceremony naming the 1997-98 Masked Rider.

McDougal was presented

with the Masked Rider's hat, cape and mask.

"I've wanted to do it (become the Masked Rider) for a long time," McDougal said. "Seeing that black horse running across the field with the rider's guns up and red cape flying is the most awe-inspiring sight. No matter how many times I see it, it sends chills up and down my spine."

The ceremony also is a tradition to acknowledge the service of the outgoing Masked Rider.

"It (the Masked Rider) means a lot of different things to different people on the Tech campus as well as in the community," said Cheryl Shubert, coordinator of University Center Student

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photos by Wes Underwood/UD

▲ Transfer of tradition: JoLynn Self, 1996-97 Masked Rider, helps disguise the 1997-98 Masked Rider Becky McDougal at the transfer of reins ceremony.

► One last ride: The 1996-97 Masked Rider Martha Reed takes her last ride on High Red Bug around Jones Stadium. Reed shared the title with JoLynn Self after fracturing her foot at the Texas Tech vs. Texas A&M football game Oct. 26, 1996.



## Committee approves crime bill

AUSTIN (AP) — With constitutional questions persisting about whether the state's law against hate crimes is too vague, a bill aimed at tightening the statute was approved Tuesday by the Senate Criminal Justice Committee.

"The experts I've talked to are right," said Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, the bill's sponsor. "There is a problem because the language is very vague. I think we need to tighten it up. This bill specifies the categories of hate crimes."

Under Ellis' bill, a hate crime would constitute criminal action against a person or property "because of race, color, religion, age, gender, national origin or ancestry or perceived sexual orientation."

Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, amended the bill in committee to include age, gender and the word "perceived" in front of sexual orientation.

Patterson also amended the bill to remove disabled persons as a target of hate crimes because they are already covered under a separate law.

## Bowles appears for testimony at trial

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Reaching into the White House inner circle, Whitewater prosecutors questioned President Clinton's top deputy before a federal grand jury Tuesday about whether he tried to buy the silence of a key witness.

"Absolutely not," White House chief of staff Erskine Bowles told reporters as he entered the same courthouse where the long-running Whitewater investigation had taken a dramatic turn a day earlier.

Monday at the sentencing of James McDougal, prosecutors said their investigation had been revitalized by new information from the Clintons' ex-business partner and now accuser.

More importantly, they said that much of what McDougal — a witness with admitted credibility problems — told them has been corroborated by documents or other witnesses.

In addition to investigating decade-old financial transactions in Arkansas, prosecutors are now trying to determine if attempts were made by White House aides or presidential supporters to influence witnesses after Clinton

took office. Bowles, who was in the courthouse most of the day, was the first of several presidential aides who are expected to testify.

He was expected to be questioned about telephone calls he made in spring 1994 to try to line up financial help for longtime Clinton friend Webster Hubbell, who had just left the No. 3 Justice Department job under an ethical cloud.

Months later, Hubbell pleaded guilty to bilking his former Arkansas law firm and clients and agreed to cooperate with Whitewater prosecutors. However, Hubbell's memory lapses have since frustrated investigators.

The White House says Bowles was among at least three top presidential aides who tried to find financial help for Hubbell — an effort that netted

Hubbell hundreds of thousands of dollars in payments from Clinton supporters.

Investigators now want to know whether those payments affected Hubbell's cooperation in the investigation into the first family's financial dealings and Hillary Rodham Clinton's work as a private lawyer. Hubbell is a former law partner of Mrs. Clinton.

While Bowles gave his testimony in secret before the grand jury, the White House braced for the public airing of a television interview in which McDougal suggested the president gave false testimony during McDougal's criminal trial last year.

McDougal, who was convicted last year of 18 felonies, also alleged that he was the focus of intimidation tactics several years ago by a longtime Clinton friend.

"I'd say there have been ... attempts by people like Jim Blair to coerce me into not testifying," McDougal told "Dateline NBC" in an interview taped after McDougal was sentenced on Monday.

The interview was airing Tuesday night. Telephone calls left with Blair's secretary were not immediately returned Tuesday.

McDougal said Blair was "threatening to accuse me of stealing money in Whitewater, threatening to have me prosecuted in relation to my business dealings with the Clintons."

"They know they can't buy me" because "I'm not a money-motivated man," added McDougal, who received a three-year prison term after his cooperation over eight months with Whitewater prosecutors.

McDougal has serious credibility problems — the most important his previous sworn denials about Clinton's participation in a meeting where a fraudulent loan was discussed.

“They know they can't buy me.”

James McDougal, Clintons' ex-business partner

## Two sentenced in \$1.3 million strip-club tax evasion case

LUBBOCK (AP) — Two owners of a Lubbock strip club each were sentenced Tuesday to almost 3 1/2 years in prison after pleading guilty in a million-dollar tax evasion case.

Bob E. Jordan, 68, and Jim Bob Jackson, 59, were issued the 41-month prison terms after each pleaded guilty Nov. 14 to five counts of evading federal income taxes.

The tax evasion came in 1989-1994

in a scheme that involved the under-reporting of liquor purchases and sales at Players, the only topless bar within Lubbock city limits.

In all, about \$1.3 million in income from alcohol sales went unreported, officials said.

U.S. District Judge Sam Cummings issued the lightest sentences provided for by federal sentencing guidelines. The men could have been sentenced

to 25 years in prison and fined \$1.25 million.

Prosecutors and defense attorneys had recommended leniency, citing that Jordan and Jackson have paid their back taxes and IRS penalties.

"That, coupled with his cooperation, merited the sentence the judge gave him," said Assistant U.S. Attorney Bill Mateja.

