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Proposed fees to feed into intercollegiate activities

NO PAY, NO PLAY: Board of Regents will decide on suggested Student Service fee for athletics.

By Laura Sepeda/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech Student Services Fee Advisory Committee is in the process of initiating a new mandatory intercollegiate athletic fee. The Board of Regents will discuss final ap-

proval for the fee when they meet Feb. 28. The Board also will decide whether or not the fee will be added as a flat student service fee or an additional charge per semester hour.

The fee would serve as an all-sports pass for full-time students.

The fee would also allow Tech students to purchase reserve tickets at half the regular price for any available intercollegiate athletic event during the spring and fall semesters.

"The fee would not be implemented if a student has less than four hours of credit," Vice President of Student Affairs Michael Shonrock said. "They would still have the option of paying the

fee, but they will not automatically be charged for it."

There are currently three methods used to allocate money to intercollegiate athletics. The first is the allocation from student service fees.

Students living off campus also have the option of purchasing an all-sports pass for \$89 dollars per academic year. Students living in the residence halls purchase the passes when they pay to live in the residence halls.

Students also have the option of joining the Student Red Raider Club, which has a \$25 membership fee and offers discounted tickets for members. Shonrock said this fee would consolidate

these three items.

"The allocation from student fees for intercollegiate athletics is around \$35," he said. "The fee would be around double that, but the students wouldn't have to purchase the optional benefits. If you add all the optional fees together then the students would actually end up paying less."

Shonrock also said the fee would help balance revenue for sports that are not attended as often as football and basketball.

The Student Government Association will hold an open discussion at noon Feb. 7 in the Student Union Courtyard. The Student Services Fee Advisory Committee will discuss the current

and pending student fees.

SGA President John Steinmetz said the proposal of the fee is a corroboration between the Athletic Department and the advisory committee.

"We want our peers to know that as the student government we are not out to surprise students and we are not out to raise fees," he said. "We are also students and we want to make sure everything is fair and justified. That is why we form committees and panels of students to help make those decisions."

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Committee accepting chancellor nominations

HELP WANTED: Search committee solicits nominees, suggestions for new system leader

By Jenny Klein/Staff Reporter

The search for a new Texas Tech chancellor is well under way as the search committee continues to accept applications and nominations to fill the position.

Robert Black, chairman of the chancellor search committee and member of the advisory committee, said he hopes a chancellor will be in place by the end of this semester, though the Board of Regents has no rigid deadline to meet.

"We want to make sure we cast as wide a net as possible for potential candidates," Black said.

The search committee has placed ads in higher education publications nationwide. Applicants can either send in an application or be nominated by somebody else.

Black said both the search committee, which is made up of four regents, and the advisory committee are making headway in their quest for a new chancellor. Black said the advisory committee consists of various constituents throughout the state that represent the different aspects of Tech including faculty, staff, students and alumni, from the entire Tech education system.

The committee met for the first time last week. David Knaff, Horn professor of chemistry and biochemistry and member of the committee, said the meeting was more of an organizational meeting.

Knaff said the advisory committee is charged with assisting the search committee by creating a broad list of candidates and giving their input on those candidates.

He said the next step would be to start looking at some of the more promising candidates.

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Tech to pick up tab on billing error



DAVID JOHNSON/Staff Photographer

WOOD SHOP MANAGER Fred Porteous helps Dennis Carrizales, a junior architecture major from Eagle Pass, measure miters before cutting the boards for the model base he is building for his architecture studio one class.

Oversight in allocation of fees causes confusion in College of Architecture

By Preston Files/Staff Reporter

Members of the provost's office worked Wednesday to solve problems in the College of Architecture caused by a billing error.

This week, several students were denied access to the architecture shop where models are constructed for course work because the fee to use the shop was not added to their billing statement.

Assistant Provost Elizabeth Hall said the cost of the mistake would not be passed on to the students.

"The cost for running the shop will be borne by the academic unit this semester," Hall said. "If the provost's of-

fice does not have the money, it will be made up some way."

Hall said the university looked into the problem Tuesday and discovered the fee was not charged because of an error in billing paperwork.

"We've done all the checking and rechecking that we need to do," Hall said. "We discovered that the fees were not charged this semester for the design studios as they should have been."

John Borrelli, interim dean of the College of Architecture, estimated the cost for running the shop would be around \$10,000 to \$20,000. Both Borrelli and the provost's office were unaware of the number of students who were not

charged the fee to use the shop. The total amount of money lost because of the mistake has not been determined.

"No extra fees for the students will be added; we're just going to have to accept the loss," Borrelli said.

Borrelli worked yesterday to discover exactly where the mistake was made and how it could be prevented in the future.

"We'll get it all straightened out," Borrelli said.

Hall said it is not possible to charge students the fee now that tuition and fees have been paid for.

"We are not going to send the students a bill; they will be treated fairly and equitably," she said.

Borrelli said his main concern in dealing with the situation was making sure the students did not suffer because of the mistake.

"The shop is open to all students with a legitimate reason to use its services for their course work," he said. "Any course that asked their students to make models or needs to use the shop for its requirements will have access to it."

Andrew Tyler, a sophomore architecture major from Houston, said he did not experience any more problems using the lab today.

"They didn't ask any questions when I went to use the shop after they realized there was a problem," he said.

Three dead in shooting at Virginia law school

GRUNDY, Va. (AP) — A gunman killed three people and wounded three others during a shooting spree Wednesday at a tiny law school in the western Virginia foothills, officials said.

The slain included a student, a faculty member and the dean of the Appalachian School of Law, L. Anthony Sutin, said Ellen Qualls, a spokeswoman for Gov. Mark Warner, who served on the school's board until he took office last week.

State police believe students were able to apprehend the suspect, Qualls said. Details on the suspect or the capture were not immediately available, but Qualls said the weapon used was a .380-caliber semiautomatic handgun.

Three students were wounded and taken to Buchanan General Hospital, Qualls said. Their conditions were not immediately known.

The private law school has an enrollment of about 170 students.

The governor said he was shocked and saddened by the shooting.

"I commend the students who acted who is now in custody," Warner said. "My heart goes out to the school and the community. I know that such a close-knit community will feel such a tragedy especially deeply."

Sutin, a 1984 graduate of Harvard Law School, was also an associate professor at the school. He previously worked on election law and Hogan & Hartson law firm in Washington and worked for the Democratic National Committee and Bill Clinton's campaign in 1992, according to the Web site of Jurist, the Legal Education Network.

