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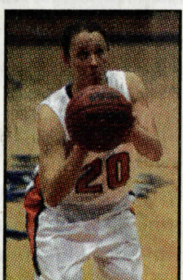
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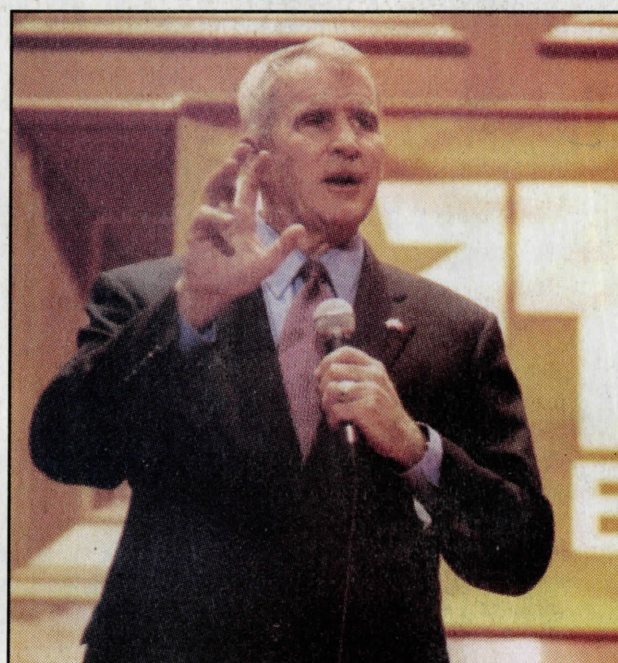
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CHRIS KEMPER staff photographer

Retired Marine Col. Oliver North speaks to students during a seminar Jan. 22 in the Braithwaite Auditorium. North told audience members the CIA was limited in its powers and human intelligence efforts overseas need to be improved.

Students face North

Retired Marine colonel heaps praise on 'the soldiers of 9/11'

Col. Oliver North described modern American soldiers as older, smarter and more technologically savvy than the troops sent to Vietnam just decades ago—qualities he related to the modern American student.

North, a retired Marine, bestselling author and the host of "War Stories" on the Fox News Channel, spoke Jan. 22 during a student seminar as part of the University's Distinguished Lecture Series.

North said many of the soldiers in Iraq joined the

military because of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks and had a determination not found as commonly in the Vietnam War.

"These are the soldiers of 9/11," he told students in the Braithwaite Auditorium. "These youngsters have a great sense of their mission. They are willing to sacrifice everything and are remarkably compassionate."

The average age of U.S. soldiers has risen to 19 and a half and the average IQ has risen with it, North said, creating the best-educated mili-

tary in the world.

Fielding questions about weapons of mass destruction and U.S. intelligence efforts, North asserted that even with improved spy technology, the need for better human intelligence overseas is critical.

He said intelligence in Iraq "until very recently has been abysmal over there. And quite frankly, that is a failure not of the military but of the Central Intelligence Agency."

That failure has been particularly noticeable in the search for weapons of mass destruction, North said.

"What we're looking for is about the size of three

milk tankers you see on the interstate...which is all you would need to kill half the planet Earth," North said. "Failure in this conflict is not an option."

He said much of the intelligence problem was a result of limits placed on the type of people the CIA can recruit to gather information and said the CIA needs to be able to employ "bad people" to infiltrate terrorist organizations.

"They (terrorists) are very bad people and if we're not allowed to recruit bad people to work for us to penetrate these organizations, we'll never be able to,"

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Hill named residence life director

BY GORDON ROBERTS
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

University officials announced the hiring of David Hill as the school's first director of residence life.

Hill will direct student housing on campus and oversee the construction and operation of the new student

as the area coordinator and manager of judicial affairs at the University of Southern Indiana.

Hill graduated from Texas A&M University in 1993 with a bachelor of arts degree in speech communications. He completed his graduate work at Texas A&M in 1996 with a master





Men's basketball team wins triple-overtime game in conference play.
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You can buy your textbooks online, but how much can you actually save?
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NEW COMIC STRIP

Look for a new comic strip drawn by *Patriot* cartoonist and columnist Joshua Davis on Page 7 of this issue.

The comic marks the first regular cartoon strip drawn by students since cartoons began running last semester.

QUOTE:

"I've met a couple of Frodos and one Gimli and other individuals whose parents were big Tolkien fans. So their actual birth certificates say Aragorn or Eowyn."

Actor **Viggo Mortensen** (*Lord of the Rings*) on meeting his fans, in *People* magazine.

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apartments scheduled for completion this fall.

Hill comes to the University from Baylor, where he served as area coordinator for a year and a half, supervising the operation of four residence halls housing about 1,300 students.

Prior to his work at Baylor, he spent four years

of science in education administration.

As an undergraduate, Hill was a resident adviser and as a graduate student he was a graduate hall director.

Hill will visit The University of Texas at San Antonio campus to observe its operation because the college's situation is similar

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Tallent elected parliamentarian

BY EMILY STEVENS
PULSE EDITOR

Student Government Association officials released results of the Dec. 3-4 special elections, which named Dustin Tallent as the new parliamentarian and Elisa Martinez as the new senator of Nursing and Health Sciences.

Tallent, the only candidate listed on the ballot, received 42 of 52 total votes cast for the parliamentarian position. Write-in candidate Steven Brouer received three votes, and write-in candidates David Denney and Grant McKnight each received two votes.

Write-in candidates Jarod Acree, Frank Lee, and Josh Watkins each received one

vote.

Since no candidate filed an application for the senator of Nursing and Health Sciences position, all who received votes were write-in candidates.

Elisa Martinez received 12 of 18 total votes cast for this post.

Vonda Young placed second with two votes, and Erica Fabian, Stephanie Hughes, Haley Myers, and Rachael Wake each received one vote.

Tallent and Martinez will hold their positions until May 1 and each will receive a stipend for one semester.

The parliamentarian receives a \$400 stipend each semester, and senators each receive \$150 per semester.



ROBERT BOGGS staff photographer

The Student Success Center's Ashley Ward takes a swing at a Pontiac Bonneville Tuesday in parking Lot 6 near the Cowan Center. The SGA offered students the chance to hit the car three times with a sledgehammer for \$1 as part of homecoming.

UT sets homecoming bash

□ Second annual event includes basketball, comedy show and 'Mr. and Ms. UT Tyler.'

BY JESSICA VILLARREAL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Activities including a chili cook off, a 5K run and the crowning of Mr. and Ms. UT Tyler debut during the final day of homecoming.

The events will complete weeklong activities that began Monday with a pep rally, blood drive and two basketball games. During the week, students also could participate in a car bash, concerts, movies, a comedy show and a late-night breakfast.

This marks the second year for the annual homecoming, but for the first time it was held in conjunction with the basketball season.

RUN

The day's events begin at 8 a.m. with a 5K Homecoming run on campus. This is the first time the event has been offered. Participants must register and meet at the University's main entrance. The registration fee is \$15 on the day of the race. The fee is waived for students and faculty members.

COOK OFF

The cook off will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parking lot located in front of the Herrington Patriot

Center.

At least seven teams have register to compete for prizes. Those contestants include: Smith County Sheriff's Department, UT Tyler Young Alumni, UT Tyler Alumni - MBA Chapter, the UT Tyler Development Office, the UT Tyler Business Affairs Department, the Longview University Center, and the UT Tyler Human Resources Department.

Teams will compete for first, second, and third place ribbons and the People's Choice Award — a trophy awarded for team showmanship.

Members of the Alumni Association Board will judge the competition based on taste, texture and aroma. Once the judging is over, members of the public will be allowed to sample the chili.

CROWNING

One male and one female student will become royalty for the day during the Mr. and Ms. UT Tyler competition. The winners will be announced during halftime of the men's basketball game.

Finalists for the honor and their sponsoring organization consist of:

• VIPatriots—Kevin Johnson, Betsy Herrington

- ACS Student Affiliates—Sean Butler, Rachel Bishop
- Math Club, MAA Chapter—Shane Chambless, Sarah Graham
- DREAM Team—Ryan Lilly, Alicia Fernandez
- UT Tyler Cheerleading—Chase McClanahan, Cassie Stinson
- VOICES—Grant McKnight, Megan Cheek
- African-American Student Organization—Brandon Montgomery, Kim Hill
- SGA—Ryan Palmquist, Loree Ainsworth
- SAPB—Byron Skaggs, Teleshia Coleman
- Art Club—Joseph Veazey, Audrey Wong
- PLM—Seth Wilson, Amanda Kilinger

SPORTS

Four Patriots team representing two sports will see action on campus Saturday.

The University netters face Howard Payne beginning at 10 a.m. at the Summers Tennis Center courts. The competition include men's and women's teams.

At 1 p.m. the women Patriots basketball team will play LeTourneau at the Patriot Center. The men's team follows at 3 p.m. to wrap up the events.

Debate team takes national tournament

BY KATHY SYLVESTER
STAFF WRITER

The University's debate team won first place in a tournament in Tennessee to bring home a national championship.

Amy Arellano and Noah Conklin defeated University of South Carolina's team in the final rounds, clinching first place in open parliamentary debate. Arellano also received the Fourth Speaker Award at the competition.

The debate team traveled

to Murfreesboro, Tenn. to compete in the National Collegiate Honorary Tournament held at Middle Tennessee State University on Jan. 22-25. Thirty-four schools entered 41 teams for the tournament.

Arellano said open parliamentary debate is the strongest division in the tournament.

"It was definitely the hardest tournament," Arellano said.

Conklin agreed and said if open parliamentary debate

“It's the most intense competition they have at the entire tournament.”

Noah Conklin
Debate team member

” were an athletic event, the competition would be Division I.

"It's the most intense competition they have at the entire tournament," Conklin

said.

Dr. Jeffrey Hobbs, debate team coach, said he knew it would be a difficult tournament because the competing schools were very good. After the preliminary rounds, the University's team had to defeat Arkansas State University and Harding University in single-elimination rounds before advancing to the final round.

The winners were not announced until the awards

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courtesy photo

University debate team members Amy Arellano and Noah Conklin show their prize for winning first place in open parliamentary debate at the National Collegiate Honorary Tournament at Tennessee State University on Jan. 22-25.

Community plans available to students

During his Jan. 22 lecture in the Vaughn Auditorium, Ret. Col. Oliver North said Americans today are the most generous people in the world, giving more per capita to charities and churches than any other nation.

Now would be a good time to prove him right.

A blood drive for two people involved with the University and two upcoming service projects organized by the Student Government Association will give students and faculty members ways to give directly to their communities.

Blood donations can be made at Stewart Regional Blood Center to benefit Dr. Ross Sherman, who recently was diagnosed with leukemia, and for Chad Kurtz's wife, Amy. Donors should say they are donating to the UT Tyler Blood Pool, which gives blood credits to University employees and students in need of transfusions.

Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh 110 pounds and be in good health. A mobile blood unit accepted donations on cam-

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pus Monday, but donations still can be made at any Stewart location. For more information and hours of operation, call (800) 252-5584 or visit www.stewart-blood.org.

Another drive worthy of student support is the SGA's voter registration drive. Dates have not been announced for the project, but more details will be available after Tuesday's SGA meeting.

SGA members will distribute voter registration cards to students to increase participation in elections. Anyone who is not registered to vote should fill out a card and be ready to vote in the presidential and congressional elections in November.

The SGA also is discussing a community service day planned for National Volunteer Week April 18-24. President Ryan Palmquist said he would like student organizations and individuals to submit ideas and be involved in activities to benefit the Tyler area and bring recognition to the University.

CAMPUSVoice

With textbook prices increasing is it easier to order online?
Have you ordered books online, why or why not?



April Ross

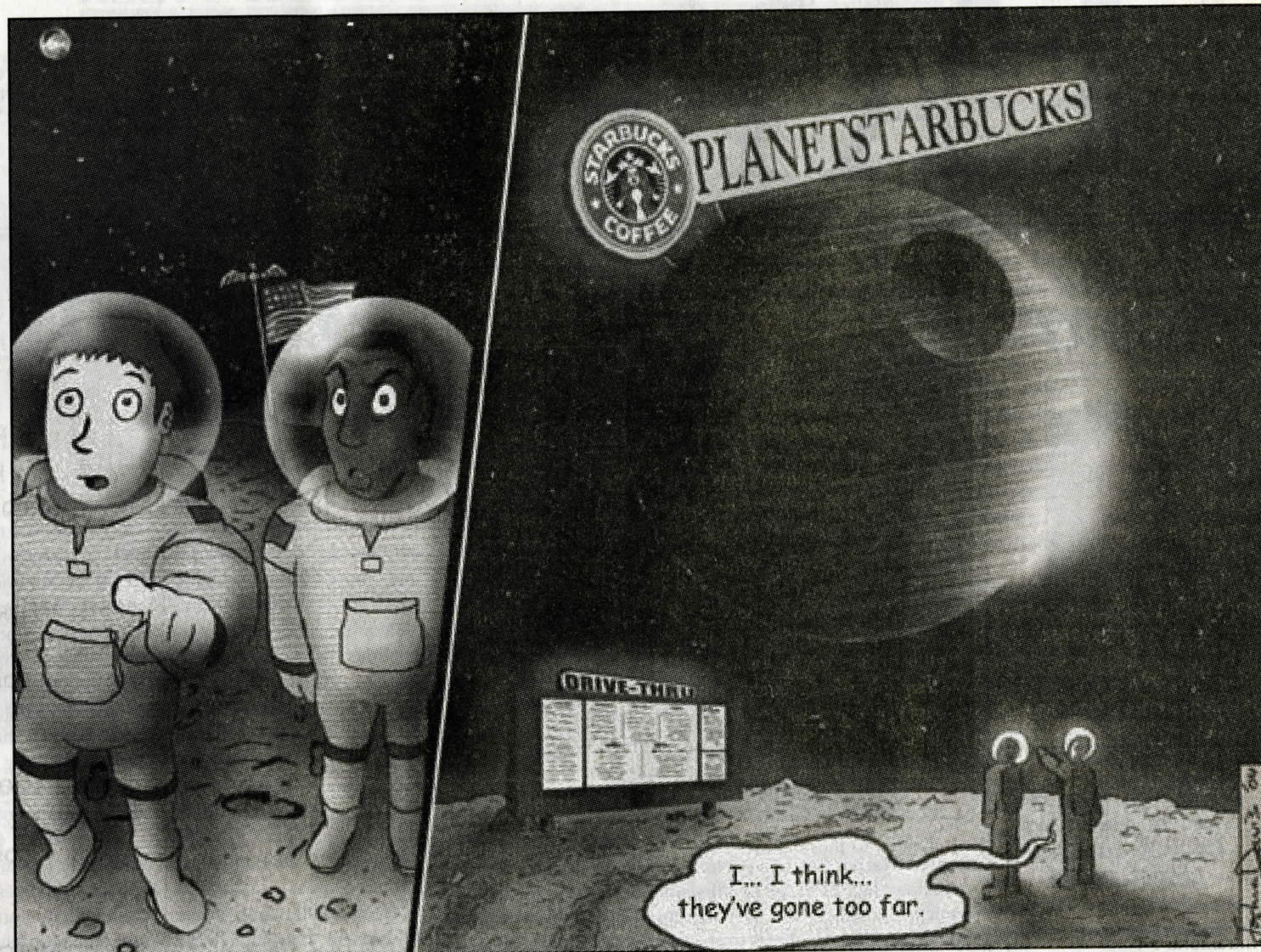
Major: elementary education, senior

"I haven't ordered books online, because I bought them from a friend. I have heard they are cheaper and I'd like to save the money."

