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Problems between Butler, HSC surface at trial

By Heidi Toth/News Editor

Both the prosecution and the defense spent Friday morning focusing on the ill will between Dr. Thomas Butler and the Institutional Review Board of the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center.

The prosecution attempted to demonstrate to the jury that Butler, who is on trial for 69 felony charges, felt bound and mistreated by the IRB, thus causing him to lie about the 30 vials of plague-causing bacteria on Jan. 14 that sparked nationwide concern.

The defense team took the other side, saying several members of the IRB, including the

administrator to which the IRB reports, were retaliating against Butler by trying to find problems with his work and suspending him without reason.

IRB chairwoman Sandra Whelley said the purpose of the board is not retaliatory or obstructive.

"The only role the IRB has is to protect patients and the people who volunteer for



Butler

studies," she testified. "If we don't do our job, they're not protected."

A document the IRB sent to Butler requesting more information on a diabetes study was introduced into evidence, which Whelley called a routine matter and Butler considered an "example of adversarial attitude."

Whelley, IRB vice chairman Scott O'Banion and associate vice president for research Barbara Pence comprised the list to which Butler compiled when asked by FBI agents who was adversarial to him. Butler had filed a grievance against Pence about a year and a half prior to the Jan. 14 incident over a decision made by the IRB.

O'Banion also testified, saying neither the IRB nor Pence had an ax to grind with Butler when the board temporarily suspended a research project of Butler's. The death rate of research projects was higher than predicted, and board members wanted to ensure there was not a problem with the drug being studied. The project was reinstated about a month later.

Whelley said in cross examination that the IRB conditionally approved Butler's diabetes research project; it was sent back to him for more information only. One of those ques-

tions asked for Butler's credentials in caring for patients.

"Don't you think that first question was insulting?" defense attorney Floyd Holder asked.

That question was asked because Butler's specialty was infectious diseases, not diabetes, Whelley said, and he did more research than patient care.

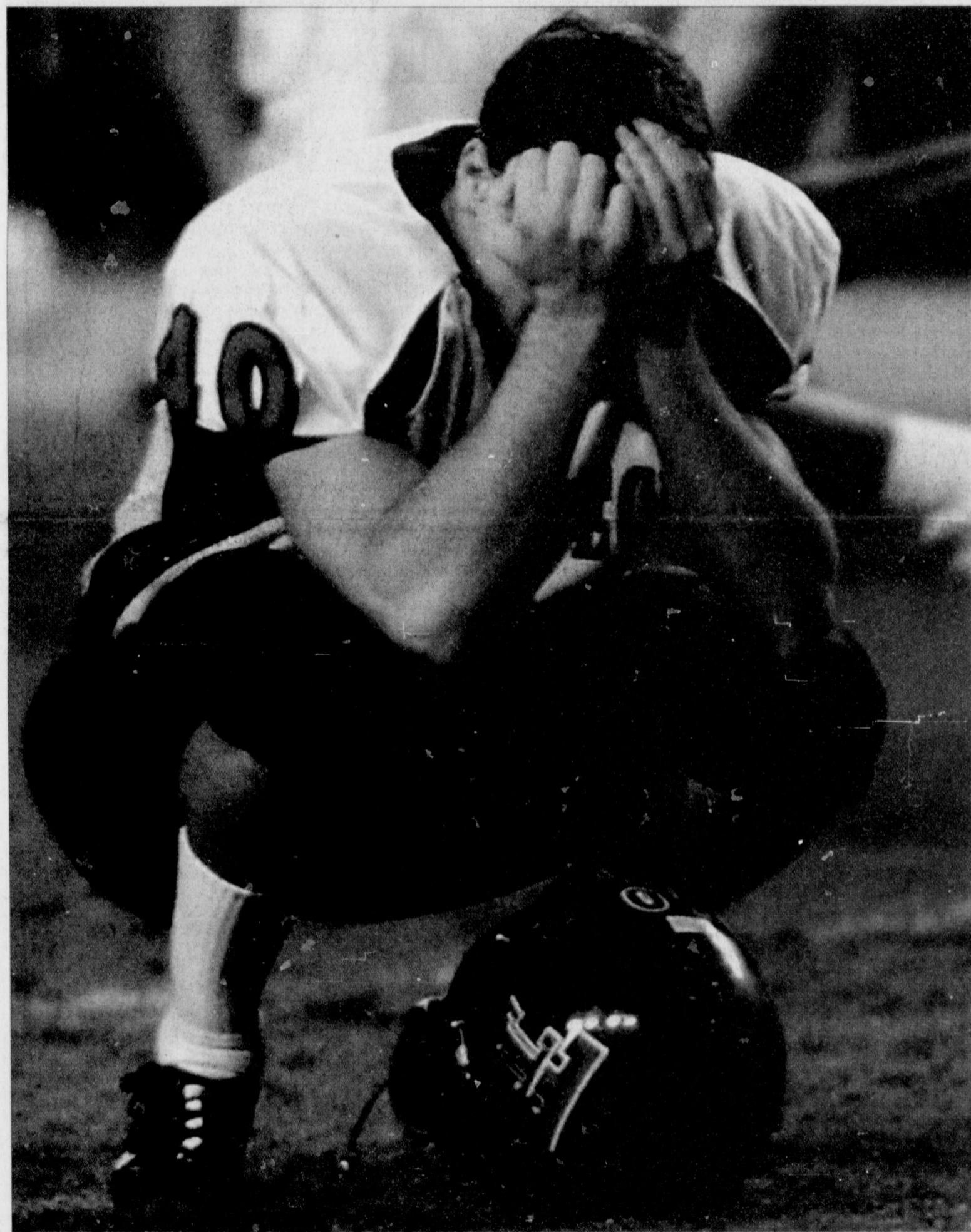
The other hot topic of the day was the split contracts between Butler, HSC and two pharmaceutical companies,



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TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE



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KEITH TOOGOOD, TEXAS Tech's kicker, reacts to his missed 48-yard field goal as time expired during the Red Raiders' 43-40 loss against Texas Saturday night in Austin. The loss was Tech's fourth on the road this season. Next up is No. 1-ranked Oklahoma. SEE STORY: Page 8.

Lubbock crime rate, fatalities on the rise

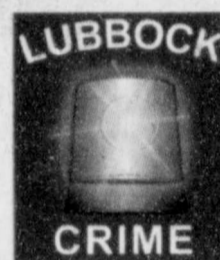
By Sally Gunters/Staff Reporter

Last year, Self Magazine ranked Lubbock as the third least safe U.S. city for women. This year's statistics show a similar trend for all residents.

There have been 28 traffic fatalities in Lubbock this year, or one fatality every 11.5 days, said Lubbock Police Department Operations Captain Richard Foster.

"This time last year we recorded 18 fatalities," he said. "We are 10 above what we were last year."

Of the fatalities, there were 11 cases where drugs or alcohol were contrib-



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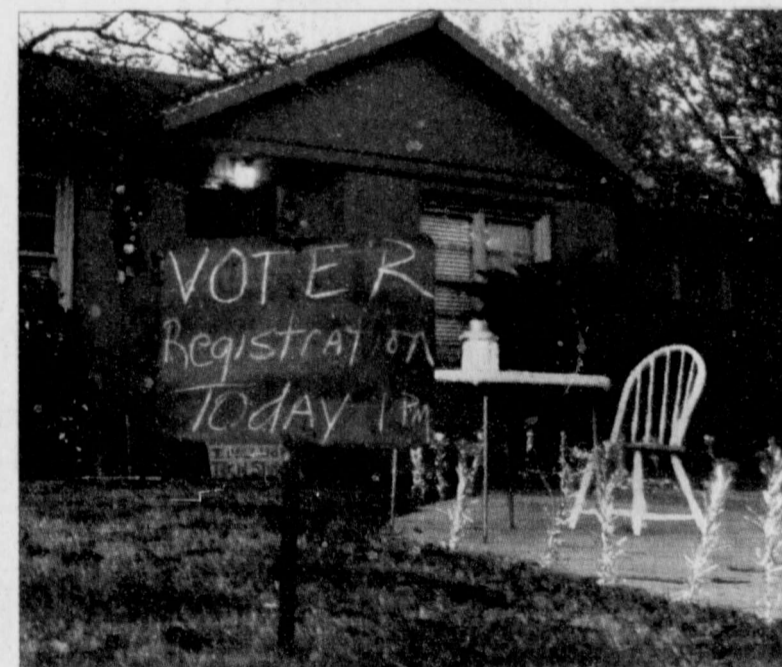
SGA, purple house residents get word out for voter registration

By Andrew Bell/Staff Reporter

Throughout the weekend, members of the Student Government Association's Lubbock Zoning Law Task Force worked with the residents of the purple house, located on 25th Street and Indiana Avenue, to get students registered to vote in Lubbock County.

