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Complex bids nearing finalization

by A.P. Thompson
Staff Writer

As sounds of digging and construction resound across campus, a little more noise may soon be added to the shuffle. But for students and teachers who work and attend class in the decaying English/Philosophy building, any noise would be good noise.

"I can hardly wait to have this building torn down," Madonna Miner, chairwoman of the English department, said of her department's home in the English/Philosophy building.

What Miner is looking forward to is the start of construction of Texas Tech's \$42-million English/Philosophy/Education Complex. Professors and students have com-

plained previously about leaky or moldy ceiling tiles and problems with the heating and cooling systems in the current building.

"I'll be watching on a daily basis to see what progress (construction crews) make on the site," she said. "It's been a long time coming."

Cindy Rugely, associate vice chancellor for News and Publications at Tech, confirmed that Tech officials met with three construction companies last week to review bids presented to administrators and representatives from the College of Education and the College of Arts and Sciences.

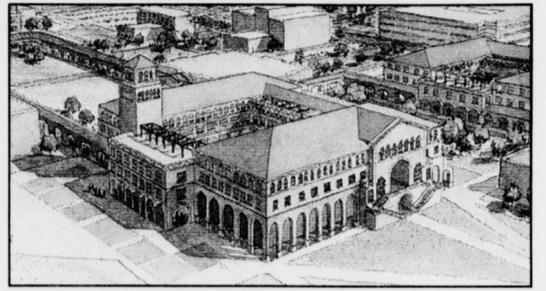
Although she could not confirm a start date of Feb. 1, she did say Tech was at least close to finishing a deal with one of the three contractors.

"(Tech officials) met on construction bids last week, and if (Feb. 1) isn't a start date, then we at least have a 'start-real-soon,'" she said.

"I suspect that if a deal isn't done already, then it will be real quick."

Jane Winer, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Tech, said her office sent a representative to at least one meeting Jan. 19.

Three unnamed construction companies presented plans to the group and fielded



questions ranging from how much the see **CONSTRUCTION**, p. 2

Caring for the future of Tech

Committee looks to provide quality, affordable child care for Texas Tech

by Charlie Milling
Staff Writer

Lack of available spaces and the high cost of the Texas Tech child care program has many faculty, staff and students concerned.

"I think there needs to be an expanded service or a break for students," said Walter Thomas, a civil engineering major from Kansas City, Mo., who has a 4-year-old son who is in the program.

"It's a great atmosphere for kids," Thomas said. "But the price has discouraged many students."

A committee has been formed to investigate the options of improving the Tech child care program.

"Tech needs to catch up," said Marc Giaccardo, associate professor in the College of Architecture. "(Child care) is common on other college campuses that can be accessible for students, faculty and staff."

Giaccardo serves on a child care exploratory committee that is comprised of members from the Faculty Senate, Staff Senate and the Student Government Association.

The committee's main goals are to lower the cost of \$490 a month per child and to expand the size and availability of the facility.

"The committee wants to have a larger campus child care center that provides quality care and have it affordable for faculty, staff and students, and maybe even the community," said Jackie Driskill, instructor and early child care coordinator at Tech.

She said the problem with the child care program now at Tech is that it is too expensive and too limited for most people.

"The university does have a child care facility, but it is too small," Driskill said. "There are three classrooms with two teachers per

classroom and only 45 full-time slots." Driskill said the child-to-caregiver ratio is fine, but there needs to be a larger building that would hold more rooms.

Even with the high cost, Catherine Nathan, director of Human Development and Family Studies, said the teachers still are underpaid.

She said the teachers could get a pay increase of \$5,000 to \$6,000 if they were employed in public schools.

"The teachers are subsidizing the program," Driskill said. "They deserve to be paid what they are worth."

In an effort to understand the situation, the committee will send a needs-assessment survey to faculty and students from both Tech and the Health Sciences Center in February.

"We're sending them to everybody on campus," Giaccardo said. "There will probably be around 40,000 sent out."

Driskill said the committee hopes certain things like the number of children there would be or what type of new facilities would be needed.

Giaccardo feels Tech has been slow in developing such a program.

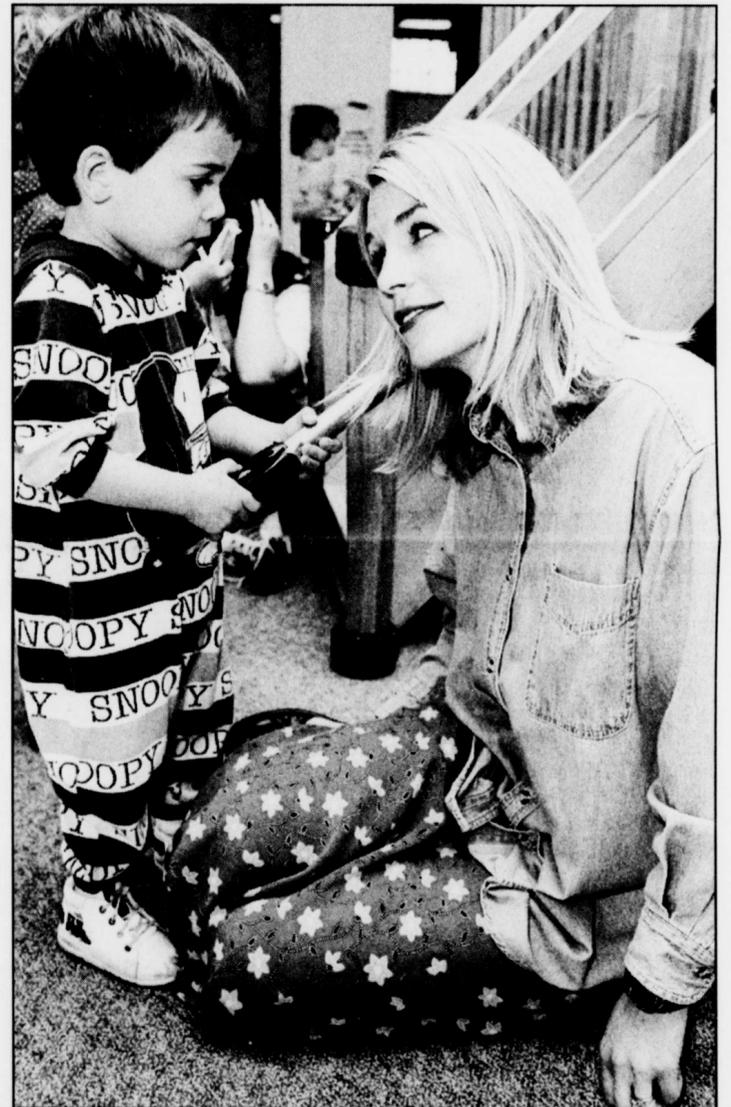
"I remember when the University of New Mexico had one back in the 1970s," he said. "(Texas) A&M has a new one, too."

