

## How FREE is your SPEECH



'X' MARKS THE SPOT: The red X's on the map of the Texas Tech campus above depict the only six zones allowed for free speech, whether in the form of protests, rallies or making statements with which one believes.

Begging the question: Is the university restricting students' First Amendment right?

### U.S. Constitution Bill of Rights

#### Amendment I

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### FREEDOM OF SPEECH,

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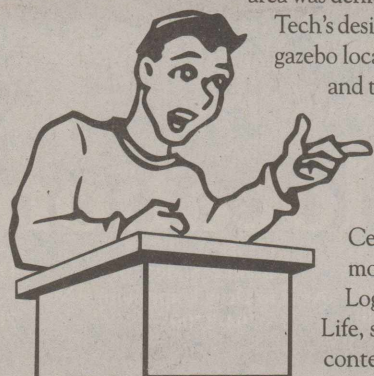
By Angela Timmons/The University Daily

Texas Tech has been forced to question its adherence to the First Amendment.

Administrators and the Office of the General Counsel have been laboring to re-word Tech's campus-wide free speech policy as it is stated in the 2004-2005 Student Handbook.

Efforts to rework the policy are in light of a Sept. 30, 2004, ruling by U.S. District Judge Samuel Cummings that the policy is unconstitutional. As it previously stood, the policy requires students to ask permission before making speeches outside designated free speech areas and limits the places where free speech can be exercised.

The ruling was the result of a 2003 lawsuit in which Tech law student Jason W. Roberts sued the university for violating his First Amendment rights when his request to express views on the sinfulness of homosexuality outside a designated campus forum area was denied by the Center for Campus Life. At the time, Tech's designated free-speech forum was the 20-foot wide gazebo located northwest of the Student Union building, and those wishing to speak outside the gazebo were required to submit requests to use grounds outside the gazebo at least six working days prior to the day of use.

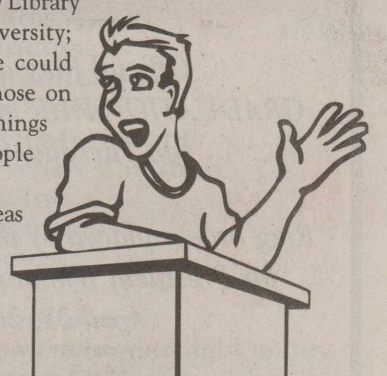


The denial came via e-mail from the Center for Campus Life and asked Roberts to move into the gazebo to express his views. Ethan Logan, unit director of the Center for Campus Life, said the denial was not an attempt to regulate content but an issue of avoiding construction near

the Student Union at the time.

Although Tech's 2004-2005 Student Handbook now lists six free speech areas, Cummings' ruling requires the university to "more narrowly" define its limitations on free speech, according to a Winter 2004-05 Student Press Law Center Report. According to the SPLC report, designating free speech forums has been a trend among the nation's universities since the 1980s. The report states that school officials prefer to allow certain space to students and the occasional non-student to exercise their First Amendment rights however they wish, without disrupting the educational environment. Those who choose to speak outside the designated areas without permission could be asked to move their speech elsewhere.

Tech law professor Daniel Benson said the university likely was not attempting to restrict anyone's free speech, but asking for any significant assembly to be either contained in one of the listed forums or otherwise be granted prior approval for the other grounds. Benson said with Tech being a public forum, government can always regulate time and manner so there is not a significant breach of the peace. For instance, holding a rally in the University Library would impede upon the functions of the university; or the assembly of a large group of people could potentially be hazardous to the safety of those on campus. Other than that, Benson said, Cummings wants Tech's campus to be wide open for people to exercise free speech.





"Cummings said there are public forum areas on campus, streets, sidewalks," Benson said. "They can't restrict free speech; they can't provide less."

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The Rundown



Houston schools face hard questions U.S. withdraws its Syrian ambassador Mine explosion kills 203 coal miners

HOUSTON (AP) — The state's largest school district, which faced national scrutiny stemming from allegations of cheating and inaccurate reporting of dropout and crime statistics, must change the way it operates, the new superintendent said Tuesday.

"We will do whatever it takes to be open and accountable in our operation, regardless of the consequence," Houston schools Superintendent Abe Saavedra said in his "State of the Schools" address.

Saavedra, 53, was appointed as the district's superintendent in December and is the district's first Hispanic leader. He noted that changes already in place include a new Office of Inspector General that will provide internal controls, prevent fraud, waste, abuse and misconduct.

"We do not have the luxury of merely accepting the status quo or continuing to do things just because we've always done them that way," Saavedra said. "It is time to think about a new era for HISD, asking the difficult questions, opening the doors wide and taking new roads to the future."

Saavedra said the district is investigating allegations that standardized state tests may have been improperly administered at some of its schools.

"HISD will not tolerate cheating. Period," he said. "We will not look the other way. If we find it, we will put a stop to it."

Changes also will be instituted at Yates, Sam Houston and Kashmere high schools, which have been rated low-performing or academically unacceptable for at least two years, he said. The reforms will include correcting deficiencies, raising academic standards, redesigning management practices, replacing staff and engaging parents, he said.

"These redesigned schools must be fundamentally different from what exists today," Saavedra said to nearly 2,000 business and community leaders.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States pulled its ambassador from Syria on Tuesday, expressing "profound outrage" over the assassination of a Lebanese leader who had protested Syrian influence in his country.

In Lebanon, there were noisy street processions mourning former Prime Minister Rafik Hariri a day ahead of the funeral that will bring international leaders to Beirut.

Angry Lebanese attacked Syrian workers in the former leader's hometown of Sidon, injuring several and shattering the windows of a Syrian-owned bakery.

Many Lebanese are pressing Syria to withdraw its 15,000 soldiers who have been in the country for more than a decade.

"We believe the Lebanese people must be free to express their political preferences and choose their own representatives without intimidation or the threat of violence," State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said in announcing the imminent return of U.S. Ambassador Margaret Scobey.

Administration officials stopped short of directly accusing Syria of carrying out the murder. But Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said the assassination was the "proximate cause" of the ambassador's recall.

Asked if the United States would go further and punish Syria with new economic sanctions, Rice said, "We will continue to consider other options." She said, "The Syrian problem is a serious problem."

Scobey's return does not break diplomatic relations with Syria, a country the United States has accused of exporting terrorism. Syria took no immediate reciprocal action, such as recalling its own ambassador from Washington.

FUXIN, China (AP) — Three years after a promised overhaul of China's workplace safety system, an explosion deep in a coal shaft killed 203 miners and left 12 more missing, the government said Tuesday in its worst reported mining disaster since communist rule began in 1949.

Dozens of rescuers worked through the night in freezing temperatures to try to reach the miners who may have been trapped by Monday's blast in the Sunjiawan coal mine in northeastern Liaoning province.

The cause of the gas explosion, which went off about 794 feet below the surface, was under investigation, state media said.

A thick cordon of men in matching dark coats and helmets stood side by side blocking the entrance to the mine late Tuesday, as cars full of paramilitary police patrolled the site. A line of vans waited to transport any wounded to hospitals in Fuxin, a gritty soot-covered city where mining is the main industry.

"Mining is just too dangerous, but it's a struggle to find work here," said Zhang Qiang, a Fuxin native who said he performs odd jobs to make ends meet.

Fuxin, a city of about 1 million people, lies in China's northeastern rust belt — a region that teems with inefficient state-owned industries saddled with outdated equipment. The government has said it would do more to ease unemployment in the region, amid rising discontent.

Twenty-eight injured miners lay in hospital beds Tuesday, suffering from carbon monoxide poisoning, burns and fractures. All were in stable condition, except for one who was in a coma because of a head injury caused by flying debris, the Xinhua News Agency said.

SGA candidates begin campaigns

By Brandi Fleming/  
The University Daily

image of Tech out there for people to see."

The Student Government Association will be holding elections Feb. 22 and 23. Voting will begin at 9 a.m. Tuesday and end at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Kelly Harris, Nathan Nash and J. Ross Lacy are running for the office of SGA president. Nash said serving as internal vice president this past year has helped him to become a good candidate for president.

"I went into the job as internal vice president thinking I wanted to be a good leader and have good legislation," he said, "and I think I have really done that."

Working with President Mitchell Moses has given him many opportunities to learn about presidential responsibilities, Nash said.

"I have served in Mitchell's place several times, and that has given me some insight into the things I will be dealing with if I become president," he said.

There are some issues that need to be addressed within the coming year in SGA, Nash said.

"I would like to work on keeping student fees down," he said. "And I would also like to continue work on keeping tuition costs down."

Generating more scholarships and adding money to existing scholarships are two ways of helping students with tuition, Nash said.

"Another major issue for Tech that I would like to address is our role and image in the Lubbock community," he said. "It would be great to get a more positive

Harris and Lacy did not return phone calls.

Ryan Worley and Drew Slater are the candidates for SGA external vice president.

Worley said he is running for the position because he has a set agenda of issues he would like to see solved.

"I really want to see the off-campus bus routes being paid for by the apartment complexes," he said. "At the University of Texas, the students are not billed for off-campus bus routes. We need to help make that happen at Tech."

Last year the students were charged a \$3 fee for bus routes, Worley said. If those routes were paid for by the apartments, funds could be freed up for putting in bike lanes on campus, he said.

"The bike lanes are really important to get started," he said.

"It is going to make campus much safer and help with the parking situation."

Worley said he would also like to improve Tech's image in the community. Tech does a lot for the community but gets little recognition.

Slater did not return phone calls from The University Daily.

Casey Harmon and Ryan Clower are running for SGA internal vice president. Harmon said working with Nash has prepared her for the challenges she will face if

"I have served as a senator for two years, and this year I was also journal clerk," she said. "As internal vice president, I would be helping with legislation and many of the various committees."

Harmon said one key issue she feels should

be addressed is getting the SGA senators more involvement in the Student Organization Advisory Committee.

"A representative from basically every organization on campus attend the monthly meetings," she said. "It would be a great opportunity for senators to find out what the students need and want."

SOAC is open for students to voice their concerns and opens the lines of communication, Harmon said.

Clower did not return phone calls.

Jon Hanson, the only candidate running for SGA vice president of graduate affairs, said his biggest issue is changing the status of graduate students at Tech.

"Graduate students and teaching assistants do a lot on this campus and do not always receive adequate recognition," he said. "I would like to see a separate commencement ceremony for graduate students in December and May."

Hanson has served as the senator for graduate affairs and has worked with the vice president for nine months.



