

## Phonics key to education

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — Barbara Panza puts a card with the word "attendance" on a display stand and asks her students, "What two letters make the 'at' sound?"

"A-T," they spell out. Then, "What three letters make the 'ten' sound?" They answer: "T-E-N." And, "What five letters make the 'dance' sound?" "D-A-N-C-E."

The phonics exercise is called a syllable search, a way to help second- and third-grade children attack big words by breaking them into different parts. But those following Panza's lead at a hotel just outside Washington, D.C., are about 50 elementary and prekindergarten teachers.

They hope to bring what they learned about reading this summer in Arlington to their students and fellow teachers in the fall.

Lackluster scores on state and national tests have spurred parents, teachers, their unions and

lawmakers into revamping instruction and putting millions of dollars into training.

And the reading war — the dispute that pitted phonics against whole-language teaching methods — is dying down a bit, thanks

largely to a report this year by the influential National Research Council.

The report urged more teaching of underlying skills, such as making children aware even before they begin to write or read of the discrete sounds in even a simple word like "cat." It recommended that children be taught the connection between letter and sound, the component syllables of words — the stuff of phonics.

"For the first time, teachers were getting these wonderful libraries," said Marsha Berger of the American Federation of Teachers, which sponsored the Arlington reading classes as part of a summer training institute for teachers.

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Marsha Berger  
American Federation of Teachers

## First lady draws admiration in time of trouble

EDGARTOWN, Mass. (AP) — The woman once lampooned as Saint Hillary for seeking "the politics of virtue" is gaining new admiration.

After her husband's public admissions, people now use words like "loyal" and "brave" to describe the First Lady of the United States.

Two years ago, common descriptions included "dishonest" and "rhymes with rich."

Americans praise the First Lady not only for a private commitment to her marriage but for accomplishing the public show of an intact White House team.

"If she can get us through this whole ordeal, she's got a lot to bring to American families and American women," said Carol Chase, 50, a registered independent but Clinton supporter.

"The country could learn a lesson."

The mom from Scarsdale, N.Y., spoke as she sat with her family outside the Chilmark Store on Martha's Vineyard. The Clintons have been vacationing on the island ever since the president's television admission of an inappropriate relationship with Monica Lewinsky.

Professing awe at Hillary Clinton's fortitude and calling herself a "Hillary wannabe," Chase suggested she would put her own husband "through a meat grinder" if he were unfaithful.

Her growing respect for the First

Lady is echoed by national opinion polls — and among White House aides grateful for the First Lady's show of commitment to her husband.

One top Clinton aide never considered close to the first lady voiced pure admiration: "I would walk on hot coals for that woman — not her husband."

Asked to supply a one-word description of Hillary Clinton, the top five responses in a national survey released this week were: strong, intelligent, brave, good and loyal.

The top answers two years earlier: strong, dishonest, intelligent, smart and "rhymes with rich."

As soon as this island getaway ends Sunday, the First Lady's credibility and political clout will be weighed on both national and international scales.

Hillary Clinton is to accompany her husband next week to Moscow, Northern Ireland and the Irish Republic, making separate speeches on education and women's empowerment at each stop.

She then plans a week of "back to school" U.S. appearances.

Tied with Vice President Al Gore as the Democratic Party's second-highest fund-raising draw after the president, Hillary Clinton also is slated for at least 15 fall campaign stops before she represents the United States at a first ladies' summit in Santiago, Chile, and another

women-in-democracy forum in Uruguay.

On personal grounds, public opinion stands with her.

In a Pew Research Center survey released Thursday, 66 percent of Americans said they admired the First Lady's decision to stand by her husband and 63 percent had a favorable opinion of her.

Her favorable rating had been as low as 42 percent early in 1996.

Still, other polls have found that an even greater majority — reaching 84 percent in a Newsweek survey — said they don't believe Hillary Clinton's contention that she did not know of her husband's affair.

Back in Chilmark, 18-year-old Becky Chase said that, as the wronged wife, Hillary Clinton gets a free pass even if she was lying when she defended her husband and blamed the Lewinsky investigation on a "vast right-wing conspiracy."

"He's the jerk. Of course it's humiliating for her to admit," Chase said.

Republican pollster Linda DiVall

cautioned that efforts by some Clinton supporters to portray the First Lady as the victim of her husband's deception only play into the White House argument that the Lewinsky matter is a wholly private one — and not the stuff of impeachment.

Such a strategy could be ultimately destructive to the First Lady's image, in DiVall's view.

"It's an enormous credibility problem," DiVall said. "Here's this leading feminist supposedly talking about women and men as equals."

"For her to have best of both worlds — pretend she's a victim and also have a hand in the strategy, essentially condoning the president's behavior with her silence — that puts her in a very dangerous position."

It is an odd straddle for the First Lady who, in 1993, fumbled over catch phrases — the politics of meaning, the politics of virtue — as she fought for Democrats to be heard in the conservatives' growing political debate over public morals, religious values and personal behavior.

**I would walk on hot coals for that woman — not her husband.**

a top Clinton aide

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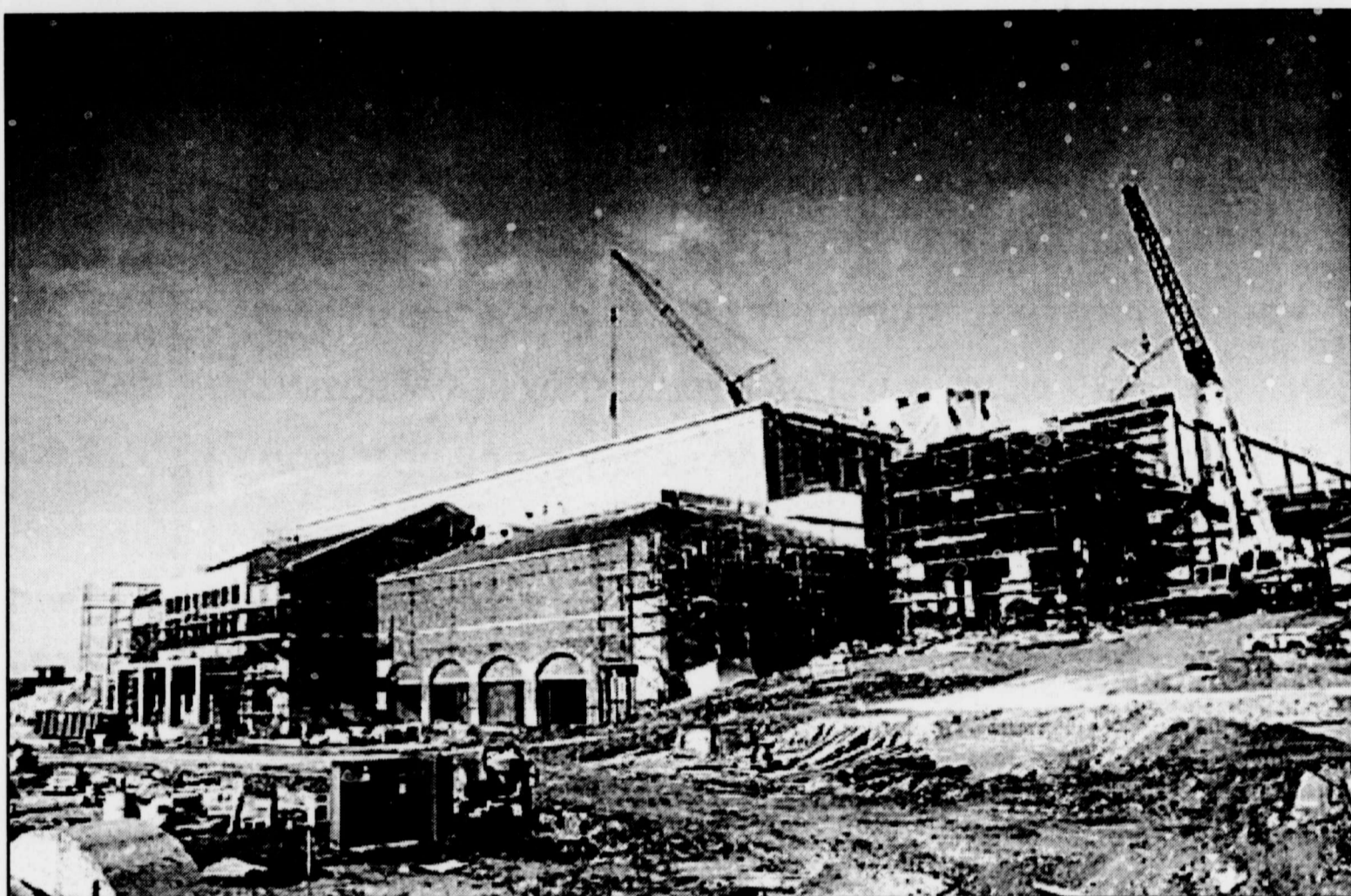
Law school students participate in national title see p. 5

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Horizon Campaign gets closer to goal see p. 3



## Arena moves closer to completion date



Wes Underwood/The University Daily

Almost there: The United Spirit Arena inches toward its completion date of April 15, 1999. Construction is 32 days behind, but workers believe the lost time will be made up. To date, building costs have reached \$19.7 million. The final estimate is \$46 million.

Work still lags behind schedule

By Kerri Panchuk  
Staff Writer

The United Spirit Arena continues to advance in construction with many luxuries being added to its completion.

Don Bundock, the resident project representative, said the arena is in its third phase, and 48.3 percent of the total project is complete.

"The contract date for completion is April 15, 1999," Bundock said. "The contractor has advised us he is 32 days beyond that, and hoping to make that up."

The date of completion is related to many other factors such as weather and the complexity of the architecture.

Bundock believes the unique design of the building makes it one of the nicest arenas, and in order to maintain the quality of this construction it affects the schedule.

"The arena consists of 53 roof planes, which is 53 times harder than one roof," Bundock said.

The summer heat also has slowed construction.

"The heat during this summer has had an impact on completion," Bundock said. "Especially during June and July."

The building has many parts that will be beneficial to students. It contains 24 sky boxes, a hall of fame, a food court, a student lounge and a meeting room.

In the hall of fame, an elliptical staircase stands and many traditional items will be displayed around the hall.

"The many functions of this building is what makes it so unique," Bundock said.

The new South Meeting Room overlooks the law school and Bundock said this will provide an ornate setting for various functions.

Bundock said he believes the meeting room is an important part of the arena because it can benefit many people on campus with a meeting place.

The arena was designed to

complement and match the rest of Tech's architecture.

"A lot of expense went into making it compatible with the rest of the campus," Bundock said.

To date, the project has cost \$19.7 million and the final estimated cost is about \$46.2 million.

As the building progresses, many await to see what the end result will be.

However, many students still are unsure about the project's importance.

"Why do we need a new arena for athletics, we should be more focused on academics," said Angela Hopkins, a senior petroleum land management major from Houston.

"The athletes can't even comply with NCAA rules so why should they get an arena?"

Other students see the benefits of the arena, but also feel funding should not benefit athletics first.

"I think the arena will be a good addition to campus, but I also

think that our priorities are reversed," said Tim Head, a senior physics and math major from Van Horn.

"We should be building academic buildings first."

Yet, Bundock who has watched the project from the beginning, feels the arena's unique architecture will benefit our whole campus.

"It has been called the 'Crown Jewel' of architecture on the Tech Campus," Bundock said.

## Tech alumni have least debt

By John Davis  
Staff Writer

Last year, students at Texas Tech found themselves with less debt to deal with after college than graduates at other universities in Texas, according to *U.S. News and World Report's* new edition, "America's Best Colleges."

The report found that 1997 Texas Tech graduates had an average debt of \$5,100.

Students at other Texas schools, like the University of Texas at Austin and Texas Southern University, found themselves saddled with debt from \$12,000 to \$20,000, respectively.

Deputy Chancellor James Crowson said it is a credit to Tech as well as to Lubbock.

"The cost of living is cheaper in Lubbock and it allows students not to go so far into debt, and I think we make a very conscious attempt to keep costs like housing and things like that as low as we can," Crowson said.

Tech Bursar James Meiers said legal residents of Texas pay \$36 per semester hour.

"This is decided by law in section 54 of the education code," Meiers said.

"All universities in Texas charge the same rate per semester hour."

Meiers said the coordinating board, a group consisting of the five most populous states, decide how much to charge for the out-of-state tuition.

"It's the other fees that make up the difference," Meiers said.

Meiers said at his old college in Iowa, there was a charge of 37 cents for parking garage maintenance.

"You'd think they would have gone ahead and made it a dollar," Meiers said.

Some of the fees included in the Tech Fall 1998 Course Schedule are:

- information technology fee — \$6 per semester credit hour
- medical service fee — \$49
- general property deposit — \$10
- identification card fee — \$2.50
- international education fee — \$1
- laboratory fee — \$2-\$30 per course
- course fee — \$3 to \$45 per course

This adds up to about \$143.50 and does not include other special fees.

### Schools with least debt

University of Texas — Dallas	\$8,820
Louisiana Tech University	\$9,723
University of Texas — Austin	\$12,000

### Schools with most debt

University of Denver	\$20,000
University of Tulsa	\$18,596

Source: U.S. News and World Report

Students seem to agree the lower cost helps in recruitment for the school.

"I think that it's an excellent incentive," said Conrad Kuykendall, a

senior finance major from Dallas.

"To get that (education) at a lower cost seems to be a much better value. I'm sure that it would influence other people to come here."

## Research center named for vice provost

By Anjela Anaya  
Staff Writer

The Texas Tech Board of Regents recently approved the establishment of the Virginia Sowell Center for Research and Education in Visual Impairment, one of the few of its kind in the nation.

Roseanna Currey-Davidson, college of education assistant professor, said although the center's activities might not appear that different from current work and research, the center is one of 26 programs nationwide that focuses on education for the visually impaired.

"There is no other university that has a center for research and education in visual impairment," Currey-



Sowell

Davidson said. "So this is a really unique thing among our colleagues."

The center was named in memory of Virginia Sowell, special education professor and vice provost for academic affairs, to enhance the work she had done over the last two decades in the area of visual impairment, Currey-Davidson said.

The college has an existing program, Teachers of Students Who are Blind, which focuses on instruction for three groups.

Those groups are the visually-impaired, orientation and mobility spe-

cialists and deaf/blind teachers.

Sowell began the program in 1978 with professors Alan Koenig, Nora Griffin-Shirley, Pat Kelley and Currey-Davidson. Braille literacy, teaching students with multiple disabilities, and a national survey of programs for teachers of the visually impaired are a few research topics.

The college has about 40 graduate students a year in the program, with a \$400,000 budget from federal, state and private grants.

The actual implementation phase of the center will begin this semester, Currey-Davidson said.

The center will operate out of the College of Education in the administration building.

"We will be organizing our current

staff into activities related to the center," Currey-Davidson said.

"We will begin developing new projects for the Virginia Sowell Center starting this fall."

She said the new center and its history will aid funding efforts.

"Her legacy will be a great boost in our external funding opportunities," Currey-Davidson said.

The program will have more money for research and also the ability to leverage more outside funding with the center, she said.

"I think (the center is) a good tribute to her and therefore we want it to be very special," Tallent-Runnels said.

Sowell died in a car accident in December.

## Stadium gets new screen

By Melody Ragland  
Staff Writer

Texas Tech football fans will have one more thing to cheer about this season, the new Mitsubishi Diamond Vision.

The Diamond Vision Mark III screen is more than 21 feet high, the equivalent of three-stories, and 27 feet wide.

Richard Kilwien, director of Athletic Media Relations, said the

athletic department researched for a video screen for the past two years.

After looking at three different companies, Tech decided on Mitsubishi's Diamond Vision.

"Mitsubishi has the best picture and resolution," Kilwien said.

"This is the best you can buy. We are thrilled to have it."

Tech purchased the screen for approximately \$2.2 million using money from advertisements.

The three major contributors were Covenant Health Systems, Southwestern Bell and Plains National Bank.

Tri-vision panels on the lower left side will show names of other contributors.

Bill Leavell, senior vice president of Plains National Bank, said it was time that Tech had a video screen since they were the only school in the Big 12 Confer-

ence not to have one.

"We felt it was important to upgrade the level of our football stadium," Leavell said.

"We are proud of Tech athletics and would like to continue to support them."

Fans may get a chance to see themselves on screen and some sponsors will be doing interactive fan contests.

The screen also will show instant replays, trivia, and a dot race.

Eight commercials will be shown.

Four before the game and one each quarter.

"It will be like a television broadcast within the stadium," Kilwien said.

Major corporations, as well as local merchants will use the screen to advertise.

"It's a great idea in case people don't have great seats," said Ryan Shupe, an exercise and sports science major from Greensboro, N.C.

The Diamond Vision also has been installed at other college football stadiums, major league stadiums, concert halls, arenas, and coliseums.



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Plains National Bank senior vice president

# Photographer compiles archive of Kurdish images

NEW YORK (AP) — Crossing the borders that splinter the world's largest stateless population, Susan Meiselas has collected hundreds of family photos to compile perhaps the most comprehensive archive ever on a country that's not on the map: Kurdistan.

"The photographs came to me sometimes wrapped in cloths, sometimes in bags, sometimes — but less frequently — actually in albums. Sometimes people risked their lives to save these photos," said Meiselas, author of "Kurdistan: In the Shadow of History" (Random House, \$100 suggested retail price).

"This is the history of the desire to be a nation," she said of the hefty collection of photos, stories and documents.

The images and personal histories form a tapestry of the long-suppressed history of the Kurds, whose

nation has been divided among Turkey, Iran, Iraq, Syria and the former Soviet Union. Despite those divisions, the concept of Kurdistan could not be more real to the more than 20 million Kurds.

Traveling through the mountains with photo chemicals and an old Polaroid camera, Meiselas carefully reproduced negatives of the images kept in people's backyards or homes. The originals were then carefully reburied or wrapped up to be stashed again.

"You need to remember that for many people, having these images was considered very risky," she said. "It could put them in danger or the photos could be taken away."

Finding a photo collection sometimes took years, and 18 months into her collecting she was helped by a \$250,000 MacArthur Fellowship.

Its funding secure, her project became an obsession.

Her files grew so large that she and her companion, filmmaker Richard Rogers, had to move into a bigger apartment.

Like many Westerners, the New York photojournalist — who made her reputation covering civil wars in Nicaragua and El Salvador in the 1980s — first heard about the Kurds during the Gulf War.

"It was a very powerful experience the first time," she said of her initial visit to Iraqi Kurdistan.

"Seeing the destroyed villages. Hearing the stories ... Most of the journalists were focused on refugees, but because I went into the places they came from, and I saw their homeland, what happened to me

emotionally was seeing the rupture of that homeland."

Speaking in her SoHo studio, Meiselas' voice then broke off for a moment.

"I just remember driving in this car down the highway in Iraq and looking out, and people saying this was the village of such and such, that was the village of such and such. And it was just stones, it was rubble. ..."

"The sight of it was what I had to report. But it was in the past tense. It wasn't about what had just happened. In journalism we're always interested in breaking news, not the past tense."

She met with tribal chiefs, lived with families, and tracked down elusive bits of information in Kurdish areas of Iraq, Iran and Turkey.

Meiselas soon realized that Kurds themselves had no access to their own history.

"People like myself who traveled from afar came to Kurdistan, then left Kurdistan with whatever we made pictures of. That's very powerful. We had their history. They didn't," she said.

"Kurdish history is not taught in schools officially. So this is really a history book, a reference book, a source book. And one by one it is getting into Kurdistan."

One copy is in a Kurdish library in Stockholm, she said, "and I've been told it already looks like it's 40 years old because it's so mutilated by all the people who've handled it."

Bakhtiar Amin, director of the Washington-based Human Rights Alliance and himself a Kurd, said the book was the biggest photographic archive on the Kurds and was already having an impact.

"We sent three boxes of her book to Turkish Kurdistan and five books to libraries in Iraqi Kurdistan. It's so important, such a masterpiece," Amin said.



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# Horizons grow for Texas Tech

## Campaign receives \$1.5 million

By Tara Nishimura  
Staff Writer

John Montford, Texas Tech chancellor, announced Aug. 14 that donations in the amount of \$1.5 million were given to the Horizon Campaign.

Benefactor Ed Benninger, a 1965 Tech graduate, and his wife Nelda donated \$1 million to the colleges of business and arts and sciences.

Houston Endowment Inc., a non-profit organization, gave \$500,000 to the Institute for Environmental and Human Health. The cash gift aids in the college's program to investigate the effect of certain toxins on environment and health issues.

"We reviewed their request and thought it merited our assistance," said Ann Hamilton, grant officer for Houston Endowment Inc.

"We see issues that we believe need our assistance and help."

Houston Endowment was established in 1937 and gives approximately \$45 million annually to insti-

tutes of higher education.

"Houston Endowment is a non-profit organization, grant making corporation, established years ago to improve the lives of Texans," said Brad Walker, associate director of the Horizon campaign. "When you get a gift from an agency like Houston Endowment, what you are getting is an endorsement."

The contributions represent only part of about \$12 million in donations received since the end of May 1998. Walker said all monetary gifts to the university will be used for the campaign.

"All gifts count towards the campaign," Walker said, "not only million dollar gifts like Mr. Benninger's, but also annual gifts to colleges or from the Ex-Student Association or from the Red Raiders Club or the Dads and Moms Association."

There is a development officer for each college and contributors can donate to specific colleges.

Horizon Campaign goals*	
Graduate School	\$5
Health Sciences Center	\$100
Library	\$10

\* in millions of dollars

"Each college has its own development officer and they collaborate," Walker said. "With the larger and larger gifts, more people get involved."

Walker said the overall goal of \$300 million would not change, but within that goal, each college could change their goal to increase the incentive to keep giving.

The campaign steering committee, a group of 28 Tech alumni and administrators, raised the College of Business' goal from \$30 million to \$40 million shortly after the Benninger gift.

