



Water conservation partnership emerges



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SEN. ROBERT DUNCAN, R-Lubbock, speaks about Senate Bill 1053, water-saving initiatives being put into action on farms through an eight-year project, during its unveiling Friday at the National Ranching Heritage Center.

RETAINING RESOURCES: Tech, organizations join effort to conserve water in South Plains area.

By Brittany Barrientos/The University Daily

A news conference held Friday at the National Ranching Heritage Center Pitchfork Pavilion announced the beginning of a new water conservation initiative in Lubbock and surrounding areas.

Marvin Cepica, dean of the Texas Tech College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, announced the \$6.2 million producer-driven effort and the importance of partnerships to make the initiative successful.

Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, sponsored, set up and led Senate Bill 1053 through both houses of the Texas Legislature. The bill passed unanimously in both houses.

Duncan said the initiative is the product of years of ideas and similar projects. He stressed the importance of a producer-driven initiative and thanked all those who will participate in the effort during its eight-year course.

"A program that is producer-driven is a program that will eventually work," he said. "Water in the future will be more important to us than oil has been in the past."

The \$6.2 million was received as a grant from the Texas Water Development Board and should be used to test several conservation strategies on local farms, Duncan said.

Collaborating in the effort with Tech researchers are the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, the Texas Cooperative Extension,

the Texas Agriculture Experiment Station, the U.S. Department of Agriculture Plant Stress and Water Conservation Laboratory, along with numerous other partners and at least 18 private farms, Duncan said.

A letter read by Cepica from Gov. Rick Perry stated that the effort must be approached proactively and that these commitments highlight the task of the Lone Star State.

Partners in the project conveyed gratitude to all the partners who have invested in the initiative.

Bob Whitson, the deputy director for the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, said although he understands partnerships are tough, he thinks the water conservation initiative will be worthwhile.

"We couldn't possibly do what we want to do without (partnerships)," he said. "You invested a lot of money. We're going to make it worth it."

Larry Butler, the state conservationist for the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service, said partnerships in this project make having the initiative at the federal, state and local levels possible. They allow researchers to gain more knowledge, he said, which they can relay to the public in an easily understood fashion.

"Partnerships are really the only way conservation can work anymore," he said.

Jim Conkwright, director of High Plains Underground Water District No. 1, related a Bible verse to water conservation.

"In the high plains of Texas, where there is no vision, the people perish," he said. "If there is no water, there are no people."

Eddie Teeter, chairman of the Project Producer Board, closed by saying he

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Drinks & Desserts

Lubbockites attend eighth-annual Llano Wine & Chocolate Fantasia

By Jeremy Martin/The University Daily

The cask room at the Llano Estacado Winery is a warehouse filled with vats of wine. Scaffolding winds around it overhead, and the temperature is about 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Men wearing ties and women in black dresses crowded together there on Saturday, standing shoulder to shoulder in many cases, waiting to have their wine glasses refilled.

Tables of chocolate lined the walls. Some came in the form of cakes and pies, which people heaped on to their paper plates. But some of the chocolate was eye candy, too good-looking to eat. Chefs, students and amateurs had molded chocolate into castles, carriages, train sets and game boards.

These edible sculptures were the main attraction at the eighth-annual Llano Wine and Chocolate Fantasia. Contestants — chefs, professional

cooks, high school students and amateurs spent hours making candy one would eat. People with plates full of the more edible kinds of chocolate and glasses of wine looked at the entries like patrons in a museum. More than a few oohs and ahhs could be heard. For their \$35 admission fee, people could eat, drink and ogle as much as they wanted.

Out of approximately 300 people

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MICHAEL GONZALES, A sophomore retail major from Dallas, watches as people dip their desserts into the chocolate fountain at the eighth-annual Llano Wine and Chocolate Fantasia Saturday.

Library implements pay-to-print policy

By Katherine Amerson/
The University Daily

As of this semester, the Texas Tech Library just landed on the no free printing spot — do not frivolously hit print and do not collect 100 sheets of paper.

While some students may view the library's pay-to-print policy as an infringement on tuition, Library Director Dawn Dockter said the change is about conservation and proper usage of resources.

"We were getting a lot of complaints, not just from library employees, but from students, saying, 'I have to stand in line at printers,'" she said. "(There are) wasted monster truck pictures, PowerPoint presentations (and) porn."

Library administrators try to be good stewards of students' money, Dockter said, but that task is impossible when \$9,000 a month is wasted on unnecessary print jobs.

"It was a service that a lot of people were abusing," she said. "You have to pay for printing everywhere else on campus."

Although the wasted paper was recycled, and still is, Dockter said, so much was being recycled that student fees were exhausted on

extra recycling. Having the new computers and printers has many benefits, she said.

"Color printing is an option now, where as it wasn't before," she said. "Also, all the printers are new, and they're all higher quality, faster."

David Tidwell, a sophomore electronic engineering major from Dallas, said he liked the old printing system better but understands the amount of paper people were wasting with the prior system.

"I tried to print something yesterday, but I couldn't. I didn't ask anybody (for help), I was in a hurry," he said. "It said transaction rejected; I think that was the message I got."

Library administrators are still ironing out the kinks of the system, Dockter said, and if a student has a problem with a printer, he should tell someone, because every problem gets logged, and the most efficient way to fix the problem is to attend to the problems with the most logged complaints.

"You have to start somewhere," Dockter said. "I know it's a hassle for them to try and

flag someone down."

Kevin Jacks, a sophomore nursing major, said he is not bothered by the library's pay-to-print policy.

"I was surprised last year how you could print off as much paper as you wanted," he said. "Paper is expensive. This just makes you think more about what you're printing off, and it's not so wasteful."

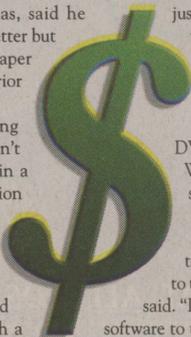
According to a TechAnnounce, the 93 new library computers have CD and DVD capabilities, USB ports, Windows XP SP2 and Microsoft Office Professional Suite 2003.