Earlier in the month, residents of the house were notified by the city that they were in violation of a city ordinance prohibiting more than two unrelated people living in a single-family residence. The landlord and residents of the house wanted to make members of the community aware that they feel the ordinance, which has been in effect since 1975, is outdated.

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TRAVIS GLOTT/Staff Photographer

THE PURPLE HOUSE was used as a set-up to register voters in Lubbock.



TRAVIS GLOTT/Staff Photographer

KATIE HOUSTON ACCEPTS her crown from former Miss Lubbock Stephani Stokes at the Miss Lubbock Pageant Saturday night at the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium.

Tech student crowned Miss Lubbock

AND THE WINNER IS: Tech's Katie Houston takes center stage.

By Nikki Siegrist/Staff Reporter

Watching the audience was Danielle Buckner could do when Katie Houston was crowned Miss Lubbock 2004 Saturday.

"It was heartbreaking to sit and listen to them call names and know you should be one," the sophomore architecture major from Canyon said. "A lot of the girls came up after the pageant and told me they missed me and wished I could compete."

Buckner severely sprained her ankle while practicing a little more than a week before the competition and was unable to compete. The sprain is so bad, she is supposed to use crutches or a wheelchair for up to six weeks.

She had to watch seven other women vie for the title while she was unable to join in. She didn't get to share her platform, talent or even interview. She was already in the program book, but there was nothing she could do.

Buckner participated in the pageant last year and hopes to participate next year.

"It was frustrating and heartbreaking but relieving at the same time," she said. "I know how much stress goes into it, but there's the adrenaline and having someone listen to you and hear what you're saying."

Houston swept the awards and walked away with the crown all seven of the women wanted.

"I was trying to come up with who might win," Buckner said. "But it's hard because so much happens before the audience sees anyone on stage. The way (the judges) see your talent, swimsuit and evening wear is all determined by the way they saw you in your interview."

She said she has made friends through the pageant system and enjoys the women she competes against.

"Pageants are really scary," she said. "You have all of those eyes looking at you and dissecting you. It's really encouraging to know that those girls are standing with you and going through the same dissection you are going through."

But this event has not deterred Buckner from participating in other area pageants after her bruised and swollen ankle heals.

"God-willing and the creek don't rise, I will be competing," she said.

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The Rundown



Woman wins lawsuit after death of dog

AUSTIN (AP) — A Central Texas woman whose dog was run over by a car and killed after it got away from a pet store employee was awarded \$47,000 by a state district judge in Travis County.

Carol Schuster of Austin sued Petco when her 14-month miniature schnauzer Licorice was found dead four days after a Jan. 16 visit to the pet store for grooming.

The judge's ruling included \$10,000 each for emotional anguish, loss of companionship and punitive damages.

Petco Animals Inc. is appealing the ruling to the 3rd Court of Appeals.

A pet store employee lost Schuster's dog when he dropped the leash while walking it. The dog sprinted down U.S. 183, where Schuster spotted it as she was driving to pick up the dog.

"I saw two Petco people up on a little hill by Pier One watching her running down the highway," Schuster told the *Austin American-Statesman*.

When she arrived at Petco, employees told her what happened, Schuster said. Schuster spent the next four days looking for Licorice and putting out food for her in a nearby wooded area.

"Two of the nights were below freezing, and she had just gotten clipped and had no hair," Schuster said. "She was suffering, cold, hungry and scared, and I can't even think of what people must go through with missing kids. It was bad enough for a dog."

Four days later, a Petco executive called Schuster to tell her that Licorice's body had been found. The dog was identified through a microchip Schuster had implanted in her.

Schuster said someone at Petco's corporate office in San Diego also called to apologize and said the company would replace the dog. But there was no replacing the dog she had come to love, she said. She had owned the dog for one year.

Republicans agree on expansion of Medicare

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican congressional leaders said they sealed a tentative agreement Saturday on a new prescription drug benefit for the nation's seniors, which would be the largest expansion in Medicare's history.

"We have come to an agreement on principles," Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist said.

Talks that lasted most of the day smoothed over the last remaining wrinkles in the bill, including a proposal to have traditional Medicare compete directly with new private insurance plans and a plan to encourage employers to maintain drug coverage for retirees, officials said.

Two key Democrats, Sens. Max Baucus of Montana and John Breaux of Louisiana, joined Frist, Speaker Dennis Hastert of Illinois and other Republicans in Frist's office to announce the accord, which Baucus stressed would remain tentative until lawmakers had a chance to see the details of the complex legislation.

But the agreement ends months of negotiations over the drug benefit and a broad reworking of the Medicare program to give private insurers a new large role in health care for 40 million older and disabled Americans.

It must win approval of House and Senate negotiators, many of whom have been meeting for months in search of a compromise. The legislation would then go to the full House and Senate, where tough questions await from lawmakers in both parties.

Leading Senate Democrats, including Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., have been critical of the details of the legislation as they have emerged piecemeal from the closed-door talks. "I remain deeply troubled that this plan will undermine the reliability and affordability of Medicare for our nation's seniors," Kennedy said in a statement issued after the agreement was announced.

Two U.S. helicopters collide, killing 17

MOSUL, Iraq (AP) — Two Black Hawk helicopters collided Saturday night, killing 17 American soldiers in the U.S. military's worst single loss of life since the Iraq war began.

Five soldiers were injured and one was missing, U.S. military officials said. The military said the cause of the crash was under investigation but witnesses said one of the helicopters was hit by ground fire before it crashed into the other helicopter, and a U.S. soldier said he heard reports that one of the choppers was hit by a rocket.

As the U.S. death toll in Iraq passed the 400 mark, the Iraqi Governing Council endorsed a U.S. plan Saturday that would create a provisional government by June. The transfer of power would provide Washington with an "exit strategy" in the face of escalating guerrilla warfare.

The two Black Hawks, which belonged to the 101st Airborne Division, went down in residential neighborhoods of Mosul, Iraq's third-largest city.

A statement by the U.S. command said one helicopter was carrying a quick reaction force and the other ferried soldiers on a transport mission in northern Iraq.

"The cause of the incidents are under investigation," the statement said.

But an Iraqi policeman said at least one of the Black Hawks was hit by ground fire.

"They hit it with a missile," said policeman Saddam Abdel Sattar. "I was in the army, I know these things."

Another witness, Youssa Khedr said she saw one helicopter above her house before hearing the sound of a loud boom.

"I saw the sky light up, it was like thunder and lightning," she said, adding that after the initial boom she heard gunfire in the area but could not say where it came from.

CALLING FOR HELP



TRAVIS GLOTT/Staff Photographer

A CAR ACCIDENT occurred about 6 p.m. Saturday. The driver was heading south on University Avenue toward Broadway Avenue when she lost control, jumping the median and striking a lamp post half a block away from Broadway.

13 people killed when gangway leading onto oceanliner collapses

ST. NAZAIRE, France (AP) — A gangway connecting the Queen Mary 2 to a dock collapsed Saturday as dozens of people crossed it to visit what will be the world's largest passenger ship. At least 13 people were killed and 32 injured, with victims falling nearly 50 feet, fire officials said.

The victims were family members of workers on the 21-story-tall ocean liner, which is dry-docked at this Atlantic coastal shipyard for finishing touches before its maiden voyage, planned for January.

The relatives had been given permission to tour the ship Saturday. As they crowded onto the gangway, the structure collapsed, said Herve Malherbe, chief aid at the Loire-Atlantic prefecture. Victims fell 30-50 feet to the ground.

Ten of the injured were in seri-

ous condition, according to the Operational Center Fire and Rescue Center. Rescue workers had said one child was among the injured, but they later retracted the statement. French radio reports said several children were hurt.

Dozens of firefighters and rescue workers rushed to the scene of the accident, setting up medical units to treat the injured.

