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DNA evidence nulls sex-crime conviction

AUSTIN (AP) — A Cuban refugee has been exonerated by an appeals court, which threw out his sexual assault conviction based on a review of DNA evidence.

But freedom for Carlos Lavernia will not be immediate despite Wednesday's decision by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. Lavernia, 50, now enters a complicated fight to avoid detention by immigration officials.

After Lavernia's release from state prison within 25 days, the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service will take him into custody for deportation based on a 1982 conviction for indecency with a child, defense lawyer Bill Allison said.

But the INS cannot deport him because the United States has no extradition treaty with Cuba. So Lavernia faces an indefinite period of custody.

"If the INS whisks him off, God only knows where he'll be transferred," lawyer Chip Waldron told the *Austin American-Statesman* in Thursday's editions.

NATIONAL

School bus overturns kills boy, hurts others

HERNDON, Ky. (AP) — A school bus overturned Thursday morning, killing a 5-year-old kindergarten student and sending more than 30 other children to area hospitals.

State Police Trooper Chuck Robertson said the bus carrying 47 children apparently ran off the shoulder of the road and the driver overcorrected, sending the bus across both lanes before it overturned.

The kindergarten, a boy, apparently was ejected from the bus, Christian County Coroner Dorris Lamb said. The others were helped out of the wreckage through emergency exits and the shattered front windshield.

Robertson said he did not know how fast the bus was traveling.

The bus could be seen from South Christian Elementary, its intended destination. Counselors were on hand to talk to students and many parents stopped by school to check on their children.

WORLD

AIDS Day preaches responsibility script

GENEVA (AP) — AIDS campaigners across the globe prepared to mark World AIDS Day on Friday with a message to men that they must take responsibility for their behavior to stop the spread of the deadly virus.

"Broadly speaking, men are expected to be physically strong, emotionally robust, daring and virile. Some of these expectations translate into ways of thinking and behaving that endanger the health and well-being of men and their sex partners," the United Nations AIDS agency said in a statement.

Campaigners planned marches, vigils, religious services, promotions and entertainment events to bring home the importance of AIDS awareness. This year's theme is "Men make a difference."

"Men can make a particular difference — by being more caring, by taking fewer risks, and by facing the issue of AIDS head-on, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said in a statement.



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Make me laugh



Chris Paschall, a freshman architecture major from Garland, and Selandra Simpson, a senior Spanish major from Wichita, Kan., perform a scene called "Bob" during the Alternative Fuels improvisation comedy performance Thursday evening in the University Center Matador Room.

Tickling fancies

Unusual topics add 'fuel' to comedy improvisation sketches

By Mara McCoy
Staff Writer

A pickle, Alaska and the Queen of England; a girl yelling, "I want monkeys!"; a corset maker and a man with, among other things narcolepsy. People attending Dramatic Arts Deconstruction Alliance's Alternative Fuels troupe

were treated to these unusual spectacles and phrases during an improvisational comedy sketch Thursday evening in the University Center Matador Room. It was the first production by the troupe co-founded by Cris Edwards and Tiffany Howard, both theater arts graduate students. "I helped found an improv troupe at A&M," Howard, who hails from

Kingsville, said. "Most big schools have improv troupes — as big as Tech is, there is no viable reason to not have a troupe." Edwards, originally from San Antonio, agreed. "We both love (improv), and we saw a need here," he said. The troupe started the night by

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Mexico's Fox could pose U.S. threat

By Jeff Lehr
Staff Writer

More than 70 years of authoritarian rule in Mexico will topple today with the inauguration of Vicente Fox as the country's new president.

Some of Fox's proposals that the United States step up the fight against drug trafficking and that Mexican workers eventually be able to move freely across the border have put some officials in Washington on the defensive.

John Tuman, a Texas Tech professor specializing in Mexican comparative politics, said the Clinton administration had "high hopes" pinned on the new president, but some of Fox's ideas might not sit well with the administration soon to embrace our nation's capital.

The former Coca-Cola executive and member of the National Action Party, whose inauguration marks the first change of power in Mexico's history, has not been shy since his July 2 victory shocked and excited the world.

Fox immediately began preaching his vision of a modern, efficient Mexico, traveling the world to seek international support.

He asked Vice President Al Gore and Texas Governor George W. Bush to support expanding the North American Free Trade Agreement into a common market, an issue both candidates strayed from during the closest U.S. presidential election in American history.

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Tech museum collection grows

Southwest Collection receives former photojournalist's art

By Whitney Wyatt
Staff Writer

Students interested in learning more about the growth of Lubbock in the 20th century soon will have the chance.

The Southwest Collection recently received two grants of more than \$98,000 to benefit "The Lubbock Scene — A View of Middle America During the Middle Years of the 20th Century," a project featuring more than 500,000 images taken by Winston Reeves, a Texas Tech alumnus and local photographer.