Recently, Tech has given support to the committee.

"We got \$1,500 from Tech for help with the survey," Driskill said.

Driskill said the Tech community would gain many benefits if the university put a new child care program in place.

"It's a good recruiting tool," she said. "With all of the new faculty that Tech wants to hire, this would be a good thing. Plus, it's great experience for the students who work there."



Jill Anderson, a child care specialist at Tech, keeps 2-year-old Jack Reed entertained by allowing him to curl her hair at the Child Care Program. A committee was formed to look for ways to provide child care for the Tech campus. Committee members said the child-to-caregiver ratio is fine, but the facilities need to be upgraded and expanded. Child care employees said the program would serve as a good recruiting tool for new faculty and staff members.

STATE NEWS

Education Commissioner to focus on high schools

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas public schools have made great strides in the past few years, but the state now must focus on retaining qualified teachers and improving high schools, Education Commissioner Jim Nelson said Monday.

"These are good times for the most part," Nelson told the Texas Education Agency Administrators' Midwinter Conference on Education. "But we do have much more to do."

In his speech, "Status of Texas Schools, Challenges Ahead," Nelson said Texas' education system is being praised by many as a national leader for its high academic standards and accountability system.

The commissioner said the state has made progress by raising the standards, winning a federal court battle over its high school exit exam and developing one of the toughest accountability systems in the country.

More Texas students are taking college entrance exams, minorities and low income students are scoring better on standardized tests and more high school students are taking college level courses, he said.

NATIONAL NEWS

Ice storm leaves many without power in Georgia

ATLANTA (AP) — Even with a fire in the fireplace, it was a chilly 47 degrees in Bernadette Martin's house Monday.

And like the more than 100,000 other Georgians still without power after an ice storm over the weekend, she was worried about temperatures dropping even lower and the possibility that the electricity may not be turned back until today or Wednesday.

Martin kept her 4-year-old son and 9-year-old daughter, bundled in winter coats as they played in the living room, that they were on a glorified camping trip. Outside, the power line drooped next to the driveway, where it fell after a tree branch knocked it down over the weekend.

"I hate to leave the house in case everything freezes," Martin said. "But we might have to get a hotel for the kids to keep them warm, if we can find one of those that has power."

WORLD NEWS

African presidents call on U.N. help for Congo

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — In an extraordinary meeting orchestrated by the United States, the presidents of countries warring in the Congo pledged Monday to recommit themselves to a faltering cease-fire and to peace in Central Africa.

But the half-dozen African leaders, including Congolese President Laurent Kabila in his first U.S. visit, also demanded the world body deploy a U.N. peacekeeping force to monitor the 6-month-old truce.

The United States has acknowledged holding up authorization for the force, arguing the mission would be doomed because the cease-fire has been so widely flouted by all sides.

Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni agreed there was an enormous risk and cost in setting up the peacekeeping force, which U.N. officials have estimated could require some 25,000 members.

Seton Hall fire victims mourned at funerals

LONG BRANCH, N.J. (AP) — The teen-age pallbearers cried all the way up the aisle, their faces contorted, their sobs echoing off the marble floors and wooden rafters of St. Jerome Roman Catholic Church.

In the pews, Frank S. Caltabilla Jr.'s classmates and friends listened intently to the priest's words, dabbing at their noses with tissues and wiping away tears. His mother sat in a front pew, clutching a teddy bear, her husband's arm draped over her shoulders.

"Why did Frankie have to die so young?" asked the Rev. Frederick Jackiewicz. "We have no answers for these questions. We do not understand the ways of God. We try to the best of our limited ability to understand, but we cannot."

The heartbreaking tableau was mirrored

in two other New Jersey churches as three Seton Hall University freshmen who died in a dormitory fire last week were laid to rest. Like Caltabilla, John Giunta, 18, and Aaron Karol, 18, were remembered as upbeat, selfless, promising young men.

In West Long Branch, more than 800 people filled the church for the service for Caltabilla, who aspired to a career in medicine. Those who could not get a seat were ushered downstairs, where a video monitor was set up to broadcast the proceedings.

University chancellor Thomas Peterson was among 450 people who crowded into St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church in Dunellen to say goodbye to Karol, a soccer enthusiast and criminal justice major who hoped to someday work for the FBI.

"We say that Seton Hall is a family, and it is," Peterson said. "We, like yourselves, have lost a son."

Three busloads of Seton Hall students turned out to Vineland, where about 500 people gathered for Giunta's funeral Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church.

Giunta, an elementary education major who aspired to teaching in the inner city, was remembered as a generous, loyal person with a great future.