There was no immediate explanation for the collapse, which came a day after the gangway was installed, especially for the relatives visit. There are other passageways to the ship.

Philippe Bouquet-Nadeaud, the shipyard's head of human resources, said the work was carried out by a company specialized in scaffolding for boats.

The 150,000-ton trans-Atlantic liner has had its first two test runs, most recently in September. It is to make its maiden voyage from Southampton, En-

gland, to Fort Lauderdale, Fla., in January.

President Jacques Chirac, lamenting the deaths, was to visit the shipyard on Sunday. Social Affairs Minister Francois Fillon was paying a call Saturday night.

Britain's Cunard Lines, which operates the vessel and is owned by Carnival Corp., sent sympathies to the victims' families.

"Our thoughts and prayers are with their friends and relatives at this time of sorrow," said the president and chief operating officer Pamela Conover.

A Cunard spokeswoman in Miami, Julie Davis, said the company did not know yet whether there would be any delay in the Queen Mary's schedule.

"To the best of our knowledge, the ship will sail Jan. 12, as scheduled," she said.

The inaugural voyage is sold out, and the whole season of sailings was opened to booking in August 2002, so many reservations have been made, she said.

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Administrators discuss issues at conference

By Adam Boedeker/Staff Reporter

Some of Texas Tech's top administrators are in New Orleans for the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant College conference.

Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith, President Jon Whitmore, Provost William Marcy and other administrators are attending the conference, which began Sunday and ends Tuesday.

The purpose of the conference is to serve as a primary lobbying agent to Washington, D.C., between major public universities and the federal government, Whitmore said.

"The conference organizes major public research universities into groups that then share ideas be-

tween universities," he said.

Whitmore said two of the main issues he plans to discuss are the country's budget problems and improving diversity at universities after the Supreme Court decision allowing for the use of race in admission requirements.

"We've had time to study (race-based admissions) and now we have to see what other universities are doing at this point in the process," he said.

Smith said talking with universities from the Big 12, Big 10 and Pac 10 conferences about the court

case is beneficial.

The conference includes discussion panels among occupational counterparts. These panels include a council of presidents, a council of provosts and a group of government relations and student affairs representatives.

Whitmore is presenting a paper in a discussion sponsored by the council of academic affairs. It is about recognizing, promoting and measuring excellence in the humanities.

Another issue to be discussed is that of federal research dollars for scientific research, he said.

Every five years the Higher Education Act is revised by Congress to look at how to allocate federal funds to different universities around the nation.

"The most important aspect of

us going to the national meeting is to develop the agenda for higher education in the federal government," he said. "Tech needs to be in the middle of those discussions."

The conference lobbies the federal government for more research dollars to go back to the universities.

Representatives from the conference are working in the U.S. House and Senate to get money.

"They're a very influential organization," he said. "All of the institutions with the highest enroll-

ments and most research money are all supporting the organization. Tech needs to not be on the sidelines, but involved in it on the front lines."

Whitmore said the conference acts as a think tank of major universities in which issues are discussed, and sometimes an idea from another university is something that will be acted on.

Smith said he expects to see some important studies on these issues as a result of the conference.

There is a definite trend across the country of declining state support for higher education, he said, and there is a question of how the universities will deal with the problem.

"The big question is how much cost can you shift to the students with tuition increases when the

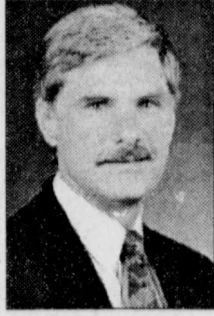
state is holding their support?" Smith said.

Another topic is the debate going on in Washington, D.C., regarding tuition increases across the country.

"It says the states need to continue supporting education or the federal government will cut back on federal funding to the states," he said. "There's a Democratic proposal and a Republican proposal, we'll have to see how it plays out, we're really not sure."

Smith said Tech needs to have representation at the conference since it is close to home.

"We need to be a part of the national debate on these issues, and we can learn from each other," he said. "It's important in these tough times that higher education pulls together."



Smith



Whitmore

Winter weather a cause for more eight-legged visitors in homes

By Beth Aaron/Staff Reporter

Itsy bitsy spiders have feelings too. Arachnids normally found hanging around outside in the summer may have designs on breaking and entering in order to share a spot next to the fireplace.

Dr. Ronald Warner, a physician in the department of family and community medicine at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, suggested caulking around windows or sealing up other openings in one's house to reduce the likelihood of encountering spiders this winter.

"Spiders that would usually stay outside come inside in the winter to stay warm," he said. "In the winter, they are more likely to spend time hanging out in clothes or under the bed."

Warner said being cautious when

getting out clothes that have been stored over long periods of time is important. He suggested turning sweaters inside out and shaking shoes to make sure they are spider-free. Vacuuming often and keeping bedspreads away from the ground also can help. Warner said wearing gloves and long sleeves while working outside is a good idea.

"I don't think very many spiders can bite through clothing," he said.

The two spiders that cause the greatest amount of damage in humans are the black widow and the brown recluse.

The black widow is a fairly large, black spider with a distinct red-orange hourglass on its bulbous underside. The brown recluse spider carries the nickname "fiddleback" for its violin-shaped body.

If someone is bitten by a black

widow, they may feel dizzy and have a headache; effects are more neurological. A brown recluse bite is associated with a pus-filled bump and a dark scab.

"At the site of the bite there is a lot of tissue damage," he said. "When the body finally heals, the site leaves a depression; a dimple in the skin."

Warner said people most at risk for a bad reaction to spider bites are

small children and the elderly. In most people, spider bites do not cause more than a red, raised, itchy bump.

"The vast majority are of small consequence," he said. "Fatalities from spider bites are a few and far between."

Jason Thomas, a junior music performance major from Houston, said he worked as a camp counselor in the

mountains of New Mexico during the summer. He was bitten by a spider while camping but did not suffer any severe symptoms.

"It hurt for a while and went away like a mosquito bite," he said. "It wasn't poisonous."

Warner said spiders usually only bite if provoked.

"If a spider has a chance, he'll run instead of bite," he said. "Pinning the spider results in a bite."

Blue Brazelton, a junior English/philosophy major from Sweetwater, said he has never been bitten by a spider and is not afraid of them.

"They aren't going to bother me if I don't bother them," he said.

However, Warner said some people find they have been bitten when they least expect it.

Shawn Stacy, a sophomore mechanical engineering major from

Belton, said he was bitten by a spider, but not by a brown recluse or a black widow.

"I was sleeping when it happened," he said. "When I woke up I had a spider bite. It was just like a fire ant bite."

Warner said the best thing to do if bitten by a black widow is to try and keep the venom isolated to one area. Applying ice to the bite isolates the venom and reduces swelling.

"Most people don't recognize they've been bitten early enough to do first aid," he said.

Warner said most spider bites heal without medical attention. People who experience severe symptoms after they are bitten by a spider should seek immediate medical attention. Otherwise, making an appointment with one's primary caregiver is sufficient.

Preventing Spider Bites

- Caulk around windows
- Keep bedspread away from floor
- Vacuum often
- Shake out clothes
- Check shoes

Source: Dr. Ronald Warner, HSC Dept. of Family & Community Medicine

Counseling Center offers relationship counseling, other services to Tech students

By Jennifer Prieto/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech Counseling Center provides free and confidential services for students and faculty. Counselors recognize the need for relationship counseling and will provide sessions for students who want to take advantage of the services.

The Counseling Center provides many services for students and faculty at Tech, but they understand college is a time where most students start thinking about serious relationships.

There are many situations where a relationship can take the wrong turn, and professionals in the Center can provide people with ways they can fix or make their relationship better.

Eileen Nathan, Counseling Center director, said 70 percent of people who seek counseling at the center are people with a variety of relationships problems. It could be a romantic, heterosexual, homosexual or a roommate relationship.

"Most of the people who come here to get counseling are students who need advice in their dating relationship," she said. "This is the time when students start to get serious about their relationships, but for one reason or another they can't put time into it as they want."

One of the main reasons why relationships do not work in college is because of a communication breakdown, she said. Some students

are not willing to express their feelings because they are afraid they will be rejected.

She said a person can only be in a relationship if they are willing to make themselves vulnerable, but they should only be vulnerable if they feel comfortable in the relationship. This is determined by how much they trust the person.

