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Tech officials approve bioterrorism center

ENHANCING EDUCATION: Law school plans to open a new center studying legal issues, bioterrorism.

By Michael Castellon/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech officials have announced plans to open a new center that will allow for the study of bioterrorism.

Director of the approved Center for Biodefense, Law and Public Policy Victoria Sutton said Tech was an ideal location for the center.

"At Texas Tech, we have a lot of different disciplines," Sutton said. "We have one of the largest variety of disciplines in the state of

Texas and in the country."

Sutton said the center will be housed in the Tech law school.

Sutton also serves as a professor in the School of Law and has written several publications examining issues in legal policy and bioterrorism. She said the need for a center that examines such policies is necessary.

"What the center will do is provide an opportunity for interdisciplinary collaboration," Sutton said. "We needed a facility that can be used to consider legal and policy is-

ues in bioterrorism. The need for such a center is apparent."

Sutton said the center will include experts from the areas of law, public policy, mass communications, political science, microbiology, medicine and forensic pathology.

Tech Provost William Marcy said the center operates in conjunction with the Tech University System Task Force on Antiterrorism and Public Security.

"This really is an outgrowth of the work done on the task force this year," he said.

"This will allow people to examine the areas of legal issues and policies regarding various things the U.S. might be doing in relation to homeland defense."

The task force was appointed by Tech Chancellor David Smith and President David Schmidly in Sept. 2001 in response to the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

Sutton said the center will serve as a site to host conferences and symposiums related to fields of bioterrorism.

"One major event that is currently being planned is a legal issues in bioterrorism symposium next year," Sutton said.

Marcy said the center will operate with a dialogue between the Tech law school and other academic disciplines among the university's system.

"The purpose of the center will also create leverage between the law school and other academic facilities across campus," Marcy said. "This is an academic center that I'm really interested in. This is definitely a unique opportunity for Texas Tech."

Marcy said the center will aid in determining

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Arizona shooting prompts concern

By Heidi Toth/Staff Reporter

Robert Stewart Flores Jr., a 41-year-old Gulf War veteran and a nursing student at the University of Arizona, allegedly shot and killed three professors Monday before turning the gun on himself, according to the Associated Press.

The Arizona shooting joins the shootings in Columbine, Jonesboro, Virginia and Germany, all perpetrated by disgruntled students. Flores was no different; he was failing and was reported to be belligerent toward teachers and other students.

Another school shooting took place in a Jersey City, N.J., high school just after classes started Tuesday morning. No one was killed, but a student who was shot in the abdomen is in serious condition.

Gary Elbow, a geography professor who has taught at Tech for 31 years, said Tech and almost every other university takes risks like that by their acceptance policies.

Tech is an open university, which means anybody who has gone through the application process and has acceptable grades and test scores can enroll. While he does not advocate changing that policy, Elbow said it increases the risk of admitting people who commit an act of violence, such

as in the Arizona case.

"We don't really know very much about some of our students," he said. "You might argue it's surprising it doesn't happen more frequently, given the nature of our contemporary society."

This event has brought the possibility of being in danger while teaching back to Elbow's mind, but he is not concerned that something will happen, he said.

He has never been threatened or felt threatened by a student, although he did have a student bring a gun to class, Elbow said. He did not feel he was in danger because the student was contemplating suicide and was only planning on hurting himself, which is a very different situation, he said.

Other teachers at Tech have been threatened before, he said, although it does not happen often that he is aware of.

"One person's threat might be just another person's irate student," he said, adding that often the seriousness of the threat is affected by the threatened person's perception.

Avery LaVoi, a freshman pre-medicine student from Plano, said the attack was horrible and was especially close to home for him because he has

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Students taking law test at record high

By Jacqueline Marshall/Staff Reporter

Law School Admissions Test takers have the highest registration ever this year due to the economic decline, according to the Law School Admission Council Web site. Texas Tech's School of Law has its highest enrollment to date with a total of 702 students, said Wes Cochran, law school admission chairman.

Cochran said last year 1,394 students applied when usually the average is about 1,200. Ideally the law school accepts 200 to 225 first-year law students. Last year, the law school admitted 234 first-year students and 246 this year.

Cochran said the law school is not consciously admitting more students, but because more people are taking the LSAT and applying to law school, the quality of applicants is higher because of higher GPAs and higher LSAT scores.

"It is like trying to stop running water," Cochran said. "You can't turn it off fast enough."

This year the law school will be

careful to only admit 220 to 225 students to keep the overall student body around 600 to 625, because Tech has earned the reputation of being an alternative to large legal school competition, Cochran said. The University of Texas and the University of Houston are much larger and have doubled their classes.

"We have a mission to provide quality legal education in a small law school atmosphere," Cochran said.

Jeromie Oney, a senior political science major from Monahans, said he has always wanted to go to law school and the economic decline has not affected his choice. Oney has applied to Tech, Baylor University, Southern Methodist University, Pepperdine University and the University of Houston. He said he would rather go to a smaller school because it is more direct.

"For a fact, the economic decline has affected the law schools and has made it more competitive," Oney said.

Oney said a lot of his peers are planning on going to graduate school

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KATIE CHAPMAN, A freshman nursing major from Eules, plays with a kitten on the Horn/Knapp lawn Tuesday afternoon. The residence hall sponsored Pet Therapy where residents could play with kittens and puppies for 15 minutes for \$1.

JENNA HANSEN/Staff Photographer

Mudslinging may affect voters' decisions

By Heidi Toth/Staff Reporter

With the general election six days away and thousands of county, state and national positions on the line, negative political ads are appearing everywhere.

The California governor's race has both candidates accusing the other of illegal acts, while the Minnesota senator's race is up in the air because of the recent death of one of the candidates. The New Jersey senate race also has seen controversy because of the allegedly improper substitution of Democrat Frank Lautenberg for Robert Torricelli, who withdrew from the race.

Texas is not without its own controversy. Democratic gubernatorial candidate Tony Sanchez recently released a campaign ad accusing Republican Gov. Rick Perry of exploiting a Drug Enforcement Agency employee's murder for political gain, according to the Associated Press.

Sanchez's ad was in response to a recent Perry ad linking Sanchez's

failed Laredo savings and loan business to drug dealers who killed DEA agent Enrique Camarena.

Last week, Sanchez also released an ad with the footage of a traffic stop in June 2000, when Perry's driver was pulled over for speeding, which Perry said falsely accused him of not showing proper respect to law enforcement.

The Texas gubernatorial race is not the only one attracting attention because of the campaign methods used. The Texas senator race between Attorney General John Cornyn and former Dallas Mayor Ron Kirk is heating up.

Brian Gerber, an assistant professor of political science at Texas Tech, said there are many different opinions but generally speaking, negative campaigning tends to depress voter turnout.