"He seemed like he had a dream ahead of him. He knew what he wanted to do," said John Henderson, 21, of Vineland, a high school classmate.

At Seton Hall, meanwhile, some freshmen returned to their rooms at Boland Hall for the first time since the fire.

Death row cartoonist executed for killing trooper

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Nearly a quarter-century, two college degrees and a pair of capital murder trials later, death row cartoonist and activist Billy George Hughes Jr. was executed Monday night for fatally shooting a highway patrolman.

Hughes gave a lengthy final statement, in which he said he would gladly trade the last 24 years of his life if it would bring back Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Mark A. Frederick.

But he also maintained his innocence while strapped to the death chamber gurney.

"They are executing an innocent man because things did not happen the way they happened," Hughes said, then turned to a group of about six supporters who were watching through a window and said, "Don't give up. Don't give in."

He added, "If I am paying my debt to society, I am due a rebate and a refund."

As the drugs began taking effect, Hughes sputtered once, exhaled twice and fell into unconsciousness. He was pronounced dead at 6:18 p.m. eight minutes after the low of lethal drugs began.

Hughes, 47 and the fourth-longest serving inmate of the 458 on Texas death row, was a lightning rod for both sides of the capital punishment issue.

To the abolition movement, Hughes was a model of how a man can rehabilitate himself. For victims' rights groups, Hughes showed how an unrepentant convict can abuse the legal process with ceaseless appeals.

While awaiting a lethal injection for shooting Frederick on April 4, 1976, Hughes appealed his conviction nearly a dozen times.

Trial of teen-ager accused of killing 73-year-old begins

WACO (AP) — The capital murder trial of a teen-age runaway who allegedly beat a 73-year-old man with a hammer, stabbed him to death and stole his car is scheduled to begin Tuesday.

Jonathan Daniel Rushing, 17, is charged with the May death of Houston Burgess of Asa. Because Rushing was 16 at the time of the crime, he faces a maximum sentence of life in prison.

Prosecutors plan to call witnesses who will say Rushing admitted stabbing Burgess and stealing his car. The trial is expected to last three or four days.

Rushing has confessed to a psychiatrist, his probation officer and his foster home roommate, the *Waco Tribune-Herald* reported.

When he was arrested, Rushing allegedly told police, "The old man shouldn't have come at me with a pair of scissors."

A 14-year-old boy also was arrested in connection with the murder. He has contended he is incompetent to stand trial and is undergoing psychological testing. His case is pending in juvenile court.

Burgess' car was found on a highway near Mexia, 40 miles northeast of Waco. Mexia police arrested the boys at a convenience store several hours later and investigators began looking at the boys as possible murder suspects.

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Kingwood teens plead guilty in suspected robbery

HOUSTON (AP) — Two teens charged with taking part in an all-girl holdup ring in a white-collar Houston suburb pleaded guilty to two counts each of aggravated robbery Monday.

The cases of Katie Marie Dunn and Malissa Chalerm Warzecka, both 17, went directly to the punishment phase. A jury will decide on options

ranging from probation to life in prison.

The prosecution is asking for at least some jail time. The defense is pleading for probation in a case expected to last most of the week.

Co-defendants Michelle Renee Morneau and suspected ringleader Crystal Dawn Maddox will go on trial separately.

None of the girls, from the suburb of Kingwood, had felony records. All were either high school students or recent graduates. Dunn was a drill-team member at the time of her arrest.

The girls are accused of using weapons, including a rifle and a handgun, in their robberies. Victims testifying Monday recounted the

horror of being held up at gunpoint.

One clerk cried as she described being threatened while staring down the barrel of one of a gun.

The teens went to great pains to hide their identities during the robberies, wearing hooded jackets, gloves and sunglasses, police said. They blew their cover when they bragged to friends, police said.

CONSTRUCTION,

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Three unnamed construction companies presented plans to the group and fielded questions ranging from how much the project would cost to how long the building would remain under construction.

At least \$42 million has been budgeted for the building, accord-

ing to the Office of Facilities, Planning and Construction at Tech.

The complex's budget came under criticism last semester when reports were confirmed that more than \$737,000 had been shaved from the allotted funds to finance other construction projects on the Tech campus.

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Student chosen to plan Homecoming events



by Angela Loston
Staff Writer

Instead of being just another spectator at Homecoming next year, Kelsey Henry decided to step out of the crowd and take on a more active role.

Last week, Henry, a junior human development major from San Antonio, was selected as the new Homecoming coordinator for the 2000-2001 school year.

"It's something I have always looked forward to doing," Henry said. "It seemed like a great opportunity to become involved in the university ... and be a leader and have students to realize that they can take part in the university and not just administrators and faculty members."

For three years, she has been involved with Homecoming activities. During her first year participating in Homecoming events, Henry said she was a member of the Homecoming committee at large. For the last two years, Henry was the coordinator for the pep rally.

"It's a great way to get involved and learn more about the university," she said.

Will Kayatin, associate director of Campus Activities and Involvement, said Henry was chosen for the position because of her past experience

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Will Kayatin

associate director of campus activities

with Homecoming events and her eagerness to become the coordinator.

"This particular position requires a lot of time, energy and creativity, and there's no pay," Kayatin said.

As coordinator, Henry will help facilitate coordination with the various campus organizations involved with Homecoming.

"Kelsey will work hard on getting student leaders together," Kayatin said.

Henry has plans to change the way Homecoming has been promoted to students and the community.

"She's got a number of changes she's interested in discussing with the committee," Kayatin said. "Generally speaking, she wants to market the different facets of Homecoming."

In the past, Henry said T-shirts and a billboard served as the only forms of publicity for Homecoming.

For the upcoming school year, she said she would like to advertise the event on Citibuses and talk with other student organizations.