In a scheme that ran from 1989 to

1991, Players bought alcohol using cash, then sold the non-invoiced spirits for cash from customers. None of the transactions were recorded for tax purposes, documents state.

From 1992 through last April, Players sold 1 1/8 ounces of liquor per drink and recorded that they poured 1 1/4 ounces, essentially leaving one out of every eight shots sold unreported to the government.

## Tax time creates last minute crunch

by April Castro/UD

The deadline for filing income tax returns has come and gone. Some Texas Tech students filed months ago in anticipation of the refund, and others still have not begun to file for their returns.

Taxpayers had until midnight Tuesday to either file their returns or file for a four-month extension, said Gary White, director of accounting programs in Tech's College of Business Administration.

One Tech student said he has not even bothered to look at his earnings yet or file for an extension, and said he will not start until he returns home for the summer. Other students said they did it long ago.

"I filed two months ago, in February," said Brian Albee, a sophomore broadcast journalism major from Dallas. "I try to do it early every year."

Albee said the refund came in handy during his Spring Break trip.

Students who still are claimed as dependents and who earn less than \$4,000 annually probably are eligible to receive the majority of their income taxes back, said Wyndell Easterwood, certified public accountant for Easterwood & Co., CPA.

Easterwood said very few students have come to his firm this year.

Many students, however, turn the responsibility of filing to their



Stacey C. Brooks/UD

Taxing task: Stanley Bobrowski, volunteer for the Tax Commission for the Elderly, assists Lubbock resident Melive Waller with filing her taxes.

parents for completion. White said that when filing their returns, students need to know some important information.

"The deadline is April 15, and students need to either get their in or file for an extension before midnight," White said. "There is a penalty for being late."

White said students also need to know that if they are being claimed as an exemption for their parents, they cannot claim themselves.

"It's a misunderstanding that a lot of students have," he said. "A student cannot claim himself if a parent or guardian is claiming them."

Students who waited until the deadline to file must wait longer for their returns than if they had filed earlier, he said.

"They're getting a flood of returns right now, so this is probably the longest time," White said.

## Their View

### Different types of insults create great comebacks



Julie Mitchell/columnist

I am one of those people that comes up with great insults about five days after I have been insulted.

If someone says, "Your mama is so stupid she sold her car for gas money," my response is usually something incredibly brilliant like "So what...uh...you just need to shut your trap, and stop talking about my mama."

Well, friends, those days are behind me now. In order to prevent myself from ever being insult-free again, I have consulted some friends and compiled a list of never-fail offenses.

Please understand that I am not advocating insulting in any way, it's just that sometimes you have to do what you have to do. Also, please note that I am not talking about anyone's dog, family or personality in particular. And if you're bigger than I am, you can be sure that I'm certainly not talking about you or anyone remotely connected to you. So here they are — all the insults you could possibly want to use (plus some you wouldn't):

We'll start with personal appearance insults: Your hair is so wild, Buckwheat said. "Tame it, ota?" You have so many split ends, the Rockettes called and asked you to audition. Your hair is so greasy, the lice are skiing. Your mouth is so big, you opened it, and the Black Hole got lost. You're so ugly, that when you fell out of the ugly tree you must have hit every branch on your way down. Your feet are so big, homeless people use one of your shoe boxes and make a two-story house out of it. You're so hairy, Chewbacca thought you were his mama. You're so flat, that pirates search you for sunken chest. Your glasses are so thick, you must look at maps and see people waving.

Now, we'll move on to personal personality insults: You're so hopeless, you make Richard Simons cry. You're so politically incorrect, you think feminism is a nasal spray and Ebonics is a new computer program. You're such a nerd, you think Hootie and the Blowfish is a new pet store. You're so crazy, you make Jeffrey Dahmer look well adjusted.

Here, are my personal, favorite personality insults — the "You're so stupid..." ones: You're so stupid, you think that buying a parking sticker means that you actually get a parking space. You're so ignorant, you went to "Menace to Society" thinking it was the sequel to "Dennis the Menace." You're such an idiot, you found out that last Wednesday was National Abstinence Day so you missed all your classes, saying, "I'm going to be abstinent from school today."

Next, we have the family insults: Your mama is so stupid she got pregnant with you, and said, "I don't know if the baby is mine." Your daddy's ears are so big, he makes Dumbo jealous. Your dog is so stupid, he stands in front of a fire hydrant and waits for it to lift his leg. Your family tree branches are so intertwined, even people from Kentucky disapprove.

And the final, never fail insult you've all been waiting for goes something like this: "Listen, I know that you're upset with me, and I really want to work this out. So why don't we just take a minute to calm down, and you can go brush your teeth and chew a few breath mints before we continue this conversation."

So there it is, years worth of insults research all on one page. I hope that my time and effort spent on putting together this unprecedented list will not be for nothing. If I can prevent even one person from answering an insult with, "So what...so...you're so ugly that when you look in the mirror, you see yourself, and you're ugly, and you say "Gosh, I'm ugly!," then my efforts will have been worth the result.

Julie Mitchell is a junior English and theatre arts major from Corsicana.



### SGA only benefits from increased student input

#### Student government needs more campus support



Geoff Wayne/SGA president

Last week marked the end of the terms for your 1996-97 Student Association officers, senators and committee members. As the semester begins to wind down, your new representatives are beginning their service to you.

Currently, we are evaluating our year by reviewing our goals. Rather than going into great detail, I would like to summarize our year in office. Hopefully, in one manner or another, you have benefitted from our efforts.

Aside from our many goals, we set communication as the main focus of our term. We didn't want to be everywhere at all times, but we did want you to know who we are and what we can do for you. We felt that in the past, the

entire campus has not been included in the student government process, and this is something we aimed to change.