"So many of our business graduates have been very successful, the steering committee felt like they needed to increase the goal so there would be incentive to keep going in the campaign," Walker said.

"We don't want efforts to die because we've reached a goal we've set."

The Horizon Campaign officially kicked off last February with the goal of \$300 million for capital and individual college improvements. The campaign has raised a little over \$205 million.

## Horizon Campaign reaches 75 percent, still going strong

In September 1996, a capital/comprehensive campaign began to raise \$300 million for Texas Tech.

Two years later and more than 75 percent of the goal reached, Tech is well on its way to becoming a prime institution of higher education.

Four different areas of Tech will benefit from the campaign. The money would be divided into \$100 million for student scholarships and \$100 million for faculty enhancement. Campus improvement would receive \$80 million and the last \$20 million will be placed in an annual fund where the money will be used as needed.

Margaret Lutherer, director of the Office of News and Publications, said the Horizon Campaign is a fund-raiser known as a comprehensive fund-raiser.

This means the campaign goes through two different phases. The first phase is known as the "quiet phase" and is begun when research for funds begins.

It is known as the quiet phase be-

cause the campaign is not released as public knowledge.

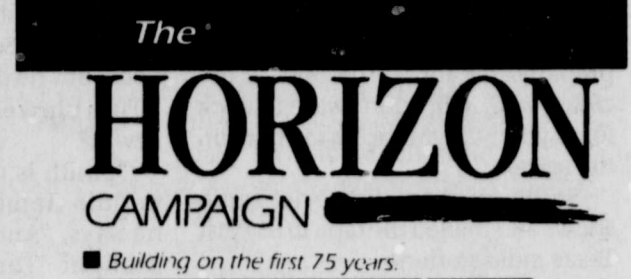
This particular campaign began its quiet phase in September 1996.

Lutherer said most comprehensive campaigns will stay in the quiet phase until at least half of the expected funds are received.

The Horizon Campaign underwent the second phase, the "public phase," Feb. 6. At this time, the campaign already had received \$163 million, a little more than half of the expected donations.

The Horizon Campaign still is underway, and as of July, \$205 million had been received, leaving only \$95 million to reach a \$300 million goal.

Within the colleges, the museum exceeded its set goal by 63 percent, the graduate school by 48 percent and business administration by 2 percent.



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**Brad Walker**  
assistant director,  
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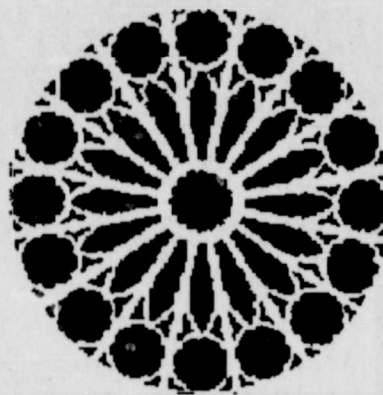
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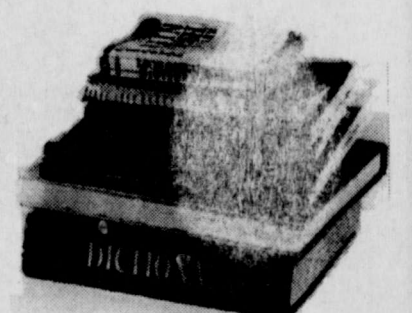
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# West Texas broadcaster cultivates colorful Texans for his radio show

FORT DAVIS (AP) — About 30 years ago, Bob Lewis got fired from his radio station job in Big Spring. So, with typical West Texas optimism, he turned his misfortune into opportunity.

"I had always wanted to do something on my own, and getting fired prepared me for it," he said. "I decided, well, hell, I don't want to work for anybody anymore. It's too hard on the system."

So he recorded five brief radio shows and mailed the tape to 65 West Texas radio stations.

"I called the program 'Tumbleweed' because the tumbleweed is such a strong symbol of West Texas," he said. "I ended each show with: 'This is Bob Lewis reporting for 'Tumbleweed.' And I made a sale! The Littlefield station, KZZN, bought my show. Then a station in Big Spring — not the one that fired me — bought it. So I had a network, man!"

Three months after he syndicated himself, Lewis was airing on five stations and, a few months after that, 10. On April 1, 1970, he went statewide. Now he has about 40 stations, all of them small.

"Every now and then I get a big station," he says. "I was on KLIF in Dallas for awhile, and WBAP in Fort Worth, and KPRC in Houston. But I

know it's going to be a short run. They'll eventually say, 'What do we need in Dallas from Big Spring?'"

In 1970, Lewis changed "Tumbleweed" to "Tumbleweed Smith" because people were forgetting his name and calling him by the name of his show. So he decided what the heck. But he didn't like the sound of "Tumbleweed Lewis."

"Smith is my middle name," he says, "And I thought 'Tumbleweed Smith' had a better rhythm than 'Tumbleweed Lewis.' So that's how I became who I am."

The show is simplicity itself. It's 2 1/2 minutes of some Texan just telling a story about something that happened once or some guy he used to know or explaining some unusual hobby he has, such as popping bullwhips. Tumbleweed introduces the storyteller and keeps the story moving along with a question or comment now and then. But mostly he just listens and laughs.

There's Pecos Pate Boone, for instance, a thirsty cowboy who used his

boot as a bucket to get water out of a well and drew up a rattlesnake. When he shot the snake, his bullet severed the rope that he had tied the boot onto, and the boot fell into the well, with spur attached. And then some other interesting stuff happened.

Or there's O.C. Proffit, who claims he once caught a catfish that was "66

feet and 13 inches long." He invited all the residents of two counties to the fish fry. Or James Wheat, who busted his Rolls Royce herding a heifer with it. Or Hence Barrow, who remembers a norther so cold it froze all the

thermometers and the cattle died standing up.

Or Lela, proprietor of a cafe, who has had so many last names, she says, that "it doesn't make any difference what you call me." She has been a bride "half a dozen times, more or less," but all her husbands are dead. "I killed them all," she says. "I just loved them to death."

She made nice tombstones for them out of cement and beer cans.

Tumbleweed's favorite story is about a boy who stuck his head into a churn and couldn't get it out. It was told years ago by Corbet Akins, then sheriff of Panola County. Sheriff Akins' account of the family's efforts to remove the churn, and his own odd laughter while he's telling it, bring tears of hilarity to every eye in every audience.

Starting out, Tumbleweed compiled 1,000 ideas into a folder. Then he hit the road.

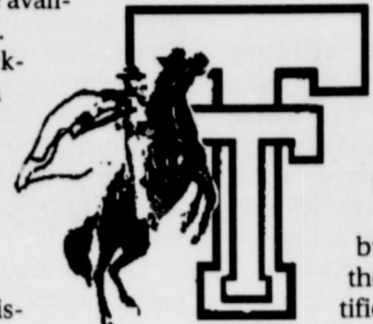
"I was looking for people with a gleam in their eyes who liked to talk," he says. "As I traveled around Texas trying to sell my program, people at the stations would tell me about unusual characters and people who did unusual things. Pretty soon I had about seven folders. I divided the state into about 13 districts and explored one area at a time."

Tumbleweed figures he's driven about a million and a half miles. "That's the equivalent of two or three trips to the moon," he says. "I've used enough audiotape to wrap twice around the borders of Texas."

On a recent weeklong trip to East Texas, he hit Jacksonville, Crockett, Rusk, Athens, Malakoff and Kaufman. He averages about five interviews a day, but has done as many as 14.

**"I decided, well, hell, I don't want to work for anybody anymore."**

**Bob Lewis**  
broadcaster



### Athletic tickets now on sale

Students can pick up athletic ticket packages from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today until Friday in the University Center Ballroom.

The packages are available for those who purchased tickets during spring registration, said Russell Warren, director of athletic ticket operations.

Every sport except for basketball will be available, Warren said. Basketball tickets will be given to students later in the fall semester.

If students missed buying the packages during spring registration, they will be sold until Wednesday in the UC, he said.

The All-Sports packages are \$100; football packages are \$51; baseball, soccer and volleyball are \$30; and men's and women's basketball tickets are \$30.

There are plenty of tickets still available, Warren said.

After Wednesday, students may pick up or purchase the packages at the ticket office at the north end of Jones Stadium.

But getting tickets while they are available at the UC would be advantageous to students, Warren said.

With the first home game Saturday, the ticket office will have long lines from the general public buying tickets, Warren said.

The athletic ticket office is open 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays.

Also, student guest tickets are available for students' friends and family.

The guest tickets are on sale the Monday before each home game.

Ticket prices vary game to game, and prices cost as much as a full ticket.

Students can only buy two tickets with their Texas Tech identification card.

Students planning a road trip to the Tech Texas A&M football game Oct. 24 in College Station may have to rush to buy tickets, Warren said.

Tickets have sold out in College Station, and Tech's allotment is dwindling, Warren said.

Texas A&M's stadium, Kyle Field, is under construction which has limited the amount of seats available, Warren said.

Tech received about 4,000 tickets for the game, he said.

Usually, Red Raiders fans are allotted 5,000 to 6,000. Tickets cost \$30.

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# Hear ye, Hear ye

## Tech law students bring home national title, debate on prayer, songs in public schools

By Anjela Anaya  
Staff Writer

The Texas Tech law team brought home another national title last month at the American Bar Association's National Appellate Advocacy Competition.

This is the second ABA national championship Tech has won, law school dean Frank Newton said. Tech won the first title in 1994.

Tech beat out South Texas School of Law, which won seven out of the past nine years, said Scott Mayo, team member.

Newton said almost all 180 ABA schools have teams that vie in the competition. Teams compete in four regional competitions, and of those regions, usually four teams advance to the finals, where about 16 teams compete.

"Basically it's like basketball," Newton said. "It's like making the Sweet 16." Competition is for ABA-approved schools only, he said.

"All of the prestigious schools are approved by the American Bar Association," Newton said.

"All 180 American Bar Association approved law schools are like all NCAA Division I and Division II

schools."

Winning the national competition is an exceptional accomplishment, he said.

"All of the students are very good," Newton said. "To be able to stand out as a winning team is a challenge, to win is a truly remarkable feat."

The law team's success is due to the general academic background of the students, the coaching they receive and the talent of the students involved, he said.

"To win a national championship is still unusual, and it really happens only in those unique cases," Newton said.

Don Hunt, Tech adjunct law professor, said participation in the contest offers law students little class credit and no financial incentive.

"Basically, you have to want to participate," he said. "It pays pretty low."

The incentive for the students to participate comes from the experience and knowledge they gain from the intensive practice involved, Hunt said. Students also can make connections as a result of competition. This networking can help them later in the job market, Hunt said.

"If you're successful, it's a way of opening doors at a wide variety of law

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Frank Newton  
Tech law school dean

firms throughout the nation," he said.

Of the three team members, Scott Mayo, Shelley Hallman and Mike Murray, Hallman and Murray have graduated and have jobs.

Team preparation was rigorous, Hunt said. Preparations began the last week of December and lasted up to the competition in early August.

Mayo, a third-year law student, said the contest issue was whether students can say prayers at a public high school graduation ceremony, and if religious songs can be included. Teams discussed various aspects of the issue against other teams.

Debate does not accurately describe what the teams do in competition and in real life where the appeals

process is concerned.

"You're supposed to be informing the court about what the laws is," Mayo said.

The competition has two parts, Mayo said. A written brief is submitted to a court of appeals and given a ranking. Then, in the oral rounds, teams "debate" two sides of an issue and are ranked by a panel of judges.

Murray won best respondent's brief and the team won third best overall brief.

The teams were judged by three Harvard law professors and a federal district judge.

The competition finals were at Harvard Law School in Cambridge, Mass.

## Advertising professor receives national recognition

Texas Tech advertising professor, Joe Bob Hester, was awarded two teaching awards from the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communications.

Hester won awards for his design of an interactive World Wide Web page for students in upper-level advertising courses. The Teaching Standards Competition awarded Hester

honorable mention for his research on using computer-based interactive exams as a learning tool.

Hester received his doctorate at the University of Alabama and his

master's degree in mass communications and a bachelor's degree in advertising at Texas Tech. Hester has been a member of the Tech faculty since 1997.

## Helmet law may affect deaths in motorcycle wrecks

AUSTIN (AP) — More data is needed to know what role a partial repeal of Texas' mandatory motorcycle helmet law has played in an increase in fatalities among riders, a Texas A&M statistics professor said.

The use of motorcycle helmets became optional for all motorcycle operators and passengers 21 and older Sept. 1, 1997.

Operators ages 15 to 20 and any other rider under 21 must wear a helmet.

According to final statistics from the Department of Public Safety, 38 people died in motorcycle wrecks in September through December of 1997 after the law went into effect.

Fifteen — almost 40 percent — were not wearing helmets.

By comparison, 35 people died in Texas motorcycle crashes during the same period in 1996. Three, or 8.5 percent, died while not wearing a helmet.

In a July 26 story looking at fatal motorcycle crashes since helmet use became optional, *The Associated Press* erroneously reported that fatalities rose by more than one-third.

The conclusion was based on an error in calculating the four-month total for 1996.

DPS officials said that based on informal studies and observations, helmet use has sunk to as low as 50 percent since Sept. 1. Before the law changed, about 90 percent of riders wore the head-

gear, they said.

Professor Clifford Speigelman of the Texas A&M statistics department said the deaths of 15 riders without helmets compared with three the previous year was statistically significant. However, factors other than helmet use might have contributed to the increase, he said.

"It's not possible to say this statistically significant difference is totally attributable to helmet use," Speigelman told *The Associated Press*.

"It could be partly due to weather. It could be partly due to the speed-limit increase.

"There is enough here for further thinking," Speigelman said.

However, H.W. "Sputnik" Strain, head of the Texas Motorcycle Rights Association, noted that the total number of fatalities in the final four months of 1997 jumped by only three when compared with the same period in 1996.

Those deaths came during a time when more motorcyclists had returned to the road and fewer people were wearing helmets, he said, meaning the head-gear doesn't save lives.

According to the Texas Department of Transportation, 125,351 motorcycles were registered at the end of 1996. At the end of 1997, there were 127,432.

"People brought them back out when the helmet law passed," Strain said.

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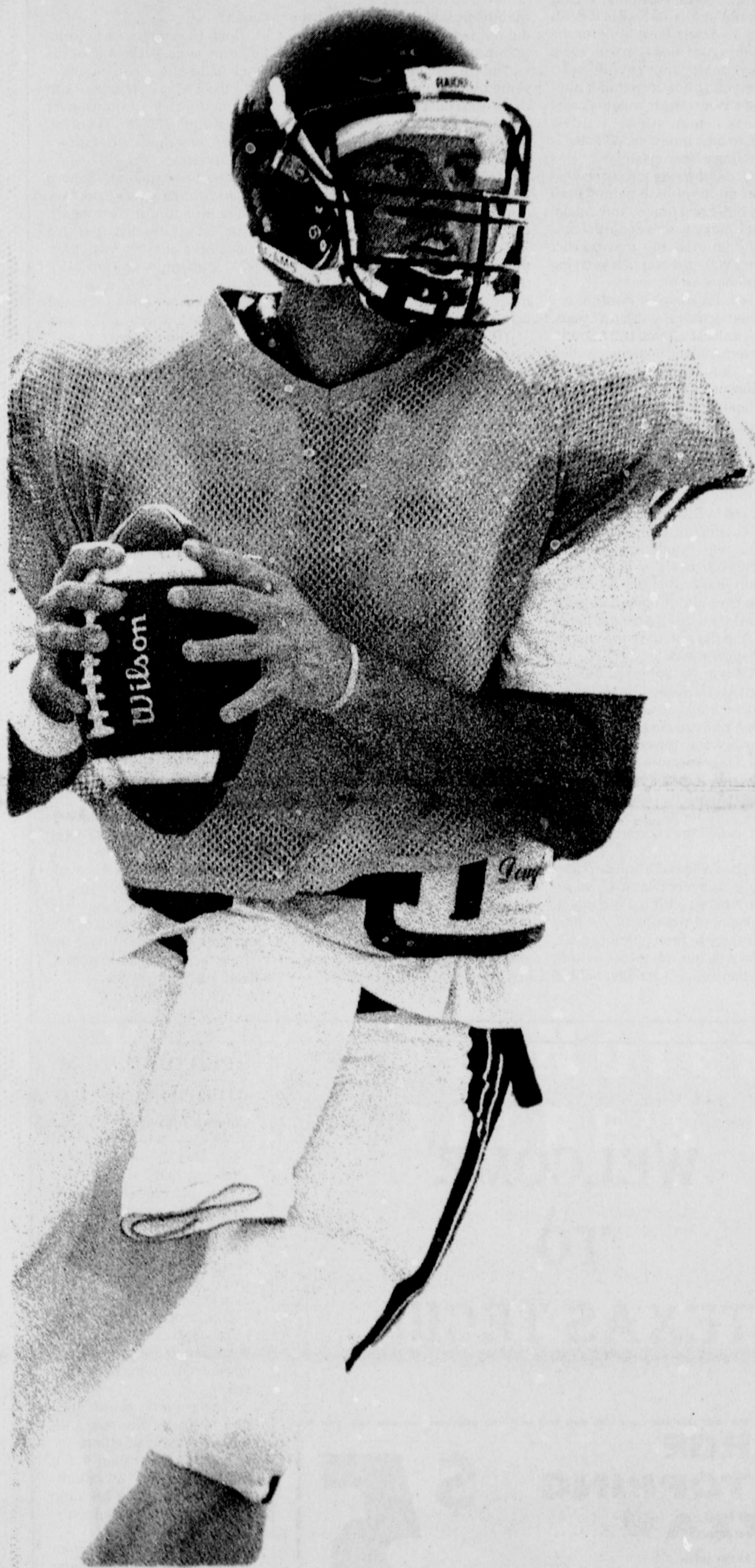
Soccer team looks to improve from last season. see p. 4

## SPIKE TIME

Red Raider volleyball ready to hit the court. see p. 6



# Red Raider football



## Team readies for winning season

By Jason Bernstein  
Assistant Sports Editor

The goal for this season's installment of the Texas Tech Red Raider football team remains clear and simple.

Win, win, win. First, the Red Raiders have to curb the off-season emotions that stem from the numerous NCAA sanctions against the university. "I think we're all excited to have that situation behind us," said senior defensive end Montae Reagor on the NCAA investigation. "We're ready to get out there and prove ourselves."

The Red Raiders not only will have the opportunity to prove themselves, but they also will be able to lay the foundation for Big 12 play with three non-conference opponents to open the season.

"It's definitely nice to know that you have a good chance to win the first few games," said junior quarterback Rob Peters. "Last year going into Tennessee, we knew it would take a small miracle to come out with a win. We feel like we have some tough opponents, but we definitely feel that we have a chance, if we're prepared, to win every game this year."

Peters and the Red Raiders will battle Texas-El Paso in the season opener at 6 p.m. Saturday at Jones Stadium.

"Our guys have worked hard this summer," said Tech coach Spike Dykes. "I've never had a team come back in as good condition as they have."

Despite losing five offensive and six defensive starters, Tech will take the field with perhaps its quickest squad ever.

"There is more athleticism on defense than I can remember," Dykes said. "Overall, the chemistry on defense is really good."

A strong defense has been

the mainstay for the Red Raiders as they finished fifth in the Big 12 in total defense last season and 22nd in the nation in total defense.

With the loss of defensive starters such as Dane Johnson, Eric Butler, Cody McGuire, Duane Price and Tony Darden, younger, less-experienced players will be called upon to fill the void.

Tech's SWARM defense has produced a plus-52 turnover margin over the past five seasons — the best in NCAA Division I football.

Reagor and senior linebacker Kevin McCullar will help anchor a defense whose primary motive is stopping the run at all costs.

"I kind of feel like the pressure is on me and Montae to make things happen," McCullar said of the '98 defense. "People know that he and I can make some big plays."

Alongside McCullar and Reagor, however, are a solid group of players ready to fill their respective roles.

"We also have other guys that are great to have on our side of the ball," McCullar said. "Guys like Taurus Rucker, John Norman and Ty Ardoin make lots of plays for us."

Making plays always has been important for the Red Raiders on both sides of the ball.

On offense, Tech will look to open things up with a balance running and passing attack.

With the likes of offensive starters Ricky Williams, Donnie Hart, Jonathan Gray and Justin Collingsworth returning, a strong offensive nucleus remains intact.

"We're definitely excited about our opportunities this year," Peters said of the offensive outlook.

Peters and the rest of the offense will be looking to improve on an offense ranked No. 11 in Big 12 play a year ago averaging 309.18 yards per contest.

Peters may have to fight off the critics as he takes the helm of an offense that was led by four-year starter and current Dallas Cowboy Zebbie Lethridge.

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## Peters to direct offense into battle

By Jason Bernstein  
Assistant sports editor

As an Academic All-American, junior quarterback Rob Peters has respect from his professors.

As the field general for the 1998 Red Raider squad, Peters has quickly earned respect from his teammates as they head into battle this season.

"Hopefully, we can be a good team," Peters said of this year's squad. "It shouldn't be a situation where one person will make or break us."

Peters, a junior from Katy, saw limited action as quarterback last season but com-

peted in all 11 games at nine different positions.

"Rob's a good player," said Tech coach Spike Dykes. "He's worked hard in the spring, and he's got the skills to be a good team leader on

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## Tech should live up to expectations

In case you haven't noticed, there's something refreshingly different about football season this year at Texas Tech.



Heath Robinson  
Columnist

The air. Sure, the dust still blows at an awesome clip. And once or twice a week, the cows forget to put their cologne on.

But at Jones Stadium, the air has never been better.

Why? Because the hazy aerosol smog emitted by the long-lasting NCAA investigation into the Texas Tech athletic program has finally lifted.

For three years, the NCAA heard and investigated tales of wrongdoing.