"You have to be able to balance your time. I know for students it's harder because they have to balance their time between school, work and the relationship," she said. "But if you are cutting yourself too thin to try to make a relationship work, then it is not meant to happen."

Nathan said people also are getting into physical relationships before they get into an emotional relationship. This sometimes creates problems if a person wants to be in a serious relationship.

Rolf Gordhamer, Counseling Center psychologist, said people need to prioritize their lives and make sure they have an idea of what they want.

"It is hard for a person to know exactly what they want, but they should be able to make a list of their priorities," he said. "If their relationship is not one of their top priorities then they should not be in the relationship."

He said when a person's relationship starts to fail, everything else around them seems go wrong.

Gordhamer said many people model their relationship from the

ones they witnessed while they were growing up at home.

"I hate to say this, but most people do not want to have the same relationship as the one they saw in their house when they lived at home," he said. "People will try to do the reverse role of the one they experienced at home."

He said more people are waiting until they get older to get married because there is more pressure to get a better education, to be successful and to experience life.

Nathan said there are pros and cons to getting married at a young age, but only the person in the relationship can figure out what those things are.

She said the decision has to do with maturity and how well people react to their environment. It also has to do with how secure a person is about what they want in life.

Gordhamer said some people think they are a failure if they do not get married after they graduate or if they do not find the person they want to marry while they are in college.

"I think the divorce rate is high

because of people who rush to get married, without thinking about it first," she said. "That is why people need to evaluate their priorities and make sure marriage is right for them."

Nathan said another pattern she hears from students who get counseling is there are many people who have a long-distance relationship and they do not know how to handle it.

"Some people can deal with it because they are too busy and they really do not think about it and because they don't rely on their partners that much," she said. "But there are cases where the relationship does not work because the person needs someone by their side all the time."

Nathan said a person's personality is shaped by the time they enter college and it is hard for them to change.

A relationship is a responsibility that people should take seriously, she said. If one person in the relationship is not willing to put the time into it or is not feeling the same as the other person that is

when communication is most important.

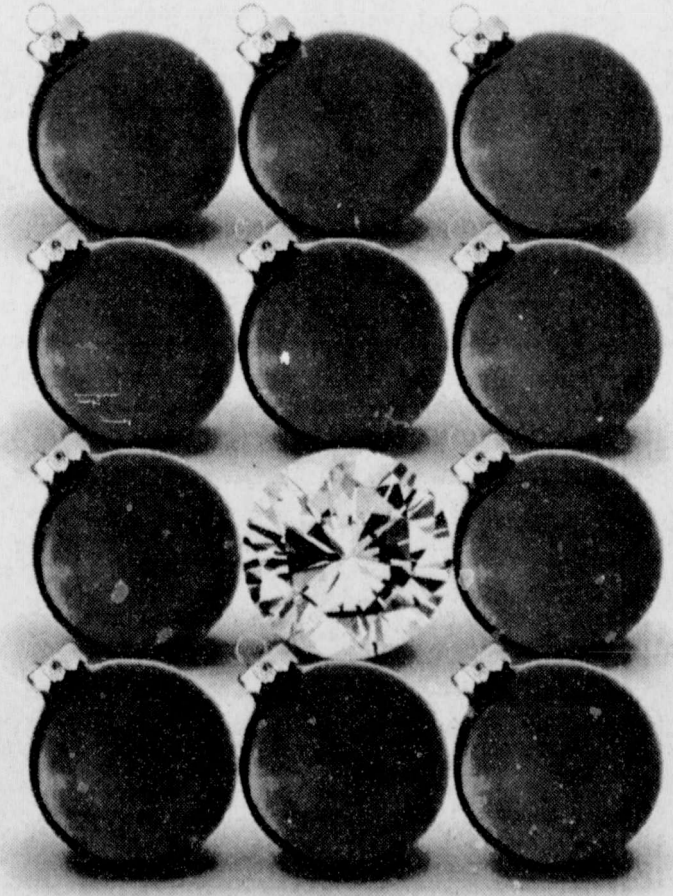
"If you don't have feelings for the person, then tell them, don't lead them on," she said. "I see many cases where a person does not have feelings for the other, but they think they will hurt them if they say some-

thing — but it is actually the complete opposite."

The Counseling Center is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Students can make an appointment or get more information about the services by calling (806) 742-3694.

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Chiron and Pharmacia. Katherine Haenftling, associate director of operations for Chiron, said she authorized the dual agreements that gave half of the grant money to Butler and half to HSC, instead of all of the money going to the institution, as is customary.

Haenftling assumed HSC and Butler had agreed on the setup, she said, although she found it unusual.

She said in cross examination that some contracts sent all of the money directly to the principal investigator, although it is not common. She did not discuss Butler's contract with the legal department because she did not think it was illegal.

Diane Rohrstaff of Pharmacia said Butler had a similar arrangement with her company. On a budget information sheet introduced into evidence, HSC's address had been crossed out and Butler's home address written in.

On a handwritten note from Butler to Rohrstaff accompanying the budget information sheet, Butler told her a "division of the trial budget into two halves will be fine. For convenience I suggested my home address ... for both checks."

Andrea Cassidy, a contract and grant specialist with Pharmacia, was responsible for alerting Tech to the split contracts. Cassidy said she had one conversation with Butler. She had received a request to do a contract for HSC and Dr. Sandra Sabatini. Butler called her and told

her he was the principal investigator and Sabatini was a sub investigator and to split the grants as had been done in the past. After speaking with a representative at Tech, Cassidy said she did not do this.

Representatives of both Chiron and Pharmacia testified that numerous wire transfers had been made to Butler's account that was about half of the payments made to HSC. He received more than \$150,000 from Pharmacia and about \$180,000 from Chiron for research projects done in conjunction with HSC.

Dr. Neil Kurtzman testified last. He was chairman of the department of internal medicine for 14 years and was responsible for hiring Butler. He said Butler came to him asking if he could see fewer patients and focus mainly on research, as he thought he could generate a substantial amount of his salary in that way.

He did not authorize Butler to make contracts outside the proper bounds stated in HSC policy, Kurtzman said.

"If the study is being done at Texas Tech by a full time faculty member, (the grant money) should have gone to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center ... all of it," he said.

Butler had received several notices throughout his time at HSC detailing the proper way to go about getting research grants and contracts. HSC's policy about this was well known throughout the department and had always been in place, Kurtzman said.

Court will reconvene at 8:30 a.m. today.

Vote

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To make a legitimate petition to the ordinance, the task force is working to get students and other members of the community registered as voters so they can sign a future petition. The petition requires signatures by at least 25 percent of the number of voters that voted in the last regular municipal election.

The first voter registration event was held from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday at West Texas Icehouse, a local bar located at Avenue X and Main Street. Colton Batchelor, SGA external vice president, said the series of events would be used to get students registered to vote and use their status as students to get things changed in the community.

In the West Texas Icehouse, the task force will have voter registration cards for students to fill out, Task Force Chairman Joe Biles said. Each event throughout the weekend would also have voter registration cards available for any students who would like to make an impact in the community.

Biles said they had a good response Friday night, and at least one person came in who had more than one roommate and wants to see the ordinance changed.

Saturday's event was held at the purple house at 1 p.m.

This event also had a good turnout, Biles said. They had a table set up in front of the house getting

people registered and answering questions. Many of the people who came were not students but instead interested Lubbock citizens.

"Overall there has been a tremendous response," he said.

The last event for the weekend was held at Aroma's Coffee House at 5109 82nd Street from 8 to 10:30 p.m. Sunday. The task force is looking to spread the voter registration events to campus in the near future to get more Tech students involved in the situation that has a direct effect on them.

There also is a voter registration event coming up in the Greek community, and sometime next month the Saddle Tramps will hold a voter registration event in the free speech gazebo.

The task force is looking to get more than 5,000 signatures on the petition by March 2004 so there can be a September election on the issue, Biles said. People who sign the petition need to be registered voters for at least 30 days.

Chairman of the Libertarian Party of Texas David DeLamar said a referring committee of the task force would need to file a statement of repeal with the city secretary. When the committee files the statement, the task force will have 60 days to get the required signatures.

