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## Proposal changing withdrawals being examined

By Michael Castellon/The University Daily

Beginning next fall, incoming Texas Tech students will not be allowed to receive more than four withdraw-pass grades for a course, according to a proposal being examined by the university's provost office.

Under the proposed plan, if a student receives a grade of withdraw-pass more than four times for a particular course, they will be required to complete the course for a grade.

The proposal also indicates students enrolling in more than 16 hours will not pay institutional tuition costs for hours exceeding

16. Students will be required to pay all other fees. All current students will be grandfathered into the new policy structure.

The effort is in response to dismal four-year graduation rates at the university. Currently, Tech students take an average of five and a half years to graduate.

Student Government Association President Jeremy Brown is working with the provost's office on the proposed plan and said he would like to see some aspects of the proposal work more directly in the favor of students.

One consideration included in the policy

is a change that would not allow a student to retake a course in which a grade of C or above was earned.

"I kind of have mixed emotions about it," he said. "I'd like to see it worked out so that it doesn't penalize the student too bad. So we plan on fighting the part about grade changes."

Tech officials have recently been finding areas of concern that may be hindering graduation rates, and are offsetting concern by implementing penalties for delayed graduation. Also, they have created incentives like decreased tuition costs for students seeking speedier graduation, and who are willing to

take heavier course loads.

Earlier this year, Tech President Jon Whitmore pushed through a proposed voluntary four-year contract that, if signed, will require a student to graduate in four years. The contract guarantees the university will make available the necessary courses for a student to graduate on time, and a failure on the university's part to do so will result in free tuition for the extra semesters it takes the student to graduate.

Enrollment growth at the university has steadily increased in recent years as the result of population growth in the state. State offi-

cial have been asking universities to prepare for such growth in the immediate future. But these trends, coupled with state and federal budget deficits, have left university officials scrambling to find creative ways to push students through academic programs more quickly.

Tech officials hope that by increasing faculty numbers and increasing the rate at which students graduate, the university will strengthen areas that make lawmakers skeptical about earmarking state and federal dollars

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### Public Affairs

## Judge rules against Gay Straight Alliance

**LEGAL LINE:** LISD did not infringe on First Amendment rights of Lubbock High group.

By Sally Gunter/The University Daily

U.S. District Court Judge Sam R. Cummings drew a line Wednesday for what is defined as proper subject matter allowed in Lubbock schools.

Cummings ruled the Lubbock Independent School District did not infringe on the First Amendment Rights or the Equal Access Act of the Lubbock High School Gay Straight Alliance by not permitting the group to post and distribute fliers, use the public address system and be recognized as a student group with rights to meet on campus.

"This case has nothing to do with a denial of rights to students because of their sexual viewpoints," according to Cummings' statement. "It is instead an assertion of a school's right not to surrender control of the public school system to students and erode a community's standard of what subject matter is considered obscene and inappropriate."

The Gay Straight Alliance filed a lawsuit on July 8, claiming LISD's denial of the group's request violated the free speech rights of the students.

Cummings stated in his opinion the request by the Gay Straight Alliance violated LISD's abstinence policy by providing on the group's Web site links to material with sexual content.

LISD's abstinence policy does not address safe sex or the use of birth control at all but does address the ramifications of sex, said Ann Manning, a partner with McWhorter, Cobb & Johnson Law Firm that represents LISD.

"The effects of exposing minors to sexual material before they are mature enough to understand its consequences and far-reaching psychological ramifications compels a school district to step in and draw such a line," according to Cummings' statement. "This case is simply about a school

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### Public Affairs

## Tech employee awarded \$400,000 settlement

By Sally Gunter/The University Daily

A Texas Tech employee is receiving retribution a year after being terminated from her job with the City of Lubbock.

The Lubbock City Council voted 4 to 1 on Thursday to approve a \$400,000 settlement agreement to an age and sex discrimination lawsuit filed by Sharlett Chowning, the director of financial affairs systems at Tech.

"I am relieved to have this matter finally settled," Chowning said. "Though I have not been made whole by this settlement for the wrongs that have been done to me, I now can put it behind me and move on with my life."

Tommy Gonzalez, former interim city manager, fired Chowning as part of a reduction within the city government.

Chowning worked in the Information Technology division of the city for 17 years.

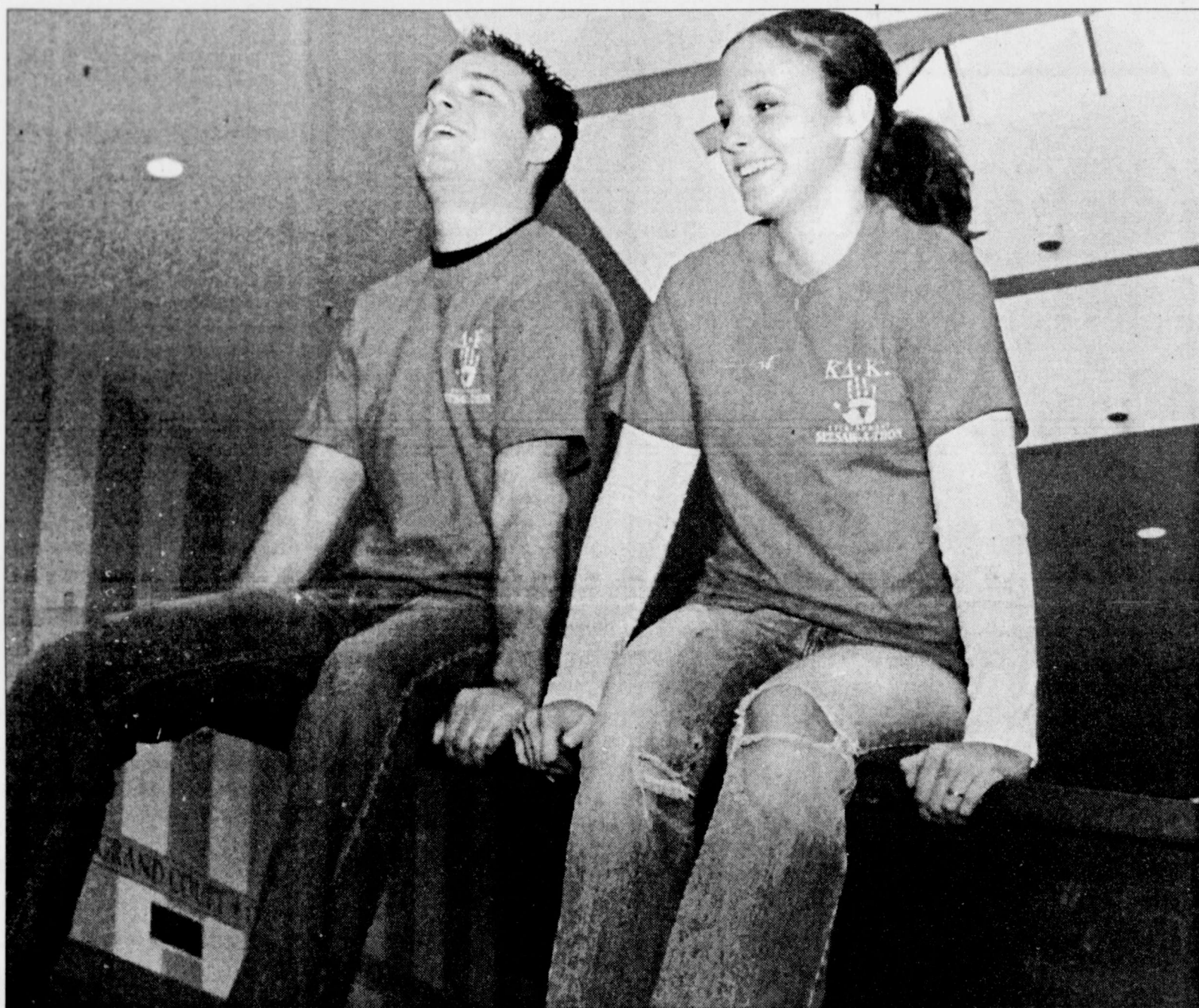
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SHARLETT CHOWNING, WHO was fired by then interim city manager Tommy Gonzales, worked in the information technology department for the city of Lubbock. She was awarded a \$400,000 lawsuit settlement by the city of Lubbock for gender discrimination. Chowning is a Texas Tech employee.