The school opened five years ago in a renovated junior high school in Grundy, a town of about 1,100 just a few miles south of the Kentucky and West Virginia state lines.

School founders hope to ease a shortage of lawyers in the coalfields of southwest Virginia, help change the region's image and foster renewal in Appalachia.

The American Bar Association rejected the school's first application for accreditation in 1999.

Crane safety looms over campus after N.J. accident

By Justin Matthews/Staff Reporter

Authorities evacuated about 1,000 people from homes and businesses Wednesday in Jersey City, N.J., near the city's waterfront because a construction crane, much like the two located at Jones SBC Stadium, was in danger of toppling.

"We don't have a set plan for a situation like the one in New Jersey," Texas Tech Police Lt. Gordon Hoffman said. "In the instance that something like that were to happen here at Tech, we would

do everything we could to prevent injury or fatalities."

An electrical malfunction caused the New Jersey crane's boom to extend too far. At that point, the crane began to tilt. However the crane operator managed to make it down safely.

Jim McDonald, professor in the College of Civil Engineering, said he has not heard many incidents of cranes falling.

"In all my experience I have only seen one (crane) collapse and it was because of a tornado," McDonald said. "The

cranes work on the principle of counterbalance. The weights on the back counterbalance the load on the hoist for a perfect equilibrium."

Construction officials said the type of cranes Tech use are advantageous because they take up less space.

"These types of cranes have limiters on them that will only allow them to go so far out," Hoffman said.

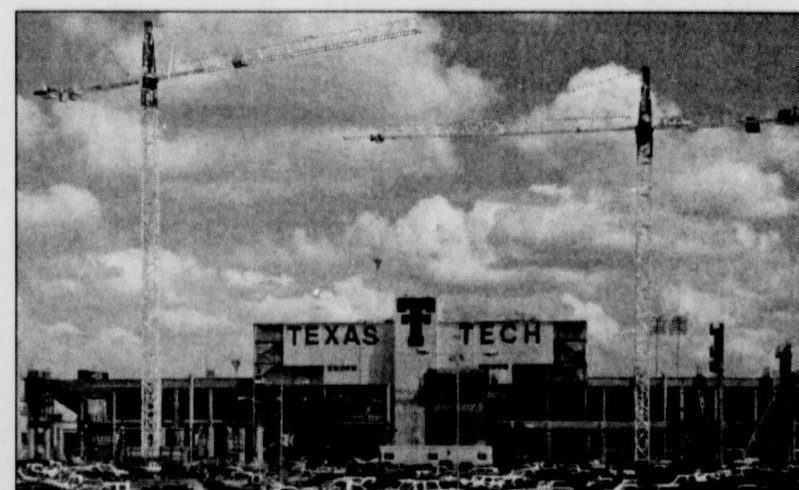
Texas Tech police said saving lives would be first priority in the case of an emergency.

"The first thing we would do is protect lives and then, time permitting, get the cars moved either by towing them or contacting the owners," Hoffman said.

Tech officials said Lee Lewis Construction, the contracted construction company overseeing the football stadium renovation has a precautionary plan set.

"I am not sure of the exact emergency plans set by the construction company," Hoffman said "But if needed, we (TTU)

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The Rundown



Maverick's owner visits DQ country

COPPELL, Texas (AP) — Hundreds of people surrounded a suburban Dallas Dairy Queen on Wednesday to be served lunch by billionaire Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban.

Wearing a navy blue denim shirt and a manager's badge with the name Tony printed in it, Cuban took orders, made change and pumped his own soft-serve ice cream cones.

"It might not be pretty, but it works," Cuban said with a smile and a wink as he handed the treat to a happy customer.

Cuban was making good on a promise to the chain to manage one of its restaurants for a day.

Prematurity may affect intelligence

Very small premature babies born in the late 1970s turned out less intelligent than other youngsters their age, a study found. But to researchers' surprise, they got into less trouble as teens, perhaps because they had doting parents.

As expected, the preemies in the study had learning difficulties and persistent neurological problems while growing up. But they also reported significantly less risky behavior as young adults than a comparison group.

Differences between the groups were found when it came to the use of alcohol, marijuana and other illegal drugs; conviction of a crime or contact with police.

Afghans granted refuge in Pakistan

GENEVA (AP) — Some of more than 13,000 Afghans who have fled to Pakistan in recent weeks have obtained permission to seek shelter at a camp for refugees, a U.N. agency said Wednesday.

The U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees had appealed to Pakistan on behalf of refugees, obtaining permission to bring about 600 of them to Kili Faiso, a camp near the Pakistani border town of Chaman.

Many of the refugees are from the Afghan town of Spin Boldak, south of Kandahar, an area "teeming with gunmen and bandits" following the collapse of the country's Taliban regime, the agency said.

Quote of the Day

"We are not looking for skinny 5'8" Barbies; we are looking for the total whole package."

— TYLER WILLIS, Miss Lubbock U.S.A., on the upcoming pageant. Please see Miss Lubbock, page 6.

People Briefs

Plaque mistake insults Jones

GEORGETOWN, Texas (AP) — A plaque prepared to honor actor James Earl Jones at a Saturday celebration of civil-rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. in Lauderhill, Fla., instead has this inscription: "Thank you James Earl Ray for keeping the dream alive."

Ray was the man convicted of assassinating King in Memphis, Tenn., in 1968.

"I apologize to whoever I need to apologize to. This was

a mistake, a very unfortunate mistake," Herbert Miller, vice president for sales at Georgetown-based Merit Industries, told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

Merit prepared the plaque at the request of Adpro, a Lauderhill-based business.

Ventura denies lawsuit allegations

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Gov. Jesse Ventura denied allegations in a lawsuit that he and others failed to compensate union actors when their performances in

commercial from his 1998 campaign were reused in a video documentary.

The documentary, "We Shook the World," was promoted as an "entertaining and authentic review of the campaign, election, inauguration, post inauguration events and more!"