"When people see all kinds of negative ads, it makes them less likely to participate in the political process,"

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Evaluations available for student viewing

By Angela Timmons/Staff Reporter

Students registering for classes in a university as large as Texas Tech may find difficulties in acquiring information about professors and the courses they teach.

Information about professors and their courses, such as the workload required, teaching performance and testing style, may be mainly hearsay.

At the end of every semester, students fill out a standard form with questions to test students' opinions of professors and courses. Many Tech students do not know the results from

those questionnaires are available for viewing online at www.irim.ttu.edu, said Vicki West, director of institutional research and information management.

To use the Web site, students need their eRaider user ID and password to access the records.

However, while it is available, it is not exactly user-friendly, Student Government Association President Kelli Stumbo said. This is why the SGA and some members of administration are considering registering with www.pickaprof.com, a user-friendly Web site that lists professor ratings. According to the Web site,

it also provides a place for professors to maintain their own Web site, biography, syllabi and class descriptions.

"What Texas Tech has available right now is hard to find on the Internet," Stumbo said. "Pickaprof.com is a non-biased contracted business to maintain these evaluations for us."

Stumbo added that whatever method the university chooses to use, she would like to see the link on Tech's homepage.

West said professor and course evaluations are available to students during the process of online registration.

However, Tech's registration and

course information Web site (Techsis) does not provide a link to this information, Ike Ledesma, associate registrar, said.

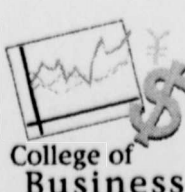
"That information is not a part of Techsis web for students or web for faculty," he said.

An issue among Tech students is that of a small fee as part of their Student Service fees to maintain www.pickaprof.com should the university implement its use.

"There's already way too many fees," sophomore advertising major Nick Dewatres said. "It doesn't bother

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The Rundown



DNA identifies rape suspect, brings charges

LUBBOCK — An Amarillo man has been indicted on a rape charge 18 months after a Lubbock grand jury indicted the DNA code from evidence found at the scene of a 1998 rape.

In May 2001, grand jurors indicted a 120-digit sequence of DNA from a man linked to the three-year-old rape case. The move stopped the clock on the case's five-year statute of limitations and left prosecutors to find the name of the person whose DNA was named in the indictment.

This case was the first time Lubbock prosecutors indicted a DNA profile without a name, and only a handful of other Texas cities have done the same.

Just after the DNA indictment in May 2001, state legislators in Austin changed the five-year prosecution window and removed any statute of limitations on rape cases in which DNA evidence is gathered.

Last month, the state's Combined DNA Index System linked Sammy Hickman, 42, to the Lubbock rape and another in Amarillo.

Hickman was indicted Monday on charges of aggravated sexual assault and burglary of a habitation with intent to commit sexual assault.

U.S. involvement begun in sniper case

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bringing federal death penalty charges and revealing a wealth of new evidence, the Justice Department on Tuesday stepped up its involvement in the serial sniper shootings that Attorney General John Ashcroft said were "atrocities."

The federal complaint filed in U.S. District Court in Maryland against John Lee Muhammad, 41, detailed key pieces of evidence against Muhammad, including matching handwriting samples from a tarot card and a letter found at separate shooting sites and a glove identical to one found at the scene of a third shooting.

Muhammad also apparently, and chillingly, referred to his 17-year-old companion, John Lee Malvo, as "Sniper" in a conversation with an acquaintance, according to an affidavit filed by federal law enforcement agents.

Ashcroft said the complaint makes clear that U.S. officials seek "the most serious penalties" for the perpetrators of the three-week spate of shootings in Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C., that left 10 dead and three seriously injured.

Israel will not accept current U.S. peace plan

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel will not accept a U.S.-backed peace proposal because it is based partly on an Arab plan that calls for an Israeli withdrawal from all occupied lands and affirms the right of return of Palestinian refugees, a top official said Tuesday.

Israelis and Palestinians have expressed some reservations about the new plan, which was presented last week by a U.S. envoy. But Tuesday's comments by Cabinet Secretary Gideon Saar marked the first time an Israeli official has said the proposal was unacceptable without a major change.

The Arab plan, sponsored by Saudi Arabia, was approved by an Arab League Summit earlier this year. It marked the first time in the Arab-Israeli conflict that Arab countries presented a comprehensive peace proposal that included recognition of Israel.

The new U.S.-backed plan says in its introduction that it is based, among other things, on the Arab initiative. The new proposal was formulated by the so-called Quartet of mediators — the United States, the United Nations, Russia and the European Union.

"I won't accept any document which will be based on the Saudi plan," Saar told Israel Army Radio on Tuesday.

"As soon as you present reservations, it's clear that the document, in its present form, is not acceptable to you," he added.

Tech Notes

The 10th Annual Take a Kid to the Game Day will be Nov. 9 for Texas Tech's football game against Oklahoma State. Students and student organizations can still register to take part in the tradition of taking 1,000 underprivileged children to the game. For more information, contact Britta Tye at (806) 742-2192 or Leigh Mauer at (806) 742-3631. Registrations will be accepted until Friday.

Pre-Physician's Assistants will hold its next meeting at 6 p.m. today in 234 Chemistry. Dr. Eugene Jones, UT Southwestern's Pre-Physician's Assistants program director, will speak at the meeting. For more information, please call (806) 722-6191.

The Lady Raider basketball team will hold an intrasquad scrimmage at 3 p.m. Sunday in the United Spirit Arena before its opening game Nov. 10 at the State Farm Classic against Louisiana Tech. There will be a practice beforehand starting at 2 p.m. Fans are encouraged to attend the practice and scrimmage, and admission is free.

Early voting will be on campus from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. the remainder of the work week in the Student Union.

Room and Board payments are due Friday in the housing office.

Requests to change residence halls or rooms must be turned in by Friday to respective halls.

Time travel will be one of the subjects of Doug Kutach's lecture at 7:30 p.m. today in 160 English/Philosophy. Kutach will discuss time travel, the general relativity theory and what a law of nature actually is.

Smart-Fest registration is currently under way. Applications are available in 103 Holden Hall. Smart-Fest is a competition sponsored by Eta Omicron Nu and serves as the campus qualifier for the regional College Bowl competition. For more information contact Nathan Poerner at poerner11235@hotmail.com or Becky Davidson at (806) 742-1828.

LIGHT DUTY



JAIME TOMÁS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer
LEE GARCIA, A temporary worker from Labor Ready staffing agency examines his progress while hanging lights on West Hall Tuesday afternoon in preparation for the 44th annual Carol of Lights celebration to take place Dec. 6.

Group criticizes publishers

AUSTIN (AP) — Textbook publishers are being criticized by a political watchdog group that says the publishers rewrote some books to reflect views of social conservatives.