Ross

Ricky Larrew

Major: psychology, senior



Theater student remains supportive

I am writing this letter on behalf of all theater lovers and thespians across the nation. This letter's intent is to encourage the universities faculty and administration to reflect upon the decision to terminate the theater department which UT Tyler has long been proud to call its own. My wish is that you, after reading my message, will encourage the board to reconsider its decision to do away with the department. This reasons to do so are numerous and momentous.

Theater is a unique and viable cultural expression of mankind that needs to exist despite, or even because of, technological advances and philosophical changes in society. Theater transcends time and must exist

Letters to the Editor

pare to the many layers involved in the theatrical process that culminates in a vibrant, final production that forces its participants and audiences to live others' lives, face greater challenges, and appreciate others' pain in a way they would, otherwise, never do. Finally, theater is important to us as a society because it is a unique and viable expression of humanity that needs to exist.

Besides the various facets of learning experiences the department offers UT students there are layers of history, interpretation, overall vision, and communal experience which theater offers to everyone who lives in this area. None of us will have those oppor-

What is the basis of our American Society? What is the foundation that has enabled us to withstand many years of conflict? What institution instilled character into the children of our founding fathers, enabling them to carry on the torch of freedom and prosperity?

Why has our country been so successful in enterprise, government, and technology?

Is the answer religion, our Constitution, our representational form of government, our work ethic, or sheer providence? Certainly. However, to me, none of these answers fully suffice.

Looking back on American history, one understands that a crucial element in early American culture was the value placed on

promote the homosexual agenda. Homosexuals proclaim, "We must keep our eyes on the goals of providing true alternatives to marriage and of radically reordering society's view of reality"(Concerned Women For America, Case For Marriage). This is appalling, and not many Americans are willing to take a stand to promote a culture that does not allow this gross reordering of one of our nation's most crucial institutions, the family.

This fight hit home at the beginning of the (fall) semester, when Curtis Fueller organized the first gay organization on campus. Though he desires to promote a "safe haven," I would like to remind both hetero and homosexuals that a "safe haven" will only

"Yes it is easier. I haven't tried to buy them online because my credit card is in the red."



Lee Stringfellow

Major: communication, senior

"I haven't ordered them online, but I think it would be useful for buying books they don't have in the bookstore or finding used books."

STRINGFELLOW

Emily Schulze

Major: finance, freshman

"I usually just buy from the bookstore, but I'd really like to try ordering online. I have a friend who has done it, and she said that she saved a lot of money."



SCHULZE



Jimmy Lay

Major: business management, freshman

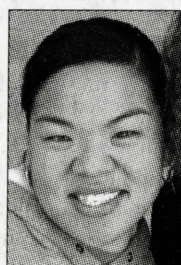
"I haven't but probably would because I've heard it's a lot cheaper."

LAY

Dava Willis

Major: nursing, sophomore

"Yes, it's easier to order them online. I spent \$300 in the bookstore, and I ordered my books online for about 50 percent off. The only bad thing about online is you have to know the ISBN"



WILLIS



LARREW

despite tangible, financial profits or intangible glory. Theater is more significant than both.

Why is theater so important for humanity? Theater is important because it is the cultural backbone of our society. Performance is a tool of self-expression. The very process of learning theater builds confidence and self-esteem. It is also a great tool to teach our youth about life and the challenges they might have to face.

Nothing in this world can com-

tunities once the department is shut down and forgotten. Future local theater students will be forced to look elsewhere for their college education. All of these reasons provide enough just cause to take another look at UT Tyler's theater department and reconsider terminating its existence.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Angie Binoz
UT student

the nuclear family. Our founding fathers realized that without dynamic families, towns, cities, states and soon countries would inevitably fall apart. What a profound truth indeed!

As the 1960s gave way to divorce, premarital sex and drugs, suicide, abortion and illegitimate children emerged as the evidences of a society ignoring the value of a commitment to and safety of a strong family.

Today, some even laud and

exist when we return to valuing the nuclear family.

Undermining one of our historic keys to survival will undermine our ability to be a "haven" for anyone.

So, take a stand and promote a country that encourages a true "haven" for all by promoting the very institution from which our country was founded, the family.

Courtney Craig
freshman music major

Space exploration continues with new venue

The celebration was unbelievable. Dozens of guys stood and cheered. High fives split the air. Coffee cups were toasted. With the exception of booze and popcorn, I assumed it to be a playoff celebration of some sort, possibly the Eagles' victory over Green Bay. Instead, it was NASA scientists cheering the monumental 10-foot odyssey of the spirit rover as it snapped its first pictures of the Martian landscape.

I sat in front of my television in disbelief as the photographs aired on the evening news. A disbelief born, not of awe, but in the national attention the event drew. When I expressed my feelings about this illustrious occasion, I received jeers and was accused of being a cynic. Repetitive chanti-



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JEREMY LIGHT

ngs filled my ears and beleaguered ramblings about the importance of space exploration that raised the question: are we alone in the universe and are previous space discoveries important?

Now that the fuss has died down and the villagers have doused their torches maybe I can clarify my hesitancy in applauding the Martian conquest. Is space travel important?

Absolutely. But honestly, how has everyday life changed for the average American? Assuming we could inhabit Mars and the moon today, what would change? Just the scenery, and frankly, Mars looks like Lubbock viewed through 3-D glasses.

How about the question of whether we're alone in the universe? Knowing I have neighbors 110 million miles away doesn't improve or diminish my future prospects. That is, with the notable exception of worldwide domination by an alien race as in Independence Day. Seeing President Bush beam over the Mars landing and the possibility of finding an answer to the question was enough to make me think he was from another planet.

And as far as the great discoveries resulting from space travel, what are they? Tang and Velcro. I'll grant the microwave and cell phone are useful, but wouldn't these items have been invented on Earth eventually? It seems ludicrous to me the proposed five year NASA budget increase is a conservative \$11 billion. For what? Discovering a new way to tie my shoes?

For my part, there are more useful ways to spend that money. Pay increases for teachers, affordable health care for those in need, cost-efficient housing for those living in poverty. We've taken a giant step into red dirt and deep debt. So study hard and get a high-paying job. The Martians need your support.

Corrections and Clarifications

In an article in the Nov. 14, 2003, issue, Smith County Sheriff J.B. Smith should have been listed as a member of the first class at the University. His class was incorrectly identified in the article.

Letters to the Editor Welcome

The Patriot welcomes letters to the editor. Letters may be edited for content, grammar, spelling and length. Send your letters to patrioteditor@uttyler.edu or (903) 5655565.

THE PATRIOT

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Campus CALENDAR

Jan. 12 - Feb. 13

•Letters of the Law
The Meadows Gallery

Jan. 30

•A.J. Jamal Comedy Show
UC, 8 p.m.
•Late Night Breakfast
UC, 10 p.m.

Jan. 31

•5K Homecoming Run
8 a.m.
•Alumni Association
Chili Cook-off, 10 a.m.
•Patriot Tennis, 10 a.m.
UT Tyler Tennis Courts
•Homecoming Patriot
Basketball, Patriot Center
Women's game 1 p.m.
Men's game 3 p.m.
Announcement of Mr. and
Ms. UT Tyler at half-time

Feb. 2 - 4

•Intramural 5-on-5
Basketball, Patriot Center
8 - 10:30 p.m.

Feb. 4

•Free Home Cooked Meals
University Church of
Christ, Fellowship Hall
6 - 6:45 p.m.

Feb. 5

•Webb Historical Society
BUS 258, 3:30 p.m.
•13 Ways, Library 401
6:30 p.m.

Feb. 9

•5-on-5 Intramural
Basketball, Patriot Center
8 - 10:30 p.m.

Feb. 10

•Art Club meeting
Sculpture Studio, 5 p.m.

Feb. 11

•Free Home Cooked Meal

Textbooks cheaper online

BY ROBERT BOGGS
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Amid rising tuition costs and multiplying fees, university students increasingly have turned to online sources in their eternal search for the collegiate Holy Grail: cheap textbooks.

Online retailers such as Amazon.com, Barnes and Noble, Ecampus.com and CampusBooks.com promise lower prices and free shipping deals in an effort to sway students from on-campus booksellers.

But a comparison of textbook prices at Internet retailers compared to those at the campus bookstore reveals that although better deals do exist online, textbooks still may wind up costing students a digital arm and leg.

The Patriot looked at class schedules for three students chosen at random and found they could save an average of about 10 percent on new textbooks purchased from Amazon instead of buying new books at the campus bookstore, or an average of 34 percent by buying used books at Amazon.

While not representative of the University as a whole, the results from these students' schedules give an idea of the price differences a typical student might find.

THE STUDENTS

Lanesia Pennington, a senior education major, had nine books required, for a total cost of \$344 if purchased new at the bookstore.

cost \$326.56 new, but only \$229.70 if purchased used. Textbook-purchasing service CampusBooks.com offers a similar price at \$221.15.

The prices do not take shipping into account, but many online retailers offer free shipping for orders that meet a certain price requirement-at Amazon, for example, orders of more than \$25 are shipped free, and at retailer Ecampus.com, the minimum is \$49.

Results were somewhat more promising for senior history major Seth Wilson.

Wilson had 21 books required, for a total cost of \$354.80 if purchased new at the bookstore. Wilson could save 14 percent buying the same books new at Amazon or a stunning 51 percent through Amazon's Marketplace sellers for used textbooks.

Nursing major Jared Pierce said he only spent about \$160 on textbooks this semester, but told The Patriot about his first semester in the nursing program. Pierce's classes required 26 books, 17 of which were required for a single course.

If bought new this semester, the total cost from the bookstore would be \$943.50, compared to \$845.73 at Amazon. Buying used books at Amazon would save \$178.46-however, five of Pierce's books were not available on Amazon at the time of the price comparison, making

ient to use.

COMPETITION

The rise of online competition has not had much of an effect on sales at the campus bookstore, manager Elaine Brown said.

"It really doesn't affect us very much," she said. "Our prices are still competitive."

She said students also had reasons besides price to use the bookstore. Many books have three or more ISBN numbers used to identify versions, and students must be careful to order the correct item, she said.

Brown said one student told her he could save \$50 by purchasing a book on Amazon.com, but when he received the item, it was not the version the professor required.

Returning books also is more convenient through the campus store, which also brings money back to the University through the lease paid by the Texas Book Company to the school.

"The advantage is the money stays here," Brown said.

And despite the potential savings, none of the three students interviewed purchased all of his or her books online. Brown said a survey by Student Watch said only 3.5 percent of students have bought textbooks online.

For Wilson, financial aid was the deciding factor. Though he said he's purchased books from Amazon in the past, he usually buys



| Lanesia Pennington | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Bookstore Price | \$344.00 |
| Amazon.com | \$229.70 |
| | |
| Seth Wilson | |
| Bookstore: | \$354.80 |
| Amazon.com: | \$173.64 |
| | |
| Jared Pierce | |
| Bookstore: | \$943.50 |
| Amazon.com | \$765.04 |

Prices shown compare price of new textbooks at the campus bookstore with the cost of used textbooks at Amazon.com and represent the maximum savings for each student.

Graphic by Robert Boggs

because he can use financial aid money-a point echoed by Pennington.

"To me it's a ripoff for those of us with financial aid because we can't go anywhere else," said Pennington, who bought some of her books online using Amazon this semester.

Pierce said he had never purchased textbooks online, citing the convenience of the bookstore for buying everything he needs.

Some students also wondered if online competition was forcing the campus bookstore to stock fewer textbooks.

"The shelves just looked

past," Wilson said.

But Brown said the problem wasn't because fewer books were stocked, but because more books were needed.

"The way this campus is growing, it's really difficult for professors to make estimates on how many books they need, and for us to make estimates on how many books we need," she said.

The bookstore orders books shipped by two-day air mail, but it can take longer for textbook manufacturers to ship their products because of the volume of business at the beginning



BLIND SPOT
EDDIE MALDONADO

Public's apathy not surprising

I'm proudly one of the few who voted in the recent Texas State Senate election.

I expected a line as I drove to the school that serves as my precinct's polling place. Certainly the after work rush would be on, people fighting to get their votes in before the polls closed.

Unfortunately, parking was easy and there were only a few people in line ahead of me. It was less than a few minutes before I had a ballot in my hands. Contrary to popular belief, it wasn't painful, time consuming or unpleasant.

After the returns came in, I was totally shocked by the low turnout. However, I'm not surprised. With this being a presidential election year, I'm really concerned about people not exercising their right to vote.

I have never understood how that in my lifetime every election held has had a lower turnout than every other previous one.

I'm not pretending to be a political scientist or historian, but I'd wager that by the time I die the only people voting will be the candidates themselves and their

University Church of Christ, Fellowship Hall
6 - 6:45 p.m.
•5-on-5 Intramural Basketball, Patriot Center
8 - 10:30 p.m.

Feb. 12

•Patriot Basketball
Patriot Center
Women's 5:30 p.m.
Men's 7:30 p.m.

Stand needs name

BY PORSHÉ CHILES
STAFF WRITER

Since the opening of the Louise Herrington Patriot Center in September, the concession stand has been simply known as "the concession stand," but a contest is about to change that.

The contest, which began on Nov. 22 and ends Jan. 31, is open to students and faculty. Entries may be submitted at the Patriot Center's front counter or placed in a box at the concession stand.

Dr. Howard Patterson, dean of student affairs and director of athletics, said the contest was created to bring "a little more excitement (rather) than just asking people to submit names."

Patterson said entries have been submitted, but the number of submissions is unknown.

Once a panel consisting of students, faculty and staff members is assembled, three to five submitted names will be chosen. A

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Hand named 2004 duchess

University freshman sixth Duchess of Rose Growers in family

BY EMILY STEVENS
PULSE EDITOR

Despite the glamorous evening gowns and perfect hair and makeup, University freshman Allison Hand wants people to know that she's not a beauty queen or a debutante, but a dedicated volunteer.