"We don't think (the lawsuit) has any merit at all in regards to Governor Ventura personally, Ventura for Minnesota Inc. or the Jesse Ventura Volunteer Committee," David Bradley Olsen, the governor's personal attorney, said Tuesday.

der license from the nonprofit

Renfro charged with intoxication

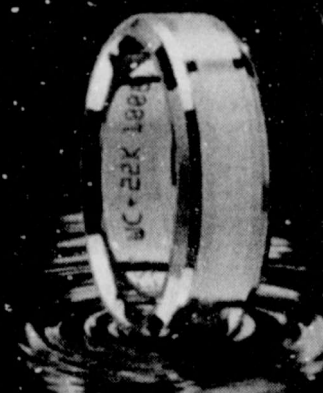
KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Actor Brad Renfro has been charged with public intoxication and driving without a license, police said.

Renfro, 19, was arrested Monday night after being stopped on a traffic violation near his house.

A police report said Renfro "had slurred speech, unsteady balance and had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person."

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Study shows head injuries cause depression

By Natalie Worthen/Staff Reporter

Substance abuse, eating disorders and loneliness are traditionally thought of as factors that may lead to depression.

Medical experts now believe that head injuries may have been overlooked as possible sources for the disorder.

According to a study of World War II veterans, concussions and other head injuries in early adulthood may significantly raise the risk of depression decades later.

Dr. Russell Packard, professor of clinical, medical and surgical neurology at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center, treats patients suffering from head trauma.

"People that have suffered from head trauma will find that they lose the ability to concentrate and have trouble keeping up with school," Packard said.

Dr. Kelly Bennett, chief of staff at Student Health Services, is knowledgeable in the area of clinical depression.

"Anything that affects the brain may cause depression," Bennett said.

Packard said the injury itself might cause the depression, as well as the feeling of dependence upon others. He said people have a low sense of self-esteem because of the feelings of incompetence associated with the injuries.

The study also revealed men with more severe head injuries, in which they lost consciousness for a day or more, were

more susceptible to depression than those who were unconscious for less than an hour. She said in these situations, a doctor could prescribe an anti-depressant that may help lack of sleep or sluggish behavior, common side effects of head injuries.

"The best thing a person can do is see a doctor," Bennett said. "By seeing a physician, the patient may go through physical therapy or get prescribed an anti-depressant, which could leave the injured with a better sense of self."

Studies have shown it is important to recognize the possible long-term effects of the head injury so patients can receive early treatment.

"People who have endured head

trauma may be losing sleep," Bennett said. "Depression suffered from a head injury is not curable. Sometimes those affected may get better by themselves if they get treated."

Bennett said it is not always obvious to classmates or casual acquaintances whether or not the injury has led to depression. She said family members are more likely to notice a difference.

"Depending on how severe the injury is, one may even continue working," Bennett said. "The best thing to do when the frontal lobes are injured and symptoms are persistent is to see a neurologist."

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

BSA to attend state wide conference at Texas A&M

By Damion Davis/Staff Reporter

The Black Student Association will be traveling to Texas A&M today to participate in a state wide conference that allows African American students to address problems and concerns affecting the black community.

The Southwestern Black Student Leadership Conference was started in 1989 on the Texas A&M campus.

Sonya Davis, a junior microbiology and exercise and sport sciences major from Houston, said the conference has become a very important event for her to attend.

"It provides a means for enhancing certain skills such as leadership and resume and cover letter-building skills," she said. "The conference also showcases a career fair, which is an excellent time for networking."

This year there will be 10 workshops for students to attend. Among these are leadership development, race and ethnicity and money management. Davis said these activities are the reason the conference was originally planned.

"The SBSLC provides a plethora of workshops. These workshops teach

spiritual enhancement and different ways to keep and maintain relationships," she said. "All of these things are a part of my life."

On the Tech campus, the BSA is working toward a goal they have wanted to obtain for two years.

"We have started to increase black awareness around campus and it is starting to show," Jacque Brown, a senior communication studies major from Lubbock and the treasurer for the organization, said. "More people have started to come to our meetings and this is just our starting point."

Every year, the BSA hosts many events such as BSA Week, BSA Buddies, and several community service activities.

"BSA Week is most important to me because it allows the black student body to get together and to have fun, bond and get a little studying done, too," Davis said.

Rap sessions or small debates and discussions are held during normal meeting times at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

"This is where we can talk about things that apply to all students. We are not all pro-black," Andrea Smith, a senior exercise and sports science major from Monticello, AR, said.

Nurse attacked by inmate files lawsuit against TDCJ

AUSTIN (AP) — A prison nurse who was severely beaten in an attack by an inmate filed a lawsuit Wednesday against the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, agency officials and four prison guards.

Linda Kay Evans' lawsuit was filed in Dawson County District Court and seeks unspecified damages, said her attorney, Richard E. Griffin of Houston.

"She wants the TDCJ to enforce policies and procedures so that they protect the public who are trying to help these

inmates," Griffin said.

Agency spokesman Larry Todd said officials had not seen the lawsuit and declined comment.

"We are not going to try a case by issuing press releases right and left," Todd said. "We will respond to the courts at the appropriate time."

According to the lawsuit, Evans was working as a contract pharmacy nurse at the Smith Unit near Lamesa in West Texas when she was attacked by inmate Charles Collier on May 3. She had re-

ported Collier for sexual misconduct in her presence a day earlier.

Evans was kicked and beaten. Griffin said Collier had told several inmates and guards that "he would get her," a warning Griffin said was ignored by prison officials.

Evans, who was 53 when she was attacked, spent 11 days in the hospital. She suffered permanent brain damage and has not been able to return to work, Griffin said.

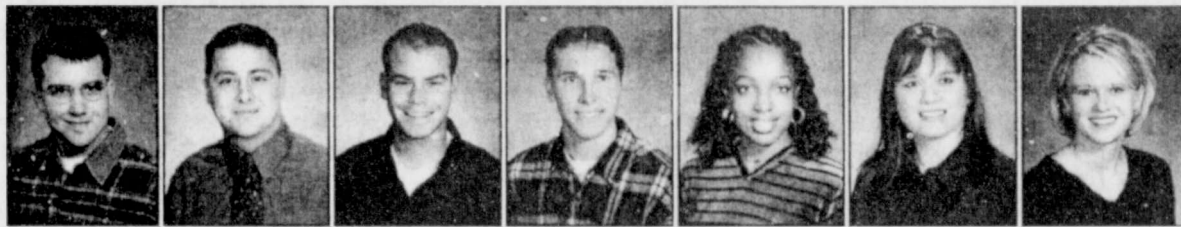
Prison officials said at the time that

guards responded quickly to stop the beating. Griffin said Wednesday that another inmate pulled Collier off Evans.