The nonprofit Texas Freedom Network said Monday several publishers revised social studies books after taking heat from social conservatives at state textbook hearings earlier this year.

The State Board of Education is scheduled to adopt new textbooks for Texas schools in November.

"Instead of standing guard and protecting the thoroughness and accuracy of textbooks, some publishers are now caving in to pressure from a handful of very noisy would-be censors," said Samantha Smoot, executive director of the Freedom Network.

Representatives for textbook publishers insisted the changes cited by the Network are a small fraction of the revisions that have been made since the original versions of the books were presented to the state.

"These kinds of discussions and changes are very common and part of the lengthy state adoption process in Texas," said Joe Bill Watkins of the Association of American Publishers.

The Network said one publisher agreed to eliminate references to "fossil fuels being formed millions of years ago" so there would be no conflict with biblical timelines, which indicate the Earth has existed for a much shorter time.

Another publisher deleted a passage that said Osama bin Laden's orders to his followers to kill Americans runs counter to Muslim teachings.

"No idea could be farther from Muslim teachings," the deleted passage said. Critics said the book was too kind in describing Muslim beliefs.

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Business, Arts and Sciences colleges offer new program

By Matthew Massie/Staff Reporter

The Rawls College of Business Administration is offering a new graduate program in association with the Department of Environmental Toxicology in the College of Arts and Sciences.

The new program enables students the opportunity to obtain a Master's of Science in Environmental Toxicology and a Master's of Business Administration. Offered in conjunction with The Institute for Environmental and Human Health located at Reese Technology Center, the program offers classes at both the main Texas Tech campus and the Reese Center.

"This is a great opportunity for TIEHH to expand into an educational and research partnership with the Rawls College of Business Administration to facilitate the training of students in toxicology interfaced with business management skills," said Ronald Kendall, director of TIEHH and chairman

and professor of the Department of Environmental Toxicology. "The future is bright for graduates who have this kind of interdisciplinary training and education."

According to the college's admission requirements to be admitted to the program, students will need to take both the Graduate Requisite Exam and the Graduate Management Application Test. In addition, they must apply to the Graduate School and be accepted by both colleges. Letters of recommendation, transcripts from all colleges attended, a résumé and a written statement of purpose are integral parts of the application process.

COBA will credit 12 hours of environmental toxicology courses toward the MBA degree, and the College of Arts and Sciences will credit 12 hours of MBA courses toward the Master of Science in environmental toxicology degree, said Nancy Dodge, director of graduate programs in the business college. This will reduce the number of required credit hours from 84 to 62 for the joint program.

Ken Dixon, section leader and professor of environmental modeling and geographic information systems, said this joint graduate degree is expected to prepare graduates for administrative-level positions in companies that could have an impact on the environment or in companies that emphasize environmentally sound business practices. Additionally, graduates may be interested in consulting or developing new technologies in such fields.

W. J. Conover, director of the MBA programs, said many professionals who are trained in technical fields are promoted to administrative positions for which they have no training. Joint programs such as this are designed to give them the background they need in management, marketing, finance, accounting and other business areas.

Students interested in this program should contact the MBA Programs Center in the Rawls College at (806) 742-3184 or mba@ba.ttu.edu.

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he said.

The political arena is not expected to see a decrease in the amount of negative campaigning, despite the effects of mudslinging. Gerber said political consultants encourage this kind of advertising because it is effective and is the feature of modern campaigning.

"When there's an electorate that's pretty well split down the middle, the more competitive the races, the more frequently you see negative campaigning," he said.

However, that does not make it healthy. Gerber said the practice of voters making their decisions based on 30-second television ads, which the negative ads tend to be, is detrimental to the political process.

"It's often effective for an individual candidacy, but that does not mean it is good for the overall democratic process," he said.

It is difficult to say if this year is better or worse than past years, but he doubts it is significantly different. Often the media highlights the negative campaigning, he said, which draws the public's attention to it.

"The press tends to be critical, saying a candidate cannot campaign on substance so they go negative," he said.

Dan Isett, the Lubbock County Republican party chairman, said the

negative campaigning is not necessarily a bad thing. A candidate wins an election by differentiating him or herself from the competition, which is what they are doing.

Mudslinging's effect on voter turnout remains to be seen, he said, but the numbers he has received so far show heavy use of early voting in Lubbock County. These numbers also are up from 1998, which held the last governor's race.

There is very little competition in the local races, he said, so there has not been much negative campaigning.

Nathan Hansen, a freshman architecture major from Houston, said he is registered to vote and plans on doing so, regardless of the negative campaigning, but is more likely now to look at third-party candidates.

"They are mean," he said of the two gubernatorial candidates.

The mudslinging makes him less likely to trust the candidates because instead of discussing the issues each candidate is criticizing his opponent.

"I want one of them to just say, 'I'm the bigger man here,'" Hansen said.

William Mack, who is visiting Tech from Houston, said he is somewhat discouraged from voting because of all the negative campaigning.

"I don't know who to trust," he said.

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or law school because of the economy. Cochran believes the reason registration has climbed is because the markets for college graduates are not what students anticipated after graduation, and students are having a harder time finding a job, therefore returning to school.

The LSAT scores range from 120 being the lowest to 180 being the highest. Cochran said that 155 is in the 67-percentile range, and to be in a competitive range, students applying to law school should score at least 152, which is in the 50 percentile range.

Last year Tech's mean LSAT scores were 154 in the 63-percentile range. The average GPA was a 3.43, said Alex Straatmann, president of the Student Bar Association, and a third-year law student, from Kearney, Neb.

"Here at Tech, the atmosphere is student-friendly, not as cut-throat," said Straatmann. "When it comes to jobs, there is more competition."

Brian Shannon, associate dean for academic affairs, said there is a committee of faculty members that goes through the review process.

He said with more applications, higher LSAT scores and GPAs, it does make the process more difficult, but the School of Law will not raise the enrollment rates because they do not have the physical space for more students.

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ing how the university can respond to the needs of the community, state and nation through research and education.

"The center could be asked to do a policy study on a state or national level," Marcy said. "Considering the resources available the center would be a logical place to go."

Marcy said resources available to users of the center will include legal archives and a collection of documents relevant to bioterrorism.

"There's a research component to the center that's different than what would go on in a traditional laboratory," Marcy said. "When studying bioterrorism people tend to focus on the technology and not the legal ramifications of using that technology."

Concern

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three cousins who attend the University of Arizona.

"It's just kind of sick," he said.

LaVoi said he was definitely concerned about something like this happening at Tech because anybody could get angry and commit murder or suicide because of failing grades.

"It's possible anywhere," he said. "I don't see what this new infatuation with school shootings that's been happening is."

