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Texas routed A&M 91-63 on Senior Day at the Erwin Center this weekend. **See Sports, Page 9**



Around the World

Guerrillas abduct candidate

SAN VICENTE DEL CAGUAN, Colombia — Leftist guerrillas held a presidential candidate hostage Sunday after abducting her at a road block as she was driving into a volatile area of southern Colombia where government troops are trying to oust the rebels.

Sen. Ingrid Betancourt, an outspoken critic of the rebels, was being held along with her campaign manager, Clara Rojas, by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC.

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Official: Murders an 'evil game'

HANOVER, N.H. — The bond between the teenagers accused of killing two Dartmouth College professors may have sparked an "evil game" of dare that led them to commit increasingly serious crimes, a criminologist says. Robert Tulloch and James Parker are accused of murdering two professors.

According to an indictment released last week, prosecutors said robbery was the motive for the slaying of Half and Susanne Zantop, whose bodies were found in January 2001. Tulloch, 18, is charged with first-degree murder. Parker, 17, pleaded guilty to reduced charges and agreed to testify against Tulloch.



Aggie mascot being trained

HOUSTON — Reveille, the Texas A&M mascot has been shipped off to boot camp.

The 18-month-old American collie, who became the university's seventh mascot last year, has been sent to obedience school to turn down her volume. This semester, with the all-important football season behind her, Reveille entered Puppy Love obedience school in College Station.

"She's just very distracted," said sophomore Javier Aguirre, A&M's Mascot Corporal, who must keep Reveille standing at attention.

Kidnapper previously indicted

WASHINGTON — The suspected mastermind in the abduction and murder of *Wall Street Journal* reporter Daniel Pearl was secretly indicted last year by a federal grand jury for a foiled 1994 kidnapping, *Newsweek* magazine reported Sunday. The 1994 charges involved four Western tourists kidnapped in India.

Taken into custody Feb. 5 in the Pearl case, Ahmed Omar Saeed Sheikh told interrogators that his group wanted to teach the United States a lesson, intelligence officials said.

In the 1994 kidnapping, authorities found the victims and imprisoned Saeed, who had been seeking freedom for Islamic extremists.

Pro-reading program popular

NEW YORK — Four years after she organized a Seattle-based reading of Russell Banks' *The Sweet Hereafter*, Nancy Pearl, creator of the "one book, one city" program, has seen her idea of having a city's entire population read the same book to get the community talking spread throughout the country.

The concept has gone statewide. The California Humanities Council is recommending *The Grapes of Wrath*. Virginia had a statewide reading of native son William Styron's *Sophie's Choice*.

Compiled from Associated Press reports

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Swimmers win Big 12 Championships

By Natalie England
Daily Texan Staff

COLLEGE STATION — Proving once again to be the undisputed champions in the Big 12 conference, Texas' men's and women's swimming and diving teams claimed another league title at the Big 12 Championships Saturday.

The Texas men claimed 18 victories in 21 events, while the No. 3 women captured 16 out of the 21. This year's triumph marks the 23rd straight conference title for the men, and the women's fourth consecutive Big 12 title.

The No. 3 men's squad totaled 1,085.5 points to out-distance second place Texas A&M (780.5), while the women's team set a new conference record for total points, breaking their own record set last year. The women's team amassed 1,055.5

points — 58 more than the previous record-number — to defeat Texas A&M's women's team by 375 points.

Junior Joscelin Yeo led the women with seven gold medals at this year's championships, three individual wins and four relay victories, and was named the Big 12 women's swimmer of the meet. The eight-time all-American also set two new Big 12 records in the 200-yard individual medley and the 100-yard butterfly.

Freshman Alisa Schuknecht, voted the Big 12 women's newcomer of the meet, continued the record-breaking trend by setting a new Big 12 record in the 400-yard individual medley championship heat.

"When I saw Alisa drop five seconds from her best time in the preliminaries and two more in the final, it really ignited the team," senior Lauren Thies said.

