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**STATE****Cross-burning costs man 3 years in jail**

HOUSTON (AP) — A suburban west Houston man was sentenced Monday to three years and one month in federal prison for taking part in a Juneteenth cross-burning outside a black family's home.

Corydon William Parsons, 20, also was ordered to pay a \$10,000 fine by U.S. District Judge David Hittner. He was the fourth man to be sentenced for the June 19 crime in Katy.

Parsons pleaded guilty to conspiring with four others to burn the cross, a violation of the family's civil rights. The act occurred on the morning of Juneteenth, the anniversary of when Texas slaves learned of their freedom.

U.S. District Judge Sim Lake previously sentenced Wayne Mathews, Bobby Bergeron and Darin White each to just more than one year in prison.

Hittner is scheduled to sentence the remaining defendant, 20-year-old Matthew Curtis Marshall, Feb. 5.

**NATIONAL****Bush takes abortion stand during first day**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Opening the White House for business, President Bush pleased conservative supporters Monday by imposing strict restrictions on U.S. funds to international family-planning groups involved in abortion.

Pushing his education and tax-cutting proposals, too, Bush told senior aides, "We are not here just to mark time." He also called on them to uphold high ethical standards.

Abortion-rights groups accused Bush of "bending to the will of the far right" by reinstating limitations on U.S. aid that his father and former President Reagan had imposed.

The first major act of his presidency reversed actions by the Clinton administration and dominated media attention, an early test of his ability to govern from the middle while appeasing his conservative base.

Bush had cautiously addressed the abortion issue during his GOP campaign, concerned about alienating swing voters.

**WORLD****Guinness' oldest man celebrates 112 years**

TIANA, Sardinia (AP) — An Italian shepherd listed by Guinness World Records as the world's oldest man celebrated his 112th birthday Monday by downing a glass of red wine — the secret, he says, of his longevity.

"Just love your brother and drink a good glass of red wine every day," Antonio Todde was quoted as saying on the Guinness Web site. "You take one day after the other, you just go on."

Along with the wine, Todde enjoyed a birthday cake decorated with candles shaped like the number 112.

Italian TV showed a lively, rosy-cheeked man in a jaunty, old-fashioned cap surrounded by his family — which includes a 97-year-old sister and two daughters, aged 80 and 77.

Agriculture Minister Alfonso Pecoraro Scanio had paid Todde a congratulatory visit on Sunday.

Born in 1889 in a tiny mountain village in the heart of Sardinia, Todde has been a shepherd all his life.

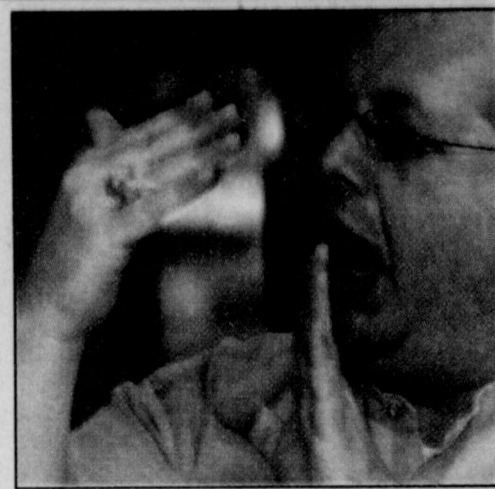


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## Texas 7 reduced to double trouble

Authorities discover prison escapees in Colorado mobile home

WOODLAND PARK, Colo. (AP) — Acting on a tip, authorities on Monday captured four of the seven convicts who broke out of a Texas prison nearly six weeks ago and allegedly gunned down a policeman on Christmas Eve.

A fifth inmate killed himself inside a motor home that had been surrounded by authorities in this foothills community about 50 miles southwest of Denver.

The whereabouts of the two other inmates were unknown. Authorities said they may have been in Woodland Park as recently

as Sunday and may have left to get more money.

"The story is by no means over," said Mark Mershon, the top FBI official in Colorado. "We have two suspects that are still on the loose."

The heavily armed inmates — including murderers, rapists and armed robbers — had puzzled and alarmed authorities by remaining together after bluffing their way out of prison Dec. 13. The slaying of the Dallas-area officer 11 days later only increased fears that the inmates might want to go out in a blaze of gunfire.

Among those arrested was George Rivas, 30, the suspected ring-leader who was serving a life sentence for robbery and kidnapping. Investigators have portrayed Rivas as fearless and shrewd with a powerful hold over the others, but authorities said he expressed remorse as he admitted to the slaying of the policeman.

"He stated that he had a change of heart, change of life and he wanted this to end," said State Patrol Trooper Eric Zachareas, who was at the convenience store where Rivas and two others were arrested.

Rivas had dyed his hair blonde and another inmate had dyed his hair orange in an apparent attempt to avoid scrutiny, Zachareas said. He also said some of the fugitives may have been at a Colorado Springs bar late Saturday.

"Apparently, they were out partying," he said.

The convicts arrived in the area Jan. 1. Teller County Sheriff Frank Fehn said. He offered no other details of their activities, nor how they covered the more than 800 miles from the prison in south Texas.

Authorities said a weekend tip

prompted by the show "America's Most Wanted" led to the capture. The show had featured the convicts four times since the escape, including the last three Saturday nights.

Undersheriff Kevin Dougherty said authorities were told about the fugitives by the manager of the Coachlight, a combination motel and RV park where the motor home was located. The park, tucked away amid pine trees, was put under surveillance at 2 a.m. Monday, authorities said.