"When we have such high technology available, we need to take advantage of it," Dockter said. "It'll be time to add additional software to those at some point."

Mindy Morse, a senior psychology major from El Paso, said she believes the new policy has both pros and cons.

"I think it sucks because some people don't have computers (at home), and they

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Contracts encourage Tech students to graduate with degrees on time

By Meghann Lora/The University Daily

Mandatory regulations and the voluntary Graduate on Time contract are two ways Tech officials are hoping to encourage students to focus on graduating in four years.

Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs James Brink said these two components of the Graduate on Time program are contributing to the academic success of students.

"We want students to succeed," he said. "We also want students to take responsibility for academic success."

On average, Tech students are taking five and a half years to graduate, Brink said. The regulations and contracts are aimed to lower this average to financially benefit both students and Tech.

The mandatory regulations apply to students who entered Tech in fall 2004. These regulations affect students regardless of whether they choose to sign the Graduate on Time contract.

According to the 2004-2005 catalog, a first-time freshman who entered Tech in fall 2004 will be allowed four withdrawals to be used at any time during his college career, and a transfer student will be allowed three withdrawals.

Last fall's freshmen and transfer students will not be allowed to retake a class in which they received a grade of C or better. Also, they may retake a class one time for credit at the normal tuition rate.

Ryan Roskey, a sophomore finance major from Crowley, said the new regulations could be helpful to students.

"I think it would be tough, but in the long run, it would make your GPA better," he said. "It would be easier to get a job afterwards and start your career."

Roskey said he believes the regulations would have had a positive effect on his academic

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Law school develops new military law center

By Kelly Gooch/
The University Daily

After getting approval from the University administration in November, the Texas Tech School of Law has created a new military law center.

Richard Rosen, associate dean for administration and external affairs, said the military law center has three main goals.

These goals are to provide resources on military law, to try to hold conferences once a year and to publish articles of interest on military and legal subjects, Rosen said.

The law school was equipped enough to form the new center, Rosen said.

"We formed this center because we have tremendous resources," he said.

Walter Huffman, dean and law professor, also said he believes the Tech law school was a good place to begin the military law center.

"We decided to do it here because we have an unusual collection of professors and deans with military experience," he said.

The School of Law has at least six or seven judge advocates and more than 100 years of experience in military law, Rosen said.

The American Bar Association suggested the center, Rosen said, and Tech officials are trying to get other law schools involved.

Rosen said fliers announcing the center will be sent to every accredited law school in the nation and to Tech law school alumni.

The ABA has to accredit each law school every seven years, Huffman said, and the military law center will provide a great service for people.

"It will serve a real need for a neutral forum for the analysis of legal and military issues outside the Department of Defense," he said.

Rosen said he believes the Tech law school is one of a kind.

"There's no law school in the country that has anywhere near the expertise that we do here," he said.

Huffman said he believes the military law center will increase Tech's visibility and the Tech law school is looking forward to holding seminars to attract national figures.

Rosen also said he agrees the law school will draw experts from around the country, and he said he wants them to come to Tech with military law questions.

Rosen said Tech law school officials want to bring lawyers who are now deployed in Iraq to Tech. He said law school administrators want to have the first conference sometime this semester.

"I've never seen so many hot issues come up," he said.

Huffman said he will be speaking in March in Washington regarding legal and ethical responsibilities applying to military physicians and interrogating prisoners which should attract a national audience.

Huffman said he has also been on National Public Radio (NPR) five times.

Rosen said he is thrilled about the new military law center.

"We hope we can generate excitement about military law," he said. "We're going to be providing our views."

Huffman said he agrees with Rosen and is also excited about the new center.

"I think this is an exciting opportunity for Texas Tech and our law school," he said.

The Rundown



Houston allowed Activists march on Iraqi Government to sue polluters abortion anniversary says election is safe

HOUSTON (AP)—A recent contract change gives the city of Houston the power to bring civil lawsuits for breaking air pollution laws against companies whose industrial plants are inside the city's limits.

The change comes after months of negotiation between the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and city environmental officials.

Those city officials inspect and investigate industrial plants within the city and respond to air pollution complaints under a \$3 million, two-year contract with the state.

When violations were found in the past, the city had to refer the cases to the state for enforcement, unless they posed an imminent harm to the environment or to public health.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Activists on both sides of the abortion issue marched in demonstrations across the country Saturday to mark the 32nd anniversary of the historic U.S. Supreme Court decision that made abortion legal.

The anniversary came amid speculation that retirements on the Supreme Court could alter the Court's makeup and its long-standing defense of the Roe v. Wade decision during President Bush's second term. Chief Justice William Rehnquist is 80 and is suffering from thyroid cancer.

In San Francisco, thousands of abortion opponents marched on the city's waterfront, chanting slogans like "Women deserve better," while abortion rights supporters tried to drown them out with their own rallying cries.

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The Iraqi government pledged Saturday it would do everything in its power to protect voters from insurgent attacks during next week's national elections, as militants announced they had killed 15 captive Iraqi national guardsmen for cooperating with the Americans.

Eight other Iraqi guardsmen and an Iraqi civilian were injured Saturday when a suicide bomber detonated an explosive belt near the gate of a military camp near Hillah, 60 miles south of Baghdad, Iraqi officials said.

Guerrillas in the northern city of Mosul blasted a building to be used as a polling station with machine gun and rocket-propelled grenade fire Saturday, injuring one civilian, a hospital official said.