Collier was serving 26 years for aggravated sexual assault, aggravated robbery, robbery and delivery of cocaine out of Dallas County.

He has since been sentenced to another 99 years for attempted murder for beating Evans, Griffin said.

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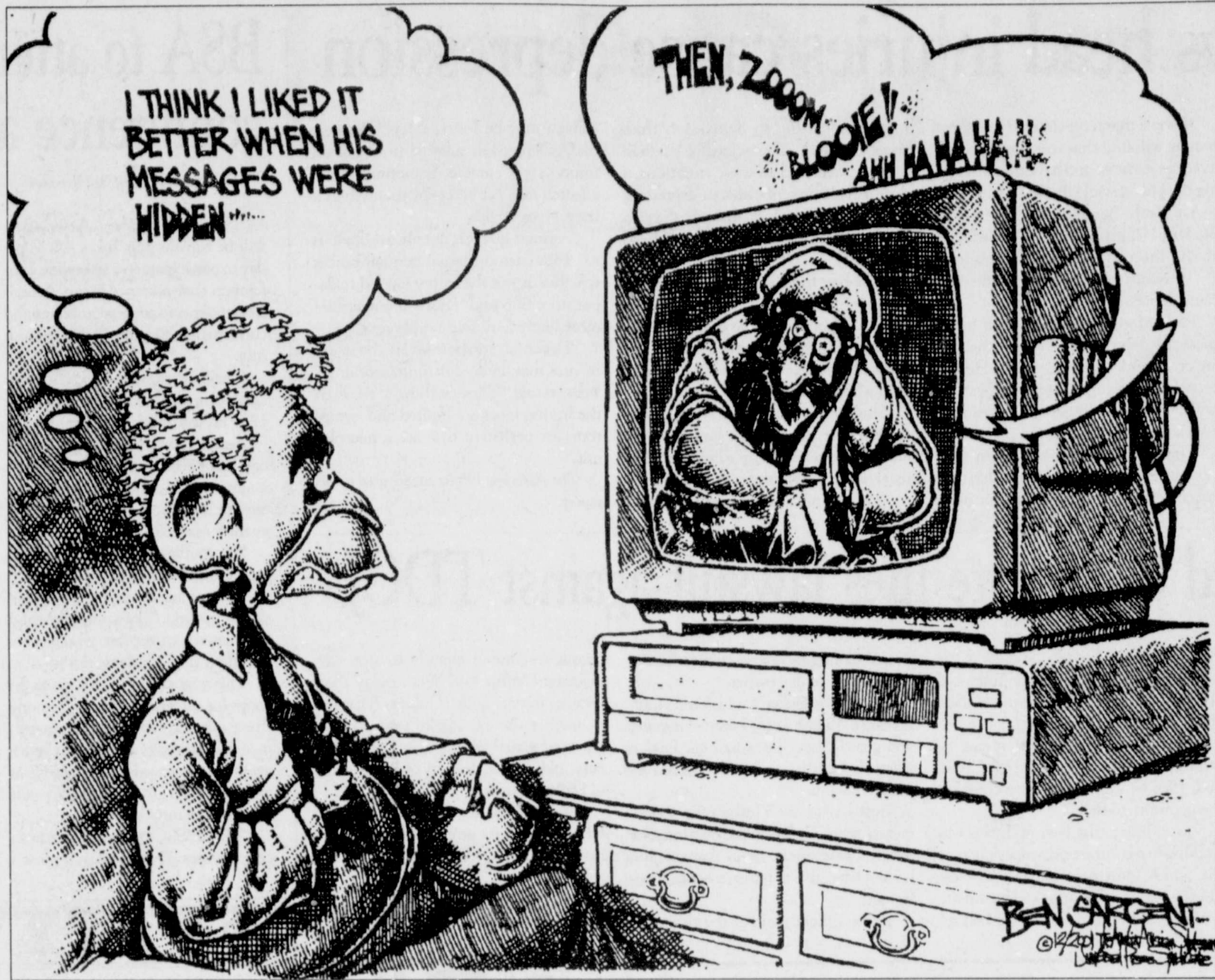
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Free speech battles need public support

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SANDEEP RAO

Houston-based true-crime writer Vanessa Leggett's record 168-day detention as the longest-jailed journalist in U.S. history brought forth no shortage of support or editorials from media organiza-

tions. But, the true crime is not necessarily Leggett's lengthy detention, but the media's selective outrage in protecting their own.

The *New York Times*, the *Washington Post* and *USA Today*, among others, all published editorials in support of the jailed writer.

Until her release last week, *The Daily Texan*, the student-run newspaper for the University of Texas at Austin, ran a daily counter on the op-ed page indicating the days Leggett had spent in Houston's Federal Detention Center.

Central to Leggett's incarceration is the issue of defining a "journalist." As a freelance writer with her only published piece in a FBI manual, Leggett failed to qualify as a "journalist," according to the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals.

Thus, federal prosecutors argued Leggett's research and anonymous sources for a forthcoming book on the

murder of a Houston socialite deserved no special protections and should be surrendered to authorities prosecuting the crime.

In Leggett's defense, Society of Professional Journalist's Legal Defense Fund argued the government should not be allowed to define journalism and those who practice the craft.

But, thus far, the media have chosen their First Amendment battles neither wisely, nor consistently.

Nary a word was said by the media establishment the last time a federal judge attempted to define journalism.

In 1998, Federal Judge Paul Friedman reviewed Clinton White House aide

Sidney Blumenthal's \$30 million libel suit against Matt Drudge of news site

Drudgereport.com, and concluded, "Drudge is not a reporter, a journalist, or a news gatherer."

"He is, as he admits himself, simply a purveyor of gossip," he wrote.

No editorials by the Old Gray Lady followed.

And, no legal defense funds were set up by news organizations.

Until last week, Cuba was the only other country in the Western Hemisphere to imprison a writer for work-related reasons, according to the Committee to Protect Journalists.

The fact the U.S. government had been able to imprison and the Justice department had been able to ignore

Leggett's appeal for that long points to little public pressure and the tacit compliance of the American people regarding Leggett's situation.

If you noticed closely, the denunciations against First Amendment encroachment on editorial pages emanated largely from newsrooms and not from the American public.