Multiracial scenes now common in advertisements, gloss over racial realities

(AP) — Somewhere there is an America that is full of neighborhoods where black and white kids play softball together, where biracial families e-mail photos online and where Asians and blacks dance in the same nightclub.

And that America is on your television.

In the idyllic world of TV commercials, Americans increasingly are living together side by side, regardless of race. The diverse images reflect a trend that has been quietly growing in the advertising industry for years: Racially mixed scenarios — families, friendships, neighborhoods and party scenes — are often used as a hip backdrop to sell products.

The ads suggest America's ethnic communities are meshing seamlessly, bonded by a love of yogurt, lipstick and

athletic gear. Last year, Verizon used a fictional interracial family — white and Hispanic — in seven commercials pushing their communications products in an effort, according to a company spokesman, to "portray something that was contemporary and realistic."

Such commercials, including more than a few that debuted during the Super Bowl, allow advertisers to convey an inclusive corporate image and reach a broad ethnic range of consumers. Many applaud them as an optimistic barometer of the nation's racial progress.

But critics say such ads gloss over persistent and complicated racial realities. Though the proportion of ethnic minorities in America is growing, experts say, more than superficial interaction between groups is still relatively unusual. Most Americans overwhelmingly live and mingle with

people from their own racial background. Advertising, meanwhile, is creating a "carefully manufactured racial utopia, a narrative of colorblindness" says Charles Gallagher, a sociologist at Georgia State University in Atlanta.

Only about 7 percent of all marriages are interracial, according to Census data. About 80 percent of whites live in neighborhoods in which more than 95 percent of their neighbors also are white, and data show that most Americans have few close friends of another race, Gallagher said.

"The lens through which people learn about other races is absolutely through TV, not through human interaction and contact," he said. "Here, we're getting a lens of racial interaction that is far afield from reality." Ads make it seem that race does not matter, when real life would tell you something different, he added.

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# Student death raises bike safety concerns

By Katherine Amerson/  
The University Daily

The recent death of a bike rider who was struck by a vehicle has brought the safety of bike riders to the forefront.

Paul's Parts manager Derek LaRue said bike riders can do many things to help guarantee safety while riding on two wheels.

"What most people don't know is that it's Texas law that you have lights on the front and back (of a bike)," he said. "Helmets (are) definitely a plus, (as are) abiding by the traffic laws."

All helmets have to pass government standards, LaRue said, so all helmets, even the less than attractive ones, help ensure safety.

"I would have to say that wearing a helmet would definitely save your life," he said. "We sell thousands of bikes a year but not many people buy helmets. I guess they don't think they need them."

Many people do not wear helmets because they do not want to look goofy, LaRue said. However, there are more attractive helmets available.

"There's nothing really they can do to make it look cool," he said. "Cheaper helmets don't really look as cool as the more expensive helmets."

Eddie Holland, a senior family studies and women's studies major from Los Angeles, said he does not wear a helmet when he rides his bike.

"I just make sure no one runs over me," he said. "In California, 300 feet from behind. when you ride a bike you're supposed to ride facing oncoming traffic."

Maj. Gordon Hoffman with the Texas Tech Police Department said Texas law requires cyclists to ride with the flow of traffic.

"Ride like the cars do," he said. "Wear a helmet, make sure your bicycle is adjusted and everything works."

Although it is recommended that people do not ride bikes at night, Hoffman said, if someone does need to ride a bike at night, there are certain precautions to take.

"Be seen at night by wearing fluorescents or other bright colors. Stay alert; look out for obstacles in your path," he said. "If you're riding a bicycle, you may not be seen as easily as you think by cars."

According to the Texas transportation code, Hoffman said, a person may not operate a bicycle at night unless the bike is equipped with a lamp in the front that omits a white light visible from clinics, at least 500 feet in front of the bike and has a red reflector on the rear of the bike that, when illuminated, can be seen from 50 feet to

"One of the biggest factors in these collisions is they just don't see you," he said. "Be aware of your surroundings. You are vulnerable; if you get hit, you're not going to win."

In terms of safety, LaRue said, a \$5,000 bike is going to get the same impact as a \$500 bike. Lubbock is not a bike-friendly city, he said, such as Austin and Seattle, which have bike lanes.

"The city can do more to help their cyclists," LaRue said.

Brandon Sell, a freshman broadcast journalism major from Lubbock and assistant trip leader for the Outdoor Pursuits Center at Tech, said he tries to be safe while riding a bike.

"I ride my bike every day. There's no actual bike routes at Tech, which is kind of frustrating," he said. "Outside of campus, I do (wear a helmet)."

The Outdoor Pursuits Center offers bicycle

Sell said. "I wear a reflective belt across my chest at night," he said. "I don't trust anybody in cars to stop."



# Student arrested, campus rooms raided for marijuana

By Brittany Barrientos/  
The University Daily

Several occurrences of marijuana in residence halls have shed some light on an ongoing problem on the Texas Tech campus.

Maj. Gordon Hoffman of the Tech Police Department said there have been six residence hall rooms that marijuana or marijuana paraphernalia has been found during the last 10 days.

"I can't say that the (current) problem is any worse than it has been in other years," he said. "But I hope we're not seeing a trend."

Some Tech students said they do not believe the possession of marijuana is an important issue on the Tech campus.

Brandon Hunt, a junior business major from Weatherford, said he knows people smoke marijuana, but he

does not believe it is a big deal. "I don't think it's an issue," he said. "I think it should be legalized."

Hunt said he believes other intoxicants can impair a person's abilities more than marijuana.

"(Alcohol) affects our judgment more than marijuana, and it is much more addicting," he said.

The Tech Police Department has been enforcing rules on people smoking in the residence halls, Hoffman said.

According to the police reports, students have been arrested in Coleman, Sneed and Murdough halls. The students involved have been arrested

for possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of alcohol by a minor.

Thaddeus Atzmon, a freshman pre-law major from San Antonio, said he was arrested for possession of marijuana and paraphernalia in his residence hall room. He said he believes the police are being

invasive and not concentrating on larger campus issues. "The Tech Police Department should be here to protect you and not be up in your face," he said.

Jones spent the night in the Lubbock County Jail after being arrested

and said he plans to quit smoking marijuana.

Hoffman said possession of marijuana is a Class B misdemeanor if it is less than 2 ounces, and punishment can be up to six months in jail and up to \$2,000.

Possession of drug paraphernalia is a Class C misdemeanor and can be punishable with a fine up to \$500, he said.

If students deliver drugs, Hoffman said, the punishments go up considerably.

Juli Benson, manager of health education for student health services,

said Thompson Hall provides screenings for students with substance abuse problems.

"Students can be identified by the student judicial board, or by the judicial community, and we conduct screenings to determine (factors) relating to their substance abuse," she said. "If the relationship is dangerous, we talk about ways they can prevent

future harm." Benson said the Raider Assistance Program also conducts interviews to

help students find ways to understand and conquer substance abuse. She said students do not have to be identified by a student organization to get a screening; people can walk in and ask for screenings.

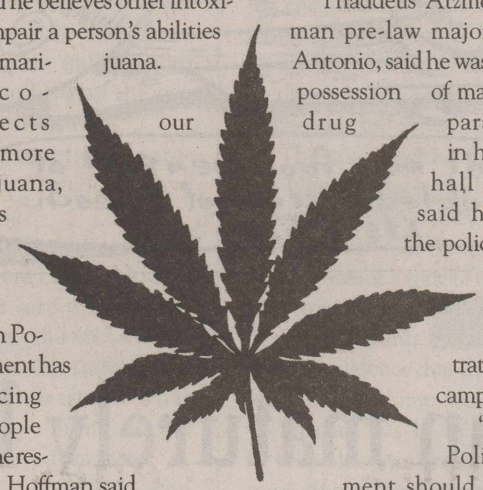
"If someone has paid their medical services fee, they can use our services for free," she said.

Full-time students pay the medical service fee, Benson said.

The Raider Assistance Program office is located in room S107 of Thompson Hall and can be reached at (806) 743-2866 ext. 279.

Hoffman said he wants students to know that any incident with drugs can be harmful to their future.

"Any drug offense is too many," he said. "Don't (do drugs) anywhere, no matter where you are at. Especially in the residence halls, in such a close proximity someone is bound to notice it."



*"Don't (do drugs) anywhere, no matter where you are at."*

— MAJ. GORDON HOFFMAN  
The Texas Tech Police Department

# Woman contacted to join suicide party reveals one man's dark side

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — College senior Jaime Shockman was at home working on her computer when an instant message popped up at the bottom of her screen. It was an invitation to die.

"Do you think of suicide?" the stranger asked. "Do you want to die with others," he went on, according to the instant message transcript.

Bored and convinced the message was a joke, the young woman replied. For two hours in December, she answered questions posed by 26-year-old Gerald Krein, who is now accused of attempting to lure emotionally fragile women to his Oregon home for what police are calling a Valentine's Day sex and suicide party.

It's not clear whether any of the women he allegedly contacted were sincere about killing themselves. For her part, Shockman says she engaged Krein in the conversation as a prank.

"I was convinced it was a joke," Shockman said, who believes the man picked her out because her screen name — KillToriSpelling — refers to killing.

The Portland State University student decided it was something more sinister when he told her that a mother from Portland was coming to his home in southern Oregon to commit suicide along with her five kids.

Now, Shockman is one of five women — from Canada, Georgia, Oregon, Missouri and Virginia — out of more than two dozen allegedly contacted by Krein who have identified themselves to police. According to authorities, the women were invited to the "suicide get-together" at his house, where they were to hang themselves naked from a beam.

Krein, who was arrested Wednesday, told investigators he had been in touch with 31 women. He was indicted Monday while deputies kept watch over his house to make sure no one arrived to kill themselves.

"It was suggested that they come here, that they hang with him, that they have a sex party, and if they couldn't come he would certainly entertain them, doing it over the Internet," Sheriff Tim Evinger said.

Shockman printed a copy of the instant message communication — in which he identified himself first as "Jerry," then as "Gerald Krein" — and showed it to The Associated Press. She also has shown it to police.

After he divulged his plan to commit suicide along with 15 others, Shockman asked him: "How do you want to die?"

"We was thinking hanging," he wrote back, according to the transcript.

"All at the same time in the same place?" she asked.

When he answered yes, she kidded him that the weight of the bodies would break the structure they were hung from.