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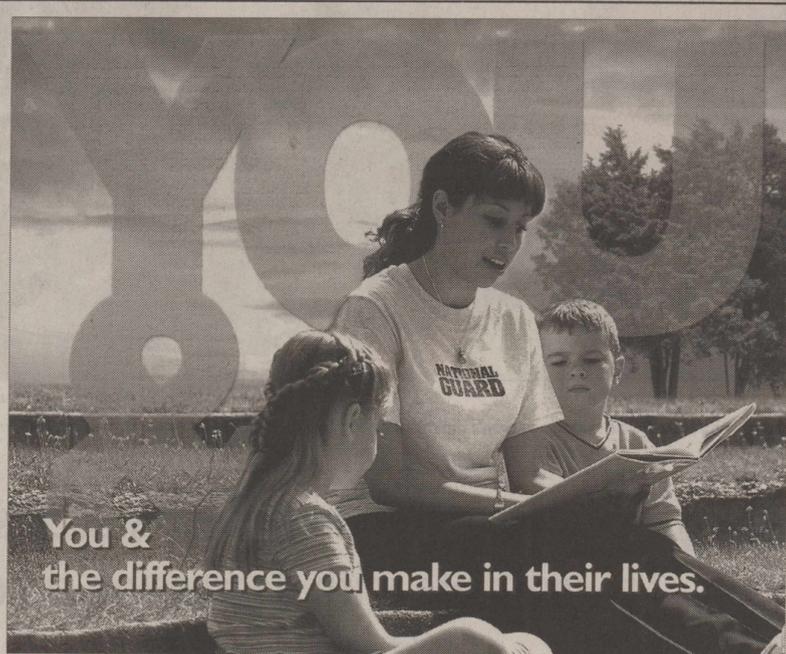
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Two Tech Police Officers retiring from force

By Brandi Fleming/
The University Daily

Two Tech police officers are retiring after long and distinguished careers protecting the campus, and its students and faculty.

Officer Gary Fisher began his career at Tech as a civilian tow truck driver in the early '70s.

"I was a tow truck driver for two years," he said. "I was commissioned as a police officer for Tech in April of 1976."

Fisher said one of his most interesting memories as a Tech officer was when the Lady Raiders won the championship game.

"We directed traffic for 15 hours at the United Spirit Arena," he said. "They called in all of the officers that were off duty."

Fisher said the officers directed traffic from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., and he remembers it as one of the longest workdays of his life.

One of his best memories was a trip he made to Levelland with a fellow officer, Fisher said.

"We went into several of the police officer memorials that day at South Plains College," he said. "Every year they have memorials out there for the fallen officers."

Fisher said he is excited about his retirement, but he will not be leaving the force for good.

"I am going to come back and work part-time at some of the sporting events and things like that," he said.

Fisher said his wife retired from her job at the United Spirit Arena last March, and the two of them have plenty to keep

them busy in retirement.

"I have started three businesses here," he said. "A mobile carwash, a trucking business and a lawn service — We will still be busy."

Fisher is the senior officer and employee at Tech police. He said he believes one significant thing about his career at Tech is that he has served under four chiefs of police.

Officer Garnett Lee was hired as a Tech officer in May 1977. He said he has always been a patrol officer and a bicycle cop.

"The bicycle program was started in 1993, and it has been one of the most enjoyable parts of my job," he said. "I get to ride a bike outside when it is nice, and they pay me too."

Lee said he plans to enjoy retirement, but like Fisher, he will not be leaving the

department completely.

"I plan to come back and work part-time in the bicycle program," he said.

Lee said he would like to take time in retirement to do some things he has always wanted to do.

"I am going to learn to fly planes," he said. "I have always wanted to learn, and I think now I am going to do it."

Lee said he has loved his job with the Tech Police and has nothing bad to say about his years at the department.

"It has been a jim-dandy, and I wouldn't trade it for anything in this world," he said.

The Tech Police Department currently protects over 27,000 students, more than 9,500 faculty and 1,839 acres, making Tech one of the largest campuses in the United States, according to the Tech Police Web site.



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TEXAS TECH POLICE officers Gary Fisher (left) and Garnett Lee (right) will be retiring from the Tech Police Department effective Jan. 31.

'No Name-Calling' initiative spreads in middle schools

NEW YORK (AP) — Using a sexual orientations. The new-coming readers' novel called "The Misfits" as its centerpiece, middle schools nationwide will participate in a "No Name-Calling Week" initiative starting Monday. The program, now in its second year, has the backing of groups from the Girl Scouts to Amnesty International but has also drawn complaints that it overemphasizes harassment of gay youths.

The initiative was developed by the New York-based Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network, which seeks to ensure that schools safely accommodate students of all

sexual orientations. The new-coming readers' novel called "The Misfits" as its centerpiece, middle schools nationwide will participate in a "No Name-Calling Week" initiative starting Monday. The program, now in its second year, has the backing of groups from the Girl Scouts to Amnesty International but has also drawn complaints that it overemphasizes harassment of gay youths.

"Gay students aren't the only kids targeted — this isn't about the backing of groups from the Girl Scouts to Amnesty International but has also drawn complaints that it overemphasizes harassment of gay youths."

"The Misfits" deals with four much-taunted middle schoolers — one of them gay — who run for the student council on a platform advocating an end to nasty name-calling.

Entertainer Johnny Carson dies at 79

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Johnny Carson, the "Tonight Show" host who served America a smooth nightcap of celebrity banter, droll comedy and heartland charm for 30 years, died Sunday. He was 79.

"Mr. Carson passed away peacefully early Sunday morning," his nephew, Jeff Sotzing, told The Associated Press. "He was surrounded

by his family, whose loss will be immeasurable."

He did not provide further details, but NBC said Carson died of emphysema at his Malibu home.

The boyish-looking Nebraska native with the disarming grin, who survived every attempt to topple him from his late-night talk show throne, was a star who managed never to dis-

miss himself from his audience.

His wealth, the adoration of his guests — particularly the many young comics whose careers he launched — the wry tales of multiple divorces: Carson's air of modesty made it all serve to enhance his bedtime intimacy with viewers.

"Heeeeere's Johnny!" was the booming announcement from side-

kick Ed McMahon that ushered Carson out to the stage. Then the formula: the topical monologue, the guests, the broadly played skits such as "Carnac the Magnificent."

But America never tired of him; Carson went out on top when he retired in May 1992.