Once the city secretary has received the petition, the secretary would present the petition to the city council at the next regular meeting of the council, DeLamar said. Then, city council would hold a public hearing to hear both sides of the ordinance argument. Within 30 days after the public hearing the council must either



TRAVIS GLODT/Staff Photographer

JAMELYN HART, A freshman chemistry major from Beeville, assists Stacy Charule, a freshman history major from Midland, as she registers to vote at the purple house on 25th Street and Indiana Avenue Saturday evening.

repeal or refuse to repeal the ordinance

If the council refuses to repeal the ordinance, the referring committee of the task force could call for the people of Lubbock to vote on the issue. DeLamar said if the committee decided to send it to a vote, they must file with the city secretary a statement requiring a vote within 20 days of the

refusal by city council. Finally, the city council would need to call an election within 40 days of the committee submitting their statement requiring a vote.

The task force's next meeting is 2 p.m. Dec. 2 in the SGA Conference Room in the Student Union building,

Crime

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uting factor. Foster said this is not uncommon.

The increase is causing concern to the police department because of the increase in the numbers in past years.

"They are unnaturally higher than what we've been accustomed to the last few years," Foster said.

For the past 10 years, the average number of fatalities per year is 23.6. In both 1999 and 1994, there were 32 reported fatalities.

Foster said that while location, time of day and weather conditions are all contributing factors, there is no set pattern that influences the number of fatalities reported.

"We found in most instances the contributing factors in fatalities and incident related accidents is bad judgment," he said. "They might use bad judgment in speeding or drinking and driving, but normally it always tracks back to using bad judgment."

There is not much the police can do to prevent traffic accidents resulting in fatalities. It depends on the driver, Foster said.

"I think people need to be more cautious when driving and use good judgment," he said.

There is also a difference in the crime index numbers of the city of Lubbock since 2002.

Murder increased 50 percent as of the end of September. Foster said this number is not as high as it seems, considering there were six murders last year and there have been nine so far this year.

"Of the nine, all have been cleared by arrest or another disposition," he said.

Robbery, theft and automobile theft also increased slightly from 2002.

The number of sexual assaults within the city is about 25 percent lower. Aggravated assaults, burglary and arson are also lower, according to the LPD crime index.

Foster said most of these changes do not surprise him, but the LPD recognizes improvements can be made.

"There is a definite improvement to be made in our property crime," Foster said. "But that is the case whether the crime rate is low or high compared to other cities."

As of the end of October, the Texas Tech Police Department handled 462 actual offenses. This is about average for the year, said Maj. Gordon Hoffman.

"I haven't seen a drastic increase in any type of crime," Hoffman said. "I haven't noticed a trend of any kind that indicates a

surge in crime." On-campus assaults accounted for 52 of the offenses, while 391 cases of larceny/theft were reported, according to the Tech PD

uniform crime report.

More arrests are made for minor offenses on the Tech campus than for major violations. Hoffman said because of the academic school environment not as many of the larger crimes occur.

According to the 2002 FBI crime index report, the state of Texas has a higher crime index than any other state except California.

The city of Lubbock's crime index rate of 6,313.8 per 100,000 inhabitants is higher than the rates of College Station and Austin, according to the report.

Although Lubbock's crime index is higher than Amarillo's crime index, the rate per 100,000 inhabitants for Amarillo is more than Lubbock's rate by almost 100.

These statistics should not deter people from settling down in Lubbock, Foster said.

"It would be nice if we didn't have any crime at all," he said. "I think Lubbock is a safe place to live and a desirable place to raise a family."

"I think people need to be more cautious when driving, and use good judgment."

— ROBERT FOSTER
Lubbock Police Department Captain

Crown

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Buckner said she believes Houston will be a good queen for Lubbock and will make the city proud when she competes at Miss Texas.

Houston, a senior vocal performance and English major from San Antonio, was shocked and excited to be given her title. She did not have words for her excitement at being crowned.

Her platform, "Building your Armour," is designed to help students gain a greater self-esteem. But before she starts working in the schools, she said she was going to take a short break.

"I'm going to get into the schools and make my face known so people will recognize me and associate me with my platform and community service," she said. "I'm excited that I get to play a part of kids' lives."

As the winner of Miss Lubbock, Houston will advance to Miss Texas in July and will be competing against Miss Lubbock 2003, Stephani Stokes.

Stokes is currently the Miss Hearst Euleless Bedford 2004, and both are looking forward to seeing each other at the state pageant.

"It will make it easier to see a friendly face," she said. "Hopefully, we'll be the last two standing."

Stokes said she was impressed with Houston's drive from the start of the preparation of the pageant.

"From the first time we all met, she's wanted it," the senior broadcast journalism major from Lubbock said. "That's very important. She's very approachable, and she'll do well in the area schools."

Stokes also is glad she and Houston will compete against one another at Miss Texas.

"It will be nice to know there's a good friend and a fellow Red Raider there," she said.

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The Atkins Diet

The downlow on the diet of deprivation

By Megan LaVoie/Staff Reporter

When Kelly Buchanan started the Atkins diet, she was in awe of the instant gratification she found in losing a pound a day.

"At first Atkins was great, but once I came off of it I found myself binging on carbs. The diet is complete deprivation," said the sophomore public relations major from Arlington. "You can't live on meat and cheese forever."

The Atkins diet is based upon the book by Dr. Robert C. Atkins, "Dr. Atkins' New Diet Revolution." The now-famous diet focuses on a low carbohydrate, high protein and fat approach to eating.

The Atkins diet does not set limits on the amount of food one can eat, rather it restricts the type of foods one forks in their mouth. Meat, eggs, cheese and cream are the basis of the diet; pasta, white rice, refined sugar, milk and white flour are rarely allowed.

There are four different stages to the Atkins diet: induction, ongoing weight loss, pre-maintenance and lifetime maintenance. As one advances through each stage, carbohydrates are gradually incorporated back into the diet.

The induction stage, which lasts two weeks, is known as the hardest stage of the diet because one is forced to omit nearly all carbohydrates, living off only 20 grams of carbohydrates a day. Carbohydrates in this stage are allowed to be taken from salad and non-starchy vegetables.

The preceding stages gradually introduce carbohydrates back into one's diet until one consumes 100 grams of carbohydrates a day. Once an Atkins dieter gets to the last stage, the focus shifts from weight loss to weight maintenance.

Brent Shriver, an assistant professor of nutrition at Texas Tech, said the Atkins diet works by sending one's body into ketosis. "When your body is sent

into ketosis it starts burning its own fat for fuel," he said.

Shriver said when in ketosis, people are less likely to over consume food because their hunger decreases.

A downfall of ketosis is that some people experience bad breath and constipation.

Shriver said he doesn't view the Atkins diet as a long-term diet.

"When people follow the Atkins diet they are not training themselves. The results will be short-term because

trol," he said.

Although Landers is currently following the Atkins diet, he said it is horrible.

"You lose weight. That is the only thing good about Atkins. I love rice, potatoes and pasta and you can't eat them. The diet itself is horrible," he said.

Shriver said most people feel like Landers because the Atkins diet becomes too mundane.

"I don't see any way possible that someone can follow the Atkins diet for life. A person would have to be really dedicated and not easily bored. A person would also have to take many supplements if they stayed on the diet long term because there are entire food groups that are being eliminated from the diet," he said.

Buchanon said the Atkins diet works, but she realized no diet works long-term by depriving yourself from an entire food group.

"The Atkins diet is a diet meaning temporary, you can't live by it. You can't live by depriving yourself from a food group because all food groups are good for something," she said.

Shriver said the type of food you eat is not the problem — over-consumption of food is.

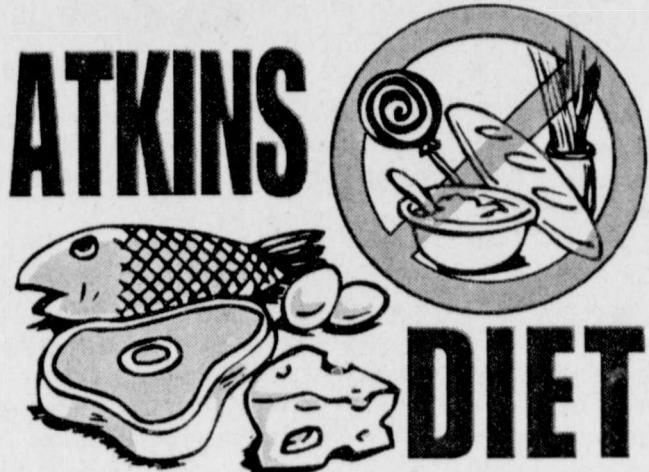
"People consume way too much in general. If carbohydrates supposedly make you fat, then the Japanese would be the fattest people in the world because most of their caloric intake is from white rice, vegetables and fruit," he said.