## CHILDISH CHARITY



LINC ARMES/The University Daily

CARSON GOOCH, A freshman restaurant, hotel and institution major from Arlington; sits on a seesaw with Paige Hundemer, a sophomore restaurant, hotel and institution major from Irvin; during the Kappa Delta See-Saw-A-Thon that raises money to help prevent child abuse.

## Kappa Delta, Kappa Sigma seesaw in effort to raise money for prevention of child abuse

By Nikki Siegrist/The University Daily

For once, not acting their age paid off.

Kappa Delta sorority members started seesawing at noon Thursday to raise funds for Prevent Child Abuse America during their 17th annual See-Saw-A-Thon.

For 48 hours, the women of Kappa Delta and men representing Kappa Sigma, will rise and fall on a 20-foot seesaw. At the top of the ride, the students are about six feet off the ground.

Megan Sturdivant has participated in the event for two years and said she enjoys the event.

"You get butterflies in your stomach when you're going down," the sophomore public relations major from Cedar Hill said. "It's scary, but a lot of fun."

The participants ride for one and a half hour-shifts outside of men's Dillard's in the Grand Court of the South Plains Mall.

Being hoisted into the air can present some problems, Sturdivant said. Some of the women fell, but no one was hurt. She said getting a bruise for charity was worth it.

Before the See-Saw-A-Thon began, several local businesses sponsored the event and helped raise about \$8,000. Sturdivant said she hopes to get about \$300 from donors at the mall.

Gina Biondillo, the Seesaw chairwoman for the sorority, said she was excited about the event, which will last until Saturday.

Every year, Kappa Delta sororities across the nation hold an event to raise money for Child Abuse Prevention America. They call the event their "Shamrock." Nationally she said the sorority raised about \$5 million last year.

Biondillo, a junior public relations major from Houston, said many local businesses donated because of the amount of money that stays in the Lubbock

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### Student Affairs

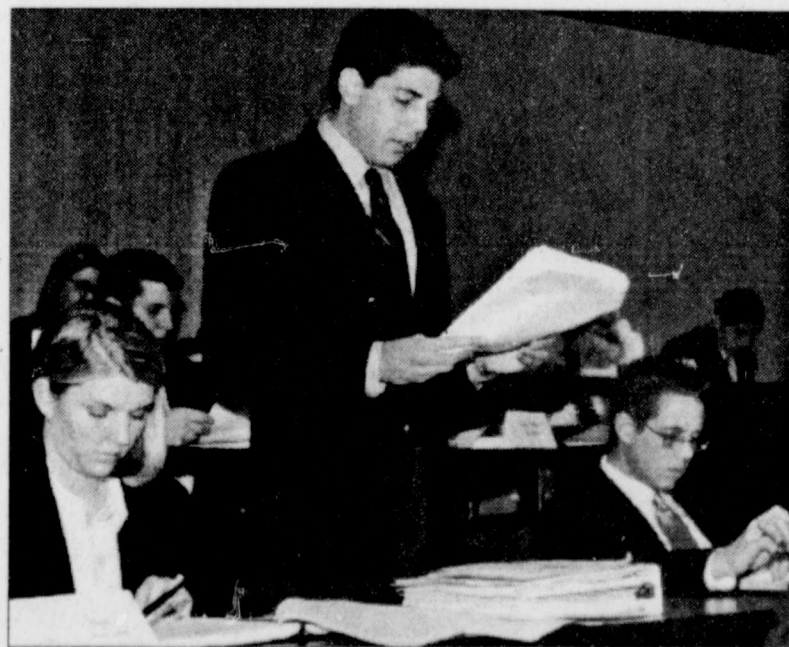
## Student Senate votes in favor of fall break for Tech students

By Andrew Bell/The University Daily

As students throughout Texas Tech begin to prepare for spring break, the Student Senate of the Student Government Association discussed giving students a break during the fall semester at its meeting 7 p.m. Thursday in the Lankford Lab of the Electrical Engineering building.

According to the resolution, the proposed break would occur between Labor Day and Thanksgiving. Senator-At-Large Chris Carr said students would prefer a break in mid-October, according to feedback the SGA received from the student body of Tech.

To prevent a mid-semester burnout, the break would consist of a consecutive Thursday and Friday, giving students a four-day weekend. Carr said the Senate would look into a weekend with an away football game, so students



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MATT MIMS, (CENTER), a senior finance and economics major from Colleyville, reads a portion of the budget and finance bill for all Tech organizations for 2004.

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ENGINE EXPLORATION



ANDREW WEATHERL/The University Daily  
SHEILA JURANEK, A freshman pre-medicine major from Corpus Christi, is shown her serpentine belt replacing before she heads home for spring break. Scott Egert, who is helping her, is the owner of Scott's Complete Car Car, whose company donated its time to inspect students' cars Thursday afternoon on the third floor of the parking garage.



One dead in wreck following car chase

MOORE (AP) — A pickup truck loaded with at least 10 people rolled over following a chase, killing one of the occupants, a state trooper said Thursday.

Several others were seriously injured in the crash of the extended-cab pickup late Wednesday night, which followed attempts by a Zavala County sheriff's deputy to stop the vehicle for an unspecified traffic violation. The truck's driver was arrested.

A Department of Public Safety trooper who declined to be identified told The Associated Press at least one of the truck's occupants was injured seriously enough to be transferred to a San Antonio hospital.

The sheriff's deputy chased the truck, which was eastbound on U.S. 57 about one mile west of Interstate 35, when its driver failed to stop.

DPS officers assisted the deputy in the chase.

Law officers tried to stop the vehicle by throwing spikes in the road.

As the truck tried to negotiate the turn from U.S. 57 onto I-35, it hit an embankment and flipped where the interstate crosses the U.S. highway.

One person in the truck died when he was ejected from the vehicle, authorities told the *San Antonio Express-News* in Thursday's editions. Law officers said at least 10 people were packed into the cab and truck bed.

State troopers in Pearsall were interviewing some of the truck's occupants early Thursday.

A DPS dispatcher said she could not confirm initial reports that authorities were trying to locate a vehicle carrying undocumented immigrants when the crash occurred.

Originating near Eagle Pass on the Texas-Mexico border, U.S. 57 dead-ended into I-35. The rollover occurred about 40 miles southwest of San Antonio.

The Rundown



Convicted killer to be tried for earlier killing

DETROIT (AP) — Michigan's attorney general plans to prosecute a confessed serial killer for a 1979 slaying to try to prevent the man's scheduled release from a Texas prison in two years.

Attorney General Mike Cox said Thursday he would file a first-degree murder charge against Ceral E. Watts, 50, for the 1979 stabbing of a Detroit woman.

The government is barred from using Watts' admissions in 13 other killings under a plea bargain for the burglary sentence he has been serving since 1982.

"This man is a confessed killing machine who has promised to kill again," Cox said at a news conference.

The murder charge expected later Thursday involves Helen Dutcher, 36, whose body was found in the driveway of a dry cleaner in suburban Ferndale.

The break came in January, after Cox appealed for public help in the case. Cox declined to say what the witness said or if it differed from the original information.

It was not immediately clear whether Watts has an attorney at this point. The office of his 1982 attorney, Zinetta Burney, said Burney no longer represented him. Burney did not immediately return a message seeking comment.