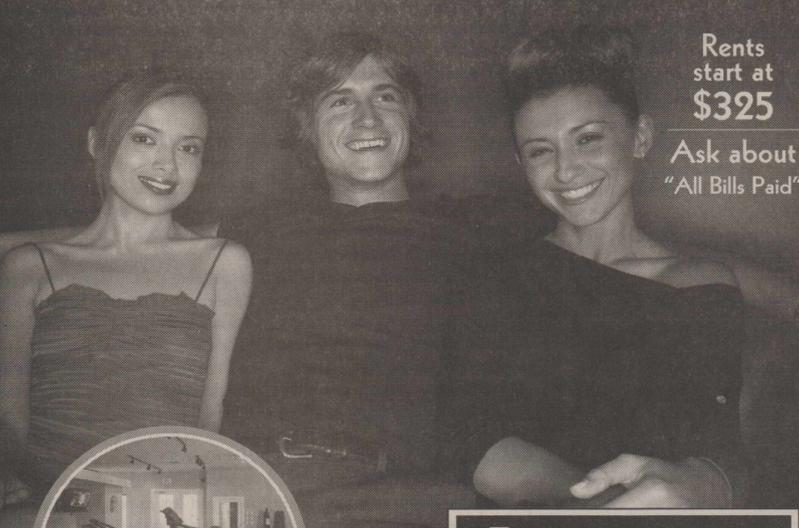
McMahon said Sunday that Carson was "like a brother to me."

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It's who you are, not who you're with

Take the time to discover yourself, on your own, this semester and from now on

American poet Sonia Sanchez once wrote, "Women must know themselves before they go out and get into a relationship." A phrase so simple and quoted as a broken record, yet we are misguided to disregard its profound impact and absolute truth.

Think about a woman in your life. You know the one. She's gorgeous, ecstatic about life, the perfect one who always stops and smells the roses and, of course, always has a relationship.

Each one of us is guilty of that tasty power we feel when we imagine her without anything, especially that faultless relationship for which we long.

How perfect is she, though? How well are our lives defined when we have a significant other? Is she really ecstatic about life, or just waiting for that moment when someone will have guts enough to flip her world around and force her face in a mirror and ask her, "Who are you?" Quietly, she will answer back she doesn't know.

After all is said and done, though, can we really blame her? We live in a male-dominated

Robin Milstead



Growing up is about noticing the details in life that define us, not other people, not relationships, but only who we are.

world that forces us to define and characterize our lives by men and relationships. And when we choose partners who aren't men, we are forever second-class citizens who threaten our morally ideal society.

Don't believe me? Let me prove it to you. When your bank account gets low and you're living off noodles, whom do you usually call? Your dad, and even if you don't, it's nice to tell other people that. You contact some

friends from high school and while catching up on each other's lives, they ask you if anyone special is in your life. Answers usually vary, depending on your current status.

Sororities and fraternities have tons of date parties, crush parties and formals throughout the year. These parties are just constant reminders to keep your relationship status up to date.

It even goes as far as looking at cereal boxes. How many female heroines do you see on boxes saving the world? The Wheaties box does not count. These days, a woman can't even run for a highly publicized political office unless she has that perfect husband to support her and vice versa. I could go on forever, but this should be just enough to keep you thinking.

We can't blame that perfect girl. But we can relish in knowing who we are because of faulty relationships. So much power comes from being alone without men or whichever sex you choose to date. So many of us rush away from falling in love, but even as I complain about how our society pressures us into relationships usually driven

by men, it's inevitable.

We will all fall in love with whom we dream up in our magical worlds, but it is the space between our magic where we find ourselves. It is the time of healing where old pictures and tear-stained pillows seem to be our closest friends, where we grow into the ability to answer the question, "Who are you?" It is waking up to a find yourself noticing that small, yet so marvelous freckle on the side of your pinkie that you never had noticed before because you were too busy wondering what everyone else thought of you.

Growing is about noticing the details in life that define us, not other people, not relationships, but only who we are.

So as you start this semester, remember what doesn't kill you only makes you stronger and be thankful for the pain you have; it means you're discovering you.

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TECH TALKS BACK

Wiechmann is out of line with his assertions about Knight, basketball fan base

I have been debating writing this for a couple of weeks now. Thank you David Wiechmann, for helping me make up my mind with your despicable column in the Jan. 21 *University Daily*. At first, my intentions were to persuade Texas Tech basketball fans to support our men's team as they do our women's team. Now, my intention is also to explain why your theories of the empty seats during men's games are totally incorrect.

First of all, you do not have to be a rocket scientist to realize west Texas is football country. Second of all, we all know Lubbock does not have the most loyal of fans. I recall the N.C.

State football game a couple of years ago where it seemed like 75 percent of the fans left because we were behind by so much, only for Tech to lose in overtime.

The fact is, when we lose a couple of games, the fans seem to diminish into the football-dominated sunset. Now that the basketball team is back into conference and seems to be clicking again, the attendance seems to be back up again. The A&M game had more than 15,000 fans in attendance.

Let's all show support no matter what happens the next few games. Maybe support is what they need to

take it to the next level. Bob Knight is finally establishing a name for men's basketball here in Lubbock and will have us in contention within the next two years. As a matter of fact, we have two big names coming in next year. The women won a national title a few years ago and already have a name for themselves in this town, which is why their attendance is so great. Give Knight more than a mere four years to get this team, which was in the gutter a couple of years ago, somewhere you feel significant.

Throughout your column, you failed to acknowledge we even have a basketball team. You made it seem as

if the entire reason for our going or not going to the games was Knight. They are not only his games. The fact is, Knight is a major part of this university. There is not a bigger name out there that could take his place. What do you want, another James Dickey? You see, the funny thing is, you seemed to write as if you spoke for the entire student body, I don't want to do what you did and try to speak for everyone, but I feel the majority of us beg to differ.

— Michael Camillo, senior psychology major from El Paso

Lubbock's sex taboo

The Hub City's mistake? Keeping sex ed off the public school curriculum

It's funny. My high school here in Lubbock had programs for advanced chemistry and military science, for marine biology and horticulture, for auto repair and theater arts. But the one thing on which they were silent, the taboo they wouldn't breach, was a concern so natural to me and my friends — something that, at that age, is on your mind all the time. The great fear haunting schools in Lubbock, across Texas and parts of the nation, was honest sex education.