Mike Schneider, a junior advertising major from Dallas, called the shooting rough, and said he would hate to be a teacher.

He said it was even more tragic given the shooter's supposed problem was his fault.

"That's horrible for the school, for the students and for himself," said Schneider. "It's not anybody's fault but his."

He said he does not believe something like this will happen at Tech, but it is possible.

He said he has never heard of any students threatening teachers or other student with violence.

Matt Barber, a junior civil engineering major from Sterling City, said this is another link in the chain of school shootings that has happened in the past few years.

"I've never even thought about it until now," he said of such a situation happening at Tech, although he said it definitely could. "It's just one of those things you've got to think about now."

Evaluations

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me that you can't find out about professors before registering. I've had no problems with my professors yet."

Sarah Hooker, a sophomore public relations major, said she would support the site and would not mind paying a fee for it.

"I think registering with that Web site would be worth it, even with a fee," Hooker said. "It's difficult to know which teacher would be better for your learning needs."

Hooker said she has had problems "clicking" with many of her professors, resulting in dropping classes for reasons she was unaware of before registering.

Leah Baker, a junior public relations major, had similar sentiments.

"I think they should do it, even if we pay a little fee," she said. "It wouldn't be a failure, it would be beneficial. It might even weed out some of the professors and tell the administration something about professors who don't get good ratings."

Baker said she relies on friends and acquaintances to learn about professors or courses.

Mass Communications professor Roger Saathoff responded positively to the possibility of www.pickaprof.com.

"Any additional information students could use for decisions about classes or professors is always good," he said. "For a course with multiple

sections, this is useful."

Saathoff broached the problem some professors might have with their rating numbers made more accessible.

"This could be a concern to some professors as far as their numbers go, if their ratings aren't good," he said. "Of course, student evaluations are part of a larger evaluation."

Vice Provost Elizabeth Hall said the evaluations filled out by students are important and they "do matter." This is especially true when professors go up for tenure and third-year review.

If Tech decides to register with www.pickaprof.com, the information would possibly be available during the spring for next fall's registration, Stumbo said.

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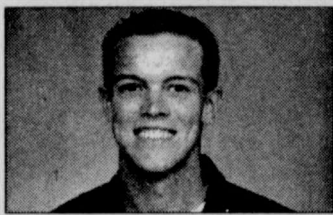
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PERSPECTIVES

Absurd, ironic plagues nation

It looks like I owe some people an explanation. I promised myself I would never do this because just like explaining a joke that has missed its mark, to explain the meaning behind satire is embarrassing to all those involved. It's often best to just let it lie. After writing last week's column about left-handed people, prior to submitting it, I ran it by my girlfriend, which I often do for purposes of error-detection and helpful criticism.



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She read it, had a good laugh and then suggested how funny it would be if someone took it seriously, somehow looking past the many layers of sarcasm and irony and concluding that I think that lefties are godless beasts. We then both enjoyed a good laugh, for that would be absurd.

Well, I was contacted by several people who not only thought I was serious but were appalled that such pig-headed bigotry could find a voice in *The University Daily*. In light of this, I've decided to shelve this week's installment, "People with attached earlobes are godless beasts," and instead issue an assurance that I do not think lefties are godless beasts. I guess you can never give the lowest common denominator too little credit. Still, by completely missing the point, they have further made the point. Yes, such foul bigotry and mindless venom does have a voice in *The UD*, and yes, it is absurd.

The whole Perspectives page mini-fiasco of the past few weeks has underscored, for me anyway, a persistent, unifying thread that runs through most everything we do — absurdity. Life presents endless entertainment for anyone tickled by the silliness made evident in even the gravest circumstances. In fact, the more extreme the situation, the more striking the absurdity.

Take now, for instance. We stand at the brink of a potentially dire conflict with one of our enemies, Iraq. Ironically, the "conservative" view of this situation dictates that we instigate a war, preemptively, and with only the most nominal regard for any negative future results.

The "radical" position, on the contrary, demands we not attack sovereign nations unprovoked. This complete reversal of meanings where conservative means extreme and radical means cautious, illustrates my point.

Often, especially in a two-sided, coin-toss, this-or-that binary politics, absurdity manifests itself as hypocrisy. For instance, among political liberals, capital punishment is condemned as murder because human life is precious. How-

ever, abortion is considered acceptable because a woman's right to evict whomever has taken up residence in her womb is apparently more precious. Similarly, conservatives will not stand for abortion because to kill a baby is murder and an affront to the sanctity of human life. They do, however, enthusiastically insist on capital punishment, which apparently is not an affront to the sanctity of human life. In both cases, one has to adopt a rather exclusive definition of "human," the liberals excluding babies and the conservatives excluding criminals.

Among conservatives, the unfettered right to own guns and other implements of mayhem is vehemently protected as a vital, inalienable privilege of a free people. The philosophical argument behind this is that if we ever need to replace our government and we don't feel like waiting until November elections, we can do so by force.

Then, from the same people who protect our right to revolt, we hear that we cannot abide flag-burning or other contrarian expressions of protest because such behavior is "dangerous." The same incongruence stands for liberals, as well, only vice versa.

One last, richly absurd spectacle is available every few years to anybody who owns a television. Throughout our lives we are constantly reminded what a sacred, unique system is our representative democracy. We are told to not take it for granted, and anyone who does not participate is disregarded as a flouter of freedom, a disgrace to those who have perished for the sake of our nation.

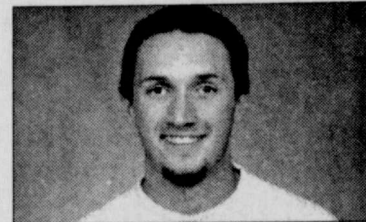
Then, in a counterpoint to this idealized picture of American civic life, as if voter apathy weren't disgraceful enough to our democratic heritage, the campaign itself proves to be as pathetic and petty a farce as any junior-high popularity contest.

When the entire effort, a no-doubt daunting struggle to capture the attention of millions of distracted television viewers, comes down to talking about how much the other guy sucks, recognizing and respecting our special responsibility as citizens becomes a moot point. And that, readers, is absurd.



Are all observances warranted?

It seems every day in this country some group's common ailment or collective minority status allows them a special day, week or month of observance. For example, AIDS, cancer, other diseases, ethnicity, etc. Well, good for them. I have no problem with all that.



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Oct. 22, however, was Stuttering Awareness Day. I heard that and could not help but think that this need for recognition is getting ridiculous. So I looked into it, and I discovered some interesting days of observance.

January is National Oatmeal Month. It's the right thing to do.

Feb. 4 is Kosciuszko Day wherein Polish Americans celebrate the fact that a Pole named Todeusz Kosciuszko fought in the American Revolution. Who cares?

February is Sinus Pain Awareness Month. Maybe we should set up Sudafed booths around campus for that one.

