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## Two students die during Thanksgiving break

**LOSS OF LIFE:** One student dies in a car accident and another from apparent suicide before holiday.

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

Two Texas Tech students lost their lives Tuesday, the last day of classes before Thanksgiving break. Meredith Nesbit, a freshman broadcast journalism major from Carrollton, died in a car accident Tuesday afternoon, and Spencer Crabb, a freshman engineering major from Spring, died of an apparent suicide in his room of Murdough Hall.

Nesbit was traveling east on U.S. 82 with two other passengers in a 2000 Ford Explorer. The vehicle rolled several times when Nesbit overcorrected after driving onto the median while reaching for her food. She was wearing

a seat belt but was partially ejected from the vehicle.

Serena Marin, a freshman from Carrollton, was injured in the accident. She sustained a broken leg and was in satisfactory condition Wednesday at Covenant Medical Center.

Angela Humphreys, a senior advertising major from San Antonio and public relations director for Delta Gamma, said Nesbit will be missed greatly.

"She was a very active member of Delta Gamma," Humphreys said. "She loved Delta Gamma; the only thing she wanted to do was be a Delta Gamma."

Humphreys said Nesbit recently became

an active member and wanted to become an officer in the future.

"She was the best active we had," Humphreys said. "She was at every event, and she was just an all-around wonderful person."

The loss to Delta Gamma has brought its members closer together and has shown how much they care for each other, she said.

"I am so proud of our girls," Humphreys said. "Our president and vice presidents called our girls to let them know what was happening. It's been great to see how everyone has bonded together. It's great because all the girls have come together to check up on each other."

Being there for each other is important during the grieving time of this loss, she said.

"This is just a difficult time because it's so unexpected," Humphreys said. "This is such

a shock; I don't think it's hit everyone yet."

Sunday would have been Nesbit's 19th birthday, and Humphreys said one of the last conversations she had with her was how excited she was to be going home for her birthday.

"Everyone has to be there for each other, and we need to be there for her parents, too," Humphreys said. "They were not expecting this, and it is a big loss for all of us."

Grief counselors will be at Delta Gamma's weekly chapter meeting today at 6 p.m., which also will be a memorial service. Pins will be handed out at the event in remembrance of Nesbit. The Delta Gamma lodge is located at No. 5 Greek Circle. The counselors will be there until they are no longer needed, and the public is welcome to partake in the memorial service.

Crabb was found in his residence hall room and had apparently hanged himself.

Cindy Rugeley, vice chancellor of news and information, said a residence hall employee found him after his parents could not get in touch with him.

"His family called to check on him, and dormitory personnel found him," Rugeley said. "The campus police and EMS were then notified."

Rugeley said she doubts this is the first on-campus suicide at Tech.

Counseling for those who need it is available through the Campus Counseling Center.

"Counseling services will be available for people that knew him and for people in the residence hall," she said.

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## Day-after shoppers break local records

By Heidi Toth/Staff Reporter

Despite predictions that this year's holiday season would see Americans spending less money, people turned out in droves for early morning sales on the biggest shopping day of the year.

According to CNN, Wal-Mart broke its single-day sales record, with sales of \$1.43 billion nationwide. Last year the store reported sales of \$1.25 billion.

Other major retailers and mall operators reported shopper traffic was at least as healthy as last year, if not more so.

Lubbock retailers saw their numbers increase from previous years. Kirk Davis, the co-manager of Wal-Mart on Quaker Avenue, said the store had record sales this year, and they sold most of their as-advertised products

quickly.

"That is by far our biggest shopping day in dollars," he said.

The store was busy all day, Davis said. People were lined up at the checkout counters for a lengthy amount of time, and the cashiers were backed up for an hour after the sale started.

The store saw a 45 percent increase from a normal day, he said, and a 14 percent increase over the Friday after Thanksgiving in 2001. It also logged more than 13,000 customers for the day.

Larry Hajovsky, the assistant store manager of J.C. Penney, said the store logged a 20 percent improvement over last year.

"We let in 100 people plus at one door at six in the morning," he said.

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## Department to help students with finals

By Angela Timmons/Staff Reporter

Finals are approaching, and many students face long hours of studying and finding time to eat and manage their time efficiently.

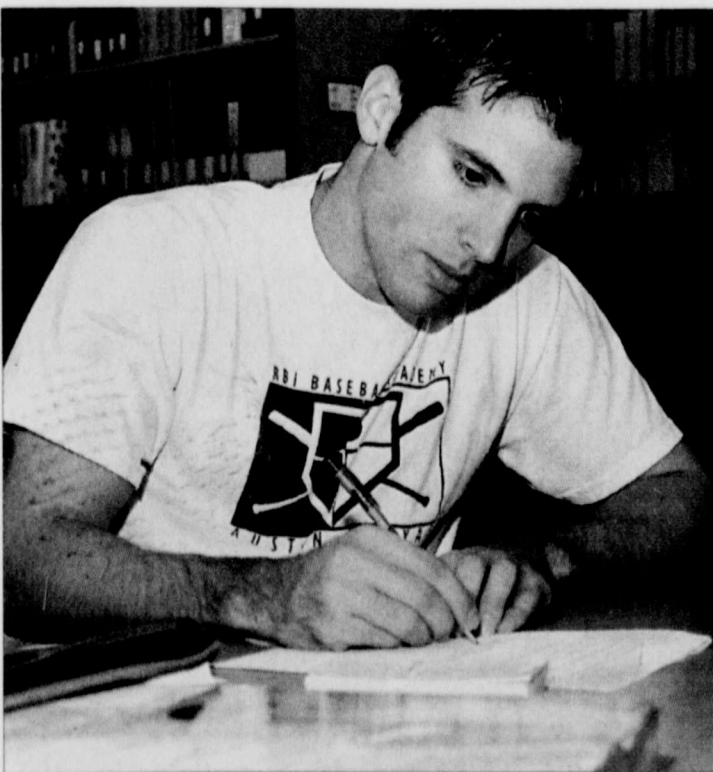
Student Health Services Health Education Coordinator Jo Henderson said the campus is ready to support its students at finals time.

Henderson said Student Health Services and the Student Counseling Center will hand out free "stress-free bags" in the Library's foyer from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday. Henderson said the bags will contain "goodies" including

stress balls, cocoa, nail files and brochures on effective studying, test taking and health habits during finals, an effort called "Making the Grade Without Dying While You're Trying."

Coordinator of Activities for Campus Life and Chairwoman of the Red Raider Nights committee Britta Tye said her committee also will be present in the Library during finals with a program, "Take A Rest From Your Test," from 5 to 10 p.m. Saturday. Red Raider Nights and departments within the Division of Student Affairs will give

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JENNA HANSEN/Staff Photographer

BRANDON JUSTICE, A junior exercise and sports sciences major from Austin, studies for finals at the library Sunday afternoon.

## LIGHT AT THE END OF A TUNNEL



JAIME TOMÁS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer

VISITORS IN THEIR cars make their way through the light displays set up within Mackenzie Park on Friday night on the North end of the park. The lights, dubbed "Lights in the Canyon," are a two-mile visual display with the Santaland display within them. "Lights in the Canyon" is open nightly from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. and costs \$8 a car and \$50 a bus at the Broadway entrance to the park. The lights display began Nov. 26 and will run through Dec. 31.

## Biodefense center opens

By Michael Castellon/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech officials celebrated the opening of the university's Center for Biodefense, Law and Public Policy on Tuesday, touting the center's potential to play a major role in homeland security.

Victoria Sutton, a Tech law professor and director of the center, said the center will work toward the goal of examining public policy and legal issues related to terrorism.

Sutton said the center will be operated by members of the university's faculty, in an effort to offer a wide array of multidisciplinary expertise.

"We at Texas Tech have a tremendous number of resources," she said. "One of those resources is our faculty."