In mid-February, Henry said she and the Homecoming committee will begin conducting monthly meetings to discuss and brainstorm ideas for the event.

During the summer, Henry said she and the members of committee will transform the ideas into plans for the event.

When the fall semester begins, Henry said she and the committee will make reservations for various proposed Homecoming activities.

So far, Henry said a Homecoming committee has not been chosen.

Students who are interested in becoming a member of the committee can pick up an application in 210 or 228 UC.

"I'm excited, and I'm ready to get started," she said. "It's going to be a lot of work, but it's going to be a good experience."

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Tech student, Kelsey Henry was selected as the new Homecoming coordinator. She will facilitate coordination with the organizations involved with Homecoming.

Tech Well fair to provide students relaxing, healthy atmosphere today

by Shannon Davis
Staff Writer

Texas Tech Student Health Services and the Department of Recreational Sports is sponsoring the third annual Tech Well. This interactive health and wellness fair will provide

a game-oriented atmosphere from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. today at the Student Recreation Center. Thirty booths will feature different wellness issues such as mental, physical, spiritual, social, occupational and emotional wellness.

"Our goal of Tech Well is to inspire

faculty, staff and students to continue in their efforts to meet New Year's resolutions by providing a fun, festive and interactive health and wellness fair," said Michelle Pettus, health educator at SHS.

For attending 10 or more booths, a person is eligible to receive prizes,

including tickets to the Tech-Nebraska game, tickets to see the Cotton Kings, tickets to see the original Patch Adams speak at the University Center, Wal-Mart gift certificates and T-shirts. Prizes will be given away every 30 minutes.

Stress relief will be provided

through pet therapy. Anyone is free to pet and play with animals throughout the day. A massage therapist also will give free massages.

"This is a fun and interactive way to learn about yourself and how you work with other people," said Betty Blanton, associate director of the

Department of Recreational Sports. "This involves all dimensions of wellness and allows you to reach out and grab life."

This is a come-and-go event, and anyone is welcome, Pettus said. A recreation student membership is not required to attend.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wake up

To the editor: How ironic it is that less than a week after we celebrated the life of one of the greatest leaders in the fight for civil rights, a cartoonist has shown that bigotry still is very much alive. After all, Martin Luther King Jr. did say the next great struggle for civil rights in America would be for gay and lesbian rights.

The political cartoonist in Friday's UD seems to feel that gay people as a group are not moral. It is sad to realize that apparently we still have not learned the danger of prejudice.

When will we as human beings stop hating people who are different from us? Will there ever come a time when we will stop making judgments of a group based upon the actions of a few, or even worse, what other people tell us?

Wake up, America! People are people, whether they are male or female, black or white, Jew or Gentile, gay or straight, and God made us and loves us all. Contrary to popular belief, homosexuals are not reprobate children of the devil.

We are people, just like you are. We are husbands, wives, fathers, mothers and children. We are actors, actresses, singers, writers, lawyers, politicians, doctors, accountants, scientists, teachers and students. We are government leaders, community leaders, civic leaders and, yes, even church leaders. We are your neighbors, co-workers and best friends. We all have the same needs that you do — the need for food, shelter, safety and love. We're not all good, but we're not all bad either.

So instead of putting us in a box and stamping it "immoral," try getting to know us for who we are. You will find that we have just as much to offer you as any other human being.

One day, we truly will all be able to live in a country where we are not judged by our sex, race, religion or sexual orientation, but rather by our character. Then we will be able to finally, truly sing "Free at last!" I pray to God that day is soon.

J.T. Williams
senior
music

Go Big Red

To the editor: To all the students — you proved me wrong this weekend. The students were the best that they have ever been. But the one question I ask is why can't we do that at every game?

We have the best seats in our arena, and we should take full advantage of that. Whether it is Centenary or Indiana, we should be there cheering as loud as we can. If we can do that and support our basketball teams, then I guarantee we will win more games.

Why not make our arena one of the toughest places to play in the nation? It wouldn't be that hard if we start the tradition. Do you believe that everyone wants to go to Duke and play?

I don't believe so and that is because of the students' support of their basketball programs. Keep it up, Tech, and we will have a winning program year in and year out. We will see you Saturday when we beat OU!

Give 'em hell Big Red!

Brandon Ripley
Class of 1999

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Drop it by 211 Journalism, have your Tech ID; or e-mail it to UD@ttu.edu, include your social security number and phone number.

Closeted liberals need to come out

In their efforts to prepare me for cold showers, English teaching assistants who don't speak English and food that has to be hidden from the FDA, my friends failed to mention one thing about Texas Tech. There are no liberals here!



Kenneth Strickland
Columnist

All right, maybe it's a stretch to say that there aren't any, but it seems that those that are here are in hiding. Well, fear not my Democratic friends, for I am here to liberate the liberals!

Before I came to school here, I was the good Republican. I subjected myself to the brainwashing of the NRA, publicly scrutinized President Clinton for being human and even made sure I went

out of my way to ignore the poor, needy, mentally-challenged and other groups benefiting from government assistance. I grew up in an area with its share of Democrats, so finding someone to oppress with my right-wing views wasn't difficult. When I got to Lubbock though, I soon realized that everyone here already thought the same way I did. I started having withdrawals. You see, I've been told that I'm really good at two things in this world, and arguing is the other, so something had to change.

Now I'm a freshman, I make no secret of that. About this time last year, I was being herded through the Texas public education system, or as it's also known, "where we get our football players."

I know I don't have a lot of experience as a Democrat, partly because this is my first year studying politics. I don't think that should matter all that much, though.

Take a look at my picture. This time last year, I dressed the conservative look. I wore khaki pants, Abercrombie shirts and a baseball cap with the word "COCKS" so eloquently displayed across the front. Look at me now. Could I look anymore liberal?