We used new methods of communication such as the Contact Senator Program, 88 Seconds with the Student Association President (a daily radio show) and a web page. We also utilized other forms of communication on a more frequent basis.

These included monthly mail-outs to all organizations, open forums on issues, numerous *University Daily* columns and hundreds of personal presentations to students across campus. These are just samples of our communication efforts, and I hope that you found it easy to contact us.

We worked on the United Spirit Arena project, the spur swap with the University of Texas-Austin, Tech/Lubbock Community Day and the Bring a Child to the Game day. SA representatives looked into alcohol sales on campus and the construction of a permanent bonfire/Big 12 Circle site. Additionally, your student government has pursued improvement of the finan-

cial aid and registration process, both of which will operate smoother next year as telephone and on-line registration become realities.

We have also sponsored five new scholarships, student leader awards and the first Student Appreciation Week.

SA representatives worked for increased funding through the state Legislature, better recycling practices on campus and even helped institute a tradition information presentation for upcoming freshman orientation and seminar classes. We also can't forget our numerous publications including *The Word* coupon book and Lubbock housing guide.

This list is lengthy and diverse, and it only covers a small fraction of what your student government has done this past year.

All in all, I believe that we have had a very successful year. Thank you for your support because without you, we would not be afforded this opportunity to serve you.

We hope that we have improved

Texas Tech in some manner, just as the new representatives will strive to do this next year. With the decisions that we have had to make this year, there is no way to satisfy everyone all of the time.

However, I believe our vision for the future that we used this year will benefit all who are associated with Tech.

Finally, please let me know your thoughts on the SA, so I can pass recommendations on to the next elected officers. Write us a letter (SA, Box 42032, 79409), e-mail (studentassociation@ttu.edu) or call (742-3631). As we have stressed this year, we want your feedback. So please take a few minutes to contact us.

Once again, thank you for your support. The future is bright for Tech, and I have enjoyed being a part of it. It truly has been a great honor serving you.

Geoff Wayne is a senior accounting major from Lubbock and president of Tech's Student Government Association.

## Your View

### Tiger Woods does not equal role of Robinson

**To the editor:** This week marks the 50th anniversary of Jackie Robinson's major league debut. This anniversary is currently the subject of tributes in the form of books, movies, cereal boxes and magazine covers. It is a moment we rightfully honor, as a society so scarred by racial hatred. Jackie Robinson endured countless indignities as the first black player to play major league baseball. He encountered obstacles at every turn. Part of his original deal with the Dodgers was that he would not, under any circumstances, retaliate in the face of racial slurs, segregated accommodations and death threats. Robinson's legacy is that of a true American hero.

It was against this backdrop that a golfing prodigy named Tiger Woods

made history by winning the Masters, the most prestigious of golf's major tournaments. The accolades heaped on Woods are, for the most part, well deserved. He is the youngest winner ever at the age of 21. He broke the course record which had stood for nearly 20 years. His superior talent is recognized by nearly everyone in the media, on the tour and in the general public. The ratings for the telecast indicate that this was the most watched golf tournament in history.

While these accomplishments are earth shattering in an athletic sense, they do not carry the social and cultural significance of Jackie Robinson's actions of 50 years ago. The media, however, insists on making this comparison again and again. While Tiger Woods walked the fairways at Augusta, he was followed by a throng of disciples. Adulation was heaped on

him as his life story was told in an hour-long program which aired right before the start of the final round. In contrast, the stories of abuse suffered by Robinson are a legion.

This is not to say that Woods' accomplishments do not warrant awe. They do, but in a different way. One need not be a baseball fan to recognize the significance of Robinson in influencing American culture. This is not the case with Tiger Woods. The National Guard did not keep Tiger Woods from donning the green jacket. He was simply the first golfer with African heritage to play well to win (He is also the first Asian-American to win the Masters).

Illustrative of the different eras was Nike's first commercial promoting Woods.

Nike put his race at the forefront of its campaign in an attempt to profit

off the ethnic heritage of its newfound superstar, an ad campaign which netted Woods \$40 million. No question he is worth every penny.

The idea of a shoe company doing the same thing with Robinson in 1947 is laughable for a shoe company which valued its white customers. Woods' race is valued on Madison Avenue, Robinson's was not.

As some much needed perspective is placed on the events of last Sunday, hopefully Tiger Woods' feat will be viewed as the greatest golf performance of all time and nothing less. But it should not be placed in the same historical chapter as Jackie Robinson breaking the color barrier. The media's lust for the dramatic has eagerly placed it there. This only serves to detract from the accomplishments of both men.

Doug Allen, Tech law student



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# New book tackles racial problems, solutions

Tech law professor's 'Black and Brown in America' challenges country's white majority rule

by Hollye Hodges/UD

During the next seven years, Hispanics will become the largest minority in Texas, and in the next 10 years, whites will no longer be the majority.

To address any potential problems that may arise with this population shift, Bill Piatt, a Texas Tech law professor, authored a book that hit bookstores Tuesday, titled, "Black and Brown in America: The Case for Cooperation."

"My entire career I have been interested in racial justice and peace," Piatt said.

"My book covers how we can deal with the issues coming in the next decade."

Administrators at Tech's School of Law said publishing a book has much significance for a professor's career and professional standing.

"Publishing a book establishes the legitimacy of a professional because law professors read the book," Dean Frank Newton said.

"This creates someone who teaches students and teaches teachers."

Several students agreed that Piatt is an expert in educating law students as well as fellow professionals.

"He definitely knows his stuff," said Hugo Aquilar, a law student from El Paso.

"Professor Piatt is very well informed."