Rivas and two others were ar

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**Remembering the victims**

Robinson Kumar, a senior marketing major from Houston, looks at Holocaust photos on display in the University Center on Monday afternoon. The photo illustration is part of Texas Tech NightLife's presentation of the Montana Repertory Theatre in "The Diary of Anne Frank" at 8 p.m. Jan. 30 in the UC Allen Theatre. Students in the College of Architecture, along with architecture professor Michael Jones designed the exhibit.

## Architecture college remembers student

By Whitney Wyatt  
Staff Writer

A memorial service honoring Clinton Lee Pitts, a Texas Tech student who recently died, took place Monday at Memorial Circle.

The American Institute of Architecture Students and the Knights of Architecture presented Pitts' father, Bill Pitts, with a plaque and a column sculpture in memory of his son.

An engraving in the column sculpture reads: "For yesterday's companionship and tomorrow's reunion." The plaque reads: "He will be greatly missed..."

Clinton Pitts, a senior architecture major from North Little Rock, Ark., died of a heart attack Dec. 26, at the age of 23.

His father said his son had heart problems, but his death was unex-

pected. "It was totally a shock," Bill Pitts said.

Bill Pitts said he is grateful to Tech, and he and his family appreciates everything the university has done.

"I can't say enough for the show of support I have received," he said. "This was a tremendous honor in his memory."

Bill Pitts said his son enjoyed his time at Tech and spending time with his friends and professors.

Philip Harwell, a junior architecture major from Denver, said Clinton was one of his closest friends at Tech.

He said he is glad his friend was honored with a memorial. "He deserved it," Harwell said.

Harwell said he wishes more people could have gotten to know him.

"He was very cheerful and had a positive outlook on life," he said. "He always had a good attitude."



Bill Pitts, father of Texas Tech student Clinton Pitts, receives a plaque and column sculpture from Monica Marquez, director of student recruits in the College of Architecture, during his son's memorial service Monday on Memorial Circle.

Monica Marquez, director of student recruits in the College of Architecture, said Clinton was a good student who was eager to learn.

"He was a bright student," she

said. "The faculty admired his work."

Marquez said Clinton was a member of the American Institute of Architecture Students as well as the Golden Key Honor Society.

## Crisis gets Red Raider breakdown

By Kristina Thomas  
Staff Writer

Texas Tech associate professor of mechanical engineering Michelle Pantoya said California's energy crisis can be attributed to a lot of bad decisions made by the state's government.

Pantoya said the bottom line is that California cannot supply everyone in the state with the electricity supply they are demanding. She said the businesses in the Silicon Valley are booming and the electrical supply is unstable.

She said the Golden State's government faulted when it gave the

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### REINSTATE

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the fraternity would be allowed to return this spring.

"It really is a good thing that we are starting over," he said.

Ethan Logan, assistant dean of students at Tech, said it is his understanding the members of the new chapter will not have any ties to the students involved in the incidents that led to the disbanding.

"The fraternity has property and a strong alumni base here," he said. "From what I understand, they will be recruiting new people that don't have any ties (to the old chapter)."

He said as part of the process to return to campus, Delta Tau Delta did not have to undergo any additional steps to set up an organization on campus. He said they only had to meet the requirements for any other student organization such as membership numbers.

One step the fraternity will still have to take will be to regain membership in the Interfraternity Council on campus.

IFC President Joel Wisian said in order for the fraternity to regain membership they have to meet two requirements.

"The fraternity has to have colony or charter status with their national organization," he said. "They also have to apply and receive a 90 percent affirmative vote from all of the IFC members."

As part of the recolonization of the fraternity, Prihoda said the fraternity is recruiting and reshaping the fraternity in a way that will distance the fraternity from its turbulent past at Tech.

He said other than creating a new constitution and set of bylaws for the fraternity, they also will recruit a new type of member based on different criteria.

Prihoda said formal recruitment for the fraternity will be Feb. 12-23, followed by a pledge ceremony on Feb. 23. At recruitment, he said they would like to recruit between 25 and 40 members.

"The type of students we are looking for will value academics and service," Prihoda said. "We want them to believe in the value of integrity and incorporate these ideals into the organization."

Along with the restructuring of the chapter, he said the lodge the colony will call home also would be renovated.

He said alumni have donated \$400,000 to remodel the current lodge, which is the oldest on Greek Circle. The lodge is slated to be complete by this fall.

Overall, Prihoda said the Delta Tau Delta organization is devoted to leadership and service.

Delta Tau Delta is a national organization with 120 colonies and chapters located throughout the United States and Canada. According to their Web site, the fraternity was founded in 1857 at Bethany College.



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# Students sign a new language

## New course to fulfill foreign language requirement

**■ New class will expand, allowing all students a chance to learn a different language.**

By Kristina Thomas  
Staff Writer

Beginning next year, an American sign language course will be offered to all students at Texas Tech as a means of fulfilling their foreign language requirement.

The sign language course began this semester and only was open to 10 students who had fulfilled their prerequisite of two years of sign language in high school or by approval from the instructor.

The class was only open to select students because the instructor, Tom Cox, a graduate student who will complete his degree in May, did not want students who did not meet the prerequisite.

Department officials are not sure if the class will continue next year. Therefore it was only offered at the sophomore level.

The new sign language instructor, Melissa Hayes, will replace Cox and has been working at Tech as an interpreter for deaf students for 10 years.

Hayes said she believes American sign language is an important lan-



**Amanda Lindsey, a freshman animal sciences major from Lubbock, practices signing the descriptions of a picture in the American sign language class on Monday afternoon.**

guage for people to learn and also to have a better understanding of because of the large number of deaf Americans.

"ASL is the third most-used language in the United States," she said. "I think it is great when students have the opportunity to learn a language like that especially since there are students at Tech who are deaf. It is really wonderful."