As the 2004 Duchess of the Rose Growers, Hand's volunteer work includes service at the Humane Society, the East Texas Food Bank, and Mercy Ships International Medical Assistance.

Aside from these community involvements, Hand has participated in Rose Festival activities since she was "very young," serving as junior hostess for the Queen's Tea and modeling for the Friends of the Rose Luncheon.

Hand, 18, is the

sixth duchess in her family, which has been involved in the rose business since her great-grandfather began growing roses in 1938.

Hand's mother, Karen Hand, told the *Tyler Morning Telegraph* she was "honored for Allison to be asked to serve."

"I was really excited and thrilled [when I found out I was named], and still am," Hand said.

"Serving Tyler and the rose industry is really a privilege, especially since my family is in the business."

Jennifer Gaston, executive director of the Texas Rose

Festival, said the Duchess of the Rose Growers serves as a representative of the rose industry in Smith County and throughout Texas.

For fun, Hand said she likes to draw, run and read; however, she couldn't pick a favorite book "off the

top of [her] head."

Hand also said the ladies of the court were role models to her when she was younger.

"The Rose Festival is such a big event...people know [Tyler] for our roses...and the girls involved are respected



EMILY STEVENS staff photographer

Newly named 2004 Duchess of the Rose Growers, Allison Hand, graduated from Van High School in 2003.

by everyone," Hand said.

Just as she looked up to the ladies of the court when she was young, Hand said she believes other young girls will look up to her.

"Children really look up to [the ladies] and their escorts...[participating in the Rose Festival] is almost like a fairy tale," Gaston said.

Hand agreed by saying, "it's mystical."

Hand also said she plans to continue projecting the prestige associated with her position by "representing Tyler and serving as an ambassador, just like they have in the past."

Aside from her duties as duchess, Hand also is taking 13 credit hours this

semester at the University.

"Of course school comes first, and I do spend a lot of time studying, [but I also] have time [for a social life]," Hand said.

While Hand has not decided on a major, she said she's leaning toward interior design, a degree not offered by the University.

Although Hand doesn't know if she'll finish her college education in Tyler, she said she will "continue to attend [Rose Festival] events."

While Hand is here, though, Gaston plans to take advantage of her presence.

"Since the Queen is at Texas A&M, it's delightful to have Allison on hand," Gaston said.

"Such a jewel, right here in Tyler," she said.

immediate family and friends.

It'll be a perfect democracy because the person with the largest circle of friends and family will be a sure thing for election to public office.

Asking people why they don't vote is like asking somebody why they forgot their homework. Excuses. Excuses. Excuses.

I guess the only thing that could save our little republic is if a television network decided to do a reality show where all of the candidates for office are moved into a trendy home with more product placement than a department store.

Of course, there would have to be a follow-up series chronicling the audience's favorite candidate through their adventures in office.

Not barring a reality TV solution, I'm really clueless as to how to get people to vote. The tactic of pointing out that many people have died and are dying for our democracy seems to have worn off sometime shortly after the Revolutionary War.

I'm old enough to remember a time before a bill called "motor voter" passed. Registering to vote wasn't complicated, but it seemed like few went to the trouble. Now everybody eligible to vote has the chance to register to vote or update their registration at the time they renew their drivers license. Odds are if you can drive, you can vote. So you really don't have that excuse do you?

Not knowing who or what is on the ballot is a pretty common excuse. I totally recommend doing research on your elected officials. A web site that I use is Project Vote Smart. You can go to their site (<http://www.vote->

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Publication seeks student creativity

BY EMILY STEVENS
PULSE EDITOR

Creative writers and artists can make submissions for *The Laurel*, the University's literary magazine, until spring break.

Creative writers need to submit their work to Dr. Dana Adams, senior lecturer in English literature and languages, whose office is located in Room 226 of the Business Building.

"It's a good opportunity for creative writers to show off their stuff; don't be afraid to put your work out there," said Jeremy Light, a senior English major, who won an award and \$50 last spring for the eight poems he submitted.

Adams said submissions can include essays, poetry, or short stories, as long as it is student work.

Adams said entries will be narrowed down by a panel of three to four

readers who look for work that is not sentimental or instructional and meets general creative writing guidelines.

Artists may submit their images, one of which will be used as a cover design for the publication, to Duane Johnson, gallery director, located in Room 2005 in the R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center.

Adams said Johnson will select three or four of the best images, and then the dean, Adams and Johnson will select a winner.

Copies of the are \$2 and can be purchased after spring break from Adams' secretary, Dana Baker, in Room 237 of the Business Building.

Adams said copies also might be available at a stand, which will be located in the open area of the second floor of the Business Building after spring break.

Adams said all dates are tentative, but he tries to complete the magazine over the break. For more information contact Adams at 566-7349

CONCERT A FIRST FOR MELLOW-ROCK ARTIST



ROBERT BOGGS staff photographer

Seattle-based singer and songwriter Jill Cohn performed at the University Center on Jan. 20. Cohn, who has been compared to Sarah McLachlan and Tori Amos, said the concert was her first time to perform in Tyler.

Signing gains popularity

BY JAMIE MALERNEE

SOUTH FLORIDA SUN/SENTINEL

KNIGHT RIDDER TRIBUNE

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.—She is talking a mile a minute, but no words come out of her mouth.

She's giving a report on Beethoven, yet the entire classroom is silent.

Jessica House is a junior at South Plantation High in the midst of earning an important grade for her American Sign Language class. Her hands turn, flip, brush, slap and point as she makes her meaning known, eyebrows arching.

She is one of a growing number of students who are choosing to learn the language of the deaf instead of more traditional foreign-language options such as Spanish and French.

"I get really into it. I disappear into another world when I sign," House says, explaining why she and other hearing students are drawn to the class. "It's

like dancing with your hands."

In 1977, South Plantation was the first Broward public high school to offer American Sign Language, but it wasn't recognized as a foreign-language alternative until 1990. Now 11 high schools in the area have ASL classes.

Six public high schools offer ASL in Palm Beach County, where enrollment has more than doubled in the past six years. In Miami-Dade, 14 schools offer ASL to about 1,680 students, although only four of those schools cater to hearing pupils.

Nationwide, ASL is also the fastest-growing foreign-language offering at U.S. colleges and universities. Since 1998, 186 new institutions have started offering ASL—for a total of 234 higher-learning establishments serving 60,000 students, according to a 2002 survey by the Modern Language Association of America.

Vote

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smart.org/), enter your zip code and find out all of your officials and biographical information about them. They have no political affiliation with any party by the way. There are many other resources out there for your political involvement, any popular search engine can point you in the right direction.

The first Presidential election I voted in was in 1996. I proudly

voted for Bill Clinton and no, I wouldn't take it back if I had the chance.

I believe he was a great president. Of course this brings me to another common complaint, "there is just nobody worth voting for."

Now I've got to agree to some extent, it kept me out of the polls in 2000, and every day I regret not voting for Gore, not because

my vote would have mattered, but simply for the fact that I could have that in an argument.

So using my own fractured logic and the fact I'm one of the three Democrats enrolled at UT Tyler, I'm going to give everybody a reason to vote in the November election: I'm voting against Bush! Don't let my vote go unchallenged. Cancel it out! Be a patriot! Vote!

Concessions

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winner will be selected from those entries, but Patterson said he was not sure of how the winner would be determined.

The contest winner will receive a gift basket with a t-shirt, baseball hat, umbrella and other miscella-

neous items.

If no winner is selected, the contest will begin again in the fall.

All entries should be turned in at the front desk of the Patriot Center.

Product blocks cheats

BY NAHAL TOOSI

MILWAUKEE JOURNAL SENTINEL

KNIGHT RIDDER TRIBUNE

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Sometimes, pure dumb luck saved him.

Take his freshman year at Marquette University, when he and a buddy turned in the same paper, which neither had written, to separate sections of an introductory English course taught by different teachers.

His friend got caught for cheating and earned an F.

He got an A, along with the teacher's written comment, "Great paper!"

Now, he is a senior in the business school, and cheating remains a habit, though primarily in courses he doesn't care much about.

"I don't feel guilty," said the student, who asked not to be identified. "I'm just trying to get by."

Thanks largely to the Internet, cheating has become much easier — and easier to catch.

It's vexing for faculty because students often don't realize what they're doing is wrong, or simply don't care.

Donald McCabe, founding president of the Center for Academic Integrity at Duke University and a leading expert on academic dishonesty, has surveyed more than 50,000 students on cheating since 1990. He says it is a growing problem.

In 1999, he surveyed 2,100 students on 21 campuses, and found that 75 percent said they had cheated at some level in college during the past year. In 1999, 10 percent of students McCabe surveyed said they'd plagiarized off the Internet; in a 2001 survey, 41 percent said so.

Part of the growth in cheating may have nothing to do with increased numbers of cheaters, he said, but may be because "students today are less reluctant to admit they've cheated."

Search engines such as Google can find over a million

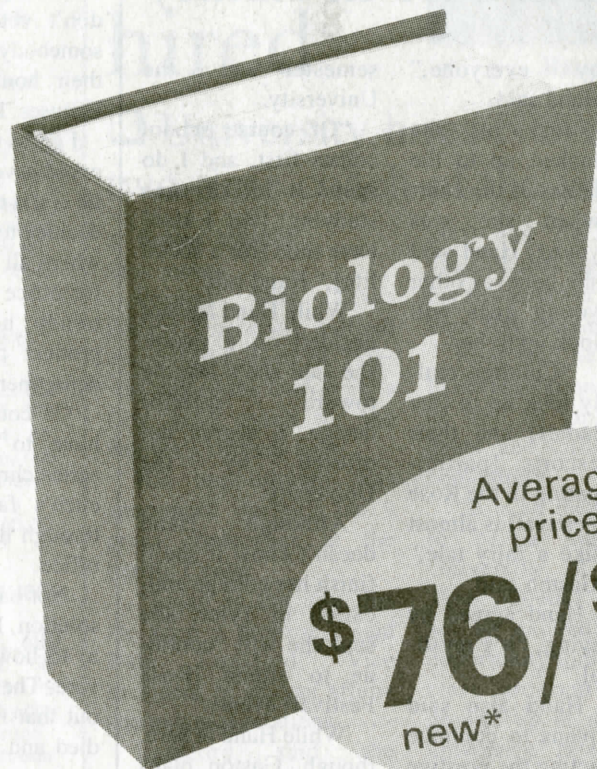
resources for students trying to buy term papers, some of which sell for more than \$10 a page. The sites, such as FastPapers.com or EssayTown.com, offer thousands of papers on subject areas from oceanography to ethics.

On the other end are companies such as iParadigms, which offers a special Internet-based program called Turnitin to thousands of subscribing academic institutions. The program scans student papers and attempts to match them up to billions of documents it has stored.

John Barrie, founder of iParadigms, said the company's goal is more to prevent cheating than to catch it.

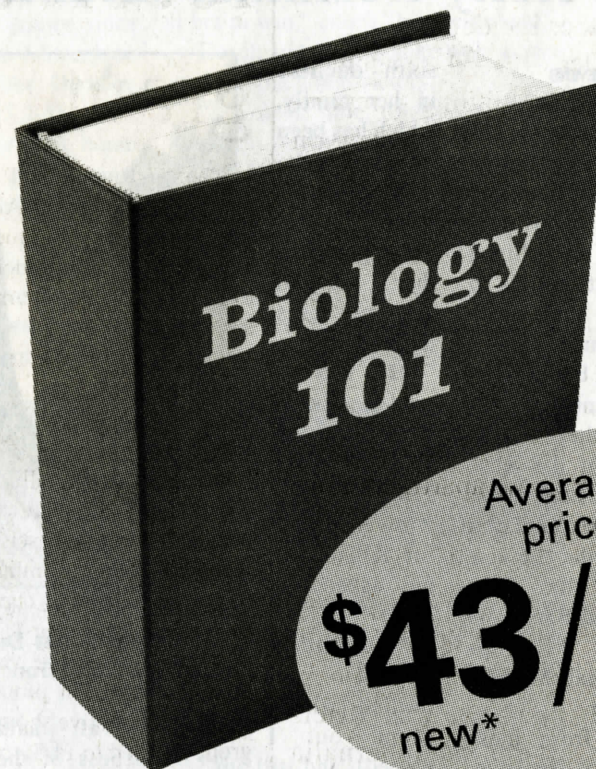
"One of the more counterintuitive observations I've had is that it's not primarily the lower-achieving students that are doing this," he said. "It's the high-achieving students that have the most to gain. It's a pretty bleak picture regarding our future leaders."

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Police Reports

University police arrested student Garrett Harris on Dec. 4 in relation to fraudulent credit card purchases and possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to a University police report, David Vance, president of ShotDrinks.com Inc. and LegalSmokes.com, reported the use of a stolen credit card on Dec. 3, citing a loss of \$182.17.

Vance reported the theft to University police because the purchases were made from a University Pines apartment computer, according to the report.

When University police officers served an evidentiary search warrant on Harris at his home, he was found to be in possession of drug paraphernalia, according to the report.

Charges for the use of the credit card are pending.

According to the police report, a Tyler Junior College student, Roland Mora, also was arrested Dec. 4 for the use of the stolen credit card and for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

Sgt. Troy Smith said Mora is a suspect in the

checks was recovered, and someone attempted to cash another check in the amount of \$60.80. Police do not know how entry to the office was gained.

Jan. 14 – The athletics department reported a video camera valued at \$699 was stolen from the Louise Herrington Patriot Center.

•Traffic

Jan. 13 – A collision was reported between a 1997 Dodge Ram and a 2003 Ford Explorer at the intersection of main entrance and Campus Drive. Damages and value of loss are unknown.

•Miscellaneous

Dec. 4 – Guards responded to a fire alarm sounding in the Health and Kinesiology Building. According to a police report, a child pulled the alarm. The parent of the child was present at the time, and it is unknown why the child was there, according to the report. No action was taken against the parent or child.

Dec. 5 – Louise Herrington Patriot Center employees reported a non-member was working out

Treasurer files financial report

BY EMILY STEVENS

PULSE EDITOR

Student officials gave *The Patriot* the Student Government Association's fall semester budget report on Jan. 20, listing a total of \$5,331.27 in expenditures.

The SGA began the fall semester with \$25,843 and ended with \$20,511.73, spending \$140 on telephone equipment and \$30.05 on long distance services.

According to the report, the SGA also spent \$277.89 on copying fees, \$0.37 on postage, and \$199.27 on the suggestion boxes placed in several locations on campus.

Senator and officer stipends took \$4,025 of their budget, and \$120 was spent on advertisements placed in *The Patriot*.

The SGA-sponsored "Meet and Greet Week," which made student representatives available to meet their constituents, cost \$376.60.