Though Watts was suspected in a series of savage stabbings, hangings, stranglings and drownings in Texas and Michigan in the late 1970s and early 1980s, police could never connect him to the crimes. Desperate to close the cases, prosecutors agreed to a plea bargain that included immunity from his confessions.

In 1982, Watts pleaded guilty to burglary with intent to commit murder for a break-in at the Houston home of two women, whom he attacked. Houston police interrupted the assault.

Watts admitted he killed 13 women, directing police to the grave sites of two women and a missing 14-year-old girl.

Because of the immunity deal, he was sentenced to 60 years in prison for the burglary charge.

Watts told authorities at the time he would kill again if he got out, but authorities thought the sentence was enough to put him behind bars for life. However, mandatory release laws aimed at relieving prison crowding require Watts be discharged May 8, 2006. He will be 52.



German court gives 9/11 convict a retrial

KARLSRUHE, Germany (AP) — The only person in the world convicted in the Sept. 11 attacks won a retrial Thursday after an appeals court faulted Washington for refusing to allow testimony from a key al-Qaida captive.

The Federal Criminal Court overturned the conviction of Mounir el Motassadeq, a Moroccan, leaving German prosecutors with little to show for their efforts to pursue suspects who may have belonged to the Hamburg cell that included three of the suicide hijackers.

A month ago, el Motassadeq's friend Abdelghani Mzoudi was acquitted of identical charges of giving logistical aid to the cell. Relationship of Sept. 11 victims again expressed frustration and Germany's top security official, Interior Minister Otto Schily, called Thursday's ruling "regrettable."

El Motassadeq, 29, remains in the Hamburg prison where he was serving the maximum 15-year sentence for more than 3,000 counts of accessory to murder and membership in a terrorist organization. Presiding Judge Klaus Tolksdorf said he is still "under a high degree of suspicion."

That comment resembled remarks by the presiding judge in Mzoudi's case, who had said the acquittal was "no reason for joy" and came not because the court believed Mzoudi was innocent but because there wasn't enough evidence against him.

Lawyers said they would seek el Motassadeq's release and planned to introduce new evidence in the retrial that was critical to Mzoudi's acquittal. El Motassadeq has denied involvement in the Sept. 11 plot.

"I believe he is guilty," said Stephen Push, founder of the New York-based Families of Sept. 11 group, whose wife was aboard the plane that crashed into the Pentagon. "It's unfortunate that the conviction wasn't upheld."

In Washington, the Justice Department said the court ruling was a German affair.

"We will continue to cooperate to the fullest extent possible with Germany in the fight against our common foe, the terrorists," spokesman Mark Corallo said.



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## Seesaw

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area. She said 80 percent of the proceeds stay in Lubbock and are donated to the Children's Advocacy Center, and the other 20 percent goes to the national child abuse center.

This is the first year the men of Kappa Sigma have helped Kappa Delta. Sturdivant said they decided to work with them because of the dedication of the fraternity.

"We hang out with them, and they're fun guys," she said. "They come and they work hard."

Justin Holland, a volunteer with Kappa Sigma, rode the seesaw Thursday and tried to attract a crowd with goofy poses.

"It was fun," the sophomore general studies major from Rockwall said. "I did a few tricks up there. We had a few close calls but it was safe. It was for a good cause."

The Children's Advocacy Center

protects abused children and raise awareness about abuse.

According to From Darkness To Light, another child abuse prevention center, one in four girls and one in six boys are sexually abused before their 18th birthday and the median age of those reporting abuse is nine.

Only one in 10 victims reports the abuse. Children who do not tell others of the abuse are more likely to develop psychological, emotional, physical or social problems that last into adulthood.

Family members make up 34 percent of abusers, the center reported, and another 59 percent are close friends of the family.

These statistics are what Kelsey Kattner, a freshman nursing major from Pearlard, said she rode to help.

She said riding the seesaw also made her feel like a child again and she believes the fund-raiser was appropriate for the charity.

"It's interesting; it's different," she said. "It's a really great idea and a way to give back."

## Ruling

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district's ability to control sexual subject matter on its campus."

Brian Chase, lawyer for the plaintiffs, said an appeal to the 5th U.S. Circuit Court is an option.

"In my opinion, the court should have followed the six other courts that said kids can assemble," he said. "You don't lose the first amendment right just because you're 16."

The students involved in the lawsuit are disappointed in the decision, Chase said.

"There aren't kids that are scared," he said. "Schools are not empowered to control what students think and say."

When Joseph Schottland, an LISD faculty member, wrote a letter to Assistant Superintendent of the Secondary Schools of Lubbock, Fred Hardin, on Sept. 9, 2002, ask-

ing permission for the Gay and Proud Youth Group to post notices at LHS about the off campus meetings, Texas law banned sexual acts between homosexuals.

It also made it a crime for minors to engage in sexual acts if they are of the same sex or if they are of opposite sex and more than three years apart in age.

Cummings stated "the defendant would have acted in precisely the same manner had a group with a core directive to promote heterosexual views and discussions attempted to hand out or post fliers with a Web site that contains highly sexual content."

LISD goes to great lengths to protect the students, Manning said.

By law, it is required to have filters on the computers to prevent any sexual content, or the school district will lose its funding, she said.

LISD is pleased with the ruling because its intent is the well-being of the students, she said.

"It's a big difference dealing with children and adults," she said. "We believe that when dealing with sex and sexual activity it is an inappro-

priate place for that type of discussion."

Cheyenne White, president of the Texas Tech Gay Straight Alliance, said the ruling is not fair to homosexuals and the students at Lubbock High.

"The Gay Straight Alliance isn't about sex," White said. "It's about our rights."

During meetings, White said members discuss constitutional rights.

The group and individuals in the group have morals and values.

"These students are in high school, and some have chosen to not have sex," she said.

Cummings ruled the age of the students should be taken into consideration when sexual material is presented.

"Students in such institutions are impressionable, vulnerable and often unable to make critical decisions in an informed, mature manner," according to the ruling. "Thus, constitutional principles will be applied with sensitivity and flexibility to the special needs of parents and children."

## Withdrawals

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for the university. The plan, in part, intends to polish the university's image, and in turn generate more funds for the university.

The plan of moving students through the system faster comes at a costly price for students. Last week, the university's Board of Regents approved a proposal to increase tuition by 36 percent beginning next fall. The tuition increases and changes in policy serve to finance the cost of completing such a task.

"I think, ultimately, it will add value to the degrees people obtain from Texas Tech," said Chairman of the Board C. Robert Black.

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## Settlement

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"I was thrown out with the garbage because I was 50 and a woman," Chowning said. "It's not a secret. I was not let go for performance."

Chowning filed an employment discrimination complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission shortly after being fired.

After an investigation, the city denied any liability to Chowning "for any claim or cause of action" in a reso-

lution but agreed to settle to "avoid the inconvenience, distractions, uncertainties and expenses attendant to litigation and trial."

The city will pay Chowning \$250,000 and St. Paul Insurance Company will pay the remaining amount, said Mayor Marc McDougal.

"I don't know if the city did anything wrong," he said. "We're glad to get this issue behind us."

Since working at Tech, Chowning said she has not seen any of the same type of problems.

"The people where I work are won-

derful to me," she said. "I don't think there are these kinds of issues there."

Chowning said she wants people to be aware of the injustice.

"My worst fear now is that the conclusion of this case may cause some on the Council to resume their destructive and costly narrow-minded campaign against women in management posts, to say nothing of their biases against those of color," she said. "Only if the people of this city have become aware of the disease that has infected this Council, will my case have served the interests of justice."

## Senate

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would be able to travel and not have the road trip disrupt classes. The Senate passed the resolution.

In the past year, Tech students have experienced significant increases in fees and tuition. Joe Biles, a senator from the College of Arts and Sciences, said the resolution could change how the university looks at spending money.