Hayes plans on structuring the class like it was structured this last year.

She said she plans on having guest speakers and using the "Sign-

ing Naturally" books for levels one and two. The class will be listed in the course books as CMLL 1301 through 2302.

The idea of expanding the class came from a number of people who wanted and inquired about taking the sign language class offered this year.

Those who could not fill the prerequisite were not allowed to take the class.

This way, ASL is offered to all students who aspire to take the class and learn the language.

Cox said knowing another lan-

guage, especially one that is as common as ASL, is an asset.

"There are a lot of ways that sign language can be used," he said. "There are a lot of deaf people in the world, and it is a good thing to know."

Rob Stewart, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said all students should have the opportunity to learn a language such as this.

"I think if students want to take the course and can work it in, more power to them," he said. "It will be a utility to them. It benefits people culturally and to help understand the whole role of language when they are exposed to a something like this."

There is no prerequisite to get into the freshman level course and there also will be a sophomore level class which students must have two years in high school or permission from the instructor to enroll.

Hayes said the goal of her class will be for students to be able to know some functional sign language.

"I really like that this curriculum takes a functional approach to the language and starts you with words and phrases that you would be able to use if you came in contact with a deaf person," she said. "I want them to understand the language and the culture and to be able to carry a minimal level conversation. We will work our way up from there."

### ■ CAUGHT

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rested not at the RV park but as they pulled up for gasoline at a convenience store near Woodland Park.

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice said Rivas was captured with inmates Michael Rodriguez and Joseph Garcia. Authorities said inmate Larry Harper killed himself inside the motor home sometime after another convict, Randy Halprin, walked outside.

Harper had wanted to speak to his father and authorities arranged for him to do so by cellphone, Fehn said. He was dead from a gunshot wound to the chest by the time the arrangements were made.

Authorities found 15 handguns

inside the motor home and another gun in the Jeep, Zachareas said.

Still missing were Patrick Murphy Jr., convicted of rape, and Donald Newbury, imprisoned for armed robbery.

Authorities said two fugitives may be seeking more money. Zachareas said he didn't know whether that meant they planned a robbery, and Fehn said authorities had "no idea" where the pair might be.

"It's very scary," said Kristie Allen, 27, a hairstylist at Hair Studio West in Woodland Park, who listened to news of the captures on a shop radio. "No one wants to go outside."

The seven inmates followed a cunning plan to overpower 13 prison employees during their escape from the maximum-security Connally Unit in Kenedy, southeast of San Antonio.

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### Column

## Reality TV hits close to home

Some people will do anything to make a buck. Whether it's taking off your clothes, dealing narcotics or working for Traffic and Parking, the pure evilness the almighty dollar is capable of releasing is unbelievable.



**Kenneth Strickland**

Unfortunately, our friend the television, who for so many years has given us a reason to live, and better yet, a reason not to read, is no exception. Season after season of raunchy reality-based television has infected our homes. It's not that the idea of observing the overwhelming capabilities of human stupidity is such a bad thing. In fact, listening to each and every one of George W. Bush's campaign speeches was quite entertaining. But human stupidity is an art, and should be treated as such. Thus, I propose that we here at Tech submit the following ideas for our own reality based television shows.

■ "Residence Hall Survivor." In this show, random Tech administrators would be forced to spend a semester living in the Chitwood/Weymouth Residence Complex. Each week viewers would tune in to watch top Texas Tech officials deal with the issues that residence hall occupants deal with every day. From roommates with an unquenchable thirst for pornography, to showers with only two controls - cold and colder, if any one of them lasted longer than a week it would make for a great show.

Personally, I'd watch just to see their reaction to having a new parking ticket placed on their window every 20 minutes. We'll throw Mike Leach in there as well. He can room with a friend of mine who has a PlayStation and "NCAA Football 2001", and try and configure an offense for next season. Fifty dollars to the first person who steals John Montford's towel while he's in the shower!

■ "The Placebo." Based on ABC's "The Mole," this television show would take place at our very own medical school. Each week a team consisting of a dozen fourth-year medical students would try and save the lives of individuals brought in for various trauma emergencies. Only one problem - one of them is the Placebo.

The Placebo's only goal will be to ensure that the group fails. Whether it's mixing up blood types, amputating the wrong limb or trying to squeeze several catheters into the - well, the organ that was never meant to support even one, the Placebo will attempt to botch every surgery possible. When all is said and done, and the body count is taken, viewers will find out who the Placebo actually is.

■ "Real World - Tech." In the splendor and tradition that is MTV's version of "The Real World," we'd have to find a group of individuals not capable of getting along under any circumstances. A group of people so bitchy, whiny and unproductive that viewers would tune in every week just to see who would blow up.

And as we all know, there's only one place this show could possibly be filmed. So from here on out,

every Student Government Association meeting will be filmed from beginning to end. From senators who try and kiss as much administrative ass they possibly can in a given session, to Senators who simply don't show up. I figure the general population will find the show quite entertaining. Stay tuned for future letters to the editor from SGA members trying to save their jobs, for their opinion of the show.

■ "Road Rules - Lubbock." This series would follow Tech students on the only trip worth making in this town - to the Strip and back. Topics such as, "what the hell did we just run over" to "I can't believe you actually bought that Lone Star crap" would keep audiences coming back for more each and every week. Throw in the occasional visit by a state trooper, as well as a few arguments over who could kick who's butt (I already used ass, can't use it twice in one column) Willie Nelson or Pat Green, and I figure we have the makings of a great series.

