

A DECADE-OLD DYNASTY



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THE 1993 LADY Raider National Champions huddle together after being honored during halftime of the Lady Raider game against Baylor Saturday at the United Spirit Arena. The presentation of the Championship team was part of a 10-year anniversary celebration of the National Championship win in 1993. The celebration also included a banquet that took place after the game.

Lady Raiders prepare for season hopes by sharing laughs, court with the 1993 National Championship team

By David Wiechmann/Sports Editor

Ten years ago Texas Tech became a household name.

At the Lady Raiders game against Baylor on Saturday, Tech remembered the 1993 National Championship team.

Fans filled the United Spirit Arena for the occasion and cheered when the players were announced during halftime.

Although the reunion was 10 years in the making, it was hard for all to believe it has been a decade since Lubbockites drove through the streets honking horns with their lights on in broad daylight.

"I couldn't believe it when I got the letter that said, '10 year reunion,'" said Nikki Heath, guard on the championship team. "I'm like, 'it's been 10 years!' It's amazing how time flies."

Three-point specialist Noel Johnson said it feels more natural to still be on the court despite the time element.

"It's almost like we should be practicing," she said.

Some still do practice, serving as basketball coaches at high schools and other universities.

Many of the former national champions also share the joy of motherhood, WNBA star Sheryl Swoopes said.

During their visit, they exchanged new life stories in addition to stories from the days in the Municipal Coliseum.

"It's really great to see my teammates, and we haven't had a lot of time to catch up on things," Swoopes said. "The only difference in doing it 10 years ago and today is back then we were only basketball players and college students, and today we're moms. So instead of sharing basketball stories, we had a lot of mom stories to share."

Mom, WNBA star, teacher or coach — all the players remembered the title run like it was yesterday and what it took to cut down the nets in Atlanta.

"No one expected us to be there, and once we got there, how it was a fluke," Swoopes said. "No one knew who Texas Tech was, and they had never heard of Lubbock. For us to go in and be the underdog is probably what I remember most. We were definitely the last ones picked to win it all,

but it was very exciting, a lot of fun and definitely something I will never forget."

Swoopes said the key to winning the title was the chemistry and unity the team had. The Lady Raiders were one unit made up of many parts.

"When we were playing back in '93, we were all like a family; whether you were playing 30 minutes or five minutes it didn't really matter," she said. "Everybody wanted to win, and once we got to the Final Four, we weren't satisfied with being there. We had something we wanted to accomplish and that was to win a national championship."

Swoopes said the title was an experience unlike any other, and that stands out in her mind as her most important accomplishment, above WNBA titles and gold medals.

"Winning a national championship that year changed my entire life," she said. "If we hadn't made it there or won a national championship, I probably wouldn't be where I am right now."

Johnson said she had a gut feeling something great could happen with the team in '93, but she never thought it would have been as big as a national championship.

"I knew coming out of high school, particularly under coach (Marsha) Sharp that something special was going to happen," she said. "Now to this magnitude, I don't think I could have imagined that."

It may have been difficult to envision a title in '93, but the former Lady Raiders set the table for those who followed into the USA and created something known in the sporting world as a powerhouse.

"I couldn't have envisioned what would happen when that buzzer went off at the national championship game," Johnson said. "I would have never known, coming from a small town, this (arena) would happen because of that. It's kind of a trickle-down effect."

With the impact the championship had on the Lubbock area and the Lady Raider program, the team has continued to strive for the excellence it achieved in '93.



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SHERYL SWOOPES, A WNBA player for the Houston Comets, and Krista Kirkland, a teacher in Herford, have a laugh together as they address the crowd during the halftime ceremony in honor of the 10-year anniversary of the 1993 Lady Raider National Championship. Swoopes and Kirkland played together on that 1993 team.

"It's a dynasty," Johnson said. "It's one that you want to be a part of as a basketball player, and it's one that you're going to fear as an opponent. That's a dynasty, and that's what coach Sharp has made here: tradition and excellence."

Heath said one championship can open the door for many more, and in '93, the Lady Raider program becomes a contender every season because of what she and her teammates accomplished. She also said this year's team has a shot at winning it all again.

"There are so many great players here this year, and they have so much potential," Heath said. "It's possible to get back to the national championship because of the talent they have here."

The banquet following Saturday's game allowed the current Lady Raiders to meet some of the players they looked up to as children and who possibly influenced them in coming to Tech.

Meeting a champion face-to-face put a glimmer in a lot of the players' eyes and

brought thoughts of similar accomplishments, as well.

"It was a really special event," freshman guard Erin Grant said. "I really enjoyed getting to see how happy they were and getting to hear their stories about winning the championship. You kind of want to have that same feeling for yourself, and that really motivates us to win the Big 12 and approach it like we can win it all."

Sharp said she felt inspired by the reunion of the championship team and hopes the current team will follow their legacy.

"I know I was motivated," Sharp said. "I loved listening to them talk about what they thought was so special about that run. They made me want to try and go do it again, and I hope some of our players felt that same way about it."

The reunion and the motivation could not have come at a more opportune time, as this season recognizes a decade-old Championship and looks for another at the Women's Final Four — again in Atlanta.

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Red Raider Sports Update

Raiders blow out Clemson

The Texas Tech Red Raiders forged into unfamiliar territory with a 55-15 beating of the Clemson Tigers Dec. 23 at the Mazda Tangerine Bowl.

The bowl victory was Tech's first since the 1995 win over Air Force in the Copper Bowl. The win also was Tech's largest margin of victory in a bowl game and tied the Tech record for points scored in a bowl game.

Tech was led by quarterback Kliff Kingsbury, who played his last game in a Tech uniform. Kingsbury threw for 375 yards and three touchdowns in the game, which brought his season totals to 5,017 yards and 44 touchdowns. Kingsbury is one of only three college quarterbacks



to throw for 5,000 yards.

Breaking the 5,000-yard mark gave Kingsbury an opportunity to speak about the abilities of the Raider offense.

"Five thousand yards: That's a big number," Kingsbury said. "That shows how well our offense played this season."

Kingsbury threw touchdown passes to receivers Nehemiah

Glover, Mickey Peters and Wes Welker. Carlos Francis, the other starting Tech receiver, and running back Taurean Henderson scored off passes from backup quarterback B.J. Symons. Henderson also scored on a 10-yard run.

Kingsbury's good fortune continued into 2003, when it was announced the quarterback would be honored with the Sammy Baugh trophy, which is given annually by the Touchdown Club of Columbus to the nation's top quarterback.

Joining Kingsbury in the postseason awards department was head coach Mike Leach, who was honored by the "Sporting News" as the Big 12 Conference Coach of the Year.

Lady Raiders add 10 wins, rookie honors

The Texas Tech Lady Raiders continued to come out on the victorious end of their games during the holiday break. Tech played 10 games and finished them blemish-free.

Tech's latest two wins came in Big 12 Conference action as the Lady Raiders defeated Baylor 62-48 in the United Spirit Arena on Saturday. Prior to that match-up, Tech beat the Texas A&M Aggies 77-54 in College Station.

Tech beat teams from across the country and traveled to Hawaii to play in the Ala Moana Hotel Paradise Classic, which the Raiders won. In the tournament, Tech held off Tennessee-Chattanooga and Hawaii.

Before visiting Waikiki, Tech made a stop in Wyoming and won 84-64. Oregon State lost in Lubbock 67-51. Southern Mississippi and Rice both lost at the hands of Tech 86-62 and 70-66, respectively.

Big East power Rutgers came to Lubbock and lost 94-81. Tech's largest win of the break came to Pacific. The Tigers fell 76-45.

Tech's two leading scorers, Jia Perkins and Plenette Pierson, both played major roles in the victories, but two other Lady Raiders contributed and became leading scorers for the first time this season.

Center Cisti Greenwalt led the way against Wyoming with 26 points and eight blocks. Greenwalt also was high scorer against Southern Miss with 21. Against Baylor, freshman forward LaToya Davis scored 15 points with 15 rebounds en route to a win. The double-double earned her Big 12 Rookie of the Week honors. Pierson led the team in scoring all other seven games, including a career high 31 against Rutgers.

Tech will continue conference play tonight at 7 p.m. at Oklahoma.

Johnson named to All-Region

The Texas Tech volleyball team may not have reached the postseason, but one Red Raider did not go without postseason recognition.

Sophomore outside hitter Kelly Johnson led the accolades

by being selected to the AVCA All-Central Region First Team.

Johnson led the conference in kills, kills per game and service aces per game.

She also was selected to the All-Big 12 First Team.

Johnson finished the year with 519 kills and set three school records: kills in a match and twice set most kills in a three-game match.

The Texas Tech men's basketball team lost its first Big 12 Conference game of the season to Kansas State on Saturday to drop its record to a 5-2 clip during the winter holiday break.

The 68-44 loss was in the conference opener for both teams, and it snapped a four game Red Raider winning streak. In the game, Tech coach Bob Knight received his first technical foul since he began coaching at Tech.

Tech is now 10-2 overall and 0-

1 in conference action.

Tech started the break the same way it ended it by losing to Wyoming 67-62 on the road Dec. 14.

The Raiders rebounded with four consecutive wins beginning with two home victories against New Mexico (98-71) Dec. 18 and New Mexico State (85-84) Dec. 21. Tech followed the two home wins with a 99-89 victory on the road against Minnesota on Dec. 28 and a 62-48 victory against Houston on New Year's Day



at the United Spirit Arena.

Tech's final win during the break was a 75-63 road victory against the San Diego State Aztecs on Jan. 6.

Individually, Tech has been led offensively by guard Andre Emmett and forward Kasib Powell. The pair combined to score 40 points per game during the winter break.

Tech will see its next action when the Raiders face the Baylor Bears at 11:05 a.m. Saturday in the United Spirit Arena.

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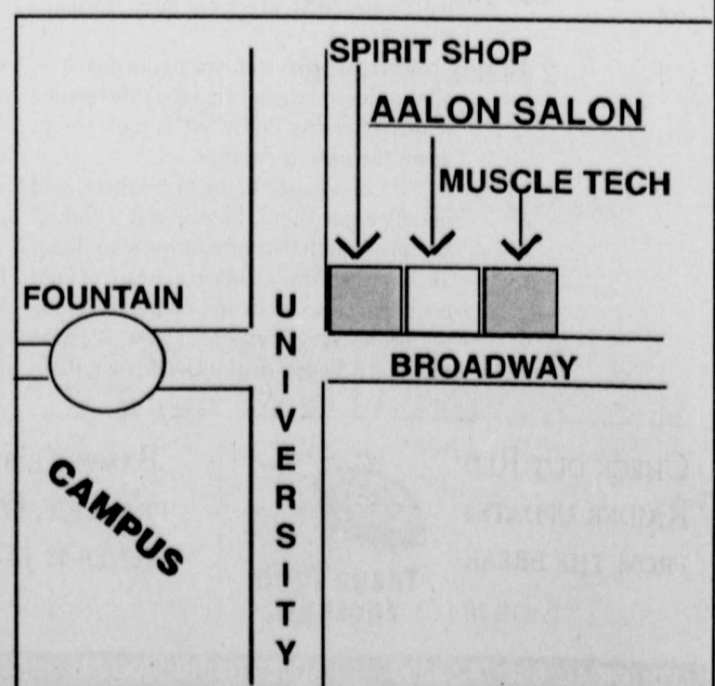
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Tech looks to end OU's streak

By David Wiechmann/Sports Editor

Settlers first traveled there to find new opportunities, but the last three times the No. 7 Lady Raiders have faced No. 23 Oklahoma they have not received a warm welcome.

Texas Tech has not defeated the Sooners in Norman, Okla., since 1999, and the Lady Raiders would like nothing more than to end their five-game losing streak to the Sooners.

"We want to be 3-0 (in conference play)," Cisti Greenwalt said.

The last two seasons have been particularly difficult for Tech against Oklahoma. The last five meetings have gone to the Sooners, and the smallest margin of victory was 10 points in that span.

The Lady Raiders are not letting that get to them and are instead focusing on the task at hand: beating OU for the first time in three years.

"We haven't beat them in the last (five) times we played them," Greenwalt said. "Going into this game is real exciting, and we're really going to play hard, and we're looking forward to it."

To do so, Tech knows it will have to shut down the Sooners' transition and fast break offense while trying to maintain its own.

"The strength of their team is certainly going the other direction," Tech coach Marsha Sharp said. "They get out in those passing lanes and try to turn their defense into instant offense."

That approach is much like the one Tech brings to the hard court every night, but Greenwalt said the game should not be a running match.

"We've been working on pushing the ball up the floor, and (Sharp) doesn't think they can hang with us, so that's what we're going to do is run the floor all night long," she said. "I don't know if we'll run the entire time, but we're going to try to slow their end of it down."

Sharp said despite losing three of their superstars from last season, Oklahoma is still a force to be reckoned with. Plus, Big 12 action is always tough.

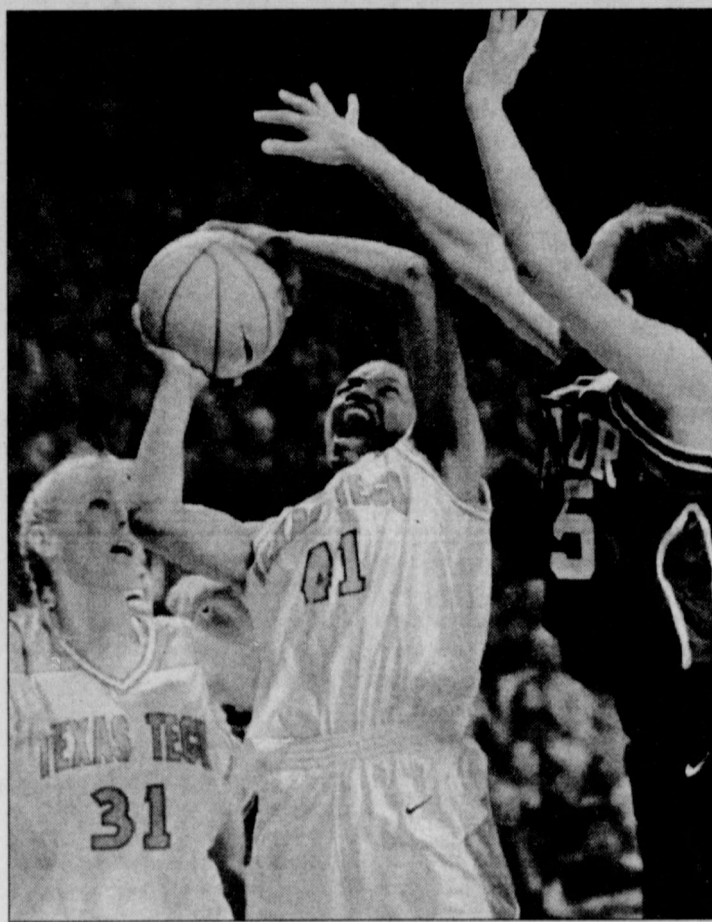
"They have a really good program, and any time you go on the road in the Big 12, it's scary," Sharp said. "I think there are some areas where we're stronger; obviously there are some things that we'll have to defend that they do really well. We'll see if we can hopefully take some things away from them and go to our strengths and have a chance to get a road win."