Shriver said a person can lose weight whether or not they are following a strict diet plan.

"If you control your caloric intake along with balanced exercise, you can lose weight whether or not you follow a plan," he said.

Shriver said if you have to take a supplement along with a diet, something is wrong.

"Restrictive diets are not good for life, and if you have to take a supplement because the diet is lacking a nutrient, that should be your first sign that something is wrong with the diet," he said.



FRANK VACULIN/Graphics Editor

ATKINS DIET	
Whats In:	Whats Out:
- Meat	- Bread
- Eggs	- Pasta
- Cheese	- Cereal
- Cream	- Candy
- Fish	- Crackers

Source: <http://atkins.com>

This is the first of a week-long series on diets. Check out *The UD* everyday this week for a new diet story.

when most people lose their added weight they return to their old habits and gain the weight and some back," he said.

Hunter Landers, a sophomore finance major from Canadian, said the first time he tried the Atkins Diet he lost 25 pounds.

"I lost 25 pounds the first time I tried it, but then I gained 30 pounds back after I got off because I ate out of con-

'Master and Commander' epic storytelling

James Eppler



It is 1805 and the Napoleonic wars are raging. The British naval ship, the HMS Surprise captained by Jack Aubrey (Russell Crowe), is sitting peacefully in the Pacific Ocean on a peaceful morning.

Ironically, the Surprise is soon surprised by a large 40-cannon French ship intent on destruction. The battle wages with deafening cannon-fire, crewmen ducking to miss the giant cannonballs and splinters of blasted wood flying in every direction. "Lucky Jack," as he is referred to in the British Navy, guides his ship into the fog to escape his attackers.

When the smoke clears, Aubrey sees his ship has been ripped to shreds by the attack.

He had been beaten. But even with a battered ship and a weary crew, Aubrey decides to make repairs at sea and then chase after the French ship for revenge.

That is the driving plot of "Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World," based on a few of the 20 novels written by Patrick O'Brian. But the film luckily has more going for it than a simplistic revenge plot, namely, the story it tells as it carries out the plot.

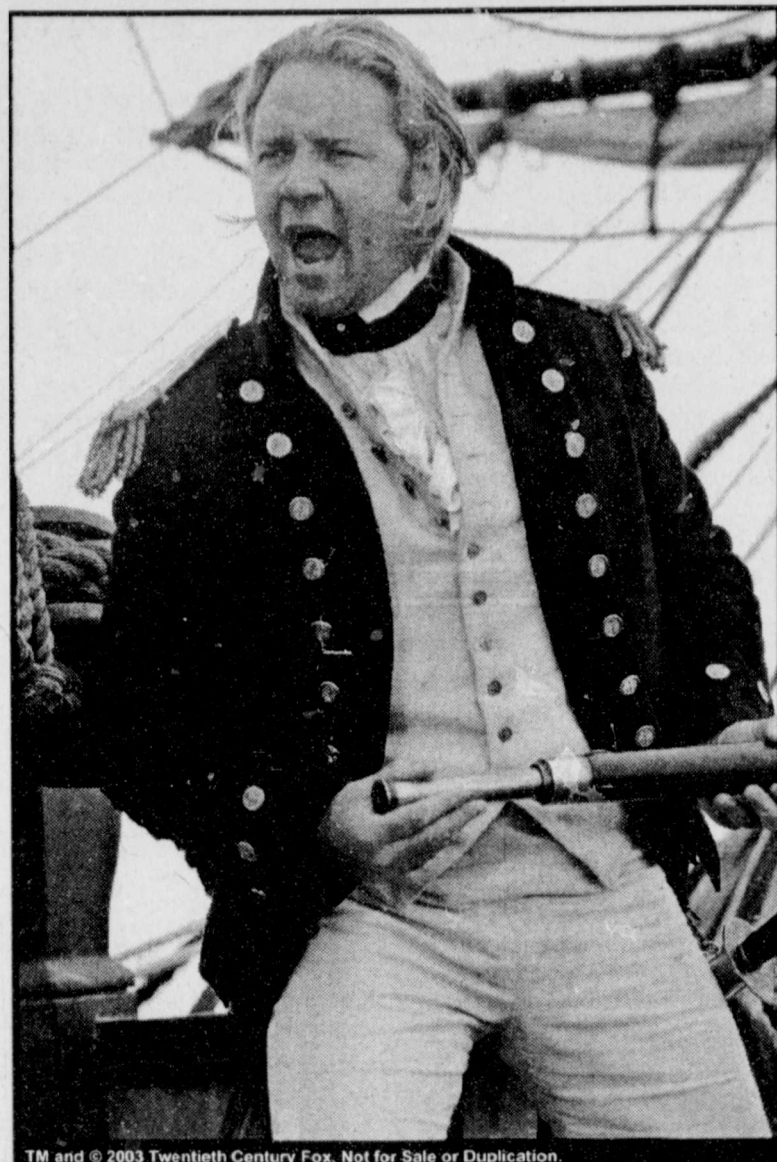
Make no mistake — story and plot are two different things. The story focuses on the crew of the Surprise and life at sea, but centrally, the friendship between Aubrey and the ship's surgeon, Dr. Stephen Maturin (Paul Bettany), who also worked with Crowe in "A Beautiful Mind").

Aubrey is a man's man whose mind is always on the mission. He's an authoritative leader but doesn't treat his men as we've seen other British ship captains do — namely Captain Bligh in "Mutiny on the Bounty."

Maturin's passion is biology, and we get the feeling that the only reason he signed up for the Navy was so he could investigate wildlife in different parts of the world.

The two make beautiful music together sometimes — literally. Aubrey plays the violin, and Maturin plays the cello. These are interesting scenes because they show us that these men of action still value music and art.

But the two personalities do not



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always harmonize. Take, for instance, a scene in which Aubrey breaks a promise to Maturin in order to further his mission. Maturin also sometimes acts as somewhat of a check on Aubrey when his reasoning becomes clouded.

Much of the film takes place on the ship, and much time is spent developing what can only be described as a different culture. The crew, which range from old men to young boys, seem to be living in a world all their own on that ship complete with hierarchies, certain superstitious beliefs and an understood bond between them.

Russell Crowe is solid as Aubrey and continues to prove himself as an excellent actor, but I don't think that he deserves the Oscar nomination that he is obviously craving.

The film's finest performance comes from Bettany, who absolutely deserves to be recognized for his supporting work here. He plays Maturin as somewhat of an emotional softy throughout but then reveals an alligator-skinned layer beneath as he insists on digging a bullet out of his torso with his own hand. He gives a wonderful performance.

Direction by Peter Weir ("Dead Poet's Society," "The Truman Show") often feels epic, and he takes his time telling the story. His film loves the ocean water like David Lean's

"Lawrence of Arabia" loved the desert sand.

The film is billed as an action movie, but this is not a swashbuckling action extravaganza. If that's what you're wanting, go see "Pirates of the Caribbean." The film has only two major battles — one at the beginning and one at the end — to serve as pieces of bread that surround the meat of this film, which is the story and characterization.

For what "Master and Commander" is lacking in plot, it makes up for with excellent directing, a solid story and strong performances.

EPPLER'S RATING:



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

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Cultural banquet encouraging diversity a merging of community, university members

By Justin Vallejo/Staff Reporter

Lubbock City Council members, Texas Tech administration and faculty and individuals from different cultural backgrounds and faiths joined together for a feast in order to celebrate diversity Sunday at Zba's Mediterranean Restaurant.

The dinner was organized by a Tech

student organization, the Intercultural Dialogue Association.

Ibrahim Sonnez, a graduate student in the department of geosciences from Istanbul, Turkey, and president of the organization, played a major role in coordinating the event.

He believes such an event is a great opportunity to promote understanding

between different lifestyles and beliefs.

"Our goal is to promote a mutual understanding of each other and raise awareness of diversity," Sonnez said.

He said the overall goal for the Intercultural Dialogue Association was to invite as many people from the different spectrums of society to come together in order to celebrate each other.