The SGA voted unanimously to accept the spending for their Christmas party, which cost \$104.68.

Members also voted to reimburse current parliamentarian Dustin Tallent with \$57.41 for gas money spent going to Austin for a University-related conference.

SGA treasurer John Easley said that due to a miscommunication between SGA and *The Patriot*, \$40 will come out of this semester's budget for an advertisement.

Easley also said that expenses for welcome week activities and the

SGA Budget Report Fall 2003

Starting Balance \$25,843.00

Expenditures:

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|---------------------|----------|
| Telephone Equipment | 140.00 |
| Long Distance | 30.05 |
| Copying Fees | 277.89 |
| Postage | 0.37 |
| Suggestion Boxes | 199.27 |
| Stipends | 4,025.00 |
| Advertising | 120.00 |
| Meet & Greet Week | 376.60 |
| Christmas Party | 104.68 |
| Dustin Tallent* | 57.41 |

Ending Balance \$20,511.73

*Reimbursement for gasoline used for travel to conference in Austin.

Graphic by Robert Boggs

pom-poms provided at basketball games were taken out of last spring's budget.

According to the student constitution, the budget is to be given to *The Patriot* by Jan. 1 and May 1 of each year.

Easley said the report was turned in Jan. 20 because the SGA's computers crashed over the holiday break and the treasury committee had to redo the report during the first week of classes.

SGA planning community projects

Voter registration, service activities to include University students

BY BARBARA JORDAN

AND SARA SCHROCK

CONTRIBUTING WRITERS

Student Government Association members are stepping up their community service efforts with two projects designed to increase students' involvement in their regions.

Plans include a voter registration drive and a service day during National Volunteer Week.

Parliamentarian Dustin Tallent presented plans for a voter registration drive to encourage students to vote in upcoming state and national elections during a Jan. 20 SGA meeting.

SGA members will distribute

voter registration cards and mail them for students.

Tallent said the SGA has 2,500 registration cards and plans to order an additional 5,000.

Dates have not been announced for the drive, but Tallent said more details would be given at the next SGA meeting.

The drive will be a cooperative effort with the Texas State Student Association, an organization that has hired lobbyists to promote student interests to the state Legislature, Tallent said.

SGA president Ryan Palmquist said he also wants students and campus organizations to partici-

“We need to take responsibility for this. We need as many people involved as possible.”

Ryan Palmquist
SGA president

pate in a University of Texas System-wide day of service during the week of April 18-24.

Palmquist said he and other members are developing ideas for community service projects stu-

dents could perform in the Tyler area and asked students to contribute ideas.

“We need to take responsibility for this,” Palmquist said during the meeting. “We need as many people involved as possible.”

Palmquist said the event would be an opportunity for positive representation and recognition for the University in addition to being beneficial for the community.

“It’s a win-win situation,” he said.

The next SGA meeting will be held at 5:15 p.m. Tuesday in Administration Building Room 301 and is open to the public.

Nov. 13 theft of a bank debit card from an apartment in Building 3 at UPines.

Smith said the card was used for purchases in the amount of \$20, \$20.52, \$26, \$125.57, and \$150.

Evidence recovered from a search warrant served at Mora's Emerald Ridge apartment on Dec. 4 implicated him in the theft, according to a University police report.

Upon serving the warrant, University police officers found Mora in possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, according to the report.

•Theft

Dec. 17 – A projector and a laptop computer were reported stolen from Room 280 in the University Center. Estimated value of loss is \$5,000.

Jan. 5 – Checks were reported stolen from Room 233 in the Business Building.

Police say one of the

in the gym and refused to leave. Sgt. Troy Smith said University police officers told the man he could not use the Patriot Center unless he was a student, and the man left without further incident.

Dec. 13 – A resident in UPines Building 4 reported an unknown person pulled a fire alarm and was knocking on doors.

Dec. 23 – A UPines resident assistant reported seeing drug paraphernalia in the common area of an apartment in Building 7. Sgt. Smith said the RAs entered the apartment after finding a window unlocked while they were securing the premises over the holiday break. Smith also said when officers responded, it was determined the paraphernalia was not enough to obtain a search warrant for a Class C misdemeanor.

Jan. 23 – A student reported a cellular telephone was lost in parking Lot 2. Value of loss is unknown.

Rho Iota chapter receives grant

The University's Rho Iota chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha has received a grant from the national political science honor society to bring speakers to campus this spring.

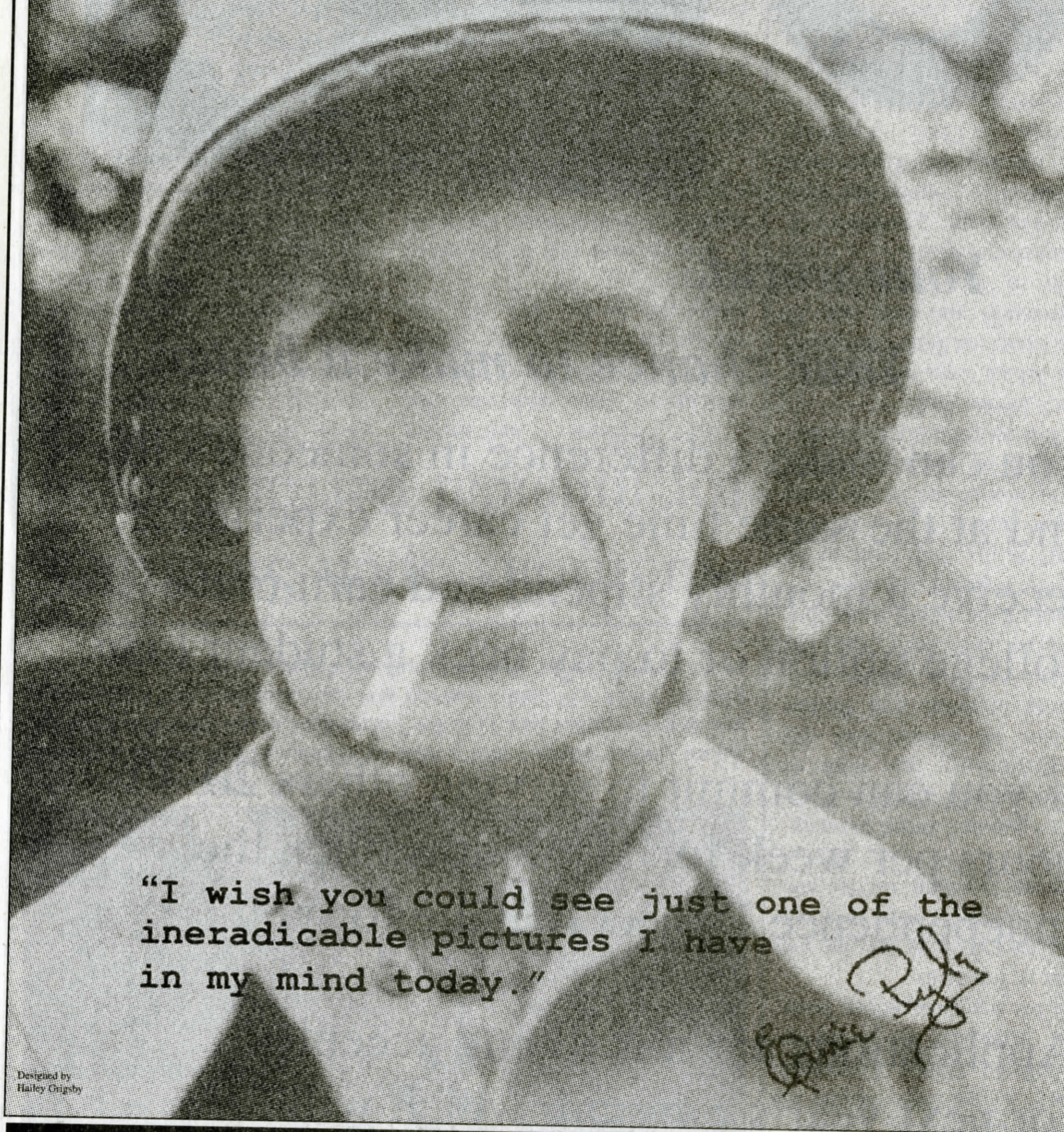
Chapter president Justin Rhinehart and other members of the UT Tyler organization participated in submitting the proposal for the grant in the fall.

Dr. Larry Carter, University chapter adviser and assistant professor of public administration, recently received a check from the national office for \$620.

"These grants are very competitive, and I am proud of the effort and initiative shown by our group that led to Pi Sigma Alpha awarding these funds," Carter said.

Sponsored by Phi Sigma Alpha's national office, the program is part of the 22nd annual Chapter Activity Grant Competition that solicits proposals from 87 chapters nationwide for membership, society affairs and service activities.

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Hobbs wins L.E. Norton recognition for forensics

BY JENNIFER MURRAY

OPINION EDITOR

Dr. Jeffrey Hobbs, University director of forensics, received the L.E. Norton Award for Outstanding Forensics at the National Communication Association Annual Convention in Miami Nov. 19 - 23.

The Pi Kappa Delta chapter of the National Honor Forensics Society presented the award to Hobbs for his outstanding body of work in forensics.

The award is given to the recipient based in part on three main areas: teaching, service and research.

"It's a national award to recognize that area of research. They cited particularly my work of feminism of debate and for involving students and former students in research," Hobbs said.

Nominations held for the recipient of the award were chosen by the national council.

"This is my 24th year to be coaching debate. It was gratifying to be recognized by my peers as having done something worthwhile and contributing to the discipline," Hobbs said.

The debate team recently traveled to Louisiana State University at Shreveport and beat out 32 schools to win 1st place in Parliamentary Debate.

An associate professor of communication, Hobbs has published articles in *Restoration Quarterly*, *The Forensic Management Communication Quarterly* and *Contemporary Argumentation and Debate*, according to the University Web site.

GETTING UNDERFOOT



ROBERT BOGGS staff photographer

Adam Canion ducks under a kick by William Hogue during a martial arts demonstration Jan. 12 in the University Center. Tyler Kung Fu and Fitness, which will hold a martial arts class Mondays and Wednesdays at the Patriot Center, demonstrated self-defense techniques.

Auditions open Saturday for musical performance

The theater department announced open auditions this weekend for the spring musical production of 'A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum.'

The musical will be presented April 1, 2, 3, at 7:30pm and April 4 at 2:30pm.

Auditions take place in the Cowan Center room 2009 on January 31 and February 1 from 2 to 6 p.m. Those interested in auditioning need not have prior experience, but must be willing to devote time to after-

noon or evening rehearsals. Vocalists auditioning need to bring a vocal selection and sheet music or tape/CD. A pianist will be available to accompany the vocal auditions. Those auditioning may schedule an audition time in advance or wait for an open time on the audition days. For information call the theater and music department office at 566-7250/7490.

The two departments combine efforts to produce the spring musical staged in Vaughn Auditorium.

Enrichment Center presents schedule of student seminars

The UT Tyler Academic Enrichment Center will present seminars to assist students in academic and personal growth. The seminars began Wednesday.

The events are open to UT Tyler students, faculty and staff. Drinks and desserts will be provided for Dream Team seminars. Presentations at the University Pines will include free food.

Seminars and related events will include:

Feb. 10 - "Sex: Let's Talk," 12:30-1:30 p.m., UC 118, sponsored by the Dream Team in observance of Sexual Responsibility Week.

Feb. 18 - Learning Strategies Workshop, noon-1:30 p.m., UC

282, sponsored by Student Services.

March 2 - Health fair, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., UC 118, sponsored by the Dream Team in observance of Health and Wellness Week. The Student Counseling Center will offer mental health screenings 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., UC 118 and UC 282.

March 3 - Alcohol awareness seminar, noon-1 p.m., UC 118, sponsored by the Dream Team. The speaker will be Mark Holloway with the Sister Communities Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. The Student Counseling Center will offer alcohol screenings following the seminar.

March 25 - Learning Strategies Workshop, 12:30-1:30 p.m., UC 282, sponsored by Student Services.

March 31 - Preparing for Finals Workshop, 6-7 p.m., University Pines clubhouse, sponsored by Student Services.

April 6 - Sexual assault awareness presentation, 12:30-1:30 p.m., UC 118, sponsored by the Dream Team and presented by Kristi Hachtel.

April 7 - Drug and alcohol prevention education workshop, noon-1 p.m., UC 282, sponsored by Student Services.

For more information, contact Student Services at 903-566-7079.

Tips for first-time gym visitors

BY LISA LIDDANE

THE ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER

(KRT) So you're a new member of a health club. Or perhaps you're returning after a long absence. You'll find that this is the busiest and most crowded time of the year in the gyms. How to survive and enjoy your workouts?

Here's a manual on survival tactics and gym etiquette for newcomers and longtime members who might need a refresher course:

- Go when it's less crowded, at least for the next two months. Most health clubs have fewer members from 9 a.m. to noon and after 7 p.m.

- Ask the front-desk staff for an instructor who can show you the basics of how to start and use the cardio machines such as the treadmill, step/stair machine, sta-

tionary bike and elliptical trainer as well as the resistance machines.

- Make sure you have eaten about an hour before the workout so you have fuel. Avoid foods that can make you feel gaseous.

- Bring water in a spill-proof sports bottle. Drink water throughout your workouts.

- Practice good personal hygiene. Sweat is expected at the gym, but body odors that cause others to pass out or flee aren't.

- Bring a workout towel or two and use them, if your gym doesn't provide towels. Use one for your skin and the other to wipe equipment and benches if others have forgotten to do so.

- Wipe your sweat off the equipment, including, benches, weights, resistance machines and cardio machines.

- Get a schedule of classes.

Find out which classes have sign-up lists.

- Make an appointment with the group-exercise director, who can brief you on the various classes and tell you which ones are best for beginners.

- Expect a learning curve, and go easy on yourself. When you're the newcomer in a long-running class, it's common not to get all the moves in the first several classes. It may even take you a few weeks to get the hang of it. Be patient. Avoid interrupting a class if you don't understand a movement, unless an instructor asks everyone if they have questions. A good instructor will give instructions throughout the class on how beginners can adapt. Talk to the instructor after the class about tips on learning the movements and proper form.