Piatt's book includes demographic trends regarding the racial changes in the U.S. population during the next 50 years, as well as a plan that may

assist individuals in realizing the importance of a more unified and peaceful society.

"We need to begin addressing the problem now," Piatt said.

"Instead of waiting for the scenario when all three groups (black, white and Hispanic citizens) will be pitted against each other."

The book details five issues that create tensions among races: jobs, education, language, gangs and voting.

"Violence is my worst fear for what will become of these volatile issues," Piatt said.

"The worst case scenario is the equivalent of a race war."

Piatt said the nation already has

seen warning signs of such a war.

"There are already riots in metropolitan areas, such as Dallas and Los Angeles," he said. "Also, you can see racial violence in the prisons in California and Texas."

"This violence spills onto the streets and often into the schools."

Piatt offered a warning and a solution to potential problems caused by the nation's racial differences.

"We must resolve tensions before this gets any worse," he said.

"One solution is convening a nationwide summit."

Piatt said a summit would be an ideal starting point for creating a na-

tion of racial peace and unity.

"My ultimate fantasy would be uniting national political and religious leaders from all races," Piatt said. "Together, they could lay out a plan for improving race relations."

Newton said the book's contributions to society are important.

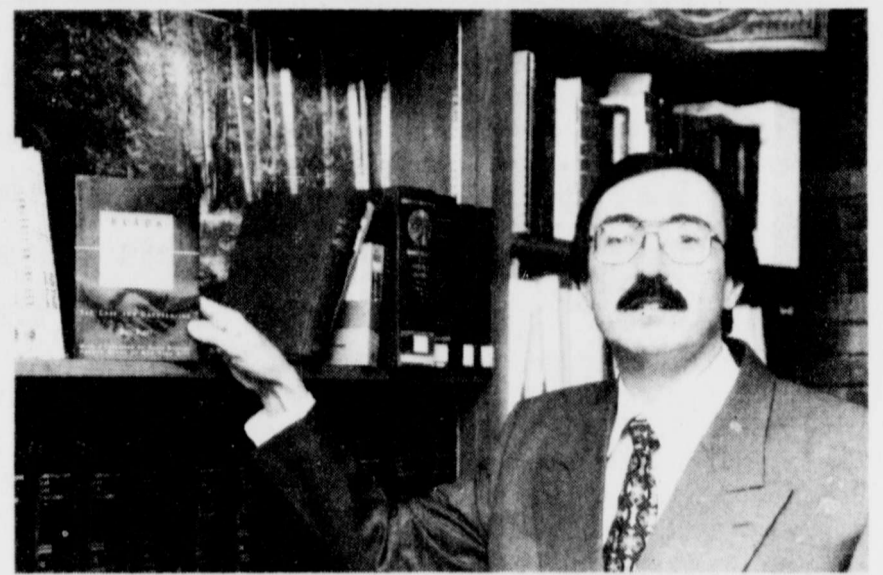
"This makes an important contribution to the challenges of diversity," Newton said.

"It shows how these challenges can be successfully met."

Ultimate success of a diverse, peaceful country should be the end result of attempts to curb racial problems because the United States has a lot to offer all of its citizens, Piatt said.

"Despite the racial tensions that exist in the United States, our country continues to offer opportunities for all individuals," Piatt said.

"One's skin color does not determine who we are."



Wes Underwood/UD

**Racial diversity:** Bill Piatt, Tech law professor, displays his recently released book, "Black and Brown in America: The Case for Cooperation." The book describes racial problems in Texas and in the United States and offers solutions for those problems. Piatt's book, released Tuesday, is available at area book stores in hardback edition.

**“My ultimate fantasy would be uniting national political and religious leaders from all races.”**

Bill Piatt, Tech law professor

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# State House approves school diversity bills

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas House approved two bills Tuesday that aim to diversify enrollment at public universities in the wake of a court ruling eliminating race as a factor in college admissions.

Supporters said the measures would ensure that all students, regardless of race or ethnicity, are granted the opportunity to attend college.

But opponents called the legislation a back-door approach to restoring race-based preferences akin to those struck down last year by a federal appeals court.

"We're giving preferences, and that's exactly what the Hopwood case was all about," said Rep. Charlie Howard, R-Sugar Land, referring to the lawsuit in which four white students argued the University of Texas law school's admissions policy unfairly favored minorities.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals agreed, and state Attorney General Dan Morales has since directed all public universities to adopt race-neutral policies for admissions, financial aid and scholarships.

A bill that Morales said would fit that mold was tentatively approved by the House Tuesday.

The measure establishes uniform admission procedures under which universities would be required to admit applicants who graduated in either the top 10 or

25 percent of their classes.

After filling those slots, universities would have to consider, in addition to academic performance, race-neutral factors such as economic status and family background.

Proponents said the measure would give students of all backgrounds a better chance at gaining admission to college.

"This measure is about opportunity. It cuts across all ethnic lines," said Rep. Hugo Berlanga, D-Corpus Christi about the bill.

The bill's sponsor, Rep. Irma Rangel, D-Kingsville, said, "This bill has nothing to do with picking one student over another."

But Rep. Frank Corte said the bill sends the message that social status takes priority over academics.

"We're telling the young people across the state that they don't have to do good in high school to go to college," said Corte, R-San Antonio, who tried unsuccessfully to amend the bill to require universities to automatically admit students who score high on standardized tests.

Morales, who ignited a furor among minority groups when he said the Hopwood ruling must apply to all public universities, called Rangel's measure a good compromise.

"It would really be helpful in terms of addressing the fallout of the 5th Circuit decision," he said.