The feast highlighted the two events of Thanksgiving and Ramadan.

Since the end of Ramadan and Thanksgiving occur close together this year, the association thought it would be a good idea to use the time of the year to celebrate the two holidays simultaneously in one dinner celebration.

Members of the Muslim faith who have been fasting as part of Ramadan used the opportunity to break their fast.

Presentations about the history of both Ramadan and Thanksgiving were

given and the traditional Thanksgiving Dinner was served as well as the Ramadan Feast.

"We think it is necessary to demonstrate and share the differences in culture and faith. We think it is very important, not only to improve the harmony in society, but to strengthen the bonds of the community," said Sonnez. "It's a chance for people to meet new people."

Mayor Protem for the City of Lubbock, Victor Hernandez, took the opportunity to become more familiar with the holy holiday of Ramadan and its traditions.

Hesaid he has experienced first hand, the continuous growth of international cultures in Lubbock within the past few years.

"I think good old West Texas is becoming more international in its flare," Hernandez said.

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Tech advances to third round of WNIT

By Joey Kirk/Staff Reporter

With about 10,000 fans in attendance, the Texas Tech Lady Raiders played well enough on Sunday to keep them in their seats and might have secured another opportunity for the fans to watch a WNIT game.

The Lady Raiders advanced to the semifinal round of the 2003 Preseason Women's National Invitational Tournament after defeating Western Kentucky 88-47 Sunday. Tech coach Marsha Sharp said because of a good attendance rate at the team's first two tournament games, the United Spirit Arena could be chosen to host the next round of competition.

Tech dominated the game against Western Kentucky early and did not lead up on the Lady Toppers as Tech cruised to a win. Tech's leading scorer, senior guard Jia Perkins, had a total of 18. She said beginning the game on a good note was the main objective for the Lady Raiders.

"Our focus was getting a fast start," Perkins said. "Every night, we want to make buckets quick, and my teammates were finding me for the open shots, and I was knocking them down."

Tech made 31 of 66 field goal attempts, shooting 47 percent overall from the floor. Sophomore forward Jamera Clark followed Perkins with 15 points, making six of her eight attempts.

Clark said the height advantage Tech had over

the Lady Toppers made getting more points simple.

"Most of them are at six foot, and we're 6'1" or 6'2"," she said. "We just had to bump it off the glass and make the easy buckets."

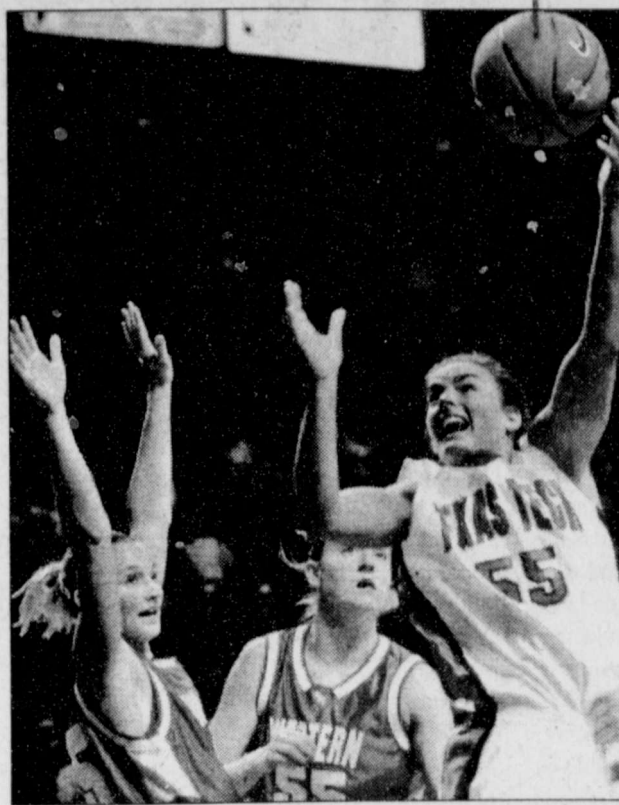
Along with Clark and Perkins, freshman guard Alesha Robertson had a chance to perform against the stunned Lady Toppers. Robertson had 10 points in the game, six of which came from two three-pointers. Sharp said the outside shots helped Tech to win the game but also increases the inside game.

"It's happening on the perimeter," she said. "Nice shots can be taken, and it opens up for the post action."

With better play close to the basket, sophomore center LaToya Davis picked up her first double-double. Although Western Kentucky managed to get one more rebound, 43-42, than the Lady Raiders, Davis had four offensive and six defensive rebounds in the game. Along with getting the most rebounds for Tech, she finished tied for third in scoring, with 10 points.

The Lady Raiders are now 2-0 in WNIT play. Tech earned its first tournament win with a 76-48 victory Friday against Texas-San Antonio.

Tech moves to the semifinal round of the tournament against the winner of the 7 p.m. Monday game between Utah and UC-Santa Barbara. Tech will play Thursday, but time and location has not yet been determined.



JENNA HANSEN/Photography Editor

TEXAS TECH GUARD Alesha Robertson attempts a one-handed shot while being defended by two Western Kentucky players during the Lady Raiders victory against the Lady Toppers Sunday in the United Spirit Arena.

Aggies down out upset hopes with five-game win

If there would have been goalposts in the United Spirit Arena Saturday, Raider fans would have been eyeing them with anticipation as Tech was in pursuit of a major upset.

The Texas Tech volleyball team (11-15 overall, 3-15 Big 12 Conference play) took the No. 18 ranked Texas A&M Aggies (19-7, 11-5) to a dramatic five-game match but came up short in the end.

In the opening game, the Aggies came out swinging. The Red Raiders would trail the entire game, with the exception of the first point, and Tech lost the game 30-21.

In game two the Raiders decided to return the favor. The Raiders took the lead and held A&M at bay for the rest of the game, winning 30-21.

In game three the Aggies gradually pulled away winning 30-22.

In game four A&M jumped out to a lead, but Tech inched closer. A 3-0 run gave Tech the 32-30 comeback victory.

In game five, however, the Raiders did not have their previous intensity. The Aggies never trailed and won the game and match, 15-9.

Tech head coach Nancy Todd said the Raiders were never able to get in a groove in the fifth game.

"When it gets to that fifth game, it gets a bit tense," she said. "We thought we had to relax and play our game, but people have to stay aggressive for sure. We need to be aggressive and more competitive in that last game. That's what we need to get better at."

In the end, this five-game match between Tech and A&M is something Grote said just happens with this rivalry.

"When (the Aggies) come to Lubbock, they always know that we are going to be able to give them a good game," she said. "So, I'm sure that they were expecting it. I don't mean to brag, but we're not a team that necessarily is going to lie down."

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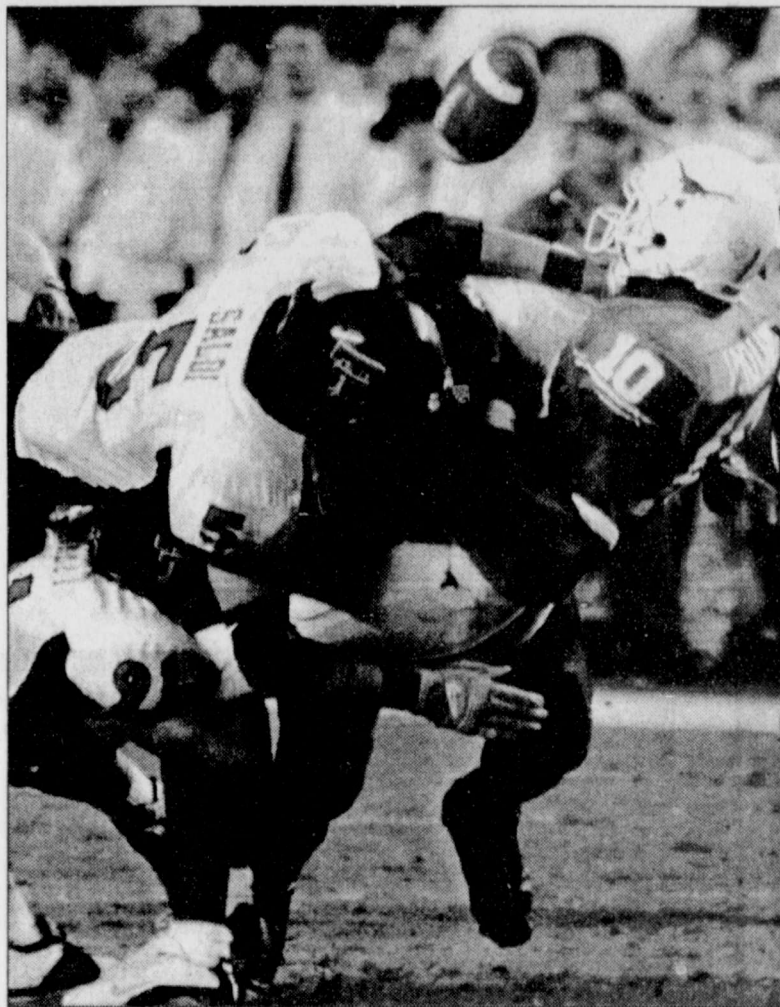
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Longhorns' final effort dooms Red Raiders



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TEXAS TECH LINEBACKER John Saldi and defensive end Adell Duckett combine to take down Texas quarterback Vince Young during the Longhorns' 43-40 victory against the Raiders Saturday in Austin.

