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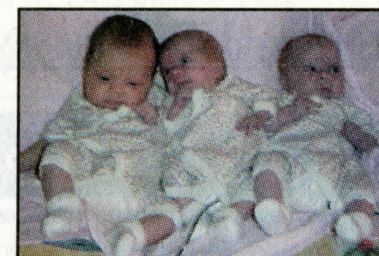
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# THE PATRIOT

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Math professor adds three to his family.

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—Brad Smith/The Patriot

**VIOLATIONS:** Officer Ben Kiser writes parking citations. Officers hope increased fines will discourage parking violations.

## Offenders drive up fines

Ticket prices rise  
as lots overflow

by Shalina Ramirez  
Associate editor

Carolyn Martin found an unwelcome surprise on the windshield when she approached her car, preparing to run an errand.

	UT Tyler	TJC	LeTourneau	SFA
<b>Pricey Parking</b>				
cost of permit	\$15 for year	\$15 per semester	free	\$30/\$20*
parking without permit	\$25	\$15	\$10	\$25**

## Tylerite could stay on board

by Robert Boggs  
Editor in chief

Last month A.W. "Dub" Riter Jr. congratulated the University's graduates for what he thought would be his last address as a member of the University of Texas System Board of Regents, but if preliminary reports prove correct, he may get another chance.

Riter's term as regent officially ends Saturday, but Gov. Rick Perry may ask Riter, 78, to remain on the board until June, the *Austin American-Statesman* reported.

"If the governor asks me, I will stay on," Riter told *The Patriot*. "I'll be delighted to stay."

In a telephone interview Wednesday, Riter said Perry had not yet contacted him about the position. Wendy Bengal of the Governor's Press Office could not confirm the appointment.

"The appointment process is still ongoing and no announcements have been made," Bengal said.



RITER,  
UT REGENT

Former gubernatorial candidate Tony Sanchez, Patrick Oxford and Riter end their six-year terms on Saturday,

though each will remain in office until the new regents are appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Texas Senate, Francie Frederick, counsel and secretary to the board, said.

The *American-Statesman* also reported James Huffines and Hubbard Scott Caven Jr. are expected to fill the other two seats.

Huffines, 51, served as co-chairman of the Texas Inaugural Committee. Caven, 60, was Perry's campaign finance chairman.

The two are listed among 38 Texans competing for the three positions, according to docu-

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## SGA pens new regent petition



"I know I did wrong by parking in a visitor's spot, but I felt I had no other choice," she said.

Martin, a senior secretary for the communication department, received a citation for improperly parking in faculty parking Lot 4, near the Administration Building.

"I was aggravated because I had made a conscientious effort to look for another space," she said. "That parking lot accompanies a lot of faculty and staff and it's just not adequate."

Martin said her irritation stemmed not from having to pay an increased fine, which went into effect on Jan. 1, but from confusion about a grace period and reserved spaces.

Spaces are reserved in advance for campus events to ensure parking for those attending functions, which was the case on Jan. 23, University Police Officer Ben Kiser said.

Using pylons and wooden barricades,

parking in handicapped	\$100	\$15	\$20	\$50
citation late fees	\$10	\$15	N/A	N/A

\* - \$30 for permit if bought in fall; \$20 for spring; both good for one year  
\*\* - wheel lock after third time

police reserved visitor spaces in Lots 4 and 5 to accommodate guests attending a board meeting in the Administration Building.

Officers also blocked the entrance of Lot 6 near the R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center, which some students mistakenly took for a closed lot. Officers reportedly advised drivers they could park in the lot until 5 p.m. in preparation for an event later that night.

As a common student complaint, parking seems to be a reoccurring problem.

"We always hear parking complaints," Kiser said. "When it's blocked off, it's even worse, especially when we know there's a parking issue."

Sophomore Hollie Carter said she believes the lack of spaces is due to the lifting of freshman caps without extending the parking lots.

Arriving on campus at 8 a.m., Carter said she has no problem finding a space but around 9 a.m. the situation changes dramatically.

"I will spent 15 minutes before classes driving around looking for spot then end up parking on the street," she said.

Carter also said she believes there is a problem with the number of handicapped parking spaces available, particularly those near the Braithwaite Recital Hall in the

**PARKING, Page 7**

by Emily Stevens  
Staff writer

Student Government Association officials plan to run a petition drive in support of adding a student to the University of Texas System Board of Regents.

In order to educate the students, SGA members will be posting fliers, running an advertisement in *The Patriot* listing the pros and cons of a student regent and encouraging fellow students to sign a petition.

"We need support. It's time for the students to have a voice," SGA secretary Jennifer Skinner said.

The petition drive is set to begin Thursday and run through Feb. 6. Student officials will continue discussing the issue at the Feb. 4 meeting.

The Board of Regents has final authority on all decisions involving the UT System.

The push for a student regent began at UT Austin because students believed they were not properly represented.

Supporters argue a student is most knowledgeable on student issues and decisions would be more accepted if students knew their voice was being heard.

Opponents contend a student may not be able to handle such a commitment and that one student can't possibly represent all the students in the UT System.

## Deregulation tops legislative issues

by Robert Boggs  
Editor in chief

Deregulation of tuition rates and the automatic acceptance of qualified transfer students are on the table for consideration by the 78th Texas Legislature during its regular session.

The Legislature, which convened Jan. 14 in Austin, meets every odd-numbered year to propose and vote on legislation and set the state budget.

The University of Texas System Board of Regents is pushing for the deregulation of tuition for public universities, a move which would allow the board full control over the tuition rate at each component institution.

Traditionally the state Legislature sets tuition for all public universities.

Board chairman Charles Miller said in a *Dallas Morning News* article without deregulation the regents could

not run their institutions effectively.

Opponents claim deregulation would lead to increases in the cost of education.

In Canada, a study of the University of Western Ontario's medical school, where tuition was deregulated, shows tuition increased from \$4,000 to \$12,000, *The Manitoban* reported last year. The percentage of students in the program who were "of low to modest income" reportedly dropped from 25 percent to 5 percent after the increase took effect.

As an incentive to legislators, UT System Chancellor Mark Yudof recently announced plans to offer free tuition to students whose annual family income is less than \$41,000 if legislators give the regents authority to set rates. Yudof did not give the specifics of the plan and later said he could not be held

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## Former student sentenced in fraud case

by Shalina Ramirez  
Associate editor

Former student judicial board member Daniel J. Tamayo received a nine-month prison sentence after pleading guilty Jan. 21 to federal fraud and theft charges.

The charges, which originated in Washington D.C., stem from a 17-count indictment accusing Tamayo of defrauding a hotel reservation network eight different times as well as stealing a checkbook and a jar of coins, according to separate court documents.

"Ethically, I deserve to be here for breaking the law and that's the truth," Tamayo told U.S. District Judge William Steger during a Tyler federal court hearing.

Tamayo admitted to four counts of the indictment as part of a plea agreement.

Steger sentenced Tamayo to nine months in prison on each of two counts of credit card fraud, both felonies and 180 days each for two charges of second degree theft, both misdemeanors.

The remaining 13 charges were dismissed, Assistant U.S. Attorney Traci Kenner said.

Kenner said Tamayo's sentence is to be served concurrently. He will receive credit for time already served making him eligible for release soon.

Tamayo also must submit to three years of supervised release following his prison term, pay a \$300 special assessment fee and pay \$4,076 in restitution.

Tamayo was arrested Nov. 2, 2001 and accused of making a false report to a campus officer and theft of several University musical instruments.

It was then that police learned of the Washington D.C. charges and that Tamayo also was serving a 36-month probation sentence stemming from a burglary, which occurred while he attended California Lutheran University, a report shows.

State charges regarding the instruments were submitted to the Smith County District Attorney's Office, Police Sgt. Troy Smith said.

Court documents indicted Tamayo had entered a guilty plea in accordance with the provisions of Rule 20 in the District of Columbia, records show.

Rule 20 allows Tamayo to enter a plea in Tyler on charges



—Brad Smith/*The Patriot*  
**TAKEN AWAY: Daniel Tamayo exits the Tyler federal courthouse after his sentencing hearing.**

originating in another district, Duncan Woodford, a public information officer for the Eastern District of Texas, said.

While attending the University, Tamayo campaigned for the position of parliamentarian in the Student Government Association's special election in

2001 on a platform of having a "high standard of ethics."

He later was appointed to the Judicial Board, which resolves conflicts within the SGA and interprets constitutional or election discrepancies.

Tamayo has been in jail since his arrest, unable to post bond.



## EDITORIAL

In an age of euphemisms, "deregulation" takes the cake.

In a new effort to increase the money gained from students' pockets, the University of Texas System Board of Regents, with support from University of Texas at Austin president Larry Faulkner, has asked legislators to give the regents the power to set tuition costs at all component institutions.

The Legislature controls tuition rates for public universities; the regents assign fees, which frequently exceed the cost of tuition.

Proponents claim the change will allow the board to manage the universities more efficiently, but opponents fear an uncontrolled rise in tuition rates.

"Once you get past all the heat and get to the light, we're talking about autonomy," board chairman Charles Miller said in a published *Dallas Morning News* article.

"If we don't have it, we don't have the ability to run our institutions effectively."

In Canada, where several provinces have deregulated tuition for professional and graduate schools, studies show a price increase and a decline in the number of students from low-income families.

To fight this, Chancellor Mark Yudof has proposed providing free education to students whose annual family income is less than \$41,000.

But he has already backed off, telling the *Austin American Statesman* there are many "holes" in the plan and that he

couldn't be held to his numbers.