■ "Temptation Park." Many of you (if not all) may be unaware that we here at Tech have a Medieval Recreation Society. It's sort of like a Civil War re-enactment, except the battle never actually happened, and half the participants are trolls, barbarians or some type of half-human, half-animal combo.

I'm not trying to sound judgmental, I mean hey, if you have to take your sexual frustration out on someone, it might as well be a 95-pound white guy dressed as a Viking. But I figure if each week we took a dozen fraternity guys, gave them all water balloon launchers, video cameras, paintball guns, decked them out in full camouflage and set them up right next to where the festivities were taking place and told them not to do anything, we'd have the makings of

**I'm not trying to sound judgmental, I mean hey, if you have to take your sexual frustration out on someone, it might as well be a 95-pound white guy dressed as a Viking.**

a great program.

As the warriors charge at each other yielding cardboard axes and casting magic spells, the temptation for most of our fraternity friends to not do something to impede, would be too great. The last fraternity guy to assault anyone (or the one closest to the keg) would be the winner. I think the show has Emmy written all over it. Or a class action law suit. Either way, it's all good!

*Kenneth Strickland is a junior political science major from Mesquite. Yep, you're right. The closer he gets to graduating, the stupider his columns get.*



### Letters to the editor

#### SGA makes a point

To the editor: Spare me your tears, oh ungrateful, all ye powerful editors of The UD. Talk about abuse of power. You people are the poster children for abuse. Ever investigate an article or opinion before you write it? Usually not. I imagine for one reason or another, the editorial staff sits down and starts a meeting... hmmm, who can we get into a pissing contest with next? Abortion? Religion? Nah. Let's do the Senate this week. I have been warned and warned again not to even fire back, but I am not running for office again and this paper has always done a great job of dragging me through the mud so I thought I would have some fun. Your irresponsible journalism and whining in your "unsigned" editorials makes me want to stick a pacifier in your mouth.

First, I ask you: Do you want a leader of any organization who has no prior experience and limited knowledge on the organization they are about to take over? Most organizations on this campus have rules about this policy for office and those that don't know it is an unwritten rule. The senators who passed this bill are not, in any way, trying to be elitists or alienate people. This bill does not even affect this year's upcoming elections, but of course you probably didn't research that point either.

I want to make this clear. You do not have to be an elected senator to run for president. The office also is open to more than 150 executive committee chairs that are appointed by the seated president. There are two simple reasons for this. The president needs to have a working knowledge of the SGA before he/she ever takes office. The president's duties include a legislative agenda for the Senate. It is extremely difficult to create an effective agenda if you don't have experience with legislation. The president also is an ex-officio member for all the executive committees, leads the student service fee committee, is the office manager that hires and fires the office staff and general spokesperson for the student body and SGA. These skills take a working knowledge of the SGA. Another reason is prior experience shows a commitment to the SGA and student body. Apathy and resume building are rampant problems throughout this campus and the office of president should be risk free from these as possible.

This legislation was created in the interest of our constituents. Our job is to represent our peers and provide them with the best leadership possible. I don't expect

to make everyone happy. That's an impossible dream. From everything I have ever learned about leadership, one of the most important skills is experience. This change shows that the students with the best possible leader with the skills necessary to succeed. Grow up, Wayne. Next time sign your name. You're right, The UD is not for public relations. It is for providing fair, researched and unbiased news. As matter of fact, I know a few people that are running for The UD editor - and they have never served, reported or had any affiliation with The UD - how does that sound?

*Tim Wright  
senator-at-large*

*College of Business Administration*  
(EDITOR'S NOTE: Unsigned editorials are a staple of American journalism that dates back to the birth of our nation. Those appearing in The University Daily, and as stated in our policy appearing under the editorial board names, express the opinions of The UD editorial board as an entity.)

To the editor: I feel that I have an obligation to comment on the SGA's recent Senate Bill 36.06. As a former Student Senate member and SGA officer, I feel that I can shed some light into some of the motivations behind such a bill. Every March, members of the Texas Tech student body sign up to run for various Senate seats and officer positions within the Student Government Association. Like many other student organizations, these students have a desire to fulfill certain roles and tasks of this organization. I am pleased to comment that in the past three years I worked with the Student Government Association, I found the members to be diligent, dedicated and committed to their purpose; working to make Tech a better place for students. The University Daily can badmouth the Senate's decision to pass this bill, however, the student body deserves some background information as to why such a bill is a good idea. In past SGA elections, The University Daily is quick to critique a candidate based on their knowledge of current SGA legislation, university issues and hot student issues (such as parking, buses, etc). I quote a previous UD article as saying, "The student body needs someone who is educated about the issues. If candidates are not up to date on important issues, they will not keep up with student opinion." For once, I agree with The UD's statement. The Texas Tech student body not only needs but also deserves a student body president who is familiar with Senate proceedings. It is the responsibility of the SGA president to present the Senate with a legislative agenda. To do so successfully requires a knowledge of past legislation and why or why not certain items were