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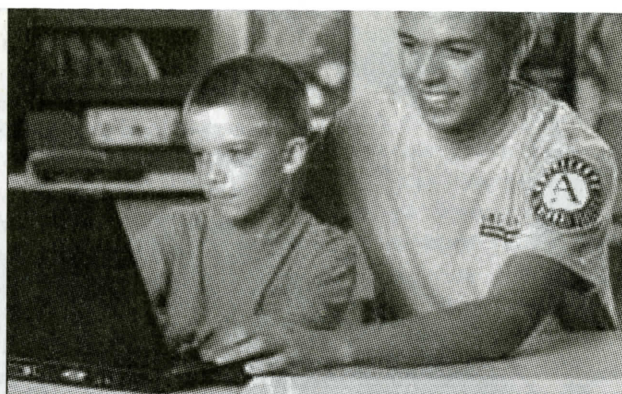
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North said.

with heroes," he said.

the Jane Fonda network," North



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North, who served as the U.S. counter-terrorism coordinator before he became a correspondent, said he saw a far different situation in Iraq than the media depicted. North praised the heroism he saw while traveling with the 4th Infantry Division in Iraq.

"I've got the best job in the business. All I do is hang around

He told a story of a young U.S. Navy medic who carried a wounded Iraqi on his back to get medical attention during a fire-fight. When a correspondent asked why he helped an Iraqi, the soldier replied that he was wounded.

"I'm not attacking the media, but it's a lot better than you see on

said. "There's one country in all of the so-called Islamic world where Americans are revered, we're admired, we're loved...and guess where that country is—Iraq."

Editor in chief Robert Boggs compiled this article from reports by journalism students.

Debate

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ceremony following the tournament.

The open parliamentary debate winner was the last of the events to be announced, forcing the team to wait to hear the news.

Arellano and Conklin were held in suspense as the announcer paused before reading the win-

ning team's name.

"I was really happy for the team because Amy and Noah have worked really hard," Hobbs said.

The debate team will compete in seven competitions this semester.

Their next competition stop is

the Texas Intercollegiate Forensics Association Tournament on Feb. 6-8.

After this competition, the team will be shifting from parliamentary to public debate in preparation for the Public Debate Nationals, to be held at Stephen F. Austin University in April.

Director

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to UT Tyler's, Hill said.

He said he is excited about the future of the University's housing and establishing traditions and values.

"This is a very exciting time to be here; being a young campus, students can set traditions and decide what we stand for."

"We did a national search over several months and we were very fortunate to have found Dave. He has great experience at places like Baylor and A&M and will be a great asset," Dr. Dale Lunsford, vice president of student affairs and external relations, said.

As director, Hill will earn a

yearly salary of \$48,000.

For more information, students soon will be able to access the housing department's Web site, which is scheduled to go online within a few weeks.

A link to the site will be available at the University's Web site at www.uttyler.edu.

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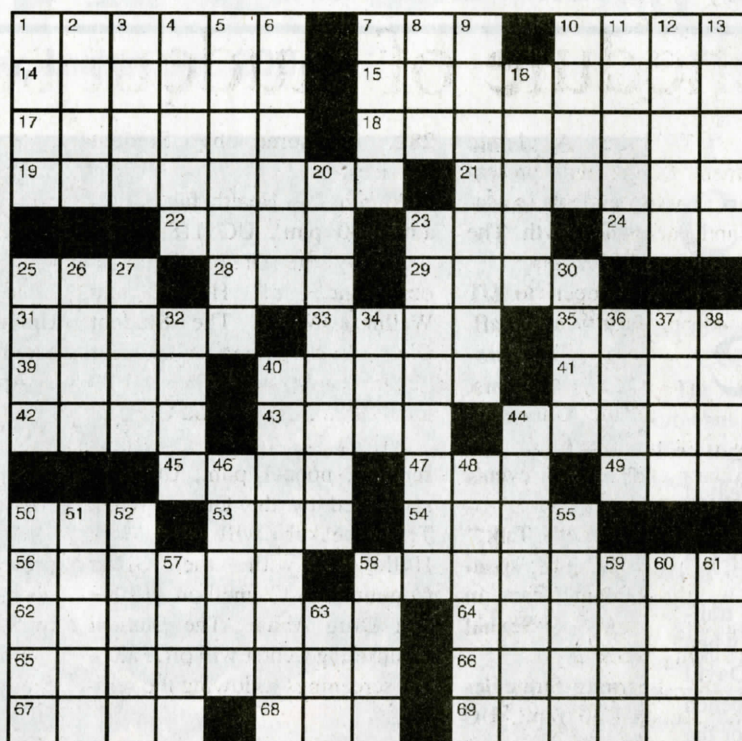
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 10 Hot tubs
 14 More clamorous
 15 Aerosol medication
 17 Huns' leader
 18 Harding's successor
 19 Hodgepodge
 21 Puzzling question
 22 Saintly glow
 23 Clod buster
 24 Informal affirmative
 25 Sgt.'s underling
 28 Jersey cager
 29 "Travels with My"

- 31 Do ghost work
 33 Kong
 35 Pallid
 39 Irish homeland
 40 Gritty
 41 Mystery game
 42 Pose like Charles Atlas
 43 Browse the Web
 44 Play for time
 45 As a result
 47 Crete peak
 49 Glove compartment item

- 50 Bounder
 53 Wallet single
 54 Ceremonial act
 56 Pacific state
 58 Spooky state
 62 Like beasts or aliens
 64 Stands of trees
 65 Approaching
 66 Heckart or Herlie
 67 Requirement
 68 Knight's address
 69 Burns with hot liquid

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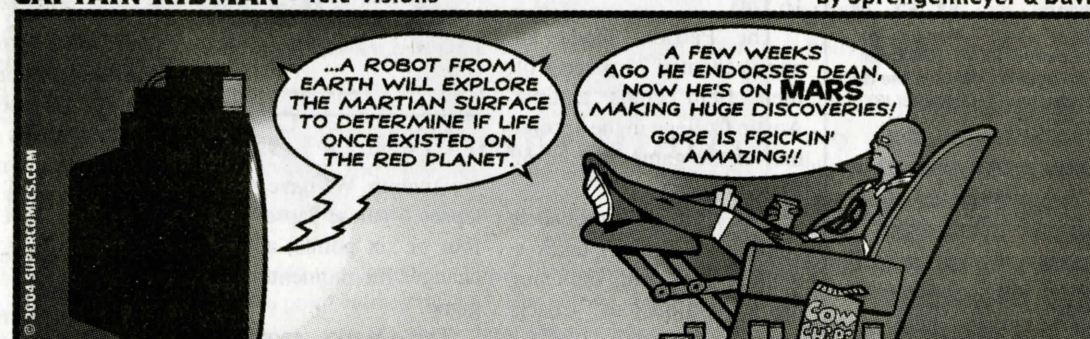


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 55 "Gay"
 57 Wearing footwear
 58 Cal Tech grad
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 63 Singer DiFranco

DITHERED TWITS by Stan Waling



CAPTAIN RIBMAN in Tele-Visions by Sprengelmeyer & Davis



Francis Goes to College by Joshua Davis



work may require added attention before midweek. Watch for authority figures to demand fast decisions and exact amounts. For some Aries natives, romantic relationships may also be affected. If so, expect loved ones to request bold promises and reliable family arrangements. Friday through Sunday, social relations may be unusually complex. Divided loyalties, group approval and public criticism are key factors. Expect sudden reversals.

Taurus (April 21-May 20). Monday through Wednesday, watch for a brief wave of home confusion or competing interests between family members to fade. Rare business discussions or financial advice may also arrive. If so, expect private politics or unusual social triangles to be at issue. Loved ones expect quick results, serious intentions and a bold public effort; don't disappoint. Thursday through Sunday highlight sensuality and renewed intimacy between lovers. Stay focused. Passions will be high.



WEEKLY HOROSCOPE

LASHA SENIUK
Knight Ridder

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Although new flirtation is appealing, it may be wise to avoid unnecessary social complications over the next four days. Before Thursday, friends and lovers will react strongly to changed plans or routines. Remain diplomatic and wait for permanent solutions. After Friday, familiar comforts and home discussions are pleasing. Enjoy quiet moments with loved ones. Romantic progress may be unavoidable.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Before Thursday, expect postponed work projects or delayed employment contracts to reappear. Areas strongly affected are group training, social leadership and team management. For many Cancerians, a valuable opportunity to gain credentials will soon be

older relatives to avoid family gatherings. Be patient. Personal differences will be resolved.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Short-term projects and workplace information are extremely unreliable. Before next week, watch for unexpected reversals or suddenly canceled assignments. Plan for brief delays. At present, colleagues may need extra time to secure approvals or apply for permissions. Thursday through Sunday also accent rare romantic disagreements or family triangles. Loved ones may ask for emotional distance or extra private time. Minor disputes will be resolved.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Over the next three days, new social invitations prove rewarding. Pay close attention to rare emotions between friends, sudden romantic attractions or unique group events. Enjoy shared activities. This is a positive time for revised routines, fresh promises and strong public involvement. After Friday, some Virgos may also encounter an ethical or social

versity is important.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Business routines or career goals may experience meaningful change. Over the next 11 days, carefully consider all contracts and fresh proposals. Partnerships, if firmly defined, will work to your advantage. Stay focused and expect ongoing promotions. Tuesday through Friday, also highlight minor social or family disputes. Remain attentive. Key issues may involve a lack of enthusiasm for group planning. After Saturday, avoid excess physical activity.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22). Romantic impressions may need to be explained or repeated. Before Thursday, loved ones may challenge your ideas or probe for deeper feelings. No serious or long-term effects are highlighted, so not to worry. Do, however, expect unusual delays in new relationships. Some Scorpions may also experience an unwanted flirtation or new attraction. If so, remain distant and quietly diplo-

easily addressed.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21). Charisma and romantic appeal are strong this week. Watch for unique invitations from potential lovers. Some Sagittarians will begin a brief but exciting love affair. If so, expect rare social triangles to demand attention. All is well, however. Go slow and wait for others to clarify their feelings. After midweek, business relationships may also be affected. Expect fast proposals and new instructions. Before March, key officials may wish to test their own creativity; don't confront.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Past family conflicts can be easily resolved. Over the next few days, watch for loved ones to address home disagreements, social reversals or broken promises. Let friends and lovers negotiate their own differences. Diplomacy and private discussion will prove worthwhile. Thursday through Sunday, financial mistakes from approximately eight months ago may reappear. Ask probing questions. Added information or ethi-

social or romantic setbacks will fade over the next four days. Before Thursday, expect loved ones to opt for calm agreements, group consensus and extended discussions. Use this time to establish common ground between friends and lovers. Your emotional guidance will be quickly accepted. After midweek, watch also for a complex financial proposal from a close friend or relative. Remain cautious.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Listen carefully to co-workers and partners this week. Business growth, proposed mergers and financial expansion might be unavoidable. Many Pisceans will take greater control over their career aspirations. Workplace confidence and social independence are on the rise; don't hold back. After Friday, an old friend or past lover may demand attention. Stay focused on present obligations. Over the next 11 days, loved ones will not challenge others for your loyalty.

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KATHY SYLVESTER staff photographer

Unleashing his imagination, freshman Joshua Davis records new ideas for his artwork and writing onto paper. Hard at play, he is working on his new comic strip "Francis Goes to College" which debuts in this issue of *The Patriot*. The original comic strip will be featured this semester.

Student's creativity debuts in an original comic strip

BY KATHY SYLVESTER
STAFF WRITER

Something new and inventive has come to the Entertainment page of *The Patriot*.

An original comic strip, "Francis Goes to College", by freshman Joshua Davis debuts in this issue.

The strip features Francis, a penguin, in a college setting.

"I wanted to do a cartoon about college-related life," Davis said.

In subsequent strips a second character, Miguel, a llama from South America, will be introduced.

Francis and Miguel will be the only two animals on college campus.

Besides Francis and Miguel other re-occurring characters will be introduced as the comic

strip grows.

What sparked his imagination to come up with the idea of this comic strip?

He couldn't sleep one night so he was looking through a children's encyclopedia and saw a picture of a penguin. That picture started the creative flow of the artist.

The idea of using a llama in the comic strip came from his girlfriend.

"She likes llamas," Davis said.

Davis is an art major at the University with English as his minor.

He has been drawing for nine years. His talent as an artist was displayed in the student paper at Chapel Hill.

Throughout the semester readers will get to see the char-

acters in the comic strip develop. As the characters grow, so will Davis' creativity.

In addition to the comic strip, he writes columns and draws political cartoons for *The Patriot*.

"Josh's political cartoons are outstanding, and I think anyone who reads the paper will notice that," Robert Boggs, editor in chief of *The Patriot*, said. "We wanted to start a regular comic strip written and drawn by a student, and Josh was the perfect person to do that."

The newspaper also runs two comic strips distributed by the Knight Ridder/Tribune wire service.

To make room for Davis' work, the newspaper discontinued the Slimbone comic, which began running last semester.

Sports

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UT PATRIOTS Score Board BASKETBALL

Men

UT Tyler d. H. Simmons 76-64
(Dec. 4)

Score 1 2 O1 O2 O3 total

UTT 23 26 6 4 12 76
H.S. 22 32 6 4 0 64

Points: UT Tyler- M. Galloway (16), D. Dennis (16), B. Weasby (14), T. Murphy (7), C. Hamatuk (6), W. Leffingwell (6), Q. Parker (5), D. White (4), N. Barnett (2)

McMurry d. UT Tyler 94-70
(Dec. 6)

Score by periods 1 2 total

UT Tyler 44 26 70
McMurry 42 52 94

Points: UT Tyler- T. Murphy (14), M. Galloway (12), W. Leffingwell (12), D. Dennis (11), D. White (9), J. Henderson (9), Q. Parker (2), B. Weasby (1)

UT Dallas d. UT Tyler 82-67
(Dec. 17)

Score by periods 1 2 total

UT Tyler 29 38 67
UT Dallas 38 44 82

Points: UT Tyler- T. Murphy (25), B. Weasby (16), W. Leffingwell (11), R. Olson (6), D. Dennis (4), D. Johnson (3), J. Henderson (1), G. Gordon (1)

UTSA d. UT Tyler 95-60
(Dec. 21)

Score by periods 1 2 total

UT Tyler 24 36 60
UTSA 57 38 95

Points: UT Tyler- B. Weasby (20), T. Murphy (11), J. Henderson (10), R. Olson (8), D. Dennis (6), K. Johnson (2), C. Clark (2), W. Leffingwell (1)

Schreiner d. UT Tyler 85-79
(Jan. 3)

Score by periods 1 2 total

UT Tyler 44 35 79
Schreiner 38 47 85

Points: UT Tyler- B. Weasby (22), J. Henderson (15), D. Dennis (8), D. White (8), G. Gordon (6), R. Olson (6), W. Leffingwell (5), K. Johnson (3), T. Murphy (3), D.

Patriot men win conference game

□ Triple overtime game leads men to first victory of season.

BY STACE DRINNING
SPORTS EDITOR

Since Dec. 4 the University men's basketball team won its first three games including its first American Southwest Conference East Division game against Austin College at home Jan. 24, 83-70, to help raise its record to (3-16,1-4).