Growing up here, I learned about it, after all. But of course, not in class. Because they only taught abstinence here, which is sort of like explaining the age of dinosaurs without mentioning extinction.

Sex is everywhere. Sex is eternal. Sex sells. Magazines, TV, movies, music, the Internet, you name it. But the undercurrent of lust that runs through pop culture is no education. Many with whom I went to school, the socioeconomic group with the most to lose from ignorance about safe sex, what knowledge did they have? A collection of rumors, urban legends and half-truths. Who was supposed to teach us, if we decided we weren't going to abstain, about the scientifically safe way to take care of our bodies? A very special episode of "90210"?

Nobody, that's who.

And thanks to the enlightened policy in Lubbock, we have one of the highest teen pregnancy rates in the state. According to a *Daily Texan* article about sex education, Lubbock has a glorious 36.4 percent in 2002 compared to the Lone Star State average of 28.5 percent. But the fun doesn't stop there. Lubbock County scores big with one of the top sexually transmitted disease scores for Texas, a dazzling 1,725 cases in 2003 alone. That's an average of 4.72 cases per day. And, finally, we have — are you ready for this? — the fifth highest teen pregnancy rate for girls ages 15 through 17 in the country. All of this and more we have courtesy of the powers that be. May we now give thanks?

But seriously. It makes you ask questions about Lubbock. Such as, what sort of gutless, pansy town am I living in? What kind of cringing, spineless, chicken-livered notions form these plans? When and where did the tough, honest, brave pioneer spirit so much a part of this great city fail? When did we become a superstitious and cowardly lot? They didn't light the fire, but the barn's burning now, and all the city fathers do is hand out matches and say, "Don't strike this."

This kind of ignorance didn't work for drugs, and it didn't work for AIDS. Abstinence-only education is so ignorant of the facts of nature and laws of human psychology, to say nothing of the impulses of adolescent Americans, that it's a marvel anyone can argue for it with a straight face. What's called "comprehensive" sex education, which combines teaching abstinence and scientifically honest facts about STDs, contraceptives and the like, is the only way to go. It's proven to work. Sex ed without comprehensive treatment is hardly "education" at all.

This wise attitude has allowed, nationwide, a decline of 33 percent in teenage births since 1991. Half of that drop, a study has shown, is because of the increase in quality and number of contraceptives. We're winning the war, but in Lubbock we're losing the battle. And yes, some people might say comprehensive sex ed encourages pregnancy and STDs, which is like saying aspirin makes headaches. Boy, do they have it backwards.

Comprehensive sex ed is a god-sent cure in the fight against this. Can anybody really argue abstinence alone

Jason Rhode



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works, after looking at Lubbock? A poll in Massachusetts' *Berkshire Eagle* claims 88 percent of Americans having sex aren't married, and 60 percent of them are teenagers. Does anyone really believe saying "No, bad!" will make these people healthy?

Abstinence, if you take out religious language, says sex is bad except in a marriage setting. Which is nuts. Sex isn't inherently good or bad; it's a biological function, like eating. There are good ways to eat and bad ways to eat. You can be smart, responsible and healthfully enjoy it for the essential part of life that it is, or you can be dumb and eat the wrong things or too much or too little and really abuse your body. Nobody thinks eating is evil in itself, however. I learned about health and nutrition in high school. And expecting the average young American will wait for matrimony in a time when many of us, for reasons economic and otherwise, are delaying marriage for long periods of time, is ludicrous.

Abstinence might have had power once, before The Pill. Before condoms, cable and the miniskirt. But in an age where people are not only more free to have sex, but indeed encouraged to do so to an extent never before seen, abstinence won't do it. Maybe in the Middle East, they can close up sex by forcing women to clothe every part of their bodies, but in a rich, technologically-advanced country that for the most part lets its people do, say, play and wear what they want, it's impossible to put the sexual revolution back in the box. It's an iron rule of behavior; people can and will enjoy their bodies if given that freedom. The only way to deal with the dangers of sexuality — disease and unwanted pregnancy — is to be mature and realistic about it. When did ignorance ever benefit anybody? If you've never gone to an abstinence-only class, I advise you to do so. It's a hoot. Fear used as a bludgeon to make you ashamed of your body.

Do we esteem knowledge and truth so lightly that we hoard it up for ourselves and refuse to share it with our children at the time in their life they need it most? You don't need to have read "Catcher in the Rye" to know teenagers scorn and hate liars and do everything in their power to defy them. Edmund Burke said, "All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing." Abstain away, guys.

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CHAD WILSON (CENTER), a senior finance major from Slaton, works for Slaton Bakery. Slaton Bakery took the silver medal in the professional category at Saturday's Wine and Chocolate Fantasia held at the Llano Estacado Winery in Lubbock.

Festival

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in attendance, the majority was middle-aged or older. Only a few were students. Lisa Johnson, a senior public relations major from Plano, was one of those students. She said she and her friend Katie Allen, a graduate student in public administration from Plano, felt a little uncomfortable and out of place. Johnson said she thought many of the people there were wondering if she and Allen were old enough to drink the wine.

"We're like the youngest looking people here," Johnson said. "We got eyed by the cop on the way in."

Despite any funny looks she may have received, Allen said she was enjoying the festival as a change of pace from an ordinary Saturday night.

"There's usually nothing fun like this to do in Lubbock. It's something different

from going to the same bar every night," she said.

Lindsey Brown a senior restaurant and hotel management major from Austin, said she had seen pictures of previous contest entries and wanted to see them in real life this year. Older people at the event were friendly and made her feel welcome by joking with her about being late, she said. Her tardiness was unavoidable, she said, because she needed a longer workout to prepare for the occasion.

"When you know you're going to be eating this much chocolate, you have to spend extra time on the treadmill," she said.