Seventy-six ineligible athletes still were allowed to play. A football coach gave away grades. Lawyers were giving away free bail bonds to football players. There were illegal use of phone cards and illegal recruiting. The list read on like "War and Peace." Except there wasn't much peace in this one.

But this summer, it mercifully ended. The NCAA convened around a month ago to strap Tech into the electric chair and pull the switch. But when it came time to read the last rites, they suddenly found a soft spot in their hearts. The Red Raider football program lost only a handful of scholarships above those the school already had willingly taken away in self-imposed sanctions.

Heck, the committee even told the Red Raiders they still could go to a bowl game, and could remain on television.

Ever since, Red Raider fans have remained glued to cloud nine.

And there's little wonder why. Some of Tech's most talented teams in memory, including last season's, were obviously affected on the field by the investigation. Trace back to last year's season-ending loss to Oklahoma in Lubbock, a game which could have secured the Big 12 South Division title for the red and black, as proof.

With seemingly so much on the line, Tech played lackluster football.

One very good reason is that the Red Raiders already knew the school had stripped away any possibility of playing Nebraska in the Big 12 Championship and going to a subsequent bowl.

But it all has paid off. One look at the schedule, and the reason for optimism is readily apparent.

Of their 11 games this season, there is not a game that stands out as a possible loss.

Gone are Nebraska and Kansas State. There is no Tennessee. And two of the three ranked teams the Red Raiders play this season are coming to Lubbock.

An opening stretch of Texas-El Paso, North Texas, Fresno State, Iowa State and Baylor not only sets up a good start, it demands an undefeated start.

There is no excuse for this team to be less than 5-0 entering their game at home against Oklahoma State Oct. 10.

And that's where it would seem to get hairy. But take a closer look.

The Cowboys are an improving team, but

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# Players, coaches glad to have NCAA investigation finished

## Raiders focus on season

By Jason Bernstein  
Assistant sports editor

As the dust settles on the NCAA sanctions imposed on the Texas Tech athletic department, many of the players and coaches on the football squad are glad to have the episode behind them.

"It's really nice to have it over," said junior quarterback Rob Peters. "It's a big weight off our shoulders."

The weight Peters noted was the possibility of not playing in a bowl game despite reaching the coveted six-win mark this season.

"It's a big deal to get the chance to play in a bowl," Peters said.

"We've got to go out and win football games now."

Tech opens the season against Texas-El Paso, North Texas and Fresno State before entering conference play at Iowa State.

"Our team's attitude has been good all summer," said senior wide receiver Donnie Hart. "Our guys had really come to grips with the situation. We have a lot of pride in this team."

The NCAA accepted all of Tech's self-imposed sanctions pertaining to the football program while adding a few sanctions of its own.

Scholarships will be cut by eight for the 1998 and 1999 year,

six for the 1999 and 2000 year and four for the 2000 and 2001 year.

Also, the NCAA cut the total number of scholarships allowed by five (from 85 to 80) for the 1999 to 2001 years.

Despite the whirlwind of controversy surrounding the athletic program last season, the Red Raiders finished a respectable 6-5 overall while posting a 5-3 mark in Big 12 play.

Tech was eligible for postseason play, but university officials withdrew Tech from any postseason bowl games in hopes of lessening the NCAA sanctions handed down last month.

"I think our administration

had a good feel after talking to the attorneys," Tech coach Spike Dykes said of the decision to withdraw from bowl contention. "Thank goodness it all went well."

The NCAA ruling, which did not affect future postseason play for the Red Raiders, was welcomed by the squad and can now be put in the past, said senior linebacker Kevin McCullar.

"It's such a big relief for us," McCullar said of the NCAA ruling.

"There was just a lot of things going on last year that threw us off. We ended up losing some games that we shouldn't have. But what's important now is that we

“Our guys had really come to grips with the situation. We have a lot of pride in this team.”

Donnie Hart  
Tech wide receiver

meet our goals."

The Red Raiders are glad to have the sanctions behind them and are prepared to take the field in hopes of competing for the Big 12 Championship.

"We're definitely ready to take

that next step," said senior defensive end Montae Reagor.

"I'm glad to have it over with and everything turned out for the best. Now we need to focus on winning the Big 12 Championship."



# Peters follows Lethridge's footsteps, looks to UTEP

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the field." Last season, Peters completed 6-of-14 passes for 109 yards and a touchdown as a backup to four-year starter Zebbie Lethridge.

"There's always pressure to win," Peters said of following Lethridge's legacy.

"It's important for us to stay focused each week and not get distracted."

Peters has been recognized for his strong arm as well as his quick feet as he rushed 26 times last season for 126 yards and three touchdowns.

The Red Raider offense will be a more wide-open offense this season, Dykes said.

Tech finished with the No. 11-ranked offense in the Big 12 last season with an average of 309.18 yards per game.

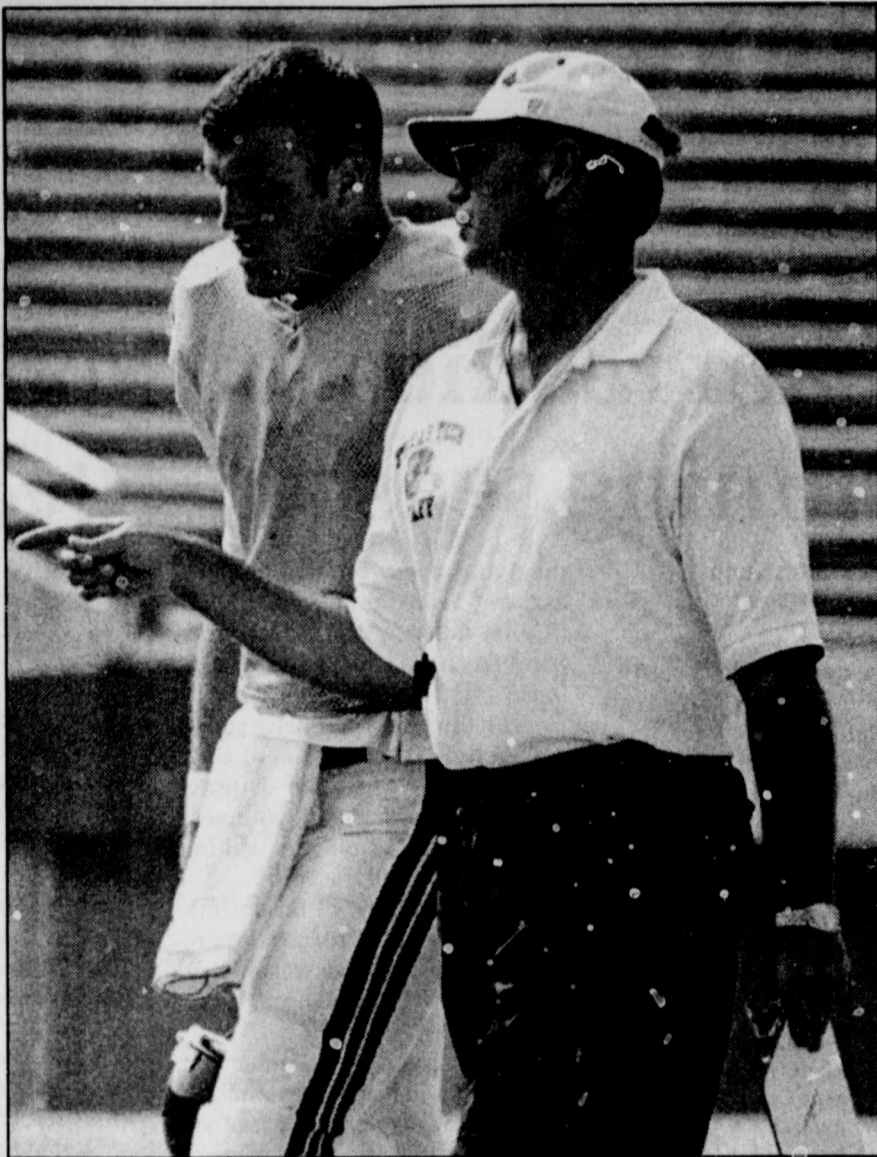
"We definitely have our work cut out for us," Peters said.

"We just have to take each opponent seriously and prepare for each opponent real well."

The Red Raiders will battle with the Texas-El Paso Miners at home to open their season; which is a far cry from taking on the Tennessee Volunteers in Knoxville as they did a year ago.

"We're definitely focused on UTEP right now," Peters said of the season opener. "If you start looking at the big picture, you start to lose track of the little things that you need to do week in and week out. We can't do that."

Despite the "one week at a time" mentality, Peters and the Red Raiders are excited about their opportunity this season to make their mark



Wade Kennedy/The University Daily  
Giving direction: Texas Tech quarterback Rob Peters talks about his game to offensive coordinator Rick Dykes.

in Big 12 play. "We have to keep our goals in sight," said senior linebacker Kevin McCullar. "We have a good team from top to bottom and we know we've got to make things happen."

# Beginning of an era

Coach Doug Williams makes history — again

GRAMBLING, La. (AP) — Before the first pink streaks of dawn paint the sky over the old water tower, Doug Williams and his players are busy changing history.

Elsewhere, this would be football practice. Here, it is the beginning of a new era.

For the first time, someone other than Eddie Robinson is calling the shots at Grambling State.

"I don't have a sense of history as much as I have a sense of urgency," said Williams, a star Grambling quarterback in the '70s and the Super Bowl MVP for the Washington Redskins in 1988. "For years the saying was, 'Grambling doesn't rebuild, it reloads.' Well, we're rebuilding now."

For a man whose fondest dream has come true, Williams is amazingly clear-eyed.

He is following the coach who won more football games than any other and made a tiny school in the piney-woods of north Louisiana famous. But that doesn't worry Williams as much as trying to prepare for the season.

For decades, Grambling expected victories — 408 in 57 years, with at least a share of 17 Southwestern Athletic Conference titles. But the Tigers struggled in Robinson's final three years.

Losing seasons were made worse by an NCAA investigation and probation, discipline problems with players, declining attendance and a lack of attention from the pro scouts that once flocked to Grambling.

"Grambling went 11-21 the last three years, including back-to-back 3-8 seasons," Williams said. "That makes it easier for me to take over after Coach. Everyone knows it's time for a change here."

That did not make the change universally popular.

Even at 78, Robinson did not want to step down. Ideally, he said, he would coach until he was 100. A move to oust him two seasons ago was thwarted when he asked for one more season to try to go out with a winning record. By that time it had sparked bitterness, split longtime friendships, and rocked the alumni and community.

When Williams' name surfaced as a replacement, his once warm relationship with his old coach cooled, and when Williams took over the two men did not speak. Then Williams was forced to work in a bare office in a trailer behind

"Practices are harder, faster, but everyone is really focused now. We know if we do the things he wants us to do there's a big reward ahead."

Kori Smith  
Grambling offensive lineman

the athletic building when Robinson did not move out of his office until mid-August.

The rift remains. There was also some opposition to Williams from those who could not imagine anyone other than Robinson in charge.

"Some people I've known for years stopped talking to me," Williams said. "I know there are those who think I shouldn't be coach, but I can't hop on that, because I am the coach and I have a big job to do."

Scrapped were everything from the antiquated wing-T offensive set to the pre-dawn visits Robinson made to the dorm to wake his players for breakfast.

"He treats us like we're young men, not kids," senior wide receiver Silas Payne said of Williams. "Everything now is about responsibility. You don't have to make practice or lift or do the things he wants. But if you don't, you don't play."

During spring practice players had to report to a 5:30 a.m. conditioning drill. During the fall two days on the field near the Grambling city water tower, practices were from 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and again in the afternoon.

The late arrivals and carelessness that had prevailed over the past few years were no longer tolerated.

"All of a sudden the key words were discipline and hard work," senior offensive lineman Kori Smith said. "Practices are harder, faster, but everyone is really focused now. We know if we do the things he wants us to do there's a big reward ahead."

Williams makes his demands with the confidence of a successful quarterback. His coaching credentials may be slim — he was 3-8 at Morehouse in his only other college job — but his reputation is huge.

Williams passed for 8,411 yards and 93 touchdowns as a Grambling quarterback from 1974-77. The Tigers were 35-5 during that stretch and he was the first player from a predominantly black college ever chosen as a first-team All-American by The Asso-

ciated Press. Then, in one quarter of one fantastic game, Williams put his name in the NFL record books.

In the 1988 Super Bowl, with Washington trailing the Denver Broncos 10-0, Williams shook off a bone-rattling hit to spark a Redskins victory.

In the second quarter, Williams passed for 228 yards and four touchdowns to put Washington ahead 35-10. He ended up with a Super Bowl-record 340 total yards, a 42-10 triumph and an MVP award to highlight his career.

"I think Grambling prepared me for that kind of success as well as the struggles that led up to it," Williams said. "Grambling taught me who I was and what I was and how to deal with it. We worked so hard here and did so much with so little, that everything afterwards seemed easy. That's what I want to give these players. That sense that they have succeeded here and can do it again anywhere."

The path to success will be a hard one for Williams. This season he's replacing 12 starters and 22 lettermen, including the quarterback, kicker and punter.

Only a single Grambling player made the preseason SWAC team and his fellow coaches put the Tigers at the bottom of the conference in the early ranking.

Add to that only three home games and travels as far as New Jersey, Dallas and San Diego for those games that have traditionally earned Grambling substantial paydays, and Williams admits any victories will be hard-earned.

"Sometimes I find myself being optimistic, then I return to reality and realize how far we have to go," Williams said. "But this is Grambling and we've always had a lot of pride. Coach built something great here. I don't have the slightest doubt we can rebuild it. It'll just take a little while."

# Tech looks to Big 12 title

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"Zebbie did a lot of things while he was here," Dykes said.

"But last year, he was at half speed and Rob got some playing time. I really think we're replacing a good quarterback with a good quarterback."

Peters mainly will be handing the ball off this season to sophomore running back Ricky Williams.

Williams broke Byron Hanspard's freshman running record last season by compiling 894 yards on the ground with an



average of 4.4 yards per carry.

Senior wideout Donnie Hart has

been considered one of the best Red Raider receivers in the history of the program and will have a chance this season to display his talents after coming off of a disappointing, injury-plagued '97 campaign. "Donnie Hart is the best receiver

in the country; if he's healthy," Dykes said. "He's got it all."

Tech will look to put it all together before it opens Big 12 play Sept. 26 against the Iowa State Cyclones in Ames, Iowa

The schedule-makers have graced the Red Raiders this season as Tech will not clash with the likes of Tennessee, Nebraska or Kansas State; all of whom finished in the Top 10 last season.

"We're just ready to get out there and win a Big 12 Championship," Reagar said.

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## Tech on par for championship

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Tech beat them soundly in 1996 and 1997.

Colorado looms the next week, but the once-mighty Buffaloes fell to a measly 5-6 last season. And Texas A&M? Well, the Red Raiders own three consecutive victories over their arrogant rivals.

The schedule closes with games against Missouri and Texas at home, and a revenge game at Oklahoma to end the season.

There are no games Tech can point at this year and deem a no-win situation.

Anything less than 9-2, a berth in the Big 12 Championship game and a big-time bowl should be a disappointment.

Heath Robinson is a senior broadcast journalism major from Hurst.

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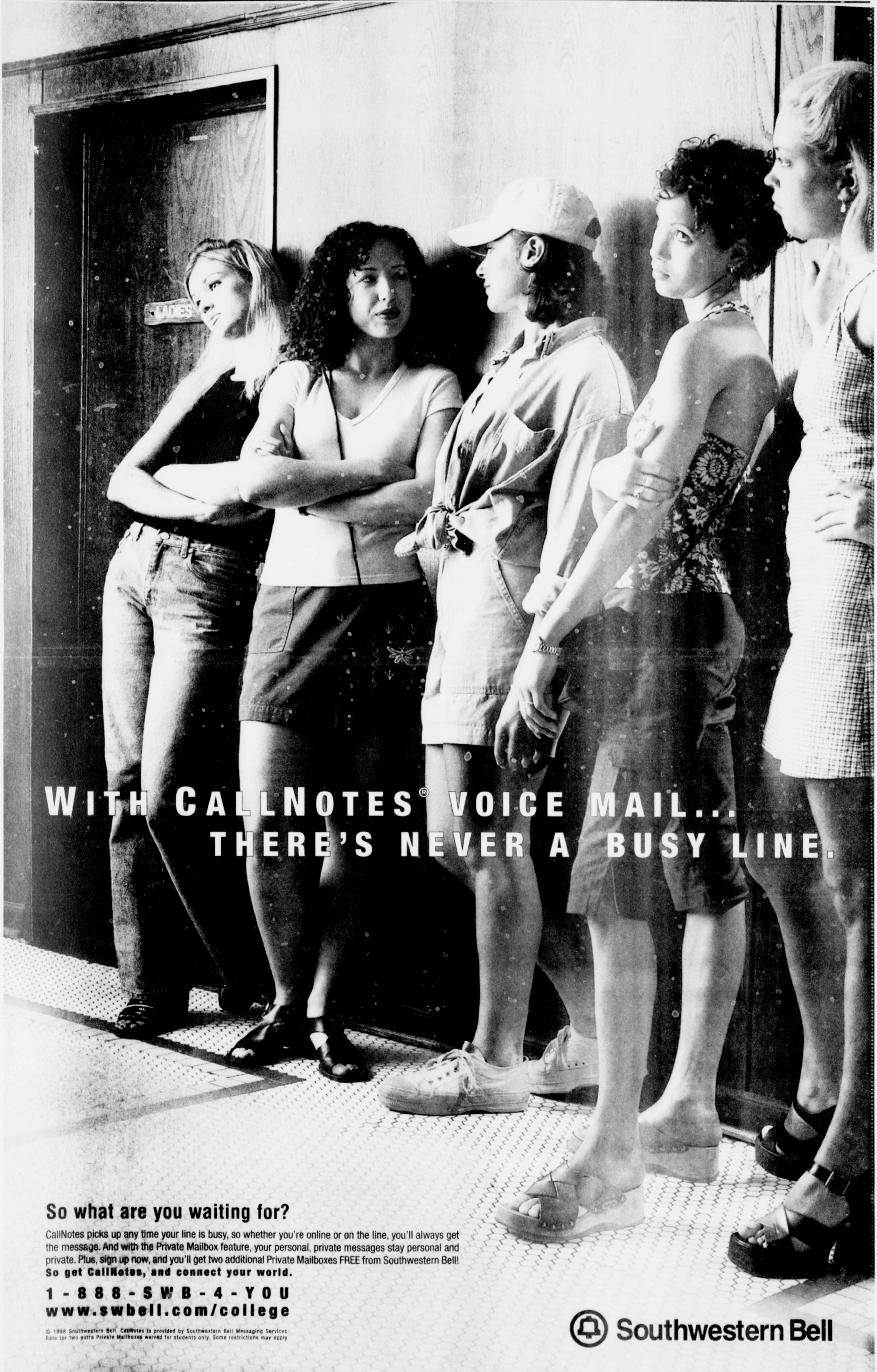
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# Bouncing Back



▲ Can't Touch This: Red Raider defender Ashlyn Peterson pushes the ball up the field past the defense last season in a 4-3 loss to TCU.

► Outta The Way: Tech midfielder Melinda Hemmer stretches for a header during competition last season.

photos by Wade Kennedy/  
The University Daily



## Soccer team returns veteran players

By Brent Dirks  
Sports Editor

A year older and wiser, the Texas Tech soccer team is looking to bounce back in 1998 from the program's first losing season ever last season.

"The biggest change is that we are much more mature this year," said Red Raider coach Felix Oskam. "This is the first year we've had more upperclassmen than we have freshman and sophomores. So, we are a year older, more experienced."

The Red Raiders, who finished 7-11 overall and 4-8 in the Big 12 in 1997, have more leaders this season, Oskam said.

The team lost only one senior from last year while 17 players returned, including All-Big 12 junior forward Kristy Frantz who led the team with 14 goals last season and sophomore goalkeeper Kellie McAllister.

"We have now what I feel is probably the best leadership so far in the four or five years of this program," Oskam said. "And I think that will help our younger players, and hopefully they will follow them."

Strategy wise for the upcoming season, Oskam

said he is returning to a zonal defense after trying a man-to-man approach for the majority of last season.

"But that doesn't mean that I'm going to concentrate on defense alone, and that is what I told them," Oskam said. "We're going to maybe spend two sessions on zonal, but for the rest we're going to attack. We want to put the balls into the net."

Even though the team is stacked with veterans, newcomers, led by sophomore midfielder Jennifer Hamm, will hope to make an impact for the Red Raiders.

"With the additions that we have, especially with Jennifer Hamm, who is a great distributor of the ball, great vision," Oskam said. "When she connects with Kristy Frantz, that could be fun to watch."

With the added experience will come some tests for the Red Raiders this season. Tech will take on nonconference national powerhouses SMU and Maryland while playing conference Top-20 teams Nebraska and Texas A&M. The Red Raiders will play 10 games at home this season, including SMU in the season

opener, along with the likes of Nebraska, TCU and Baylor. "The schedule is the strongest and the toughest schedule in the five years of this program," Oskam said. "Especially the nonconference."

Oskam said playing good teams will help the Red Raiders.

"But playing those kinds of teams, that's what we need to do," he said. "In order to be the best, you have to play

the best."

Senior forward Jennifer Benat said the Red Raiders are much more experienced than in the past.

"The difference between last year's squad and this year's squad is that we have a lot more seniority now," Benat said. "We have a lot more upperclassmen, so leadership is playing a big role now. In the past, we've always been a very young team, but we have a little more upperclassmen this year."

Benat said the Red Raiders have high expectations for the season, including a return to the Big 12 Tournament, which Tech missed by finishing seventh in the conference last season.