Although other senators questioned the need because of other organizations conducting the same inquiries, the Senate passed the resolution.

Last month, 140 student organizations filed budget requests through the SGA's budget/finance committee. Since

then, the committee conducted interviews and created a draft containing each organization and the funds each would receive in the next fiscal year.

To ensure each student organization at Tech is able to receive funds from the SGA, the appropriations bill will be read at the next three Student Senate meetings. The Senate conducted its first reading of the resolution.

Until the final passage of the bill, representatives of student organizations can contact the SGA or a senator and inform the Senate they would like to be considered for funding, Carr said.

Student organizations that would like to contact the SGA can call (806) 742-3631. Also, student organizations can pick up an appeal sheet from the SGA office.

Although the Senate usually discusses university matters dealing with their constituents, they spent time Thursday debating internal matters.

Three resolutions on the docket concern the possible impeachment of two senators and the addition of two freshmen senators to the Senate.

Senators Dustin Darakhshan and Preston Browder were considered for impeachment by the Senate for attendance reasons.

However, both resigned, so the resolutions were not presented.

The other resolution considered the addition of two freshmen senators to the Student Senate.

Although arguments were presented on behalf of the resolution, the Senate did not pass the resolution.

# The University Daily READER'S CHOICE AWARDS

The Readers Choice Awards are a fun spring promotion sponsored by *The University Daily*. Tell us your opinion of what you think are the best things about Lubbock by filling out the ballot. The most popular answers will be tabulated and published in a special section on Friday, April 30.

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1. Chicken Fried Steak
2. French Fries
3. Steak
4. Barbecue
5. Hamburger
6. Pizza
7. Buffet
8. Mexican Food
9. Italian Food
10. Oriental Food
11. Margarita
12. Cold Beer
13. Happy Hour
14. Fast Food
15. All-Night Restaurant
16. All-You-Can Eat deal
17. Favorite Restaurant
18. Friendliest Service
19. Supermarket

### BEST SIGHTS & SOUNDS CATEGORY

1. Place to buy CD's & cassettes
2. Local TV News Team
3. Local TV Sportscaster
4. Local TV Weathercaster
5. TV Show
6. TV commercial
7. Local Radio Personality
8. Local Radio Morning Show
9. TV Station
10. Radio Station
11. Movie
12. Movie Theater
13. Video Rental Store
14. Local Band
15. Local C&W Band
16. Soap Opera
17. Internet Website

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1. Sporting Goods Store
2. Women's Shoes Store
3. Men's Shoes Store
4. Department Store
5. Jewelry Store
6. Western Wear Store
7. Discount Store
8. Consumer Electronic Store
9. Convenience Store
10. Bookstore
11. Clothing Bargains
12. Tire Store
13. Women's Traditional Clothing Store
14. Women's Casual Clothing Store
15. Men's Traditional Clothing Store
16. Men's Casual Clothing Store
17. Shopping Center/Mall
18. Internet Provider
19. Best place to buy jeans
20. Best Tattoo Shop
21. Best Travel Agency

### BEST PLACES CATEGORY

1. Place to study
2. Place to take a date
3. Place to work
4. Night Club
5. Bar
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16. Pharmacy
17. Romantic Dinner
18. Health Club
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## Bush vs. Kerry — serious campaigns begin

The race is on. Super Tuesday has come and gone, and it lived up to its name for Democratic presidential hopeful, John Kerry.

Winning nine of the 10 contests, the deal was closed when his closest opponent, John Edwards, dropped out of the race.

In August 2003, I first wrote a column about how much of an uphill battle it would be for the, then nine, Democratic nominee hopefuls. In this same column I posed the question of whether Bush was/is unstoppable.

Now, much has changed in the world and in the United States, but there will still be a battle. President Bush targeted a few of the Democratic candidates, but now he only has one target. Kerry's whole life will be analyzed, and every finding will be released to the American public.

He has had a long career in the United States Senate, which gives him experience. This experience gave him a leg up on the other hopefuls. But, Republicans will find a way to use this against him.

As Bush said Wednesday in California, "In fact, Senator Kerry's been in Washington long enough to take both sides on just about every issue."

But, Kerry has much support from many high profile Democrats, and he has the advantage of many Bush White House mistakes.

There is the whole war in Iraq, Halliburton, the war in Afghanistan, War on Terror and the outsourcing of many American jobs. There are also the potential problems with Bush's strong stance against gay marriage with him even calling for an amendment to the Constitution.

Then, you have the Bush immigration plans and a budget that is estimated to cause 2.75 trillion dollars in deficits.

These are all major factors that are telling Americans that a change is needed and

**Lucas Flores**



*This election will be very, proverbially, bloody. Fists have already begun to fly.*

the Democrats are promoting Kerry as that change. The Kerry campaign is flying high right now, but there is a "half-empty."

John Kerry has had many votes during his career as a U.S. Senator and every vote will come under much scrutiny. The major points of focus are Kerry's vote for the War on Terror in Afghanistan, his vote for NAFTA and his vote for allowing Bush to send troops into Iraq. Kerry will also need to focus on a platform.

He can now focus more on President Bush and what the Bush/Cheney Campaign will throw his way, instead of what his fellow Democrats will say. Kerry also will have to get his name out to more than just Democrats. The new target will be Independents because Republicans will focus on keeping Republicans, so Independents will

be focused on more. We have heard rumors that Kerry had an affair with a journalist and met with Jane Fonda, neither were found to be true, but beware more rumors. These rumors will be an outlet for the Republican rumor mill to create the impression of Kerry being a "Massachusetts Liberal."

Kerry felt little pain during the race for the Democratic Presidential nomination because the nominee hopefuls wanted to run "clean campaigns," and this may have been each of the candidates' problems.

After finding his platform, Kerry must also give Americans solutions to the many problems we already have. Many times these problems are merely listed.

Bush has already begun the criticism on this issue. "My opponent hasn't offered much in the way of strategies to win the war, or policies to expand our economy," the president said earlier this week. "So far, all we hear from that side is a lot of old bitterness and partisan anger."

We do not need to hear that "the economy is suffering because we are suffering because the economy is suffering." We live here; we know what the problems are. We need to hear solutions, not confusing rhetoric.

Another problem Kerry will have to face is the money machine that is the Bush Campaign and Company. Bush has more than 150 million dollars in his "War Chest" to blanket America with flyers, posters, bumper stickers and TV advertisements.

Kerry needs money and he needs it as soon as he can get it. This campaign is going to be an expensive one filled with many rebuttals to the many accusations by both campaigns.

This election will be very, proverbially, bloody. Fists have already begun to fly. Controversy began Thursday over the Bush election crew's TV ads that feature footage of the World Trade Center wreckage. With this being the first presidential election since Sept. 11 emotions will be running high as candidates try to capitalize campaigns on this horrific day in history. Babies have already been kissed on the campaign trail. And promises will soon be made ... and broken. He who prevails will have to repair his own name and the name of America. November is going to be thunder dome, two men will enter ... one man will leave.

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## Bring alcohol in city limits

*If students get involved in Lubbock politics, we can help bring this city's laws up to date*

It's happened to many of us. The party started early, the keg is floated and it's only 10 o'clock. Now the big question of the night — who wants to drive to the city limits to buy more beer?

This question plagues Texas Tech students every weekend, and it could be answered in another way if the Red Raiders would become more active in Lubbock politics.

Mayor Marc McDougal was recently interviewed by a local news station about the possibility of bringing alcohol within the city limits. The news package also compared prices at "The Strip" to prices at a liquor corner store in Amarillo. Imagine what they found — prices were cheaper in the city limits of Amarillo.

McDougal told me this issue is not a city matter but rather a county one. If residents wanted to present a signed petition, it would have to be taken to their respective county commissioner. Then, the commissioner can choose to call an election on the matter.