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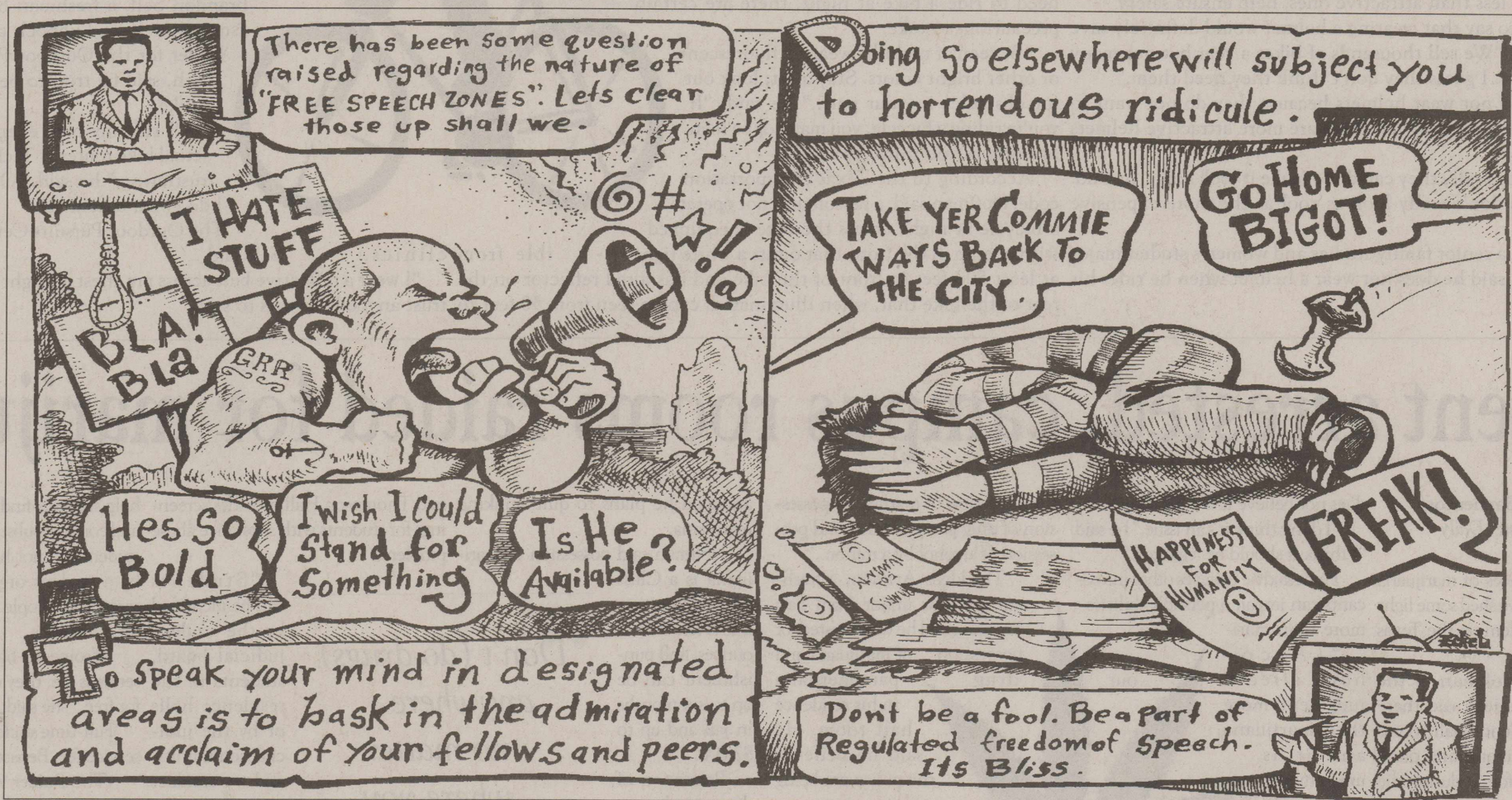
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## Campus FREE SPEECH



EDITORIAL

### No policy needed — students can maturely handle rights

More than four months ago, U.S. District Judge Sam Cummings declared Texas Tech's free speech zones unconstitutional and required the university to adjust the policy.

This ruling pleased the editorial board of *The University Daily*; such restrictions as free speech zones are worrisome and offensive to us as advocates of the First Amendment.

As of yet, no official changes have been made to the policy; administrators say they are working to determine what needs to be changed to abide by the ruling.

Here's an idea — get rid of the policy permanently.

Only if Tech stops having a free speech policy will the university truly have free speech. Those three words cannot go together. Either Tech allows free speech, or it has a speech policy. A policy restricts. Restricted speech is not free.

The restriction of free speech to

certain zones sends a message of distrust — that the administration does not trust the students enough to allow them to handle the responsibility; that, if the zones were taken away, students would run rampant waving signs with disturbing messages that disrupt the educational process solely for the purpose of disrupting the educational process. With the zones removed, however, the administration would likely find the opposite result; that students are less disruptive because they are no longer confined to certain areas.

Many people argue they would rather not see pictures of aborted fetuses or hear people yelling war chants as they roll out of their residence halls or finish eating dinner in the dining hall. However, nowhere in the Bill of Rights does it say anyone has the right not to be made uncomfortable or not to be offended. Part of college life is that exposure to ideas that make one uncomfortable; that is when students grow as scholars, academics and

American citizens.

Others will argue speech is free everywhere on campus; that if a person wanted to have a conversation in an area not designated a "forum" area, that would be fine. However, that same person cannot hold a poster proclaiming his views anywhere on campus. This is not free speech; it is speech confined to certain areas or by certain mediums.

Also, what is the point of not allowing a message to be shared in one part of campus but allowing it in another? Logically, the policy does not make sense. What is appropriate for the area between the Student Union and the library must be appropriate for Memorial Circle, the area in front of Holden Hall and the grass around the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreational Center. This double standard should not be allowed to exist in a university setting.

Tech's policy states that areas not designated a forum cannot be used to

share views that can be interpreted as insulting, a threat or a personal attack, such as Jason Roberts' request to hand out pamphlets condemning homosexuality. Under this policy, T-shirts that have obscenities, that degrade women or even that says something negative about our friends, the Aggies, should not be allowed on campus. Epithets and offensive signs should not be allowed in the United Spirit Arena or Jones SBC Stadium. How is a message on a T-shirt different than a message on a poster? Again, a double standard.

According to an article about Tech's policies in the Student Press Law Center's Winter Report, the University of Oregon's policy regulates conduct, not content. *The University Daily* believes this method of regulating protests and demonstrations could help balance the need for free and open communication and still provide an atmosphere in which students can learn. Allow demonstrations to take place anywhere on

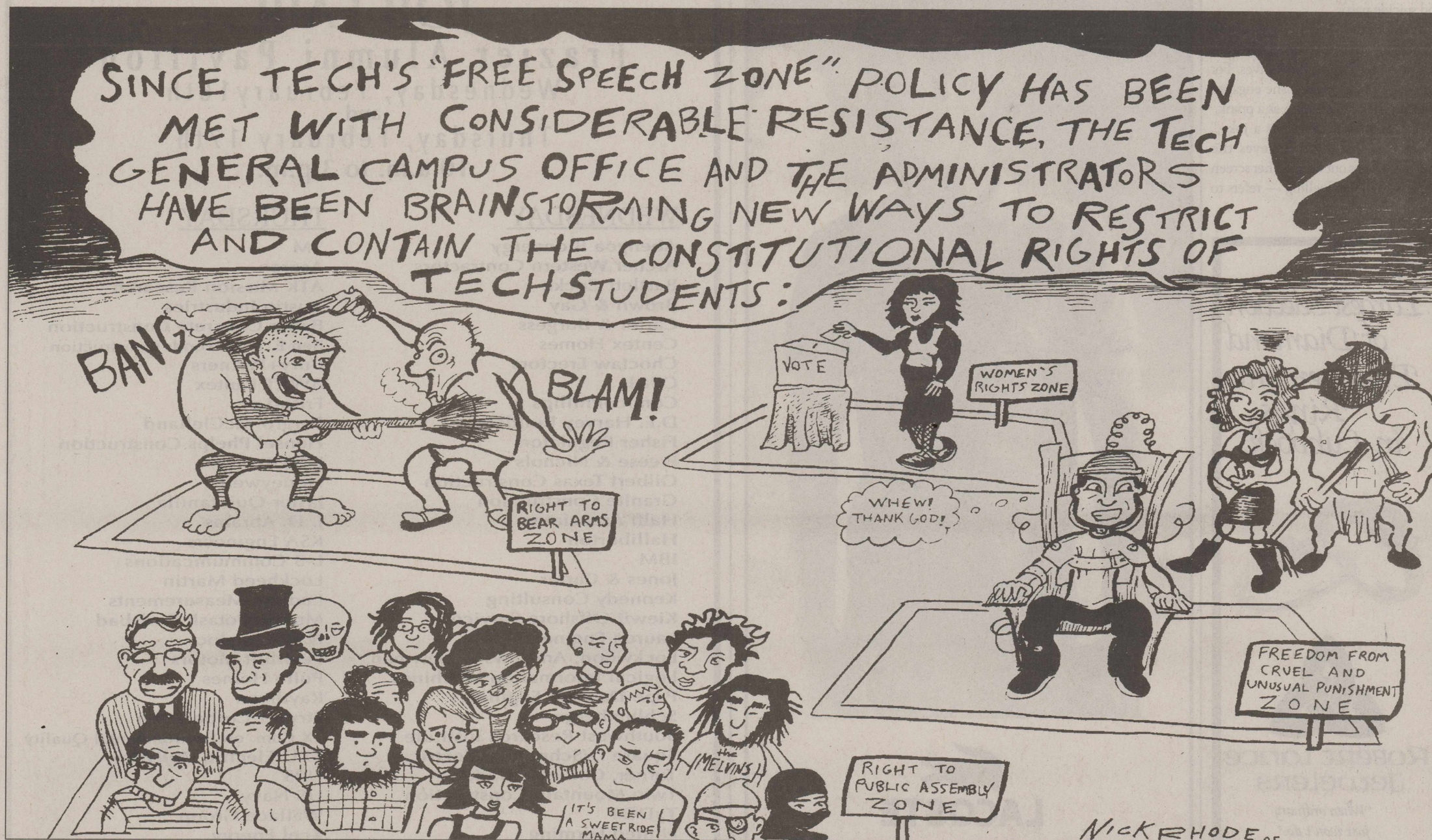
campus, but if a demonstration reaches a noise level that disrupts the educational process, if violence occurs or other legitimate threats are presented by the demonstration, then the administration should step in. However, if a peaceful protest of abortion, homosexuality, the war or another topic takes place in Memorial Circle without prior approval, leave it alone.