To pay for these students, tuition for other students would be increased.

In essence, this creates a system of rearranging numbers to raise costs for middle-class and wealthy families — the groups that qualify for the smallest amount of need-based financial aid.

"You've got to optimize the system and make sure the right people are paying the right prices," Miller said in the *Morning News* article.

While "deregulation" is a term likely to appeal to many Republicans, the wealth-sharing scheme depicted by Miller sounds more likely to appease Socialists.

Yet so far, the only parties looking appeased are the Board of Regents and Faulkner.

The Student Government at UT Austin has vowed to fight the proposal.

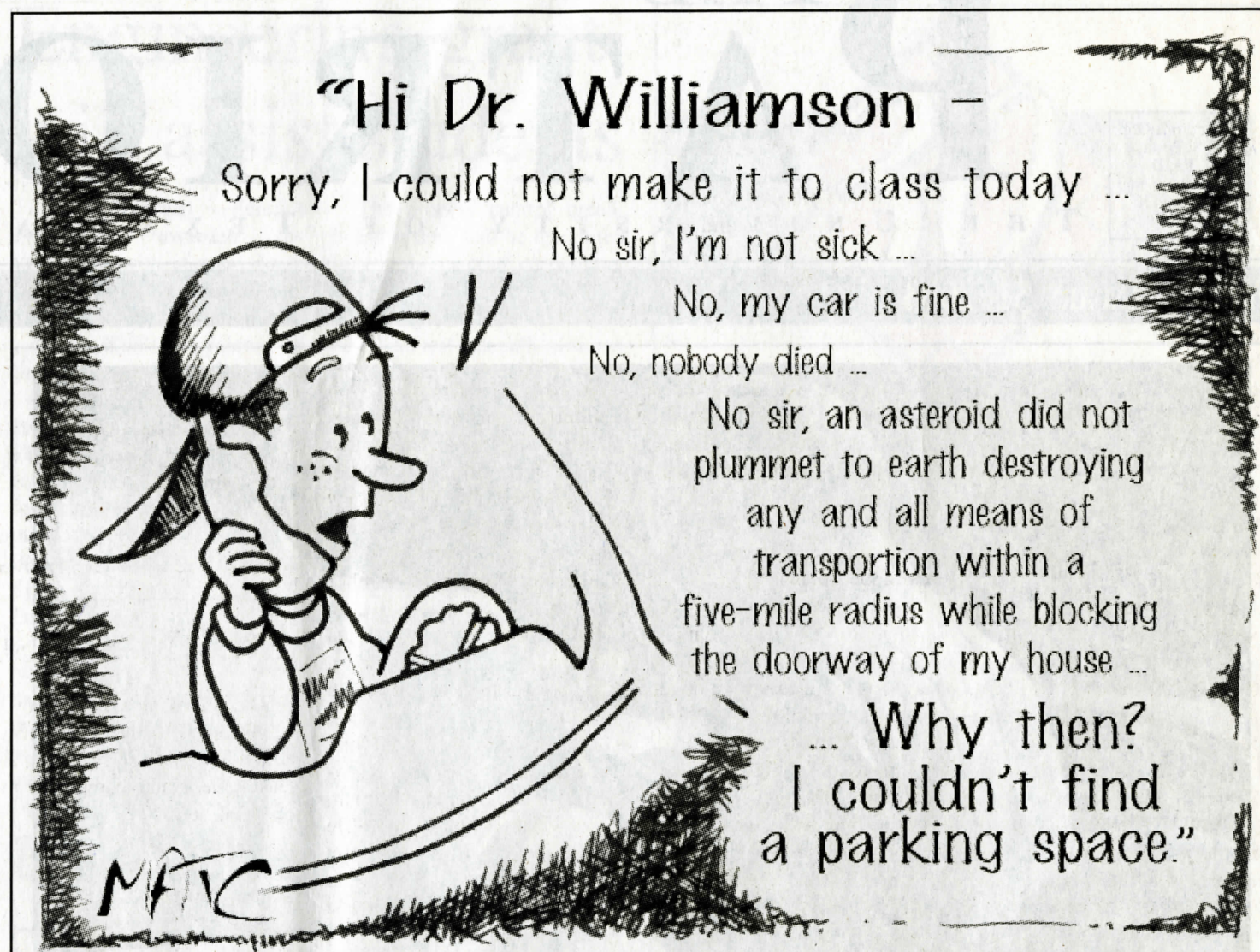
State senators Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, and Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, have spoken against the idea.

Although President Rodney Mabry said the plan would have little immediate impact on the University, it is a chance students cannot afford to take.

As the school grows, it is likely to receive the same treatment as the other larger UT campuses.

The Legislature has rejected deregulation when it was proposed in the past.

With a little support from students and their families, maybe they'll continue to do the logical thing.



## Bookstore employees: misunderstood

by Robert Boggs  
Editor in chief

Not one week into the semester, I penned another entry into my list of jobs I wouldn't take even if the federal government instituted a breathing tax.

This local job took a place on the list somewhere between positions as the toilet scrubber on the U.S.S. Nimitz and the president of Venezuela.

Here there are just as many rioters and the employees take just as much you-know-what.

Working in the bookstore.

Most people probably didn't notice the amount of hostility bookstore employees took dur-

ing the first weeks of the semester. I didn't until it was pointed out to me. But it doesn't take a Pulitzer-caliber investigation to discover many University students treat the employees like the lowest life forms on Earth—even lower than Dave Campo.

Though it is a sad day indeed when adults need a lesson in behavior from a newspaper column, it's clear some students need to remember being rude to student workers doesn't really help anything.

Sure, there are reasons customers gripe in the bookstore. Problem is, they don't make much sense.

First, the bookstore employees have no control over the price of books. You may not be elated at paying more than \$100 for a single textbook, but the person selling the book is paying just as much for his or her classes.

Second, most student workers also are not responsible for the availability of books. And contrary to popular belief, the speed with which a textbook arrives is not directly proportional to how loudly the customer demands it.

A much more logical place to direct complaints about textbook costs and availability is the

Texas Book Company, the owners of the campus bookstore. They may be reached at 1-800-527-1016, or by e-mail at customerservice@texasbook.com.

If price is the primary factor prompting students' unrest, purchasing books online is an alternative to buying from the campus bookstore.

Prices are often much lower, and it should be unnecessary to yell at a computer monitor if the book is out of stock.

As for anyone still being rude to students with the audacity to help him or her find the right books, I have a toilet brush and 5,000 sailors ready and waiting.

CAMPUS



What is your opinion of the University of Texas Board of Regents proposal to transfer tuition decisions from the state legislator to the board?



"I would prefer to leave it in the hands of the state legislator because I would be afraid of the politics that might occur in the hands of a smaller entity and some students might be limited in their financial aid options."  
Carol Gibson, senior, nursing

"I think it should be left in the hands of the legislator. Our tuition is high enough and I do not want it increased."  
Tammy Waldron, senior, psychology



"I believe tuition is too high now with the legislators setting it. It would surely be increased if the board set tuition."  
Jerry Ramirez, junior, computer science

"I think it should be equal for every university. It won't be fair for the students."  
Olena Maslennikova, junior, business management



"I don't see any problem with it being controlled by the university. It's their school. They should be able to decide how much to charge."  
Drew Irwin, freshman, criminal justice

"I would think that it should be left at the state level because they would be more objective and their pocketbooks aren't tied to our tuition rates."  
Sherry Sanders, senior, education



## Freshman fear starts for another generation

by Jennifer Murray  
Opinion editor

I woke up on that overcast Jan. 13 morning ready to face another semester head on. I did not expect to face the bright image of the toilet bowl.

This is now my fourth year in college and yet the only time I have ever felt the freshman fear of starting out was when I was a freshman.

Now, that I am moving closer to graduation, I'm starting off the semester popping Pepto Bismol tablets.

I thought about, will I find a parking space and how far will I have to walk?

Will I be able to find the classroom? Will I like my professors? Will somebody be my friend?

That's when the porcelain bowl looks better than last night's date.

I felt the freshman fear all over again for the second time since I started my college career and wondered what it was that made me lose it.

It couldn't have been me worrying about where my classes were. I pretty much knew

where all my classes were.

Then I wondered if meeting my professors was the missing link to my hair-frazzled, nail-biting nausea.

I felt a lot of excitement rising up in me about seeing all of my friends whom I had left behind crying during Christmas break. However, the more I thought about it, the more I realized that as I get closer to graduating, the classes will become harder.

That's when the half-lit light bulb went off in my head and let me realize that all my pain and anguish disguised itself as statistics, Mass Media Law and Ethics and Old and Middle English.

These classes made me question if they were the right ones.

Yes, there still is some hesitation and worrying when I think about going to class and what will be covered, but now that two weeks have passed it's a lot easier to handle.

The best thing to do would be to put your head down between your legs and breathe, but if that doesn't work just calm down and take it one day at a time.

## Talk Back Tyler

*The Patriot* wants to hear your opinion about campus parking and the possible war on Iraq.

Messages may be mailed to [patrioteditor@mail.uttyl.edu](mailto:patrioteditor@mail.uttyl.edu) or may be brought to HPR 274. For questions call 566-7131.

## Quote of the week

"Without Iraq's full and active participation, the 100 or so inspectors would have to look under every roof and search in the back of every truck in a country the size of California."

Colin Powell  
U.S. Secretary of State  
speaking to World Economic Forum

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# Fall semester president's list contains 184 honor students

University officials released list on Jan. 17 the names of students on the president's honor roll

The following students have been named to the president's honor roll, which requires a 4.0 grade point average in at least 12 hours completed in one semester:

**Athens** – Kristin Batt, Julie Bradley, Talia Dailey, Ashley Huffman, Deborah Medlock, Karen Reimann and Sonia Reimann.