"You have to have high expectations," she said. "We definitely have high expectations to be at the Big 12 Tournament. We have a tough schedule, but we realize that. As far as conference games, we expect to be in the tournament."

Hamm, who transferred to the Red Raiders after leading Hawaii in points and shots on goal last season, said she was excited to get the season underway.

"As far as the players go, the caliber is just ... much higher," Hamm, who was named 1997 New Mexico player of the year for Sandia High School in Albuquerque, N.M., said of Tech.

Hamm, who also was named to the NSCAA/Umbro and Parade All-American teams in her senior season, said she would like to help the Red Raiders in the midfield.

"In the midfield, I want to kind of unite everything together from the middle" she said.

"From there, just go with it and feed good balls to everyone. I want to be part of the backbone of the team and show a lot of support."

## Big 10 preview: Ohio State hopes to conquer nationals

(AP) — They're ranked No. 1 in the preseason poll, have a tested quarterback and a veteran defense returning nine starters. But for the Ohio State Buckeyes to win a national title, they must first conquer the Big Ten.

That means beating Michigan, something the Buckeyes have done just once in the last decade.

Circle Nov. 21 — the Buckeyes already have. That's when they play host to Michigan, which is 8-1-1 in the last 10 games against Ohio State, including three straight victories.

"We need to win that game. We need to do a better job, we need to make plays, coach better, play harder or whatever," Ohio State coach John Cooper said.

Ohio State defensive back Ahmed Plummer said the Buckeyes don't believe in jinxes or mental blocks when it comes to playing their biggest rival.

"I don't want to blame it on psychological things," Plummer said. "It's something we have to get over, we have to believe in ourselves. When we do get to Michigan, hopefully we'll be at the top of our game."

Michigan coach Lloyd Carr, whose team won the national title last season, said the Wolverines' domination of the Buckeyes is the result of several factors, including luck.

"It's the greatest rivalry in college sports," Carr said. "The last few years both schools have had a lot on the line. The more meaning it has, the better."

"They all come down to a guy making a play or getting a break."

The Buckeyes have one of their toughest openers in years — on the road at West Virginia Sept. 5. The Wolverines, ranked fifth in the preseason, go to Notre Dame.

"It's not like all of a sudden we're No. 1 and people are going to be up for us," Cooper said.

"I don't know if we've ever caught anybody on an off day when we've played them. Everybody we play I'm sure has us underlined. If there is a big game on their schedule, I'm sure we're it."

Ohio State has 17 returning starters overall, although Butkus Award winner Andy Katzenmoyer had to attend summer school to be eligible along with safety Damon Moore and guard Rob Murphy.

Joe Germane, who shared the starting role with Stanley Jackson for two years, is now the No. 1 quarterback. He completed 61 percent of his passes last season and has thrown for 3,040 yards and 31 career touchdowns. He's got two top receivers in Dee Miller and David Boston, and a quick running back in Michael Wiley.

Michigan returns 15 starters from its national championship team, but Heisman Trophy winner Charles Woodson and quarterback Brian Griese are gone.

Tom Brady, Scott Dreisbach or freshman Drew Henson will replace Griese. Dreisbach has the most experience. He started all 11 regular-season games in 1996, but lost the job to Griese.

Based on a strong showing in spring drills, however, Brady should be the top man this fall even though he attempted just 15 passes in a backup role last season.

Penn State, meanwhile, lost its final two games last season and the Nittany Lions face a brutal schedule that includes seven bowl participants from last season and trips to Columbus and Ann Arbor.

Troubled running back Curtis Enis left for the NFL and the Nittany Lions are inexperienced on offense, especially at quarterback.

Coach Joe Paterno, two wins shy of 300, will rely on a defense led by end Courtney Brown, linebacker Brandon Short and defensive backs Shawn Lee and David Macklin.

Iowa lost running back Tavian Banks and kick returner extraordinaire Tim Dwight. The Hawkeyes' defense features defensive end Jared DeVries, a three-year starter.

"When we're not supposed to have a shot we're usually at our best," coach Hayden Fry said.

Michigan State is playing a 12-game schedule for the first time in school history. The Spartans lost key offensive performers in quarterback Todd Schultz, tackle Flozell Adams and guard Scott Shaw.

They do return tailback Sedrick Irvin, who gained 1,270 yards last season, and defensive end Robaire Smith, who had 11 1/2 sacks.

Purdue was the surprise team of the Big Ten last season with an offense that averaged 460 yards per game.

## Red Raider runners look to better last season's record

New cross country coach brings duties to Tech, hopes to finish in top 8

By Jason Bernstein  
Assistant Sports Editor

The Texas Tech men's and women's cross country teams have new hopes this season as the Red Raiders look to improve on 11th- and fifth-place finishes last season.

Dave Smith, the new assistant track and cross country coach, will lead the cross country teams into battle this season.

"We're really excited about having Dave (Smith) as part of our team," said Tech track and field coach Greg Sholars. "He is an energetic person, and he's glad to be here."

Smith will operate the day-to-day duties of the distance running program.

"Last year, it was a tough situation all-around because of the coaching situation," Smith said. "I think the team is pretty excited about having some coaching stability."

Smith, a former distance runner at Michigan State, comes to Tech from Washington where he was the competitive team manager and women's distance coach for Club Northwest.

At Michigan State, Smith was the Big Ten champion in the 10,000

meters and runner-up in the 1,500 meters in 1993. He was a three-time All-Big Ten performer as well as a three-time Academic All-American recipient.

His experience and knowledge of the sport will be put to good use by both the men's and women's squads, Sholars said.

"Both the men and the women have worked hard this summer," Smith said. "I think both teams have good leadership despite last year's difficulties."

Last season, the men's squad finished 11th at the Big 12 Conference Cross Country Championships in Stillwater, Okla.

"The main goal for the guys this year is to finish in the top eight of the Big 12," Smith said. "I'd like to see them move up each year."

Dawn Charlier, Leigh Daniel and Evette Turner are all returning runners for the women's squad that finished fifth at last year's Big 12 Championships.

"I think the women have a legitimate shot to go to the national championships," Smith said. "Several people have the opportunity to step up and contribute this year."

Get set, Go: Tech cross country runners gear-up for another competitive season. The men's and women's season kicks off Saturday, Sept. 12 at the Red Raider Invitational.

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# Golf ready to tee up for 1998 season

By Brent Dirks  
Sports Editor

Under a different coaching system, both the Texas Tech men's and women's golf teams hope to excel in the 1998-1999 season.

Going with the trend in other Red Raider sports, former women's golf coach Jeff Mitchell was named as director of both teams this May. Mitchell's new job came on the heels of former Tech men's coach Tommy Wilson's retirement after 13 years as Tech men's coach.

"I see this as a tremendous challenge," Mitchell said of his new duties. "It's going to be a real test of my imagination, if nothing else, to try to create a real good practice situation for both teams."

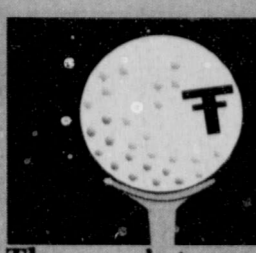
Mitchell, who is entering his eighth year at Tech, said he is excited about the season for both teams.

On the women's side, Mitchell returns the majority of last year's nationally ranked and NCAA regional squad.

The team will try for its sixth-straight regional appearance.

"I'm returning the majority of my team from last year, so I'm really excited," Mitchell said.

"We were ranked 25th in the final



With the majority of women and men returning from last year's teams, coach Jeff Mitchell is looking forward to two good seasons.

**The women's team will begin its season Sept. 14-15 at Jeannine McHaney Memorial Tournament.**

**The men's team will begin its season Sept. 21-22 at the Kansas Invitational in Lawrence, Kan.**

poll last year, and I really feel this is a team that can finish in the Top 15 in the nation this year."

Along with All-American Brooke Lowrance, Priscilla Hunt and Jamie Vannoy, the Red Raiders have a new corner in Bryan-product Jennifer Newhouse.

"I'm real excited about that corps," Mitchell said. "I also know we have some other players that I know will be improved over last year. So I think those three will get a lot of help."

Lowrance said the Red Raiders should continue their streak of excellence this season.

"Generally, I feel like we have a very strong team that has a lot of potential," Lowrance said.

"Most everybody is coming back, so we have a very strong team."

Mitchell's new position also should help the Red Raiders, Lowrance said.

"It seems to me he has hired a lot of extra help," Lowrance said. "Overall, it's going to be a positive thing for our program, especially in the future."

The women begin the season Sept. 14-15 at the Jeannine McHaney Memorial Tournament to be played in Lubbock.

On the men's side, Mitchell said the team is returning most of the players from last season.

The Red Raiders ended last season by finishing 11th at the Big 12 Tournament.

Philip Tate, Sean Mulhorn and Alex Armstrong are the three returning seniors.

Along with the seniors, sophomore Gant Bills also returns to the Red Raiders.

Mitchell also said new acquisitions should help the team with more depth during the season.

"I'm looking for this team to be vastly improved," Mitchell said of the men's team.

"And I think there is also a good support cast on that team as well."

Mitchell thinks that with some really good, hard practices and really strong, hard mental attitudes the team can be really competitive.

A goal-oriented path should help the men, who have slipped in competitiveness since winning the final Southwest Conference Tournament title in 1996.

"I think one of the biggest reasons why the women's program here has been successful is that we have been very goal-oriented," Mitchell said of the squads.

"And certainly I think that is something that has to be done on both sides."

The men begin the season Sept. 21-22 at the Kansas Invitational in Lawrence, Kan.

# Experienced team benefits Rangers

ARLINGTON (AP) — The ghosts of collapses past have been exorcised. There has been little talk about the scorching heat, even during one of the hottest summers in recent memory, and few worries about how young players will respond to the pressure.

Instead, Mark McLemore looks around the Rangers clubhouse and says: "I see a lot of guys with experience. It's the Geritol bunch ... with Will Clark being the oldest. That eliminates the panic effect. Not that we have it, but with these guys, you're going to eliminate that right away."

The pennant race is returning to The Ballpark in Arlington, and this time it should be calmer. The Rangers are 2 1/2 games behind the Anaheim Angels in the American League West and insist they have the battle-tested experience to handle pennant-race pressure better than during the frantic, nerve-racking run of 1996 when they nearly all fell apart. "Before, going through it for the first time, you were nervous," outfielder Juan Gonzalez said. "Now I think we'll be more comfortable."

The Rangers' run in 1996 had a successful ending.

They won the first division title in franchise history. But there was a tense stretch in late September when they lost nine of 10, including four consecutive in Seattle, cutting what was once a nine-game lead to one with 10 days left in the season.

Only two brilliantly pitched games by John Burkett and Ken Hill saved the Rangers from a total disaster.

"It wasn't very pleasant," infield coach Bucky Dent said. "But there were a lot of things the team was overcoming, trying to win for the first time and getting that ghost off our backs."

But I look back on all the teams I played on, even the good teams, and it still always came down to winning games in that final week."

In doing so, the Rangers put to rest the horrible reputation they had carried through the years as a team that wilted when the heat of a pennant race was turned up high. That kind of talk dominated the 1996 race, much to the Rangers' annoyance.

They futilely tried to downplay such talk before the division was clinched but admitted afterward it was a much bigger factor than they ever expected.

"That was the big monkey on our backs," first baseman Clark



said. "This franchise hadn't done anything in 25 years. Now we've got a division title

under our belts, and we've got some guys that have been through a pennant race. You still have to go out on the field and execute, but as far as being mentally prepared, it should be a little easier."

Fourteen players on the Rangers' 25-man roster have participated in postseason play, which means they've previously been on a team that emerged victorious in a pennant race.

Only nine of the 25 players from the Rangers 1996 playoff team had been in postseason before that season, and Clark and shortstop Kevin Elster were the only regulars. This year, seven of nine regulars have been in the playoffs, the exceptions being center fielder Tom Goodwin and the designated hitter platoon of Lee Stevens and Mike Simms.

"Experienced players help you immensely," manager Johnny Oates said. "There's no substitute for talent, but if you put talent and experience together, I'm a firm believer there's no substitute for experience."

For Gonzalez, McLemore, outfielder Rusty Greer, catcher Ivan Rodriguez and many others, 1996 was the first time they went through a full season in a heated pennant race from start to finish. "It was a new experience for me, and experience is a good teacher," Greer said. "Personally I tried not to put more emphasis on those games than I did on the 100 games before. That's when you start pressing. I just tried to say, it's another ballgame and go out and perform the way you do all year."

The Angels, who haven't been to the playoffs since 1986, have to deal with the reverse. Many of their key players haven't been in postseason but were there in 1995 when the Angels blew a 14-game lead in the second half and lost a one-game divisional playoff to the Mariners.

"It could be an advantage," Dent said.

"They have all those things haunting them too. But it still comes down who plays the best, who wants it the most and who gets after it."

# Red Raider tennis squads look to improve on courts for new season

By Jeff Keller  
Staff Writer

The Texas Tech men's and women's tennis programs are looking forward to a tough year on the courts. Both the women's and men's squads start practice Sept. 8.

"The men's squad is the most solid team in my five years here," said Tech Director of Tennis Tim Siegel.

Sophomore Borut Martincevic is the No. 1 singlesman for the Tech men this year.

He leads a team, including Petar Danolic, will be competing in a tough Big 12 includes Baylor, Kansas and Texas A&M, are among the nation's top teams.

"The men have good depth this year," Siegel said.

Danolic, Thomas Wheat and Dustin Hawk are the seniors on this year's squad complemented by three juniors and two sophomores. The Red Raiders also have another player joining them in January.

The men also have a stronger doubles attack this year, Siegel said.

On the women's side of the net, five players take to the courts joined by three more in the spring.

"This could be the best team ever," Siegel said of the women's squad.

Sophomore Zana Zlebnik became the first ever woman to make the NCAA Tournament for Tech last season.



Brian White/The University Daily

**Return of Serve:** Red Raider Petar Danolic returns a ball last season. Danolic is one of the three returning seniors on the men's squad this season.

Key player Junior Amanda Earhart battled injuries last season.

"Her return this year will greatly aid the women's team," Siegel said.

Erica Dopson is the only senior on this year's squad. There are two juniors, one sophomore and two freshmen.

Anna Serrot has signed and will be one of the player's who will arrive in January.

"Anna Serrot is one of the top recruits in the country," Siegel said of his recruit.

With the edition of Serrot and others in January, the women's squad

will do battle with the rest of the Big 12 and the nation as they try to make it to the postseason.

The fall schedule had the women traveling as far away as Tallahassee, Fla., to compete against some of the nation's best teams in the Lady Seminole Classic.

# Gators confident to win SEC title

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Wrestling the title away from Florida was one thing. Eliminating the swagger could prove more difficult.

A season after failing to win the Southeastern Conference for the first time since 1992, the Gators hardly seem like a team on a downslide. Rather, they're confident — what's new? — and excited about entering the season with a strong defense in a league full of unproven quarterbacks.

They relish their role as favorites. They were ranked third in The Associated Press preseason poll and are the clear choice to climb back to the

top of what is considered by many to be the country's toughest conference.

"I like that," said Florida coach Steve Spurrier, seemingly unfazed by Florida's failure to defend the 1996 national and conference titles last year.

"We want our players to know we're supposed to win it. We don't want them to feel like it's a fluke if we do win it."

Florida finished 9-2 and continued its mastery over Tennessee last season, beating the Volunteers for the fifth straight time. But the Gators slipped against LSU and Georgia,

costing them the SEC East and a chance to match Alabama's record of five consecutive league championships.

Georgia, Tennessee and LSU should again be Florida's main threats, but all have noticeable weaknesses: Tennessee comes in without Peyton Manning, Georgia went into camp mired in a five-man battle of

inexperienced quarterbacks and LSU has a strong nucleus but no recent history of stringing together important wins.

"It's still Florida, Florida, Florida wherever you go," said defensive lineman Charles Dorsey of Auburn, which won the SEC West last season. "Spurrier brings his reputation wherever he goes."

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# Red Raider volleyball ready to hit the court

## Team looking to improve on 23-11 record

By Jeff Keller  
Staff Writer

The Texas Tech volleyball team is fired up for the upcoming season.

The Red Raiders are looking to improve on a 23-11 overall record and a 10-10 Big 12 conference record for the 1997 campaign.

"Experience, serving and hard hitting are strong points for this year's team," said Tech coach Jeff Nelson.

Junior transfer Lori Garber will help improve the Red Raider blocking statistics, as her 6-foot-3-inch frame will help bolster the eighth-ranked blocking defense in the conference.

Also aiding the Tech attack will be senior captains Lisa Hilgers and Kristen Holmes.

"The team is still getting to know each other, but we are quicker and stronger this year," Holmes said of the Red Raiders.

"We will definitely make the NCAA Tournament this year."

Hilgers is being promoted as an All-American candidate this year.

She is the career leader in assists and digs for a season at Tech.

The Red Raiders will be challenged this year with a schedule that includes 13 matches against teams currently ranked in the Top 20.

"There are not very many weekends when we aren't facing a Top 20 team," Nelson said of the schedule.

With matches against Top 20 schools such as Oral Roberts and Brigham Young, the Red Raider

squad will face a tough non-conference schedule.

Conference matches against perennial powerhouses Texas, Texas A&M, Colorado and Nebraska will be good measures of comparison as the Red Raiders look ahead to postseason play.

The Four Points-Sheraton Red Raider Classic, Sept. 11-12 in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum, will mark Tech's home opener for the season.

The Red Raiders will battle Texas A&M and Texas at home Sept. 25 and 26, respectively.

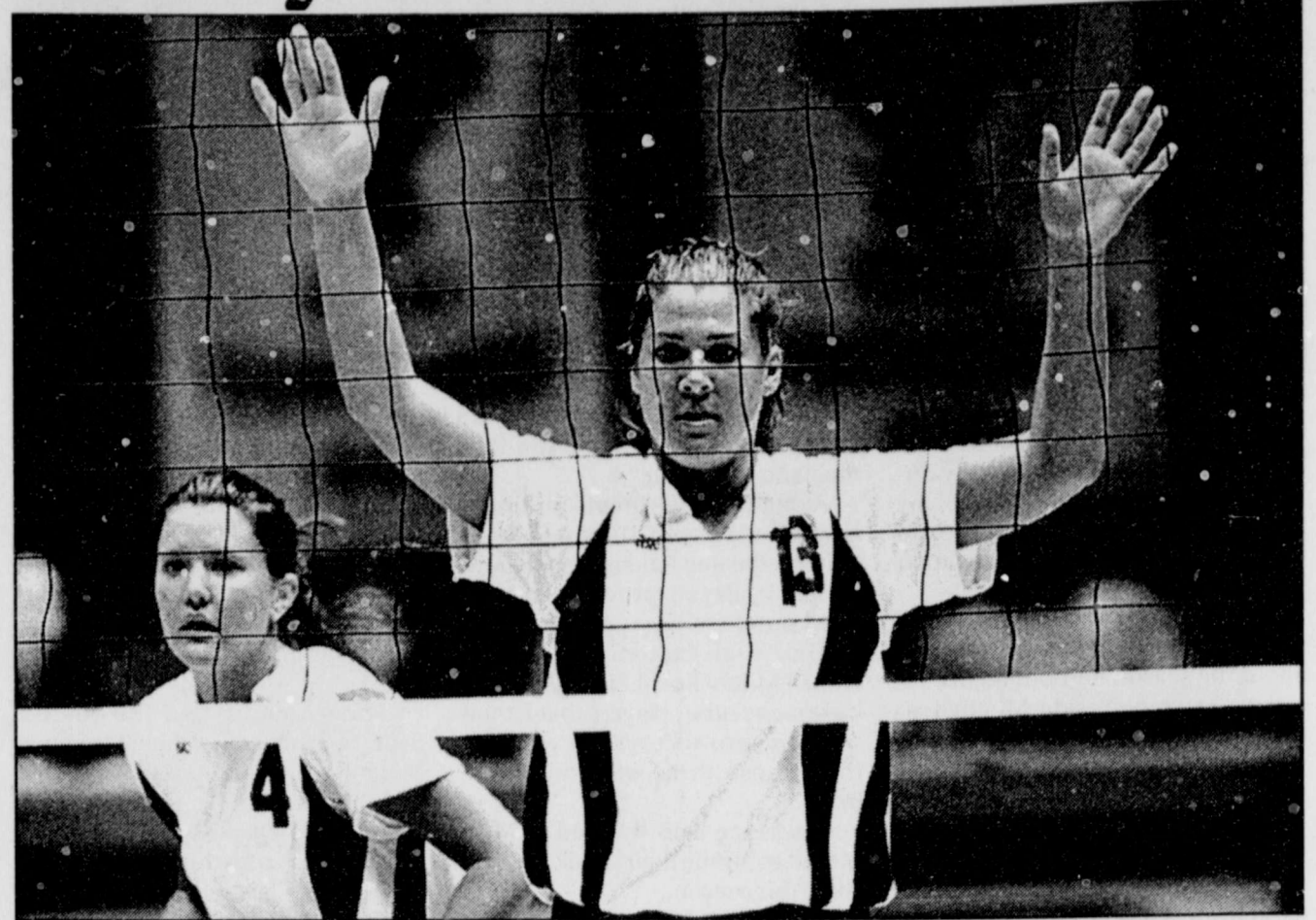
Tech will come home in October to face conference foes Nebraska and Colorado.

Road trips to Texas and Texas A&M close out September and open October.

Oct. 6 the Red Raiders are home to face Oklahoma, and Kansas comes to town Oct. 7.

Home games against Baylor Oct. 18, and Kansas State Oct. 20, close out the home schedule for Tech.

The Red Raiders end the regular season on the road at Kansas and Oklahoma Oct. 27-28.



Ready to Go: Red Raider volleyball middle blocker Sonia Maric prepares for battle last season against Texas A&M. The team's home opener is the Four Points-Sheraton Red Raider Classic Sept. 11-12 in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

“There are not very many weekends when we aren't facing a Top 20 team.”