Why is this important to Tech students? Lubbock is in Lubbock County, and for at least nine months out of the year, we live in Lubbock.

Also, students complain about not being able to buy beer at the grocery store or gas station. Why not make an attempt to alleviate the problem? Register to vote in Lubbock County. You could make a difference. There are more than 29,000 students on campus — that's a lot of votes.

McDougal said he would like to see the students get more involved in the politics of their unofficial hometown.

"We always encourage students to get involved in Lubbock. Texas Tech is a big part of Lubbock, and certainly their input is important," he said.

The laws prohibiting packaged alcohol sales in the city limits are outdated. Since this issue was last voted on, the city has annexed more land. The most recent was the land south of 98th Street from Quaker Avenue to Milwaukee Avenue, from Milwaukee to Brownfield Highway. That was annexed in 1999, and another annexation occurred in the '70s. Because these areas were not part of Lubbock during the vote, the laws are not retroactive.

"New restaurants in these areas cannot even sell drinks for consumption in restaurant," McDougal said.

That means you can't even have a beer with your dinner if a new restaurant goes up in these neighborhoods.

It's time to put this issue back on the ballot, and McDougal said he thinks it will soon be headed there.

"In the last eight months I have had more

**David Wiechmann**



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conversations, e-mails and memos on this matter since I became a council member in 1998," he said. "That shows there is more interest out there. I said it would not surprise me if it were on the ballot in the next 18 months."

Eighteen months is not a long time, and I know freshmen are probably wondering how this is important to them because they are not old enough to purchase alcohol yet. Think of it this way: in 18 months you will be juniors, the year you turn 21.

There's more to this issue than simply buying alcohol wherever convenient. There is money to be made — lots of it. Lubbock is behind on the times, and bringing alcohol in the city limits would not only be more convenient, but more profitable.

"Lubbock is the largest city in Texas that does not have package sales. If Lubbock was to have package sales it is estimated that with just beer and wine revenue it would generate \$900,000 annually," McDougal said.

That's not counting potential liquor sales.

More money is to be made by whoever decides to jump on the bandwagon and open shop. You've seen how the tobacco stores have boomed in this town. How many Nothin' Butt Smokes did you see on your way to campus today? How about Smokin' J's? The alcohol business would thrive like the smoke shops, which would create more jobs, increase spending within the city and boost Lubbock's economy.

So bringing alcohol in town is not a bad idea. It not only keeps drunks from driving 10 miles to get more beer, but it also brings in oodles of cash for a city trying to take the next step up the ladder.

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### Letters to the Editor

#### Gilbreth, Toth misuse their power

I thought the madness would stop last week just before the SGA elections. It didn't.

Then I thought the madness would end after the votes were tallied and a run-off was announced for three executive positions. It didn't.

I had to open my UD Tuesday morning and read all about Heidi Toth and Kristen Gilbreth's opinions about this current SGA election. I have to ask ... what makes you writers think that your opinion is so important?

First off, let me address how absurd it is for the writers of *The UD* to choose whom the school should vote for in each election through endorsements. Did anyone bother telling you that you are a NEWSpaper and not a propaganda machine? Your job is to deliver the facts to the 30,000 students on this campus, not to try to persuade them to vote a certain way in an important campus election.

And it's not that you're voicing your opinion, that's no problem at all. That's why you have an opinion section in the paper. But you're not voicing an opinion; you're trying to persuade people to vote your way. And you never give any other candidates a chance to have a say.

You are all in love with Chris Carr. Anyone who has picked up a UD in the last two weeks can see that. If you think he should be the next SGA president, then vote for him. Tell your friends to vote for him. That's how people get elected.

But, don't use your privileged position to try and influ-

ence the entire student population without letting them hear both sides of the story. I, for one, know both candidates and feel that Mitchell Moses is the much better choice. But I'm not going to go into a sermon about how he's so motivated and how he loves this school, like you do for Carr. I don't think it's fair for my opinion to be put in front of 30,000 people I don't know.

Toth and Gilbreth almost seemed offended that people would vote against whom they chose for SGA President. They restated how "the UD Editorial Board endorsed Chris Carr ... with a 7-1 vote." Whoop-Dee-Do! Who are these eight people and why should I listen to them? They talk about Carr's "passion and unmatched dedication." How in the world would they know about these things after interviewing him once? They should work for "60 Minutes!"

I do applaud Toth and Gilbreth for encouraging students to vote. Students need to take an important election like this seriously. At this point in their article I had a shimmer of hope for them, hoping they were writing just to help students out and not to advertise for Carr. But, my hopes were instantly shattered when, in the very next sentence, they told students to do the right thing and vote for Carr. How disappointing.

I would like to end this with a little note to all the writers at *The UD* who value their own opinion so much: In the first election, more than 1,400 students voted for Moses and only 900 voted for Carr. There's a reason for that. There's a reason Moses received that many more votes, and it's not just because his fraternity voted

for him. Carr is also in a fraternity, and I guarantee you that no one in his house voted for Moses! Just let the Texas Tech students make up their own minds.

And, don't get mad just because the students don't agree with what you say.

— Matt Sherwood, junior accounting major from Amarillo

#### Toth, Gilbreth propaganda machines

After reading the opinion section of the March 3, *University Daily*, I discovered I have never read anything more hypocritical in my entire life. The column, written by the very talented and close-minded Heidi Toth and Kristen Gilbreth, was pretty much about what a hot shot and great presidential candidate Chris Carr is, but it is also, about how people need to make up their own minds when it comes to voting on SGA elections and not take influence from other people.

The thing that struck me, was in the article they proclaimed how students must make up their own minds and decide for themselves on which candidate to vote for, but apparently if you do not vote the way that Toth and Gilbreth suggest, you are a "sheep" who is giving into the Greek community. They dare to insult you if you vote for the person who is in a fraternity, but then they tell you to vote for the other person who is in a fraternity! Does this make sense to anyone?

Also, does the column ever mention the other candidates name? NO! I wonder why? It couldn't

be because they do not want people to vote for the other candidate could it? I thought newspapers were supposed to publish the news, not persuasion articles. Whatever happened to newspapers neutral standpoint on everything? I know it is an opinion column in the newspaper but do not preach to me about making up my own mind and then tell me who the best candidate is. How did you come about getting this 7-1 vote anyway? Did you stand him up in front of eight kindergarteners and keep a count on how many students did not kick him in the shin? Because after reading this column I would not be surprised if that was the "vote" you are talking about.

I also think that it is ridiculous how this column was published on the last day of elections. This means that no one can provide a response before the election is over. I think this is just a cheap and easy way Toth and Gilbreth are using their position as propaganda editors to make a last minute desperate campaign for Chris Carr. Now if that is not absurd I don't know what is.

I am just mad because both candidates were not given an equal opportunity in this article. But I still think it is funny how the authors of the March 3 column were bashing the Greek community for voting ... when both candidates are in fraternities. I guarantee that both fraternities, whose members are involved in the election, only voted for their member, but according to Toth and Gilbreth, that is the wrong thing to do.

— J.T. Hagenier, freshman architecture major from Amarillo

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# College of Education honoring teachers

By Robin Briscoe/  
The University Daily

She didn't want anyone in her small Illinois town of Geneseo to know her parents had gotten a divorce. But she was in grade school and hurting. It was the care of a teacher that helped the fourth-grader heal.

The teacher, Cheryl Radic, left the student, Nicole Scales, notes and let her know that she could talk to her.

Scales, now a journalism major at Texas Tech, said her teacher helped her to get through the divorce.

Teachers sometimes inspire, motivate and impact a student's life. Even the

days of recess are remembered because of some of them. The college is giving the community an opportunity to honor 40 teachers this month.