An area of the game Sharp and the team think they are ahead of the Sooners is inside, underneath the basket at the post position. Penette Pierson and Greenwalt should prove to be big pieces of the puzzle.

"I think we're stronger in the post area than they are," Greenwalt said. "We talked about getting the ball inside, and they're probably going to double team Penette."

Guard Jia Perkins said by pushing the ball into the paint, it should open up the rest of the offense by forcing Oklahoma to defend Pierson and Greenwalt every time down the floor.

"We'll definitely want to get Penette and Cisti some looks just to see how they handle it," Perkins said.



JAIME TOMÁS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer
DURING THE LADY Raiders' 62-48 win over Baylor Saturday LaToya Davis goes up for a basket. Davis posted her first career double-double.

"I don't know if they can guard Penette very well or they double team them. We'll have to be great at reading the defense. We'll just have to get in there early to see how they defend it."

Sharp said if Tech can convince Oklahoma the Lady Raiders will want to take the ball inside, it will get the Sooners thinking about it and open

doors for other players to score.

"Our inside play should be stronger than theirs," Sharp said. "We're a little bit bigger, and I think we're more athletic. That's something we have to take advantage of. Even if we don't score there, we're going to have to make them defend it so we can get some good looks outside."

Parcells adding to staff

IRVING, Texas (AP) - David Lee was hired as an offensive assistant Tuesday and strength and conditioning coach Joe Juraszek was retained by new Dallas Cowboys coach Bill Parcells.

Lee has been a college coach for 27 seasons, the past two as quarter-

backs coach at Arkansas. He was head coach at Texas-El Paso from 1989-93 and served as an assistant at Rice, Mississippi, Vanderbilt and Tennessee-Martin.

Parcells, who was hired Jan. 2, has retained five assistant coaches from former coach Dave Campo's staff.

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NCAA addresses lack of minority coaches

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Addressing the glaring lack of minorities in college football head coaching jobs, the NCAA plans to establish two new development programs.

The NCAA Division I board of directors approved funding Monday for a "coaches' academy" and a men-

tor program. Only four blacks are among the 117 head coaches in Division I-A football, and there have been just 18 black coaches to head major college football programs.

"The board approved going forward with the idea of an NCAA

coaches academy that would be designed to create workshops for ethnic minority football coaches at all levels and in all divisions," said Bob Hemenway, University of Kansas chancellor and chairman of the Division I board of directors.

"We've had discussions with, and

look forward to working with the American Football Coaches Association and the Black Coaches Association on this coaching academy. There is similar interest in those organizations in increasing the number of minority football coaches in this country. We think it's a serious matter."

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Red Raider baseball ready with full roster

By Jason Lenz/Staff Reporter

Baseballs, bats, breezes and blue skies mean it is almost springtime, and baseball season is approaching fast.

The Texas Tech Red Raiders are gearing up for their first season out from under the shadow of probation.

Since 1999, the Raiders have played with three fewer scholarships than their usual allotment as a result of an NCAA probation imposed on Tech's Athletics Department.

Tech returns only two starters from last year's defense: senior outfielder Scooter Jordan and sophomore outfielder Madison Edwards. Jordan said he sees a team this year that has more depth than it has in the past, in part because of the end of probation.

"We were able to bring in a lot more guys," Jordan said. "Our pitching depth is good. That's going to be one of our strong points. Having more money is always a good thing."

Jordan said the team Tech has fielded this year may be too talented.

"As far as the infield goes, we've got so many guys," he said. "I'd hate to be the coach."

Larry Hays is entering his 17th season as Tech's skipper. He said he is ready to put the probationary past behind him and move on.

"We don't have as much power as we did last year.

Manufacturing runs is what we're going to do this year."

— **NATHAN FOUTS**
SENIOR RED RAIDER
PITCHER

"We forgot about it," he said. "It was something we had to deal with at the time. Now we're dealing with this year's problems, and we've forgot about the past."

Tech will return all three starting pitchers this season: seniors Nathan Fouts and Dusty Buck and junior Steve Gooch. Like a secretary's stapler, typewriter and telephone, Hays said the three starters will be part and parcel of the team's success this season.

"That's a key for us," he said. "Those three guys have got to step up

and pitch like they had experience and success last year."

One daunting task will be the replacement of last year's marquee closer Steve Rowe, who went 10-2, notched eight saves and finished with a 1.51 ERA. Hays said he is still unsure of who will fill that role this season, but several candidates are in the running.

This year, the Raiders have a slew of newcomers vying for playing time. One of those newcomers is junior Josh Haney, a transfer from Midland Junior College. He said he is looking forward to playing under coach Hays.

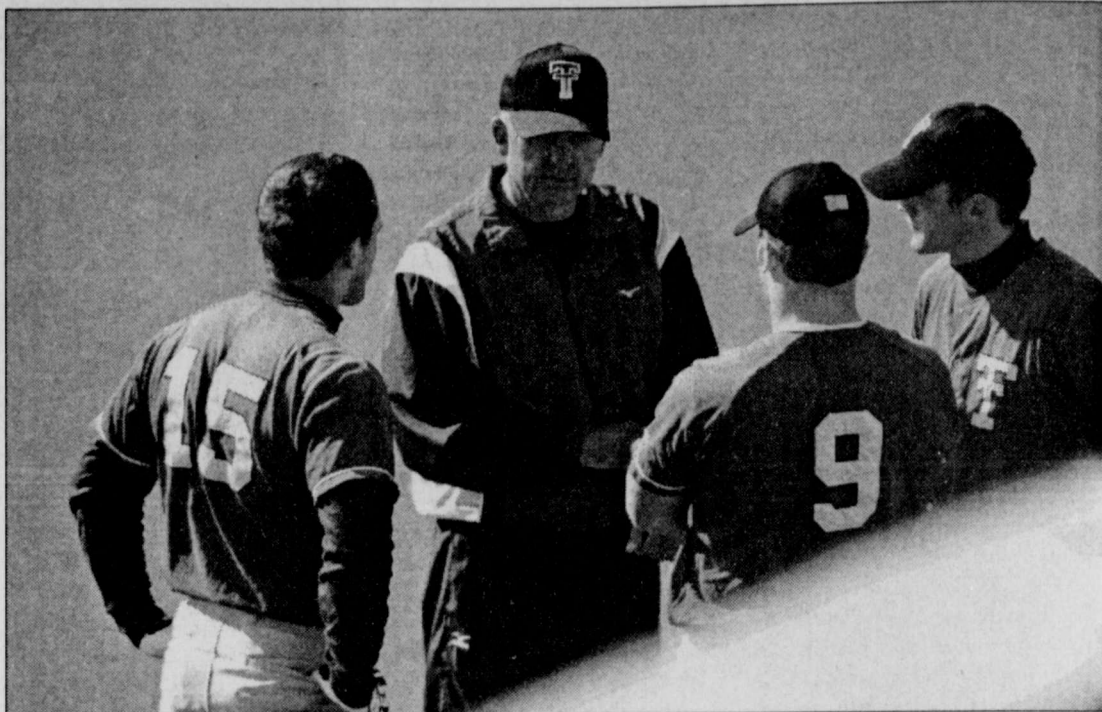
"(I want) to live up to the normal expectations," he said. "(Hays) is a legend. It's been my dream to come up here and play for him."

Fouts said he is anxious to start a probation-free season. He said he expects the added depth to make things easier for pitchers such as himself.

"Since probation is gone, we've got a whole new infield," he said. "We've got players where they want to play and where they can play well. That just takes pressure off the pitchers."

Offensively, Fouts said, Tech is going to change its strategy. He said he expects to see more bunting, stealing and hit-and-run situations to get base runners in scoring position.

"We don't have as much power as



GREG KRELLER/Staff Photographer
TEXAS TECH BASEBALL coach Larry Hays instructs players during a Tuesday afternoon practice at Dan Law Field. The Red Raider season opener is Jan. 31.

we did last year," Fouts said. "Manufacturing runs is what we're going to do this year."

Last season, the Raiders made it as far as the NCAA Regional Tournament. This year, players said they want to go even further, especially for seniors like Jordan.

"Our goal should be 40 wins," Jordan said. "We want a chance to go past the regional tournament. I think that's a pretty good goal as a team."

Hays said the team is talented but still relatively new to the environment

of collegiate baseball. The team is going to have to find its identity, and it may require time and patience.

"It's going to take us a while to figure out who we are," Hays said. "It's going to take patience, which I don't know if I have."

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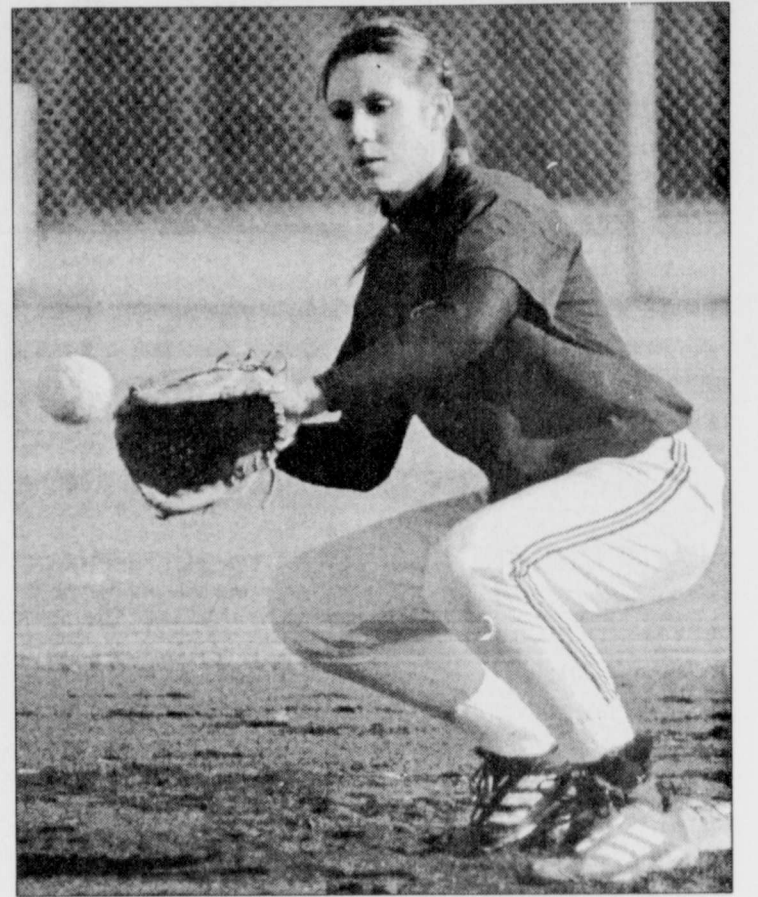
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Softball team moving on



JENNA HANSEN/Staff Photographer
SHORTSTOP KRISTI ROBLES catches the ball during practice on Tuesday afternoon. Tech will open their season Jan. 31 in Corpus Christi.

By Kyle Clark/Staff Reporter

Vacation time did not get in the way of a successful preparation for the Texas Tech softball team.

After the holiday break, coach Bobby Reeves said the players had returned to practice in shape and prepared for this season.

"It looked like they did some things over the break to get ready," Reeves said. "It didn't look like they had been just sitting on the couch, eating potato chips and watching movies."

Practices and bating Monday for the team to prepare for its first game against Corpus Christi A&M on Jan. 31.

Reeves said after a fall workout period that, at times, became monotonous, the team will be excited to get back to playing games.

Aside from being excited about getting on the field again, the team will be seeking to improve last season's 13-39 record.

Reeves said while the team focuses only on the positive, last season still

is in the back of the minds of the Red Raiders.

"It's a hidden motivating factor," Reeves said. "We don't talk about last year. We try to stay on the positive side of things, but it stays in the back of our heads."

The Raiders went only 2-16 in conference last season, but the Tech players are sure this season will be better.

Returning third baseman Andrea Joachims said more experience and a closer team than last year's would help them and said the team wants to prove itself.

"We are a lot more motivated this season," Joachims said. "We want to show everybody that we're a good team."

Leadership also was a key word at practice, and the Tech players expressed the role of better leadership this season.

Shortstop Kristi Robles, who had a .278 batting average last season, said leadership has been a major factor already this year.

"We have a lot of positive leader-

ship on this team," Robles said. "Everybody is ready for this season."

When leadership was mentioned to Reeves, he talked about how Robles was a leader on the field through her performance.

"She fields most of the balls at shortstop, and she leads by example," Reeves said. "When everyone sees her busting her tail and diving for balls in practice, it just trickles down."

One final factor that was a buzz word around practice and major topic of discussion for Reeves was pitching.

Reeves said pitching would be key to this season's results, as many games would be low scoring affairs.

"In softball, pitching is it," Reeves said. "A lot of games are 2-1 or 3-1. If you have a pitcher who has an ERA of two or below, then you can score three or four runs and win. It's not always that hard to score three or four runs, but sometimes it's impossible to score five or six runs."

On the mound, the Raiders return Amie Stines and Kristina Blair. Blair

won six games last season and led the team with a 3.67 ERA. Stines added two wins and had a 4.89 ERA.

Last season, Tech had three freshman pitchers, and Reeves said they had much to learn when they arrived at Tech.

"If I had a dollar for every time a freshman pitcher said 'I had no idea,'" Reeves said. "They had to learn how to pitch. They came out of high school with strong arms, but in college everyone can hit. If you make a mistake, they're going to hit it. They just had to learn how to pitch."

Tech will play against NCAA champ California in the UNLV tournament Feb. 14.

Robles expressed excitement about playing Cal, having played for the Golden Bears before coming to Tech.

"We just have to play our best, and anything can happen," Robles said. "In softball, any team can beat any other team on any day. I don't know if (my teammates) really know how good we are, but once we win a few games they'll realize it."