passed or not passed. The SGA president also is responsible for serving as a representative voice to the public. The student body is entitled to a leader that is familiar with not only the Student Senate, but one that is familiar with the many ties the student government has with the city of Lubbock, state of Texas and nation. Locally, the SGA executive branch has relationships with the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce, numerous volunteer agencies, businesses in Lubbock and countless working relationships with entities on Texas Tech. These relationships are vital to the success of the SGA and the presence of Texas Tech's student body in issues that affect them directly. Establishing knowledge concerning the legislative history of Texas Tech student government, public ties the SGA has with university, local, and nationwide partners requires experience. Knowledge of such information does not come overnight. So when asked whether or not I agree with Senate Bill 36.06, my answer is yes. Many of you, the students, are involved in organizations fundamentally similar to the Student Government Association. For example, would the Texas Tech football team vote in a walk-on freshman as team captain? Would The University Daily elect an editor that had never served on a university newspaper staff? Would any organization logically appoint a leader to their organization that has had no previous experience with the organization? On election day this year, I will answer with Brandon Formby's statement: "The students should have the right to decide who their president is going to be, whether it is someone who has served in various SGA positions or some random person off the street." My vote is for the person with SGA experience, because as a student I want my interests best represented. As a former officer, I realize that it takes an educated student with the experience and knowledge necessary to deserve the title of SGA president. I hope that the student body sees this legislation as an opportunity to improve upon an organization and not to "tighten the noose" on student opportunity. If any of you out there are interested in serving the Student Government Association as SGA president, I suggest that you sign up for Student Senate and get a year's experience under your belt before taking on a very serious position. Plus, you might have fun along the way.

*Ashlee Thames  
senior sociology*

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The University Daily editor is not elected, but selected by the Student Publications Committee composed of Texas Tech students, faculty and staff. The editorship is open to all students, regardless of experience or major.)

### Out of the Past

from the files of The UD

#### From The University Daily Jan. 24, 2000

■ A discovery of campus pigeon poisoning disturbed local Tech students. Tech officials admitted to using the pigeon control throughout the year during times of high volumes of pigeons.

■ The Texas Science Hall of Fame inducted Gerald Skoog, chairman of the Texas Tech Department of Education, for his accomplishments in science education. The hall of fame is located at Brooks Air Force base in San Antonio.

#### From The University Daily Jan. 23, 1991

■ About 30 demonstrators marched, sang and argued over U.S. involvement in the Persian Gulf War in the free speech area. Anti-war and pro-war demonstrations argued the Bush administration's involvement in the war.

■ Tech students may be able to view cable television in the residence halls by Fall 1991. The Board of Regents reviewed various proposals for the installation of cable television from companies throughout the country.

#### From The University Daily Jan. 23, 1981

■ Many Tech students are gambling during recreational card games, an act forbidden by the Texas Tech Code of Student Affairs. One student lost a stereo and others lost large amounts of money.

■ The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Association contributed \$9,600 to Tech to develop training materials for high school vocational agricultural students.

#### From The University Daily Jan. 25, 1971

■ Ecumenical Campus Ministries and other local churches organized a Draft Information Center for all college men. The center will familiarize male students with what the law requires of them and the opportunities it provides.

■ Head basketball coach Gerald Mead coached his first win as a Tech coach in the Tech-Texas game. The victory boosted the Red Raiders to a 9-6 record.

#### From The Toreador Jan. 13, 1951

■ President D.M. Wiggins held an informal discussion for male students Tuesday night, discussing the existing military emergency and student draft status. Wiggins read from an article that high grades may delay students from the draft call.

■ Republican Daniel I.J. Thornton, a former Tech student, was sworn in Thursday as Colorado's 23rd governor.

#### From The Toreador Jan. 22, 1931

■ Willet Khun, a freshman in the School of Engineering from Weatherford, won first place on Tech's rifle team. Khun defeated challenger Earl Cain who held the championship for the past two years.

■ The Matador Band planned a concert tour beginning at the end of the school year to tour through several states. Emmett McMahon will replace drum major Captain Killin, who resigned.

compiled by Christi Dar...son

Letters  
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# Hoover takes reins of Human Sciences

## Former associate dean replaces Haley, looks forward to job

By Kim Wilson  
Staff Writer

Linda Hoover, interim dean of the College of Human Sciences, has spent the last week getting accustomed to her new job since her appointment on Jan. 12.

Hoover replaced Elizabeth Haley, who was dean of the college for the past 19 years, but was named Texas Tech interim deputy chancellor for operations on Jan. 4.

The Hoover previously was the associate dean for research and technology in the College of Human Sciences.

Holly Vinson, coordinator of college development and external relations for Human Sciences, said she is still looking for a replacement for



Hoover

Hoover's old position.

"Someone will take over her duties, but no one has been appointed yet," she said.

Hoover said she is looking forward to the

new responsibilities her new job will bring.

"My new job focuses on academic progress, decisions and planning for the college," she said. "My old job focused on only one area, so now it's broader."

She is involved with many research projects and is working on a

cottonseed oil project with the College of Agriculture.

Hoover also is working with colleague Leslie Thompson on a food technology project that observes a unique freezing system.

Before accepting the job, she made sure that her new job would not affect the research projects.

"I really wanted to continue with them," Hoover said.

She also is responsible for the distance learning program, of which Tech recently received a \$250,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Office of Higher Education to assist the program.

The grant will aid in distance courses for students in the family consumer sciences degree program, who are pursuing teacher certifica-

tion. Tech is partnered with seven other universities in the distance learning program.

Hoover is still deciding whom to award the \$1 million donation received last week from the Helen DeVitt Jones Foundation.

The professor she chooses to be the chair will be able to use the money, which will be available Sept. 1, toward one of their research projects.

Hoover received her bachelor's degree from Tech in 1974, her master's in 1979, as well as a Ph.D. in 1989 from Texas Woman's University.

She has been a faculty member of Tech since 1990.

Jane Winer, dean of the College of Arts and Science, was asked to head the committee to search for the new dean.

### ENERGY

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large energy-generating corporations a financial incentive to sell their generators. This fits the energy supply in California's dependent on how much energy they can buy from other states.

The government also put a freeze on electricity prices so energy companies only could charge consumers only 5.5 cents per kilowatt-hour of electricity.

This freeze was established to protect consumers from price fluctuations during the changing energy seasons.