**Ben Wheeler** – Mary Robertson.

**Big Sandy** – Rhiannon Gage, Kimberly Gilbert, Amanda Philp and John Warren Jr.

**Bullard** – Gayla Barron and Shanna Smith.

**Canton** – Micah Cooper, Stephanie Deibert, Rachael Green and Melinda Hague.

**Carthage** – Jennifer Allen and Dusti Gauger.

**Chandler** – Linda Massey.

**Cypress** – Miranda Newman.

**De Kalb** – Lacey Shumake.

**Diana** – Charles Lipe and Frances Plants.

**Eustace** – Cheryl Campbell and Brenda Weaver.

**Flint** – Heather Baker, Michael Bitter, Tressie Seegers and Amanda Ward.

**Frankston** – Amber Dingler.

**Fruitvale** – Jonathan Heddins and Linda Smith.

**Gilmer** – Charity Henson and Starr Owens.

**Gladewater** – Sarah Fox, Angela Newbrough, Tammy Sinclair and Scarlet Worthen.

**Hawkins** – Kristine McNeely.

**Henderson** – Amber Willis and Kenneth Willis Jr.

**Jacksonville** – Jonathan Clark, Donna Cummings, Crystal Hallum, Charles Lowery, Allison McAnally, Michael Smith, Christine Villavisencio and Manuel Zancanella.

**Jefferson** – Erin Barnett.

**Kilgore** – Becky Hartless, Amber Horton, Corina Lucas, Michele Robinson and Heidi Warren.

**Laneville** – Daniel White.

**Larue** – Richard Hamilton and Jamie Splawn.

**Lindale** – Kimberly Bolton, Stephanie Comer, Jennifer Dutton, Abigail Goldsmith, Shawn Holey, Joel Johnson, Kathleen Simmons, Deborah Stills and Leah Vent.

**Longview** – Troy Finley, Matthew King, Shannon Martin, Jennifer Powell, Royce Read, Emily White, Mitchell Whitley, Lesley Wilson and Jerilyn Zackary.

**Lufkin** – Robin Futch.

**Mabank** – Luke Potts.

**Malakoff** – Heather Morris.

**Marshall** – Brandon Byars.

**Mineola** – Geanina Barna,

Andrew Jones and Jody Whitten.

**Mount Enterprise** – Jody Creel.

**Mount Pleasant** – Jeffrey Chambers and Jennifer Miller.

**Murchison** – Sarah Neal.

**Overton** – Benjamin McCarty and Brenda O'Quinn.

**Palestine** – Matthew Altman, Amy Curbo, Karla Gregory, Melissa Quick, Julie Tilley and Peggy Witt.

**Pittsburg** – Michelle Bell.

**Price** – Misti Loosier.

**Quitman** – David Denney.

**Terrell** – Frank Duyka.

**Tyler** – Tiffany Allen, Buck Asbill, David Baker, Leah

Beckendorf, Rachel Bitter, Gage Brackin, Jessica Brown, Aaron Carver, Angela Childers, Amanda Chitty, Jill Daley, Amy Davis, Carissa Dempsey, Robert Ellis, Donna Emmons, Julie Ezell, Karla Florence, Margaret Griffin, Alison Halbert, Justin Hanner, Stephanie Heeren, Matthew Hicks, Jeff Holland, Rachel Hoy, Mikhail Iakhiaev, Andrew Johnson, Christine Johnson, Kyle Jones, Nicolette Jones, Catherine Kimlicko, Amber Klinger, Wingon Koo, Steven Ladd, Tray Lang, Jessica Lightner, Eric Maddux, Kimberley McKeown, Patricia Michlik, Desda Montgomery, Gloria Mucker, Billy Myers, Kara Odom, Jon Owens, Hyun-Seok Park, Janet Parrish, Elizabeth Pittard, Kellie Reynolds, Julie Rhame, Miranda Roach, Bonnie Roberts-Coussons, Andrea Shelley, Sarah Shipley, Michele Squire, Bobby Thomas, Jonela Toci, Allan Trinidad, Joseph Veazey, Deanna Waters, Casey Wells, Penny Wheelless, Jan Widner, Lydia Wilmeth, Seth Wilson, Amanda Wray and Michael Wysocki.

**Troup** – Heath Brown and John Gary.

**Van** – Patty Garland and Lisa Howell.

**White Oak** – Daniel Erwin.

**Winnsboro** – Charles Butts.

**Winona** – Daniel Blair, Gary Blair and Veronica Loucks.

**Whitehouse** – Dorothea Adams, Rebekah Beam, Melissa Leonard, Crystal Morgan, Patrick Phillips, Amanda Roycroft and Camille Ward.

**Fort Smith, Arkansas** – Emily Stevens.

## Boggs named Dow Jones intern

By Emily Stevens  
Staff writer

The Patriot's editor in chief, Robert E. Boggs, is one of 100 students selected nationwide to participate in the Dow Jones Newspaper Fund's 2003 Newspaper Editing Intern Program.

Boggs, a junior journalism/computer science major, will work as a copy editor intern at the Democrat and Chronicle in Rochester, New York during the summer of 2003.

"It's really exciting. It's a big opportunity and I'm just really glad to be chosen over



Boggs

all the other people who applied," Boggs said.

The award includes a two-week pre-internship residency at Florida

Southern College and a summer internship with the New York newspaper, plus a \$1,000 scholarship.

Selection for the internship award is based upon recommendations, an essay and a written exam.

"It is a very prestigious internship that normally goes to students at very large universities with accredited programs. This speaks very well of Robert and his talent," Donna Dickerson, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said.

Boggs won first place in copy editing in 2002 at the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association competition, as well as an honorable mention for a picture story. In addition, he is employed part time at the Tyler Morning Telegraph as an online copy editor.

## Dean's list includes 191 students

The following students have been named to the dean's list, which requires a 3.75 GPA in at least nine hours completed in one semester:

**Alba** – Sandra Bowman.

**Arp** – Matthew Everett and Amber Turner.

**Athens** – Deanna Blake, Jennifer Cross, Sarah Kirksey and Shannon Pursley.

**Barry** – Gina McDonald.

**Bells** – Elizabeth Beckman.

**Ben Wheeler** – Amanda Lowe.

**Big Sandy** – Lecia Ferguson.

**Brookston** – Scott Moss.

**Bullard** – Nathan McKain.

**Canton** – Amber Davis, Angelia Garrison, Colleen Glasscock, Heidi Hogwood, Justin Holt, Colette Howard, Melanie McCarty and Tina Schofield.

**Chandler** – Jasmin Kinslerlow, Lindsey Marshall, Shelley Poole, Mitchell Spradlin and James Westwood.

**Corsicana** – Jennifer Azua, Stephen Brooks, Mylea Coston and Claudia Donaho.

**Diana** – Nikki Sims.

**Edgewood** – Teresa Hagood.

**El Paso** – Krystal Faifer.

Clower.

**Groesbeck** – Gina Lee.

**Hallsville** – Jessica Young.

**Hawkins** – Sonija Ayres, Brent Baker and Joni Mischnick.

**Henderson** – Morgan Loosier and Letti Sherven.

**Jacksonville** – Melanie Meza, Matthew Moss and Glenda Sessions.

**Jasper** – Jason Reed.

**Kaufman** – Kathryn Curbo.

**Kilgore** – Jennifer Carter, Jamie Fletcher, Omera McLeod, Gretchen Rayburn and Traci Tippitt.

**Larue** – Cynthia Simmons and Jeffrey Williams.

**Lindale** – Lorrie Hatfield, Jessica Hutchens, Daniel Jaquez, Joseph Osteen and Amanda Steffen.

**Longbranch** – Monica Pless.

**Longview** – Brandilyn Akin, Amy Brown, Michele Daniels, Michele Farmer, Cheryl Finley, Timothy Fogarty, Linsey Funderburk, Allison Gillingtine, Corey Gilley, Violetta Hernandez, Stephen Orban, Allison Smith, Rachel Sparks and Travis Thomas.

Cummings.

**Reklaw** – Melissa Walles.

**Splendora** – Diana Shelton.

**Tatum** – John Roberts.

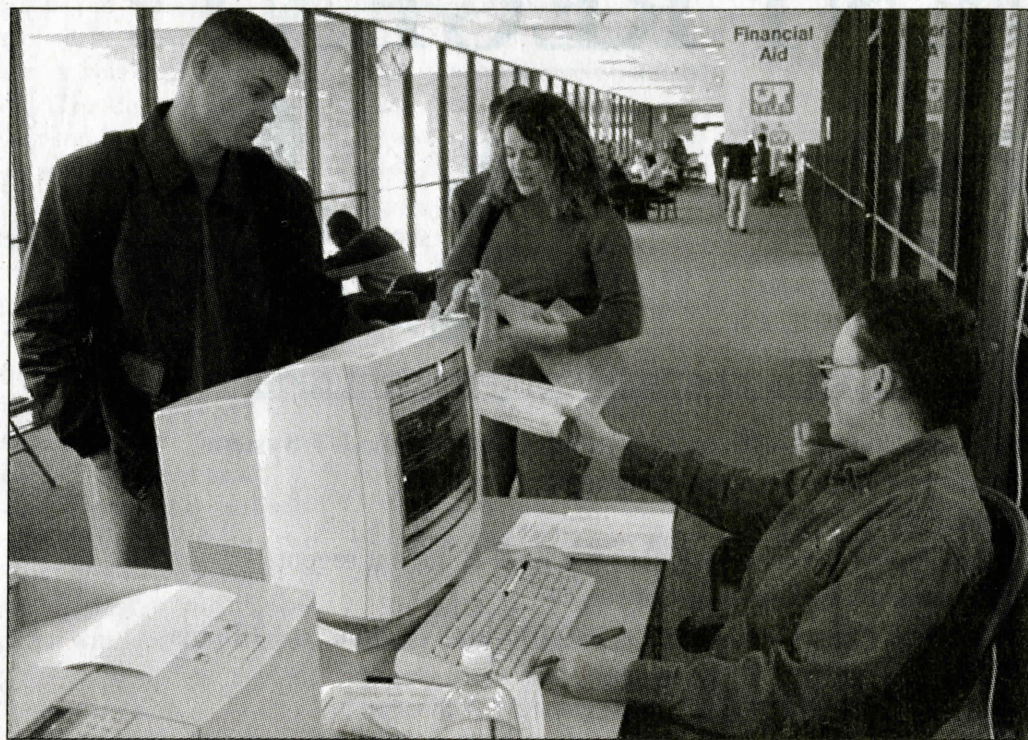
**Teague** – April Welch.