Top seeds struggle down under

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Serena Williams knew how close she came to a round exit at the Australian Open.

"I think I was a bit lucky to pull that through," Williams said. "I think it was a little bit of the nerves. I had never lost in the first round of a Grand Slam."

She survived a second-set tiebreaker and went on to beat 56th-ranked Emilie Loit of France 3-6, 7-6 (5), 7-5 Tuesday.

No. 1 Lleyton Hewitt was not out to four sets in his opening round match arguing close line calls.

In the fourth set, Magnus Larsson pounded Hewitt with unplayable forehands, frustrating the young Australian, forcing errors and winning it — with his 18th forehand winner — in a tiebreaker.

Hewitt, who breezed through the first set in 28 minutes and dropped serve only once throughout, won in 37 minutes, 13 minutes with a backhand down the line.

No Australian has won this Grand Slam since 1976, and Hewitt has never gone beyond the fourth round. He went out in the first round last year, weakened by chickenpox.

"I'm feeling a lot of relief after last year," said Hewitt, the reigning Wimbledon champion. "I think the sour taste that was left after last year, I could come out here and get rid of it. I'm going to get better from here."

He had 46 winners and 36 unforced errors, while Larsson produced 41 winners and 61 unforced errors.

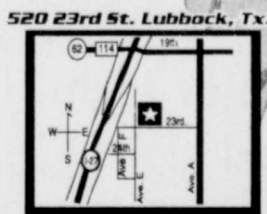
Andy Roddick held on for a 6-7 (9), 6-2, 7-6 (0) 6-3 over Zeljko Krajan of Croatia. Roddick led 4-1 in the first set before losing it and trailed 1-4 in the third before winning that set.

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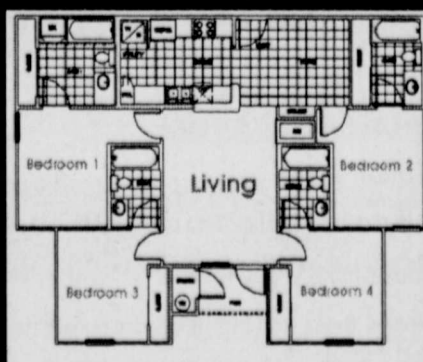
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A BAND FINALE

A last-minute donation helps the Goin' Band finish their marching season at the Mazda Tangerine Bowl

By Sara Schroeder/Staff Reporter

'Twas two weeks before Christmas and all through Raiderland, visions of the Bowl game drifted away from the Goin' Band. Funding was short and timing as well; it seemed as if the band had to say its farewell. All of a sudden, there arose such a matter; it was as if all the dreams of the band wouldn't come to a shatter. A humble, kind man donated to the band, so one and all could travel across the land.

His name is Mat Howard, owner of Presort Mail, and with his \$250,000 donation, the entire Goin' Band from Raiderland attended the Tangerine Bowl on Dec. 23 in Orlando, Fla.

It all started with the surprise that the Red Raiders would not be going to Houston for a bowl game. Garry Owens, department chairperson of the School of Music, said he was as surprised as anyone.

"We thought all along we'd be going to Houston," he said. "But Orlando is a nice place to go."

After the surprise of going to the Tangerine Bowl, there came another. Funding would not cover the entire band to go to Florida, and time was running short.

Anna McGregor, development officer for the College of Arts and Sci-

ences, was asked for assistance.

She, in turn, contacted Howard, and together they began to look for donations.

"The whole band should be there," she said.

Many agreed. Local donations were made from banks and United Super Markets, but since it was the end of the fiscal year for most businesses, the money was coming up short.

"We tried to raise the money," he said. "But it was difficult, and we had a short time frame."

That's when Howard rose to the occasion. He decided to donate the money for the band to attend the Tangerine Bowl.

"This was an all-or-none situation," he said. "This was for the kids more than anything."

Howard said he believes people should give back to those who give, and his generosity proved the good spirits of Christmas have not gone away.

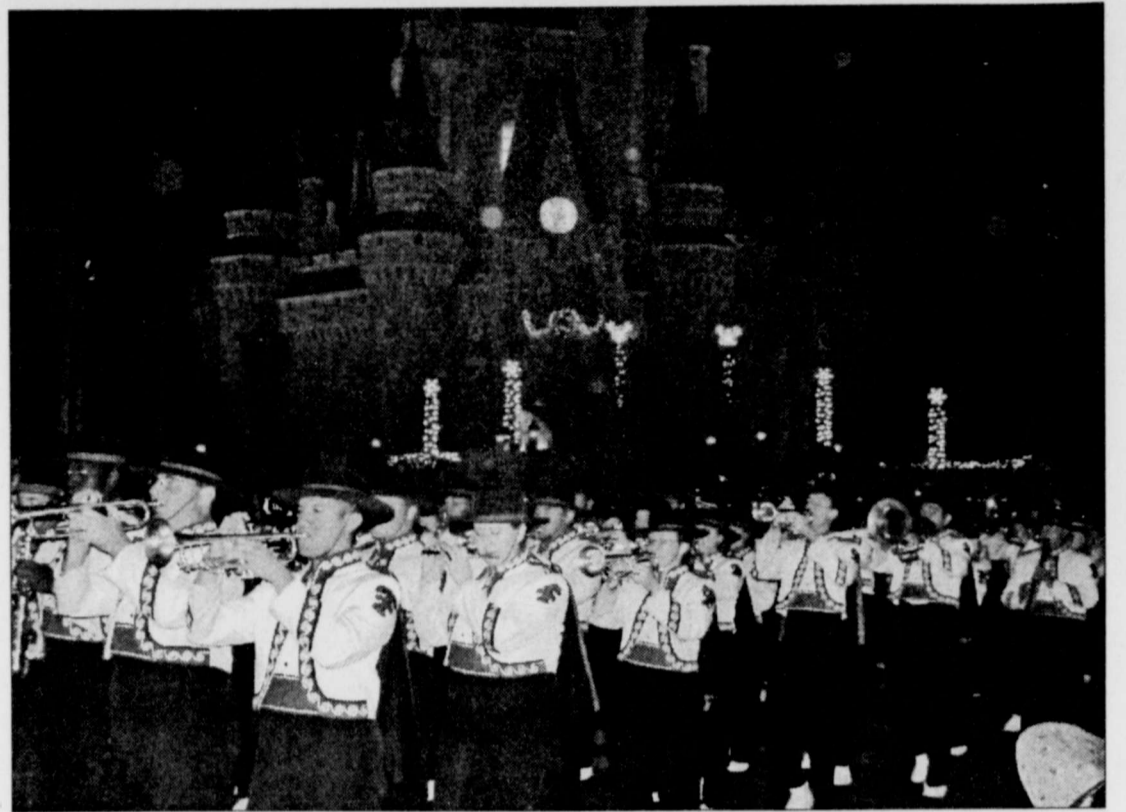
"I always said, 'Give back to those who gave to you,'" Howard said. "Like a pay-it-forward concept."

His reason for donating the money was simple.

"Sometimes in life you do things; not because you have to but because you want to," he said. "Some people have lost touch with what Christmas and Santa are all about — Do things for others, especially around Christmas."

Howard said the band is "like a family situation," and it's important to show dedication and finish the job.

Although everyone had to come from different places to meet and fly to Florida, Keith Bearden, director of the



THE GOIN' BAND from Raiderland marches in the Twilight Parade at Walt Disney's Magic Kingdom in Orlando, Fla., during their trip to the Mazda Tangerine Bowl during the holiday break.

marching band, said he believed it was necessary for the entire band to go.

"The least we could do was find everyone," he said.

McGregor praised the gift.

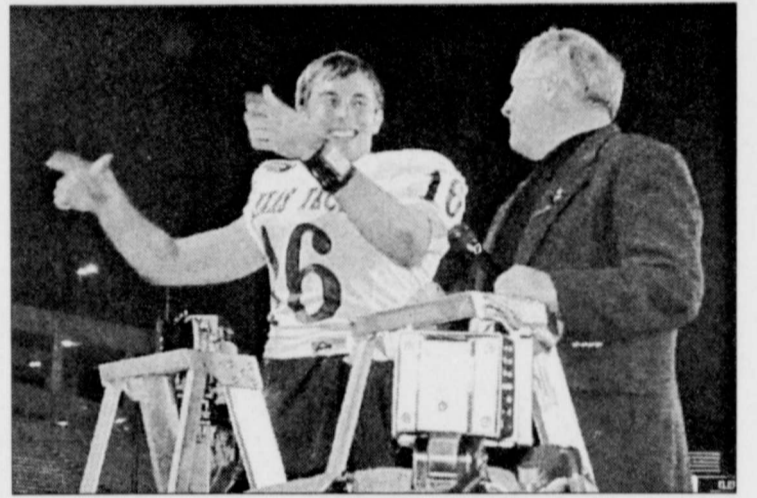
"(Howard) is an ideal and humble individual," she said. "He rose to the occasion and made the trip more meaningful."

Jason Darling, a third year architecture/business major from Flower Mound, was glad to have all his friends and fellow band members together.

"I was a lot happier everyone got to go," he said. "Lots of people were happy this could be put together."

Howard and wife Karen joined the Goin' Band in Florida, who was appreciated by the football team. Owens said the band and the team "have a respect for each other."

Howard and his wife, who met as members of the Goin' Band, remained



TEXAS TECH QUARTERBACK Kliff Kingsbury assists Goin' Band director Keith Bearden in directing the band after the bowl victory.

in true Christmas spirits with their donation.

"This was a once-in-a-lifetime chance for the kids," Howard said. "It was something we felt we should do for them."

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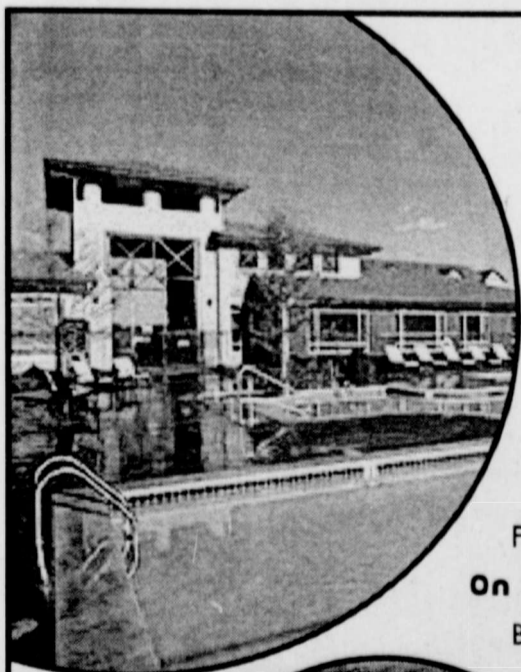
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MTV looking for 'Real' Spring Breakers

Tech among 11 universities targeted for casting call

By Harvey Mireles/Staff Reporter

This will be a true story of a dozen strangers picked to live in a house and have their lives taped for 10 days.

After this Spring Break, the lives of those 12 college students may never be the same.

Texas Tech students have a chance to be among those chosen for "Spring Break: The Movie" by attending a casting call between the hours of 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. today at Bleacher's Sports Café.

Bunim/ Murray Productions, responsible for pop culture hits such as MTV's "The Real World" and "Road Rules," and production/finance company FilmEngine have partnered to produce a new motion picture to be released by New Line Cinema.

The film will document the lives of 12 college students as they live in a house together and spend Spring Break in Cancun, Mexico.

The Hub City is one of only 11 cities selected from across the United States to take part in the audition process. Lubbock is the only city selected in the Lone Star State.

Other campuses involved include the University of Oklahoma, the University of Arizona and Washington State University.

Danielle Ghilardi, the casting coordinator of the project, said she has been busily setting up the venues and getting information about casting since the project was approved in December.

"30-year-olds will find the idea revealing, and 15-year-olds will be admiring," she said. "This is the way that Spring Break is."

Ghilardi said she believes the locations selected for the casting calls

"We are looking for people who can't help but be themselves ... that you can get to know quickly."

— MICHELLE MILLARD
CASTING DIRECTOR

will open the public to new areas as well as cover many of the nation's different regions.

"As far as towns, we've got word out to anything right near Lubbock," she said. "The main thing is, we are trying to get people from places that have the same week of Spring Break scheduled with the time frame we are planning to start shooting."

Ghilardi said those in charge of casting want people who bring good stories, are able to interact well with the camera and are able to develop relationships well with new people.

"This time around will be a little different," she said.

Ghilardi said she does not want this to be like "Road Rules" in Cancun.

"There will already be something going on with some of the cast members," she said. "We're looking for exciting and energetic people who are between the ages 18 and 22. It's just important to be yourself."

Stephen Blackehart, associate casting director for the Spring Break movie, has been scanning all over Lubbock since Monday to publicize

the upcoming casting call.

"We are responsible for producing other shows like 'Making the Band' and 'Love Cruise,' but this one will be a little bit different," Blackehart said. "This movie will have similarities with the others, but we plan on bringing the cast members down in pairs."

He said he believes those who make the final cast will form a dynamic group and hopes each member will make the experience memorable, aside from the inevitable partying.

"Hopefully, each will have something they will want to discover about themselves or with the people that they will be with on the trip," he said. "Something they can find out when they're taken out of their regular lives."