Obviously on-campus housing deserves special privileges. People, in the name of free speech, should not be knocking on doors in the residence halls or standing in the lobby. That's fine. Keep protests out of the halls. But there's nothing wrong with putting the protest on the doorstep. That may make some people uncomfortable. However, knowing that at a university, which is supposed to be a haven for new ideas and a whirlpool of original thought, actual free speech is only allowed in six areas makes the editorial board of *The University Daily* incredibly uncomfortable.

This problem is disconcerting for many reasons. The editorial board of *The UD* is concerned because if free speech is limited to the designated zones on campus, it is not conceivable for the administration to place certain limits on the newspaper or other aspects of free speech protected under the First Amendment. This has not happened, nor have there been suggestions made by administrators. It is, however, important to ensure Tech never reaches that point.

One administrator said the policy may be completed by the next Board of Regents meeting, which takes place next week. We applaud this goal but encourage the administration to not sacrifice the correct action just to get it done. Get rid of the policies, the zones, the necessary prior approval. Give students their right to free speech everywhere on campus.

As Voltaire said, "I may not agree with what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it."



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# 'Vagina Monologues' ticket sales declined

By Brittany Barrientos/  
The University Daily

An experiment to boost ticket sales did not go quite as well as planned for the Feminist Majority Alliance at Texas Tech after a leading vendors decided not to sell tickets for their event.

Eve Ensler's play, "The Vagina Monologues," is put on by the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance and is aimed at showcasing the private lives of women and bringing them into the public eye, said the play's director, Jackie Rosenfeld, a graduate playwriting student from Abilene.

This year was the first the organization used Select-A-Seat to help sell more tickets to the event. Last year, "The Vagina Monologues," was pay at the door only, said Stephanie Sheppard, president of Tech's FMLA.

United Supermarkets, a Select-a-Seat vendor, did not have the tickets for sale at any of their Lubbock locations because of previous negative responses by customers, said Director of Communications Eddie Owens.

"(We) had an experience with the same production in (our) Amarillo stores and the expressed complaints greatly outweighed the praise (of the sales)," he said. "We heard that the majority of attendees would be from the Texas Tech

campus (where tickets are also sold)."

Pay at the door was implemented when ticket sales were not as high as expected.

The play showed for three days, concluding Monday night, and all the proceeds will be donated to the Rape Crisis Center of Lubbock.

Owens said he was unaware the proceeds went to the Rape Crisis Center.

"(That information) possibly could have made an impact (on our decision)," he said. "That information was not given to us."

Scott Cryder, a customer service representative for Select-A-Seat, said with every new event for which tickets will be sold by Select-A-Seat, the vendors are given the right to refuse ticket sales at their stores.

Before the ticket sales were counted, the production raised more than \$2,000, said Stephanie Sheppard, president of the Tech FMLA, said all of the money raised by ticket sales will be going to the Rape Crisis Center.

Sheppard said she is aware of the situation regarding ticket sales and she is trying to set up a meeting with United Supermarkets to discuss the situation and set the record straight about the purpose of the play.

Rosenfeld said the play focuses on all different aspects of a woman's life, from getting her first period to dealing with rape or sexual assault.

"(The play) gives us the opportunity to bring awareness to the community and particularly to campus about issues women face," she said. "(It also allows) the opportunity to be honest and bring the private into the public."

Kelly Whitman, the volunteer and fund-raising coordinator for the Rape Crisis Center, said everyone at the center is grateful for the FMLA donating the proceeds.

"We are so appreciative of what they are doing by giving us all the proceeds," she said.

The Rape Crisis Center of Lubbock helps victims and their families deal with the problems associated with rape, Whitman said.

"We provide immediate crisis intervention for sexual assault victims and their families," she said.

The Center helps victims from the time they are at the hospital and have a 24-hour hotline available for counseling, said Whitman. The Center also follows cases as they travel through the legal system and provide support at trials.

To contact the Lubbock Rape Crisis Center, call (806) 763-7273.

## Some students say tuition fees unfair

By Meghann Lora/  
The University Daily

the international education fee and cultural activities fee are.

Texas Tech students pay a price for their college education — and other amenities they may never use.

According to the Student Business Services Web site, www.depts.ttu.edu/studentbusinessservices/, tuition and fees for this spring was \$3,075. About \$1,200 of that total are fees that fund various facilities and services for Tech students.

Sophie Doss, a junior early childhood education major from Taylor, said not every student uses all of the facilities and services Tech offers, and making students

pay for them is not fair, according to the Web site. Lovato said the transportation fee is useful to him and many other students. He said he rides the bus often and is glad the service is offered on campus.

"I think it's beneficial to students," he said. "You don't have to wait too long."

Erin Preston, a sophomore finance major from Flower Mound, said she is not sure where all of her money goes. She said she has looked at a list of student fees and did not understand what

many of the fees were.

"I've seen lists before," she said. "I had no idea what it even was."

Preston said she is glad to pay the University Center fee of \$98 per semester because it is something students can

*"I'm taking 18 hours so I don't even have time to think about going to the gym; there's no way."*

— SOPHIE DOSS  
Junior Early Childhood Education Major from Taylor

actually use. "For that one, I'd agree with it," she said. "People go to this building maybe more than any other building on campus, especially with all the new stuff."

Preston said even though every student does not use every facility or service at Tech, there is a balance in the amount of money students pay.

"I might not have reasons for the cultural fee, but other people may not like the fees that I like," she said. "It all kind of balances cultural activities fee, according to the Web site."

Doss said she does not object to paying an international education fee and cultural fee because she understands the value of a cultural education. She said she hopes the money allows other students to study abroad.

"I don't really mind," she said. "That's a really good opportunity."

Doss said the transportation fee allows students to ride the bus to classes. She said even though she does not ride the bus, many students do.

"If there weren't options, that would be very bad for a lot of people," she said.

The university has used money from student fees wisely, Doss said. She said the improvements to the university are worth the money.

"I think (the university) does a pretty good job," she said. "You don't want to go to a not-very-nice university, so I think it's worth it."

According to the Web site, students pay \$15 per semester credit hour for the library fee. A student taking 15 hours would pay \$225 each semester.

Corey Lovato, a senior communications major from Bedford, said he thinks the library fee is good because it provides books and computers to students, and he uses the library regularly.

"I use the library a lot so I don't mind paying that," he said. "But some of these fees — I don't even know what they're for."

Lovato said he is unsure of what

## Jury rejects 15-year-old boy's Zoloft defense in murder case

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP)

A 15-year-old boy who claimed the antidepressant Zoloft drove him to kill his grandparents and burn their house down was found guilty of murder Tuesday and sentenced to 30 years in prison.

The jury took six hours to reject Christopher Pittman's claim that he was "involuntarily intoxicated" by the drug and could not be held responsible for the crime.

The trial was the first case in the United States in which it was argued that the antidepressant led a youngster to kill, Pittman's lawyer said. It came at a time of heightened government attention to the use of antidepressants by children and growing evidence that the drugs can lead to suicidal impulses.

Pittman was 12 in 2001 when he killed his grandparents, Joe Pittman, 66, and Joy Pittman, 62, with a pump-action shotgun as they slept in their rural home, then torched their house and drove off in their car. He was charged as an adult.

Pittman hung his head as the verdict was read. "I know it's in the hands of God. Whatever he decides on, that's what it's going to be," he said quietly, just before Judge Danny Pieper handed down the minimum sentence. The boy could have gotten life in prison.

About a month before the slayings, Pittman was hospitalized after threatening to kill himself. He was prescribed the antidepressant Paxil and was later put on Zoloft.

A psychiatrist testified for the defense that the Zoloft was to blame for the killings, and a former Food and Drug Administration official testified that the crime was an angry, rash, manic act "that was chemically induced."

Pittman's lawyers urged the jury to send a message to the nation by blaming Zoloft. They said the negative effects of Zoloft are more pronounced in youngsters, and the drug affected Pittman so he did not know right from wrong.

"We do not convict children for murder when they have been ambushed by chemicals that destroy their ability to reason," attorney Paul Waldner said.

But prosecutors called the Zoloft defense a smokescreen, saying the boy knew exactly what he was doing. Prosecutor Barney Giese said the real motivation for the crime was the boy's anger at his grandparents for disciplining him for choking a younger student on a school bus.

And he reminded jurors how the boy carried out the killings — shooting his grandfather in the mouth and his grandmother in her head while both lay sleeping.

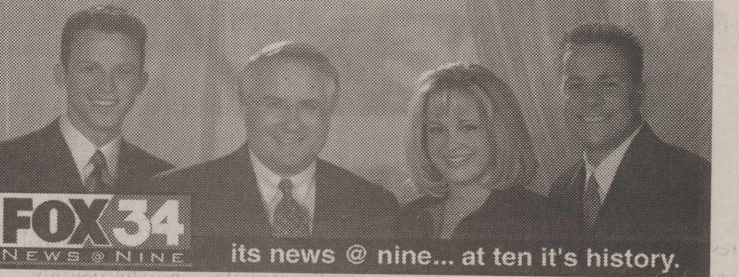
"I don't care how old he is. That is as malicious a killing — a murder — as you are ever going to find," the prosecutor said. He pointed to Pittman's statement to police in which he said his grandparents "deserved it."

Pfizer Inc., the manufacturer of Zoloft, issued a statement saying that it was a tragic case and that the testimony showed Pittman needed help before the slayings.

"Zoloft didn't cause his problems, nor did the medication drive him to commit murder. On these two points, both Pfizer and the jury agree," the drug company said.