**“ This measure is about opportunity. It cuts across all ethnic lines. ”**

State Rep. Hugo Berlanga, D-Corpus Christi

# Woman admits changing accusation against officer

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. (AP) — A soldier who claimed she was raped by her drill sergeant acknowledged Tuesday that her story had changed, but denied testifying in exchange for leniency on an AWOL charge.

Facing cross-examination by lawyers for Staff Sgt. Delmar Simpson, the 21-year-old private was confronted with a statement she gave investigators last year saying Simpson summoned her to his barracks office in 1995 before lights out, pulled her shorts completely off and raped her.

On the stand Monday, she testified Simpson ordered her to his office after lights out, pulled her

shorts down and raped her. Noting the differences in the stories, defense attorney Capt. Edward Brady handed the private the investigative statement and asked: "It's not true, is it?"

"Not that part. No, sir," she replied. Brady also noted that the woman faced a possible "other than honorable" discharge in an unrelated case of being absent without leave, or AWOL. The private denied that anyone offered her leniency in exchange for her testimony against Simpson.

It was not clear Tuesday if the Army will pursue the charge; calls to Aberdeen spokesman John Yaquiant were not answered.

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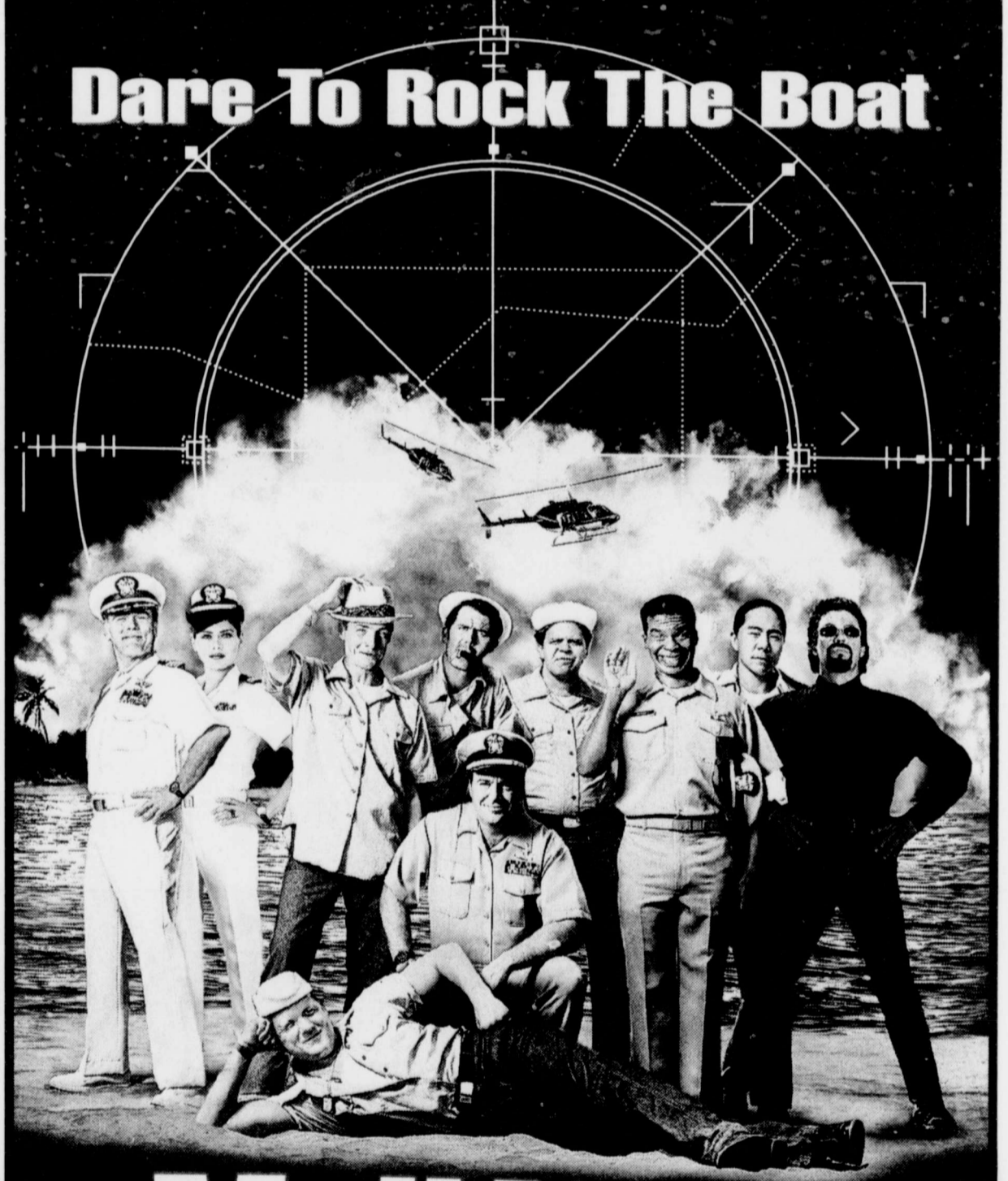
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## Mascot

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Activities. "The image has been ingrained as what is the personality of this institution. A lot of people associate what the university is with the rider."

McDougal has been involved in the Texas Tech Rodeo Association for three years and the Horseman's Association for two years. She also is a member of Alpha Zeta agricultural fraternity and has served as the Masked Rider assistant for the past year.

"I'm really glad Becky is going to be the Masked Rider because she's been a friend of mine for several years," said Martha Reed, a senior animal production major from Knickerbocker and 1996-97 Masked Rider. "I wish her the best of luck, and I know she'll do a good job because she's a good rider."

After McDougal tried out last year and did not get the position, she became an assistant.

"It (becoming the Masked Rider) is a very big deal for me," McDougal said. "It was one of my main goals when I came to Tech."