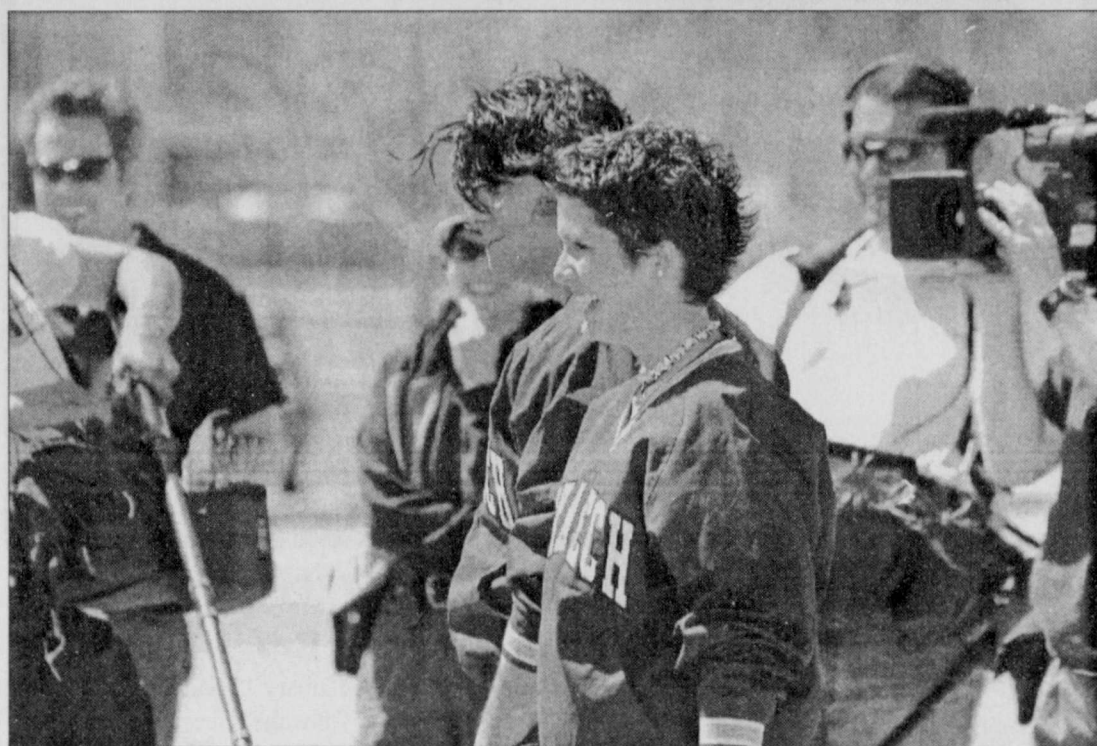
Blackehart said Bunim/ Murray Productions has cast out of Lubbock on four or five other occasions.

"We've been happy with the quality of people here and around the area," he said. "Most of the people we've talked to have not been afraid to talk about themselves on a personal level."

Michelle Millard, casting director for the project, also has been traveling throughout the country trying to find potential cast members.

She said the movie will be considered groundbreaking.

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"This is the first time you'll be able to see a reality movie," she said. "It's very much not a booze cruise."

She said there is a reason as to why the casting directors are planning on casting pairs or groups of friends, as opposed to the usual casting of groups of strangers.

"We are definitely going to target groups of people rather than casting individuals," she said. "We want this to

be more of an 'American Pie' experience rather than a 'Girls Gone Wild.'" Millard said she believes one of the most difficult aspects for those selected is getting used to the cameras.

"We are looking for people who can't help but be themselves and people that you can get to know quickly," she said. "They have to be able to be revealed in a 10-day experience. They have to be able to speak

how they feel and feel natural around a camera."

She said the biggest challenge has been trying to get word out about the casting call during the holiday season.

"It's a huge process," she said. "We'll be out there all day, but the earlier people arrive, the better."

The tentatively titled project, "Spring Break: The Movie," is to be released this summer.

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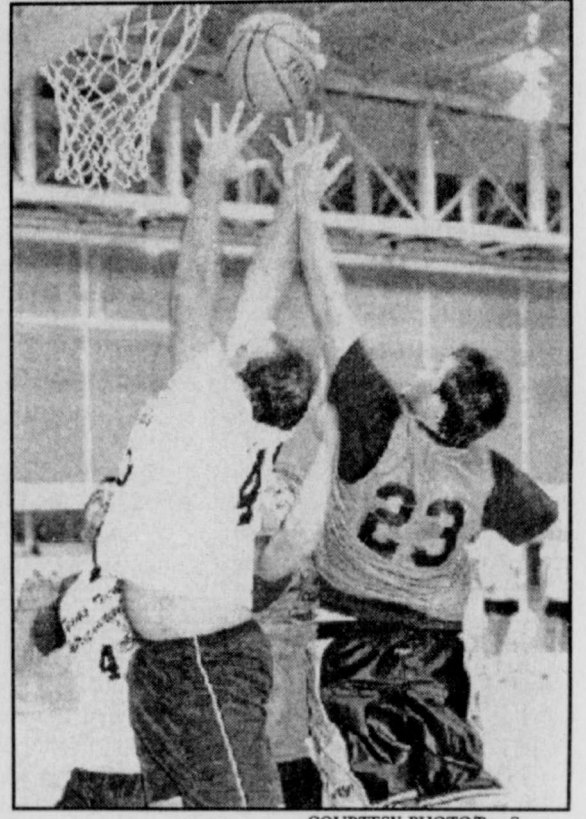
INTRAMURAL INFORMATION

Basketball Entries Due Next Week

It is time to start thinking about hitting the hardwood for intramural basketball season. Entries for basketball will begin on Tuesday, January 21 through Thursday, January 23. There will be around 300 teams competing for titles in Men's, Women's and Co-Rec Divisions. Captains should bring their team rosters (with student ID numbers) and a \$30 refundable forfeit fee to sign up. Captains will be able to instant schedule, that is, pick their night and time of play. However spaces are filled on a first-come-first-served basis so get in early on Tuesday for prime days and times!

Championship games are once again planned for the United Spirit Arena. Back to defend their titles will be Last Run — Mens Open and All-University Champions and Pi Phi the Greek Women and All-University Champions. The Apaches are the reigning champs in Co-Rec. Bledsoe Bearcats will try and repeat as Residence Hall Champions and Phi Delta Theta currently reigns as the Greek Champs.

Organize your teams and join in the excitement of intramural basketball. Get in early if you need a particular day or time but don't forget that next Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday is the sign up period. Actual play will begin on January 30 at the Student Recreation Center. Whether you are ready to compete for the title or just enjoy the game there are leagues for you. Join in the action of intramural basketball!



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Hoop it Up! Intramural basketball players battle for a rebound during a game from last year. Sign-ups for the new season of men's women's and co-rec basketball begin next Tuesday in room 203 of the Student Rec Center.

Basketball Officials Meeting Thursday Night!!

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Nationally renowned hypnotist, Tom DeLuca, will again perform his evening of suggestion and hypnosis beginning at 9:00 PM. In addition everyone attending will have an opportunity to have their name drawn for a chance to shoot and win a HUMMER from Scoggin-Dickey as part of the Scoggin-Dickey Basketball Shootout.



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TechWell: An Interactive Wellness Fair will be on Wednesday, January 22 from 3:30 - 6:00 pm in the SRC. All faculty, staff and students are invited to come and test their wellness knowledge at some of the booths. Each booth will have some type of short activity, test, questionnaire or contest for all participants. No Student Recreation Center membership is required to participate in the Fair. For questions or more information, contact 742-3828 or 742-3351.



Weight Watchers

The weigh in is at 6:30 pm and the meeting begins at 7:00 pm in the SRC Rm 206, beginning Thursday, Jan 16. It is \$9 for students and \$11 for all others. Rec Center membership is not required.

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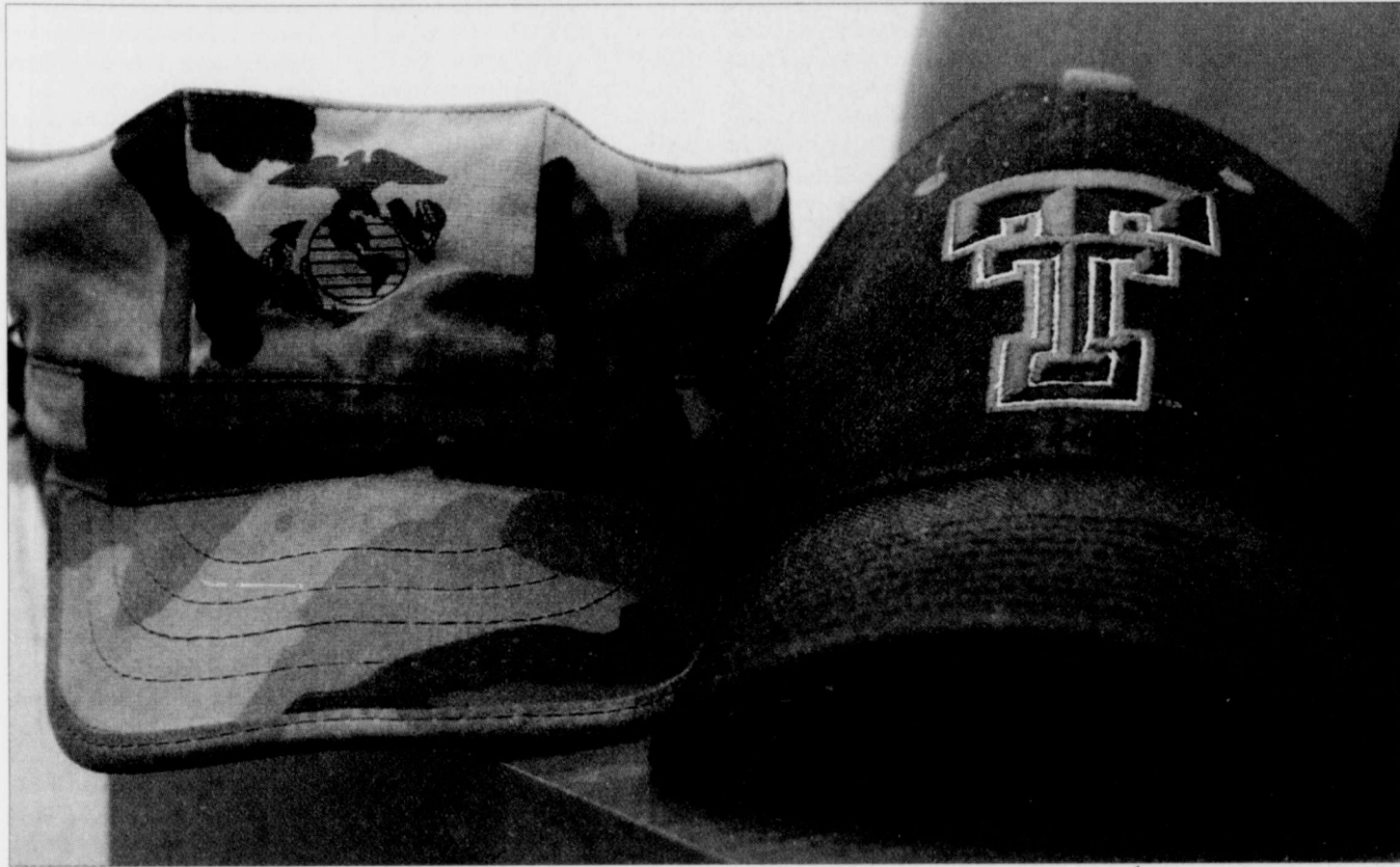
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When DUTY CALLS



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BELOW: A TEXAS TECH student and U.S. Marine reservist packs his gear after learning his reserve unit will be deployed this week to Camp Pendleton in Southern California.

Reserves prepare to defend country

By Matt Muench/Staff Reporter

A Pentagon order last weekend that activated more than 62,000 U.S. military troops has one Texas Tech student frightened. The student, a reservist who asked not to be identified for security reasons, was one of several Tech students to be activated.

"I'm scared but ready for anything," he said. "This is why I joined, and I knew this could be a possibility. I'm just proud to fight for America, my community and Texas Tech. Whenever I feel in trouble, maybe I will hum the Tech fight song for some comfort. 'Guns Up' are for real now."

He is one of at least 10 Tech students since Monday to cite military-related reasons to withdraw from the university, Registrar Charles Wickard said.

However, Wickard said some students who have dropped may not have intended the registrar that reason for dropping is related to military duty. "Some people drop and say it is for personal reasons," he said. "There is no way of knowing how many students dropped for military purposes."

Since Monday, 94 students have withdrawn from spring classes. The number does not include students who have been dropped for non-payment reasons, Wickard said.

Marine Capt. Craig Smith with the direct support motor transport company said he has about 20 Tech students in his troop.

Smith said the students he knows are ready for what they have been trained to do.

"Everyone is concerned," he said. "But as Marines, we have been trained to answer the call from our country."

Smith said his troop would be briefed in Lubbock before traveling to Camp Pendleton, Calif., for an undetermined time. They will then be stationed in Southeast Asia.

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Gonzales gets life for murder

By Heidi Toth/Staff Reporter

Gabriel Gonzales, the 17-year-old Lubbock resident charged with the Aug. 14 shooting death of Texas Tech student Colin Schafer, pled guilty to capital murder Friday and received a life sentence.

The court dropped the other charges against Gonzales, including robbery and deadly conduct, as a condition of the plea.

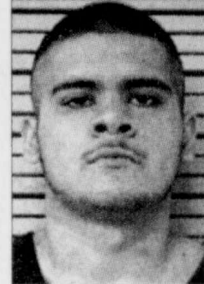
Assistant District Attorney Matt Powell said although Gonzales was considered an adult for the proceedings, he was a juvenile at the time of the crime and therefore could not receive the death penalty.

"Obviously, we're glad as far as this chapter of this case is finished," he said.

Joe Gonzales, Gabriel Gonzales' cousin, also was charged with capital murder and has not yet been tried.

Texas does not have life imprisonment without parole, Powell said. However, a life sentence is 60 years, and Gabriel Gonzales must serve a minimum of 40 years before he is eligible for parole.

Powell said he spoke with Schafer's family, and they were satisfied justice



Gonzales

had been served, although they opted not to speak at a press conference.

Mark Snodgrass, Gabriel Gonzales' attorney,

said he did not want to comment on whether or not his client received justice.

"I think the district attorney made a fair offer, and he accepted it," he said.

The sentence Gabriel Gonzales received was the maximum penalty for capital murder because he was a juvenile. However, had a jury convicted him of something less than capital murder, he could have gotten a lighter sentence.

Snodgrass said his client decided to accept the plea because he had another three charges he was being tried for, which were dropped in the plea bargain.

"Conceivably, he could have got three life sentences plus 20 years," he

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Wilson named new president of HSC

By Kelly McAlister/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith has announced Dr. M. Roy Wilson as the sole finalist in the search for a new Health Sciences Center president.

Wilson will replace Smith, who served as president of HSC until his appointment as chancellor in May 2002.

Wilson's will earn an annual base salary of \$340,000 under his three year salary.

Elmo Cavin, interim president of the HSC, said Wilson would not be full-time at Tech until June.

Wilson has served as dean of the School of Medicine at Creighton University since 1998, during which, he was appointed vice president for health sciences.

Wilson is the first black president to serve at the university, and only the second in the state.



Wilson

Before Wilson's tenure at Creighton, Wilson was employed by the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science and served as dean of the College of Medicine at the University of California-Los Angeles.

While Creighton is positioning itself for accreditation, Wilson will retain his duties there as necessary.

Wilson also will assist in the search for his replacement at Creighton.