Jeff Nelson  
volleyball coach

## Cowboys ready to challenge NFC East

(AP) — The Dallas Cowboys like to think of themselves as America's Team.

They're more like America's Soap Operas.

Can Chan bring harmony to a team that lost its way? Can Troy find his groove? Will Emmitt find the end zone?

The Cowboys, two years removed from their fifth Super Bowl title, stumbled to 6-10 last season.

They still have the big-name offensive talent that won three championships in the '90s. But they played old in 1997, and the only consistency was mediocrity as the Cowboys finished

20th in the NFL in rushing, 20th in passing and, naturally, 20th overall.

Troy Aikman became increasingly frustrated with his lack of receiving options besides Michael

Irvin, and Emmitt Smith finished with four touchdowns.

In the 1994 and 1995 seasons combined, he scored 46.

New coach Chan Gailey hopes to free Irvin from double-teaming by sometimes putting him in the backfield.

But Irvin got more unwanted attention for the training-camp "horseplay" with lineman Everitt McIver.



Cowboys hoping to return to playoffs after disappointing 6-10 season a year ago.

## Title road harder for Broncos

AFC West tougher division for Broncos

(AP) — The Denver Broncos took the most treacherous route to the Super Bowl last season. They couldn't beat Kansas City for the AFC West title, so they settled for a wild-card berth, then won four straight, three away from Denver, to capture their first NFL championship.

It would be so much simpler to win the division, have a good enough record for a bye, then play one or two playoff games at Mile High Stadium.

The Broncos might be capable of it after finishing 12-4 last year, a game behind the Chiefs.

But the AFC West should be much stronger this season and going 6-2 again within the division will be tough.

"The good thing is, we have a bunch of character people on this team," John Elway said, who certainly can include himself in that group. "People talk about pressure but, heck, we didn't even win our division last year. So, what pressure?"

"We got a large monkey off our backs last year, getting the first one for the organization," Elway said, who contemplated retirement but came back for one more year. "There's always a big challenge coming back the fol-

lowing year, because you're kind of a sitting duck if you don't go out and make things happen. We realize people are going to be shooting at us every week."

The Seahawks, who seem vastly improved, and the Chiefs, Raiders and Chargers will take two shots each.

If Denver can handle them — and a schedule that includes 1997 playoff teams New England, Jacksonville and Miami — the home field edge at Mile High could carry the Broncos to the big game again.

Denver no longer lives and dies on Elway's arm, feet and guile.

Super Bowl MVP Terrell Davis is the focal point of the offense, and the defense ranked fifth overall last year, led by playmakers Neil Smith, John Mobley, Ray Crockett and Steve Atwater.

Davis rushed for 1,750 yards

and 15 touchdowns, then capped it with his 157 yards and three touchdowns against Green Bay in the Super Bowl.

"He reminds me of Jim Brown," teammate Derek Loville said. "He's hard-nosed, a throw-back like that. He's rough ... he'll run around you, he'll run over you, he'll block and he can catch."

Elway also had three other passing touchdowns in TE Shannon Sharpe (72 receptions, 15.4-yard average), the rapidly developing Rod Smith (70, 16.9, 12 TDs) and Ed

McCaffrey (eight touchdowns). Top pick Marcus Nash should increase the aerial threat.

But there are some concerns. While the Broncos weren't raided in free agency the way most recent champions have been, they did lose inside linebacker Allen Aldridge and guard Brian Habib.

Their best tackle, Gary Zimmerman, retired, and DE Alfred Williams needed triceps surgery and could miss the entire season.

The Broncos also are getting old, but coach Mike Shanahan is confident veterans like Elway, Sharpe, Mark Schlereth, Neil Smith, Tony Jones, Bill Romanowski, Tyrone Braxton and Atwater have one big push left.

Seattle should provide the biggest push in the standings. Once Warren Moon is settled back in at quarterback after his holdout, his weapons are formidable.

Joey Galloway (70, 14.6, 12) is ready to establish himself as a dominant receiver.

Ricky Watters will be a workhorse in the backfield and Walter Jones might soon be the best tackle in the AFC.

The defense has its share of quality in linemen Cortez Kennedy and Michael Sinclair (12 sacks), linebacker Chad Brown and DBs Shawn Springs and Darryl Williams.

The players also know anything less than a playoff appearance could cost coach Dennis Erickson his job.

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John Elway  
Denver quarterback



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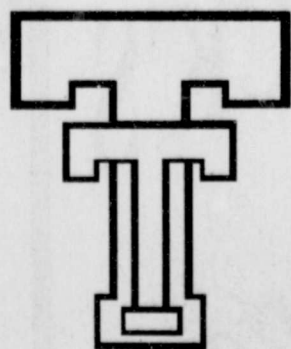
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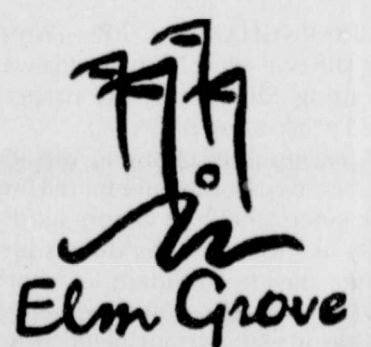
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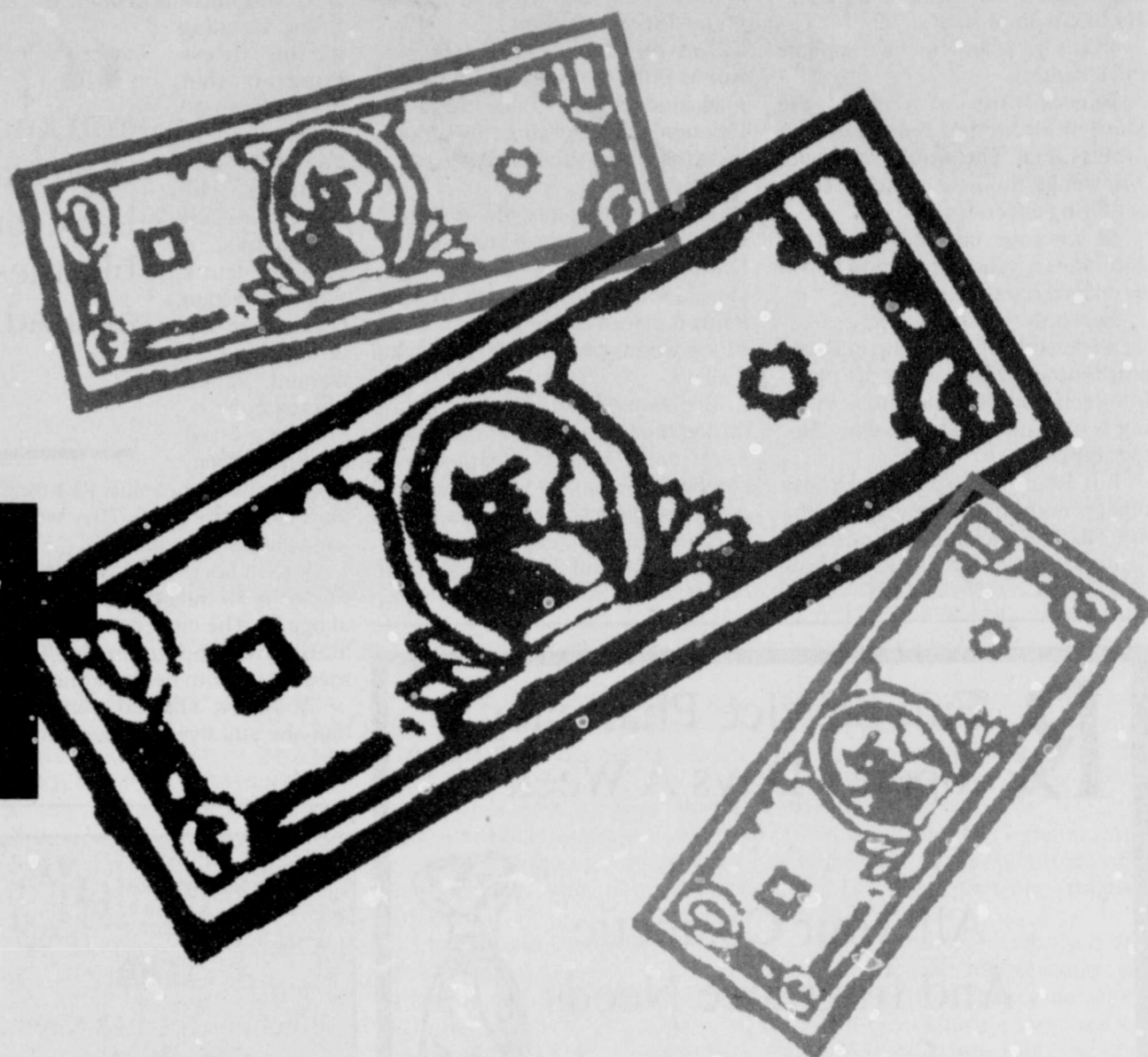
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# The Money Pit



## Credit cards leave students deep in debt

By Laura Hensley  
Staff Writer

Many college students can't leave home without them. Each year, many students master the moment, apply for credit cards and enter the never ending cycle of debt and credit card abuse.

Although it's everywhere students want to be, it pays to discover the conditions and warnings before plunging into the responsibility of owning a credit card.

"It's not just like having a piece of plastic in your billfold," said Nan Campbell, president of the Lubbock Better Business Bureau. "It is a decision that can follow you around for the rest of your life, and a lot of people don't understand that." The BBB receives hundreds of calls each month from consumers concerned about their credit.

Campbell said it is the BBB's responsibility to inform and to counsel people in order to make good decisions about credit cards.

"Just because you get a cheap offer in the mail doesn't mean that it's for you," Campbell said. "When you start reading fine print, the low cost is for a very short period of time. Your eyes perk up when you see the five percent rate, and you think it's pretty cool, but then in about six months it reverts back to the original rate of about 20 or 21 percent."

Campbell said the bottom line for students is to understand every condition and responsibility of the card and to know there is help out there if a student should get deep into debt.

"This is a record of how you do business and some people just don't care or don't understand," Campbell said. "People are going to make mistakes, but having bad credit is not the end of the world. Agencies such as the Consumer Credit Counseling Center can help you re-establish a good line of credit."

There are many credit agencies in Lubbock that offer help and advice to help rebuild an individual's bad credit.

The family financial planning department in the human sciences building at Texas Tech is trying to develop a center that would offer free financial help to Tech students.

"If we had the center on campus, it would help students get back on their feet after they are in credit card debt," said Emily Brown, a junior family financial planning major from Lubbock.

"The center would offer free help, but right now, we don't know if there is enough interest to actually get it started. But if there is enough interest we would definitely get a center

going." Like many students, Brown had numerous credit cards and was far into debt. With the help of a special program in the financial planning department, she was able to pay off the balances of seven credit cards. This program would be offered at the Tech credit center.

"I think every college student should have a credit card as long as they understand the responsibilities that go along with it," said John Grable, assistant professor of family financial planning. "I can't imagine not having a credit card."

Grable, along with a colleague from the University of Virginia, is in the process of conducting a nationwide survey of college students and their credit and debt habits.

"The survey will be from at least 10,000 students around the country and will be the largest study of its kind," Grable said.

The results of the survey should be in by the end of this semester, and Grable is very anxious to receive the results.

"What we hope to find out is what students know and how they handle credit and debt," he said. "We also want to know how many cards they have and what kind."

Grable teaches a class at Tech about personal finance and usually conducts mini surveys within the class.

He was surprised to find about 30 percent of his students said they would never get a credit card.

"I'm scared that I will get into debt," said Carin McKelroy, a freshman anthropology major from Houston.

"I have no credit history, but I think no credit is better than bad credit."

A bad credit rating normally looms for about seven to 10

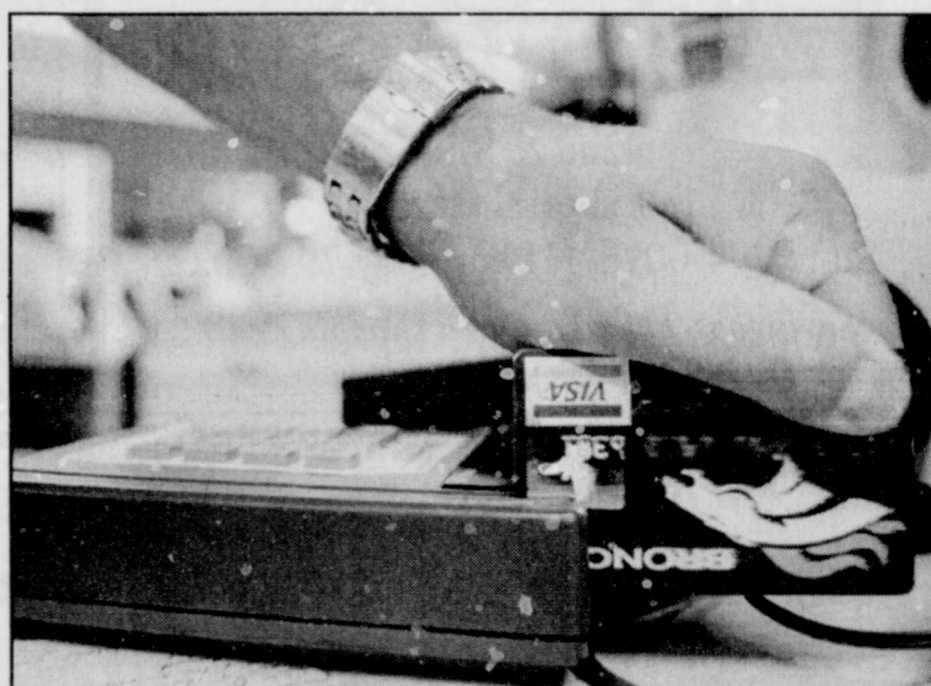


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years. The repercussions of the rating can pop up when a person looks to buy a car, a house or even when renting an apartment.

"I urge students not to be fearful of credit," Grable said. "(Credit cards) are a necessity in today's society, and with that, you have to be careful."

Some tips Grable offers to students to keep their debt under control include keeping track of current purchases. He also said to avoid large impulse purchases, do not use cash advances to cover normal daily

expenses, stay within your credit limit, review statements carefully, try to pay off the total balance each month or at least the minimum payment and always pay on time.

"With a larger balance, it could take you as long as 10 years to pay off a bill by only paying the minimum payment each month," Grable said. "That's a long time. It's best to pay as much as you can each month."

Some tips Grable offers to reduce card usage are to leave your card at home or to place it in a different area of your wallet.

"It's very difficult to do anything in this world without a credit card," Grable said. "It is easier to be accepted for a credit card while in college than after you graduate."

Grable said college students are prime customers for credit cards because they have not had enough time to have a

negative credit history. These young candidates appeal to credit card companies because most credit card customers are customers for life.

"I get applications all of the time," said Jan McMurtrey, a junior music theory major from Houston.

"It's too easy to go crazy with a credit card, and just about anyone can get one."

McMurtrey decided to cut back on her credit card spending when her balance reached a high amount.

"When I was a freshman I over used my card," McMurtrey said.

"I was buying groceries and fast food. It was a little crazy. I was trying to be independent but got a little over my head."

McMurtrey saw the signs of credit card abuse before it was too late and got help.

"I was getting into a vicious cycle that I wasn't getting out of," McMurtrey said.

"I didn't have a job and had no way of paying the balance. I called my parents for help, and since then I have disciplined myself on what I spend."

For questions or help concerning credit card debt, call the Better Business Bureau at 763-0459 or the Consumer Credit Counseling Center at 762-3433.



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### Maintaining good credit

- Keep track of credit purchases
- Stay within limit
- Make at least a minimum payment each month
- Report lost or stolen cards
- Don't buy expensive impulse items

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# Geriatric stripper still making waves

HELENDALE, Calif. (AP) — It's 110 degrees in the shade — a big outdoor thermometer says so — and Dixie Evans, in full pancake makeup in the middle of the Mojave Desert, is doing a dead-on imitation of a legendary blond bombshell.

Evans is 72. And her face appears to be melting.

But, as surreal as it seems, the Marilyn Monroe of Burlesque is a professional. She would never acknowledge the heat, much less its withering effects.

So she coos, bats false eyelashes and hikes a yellow muumuu above wrinkled knees.

Eccentric, yes. Loony, no. She could have given up long ago and followed other aging strippers into reclusion, surrounded by molting feather boas and yellowing photographs.

But Evans chooses to put these objects on public display at the Exotic World Burlesque Hall of Fame, halfway between Los Angeles and Las

Vegas.

Her paeon to pasties opened in 1991.

Ever since, Evans and her collection of breakaway gowns, rhinestone G-strings and sequined bras have gotten lots of attention.

Network television crews, National Public Radio, Smithsonian magazine and MTV have trekked to Helendale to relive something that's gone the way of vaudeville and silent movies.

For three decades, she disrobed with the best — Blaze Starr, Lili St. Cyr, Tempest Storm — before television killed burlesque, and topless joints replaced elaborate revues featuring women who didn't really take it all off.

Burlesque's biggest days came during the Depression. For 25 cents, Americans could escape lives steeped in despair. Stripping was only part of the show. Jugglers, acrobats and young comedians named Red Skelton, Phil Silvers and Jackie

Gleason also performed.

Burlesque was working-class glamour — a B-world of wealth, furs and high living for girls who dreamed of Hollywood but didn't make the cut.

"It was the time of our lives," said

Evans, standing in the airless museum that draws about 40 visitors a week. She is surrounded by glass cases full of pasties, a steamer trunk that belonged to Gypsy Rose Lee and scores of framed, signed photographs.

"We had money. We went to places like the 21 club. We brought glamour to the place. They were always glad to have us."

Born in Long Beach, Calif., Evans made the 30-mile trip to Hollywood at age 19. The closest she got to celebrity was hoofing in small-time road shows with her roommates.

"You know," she said, twirling long hair she still dyes yellow, "anybody

then was happy to have four dumb blondes to careen around on stage."

New York was her next stop. Pushed by a friend, she filled a last-minute opening in a burlesque chorus line.

"I was scared to death," she said. "But I did it. The room was filled with sailors ... I moved all over that room. The band played 'Body and Soul.' I got hired on the spot."

Traveling the Eastern half of the country, she made \$250 a week in the late

1940s. Her father died when she was 11, and she supported her mother and a sister.

Evans sees no shame in her profession.

"We didn't even think about that," Evans said.

"We were insulated. We were all like family."

Her skin, more visible as the mercury rises, is nearly translucent. Her former colleagues, displayed in recent photographs, don't look their ages either.

"Honey, we never saw daylight," Evans said.

"Our skin never got exposed to the

sun."

Her contemporaries included fan dancer Sally Rand and St. Cyr.

Then there was Evans, whose Marilyn Monroe visage and voice were so definitive, the screen siren's attorney wrote a threatening letter. Evans' show went on, though, featuring revamped scenes from Monroe films such as "The Prince and the Pauper."

In those days, no nudity was allowed onstage.

"You had to leave your pasties on and your net bra and your net panties," Evans said.

When television arrived, "nobody went out anymore," Evans laments. "Everyone sat glued to this box."

Evans returned to Southern California and ran into an old friend and fellow performer, Jennie Lee.

Mrs. Lee had been diagnosed with breast cancer and her husband moved her to the desert, some 120 miles east of Los Angeles.

Evans followed.

"I helped take care of Jennie until she died," Evans said.

A year later, Evans dusted off the old costumes and opened the museum at the Lees' home, where a tour costs \$10, and started the annual Miss Exotic World pageant for contestants from 19 to 90.

She still shimmies. Every day. And she laughs a lot.

"All my old girlfriends say, 'God, you live in the past.'"

"And I say, 'Yeah, I do.'"

## Study says women like men with feminine features

(AP) — Given a choice between a dewy-looking Leonardo DiCaprio type and a rugged Sean Connery sort of guy, women may be naturally attracted to the man with the more feminine face, researchers say.

A group of Scottish psychologists studying sexual behavior report that women tend to prefer the faces of men with more feminine features because they are perceived as gentler and more trustworthy.

The researchers theorize that this preference is not just a 1990s concept of beauty but something that is hard-wired into us by evolution: Evolution has seen to it that women choose men who are likely to be more loyal mates and better fathers to their children.

"We speculate that the preference has been around for a long time," said Ian Penton-Voak of the University of St. Andrews in Fife, Scotland. "If you look at the evolutionary record, we've moved from a more robust form to a more gracile form as a species" in overall features.

The researchers said the results also reflect the natural tendency to favor youth when seeking a mate.