Feb. 14, (in)appropriately enough I suppose, is National Condom Day. Strap one on for love, I guess.

March 24 is World Tuberculosis Day. That makes it sound like some kind of happy event. Hey, let's open up the champagne because there are folks out there coughing up their lungs.

April is Irritable Bowel Syndrome Awareness Month. You've got to be kidding me. Apparently, if you care about your friends, you'll make sure all 30 days of pooping in April go well for them.

May is Correct Posture Month. Good grief. If you see someone slouching at the end of the next spring semester, remind him of the importance of not slouching, no matter how badly he may have screwed up his last final.

June 10 is National Yo-Yo Day. I'm not certain if they named it after the toy or the dingbat that sponsored the stupid observance.

July 14, Bastille Day in France, is Nude Day in America. I imagine one dumb holiday deserves another.

Aug. 1 through Aug. 7 is officially World Breastfeeding Week. Oh, boy. I'm sure all the guys reading this column are thrilled to find that out, but keep in mind fellas, unattractive women breastfeed, too.

Sept. 22 is Elephant Appreciation Day. Yes, you read it right. I'll let you make your own commentary on this one.

The second Wednesday of October has been deemed International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction by the U.N. General Assembly. Idiots. What can they do to stop natural disasters from occurring? That's like the Security Council announcing that the U.N. has forged a strategic arms limitation treaty with God himself.

Oct. 22, besides being Stuttering Day, also is Used Car Day. I know I love celebrating the fact that I cannot afford a new car but instead will be forever relegated to hand-me-down vehicles.

Oct. 26 is Mule Day. Don't ask me because I don't know.

Nov. 22 is Start Your Own Country Day. Latin American dictators

must be thrilled about that one.

Dec. 8 through Dec. 14 is National Hand Washing Awareness Week, sponsored, amusingly enough, by the Henry the Hand Foundation. Maybe we should have Bucky the Beaver's Brush Your Teeth Day sometime that week as well.

Why stop there? Here are some of my proposals for other holidays we could have, so everybody who needs validation from society can get it.

We should have One Leg Longer Than the Other Day just for the hell of it.

Let's make a National Penguin Day in July. Then we'll be able to have that Arctic feel in hundred-degree weather.

America needs a Migrant Armenian Dwarf Day — befriend a little person, make a difference.

We also need to have an Enlarged Prostate Awareness Day. We can give out Detrol and Flomax to anyone who requires them.

How about this one? Tourette's Syndrome Awareness Day: Uncensored. That could be quite entertaining.

Throw in a Noxious Gases Appreciation Day. We'll have a flatulence festival, wherein for an entire day, you can belch and fart in public and face no social consequences.

I'll be an integral part of the Color Blind Bomb Squad Week. They'll be some fireworks at that one.

Regardless, all of these moronic observances are a drain on our economy. My tax dollars are going to help fund these things, for crying out loud. I am realist though. I realize that I'm going to wind up paying for lots of things I disagree with during my lifetime, but I still don't have to like it.

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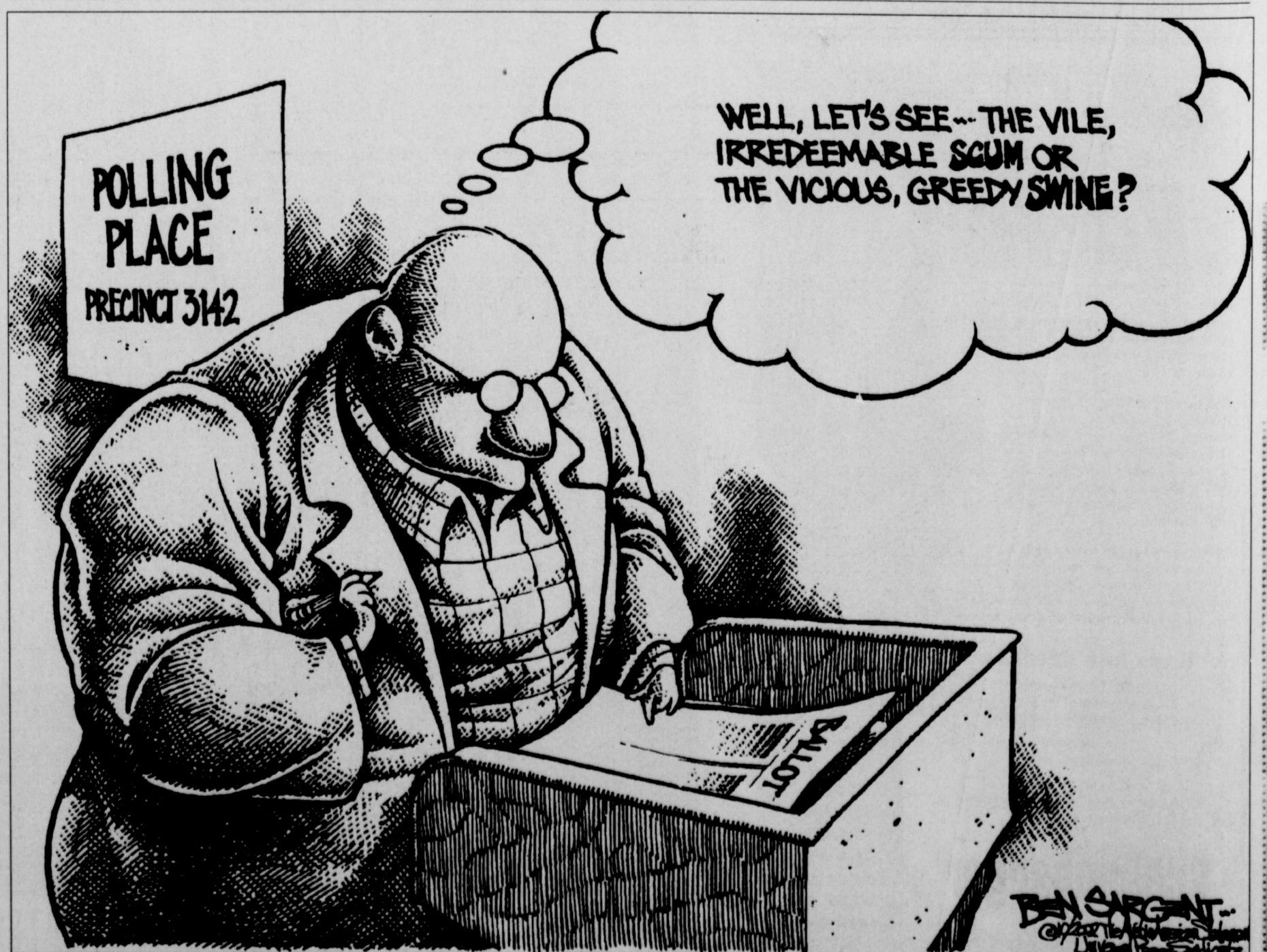
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Society presents night of Halloween fun with salsa twist

By Lynette Jubay/Staff Reporter

The Hispanic Student Society is hosting a night of salsa dancing in Halloween costumes at 9 p.m. tonight at Klusoz.