Senior Vice Chancellor Richard Butler was an ex-officio member of the search committee.

"If we were in their shoes, we

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Bush: 'Time is running out' for Saddam

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush expressed impatience with Saddam Hussein on Tuesday and said "time is running out for him" to disarm. U.N. weapons inspectors planned for months more of searches for hidden chemical and biological arms in Iraq.

The extended hunt for evidence that the Iraqi president was defying the United Nations could complicate the timing of Bush's decision on whether to go to war.

While Bush has said from the out-

set he would not be held hostage by the U.N. Security Council, he is looking for the widest possible consensus and the broadest coalition if he decides to attack.

The inspectors' timetable stretches well beyond Jan. 27 when they are due to report on 60 days of searching for weapons of mass destruction and a missile program.

Bush told reporters at the White House that he had not seen any evidence that the Iraqi president was disarming under more than a decade of U.N.

Security Council resolutions.

"He must disarm," Bush said. "I'm sick and tired of games and deceptions. And that's my view of timetables."

But nearly four months after demanding the Security Council threaten Iraq with force — and threatening to act alone if need be — Bush was not ready to attack.

The chief U.N. weapons inspector, Hans Blix, meanwhile, is describing the Jan. 27 report as an interim update. It would mark "the beginning of the inspection and monitoring pro-

cess and not the end of it," Blix said Monday to authorize use of force, most U.S. allies including Britain want to defer any attack until the Council considers Iraq's behavior again.

And then there are some allies, such as Germany, which have ruled out the use of force in any event.

Boucher said the United States has provided the inspectors only with intelligence material on Iraq

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Tech officials set for Legislative session

By Dave Gray/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech officials are prepared to present the university's budget proposals at this month's state Legislature, which is reeling from reports of a \$9.9 billion state budget deficit.

Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith said the university's growth will play a significant role at this session, which determines how much funding state

institutions receive for the next biennium.

"Our first priority in this current Legislative session has to do with formula funding," Smith said. "Texas Tech, unlike what's really happening at University of Texas and Texas A&M University, is growing."

Smith said Tech is striving to maintain formula funding, while UT and A&M are pushing for deregula-

tion of tuition.

Formula funding is based upon the number of students enrolled per number of credit hours enrolled. With a change from formula funding to deregulation, other state schools could inflate their formula, resulting in increased costs for students and their families.

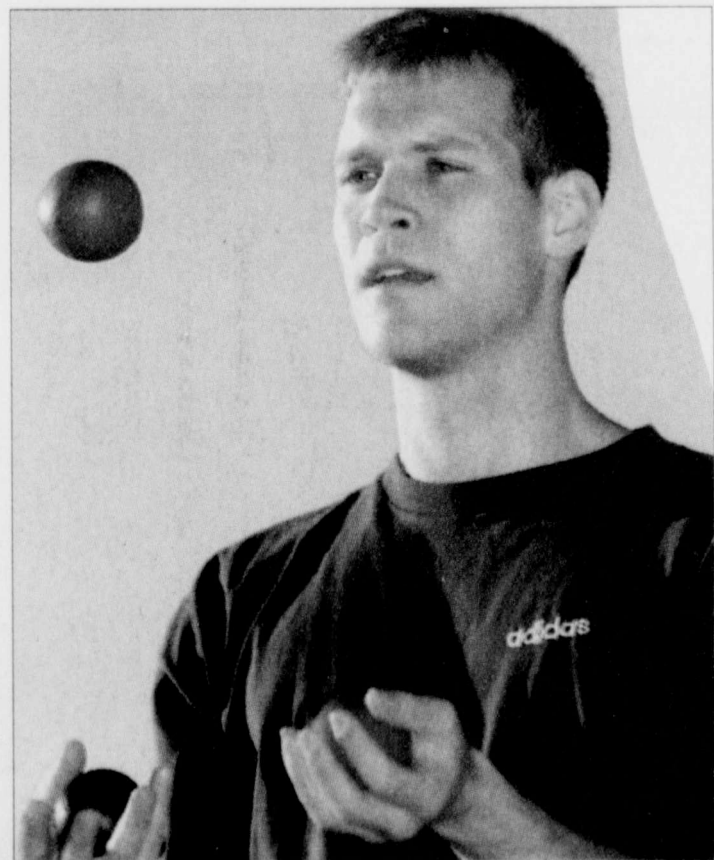
"UT and A&M are considering freezing enrollment or declining,"

Smith said. "So it puts them in a very fundamentally different position than Texas Tech, which is on a different point on the curve."

Vice Chancellor for News and Publications Cindy Rugeley said state funding provides the largest amount of funds for the university's budget and more than any fund-

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BALLS IN THE AIR



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KARL ADAMS, A senior German, history and chemistry major from Houston, passes time juggling in Memorial Circle on Monday.

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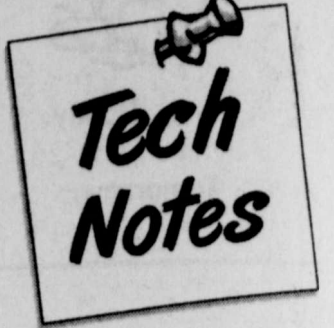


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STEVE DAVIS, A junior interior design major from Flower Mound, tosses the frisbee inside Pfluger Fountain on Monday afternoon.

Kmarts close across Texas

DALLAS (AP) — Kmart Corp. will close 54 stores in Texas and 326 stores nationwide as it works to emerge from bankruptcy by April 30, the discount retailer said Tuesday. Kmart said it also would close a distribution center in Corsicana, about 50 miles south of Dallas, and put about 550 people out of work. The city has a population of just less than 25,000. Kmart, the nation's third-biggest discount retailer after Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and Target, said it would shed 30,000 to 35,000 jobs nationwide but did not provide an estimate of the number of layoffs in Texas. Seventeen of the stores to be closed are in the Houston area. Thirteen targeted stores are spread across the Dallas-Fort Worth area, and five more are in San Antonio. In the Dallas suburb of Plano, shopper Marge Gregory goes to Kmart about once a week. She wasn't surprised by the announcement, and she hit on one of Kmart's challenges: intense competition. "I go to Wal-Mart. I go to Target. It's not that I exclusively go to Kmart," Gregory said Tuesday. Patrick Dunne, a retailing professor at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, said Kmart struggled in Texas because of the vigorous competition. "They got squeezed from both sides — Target at the upper end and Wal-Mart at the smaller end," Dunne said. "Kmart's distribution costs were so high that they could never compete with Wal-Mart."



The Lubbock Symphony Orchestra is presenting its third MasterWorks Concert on Friday and Saturday beginning at 8 p.m. in the Civic Center in honor of the agricultural community. Individuals associated with the agricultural industry will receive one free ticket with the purchase of their first ticket. For more information, call (806) 762-1688. Community and Multicultural Affairs will present its Preparing for College Workshop 10 a.m. Sunday at the Lubbock Housing Authority. For more information call 742-8671 or visit doublediversity.com. Applications for 2003 Red Raider Camp staff will be available Jan. 21 in the Center for Campus Life, 250 West Hall, and at information tables in the Student Union Jan. 21 to 22 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. RRC Staff selection information sessions will be at 3 p.m. Jan. 22 to 23 in the Red Raider Lounge, Student Union. Interested students should attend to find out more about camp and the staff positions. The School of Music is sponsoring a Jazz Fund-raiser Concert featuring Carla Helmbrecht and Peter Horvath at the Hemmle Recital on 8 p.m. Jan. 23. Admission is \$10 to the public, \$7 to children and free to students with Tech ID. For additional information, contact Liza Muse, (806) 742-2270, Ext. 233. Organizations receiving Student Government funding for the next fiscal year are required to attend the last budgeting seminar Jan. 26 in the Matador Room located in the Student Union Building. For more information all the SGA office at (806)742-3631 or www.sga.ttu.edu. Volunteer training for the Family Outreach Center of Lubbock begins Jan. 28 and continues each Tuesday and Thursday through Feb. 11. Training will assist the center in preventing child abuse and neglect. Call 747-5577 for more information.

The Rundown



Prison worker arrested, charged with bribery

HUMBLE (AP) — A worker at a Houston-area prison unit was arrested and charged with felony bribery Tuesday, accused of offering to reduce an inmate's sentence in exchange for \$15,000.

Investigators were interviewing Demone H. Holman, 30, as he was headed to the Harris County Jail on Tuesday for allegedly trying to extract money from 27-year-old Lychner State Jail inmate Edwin Yassier Careas.

Officials said an informant told a Houston television station KTMD about the proposed deal and the station informed authorities, who engaged in an undercover sting operation in which Holman was given a \$5,000 down payment.

Holman had offered to reduce Corea's 14-month sentence and remove an Immigration and Naturalization Service detainer from his record, Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Larry Todd said.

TDCJ employees such as Holman have no power to influence sentences or remove detainees placed by other law enforcement agencies.

Issued amphetamines may have affected pilots

BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE, La. (AP) — Two U.S. pilots who mistakenly dropped a bomb that killed four Canadians in Afghanistan had been issued amphetamines before the mission to stay awake, a defense lawyer argued Tuesday at the opening of a military hearing to determine whether they should be tried.

The Air Force-issued "go pills" may have impaired the pilots' judgment, said David Beck, lawyer for Maj. William Umbach. He also said the pilots were given antidepressants upon returning from their mission.

Umbach and Maj. Harry Schmidt are charged with involuntary manslaughter for dropping the guided bomb near Kandahar, Afghanistan, on April 17. The Air Force has said they failed to make sure there were no allied troops in the area.

Beck and Charles Gittins, Schmidt's lawyer, have said the fighter pilots were not told Canadian troops were conducting live-fire exercises and believed their F-16s were under attack.

Beck said Tuesday that the Air Force issues amphetamines to help pilots stay awake during long missions. He promised to raise the issue later in the hearing.

Venezuelan troops seize Caracas police weapons

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Soldiers loyal to President Hugo Chavez seized riot gear — including submachine guns and shotguns — from Caracas' police department Tuesday in what the opposition mayor called a deliberate effort to undermine him.

Federal interference in the capital's police department is one reason Venezuela's opposition has staged a strike — now in its 44th day — demanding early elections. Tuesday's raids stoked already heated tensions in this polarized nation.

Greater Caracas Mayor Alfredo Pena said the weapons seizure stripped police of their ability to control street protests that have erupted almost daily since the strike began Dec. 2. Five people have died in strike-related demonstrations.

Strike leader Manuel Cova said opponents would "strengthen the struggle to topple" Chavez in response to the raids.

"This demonstrates the anti-democratic and authoritarian way in which this government acts," said Cova, leader of the Venezuelan Workers Confederation, the country's largest labor union.

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Regents reorganize posts

By Kelly McAlister/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech Board of Regents appointed two new officers during their meeting Dec 13.

Regent Robert Black will replace Regent J. Robert Brown as Chairman of the Board, and Regent Brian Newby will replace Regent Nancy Jones as Vice-Chairman of the Board.

Black is a retired senior vice president of Texaco who now lives in Horseshoe Bay.

He is currently a member of the board for the Highland Lakes Boys and Girls Club and the Engineering Foundation Advisory Committee at the University of Texas.

He served on the board of the Texas Tech Foundation in addition to being chairman of the Investment Committee. Black graduated from Texas Tech in 1958.

"I am looking forward to serving

the university in this way," Black said.

As the new chairman, Black said he plans to continue to expand the Health Sciences Center into a four-year medical school in El Paso.

"Texas Tech is more than Lubbock alone," Black said.

Newby is an attorney with the firm Cantey and Hanger, L.L.P. in Fort Worth. He also serves as



Newby



Black

general counsel to Houston General Insurance Company. In 1997, Newby was awarded Outstanding Young Lawyer in Tarrant County by the Tarrant County/Fort Worth Young Lawyers Association. He is currently a Lt. Col. in the Air Force Reserves.

"I was pleased (with the nomination)," Newby said.

Every two years, the three regents whose terms are expiring form a nominating committee in order to position the new officers of the Board. This year those regents are Nancy Jones, John Jones and Michael Wiess.

Nancy Jones said she would like to be re-appointed. However, John Jones said he does not plan on accepting another appointment.

Texas Gov. Rick Perry will appoint three new members to the Board sometime this year. The governor's office said the appointment process is under way.

GE workers strike, protest health care

SCHENECTADY, N.Y. (AP) — General Electric Co. workers picketed at plants around the country early Tuesday as thousands joined a two-day strike protesting an increase in health care co-payments. In Kentucky, a striker was struck and killed by a police car.

Union officials said about 20,000 employees from the International Union of Electronic Workers/Communications Workers of America and the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers of America were participating in the strike, which officially began at 12:01 a.m. Tuesday.

The worker who died was hit at about 5 a.m. as she walked between gates at the GE manufacturing plant in Louisville, Ky. The woman, whose name was not immediately released, was carrying a picket sign as she walked in a dimly lit area, according to Dwight Mitchell, a spokesman for Louisville Metro Police.

She died at the scene. Louisville authorities say the car was from the police department in nearby Hollow Creek. Mitchell had no further details.

It is the first national walkout at GE since 1969, when workers were off the job for about 14 weeks.

"It's real cold; it's supposed to get down to zero out there," said Carmen DePaolo, business agent for IUE Local 301 in Schenectady, as he waited for strikers to gather at the union hall for picketing outside the GE Power Systems main gate. "Those people in 1966 and 1969 suffered the cold to pave the way for our future."

At the plant in Schenectady, where General Electric was established in 1892, and a nearby research and development lab, about 2,000 second-shift workers left work at 11 p.m. Monday and the third shift did not report for work, Local 301 President Jose Fernandez said.

At GE's aircraft engine plant in Lynn, Mass., workers went on strike

at 11 p.m., said Jeff Crosby, Local 201 president. About 300 people rallied in front of the plant.

On Jan. 1, GE said it increased certain co-payments for employees participating in the GE Health Care Preferred plan by about \$200 per employee in 2003. The company said GE's average health care cost per employee is expected to be \$2,350 higher in 2003 than in 1999.

Since 1999, GE's total health care costs have risen 45 percent, from \$965 million to \$1.4 billion in 2002, GE said.

"It is difficult for businesses to stay globally competitive while sustaining the double-digit percentage increases that we have seen in recent years and expect for the foreseeable future," said Bill Conaty, GE's senior vice president for human resources.

Unions officials said the copay increase will cost the average worker an additional \$300 to \$400 annually.