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8 AM	Caillou			Make It Count	Roseanne	Roseanne
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11 AM	Mister Rogers	Jeopardy!	Young and the Restless (HD)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Access Hollywood
12 PM	Woodwright's News	Jeopardy!	KLBK 13 News	Jerry Springer	All My Children	Good Day
1 PM	Best Painting	Days of Our Lives	Bold & Beautiful	Paid Program	One Life to Live	People's Court
2 PM	Zoom	Passions	As the World Turns	Animal Adv	General Hospital	Divorce Court
3 PM	The Lions	Inside Edition	Guiding Light	Paid Program	Paid Program	Texas Justice
4 PM	Buster	Oprah Winfrey	Maury	Dharma & Greg	Jane Pauley	Fear Factor
5 PM	Cyberchase			Sabrina		
6 PM	Puppy	Dr. Phil	Judge Judy	That '70s Show	Montel Williams	Fox 34 News First@Four
7 PM	Arthur		Judge Judy	Malcolm		
8 PM	Maya Miguel	News	KLBK 13 News	Access Hollywd	News	Malcolm
9 PM	Nightly Business	Nightly News	Evening News	Family Feud	World News	Simpsons
10 PM	NewsHour with Jim Lehrer	News	KLBK 13 News	Family Feud	News	Friends
11 PM	Roadshow FYI	Wheel Fortune	Who Mill	Extra	Entertainment	Raymond
12 AM	Scientific	Medium 'Night of the Wolf' (HD)	60 Minutes	Road to Stardom	Lost 'Outlaws' (HD)	That '70s Show
1 AM	Slavery & America	West Wing 'Freedom' (HD)	King of Queens 'Yes Dear' (HD)	Kevin Hill 'Occupational Hazard'	(33) Alias 'De-lente' (HD)	American Idol
2 AM	Law & Order 'The Sixth Man'	CSI: NY '71 Death Do We Part'	King of the Hill	(32) Wife Swap 'Pyke/Smith'	(32) Wife Swap 'Pyke/Smith'	Fox 34 News@Nine
3 AM	Nightly Business	News	KLBK 13 News	That '70s Show	News	Friends
4 AM	Destinos	(35) Jay Leno (HD)	(35) David Letterman	Magnum, P.I.	(35) Nightline	Seinfeld
5 AM	Destinos	(35) Jay Leno (HD)	(35) David Letterman	Magnum, P.I.	(35) Insider	Frasier
6 AM	Charlie Rose	(35) Conan O'Brien	(35) Late Late Show	Blind Date	Paid Program	Cheers
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## Charming quickly turns to cheese in 'Hitch'

The romantic comedy toss-up timed for Valentine's Day starts as an entertaining sweetie but sinks into the ditch of date-movie dullness.

Bad boy Will Smith stars as Alex "Hitch" Hitchens, a geek turned smooth operator.

Hitch is the "Date Doctor," and charges losers a nice fee to set them up with fine ladies.

But Hitch has his scruples. He is not setting these guys up for one-night stands — he wants them to have long-lasting relationships with these ladies.

He knows all the rules and angles. He knows 90 percent of what a guy says isn't coming out of his mouth, listening is more important than talking, returning a lost puppy makes you a hero and the first kiss is paramount.

So he tells us. At the film's opening, Smith communicates with us directly by talking to the camera that follows him. This can be an effective device, and it has worked before (see "Alfie," "Kuffs" and "High Fidelity" for good examples).

But after the first few minutes

**James Eppler**



*This has to be considered Will Smith's first shot at romantic comedy. While his charms make "Hitch" work temporarily, he can't keep the cuteness from curdling.*

of the film, the Date Doctor totally forgets about us in the audience until the last scene in the movie.

It's an annoying inconsistency. But Smith does have the charisma

to keep "Hitch" afloat for awhile.

While he works with several clients, his main focus is Albert (Kevin James from TV's "King of Queens"), a hefty, mustard-stained shirt type who has the hots for the wealthy and beautiful Allegra (Amber Valletta), who seems far beyond Albert's reach.

Some of the funnier scenes in the film find Hitch "training" Albert on everything from social etiquette to dancing. Smith and James often are hilarious together. When Albert finally takes Allegra to a high-class event, it makes for one of the most entertaining bits in the film.

Hitch has the goods to make Albert a mild stud, but he can't seem to get his own bumbling under control in front of Sarah (Eva Mendez), who has the Doctor knocked for a loop.

Sarah is a gossip columnist (a profession that has become a staple for modern romantic comedy leading ladies, complete with the gay best friend), and is out to expose this

Date Doctor. Of course, she does not realize the guy she's fallen for is the Doctor himself.

Smith stays smooth even in bits that should embarrass early in the movie. A food allergy reaction finds Smith's face swelling like Kirstie Alley, and sipping Benadryl out of the bottle through a straw. Yet Smith still manages to make it work.

"Hitch" however, starts to sink before long, and Smith, the captain, goes down with the ship.

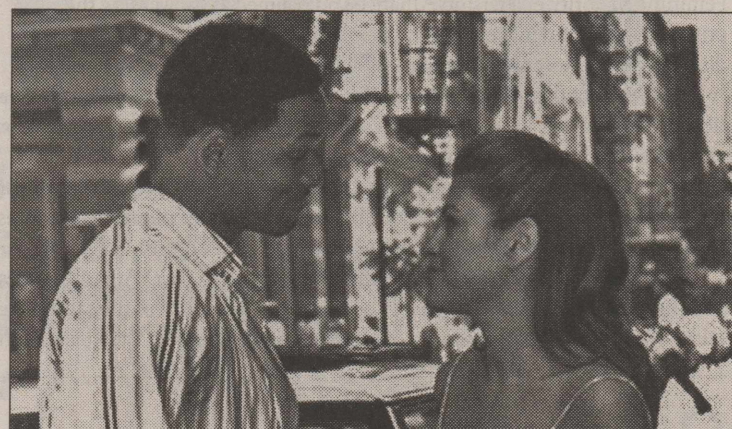
When Sarah finds out who Hitch is, she decides to expose him because of a misunderstanding.

In response, Hitch gets desperate. The signal of the beginning of the low-points is a scene where Hitch interrupts a speed-dating game to get to Sarah.

All of this, of course, could be cleared up through a brief explanation by one of the characters, but the film drags it out for as long as possible.

The Doctor has officially gone to lunch, and never comes back.

You can almost hear Smith gag-



WILL SMITH STARS as the "Date Doctor," while Eva Mendez, who plays a gossip columnist in the film, pretends to be looking for love.

Photo courtesy of Columbia Pictures

giving on the lame dialogue about how "love gives you wings," and "don't be afraid of love" late in the film.

How could this happen? Director Andy Tennant ("Sweet Home Alabama") lets "Hitch" slip through his fingers and resorts to easy date movie tactics, letting the film fall prey to cliché.

Everyone involved deserved better. Kevin James earns his laughs, and Eva Mendez has the talent to be a formidable leading lady.

This has to be considered Will Smith's first shot at a romantic comedy. While his charms make "Hitch" work temporarily, he can't keep the cuteness from curdling.



Eppler is The UD's movie critic. E-mail comments and questions to James.D.Eppler@ttu.edu.

## Michael Jackson taken to a hospital Tuesday

Jury selection for his child molestation trial to be delayed for a week

SANTA MARIA, Calif. (AP) — Michael Jackson was taken to a hospital with the flu Tuesday morning, delaying jury selection for a week in the singer's child molestation trial.

Judge Rodney Melville told prospective jurors that Jackson had the flu and that jury selection would resume Feb. 22.

Lawyers were expected back in court later Tuesday to discuss unspecified motions.

The judge said Jackson had been on his way to court but was taken to

a hospital emergency room instead. He later told the prospective jurors that Jackson was to be admitted to the hospital.

The judge made the initial announcement 15 minutes after Jackson was scheduled to appear in court at 8:30 a.m. A call to the Marian Medical Center in Santa Maria, where Jackson was taken, was not immediately returned.

Jackson spokeswoman Raymone K. Bain said she was trying to learn more about Jackson's condition and would comment later.

Outside the medical center, about two miles from court, a growing crowd of about 50 fans and reporters gathered.

Police guarded all entrances, stopping anyone who appeared to be with the media, while hospital officials put up white fabric to hide what was going on in the emergency room.

Jackson had not been visibly ill in court Monday, when questioning of prospective jurors got under way and

Jackson's lawyers announced they may call stars including Elizabeth Taylor, Jay Leno, Quincy Jones and Kobe Bryant to the witness stand.

The list of possible witnesses sounded like coming attractions for a major Hollywood spectacle. But Melville said not all of the celebrities would necessarily testify.

Attorneys are selecting 12 jurors and eight alternates who will decide whether Jackson molested a teenage cancer

patient at his Neverland Ranch and plied the youth with alcohol.

Names of defense and prosecution witnesses were revealed to prospective jurors Monday so attorneys could find out if any of the more than 240 members of the pool had associations that may be important in jury selection.

Defense attorney Thomas Mesereau Jr. also named two of Jackson's children, Paris and Prince Michael. Possible prosecution witnesses included Debbie Rowe, their mother.

Other possible witnesses included Stevie Wonder, Diana Ross, Chris Tucker, former child actor Corey Feldman, Backstreet Boy Nick Carter and younger brother Aaron, CBS correspondent Ed

Bradley, CNN's Larry King, Fox broadcaster Rita Cosby, New Age guru Deepak Chopra, illusionist Uri Geller, illusionist David Blaine, Las Vegas tycoon Steve Wynn and relatives of the late Marlon Brando.

Prosecutors also listed the family of a boy involved in 1993 molestation allegations against Jackson. The judge has not yet ruled whether that incident can be mentioned in the trial.

The accuser received a multi-million-dollar settlement and no criminal charges were filed.

Both sides listed former Jackson attorney Mark Geragos, and the defense list included Jackson's chief prosecutor, District Attorney Tom Sneddon.

### The University Daily SKI REPORT

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Red River	50	15	PP
Ski Apache	78	24	PP
Santa Fe	104	24	PP
Sipapu	43	7	PP
Taos	91	19	PP
<b>Colorado</b>			
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Aspen Mountain	43	2	PP
Aspen Highlands	56	5	PP
Beaver Creek	48	2	PP
Breckenridge	41	2	PP
Buttermilk	42	3	PP
Copper Mountain	49	3	PP
Crested Butte	62	2	PP
Keystone	43	6	PP
Loveland	51	5	PP
Monarch	66	3	PP
Durango	83	0	PP
Silverton	108	10	PP
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### Random House suing P. Diddy

NEW YORK (AP) — Random House Inc. is suing Sean "P. Diddy" Combs, alleging the hip-hop mogul never paid back a \$300,000 advance for a memoir he never completed.

In papers filed Monday at the state Supreme Court in Manhattan, the publisher alleged that Combs and his corporation, Bad Boy, have "simply kept the money they never rightfully earned." Random House is seeking the advance's return, plus interest.

"Random House has seldom resorted to a legal course of action with its prospective authors who don't write the books we have contracted for, but Mr. Sean Combs has left us no choice," the publisher said in a statement Tuesday.

"He signed an agreement with our Ballantine imprint in 1998 to write his autobiography, which he agreed to complete and deliver to us in 1999. We now have waited for over five years and have received neither the manuscript nor the return of the money we advanced Mr. Combs."

Combs' publicist, Rob Shuter, said

Tuesday that there was a "disagreement with Random House that we hoped would be resolved without litigation. We anticipate that this will be resolved quickly."

According to the court papers, Combs signed with Random House in 1998 and then arranged on his own to collaborate with Mikal Gilmore, a contributing editor to Rolling Stone and author of the acclaimed "Shot in the Heart." A manuscript was to be completed by Dec. 15, 1999, but the deadline passed and, in early 2000, Random House notified Combs that he was in breach of contract and that the publisher wanted the money back.