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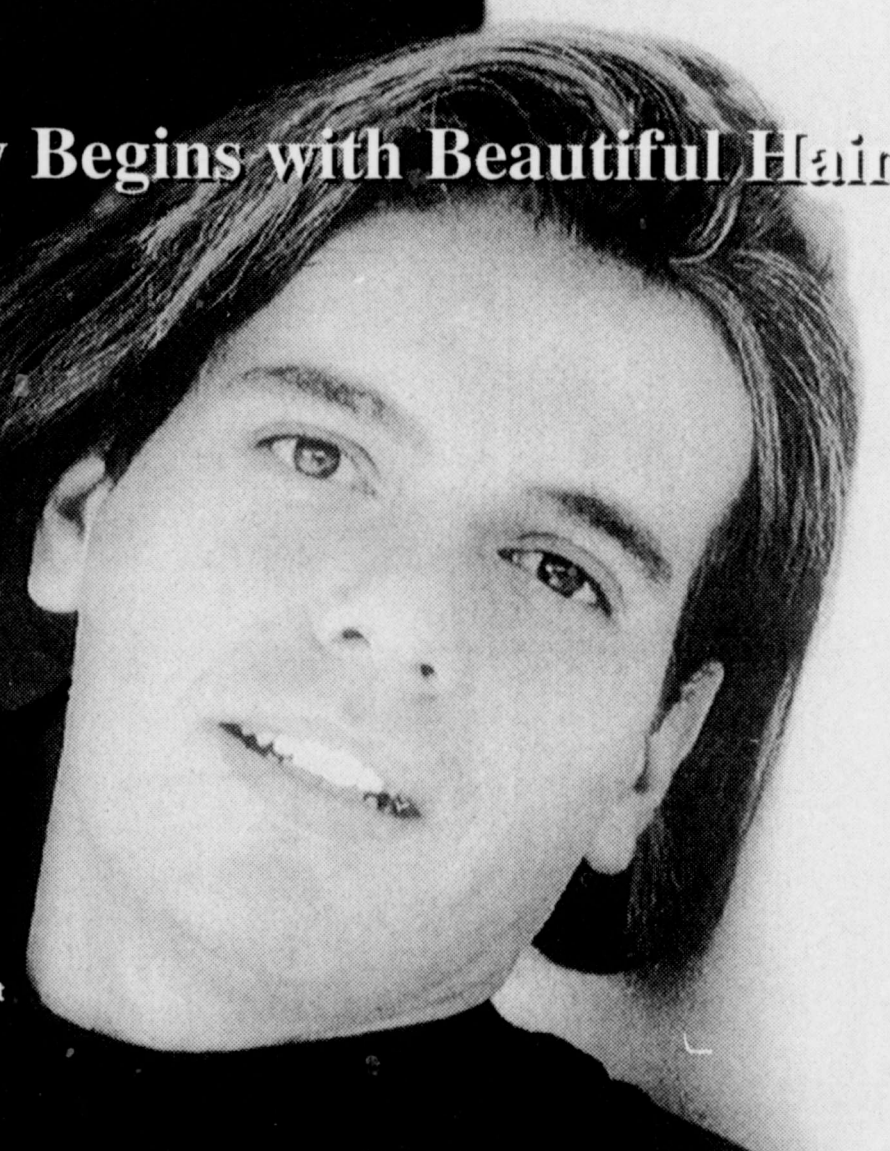
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**Q. Why is your style different from all other salons?**  
**A.** Basically it is very simple. Consult with my new client first. Educating myself by finding out what his or her lifestyle is all about. Then we have a technique used in France called "Visagiste", this is when I look at my client's face and contour it with a style that not only compliments them, but that is easy to maintain naturally. I sincerely do not expect to come in and ask for bleaching I just don't do that.

**Q. What is in style for this fall season?**  
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# Life after dark — party like it's 1998-1999

By Sebastian Kitchen  
Staff Writer

“Leave your inhibitions at the door.”

Larry Simmons, owner of Liquid 2000, believes he could have a sign reading this over the entrance to his club.

Simmons said club-goers let it all go when they enter the doors of Liquid 2000, which is located at 1612 Ave. G.

“Sometimes you can feel it, you can feel a good time in the air,” he said.

Although summer is a slow time for nightlife in Lubbock, bar and club owners have been awaiting the return of Texas Tech students for the fall semester.

Lubbock may not be the “Mecca of Nightlife,” but every week thousands of students patronize city nightspots.

Liquid 2000 anchors the Depot District and is the center of Lubbock's social activity, which includes the Hub City Brewery, Bleacher's Sports Cafe, Club Mirage, 19th Street Warehouse, Cactus Theater, Tom's Daiquiri Place and Clousseau's Coffee and Cigar Bar.

The district is located south of 19th Street, just west of Interstate 27. Roadhouse Ruby's and Kyle's 88 Key Cafe both closed in the last few months, but the district still brings thousands of people to the area during the week for food, alcohol, dancing, music and other various forms of fun and entertainment.

While those businesses closed, Liquid 2000 kept a constant flow of people during the summer with shadowbox dancing contests, lighting and sound additions, a dress code, a safe, secure environment and valet parking.

“I think it really compliments our

DJs and music. Some days we have more people on the dance floor than sitting down,” Simmons said.

“I think you have to set yourself apart somehow — attitude, music, style.”

The business owners in the Depot District are working together to try and work out a district-wide cover, where people can pay one price and enter the venues with a wristband.

Club Mirage, 1928 Buddy Holly Ave., hosts a large college crowd on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Mirage has been a part of the Lubbock night scene for three years.

“On Wednesdays and Thursdays, this is the place to party,” said manager Pete Aleman.

“We have a lot of college people on those nights and on Saturdays.”

The club plays top 40 jams, country and Spanish music, Aleman said.

Hub City Brewery, 1807 Buddy Holly Ave., Lubbock's only brew pub, serves beer made in its own facilities. The brewery serves between four and eight of its own special beers at a time.

“This is a nice place for everyone to hang out, eat some pizza, drink some beer and talk with friends,” said Roy Haltom, general manager of the brewery.

“You can actually sit and have a conversation.”

The Hub City Brewery hosts live music Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

While many bars and clubs come and go, Haltom and Simmons believe the district is here to stay.

“I love the Depot District,” Haltom said.

“I wish there were more restaurants, but five nights a week we're popping, cars are everywhere.”

Outside of the district, many bars and clubs continue to be hotspots for Tech students.

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Wes Underwood/The University Daily

Party Time: The Depot District, located at 19th Street and Interstate 27, offers many entertainment opportunities for the Texas Tech community.

pus are the Kitchen Club, Bash Riprock's, Ichabod's, Cricket's and J. Patrick O'Malley's.

The Kitchen Club offers industrial music seven nights a week and occasional concerts with independent bands coming through the area.

“It is the only place to go in Lubbock and listen to underground dance music,” said Joe Weaver, aka DJ Sub, a senior political science major from Houston.

“We also have two of the best DJs in Lubbock, DJ Tony S and DJ Kasey. They have toured nationally and done raves in other places. All of us have done raves, worked at clubs and done radio shows.”

The Kitchen Club plays a mix of dance music that does not include

the likes of Master P or Janet Jackson, Weaver said.

“I think a lot of clubs here are afraid to be modern,” Weaver said. “You will still hear ‘Grease’ remixes and ‘Tootsie Roll.’”

A little farther from campus are several places of interest for the students who like to come out at night.

Midnight Rodeo, located at 7301 South University Ave., and Cowpokes, 1708 4th St., are Lubbock's sources of Country and Western dance music.

The Piranha Room, located inside Midnight Rodeo, plays various other forms of dance music to meet the fancy of a variety of club-goers.

Club Montage, 2211 4th St., also plays a variety of dance music and

has various drink specials on weekends. After more than \$200,000 in remodeling, Montage opened at the end of June.

“On Thursdays, we have Dangerous Disco and Fridays and Saturdays we have high energy mainstream dance music,” said manager Roy Halimeh.

Club Rio and The Zone, 5203 34th St., are located next door to one another but play totally different styles of music. Club Rio specializes in Tejano and The Zone, formerly DJs, just remodeled with a new light show, a new dance floor and new DJs. The Zone plays rhythm and blues and hip hop music until 3 a.m. Fridays and 5 a.m. Saturday nights.

Crystal's, 322 N. University Ave.,

plays selections of rhythm and blues, jams and retro music. Thursday nights are college nights and students get a discount with a student identification card.

Sports Zone, 2812 4th St., and Conference Cafe, 3216 4th St., offer sports bar atmospheres just minutes north of campus.

Many of the nightclubs and bars in Lubbock are centered around the Tech community. The businesses are ready for students to come back and school to kick into full gear after many departed for the summer.

No matter what the late-night taste is, dancing, drinking, eating or watching sports with friends — Lubbock has a little of each to offer to students.

## Wesley Snipes takes the bite out of vampire heroes in ‘Blade’

NEWYORK (AP) — Wesley Snipes has offended many people during his rich film career: anti-gang activists, Japanese, black women, white men who can't jump.

Now there's a new group: the undead.

Vampires take an awful beating

when Snipes morphs into “Blade,” a Marvel Comics-based superhero who slashes his way through Earth's teeming mass of toothy bloodsuckers.

This time, though, Snipes isn't worried about backlash. After all, the movie-going public is decidedly pro-

living and anti-vampire.

“I'm trying to touch all the markets, man,” said Snipes, grinning behind a pair of sunglasses.

Snipes obviously relishes his new over-the-top role.

During a recent interview, the actor borrowed most of Blade's cos-

tume: the all-black clothing, the impenetrable pair of shades — even the SWAT team flack jacket.

He makes the Terminator look like a Teletubby.

Which is, of course, a 180-degree turn from the actor's last film role — the unheroic, complicated anchor of

“One Night Stand,” director Mike Figgis' atmospheric take on infidelity.

“Look, I'm not limited in my imagination, so why should I be limited in my work? I've been the underdog pretty much all my life so I'm not afraid of not being the cat's meow, the

one who's ordained,” said the actor whose title character in “Blade” is a half-human, half-vampire who packs a sword, a flame-thrower and a nasty assault weapon that shoots silver bullets.

“It's been that way all my life and I'm very accustomed to it.”

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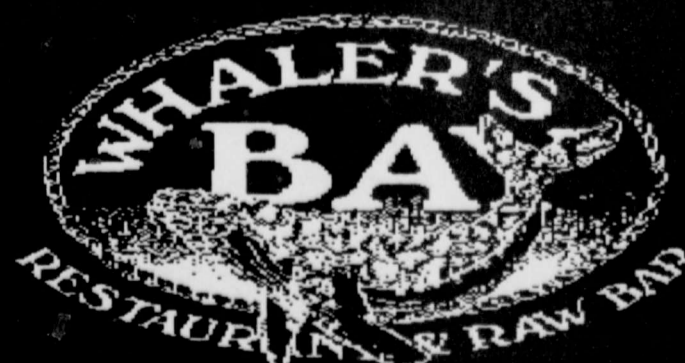
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After 37 years of providing the latest in contemporary music to Tech students, KTXT-88.1 is doing it louder and stronger than its competitors. That's why students are keeping it ...



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**Voice of the People:** Alex Hinojosa, disc jockey for KTXT-88.1, hosts his show "Vox Pop Expose." The show is a current events call-in talk show and is aired at 6 p.m. Sundays.

# Locked to the left

By Sebastian Kitchen  
 Staff Writer

Texas Tech's student-run radio station, KTXT-88.1 FM, brings 35,000 watts of alternative music, sports and news to the campus, Lubbock and surrounding areas.

And, after 37 years on campus, KTXT is doing it louder, with a stronger sound and a little something for all listeners.

“Our goal is to train disc jockeys ... while giving Lubbock its only source of alternative music.”

Jim Hall  
 KTXT station manager

Specialties at the station include heavy metal, urban contemporary, dance, industrial, retro and Texas music shows with updates of news and sports — run completely by students, most of them volunteers.

“Our goal is to train as many people as possible to be disc jockeys, sportscasters and newscasters while giving Lubbock its only source of alternative music,” said Jim Hall, station manager and computer director.

Hall, a senior management information systems major from Jackson, Miss., is one of eight student executive staff members at the station. The executive staff members are the only paid workers, but about 45 volunteers are needed each semester.

“There will now be a lot more classic mainstream alternative replacing a lot of the one-hit wonder smaller bands that a lot of listeners never picked up on,” Hall said.

Listeners can expect more old alternative, including Depeche Mode, Public Enemy, New Order and U2.

The music will come across the airwaves stronger than ever. During the summer, KTXT added a new processor to the station's transmitter for a better sound.

“Now we sound the same as other stations on the FM dial,” Hall said. “We used to have a lower sound and have

a weaker signal than other stations.” The station has a website and new additions to the on-air studio including a new request line, 742-KTXT.

Small give-aways always have been done at KTXT, but at the end of the summer, one listener won the “Great '98 CD give-away.” Even bigger give-aways can be expected this year, Hall said.

Change has been evident since Brandon Couch, production manager for the station and a postgraduate student from Georgetown, began working at KTXT five years ago.

When Couch started, KTXT used carts before converting to a computerized system. The computers have been at KTXT for two years.

“Over the last two years, we have become more organized and have a more professional quality,” he said. “We are more professional in general — on air and at remotes. The rules are stricter. The equipment is a lot better. It is easier for DJs overall.”

Couch began as a substitute DJ before earning a full-time shift from 1 a.m. to 4 a.m. on Saturday nights.

Since then, Couch has been production manager, operations director, done news, sports casts and hosted almost every show KTXT has to offer.

“The music selection has become a lot more underground,” Couch said.

In 1996, the *College Music Journal* began charting the music KTXT played.

“We subscribed to *CMJ*, but when we started charting with them, we started getting a lot more respect from record labels,” Couch said.

Lubbock is not known for putting new music in the forefront, but KTXT is different, Couch said. KTXT allows students to keep up with new music.

“If you're interested in radio, as an experience itself, it's a great way to get a feel for it,” Couch said. “If you're really interested in something to do, this is a great way to meet people.”

All students are invited to become involved. KTXT staff will have an informational meeting where students can

fill out applications for volunteer jobs as DJs, sportscasters and newscasters ayt 6 p.m. today in mass communications 101.

The station has a variety of other specialty shows including “Sunday Night Jams,” “Lone Star Radio,” “Angels in Alternative,” “SNAP Radio,” “Top 30 Countdown,” “The Workshop” and many caller-request shows.

“The point is to give people who enjoy that specialized music a small, direct source of that music for a couple of hours,” Hall said.

Besides the specialty music shows, KTXT has a current events call-in talk show at 6 p.m. Sundays called “Vox Pop Expose.”

News director Alex Hinojosa, a senior telecommunications major from Grand Prairie, began the show because he wanted a radio similar to the “letter to the editor” format in newspapers.

“I wanted to give students a voice,” Hinojosa said. The hosts of the show are from a variety of different backgrounds and are open to the point of view of callers, Tech students or not.

“I wanted to shake things up a little bit, get out into the community,” Hinojosa said.

Hinojosa is checking into doing live interviews and interviews with common students and people in the community.

“We wanted to do something to get different people into KTXT,” he said. “I wanted to create a show like we've done. You can do so much more with a campus radio station.”

“Vox Pop Expose” is trying to bring out a younger and alternative point of view, something not common to Lubbock, Hinojosa said.

On the show, topics will include pornography, Greeks and many other subjects including current events.

Like the music, he wants an alternative swing to the show — an alternative music station with a flavor of something for everyone — news, sports, metal, rap.

“Since we are entirely student-run, we know better what students want,” Hall said.

## LINE-UP

### Sunday

6 p.m. - 7 p.m., Vox Pop Expose (call-in talk show)  
 7 p.m. - 1 a.m., Sunday Jams

### Monday

10 p.m. - 11:30 p.m., Lone Star Radio (all Texas bands)  
 11:30 p.m. - 1 a.m., Angels in Alternative (music by female artists or female-fronted bands)

### Tuesday

10 p.m. - 1 a.m., Getting Harder (the best in heavy metal)  
 6 p.m. - 7 p.m., Gametime (Lubbock's only full call-in sports show)

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 Dance With Me (PG) 3:50-7:00-10:05  
 Dead Man on Campus (R) 1:55-4:40-7:25-10:00  
 Ever After (PG-13) 3:55-7:05-10:10  
 How Stella Got Her Groove Back (R) 1:10-4:20-7:25-10:25  
 The Mask of Zorro (PG-13) 1:20-4:35-8:00  
 Parent Trap (PG) 1:00-4:05-7:15-10:20  
 Saving Private Ryan (R) 3:30-8:15  
 Saving Private Ryan (R) 4:15-9:15  
 Snake Eyes (R) 1:25-4:00-6:45-9:30  
 The Negotiator (R) 7:10-10:20  
 There's Something About Mary (R) 1:05-4:05-7:15-10:15  
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Unmarried moms more common

(AP)— She was dealing blackjack when she got pregnant, and Pam Hesse didn't deal herself a very good hand: Turned out the father was sleeping with the woman who threw her baby shower.

"When I was growing up I thought, 'I'm going to get married by the time I'm 25 and have two kids and my life is going to be wonderful and that's that,'" said Hesse, who lives in her native Grand Forks, N.D.

Five years later, Hesse is 32 and has Cody and Alec, a second son by another man she calls "just incredible." They share a home and a future, but not a formal vow — just one couple caught up in the seismic shifts taking place in American attitudes toward marriage and childbearing.

A soon-to-be-released Census Bureau report shows Hesse is far from an exception; in fact, she's in the majority.

The report, the bureau's first compilation of all its 60 years of data on childbearing and marriage, finds that for the first time, the majority of "first births" — someone's first child — were either conceived by or born to an unmarried woman. That is up from 18 percent in the 1930s.

It's hardly news that people live together, have sex, even bear children together outside marriage. But the majority?

"This is connected to an erosion of the centrality of marriage," said Stephanie Coontz of Evergreen State College in Olympia, Wash., who studies the family and its role in history.

In "Our Town," his renowned 1933 play about small-town America, Thornton Wilder positioned marriage as a given: "Almost everybody in the world gets married — you know what I mean?" the Stage Manager character says. "In our town there aren't hardly any exceptions. Most everybody in the world climbs into their graves married."

Two generations later, the federal

...I thought 'I'm going to get married by the time I'm 25 and have two kids and my life is going to be wonderful and that's that.'"

Pam Hesse single mother

study shows that the percentage of children conceived by unmarried people is essentially unchanged from the 1930s.

However, the percentage of children born to unmarried parents has increased fivefold. In other words, sex without marriage may have been an option — however hidden — but children meant marriage.

And unlike the explosion of teen pregnancy in the late 1980s and early 1990s, the rise in out-of-wedlock births today represents women in their 20s and 30s. While the fraction of unwed mothers who were teenagers fell from half in the 1970s to about a third in 1996, the number of unmarried mothers in their 30s has doubled.

These women are old enough to get married; they're just choosing not to.

But this isn't just about the demise of the shotgun marriage. The Census Bureau found that more women who have children without being married are staying single one year, two years, even five years after the birth.

Law books in many parts of the world are removing references to "illegitimacy" and guaranteeing children access to both parents' resources, even if they never married. Forms at schools, banks and hospitals no longer assume parents are married. Doctors specialize in treating foreign babies adopted by single women.

And celebrities from Madonna to Rosie O'Donnell arouse little controversy by raising children alone. Society has grown accustomed to that concept: When one of the country's largest tabloid newspapers snagged an exclusive interview with Jodie Foster just days before her son's birth, the writer mentioned Foster's "fatherless family" only once — halfway through the article.

Social scientists say the statistics tell many stories — tales of women's growing financial power, of major confusion in relationships, of ever-increasing life spans and a culture and economy that value independence.

But not tales of people who don't want marriage — just of people who want a good one.

"There are very few women who are like, 'I've got this fantastic Alan-Alda-diaper-changing man but I'm just not going to marry him,'" said Andrea Engber, head of the National Organization of Single Mothers, based in Midland, N.C.

"If they could wave a wand and have Mr. Right, they would. But what they're doing is not settling for Mr. Adequate."

Even marriage experts who disagree on just about anything else say the rise in out-of-wedlock births reflects Americans' difficulties in negotiating the new marital waters.

Hunger hits city to headline concert

By Sebastian Kitchen Staff Writer

best live bands I have seen," said promoter Lane Arnold.

The Hunger will headline an electronic and loud music concert tonight at the 19th St. Warehouse, 1824 Ave. G.

Tickets are \$9.94 in advance and at the door. Doors will open at 7 p.m., and Rigby will take the warehouse stage at 7:30 p.m.

Rigby will be followed by Mute, Storage 66 and Spilling Poetry.

The Hunger, a Houston band, makes regular stops in Lubbock, but tonight will be the first stop in the Hub City since the release of *Cinematic Superthug*, the band's latest album.

"I think they are one of the

MONDAY AUGUST 31

Table with columns for TV channels (KTXB, KCBD, KLBK, KUPT, KAMC, KJTV) and their respective programming for Monday, August 31.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down.

By James E. Buel Fort Washington, MD 8/31/98

Saturday's Puzzle Solved with a grid and solutions for various words.

Tech museum opens six-week pottery show, "From the Earth"

The Texas Tech Museum opened its six-week pottery show and sale last Tuesday, which will run until Oct. 9.

The show, "From The Earth," will include the work of nationally known artists like Mike and Jackie Torivio, Bill Davies and Pat Zappe. Verne Funk, of the Texas Tech art department, and Professor James Watkins, of the School of Architecture also will have their work on

display. Several different activities and topics ranging from a demonstration on pottery wheel techniques, to a film of painting raw pottery with a yucca brush will be featured.

For more information about the pottery show and sale at the museum, call Charlotte Moody at 795-7662 or the Museum Shop at 742-2436.

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# Officials bid farewell to retiree

By Laura Hensley  
Staff Writer

For 27 years, Sharon Nelson has been pushing papers, answering telephones, writing letters and listening to complaints. As secretary to the president of Texas Tech, Nelson has witnessed almost three decades of Tech history while sitting behind a desk.

Today marks her official final day behind that desk.

She has taken her final coffee break, answered her final call and typed her final memo.

Nelson is retiring from a job that she describes as a wonderful opportunity and a memory she never could replace.

"I have so many friends here at Tech," Nelson said. "I'm so glad I've been here. It's really been wonderful. But now is the time to take my friends with me and leave the work behind."

Throughout the years, Nelson worked for a total of seven presidents at Tech: Grover Murray, Cecil Mackey, Lauro Cavazos, Robert Lawless and Donald Haragan. She also has worked for two interim presidents: Lawrence Graves and Elizabeth Haley.

"I've gotten a lot of flowers over the years on Secretary's Day," Nelson said. "All of my bosses hold a very special place in my heart. They are all my special friends."

President Haragan, along with other members of Tech's faculty and staff, honored Nelson with a reception Thursday at the Merket Alumni Center.