McDougal was chosen to be the 36th official Masked Rider in March after trying out in Febru-

ary. The tryout process consisted of a written exam, horsemanship, truck and trailer obstacles and a personal interview.

"I'm glad Becky is going to be our next rider," said JoLynn Self, 1995-1996 Masked Rider and senior biology major from Amarillo. "She'll do a great job for us. I also think it's neat that she will be the fifth girl in a row for us."

McDougal will be riding High Red Bug, a 10-year-old black quarter horse gelding. The horse was chosen to replace Double T, who died Sept. 3, 1995, at the Tech vs. New Mexico football game when he collided with a wall in Jones Stadium.

"He (High Red Bug) knows what he's doing, and he's good with children," Self said. "They could not have picked a better horse, personality wise."

Self and McDougal said being the Masked Rider is a large time commitment that takes a special kind of person to fulfill.

Masked Rider appearances include rodeos, citywide appearances and local functions.

"I hope all my experiences this year will be good," McDougal said. "I'm going to do everything I can to fill the shoes of the people before me."

## Coffee aromas may help prevent disease

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—What makes that morning whiff of coffee so alluring? It could be the nose saying, "Drink up, it's good for you."

A University of California-Davis chemist found that beguiling smell of freshly brewed coffee is caused in part by chemicals that form potent cancer-fighting antioxidants.

Individually, the chemicals are not potent. But when combined, as in

brewed coffee, the activity increases and is comparable to antioxidants found in fruits and vegetables.

Takayuki Shibamoto said his preliminary study shows that chemicals in fresh-brewed coffee might be equal to the amount found in three oranges.

"That's not a very scientific comparison, but it makes it easier to understand," said Shibamoto, who presented his findings at a meeting of the

American Chemical Society.

Shibamoto cautioned that the chemicals detectable in coffee's aroma escape rapidly into the air. "You have to drink it in about 20 minutes after it is brewed," he said.

Shibamoto warned that the research is preliminary, restricted to test-tube analysis. If he gets funding, he hopes to take a look at how animals might be affected by coffee.

Sara Risch, a Chicago-based consultant who holds a doctorate in food science, called Shibamoto's work "an exciting start."

"It's fascinating he's found a new category of compounds that can serve as antioxidants," she said. "The next step is to find out if there is truly any biological activity — if you take it into an animal system, do we still see the antioxidant activity?"

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1:00	Fight in the Fields	Wings Men/Badly	CBS News Report	Voyager	Drew Carey Arsenio	Pacific Palisades	1:30	Law & Order *14	Enter A Jury Room	Next Generation	E.T. Hard Copy	News MASH	Home Impr. Cheers
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# Workers say building is making them sick

DALLAS (AP) — For three years, English teacher Peter Gelinis says, he has suffered from nausea, headaches, lightheadedness and sinus pressure so intense his teeth hurt. Some days, he has had to leave school and go home.

He believes he was made sick by working in a moldy, damp wing of Hastings Middle School in Fairhaven, Mass. After Gelinis complained, the administration put in a fan and renovated the ventilation system.

The new system circulates outside air, which brings in the rotten egg sulfur smell of a landfill nearby. So Gelinis says his ailments persist.

"The kids experience it, too," Gelinis says. "It's not a great environment to learn."

Like Gelinis, many people are convinced their workplaces are mak-

ing them sick. After the energy crisis of the 1970s, architects and engineers began designing more efficient buildings without windows that open.

"It's a building in which there's not enough air exchange, there's too many contaminants in the building, whether it's mold, carbon dioxide or chemicals," said Carolyn Gorman, patient education director of the Environmental Health Center of Dallas. "In the last several decades the incidence of 'sick buildings' have certainly gone up."

Since the early 1990s, building codes have required a certain amount of fresh air to be brought into a building's cooling and heating system, said Paul Sprehe, an engineer in Oklahoma City. But there's been resistance because of added expenses.

*"There is nothing greater than if one of my novels can make people interested in their roots, their history and their state's history."*

— Preston Lewis



Preston Lewis

# Techsan delves into western genre

by Sebastian Kitchen/UD

Many people grow up watching westerns and reading novels about the Old West.

One man at Texas Tech decided to write a few westerns of his own.

While his cousins were outside playing, the young Preston Lewis, now director of development and external relations for the Southwest Collection Special Collections Library, would sit on the porch and listen to stories from older relatives.

He would hear stories of life during the Great Depression and became interested in history.

"If you write, you are telling stories," Lewis said.

"I have learned through time to have an appreciation for good stories."

Since starting his writing career in 1980, he has embarked on a historical journey of his own that has included writing many novels and being nominated for national awards.

Another novel will be released in the fall, giving him a total of 19 published novels.

"Your first novel is the hardest because you are an unproven commodity," Lewis said.

Lewis convinced several New York City publishers of his work, and many of them have published and distributed his work, including

Bantam, Harper-Collins and Pinnacle.

Those publishers have nominated Lewis's work for some upcoming awards.

In May, the Spur Awards, presented by the Western Writers of America, will announce the winners of its annual awards. For the second consecutive year, Lewis has been nominated for two of his novels. Lewis is president of the Western Writers of America, a professional organization for Western novel writers.

The Spur Awards have been awarded since 1954, and "honor the best literature written about the American West," said Richard S. Wheeler, publicist for the awards.

"I think he is a masterful storyteller of Texas history."

Some of his recent books have dealt sensitively with Texas history, he said.

"He certainly earned them (the nominations), and Lubbock is fortunate to have such a gifted man," Wheeler said.

Being nominated for two awards is rare, and shows some distinction in the western genre writing field, Wheeler said.