The salsa/Halloween party is open to all Tech students, and all HSS members get in free with their membership card. Admissions fee for ages 18 to 20 costs \$7 and the cover charge for those 21 and older \$5.

Salsa night is one of the society's many social events held throughout the year to raise money for the society's scholarship fund. All Texas Tech students are eligible for these scholarships, which are given out at the HSS annual awards banquet in the spring.

Miguel Lopez, a junior manage-

ment information systems major from Fresno, is the president of the HSS, he said the society wants to welcome any student to salsa night.

"(HSS) wants to make it available to any student because we don't want to penalize a person for not being a member of the HSS," Lopez said.

Lopez said the society is consider-

ing having door prizes and a Halloween costume contest.

Armando Jimenez, a senior political science major from Houston, has been a member of HSS for two years.

Jimenez said salsa night is the perfect opportunity for individuals to meet more people and learn how to salsa dance.

Jimenez said many people who attend do not know how to salsa dance, but they attend to learn how and to have fun.

"Bring your friends and get a little crazy," Jimenez said.

Micheal Gunn has been the HSS adviser for two years. He said HSS is a community service-based organization and is involved in many activities. He said there are currently about 100 paid members in the society, but a great number of non-members attend the HSS functions.

"HSS is one of the most involved organizations on campus," Gunn said.

"We do a lot for the community and students."

Gunn said HSS is a diverse group of students. He said the organization currently has members from seven different countries, all from different backgrounds and different religions.

Gunn said the organization has a lot to offer.

"If you want to have fun, learn something and make a lot of friends, join HSS," Gunn said.



'Jackass: the movie' has no delusions about what it is: juvenile-sketch comedy

It is what it is. The MTV series "Jackass" has made the leap from the small screen to the big screen with "Jackass: the movie." The only reason for doing this is to allow Knoxville and his band of misfits a chance to be raunchier, more perverse and more outlandish. The film itself is not exactly what one would call "high quality." In fact, the film simply amounts to a 90-minute episode of the TV show carrying an R-rating.

The film is comprised of many different bits, each lasting an average of about two minutes. The quality of the film is that of a home video recorder. It's not an average movie, and I suppose it could fall somewhere in the

REVIEW



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"documentary" family of films.

Not that any of this will matter to viewers.

This film is marketed directly for the demographic of males 18 to 35 years of

age. Fans of the TV series will think they have died and gone to heaven.

At the risk of alienating colleagues and losing the respect of readers, I have to admit there are scenes in the film that are an absolute howl. I laughed my "Jack-ass" off. Whether one wants to admit it or not, Knoxville and Company have hit on something here. The root of comedy is pain. Think about it: slipping on a banana peel, running into a door, a pie in the face or even a joke at someone's expense all have pain as their basis. We find pain to be very funny. It's a universal idea. "Jackass" has just taken this idea and run with it.

Which is not to say the boys don't cross a few too many lines here. Some of the film is not funny at all and some sequences, especially in the latter part of the film, are just revoltingly disgusting. In the contest of gross-out comedy that seems to be running rampant in film these days, "Jackass" is the current king of the hill. These are some of the grossest things I've ever seen, heard about or even imagined.

Some of the sequences are just ridiculously dumb. The "panda bear" sequence and the "party boy" bits were just stupid and overlong and were probably added to the movie to fill an adequate feature length film time of 90 minutes.

I have to say I was especially pleased with one aspect of the film. It would

have been too easy for filmmakers to want to make an actual "movie" revolving around the series' premise. They could have told the story of a young man named Johnny who has a group of friends that are tired of their mundane existence. So because they are so oppressed, they decide to take their angst out on the general public. That could have been a likely plot for the film to work with.

But they made the right decision.

"Jackass: the movie" has absolutely no delusions about what it is: a juvenile-sketch comedy that gets its kicks from gags dealing with excrement, wedgies, danger and excruciating pain. There is no script, there is no acting,

and there is no production value.

Part of the experience of seeing this film is being in a theater full of college guys howling and clapping at every scene in the film. And hey, I fit into that demographic, so it's OK for me to enjoy myself.

Even though I had a relatively good time watching the film, one cannot deny that on a cinematic scale, it's garbage. This is a trashy movie where some may find a guilty pleasure.

It's equivalent to backyard wrestling videos where these idiots really get hurt when they fall off a roof or something. It's funny, but it's not anywhere near good filmmaking.

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Stragglers to add to Hastings experience

By Erica Gonzales/Staff Reporter

The Lubbock community will have a chance to meet Jason Boland and the Stragglers at Hastings, located at 320 University Ave.

The country band will be signing autographs from 6 to 8 p.m. today and debuting their new CD, "Live at Billy Bob's" released in stores Tuesday.

KLLL-FM also will broadcast the performance live.

The band also will perform a few

songs from their new CD.

Jason Boland, the lead singer who is from Harrah, Okla., said his band is familiar with the Hub city.

"We've played out in Lubbock for a long time," he said. "We've played at Blue Light and Midnight Rodeo several times."

He said the band got together in the fall of '98 and released their first album in 2000. The band plays unique and fun music.

"Right now, everything is moving towards pop music, and we are not

"We all feel really blessed to get paid to play music."

— BRAD RICE
Drummer for Stragglers

about that." Brad Rice, the drummer who is

from Edmond, Ok., said the band has made appearances at a couple of hot spots for country music.

They have performed for clubs such as Adairs in Dallas and Billy Bob's in Fort Worth.

Rice said he loves playing in the band and things are only getting better.

"I'm enjoying it," he said. "We all feel really blessed to get paid to play music."

Rice said music has been a passion of his and did not pass up the oppor-

tunity to be in the band.

"It was a huge opportunity," he said. "It was something that happens once in a lifetime."

Jeremy Watkins, the fiddle player who is from Midland, is the newest addition to the band.

He said there is one sentence to describe their music.

"It's hot-rod country," he said.

Playing in a band has always been a dream of his, and he said he is grateful to be doing it as a career.

"I was raised on music and everything it stands for: doing what you want and being happy," he said.



Filmmaker looks at what goes into 'Hell House'

DALLAS (AP) — It's a recent twist on the Halloween haunted house. Some evangelical churches offer "hell houses," where dramatized AIDS deaths, botched abortions and school shootings are meant to scare visitors into seeking salvation.