Reeves was the editor of *La Ventana*, Tech's yearbook, took photographs for *The Toreador*, predecessor of *The University Daily*, and worked at the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* while he attended

Texas Technological College, now Texas Tech University. He opened Reeves Photography in 1938, where he took both commercial and portrait pictures.

His wife, Annie Letha Reeves, kept records and dates of all his photographs. She continued the business after his death in 1965, but closed the studio in 1996, before donating the entire collection of images taken by her husband to the Southwest Collection.

Reeves is delighted that her husband's photographs are available for viewing in the Southwest Collection since both of them are Tech graduates.

"I wanted them to be used for research and future use," Reeves said. "I think it is wonderful for people to look at them."

The CH Foundation of Lubbock

contributed more than \$48,000 to purchase acid-free sleeves to ensure the preservation of the photographs and negatives.

The Summerlee Foundation of Dallas provided more than \$50,000 to cover the salaries and supplies for this project.

Tai Kreidler, assistant dean of the Southwest Collection/Special Collections Library, and associate archivist Janet Neugebauer are responsible for getting the project on its feet.

Neugebauer said she is excited about the grants and eager for the collection to be completed.

"His photographs document the growth of Lubbock and the surrounding area throughout the years," she said. "We are fortunate to

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Tai Kreidler, assistant dean of the Southwest Collection, and Associate Archivist Janet Neugebauer reveal photographs donated to the museum by Annie Letha Reeves, the wife of the late Winston Reeves, a former Texas Tech *La Ventana* editor and newspaper photographer.

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chance to support Fox's idea, however, Mexico is pressuring the United States to do so.

"There is a window of opportunity here for the U.S. to act," he said. "There are already a number of European countries that could rival the U.S. in free trade."

Tuman said he believes Mexico will have more interest in NAFTA, but it is not something that will "get much reception in the U.S."

However, Fox was undeterred by the candidates' disinterest in NAFTA.

"I will continue to insist on this, and I know I will win the battle," he told *The Associated Press*. "I am going to persuade Bush or Gore, whoever it is. And I am going to persuade the American people."

Fox's persistence, along with his willingness to speak his mind, might be tough for government officials in the District of Columbia to accept, who are responsible for

setting the agenda when dealing with the outgoing Institutional Revolutionary Party.

Although Washington officials laid most of the groundwork surrounding U.S. relations with the outgoing party, Tuman said there were times in the past that the two governments did not see eye to eye.

"The Institutional Revolutionary Party has not always had a harmonious relationship with Washington," he said.

Aside from Fox's views, which could make trouble with the United States, Tuman said he thinks there will be more cooperation during Fox's six-year term in office.

"I think he is going to have an uphill challenge and there will be things that he can't change in six years, but his election was an enormous step in Mexico's move toward democracy," he said.

Lubbock city councilman Victor Hernandez will attend Fox's inauguration today in an attempt by Fox to "honor the links that bind persons of Mexican descent to the United States."

On Dec. 3, Hernandez will meet face-to-face with Fox to discuss the new president's plans in the coming years.

Campus technology changes discussed

By now, almost everyone is aware of the Microsoft Campus Agreement, which allows students, faculty and staff to obtain software at the High Tech computer store in the University Center for the cost of the media. However, most students are unaware of other undertakings by the administration and the Student Government Association to bridge the present gaps in our utilization of the Internet and technology.

One exciting project, www.calendar.ttu.edu, will allow campus departments and student organization representatives to add and update information on meetings and important events. In addition to being viewable from the Web, plans have been made to install large monitors during the spring semester in high-traffic areas of campus to display these events and other news.

Another information technology development that has been publicized around campus in recent weeks

will result in the issuing of universal personalized e-mail aliases to all students in the coming weeks. Students will want to stay one step ahead of other similarly named Red Raiders by staking claim to your name at www.eraider.ttu.edu.

It is easy to see Tech is hard at work trying to meet the technology needs of its students, faculty and staff. As end users however, we need students to voice opinions and offer suggestions on how this can be improved upon. If students have any questions or comments concerning technology and its uses on campus, they can e-mail the SGA at sga@ttu.edu. You can also contact me or any of the Info/Tech Committee members by clicking on our posted e-mail addresses found under the committee hyperlink on the SGA Web site, www.sga.ttu.edu.

Ben Bowman is the director of technology for the SGA and a senior management information systems major from Friendswood.

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port something like this, I'm worried about where this will lead as far as making Tech smoke-free."

Sen. Courtney Simons, of the College of Arts and Sciences, said she believed the resolution would have to become an issue if there was ever a desire to make Texas Tech a smoke-free institution because of the double standard it would set if the Senate opposed such an effort.

"I think the question will come up later about why we would impose this on local restaurants and not on our students," Simons said.

Other senators felt they could not support the resolution because an adequate effort had not been made to es-

tablish what many of their constituents felt about the issue. Adams, who introduced the bill, said discussion of the topic was limited to a few students these senators came into contact with.

"I don't think I can vote for this in good faith and in good conscience without learning the views of the students in the College of Arts and Sciences," Sen. Elizabeth Canon said.