Gallamore put to death for 1992 slayings

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Convicted killer Samuel Gallamore, who brutally beat and stabbed to death a partially paralyzed woman, her husband and their daughter, was executed Tuesday night.

"I would like to apologize and say I'm sorry but words seem so hollow and cheap," Gallamore, who declined comment from the death chamber gurney, said in a handwritten statement distributed

after his execution. "Their death should not have happened, but it did. I'm so sorry that all of this took place."

Gallamore also said that in the last hour of his life, his heart grew

because relatives of the slain victims said they forgave him.

He took two deep breaths and his body began to shake before his head turned to one side and he stopped moving.

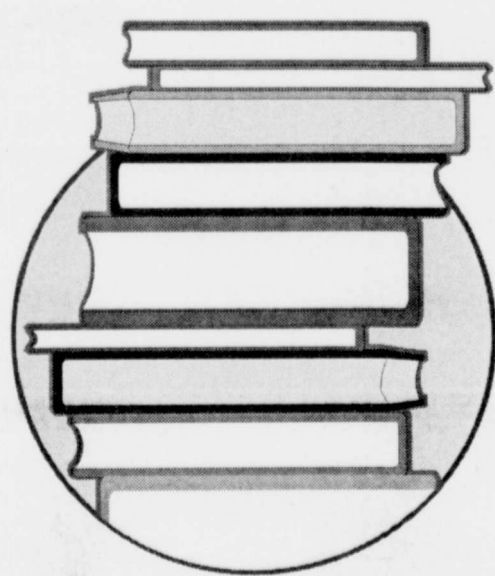
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Perspectives

Too smart for good?

I remember being smart. Man, that was great: to know all the answers without being told, to finish all your class work in an hour, to race through exams and be the first one to turn them in.

I think I peaked in second grade, and I get a little dumber every year. We talk about smart people as if they are all the same, but there are many different kinds of smart, and the labels don't always stick.

I've met a lot of smart people in college, and I find they can be broken down into three categories.

The first kind of smart is Honor Roll smart. These are the people who do their homework, study for tests, turn in papers weeks in advance and generally make the rest of us feel lazy.

The second kind of smart person is the regrettably common Gifted Slacker (a category I am still in). Gifted Slackers recognize their intelligence at a young age. Some of them are child prodigies; some of them are just lucky. And over time, they all develop the same blind spots.

Schoolwork comes easy to them — so easy, in fact, it becomes boring. They race through tests and sit there with nothing to do. The homework is boring, so they just stop doing it.

Sometimes teachers allow them to read books in class when they get bored. This is a big mistake. Books are inherently more interesting than class work, so once this loophole is established, the Slackers work even faster to get back to their stories. Their work becomes sloppy and rushed, their motivation sinks like a stone, and at the end of the road, they end up with 160 IQ points and a D-average.

Some of them still do well on tests. Others drop out completely, becoming ultra-specialized automatons. These folks can assemble computers in their sleep, but they can't tell you who Mark Twain was.

This leads us to my favorite type of smart person: the Tragically Over-specialized. And while the rest of these categories apply to students, this one applies to teachers. Many professors start out as Honor students or Gifted Slackers and end up like this, so devoted to their chosen field that all the other knowledge in their heads just kind of slips away.

These folks can tell you what ingredients Melville put in his coffee, but they can't tell you who wrote the Declaration of Independence. Their conversations sound like this:

STUDENT: "So, do you like Mark Twain?"

PROFESSOR: "I'm sorry, that's not my field."

STUDENT: "I thought you were an English professor!"



Michael Duff
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PROFESSOR: "I teach British literature. Mark Twain is American literature. If you want to know about Mark Twain, you'll have to ask Professor Coxswain. He's the expert."

STUDENT: "I just wanted to know if you like him!"

PROFESSOR: "I'm sorry, that's not my field. I'm really not comfortable discussing American authors."

So what's the difference between the Slackers and the Honor students?

I think it has to do with self-awareness. The Honors kids work harder because deep down, they think they're idiots. They're afraid of being exposed as frauds, so they work twice as hard and accomplish twice as much.

The Slackers back off because somewhere down the line, someone told them they were smart. They realized they could meet the basic requirements with a minimum of effort, and they didn't really see any reward for exceeding that standard, so they got lazy and let the whole thing slide.

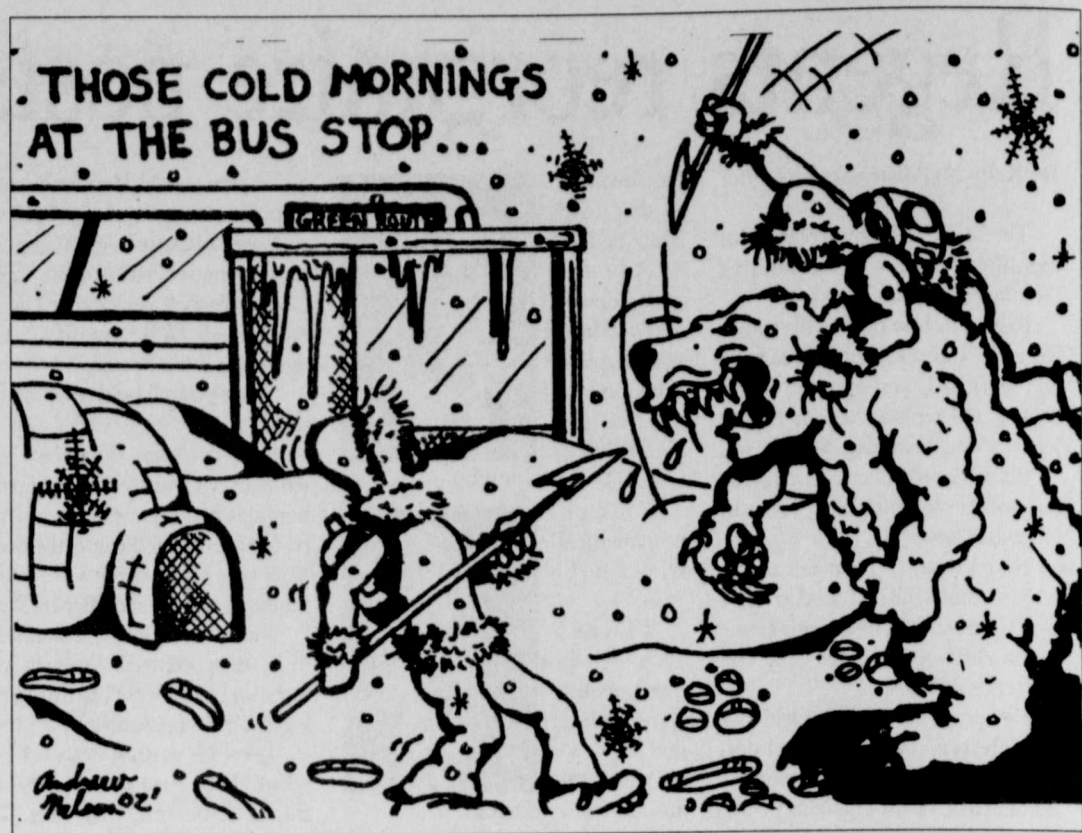
Some of the most brilliant people I know secretly believe they're stupid. They're always rushing from place to place, agonizing over tests, scrambling to find rare books, poised over their computer screens waiting for grades to be posted.

I can't say this is healthy, but this elemental self-doubt keeps them working. This is why older students traditionally do well in school. They spend years in pathetic mind-numbing jobs, watching helplessly as their knowledge slips away from them.

They go back to school, and they panic. They don't remember algebra. They don't remember the Periodic Table, and they think Thomas Jefferson is some guy who dated Grace Slick.

It all comes back to them, of course. And in the midst of all that self-doubt, they end up producing some excellent work. It's the classic tortoise and the hare story. The bored young genius skips class and ends up failing, while the frantic returning housewife does all the work.

In the real game of life, results trump talent every time. The housewife who gets a B is still going to end up better than the slacker genius who blows off the assignment. And after 10 years of slacking off, the genius isn't really a genius anymore. He's been surpassed by ordinary people who did the work, paid their dues and turned their brains into something wonderful.



Is it possible to forgive a virgin?

Nobody would have ever guessed I would confess this to more than 26,000 students and faculty. But here I am in the first edition of *The University Daily* this semester doing it (pardon the pun). Here we go, my confession: I have never written anything that I ever meant to get published. I, honestly, have no idea what I should do as a Wednesday columnist. Truth be told, I have only one fear: writing crap.

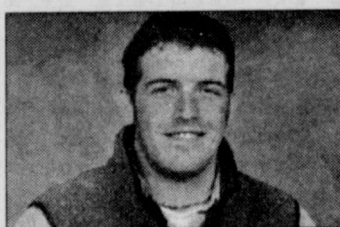
I have no problem letting people know my opinion, as I will prove with graceful ease this semester, but I am nervous about being judged on what I can communicate on paper. I am happy knowing some people simply want the crossword and nothing else, so now all I have to worry about are the other 25,995 people on campus.

Now I figure somebody is reading this and wondering, "Then why the hell are you pursuing writing for *The UD*?" Well, I'll tell you. I'm not; I pursued me. Not to toot my own horn but simply to give you a heads up, I'm a literary virgin.

Anyway, here is the story. Any person that was in Ms. Blivens' speech class last semester can attest to my sarcastic views. My speeches included such edge-of-your-seat thrillers as the importance of flip-flops, how to cheat the Tech traffic and parking system and how to defeat the Tech's online registration system. With sarcasm at an all time high, most everybody seemed to appreciate the speeches.

By doing this, a *UD* staff member asked if I had ever thought about applying for one of the vacant columnist positions. I still remember how much I tried to suppress my girly laughter as I politely said, "No."

I was then asked if I would ob-



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ject if he put my name on an application. I gave my approval, thinking it would make a good story for my parents, and that would be the end of it. Little did I know this Columnist Virgin would fall through the cracks and get an interview.

Ah, the interview. I went to a building I barely knew existed looking for a person I had only spoken with over the phone. Melissa Borden (the editor) and I had a good talk, and I think she picked up on my virginity. I remember she asked, "What do you want your topic to be?" As if to detect my confused facial expressions, she asked, "Well, what makes you think you are qualified to be a writer?"

There it was: my out, a way to be nice and say, "I do not know" and "I am already about to pee my pants." Waiting for an answer, she thumbed through the text of a speech that was turned in with my application. I wanted to say something brilliant, something confident, something intellectual. I wanted to do all these things, but all I could muster for an answer was "well, um, well, I'm a smart ass."

I have no way to be sure, but it was

almost as if that was exactly what she was looking for. We ended our meeting, and I thought to myself, "This is the last time I will see this building."

Getting back to the point, I am obviously not qualified for an article, excuse me, a column. So instead of thinking of it as a sterling example of writing, I am just going to toss some stuff on paper.

My girlfriend insisted I can only make one person or group mad this semester with my opinions. I agreed because Kacee doesn't know I plan to keep harassing my group until they reply to *The UD* and myself with such frustrated emotion that I get a feeling of accomplishment.

While we are on the subject, whom should I pick on and why? I am leaning toward traffic and parking, but I do not want to overlook anybody. I am not trying to be a bully; I just have contempt for certain organizations. And since I am now a proud member of *The UD*, it is my moral responsibility to provide the reader with my whole-hearted hatred for them.

Then, it is your responsibility to side with me or decide if I am freakin' wacko. By the way, let me know if you have any suggestions of unsuspecting suspects.

With all that out of the way, let me thank Mrs. Covington at All Saints Episcopal School (Lubbock); she was the only English teacher I ever had who could put up with me, and she helped me learn all that confusing grammar, spelling and punctuation. Ain't it nice of her!

On the completely opposite end of the scale I would also like to say hello to Dr. Mills from Monterey High School (Lubbock). To everybody else reading this, have a good first week of school. See you back here in a week when I hope to get my act together and start to do some Pulitzer-worthy writing.

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Gonzales

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said. The district attorney's office has not decided whether or not to seek the death penalty against Joe Gonzales. Powell said they would likely decide in the next two weeks what punishment to seek.

Gabriel Gonzales' cooperation with the district attorney's office against Joe Gonzales was not a condition of the plea agreement, Powell said.

In his statement to police, Gabriel Gonzales admitted to shooting Schafer and also to stealing money from him, according to police reports. However, after the plea bargain he said he lied on most of the statement. He declined to comment on what specifically he lied about and why he did so.

The district attorney is still in negotiation with Joe Gonzales concerning a plea bargain although they will most likely make an offer of what verdict they feel the jury will return, Powell said.

They have talked with Schafer's family and are talking to Joe Gonzales and his attorney. They also will take the facts of the case, his involvement and his background into consideration.

According to police records, Schafer, a junior business major from Lubbock, was shot twice in the upper chest at about 6 a.m. Aug. 14. Witnesses stated they saw the suspect standing outside Schafer's white Jeep Cherokee and then heard two rounds inside the vehicle. They then saw the suspect, who was later identified as Gabriel Gonzales, run to a dark Cadillac, which was owned by Joe

Gonzales.

According to the police report, officers arrived at the scene and found Schafer dead in his vehicle. There was a spent shell casing on the ground by the car, which was later found to match Gabriel Gonzales' weapon.

According to a statement from Joe Gonzales, Gabriel Gonzales was looking for someone to rob, and his cousin was driving him around in the Cadillac. Gabriel Gonzales saw Schafer's Jeep and told him to follow it.

"Gabriel's talking like he actually recognized the dude or the Jeep, or something like that," Joe Gonzales said in his statement.

When both cars reached Schafer's house, Gabriel Gonzales got out of the car, ran up to the Jeep and pointed his gun at Schafer through the window. He then got in the vehicle with Schafer, who left his house and drove to the Bank of America ATM at 50th Street and Slide Road, according to the statement.

Joe Gonzales stated both vehicles had been sitting at the ATM for a few minutes when he heard the gun go off. Gabriel Gonzales got back into the Cadillac, and they left.

Both suspects also were wanted in connection with a shooting later that day at a house in the 5300 block of 47th Street. No one was injured, but the same weapon was used, and witnesses at the second shooting gave a similar description of the car.

When police arrested Joe Gonzales, officers searched his house and found remnants of Schafer's wallet, which Gabriel Gonzales burned in the fireplace. Gabriel Gonzales told him he got \$300 from Schafer.

According to Joe Gonzales' statement, both suspects also did cocaine and speed later that day.

Duty

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Smith said Tech students are not allowed to talk to media for security reasons.

"Right now, they will not be able to talk until we are able to brief them on the situation," he said. "Just so we can tell them what they can and cannot say to the media."