"It's not just the president's office who is going to miss her. It will be the entire university," Haragan said. "Her value goes beyond serving in the president's office. Because of what she knows, the places she's been and the things she's seen. She knows she is a storehouse of information."

Haragan said the office receives many calls from people just wanting to find out information about the history of the university.

"She's a very special lady," Haragan said. "She's worked with me all of this time. I hate to see her go, but I wish her well in her retirement."

Nelson will be replaced by Cathy Kay, former executive administrative assistant to President Haragan.

"I've been working with Sharon very closely for 18 months," Kay said. "She's very good, and I know there will be some transition time but I have her phone number. I plan on calling her if I ever need anything."

While working on campus, Nelson touched many lives and influenced many people.

"I love her," said Dee Cuevas a first-year physical therapy graduate student from Lubbock. "I worked with her for 3 1/2 years, and she taught me a lot. She is what kept



Leaving the Office: Former president's secretary Sharon Nelson says goodbye to President Donald Haragan. Nelson retired after 27 years at Tech.

things going and together up there."

As a going away gift, Haragan presented Nelson with an original water color painting. The painting was on loan and had been hanging in

Nelson's office for many years.

"I love this painting," Nelson said. "I've been wanting it for years. This is a way of taking a little part of the office with me."

Brian White/The University Daily

# Scythian treasures to debut at San Antonio Museum of Art

SAN ANTONIO — Golden treasures of the ancient Scythians, rarely seen outside Ukraine, will make their U.S. debut at the San Antonio Museum of Art in a major national touring exhibit scheduled for November 1999.

"Scythian Gold: Treasures from Ancient Ukraine" will feature 165 objects dating from the fifth to third centuries B.C. With armor, weaponry, jewelry and ceremonial objects, the works of art also include gold sculptures of animals and men on horseback.

Masterpieces never before seen in the United States include a gold helmet bearing relief scenes of Scythian warriors locked in combat, in a style clearly influenced by ancient Greek

vase painting. A gold cut-out plaque depicts winged dragons 'is a blend of Near Eastern motifs and Greek iconography

After opening in San Antonio, the exhibit will travel to the Walters Art Gallery in Baltimore, which co-organized the show, and then tour to the Los Angeles County Museum of Art and the Brooklyn Museum.

The Scythian objects are from the Treasures of Ukraine Museum and the Archaeological Institute in Kiev, the capital of Ukraine. This will be the first exhibit to be sent abroad by the country since it declared its independence from the Soviet Union in 1991.

"Although small groups of Scythian objects from the Ukraine have been seen in several European

cities over the past few years, this will be the largest and most complete exhibition ever assembled from the Scythian material in Ukraine," said Gerry Scott, interim director of the Museum of Art and the curator of ancient art

A nomadic people who originated in the central Asian steppes sometime in the early first millennium B.C., the Scythians ruled a great expanse of European plains that stretched from the Danube, east across what is Ukraine today and into Russia.

Fierce warriors with a love of grandeur and beauty, the Scythians made drinking cups out of their enemies' skulls. The abrupt disappearance of the Scythians, who were feared as

invincible marauders for 400 years, remains as mysterious as their wandering existence.

Most of what is known about the Scythians has been uncovered during archaeological excavations of burial mounds known as "kurgans." Many of the animal sculptures reflect influence from ancient Near Eastern cultures, while others are in the Greek style.

The Scythians probably traded wheat and slaves with the Greeks, which provided them with much of their wealth. Also featured will be material from the Greek cities of Olbia and Panticapion, including gilded bronze Greek vessels discovered near the Dnieper River, which runs through Kiev.

# Theatre gears up for new season

By Tara Nishimura  
Staff Writer



The Texas Tech Department of Theatre's 1998-99 season embraces 10 productions spanning from re-interpreted 16th and 17th century plays to plays written, designed and acted in by Tech students.

The musical comedy "Nunsense," presented during the summer, continues performances Sept. 11-13 in the Laboratory Theatre.

"Everykinda' Man," which runs Oct. 5-11 in the Lab Theatre, introduces Punk Rock songs and a modern twist on the medieval morality play "Everyman."

Jim Bush, the director of "Everykinda' Man," said he has worked on the play for the past six months.

Bush said in order to appeal to a younger audience, he wants the show to be more like a "concert," then a "theatrical" production.

"We're a generation raised on MTV and sound bytes, and that's the audience I'm trying to address," Bush said.

"The Baltimore Waltz," a comedy/drama by Paula Vogel, shows Oct. 15-18 on the Mainstage.

Director of "The Baltimore Waltz," Linda Donahue, said the way the play is written allows for creativity in making the production.

Donahue and the staff of "The Baltimore Waltz" exercise their creativity by minimizing the number of props and actors in the play.

"There are only three characters in it, a brother and sister and a very interesting third character who plays all the other characters," Donahue said.

"Fool for Love," a comic rendition of dying Old West myths, shows Nov. 2-8 in the Lab Theatre. The director is Sandra Swan.

"The Threepenny Opera" exhibits the life of the mob charac-

ter Mack-the-Knife Nov. 19-22 and Nov. 27-29 on the Mainstage. Bertolt Brecht is the writer of the book and lyrics of "The Threepenny Opera."

A modernized version of "Life is Dream," a Spanish play from the 16th and 17th century, will be presented Feb. 25-28 on the Mainstage.

A dance production, "Ballet Futura," offers several kinds of dance. The Mainstage show consists of two short ballets and runs April 8-11.

"One of these ballets will be from a classical repertoire," Bert said.

"Raider Red's One-Act Play Spectacular" features plays written, designed and acted by students and appears in the Lab Theatre April 12-18.

Beth Wintour, director of "Raider Red's One-Act Play Spectacular," said she believes the show benefits everyone involved.

"The Cherry Orchard," a comic view of one family and their struggles, is presented on the Mainstage April 29-May 2.

Theatre department faculty direct the Mainstage productions. Mainstage plays show for one weekend, at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday with a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee.

All productions cost \$5 for Tech students with a valid Tech ID and a student rush is available 30 minutes prior to curtain call. To be eligible for rush, students must sign up on a first-come-first-serve basis.

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# Unsung Hero

## Former Tech law lecturer helps resolve issues in McLaren stand-off

By John Davis  
Staff Writer

None of the networks or newspapers caught wind of Ralph Brock or his work during the stand-off between Richard McLaren and the Department of Public Safety in the Davis Mountains last year.

“I had read about their claim ... and the newspapers never explained why.”

**Ralph Brock**  
former Tech law lecturer

But in his quiet way, he helped resolve the legal issues that McLaren and his followers believed in. He wasn't surprised that no one asked about his work.

“There's a joke — if you want to keep a secret, write it in a law review. Nobody reads it,” Brock said. Brock, a former lecturer at Texas Tech law school, said he accidentally became involved in McLaren's claims and looked at the legal proof that the annexation occurred illegally. He said that his computer had a few of the Republic of Texas' websites bookmarked, so he “perused them out

of curiosity,” in his spare time.

“I had read about their claim that Texas was illegally annexed in the newspaper and the newspapers never explained why. I started looking on the Internet and there was, what they called, a ‘page of official documents’ that laid out their theories on how Texas was illegally annexed. But, you can't go back after 150 years and say, ‘King's X,’ you did it wrong,” Brock said.

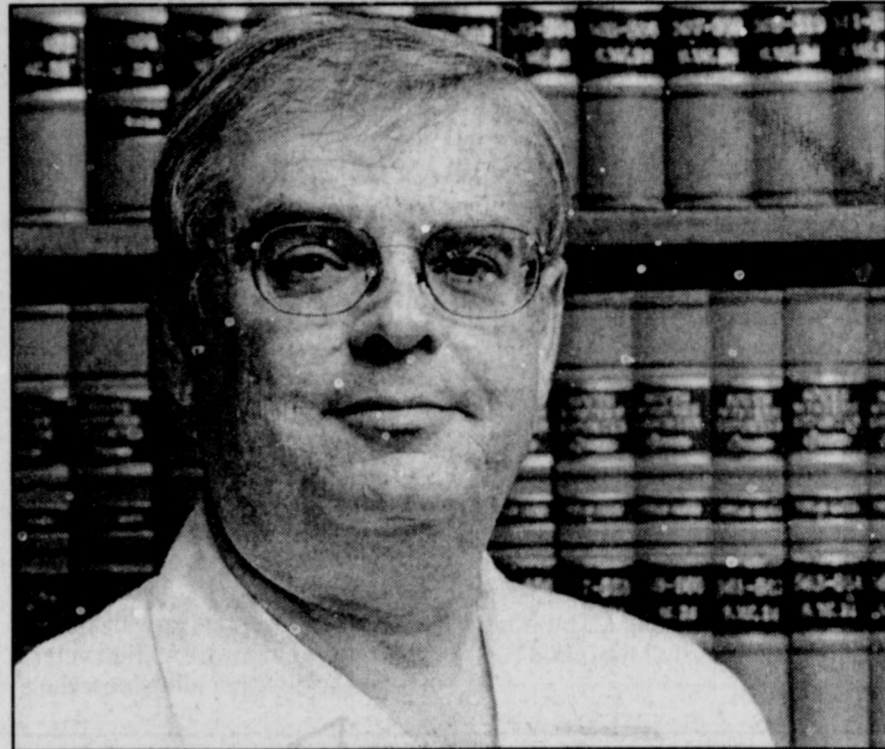
After that, Brock said he researched the annexation to see if international law had been violated.

In Brock's brief, “Still True Today: ‘The Republic of Texas is no more,’” he gave a synopsis of his findings, which basically derailed the separatists' belief that since Texas had not been annexed through a treaty, it was done illegally. These are a few of the paragraphs in the brief:

“The group (separatists), argues that since Texas was an independent nation in 1845, and nations make agreements by treaty, the United States could annex Texas only by treaty. Only Congress has the power to admit new states, so a treaty would have delegated Texas to territorial status. Moreover, the U.S. Senate was in no mood to ratify an annexation treaty in 1845... Thus was born the idea of annexing Texas—as a state—by joint resolution of Congress.

**The Quiet Man:** Ralph Brock, a former Texas Tech law lecturer, helped resolve some of the legal issues with Richard McLaren and the stand-off between the separatists and Texas law officials. Brock is now working on an appeals case in Amarillo.

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“...The Congress of Texas unanimously accepted the resolution on June 18, and a constitutional convention, convened on July 4, drafted a new state constitution.

“The annexation proposal was submitted to the people of Texas and ratified by an overwhelming majority on Oct. 13, 1845. The U.S. Congress quickly adopted a Texas statehood resolution, and President James K. Polk...signed it on Dec. 29, 1845.”

Brock said this was the first time in history “that a sovereign

nation voluntarily relinquished sovereignty and became a part of another nation,” which were the main points the separatists say proves the annexation was unconstitutional. “Under international law,” writes Brock, “—and the group claims its status is governed by the law of nations—no nation has the right to question its agreement with another nation by claiming that the other nation violated its own law.”

Brock said when McLaren surrendered, part of the agreement

was to have his claims tried in a District of Columbia district court. U.S. District Judge Paul L. Friedman, found that Texas was, in fact, legally annexed, and cited some of Brock's article in his answer.

“The opinion came down on April 30 that the annexation was legal, and several different factions denounced the opinion,” Brock said. “They said the court was acting illegally, and they withdrew the case. But the court didn't think so.”

## Chain improves disabled access

WASHINGTON (AP) — A sweeping out-of-court settlement with Wendy's restaurants sends a message that the disabled cannot be literally pushed to one side at fast-food restaurants or elsewhere. Attorney General Janet Reno said Thursday.

The agreement will widen or remove the zigzag lanes at Wendy's counters follows agreements to improve access at other restaurants and movie theaters as the latest example of the Clinton administration's aggressive enforcement of the ADA.

It should be a model for banks and other businesses where customer line up for service, Reno said.

“Integrating people with disabilities into society, even into a fast-food line, is what the ADA is all about,” Reno said.

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# Veterans search for answers

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — World War II veteran John Swanda wants some answers.

The 72-year-old who suffers from prostate cancer can't understand why the Lincoln Veterans Affairs Medical Center is closing its inpatient services unit.

"I think it stinks," Swanda said. "I think they're giving the veterans a raw deal."

He is not alone. Dozens of angry veterans have packed town hall meetings called by the VA since it announced last month that the Lincoln center will close its inpatient services by the end of the year.

The center will continue to operate as a clinic, able to treat patients not needing overnight stays.

The center in Lincoln, built in 1930, has 43,000 veterans in its service area — 15 counties in southeast Nebraska and four in northern Kansas. In fiscal year 1997, it served 7,221 veterans.

Like the Grand Island (Neb.) VA Medical Center, the Lincoln center

will contract for veterans' care with local hospitals. The VA center in Omaha will be the only one in Nebraska offering inpatient care.

Contracting with private hospitals to provide inpatient services will become more common across the nation where it can improve care and save money, said Ken Kizer, Department of Veterans Affairs undersecretary for health in Washington.

In the past two years, five veterans' hospitals have gone through the process — including the two in Nebraska.

The first was in Indianapolis, where one of two hospitals was closed and leased to the state for use as a psychiatric hospital. The other two were in Mile City, Mont., and Fort Lyon, Colo.

In places like Grand Island where the change already has taken place, veterans have said the new arrangement is actually better than before, according to Kizer.

"The thing that they don't understand is we're not taking something away," he said.

"We're actually going to do more, provide more, it's just going to be in a different way."

Veterans are not so sure.

"We're concerned about the future of health care for veterans," said Ed Binder, a World War II veteran who lives in Lincoln. "We want to make sure the veteran gets the medical treatment he needs and is entitled to."

VA medical centers provide health care for more than 3.1 million veterans nationwide, including more than

27,000 in Nebraska.

Poiliticians also are split on the idea.

"If you look at Grand Island that program has been on track now for a year and that service is very good," said Sen. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb., a veteran of the Vietnam War "I think it's the smart thing to do."

Fellow Nebraska Republican U.S. Rep. Doug Bereuter, whose district includes Lincoln, criticized the decision to close inpatient services at the Lincoln center.

Bereuter said Congress has shown a high level of support for adequate medical care for the nation's veterans by increasing funding.

The House, he said, approved \$304 million more funding for the VA than the amount allocated for fiscal year 1998.

But, given the drop in patients at the Lincoln center — from an average daily census of 80.2 in fiscal year 1993 to 22.4 as of May 31 of this year, hospital administrators said it was just too costly to stay open.

**"I think they are giving the veterans a raw deal."**

**John Swanda**  
World War II veteran

# Portrait memorializes man dragged to death

BEAUMONT (AP) — He stands in a field of clouds, his arms open and welcoming.

It is a peaceful image, so very different from the hateful manner in which he died.

The portrait of James Byrd Jr. was unveiled earlier this month at Lamar University's Dishman Art Gallery, and family members who attended the ceremony said this image is how they prefer he be remembered.

"It was just like him," Byrd's sister, Betty Byrd-Boatner, said of the portrait.

Byrd was beaten, chained to a pickup truck and dragged to his death along a country road outside of Jasper on June 7.

Three white men stand charged with capital murder, accused of killing the 49-year-old simply because he was black.

Scott Weldon, a 25-year-old artist who graduated from Lamar University, painted the 20-by-16 inch portrait.

A community group chose Weldon from more than 50 artists across the nation.

"This is a sincere and very solemn tribute to James Byrd and what his death meant," said Weldon, who worked from a photograph provided by the Byrd family.

The background of clouds, said Weldon, provides a subtle symbolism that "memorializes Byrd now and forever."

Weldon said his initial reaction to Byrd's slaying was that "no one deserves to die that way."

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# Paratroopers reunited

NEW CUMBERLAND, Pa. (AP) — As hundreds of paratroopers jumped from a hazy morning sky, Edward Whalen recalled the night he parachuted into France and landed amid startled Germans, hours before the D-Day beach assault.

"I got hooked up in a tree and a guy was shooting at me — about 3 feet over my head," the 81-year-old veteran of the 82nd Airborne Division said. "Then he ran away. They got scared, too."

Whalen reached the ground unscathed before dawn on that June 1944 morning, just as he did in three other combat jumps in World War II — two in Italy and one in the Netherlands.

"Jumping's for the birds. That's why God gave them wings," Whalen said. "I jumped because that was our mission."

Whalen, of Metairie, La., was

among a crowd of veterans and spectators who watched about 300 members of the 82nd jump from six planes that had flown from the division's home base of Fort Bragg, N.C.

The demonstration was part of the annual meeting of the 82nd Airborne Division Association, a group of active and veteran paratroopers who met earlier this month in nearby Harrisburg.

The troopers jumped from 800 feet, about twice the altitude of a combat jump. A long descent is dangerous when the enemy is on the ground.

"You jump right where you're going to fight," Whalen said. "The less of a target you are, the better."

The 82nd's hallmark is readiness. Its troops are prepared to depart without notice for fighting anywhere in the world. In addition to World War II, the unit saw action in Viet-

nam and the Persian Gulf War, as well as military operations in Grenada and Panama.

Bill Leonard of Lancaster, Pa., said the reunions offer veterans the chance to catch up with each other and relive experiences both fun and frightening.

"You get a couple of guys together, without their wives, and you can have a pretty good bull session," he said. "We caught hell no matter where we were."

Leonard jumped into combat three times in World War II, the last time in the Netherlands, as Allied troops attempted to capture a series of bridges that would allow infantry units and tanks to press toward Germany.

One bridge was taken by the 82nd by water, as paratroopers paddled rubber boats across the Waal River under German fire.

# High-tech takes over Texas

## Technological companies provide the most employment

RICHARDSON (AP) — Move over, oil and gas. The high-tech industry is now the biggest employer in Texas.

State comptroller John Sharp said that high-tech industries employ 781,000 Texans, about 10 percent of the state's work force.

Sharp said the Lone Star State's past was built around cattle, cotton, oil and gas.

"But the future is now in high-tech," he said.

Employment in high-tech businesses has grown twice as fast as total statewide employment since 1994, Sharp said.

The comptroller's office examined five high-tech in-

dustries: semiconductors and computers, communications, electric and electronics manufacturing, defense technology, and biotechnology. Technical services and technology intensive manufacturing were also included in the analysis.

Sharp said he found that high-tech industries represented about 8 percent of Texas' Gross State Product, compared with the oil and gas industry which provided about 11 percent of the GSP.

"The oil and gas industry has been and will continue to be an important segment of our economy," Sharp said.

"But it's clear from these numbers that the high-tech industry is contributing in a big way."

Aside from the analysis, Sharp announced a series of recommendations to ensure enough skilled workers for high-tech jobs.

He suggested that in the next session the Texas Legislature appropriate \$26 million in

grants to schools and universities; expanding the skills development fund by another \$4 million earmarked for training of high-tech workers; and targeting \$5 million of existing Smart Jobs program grants to help businesses train workers.

"We have to do all we can to create a technically skilled work force to meet industry demands," Sharp said.

Nearly 90 percent of Texas' high-tech jobs are located in big cities.

The Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston areas contained about two-thirds of these jobs. Austin and San Antonio contained another 16 percent.

“... the future is now in high-tech.”

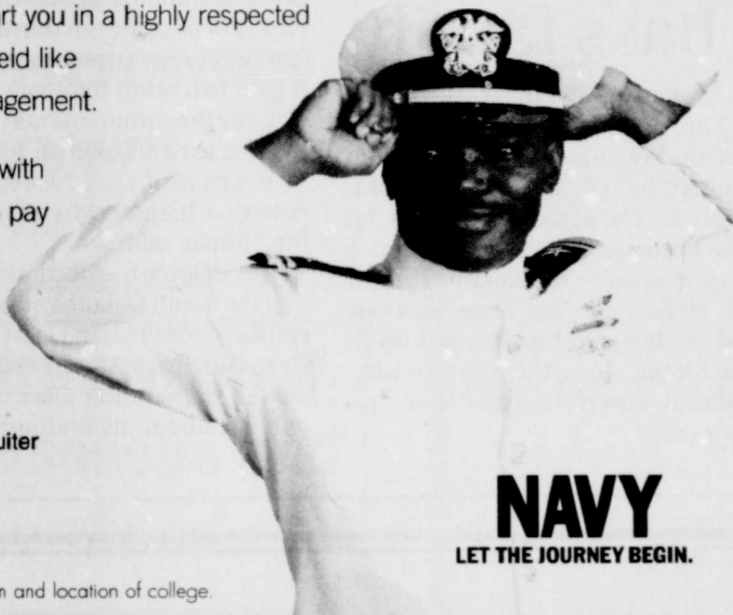
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## Tech, UTEP make admission deal

By Gretchen Verry  
Staff Writer

Texas Tech Board of Regents ratified a contract between the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center and the University of Texas at El Paso at their August meeting.

The contract will allow UTEP students to gain early admittance to Tech's medical school. The program is set to be implemented in fall of 1999, pending approval by officials at UTEP.

"A verbal has been approved by both schools," said Dr. Joel

Kuppersmith, dean of Tech's School of Medicine.

"We are just basically waiting for a written contract."

This option would allow UTEP students to interview during their sophomore year of undergraduate work and receive notification of acceptance by the end of that year.

The option eventually will be available to Tech undergraduates.

"Basically, our purpose is to attract excellent students to the medical school," Kuppersmith said.

"We wanted to expand our horizons."

The option will be open to students of all majors that meet criteria for acceptance. Once accepted, students must maintain a 3.7 GPA in order to continue in the program.

Kuppersmith said similar contracts between Tech and other schools in Texas also are being considered.

UTEP students accepted in early admissions will have the option to waive the Medical College Admissions Test if they qualify.

According to a report issued by the Board of Regents, there are three major objectives of the joint pro-

gram.

The first is to attract academically talented high school students to both UTEP and the medical school at Tech.

The program also would provide an incentive to students interested in medicine.

Lastly, the program is meant to encourage students to broaden their educational experiences.