The Patriots made an unprecedented 75 percent of their field goals against Austin College in the second half of the game in front of 516 fans.

"We're in an established conference (and it) takes a while to get good... our team has a good nucleus," coach Matt Wallis said.

The University's first conference victory was preceded by three losing games: Jan. 15 versus Louisiana College 89-68; Jan. 17 versus Mississippi College 92-82; Jan. 22 versus the University of the Ozarks 85-80.

"You don't ever expect to be on the losing side as much as we've been," Wallis said, "(Our biggest setback is defense) at times

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Matt Wallis
Coach

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we give up. We have mental lapses... (these lapses) cost four or six points, and that changes the momentum of a game."

The Ozarks game was lost largely due to fouls resulting in free throws. The Patriots allowed the Ozarks over 20 trips to the free throw line.

"We missed some easy shots down the stretch that really, ultimately cost us... We had some unforced errors/unforced turnovers," Wallis said "I look at a foul as a mistake, it's a mental error and we had a lot of those mental errors to go

along with the turnovers."

The Patriots defeated Concordia, 88-81, at the University Jan. 10 after a six-game losing streak.

The University was trailing 37-31 at halftime when sophomore guard David Johnson came off the bench and scored 23 points for the Patriots. Freshman guard Brandon Weasby led the team with 24 points for the game.

The University won its first game Dec. 4 in a triple-overtime game against Hardin-Simmons 76-64 in front of 421 spectators.

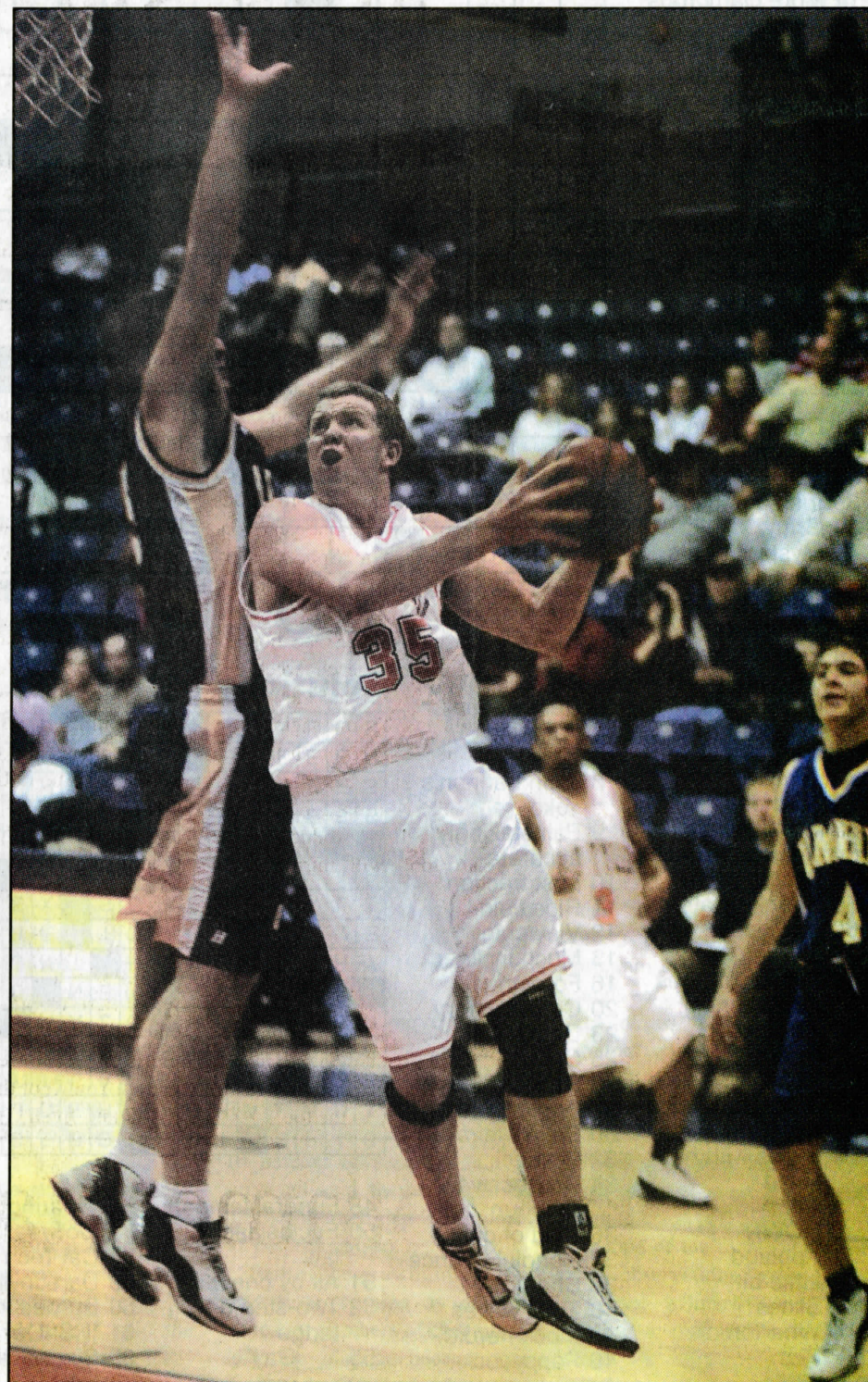
The Patriots first win was also the first University basketball game to go into overtime.

At the end of the second half the score was tied 54-54. Each team scored six points in the first overtime and four points in the second overtime. But in the third overtime the Patriots picked up the pace and out played Hardin-Simmons, scoring 12 unanswered points to end the game.

Junior guard Michael Gallo led the Patriots scoring with 16 points, while sophomore forward Tracy Murphy made a season record 13 rebounds.

COMING UP

- 5K Homecoming Run, 8 a.m., Jan. 31
- Men's Tennis Tournament, 10 a.m., Jan. 31
- Women's Basketball, 1 p.m., Jan. 31
- Men's Basketball, 3 p.m., Jan. 31
- Baseball Game, 1 p.m., Feb. 21



BRAD SMITH staff photographer

Patriot forward Darren Dennis (35) goes airborne while making his way past the Ozark defense.

First

Women vow to establish

Johnson (3)

Te. Lutheran d. UT Tyler 89-69
(Jan. 5)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|-------|
| UT Tyler | 31 | 38 | 69 |
| Te. Lutheran | 34 | 55 | 89 |

Points: UT Tyler- B. Weasby (21), R. Olson (16), W. Leffingwell (12), T. Murphy (8), P. Gerding (4), C. Clark (3), K. Johnson (6), G. Gordon (2), D. Dennis (1)
Johnson (3), T. Murphy (3), D. Johnson (3)

H. Baylor d. UT Tyler 75-62
(Jan. 8)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|-------|
| UT Tyler | 39 | 23 | 62 |
| H. Baylor | 43 | 32 | 75 |

Points: UT Tyler- B. Weasby (14), W. Leffingwell (10), R. Olson (9), J. Henderson (8), T. Murphy (6), K. Johnson (6), D. Dennis (5), D. White (4)

UT Tyler d. Concordia 88-81
(Jan. 10)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|-------|
| UT Tyler | 31 | 57 | 88 |
| Concordia | 37 | 44 | 81 |

Points: UT Tyler- B. Weasby (24), W. Leffingwell (23), D. Johnson (23), K. Johnson (9), J. Henderson (4), D. Dennis (4), T. Murphy (1)

Lo. College d. UT Tyler 89-68
(Jan. 15)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|-------|
| UT Tyler | 36 | 32 | 68 |
| Lo. College | 44 | 45 | 89 |

Points: UT Tyler- B. Weasby (20), W. Leffingwell (15), D. Johnson (12), T. Murphy (10), K. Johnson (4), D. Dennis (3), D. White (2), R. Olson (2)

Miss. College d. UT Tyler 92-82
(Jan. 17)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|-------|
| UT Tyler | 42 | 40 | 82 |
| Miss. College | 46 | 46 | 92 |

Points: UT Tyler- E. Simmons (20), R. Olson (14), W. Leffingwell (13), J. Henderson (9), B. Weasby (7), D. Dennis (6), D. Johnson (5), C. Hall (4), T. Murphy (4)

U of Ozarks d. UT Tyler 85-80
(Jan. 22)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|-------|
| UT Tyler | 36 | 44 | 80 |
| U of Ozarks | 37 | 48 | 85 |

Points: UT Tyler- B. Weasby (24), D. Johnson (13), W. Leffingwell (10), D. Dennis (10), T. Murphy (6), R. Olson (5), E. Simmons (4), J. Henderson (4), C. Hall (4)

UT Tyler d. Aus. College 83-70
(Jan. 24)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|-------|
| UT Tyler | 35 | 22 | 57 |
| Aus. College | 40 | 33 | 73 |

Points: UT Tyler- B. Weasby (18), G. Gordon (13), E. Simmons (9), D. Johnson (9), K. Johnson (8), W. Leffingwell (6), C. Hall (6), T. Murphy (6), R. Olson (4), J. Henderson (2), D. Dennis (2)

UT Dallas d. UT Tyler 73-57

See SCOREBOARD, Page 9

softball coach hired

□ University hires NCAA two time coach of the year

BY SABRINA MAERTINS
STAFF WRITER

Former East Texas Baptist University softball coach Mike Reed of Tyler was named the University's first head coach for the women's softball team.

His appointment was announced during a Jan. 9 press conference at the Patriot Center.

"Today is the day that we keep a promise," said Dale Lunsford, Vice President of student affairs and external relations.

Lunsford said the University set a goal to have 13 NCAA sports, seven for women and six for men. Women's softball is now the 13th sport. A new baseball/softball complex also is to be constructed this year.

Reed graduated from ETBU in 1997 with a bachelor's degree in business. He is a former pitcher for the ETBU baseball team. He earned his masters in education from UT Tyler.

Reed coached the ETBU Lady Tigers softball team and became the all-time coaching win leader after only three years as head coach. He also was honored as American Southwest Conference Coach of the Year in 2001 and 2002.

While coaching at ETBU, Reed's team won three consecutive ASC championships and NCAA regional tournaments in



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2002 and 2003. In three years of coaching at ETBU, his teams never won fewer than 30 games in a season.

Reed said he now looks to attract top-notch athletes as well as top-notch students and citizens of the community.

"It is an incredible time to be a part of the University of Texas at Tyler athletics program. I am so excited about the opportunity to build a first-class program from the ground up at a first-class university," he said.

Reed, who will be paid a yearly salary of \$34,500, has been working on recruiting athletes since his first day at the University on Dec. 22.

He will spend the 2004 season recruiting so he can begin the softball program in 2005. He has made 10-15 visits to recruit unsigned high school seniors and junior college athletes. He believes with the premier athletic facilities and strong academic programs, recruiting and attracting student athletes will be easy.

Lunsford said the new baseball/softball complex is scheduled to be completed in fall 2004. The design phase is complete, dirt has been moved and two-thirds of the funds needed to build the facility have been raised, he said. Reed will help oversee construction of the complex.

winning traditions at home

BY STACE DRINNING
SPORTS EDITOR

The University women's basketball team won three of nine games since Jan. 3, including two American Southwest Conference East Division Games wins at home (4-17,2-5).

The Patriots won their first home game during conference play against the University of the Ozarks, Jan. 22, 81-67.

"I wish (a conference win) had come a long time ago. I'm glad we finally got it. (Winning at home) that was the biggest thing... we have got to set the

tradition that when you come to a game here you're coming to watch somebody win, not just play, not just to go through it but to win," coach TerriDeike said.

Coach and players alike were ecstatic about the home victory.

"It's about time, finally," freshman Katelynn Denney said.

The University made almost 9 percent more of their field goals than the teams season average against the Ozarks.

"Hustle makes up for everything. It'll put you in the right place at the right time or at least let you recover,"

Deike said, "The team you saw tonight is what my vision is for this program...It's just taken us a while for me to teach them my vision and for them to buy into it."

Two games later the Patriots got a little closer to setting that tradition, winning their second conference game Jan. 26 at home against the University of Texas at Dallas 88-84.

"It was a big win for the program," Deike said.

The Patriots finished the first half trailing 43-35. To come back and win in the second half.

"We weren't playing well at all in the first half. There was no defense at all," freshman guard LaQuita Patton said.

"We're just physically tired," Deike said.

The University's first two wins came in back-to-back games, Jan. 3 and Jan. 5.

The Patriots won their first game Jan. 3 at Schreiner University 71-53. The University captured the lead in the first half and never relinquished it.

Freshman post Katelynn Denney led the team in points against Schreiner with 21 points scored. Denney was only one point shy of the team record that was set in the Patriots previous game by freshman forward Sha Shead.

Freshmen guard RaTonya Hunter also made a record 12 rebounds for the Patriots against Schreiner.

The University's second win came by a narrow margin the very next game on January 5 at Texas Lutheran University 68-66.

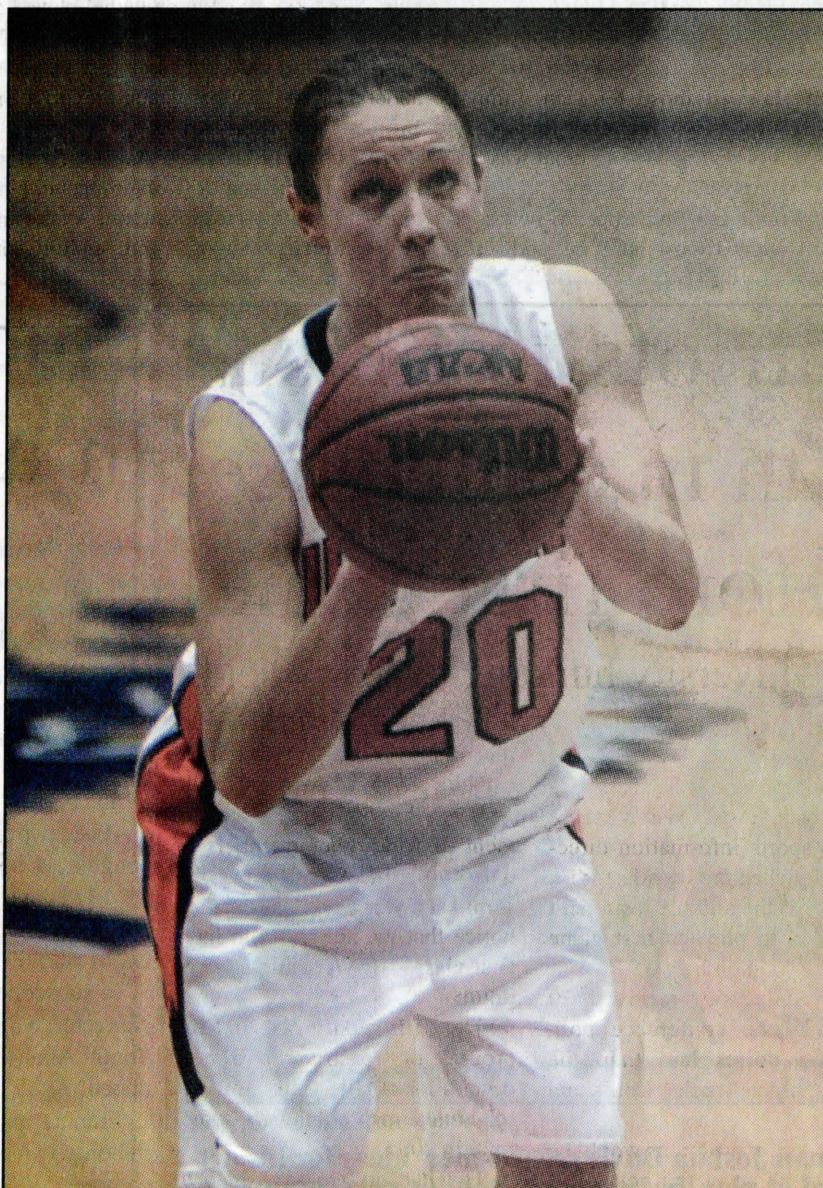
"We just wanted to win worse than they did. They took us for granted," Deike said, "(We) executed in that game what we're supposed to do in every game."