In an issue of such magnitude and national consequence to media types that has gained attention from free speech advocates worldwide, the American media lacked the support of its own public.

As a Harris poll revealed last year, the public's opinion of journalists fares slightly

worse than trial lawyers, and slightly better than members of al-Qaeda. (OK, I made up the part about al-Qaeda.)

Revelations in two recent books

by journalists support the public's distrust. "Coloring the News" by William McGowan and more notably, "Bias," a tell-all book about the CBS network by long-time CBS correspondent Bernard Goldberg, detail the distortions and ideological biases within the media. Thus far, Goldberg's revelations have mainly irritated his former colleagues within the establishment.

But, the better judgment of the public had already crashed the myth of the unbiased fourth estate for some time now.

Journalists remain in an unenviable position — attacked by their own,

distrusted by their consumers and held in contempt by their government.

Unfortunately, the public's perception of the First Amendment fares no better, according to the results of a survey released earlier this year by the New York-based First Amendment Center.

Forty-six percent of those surveyed said the American press has "too much freedom to do what it wants."

Even more disturbing, 71 percent thought it somewhat or very important for the government "to hold the media in check."

Journalistic organizations do themselves a grave disservice when this distrust becomes public apathy for the First Amendment.

The media's cry of First Amendment violation falls on deaf ears when the public senses selective commitment to that same First Amendment, alienating the very people that journalists need to fight their public battles in support of free speech.

Unless the media recognizes and corrects this bias, it is journalism that has the most to lose.

Until then, with little public sympathy, serving record jail time for free speech infractions may be broken as frequently as home run records, as future First Amendment martyrs become increasingly common.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Gilbreth too vague

To the editor: "Religion Lite." That's what I call the religion described by Kristen Gilbreth in the Jan. 16 issue of *The UD*.

First, she trivializes organized religion, thinking of it as being a mere set of "rules, rituals, reformations and redemptions."

Then she suggests a reformation of our personal lives, a redemption if you will, in which we live by certain rules (find the beauty through various kind acts) and perform certain rituals ("pray, meditate, do yoga, go run, read, write, etc").

There's a very real difference between the organized religion she finds unsatisfying and the religion she suggests, but she didn't identify it. The difference is, in her religion, we are asked to obey the rules and perform the rituals for essentially no good reason.

In most of the organized religions of which I'm personally aware, practice follows from good reasons. These good reasons, known commonly as doctrines, are the ideological foundation that supply the meaning to activities like being kind to people and praying. Without doctrine, these activities may make us feel good (if we are shallow

thinkers) but they provide us with no truth component.

To put it in different terms, her religion pretends that it supplies something that organized religions do not. The truth of the matter is, her religion contains advice similar to that found in many organized religions, but leaves out the reasons why the advice is being given: It is the ultimate example of mindless ritual.

I do agree with her on several points. I agree that the problem (and there is obviously a problem) in our country isn't a lack of religion, in a sense. There's a "place of worship" on every corner. Instead, the trouble is a lack of true religion, in terms of both practice and doctrine. To quote G.K. Chesterton, "The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting; it has been found difficult and left untried."

Adam Stephens
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 chemical engineering

At long last — Tech is on its way to greatness

To the editor: As I walked the one-mile trip to my classes today, I gazed at

the ongoing construction and thought to myself, "What an incredible time to be at Texas Tech."

I saw a glimmer of the life that Tech has tried so desperately to instill in its faculty, students and staff. As the buildings are built, and the one-skeletal structures take their final form, so too, has this university begun to take shape.

Tech President David Schmidly has made his goals clear: we are not any other university. We are a unified group of individuals seeking to make our way into a society that has not respected us in the past.

When men's basketball coach Bob Knight arrived on campus there were shouts of joy and hate, but his arrival spelled our greatest victory. His attention to greatness has inspired a team of unknowns to achieve well beyond what others said they could do.

And so, we as students have begun to believe in our own achievable greatness. But he is only a brick in the building. The structure has been formed over many years. Our faculty and administration knew what we as a university were capable of. They believed in us before the fruit of their labor was revealed. So, too, must we as students believe before the fruits of our

labor are revealed.

The construction is a pain. The classes are too big. The rules are unfair. But when wars are fought, even now in our time, the work of the men who fight signal peace to those who don't. Yet the soldiers will be remembered most, those who sacrificed everything for our way of life. Perhaps that's what I see when I look at your faces as I walk down the sidewalk. Soldiers. Students who sacrifice now for the greater good. Be proud, you are a soldier. You are a builder, creating the foundation and inspiration for a new era at Texas Tech.

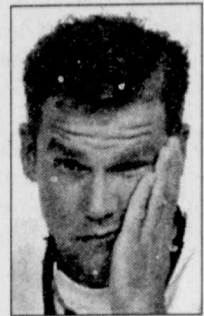
So, as the final bricks are mortared to their surface and we walk into our buildings, remember, you helped make this happen. You were there.

When I look at your faces I see what Dr. Schmidly sees — excellence, pride, honor. Eleanor Roosevelt said, "A leader may chart the way, may point out the road to lasting peace, but...many leaders and many peoples must do the building." Take what he sees and make it happen.

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 computer science

Life should not be ruled by time

COLUMN



LOREN BELL

Ten minutes is simply not enough time to make it from one end of campus to the other - especially when you add the pressing needs of stopping by the restroom, swinging by the snack machine, maintaining the

social network of accidental acquaintances, and reading *The University Daily*.

Unfortunately, our modern fast-paced world is full of deadlines, obligations, meetings and agendas. Our lives are planned out days, even weeks, in advance with little regard for the dynamic and ever-changing world of the unexpected. The social obligation to keep a regular schedule is so ingrained in our lives that inability to do so is seen as a moral shortcoming.

"Time is money!" they say in a high-intensity push toward anxiety, hypertension and nervous breakdown. Those three words, so commonly tossed about, imply that all of our time should be spent in deference to monetary gain. And, more subtly, that somehow if you are not making money you're not only wasting time, but you have failed as an individual.

What is time? What do those little digital minutes, seconds and hours we waste on such a regular basis really mean?

Probably, at some point in our far distant past, our ancestors noticed the sun rose in the east, and set in the west according to some form of regularity. Upon this recognition, they presumably scratched their furry heads thoughtfully for a brief moment before they returned to beating each other with sticks. Life was a lot easier back when we had no care for time.