That shirt I'm wearing I found at a thrift store, and it hasn't been washed since Thanksgiving. I wear big, plastic-framed glasses to make it look like I know what I'm talking about in any discussion, and the undershirt you can barely see is actually a T-shirt that says, "Local 523 — Plumbers and Welders." I honestly don't know where it came from.

The point I'm making is that I look the part, so that's why I should lead Democrats out of the closet and — wait a minute, bad choice of words — well, at least I'm smiling in my picture. How many of our conservative colum-

nists can say that?

I've been on the right (indicating direction) side of politics. It was all right, but now I'm looking for a new project. Some of you Democrats may be questioning my loyalty to the Grand Old Party though, so I've developed this list of issues that are as dear to Republicans as coffee shops are to us. If we attack them, we should do OK.

No. 1: Discouraging independent thought. The true Republican is always right and is never open-minded on any issue. As long as they can live by their philosophy of "I'm right, and you're a communist," then they can reap the benefits of a government that cares about them individually because it makes such an effort to ignore everyone else.

No. 2: Everyone should do their part for the environment. If Republicans/NRA members (the terms are interchangeable) weren't here to destroy all the deer that peacefully walk through the forest, then who knows what would happen? They'd defecate on our lawns, dig through our garbage and eat our children.

The true Republican knows that the only good animal is one that easily fits into an ice chest and that a man really isn't a man until he finds something beautiful — and then blows it up.

No. 3: Eat, sleep and breathe high school football. We crazy liberals seem to think that academics should come before athletics, imagine that. The true Republican ensures that a school's athletic teams are the focal point of community support, not that other pointless stuff.

No. 4: Keeping schools safe. The true Republican ensures that gun legislation is passed that allows teachers, custodians, cafeteria workers, and even some students, to be armed to the teeth. Charlton Heston seems to think that a safe school is one with many guns, and he's a Hollywood actor so he must know what's right. I think he talked to God once, too.

No. 5: Homosexuality is wrong. It isn't normal, so it's wrong. The true Republican won't expand on this.

No. 6: Finally, the true Republican always responds to smart aleck, liberal, college pukes who try to make sense. There's a reason Republicans always write letters to the editor. It's because they're always right of course.

Well, my new found liberal friends, I hope this helps our cause. We'll find out when the letters start rolling in. Now is the time to unleash your liberal beliefs on Lubbock and the world, and together we will provide this town with what it's truly missing — petty bipartisan bickering.

Kenneth Strickland is a freshman political science major from Mesquite. He is also a former intern with the GOP.

Family should be concern of case

The battle rages on for Elian Gonzalez, the 6-year-old Cuban refugee whose mother died trying to get him to freedom. Should he stay in the United States or be sent back to Cuba to live with his father?

What a silly question! A child does not necessarily belong with his parents, that would be obtuse to assume such an idea. Instead, we must let Big Brother, the U.S. government, with all its benevolence, decide what is best for Elian.

Let's weigh Elian's possibilities, since his father has no say in the matter.

The U.S. bureaucracies or courts could ship



Joseph Colley
Columnist

him back to Cuba to be with his dad. Now, this would be dreadful. Fidel Castro is the ruler over there. Elian would be oppressed, brain-washed and coerced into living life as mandated by the government (sounds familiar, actually). After a day of Cuban governmental repression, Elian could come home and hug his father. Oh, I forgot. Relationships with fathers don't matter.

What does matter? Education, of course. This is basically what people are referring to when they speak of opportunity in America. Elian has a much better chance of becoming formally educated if he is forced to stay in the United States. This is a priority. What is life without an education?

It's a meaningless span of miserable events that could have been avoided with a little school. At least, this is what subtly gets drilled into our heads living in America. Without an education, your life will be pointless. Or maybe it's this: the higher your education, the happier you'll be.

Well, I hate to disappoint you, but these notions are bunk. Think about it before you condemn me for heresy. We all know public high school is a joke, but we feel great when we finally graduate because it took so long to get there.

We spend four or five years in college for a degree that will hopefully enable us to get a decent paying job so that we can have good credit and all the material possessions we want.

Then we look forward to getting married, having children and watching them grow up to be successful (degree, credit, possessions).

And then the climax is where we feel comfortable being indolent, greedy, avarice-infested, self-righteous citizens who never miss a chance to vote, so we can feel like we are doing our part for freedom. From then on, our primary concern is our own monetary circumstances.

Give me a break. A satisfying life has nothing to do with money. It has everything to do with making the best of the circumstances you've been given.

Unfortunately, we have become a money-hungry society. The American dream is to be rich, even when wealth is accompanied by hypocrisy, corruption and apathy. But hey, everything will be wonderful as long as you have good credit. Right?

Do I have a problem with rich people? Of course not. I obviously want to be wealthy someday. Do you think I'm in college to learn something? That would be just as silly as a parent claiming his child belongs with him.

But we have to keep Elian in mind and what is best for him. Politics cannot play a part in this decision. The true necessities are a chance at an education and the opportunity to live in freedom (be rich).

Biological and parental arguments are only secondary. After all, there is no Disneyland in Cuba.

At the same time, we must be honest. Elian might not grow up to live the American dream. He might drop out of high school, marry his sweetheart and work odd jobs the rest of his life. Does this mean his life is less valuable than the lawyer's?

He could possibly end up a criminal, in and out of prison for petty burglary or drug charges. Does this mean his life is less valuable than the banker's?

His life might be cut short by some tragic event as was his mother's. Does this mean his life is less valuable than the president's?

Wake up, America! A child belongs with his parents. If one parent is out of the picture, the child goes to the other.