Texas Lutheran had a 7-2 record at the time.

The Patriot season has seen two separate runs of losing games. The first was at the beginning of the season, and the second followed their back-to-back wins.

"I thought we would have won more games. We've played so many close ones... but they haven't blown us out - we've been contenders," Deike said.

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BRAD SMITH staff photographer

Sophomore Ginger Gordon (20) concentrates as she takes her time shooting a free throw against the University of the Ozarks Jan. 22.

Scoreboard

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(Jan. 26)

Score by periods 1 2 total

UT Tyler 34 49 83

Aus. College 23 47 70

Points: UT Tyler- B. Weasby (11), E. Simmons (10), D. Johnson (8), W. Leffingwell (9), C. Hall (3) T. Murphy (8), J. Henderson (1), D. Dennis (7)

Women

H. Simmons d. UT Tyler 77-60

(Dec. 4)

Score by periods 1 2 total

UT Tyler 29 31 60

H. Simmons 36 41 77

Points: UT Tyler- S. Shead (12), K. Richardson (9), R. Hunter (9), B. Busby (9), J. Halverson (7), K. Denney (6), C. Tettey (4), L. Patton (2), G. Gordon (2)

McMurry d. UT Tyler 90-77

(Dec. 6)

Score by periods 1 2 total

UT Tyler 37 40 77

McMurry 45 45 90

Points: UT Tyler- B. Busby (20), K. Richardson (12), S. Shead (12), K. Denney (10), R. Hunter (10), C. Tettey (8), K. Hebert (2), J. Halverson (2), G. Gordon (1)

UT Dallas d. UT Tyler 66-58

(Dec. 17)

Score by periods 1 2 total

UT Tyler 24 34 58

UT Dallas 36 30 66

Points: UT Tyler- K. Denney (12), S. Shead (11), J. Halverson (10), K. Richardson (9), R. Hunter (8), L. Patton (4), A. Harris (4)

U of Dallas d. UT Tyler 65-56

(Dec. 19)

Score by periods 1 2 total

UT Tyler 25 31 56

U of Dallas 34 31 65

Points: UT Tyler- S. Shead (22), J. Halverson (9), K. Denney (8), R. Hunter (5), C. Tettey (4), K. Hebert (4), L. Patton (3), K. Richardson (1)

UT Tyler d. Schreiner 71-53

(Jan. 3)

Score by periods 1 2 total

UT Tyler 39 32 71

Schreiner 28 25 53

Points: UT Tyler- K. Denney (21), S. Shead (16), K. Richardson (15), G. Gordon (8), C. Tettey (6), R. Hunter (5)

UT Tyler d. Te. Lutheran 68-66

(Jan. 5)

Score by periods 1 2 total

UT Tyler 36 32 68

Te. Lutheran 32 34 66

Points: UT Tyler- K. Denney (20), R. Hunter (16), J. Halverson (10), S. Shead (7), G. Gordon (7), L. Patton (6), C. Tettey (2)

H. Baylor d. UT Tyler 73-62

(Jan. 8)

Score by periods 1 2 total

UT Tyler 25 37 59 H.

Baylor 32 41 73

Points: UT Tyler- R. Hunter (21), S. Shead (14), L. Patton (9), B. Busby (7), C. Tettey (5), J. Halverson (4), K.

ESPN to air reality show

BY JAYDA EVANS

THE SEATTLE TIMES

KNIGHT RIDDER TRIBUNE

SEATTLE- We've seen what it's like to "survive" in the wilderness, live in a house with seven strangers, vie for a supermodel position, and bling-bling like a professional athlete.

ESPN is turning the camera on itself, throwing its "Dream Job" contest into the pool of reality shows flooding television. The cable network has found 12 contestants eager to be whipped through a crash course in sports journalism to win a one-year contract to become a "SportsCenter" broadcaster. The 12 finalists will be announced Monday, and the show will debut Feb. 22. One hopeful will be bumped each week via votes from judges and viewers on espn.com and text messaging.

This is ESPN's fourth try at a reality television show.

But Mike A'ntinoro, ESPN senior coordinating producer, says "Dream Job" will mirror Fox's "American Idol" more than NBC's "The Apprentice," where 16 contestants are competing to be president of one of Donald Trump's companies, complete with a six-figure salary. The "Apprentice" contestants are showing no mercy, using sex and manipulation to scrape their way to the top.

Even "American Idol" can be a bit ornery, with creator Simon Cowell spewing quips such as, "You're the musical equivalent of a sleeping pill" to wannabe singers.

"We're going to get a heated competition," said Carol Silver, "Dream Job's" producer/creator. "But so much of reality television today seems to exploit people and sometimes humiliate. That's not this show."

So, couch potatoes who once muted the sound to read the "SportsCenter" highlights on closed-captioning will really see broadcasting is not all makeup and slam dunks while wearing comfy jeans and sneakers under the desk.

"And having a (rookie) try to edit footage on deadline would be funny. It would be more entertaining if you put all the hockey names out there for them to read. For us in the business, it would be hilarious, and the average sports fan would find it pretty amusing, too."

But does it make journalism a gimmick?

"Not at all," Silvi said. "People realize it's TV and we're here to inform as well as entertain. If you put a stiff up there, people aren't going to watch. You want the person to be lively and fresh."

Women

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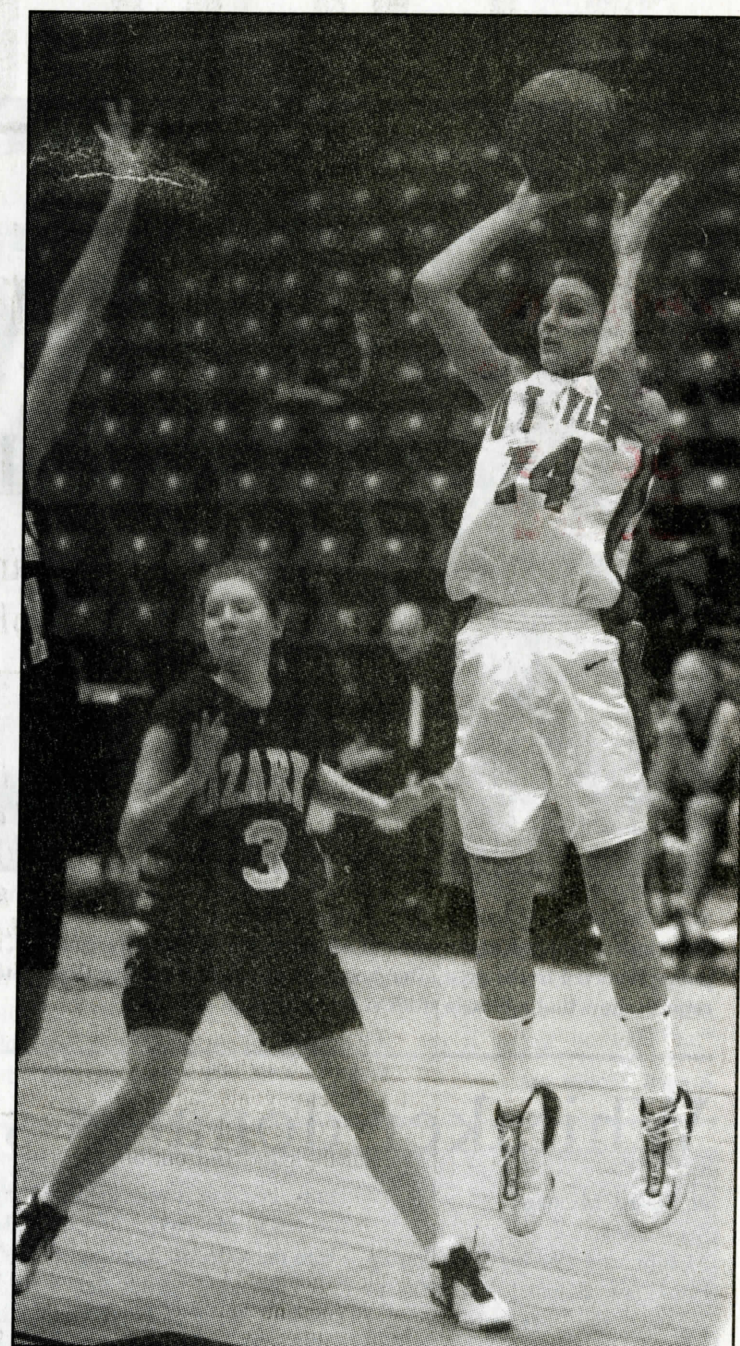
"I thought we would have won more games. We've played so many close ones... but they haven't blown us out - we've been contenders," Deike said.

The Patriots season has seen two of the four juniors on the team, Brooke Busby and Kelly Richardson, miss games from injured knees since early Dec.

Busby is back, but not 100 percent after receiving orthoscopic knee surgery before the winter break and Richardson may be back to play because "she has nothing in her knee left to tear," Deike said.

"My knee doesn't hurt, it's just (the act of) straightening it and bending it," Richardson said of the torn ACL in her knee, "I talked to the surgeon and he's going to try to fit me for a knee brace... We'll just see how it goes in practice."

Anthony Davila and Jennifer Murray contributed to this story.



CHRIS KEMPER staff photographer

Freshman Katelynn Denney dodges the University of the Ozarks defense to make the shot for the Patriots.

Commercials at heart of Super Bowl

BY TERRY BANNON

CHICAGO TRIBUNE

KNIGHT RIDDER TRIBUNE

CHICAGO - The NFL encountered logistical problems in its preparations for Super Bowl XVIII in 1984. The game between the Los Angeles Raiders and Washington Redskins was to be played in Tampa, and visitors were staying in hotels hours away.

seen it grow and I wondered what else they could do...for entertainment. Then I saw the tents. That was the zenith."

The decision to pitch tents in Tampa has spawned a tradition that surrounds the Super Bowl site, making the area around the stadium resemble a giant art fair. It wasn't always that way.

"In the early 1980s, the focus was on how do you build up the game in the stadium."

message, "On Jan. 24, Apple Computer will introduce Macintosh. And you'll see why 1984 will not be like '1984.'"

The commercial, directed by Ridley Scott of "Thelma and Louise" and "Gladiator" fame, was a direct attack on rival IBM and was dramatically successful. Apple sold 72,000 Macintoshes in the first 100 days after it ran. As Advertising Age wrote in its "1984" special, the commercial

Since Super Bowl XXIX in 1995, the coin toss became exclusively a group event honoring major NFL figures.

There have been times when there wasn't much incentive to stay beyond the kickoff, as the games deteriorated into a blowout. Remember Bears-Patriots in 1986?

But in recent years the games have been

Concordia d. UT Tyler 71-59
(Jan. 10)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|-------|
| UT Tyler | 26 | 33 | 59 |
| Concordia | 40 | 31 | 71 |

Points: UT Tyler- L. Patton (15), R. Hunter (14), S. Shead (10), B. Busby (7), J. Halverson (5), K. Denney (4), C. Tettey (2), C. Stinson (2)

Lo. College d. UT Tyler 90-88
(Jan. 15)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|-------|
| UT Tyler | 51 | 37 | 88 |
| Lo. College | 40 | 50 | 90 |

Points: UT Tyler- L. Patton (26), B. Busby (20), S. Shead (13), R. Hunter (12), K. Denney (8), J. Halverson (5), C. Stinson (2), C. Tettey (2)

Miss. College d. UT Tyler 87-59
(Jan. 17)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|-------|
| UT Tyler | 28 | 31 | 59 |
| Miss. College | 43 | 44 | 87 |

Points: UT Tyler- R. Hunter (14), S. Shead (11), L. Patton (6), J. Halverson (6), C. Tettey (5), K. Denney (5), C. Stinson (4), B. Busby (4), K. Hebert (2), M. Starr (2)

UT Tyler d. U of Ozarks 81-67
(Jan. 22)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|-------|
| UT Tyler | 50 | 31 | 81 |
| U of Ozarks | 26 | 41 | 67 |

Points: UT Tyler- K. Denney (23), R. Hunter (15), L. Patton (12), C. Tettey (7), S. Shead (6), J. Halverson (6), B. Busby (4), K. Hebert (4), A. Gadison (2), M. Starr (2)

Aus. College d. UT Tyler 75-69
(Jan. 24)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|---------|
| UT Tyler | 31 | 38 | 69 Aus. |
| College | 29 | 46 | 75 |

Points: UT Tyler- R. Hunter (14), K. Denney (13), S. Shead (12), L. Patton (10), B. Busby (9), J. Halverson (7), C. Stinson (4)

UT Tyler d. UT Dallas 88-84
(Jan. 26)

| Score by periods | 1 | 2 | total |
|------------------|----|----|---------|
| UT Tyler | 35 | 53 | 88 Aus. |
| College | 43 | 41 | 84 |

Points: UT Tyler- R. Hunter (17), K. Denney (9), S. Shead (16), L. Patton (20), J. Halverson (9), C. Stinson (3), S. Moore (7), K. Hebert (2), C. Tettey (5)

Coming up:

Teams: Patriots vs. Howard Payne University

When: 10 a.m., Jan. 31

Where: University Tennis Courts

Cost: Free

Patriot Path:

This is Patriot men's tennis team's first tournament of the year. Feb. 20 the Patriot women's tennis team debuts Feb. 20 at McMurry University in Abilene.

What to do with all those people worried about being late for the game? Simple. Build some tents, so when they got to the site early there would be something for them to do.