One Tech student, senior finance major Chad Wilson, said he has been competing in the contest portion of the festival since he was 14. He said he first entered the contest seven years ago in the amateur category. Wilson, who works at Slaton Bakery, competed this year in the

professional category.

His chocolate Gothic church, complete with stained glass windows, though mentioned by many people as their favorite entry, received second place in the category.

"I think the judging is harder this year," Wilson said, glancing back at the silver medal lying on the table next to his exhibit.

He said he and his co-worker Beau Fosebinder, a student at South Plains College, spent more than 40 hours on the piece. He said finding time between work and school to make the church was challenging, but rewarding.

"It's pretty tough," he said. "We would work in the morning, and go to school

in the afternoon. Then we'd come back and work on the cake at night. We were pretty worn-out towards the end, but we enjoyed every bit of it."

Kurt Melle, founder of the event, graduated from Tech in 1997 with a degree in restaurant and hotel management. He said the judges were tougher on some entries than he had expected, but added there were many good submissions to choose from.

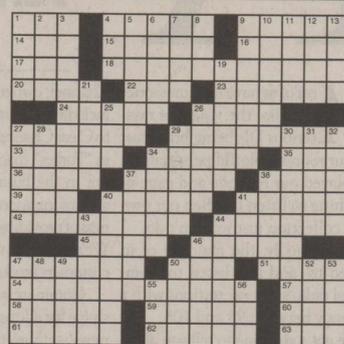
"The level of competition was really good this year," Melle said. "We had several great entries."

Competing in the event can sometimes be a trying experience, Melle said, but the lure of the competition and the festival itself is hard to resist.

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- 46 Employer
- 47 Thickening agent
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- 52 Inland Asian sea
- 53 Gainsay
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Printing

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come down to print," she said, "but it's good in a way because people aren't being so wasteful."

Most college students have personal computers and printers at home, Dockter said, and printing has been a cost center for years.

"It was perceived that printing was a service that was included with all

the other library services," she said. "Students also pay an IT fee. Anywhere else on campus they had to (pay) to print."

Dockter said students should look at other universities and see what the library use fees are and the services provided by the fees in comparison to Tech.

"We're ranked in the top 50 of ARL, American Research Libraries, for a reason," she said. "(And) the libraries have only a certain amount of money."

Graduate

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success if he were subject to them.

"I think it would probably keep me in check on my grades and studying," he said.

Freshmen had until the end of advance registration this spring to sign the Graduate on Time contract. By signing a contract, a student commits to taking 30 semester credit hours per academic year and meeting with an academic adviser at least once each semester, according to the Graduate on Time contract.

When a student signs a contract, Tech commits to providing the courses a student needs in the order they are needed, Brink said. If Tech cannot fulfill this obligation, the university may allow another course as a substitute or will pay for the student to take the course in a later semester.

"It is designed to provide an atmosphere for the student and the adviser to work together to map out a plan to graduate on time," Brink said.

Caroline Prouty, a freshman mass communications major from San Antonio, said she heard about the Graduate on Time contract at orientation but has not signed it yet.

"I was going to wait 'til later to sign it," she said.

Prouty said she was unaware of the deadline to sign the contract. She said she planned to sign the contract.

"It won't hurt me; it will only help me," she said.

Ashley Slavich, a junior accounting major from San Antonio, said she expects to graduate in five years. She said she would have signed a contract to help her graduate in less time.

"I would have been set on the right track from the beginning," she said. "I know my parents would have been happy because they wouldn't be spending extra money for another year of college."

Freshman architecture major Jenny Sein said she remembers hearing about the Graduate on Time contract at orientation but has not heard anything since.

"I wasn't sure when we were supposed to sign it," she said. "I never heard anything about it from our advisers."

Sein said she believes the contract is a good idea, but students are not informed about it.

"I think it's a great thing," she said. "But I don't think most people know about it."

Conservation

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is excited about the effort and the partnerships involved.

"We look forward to working with all of you," he said. "We'll do our best."

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Most of us have fond memories of radio: the voices of mysterious DJs being broadcast into our rooms, colorful personalities who played our requests and gave us something to listen to when our own music collection just wouldn't do.

Undoubtedly, the majority of us listened to, and still listen to, commercial radio stations: stations with a frequency between 93 and 108.

I've got something to tell you about commercial radio. I know this because I've researched my material and because I've worked in radio for three and a half years: Commercial radio is bad for you. It's the musical equivalent of fast-food, and it takes just as much of a toll on the mind as a grease-soaked, artificially-processed burger takes on the body.

I would tell you commercial radio has a dirty little secret, but that would imply they aren't proud of what they've done. They have no qualms about airing their business practices, but because they believe that music is nothing more than a vessel used to sell advertising.

Lowry Mays, the CEO of Clear

Channel, owner of 1,225 radio stations, including six here in Lubbock, according to Clear Channel's Web site, was quoted in "Forbes" magazine as saying, "We're not in the business of providing news and information. We're not in the business of providing well-researched music. We're simply in the business of selling our customers products."

Commercial radio has been in bad shape for a long time, and the terrible news is it's getting worse.

It all started with the Telecommunications Act of 1996, which, among other things, deregulated ownership in the radio industry. This act increased the number of radio stations a company can own in a geographical area. Before this, corporate conglomerates were prohibited from forming monopolies on markets. Unfortunately, this is exactly what has happened since this act was passed.

Since 1996, it has become possible for the top three broadcasters to control 60 percent of the stations in the top 100 markets in America, with Clear Channel firmly at the top. Its nearest competitor, Infinity Broadcasting, a division of Viacom, owns only 185

stations, compared to Clear Channel's 1,225. For all intents and purposes, it is radio in this country.

Many companies have taken to the practice of national play lists. I'm sure many of you have noticed how bland and similar radio sounds across America. As per each station's genre, Clear Channel radio in Lubbock, with few exceptions, is no different from Dallas, Houston or any other major city you'd like to name. While the songs may not be played in the exact same order, they are the exact same songs.

But what do these companies gain from the homogenization of American radio, and therefore, music? As the CEO of Clear Channel himself said, it all comes down to advertising.