Our present notion of days, months and years came about much later. The idea of the seven-day week arose with Christianity, and the need to get people in to church at a regularly appointed time, lest their attentions wander to more enticing pastimes. Still then, throughout the day people were relatively oblivious to the passage of sand through the hourglass, living their lives according to the body's natural patterns of eat, sleep and procreation.

This sufficed for a comfortable period, and it was not until it became necessary to synchronize train schedules during the industrial revolution that our standard notion of minutes and seconds was established. Suddenly, the explosion occurred and before long everyone was walking around with little digital devices strapped to their arms, or carrying the irritating beeping contraptions in their pockets. Constantly, they remind us that at this moment, there is someone waiting somewhere eyeballing their own harbinger of belatedness, wondering, worrying and growing frustrated.

It does not have to be like this. Among Native-American cultures more hesitant to embrace the almighty minute, the preferred method is to let things happen whenever they happen to happen. One does not meet their friend at 6:32 a.m. at Jimenez Burrito, but rather, they agree to meet in the morning, and get there precisely when they get there. The key is that neither party expects more nor frowns upon less.

Who knows what might happen on your journey from one place to the next — an old friend might stop you in the street, or you might simply not feel like sprinting across campus on a beautiful day that deserves a more relaxed pace. The key is that we all must recognize and embrace the attitude of timelessness, allowing for flexibility with ourselves and others. It is when we begin to expect impossible punctuality that the needles of stress work their way into the spinal cord.

In short, time is a measurement, and not a commandment. It is a suggestion, rather than a fact. So, to the professors, you have a class to teach, but realize that the greatest learning occurs outside of the classroom. A belated arrival is not a sign of disrespect, but rather a celebration of the natural freedom of life.

To the world at large — relax. In the immortal words of singer-songwriter Greg Brown, "Time ain't money when all you got is time."

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Guards charged with beating inmate

DEATH ROW: Inmate Valdez dies while being taken from cell

By Ron Word/Associated Press

STARKE, Fla. (AP) — Death row inmate Frank Valdez was beaten to death while being forcibly removed from his cell at Florida State Prison, a prosecutor said Wednesday in opening statements

for the trial of four former guards charged in the 1999 slaying.

If convicted of second-degree murder, the four could face life in prison.

Assistant State Attorney Greg McMahon said Valdez, 36, on death row for killing a corrections officer in 1987, suffered a broken nose, broken jaw, broken collar bone, broken shoulder blade, broken sternum, 22 broken ribs and four broken vertebrae.

"His chest was so injured he could not take a breath," the prosecutor said.

The prosecution alleges that the four

former guards, along with four others who will stand trial later, were upset that Valdez was planning to go to the media to try to stop beatings and mistreatment of other inmates.

All four — Capt. Timothy Thornton, 36, Sgt. Jason Griffis, 28, Sgt. Charles Brown, 28, and Sgt. Andrew Lewis, 31 — have been fired.

Thornton's lawyer, Gloria Fletcher, told jurors that Valdez injured himself by throwing himself repeatedly onto the concrete floor of his cell.

Thornton is innocent, she said.

"Thornton wants the opportunity to come from under the cloud he has been under for 30 months," she said.

Brown's lawyer, Ted Curtis, claimed Valdez suffered only minor injuries when he was forcibly removed from his cell.

Attorneys for Lewis and Griffis were scheduled to follow Curtis and Fletcher in giving opening statements.

The opening statements had been scheduled to begin Monday, but were delayed by arguments over potentially damning testimony from inmates who claim they were beaten by the guards.

Crane

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could summon extra help, like the Lubbock police and fire departments."

According to engineering officials, when cranes like the SBC Jones stadium cranes are not in use, the horizontal piece turns with the wind and aligns itself to lessen the load.

Project Manager Kasey Hester said the foundation of the cranes is very extensive.

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concrete foundation," said Hester. "When a load is too much for the crane, it shuts itself down and won't allow anything else to be picked up."

Hester said scheduled checks are also made to ensure the crane's safety. There is an on-site safety meeting every morning and a weekly safety inspection from an outside firm.

Construction at Jones SBC Stadium extends into the C-1 commuter lot, located west of the stadium, where the two cranes are housed.

The project is scheduled to be completed by the start of the 2003 football season.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Search

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Black said the committee laid out some ideas of qualifications for future chancellor candidates at last week's meeting.

"We are developing quite a comprehension of what to look for," Black said.

The future chancellor needs to meet certain criteria that the two committees feel are important to fill the job effectively, he said.

Those criteria are becoming more clear as the search progresses.

Black said it is important for the candidates to have good relations with the Texas legislature and be very adept at

fund raising.

Chancellor Emeritus John Montford created an example of how important fund raising is to the university with his work on the Horizon Campaign, Black said.

"It's not possible to run a university like a business, but there are business aspects like financing and fund raising involved," he said.

Black said the candidate needs to be able to articulate the vision, values and strategies of the university to the public, the students and the faculty and staff, and most importantly, have a heart for the students, Black said.

"We're not here because of the facilities, the faculty or the staff, but because of the students," Black said.

Fees

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Shonrock said the first-come, first-serve basis will still apply in the student section of sports events. Shonrock said he and the athletic department would evaluate and assess student seating on an annual basis.

"I think the annual assessment is important," he said. "What happens if one year you have a great deal of interest and the next year the interest is not to the same extent?"

If the fee is implemented, students can purchase a maximum of two tickets at half price. SGA Chief of Staff

Stefanie Cervantes said negotiations are under way to raise the maximum number of tickets purchased at half price to four. She said the program would benefit all students, especially those with visiting friends or relatives because they could purchase tickets to sit with them.

"Any student who wanted to take their son, daughter or parents who can't sit in the student section would be able to buy tickets at half price," she said.


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Miss Lubbock U.S.A. pageant accepts applications

By April Tamplen/Staff Reporter
Lubbock U.S.A. pageant.
Students age 18 to 26 can pick up pageant applications at the Student Union, Gold's Gym, MorLé or Reflections II before Feb. 15.

"I believe that Miss Texas U.S.A. is walking around on Tech campus somewhere," Fay Headley, the pageant director said. "There are so many beautiful girls here."

The main goal of the Miss Lubbock U.S.A. competition is to help women develop confidence and skills in modeling, interviewing, dressing style and make up, she said.