Sutton served within President George Bush's administration as assistant director in the White House Science Office and in the

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

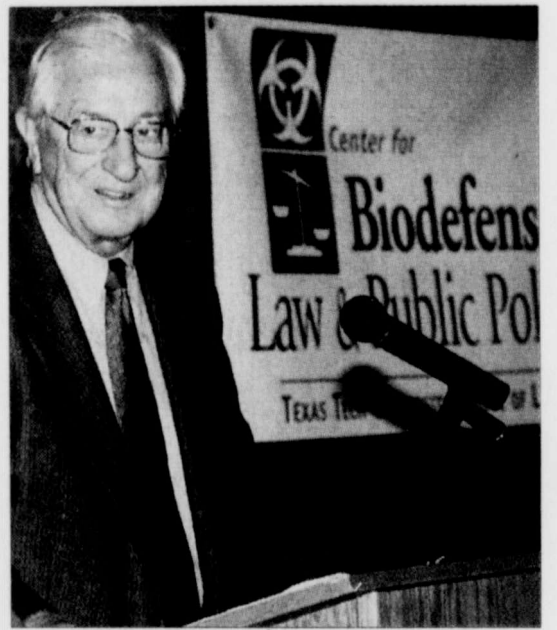
The center, one of the first of its kind in the nation, will serve as an instrument in examining solutions to issues concerning terrorism.

"The kind of problems we have today are not as easy to solve as they used to be," Sutton said. "Now we're faced with problems of great complexity involving many disciplines. That complexity calls for an interdisciplinary approach."

Gen. Walter Huffman, dean of the School of Law, said the center will serve as an asset to aid in research related to public policy and national security issues.

"We're all just starting to understand the problems related to these issues," he said. "What we need is solutions. This center is about solutions."

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JAIME TOMÁS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer

CONGRESSMAN RALPH HALL, D-Texas' Fourth District, speaks at the opening of the Center for Biodefense in the law school forum Tuesday morning.

## Course uses gubernatorial race for survey

By Heidi Toth/Staff Reporter

Todd Nall, a senior political science major from Smithson Valley, found out the hard way that inter-school rivalry runs deep in Texas.

"One guy hung up on me because he was an Aggie," he said. "I guess he was still a little bitter about the game."

Nall was one of many students who signed up for introduction to political analysis, a course that introduces students to the process of gathering and analyzing data. The stu-

dents this year looked at the Texas gubernatorial campaign and asked how relevant most voters felt the campaign was and also analyzed the negativity of the campaign and how it affected voters.

The students surveyed 410 people from randomly selected households throughout the state.

Dana Smith, a sophomore political science major from Garland, presented the information. They determined one in four citizens felt neither gubernatorial candidate provided much information about what he

would do while in office, and one in three felt the candidates did not talk about issues that were important to the average citizen.

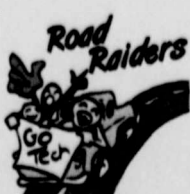
More than half of those surveyed also felt the campaign was negative, and of those, almost three-fourths blamed both candidates equally for the negativity. Citizens who saw more television ads were more inclined to view the campaign as negative, and citizens who felt one candidate was responsible for the negative campaigning held that candidate in lower esteem.

Assistant professor of political science Cherie Maestas, who teaches the course, credited the students for the work they had done and only attributed some of their willingness to work to her bribery with donuts.

Maestas noted some interesting factors about the results of the survey. Party identification plays a large part in Texas politics, so most Republicans responded positively to questions about Perry and negatively to questions about Sanchez, and vice versa.

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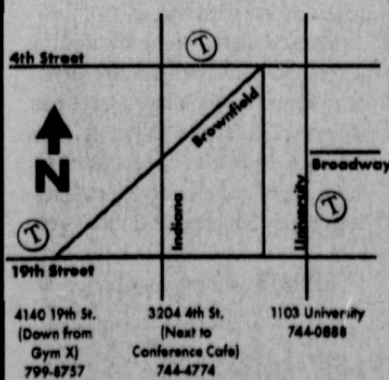
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The Rundown



State, Farmers reach insurance settlement

AUSTIN (AP) — State officials and Farmers Insurance Group reached a settlement Saturday that will keep the company in the state homeowner's insurance market.

The deal is worth \$100 million for homeowners in restitution, refunds and rate reductions, according to the Texas Department of Insurance. The state called it the largest property and casualty insurance settlement in Texas history.

The agreement ends the lawsuit and administrative enforcement actions the state had taken against Farmers.

The settlement is not an admission of wrongdoing, the company said.

"This agreement is good news for consumers and will have a positive impact on the Texas homeowners market," said Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor.

However, a consumer group criticized the settlement as a political "slap on the wrist" and a big victory for the company.

The state's second-largest homeowner insurer had been at an impasse with the state since August, when the insurance department filed an emergency cease-and-desist order against the company for what it called unfair pricing policies.

Farmers has been operating under a 30-day "standstill agreement" since Nov. 11, two days before the deadline set by the insurance department for the company to change the way it prices policies.

The state had said it planned to seek \$25,000 per every individual harmed plus \$150 million in restitution for Farmers customers. The company in turn announced it would stop renewing policies for its 700,000 customers.

The settlement takes effect Jan. 1. Farmers will continue to renew policies for existing customers but will not seek new ones, said Mark Toohey, assistant vice president for public affairs.

Toohey said he had not seen the settlement and could not discuss details.

According to state officials, it includes \$65 million in refunds or credits for various overcharges, including improper credit scoring and discounts based on the age of a home.

Cost of cellular phone accidents equals benefit

WASHINGTON (AP) — Researchers say increased cell phone use has led to more crashes caused by drivers on the phone, but the value people place on being able to call from the road roughly equals the accidents' cost.

Opponents of banning cell phone usage by drivers have cited studies that showed the benefit of car calls outweighed the toll from such accidents — medical bills and property damage, for example.

Harvard researchers, drawing on previous research involving cell phones and government figures for auto accidents, says in a study there is a growing public health risk from the reliance on cell phones in cars. The number of cell phone subscribers has grown from 94 million in 2000 to more than 128 million.

Data on the number of crashes caused by cell phones is incomplete, said the study being released Monday by the Harvard Center for Risk Analysis. But it suggested that drivers talking on their phones are responsible for about 6 percent of U.S. auto accidents each year, killing an estimated 2,600 people and injuring 330,000 others.

The figure was reached using current cell phone usage estimates to update a 1997 study. That study looked at phone records of Canadian drivers involved in crashes to see if they were making calls at the time.

The cell phone industry found fault with the projections and their connection to wireless phones.

"It's sort of assumptions built on assumptions," said Kimberly Kuo, spokeswoman for the Cellular Telecommunications & Internet Association. "There are not a lot of substantial findings that allow us to make policy conclusions."

The Harvard researchers also updated previous studies on the economic costs associated with accidents caused by cell phones, such as medical bills and loss of life. The costs added up to \$43 billion — about the same as the researchers arrived at for the value that cell phone owners put on their phones.

Weapons inspectors visit once restricted area

BALAD, Iraq (AP) — International weapons hunters crossed a threshold Saturday, paying their first visit under the new inspection program to a military post once declared "sensitive" and restricted by the Iraqi government.

On the third day of the renewed inspections, U.N. monitors arrived unannounced but received unrestricted access to the Chemical Corps base, as mandated by the U.N. Security Council when it sent them back to Iraq with greater powers to inspect anywhere, anytime.

Another team, meanwhile, inspected a complex that once was the heart of Iraq's aborted effort to build nuclear bombs.

In both cases, as expected, the U.N. teams did not disclose their findings, holding them for later reports. But their spokesman indicated afterward they were satisfied with Iraqi cooperation. "They were able to conduct inspections as they planned," Hiro Ueki said.

"They found nothing," said the commander of the Balad military post north of Baghdad.

The inspections resumed Wednesday under a new Security Council resolution giving Iraq a "final opportunity" to shut down any chemical, biological or nuclear weapons programs, or face "serious consequences."

Inspections in the 1990s, after the Gulf War, led to destruction of many tons of Iraqi chemical and biological weapons, and equipment to produce them. U.N. teams also dismantled Iraq's nuclear weapons program before it could produce a bomb. But that inspection regime collapsed in 1998 amid disputes over access to sites and infiltration of the U.N. operation by U.S. spies.

Those inspectors believed they never found all the Iraqi weapons of mass destruction, particularly chemical arms. The United States now threatens war to disarm the Baghdad government if the new inspections do not.

In their first field missions, the U.N. teams mostly revisited sites with well-known involvement in Iraq's past weapons programs — places where equipment had been disabled or chemical or biological weapons material destroyed after U.N. inspections in the 1990s.

PARKING PRIZE



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer

THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT Association drew Braden Gibson as the winner of a Board of Regent's parking space in a raffle Tuesday in the Student Union Building.