However, the problem with this arises because the corporations that supply the electricity now have to buy it from other states. Since it is the winter season and energy is in high demand, states are charging California's corporations 40 cents per kilowatt-hour. Businesses in California are losing about 35 cents an hour and are ready to file for bankruptcy.

"The problem with the solutions

they have is that they are all long range answers. California will not even begin to find relief until at least six months from now," Pantoya said.

The other solutions California is looking at is buying generators to start producing its own energy again, but that plan will take at least three years before it sees any progress.

Pantoya said the California government asked President George W. Bush for financial relief but was told that they had to deal with it in a state level before any federal funding would be considered.

Curtis Corder, a sales account executive with Southwestern Public Service, said he is trying to understand what is happening in California.

"Here in Texas we have adequate generation," he said. "We are building plants and continuing with our plans and deregulation."

The price increases for power in Texas exist because the problems with natural gas, are not related to California's problem. Corder said Texas has enough energy and the adequate generation equipment to avoid an instance such as California is experiencing.

### TechNotes!

Amateur Radio Society at Tech will meet at 6 p.m. today in 116 Petroleum Engineering. Contact Mark Matalik for more information at 742-6529.

Public Relations Student Society of America will meet at 7 p.m. today in 223 Mass Communications. All majors welcome. Localbarz.com will be the featured speaker. Food and drinks will be served. For more information, contact Lauren Stith at 794-4569.

Kappa Upsilon Chi will have informal rush at 7 p.m. today in the University Center Bell Tower Room and at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the UC Red Raider Lounge. Formal rush will be at 7 p.m. Thursday. For more information, contact Brian Alley at 792-6687.



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# Molly Ivins to headline NightLife tonight

Controversial liberal columnist to bring 'brutal honesty' to Allen Theatre

By Leslie Follmar  
Staff Writer

Many people know the First Amendment to the Constitution, commonly known as freedom of speech. One columnist, Molly Ivins, stands on the First Amendment as her platform.

As a syndicated columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Ivins ex-

presses her opinions from her home in Austin. She writes the column out of her love for Texas politics. As a native Houstonian, Ivins brings brutal honesty to the ups and downs of home state politics.

Even though Ivins is known for her liberal views, she has recently called Democrats in Texas and beyond to focus on the good of President George W. Bush. Her opinion hasn't always



Ivins

had the impact it does today — it's her credible background that has given her the platform she speaks from.

She has been a three-time finalist for the Pulitzer Prize,

her freelance work has appeared in *Esquire*, *Atlantic*, *Harper's*, *TV Guide* and many other publications, and she is the best-selling author of the book, "Molly Ivins Can't Say That Can She?"

Journalism runs deep within her. She is the former co-editor of the liberal monthly *Texas Observer*. Ivins has a bachelor's degree from Smith

College and a master's degree in journalism from Columbia University.

Humor is a tool Ivins uses in getting people involved in politics. Since everyone is part of the democracy, Ivins believes all need to be involved.

The controversial columnist will speak at 8 p.m. tonight in the University Center Allen Theatre. Ivins spoke in 1994 at Tech to a sold-out crowd, and more than 400 seats have been sold for tonight's lecture.

Brita Tye, activities adviser for Campus Activities and Involvement, is excited about seeing Ivins.

"Her lecture is sure to be entertaining, especially with the election mayhem and inauguration being only three days ago."

The program is co-sponsored by NightLife 2000-2001 and *The University Daily*.

## Five O'clock People concert canceled

The Five O'clock People concert scheduled for Thursday has been canceled because of complications with transportation. Ticket holders can receive a full refund from the University Center ticket booth or Select-a-Seat, depending on where tickets were bought. The Office of Campus

Activities and Involvement has expressed interest in having Vertical Horizon and Sister Hazel perform this spring. Anyone interested in attending this concert is encouraged to call the Campus Activities and Involvement office at 742-3621 as soon as possible.

## 'Save the Last Dance' retains hold on top box office spot

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The hip-hop film "Save the Last Dance" keeps grooving along at the box office, finishing in the top spot for the second week in a row and easily fending off two new movies featuring a pair of Hollywood's biggest stars.

"Save the Last Dance," starring Julia Stiles as a fallen ballerina who recaptures her passion for dancing, grossed \$16 million during the weekend in its second week of release, according to studio estimates released Sunday. The film was shown in 2,539 theaters and averaged \$6,302 per site, down 32 percent from opening totals. To date, it has taken in more than \$46 million.

"We are holding very well and expect to do so during the Super Bowl because of our primary female audience," said Wayne Lewellen, Paramount's head of distribution.

Two new movies with Hollywood heavyweights made their way into the top 10.

"Snatch," a comical diamond theft caper starring Brad Pitt and directed by Madonna's new husband, Guy Ritchie, opened in 1,444 theaters and raked in \$7.6 million.

"The Pledge," starring Jack Nicholson and directed by Sean Penn, opened in 1,275 theaters and made

\$5.7 million in its first weekend.

"Snatch," which already had grossed about \$32 million in Australia and England, has drawn a buzz because of Pitt's star power and Ritchie's emergence in the film industry.

"No one has been able to take a United Kingdom film and get big crowds the first weekend," said Valerie Van Galder, executive vice president of marketing for Sony Screen Gems, which released "Snatch." "It's like a stew. You get all of these ingredients and it becomes pretty potent."

"The Pledge" follows Nicholson's character, a retiring police detective who promises the mother of a slain daughter that he will find the child's killer. The film, which is based on a novel about child murder by Swiss author Friedrich Durrenmatt, opened in 1,275 theaters and averaged \$4,510. It is the second time Penn and Nicholson have worked together. They previously collaborated on "The Crossing Guard" in 1995.