The College of Education is hosting the Tribute to Teachers 2004 on March 27. Sponsorship nominations need to be turned in by March 12.

Sponsors are asked to write a 10-sentence paragraph about their special educator that will appear on a Power Point presentation and program booklet.

All educators are welcome to be sponsored as a student even flew a grade-school teacher in from Iowa, Director of External Relations Karen Jacobson said.

But it is a first-come, first-served basis. As of Thursday, 33 nominations had been made.

Jacobson said many teachers do not get the thanks they deserve.

"A lot of people have a special place in their heart for a teacher," she said. "All of us can think of someone."

About 250 people attend the event. Public relations major April Harrin still has the memory of her second grade teacher, Ms. White, in her heart. Harrin said White encouraged her and made learning fun.

"She definitely pushed me to do my best," Harrin said.

The program is a personal spotlight

for educators, Jacobsen said.

The college plans to present crystal apples to sponsored educators.

There is a \$250 sponsorship fee, which includes a dinner for four, a gift for the honoree, and a certificate of appreciation. All proceeds go to COE. It has evolved into an elegant evening, Jacobsen said.

About 10 percent of the educators are from Tech, but there is a higher percentage of involvement because many academic units participate, Jacobsen said.

Howard Hughes Education, Raider Rojos and Kappa Delta Pi are among the groups that have decided to honor more than one educator this year.

Raiders Rojos Program Coordinator Janie Ramirez of their outreach educators because they reached to students.

Their chosen two also made tremendous efforts in the national alumni

association's cause of diversity, she said.

Jenny Smith can be contacted about sponsoring an educator. She can be reached in the COE at (806) 742-1998, Ext. 453.

# Pond goes through final stages in application process

By Robin Briscoe/  
The University Daily

Pond is a homegrown Techsan.

The animal and food sciences professor, who also is a finalist for dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, said his desire to accomplish more for the university is one reason he applied for the job.

Pond was the second candidate to go through a two-day selection process on Monday and Tuesday that involved meeting with students and faculty and learning more about the college.

He gave presentations and spoke to many people about his vision for the college and how he would advance the college, which is high on his list of importance.

"My vision is bigger things," Pond said.

He does well with the overall pic-

ture. His best asset was his range of many ideas and his vision that would take the college in the right direction.

Image is a big thing, Pond said. If he becomes dean he wants the college to be able to leave a great impression on the administration, students and alumni.

Pond highlighted his track record in his department to demonstrate how he could improve the college.

Everyone within the college will have the opportunity to have some impact on Marcy's final decision.

Feedback forms were available to everyone at the presentations, and Marcy plans to take them into consideration.

However, only 22 attended the graduate and undergraduate presentations.

Out of these, only two were undergraduate students, said Special Assistant to the Provost Carolyn Kennedy.

The numbers were lower than for the first dean candidate, Texas A&M entomology professor Frank Kistnap, she said.

Pond also has a track record in teaching. He spent almost 15 years

at North Carolina State University. Before that he got his start at Texas A&M, where he received his master's and doctorate degrees.

He earned his bachelor's degree in animal science from Cornell University in 1977.

Pond is a member of the Council for Agriculture Science and Technology and the National Association of Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture.



**THE Daily Crossword** Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

By John Underwood 3/5/04

Thursdays Puzzle Solved

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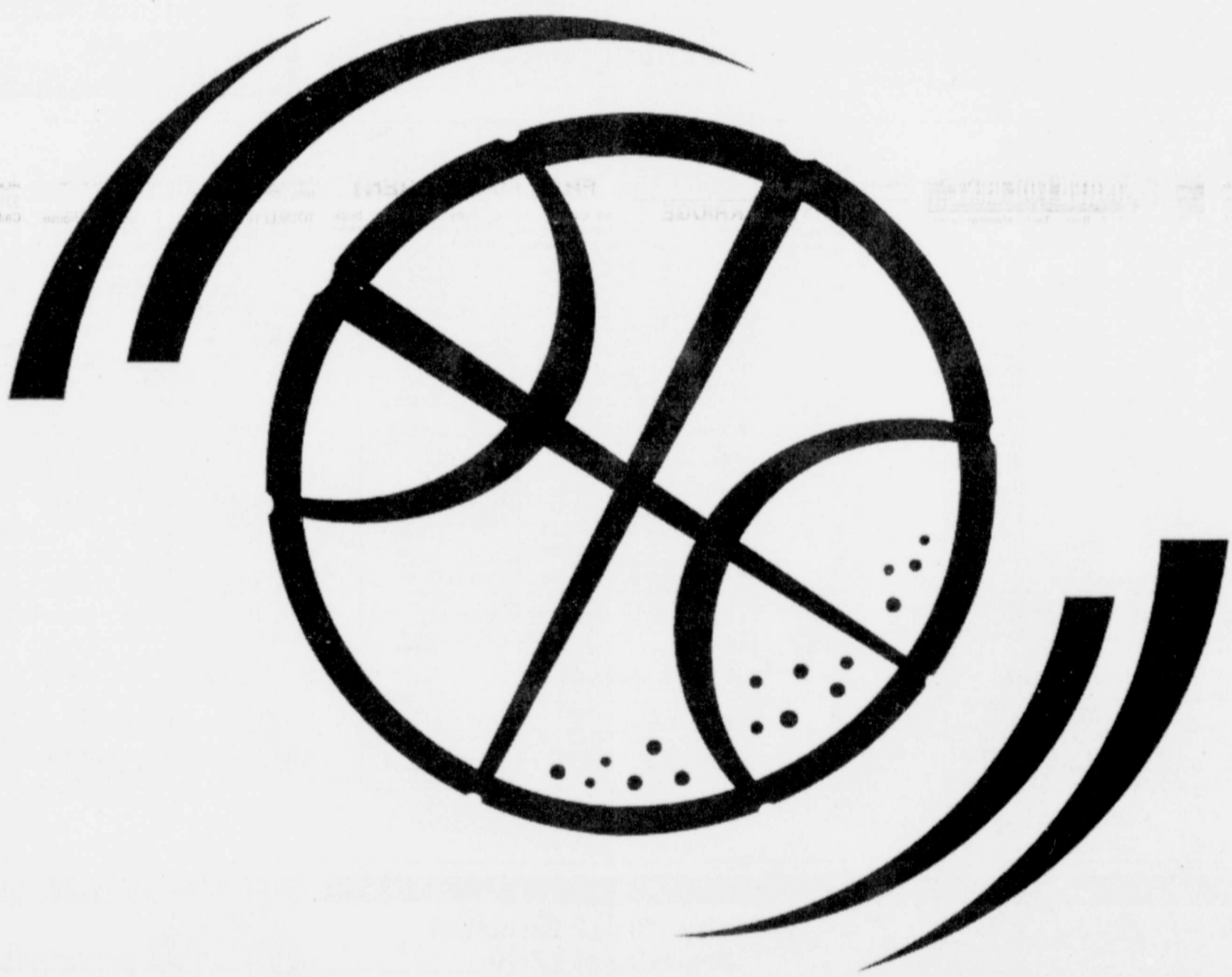
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## 'Nightingale' a well-directed daydream

Techn Theatre's production of "The Love of the Nightingale," which finishes its performances this weekend, is bound to garner mixed responses.

Some may love it, some may hate it and some will need to mull it over. One's reception of the play hinges on one central issue: it demands that the audience enter into a certain "artistic" state of mind. Those not understanding or not willing to surrender to this vision of theater may find little to appreciate about the show.

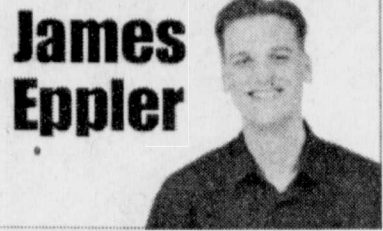
Director David Williams has formed this production from the outset to easily lend itself to the fantastical and dream-like quality of Greek myth. The Charles E. Maedgen Theatre is filled with a wispy fog upon entrance and the beautiful stage design is tinged with pink, green and orange lighting as faint tribal music is heard in the background.