ACLU sees membership surge

WASHINGTON (AP) — Whether protecting the disenfranchised or standing up for the right to offend, the American Civil Liberties Union has sided with those claiming they were wronged, even if it meant a distinctly minority stand.

But since Sept. 11 and the government's expansive campaign of monitoring and detention, people are turning to the 82-year-old organization to help safeguard their liberties. Among them are conservatives who made the phrase "card-carrying member of the ACLU" a political insult, but who now are signing up.

"Larger numbers of American people have realized that the ACLU is fundamentally a patriotic organization," executive director Anthony Romero said. There are now 330,000 dues-paying members, 50,000 of whom joined after the attacks.

The group has been in the thick of legal challenges to the government's broadening anti-terror powers.

Last week, in response to an ACLU lawsuit, the government agreed to tell the group by mid-January which documents it is willing to release about its increased surveillance activities.

Especially notable among the new enthusiasts are conservatives who once thought the ACLU represented everything that was wrong with the left.

"They are very useful and productive force in jurisprudence," said

Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill.

Conservatives such as Hyde are mindful of the history of an organization that was lonely in its defense of positions now accepted as universal: Blacks who suffered spurious prosecutions in the 1930s, Japanese interned in the 1940s, books banned as obscene now regarded as part of the literary canon.

Yet the group continues to exasperate some with its uncompromising positions — against a Ten Commandments monument in a Frederick, Md., park, against the government's attempt to get libraries to use computer filters to block sexually explicit material from children, against drug sweeps that it claims are racially motivated.

"Some of their positions are extreme, such as objecting to metal detectors in high schools" where there has been a high incidence of violence, Hyde said.

For the first time, the ACLU is spending part of its \$50 million annual budget on a national television commercial. An actor portraying John Ashcroft crosses the phrase "We the People" from the Constitution as a narrator says the attorney general has "seized powers for the Bush administration no president has ever had."

"This focus on civil liberties post-9/11 has been a wonderful opportunity to reach out to constituencies who would never have thought of the ACLU as their home," said Nadine Strossen, the ACLU's president.

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## Train hits truck, kills two

HOUSTON (AP)—A 51-year-old man and his 8-year-old grandson died after their pickup truck was struck by a train as it crossed railroad tracks.

Donald Badeau's 7-year-old granddaughter, Jennifer Perez, who also was in the truck, was in critical condition at Memorial Hermann Hospital on Sunday morning.

"We're still hanging in there and doing a lot of praying," Donald Badeau Jr., son of Donald Badeau, said Sunday from the hospital. "We think she's going to pull through."

Officials said Badeau was driving near his home in Plantersville on Saturday afternoon when he pulled

onto the railroad crossing near and a train slammed into the driver's side of his 1997 GMC pickup.

"For some reason he did not see the train," Grimes County Sheriff Don Sowell said. "The sun was setting in the west, so there could have been a glare or maybe he was distracted by one of the grandchildren. He lives in this area and would be familiar with the crossing."

Badeau and his grandson, Joshua Perez, died at the scene.

Jennifer Perez was taken by Life Flight to Memorial Hermann with an apparent skull fracture and broken neck, officials said.

## Deaths

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The official stance of Murdough Hall is "no comment."

Questions were to be directed to Director of Housing and Dining Services Sean Duggan.

Duggan was out of his office and unavailable for comment.

Rugeley said these were the only deaths she knew of during the break.

She said hopes no more sad news comes after the Thanksgiving holiday.

"I hope and pray this is it," she said. "I certainly hope we don't have any more, and I hope everyone will drive carefully."

## Finals

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away free materials such as scantrons, highlighters, and brain food – which Tye explained to be pretzels, Snickers bars, granola bars and coffee.

"We want to say good luck to the students," Tye said. "And see them back in the spring."

Henderson said there are important points students should remember when approaching finals, such as study tactics and methods to being a better test taker.

Henderson recommends choosing a prime location to study, which is relatively free of distractions. She also recommends not studying on a bed, and hanging a note on the door to keep visitors away while studying and un-

plugging the phone.

"I know everybody thinks they can't do it," Henderson said. "But it is really important. You can live without your phone for a little while."

As far as habits to adopt during rigorous study times, Henderson recommends studying during high-energy times.

"Don't study when you know it's one of your low-energy times," Henderson said. "If you're not a morning person, you'll probably study better in the afternoon or night, and vice versa."

Henderson added students should take frequent breaks, walk around, stretch and get a drink.

Students also should follow eating patterns such as taking in small, frequent meals to keep energy levels up.

"It should be more lighter meals,

more often," she said.

These meals should include salads with meat, vegetables or fruits, she said.

"Also, if you eat healthier during finals, you won't gain as much weight during the holiday season," Henderson added.

Henderson cautions students to watch their caffeine intake because of negative side effects, such as making a person "jittery" during studying and exams.

Henderson said it is important to learn how to conquer stress, study more effectively and be a better test taker before finals time.

Studying should be a priority, she said.

"Remember a test is a test, not a measure of your self-worth. Do the best you can," she said.

## Shopping

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Most of the shoppers were early birds; Hajovsky said 60 percent of the store's business took place before noon. The stream of people thinned out as the day progressed.

Sarah Griffin, a sign language interpreter at Texas Tech, said she was not among the shoppers who stood in line outside major retailers this year.

"I avoid the stores at all costs," she said.

However, her sister came to Lubbock from Lovington, N.M., to participate in the shopping frenzy, and Griffin said she was up before the sun to be at the stores. Unfortunately, many of the popular sale items were gone early.

Griffin said many of her co-workers also made plans to get up and be at Wal-Mart at 3 a.m.

Mike and Kathie Green of Lubbock hit the stores Friday, but they did not get up early to do so.

Kathie Green, a sophomore elementary education major, said when they went shopping later in the evening, Hastings and Wal-Mart were still crowded.

Melissa Little, a senior psychology major from Midland, said she did not get to go shopping Friday, but she did experience the shopping rush from the other side. Little works at Hobby Lobby.

The store did not have many accidents with the rush of people, although one person did try to steal products from the store, she said. The thief was caught.

The store was teeming with people the entire day, she said, and most shoppers were in the holiday spirit.

"The hardest thing was handling the grumpies," she said, adding there were fewer scrooges than usual this year.

However in spite of the appearance of prosperity, numbers nationwide were not as strong as in past years. According to CNN, the National Retail Federation predicted a total holiday retail sales increase by 4 percent, up to \$209 billion. This year's increase will be the weakest since 1997.

The Associated Press reported a CNN-USA Today Gallup poll that found Americans plan to spend \$770 on the holidays this year, which is a slight decrease from last year.

## To Study:

- Combine information from entire semester
  - Master main concepts
  - List distractions and take care of them after studying
  - Organize study materials
- ### To be a Better Test Taker:
- Be positive
  - Plan reward for after test
  - Dress nice on test day to boost mood
  - Get up 15 minutes earlier than usual
  - Eat a healthy breakfast
  - Avoid coffee before the test
  - Avoid stressed classmates
  - To ease nerves, read before the test begins

Source: Jo Henderson, Health Education Coordinator of Student Health Services

## Center

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Huffman, a former Judge Advocate General for the U.S. Army, will serve the center as an expert in military law and national security.

The center will serve as a multidisciplinary research component that will examine ways the government responds and acts to issues relating to homeland security.

The center will operate under the university's Task Force for Anti-Terrorism and Public Security.

Texas Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith appointed the Task Force fol-

lowing the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, citing a need to examine how the university can best respond to the needs of the community and government through research, education and community service.

Congressman Ralph Hall, D-Texas' 4th District, spoke at the event and commended the university for its efforts in developing the center and addressing the new.

"We have an unusual enemy," he said. "Our enemy has no navy we can sink, no capital we can bomb. They hate us, and they hate our way of life. That's the kind of issues we find ourselves with today."

Provost William Marcy said the

center is necessary in the examination of shifting trends in terrorism.

"We really don't know if we're going to be facing international terrorism or terrorism within our own country," he said.

Marcy will serve as an advisory member to the center as an expert in security matters relating to engineering.

Disciplines contributing to the center include law, public policy, mass communications, medicine, forensic pathology and animal and food sciences.

In February the center will host a symposium on legal issues in bioterrorism.

## Results

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However, when questioned about which candidate provided voters with the most information or which had the best understanding of the needs of Texans, the plurality of independents polled sided with Perry.