SmokeLess Lubbock is working on the issue in a campaign called Stop Tobacco in Restaurants began by Amit Bushan, a local 10-year old, who has asthma and cannot enter many facilities where smoking is allowed. Betty Blanton, associate director of Recreational Sports, has discussed the issue with several bodies on campus including the Student Senate, Faculty Senate and Staff Senate.

Leading the way



Flight Commander Sarah D. Gilliland, a junior biology major from Alamogordo, N.M., leads the Alpha Flight Team on Thursday afternoon in a parade on Memorial Circle. A change of command ceremony and awards ceremony followed the event, at which a U. S. flag was presented to Chancellor John Montford. The flag was aboard a T-37 aircraft that performed a fly-over at the Texas Tech-Oklahoma State football game on Veterans Day on Nov. 11.

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having audience members name a person, place and thing. The audience came up with the Queen of England, Alaska and a pickle — not typical subjects associated came up with an impromptu skit that ended with one member offering the Queen forceps to remove the royal pickle.

Other skits included Sit, Stand and Kneel, Puppet Master and Superheroes. The show, which lasted a little over an hour, marked the initial performance by the troupe.

"We're hoping this (performance) will be the first of many," Howard said.

Edwards, who is currently chairing a program to bring more theatre programs to Tech, said there is always a need for unique programs on campus.

"There used to be a troupe sort of like Alternative Fuels," Edwards said. "But they all graduated. We're still trying to bring new, unique programs to Tech. This is the first semester (Alternative Fuels) has been together.

We hope to continue it next semester."

Selendra Simpson, a senior Spanish major from Wichita, Kan., said being in the troupe is good training.

"It gets your brain working - you have to think fast, and you can't always come up with a sharp, witty answer," she said. "You just say what comes to mind and then see what happens."

7186 or e-mail the troupe at dadaphysics@hotmail.com.

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have a collection of photographs of professional quality with identifications and dates."

A two-year project, another grant is pending to cover the expense of putting the photographs on the Southwest Collection Web site.

"Our goal is to develop ways for scholars throughout the nation to know that the photographs are here and are ready to use," Neugebauer said. "We will have one of the best sources to show the transformation of the 20th century."



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■ **SGA FUNDING REQUEST PACKETS** will be available for student organizations Tuesday in the Student Government Association office, 230 University Center. For more information, call 742-3631.

■ **SGA BUDGET WORKSHOP** will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the University Center Matarador Room. Attendance is required at only one workshop. For more information, contact Brenda Schumann at 742-3631.



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Celebrities pay tribute to late Paul Robeson

NEWARK, N.J. (AP)—Whitney Houston joined husband Bobby Brown, James Earl Jones, Lynn Whitfield and other celebrities in a gala tribute to the late Paul Robeson.

"Paul Robeson: Voice for the Millennium," was held Tuesday night at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center. The New Jersey native was a scholar and star football player who became a world-renowned actor and singer, then a civil rights activist.

Robeson, born the son of a former slave in 1898, was among the premier black entertainers of his time. However, his support of socialism in the late 1940s made him a target of a government crackdown, and his passport was revoked. His popularity declined and he spent his remaining years out of the public spotlight. He died in 1976.

Among the celebrities who lauded his achievements and social activism Tuesday were Ossie Davis, Melba Moore and opera star Denyce Graves.

"Now I understand that why I stand here today is because of Paul Robeson," said Houston.

The concert was one of her few public appearances since a marijuana possession charge against her in Hawaii was resolved earlier this month. She sang two songs — one acappella — from the play "Porgy and Bess," in which Robeson had starred.

Rumors of drug use have swirled around Houston for months amid erratic behavior and last-minute cancellations. Brown, however, who has battled substance abuse himself, said his wife's performance at the tribute should dispel such talk.

"I don't even want to discuss that, because it's garbage. If you saw her tonight, then you know ain't nothing wrong with her," said Brown.

Brown also performed, in a leather skirt, singing his crowd-pleasing hit "Every Little Step," backed up by Houston. He was the only artist who did not perform a song connected to Robeson or his era.

Davis and Jones read passages from Robeson's speeches. The Dance Theatre of Harlem also performed.

Service could help Tech learn

By Angel Wolfe
Staff Writer

President David Schmidly has said he wants Texas Tech students to give back to the Lubbock community. In saying this, he has joined Tech with an alliance of colleges and universities across Texas to make service-learning a part of the curriculum.

Students gathered Thursday night in the lobby of Wall/Gates Residence Hall to discuss the possibilities of such a program at Tech. Bob Hickerson, dean of the Junction campus and former director of Texas Commission on Volunteerism, led the discussion and explained the concept of service-learning.

"It's a method of instruction," he said. "It's a philosophy, you have to demonstrate that it's really relevant to the community."

Service-learning is becoming more of a normal classroom practice, Hickerson said.

"Service-learning is not just in higher education, it can start in kindergarten," he said. "Obviously it's a different type of service."