The atmosphere aptly works to better facilitate the transition into the needed mindset.

The play, by British playwright Timberlake Wertenbaker, is loosely based on the myth of Procne and Philomele in the writings of Sophocles.

As the play opens, Procne (Lindsay Turman) is discussing men and sex with her naive younger sister,

### James Eppler



Philomele (Kelley Beaman). Both are Athenian princesses and have a close relationship with one another.

Their father, King Pandion (Russ Scott), has just finished fighting a war with the aid of Tereus (Carsten Fimm), the king of Thrace. As a reward, Pandion allows Tereus to take Procne as his wife and take her back to Thrace.

As the sisters are separated, Procne grows lonely for her sister's company and asks Tereus to go to Athens and bring Philomele to Thrace.

Tragedy ensues when Tereus falls in lust with Philomele and decides to take her by force through rape. When Philomele threatens to tell Tereus' Kingdom of his sinful deeds, he silences her by cut-

ting out her tongue and locking her away.

The play deals with real issues in a daydream setting. Chief among these is the role of gender. Who is the property and who is the proprietor? Whose sins are more justified? Who has the power to speak, and who must be silenced?

A chorus of men, who excuse themselves from the actions because they were "unable to stop the events they record," narrates much of the play. But when Philomele and Procne take vengeance on Tereus, the narration is turned over to a chorus of women to illustrate the power regained by their sex.

The direction by David Williams is admirable. A scene finding a play within the play is well choreographed, and even haunting at times. Williams' decision to depict the rape on stage was something I originally questioned, but it proved to be a powerful way of tackling the issue headfirst. It manages to be tasteful and shocking simulta-

neously.

Turman is solid as the resolute and knowledgeable Procne. She recognizes that her character is representative of the potential power contained within a woman that is willing to defy convention when it is necessary.

Beaman is, admittedly, given the more difficult role in Philomele, a naive girl who is suddenly forced into womanhood. However, Beaman's performance is somewhat inconsistent. I was sure that I hated her performance in the opening scenes because she confuses naivete with childishness. Her line delivery early in the show makes her sound like an 8-year-old. Her movements and her mannerisms all were way off key.

Luckily, she manages to redeem herself somewhat in the latter portion of the show. She delivers an excellent speech to Tereus after the rape as she questions whether she is the cause of the violation, and resolves to spread the word about the king. She's also good when she is forced to convey emotion through movement as her speech has been taken from her.

The play's ending is overtly anticlimactic, but those familiar with Greek mythology should not be surprised or offended.

It's all part of entering into the mindset required to appreciate this play.

## 'Young and the Restless' gets multiple Emmy nominations

NEW YORK (AP) — Ellen DeGeneres' new talk show was nominated for 12 Daytime Emmy Awards on Thursday, and "The Young and the Restless" led the soap opera pack with 16 nods.

DeGeneres' show has been a hit in its freshman season, and earned the comedian nominations for best talk show and best talk show host.

"All My Children" and "As the World Turns" earned 14 nominations apiece, with "General Hospital" and "Guiding Light" joining DeGeneres with 12 nominations each.

The 31st annual Daytime Emmy Awards are set for May 21 at New York's Radio City Music Hall, telecast on NBC.

Wayne Brady earned nominations for best talk show and best talk show host. His show hasn't been renewed for a third year and will cease production this spring.

Other nominees for best talk show

host are Dr. Phil McGraw; Regis Philbin and Kelly Ripa of "Live!"; and "The View" crew of Meredith Vieira, Star Jones, Joy Behar and Barbara Walters.

Vieira was also nominated for best game show host for "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire," and will compete against veterans Bob Barker of "The Price is Right" and Alex Trebek of "Jeopardy!"

Last year's winner as best actor in a daytime drama, Maurice Benard of "General Hospital," will compete against castrated Anthony Geary this year. Other best actor nominees were Roger Howarth of "As the World Turns," Grant Aleksander of "Guiding Light," Thorsten Kaye of "Port Charles" and Eric Braeden of "The Young and the Restless."

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# Raiders looking for bye in tourney

By Adam Boedeker/  
The University Daily

A saga started four years ago in the first event held in the United Spirit Arena.

It was "Midnight Madness," and then-freshman Andre Emmett jumped over former guard Marcus Shropshire to win the slam dunk contest.

It was the first taste Tech fans got of the senior from Dallas.

Saturday will be Tech fans' final taste of the Big 12's all-time leading scorer in the USA, when the Red Raiders (20-9, 8-7 Big 12) face the Iowa State Cyclones (16-10, 7-8).

"It's kind of bittersweet," Emmett said about his last home game. "Because I'm leaving an awesome school, awesome fans, and we made it, we made it. Hopefully, we can go out and have some carry-over from last game and make it even sweeter."

The Raiders must defeat the Cyclones, and have Missouri lose to Kansas on Sunday to clinch a first-round bye in the Big 12 Conference Tournament, and by most accounts, seal a spot in the NCAA Tournament.

The Cyclones are led by guard Curtis Stinson and center Jackson Vroman. Stinson is averaging 15.4 points and 6.2 rebounds per game, while Vroman puts

in 13.6 and grabs 9.9 boards per game.

Guard Ronald Ross said the team must come out with a high level of concentration, similar to Wednesday night's victory over Missouri.

"We know that we have to take care of the ball and make good decisions with the plays we're gonna try and make out there," he said. "Hopefully, we can stop them from making us turn the ball over and make the game go the way we want it to."

On average, Iowa State gathers 16 takeaways per game, something reminiscent of Tech's team, but it does not concern Ross, especially with the recent play of freshman point guard Jarrius Jackson.

"I think Jay had a lot of fun (against Missouri)," Ross said. "He played with great confidence and made some great plays. He hit some big shots, had some fastbreak dunks, I mean he just did a great job. He came out focused, ready to win and had a great time doing it."

Although Jackson had only one assist against Missouri, he had no turnovers and 19 points. Tech coach Bob Knight said Jackson ran the floor very well, and his numbers were deceiving.

With the end of the season approaching, there's at least one vote of confidence for Jackson to receive the Big 12 Freshman of the Year honor.

"I really don't pay attention to any of the other freshmen in the league," Ross said. "I'd have to give it to my man Jay."

Along with Emmett, Tech fans will be saying goodbye to seniors Mikey Marshall and Robert Tomaszek. Marshall said the game will be an emotional one.

"I love playing here," he said. "We have a good crowd and great fans that come and support us. For me and Andre, being here four years, and Rob coming in out of (junior college), I think it'll be fun on Saturday."

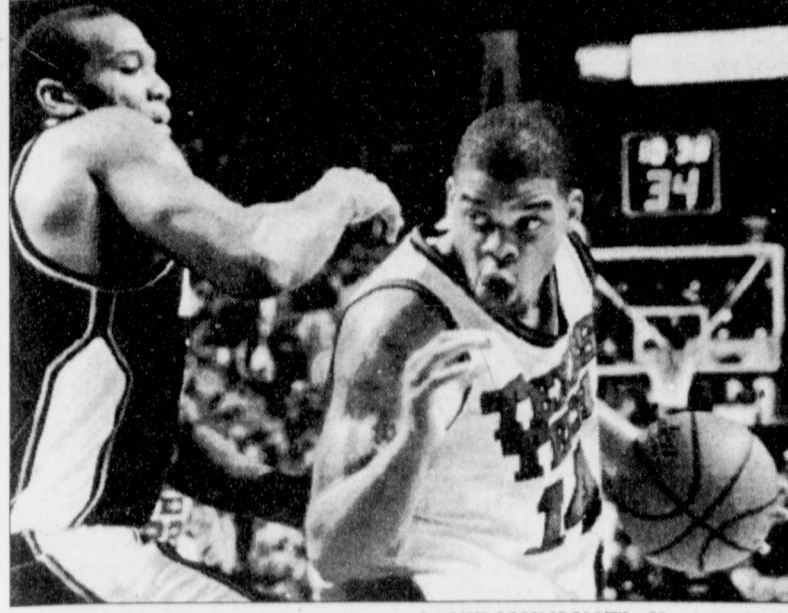
Ross, who is a junior, said it will be tough seeing the three players play their final game on the USA court.