**Troup** – Hannah Buchanan, Amber Lindsey, Ronald McKnight and Aaron Todd.

**Tyler** – Jessica Baker, Jeffery Bourke, Tammy Bowers, Latisha Bush, Pamela Bybee, Melissa Carlock, Elizabeth Carroll, Caleb Carter, Janna Carter, Jeanie Carter, Samantha Crow, Sabrina Dean, Lori Dolan, Jennifer Elliott, Rachel Engledow, Amy Everett, Linda Frater, Ginger Garrett, Kristen Gentry, Lindsey Gerdes, Matthias Greywoode, Rachel Harris, Christy Hedge, Kirk Hill, Jennifer Jolley, Misty Jones, Jackie Kendrick, Tobie Labauve, Cheryl Layne, Dedre Lee, Erica Lingle, Viola Mabry, Jennifer Major, Jenifer Martin, William McClenny, Heather Miller, Gary Moers, Michelle Morrow, Ryan Norris, Ingrid Patrick, Amy Phillips, Katie Pinkerton, Dustin Porter, Stephanie Powell, Melody Ray, Rebecca Reed, Rachel Rhodes, Madolyn Richardson, Elizabeth



# Registration day



—Brad Smith/The Patriot

**PREPARING FOR CLASS:** Student Phillip Hesser, left, is assisted by assistant registrar Patty Garrett as he finalizes his paper work during walk-in registration Jan. 10.

## Welcome Back!



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the Robert R. Muntz Library often.  
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and helpful staff,  
or visit us virtually at:

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**Fairfield** – Renato Apene.  
**Flint** – Amanda Bacon, Karen Martinez, Melissa Washburn and Dawn Zimmermann.  
**Frankston** – Larry McDonald.  
**Frost** – Krista Plauche.  
**Gilmer** – Eddi Campbell, James Hale, Amber Legan, Linda Odom, Keri Stephens and Misti Watson.  
**Gladewater** – Sean Butler, Mitzi Fontenot and Lacy Jones.  
**Golden** – Cynthia Barnes.  
**Grand Saline** – Casey

**Mabank** – Joshua Waymire.  
**Malakoff** – Peggy Crossley.  
**Marshall** – Amanda Allgood, Bradley Ford and Kimberly Whitaker.  
**Mineola** – Elaina Purkey and James Whitten.  
**Naples** – Christie Cox.  
**Omaha** – Martha Bridges.  
**Palestine** – Stacey Collier, Julie Conner, Travis Cook, David Davis, Douglass Foster, Cheryl Gaines, Margaret Herrington, Jettie Huffman, Amin Lalani and Michelle Norris.  
**Quitman** – Sonja

Shoemaker, Amanda Smith, Amie Smith, Nathan Taylor, Lauren Thomas, Jared Thorton, Roxanne Vega, Tracy Walker, Bryan Witt, Yayoi Yamaoka and Alicia York.  
**Whitehouse** – Jonathan Beam, Brandee Boyd, Danah Cates, Eric Landsberger, Cindy McAllister, Cynthia Nutt, Kati Polak, Jessica Rannals and Megan Richey.  
**White Oak** – Justin Skaggs.  
**Wills Point** – Sarah Rehandler.  
**Winnsboro** – Paul Bear.  
**Winona** – Amber Lee.

## Press Club wins \$200 first place prize

The Press Club received the Outstanding Student Organization Award for the fall 2002 semester.

OSO honorees are chosen based on organizational activities during the semester.

Each activity an organization engages in is worth points which are totaled at the end of the semester.

After all points were tallied the Press Club earned 245 points, the American Chemical Society Student Affiliate earned 145 points and the Criminal Justice Student Association earned 140 points.

The organization in first place has its name added to the OSO plaque located in the University Center.

A cash amount is given to the top three organizations from the semester.

The Press Club was awarded \$200 for first place.

The American Chemical Society Student Affiliate was awarded \$100 for second place.

An award of \$75 went to the Criminal Justice Student Association for third place.

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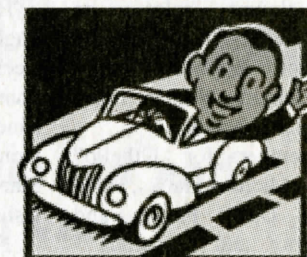
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# Cowan schedule under way

by **Hannah Buchanan**  
Entertainment editor

Two performing arts series shows, a lecture series, another selection in the Broadway Series and a special event still await University students, faculty and staff this spring at the R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center.

The season excites Cowan Center director Susan Tomae-Morphew, who said she keeps the students in mind when booking shows and lecturers.

"The University has this state-of-the-art facility and the means to provide national and international touring performing artists and lecturers. I believe that everything we present is of interest to University students," Tomae-Morphew said.

Shows left for the performing arts series include the musical "Fosse" on Feb. 14 and "On Golden Pond," which will run May 7. Tickets are available now for "Fosse."

"On Golden Pond" stars Jack Klugman. "We have not presented straight theater until this season and have booked another theater production for

next season already. It is special when we can get good theater with a star we all know from television," she said.

Business guru Steve Forbes will visit the University as the second installment of the Distinguished Lecture Series on March 20. Tickets for this event go on sale Feb. 24.

On Thursday, the first installment of the lecture series showcased a CNN Crossfire Debate, featuring co-host conservative Robert Novak and former co-host liberal Bill Press, who is now a co-host of MSNBC's "Buchanan and the Press."

Jesse Acosta, executive assistant to the University president, said a standard process takes place when selecting speakers in the lecture series.

"Susan makes a list of possible selections in the budget range," Acosta said.

Acosta said President Mabry then asks students, faculty and staff for input.

"Ultimately, he has the final say," Acosta said. "He tries to pick a wide spectrum, conservative vs. liberal, etc. and he tries not to pick the same theme

each year."

The special event, "Greater Tuna," — a play which will feature the original cast — runs March 7 and 8. Tickets go on sale Feb. 10 for this performance.

"This hilarious theater piece is a Texas legend, in its 20th anniversary season. We have booked two nights because it has never been to Tyler and we think that students and Texans in general will especially like this production," Tomae-Morphew said.

The season will conclude on April 24, with the Broadway show "Swing." Ticket sales begin March 31.

"It is every single kind of swing music ever written with every style ever danced. It is such fun and a great way to end the season," she said.

University students may receive one free ticket with a current student identification card.

For any additional information, please contact the box office at 566-7266 or visit the Cowan Center website at [www.uttyler.edu/cowan](http://www.uttyler.edu/cowan).

## Spring semester theater casts to perform Shakespeare classic play, popular musical

by **Hannah Buchanan**  
Entertainment editor

The University's theater department released cast lists for Shakespeare's "Othello" and the musical "Annie," preparing for more lights, camera and action this semester.

Theater professor Dr. James Hatfield said "Othello" is a play of sexual jealousy. Two lovers, Othello and Desdemona, see their fantasies and dreams wither away in Iago's evil by plotting against them.

Hatfield said a university student theater group does not often perform "Othello."

"It is a tragedy that will play

orphans and the underprivileged.

"Fantasy, love, witty lyrics and music set against the very real poverty of a country and children in need. It's the reality of the Great Depression contrasted with a child's optimism for a better tomorrow," Hatfield said.

"Annie" premieres at 7:30 p.m. on April 4 and 5, in Vaughn Auditorium at the R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center.

Other show time and dates for "Annie" include:

- April 6 at 2:30 p.m.
- April 11 and 12, at 7:30 p.m.
- April 13 at 2:30 p.m.

Cast members for the University's presentation of

Kaltenborn's voice (Off Stage) — Dr. Thomas Allen.

Roosevelt Cabinet Members: Ickes — Carlos Flores, Morgenthau — Nathan Taylor, Hull — J. R. Smith and Perkins — Joshua Irick (other roles to be assigned from company.)

Crew members are: lights — Michael Hanks, stage manager/assistant director — TBA.

Other presentations the theater department will present this semester include three theater class workshops on April 30 and May 2 — 3, in The Theatre.

For tickets or more information, please call the theater box office at 566-7254.

## Tail spin



—Brad Smith/The Patriot

**IN MOTION:** "Perpetual Motion," an art exhibit by Christopher Curtin, is now showing in The Meadows Gallery. Curtin's piece "Push" is seen in the foreground and "Artifacts," a plaster of paris work, in the rear. The art will be on display through Feb. 21.