Michael Shonrock, vice president of Student Affairs, said the university is trying to make it as easy as possible for students leaving for duty.

"If a student is called to duty, we will work with them on a case-by-case basis," he said. "Whether it be financial aid or with their academic adviser."

Shonrock said there would be no penalty for students withdrawing from the university as a result of military duty.

"We would never penalize a

student who is called to duty," he said. "We are trying to make it as easy as possible. There is definitely no cookie-cutter approach."

U.S. Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld signed the latest orders Friday and Saturday for troops to head overseas, including two large Marine units, U.S. officials announced.

Rumsfeld's first major deployment order was signed Dec. 24 and called for about 25,000 troops to head overseas. Earlier last week, he signed another order for about 5,000 more troops.

With the addition of 35,000 Friday and 27,000 Saturday, plus the 60,000 already in the Gulf region, the Pentagon is well on its way to exceeding its goal of having 100,000 troops in the Persian Gulf ready for war by Jan. 31.

The Associated Press reported that one senior official with access to the deployment orders said the units designated for deployment in

the latest Rumsfeld order include a squadron of Air Force F-117 stealth fighter-bombers. The F-117s, based at Holloman Air Force Base, N.M., played a key role in the 1991 Gulf War.

The order also includes thousands of Marines and an Army airborne infantry brigade, the official said. *The New York Times* reported on its Web site Saturday that two squadrons of F-16CJ radar-jamming fighters also are included.

Additionally, the troops' actual departure for the potential war zone will be spread out over the rest of January, as most troops train on both the West and East coasts before departing to Iraq.

Shonrock said he sends his prayers to the students and their families and friends.

"We give our best wishes and prayers to the Texas Tech students that will be serving our country," he said. "We hope for their safe return to Raiderland."

Bush

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that "they are able to use."

As the inspectors "get interested in other things" and step up their pace, the Bush administration would be willing to make more data available, the spokesman said.

Even as a decision on going to war remained on hold, the Pentagon increased the array of naval power in the Persian Gulf area.

Two seven-ship armadas carrying thousands of Marines were being deployed.

The Navy prepared to add up to four aircraft carriers to the two carriers already in the area.

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McKlveen to face competency hearing

By Heidi Toth/Staff Reporter

A competency hearing is the next step for Matthew McKlveen, a Texas Tech student who was charged with stabbing another student in April.

McKlveen was indicted for aggravated assault charges May 22 after allegedly stabbing Tamzid Farhat, a Tech graduate student from Bangladesh.

Assistant District Attorney Nick Moutos said a competency hearing is necessary to determine if McKlveen is competent to stand trial.

The court has a competency hearing when an insanity defense is being used at trial, which he said the defense plans to do.

Chuck Lanehart, McKlveen's attorney, said in a competency hearing, the judge calls a separate jury to de-

termine the defendant's competency.

The jury will then decide if a client has the ability to understand the proceedings and communicate with his or her lawyer.

If McKlveen is found competent, the case will continue on to trial, Lanehart said. If he is not, he will be transferred to a hospital to become competent.

Lanehart said he does not think there is much likelihood for a plea bargain in this case. Moutos, however, has not ruled it out.

"I would say there's always a possi-



McKlveen

bility," he said. "At this point, there's been no offer made by the District Attorney's office."

The state has not yet made an offer because the competency issue has not been decided, he said.

If McKlveen is found competent, the district attorney's office will decide if it wants to offer a plea bargain.

The competency hearing should take place soon. The outcome of the hearing will determine what the court does next.

Tech police were called to Doak Hall just after 6 p.m. April 18 after being alerted of a stabbing. McKlveen was arrested at a bus stop, according to the police report, and Farhat was found in the second-floor kitchen of the residence hall.

Farhat was in serious condition with a deep puncture wound to the

right side of the neck, and he also had a laceration to his left knee.

EMS personnel advised Tech police the victim's injury was life threatening.

McKlveen is still being held in the Lubbock County Jail on a \$100,000 bond.

Farhat spent several days in the UMC intensive care unit before being released. In a correspondence to *The University Daily*, he said he no longer resides in Texas but plans to return for the trial.

The most serious charge McKlveen could be convicted of is aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, which carries a maximum sentence of two to 20 years in the state penitentiary, Moutos said.

The lightest sentence is probation if the defendant is found eligible.

Moutos said he believes McKlveen is eligible because he does not have any prior felony convictions.

However, there is a deadly weapon aspect, which requires the defendant, if convicted, to serve at least 50 percent of the allotted time before being eligible for parole.

Aaron Johnson, a senior communications major from Houston, lived in Doak Hall at the time of the stabbing and was aware of problems other students were having with McKlveen.

"I knew what went on with the guy," he said. "He was really confrontational."

Johnson said one of his friends accidentally bumped into McKlveen in the hall, and McKlveen started yelling at him.

Farhat also had notified a resident assistant that McKlveen was

harassing him before the stabbing, he said.

Greg Winzig, a sophomore history major from Houston, also lived in Doak Hall. He said McKlveen tried to start fights with several people in the hall.

"He'd just come out and start cussing," he said. "He would just pop out and say stuff."

Winzig went to the resident assistant about McKlveen, as did many other people. He said he thought the RA did everything he could, but nothing was done higher up.

He also thought his safety was somewhat compromised after the stabbing.

"You could tell there was tension in the hallways," he said. "You'd always look behind you because that guy was pretty freaky."

President

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wouldn't want him to leave us either," he said.

In his past three years at Creighton, Wilson has overseen an increase in research grants, a merge of St. Joseph Hospital with Creighton University Medical Center and the construction of a new Integrated Science Complex.

Wilson is completing a research project in Greece and could not immediately be reached for comment.

Smith said he is confident in Wilson's ability to perform at Tech.

"We heard about him through sources in Washington," Smith said. "I think Texas Tech convinced him (to accept the position). I think Texas Tech sold itself."

Wilson's selection is the result of a search process that began in May 2002 with the formation of a committee composed of regents, deans, faculty, staff and students.

The search began by compiling a list of names from sources such as Texas Medical Association and the Association of American Medical

Consultants.

After a list was made, Butler made calls to prospects and met with them personally if they expressed interest.

"(Wilson) had done the most homework (on Tech)," Butler said. "He was methodical and deliberate."

Tech Regent David Lopez chaired the search committee.

"He seemed ideally suited (for the position)," Lopez said. "He'd already shown excellence in this field."

Trisha Mims, a senior nursing student from Tomball and the state president of the Texas Nursing Student Association, said she was surprised to

learn the decision had been made so quickly.

"Dr. Smith knows what we need," she said. "We've gained a lot of respect, and the programs we have will continue to excel. Bringing a good name in here will help."

Cavin said he hopes to remain at the HSC in the roles of his previous positions: executive vice president and chief financial officer.

"The most exciting part is the continued development and the ability to grow as an institution," he said. "You like to think you're doing something right."

Officials

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raising campaign to date.

"For us, the formula is good because we are fast-growing," Rugeley said. "We are growing at or above the rate of the other universities throughout Texas."

Smith said Tech would not benefit from tuition deregulation.

"My point is every university is unique," Smith said. "We are not going to say we are more unique than anybody else, but it's very difficult when you get to a Legislature and you make policy for an entire state."

Cherie Maestas, professor of political science, said with the Legislature being unable to increase

spending, state funding does not look good for higher education.

"I don't think that it bodes well for any institution of higher education at this point," Maestas said. "When the Legislature is looking at the type of shortfall they are looking at, they have to, at the minimum, not increase their spending."

Maestas said Gov. Rick Perry made insurance and medical malpractice reform emergency issues, resulting in educational issues to be pushed further down the agenda.

Nelson Dometrius, professor of political science, said he also did not believe this session would turn out well for higher education.

"Higher education will be hurt," Dometrius said. "One of the things we probably could expect is a rise in tuition and fees."

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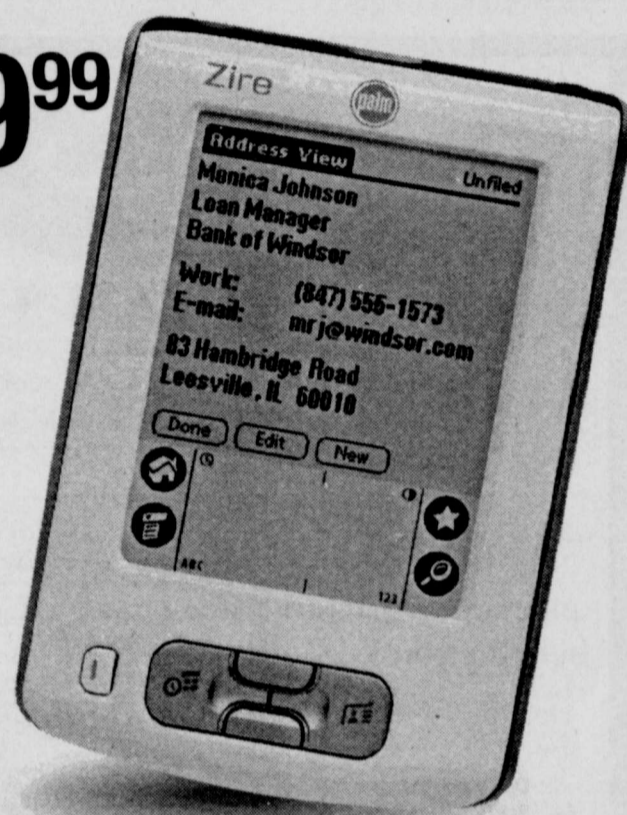
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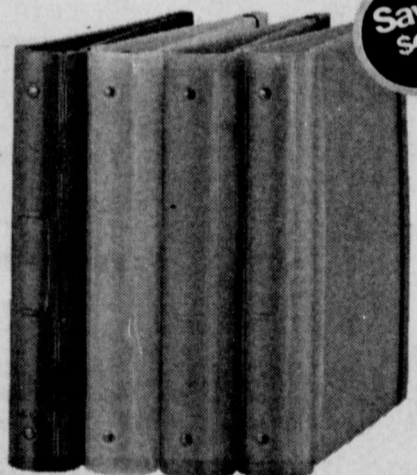
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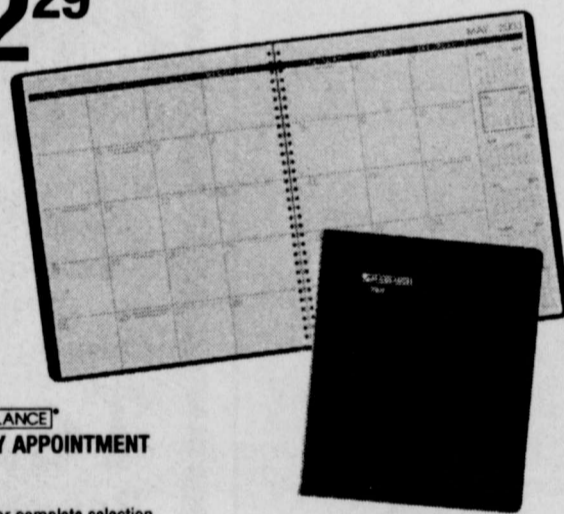
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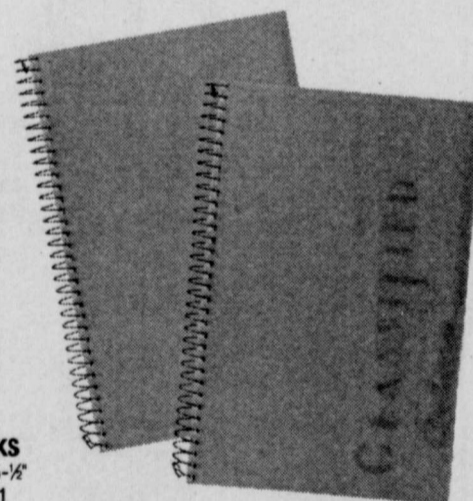
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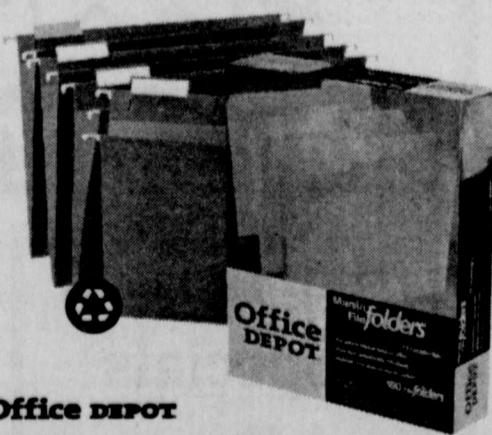