The winners of the awards will be announced May 8 in New York City. Lewis has a book nominated in two categories, "Blood of Texas" for Best Western Novel and "Mix-up at the O.K. Corral" for Best Original Paper

back Novel.

Kenneth Davis, a former English professor and Tech's retirement officer, used to judge Lewis' work in competitions and reads them for enjoyment.

"I think he is a fresh and creative talent," Davis said.

"He carefully researches a lot of his work in the Southwest Collection."

Lewis would speak in Davis' Modern Novel of the American West course.

"He would wow them," Davis said. "Students were always more than happy to have him come in. They were glad to hear from a practitioner and not a critic."

The work is worthy and detailed enough to be turned into movies, Davis said.

"Preston could go far if he would sell one of his novels as a movie and it was done right," Davis said.

Davis has read 12 of the books and said he finds them witty, satirical well-researched parodies that are highly comical.

When Lewis is not writing or working, he spends time reading the work of other authors — some novels and a lot of history. Reading three to four books at one time is not unusual for Lewis.

"The more knowledge you have and the more you bring to your writing, the better writer you are going to

be," he said.

"It is humbling for me to read the work of others, because they are such good writers."

The process of writing is hard, sweaty and tedious, Lewis said.

"When you haven't written, it's not as easy to envy because you do not know the work and sweat that went into it," he said.

After he gets an idea, he begins to work on the novel, completing three drafts of the novel before he sends it away for a final viewing by an editor at the publishing company.

"When you start writing a book, it is like climbing a tall mountain," he said.

"When you get to the top you can say, 'Now I can do some good,' and the worst is behind me."

Many people from across town and from around the world have written Lewis and let him know what they thought about his work.

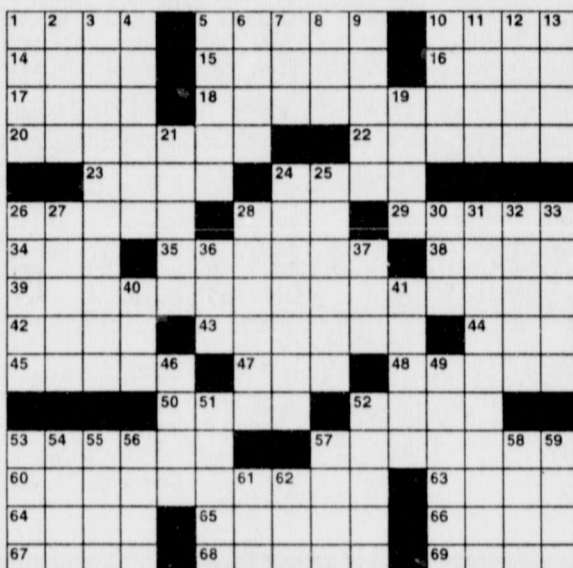
A junior high school history teacher in Houston wrote Lewis a letter, and said she bought the book for someone.

Because of an interest in his work, she became more interested in history.

"There is nothing greater than if one of my novels can make people interested in their roots, their history and their state's history," Lewis said.

## THE Daily Crossword

- ACROSS  
1 Excitement  
5 Ludicrous act  
10 Use a mangle  
14 Of verse  
15 Attain  
16 Nucha  
17 Water vapor  
18 Empire State player  
20 Toed the mark  
22 Some Central Americans  
23 Fiendish  
24 Ammo for toy pistols  
26 Shelter  
28 Haggard heroine  
29 River horse  
34 Have debts  
35 Laws  
38 A Flintstone  
39 Old Line State player  
42 Cookie  
43 Princess in "Amadis de Gaul"



by Bernice Gordon 04/16/97

### Tuesday's Puzzle solved:

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| 44 Earn                      | 10 Very dark       | 46 Tied            | 56 Sprang a —        |
| 45 Marsh plant               | 11 VIP in India    | 49 Stage direction | 57 Instrument        |
| 47 Nav. off.                 | 12 Sign on a diner | 51 Dialect         | 58 "— ben Adhem"     |
| 48 Ponds                     | 13 Garden State    | 52 Theatres        | 59 Nary a one        |
| 50 Holding tool              | 14 Garden State    | 53 Barbecue item   | 61 16                |
| 52 Hip                       | 15 Garden State    | 54 Norse god       | 62 Woodwind, briefly |
| 53 Became boring             | 16 Garden State    | 55 Tops            |                      |
| 57 Telephone employee        | 17 Garden State    |                    |                      |
| 60 Grand Canyon State player | 18 Garden State    |                    |                      |
| 63 Shield knob               | 19 Garden State    |                    |                      |
| 64 Scottish island           | 20 Garden State    |                    |                      |
| 65 Egg-shaped                | 21 Garden State    |                    |                      |
| 66 Bright light              | 22 Garden State    |                    |                      |
| 67 Tough journey             | 23 Garden State    |                    |                      |
| 68 Stirrs up                 | 24 Garden State    |                    |                      |
| 69 Exam answer               | 25 Garden State    |                    |                      |

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Fashion mogul Carole Little and estranged husband Leonard Rabinowitz helped produce "Anaconda," the story of monster serpents in the Amazon.  
The movie opened this weekend at No. 1 with \$16.5 million in ticket sales.  
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# Texas Tech University Recreational Sports

## Upcoming Events

Intramurals	Entries Due
Team Trap and Skeet	April 16-17
Track and Field	April 16-17
Tennis Doubles	April 21-24
Special Events	
Injury Clinic	Tonight
Stroke Mechanics Clinic	April 22
Outdoor Cooking Workshop	April 23
Carlsbad Caverns Trip	April 25-27



**CONCENTRATION:** Indoor soccer players from the Squirrels and Alpha Kappa Psi race to the soccer ball recently in the Student Rec Center. Soccer teams are in playoffs the next two weeks in hopes of becoming All-University Champions.