At the same, on the other side of the country, Apple Computer executives in Cupertino, Calif., were deciding how to launch their new computer, the Macintosh.

What to do to grab people's attention, to rise about the advertising clutter of the Super Bowl?

Those two apparently unrelated events collided exactly two decades ago, leaving us with the kind of event we will witness for the XXXVIIIth time Sunday: a Super Bowl site surrounded by dozens of corporate tents, and a telecast distinguished as much by its advertising content as by the competition. Welcome to pro football, 21st-century style.

Did you every really believe the game is just about blocking and tackling?

Longtime broadcaster Pat Summerall, then with CBS, realized something was up when he saw all those tents in Tampa. Summerall had worked the decidedly underhyped Super Bowl I, and that was his frame of reference.

"I had done the first Super Bowl, so I had seen what it was like," he said. "I'd

um," said Jim Steeg, the NFL's executive in charge of the Super Bowl for more than 20 years. "That involved Jumbotrons and juicing up the halftime and pregame shows.

"Then the focus was on outside the stadium, and the corporate tents started in Tampa in 1984. Because of the distance everyone had to travel from places like Tarpon Springs and Orlando, they wanted to have their parties on site to make sure everyone got there.

"Then the next year at Stanford, there was a traffic issue. We wanted to keep people hanging around after the game. Then it blew up into everything we have now."

The Super Bowls at Tampa and Stanford ushered in the greatest era of change in Super Bowl history. And commercials were at the heart of it.

At the time, Apple Computer was marketing as a little company that could go against giant IBM. For the Tampa game, played in January 1984, it created a commercial called "1984," based on the George Orwell novel about a society that had fallen prey to a Big Brother group-think mentality.

The commercial aired during the third quarter. It showed a woman in running attire throwing a sledgehammer, shattering an authoritarian image and sending the

more competitive. The decade-old system of free agency accompanied by a salary cap has leveled the NFL playing field and led to a surprise entry almost every year. This year it's the Carolina Panthers, who will take on the New England Patriots. The Panthers, like the Patriots team that upset the Rams in 2002, are going to the Super Bowl a season after having a losing record.

The next year's 49ers-Dolphins game was played at Stanford University, near Apple's headquarters in Silicon Valley. The company tried again with an ad called "Lemmings," which showed straight-laced people marching in lock step to the sea, presumably to buy IBM computers. It was praised for its creativity but criticized for its harshness. Still, it picked up where "1984" left off in terms of its impact on Super Bowl advertising.

"That was the beginning of the advertising revolution," Steeg said.

The Stanford game was played on Jan. 20, Inauguration Day. Ronald Reagan was sworn in for his second term as president, and he participated in the coin toss via a scoreboard broadcast. The president overshadowed the on-field tosser, former 49ers star Hugh McElhenny, beginning another tradition of making the coin toss a lot more complex than heads or tails.

Game officials handled the first 11 Super Bowl coin tosses. Then came Red Grange and George Halas in the next two.

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The Super Bowl began with predictable victories by the NFL champion Green Bay Packers over the Kansas City Chiefs and Oakland Raiders, and the games were somewhat lacking in magnitude. Even with a top ticket price of \$12, Super Bowl I was played before more than 30,000 empty seats at the Los Angeles Coliseum.

Top ticket price for Sunday's game at Houston's Reliant Stadium: \$600. Thirty-second commercial spots on the CBS telecast sold for \$2.3 million.

"I didn't think it would be this kind of social event, that ticket prices would be like they are," Summerall said. "For anyone who saw the first Super Bowl, it's staggering."

But not necessarily better.

"The emphasis on pregame and postgame and who's singing the national anthem and this and that has detracted from the game," Summerall said. "Now the

Patriots to finish fifth in conference before first game

□ University building baseball field

BY STACE DRINNING
SPORTS EDITOR

A poll by American Southwest Conference East Division coaches and sports information directors has picked the Patriots to finish fifth in the and the team isn't scheduled to play its first game for almost a month.

The University received 70 points in the conference poll, only six points less than the fourth place pick Louisiana College.

"Most new programs would be expected to be at the bottom of any poll," coach James Vilade said in a prepared release. "For us to place fifth in the preseason poll before ever taking the field is

a credit to the great reputation that out players have already established through their hard work... I think this is also a testament of what other members of out conference are expecting from UT Tyler. People are taking notice that we are going to have first-class NCAA athletic programs."

The University is in the process of constructing a new baseball/softball field that is scheduled for completion sometime in 2004.

The Patriots are scheduled to play its first of 29 scheduled games Feb. 21 at Faulkner Park at 1 p.m. against Hillsdale Baptist.

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ROBERT BOGGS staff photographer

One student looks on at the scene of a fire truck and ambulance in the Campus Drive Circle Jan. 20. University police reported to the area after being informed that the fire department and paramedics were there. Police reports show that a female student had a seizure.

Whitaker donates scholarship

BY SABRINA MAERTINS
STAFF WRITER

John and Gladys Whitaker of Longview donated \$113,900 to create the Hogan/Whitaker Endowed Scholarship.

Students who qualify must be attending the Longview Center, or be either a nursing or education major.

Mr. Whitaker said his parents had only a 7th grade education. They raised nine children and six of those children became school-teachers. "I wanted to do something to promote education and motivate learning in honor of my mother and father." He said he named the scholarship for his par-

ents because even though they weren't educated, they taught him the value of learning.

Whitaker graduated from Central Heights High School in 1928. He attended a one-room school. There were four students in his graduating class, and he was fourth in the class. "You don't have to be the best or at the top, you just have to be willing to learn," Whitaker said.

Whitaker earned a master's degree from UT Austin in 1933. Mrs. Whitaker graduated with honors from Baylor University.

Students who qualify for the scholarship must have completed their freshman and sophomore

“*You don't have to be the best or at the top, you just have to be willing to learn.***”**

John Whitaker
scholarship donor

years. They should also be high school graduates from Gregg County or Central Heights High School.

The scholarship will be awarded to the recipient in time for the fall. For more information contact the financial aid office.

Provost seat remains vacant

BY ROBERT BOGGS
EDITOR IN CHIEF

More than 100 candidates have applied to fill the position of provost and vice president for academic affairs, search committee chairman Dr. Mil Clark said.

The committee, which is responsible for reviewing applications and submitting a recommendation to the president, met Jan. 23 "to take our first step in narrowing down that group (of applicants)," Clark said.

Clark said the committee would begin checking references on the 117 applications turned in as of Jan. 22. Applications will

continue to be accepted until the position is filled.

The provost position became available after Dr. David O'Keeffe resigned on Sept. 1 to return to teaching. Dr. Jim Tarter, dean of the College of Business and Technology, has served as interim provost since O'Keeffe's resignation. Tarter said although he enjoyed his position as dean, he would apply to be the full-time provost.

"I want to be able to serve the university where needed most," he said.

The committee will further narrow the field through tele-

phone interviews with the candidates and will submit a list of names to President Rodney Mabry, who will choose several candidates to bring to the University for on-campus interviews. Typically about four applicants are interviewed on campus, although there is no fixed number, Clark said.

The president will make the final decision on hiring, though Mabry told Faculty Senate members in December they would have a chance to meet the finalists and give input, according to the minutes of the organization's Dec. 5 meeting.

Kentucky jaywalkers promote big problems

BY TRACY KERSHAW-STALEY
KNIGHT RIDER NEWSPAPERS

KENTUCKY -- Human Frogger, it seems, has replaced basketball as the University of Kentucky's most cherished sport.

Every day on the campus, pedestrians dart across lanes of traffic in one of the most congested areas of the city, sometimes standing in the middle of the road waiting for traffic to clear.

Last semester, six pedestrians were hit by cars on the campus, according to UK and Lexington police records.

With a new semester under way, UK police have a strategy to corral jaywalkers back into crosswalks: jaywalking citations.

In Kentucky, they carry a \$20 fine, plus \$110.50 in court costs. Officers will be handing out educational brochures and warnings for the first few weeks of the semester at several campus intersections. They will then begin doling out jaywalking citations.

Yet some students said they doubt that will deter jaywalking, a practice many see as necessary to get around the campus.

"I think they'll just think it's a

joke," said senior Katie Austin.

Austin, who works at Kennedy Bookstore on South Limestone Street, has a prime view of jaywalking.

"It won't stop me," said Sarah Liesinger, who also works at Kennedy's. "I've done it for 23 years, and I've never been hit yet."

UK wants to have a pedestrian-friendly campus, university officials say, but the school's location makes that difficult. Many of the city's main thoroughfares touch the campus' boundaries.

"We talk about a pedestrian-friendly campus, but it's difficult to have one with our location, when you have highways going through campus," said Don Thornton, director of parking and transportation.

One reason the problems have persisted is that for years city and university officials worked in isolation, said city planning manager Max Conyers.

"Engineers didn't talk to planners, administrators, and parking didn't talk to anyone," he said.

Now city and university officials are working together to find solutions to problems, he said.

Conyers said the atmosphere for town and gown solutions to traffic

problems has never been better. He credits the change to UK President Lee Todd, who is pushing a plan to create a residential and retail corridor linking UK and downtown.

"Dr. Todd has really put emphasis on the city," he said. "It's almost like a mandate from him to do this."

But Nick Stamatiadis, a civil engineering professor whose students study problem areas on the campus, and others say UK has been slow to promote and build support systems for alternative means of transportation, such as bicycling, walking or taking the bus.

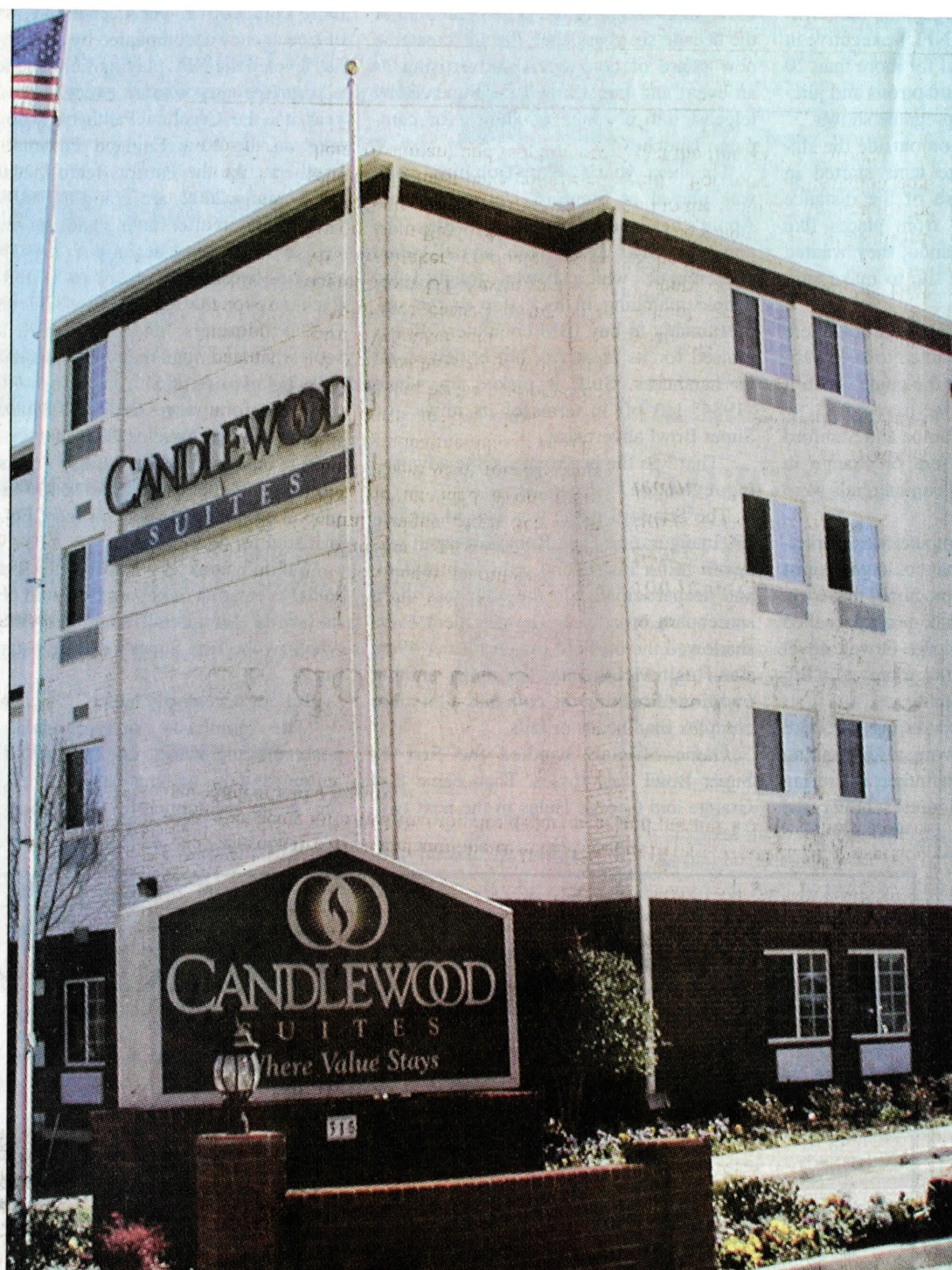
The UK master plan calls for pedestrian and bike paths, and remote parking garages serviced by a bus system.

"I think we've got to be realistic," Thornton said. "It's easy to put something like that on paper."

"If LexTran is the answer, they are going to need more money. If bike lanes are the answer, we'll need more dedicated bike lanes. The support has got to be there."

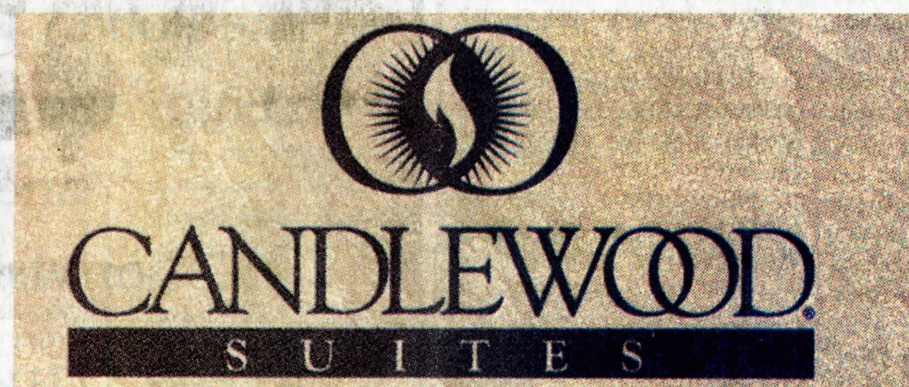
Like many on campus, he's not sure if citing jaywalkers is a solution.

"I think it will help," he said. "But I don't think it will solve all



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