If everyone across America is listening to the same radio stations and we all have the same tastes according to our genre, diversity dies in this country. It's the consolidation of cultures, and it makes us easier consumers.

Commercial radio is a multi-million dollar marketing machine, designed only to sell you more products. They don't want to challenge us, and they sure as hell don't want us to think. In a society

where people actually spend time deciding what their favorite advertisement is, commercial radio is getting rich off our ignorance. The less people think, the more they'll buy whatever radio, television and print tell them to buy. And that's exactly what advertisers want.

Radio executives look at music as nothing more than a way to keep you tuned in until the next commercial break. The old alternative to radio advertisements was to change the station, but when one company owns all the radio stations in a market, they can increase commercial time to as much as they want. They have designed a system where escaping advertising is increasingly difficult.

Music is art. Music is not a means to get rich. If a person can't hack the harsh life that comes with dedicating himself to music, stay out. Like almost anything in life, anybody who is in the music industry for the specific purpose of making money is admittedly good for business. But those people are terrible for art.

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You're hitched! Trump weds

PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP)—The bride's gown was worth more than most American homes. Her diamond-studded ring cost more than many yachts. But the groom's hair? Self-styled.

Donald Trump married Slovenian model Melania Knauss Saturday with all the glamour, glitz and gold that money and star power can buy.

Knauss walked down the aisle to "Ave Maria" and guests broke into applause when the real estate mogul-turned reality TV star kissed the bride.

The couple slipped into Trump's Mercedes-Benz Maybach parked near a side entrance after the 30-minute ceremony and drove past hundreds of cheering spectators with the help of a police escort.

"Oh, it was beautiful. It was all just lovely," singer Tony Bennett said.

Another guest, Kathy Hilton, the mother of hotel heiress Paris Hilton, said "it was very romantic. Everything was just beautiful. She looked like a princess. They exuded confidence."

And when The Donald kissed the bride? "It was very romantic, and it was a long one," Hilton said.

"There was a spontaneous combustion of love," said boxing promoter Don King, another guest.

The setting for the opulent reception was Trump's newly unveiled \$42 million Versailles-inspired ballroom at his Mar-a-Lago estate

and club, complete with 24-karat gold moldings, custom-made crystal chandeliers and marble floors covering 11,000 square feet.

About 400 people lined the street outside the church Saturday afternoon for a glimpse of a celebrity - or even the bride. Cheers erupted as the limousines began dropping off guests and a few yelled, "It's George!" when Trump business and legal adviser George Ross arrived.

"It's amazing. There are so many pretty dresses. Ooh, there's a limo," said 13-year-old Katherine Stanton, who climbed a chair and craned her neck to see Ross.

The guest list offered a mix of European royalty, Hollywood celebrity and Palm Beach money, including "The Apprentice" producer Mark Burnett. Other guests included television personalities Barbara Walters, Star Jones, Matt Lauer, Kelly Ripa, Regis Philbin and former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani.

"It is a fantasy wedding. Donald is a superstar and everything Donald does is over the top. His wedding is just going to be like the rest of his life, lots of glamour, glitter and the best of the best," said Rhona Silver, a New York caterer who has planned parties at Mar-a-Lago.

The nuptials marked the third trip down the aisle for Trump, 58, and came just days after the start of the third season of his TV show.

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Track

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but a solid meet for the first one." Lawrence placed first in the pole vault at Saturday's Wes Kittley 6-Way meet. Two of her teammates, Krista Grantham and Lindsay Walesheck, placed second and third, respectively. Lawrence's goals go hand in hand with the team's goals. "I'd love to make it to nationals — that's definitely my goal," she said. "We're going to be incredible this

year. As a vault crew, we have the best crew in the nation." The high jump was another event in which the women swept the top places. A tie for first among Misty Coley, Lacy Wilson and Julianne Kennedy allowed the Lady Raiders to put more points on the board. In team scoring Saturday, the women placed first with 166.67 points more than their nearest competitor, Baylor, who had 131.33, with Texas-San Antonio falling into the third position. Florida managed to edge out Tech in the men's team scores Saturday with

150 points. Tech, with 131 points, beat out a Baylor team that earned 70 to round out the top three. Tech Coach Wes Kittley said the competition brought by Florida and Baylor was the best the teams would see until they go to the Arkansas Invitational Feb. 11-12. "I'm real excited by so many things I saw today," he said. "There was just a good overall team effort that was just a really good start for us for our first meet." Kittley said the most important thing for this first meet was to allow the athletes to see what level at which

they are competing. He said the first meet is a good test to tell where athletes need improvement. "We just need more conditioning," Kittley said. "I think it will get better. I was real pleased overall. I think it was positive for most of them. The main thing is they're realizing where they are, no matter where it is." Licretia Sibley said the meet helped her to realize what needed to be improved. "We've got a better understanding of how good we're going to be this year," she said. "We know where we are now, so we can't help but

improve." Sibley and teammates Louise Cox, Ashley Stevens and Shereefa Loyd (who also won the 600-yard run Saturday) ran the women's 4x400-meter relay to place second behind Baylor's relay team. "The time we ran today was the fastest we've ran at the first meet," Sibley said. "We've got something to show for it. We just get better and better from now on." Ruth Camacho placed first in the 800-meter run Saturday and was the part of the women's distance medley that took third place for Tech on

Friday. She said she was surprised at the results of the meet. "The meet was a big impact, because my workouts haven't been looking too good, and I surprised myself," Camacho said. "Winning today made me the more confident. I feel a lot better than I did yesterday." Other results from Friday's Wes Kittley All-Comers meet featured first place finishes from Olivia Clardy and Mark Medley, women's and men's weight throw, respectively. Andrea Williams placed first in the 600-yard run and Anna Hagood won in the 3000-meter run.

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Last-second shot ends Lady Raider win streak

By David Wiechmann/
The University Daily

The game had 16 lead changes, nine ties and no lead larger than seven points, but perhaps the biggest battle between the No. 10 Texas Tech Lady Raiders and No. 20 Kansas State Wildcats was done after the game.