Any branch of government that prohibits the bond between a loving parent and a child is taking on extra duties of the tyrannical nature. Our government's job is to secure our liberty, not keep us from our parents.

Education and wealth don't amount to much when you have to trade away your father to get them.

Fathers are more important than political freedom, and shame on those who argue to the contrary.

Joseph Colley is a junior English major from Mount Pleasant.



UC director looks to build future leaders

by Angela Loston
Staff Writer

Will Kayatin knew he did not want to work as a history teacher in a classroom talking about leaders of yesterday.

Instead, he wanted to be instrumental in helping students emerge into strong leaders of today.

Kayatin is able to do so as the new associate director of Texas Tech's Campus Activities and Involvement.

"I'm assisting in the development of leaders and that is extremely rewarding," Kayatin said. "I just find a lot of satisfaction in doing that. I never get tired of my job."

Kayatin said he became a member of the Tech faculty because the department he works in is strong and creative. Kayatin also said the local community is very supportive of the university.

"It was really what I've been looking for professionally," Kayatin said. "It provided me with opportunities for professional growth."

"Everything I was looking for, I had found here."

Before coming to Tech, Kayatin was a university adviser for Univer-

"I'm assisting in the development of leaders and that is extremely rewarding."

Will Kayatin

director of Campus Activities and Involvement

sity of Texas-Arlington.

As an adviser, Kayatin said he worked directly with advising and overseeing graduate students.

He was involved with the school's constituency councils and other student organizations.

"All through college, I worked with Student Affairs, so I decided in graduate school. I enjoyed working with college students and leaders because there's so much variety and that's stimulating," Kayatin said. "I really enjoy that pace of being able to interact with a variety of people and in a variety of environments."

As associate director of Campus Activities and Involvement, Kayatin works closely with student organizations, Homecoming, Leadership Tech and Community-Service Learning programs.

There are some areas within student organizations that Kayatin said he wants to improve. As the spring semester began, Kayatin said a Student Involvement Center was created for student organizations to utilize. The center, located in 210 UC, has computers and supplies ready for use. Emerging student organizations can register from 4 to 5 p.m. each Thursday in the Double T Room of the UC.

Kayatin said he has plans to take student groups into the world of the Internet by having them register online.

"With my professional staff, we're going to try to provide more services with student organizations," Kayatin said. "We're trying to have more contact with student organizations."

Since he will work closely with

Community-Service Learning programs, Kayatin wants to use innovation to develop a variety of community-related activities so students can gain experience from participating.

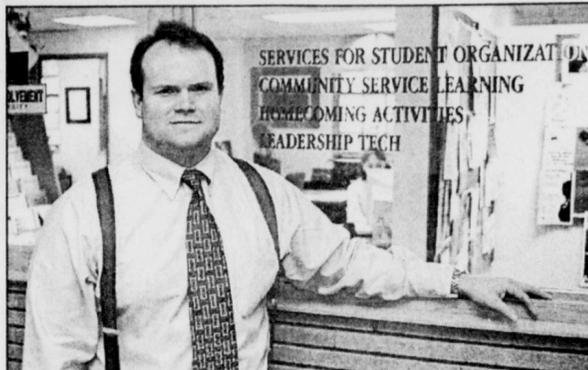
"We still have a sense of community but that has changed in part because of industrialization, urbanization, and now we're experiencing a technical revolution," he said. "That's what's so neat about the work we do over here because we're able to facilitate a sense of community participation."

By participating in the learning programs, students will not only be able to learn more about their environment, but they also can apply classroom instruction to the work they will do for community agencies.

"Obviously, our whole learning services component has a number of experiences that could correlate with what Leadership Tech programs offers," Kayatin said.

Within his department, Kayatin's greatest tasks will be to work toward making Leadership Tech a program that is an institution.

To make the program more institutionalized, members within his department will create a proposal for



J.T. Aguilar/The University Daily
Will Kayatin, director of Campus Activities and Involvement, hopes students will learn to apply classroom instruction to work they will do for community agencies.

administrators.

Besides creating an institutionalized organization for the program, Kayatin said he would like to gain support from professionals on and off campus for Leadership Tech. Additionally, he would like to further diversify the membership of the Leadership Tech committee, which presently is comprised of mostly ad-

ministrators, by having students involved.

"One of my most important tasks is to develop Leadership Tech hopefully into a component we can transform into a leadership institution," Kayatin said.

"My goal is to turn it into a program that can be proposed as an institution."

One-act auditions to begin Thursday

The Texas Tech University Theatre will hold auditions for "Raider Red's One-Act Play Spectacular" at 7 p.m. Thursday.

Students do not have to be theater majors to audition. Roles for five student-written plays are open to undergraduates registered for at least six hours and graduate students registered for at least three hours.

Students auditioning for roles should pick up an information sheet and audition form at the theater, located at 18th Street and Boston Avenue, before Thursday.

Students should bring the completed forms with them, and no one will be allowed to audition without completed audition forms.

Students will audition on a first come, first serve basis. Call backs will be made Saturday.

Auditions will be conducted at the Lab Theatre on the west side of the Maedgen Theatre building, located on 18th Street between Boston Avenue and Flint Avenue. For more information, call 742-3601.

The "Raider Red's One-Act Spectacular" will perform from April 10-16.