A new documentary, "Hell House," looks at the phenomenon through one church, Trinity Assembly of God Church in Cedar Hill, outside Dallas, which has staged a Hell House for the past 12 Halloweens.

Director George Ratliff's movie — playing in a dozen cities this month and next — follows organizers and teenage cast members as they gleefully

prepare and put on a dramatic fire-and-brimstone sermon.

"What you're going to see in 'Hell House' is a reality check," church youth minister Tim Ferguson tells viewers at the beginning of the 85-minute film.

Teens who attend the church or an affiliated school compete intensely for roles that include a gay man dying of AIDS, a girl bleeding to death after an abortion, and a rave where a girl is raped and commits suicide with a razor blade.

Throughout the house, demons stand by to drag the sinners to hell, the tour's final destination. "Now it's time for your eternal trip," one tells a teen actor who shoots himself to death in a classroom.

At the end, visitors are given a hard-sell salvation speech and the opportunity to pray with counselors.

Such church-sponsored haunted houses around the country have drawn complaints from gay rights and abortion rights activists, and others who find them outrageous and insensitive.

Ratliff, an Amarillo native who now lives in New York, said his film, which contains no narration, lets viewers decide.

He said he was surprised at how much he liked the church members, who talk openly in the movie about their personal lives and religious views.

"These were good people. I don't agree with them theologically or spiritually, but they're good people,

they're nice, they're true to their word, they were great," Ratliff said.

"But it was difficult, too, because we really disagreed with a lot of their beliefs."

Ferguson said he had no misgivings about granting complete access to the film crew, which shot the movie over more than three months in 2000.

"We pretty much knew that if we give access to someone from the entertainment industry, they would pretty much do what they wanted to do with it," Ferguson said. "Considering the entertainment industry and what they might think about what we might do here, I thought it was more than fair."

Ratliff said he became interested in making "Hell House" after Trinity Church gained media attention for including a school shooting in its 1999 production.

"The TV crews got their Columbine footage," Ratliff said. "I was a little more interested in the theology that thought this was a good idea."

"Obviously, it would be so easy to make fun of these people, to get an easy laugh," he said of "Hell House." "What's difficult is to stay true to a course. It's a documentary of a culture. I tried to capture who they are, what they believe, how they live, and I hope it will stand the test of time. I hope people who look back at this time and wonder what the Bible Belt culture was like can pop this in."

"I'd do the same thing again," Ferguson said, "because we don't have anything to hide."

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Red Raider spikers look to tame Wildcats

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech volleyball team begins its quest to reach the NCAA Tournament tonight against the Kansas State Wildcats (8-11, 3-7 Big 12 play) who sit in second place in the conference at 7 p.m. in the United Spirit Arena.

The match marks the beginning of the second half of the conference season, and the Red Raiders are hoping to turn things around and make a run for the postseason. Tech had a number of close matches in the first half, and the team believes it could have won most of them.

Kansas State has spent much of the season in the same situations as Tech, but the Wildcats finished matches stronger and came out with better results.

Tech outside hitter Kelly Johnson said she would be the team to step up and show it could be in the same position as KSU if the Raiders had the same luck and fate as the Wildcats.

"We need to show them that's where we should be," Johnson said.



"They've been just like us this year, but we just have not finished matches. I think we should prove ourselves against K-State."

KSU started the season slowly and has clawed its way back to the top, a familiar place for the Wildcats.

Senior Melissa McGehee said if KSU can have a drastic change, Tech can.

"I'm ready to start the second half," McGehee said. "Kansas State obviously proved anything can happen. They were at the bottom of the conference, and now they are No. 2. If they can do that in half a season, I think we're fully

capable of doing that, too."

The history between the two teams has been somewhat heated as the home team won both matches last season, and KSU won the first meeting in Manhattan, Kan., in five games on Oct. 2.

The Raiders said they thought they were in position to win the match earlier in the season and that motivates the team to take this match.

"We went five games in Kansas State, and we should have won that match," McGehee said. "We lost game five 15-12, I think, and we can beat them if we show up to play and be prepared."

Tech coach Jeff Nelson said a win will give the team confidence and be an indication of what is to come.

"It would be great to start the second half with a win," Nelson said. "It's important to set the tone and play how

we want to play."

Nelson said more important than a win is playing well and directing attention to what Tech needs to do.

"We need to focus on playing good volleyball but not on the end," Nelson said. "We need to do the things we're good at and not worry about the other side of the net."

Nelson said his team has had a tendency to think about aspects of the game it should not. Moving on from them and playing Tech's style of volleyball is what the team needs to move up the standings.

"If we get a lot of confidence and get on a roll of our own, we could have a strong second half," Nelson said.

"But we have to set the tone for how we're going to play volleyball. And that's good, consistent volleyball."

Improving play may be high on Tech's list, but the team still wants to beat the Wildcats and start moving up the Big 12 standings.

"K-State is a great team to prove ourselves against," Johnson said. "It's obvious we want to win every game."

McGehee said the competitiveness of the conference makes the match tougher and a win would give Tech validation.

"No. 2 through 9 in the conference are so close, and I think it will be a good match because we are so close," McGehee said. "A win would definitely prove we belong up there (in the standings)."

GAMEDAY VOLLEYBALL

WHAT: Texas Tech Red Raiders against the Kansas State Wildcats
WHEN: 7 p.m. today

WHERE: The United Spirit Arena
RECORDS: Tech (8-11 overall, 3-7 Big 12 Conference), Kansas State (13-6 overall, 9-2 Big 12)

THIS YEAR: Kansas State beat Tech in five games on Oct. 2 in Manhattan, Kan.

LAST YEAR: The Red Raiders lost in four games in Manhattan, Kan., and won 3-1 at the United Spirit Arena when the Wildcats were ranked No. 22 in the nation.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

- Doorway part
- Nordic rugs
- Type of tiger or towel
- Operatic highlight
- Propane utterance
- Century plant
- Foot part
- Portia Delgado minerals?
- Eyed lewdly
- Olympus honcho
- Big bang letters?
- Roomy boats
- Helmut's three
- Would-be
- Simple planetarium
- Holler...thou
- Fertile soil
- Stiff bristles
- Den
- 41 Moon goddess
- Sten and Moflo
- Stet's opposite
- Arnavas
- Visualizing
- Most calm
- Aswan's river
- Raced
- CIA precursor
- Clinton Cabinet member
- Join up
- 64 Northern paradise?
- 12 Tied
- Remainder
- Uralis
- Grand-slam man of tennis
- 1996 Tony winner
- European defense assn.
- Agurges
- 72 Bills of five
- Wood and anil

DOWN

- Hoosegow
- "Rule Britannia" composer
- Common rodents
- Desert storm?
- Highway carcass
- Carl of the Sox
- The gamut
- Cut into small pieces
- Quarterbacks, at times
- 10 Past
- 11 Hair division
- 12 Tied
- 13 Remainder
- 19 New currency
- 21 Miso
- 25 Netlike cap
- 27 The Old Sod?
- 28 Map book
- 29 Alan Ladd film
- 30 "Common Sense" writer
- 31 Bill of Microsoft
- 33 Musical exercise piece
- 34 Ayn and Sally
- 35 Leavening agent
- 38 Siloppers
- 42 Slithering hissers
- 45 Hidden marksmen
- 49 Desert valley
- 51 Poetic contraction
- 53 January in Juarez
- 55 Norway capital
- 56 Did the crawl
- 57 Gopher
- 59 Port of Yemen
- 61 Brit's indignant comment
- 62 Web location
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- 65 Lair
- 66 Compass dir.