### Bike Race Results

Thirty individuals participated in the fourth annual Natural High Mountain Bike Race Sunday.

It took place at the Martin Luther King Boulevard.

Jonathon McTee won the Beginner Two Lap event with a time of 27.23, followed by Shawn Anger and Mark Wilson.

In the Lap Four Lap Sport Race, Jeff Oman was first at 57.10 followed by Michael Webb and Vernon Sutton.

The experts rode the course six times.

Damon Hughlett took the lead after a crash on the fourth lap and held it for the win at 1:13.05.

Hughlett was followed by Chuck Spaugh and Barry Cain.

### Baseball Entries

Entries for the upcoming baseball tournament sponsored by Rec Sports are due today by 5 p.m. in room SRC 202.

There is a \$40 team entry fee to defray the cost of umpires and baseballs.

Games will be played at Mackenzie Field and Hodges Field because of the cooperation of the City of Lubbock.

Catchers equipment will be furnished for those teams needing the tools.

For further information, call Recreational Sports at 742-3351.

### Track Meet

The Intramural Office will be accepting team as well as individual entries for the upcoming track meet April 15-17 in the Sports Rec Office.

The meet will take place Sunday at R.P. Fuller Track on the Tech campus.

All skill levels are encouraged to enter. Any questions call 742-3351.

### Final Injury Clinic

The Final Injury Clinic of the semester is scheduled for 7 p.m. today in room 201 of the Rec Center.

The clinic, hosted by Dr. Dan Burchfield and the Orthopedic residents from the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, examines athletic types injuries for no fee and gives advice for treatment, therapy or further consultation.

It has met every Wednesday since January with more than 40 students taking the course.

Interested individuals need to show up at the Rec Center between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. to have a doctor examine the injury.

### WindRaiders Disc Club Tournament

The Tech WindRaiders Flying Disc Club Disc Golf Tournament for April 12 was rescheduled for this Saturday because of the weekend's cold weather.

The tournament will take place at MacKenzie Park Disc Golf Course at 10 a.m. and is open to all students, staff and faculty at Tech.

Entry forms for the tournament are available in the Student Recreation Center Room 202, and there is no charge.

For any questions, call Dennis at 742-5717 or Jandá at 742-3351 or visit the WindRaider web page at <http://www.ttu.edu/~windraid> for more information.

### Rec Sports Web Site

<http://www.ttu.edu/recsports>

Check out Rec Sports' new website. It includes information on all programs and facilities and will be updated on a regular basis.

## National Gymnastics Competition

The Tech Gymnastics Club competed in the 1997 Intercollegiate Gymnastics National Championship April 4-5 at Texas A&M University.

Nineteen teams were represented from around the country. A total of 84 women and 52 men competed in the meet.

The team from Tech brought home five national medals. Teresa Broyles placed 17th in the all-around, making it into vault event finals and received the ninth place medal for Tech. Broyles also received 8.675 on balance beam and 8.6325 on floor. Candi Brodie placed 20th in the all-around with 8.80 on vault for 17th, 8.325 on balance beam and 9.00 on floor for 14th.

Nathan Vore placed 11th in the all-around and in the top 10 on three individual events to make it to the finals. In the finals, Vore received the ninth place medal on pommel horse, eighth place on still rings and ninth on high bar. Thomas Candalino made event finals and placed 10th on the pommel horse while Joel Smith placed 15th on parallel bars.

The two-woman Tech team placed 12th overall, and the men's team placed eighth overall.

### Intramural Activities

#### Two Person Golf Scramble Rescheduled

As a result of Saturday's cold weather, the intramural golf tournament has been rescheduled for April 27 at Elms Grove Golf Course.

The Recreational Sports Department is accepting applications for the two-person scramble through Tuesday at 5 p.m. in SRC 202. It is open to all people eligible for intramural programs, and it costs \$22 per person. Men's, women's and mixed divisions of play are offered.

#### Softball Homerun Hitting Competition

The Annual Softball Homerun Hitting Contest entries will be accepted in the Recreational Sports Office 202, through 5 p.m. today.

No fee is required and reporting time for the one-day event will be 5 p.m. Thursday. All entrants will be required to "shag" throughout the competition. Each entry must provide his or her own pitcher or they may ask another competitor. Each hitter will be given 20 pitches for which to take 10 swings.

Each legal homerun must leave the park over fair territory. Women will play under the same requirements hitting from second base.

#### Team Trap and Skeet Shoot Offered

Intramural sports is taking entries for the 2-Person Team Trap and Skeet Shoot through Thursday.

Entries will be accepted in the Rec Sports Office between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. The shoot is Saturday at 1 p.m. at the South Plains Gun Club located 1 mile north of the Reese Air Force Base entrance gate. All shooters may enter both trap and skeet divisions. The \$3.50 fee per round is payable to the Gun Club.

Two-man teams of men, women or mixed may compete in this event. Each contestant will shoot one round of 25 birds for a team total of 50 birds in each event. Contestants must provide their own gun and ammo or ammo may be purchased and guns may be rented at the gun club. The rules of play are the Amateur Trapshooting Association rules and the Rules of the National Skeet Shooting Association.

## Aquatic Center Events

### Lifeguarding

Final session: May 20 - 29  
Cost: \$50 for Tech / \$60 for the Lubbock community (books not included)  
The course includes Lifeguarding, Standard First Aid, CPR/PR.

### Lifeguarding Instructor

Sessions I course: April 26 - 27 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Cost: \$40 Tech / \$50 for community (includes certification and instructors manual)  
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### Work At the Pool This Summer

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