"Year after year," the papers allege, the publisher sent follow-up letters.

Combs is not the first musician who failed to meet the deadline for delivery of his life's story. Years ago, Mick Jagger received a seven-figure advance to write his memoirs. He eventually returned the money, saying he could not remember anything of significance.

### 'American Idol' helping some Fox programs, hurting others

NEW YORK (AP) — Not only is Fox's "American Idol" dominating prime time again, it may help determine the fates of programs lucky or unlucky enough to be in its path.

The talent show took two of the three top spots in Nielsen Media Research's top 10 last week, with only CBS' "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" in its league.

Another Fox series, "House," has the good fortune to follow right after "American Idol" on Tuesdays. That has helped the freshman medical drama gain a solid footing; its 15 million viewers last week ranked it the 15th most popular prime-time show.

The ABC comedies "George Lopez" and "My Wife and Kids" have the misfortune of being scheduled directly opposite "American Idol" on Tuesdays, and are suffering for it. They both had barely 6 million viewers last week.

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## Lady Raiders face strong Kansas squad

By David Wiechmann/  
The University Daily

The No. 15 Texas Tech Lady Raiders may be just one game behind Big 12 Conference leader Baylor, but with five games remaining, Marsha Sharp's squad is still facing an uphill climb to a conference championship.

That journey takes its latest stage at Kansas tonight, where the Jayhawks will host the Lady Raiders (17-5, 8-3 Big 12), and Sharp is well aware of what her team has to do to be in position to claim a share of the league title.

"If our focus right now and our goal is still to win the Big 12 Conference, then you have to take it one game at a time and get ready to handle that challenge and not look ahead to any other challenge," she said.

The challenge at hand will be to defeat

a Kansas team (11-11, 4-7) fresh off two dominant wins against Colorado and Missouri. The Jayhawks boast the fourth best scoring defense in the league, but sit at the bottom in offensive production with 58.6 points a game.

Despite the lack of offense, sophomore guard Alesha Robertson said Tech has to remain focused in order to come out of Lawrence, Kan., with a win and remain in the chase for first place.

"Every game is just as important as any other game," she said, "and in the Big 12 you're not gonna be able to think less of a team than another because if you do that you're gonna wind up with a better position to lose."

The Lady Raiders have to put their worst loss of the season behind them for tonight's match. Following a 21-point loss to No. 13 Texas Sunday, Tech is looking to rebound from the disappointing play and

get back to its winning ways.

A loss could be devastating to Tech's cause and remove the Lady Raiders from the title chase before their next home game against Texas A&M Saturday.

"There is only one game dividing between all of us, but one loss can cost you everything because other people may upset people and win," said senior Cisti Greenwalt. "If you let up one game or lose one on the road you should have won, that's gonna hurt you, so every game is as crucial as the others."

Tech struggled against Texas to make shots. Sharp and her players said that was mainly their problem Sunday. Tech shot 27 percent from the field despite having open looks at the basket thanks to a solid offensive game plan.

With Baylor on top of the standings and Tech losing to the Lady Bears once this season, the best situation for Tech would

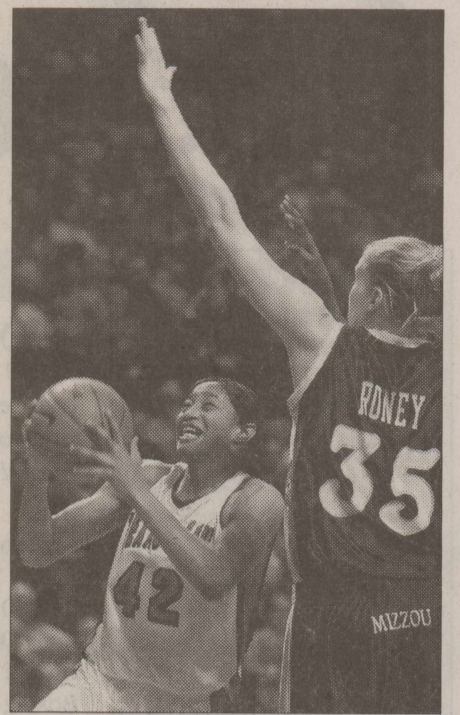
be to win all five remaining games. That would force a tiebreaker between the two teams if Baylor wins its next four.

Sharp said she believes finishing 5-0 will be crucial to winning the league, but it all starts with Kansas.

"The good news is other people have lost as well, so we still have a chance to at least tie for it if you win out," she said. "I think we use that as our motivation as long as we can until somebody takes that away from us, and hopefully they can't."

Robertson said she has faith in her coach's words and that her team can do what Sharp said the Lady Raiders need to do.

"It's gonna be tough from here on out, but I think we have what it takes to win out and to get us in a good position and to get us ready for the Big 12 Tournament," she said.



DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily

FRESHMAN FORWARD DARRICE Griffin attempts a shot during Tech's 75-45 win Jan. 26 at the United Spirit Arena.

## Red Raiders savor victory against Kansas, rest before traveling to face Cowboys

By Joey Kirk/  
The University Daily

Texas Tech has something it has been waiting a long time for — a win against No. 2 Kansas and a break.

The Red Raiders defeated the Big 12 Conference leading Jayhawks Monday night in the United Spirit Arena, 80-79, in double overtime.

Forward Darryl Dora made the game-winning 3-pointer with 3.5 seconds left to give Tech its first victory against a No. 2-ranked team since 1985.

Following the Raiders' game against Texas A&M Jan. 15, coach Bob Knight criticized Dora's 3-point shooting ability, and he described what needed to be changed for future games.

"He's kind of adopted this role where he's a feeder and a 3-point shooter," Knight said after the 70-56 win against the Aggies. "Well, he's a (bad) 3-point shooter, and he's a (bad) feeder, so we're trying to get him out of that role."

It was a different story after the Kansas game.

"(Dora) shot a little better tonight that one time," Knight said. "We must have coached him a little bit better this week."

And as for if the final shot was called, Knight will agree.

"We told them that if we get in and we have an open three, we want to take it," he said.

But he continued to claim his dislike for shooting from the arc, and Knight said Dora's 1-of-5, the one being the most important, worked to Tech's advantage.

"No one dislikes the 3-point shot

more than I do, but there have been a couple of times where we try to go to the three to win and not made it," he said.

Evidently, Kansas did not prepare for Dora being able to shoot around the perimeter. Coach Bill Self will tell that to anyone.

"That's my fault," he said following the loss. "I didn't tell them to not let him shoot a 3-pointer. I just told them to defend

him." With the three-hour long game finished and Tech gaining its eighth conference win, the Raiders have several days to prepare for a rematch

with Oklahoma State, which defeated Tech 76-66 on Jan. 8. After suffering a loss at home to the Cowboys, the Raiders must travel to Stillwater, Okla., to play the No. 2 Big 12 team at 2:30 p.m. Saturday.

But guard Ronald Ross said he will be relaxed after those days off from the court.

"It'll probably feel good for a little while," he said.

The only problem is Ross said he thinks about basketball more than the average player, so he will continue to get ready for the Cowboys even with time outside of the arena.

"I love to play so much that I'll be ready to play again the next day," he said. "I just love to play basketball, so I want to play as much as I can."

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Portland, OR 2/16/05

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### Sports Clubs Updates

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The Women's Lacrosse team will be in action at home for this first time and last time this weekend. The Women's Lacrosse team will be taking on both the Texas State Bobcats and Sam Houston State Bearkats this Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, at West Rec. Fields. Game times are 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. respectively. This is the only time the ladies play at home, so come out and support the team!

#### Volleyball

The Women's Club Volleyball Team will be hosting a tournament this Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, at the Student Recreation Center. Play will begin at 10 a.m. and continue on through out the rest of the day. Come show your school pride and cheer on your fellow Red Raiders.

### Aquatic Center Fun!

Are you a lifeguard? Interested in taking that next step? Become lifeguard instructor certified. The Aquatic Center is offering a lifeguard instructor course starting March 2<sup>nd</sup>. This course meets every Wednesday from 6-10pm for eight weeks. Also coming up on March 5<sup>th</sup> is our 5000 meter swim challenge. For those swimmers that are looking to improve their over all technique there will be a Swim Stroke Mechanics Clinic held on March 6<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. If you have any further questions or would like to registration, please come by the Aquatic Center or call 742-3896.

### Thursday Early Morning Walking

Rec Center members should note that there is a free walking group that meets in Room 121 and then proceed to the track on Thursday mornings at 6:30 am. Learn how to use a pedometer and heart rate monitor and get your FitTech miles completed for the day!

## FITNESS/WELLNESS

### They're Back! More Specialty Classes

Did you miss out on the first round of specialty classes? Here is your second chance. Many classes fill quickly, so hurry in to secure your space. Registration begins Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup> in the fitness/wellness center.

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Clogging	T	7:00-8:00pm	\$12	3/1-4/5
Country Dance	W	3:00-4:00pm	\$12	3/2-4/6
Flamenco Dance	SA	1:00-2:00pm	\$12	3/5-4/9
Jazz Dance	M	7:00-8:00pm	\$12	2/28-4/11
Knockout Jam	M/W	4:15-5:15pm	\$20	2/26-4/11
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Mat Pilates	M	5:30-6:30pm	\$20	2/28-4/11
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Prenatal Water Fit.	T/TH/SA	12:00-12:45pm	\$30	3/4-4/9
Racquetball	T/TH	6:00-7:00pm	\$16	3/2-4/1
Salsa Dance	TH	4:00-5:30pm	\$18	3/3-4/7
Intermediate Salsa	M	8:15-9:15pm	\$12	2/28-4/11
Spin City	M/W	7:30-8:15am	\$20	2/26-4/11
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	TH	5:30-6:30pm	\$20	3/3-4/7
Yogilates	SA	11:45a-12:45p	\$20	3/5-4/9

### See'em on-line

check out some of our favorite specialty classes before you register at [recsports.ttu.edu](http://recsports.ttu.edu)

### Focus on the Positive Week Continues

Today, focus on positive nutritional choices by eating at the Smart Choice dining area in the Union. Also Wendi Fox will take a comic approach to maintaining a positive relationship with alcohol in her "Alcohol Insanity Tour" at 8:00 pm in Biology Room 100. Thursday, "Self-Esteem in Thru the Spirit of a Child" with Wendi Fox is in the Rec Center at 8:00 pm.