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Volleyball playoff schedules will be ready to check out Thursday @ noon on the Rec Sports web site at www.ttu.edu/recsports

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Get your running shoes on and be a part of the annual Bushwack the Bears 1 & 3 mile campus run that is scheduled to begin at 9:00 am this Saturday. The start and finish locations are at the Student Recreation Center and the race is open to all students, faculty, staff and guests since the run is on Parents Weekend.

There is no charge to run in the race though there is a \$6 t-shirt fee for those runners wanting a commemorative shirt. Entries will be accepted in the Recreational Sports Office, room 202 or the SRC, or the Fit/Well Center. Race day registration will begin at 8:00 am on Saturday, November 2.

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Special Events

- Bushwack the Bears Run
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Entries Due

- Nov. 5
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Entries Due

- Nov. 2
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INTRAMURAL INFORMATION

Indoor Soccer Tournament Recap

The fall annual indoor soccer tournament wrapped up on Friday, October 25, 2002 with Larry s BBQ being crowned as this years champion. Larry s BBQ won there 3 games with a combine total of 3 points. In the first round the BBQ roasted Kappa Sig — Green with a 5 to 4 victory. Next victim was the Pink Tacos ; Larry BBQ grilled them for dinner with another 5 to 4 victory. In the finals, Larry s BBQ went against Johnny Chimp. Johnny Chimp used to be master-griller; however, the tournament belong to Larry s BBQ. The BBQ defeated the Chimpo 4-3 in a thriller. Thanks to all the teams that participated.

D is my favorite letter



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Players from the Homegirls and Hypertension II go at it in an intramural 3 on 3 game. Over 40 teams are competing in the 3 on 3 season. In this game, the Homegirls went on to win 30-16.

Rain Dampens IM Events

West Texas rains have wreaked havoc on the Intramural Softball playoffs and Soccer schedule. With small lakes still sitting on our play areas, all outdoor sports have been moved.

Softball — Playoffs are scheduled to resume on Sunday, Nov. 3. With several delays and date shifts, please be sure to check the web for new playoff dates and times. All teams, in all brackets, have had changes so please go to the web or come into the intramural office for updated playoff brackets.

Football — After several delays, the Flag Football final games are scheduled for this evening. The Women s Open Championship game is scheduled for 7pm. Wanna Forfeit vs. Phi Lamb for the title. The winner of that game will stick around for an 8pm match-up with Greek Champion Tri Delt. The winner of that game will be the Women s Flag Football Champion.

In the Co-Rec League the Raider Championship will be decided at 7pm when Gaston meets 180 Fokie. The Co-Red Star Championship will be held at 10pm when the RoughRiders meet RUF.

The Men s Championships will see Cash Money Boys vs. Brothers for the Men s Raider Crown at 9pm. The quest for the All-University Championship will see Residence Hall Champion Booty Funkalicious meet Open, and defending All-U Champion, F.I.V. That game will take place at 8pm. The winner of that game will meet Kappa Alpha A for the All-University Crown at 9pm.

We will try to play tonight and if we still don't have dry fields we will play tomorrow. If we can't go tomorrow, we will try Friday. (If we go Friday, the first games will be at 5pm. Everything moves up two hours.)

Soccer — No soccer games have been played and new schedules have been determined. All game times will remain the same, however many of the dates will change. If you have not done so, please come into the intramural sports office and pick up a copy of the regular season schedule. If you already have your schedule, grab your copy and a pen and please note the changes.



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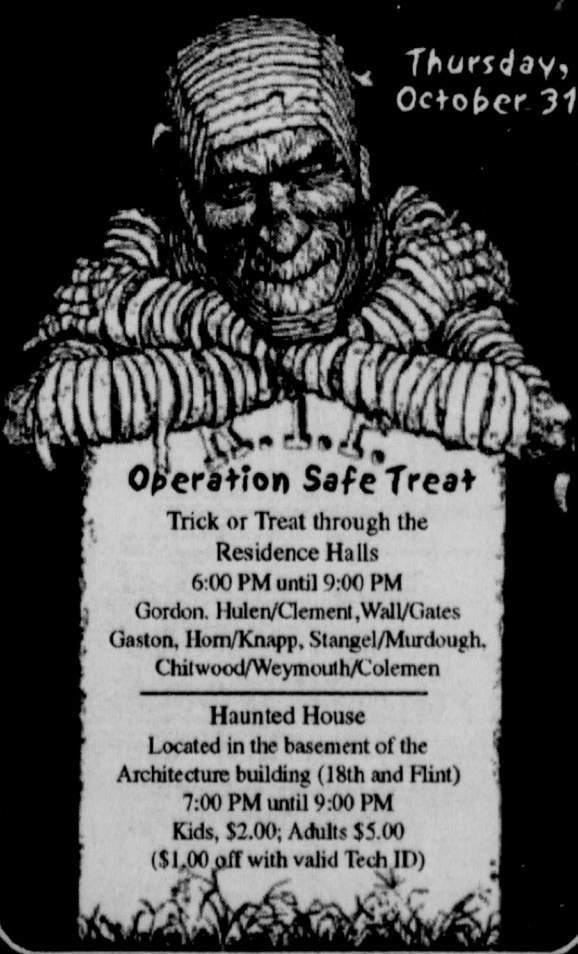
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Sun. Oct. 27	Sun. Nov. 10
Mon. Oct. 28	Mon. Nov. 11
Tue. Oct. 29	Tue. Nov. 12
Wed. Oct. 30	Wed. Nov. 13

Playoffs will start on Thursday, Nov. 14.

Volleyball Playoff Info available Thursday at WWW.TTU.EDU/RECSPTS

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Thursday, October 31



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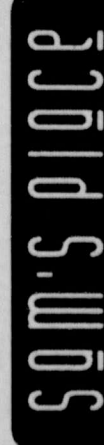


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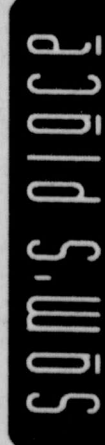


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