Improved test scores, grades, graduation rates and also giving students more of a positive outlook are some of the results of service-learning, Hickerson said.

"Teachers feel better about their jobs and are less likely to quit after five years, which is the average," he said.

The process of service-learning has nine key elements, Hickerson said.

"Teachers have to plan service-learning as an integral part of the instruction," he said. "Students design and conduct needs assessment related to service-learning unit."

Students must set the priorities for service and plan service-learning activities based on needs assessment priorities, he said. Teachers and students must be in contact with people that would benefit from developing a service-learning agreement. Students de-

velop and implement the work plan.

"Students then actually reflect some way on how they helped the community," Hickerson said. "One way to do this is by writing. Have the students keep a journal from beginning to end about their experiences. It's important to capture the lessons learned for future students."

At the end, students, teachers and community need to also reflect on what has occurred, he said.

Students involved with Thursday evening's meeting brainstormed about what they could do within their majors to provide service to the Lubbock community and apply what they have learned from the classroom.

Jennifer Martinez, president of Women's Service Organization, said as a marketing major, service-learning would be easy to implement.

"You can promote anything," she said.

Other ideas included a newsletter for schools in low-income areas to send

home to parents, volunteering in law clinics and taking photographs for promoting charitable organizations.

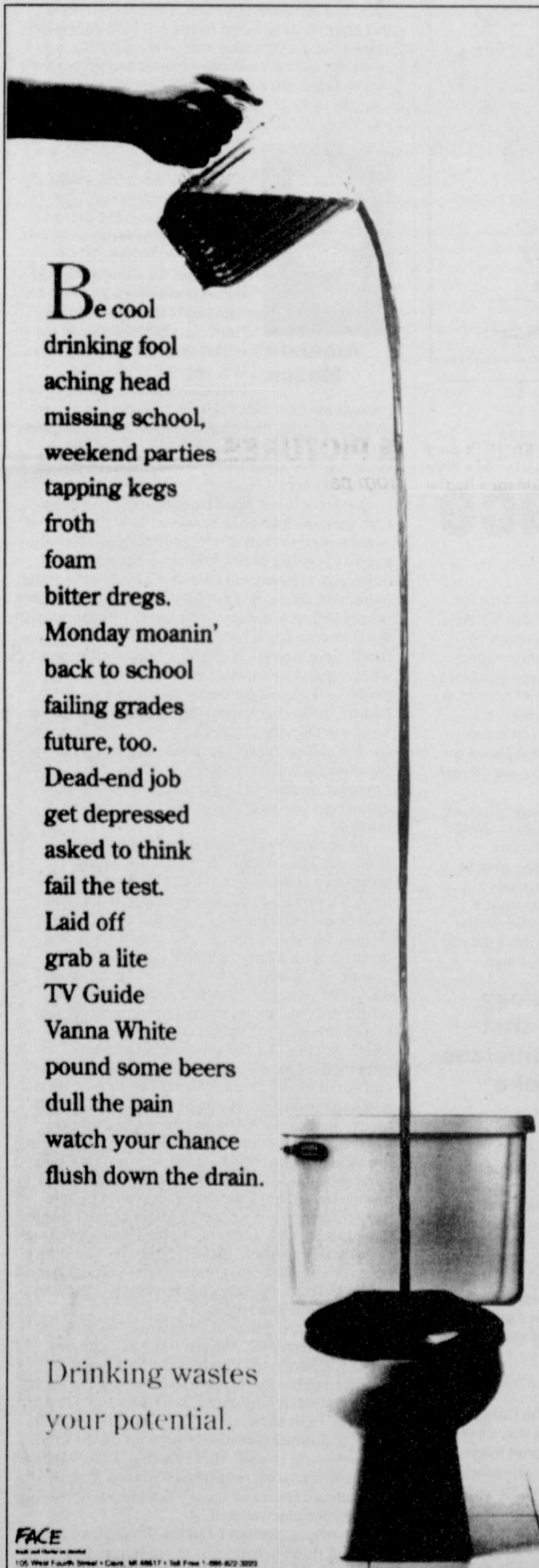
Andrew Schoppe, president of the Student Government Association, said he thinks Tech should not limit itself to the Lubbock area only.

"I think we need to look outside of Tech and Lubbock and look at partnering with corporations," he said. "I know Microsoft is instrumental in getting computers into classrooms. Students could take on the responsibility of installing the computers in classrooms in Lubbock and outside towns."

Students would be familiar with Microsoft and could be helpful when it came time to get a job, he said.

Implementing service-learning into Tech would not be an overnight process, Schoppe said.

"I don't think there is a deadline of when this will actually be implemented," he said. "It will be an on-going process."