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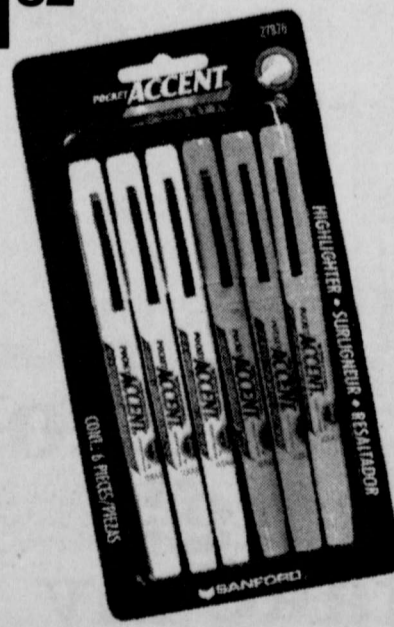
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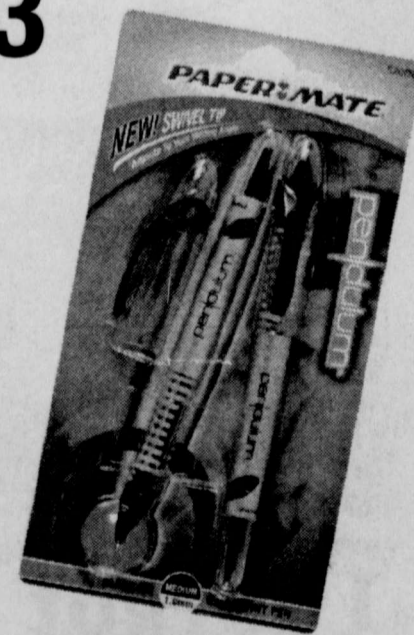
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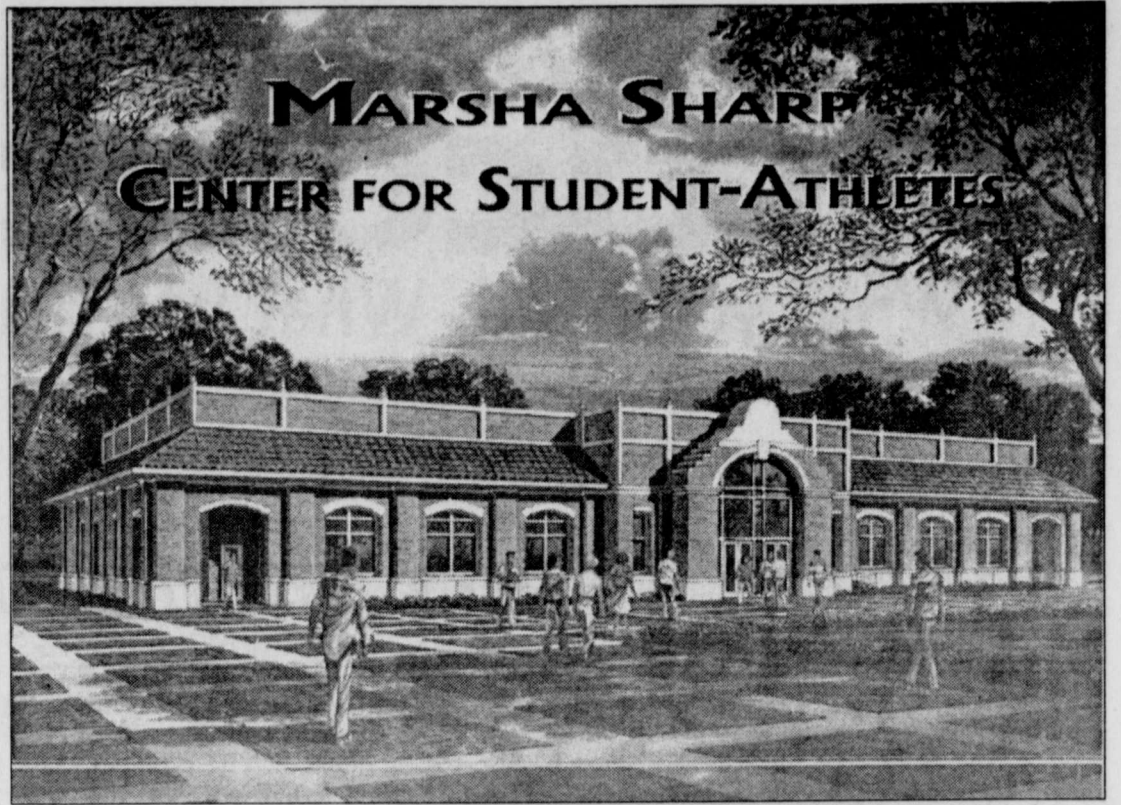
Center for student athletes celebrates groundbreaking during break, completion set within 15 months

By Josh Allen and David Wiechmann/Staff Reporters

The Marsha Sharp Center for Student-Athletes came one step closer to completion as ground was broken for the facility in December. By donating \$100,000, Lady Raider basketball coach Marsha Sharp made the first contribution to the project. In her 21st season at the helm, en route to her 500th win in the near future, Sharp felt she had something to give. "I really wanted to give something back to Texas Tech," Sharp said. "I honestly wanted to do something that, hopefully, would affect every athlete at the university, not just a certain segment." John Anderson, director of academic services and associate athletics director, said he knows credit for

the progress is because of Sharp's determination. "You have to trace the success of this operation back to coach Sharp," Anderson said. Sharp said the possibilities are exciting, and the project should be finished in approximately 15 months. "I'm real excited that they're building it," Sharp said. "Some of the people that are at Tech now will be able to enjoy that building." Sharp's academic emphasis is reflected through her players. Lady Raider guard Natalie Ritchie said Sharp always stresses education. "With coach Sharp giving so much money, it shows she totally thinks academics is the most important thing," Ritchie said. "Of course she wants us to do well on the court, but the most important thing is education, what we can do with it and

how it can change our lives when we get out (of college.)" Sharp said she hopes the new facilities will provide added benefits for the athletes. "There are going to be a lot of things, I hope, that will help them prepare academically," Sharp said. Anderson said the center will serve as the new home for Athletic Academic Services and will have many notable additions in comparison to the current establishment. The Sharp Center will have a 40-station computer lab, nearly three times larger than the current one. The center also will have larger tutorial rooms, two classrooms, a conference room, a career resource room and an Academic Hall of Fame. Sharp said all athletes should reap the benefits of the new center. "Every athlete, no matter what



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CONSTRUCTION IS UNDER way for the Marsha Sharp Center for Student-Athletes, as crews broke ground during the holiday break. The project will benefit student athletes and serve as a study center.

sport they participate in, should have an opportunity to use the academic building during the four years they compete for Tech," Sharp said. "And I thought that was really special." Anderson said the center also would collaborate with other campus organizations such as the Programs for Academic Support Services, which provides additional assistance outside of lectures and labs.

"There's a reason that these young men and women are called 'student-athletes' and not 'athlete-students,'" Anderson said. "Eventually their athletic skills will leave them, but they will always be measured by their education." Sharp said the new center is essential in showing Athletics' commitment to academic excellence. "I think it's a really important

statement for Texas Tech to make," Sharp said. "That we are as involved on the academic side of our athletes as we are the athletic side." Ritchie said education is what will be remembered from her time at Tech. "In 15 years, people won't even remember we were Lady Raiders," Ritchie said. "But the main thing is that we got something out of our education."

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Compliance could equal economic benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush said Tuesday he may receive a proposal for substantial economic benefits for North Korea if that country agrees to dismantle its nuclear weapons facilities.

The administration had been prepared to make such an offer last year but withdrew it after learning that the North Koreans had initiated a uranium-based nuclear weapons program.

"We expect them not to develop nuclear weapons," Bush said. "And if they so choose to do so — their choice — then I will reconsider whether or not we'll start the bold initiative" that he said he discussed with Secretary of State Colin Powell

last year.

Bush said the initiative included food, leaving the impression that he was departing from long-standing policy of not linking assistance in that area to political developments.

Later, White House officials said Bush was referring to an agriculture reform program for North Korea, which faces yet another year of severe food shortages.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher reaffirmed that food deliveries will continue irrespective of political factors. Last year, the U.S. food contribution was 155,000 metric tons.

The Bush administration gener-

ally has been showing a more conciliatory side lately on North Korea.

The administration remains committed to the dismantling of the North's nuclear programs but has shown a greater willingness than before about talking to Pyongyang. Bush's comments Tuesday suggested good behavior will yield economic gain.

On Monday, Assistant Secretary of State James Kelly suggested in South Korea that North Korea could get energy aid if it dismantled its nuclear weapons programs.

The administration has consistently opposed opening negotiations with North Korea, but Bush's remarks

offered the clear possibility of a deal: U.S. assistance in exchange for denuclearization.

The more benign posture should be well received in South Korea, where both the outgoing president and the president-elect believe that a policy of belligerence toward the North does not work.

Speaking to reporters during a photo session with Polish President Aleksander Kwasniewski, Bush said he is convinced the conflict will be resolved peacefully.

The basis of his optimism was not clear. Pyongyang has given no indication of a willingness to back away from its nuclear programs. Indeed,

since the uranium program was disclosed last October, it has threatened to revive a separate weapons program that is plutonium-based. According to administration estimates, North Korea could have up to six nuclear weapons in a few months.

North Korea withdrew from the landmark Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty last week. It also has threatened to resume long-range missile tests.

"People say, 'Are you willing to talk to North Korea?'" Bush said. "Of course we are. But what this nation won't do is be blackmailed."

Meanwhile, the administration responded with mixed signals to a Chinese offer to host talks between

the United States and North Korea.

The White House welcomed the proposal, but the State Department was dismissive.

"The question of having talks in Beijing or New York or elsewhere really doesn't arise at this point," Boucher said at the State Department.

"The issue is whether North Korea is willing to address the concerns of the international community, and promptly and verifiably end these programs that are such an affront," he said.

Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Losyukov also is serving as a would-be peacemaker. He plans to travel to North Korea, China and the United States in the coming days.



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TIEVA DE KONINCK, a freshman physics major from Alpine, and Matt Wiederanders, a freshman electrical engineering major from Round Rock, assemble a platform for their bunk beds at Bledsoe Hall.

Compromise reached by music, technology groups

WASHINGTON (AP) — The leading trade associations for the music and technology industries announced a compromise Tuesday they said will protect copyrights on movies and music without new government involvement.

"What we're saying is, 'We don't need our heads banged together,'" said Hilary Rosen, chief executive for the Recording Industry Association of

America. She said the agreement will help stem "needless legislative battles, silly rhetoric about what divides us and continuing disharmony in the public policy arena."

The head of the Business Software Alliance, Robert Holleyman, called it a "landmark agreement."

Lobbyists for some of the nation's largest technology companies will use

the new agreement to oppose efforts in Congress to broaden the rights of consumers, such as explicitly permitting viewers to make backup copies of DVDs for personal use or to copy songs onto handheld listening devices.

"How companies satisfy consumer expectations is a business decision that should be driven by the dynamics of the marketplace and should not be legislated or regulated," the agreement said.

Holleyman said leading technology companies believe the 1998 Digital Millennium Copyright Act, which restricts what consumers can do with digital music and movies, is "generally working as it was intended."

These technology companies, including Microsoft Corp., IBM, Intel Corp. and Dell Computer Corp., also pledged support for aggressive enforcement against digital pirates.

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MONEY TRANSFER: Funds moved from professorships will finance self-insurance.

By Felicia Simpson/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech Board of Regents approved the transfer of a \$5 million HSC professorship endowment fund to self-insurance.

The professorship endowment was dedicated to faculty salaries. Self-insurance allows the HSC to control their insurance funds.

Prior to 1985, various outside insurance companies insured the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center. In 1985, the Board of Regents decided to make the HSC self-insured against professional liability.

HSC Interim President Elmo Cavin said this decision was made so the HSC could control the insurance funds. Since the malpractice insurance was maintained by the HSC, it had complete power over where the money was spent.

"By being self-insured, we paid

ourselves," Cavin said.

Furthermore, he said the HSC saves money by not having to go through a financial corporation as an intermediary. This type of corporation would require the payment of fees to the company, which was alleviated.

General Counsel Pat Campbell said this self-insurance covers about 375 clinical faculty members, 510 residents and 475 medical students.

He said these individuals pay for malpractice insurance similar to those who have an outside insurance company.

"They pay premiums for professional liability just like any other physicians paying premiums," Campbell said.

In 1998, because of an excess of funds in the self-insurance account, the HSC dean and chairman recommended \$5 million in excess reserves be moved out of the premium and into

a fund for professorships.

With this transfer, the professors at the Amarillo, El Paso, Lubbock and Permian Basin Health Sciences Centers were paid by interest accrued by the \$5 million endowment fund. Therefore, the premium was always maintained, Campbell said.

An actuary annually reviews the amount of premium each clinical faculty member, resident and medical student at the HSC will pay, Campbell said. This actuary will recommend and set the insurance rate for each individual.

Campbell said physicians have not paid premiums for several years, but this year the actuary proposed differently.

"He decided that premiums be reinstated instead of abated," Campbell said.

Because of this decision, there was a unanimous concurrence by the HSC regional deans to return the endowment fund to self-insurance in order to prevent the medical personnel from paying the insurance.

Cavin said professorships will now be funded from other sources.

Campbell said that the abatement of paying insurance in the next years is unlikely.

"In the future, the probability of physicians paying premiums is reasonably high due to insurance liability going up," he said.

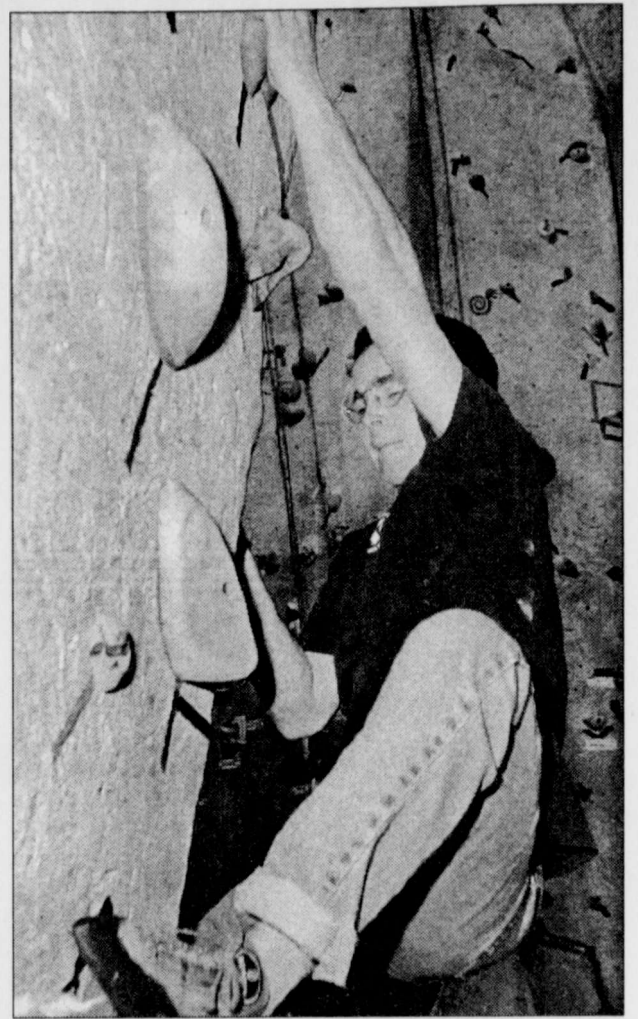
Dr. Richard V. Homan, dean of the School of Medicine and Graduate School of Biomedical Science, said the HSC would be affected by the increasing rates.

"Regionally and nationally, there is a crisis in the exponential increase in malpractice insurance," he said.

Homan said the HSC has had a low number of claims the past several years. However, the rising rates will place more responsibility on the HSC to earn the money to offset these costs since only 20 percent of the funding comes from the state.



"The extra cost for liability insurance ... puts an extra burden on the operation of the medical school," he said.

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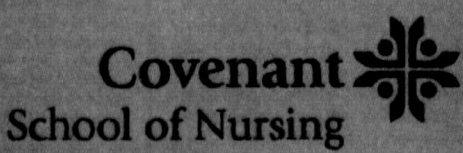
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