"We are not looking for outgoing and gorgeous girls," Headley said. "Fresh new talent is more than welcome."

The current Miss Lubbock U.S.A., Tyler Willis, is a senior broadcast journalism major from Brownfield.

"Being in last year's pageant was a great and wonderful experience," Willis said.

Workshops that help prepare the contestants for the pageant will be held before Spring Break in February and March.

The workshops teach the contestants how to handle intense, emphasized interview questions, grace in modeling and basic make up skills, Headley said.

"The practice for the big dance segment begins after Spring break," she said. "Every girl who has ever wondered what it is like to be in a pageant needs to enter."

The Miss Lubbock U.S.A. pageant is a preliminary competition to the Miss Texas, U.S.A. and Universe pageants.

As Miss Lubbock U.S.A., Willis has been involved in the Make-A-Wish foundation, Radio for the Cure and local television and radio commercials.

"A girl should run because it gives her a chance to make a difference in Lubbock and the world," Willis said.

The pageant will be held at 7 p.m. March 23 in the Civic Center Theater.

The Miss Lubbock U.S.A. pageant does not include a talent competition, Headley said. The skills a woman should learn while competing in a pageant are in the interview, swimsuit, and evening gown competitions.

The interview section of the pageant prepares women for real life, she said.

"Interviews help a girl cope under the huge pressure," Headley said. "Interviews on stage are similar to job situations."

Headley said swimsuit competitions are designed to show off how well a woman takes care of her body and evening gown competitions show how elegant she is.

"Pageants develop potential and make girls all that they can be," she said.

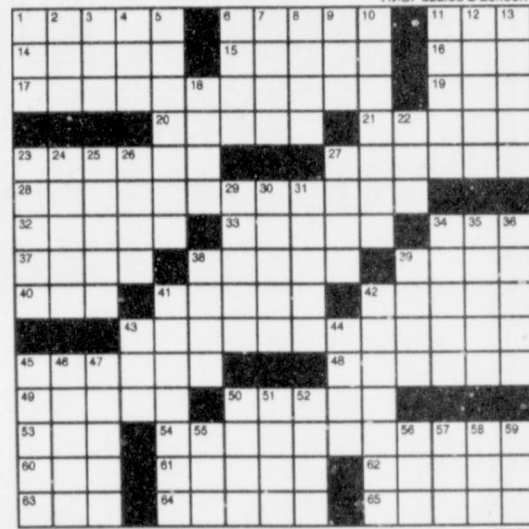


MISS LUBBOCK U.S.A. contestants prepare for last spring's pageant at a local dance studio. Pageant organizers are currently accepting applications for this year's competition.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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By Verna Sult
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Red River	42"	---	Bargain Lift Tickets
Ski Apache	34"	---	46 Trails, 11 lifts
Santa Fe	26"	---	Bargain Lift Tickets
Sandia Peak	24"	---	16 Trails, 5 Lifts
Taos	41"	---	35 Trails, 11 Lifts
Colorado			
A-Basin	25"	1"	4 Lifts, PP
Aspen Mountain	25"	----	6 Lifts, PP
Aspen Highlands	31"	----	6 Lifts, PP
Beaver Creek	29"	2"	13 Lifts, PP
Breckenridge	38"	3"	25 Lifts, PP
Buttermilk	22"	----	6 Lifts, PP
Copper Mountain	42"	6"	17 Lifts, PP
Crested Butte	30"	----	11 Lifts, PP/MM
Keystone	30"	3"	34 Lifts, PP
Loveland	38"	4"	8 Lifts, P/PP
Monarch	30"	----	5 Lifts, P/PP
Purgatory	25"	----	10 Lifts, PP
Silvercreek	20"	----	4 Lifts, P/PP
Ski Cooper	31"	6"	3 Lifts, P/PP
Snowmass	25"	----	17 Lifts, PP
Steamboat	37"	3"	19 Lifts, PP
Telluride	31"	----	16 Lifts, I/PP
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Hanks and Black: a good team in the surprising 'Orange County'

MOVIE REVIEW



JAMES EPPLER

Every now and then, a film will come along that has elements that reach you on a personal level. Personally, I can relate to a story about a kid (Colin Hanks) who desires to be a good writer and pursue his writing career at major university.

His passion for writing, and the advice he receives later in the film from his mentor is something that I have experienced. I know how that kid feels.

"Orange County" came as a pleasant surprise. Hanks (yes, son of Tom)

plays Shawn, a lazy surfer who has grown up in Orange County, California. He may be lazy, but he's a bright kid. One day on the beach he finds a novel and falls in love with it. He ends up reading it about 57 times and decides that he wants to be a writer.

The author of the book is an English professor at Stanford, so Shawn decides he will pursue his studies there. Shawn is the president of his high school class, received a 1500 on his SAT and is assured by his advisor that he is a shoo-in for Stanford.

The thing about "Orange County" is that Shawn seems to be the only smart person living in his community. His mother (Catherine O'Hara) is a drunk, his brother Lance (the hilarious Jack Black) is a stoned-out loser and his father (John Lithgow) lives with his floozy wife he met in a gym. His advisor sends off the wrong transcript, and Shawn is rejected from Stanford.

Unable to accept this rejection, Shawn and his girlfriend Ashley (Schuyler Fisk, daughter of Sissy Spacek), decide to go to Stanford and talk to the Dean of Admissions. Lance offers to drive them. The rest of the film details the road trip and different situations encountered while at Stanford.

I was really impressed with Hanks, who may have a promising career in his future. He is asked to shoulder much of this film and handles it nicely. One may think this film is a lousy start for Hanks, but remember that his father started out by doing some dumb movies, also.

"Bachelor Party" comes to mind. Jack Black, who spends most of the movie stoned, or in his underwear, earns most of the laughs. He's so good that

nearly everything he says is funny. The film wouldn't have been the same without him. I became a fan of Black's from his role in the excellent film "High Fidelity" and soon became a closeted fan of Tenacious D, Black's acoustic guitar duo with Kyle Gass.

The film also has some fun cameos by Chevy Chase as the school principal, Lily Tomlin as Shawn's flakey advisor and Ben Stiller as a friend who questions Lance about a burning building. Kevin Kline also makes an appearance as the aforementioned writer that inspired Shawn.