The main question of the survey, however, dealt with negative campaigning and its effect on voters.

Almost two-thirds of the respondents viewed the campaign as negative, and most of those reported seeing many TV advertisements.

The students hypothesized that the number of ads seen would affect how citizens viewed the campaign because so many of the negative ads were televised.

She was not surprised by the results of the survey, Maestas said.

The class talked about what they expected at the beginning of the semester and created their hypotheses from those ideas, and on the whole, the hypotheses were supported by the data.

Nall agreed the results were what he expected.

Because of the strong party affiliation most citizens have and the profusion of negative advertising the

public was bombarded with, the results were typical. However, the analysis is not complete yet.

"There's still quite a lot of work to be done with the numbers we have," he said.

Maestas said she is optimistic about what the results of this survey and others like it will do for future campaigns.

"I hope candidates get the message that people didn't find their campaigns particularly helpful or informative," she said.

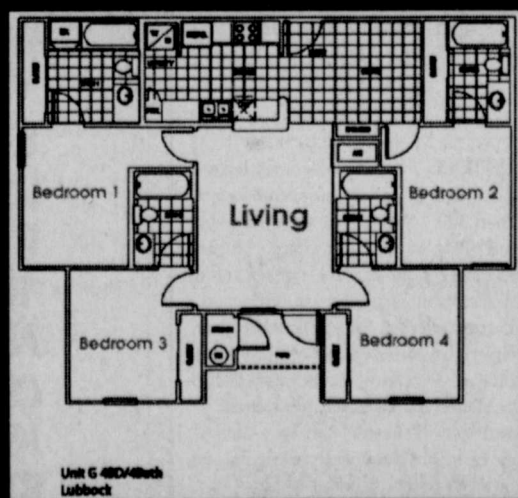
"I hope future candidates use the information to recognize their campaigns have not done a great job in engaging regular citizens."

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# A day in the life of the chancellor

Admittedly, I have no knowledge of what the Chancellor's day is actually like, but in my imagination the prospects of holding such a position are genuinely frightening. The rewards of being chancellor of Texas Tech are paltry, all things considered. We're already on our second one. So passes the glory of worldly command, I suppose, and quickly.

The charisma of the office itself flails like a hot-house firefly, sometimes up, sometimes down. Dr. David Smith, by any measure, is more of a collegiate than his predecessor. But what of it?

The chancellor remains an "educator," but only in the way the Dallas Cowboys are still "America's Team" or the SGA presidency wields real "power." It matters little, for in any case, the chancellor's office isn't a professorial pulpit of any sort. The chancellor serves not as a master of the sciences but as a fieldmarshal of funding.

Montford was a general of this sort, as Smith is a scholar. Montford's model of command must have been the redoubtable Ulysses Grant: sweep into power, assemble masses of resources, direct it toward the goal, achieve triumphs! Throw up scaffold after scaffold against the dread wall of inertia and worry about the casual-

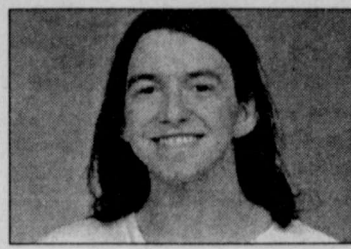
ties or debt, if that's the case, later.

After the Civil War, Grant ran for high political office and went into business with men of questionable integrity. I hear Montford's at Southwestern Bell these days. I wonder who the Democratic nominee for governor will be in a few years? But I digress.

The good chancellor shovels irony for a living: an educated man who garners funds from industrious creationists, a gentleman of imperial office who sits not a mile away from Tech's own chunk of the Blarney stone. These men holding the seat supreme must be elegant persons, but they unfortunately rule over some of the most god-awful architecture on the face of the earth.

His degree authorizes him to wear a white coat, but he must find himself in black business suits more often than not. Does the poetic weirdness of over-seeing a 21<sup>st</sup>-century university with a dilapidated cattle barn at its heart ever strike the chancellor? When he dreams, I wonder, does he ever find his pleasant dreams of bustling fiberoptics and flat-screen monitors repeatedly interrupted by the nightmarish mooing of bovine ghosts? "Moooo... Doctor... The Internet is no replacement for meat-judging skills... moooooo..."

I wonder; I would not dare ask. Therefore, knowing little, I shall attempt to imagine a day in the life of



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that busy man, perhaps years in the future? By that time, Tech's enrollment will have grown to encompass the entire population of the city. Even today, the chancellor sees far too little of the average student, and when he does, his office makes sure there are cameras around.

Like the American president, the

chancellor has a joint-chiefs-of-staff (Gerald Myers), who actually handles the majority of the endeavors Tech is known for. One of the commanders Myers oversees is nicknamed "The General," and theoretically, the General serves under the chancellor's pleasure.

In reality and unlike the U.S. Presidency, there is always the possibility of a coup d'etat if the General should complain too loudly to the Board of Regents, and it is a well-known fact this General has an elite unit of rabid stormtroopers under his command. They're called "The Student Section," and boy, do they love his style. The chancellor aims to keep the General happy at all costs, even when he has to replace the chairs in his office every week.

All day long, I imagine, the chancellor sits and strums the praises of the women's basketball team to an endless stream of bank presidents, cattle barons, oil tycoons and municipal officers, many of whom can read up to a sixth-grade, even seventh-grade level. Old women send him handmade blankets with his face eerily replicated many times in yarn. He shudders and throws them into the pile.

For one day each year, he switches places with some fresh-faced business major from Incomprehension, Texas. The kid ages 20 years by the end of the day. He wearily hands back the

globe to Atlas and probably cracks open a beer, having spent his waking hours convincing some supermarket tycoon-alumnus that, yes, the United Spirit Arena (crucial site that it is) is safe from both terrorist attacks and repeat Britney Spears appearances. Sighing, the chancellor notes that construction on the Spike Dykes Pyramid of Glory is still underway; he recalls the area under it used to be called "East Lubbock."

Wearily, he checks his messages. The football boss has to be bailed out, the illustrious mayor, who's always under indictment, wants a parking spot at the stadium and some winning basketball coach who's been at Tech for three record-breaking months is having an airport, a highway and an aquifer named after her.

A telegraph is received: another one of our damn horses has died. Mace is being handed out to Tech cops. Why, he asks? The Greeks are raising hell, the anarchists are burning flags and on Memorial Circle the Greens are planting trees and the Christians are planting crosses.

A thousand cars have been towed in the last minute. A rubber-chicken dinner with our fantastic local news celebrities awaits him. Shudder. They've finagled him into doing a surprise appearance on "The Power of Prayer." Nooo! The feedlot winds blow.

## Tips for 'eary' travelers

**QUESTION:** I flew home Thanksgiving and experienced a bad earache. I never had this happen before. What can I do before I fly for Christmas?

**ANSWER:** When we get an earache from flying it's because the Eustachian tube is unable to equalize the change in air pressure. The eardrum gets sucked inward, stretching the membrane. One way to take care of this problem is to stay awake during takeoff and wait for your nap until the plane levels out. Ask the flight attendant to wake you up before the plane descends.

When we sleep we don't swallow often, and staying awake and swallowing often can help equalize pressure in the ear. You also could try pinching your nostrils shut, taking a mouthful of air and blowing out without opening your mouth. That works well to unblock the Eustachian tube.

Also try not to fly when you have a cold because the Eustachian tube is blocked up and can cause you pain. If you have to fly with a cold or suffering with allergies, take an over-the-counter decongestant

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before flight. Finally, try chewing gum during ascent and descent.

**QUESTION:** Should you open and drain a blister?

**ANSWER:** No, not if it is small. Actually the fluid and skin over it protect you against infection. Cover it with a small bandage to keep it from getting rubbed and irritated. If it breaks, wash with soap and water and bandage.

If it is a big, painful blister, you can puncture it at the base with a sterile needle (use a match flame to heat the needle and then let it cool) and then let it drain and bandage it. In any case, leave the skin over the blister attached if possible because it helps protect against infection. If you have diabe-

tes, poor circulation or the blister is red, swollen and full of puss, do not treat it yourself, but see your health care professional for advice and medical attention.

**QUESTION:** Do you get any more benefit from walking on a treadmill as opposed to walking around the campus or your neighborhood?

**ANSWER:** There really doesn't seem to be a difference, except how much you enjoy it as you deal with the West Texas weather. I would opt any day for a treadmill when you look out the window and the day is completely brown.