"It's gonna be kinda sad watching Dre, Mike and Rob leave," he said. "I may shed a couple of tears, I don't know. It's just something I'm looking forward to, and we have to make the best of it this Saturday."

Emmett said he hopes he and Marshall were part of a group that began a new tradition of Tech hoops.

"I sure hope so. I know before we came in, Texas Tech wasn't known for its basketball," he said. "I guess we turned the whole program around. I'm just fortunate to be a part of that, and hopefully it continues."

Emmett has a chance to secure his spot as the greatest scorer in Big 12 history in his last home game.



DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily

ANDRE EMMETT DRIVES to the basket during Tech's 87-76 win against Missouri on Wednesday. The Raiders close the regular season against Iowa State at 12:30 p.m. Saturday in the United Spirit Arena.

With 21 points Saturday, he will pass former Aggie Bernard King as the Big 12 conference-game scoring leader for a career with 1,124 points.

Do the records mean anything to Emmett?

"Not really," he said. "If we go out and we play hard and do what we're told and we win, I'm happy. Any awards I get after that, so be it."

When asked if he is the Big 12 Player of the Year, he just laughed.

"I don't make the call," he said. "But I try to play like it."

Ross thanked the students entering the final game of the regular season.

"I appreciate the student section coming out this year, getting it crunk for us," he said. "Hopefully, they'll be out Saturday to support us again."

# Red Raiders await challenge of two-handed pitcher

By Joey Kirk/The University Daily

Going into a doubleheader Friday, Texas Tech baseball players reminisce about their days in Little League.

"I feel like a kid again," said junior shortstop Cameron Blair.

The Red Raiders host both Air Force and Harvard this weekend at Dan Law Field, where Tech will play each team twice in the three-day span.

Beginning at 3 p.m. Friday, the Raiders (8-4) will face the Falcons (4-5), which head coach Larry Hays said might present a good challenge for his team.

"The deal with Air Force is that they were a great team in the early and in the middle 90s," he said. "It depends year to year. They sometimes have good clubs, and this year is no different."

Hays said playing in four different games this weekend, he has to have players step up.

"Playing four games is a lot of games in one weekend," he said. "We just have to have pitchers step in and take charge, and we have to take it a game at a time."

Facing Ivy League team, Harvard, the Raiders will have the opportunity of a lifetime. Hays said Crimson sophomore pitcher Matt Brunnig has a certain talent for baseball that he has never witnessed first-hand.

"He throws both left- and right-handed," he said. "He could be their No. 1 and No. 3 pitcher. I've never seen that."

Not knowing if Brunnig has a separate ERA for each arm because it is Harvard's first game of the season,

Hays said it will be a good sight to see a two-handed pitcher.

"I think he'll probably go right against Air Force and left against us, if they play him in two games," he said. "I don't know for sure though. I just hope he can't switch arms in the middle of the game."

The Crimson begins its season against Tech at 6:30 p.m. Friday. The Raiders will play Harvard in a second game at 2 p.m. Saturday.

After Tech suffered two losses in two days to Texas Christian, senior pitcher Steven Thomas said he hopes the Raiders can gain some ground in the first day.

"We need a sweep on Friday to get things going right, and to get things going our way," he said. "If we win both of those, we'll be sitting good."

Although Harvard hasn't seen action yet this season, Thomas said he knows the Crimson will come ready to play.

"Harvard is pretty good, they always have been," he said. "But I think our lineup threat is good enough no matter who we face."

One thing Tech did not do against the Horned Frogs, junior catcher Jacob Jones said, is set the pace for the entire series.

"I'm looking forward to this first game against Air Force and Harvard," he said. "We have to establish a win at the top of the weekend, and it will set the tone."

With junior catcher Cooper Fouts out because of a leg injury and an unknown return, Jones said he has to take care of his position behind the plate. "Coop was doing good, and then

he got injured, so I had to step up," he said. "It's a good chance for me, but I know I have to step it up."

Injuries have plagued the Raiders recently, with junior ace pitcher Dallas Braden going out because of an unknown arm injury, as well as Fouts' problems with his leg. Hays said even though the two players want to play, Tech has to wait and see what happens.

"We got one limping around, and the other one can't stretch his arm out," he said. "They are ready to go everyday, but we really don't know how long it will be." Hays said no matter what happens, Tech has to keep going.

"We are going to play differently this weekend. We expect more runs and more hits," he said. "We have to get back on that winning cycle."

# Softball seeking solution to struggles on diamond this weekend

By Joey Kirk/The University Daily

A cure for the common cold has been found, but the Texas Tech softball team still awaits the remedy.

Head coach Bobby Reeves said the solution they have been waiting for may arrive this weekend, wrapped in a six-game series with New Mexico and Columbia.

"We get to play at home, and that's good," he said. "It's the cure for a lot of things."

Tech (6-15) hosts the Red Raider Classic tournament all day Friday through Sunday at Rocky Johnson Field. Reeves said the only thing standing in the way of getting their much-needed prescription is the fact that most of Tech's players are young.

"As young as we are, we still try to get prepared to play each day, but there's that little bit of immaturity," he said.

With a team consisting of three seniors, four juniors, three sophomores and eight freshmen, Reeves said a below-average record goes with the territory.

"We don't have a good record," he said. "The key to that is our young team."

After experiencing success against Saint Louis and Drake last weekend in Tulsa, Reeves said he hopes to carry it over into this weekend's festivities.

"New Mexico beat Arizona State, so I know they're good," he said. "We had a pretty good tournament, offensive wise, and it just has to continue against these two teams."

As for Columbia, Reeves was speechless. He said he didn't know much about the team from New York.

"I don't know what they got. I wonder if they've even been outside being up north," he said.

Tech has not seen the open field all week during practice because of the rainy weather. Junior outfielder Kelly Rhyne said with the last game of the Tulsa tournament rained out, the Raiders are looking forward to seeing the sun, as well as the field.

"We've been inside all week long, and we're looking for more time on the field," she said. "I think we're all a little antsy to get on the field."

Even with a 6-15 record this season thus far, Rhyne said Tech seems to be taking it well.

"It's not bothering us too much, I think," she said. "We keep on improving and that's the attitude. We just have to get better before conference."

At the plate, the Raiders are still getting used to the speed of play and the opposing teams. Senior catcher Elyssa Sigala hit three home runs in four games last weekend. She said the next six games are the most important to Tech and the rest of its season.

"I have to be able to swing, get base hits and knock in runners," she said. "We're getting better. But the wins are gonna come. They're not too far away."

Another aspect of playing at home, Sigala said, is being able to get home team support.

"This is a big tournament for us," she said. "We want people to come out and watch us. I think it will help us succeed."

Reeves said the Raiders are prepared for this weekend's matchups, no matter who or what the challenge is.

"We're getting better each week,

and we're preparing mentally for these games," he said. "We are ready to play somebody else."

Tech plays Columbia at 6 p.m. Friday, at 2 p.m. Saturday and at 10 a.m. Sunday for the three-game series. The Raiders will also face New Mexico three times this weekend. The first game is at 8 p.m. Friday, the second is set for 6 p.m. Saturday, and the last is at noon Sunday.

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