As the Court Jesters played The Matador Song after Tech's 55-53 loss at home, Kansas State players and fans celebrated the upset victory.

K-State fans chanted "K-S-U! K-S-U!" as head coach Marsha Sharp looked on with her arms folded. Because of the struggle the two teams had on the floor for 40 minutes, she was upset with the actions of the Wildcats and their fans.

"I just think when somebody's playing a school song, you ought to respect that a little bit, and maybe if you're the visitor, get off the floor," she said after the game. "Not very classy to stay out there and celebrate I don't think."

After the school song, Sharp approached the Kansas State bench to voice her concerns on the matter, and in her press conference, Wildcats' coach Deb Patterson apologized for her team's and fans' actions following the win.

"I'd like to open the press conference by apologizing to Coach Sharp and her staff and all the fans of the Lady Raiders," she said. "I believe the coaching staff was offended by our celebration by our team during the school song, and I want to emphasize to everyone associated with the great program at Texas Tech that I apologize wholeheartedly and confess to being totally oblivious to the fact that the school song was being played and didn't in any manner hope or wish to be disrespectful or less than mindful of the opposition."

One thing to which neither side was oblivious was how hard both teams played to try and come out with a win in the jam-packed Big 12 Conference race.

Sharp and Patterson agreed the defense controlled the tempo of the game and kept the scoring low. Both teams were held to 36 percent shooting, and offensive rebounds were hard to come by because of a strong presence on the defensive glass for Tech and K-State.

Baskets at the end of the game that fell for one side and not the other allowed the Wildcats to overcome a three-point deficit with six minutes remaining and to escape Lubbock with a win.

With the game tied at 53, K-State fed the ball to its superstar and National Player of the Year candidate Kendra Wecker. Wecker faked a move at the elbow and turned only to find Tech center Cisti Greenwalt standing in front of her. She then made a spin move and had to shoot over the 6-5 Greenwalt. After the ball rattled around the rim, it fell to give K-State a 55-53 lead with 7.1 seconds left in the contest.

Tech then used the mobility and quickness of its point guard Erin Grant to attempt to force the game into overtime. Grant drove the length of the court and stopped just inside the free-throw line. A pump fake got her defender in the air, and she shot around another. The ball circled the rim once and fell off the front end just as the buzzer sounded to give Tech its first conference loss of the season.

Grant said she had a good look at the basket; the shot simply did not fall.

With the weight of the game placed on her shoulders in the closing minutes, Grant could have taken the blame for the loss, but that role came in junior LaToya Davis' words after the game.

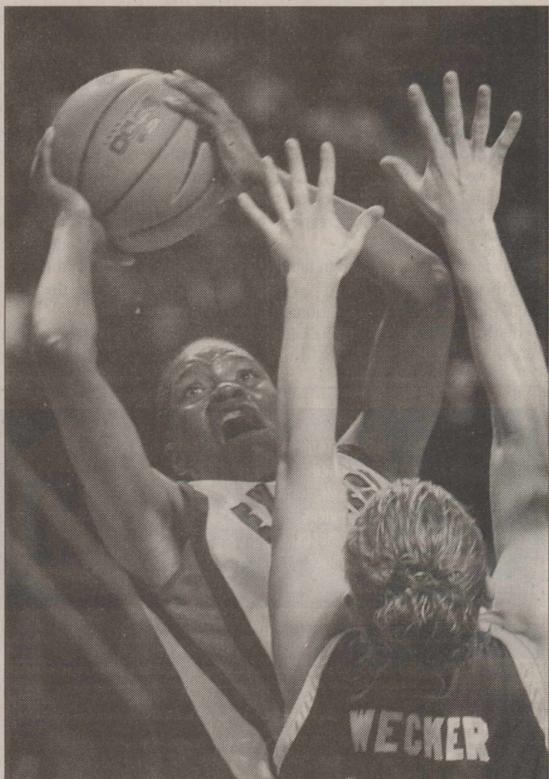
Davis had the assignment of guard-

ing Wecker, the Big 12's leading scorer. She held Wecker to six points in the first half, but shots began to fall in the second half that led to 19 points for the senior. Davis said she did not execute her job on offense as effectively as the Lady Raiders needed to win Saturday despite leading the team with 16 points.

"I don't think I did as well as I should have done; there were some plays in the end that I should have made or when Erin passed me the ball I missed it," she said. "So, don't think I did as good as I should have, and I should have stepped up a little more."

Tech failed to score in eight of its last 11 possessions of the game, and that stretch started with a three-point lead for the Lady Raiders. Grant said the team has to bounce back to be prepared for Wednesday's game against Missouri. The team has to show maturity and use the heartbreaking loss as a crash course in what not to do in tight basketball games.

"We do have to forget about this game now that it's over," she said. "We have to learn from it and try not to make the same mistakes next game and just move on from it and have clear (heads) facing Missouri."



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LATOYA DAVIS ATTEMPTS a shot against Kansas State star Kendra Wecker in Texas Tech's loss to the Wildcats.

Successful weekend for Tech track teams

By Anne Gepford/
The University Daily

With a total of 14 first-place finishes over the weekend, the Texas Tech track and field teams have shown their ambition to be at the top.

Geralda Dukuly placed first in both

the long jump Friday and the triple jump Saturday. She said she was impressed with the entire team's effort.

"Overall, I'm pleased with the team a lot," Dukuly said. "I think the team showed up and competed."

Dukuly said she was pleased with her place, but not with her jumps. Similar to others on the team, Dukuly said she was fairly happy with her results because this meet was the first of the season.

Britni Lawrence, a pole vaulter, said she did not want to be at her best at the beginning of the season because then no room for improvement would exist.

"This is my first college meet," Lawrence said. "It's a little nerve-racking,

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La Ventana yearbook Photos
The Yearbook photographers will return for **ONE WEEK ONLY**
January 24-28
Student Union Playa Room (2nd floor)
9am-12 noon; 1pm-4pm
This is your absolute last chance to appear in the 2005 La Ventana yearbook