On the other hand, treadmill walking can be awfully boring compared to walking up and down streets enjoying nature and checking out house architecture.

With either, you start out slowly and work your way up. When I am really into body improvement and health (which happens in spurts), I walk about 30 minutes a day at about 2.7 miles/hour every five out of seven days. When I'm being lazy, I sit at home on the couch reading, eating and getting out of shape.

## America's real Scrooges

(U-WIRE) AMHERST, Mass. — Black Friday. Many people know it as the busiest shopping day of the year, while others refer to it as the official kickoff to the holiday season. It is the day after Thanksgiving.

In the retail industry, it is a joyous day. Unlike other dark days such as Black Tuesday, Black Friday is an annual celebration for businesses across the country. The holiday shopping season is the busiest of the year for a vast majority of stores. Gifts for Christmas, Chanukah or other holidays must be purchased. Area stores are only too happy to assist.

I work for one of the largest retailers in America and know the importance of that four-to-five week period. We do roughly one quarter of our total sales between Thanksgiving and Christmas. That's 25 percent of our business during eight percent of the year. Needless to say, even though school is over following finals, I still work my butt off until about 8 p.m. on Christmas Eve.

While it may sound self-serving to preach about the importance of this busy shopping season to businesses, it is significant to all of us. One of the biggest gauges of the health of our nation's economy is consumer confidence, and the single largest factor in consumer confidence is how much money they are willing to spend. This time of year is when more money is spent on consumer goods than any other. There is no better way to take the tempera-

### Guest Column

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ture of America's economy and pronounce a diagnosis.

Holiday 2002 will be more crucial than most. Last year following the terrorist attacks, businesses expected a down year, and numerous stores offered after-Christmas discounts before Dec. 25 to boost their numbers, at the cost of January sales. This season with the economy still in limbo, stores probably will be a little more daring at trying to save their profit margins. Whichever stores find the right mix will prosper.

What we all should be doing is going out there and doing what we do every year at this time. The holidays are a time of giving and receiving (notice that giving is placed first).

We give gifts to those who are special to us, and the result of this is not only a thank-you and nice smile, but often a gift received in return for one to show their appreciation to us. America is one of our nearest and dearest friends. We can all demonstrate our gratitude to this near and dear ally by heading out to the stores this month, starting with Black Friday, and donating every dime we can spare into the economy. In return, we'll be lifted out of any economic uncertainty we are presently stuck in. And besides, your significant other will love that gorgeous outfit you bought them.

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# Public schools face new, tougher test

AUSTIN (AP) — At public schools in Texas, it will soon be out with the TAAS and in with the TAKS, the test — and tougher — standardized test that will determine whether students move up to the next grade.

There is plenty of uncertainty among teachers, administrators and parents over the new Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills, or TAKS, which will be given for the first time in March.

The state Board of Education voted 12-3 on Nov. 22 to set grading guidelines for the new test, which replaces the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills. Children, parents and educators now know the scores needed to pass.

The more-rigorous test is part of the state's accountability system, which rates schools based on test scores and other factors such as attendance. Students, educators and administrators are held accountable based on the test and ratings.

Ratings say the board set the passing standards too high despite projections that more students, many of them poor and minority, would fail. Supporters say state standards must continue to rise if education is to be improved for all students.

"In Texas, when it comes to education, we have always recognized the value of well-supported transition, incremental change, and steady, unwavering progress toward our goals," said Education Commissioner Felipe Alanis.

Here are some common questions about the new test, and the answers.

Q: What is TAKS?

A: TAKS is the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills. It replaces the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills. It will be administered every March.

Q: What is different about TAKS?

A: Education officials say it does a better job than the old test of measuring whether students learned information they studied during the year. TAKS also is more difficult than previous state tests.

Q: Who must take TAKS?

A: Public school students in grades 3 through 9 are required to take the test every year. High school students must take and pass an exit-level exam, first given in 10th grade.

Children enrolled in special education or in Limited English Proficiency programs are exempt from taking the test.

Q: How many chances does a student get to pass the test?

A: Third-graders get three chances. The third test can be another state-approved test. High school students get as many chances as needed. Education officials promise special attention for students who struggle on the test.

Q: What happens if a student fails on all chances?

A: Beginning this spring, third-graders must pass the reading test to advance to fourth grade unless a committee made up of the child's parents, teacher and a school administrator agrees to promote him.

Within the next five years, fifth- and eighth-graders will similarly be required to pass the reading and math sections to be promoted.

High school students must pass all portions of the test to get a diploma.

Q: What are the new passing standards?

A: They vary by grade level. A complete list is posted on the Texas Education Agency's Web site at: <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/student.assessment/index.html>.

# Safe TRAVELING

## Road Raiders program assists students with road trip home

By Harvey A. Mireles/Staff Reporter

As the holidays approach, some students look forward to going home, being with family and loading up on some down-home cooking for a few days.

However, a primary concern for many parents as their children prepare to drive home is that their children make it home safely.

The Parents Association's Road Raider program has been in effect to assist Red Raiders in their return home safely during the holiday seasons, as well as any other time.

Don Spragins, president of the Texas Tech Association of Parents, is a Tech graduate along with the majority of his family.

He said he believes programs such as Road Raiders help students facing mechanical and drowsy driving problems, to name a few.

"Road Raiders has been a well-received and effective program in aiding and helping them," he said. "It's a network of parents to aid students if they need help on the road."

Spragins said some of his daughters' friends were in need of assistance on their way home to Austin and the Dallas/Fort Worth area.

"This great organization has given me the opportunity to meet some of the greatest people," Spragins said. "This program is very useful and student oriented to the entire goal of the Parent Association and to making the student experience at Tech as meaningful as possible while each student engages in their own personal growth."

He said the most important thing in this program is making sure Tech students know help is available. "Recently, student orientations and move-in weekends have been given booklets with Road Raider phone numbers in it," he said. "We've begun to emphasize the program more. Our goal is to make sure student booklets are given to all students by the hopeful, making sure it's part of the student packet when they arrive."

Trudy Putteet, director of parent relations, serves as a liaison to the Tech Parent Association.

She said the program stems from a car accident several years ago. Many parents were concerned with students traveling to out-of-town Tech football games.

"The philosophy of many of the parents involved with the Road Raider program is 'I'll take good care of someone else's student as they would take care of mine,'" she said.

Putteet said the parents who help students in need are very humble about their actions.

"It's a phenomenal program," she said. "It's just groups of parents who want their students to be safe. I think students driving home want the same security."

She said she believes the program is one of the most effective at Tech.

"It's very important what they do," she said. "They are a priceless resource."

Steve Burres has had three children graduate from Tech and is an active member of the Road Raider program.

He said what he finds most amazing about the program is the amount

of support it receives year after year.

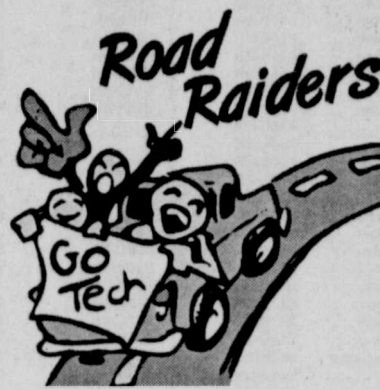
"It's phenomenal," he said. "More and more parents at every orientation join in."

Burres said he became one of the charter members of the program when parents expressed concern during a parent orientation about travel safety issues.

"Two years ago, two students from Tech on their way to Houston had some car trouble," he said. "I was able to help them get their car repaired. The program makes peace of mind for parents."

The Texas Tech Association of Parents has received phone calls throughout the United States, as well as in the state, such as the University of Texas at Austin and Texas A&M.

"It just shows that Tech is pioneering success," Burres said. "It's a program that has just perpetuated itself."



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## Bond formula going strong after 40 years

Some formulas are proven to work time and again. The Bond formula has been working for years now, and it celebrates its 40th anniversary with its 20th film in the series, "Die Another Day."

The series was resurrected in 1995 with "Goldeneye," introducing Bond to a new generation. Pierce Brosnan reprises his role as Agent 007 for the fourth time. Brosnan adds his own ingredients to the classic sly wit and fierce resolve, originally conceived by writer Ian Fleming.