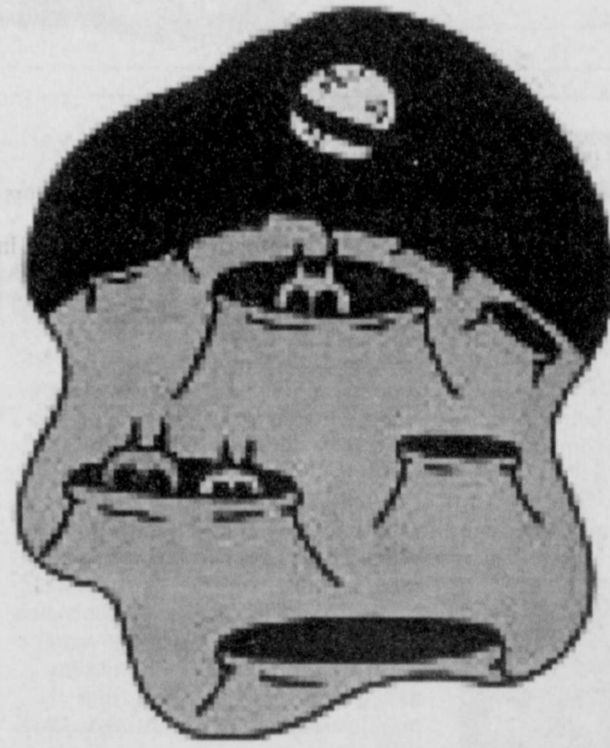
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Out of the Past

The Toreador Nov. 27, 1935

Leila Mae Zorns, of Meadow, and Geraldine Wicker, of Slaton, tied for first place in the selection Monday of 50 Tech beauties. From the group named, eight are to be given a full page in this year's yearbook.
Sophomores plan for the Hodge Podge at a class meeting in the Administration building Monday night. The annual dance is scheduled for Dec. 14 in the college gymnasium.

The Toreador Nov. 23, 1945

The captain of the Red Raider football team for the 1940 and 1941 seasons and All-Border Conference quarterback Lt. Tryus Bain, of Borger, intends to return to athletic circles following his discharge of active duty from the Navy.
The Raiders after its most bitter defeat of the year against the Oklahoma Aggies, try for their fourth win of the year against the New Mexico Lobos.

The Toreador Nov. 30, 1955

A study of fraternity and sorority housing on campus was ordered Saturday by the college board of directors. After President E.N. Jones reported an overflow of 400 to 600 men this semester.
Students who wish to use the library on Sunday afternoons have a choice to make their wishes known this week. Those students should place their name and reasons for wanting to use it on a slip of paper and place the paper in one of the boxes by Saturday.

The University Daily Dec. 1, 1965

The Student Senate Tuesday night heard the election revision committee's report to revamp many of Tech's election rules and appointed a bylaws revision committee for changing the name of class favorites to Top Techs.
The "Twilight" will play at this week's TGIF dance Dec. 3 in the snack bar of the Tech Union. The dance will be from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The University Daily Dec. 1, 1975

Someone run out to Western Union and send a message to Jimmy Seals and Dash Crofts: all is forgiven. It was, after all, barely fall when the University Center proudly announced Seals and Crofts would blow in on the last summer breeze for an October concert, only to announce regretfully later that the concert was canceled.

The University Daily Nov. 30, 1985

An early evening fire caused extensive smoke damage in several businesses near the Texas Tech campus Thursday but there were no injuries.
"Twas the Night Before Christmas Without a thing to Wear!" The Texas Tech fashion club will sponsor its annual style show entitled "Twas the Night Before Christmas" to help with holiday apparel ideas.

The University Daily Dec. 1, 1995

Tech students prepared for the 37th annual Carol of Lights ceremony with William Hartwell's 13th performance of "O Holy Night."
World AIDS Day is observed by Tech students. Information was distributed along with candy and condoms.

The University Daily Dec. 1, 1999

Texas Tech seniors receive their class rings in the second ring ceremony.
Ground was broken on the Tech Federal Credit Union.

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Column

R's ready to soar into place

It's not really the Democrats' style to pry into someone's personal life and make a big hoopla of something someone did or might have done. Usually that's reserved for some Republicans, Rush Limbaugh and the Christian Coalition. All one in the same, right? This was abundantly clear during the Clinton/Lewinsky scandal and Whitewater. I guess one of the basic ideas is that Democrats want guidance economically but privacy in their own lives, and Republicans do not want government in their economics but like to be the watchdogs of what people are doing and wanting to know the color of it.



Bethany Cline

I'm a very forgiving person, and I don't really think someone's youthful or not-so-youthful indiscretions should be plastered over the news and used as ammo. But what troubles me is that George W. claims to be taking "integrity" back to the White House. He obviously sees himself as the better man of the two, but on what grounds? Integrity? Right... Bush announcing that he is bringing integrity back to the presidency has as much truth to it as "no new taxes." It sounds good, but when it comes to following through with your words you come up a day late and a dollar short. A quote in The New York Times last week summed it up pretty well. "He struggles to exude authority. He furrows his brow, trying to look more sagacious, but he ends up looking as if he has indigestion. Appearing confused at his own speech, he seems like a first-grade actor in a production of 'James and the Giant Peach.' Are his blinks Morse code for 'Oh, man, don't let that TelePrompTer break?'" I guess the integrity part would be the you-know-what eating grin on his face when he realizes he pronounced a big word correctly. While not agreeing with the political party he belongs to, I can still look at Bush Senior and see a man with self-respect, restraint, dignity and pride. I suppose this is the reason that the idea of Junior for president was even

Letters to the Editor

Goodbye, Henry B.