"Cast Away" continues to show box office stamina. The movie, featuring Tom Hanks as a man stranded on a deserted island, raked in \$11.3 million to finish second in the standings. It has taken in about \$182 million in five weeks.

### THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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7:30	Body Elec.			Recess	Morning	Paired Program	
8:00	Barney			Sabrina	America	Magic Bus	
8:30	Teletobies			Pepper Ann		Paired Program	
9:00	Callou	Today Show	Sally Jessy	Nanny	Live W/Regis	Greg Malbis	
9:30	Sesame		Raphael	Caroline			
10:00	Street	Martha	Price is	Grace/Fire	View	Divorce CL	
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11:30	Arthur	Williams	Restless		Port Charles	Joe Brown	
12:00	P. Gardner	News	News	Jerry	All My	P/Attorney	
12:30	Motowweek	Days of Our	Beautiful	Springer	Children	Mills Lane	
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1:30	Barney	Passions	World Turns		Live		
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4:30	R. Rainbow	Winfrey	News	News	Family Feud	Digimon	
5:00	Beth/Lions	News	MASH	People's	News	Sabrina	
5:30	Nightly Bus.	NBC News	CBS News	Court	ABC News	Simpsona	
6:00	NewsHour	News	Jeopardy	Judge Judy	News	Spin City	
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7:00	Scientific	3rd Rock 'PG	JAG	Movie:	Mole 'PG	That 70's	
7:30	American	DAG 'PG		'Avantsche'	Geena Davis	Titus	
8:00	Jazz	Frasier 'PG	60 Minutes			Dark Angel	
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10:00	Nightly Bus.	News	News	Arrest/Trial	News	Spin City	
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# Texas Tech golf swings into new season

By Phil Riddle  
 Staff Writer

Texas Tech golfers are optimistic about the upcoming spring season. Both teams, men and women, have postseason hopes. However, they have different roads to take to advance past the regular season.

"We're going to have to have a really good spring to make it to regionals," Tech men's coach Greg Sands said.

"We're going to have to play well. There are a couple of tournaments that are not district tournaments that we can afford to not have good tournaments. Other than that, we're almost going to have to have a flawless spring, as far as playing well, to get to regionals."

The men's squad began practice Monday, and will open the spring campaign with an appearance at the Feb. 12-13 Rice Invitational in Houston.

"Spring is the more important of

*What we try to do is get their focus on improving every day."*

Greg Sands  
 TEXAS TECH MEN'S GOLF COACH

the two playing seasons," Sands said. "That's when you have your conference, and it's weighted a little heavier toward making regionals."

Sands said an appearance in the postseason is always a long-range goal, but he is hoping for consistent improvement for the spring.

"I hate to get their sights set on regionals and then be disappointed," Sands said.

"What we try to do is get their focus on improving every day. We want to play our best every time we get on

the golf course. We want to focus on every shot and control what we can control. If we make it to regionals, great. If we don't, we're going to get better."

Women's coach Stacey Totman has her team looking confidently at postseason play.

"I think we have enough talent and determination to get to nationals," Totman said. "There's no doubt in my mind. If we look only to regionals, and never beyond that, then we're setting ourselves up for

failure. I think that with our talent, we can compete with anyone else in the country. I think we can do it."

The Red Raider women begin workouts Feb. 5 and are slated to open the spring season at the Mountainview Intercollegiate Tournament Feb. 24-25, in Tucson, Ariz.

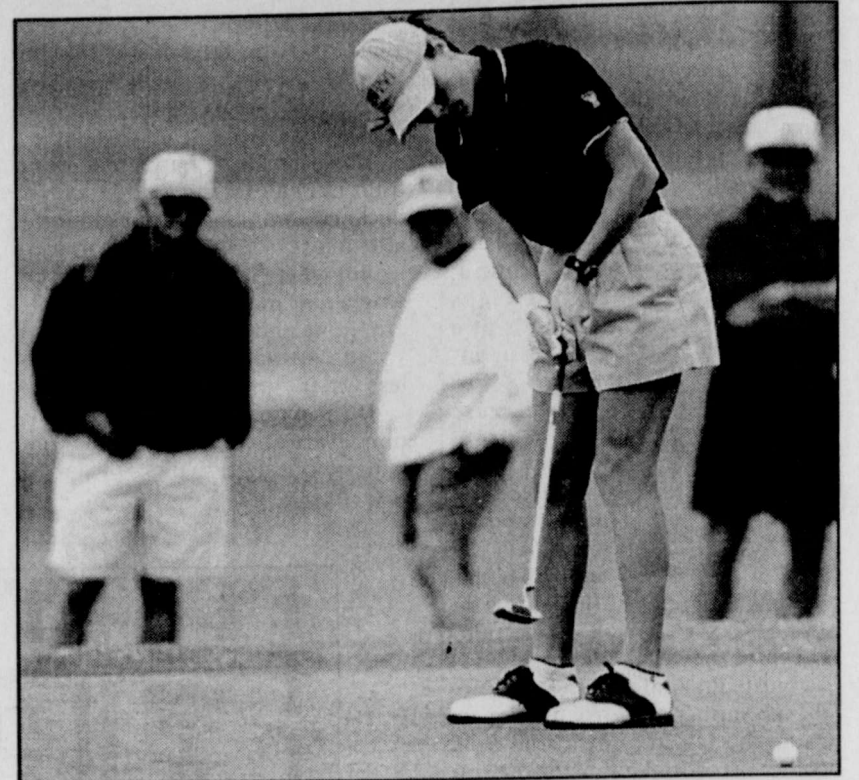
Sands said David Bolen, a junior from Austin, is expected to play a key role in for the Tech men this spring.