Women in Communications meeting to highlight etiquette speaker

Texas Tech's Women in Communications will meet at 6 p.m. today in 223 Mass Communications. Brenda

Becknall, advertising and fashion consultant with the Robert Spence Agency, will speak at the meeting

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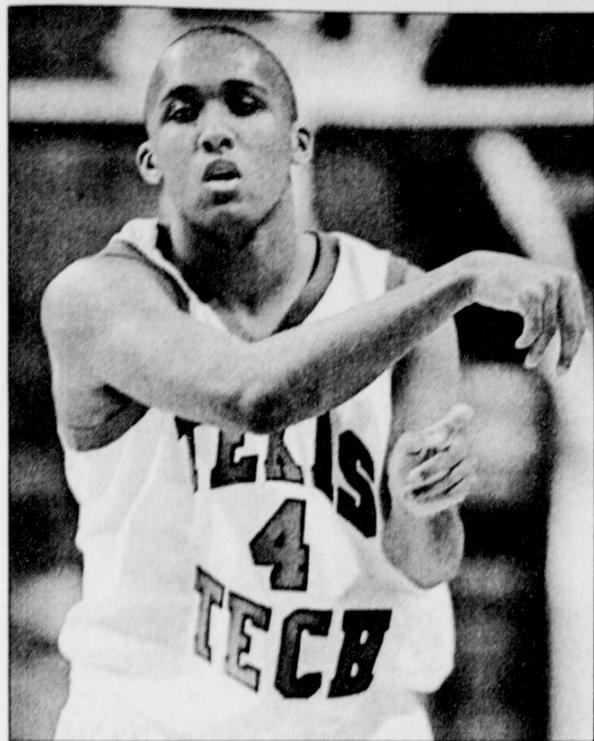
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Tech guard Moses Malone Jr. transferred to Tech from the University of Houston, and has averaged more than seven minutes of action per contest in his six outings as a Red Raider.

Malone looks to improve Raiders

by Jeff Keller
Assistant Sports Editor

Texas Tech guard Moses Malone Jr. has been surrounded by basketball his entire life.

His father, Moses Malone, played in the National Basketball Association and won a championship with the Philadelphia 76ers in 1983.

Malone Jr. first started playing basketball when he was four years old, and since his father was a professional player, he attended professional basketball games throughout most of his early life.

"I started going to games when I was four years old and went to them all the way until I was 14 or 15," Malone said. "I remember every game my dad played, how he played and who he played."

Malone said one of the most vivid memories was the 76ers championship in 1983 when his father was voted the series' Most Valuable Player.

"It was neat," Malone said of the experience. "I just remember my dad coming home real happy, and my parents being real happy. There was a lot of media at my house, and there was a lot of coverage about it. There was just a lot of people coming up to me and telling me about it."

Malone started building a basketball reputation for himself at Friendswood High School, where in four years he scored 2,684 points, pulled down 1,098 rebounds and was named an honorable mention All-

American by *Parade* magazine in his senior season in 1998.

Out of high school, Malone decided to attend the University of Houston and play basketball for the Cougars.

Nine games into his freshman campaign, Malone decided Houston was not the place for him and transferred to Tech to play for the Red Raiders.

"I didn't like the way things were going in Houston," Malone said. "I didn't like the way the program was going to turn out. There was not much coaching there, and I didn't feel that I would become a better player in the four years I would be there, as I would somewhere else."

Malone said Tech basketball is more structured than Houston basketball, and he feels he will become a better player under the guidance of Tech coach James Dickey.

Dickey said he was pleased last season when he found out Malone was going to transfer to Tech.

"We were happy when he transferred," Dickey said. "He knows how to score. He has good knowledge of the game, and he plays hard. It's just unfortunate that he missed all of fall workouts because of his injury."

Besides having to sit out one year because of transferring to Tech,

Malone was allowed to practice with the squad but was hampered in his efforts by a stress fracture in his left foot.

Malone first saw action this season against Prairie View A&M, where

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Mills approved as Permian head coach

ODESSA (AP) — Trustees of the Ector County Independent School District took three minutes Monday to declare T.J. Mills the head new coach and athletic coordinator at Permian High School.

Mills, who led Sealy High School to state championships in five of the last six seasons, accepted the job Friday. As coach, he will earn \$78,000, almost \$7,000 more than the \$71,147 Randy Mayes got at Permian last season.

Mayes was reassigned to a teaching position Dec. 6 after six seasons at Permian. The Panthers, who have won six state championships since 1965, had two of the three worst records in school history over the last three seasons.

Mills is the ninth head coach in Permian history. He was one of two finalists for the position. The other finalist, Grand Prairie coach Jerry Bomar, withdrew from consideration.

Mills won four consecutive Class 3A state titles from 1994-97, an unprecedented feat in Texas high school football history, and led the Tigers to the state championship game five of

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Yes, include me on list of stupid things people do

The sports world is full of dumb people and dumb mistakes. Bill Buckner's error in the 1986 World Series comes to mind. People like John Rocker and Marge Schott also fit in real well. I can't leave out Jesse Jackson who is trying to bring his racial problems into the sports



Matt Muench
Staff Writer

world by saying Ray Rhodes was fired from the Packers because of the color of his skin. It also would be safe to say quitter Spike Dykes did some stupid things in his last three years running the Tech queen dom. However, even

the best of them do some stupid things — even me.

I know it is hard to imagine: I broke the cardinal rule in golf. No I didn't yell, "You @%&& piece of @5^%9 can't reach the green," while my playing partner was in his back swing.

That is funny, not stupid. I broke the rule that you should never be in front of the golfer when it is his turn to hit. I did, and a golf ball hit me right below my hairline in the corner of my left forehead.

I didn't really realize I passed him. I was too busy being pissed off that I

hit my tee shot way over to the right in the rough surrounded by trees. To make it even worse, it was the easiest hole on the golf course.

My friend, well ex-friend (just kidding), was 40 yards behind me safely in the fairway at about a 45-degree angle to me.

The moment: I was pulling out my 3-iron when I heard "Fore!" and then BAM, KABLOOM, CRACK! Actually, it wasn't that dramatic. It was just two little thumps — the ball hitting me and me hitting the ground.