To the editor: On Tuesday, former U.S. Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez died. To many his name might not mean much, but to a few, it does. Mr. Gonzalez was the representative of the 20th Congressional District (San Antonio) for 37 years. He was a hero to the many people whose lives he touched, directly or indirectly. Born in San Antonio from parents who escaped the Mexican Revolution, Mr. Gonzalez spoke little English when he entered public school (Mr. Gonzalez spoke four languages fluently at his death). Mr. Gonzalez went on to work his way through UT and St. Mary's Law School. Mr. Gonzalez began his public office as a member of the San Antonio City Council, and then in the Texas Senate. While in the Texas Senate, Mr. Gonzalez filibustered for 21 hours to kill legislation that would have bypassed Brown v. Board of Education, keeping Texas schools segregated.

entertained. Dubya has ridden on his daddy's name most of his life. His campaign song should have been "Oops, I did it again." That's why it's not shocking that Cheney is his running mate — strategically chosen to be the older, more experienced politician. The supposed new VP has already taken charge, announcing new appointments to their Cabinet, a few being from Bush Senior's Cabinet several years ago. These would be the war-happy, recession-ridden aristocrats that are so highly thought of as to be about Nos. 4 or 5 on many of the public opinion's least effective presidents list. As for his presidency being the same four years that are already written in history, who knows? It's tough to say if they've learned from their mistakes. Personally, I'm looking forward to the implementation of Bush's plan to have young people invest in the market for a social security program. Investing in the drug and insurance companies that fueled Bush's campaign would be profitable, considering the boost they will receive from a mostly Republican government who also owns many shares.

The only reasonable analogy for Bush's nomination is that it must have been a few politicians making a coffee room joke that snowballed.

I have a question for the Republicans. Why him? There are thousands of members of the Republican Party who are intelligent, honorable and well-spoken. Therein that list would not be DeLay or Lott. I suppose it takes a weak man to be a puppet for his own party. The only reasonable analogy for his nomination is that it must have been a few politicians making a coffee room joke that snowballed. And here we are... Bethany is a sophomore political science major from Spearman. If you know the difference between a news story and an opinions column, you can e-mail me at bethanycline@hotmail.com.

In 1961 Mr. Gonzalez began his tenure in the Congress which lasted until Dec. 31, 1998. Mr. Gonzalez was a hero because he fought for civil rights, for middle- and lower-class Americans and his beliefs. Mr. Gonzalez was a fighter in every sense of the word being a former boxer and was involved in two fights with an individual who called him a communist while a congressman. Overall, Mr. Gonzalez was a role model to all Americans, especially those of Mexican decent, in that he lived the American dream. A man of modest roots to a high-ranking member of Congress. His portrait hangs in the Capitol keeping an Eye on the Congressmen who follow him. The words that best describe this man came from an 1971 interview in the San Antonio Express-News re-published in Wednesday's edition: "My citizenship is not in any way qualified. I am an American, plain and simple, and as it happens, I am of Mexican descent." Goodbye, Henry B. This American will miss you. Ricardo Granado second year law

Column

Don't jump the gun yet, America

First off, let me say hello to everyone out there reading this. I'm the new TechLife! editor here at The University Daily. You may not think this after reading this column, but I am generally known to be a very nice and congenial person. However, I am occasionally inspired to get snippy (to use language rumored to be used by our country's vice president) about something, and this past week unfortunately happened to be one of