### Wellness Blood Screenings Tomorrow

You don't have to be a Rec Center member to take advantage of the Wellness Blood Screenings offered tomorrow morning. UMC's Healthsource will draw blood. Results of Blood tests include Lipid Profile (\$10), Glucose (\$5), Wellness Chemistry profile (\$25), CBC (\$20), Iron (\$10), Thyroid (\$15), Colon Cancer Screening Kit (\$10), PSA (\$20), C-Reactive Protein (\$30), Homocysteine (\$35) and Bone Density (\$15). For descriptions and prices please go to [www.recsports.ttu.edu](http://www.recsports.ttu.edu). Please register by today at noon by calling 742.3828. Payment is due the morning of the tests. Please come fasting (no food or beverages 10 hours prior).

## INTRAMURALS



### Looking To Earn Extra Cash? Become An Official

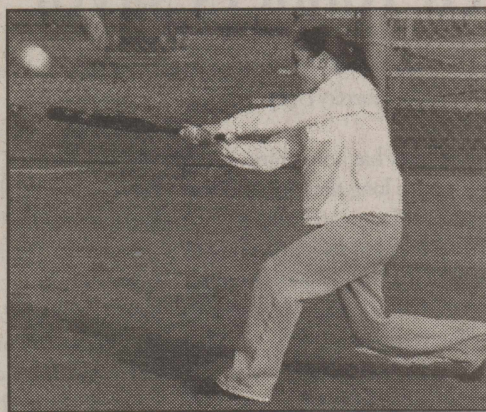
If you have been searching for a fun, flexible job that offers good pay, and a chance to meet new people, then we have the JOB for you. You can become an intramural softball official!

Students wanting to officiate softball are encouraged to attend the first training clinic on Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, at 5 pm at the Student Rec Center (SRC), Room 201. Softball officials make \$8 per game and are thoroughly trained in the rules, mechanics, and gamesmanship. Some knowledge of baseball or softball is helpful to an individual wanting to officiate. Any questions should be directed to the intramural staff by calling 742-2945, by coming by the SRC's room 203.

### Spring Softball Registration Begins Next Week!

It seems like we just finished Fall Softball and already Spring Softball is just next week. Bring your friend's socials, \$30.00 (forfeit fee), and a smiling face to the Intramural Office, room 203, & sign your team up. Registration dates are Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> through Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. Remember the better time slots are available the earlier you come in. If you wait until Thursday all the great time slots to play will be taken and your team will play in whatever league time is available.

If you do not have a team but love to play softball, we have a FREE AGENT program for you. The Free-Agent meeting is set for Wednesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4 pm (room 205) in the Rec Center. Remember, DOMINO'S is the Intramural sponsor this semester. **If you register between 3 pm - 5 pm TODAY, you will receive free Domino's pizza.**



### Start Off The Season In The Big Kahuna Tournament

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Softball tournament - the Big Kahuna - has arrived at Texas Tech. This is a preseason intramural tournament, so it is limited to Texas Tech Students, Faculty, and Staff. The Recreational Sports Special Events department has set the date for Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. The start time for the tournament will depend on the number of entries, but plan for 10 AM. A very minimal cost of \$20.00 per team will cover the cost of officials, specially designed t-shirts for the winning teams, and two guaranteed games. To register your team come by the Intramural Office, room 203 between 8 am - 5 pm. There will be Men's and Co-Rec divisions this year; however, limited space is available. Don't let the Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup> deadline pass you by.

### Table Tennis Tournament Deadline Today

Today's is your last chance to register for the Spring 2005 Intramural Table Tennis Tournament happening this Friday. Any one interested in playing can register today at [www.recsports.ttu.edu](http://www.recsports.ttu.edu). The tournament is free to enter and all skill levels are welcome.

Congratulations goes out to the following people for taking the championships the Spring 2005 Racquetball tournament, Chengcheng Li for winning the Men's Competitive, Josh Collins for winning the Men's Recreational and Amy Crumley for winning the Women's Open Tournament.

## OUTDOOR PURSUITS CENTER

### Fly Fishing Workshop Starts Next Week

If you ever wanted to learn the art of fly fishing or have tried it before and want to improve your skill, then this very popular workshop is for you. The workshop runs for three Thursdays beginning Feb. 24 from 5:30pm-7:00pm at the Outdoor Pursuits Center. The cost is only \$30 and all the gear is included. A limited numbers of spots are available and registration is going on now at the Outdoor Pursuits Center or by calling 742-2949.

Coming Soon!

### INTRAMURALS

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# Follow these steps to wake NHL from dead

The patient on the operating room table of this hospital has friends and family in all corners of the world.

Its name is hockey, and it is in need of some serious resuscitation to revitalize an ailing sport.

For me, this season without hockey has been painful. If you have ever lost a loved one you may remember this person's birthday each year and say, "His birthday was today." On a much smaller scale I find hockey.

The NHL All-Star game would have been Sunday, and I feel a similar solemnity when I think of this season.

I have a clear-cut plan for the medicine and treatment needed for the NHL to survive and thrive in the coming years.

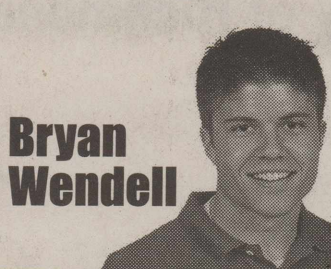
Gary Bettman, the NHL commissioner, should heed these suggestions. Of the four major sports (baseball, football, basketball and hockey), the NHL ranks last in revenue and attendance on a consistent basis.

The whole problem with the NHL does not stem from player disputes, but from the unwillingness of Bettman and friends to change the rules to make hockey more exciting.

Some of those rules changes that I propose are:

— **Change the rink width from the current 85 feet to the international 100 feet.**

This would make the game more



**Bryan Wendell**

exciting and faster-paced.

Some of the most exciting moments in hockey occur during 4-on-4 play and increasing the rink size would create more of that excitement thanks to the increased space.

— **Put stricter regulations on goalie equipment to make it smaller.**

Current goalies are massively padded. The size of the catching glove, blocker and leg pads all need to be downsized to create more of a demand for goalies' speed instead of size.

The exciting saves are the ones in which a goalie must dive or slide across the crease to make, not the saves where he simply absorbs the puck in his pounds of padding.

— **Fighting needs to be abolished and punishable by an immediate ejection, mandatory fine and possible suspension.**

True fans of hockey know fighting simply takes away from the game and, in all actuality, has little impact on the on-ice play except for the two players who cannot play for five

minutes.

Moreover, teams must staff "enforcers" that can fight when necessary. Of the 10 players who received the most penalties for fisticuffs last season, only one, Calgary's Chris Simon, scored more than 10 goals, and none had more than 10 assists.

These guys are not skilled players and are taking away roster spots from the players who can score goals and fill seats.

— **Do not end games in overtime ties.**

I've watched dozens of Dallas Stars games live and seen three ties in person. The feeling is difficult to put in words. They say it's like kissing your sister, but I wouldn't know.

The NHL is one of the few hockey leagues that do not go to a shootout at the end of overtime.

Either play several five-minute overtime periods of 4-on-4 hockey or have a shootout.

The better way would be to give each team a point at the end of regulation and give the overtime or shootout winner the additional point.

Who wouldn't love seeing Mike Modano, Bill Guerin, Brendan Morrow and others flying down the ice with one chance to score one-on-one against Ed Belfour?

— **Dissolve six teams.**

According to www.forbes.com, the six teams that have the lowest

revenue and are among the bottom-feeders in overall value are: Nashville Predators, Edmonton Oilers, Anaheim Mighty Ducks, Pittsburgh Penguins, Carolina Hurricanes and Buffalo Sabres.

By restructuring the league to dissolve these teams, the NHL will stop losing revenue.

Also, the overall skill level of each team will be benefited by these players being divided among the remaining 24 teams in a supplemental draft.

— **Educate the officials.**

Someone needs to inform hockey officials that throughout the entire 82-game season they need to stop the dirty players who consistently hook, slash and trip the other team's leading scorer.

If players are allowed to play without being illegally impeded, scoring will increase.

There they are.

The common theme in all of these suggestions is more goals. More goals lead to more fans, and more fans lead to more revenue for the league. So before pulling the plug of the NHL's life support machine, Bettman, take these suggestions to the bank.

■ **Wendell is a junior journalism and Spanish major from Plano. E-mail him your hockey improvement ideas at bryan.wendell@ttu.edu.**

# Spring training begins amid increased steroid controversy

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Usually, the start of spring training is a time of clean slates, sun-splashed fields and endless hope.

Not this year.

Steroids were the No. 1 topic Tuesday, when the new Washington Nationals, the New York Yankees and the Cincinnati Reds opened camp.

"It doesn't go away, unfortunately," Yankees manager Joe Torre said in Tampa, Fla.

Pitchers and catchers on seven more teams report Wednesday, and workouts begin Thursday, 45 days before the World Series champion Boston Red Sox and Yankees play the major league opener April 3. The Minnesota Twins will be the last team to report, on Sunday.

Ken Griffey Jr. ran for the Reds' medical staff in Sarasota, Fla., showing how far he has recovered from surgery on his torn right hamstring. Pedro Martinez, an early arrival at the New York Mets' camp, worked out in Port St. Lucie, Fla. And Trot Nixon kept up the Yankees-Red Sox sniping, saying of Alex Rodriguez: "He can't stand up to (Derek) Jeter in my book or Bernie Williams or (Jorge) Posada."

The Nationals had the most complicated journey to spring training. After 36 seasons as the Montreal Expos, the team morphed into Washington's

first major league team since the expansion Senators became the Texas Rangers after the 1971 season.

Owned by major league baseball since early 2002, the team was uncertain of its fate for three seasons before the move to the nation's capital was finalized in December.

"It's been a long journey," catcher Brian Schneider said. "We've wanted this for a while, and it's here now. We're ready for it, that's for sure."

As camps opened, there was a new steroid report. *The New York Daily News* said Tuesday that an FBI agent in Ann Arbor, Mich., told baseball security head Kevin Hallinan about 10 years ago that Jose Canseco and other players were using illegal anabolic steroids.

"I alerted Major League Baseball back in the time when we had a case, that Canseco was a heavy user and that they should be aware of it," Special Agent Greg Stejskal was quoted as saying. "I spoke to the people in their security office, Hallinan was one of the people I spoke to."

Calls to Stejskal's office in Ann Arbor and to FBI headquarters in Washington were referred to the Detroit FBI office, where spokeswoman Agent Dawn Clenney said Stejskal and the agency would have nothing to say.