This Bond film is a significant addition to the series. We see Bond in situations we have never seen him in before. The film opens with Bond being captured and thrown into a North Korean prison. He is bound, beaten

and tortured for 14 months. This is a new side of Bond: helpless and in agony, with his hair growing out long and a frazzled beard. He is bloody, bruised and beaten.

Why is this so significant? In the early Bond films, he was a secret agent but still a person. By about the fourth or fifth film, he turned into a superhero of sorts. He could perform amazing stunts and fight up to eight men at once, all without getting his hair out of place.

Here we are presented with a more realistic Bond character. The man is actually human. Brosnan, still the best Bond since Sean Connery, does an excellent job showing us a Bond at the end of his rope. Other than this element, "Die Another Day" stays true



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to the old Bond formula. Bond faces off against Gustav Graves (Toby Stephens), a rich madman who, of course, wants to take over and destroy the world.

Bond teams up with Jinx (Halle Berry fresh from her Oscar win), an

American agent. Berry is obviously having a monster-ball here, oozing with sexuality as nearly every line she speaks drips with innuendo. After her role in "Swordfish," it was only a matter of time before she became a "Bond-girl."

Possibly the most notable thing about any given Bond film is the gadgets involved. John Cleese replaces the late Desmond Llewelyn as "Q" and fits into the position nicely. "Q" gives Bond a new watch, "your 20th, I believe," he says, and a new car that has the ability to turn invisible. Cool stuff.

The action in this film is nearly nonstop. There's a great swordfight between Bond and Graves and a killer car chase across a lake of ice. Vin Diesel and producers of the "XXX" fran-

chise should take notes.

Bond films also are famous for their locations. This film jumps from Korea to Cuba and then to Iceland. The set design for Graves' ice castle is excellent. Bond fans will be able to savor this film like a well-prepared meal. There are sly references to previous Bond films fans can enjoy. It seems to be an inside 40th anniversary celebration. Outsiders are welcome to attend and will enjoy the show, but the true fans are the guests of honor.

Even Bond rip-offs like "XXX" prove the Bond formula still works. But make no mistake, this is the genuine article. This may be Brosnan's second-best Bond film behind his debut in "Goldeneye." The longest-running franchise in film history is still going

strong. It does not appear that the Bond series will die any day.

Is the plot ludicrous? Of course. Are the stunts unbelievably hokey? Absolutely. Are the sex jokes and one-liners juvenile? You bet. Does it need an excuse? No way. It's Bond.

EPPLER'S RATING: ★★1/2

- ★★★★★ - Flawless
- ★★★★ - Excellent
- ★★★ - Good
- ★★ - Mediocre
- ★ - Awful

## Bond, Potter battle for top spot in box office

LOS ANGELES (AP) — It was a photo finish between Harry Potter on his broomstick and James Bond in his Aston Martin at the box office over the long Thanksgiving weekend.

"Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" won the regular weekend with \$32.2 million from Friday to Sunday, compared to \$31 million for the latest Bond flick, "Die Another Day," according to studio estimates Sunday.

"Die Another Day" led for the full Thanksgiving holiday, taking in \$46.3 million Wednesday to Sunday, compared to \$45.8 million for "Chamber."

Rankings could change when final numbers are released Monday.

Both films proved much bigger draws than a rush of new movies that opened the day before Thanksgiving.

Disney's animated sci-fi tale "Treasure Planet" led the newcomers, com-

ing in at No. 4 with \$11.9 million Friday to Sunday and \$16.5 million for the five-day holiday period. It came in just behind Disney's "The Santa Clause 2," with \$12.3 million for the three-day weekend and \$17.2 million for the five days. Another animated adventure, "Adam Sandler's Eight Crazy Nights," opened in fifth place with \$10.1 million for the regular weekend and a five-day haul of \$15.1 million.

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By Phillip J. Anderson  
Portland, OR  
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**Tuesday's Puzzle Solved**

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**Pope John Paul II amends one of the Catholic Church's oldest traditions**

By Harvey A. Mireles/  
Staff Reporter

The rosary is one of the most sacred traditions in the Roman Catholic Church. It has been a stable tradition among families, churches and individuals that has inspired hope, peace and sanctity for many years.

Last month the centuries-old Catholic tradition was changed.

Pope John Paul II signed the apostolic letter, "Rosarium Virginis Mariae" meaning "The Rosary of the Virgin Mary," on Oct. 16 during his weekly general audience, which added a series called the Mysteries of Light to the tradition.

Oct. 16 also marked the 24th anniversary of his papacy.

In the apostolic letter, Pope John Paul II said the rosary is a powerful prayer for peace, for families and for contemplating the mysteries of Christ's life.

While praising those who regularly recite the rosary in its traditional form, the pope also encouraged the addition of five "Mysteries of Light," moments from Jesus' public ministry, to gain an in-depth idea on the teachings of Christ.

Marcel Lejune, the director of campus ministry at St. Elizabeth's Catholic church, gave a brief explanation of the rosary.

"Basically, the rosary is a meditation on the life of Jesus," he said. "The first part of the rosary is done as we recite the Lord's Prayer, the Hail Mary and other prayers; that part is just asking Mary to pray with us."

Lejune said he believes Mary is Jesus' mother and closer to him than anyone.

"Some people think we pray to her, when in fact we are asking her to pray with us," he said.

According to the Book of James in the Bible, "the prayer of a righteous person is powerful." Since Mary is in heaven, Lejune said he believes Mary could not be any more righteous.

"The second part is unspoken and done as a form of meditation," he said. "The part that has been added has added more to the meditation."

The rosary has been traditionally recited since the 1500s and followed three series of mysteries: the Joyful Mysteries, the Sorrowful Mysteries and the Glorious Mysteries.

Pope John Paul II added an additional series called the Mysteries of Light.

The strand of beads is divided into five sections with 11 beads in each, with each section representing a mystery. There are four sets of mysteries, each set having five mysteries.

The new mysteries in the Mysteries of Light are the Baptism of Jesus, the Wedding of Cana, the Proclamation of the Kingdom of God, the Transfiguration and the Institution of the Eucharist.

Lejune said he believes the title the Mysteries of Light gives a clue to the mystery's meaning.

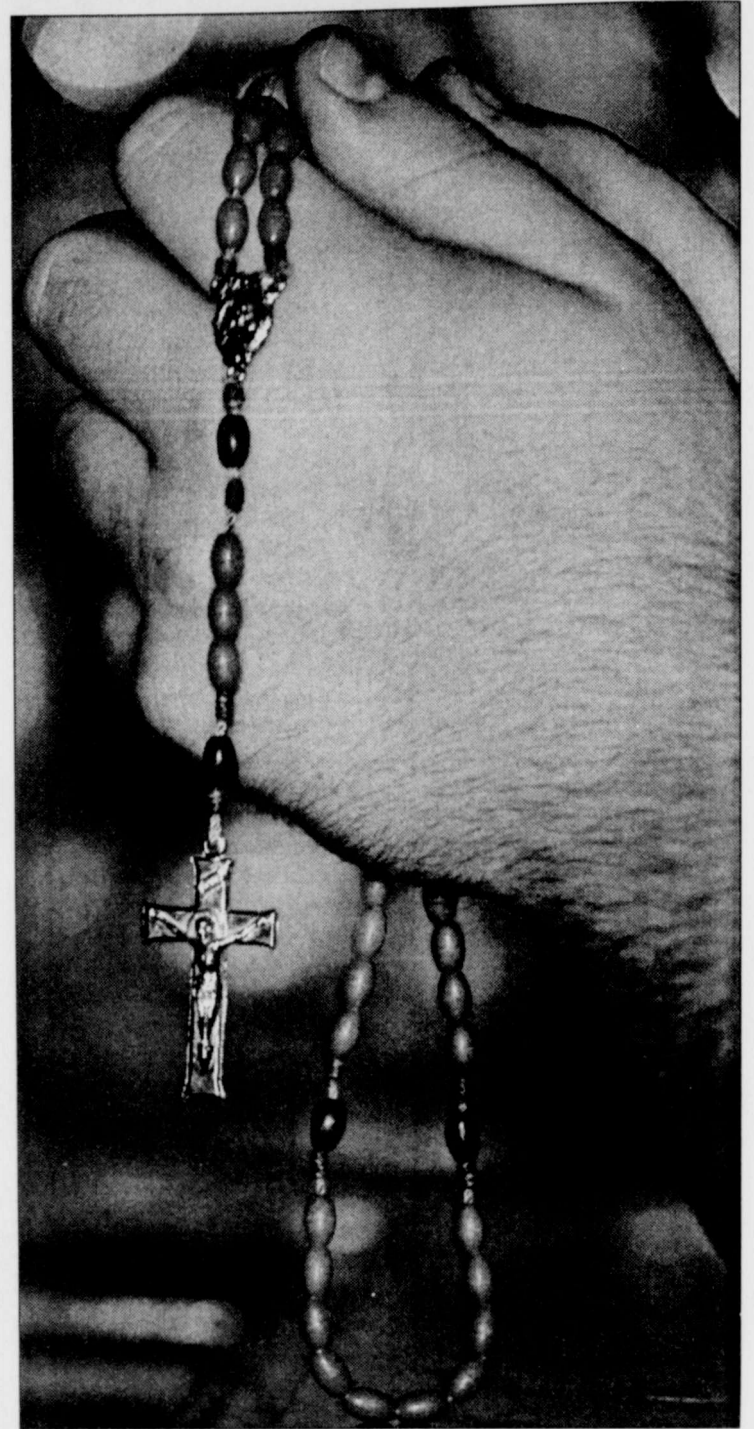
"Jesus Christ is the light of the world," he said. "These mysteries show us that Jesus Christ is the light of the world in many different ways."