## Taste of country found in Carthage

by **Brittani Mathis**  
Staff writer

**Review** To appreciate today's country music, fans must understand its roots. Hidden away in Carthage, the Country Music Hall of Fame is the perfect tool to get started. The hall showcases many of the original pioneers of country and western music, from Tex Ritter's breakthrough as the "first singing cowboy" to Ray Price's development of the 4/4 swing beat which is now an integral part of country music. The hall offers fans an abundance of information and vivid visual displays to entertain.

Housed in a state-of-the-art \$2.5 million facility, the hall opened the doors of the new building last August. "We have had nearly 5000 visitors since we opened the new facility," said Barbara Moorland, the friendly face that greets visitors

of the museum.

Music fans from across the region have flocked to witness the nostalgic time warp that the hall offers.

Panola County is proud to boast about its rich musical heritage. Known as the birthplace of country music legends Jim Reeves and Tex Ritter, the idea for the museum grew out of a desire to preserve and honor Texas' best.

Nominees to the hall must meet two essential requirements to become inductees. Tommie Ritter Smith, president of the hall, said, "The nominee must be a native Texan and must have contributed to country music for a significant number of years."

Board members take nominations seriously. The best of the best are honored with bronze plaques that line the walls. Music artists honored include Tanya Tucker, the late Nat

Stuckey, the original Texas outlaws, Willie Nelson and Waylon Jennings as well as Dale Evans and Ray Price. Each artist is showcased with their biography and pictures. Incased memorabilia are displayed throughout the museum.

Housed in the same building as the hall, the Tex Ritter museum offers the same walk down memory lane. A bronze statue of Tex and his favorite horse White Flash greet fans before entering the museum.

Known as an official "Main Street" city, Carthage residents hope the hall and the Tex Ritter Museum will boost tourism for the area.

The hall and the Tex Ritter Museum are located at 300 W. Panola St. in Carthage and are open to the public Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information, call (903) 693-6634.



well in The Theatre's intimate performance space," he said.

"The intimacy between our performers and our audience will underscore the tension and intensity of Shakespeare's characterization of Othello as Iago twists the truth to serve his evil intent," Hatfield said.

Hatfield and theater professor Dr. Mary Ellen Wright share the director's chair in "Othello," while Hatfield will become the solo director for "Annie."

"Othello" premieres at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 14 and 15, in The Theatre.

Other dates for "Othello" include:

- Feb. 16 at 2:30 p.m.
- Feb. 21- 22, at 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 23 at 2:30 p.m.
- Feb. 28 at 7:30 p.m.
- March 1 at 7:30 p.m.
- March 2 at 2:30 p.m.

Cast members for "Othello" are: Othello - Jerone Turner, Desdemona - Kara Sharman, Cassio - Chris Taylor.

Brabantio (mother) - Miranda Newman, Iago - Kyle Halberstadt, Roderigo - Nathan Taylor, Duchess (duke) of Venice - Erin Brandenburg.

Montano - John David Cox, Lodovico - Shareka Osby, Gratiano - Amanda Hutchins

Clown - Geanina Barna, Emila - Val Frazee, Bianca - Linda Nylund.

Company (messengers, officers, attendants, clowns - roles to be assigned): John Moore, Gayla Barron, Stephanie Heeren, Laura Schlinger, Jennifer Winter, Mary Ann Perry, Jan Warrick.

Crew members for "Othello" are: lights - Michael Hanks, stage managers - David Poskey and Monica Gray and costumes - Bonnie Roberts-Coussons.

The popular musical "Annie" is set in the Depression years.

The story reflects the country's triumph and tragedy among

"Annie" are:

Oliver Warbucks - Roger Pharr, Miss Hannigan - Denise Green, Grace Farrel - Patti Eden, Rooster - Chris Taylor, Lily - Connie Orr, FDR - David Taylor.

Drake - Mark Stevens, Annie - Megan Ziegelbein, Molly - Alexandria - Connor, Pepper - Miranda Day, Kate - Moriah Rivera, Duffy - Allison Pharr, Tessie - Erica Eden, July - Sarah Whitmer.

Orphans - Lauren Alexander, Katelynn Badger, Shauna Bister, Lacy Bond, Casey Bulls, Callie Burnett, Yasmine Caldwell, Jillian Davis, Alyssa Eden, Sarah Beth Feder, Kayleigh Greer, Christine Harris, Emma Jones.

Other orphans are: Rachel Kirby, Rebecca McPherson, Madison Mackey.

Others include: Gabrielle Navetta, Heather Owings, Tara Porr, Aubrey Power, Madeline Prince, Elizabeth Rutledge.

Others are: Symone Sheppard, Caylee Stamps, Callie Smith, Madaline Smith, Haley Vincent, Amber Wright.

Bundles McCloskey, the Laundry man - Nathan Taylor, Bert Healy, Radio Personality - Nathan Taylor, Lt. Ward - Derek Harper, Apple Seller - Geanina Barna.

Dog Catchers - Kenny Davis, Spencer Young, Nathan Smith, Second Cop - Greg Taylor, Sophie, the Kettle - Miranda Newman.

Hooverville Denizen: Mrs. Pugh, the Cook - Gayla Barron Cecille, a French Maid - Kara Sharman, Annette, a French Maid - Linda Nylund, Mrs. Greer, the Housekeeper - Laura Schlinger, Star to Be - Shareka Osby, An Usherette - Erin Brandenburg.

Fred McCracken, Radio Personality - Joshua Irick, Radio Singers, The Boylan Sisters: Linda Nylund, Sarah Shipley, Ellie Carrol. Erin Brandenburg, Tara Porr, Lisa San Filippo,

# STUDENT REGENT? YES!



## Why the University of Texas System needs a voting student regent

- Regents have the final decision – making authority on everything involving the UT System.
- Regents have been unrepresentative of students in past decisions.
- It's "Taxation Without Representation."
- The UT System remains one of the few systems which does not have a student regent.
  - ✓ Currently 40 states have a student on their board of regents.
  - ✓ State systems that the UT System compares itself to – California, Virginia, and Illinois – all have had positive experience with a student regent.
- The greatest expert on student issues is a STUDENT.
- The call for a student regent is unified between all of the components in the UT System.
- A student regent would be beneficial to all sides.
  - ✓ Students would be more accepting of regents' decisions if they knew their voice was being heard.
  - ✓ Regents would better understand students' perspectives on issues by directly listening to a student's voice.
- Passage of such legislation would enhance student participation in the legislation.

## Answering the opposition

*A student could not handle the time commitment involved in being a regent.*

While a student regent's first priority is to be a student, the time commitment necessary for participation would be no less than any of the other nine regents, many of whom are top business executives, politicians, and very active leaders throughout the state.

*One student could not possibly represent the voice of all the students in the system.*

While it is true that a single student could not possibly represent the beliefs of all the students throughout Texas, a student regent IS a student voice. This fact alone places the student regent closer to the system population than any of the other nine regents. Who better to be a member of a board established to make decisions that effect students than a student himself?

*What prevents the student regent from always being chosen from the University of Texas at Austin?*


The anonymity of the selection process ensures that no single university will have an advantage or disadvantage in placing their student as the regent. Those making the final selection will not be given the name of school of the applicant being evaluated. The student chosen for the board will be the best applicant, regardless of where they attend school.

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# Intensive Care

## Assistant professor's family multiplies by 3

by Shalina Ramirez  
Associate Editor

Most parents say they will do almost anything for their children, but assistant math professor Ben Wehrung and his wife Lisa proved it.

Miles from home, the Wehrungs kept constant watch over their three premature newborns, waiting for the day when their daughters would be released from the hospital.

Thirty-two weeks into her pregnancy, Mrs. Wehrung gave birth by Cesarean section to triplets on Oct. 4 at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas.

after their delivery for extra care.

"All three babies are home now," Wehrung said. "But at the time, we practically lived in Dallas."

The Wehrungs divided their time between driving back to Tyler and staying at the Ronald McDonald House which provides a home-away-from-home for families who have traveled to Dallas seeking medical treatment for their children.

"The hard part was that they came out [of the hospital] one at a time," Wehrung said.

Sarah, the youngest and

on that and plan the surgery," he said.

### Home Sweet Home

The babies eat six to eight times a day, or every three to four hours and their diapers are changed at each feeding, Wehrung said.

"That's a bag of diapers every two days or \$10 every two days if you think about it," Wehrung said.



Courtesy Photo

**THREE'S A CHARM:** Hannah Grace, Sarah Katherine and Rachel Madison, daughters of Ben and Lisa Wehrung, arrived home earlier this month after weeks of care at Baylor University Medical Center.



**MOTHERLY LOVE:** Lisa Wehrung, right, spends some quality time with her newborn daughter Hannah. Newborn Sarah "Katie" Wehrung, below, rests in her crib at Baylor University Medical Center.



"We knew there was a chance of twins, but when the ultra-sound showed there were three heartbeats, we were surprised," Wehrung said. "The doctors were surprised too."

Hannah Grace was born at 8:28 a.m., with Rachel Madison at 8:29 a.m. and Sarah "Katie" Katherine one minute later.

"We had one brunette, one blond and one red head," Wehrung said with a smile. "But now we have two brunettes and a red head."

At birth, the infants' weights ranged from two pounds and seven ounces to three pounds and seven ounces with Hannah weighing the most at four pounds and one ounce.

Wehrung said the babies had to remain in the hospital

smallest of the three, had to undergo surgery for a diaphragmatic hernia.