"UTEP was selected because, due to the branch that we have in El Paso, we had already built a relationship with them," Kuppersmith said.

## Texas A&M expert says some bison carry cattle genes

HOUSTON (AP) — A Texas A&M University professor's belief that some bison may be less than 100 percent has earned him the wrath of the industry.

The debate of bison purity centers on James Derr, assistant professor at Texas A&M. The molecular geneticist claims that some bison are, in fact a hybrid, part buffalo, part cattle, the "Texas Journal" of the *Wall Street Journal* reported Wednesday.

The genes, he said, are probably the legacy of a turn-of-the-century breeding experiment by rancher to mix bison and cattle to see if they could raise better meat.

But his ideas have rocked the industry where bison owners fear Derr's claims could send prices spiraling downward for U.S. bison, including the 3,000 or so being raised in Texas.

"It's the public perception that matters," said Paul Jonjak, chairman of the National Bison Association board and a challenger of Derr's work. "We're not buffalo. We're not cattalo. We're bison."

Jonjak points to last fall's auction of bison in South Dakota's Custer State Park. Prices at the auction fell 23 percent after Derr spoke about his findings at two bison seminars. Park officials say the comments may have cost them at least \$50,000 on 100 buffalo.

It was as if Derr "yelled fire in a crowded theater when there is no fire," Jonjak said.

The dispute has become so heated that the South Dakota's attorney general dispatched a letter last October to Derr and Texas A&M President Ray Bowen demanding Derr not speak publicly about his findings in South

Dakota until state officials reviewed his notes.

State officials note that South Dakota has an agricultural-product slander law, similar to one in Texas, that would allow ranchers or Custer Park officials to sue for damages if they can prove Derr's comments hurt the market for their animals.

The bison at Custer State Park are "taxpayers' critters," said Larry Long, South Dakota's deputy attorney general. "And they're defaming our critters."

That's not the only complaint. Custer officials allege Derr stole the DNA he used to test their animals. Derr concedes he obtained the genetic material without Custer State Park permission. But he said he got the DNA fair and square from a California graduate student he was helping with a thesis, who obtained the DNA from Custer officials for genetic testing.

"They always knew it was for genetic studies," Derr said. "There's no deception in it."

He added that he notified Park officials about his results, and they did not complain until after he spoke publicly.

Critics further allege Derr's true intent in speaking publicly about the animals is to generate a market for his testing expertise.

So far, he has tested about a half-dozen private herds in Texas, but he says he did not charge for the services and has no intent to do so in the future.

“  
They always knew it was for genetic studies ...”

James Derr  
Texas A&M assistant professor

## Celtic music draws couple together

VICTORIA (AP) — Barbara and Andy Spears make beautiful music together. Literally.

Like breathing is to most people, playing Celtic music is to the Spears — it's a part of life. The Victoria couple plays about a dozen instruments, including the bagpipes, autoharp, Scottish fiddle, electronic piano, Irish Pennywhistle, soprano recorder, bamboo flute and the Appalachian Mountain Dulcimer.

The Appalachian Mountain Dulcimer is one of five truly American instruments, Andy said.

"I've been playing something since second grade," said Barbara, who is visually impaired. She learned

to play Braille music at the School for the Blind in Austin, where her first experience was tickling the ivories of a piano. From there, her relationship with music flourished.

In sixth grade, she went on to play the violin, then learned the pipe organ in 10th grade. In 1973, she mastered the autoharp and in 1975 she blew on her first bagpipes.

"My parents thought I was crazy," she said about her desire to learn to play the bagpipes. But she remembers having a fondness for bagpipes since she was a little girl.

"I love them! I really like the sound," she said while cuddling the double reed pipe in her arms.

Barbara had a total of four bagpipe lessons before she moved away for a teaching job. But that didn't stop her. She mastered the pipes on her own. Throughout the years, she has even invented her own Braille system for bagpipe music.

As special education teachers at Aloe Elementary School, the Spears often incorporate music into their lesson plans, especially during language activities.

"The kids enjoy the music," said Barbara, who teaches 3- to 5-year-olds.

Andy, a certified Texas music educator, has been playing the bagpipes for 21 years. One of his fondest

memories is playing a set of bagpipes from 1770. He said his favorite performances are when he plays the bagpipes together with Barbara.

Love of music is the cement that bonds this marriage together. The Spears, who recently celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary, met while marching together in the same bagpipe band in Austin.

Nowadays the couple doesn't have a chance to play together as often as they would like because work and raising their 10-year-old son, Brendan, takes up most of their time.

But although their instruments may get dusty, their musical talents have yet to diminish.

## Redford backs away from court battle with Bass family

FORT WORTH (AP) — The Sundance Kid, who liked to whoop it up in the bars and brothels of this Texas city when he wasn't out West robbing trains and banks, had a reputation of not backing away from a fight even when he was outnumbered. But Robert Redford, the actor who portrayed the Kid in the classic western movie, "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid," has backed away from a legal confrontation with the

wealthy, powerful Bass brothers over the use of the word "Sundance."

Redford uses the name on his Utah-based Sundance Enterprises, Sundance Film Festival and Sundance Institute. He plans to add a chain of art-house movie theaters to the Sundance stable. And one of them was to be in Fort Worth where theaters owned by the Bass brothers are called AMC's Sundance 11 and Sundance 9. They are located in

Sundance Square, a business area owned by the Basses in Fort Worth.

Redford's attorneys wrote to the brothers, saying he wanted the name Sundance removed from them.

The Bass brothers took Redford to federal court, asking a judge to declare them as rightful owners of the name. They claimed that they had used the name Sundance Square and Sundance continuously in Texas since at least 1981. Redford started

his Sundance Institute in 1980.

The squabble came to an end Wednesday as part of an agreement finalized by U.S. District Judge John McBryde. The agreement allows the Bass brothers to use the Sundance name on movie theaters in Tarrant and 10 surrounding Texas counties and in Love and Carter counties of Oklahoma, along the Texas border. Redford's enterprise can use it anywhere else.

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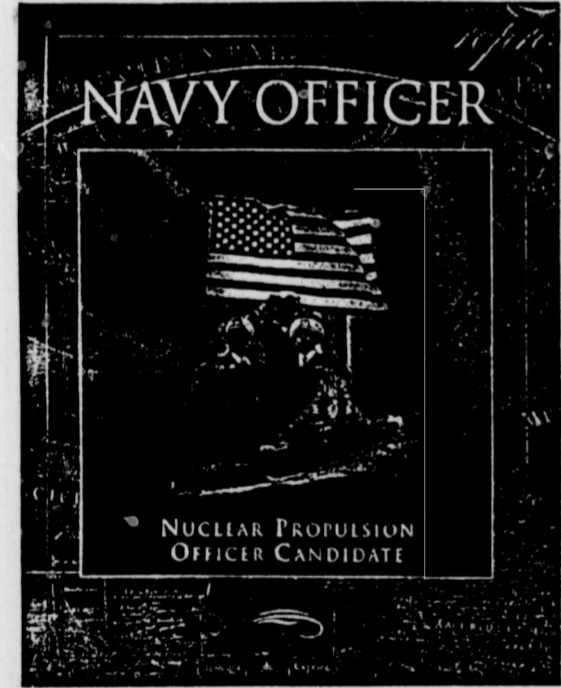
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# Renovations cause delay

By Jamie Laubhan  
Staff Writer

Stangel/Murdough Housing and Dining Complex has been receiving an internal makeover. The lobby currently is unavailable to residing students and visitors.

Those living in the Stangel/Murdough already might have experienced inconvenience due to the total renovation of the lobby and complete reconstruction of the dining area. Efforts are being made by the Department of Housing and Dining to ease these difficulties.

Jim Burkhalter, director of Housing and Dining Services, has recognized these inconveniences.

"As of Aug. 23 (Stangel/Murdough) residents will be able to dine in their own dining hall from food brought in from surrounding halls," Burkhalter said.

Previously, students were to dine in another hall of their choice. As soon as October 1998, residents will

be able to dine in their new dining hall dubbed "The Market."

Because of its diverse array of meals, The Market will cater to a multitude of tastes.

The Market will house such eateries as House of Asia and The Wok, Chef's Carvery, Pretzel Gourmet Express, The Smokehouse, Pepparoni's Corner, Market Cafe, Main Fare, Sideboard Subs, Contidina's Italian Kitchen and Casa Ortega.

While The Market was expected to be completed soon after the beginning of the fall semester, Burkhalter said he knew that it would be late in completion.

Brittany Graham, a freshman business major from Crowley, was given the impression at orientation early this summer

that The Market would be completed upon arrival for the fall semester.

Even though Graham does admit she was a little disappointed, she realizes how nice it will be when completed.

"It's a hassle now but not really a big problem," Graham said.

For now, the Stangel/Murdough complex will serve as a trial project.

No other major hall renovations are planned.

Other halls will receive only the basic renovations.

"The renovations to Stangel/Murdough are being funded by revenue bonds — a mortgage from room and board fees," Burkhalter said.

"The same way in which the complex was originally built."

“...residents will be able to dine in their own dining hall...”

Jim Burkhalter  
director of  
Housing and Dining Services

# End of Texas shopping era

DALLAS (AP) — Call it the end of an era.

Like M.E. Moses and Woolworth before them, the remaining 23 Mott's 5&10 stores in Texas will close their doors in the next few weeks.

Employees say their small, family-owned shops no longer can survive in an industry dominated by juggernaut discount stores.

The announcement saddened some longtime customers, who say they preferred the small-town charm of Mott's.

"They say it's progress. Sometimes I think we're advancing to the rear," Max Simpson, 64, who stopped by the Waxahachie store recently to have a key made for his car, told *The Dallas Morning News*.

"Let's just say that it became increasingly difficult for a small

family-owned chain of specialty stores to compete with the large, mass-merchandise retailers. We competed as long as we could," McNeil said in a statement Friday.

She declined to say whether the company had lost money, or if employees would receive severance.

Waxahachie store manager Jody Villarreal said smaller stores provide services the larger ones can't.

Employees in the Waxahachie store offered lessons in cake decoration, the floral department did a large business in preparing prom corsages, and future brides could go to Mott's to rent a brass wedding arch.

One customer, Thomas W. Fisher, 90, said the smaller stores have the friendly atmosphere that often is missing at larger stores.

"You lose familiarity," Fisher told *The Morning News*.

"You lose the feeling that you know all the employees and they

know you, and they know what you want."

Mott's will begin running a series of ads in newspapers for final inventory sales.

Stores will remain open until the sales are finished and a final inventory can be completed, company officials said.

The company once had 73 stores, most in the Dallas-Fort Worth area and West Texas.

Mott's reached its zenith in the 1950s, an era in which the five-and-dime was emblematic of small downtown and neighborhood shopping strips throughout this region.

Besides Waxahachie, the other Mott's stores to close are in Dallas, Fort Worth, Abilene, Sweetwater, Brownwood, Granbury, Dublin, Terrell, Clyde, Garland, Big Spring, Grandview, Burleson and Joshua.



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## GOP candidates try to steal issue from Democrats

SHELBYVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The woman in the commercial doesn't say much.

"Jim Bunning is somebody seniors can count on," she declared. And the man says only this: "Jim Bunning really cares about saving Social Security."

But the TV ad featuring gray heads and golden endorsements is enough to persuade lifelong Democrat Dorothy Kelley to vote for Bunning, the GOP candidate for Senate.

"He's the Social Security man," the 69-year-old Kelley told a visitor to a senior citizens center here. "He said it again, just this morning, over breakfast. Right on my TV."

Bunning is a rarity in Republican politics: He is trying to steal the Social Security issue from Democrats.

President Clinton cast the mold for his party's strategy

in January, when he declared in his State of the Union address that any federal budget surplus should be used to "save Social Security first."

Though he offered no plans to fix the Depression-era benefits program, the declaration alone was designed to make tax cuts politically painful for Republicans.

Eight months later, the GOP leadership in the House wants to split the budget surplus between tax cuts and Social Security.

That sets the stage for a confrontation, and Democrats hope the clash will make Social Security a national

issue in the fall campaign.

It's a trap Bunning says he won't fall into.

Finishing off a fried ham breakfast at the Kentucky State Fair, the Hall of Fame pitcher and congressman from northern Kentucky said, "What I've done is tell everyone within earshot that I've served eight years on the Social Security subcommittee and have made this a top issue for years."

Neither Bunning nor his opponent, Democratic Rep. Scotty Baesler, have aired their first TV ads.

Bunning, however, is getting help from an outside pitch: The National Republican Senatorial Committee, chaired by fellow Kentucky Republican Sen. Mitch McConnell Jr., paid for a TV ad through the state Republican Party.

Mixed with footage of Bunning shaking hands and patting backs, three unidentified senior citizens of-

fer testimonials to the lawmaker's Social Security record.

"Some politicians want to spend the national surplus on new programs," an announcer said.

"Jim Bunning wants to use it to keep Social Security safe."

By mimicking Clinton's State of the Union address, Bunning puts himself at odds with the Republican leadership.

It's a smart move, say some Democratic and Republican operatives.

"I think it's a model for what Republicans ought to say," said GOP pollster Bill McInturff of Alexandria, Va.

"The more the Democrats get in trouble ... the more they'll demagogue on Social Security. It's the last, thin reed between them and political meltdown."

## Tech regents approve new science degrees

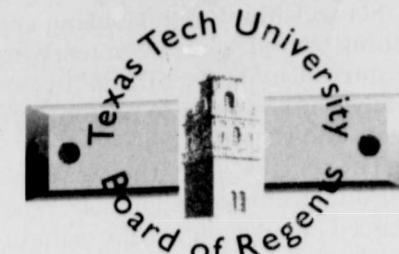
By Melody Ragland  
Staff Writer

The Texas Tech Board of Regents approved a program for an Environmental Toxicology Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degree in the College of Arts and Sciences.

This will be the only program in Texas to focus on environmental studies, there currently are seven other similar programs in the state of Texas.

The goal of The Institute of Environmental and Human Health is to help students pursuing a graduate degree in environmental toxicology work with each academic area of Tech.

TIEHH will work with the Tech law school, Texas Tech Health Sciences Center and the university to bring



potential graduate students to focus their career in environmental toxicology.

Ronald Kendall, director of TIEHH, said the program academically is set up in a way many people can interact through the university—all schools will be able to interact.

"We will bring together programs all across the campus," Kendall said.

Mike Hooper, the graduate adviser for environmental toxicology, said TIEHH is not building a new department, but rather pooling the assets of the university.

Working with each department is substantially less expensive than opening a new department, Hooper said.

He said there are approximately 25 graduate students studying at TIEHH.

"The graduate students are the back bone of the institute," Hooper said.

Students interested in the program will be required to take core courses dealing with environmental toxicology.

Core courses like chemistry, biology, introductory seminar in environmental toxicology and physics.

"Our biggest challenge is keeping students until they finish school," Kendall said.

This program will help students learn by hands-on research.

TIEHH has been given grants from the Texas Department of Economic Development and a gift of \$500,000 by Houston Endowment, a non-profit organization that gives grant money to higher education centers.

If the graduate program is approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Tech will be among four universities leading in environmental toxicology.

Hooper and Kendall said if all goes well, the program will be in place fall of 1999.

For more information visit their website at [www.ttu.edu/tieh](http://www.ttu.edu/tieh).

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# Animal shelter overpopulated

BIG SPRING (AP) — Whether worn and woolly or just too doggone mean and surly, no animal that has had the misfortune to end up at the Howard County Humane Society has ever been put to death unless it was mortally wounded or deathly ill.

The small-town shelter had become more than a place to get rid of unwanted animals, it had become a permanent home for the animals nobody could love.

There was the fat-cheeked boxer that drooled too much and the matted greyhound that was so burly it intimidated most pet shoppers; every animal was given sanctuary.

Complaints about overcrowding and unhealthy conditions at the shelter led to an order from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, limiting the number of animals it can house. Now the animal lovers who run the shelter are being forced to consider what was once unthinkable: euthanasia.

"In cases where the animals are too unsocial and can't be helped,

when they can't be taught to let people pet them or be made to stop barking, euthanasia will be considered," said shelter worker Fran Turrentine.

"We are not ever going to put down healthy, adoptable animals," Turrentine said. "We'll take them home first."

Critics of the shelter say the facility is mismanaged and has become dangerously unsanitary.

"It's hard to imagine how the word 'humane' could be in the name of the shelter," said Melanie Gambrell, a local pet store worker. "An order like this has been needed for a long time. The community

needs a humane society, but it needs a humane society that is run properly."

The small shelter housed over 300 pets.

SPCA officials said the organization would file charges of animal cruelty against the shelter unless it cuts that number by half.

SPCA chief investigator Bobby French, who called conditions at the shelter "deplorable," said that he has had shelters shut down for less.

"My suggestion would be to change the no-kill policy and change policy on how they take animals in," French told the *Big Spring Herald*.

The shelter keeps animals in dozens of outdoor chain link cages that sit on the ground.

"We just can't get people to have their pets spayed and neutered," Turrentine said.

"If people won't do that there is always going to be too many stray animals. We take care of every animal that comes through here but that is usually too late."

The shelter has been an alternative for people who don't want to turn unwanted pets over to animal control, which kills animals after 72 hours.

Scott Burt, a veterinarian at Highland Animal Hospital in Big Spring, said that shelter workers must put their personal feelings for the animals aside and consider the best interests of the adoptable animals.

"The people over there mean well, but it's impossible to think that you can save every animal that you see," Burt said.

"It's sad but you can't save them all."

# Town moves on

DEL RIO (AP) — Just four months ago, new life had been breathed into the historic plaza that was the heart of Del Rio's San Felipe neighborhood.

New bricks had been laid in the square. Fountains were built on either side of the gazebo, which was freshly painted in a festive pink and mauve. Local families donated park benches. Store fronts were repainted.

The work was finished just in time for the neighborhood's annual Cinco de Mayo celebration. This year, it had seemed, there was more to celebrate than usual.

Then the floods struck. When the people returned to their plaza to view the devastation, they could only stare in stunned silence and remember back to the better times.

The brick was buckled. The fountains were crumbled. The gazebo's freshly painted railings

had crashed to the ground in a splintered mess.

"We used to dance in the streets. Now everything is all gone," said 53-year-old Sylvia Hernandez, a former homecoming queen at San Felipe High.

"But the people are strong. They have a lot of willpower and a lot of faith," she said.

The tropical storm-fueled floods seemed particularly unforgiving. San Felipe Creek roared through the historic heart of Del Rio to the Rio Grande, killing at least seven people and demolishing one of the city's most picturesque neighborhoods.

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stuffing envelopes at home. All materials and postage are supplied. For more information send a S.A.S.E. and \$2.00 to S.R. Hill, Esq. P.O. Box 700515 Dallas, TX 75370.

### Alternative Home Health Service

Medical clients in Lubbock now need provider/CNA's. Various hours available. Start immediately. Extra income opportunity for homemaker or student. 18 or older. Differential pay for evening and weekend. Must have dependable vehicle/ phone. Come by 5121 66th, Suite B-5 for application or call 798-7022.

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Students interested in current events, concert promotion, timely issues, the performing arts and diverse cultures. No experience necessary. Will train. Call UC Programs at 742-3621 for more information.

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

RPS, Inc. (a small package delivery company), has immediate openings for students sorting and unloading packages. Starting pay is \$6.50/hour plus 50¢ tuition assistance after 30 days and 50¢/hour raise after 90 days. Monday-Friday, start work at 5:00 a.m., finish at 8:30 - 10:00 a.m., depending on class schedule. No weekends. Call RPS at 745-7197.

### Science Spectrum Museum

Part-time science museum educator needed to develop and implement youth related programs to children of all ages. Teaching experience/science interest a plus. Must have two weekdays available and work weekends. 745-2525 ext 226.

### SEEKING TEACHERS

for Christian Daycare Full and Part-time. University Baptist Mission, 2420 10th 740-3737.

### TELEMARKETERS NEEDED.

Flexible hours to fit any schedule. No experience necessary. Cash paid weekly. 762-5718.

### WRITERS/PHOTOGRAPHERS

needed for Study Breaks Magazine. Call Christina B. at 1-800-856-3141.

### WANTED

Part-time Data Entry Operators needed for second shift (4:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. or midnight). Must have good typing skills (50 wpm) and 10-key by touch. Position requires entering of data from source documents into PC's. Skill testing will be given. Position pays \$6.00 per hour. Please apply in person at: **United Marketing Services 1516-53rd Street Lubbock, TX 79412**

### FOR SALE

3011 32nd St. Great deal-\$94,500. Beautiful hardwood floors. Price includes new heat & air and new roof. Call Sue 799-4200 RE/MAX Lubbock.

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798-8396.

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Help is here. Call Library Research Services for rates and information 767-0996.

### STUDENT LOANS

Call First Bank & Trust Co. 788-0800 for information on how to get a student loan fast. Lender ID #820377.

THE HARLEY DUNN SHOW. Karaoke and/or DJ services. Great show at reasonable rates. 799-5374.

### APPLY NOW

Up to \$8.10. Part-time openings with flexible schedules. No experience required. Scholarships available. Conditions exist. 793-0536 (11am-5pm)

AT YOUR Service Catering is now hiring part-time waitstaff for the Fall semester. Hours are flexible, but must be able to work one luncheon shift M-F in addition to evening and weekend shifts. Please apply in person, 2407 19th St. (behind Burger King) between 12:00-3:00 p.m. only.

ATTENTION: Do you like to clean? If you are a part-time student available M-W-F or T-Th 8a.m.-5p.m., call MaryMeds today. 799-0620.

COVERGIRLS Photography is seeking model candidates interested in submitting test pictures to the Millennium Playmate search. 18 years or older. Other model assignments available. We never charge a fee. 796-2549

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### Doc's Liquor

Help wanted to work in liquor store. Female or Male. Must be 21 years old. Apply in person at Doc's Liquor.

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