Amanda Mason

those occasions. So, here comes the rant... If I hear one more person say, "If so-and-so wins the election, I'm leaving the country and moving to Canada," or "If so-and-so is president, it's going to be bad and evil will overtake the country," I think I will jump from my third floor dorm room's window wrapped in a U.S. flag and singing the National Anthem. These statements have been all over television and, yes, all over campus these past three weeks. Celebrities, political higher-ups, and ordinary people are guilty of saying this. Pro-Bush and pro-Gore people are equally responsible for it. I just think it's just stupid. If you are a pessimist by nature and are happy with that, then so be it. However, to insinuate that because one person is named president-elect, the country is going to hell in a hand-basket is ludicrous. How do you know for sure what is going to happen if Gov. Bush or Vice President Gore takes office? Unless you have been tinkering around with the DeLorean from "Back to the Future," I don't think there is any way to know. Only God knows what is going to happen! These next four years could be the most prosperous times we as a country have ever known. Then again, they could be worse than the Great Depression. The fact is that we don't know. All we can do is pray for guidance for whoever will be leading our country in January. Pray that he does the right thing. Pray that he doesn't get us nuked faster than a microwave burrito. It's been no secret how many people in Hollywood feel on the election issue. Many outspoken celebrities have already threatened to leave if a certain candidate is sitting in the Oval Office next year. In fact, I recently heard that my favorite television actress said something along these lines on a late-night talk show early this month. She wasn't my favorite person for several days after that. For those of you who share this sentiment, you are welcome to your opinion, but you obviously don't appreciate the country in which you live. My late grandfather was an esteemed oil man who traveled around the globe and spent weeks in many foreign countries. He was quick to remind my family of what a great nation we live in. Once you've seen the way people are treated in other countries, you learn to appreciate the little things in this country. I am not trying to degrade Canada as a place to live (I have several friends there), but I am trying to remind people that living in this country is a privilege not afforded to people in other nations. To threaten to leave the country is to throw a "hissy fit" because you didn't get your way. Well, I'm so sorry. Life's just not fair all the time. That's the way democracy goes. You win some and you lose some. So, if you are determined to leave the country, perhaps you should. The last thing this country needs is a bunch of crybabies running around causing trouble for the man in the White House. If you're not adult enough to appreciate the "land of the free," then so be it. You and Alec Baldwin and Rosie O'Donnell can go on with your happy little lives somewhere else. There's a long line of talented people just waiting to take their places, as there's probably a handful of equally talented people ready to take your place as well. I am urging everyone reading this to take a step back and think before you say something like, "I'm leaving." Sure, we have our problems in this country. Sure, this election is making us look like a bunch of goobers. But, overall we live in the greatest country in the world. Just support our President, whoever he may be. Life will go on. However, if you are still determined to leave, here's a heads up...the price of a one way ticket to Toronto is \$746. American Airlines Flight 3892 leaves Lubbock everyday at 7:01 am. That gives you time to pack. Goodbye. Hasta la vista. Auf Wiedersehen. Here's the door — don't let it hit you on the way out. Amanda Mason is the TechLife! editor for The UD and a senior public relations major from San Angelo.

Jayhawks hope to soar in Big 12 action

The Kansas Jayhawk men's basketball team once again finds itself in a familiar position early in the season — in the national polls.

The Jayhawks are currently ranked second in the latest AP poll behind ACC power Duke, and have won all six contests this season including a win over No. 17 UCLA.

The Jayhawks are coming off a 1999 campaign that featured a squad with numerous injuries and youthfulness.

However, they still managed to win 24 wins and advanced to their 11th consecutive NCAA Tournament, but fell in the second round in overtime to Duke.

The Jayhawks are coached by Roy Williams, who is entering his 13th year at the helm for Kansas.

Rumors spread in the offseason that Williams was going to leave Kansas to fill the coaching vacancy at North Carolina, but last summer Williams said he was not leaving the Jayhawks.

This season, Kansas has six returning players with starting experience including their three top scorers.

The Jayhawks top returnee is senior guard Kenny Gregory who averaged 12.8 points per game last year and this season paces

Kansas with 19 points per game. Kansas will meet up with Texas Tech Jan. 6 at the United Spirit Arena.

The Jayhawks defeated the Red Raiders last year 87-62 in Lawrence, Kan.

Tech has only beat Kansas once in 11 meetings.

The win was in 1998 and was the last time the Jayhawks traveled to Lubbock.

The matchup with the Red Raiders is the first conference game of the year for the Jayhawks.

The squad plays six more games before the Tech matchup.

The women's squad enters the new campaign following a 20-10 record in 1999 in which it advanced to the NCAA Tournament for the ninth consecutive year.

Kansas fell in the first round to Vanderbilt in overtime last season.

Kansas women's coach Marion Washington is heading into her 28th season as shot-caller for the Jayhawks.

She will look to help lead the Jayhawks to their 12th consecutive 20-win season.

A talented senior class will be looking to fill the vacancy left by last year's leading scorer and All-Big 12 Conference player Lynn Pride.

Wildcat b-ball roars into action

The Kansas State men's basketball team enters the 2000 campaign off a disappointing 1999 performance — one they would probably like to forget.

The Wildcats finished last in the Big 12 Conference, posting just two wins. The Wildcats have showed some improvement early this season under first-year coach Jim Woodrige — winning two of their first three contests.

The Wildcats opened the season with two returning starters but were

reduced to one after guard Galen Morrison elected to leave the team last Friday.

Morrison was this season's top returning scorer.

Now the Wildcats are left with senior Kelvin Howell and transfer Phineas Atchinson to carry the load.

Atchinson leads the Wildcats, averaging 18.5 points per game, while Howell is still waiting to get into midseason form, producing 7.7 points per contest.

The women's squad is also look-

ing to improve their program after a mediocre 13-17 season in 1999.

The Wildcats return three starters, led by junior forward Kristin Rethman and have won two of their first three contests.

Rethman averaged 9.9 points per game last season, but has upped that statistic in 2000 by averaging 11.8 points per contest.

But the biggest surprise for the

Wildcats is the play from freshman Nicole Ohlde.