Her organs were supposed to be in her abdomen but had risen into her chest cavity, Wehrung said. Her lungs weren't allowed to fully developed.

"We weren't prepared to lose her but we knew she might not be coming home with us," he said.

Wehrung also said Rachel, the middle child, had suffered a minor stroke while in the womb.

"The doctors felt it was the kind that wouldn't have much effect," he said.

Rachel also suffers from a heart murmur that will need surgery to correct it when she's older, Wehrung said.

"She's still seeing a specialist in Dallas to keep tabs

He said friends and family including math department faculty members have helped with the care of the infants.

"One of the women at church organized the 'grandma brigade,'" Wehrung said. "They stop by two to three hours a day to help hold babies and that sort of thing."

Wehrung said though he and his wife, a former administrative assistant, have no immediate plans for more children, he still likes to tease her about having twin boys next.

"When we went to the hospital on Mother's Day for a visit, the doctor guessed there was two boys and a girl, so we picked two boys name," he said. "Then we had three girls. I tell my wife we still need to use the names."



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## 2003 Athletic Salaries

**Dr. Howard Patterson**  
Interim Dean of Student  
Affairs and Athletic Director

**Ken Olivier**  
Tennis

**Terri Dieke**  
Women's Basketball

**Matt Wallis**  
Men's Basketball

**Kenny Jones**  
Men's Soccer

**Jodi Lovell**  
Women's Soccer

**Rachel Short**  
Women's Volleyball

**James Vilade**  
Baseball

**David Cline**  
Golf

**Matt Owings**  
Cross Country



**\$79,816**



**\$24,720**



**\$40,000**



**\$36,000**



**\$28,008**



**\$28,008**



**\$26,000**



**\$32,000**

\* (this is an 18.5% appointment and not benefits eligible. He is paid \$500 per month and his appointment runs from 9/1/02 - 4/30/03)

\*\* (this is an unpaid/volunteer position and Mr. Owings is a full-time lecturer in the Health and Kinesiology dept. at \$37,518)

### Patriot Sports Calendar

**Feb. 4**

UT "Undercover" vs. New Life Community Church, Glass Recreation Center, 7:30 p.m.

UT "Hoop Nation" vs. Southside Bank, 9:30 p.m.

**Feb. 6**

UT "L.O.C." vs. Outlaws, Glass Recreation Center, 7:30 p.m.

UT "Hoop Nation" vs. Trailblazers, Glass Recreation Center, 9:30 p.m.

**Feb. 7**

Tennis (Men and Women), Hardin Simons Tourney, Abilene, noon

**Feb. 8**

Men's & women's tennis, Sul Ross Tourney, Abilene, 8 a.m.

**Feb. 10**

UT "Undercover" vs. Local 58, Glass Recreation Center, 9:30 p.m.

**Feb. 11**

UT "Hoop Nation" vs. Sears, Glass Recreation Center, 8:30 p.m.

**Feb. 12**

Men's & women's tennis, Austin College Tourney UT Tyler, 4 p.m.

**Feb. 13**

UT "L.O.C." vs. Ed's Building & Maintenance, Glass Recreation Center, 7:30 p.m.

**Feb. 14**

Men's & women's tennis, Hendrix Tourney Arkansas, 3:30 p.m.

# University hires men's and women's basketball coaches

By Joseph Elerson  
Sports editor

Matt Wallis was in his condo in snowy Montana when the phone rang. Terri Dieke was only five miles from the University when Howard Patterson called.

But both were listening when Patterson, the University's athletics director, offered them jobs as coaches for the fledgling basketball programs.

"This was an opportunity for me to get closer to home as I am originally from Arlington, so my career had taken me far away from home," Wallis said.

Wallis and Dieke were introduced on May 22 to head the Patriots men's and women's basketball programs, in front of the 127,500 square foot Patriot Center.

"The University is very fortunate to have these outstanding individuals joining the staff to

begin the basketball programs," Patterson said in a press release.

With years of experience on the court, both coaches look forward to the challenge of starting a new NCAA Div. III program at the University.

### Men's basketball

Having the opportunity to coach in NCAA Div. I, II and III, Coach Wallis, 28, has logged many miles in his coaching career.

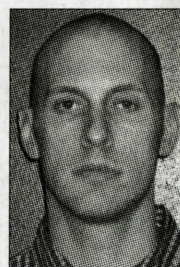
In his six years in the coaching ranks, Wallis has coached at Montana State University, Texas Wesleyan, Austin College and Tom Bean High School in Sherman.

Wallis played collegiate ball at Austin College under legendary coach Bob Mason, and then came back to be an assistant coach for one year.

"Wallis is another first-class individual with a good mixture of NCAA basketball experience



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WALLIS

at the DI, DII and DIII level," Patterson said.

After accepting the challenge of starting a DIII team, Wallis said he believes evaluating the talent of the players he will see during recruiting will be one of the major challenges this fall.

"Early on, like in September or October, there are a lot of high school tournaments going on, so you go to those and make an evaluation of the players to decide if you want to go to a game or not," Wallis said.

Wallis said he believes recruiting is going well at the

moment with eight students verbally committing but said no names will be released yet.

Under NCAA rules, Division III schools are not allowed to have an open tryout day for players.

Even though the Patriots will not be under NCAA rules during the first season of play, Wallis said he is trying to stay as close to the rules as he can so they will be ready when they begin in NCAA next year.

### Women's basketball

Coming off a three-year absence from coaching after having a baby girl, coach Dieke, 45, makes her first college coaching appearance at the University.

Dieke previously coached at Whitehouse High School for 11 years after being at Hallsville, Belton and Overton High School, for 22 years in the high school ranks.

One of the highlights of Dieke's career came with the 1991 Lady Wildcat District 15-4A championship win, after inheriting an 0-20 team three years earlier.

Now she sets her sights on NCAA Div. III collegiate play starting with recruiting players from all over Texas.

"I sent out a letter to 500 schools from around here to the Dallas area," Dieke said.

"My goal is to recruit the best 15 players I can find for the team," Dieke said.

Dieke said she believes recruiting has been a challenge so far, but she has plenty of contacts with her coaching experience.

"Some of the players don't know what they want to do in terms of school and athletic play."

"Since we are a Div. III school and can't give athletic

scholarships, it is hard to find athletes," Dieke said.

Dieke said she believes her lineup for the first season will consist of about 50 percent high school graduates and 50 percent college players once she finalizes the lineup.

"For the players and for myself, it will be wonderful to have the first team, first basket, first steal and the first win at the University," Dieke said.

"No matter how long there is a team here at UT-Tyler, hundreds of years from now we will still have that first team," Dieke said.

Everything will be brand new to us from the first basketball to the uniforms and everything else will be special to us," Dieke said.

For more information on the men and women's team, contact Wallis at 565-5984 or Dieke at 565-5983.



# Short to coach volleyball team

By Joseph Elerson  
Sports editor

Former Lindale High School, Grayson County College and University health and kinesiology major Rachel Short, 25, will guide the college's first intercollegiate volleyball program in the fall.

This is the first coaching job for Short, who said it was her goal to make it to the collegiate level.

"I feel confident about the first ever season, and I know it will be a challenge for me. I feel like I am able, willing to learn and very enthusiastic about it," Short said. "So with all that combined, I just don't see how it can't be a success."

With the season starting in August, Short said she believes she will have players who are very well-rounded students.

Short said she believes the way she approaches finding players for the upcoming season



SHORT

is watching players who are taking part in club season and viewing the talent of the players. "They have great grade point averages and are interested in coming to the University anyways. In addition they are talented volleyball players which is a perfect combination for me and for Division III and the University," Short said.

With the Patriot Center scheduled for completion this fall, Coach Short said she believes the excitement will be there for all of the members of the team.

"First of all, as a team member, who wouldn't want to go to a brand new facility with brand new uniforms and play during a

season? It will be nice, and I will be really excited as a coach to be a part of it," Short said.

From her experience in Division III volleyball at Grayson County College, where she was the team captain under coach Bob Clayton, Short knows what kind of program she wants at the University.

"I want to establish a program this year that will stay with me for four years. I also want to build a program where there is mutual respect between me and my players," Short said.

Short said she believes to get fan support the players need to be respectful of the campus and let people know they are here and ready to play.

Short is also working on a master of science degree in kinesiology at the University.

For more information on the University volleyball contact Short at 565-5603 or rshort@uttyler.edu.

## Vilade ready for 2004 baseball season

By Joseph Elerson  
Sports editor

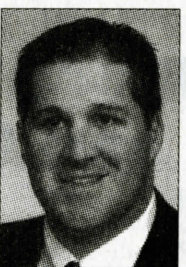
Coach James N. Vilade has a new home at the University after a five-year coaching stop at the University of Dallas.

Vilade was named as the head coach of the University's first ever baseball program on Dec. 18 by Athletics Director Howard Patterson.

"The transition from the University of Dallas to the University has been outstanding due to the staff that the University has in place. The other coaches made it real easy for me to come in and get started with the program," Vilade said.

During his five seasons at Dallas, Vilade compiled a 118-52 record, with the Crusaders winning the American Southwest Title in his final season.

Vilade said he believes finding players who fit in is a major key in having a successful pro-



VILADE

gram. "He (Vilade) has tremendous experience in building a highly competitive NCAA Div. III baseball program," Athletics Director Howard Patterson said in a press release.

"We have 23 or 24 campus visits scheduled in terms of recruiting," Vilade said.

"We are definitely ahead of schedule, and we have some verbal commitments from kids to come and play but we can't give out names at the moment," Vilade said.