"David has been our leader in the fall," Sands said.

"He's played well for us. We're looking for him to have a good spring. We need for him to play well for us to reach our team goals. He also has some individual goals he's trying to reach as well. We'll rely on him and look for some other guys to really step up their games and improve on the way they played last semester."

Sands said the Raiders' strength is in the fairway.

"We are a good ball-striking team off the tee," he said.



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Former Texas Tech golfer Jamie Vannoy strokes a putt in a competition last season. This season the Red Raider golf program is under the direction of two new coaches.

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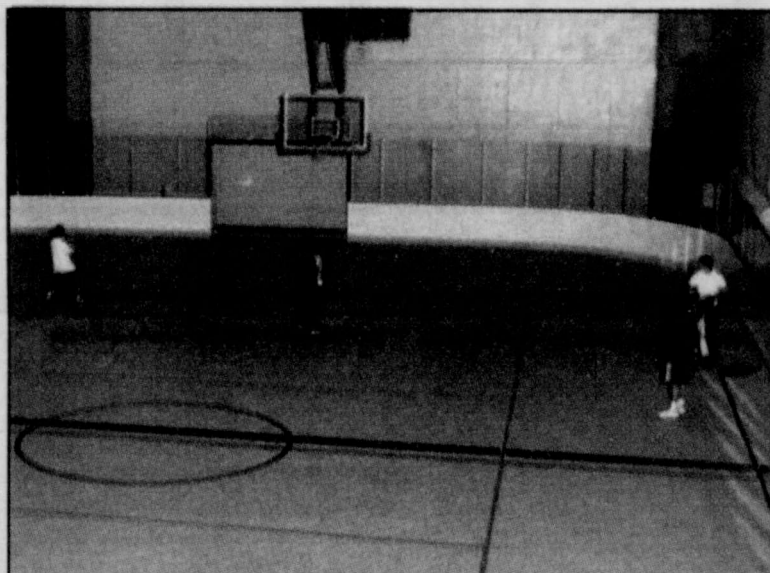
Phase I Renovation Complete

### Wood Courts Gymnasium



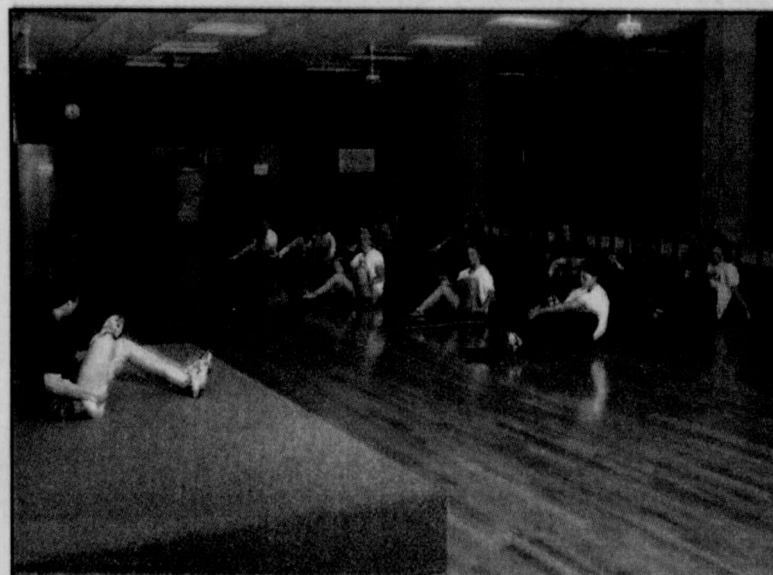
IM Basketball Sign-Ups Jan.22 & Jan.23  
 All-Nighter 3 And 3 Bball- Feb.2  
 All-Nighter Volleyball - Feb.2

### Indoor Soccer Arena



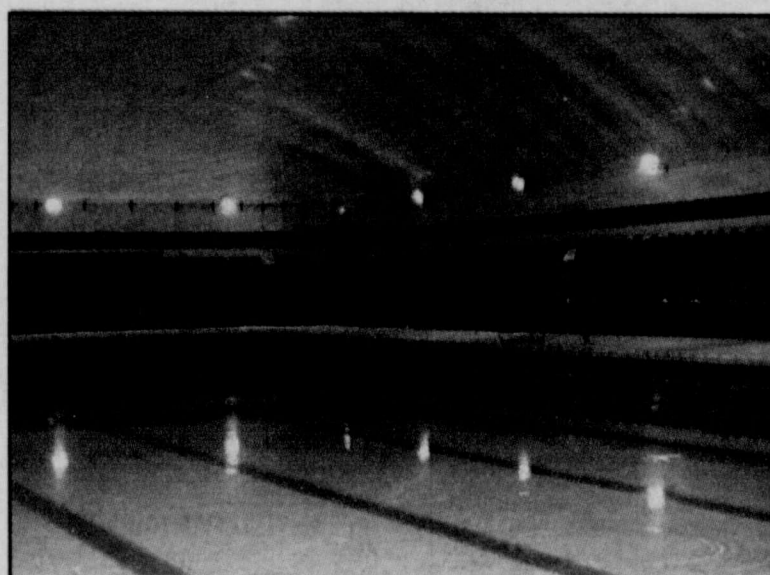
All-Nighter Soccer - Feb.2  
 IM Soccer Sign-Ups March 6-8

### Aerobic Studio



Fitness Classes - Available Daily  
 Specialty Classes - Second Session Feb.25

### Aquatic Center



Lap Swimming - Daily  
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