He said he believes while praying, people also meditate, and in that sense, people pray with body and mind.

"Pope John Paul II has always been devoted to praying the rosary," Lejune said. "This is to help pray for families and peace and bringing family back together."

He said this will impact many people's lives and show the rosary can help anyone in a spiritual life.

"It is probably going to allow a lot of people to grow in their prayer life,"



JAIME TOMÁS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer  
LAST MONTH THE centuries-old Catholic tradition was changed when Pope John Paul II added an additional series to the Rosary.

he said. "Only a lot of good can come from thinking about Jesus."

Xavier Salinas, a junior computer science major from Grapevine and practicing Catholic, said he recently found out about the addition.

"I know people will say something about the change at first, but eventually everyone will be OK with the change," Salinas said.

He said he believes the addition to the rosary is a great thing for the church.

"It'll probably give more understanding, especially to what Christ went through," he said. "It goes more into detail basically; more to read,

more to learn."

Joe Keating, a junior marketing major from San Angelo, said he prays with the rosary at least once a week.

He said he believes the new mysteries are important to reflect on.

"These are all important mysteries and events in the Bible," he said. "Adding them to the rosary is a new way to reflect on them."

Keating said it gives him a new way to practice his faith.

"They're all part of readings from Mass and in the Gospel," he said. "This brings these teachings to the forefront. It gives new attention to these specific mysteries."

**Video game gift features Lopez, Affleck**

NEW YORK (AP)—Mr. and Ms. Pac-Man, Super Mario and the princess, and ... Jennifer Lopez and Ben Affleck?

Director Kevin Smith is giving the newly engaged couple a custom-made video game to thank them for costarring in his recently wrapped movie "Jersey Girl," according to the *New York Post*. The game, "Jen Saves Ben," features an animated Lopez who must find and rescue Affleck, who has been kidnapped and chained to a warehouse wall.

"J. Lo has to get him back but doesn't know where he's gone," said Brad Graeber of Texas-based Powerhouse Animation Studios, the company that created the game.

As she karate-kicks her way through the game, Lopez must face an animated Smith, who totes a ray-gun, and an evil-robot Matt Damon. She gets three tries to save her fiancé without being killed, and if she succeeds the pair is shown kissing. The game, modeled after a classic 1980s arcade game, plays a soundtrack of Lopez's music.

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# OSU stuns Oklahoma again

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Rashaun Woods and Josh Fields did it to Oklahoma again. Rashaun Woods caught 12 passes for 226 yards and three TDs, and set three Cowboys' records.

One year after ruining the Sooners' postseason plans with a late touchdown in Norman, Fields and Woods connected for three TDs as Oklahoma State pulled off a 38-28 upset of Oklahoma (No. 4 ESPN/USA Today, No. 3 AP) on Saturday. Woods had 12 catches for a school-record 226 yards, while Fields completed 18 of 27 passes for 357 yards and four touchdowns against the nation's ninth-ranked defense.

"We played our best opponent; we played our best football," Cowboys coach Les Miles said. "Considering all of our big wins this year, this was undoubtedly our best one."

The Cowboys (7-5, 5-3) beat Nebraska and Oklahoma in the same season for the first time. As the last seconds ticked off the clock, orange-clad Oklahoma State students and fans ran onto the field and tore down the goal posts.

In beating the Sooners for the fifth time in eight years, Oklahoma State enhanced its chances of going to its first bowl game since 1997. The Cowboys also never let Oklahoma take the lead, something no team had done against Bob Stoops in his first 49 games as Oklahoma's coach.

"We just wanted to prove that last year wasn't a fluke," said tight end Billy Bajema, who had a 58-yard catch on a second-quarter scoring drive. "It will improve our bowl destination, but that's not what we were thinking coming in. Playing Oklahoma was enough

motivation."

Last year's 16-13 stunner by Oklahoma State cost Oklahoma a trip to the Big 12 title game, where a victory would have sent the Sooners to the national title game. Oklahoma (10-2, 6-2) came into this game with the South



Division title sewn up, but the Sooners have no shot of playing for a national title.

"There are no excuses," Stoops said. "They did an excellent job all around — their coaches and players — and just beat us."

Oklahoma, which will play No. 13 Colorado in the Big 12 title next week in Houston, had no answer for Woods.

He caught TD passes of 41, 60 and 13 yards in the first half and had three catches on the Cowboys' first drive of the third quarter, when they took a 35-6 lead. Woods then had two more receptions on a clinching fourth-quarter drive that led to a field goal and a 38-21 lead.

"Their defensive backs are known for sitting on short passes," Woods said. "When they do that, they're susceptible to the double move."

The Cowboys set the tone for the game by driving 64 yards for a touchdown on their first possession. Mixing the pass and run, the Cowboys drove to the 30 before Seymour Shaw broke free. He fumbled at the 1, but receiver John Lewis picked it up and fell into the end zone for a touchdown.

Oklahoma State needed just two plays to make it 14-0. After a personal foul put the ball at the Oklahoma 41, Woods got behind cornerback Andre Woolfolk on a post pattern and was wide open when he caught Fields' perfect pass.

The Sooners used the final 6:35 of the first quarter to drive from their 17 to the Oklahoma State 1, where Kejuan Jones scored on the first play of the second quarter. The extra-point kick failed.

The Cowboys immediately seized

the momentum back, going 71 yards in three plays for another touchdown — this one a 60-yard pass to Woods, who again burned Woolfolk.

Oklahoma State made it 28-6 on a 13-yard pass from Fields to Woods midway through the second quarter. The big play on the drive was the long completion to Bajema.

The Cowboys scored on their first drive of the third quarter, a 13-yard pass from Fields to tight end Charlie Johnson, to make it 35-6. Oklahoma came back with a 26-yard TD pass from Nate Hybl to Brandon Jones late in the third, and a 13-yarder from Hybl to Trent Smith early in the fourth to pull to 35-21.

Oklahoma State then sealed it with a 16-play drive that used up more than 71/2 minutes. Luke Phillips' 40-yard field goal gave the Cowboys a 38-21 lead with 4:09 left.

Oklahoma scored its final touchdown on a pass from Hybl to Trent Smith with 2:14 left, but couldn't recover the onside kick, and the Cowboys ran out the clock.



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The Texas Tech volleyball team almost dug itself out of a hole in the second half of the season, but it came to an end Saturday with a 3-0 loss to No. 19 Missouri.

The Red Raiders could have been eligible for postseason play with a victory over the Tigers, but Tech could not climb that mountain.

Tech closes the season 14-15 overall and 9-11 in Big 12 Conference play.

Tech did not go down without a fight, however. The Raiders fought off three match points in game three against Missouri before the Tigers finally claimed the victory 32-30.

Three players for Tech reached

double-digit kills in the three-game match: Kelly Johnson (13), Angela Mooney (11) and Melissa McGehee (11).

That fight was only part of what Tech did in the second half of conference play. Tech set a goal to win the last eight matches of the year, knowing it only had room to lose one. Unfortunately for the Raiders, the loss Saturday was the second in those eight, making them ineligible for the NCAA Tournament.