With the new baseball and softball complex being completed in the spring of 2004, Coach Vilade will manage the fields, which will consist of two lighted NCAA Div. III fields, stadium style seating, field house

and concession stands.

The field also will include batting cages and pitching bullpen and a 65-space parking lot.

"The baseball field was one of the big attractions that I had to the program. I think anytime you want to have a serious program, you have to have a serious facility."

"It will provide a first-class playing surface for the players and a first class facility for people to watch games," Vilade said.

The baseball and softball field will be located on Lake Drive across from the campus police department. Construction is currently on hold.

Vilade said he believes his main priority in his program is for every player to work on their education first and athletics second.

For more information on the Patriot baseball program contact Coach Vilade at 565-5640.

# Don't Put Your Dreams in JEOPARDY

## February 11th

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## Potty mouth



—Chris Kemper/The Patriot

**PUBLIC FORUM:** Anti-war graffiti is seen in the men's bathroom on the second floor of the Hudnall-Pirtle-Roosth Building. At least two trash cans on campus also were marked.

## LAWS

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to the numbers.

In opposition, members of the Student Government at UT Austin passed a resolution Jan. 21 calling for an explanation of the proposal—dubbed the Texas Compact—to UT students in a forum, the *Daily Texan* reported last week.

Locally, UT Tyler President Rodney Mabry said deregulation, if approved, would not have a “great impact” on the University.

“We’re in a growth mode. We’re not in a mode where we’re trying to raise tuition to ward off applicants,” he said.

The Legislature also is considering two proposals for automatic admission of applicants to public universities.

Under one proposal, universities would be required to admit transfer students who receive a degree or certificate from a public junior college or technical school with a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher. Currently there is no requirement to accept transfer students.

A second proposal would modify the state’s current regulation for automatically accepting high school students graduating in the top 10 percent of their class. The amendment would require students to graduate under their school’s “recommended” degree plan rather than allowing the minimum graduation requirements.

University officials also will pay close attention to the budget. Yudof announced last week a

need for each of the system’s components to cut its state appropriations budget by 7 percent.

For UT Tyler, this amounts to about \$1.6 million, Mabry said Monday in an e-mail to University employees and students.

“There’s no question that there’s less money in the state,” Mabry said. “It will certainly affect us.”

It will be up to the University to decide on specific cuts, Jesse Acosta, executive assistant to the president, said.

A hiring freeze already has been instituted, and restrictions on travel are expected.

University officials must send proposed budget cuts to Yudof by Jan. 31 and final cuts to the state by Feb. 6, Mabry said.

## RITER

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ments obtained by *The Patriot* through the Texas Public Information Act.

Riter, who was appointed to the Board of Regents in 1997, serves as a vice-chairman of the board and is a member of the Board of Directors of the University of Texas Investment Management Company.

A well-known contributor for the University, Riter donated \$1.5 million toward the construction of the Riter Millennium Carillon Bell Tower.

“There’s been no more loyal friend to UT Tyler than Dub Riter,” President Rodney Mabry

said during December’s graduation ceremony.

Mabry said Monday he was pleased Riter may stay on the board longer and said his financial experience would be an asset to the board at a time when Chancellor Mark Yudof and the governor’s office are calling for 7 percent state budget cuts at each UT component.

“I’ve been trying to twist his arm to get him to stay,” Mabry said. “He’s done a magnificent job for UT Tyler and the state.”

Riter said after six years as a regent, he would miss the experience of serving on UTIMCO, the frequent trips to Austin and the close association between

regents.

But Riter will remain busy even if he does leave the board. He will continue to serve on the UT Tyler and University of Texas Health Center at Tyler development boards, and will join the Commission of 125, a group proposed by UT Austin President Larry Faulkner to study the future of higher education.

Riter said he also is looking forward to May’s graduation ceremony—whether he watches from the podium or a chair in the audience.

“It’s always a great experience to watch young people walk across the stage,” he said.

## PARKING

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Cowan Center.

“Braithwaite has a dozen handicap spots and I’ve only seen as many as four students use those spots,” she said. “I don’t see why those spots can’t be used as regular spaces during the day and as handicap at night.”

Police Sgt. Troy Smith said the department also hears misconceptions about the availability of spaces after hours or at the beginning of a new semester.

“Generally, we’re phasing away from the grace period,” he said. “The grace period is used to give time for students and faculty to get their decals, not park anywhere they want to.”

Faculty spaces are off limits at all times to everyone except University employees but visitor spaces are available after 5 p.m., Smith said.

He said abuse of campus parking regulations has led the department to take more drastic measures such as increasing the fines for parking and traffic citations.

“We weren’t getting compliance with the \$7 dollar [citations],” he said. “People just didn’t care. Hopefully the new plan will gain more compliance with parking issues.”

The University of Texas System Board of Regents approved the increase during a November meeting.

### More Money

Under the new plan, violators must pay a \$15 fine for Class A offenses, including parking in reserved areas, failure to park between lines and displaying a permit improperly.

Class B violators can expect to pay \$25 for offenses such as parking without a permit or displaying a fraudulent permit.

Moving violations such as running stop signs are considered Class C misdemeanors and carry a \$35 fine.

Other offenses such as parking in a handicapped space will cost violators \$100 whereas parking in a fire lane carries a \$50 fine.

Smith said as of Jan. 21, 100 tickets, including four moving violations, had been issued on

campus with officers patrolling the campus at least four or five times a day.

Offenders have seven calendar days to clear any tickets with the campus police department, according to the citation policy.

University parking and traffic citations also may be appealed to the Parking and Security Review Committee within the time limit.

Failure to pay on time will result in a \$10 late fee and withholding of student transcripts or faculty and staff paychecks.

Revenues from paid parking tickets go into a general account to be used by the University, Smith said.

“I don’t know where the money is going, but it’s obvious it’s not going toward building new parking lots,” Carter said.

Martin said she would rather the money from her \$15 dollar fine go toward the purchase of a student’s books.

“It’s not so much about the money,” Martin said. “I just think if your going to have it, enforce it or make it an open lot where it’s every man for himself.”

## Campus police reports

Two people face state felony charges after campus officers found them in possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, according to reports.

Kaelyn Valerie Alexander, 17, of Tyler and Ricardo Silva Jr., 21, of Jacksonville were arrested after police searched their cars and an apartment.

A Whitehouse Police Department K-9 unit assisted in the search, records show.

Alexander was charged with possession of marijuana less than two ounces, a Class B misdemeanor and a Class C misde-



meanor for possession of drug paraphernalia.

She also has a state felony charge for possession of a controlled substance less than one gram pending against her. Silva is being charged with two Class B misdemeanors, possession of marijuana and delivery of marijuana, records show. He also faces a Class C misdemeanor for possession of drug paraphernalia. Bond for Silva was set at \$1,200 with Alexander's bond being set at \$700.

#### ARREST

- Dec. 10 - Police arrested a 20-year-old male for making alcohol available to a minor at a UPines.
- Dec. 7 - A 19-year-old male student and an 18-year-old female student were arrested on drug-related charges after officers discovered the two to be in possession of marijuana inside a UPines apartment. The female was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, marijuana and alcohol by minor with bond being set at \$1,500. The male was charged with delivery of marijuana, unlawful consumption of alcohol by a minor and possessions of drug paraphernalia and marijuana. His bond was set at \$2,000.

#### CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

- Nov. 29 - After making contact with a suspicious male in a UPines apartment, police confiscated a set of nunchakus. The male, later identified as a 19-year-old Tyler Junior College student, had been observed in the UPines' visitor parking area.

#### THEFT

- Jan. 16 - Officers discovered stolen property inside an "improperly" parked vehicle belonging to a TJC student at UPines.
- Jan. 19 - An 18-year-old male University student received a citation for possession of alcohol by a minor and a speeding ticket during a traffic stop on Campus Drive.
- Jan. 18 - Police cited the driver of a green 1999 Honda Civic for an open container after discovering the 23-year-old University male student with an open alcoholic beverage during a traffic stop. A further investigation into the incident led officers to a UPines apartments where three TJC students were issued warnings for possession and consumption of alcohol by a minor.
- Jan. 15 - A University student reported he had been threatened in parking Lot 8.
- Jan. 11 - Officers investigated a report of underage drinking at a party at a UPines apartment. Two 19-year-old male students and an 18-year-old male student were issued warnings for possession and consumption of alcohol by a minor. Four other underage individuals, having left the party, were issued warnings for traffic and alcohol-related offenses during a traffic stop.
- Dec. 12 - Citations were issued to an 18-year-old female and a 19-year-old male, both TJC students, for alcohol-related offenses when officers discovered alcoholic beverages inside a vehicle the pair had been riding in during a traffic stop on Varsity Drive. The beverages were destroyed at the scene.
- Dec. 10 - Officers destroyed an undisclosed amount of alcoholic beverages after confiscating the containers from five minors at a UPines apartment. The resident of the apartment, an 18-year-old male, received a citation for possession of alcoholic beverages by a minor.
- Dec. 8 - Police issued alcohol-related citations to two University of North Texas female students and a TJC female student after discovering alcoholic beverages inside a car during a route traffic stop. All three were minors.
- \* Dec. 6 - A female student reported finding a sexually suggestive note on her vehicle in Lot 3.