Ohlde stands 6 feet 4 inches and has been a big factor under the net this year, scoring 19.8 points per game and grabbing 9.3 boards per game in Kansas State's first three contests.

Last season the Wildcats almost upset Big 12 power Texas Tech, losing 51-47 in Manhattan.

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Longhorn basketball aiming high

The Texas Longhorns basketball program is coming off a banner 1999-2000 campaign.

The men and women made it to the NCAA tournament a season ago and both squads will be looking for return trips this season.

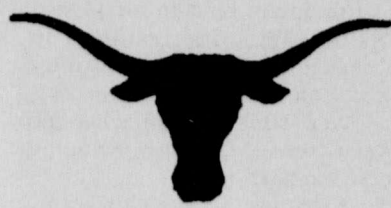
If the Texas men are to make it back to the postseason, they will have to do so without two of their biggest contributors from last year.

The Longhorns lost Gabe Muoneke and Chris Mihm from last season's lineup.

Mihm decided to forego his senior campaign and was drafted by the NBA's Cleveland Cavaliers.

Muoneke finished his four-year career as a Longhorn last season as well.

Muoneke and Mihm combined for more than 30 points and 17 rebounds per game last season for the Longhorns.



Either Muoneke or Mihm was the leading scorer for Texas in 26 of the Longhorns' 33 games a season ago.

But all is not lost for the Longhorns as they headed into this season.

Guard Darren Kelly returns for his senior season, who averaged 10 points and three assists per game in the 1999-2000 season.

Also returning for the Longhorns is forward Chris Owens, who averaged nine points and six boards per outing last year.

Texas coach Rick Barnes said he has high expectations for his squad in the 2000-2001 season.

"Last year was a very exciting season for our program and our fans, being ranked in the Top 25 from start to finish and gaining respect on the national level," Barnes said.

"But we are not satisfied. The guys we have coming back and our incoming recruits form the building blocks of what we hope will become a consistent Top 10 program. Those are our expectations. We want to win big here at Texas, real big."

The Texas women will have to deal with life without Edwina Brown this season. The eighth all-time leading scorer in Texas history completed her career as a Longhorn last year and is now playing in the WNBA.

Brown scored 1,705 points in her four-year career in Austin, but is now

doing her scoring for the Detroit Shock.

With Brown gone, senior guard JoRuth Woods is the top returning Longhorn, averaging eight points and four rebounds throughout her career.

Texas also will be aided by junior college transfer Kenya Larkin. Larkin comes to the Longhorns from Trinity Valley Community College in Duncanville.

Larkin averaged 12 points and eight assists per contest last season for the TVCC Lady Cardinals.

Texas will face such non-conference foes as Louisville, Oregon, Illinois and Tennessee before beginning Big 12 Conference play on Jan. 3 at home against Texas A&M.

With their tough non-conference schedule, the Longhorns hope to build strength in their bid for a repeat trip to the NCAA Tournament.

Baylor Bears depend on new blood in 2000-01 campaign

The Baylor men's basketball squad got a taste of what coach Dave Bliss could do for a program last season as, in his first season at the helm of the Bear program, Bliss took a squad that was 6-24 in 1998-99, and turned them into a 14-15 team.

The Bears finished strong last season winning their first round contest in the Big 12 Tournament against Nebraska, before bowing out to eventual tournament champion Iowa State in the second round.

The Bears lost their leading scorer of a season ago in guard Tevis Stukes. As a senior last season, Stukes averaged 18 points per contest.

The Bears also lost center Ben Echols and forward Jamie Kendrick to graduation. The towering duo combined for 14 points and seven rebounds per game for the Bears last year.

The Bears will play 11 non-conference games this season before opening their Big 12 Conference schedule against Colorado on Jan. 6 in Waco.



For the Lady Bears of Baylor, the 1999-2000 season was one they would probably like to forget.

The Lady Bears struggled to a 7-20 record, which featured only two Big 12 Conference triumphs.

One of those 20 losses last season was a 53-point dismantling at the hands of the Texas Tech Lady Raiders. Tech hung 105 points on the Lady Bears, posting one of the most lopsided scores in Big 12 Conference women's basketball history.

To top things off for the Lady Bears, six-year head coach Sonja Hogg called it quits at the end of the season. First year coach Kim Mulkey-Robertson will try to right the ship for the Baylor program as it heads into the 2000-2001 season.

Mulkey-Robertson's squad will play 10 non-conference games this season before tipping their Big 12 schedule off Jan. 5 with a home contest against Texas A&M.

Eddie Belfour shining in net for Dallas Stars

DALLAS — Dallas goalie Eddie Belfour had his shutout streak snapped at 219 minutes and 9 seconds when Calgary's Jason Wiemer

scored in the second period Wednesday night.

Belfour posted three straight shutouts and leads the NHL with six

this season. His 55 career shutouts ranked 14th-best in league history.

The shot that ended the streak was a knuckler by Wiemer that

squirted between Belfour's legs. After it went in, Belfour skated away to his left, as he usually does after a goal, then circled back to the right.

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