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

(AUSTIN)—In familiar fashion, Texas Tech quarterback B.J. Symons led his team in a comeback, but in the end the Red Raiders were too little, too late for the third time this season as kicker Keith Toogood's field goal attempt sailed wide left.

The Raiders halted the multiple threats on Texas' offense and put the team's No. 1 offense in the nation in a position to win the game. The offense took advantage scoring with more than two minutes remaining, only to see its lead disappear in the closing minute of the game. Tech's offense battled back against the Longhorns again, putting Toogood in field goal position, but his 48-yard kick attempt failed. The kicker had already fallen victim in the game as the Longhorns had blocked two of his extra point attempts.

The final seven minutes of the game showcased the emotional spectrum for the Raiders as the team experienced the high and the low. After the game Symons discussed his feelings about the loss.

"Obviously, we're disappointed," said Symons. "We had them on the ropes, and I just feel like we let them get away with it at the end."

With 6:27 left in the game, the defense stopped the Longhorns, as Texas could not convert a fourth and eight. The Raiders then marched down the field to take their first lead in the game since the opening drive at 40-35. The scoring drive was capped with a 10-yard touchdown run by Taurean Henderson. Henderson had three scores on the night for 94 yards.

But Henderson's score was not enough to keep them in the lead for the remaining 2:03.

Chance Mock entered the game at quarterback for Texas and found a familiar Longhorn target immediately. Longhorn star receiver Roy Williams breathed air back into Texas' chances

with a 54-yard reception from Mock to shift the momentum and put Texas in Red Raider territory and in position to get back the lead.

Texas took back the lead with a touchdown pass by Mock to B.J. Johnson. Mock finished the game 4-5 for 75 yards and a touchdown.

The Tech offense rallied again with less than a minute to play. Symons led Tech to the 31-yard line with five minutes remaining, but Toogood's kick from the left hashmark did not move far enough right, and the Raiders fell short of forcing overtime. Longhorn players stormed the field to celebrate as Toogood fell to his knees with his face turned toward the ground.

The offensive effort by the Raiders was not enough to score a win for Tech and the relationship between the offense and defense became a topic again.

The defense had come success stopping the Longhorns' attack in the game up until the final pivotal drive, and Symons said he felt good about the chances of winning the game after Tech took the lead. He knew he and the offense did their jobs, and it was the defense's turn to continue to stop the

Longhorns. When it couldn't, Symons gave praise to how hard Texas fought.

"I came off the field knowing we did our job, which was to go down there and score," he said. "I take my hat off to Texas. They played four quarters and fought to the end. We just came up a little bit short today."

Symons, who made a push toward two more NCAA records Saturday, said the loss is difficult to take given how close the Raiders came, but no matter how close Tech came to winning it doesn't matter because there is no such thing as a win from a loss.

"We're not really into moral victories around here," he said. "Everybody's gonna want to pat us on the back and say what a good game we played, but we expected to win the game, and we didn't win the game. It comes down to that. We lost the game; this is no moral victory for me or for the team."

There is no moral victory for Symons, who had 365 yards and three touchdowns, moving him closer to the NCAA season records for both categories. There is also no moral victory that Tech's defense stopped Texas starting quarterback Vince Young from running like Missouri's Brad Smith. The defense held Young to 53 yards rushing after allowing Smith 291 yards earlier this

season. The Raider defense also forced three turnovers by Young.

But when Young disappeared and Mock returned from exile, the defense collapsed and the 59 minutes of good play were replaced in importance by the one minute of Longhorn offensive dominance.

Playing for the entire 60 minutes was a sentiment head coach Mike Leach said was crucial to the game. He was disappointed in how his team could not get things rolling early.

"I think we looked real well for three quarters," he said. "We really played well for three quarters. The first quarter we came out a little hesitant. ...Texas is a great football team, and you need all four quarters to beat them, and they played a great game."

The blame game was again a hot topic after the loss. Much like Symons taking the blame for the loss at Oklahoma State and Leach shouldering the blame for the loss at Missouri, safety Vincent Meeks put the blunt of the loss on himself.

"I take the blame for that; I put all that on my shoulders," he said. "I played one coverage, and we played another one. ...So, personally, I put that on my shoulders on that last drive."

Meeks was covering Williams on the 54-yard play that renewed the Longhorns' chances.

But, players and coaches all said the loss cannot be because of one play. It is a team game, and the Texas Tech team did not win.

The entire team will have to move on and get ready for the No. 1 team in the nation this week. The Oklahoma Sooners will come to Jones SBC Stadium on Saturday, and Symons said the team will have to forget about the loss to Texas in order to be mentally ready for the Sooners.

"We just gotta regroup," he said. "We got Oklahoma, and we gotta try to clear our minds for this game, and it's gonna be tough to do."

PLAYERS OF THE GAME

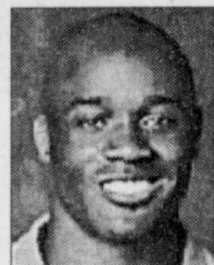
TEXAS TECH: B.J. SYMONS



STATS: 32-of-56 for 365 yards and three touchdowns.

NOTES: Needs less than 100 yards passing to set the NCAA record for most passing yards in a single season.

TEXAS: ROY WILLIAMS



STATS: Had eight receptions for 136 yards.

NOTES: His 54-yard reception put Texas in Tech territory during its final drive.

GAME STATS

TEXAS TECH	vs. Texas	TEXAS
40	Score	43
32	First Downs	29
30-162	Rushes-Yards	43-207
365	Passing Yards	287
32-58-0	Passes Att-Comp-Int	20-30-2
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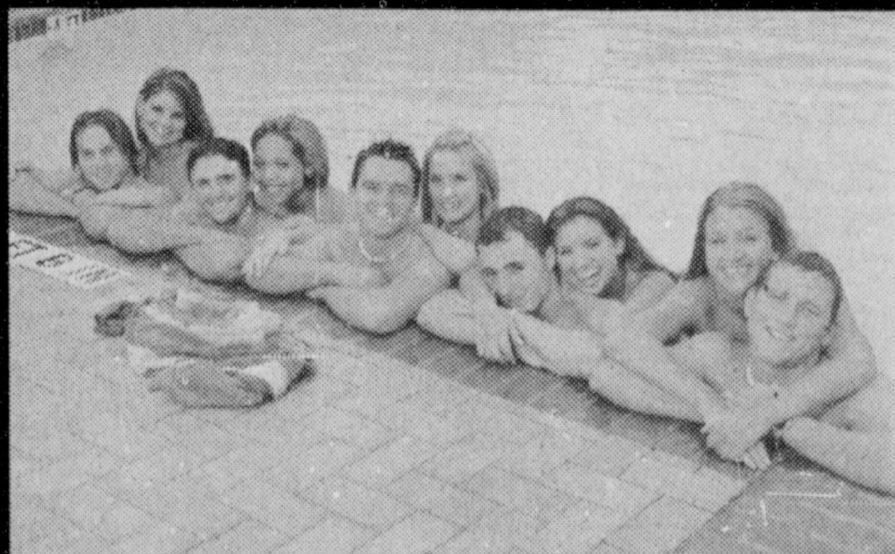
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