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Freedom of speech: the right to defiantly, robustly and irreverently speak one's mind just because it is one's mind. —Rodney Smolla, dean, University of Richmond School of Law



### Free Speech: Tech's policy could set precedent for schools around state.

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According to the SPLC report, Tech's policy at the time Roberts was asking to use a non-forum area prohibited "insults," "ridicule" and "personal attacks." However, Benson said the Constitution only protects Americans from defamation, obscenity or fighting words — not from being offended.

Logan said the university has attempted to maintain the institutions' academic mission — an academic environment in which teaching and being taught are not threatened by disruptions.

Tech considered designated free speech areas an "expansion" of individuals' First Amendment rights by encouraging students to use designated areas for free speech, Logan said.

"We've never restricted content, and that's the essence of freedom of expression," Logan said. "We're happy to have them express themselves and hope they (students and faculty) know the institution is not trying to restrict them. The university is for the free-flowing exchange of ideas."

Vice President for Student Affairs Michael Shonrock said Tech is now operating without a policy, as it was revoked with Cummings' ruling. Shonrock said the policy is being reviewed by the General Counsel's office. Essentially, this allows the university to operate as it did before the court's overruling of the policy — students may exercise free speech any place it does not pose an imminent threat.

"We want to ensure our new policies are absolutely, positively in compliance with Judge Cummings' ruling," Shonrock said.

Tech will stick to its desire to keep protests or other forms of free speech from disrupting classrooms or traffic on campus.

"Common sense still prevails," Shonrock said.

The Office of Student Affairs commissioned a survey by the Earl Survey Research Lab in spring 2004 to gauge students' opinions on free speech. According to the results, 51.5 percent of students say they are aware of the policy, while almost 70 percent of respondents correctly identified one of the six free speech zones.

Tech is committed to making the policy clear cut, Shonrock said, because it ultimately will impact not only Tech, but universities statewide as well.

While Logan said he anticipates the reworded policy to be completed by the next Board of Regents' meeting on Feb. 24, Shonrock said he is unsure when the policy will be finished. Tech's Associate General Counsel Victor Mellinger said the policy should be done within the next few weeks.

Student Government Association President Mitchell Moses said the SGA has not been part of the policy's re-wording, nor has there been much discussion among senators regarding the policy.

"The policy might see approval from the SGA, but I'm confident the General Counsel's office and the (university) president will come up with something and go by the First Amendment," Moses said.

Moses said his concern with freedom of expression lies with maintaining the university's academic mission.

"It's important that these (free speech) rights aren't offensive to the learning environment, and it's important academic buildings and student learning isn't inhibited by that," he said.

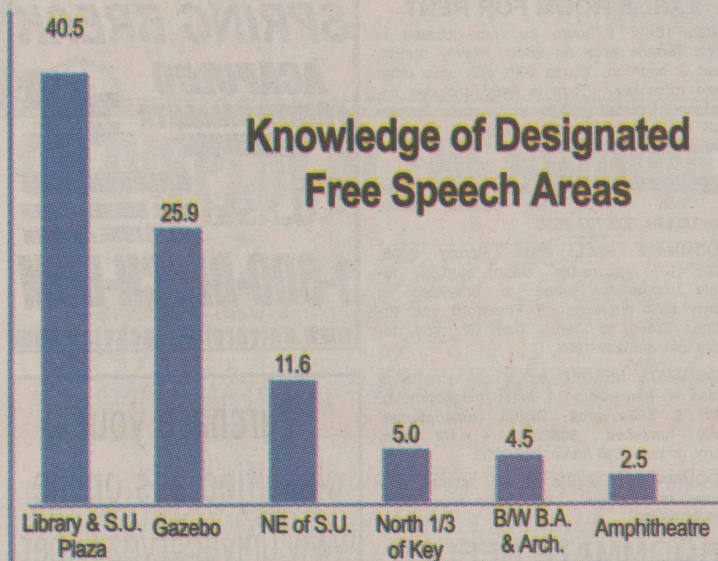
Moses said the student body at Tech seems less prone to express themselves in public, and tends more to "roll with the punches," adding that as far as major issues go, Tech students don't react much to the change of the tide.

Benson said it is characteristic of Texans, and those in West Texas especially, to remain silent about controversial global issues, but he hopes Tech's students and faculty understand their rights.

"Free speech is among the most precious rights we have in the Constitution," he said. "It should be guarded and protected zealously against the slightest infringement."

*"It is declared that the university's interim policy . . . is facially unconstitutional as it is stated in the . . . Student Affairs Handbook for 2003-2004, as they pertain to the public forum areas of the university campus."*

—Cummings' ruling in *Roberts v. Haragan*



	Students	Faculty
Political Views	94.0%	81.9%
Religious Views	86.1%	72.3%
Views about Sexuality	73.3%	55.3%

Information in graphs from Student Affairs free speech survey. All photos are from protests or demonstrations on the Tech campus.



### Free speech policies vary throughout nation

By Brittany Barrientos/The University Daily

Texas Tech is not alone in its free speech policy being challenged.

According to the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education Web site, in October 2004, a judge ruled limiting free speech areas on the Tech campus unconstitutional, after a Tech law student filed the suit in June 2003.

The lawsuit was filed because of the restricting codes stated in the Tech handbook, which at the time confined the free speech area to a 20-foot gazebo. Other restrictions included having to ask permission to protest, engage in demonstrations or pamphleteer, according to the FIRE Web site.

Tech officials have said they are in the process of researching the changes that need to be made.

Ann-Marie Sefert, director of student activities and leadership development at the University of Texas, said UT revised its policy in spring 2003 and has had no problems since. She said the university is lenient on free speech and allows students the right to assemble, speak and attract others if they choose to listen.

"I don't know that we have a free speech policy, per se," she said. "Free speech and assembly are very important at UT."

She said UT students and faculty are allowed to congregate anywhere on campus, though certain places are ideal. Students may make reservations to assemble, but are not required.

David Parrott, dean of student life at Texas A&M, said they have specified areas that can be used. Reserving these areas is not required, but with a crowd of more than 25 people, it is strongly advised. He said A&M has not had any lawsuits questioning its free speech policies.

Steve MacCathy, vice president for university relations at Penn State University, said part of a university's role is to provide an open forum for voices to be heard.

"As an institution, we have a deep and profound commitment to the principles of free speech, and giving people the opportunity to express themselves," he said in an e-mail to *The University Daily*. "Penn State has always welcomed — and will continue to welcome — speakers from all sides of an issue."

MacCathy said he realizes this will cause controversy from those who may not necessarily want to hear all sides of an issue, but argued providing a forum for those ideas is the university's most crucial role.

Michael Moore spoke at Penn State last fall. A commentary written by Vice President for Student Affairs Vicky Triponey said Penn State embraces the First Amendment in principle and practice.

"Fortunately we live in a country that values free speech — everyone's free speech — and we have a Constitution that protects the right of Penn State students to invite a broad range of speakers to campus," she wrote. "A good university is not threatened by a conservative speaker; it is not threatened by a liberal speaker."

Nestor Gonzales, manager of the Oklahoma State news bureau, said OSU is liberal in its speech policies.

"(The university) doesn't prevent speeches of any kind," he said. "You can gather and petition anywhere you want."

He said OSU does not regulate free speech, but the university can regulate the location, though he said they normally do not. OSU is concerned with the safety and security of its students and would not do anything that could infringe upon that.

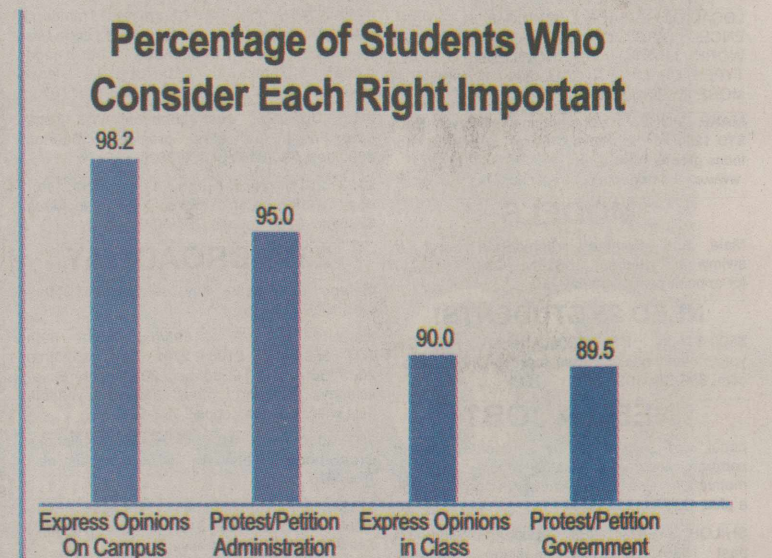
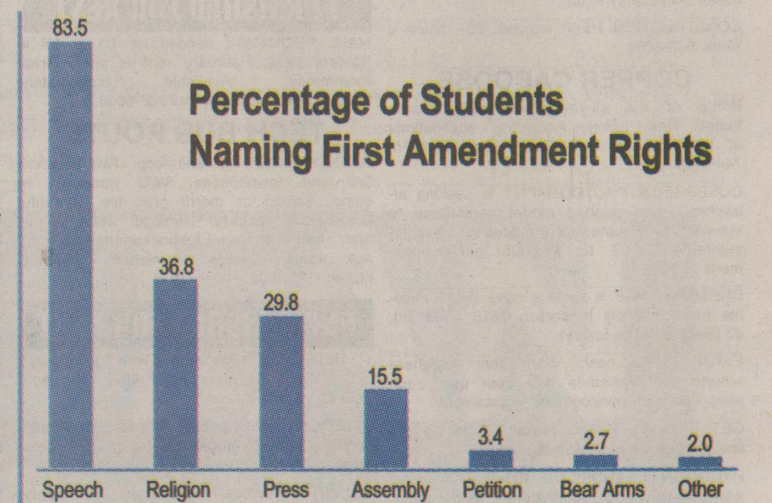
Eugene Volokh, a law professor from the University of California-Los Angeles, said to the best of his knowledge, the free speech policies are lenient at UCLA.

"My understanding is free speech is widely tolerated," he said. "No controversies have led me to believe otherwise."

Volokh said the way the legal system works, a policy is considered acceptable until it is challenged and researched. Prior to that point, a future problem could go unnoticed because of the lack of a need-to-know basis.

The FIRE Web site argued if the preservation of free speech policies on campuses across the nation were challenged, "the future of a generation of students — and of liberal education" also would be in question.

For more information on free speech and other individual rights cases, visit the FIRE Web site at [www.thefire.org](http://www.thefire.org).



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