## student Organization Fair

**February 5<sup>th</sup>  
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
UC Open Area**

***Come and check out what UT Tyler  
has for you!***

If your organization wants to participate,  
please contact:

**Shaune Martinez  
UC 101**

**903-565-5651**

**[www.uttyler.edu/studentlife](http://www.uttyler.edu/studentlife)  
[smartinez@mail.uttyl.edu](mailto:smartinez@mail.uttyl.edu)**

# DRESS FOR SUCCESS



## Student Success Seminar

**Wednesday, February 5, 2003**

**12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**University Center, Room 118**

**Guest Speakers:**

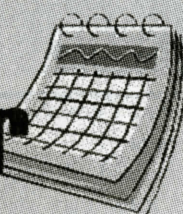
*Dillard's and*

*The Men's Wearhouse*

**Lunch Provided!**



## CAMPUS Calendar



### Jan. 13-31

•“King of the Couch” Playstation Tourney Part I-Madden 2003 -Registration (Student Activities)

### Jan. 13 - Feb. 21

•Chris Curtain sculpture exhibition, The Meadows Gallery

### Jan. 31

•Playstation Tourney Part I- Madden 2003 mandatory meeting, UC 118, 4 p.m.

### Feb. 3

•Playstation Tourney Part I- Madden 2003, play begins

### Feb. 4

•SGA meeting, UC 118, 5:15 p.m.

### Feb. 5

•Student Organization Fair, UC, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

•“Dress for Success” student seminar, UC 118, noon-1 p.m.

### Feb. 11

•Senior Business Etiquette Dinner, Traditions Restaurant, 6 - 8:30 p.m., reservations required

•“Don’t Put Your Dreams in Jeopardy” student seminar, U Pines clubhouse, 7-8:30 p.m.

### Feb. 12

•Student Organization President’s Council meeting, UC 118, noon

### Feb. 14

•St. Valentine’s Day Blood Drive, UC 118, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

•Fosse, Cowan Center, 7:30 p.m.

## Fischer joins national education committee

Dr. Mary Fischer, professor of accounting at The University of Texas at Tyler, has been appointed to the Higher Education Accounting committee of the Central Association of College and University Business Offices.

The association is a nonprofit association representing chief business officers at more than 700 institutions throughout the North Central region of the United States.

Fischer will assist the association in reaching its goals and objectives, which include plan-

ning, providing and encouraging professional development for all levels of management in the business and financial area of higher education.

Fischer is the Pirtle Professor of Free Enterprise and director of UT Tyler’s master of business administration program.

She is a certified government financial manager and has served on the editorial boards of Issues in Accounting Education; Public Budgeting, Accounting and Financial Management; and Research in Healthcare Financial Management.

## Engineering grant will assist students

The National Science Foundation awarded the University with a grant for a project designed to attract and retain engineering students.

The NSF Division of Engineering Education and Centers’ Engineering Education Program awarded a grant of \$292,360 for a proposal by Dr. Jeffrey Mountain, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, titled “Development of a Process Control Breadboard System to Attract and Retain Engineering Students.”

The project will produce a portable system of electro-mechanical, thermal/fluid and control elements that can be configured by undergraduate and pre-college students using simple hand tools.

The process control breadboard system will be integrated into the engineering curriculum.

This will allow freshmen and pre-college students to design, build and test manually actuated systems, while permitting more advanced students to work with more automated systems.

During the second and third years of the grant, a pilot program of week-long summer camps for eighth and ninth graders will be conducted.

Undergraduate student mentors, under faculty supervision, will assist camp attendees in hands-on design of process control systems.

For more information about the program, contact Dr. Mountain, (903) 565-5588, jmountai@uttyler.edu.

## European travel course offered during summer

World War II in Central Europe is the subject of a travel/study course offered by the University.

Participants will travel to Germany, Austria, Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic, June 7-22, after attending on-campus, Friday evening class sessions in May.

The course will be taught by Dr. Patricia A. Gajda, professor of history and a specialist in modern Central European history.

“We will visit some of the most beautiful and historic cities of Europe including Berlin, Warsaw, Krakow, Prague, Budapest and Vienna,” Gajda said.

The cost of the trip will be

\$2,499 plus tuition and fees. There is a minimum of 15 participants needed. Some partial international studies grants are available.

Included in the tour will be roundtrip airfare from Dallas/Fort Worth, motor coach travel in Europe, hotels (double occupancy) with private facilities, tour director, local guides, transfers, admission to major sights, luggage transfers and many meals.

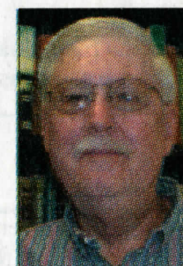
The deadline to apply for a grant is Jan. 31. Applications will be accepted until Feb. 14. Later applications will be honored if space remains.

For information contact Dr. Gajda at (903) 566-7440 or pgajda@mail.uttyl.edu.



To mark the 30th anniversary of the opening of an upper-division college in Tyler, *The Patriot* will feature throughout the rest of the semester the recollections of long-time faculty members and past University news highlights.

### Faculty focus



Dr. L. Sherrod  
Biology professor  
28 years

*Q. What is your favorite anecdote from your UT Tyler career?*

When the campus lakes were constructed in 1976 they were empty. It rained the first day of fall registration and filled the lakes.

“They went from holes in the ground to full lakes,” Sherrod said. In the spring a regent commented the lakes had an awful color. The regent called Six Flags and asked officials what they used to color their water. He ordered 10 gallons of that same dye. Sherrod recalls seeing the regent sitting in a motorboat in the middle of the lake and pouring they dye into the water. He then circled the dye to blend it into the water.

The water, Sherrod said, turned “an awful shade of pea green, but so was that man.”

“It was simply hilarious,” he said

*Q. What change has affected you most since you began teaching here?*

While salaries and costs increase every year, “the state seems to be contributing less and less support in money and education every year,” Sherrod said.

Although this happens gradually, the overall effect is that the University has to raise money on its own.

“If you do not pay for high quality, you do not get a high quality education,” he said.

*Q. How have students changed since you began teaching here?*

“When I first started teaching the average student was between the age of 25-35. However, when freshmen and sophomores were admitted, the ages dropped. The maturity level dropped along with the ages,” he said.

On the other hand, he added, “people are people.”



Dr. Patricia Gajda  
History professor



# Senior Business Etiquette Dinner

Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2003

\$20.00 per person

Traditions Restaurant

6205 South Broadway Avenue

6:00 - 6:30 p.m. Registration

6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Dinner and Etiquette Presentation

Presented by Doris Sharp, Director of Tech Prep



Presentation:

Successful Dining Skills and Table Manners for Adults

Conducting Business Over Lunch or Dinner

The Art of Handling Hard-to-Eat Food



Business Dress is Required for the Dinner

Men: Long sleeve dress shirt, tie, and dress slacks;  
sport coat/jacket preferred

Women: Knee-length or longer skirt and long-sleeve blouse;  
business/conservative dress; pant/skirt suit preferred

Cancellation:

Deadline for registration and refund due to  
cancellation is February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2003

Senior-Level Students Only



## Group elects Rainwater as secretary

Dr. Stephen B. Rainwater, associate professor of computer science, was elected secretary of the Texas Computer Education Association for 2003-2005.

As a member of TCEA's executive committee, Rainwater will contribute to the association's focus on integrating technology into the K-16 environment through conferences, workshops, student contests, the Internet and collaborations with higher education and business.

With membership exceeding 6,000, TCEA is the largest state organization dedicated to the improvement of teaching and learning through the use of computing technologies.

Rainwater served TCEA as president of the computer science special interest group, as Area 7 director and for the past three years as chair of the association's high school programming competition.

At the state level, he has served as a member of the State Board for Educator Certification Technology Applications Standards Committee and the Texas Education Agency computer science textbook review panel.

Rainwater is a past president of the UT Tyler Faculty Senate.

He was also a contributing member of the university's strategic planning committee that helped develop the institution's New Millennium Vision.

The Alpha Chi honor society has selected him four times for their outstanding teaching award.

He has authored more than a dozen publications and has given presentations at numerous regional, state and national conferences.



28 years

*Q. What is your favorite anecdote about your career here?*

"I take my students to travel course studies in Europe. One of the assignments is that students need to keep a journal. One of the students always had a journal and he was very serious about keeping a complete one. The other students were teasing him. One day he left the bus a minute to take a picture and left his journal in the seat pocket. Some students stole it for a joke. They sent him silly messages ... ransom notes as a joke. Of course, they gave it back to him and he was a good camper. He graduated from here and now he is a famous judge."

*Q. What change has affected you most since you have been here?*

"I think when UT first started being a four-year institution. We, the faculty, had to teach survey to the freshmen and sophomores. It's a different kind of teaching schedule."

*Q. How have students changed since you have been here?*

"When I first came here most students came because UT Tyler was the most convenient. Today there are more students that choose UT Tyler even though they have several options open to them," she said.

## Patriot flashback

### 5 years ago

- Muntz library received \$350,000 to purchase books
- Woodcreek Fitness Center offers free memberships to students
- UPines' telephone system switched from four digits to seven so residents could dial 911.

### 10 years ago

- UPines still under construction

### 15 years ago

- Lotus 1-2-3 and Intro. to Micro-computers offered as courses
- Enrollment reached 3,672

### 20 years ago

- William F. Buckley visited campus
- 73 students named to honor roll; 95 named to dean's list

### 25 years ago

- Students pay \$22.50 student service fee each semester

### 30 years ago

- First student newspaper begins during spring semester
- Enrollment tops 178 students for spring semester
- University has 30 employees

## Graduate business student receives MBA scholarship

The National Society of Hispanic MBAs awarded a scholar.

He was one of 173 recipients honored at a scholarship recognition luncheon held in Phoenix, Ariz.

Billy Borunda of Brownsboro received a \$2,500 scholarship as an outstanding prospective students.