Everyone always says when you get a head injury, you don't remember a darn thing. I remember everything. I wasn't knocked out, and it only really hurt for 15 seconds.

I heard the killer, I mean, friend, running toward me yelling swear words. I wasn't sure if he was yelling them because he shanked his shot or because he hit me. He kept yelling, "Are you OK, Matt?" and so on.

I was just yelling at him to find the ball for a souvenir. As I laid face forward on the grass covering my

head, I actually thought to myself, "Hey this could be a column idea." I mean how many idiots get hit by a golf ball and get to write about it?

The consequences: I ended up having surgery that night because they found a large blood clot between my skull and brain.

Doctors said it could have been fatal, but I had a good doctor that had been doing these surgeries for 30 years. I have a scar on the side of my head that looked like a horse hit me, not a golf ball. My sisters always want to look at it like it is some kind of painting.

However, it should be gone late next month. So I started out being stupid and ended up being lucky.

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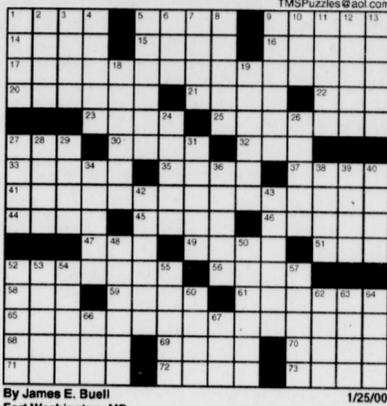
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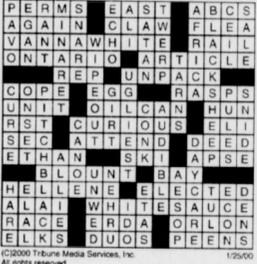
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By James E. Buell
Fort Washington, MD

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Kubiak interviewing for Saints head coach

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Monday, *The Denver Post* reported. Also being considered to replace Mike Ditka are Pittsburgh Steelers defensive coordinator Jim Haslett, Atlanta Falcons offensive line coach Art Shell and New York Giants defensive coordinator John Fox. Each is expected to interview this week. The Saints fired Ditka after finishing 3-13.

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Throwing her weight around

by Patrick Gonzales
Sports Editor

In any sport, getting off to a good start could perhaps be the most important factor in having a successful season.

If that is the case, then Texas Tech track team member Sipa Finau should have plenty of prestige heading her way.

In the Red Raiders' first indoor meet of the season Friday and Saturday, Finau set an Athletic Training Center record with her first-place toss of 56.475 feet in the weight throw competition.

Finau also held the old record with a mark of 50.475 feet in 1998 but said only one thing really matters to her this season.

"It was a good feeling breaking the record, but I really want to make it to the national meet," said Finau,

a junior from Eules.

"I set high standards for myself, so breaking the record was just another day for me."

The weight throw is com-

posed of tossing a 20-pound shotput that is harnessed onto a cord. The weight throw competition only is held during the indoor season.

To receive an automatic bid to the NCAA National Indoor Meet, Finau would have to throw a distance of 66 feet — 10 more feet than her record-breaking feat.

But Tech throwing coach Cliff Felkins said Finau has the potential to reach her goal.



"She probably has the physical capabilities of about 65 to 70 feet," Felkins said. "Her throw this weekend was an average distance for an opening meet.

She should have a good chance to make it to nationals."

Finau said she agrees and was throwing farther during her warm-up tosses.

The meet on Friday and Saturday was Finau's first competition in more than a year after redshirting last season.

"I was really tense and had butterflies in my stomach when the competition started," Finau said. "I just kept on praying and everything

worked out."

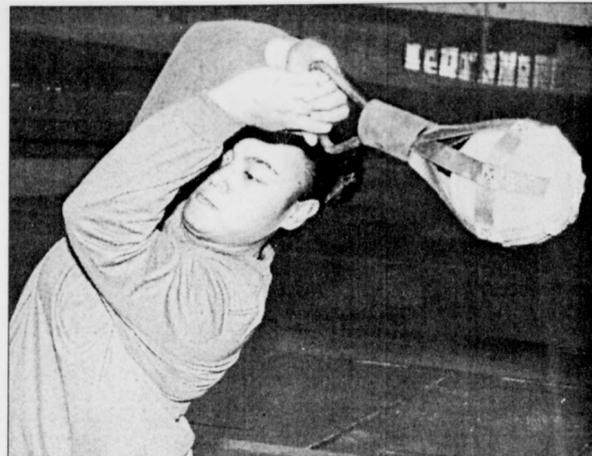
Finau redshirted to train under new field events coach Chris Beene and said her workout regime during that time has really helped improve her distance.

Her workouts consisted of running, lifting and all sorts of conditioning, she said.

"The new coaching staff worked my tail off every day, and they still haven't let up," Finau said.

Finau will be back in competition Saturday, as the squad travels to Madison, Wis., for the Wisconsin Invitational. Finau once again will aim to qualify for nationals but said she will feel a little more relaxed.

"It's going to be tough because there is going to be a lot of big throwers," Finau said. "I'm just going to go out and have fun, but when competition starts, I'll have my game face on."



Greg Kreller/The University Daily

Tech track and field weight thrower Sipa Finau set an Athletic Training Center record Saturday at the Red Raider Indoor Invitational in the weight throw competition with a toss of 56.475 feet.

MALONE, from p. 7

he played seven minutes and missed his only shot attempt. He has seen action in each game since then.

Malone said because he sat out for a season and had the injury, he still is trying to get into a rhythm. "After I sat out a year and had

an injury like this, it takes a while to recover," he said.

"So I have to get my rhythm back and get a feel for the game. I also need to get my confidence back up, and once I do that, I'm pretty sure I will be fine."

Malone said he hopes to make basketball his profession after his career at Tech.

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