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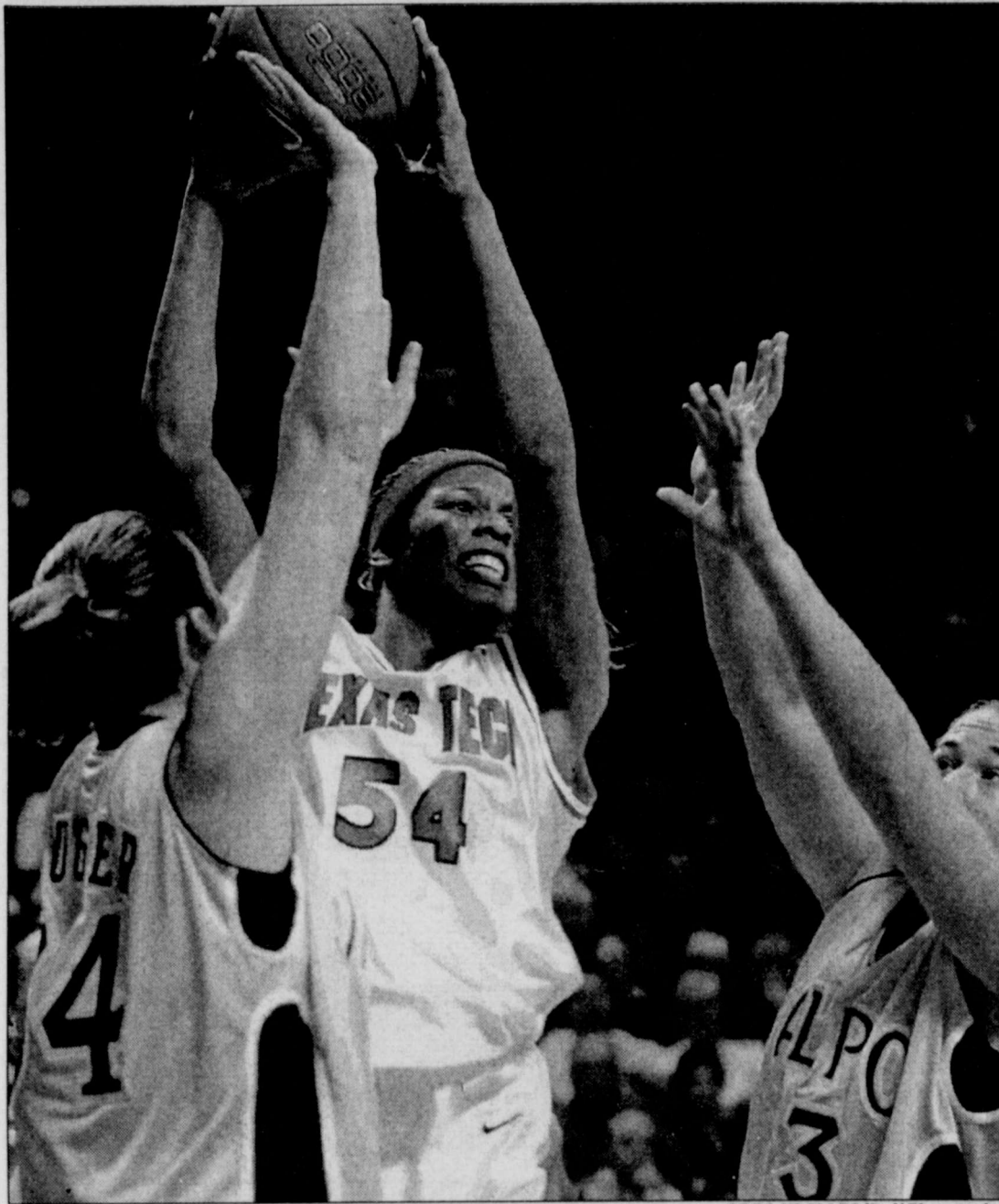
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## Valparaiso crusade fails at Tech

### Red Raiders feast on SMU, UTEP



By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

Like clockwork, the Lady Raiders continued to pound their opponents Wednesday night at the United Spirit Arena. Once again, Texas Tech came out on the winning end by a margin more than 30 points. Tech defeated the Valparaiso Crusaders 81-46.

The Lady Raiders set the tone for the game early and forced 23 turnovers. Valpo could not keep up with Tech's speed and depth and tried to slow the game down considerably, much to no avail.

"I think their game plan obviously was to slow it down as much as possible, take as much time off the clock and try to get out of a running game," Tech coach Marsha Sharp said. "They did a really good job following their game plan."

Tech capitalized the Crusaders' efforts to run the clock down with tight defense, not allowing Valpo to have a shot when the shot clock had few ticks left. Valparaiso coach Keith Freeman said he wanted to run the clock because he knew his team could not keep up with the Lady Raiders, but Tech's defense prevented them from scoring when Valpo tried.

"Texas Tech is very, very deep off the bench, and they like to run the basketball," Freeman said. "We knew we couldn't get in a running match with them."

The Crusaders had four shot clock violations in the first half, and Tech forward Casey Jackson said she would credit that to both teams.

"They were really disciplined, and they didn't get out of their offense," Jackson said. "We tried to play defense the whole time and not let up, so I think it goes both ways."

Despite Valpo trying to slow the tempo, Tech ran the ball up court with

14 fast break points. Tech also capitalized on the 23 Valpo turnovers with 31 points.

Tech guard Jia Perkins said no matter what the Crusaders did, it was not going to stop the Lady Raiders from doing what they like when the opportunity knocked at the door.

"Our team started the game aggressive," Perkins said. "We tried to run the floor every time we got a chance because we knew they were going to slow it down, and that's not our type of game."

The depth Freeman spoke of was evident against Valpo as 10 of the 11 Lady Raiders seeing playing time scored. Jackson led the bench with 10 points, and Perkins led the way for the team with 18.

Sharp said she likes knowing she can go to the bench when the situation calls for it, and her team may be able to exploit other teams down the road because of Tech's depth.

"I think it's going to have to be our trademark," Sharp said. "We can go 11 deep, and we need to make sure we use that to our advantage, and I think one way to do that is to stay aggressive defensively."

Sharp gives the aggressive play credit to the back-to-back dominant wins.

"From my perspective, I think we've been a lot more aggressive," Sharp said. "I think our defense has started it. We've come out and not worried so much about fouling, and try to force the action on the defensive end, and I think that's probably turned into some good offense."

Tech never gave Valpo a chance to amount to much of an attack, as the Crusaders never led in the game; their longest scoring run was 5 points, and they shot 29 percent.

The Lady Raiders' next opponent is Creighton on Wednesday when they will try to force the issue again and win their third consecutive game by 30 or more points.

The Texas Tech men's basketball team feasted during the Thanksgiving break by defeating Southern Methodist University on Tuesday and had leftovers on Saturday by defeating Texas-El Paso.

Andre Emmett scored 22 points and Tech's defense forced 31 turnovers in the 83-60 victory against UTEP in El Paso.

Emmett was 10-for-18 from the floor and led Tech (3-0) with six rebounds.

Tech recorded 16 steals and scored 41 points off turnovers by UTEP (1-2).

The Miners were in the game early, taking a 19-16 lead before the Red Raiders went on a 19-0 run. Tech led 49-31 at halftime. UTEP cut the lead to 62-49 with 9:37 left but could get any closer.

Pawel Storzowski scored 13 points for the Red Raiders, Robert Tomaszek had 11 points and Kasib Powell and Nick Valdez had 10 points apiece.

John Tofi led UTEP with 15 points on 6-of-10 shooting. He also had six rebounds and three steals. Chris Craig scored 12 for the Miners and Gio St. Amant added 11.

UTEP out-rebounded Tech 38-25, led by Justino Victoriano's 10.

In the 77-59 win against SMU in Lubbock, Tomaszek paced the Raiders with 19 points followed by 16 points for Emmett.

After leading by 13 at halftime, Tech extended its lead in a 8-2 run brought about by two assists by Valdez and one by guard Will Chavis for a 47-28 lead.

Tech returns to action to face Texas Christian University at 8 p.m. Tuesday in Forth Worth.

GREG KRELLER/Staff Photographer  
TEXAS TECH FORWARD Plenette Pierson grabs the offensive rebound during the Lady Raiders' win against Valparaiso on Wednesday night at the United Spirit Arena.

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