Of course, the film is not without its blunders. A scene involving the drugging of the Dean of Admissions doesn't work at all, and they really overuse the

song "Butterfly" by Crazytown, which I hate anyway, and a scene involving Shawn spying on his girlfriend from a rooftop and falling off was just too predictable to be funny.

All things considered, though, I enjoyed watching "Orange County" despite its flaws. Jack Black is always a sure thing for laughs, and Hanks has me curious to see what he'll do next.

Whether or not this film or not, one can't help but laugh, which is really the most important

thing in a comedy.
EPPLER'S RATING: ★★★

- ★★★★ - Flawless
- ★★★★ - Excellent
- ★★★ - Good
- ★★ - Mediocre
- ★ - Awful

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Lady Raiders team up to drop Bears

By Jeff Keller/Staff Reporter

Lady Raider guard Jia Perkins poured in 20 points and three of her teammates reached double digits in scoring as the Lady Raiders exorcised the demons of a three-game conference losing streak with an 83-63 thumping of the No. 13-ranked Baylor Lady Bears Wednesday night at the United Spirit Arena.

Texas Tech jumped out to an early 24-15 lead with 8:25 remaining in the first half when Baylor coach Kim Mulkey-Robertson was called for a technical foul for remaining out of her coach's box and acting in an unsporting manner, according to a release from official

Jeff Caudle following the game. Mulkey-Robertson was hit with a second technical foul for continuing to remain out of the coach's box and behaving in an unsporting manner and was excused from the contest.

Tech guard Natalie Ritchie canned all four technical foul shots and the Lady Raiders closed the half on a 20-11 run from that point.

Perkins said the Lady Raiders made it a point to hit the Lady Bears during they were down following Mulkey-Robertson's ejection from the contest. "I think after that we just tried to hold it against them and keep attacking them," Perkins said. "I am sure that they

were down that their coach got taken out of the game. We just wanted to keep pressing up on them and just take advantage of that."

Tech led 48-26 at halftime and was able to extend that lead to as many as 32 points before Baylor cut the final deficit to 20 points. The Lady Raiders (10-5 overall, 2-3 Big 12 Conference) were out-rebounded by the Lady Bears (13-3 overall, 1-3 Big 12) 44-42 in the contest but outscored Baylor 46-28 in the paint.

Tech forward Tanisha Ellison finished the contest with 12 points, seven rebounds, three assists and three blocks to lead all Tech post players.

Ellison said Tech played the Baylor contest with an increased sense of confidence following the Lady Raiders' overtime loss to Texas earlier this week.

"I think the difference between the Texas game and this game is the confidence and the heart that we had coming out into this game," Ellison said. "We did have a good game and I think that we did play pretty good against Texas, but I think this game we really tried to focus in on following the game plan."

The Lady Raiders shot 51 percent

from the floor in the game while holding Baylor to a 32 percent shooting clip.

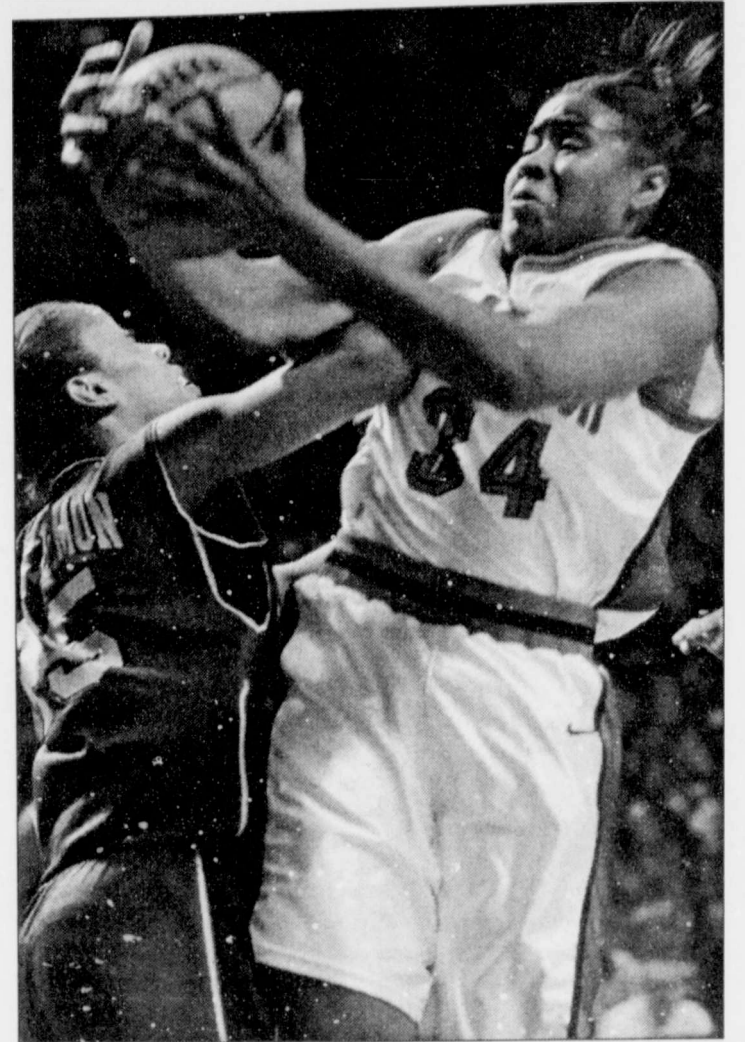
Tech coach Marsha Sharp said the win against Baylor was important because holding serve at home is crucial in a conference race.

"We have a lot of respect for Baylor," Sharp said. "They have had a great year and this was something that we needed to do. I think it is critical that you try to protect your home court and we did a really nice job of doing that."

Tech was on the verge of voyaging into unfamiliar territory heading into the Baylor matchup as the Lady Raiders had dropped three consecutive conference contests. Sharp had not coached a team that had lost three straight conference contests since the 1987-88 season.

Sharp said she did not mind the stretch of time that had passed between her teams' three-game conference losing streaks and is pleased the skid came to an end against Baylor.

"That's a long time to go without that," Sharp said of the time that passed between her teams' conference losing skids. "We didn't like it very much. I think it was a collective effort that we wanted to step up and fix it."



TEXAS TECH FORWARD Tanisha Ellison grabs the rebound during the Lady Raiders' 83-63 win against Baylor Wednesday at the United Spirit Arena. JAIME TOMAS AQUILAR/Staff Photographer

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