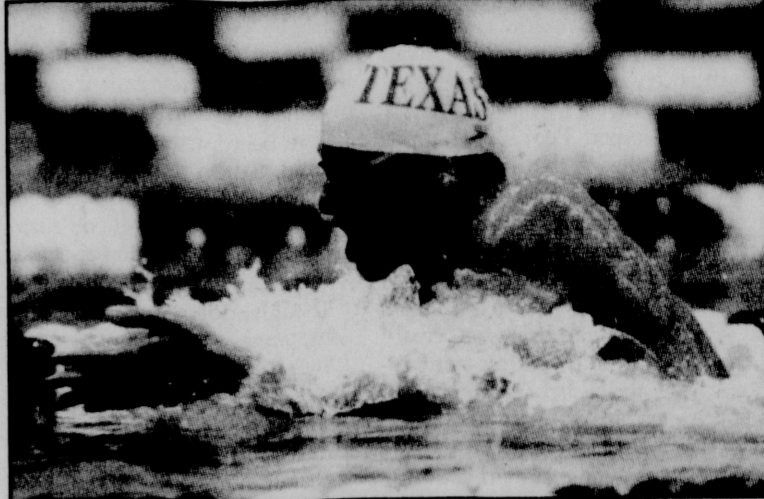
"It makes someone like myself want to have a repeat performance and keep the momentum going."

Going into the championships, though, the Longhorns' did not focus on breaking records. Instead, women's co-head coach Mike Walker said they worked on their team unity.

"We've really been focusing on the team concept and working together," he said. "We've taken a really good step here, and we still have a lot of bullets left in the gun."

That team concept and the energy derived from it thrust senior Valerie Oswald to her first individual Big 12 win in the 200-yard breaststroke. Oswald finished with her career-best time. Her performance was also good enough to automatically qualify for the NCAA tournament.

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Texas swimmer Brendan Hansen swims to victory in the final of the 200-yard breaststroke at the Big 12 Championships in College Station Saturday.

the Vagina monologues

UT performers entertain sold-out crowds with show celebrating womanhood



Luciana Castro/Daily Texan Staff

Madeline Lavrentjev, left, and Cheryl Green, together with part of the cast of *The Vagina Monologues*, prepare to go on stage for their last performance Saturday in Burdine Hall.

BY ELIZABETH EGELAND Daily Texan Staff

As Madeline Lavrentjev sat on stage Friday, she realized something.

"I saw hundreds of people out there and realized every single person came out of a vagina," said Lavrentjev, a theater and dance junior. "On any given day, everybody sitting on the bus came from a vagina."

Every teacher and student in a lecture hall came from a vagina. Billions of people on the earth came from the same place."

Lavrentjev, along with 12 other UT students, faculty, staff and graduates, delivered a dialogue in *The Vagina Monologues*, a play by Eve Ensler featuring

12 monologues portraying views women have toward their bodies. Like Lavrentjev, many of the hundreds who listened to *The Vagina Monologues* this month have faced new realizations when it comes to the vagina and issues many women encounter.

"It makes me more comfortable to talk about it," said Lauren Anderson, a bio-med freshman from Texas A&M University. "I've never heard the word 'vagina' so much in my life. It's kind of uplifting and inspiring. It makes me proud to be a woman."

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Lauren Anderson, Texas A&M University freshman

Second student charged in ID counterfeiting

By Courtney Morris
Daily Texan Staff

Ryan McClure and his roommate, Imran Ali Karim, shared a room in Dobie Center, where they manufactured hundreds of fake driver's licenses, officials say. The two allegedly amassed a small fortune by selling the IDs to people around the country, and police arrested McClure Thursday for his part in the operation, one day after they arrested Karim.

McClure, an economics junior, is charged with the third-degree felony for manufacturing a counterfeit instrument and could receive up to 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. Karim, an economics sophomore, faces the charge of tampering with a government document, which is a second-degree felony punishable by a maximum of 20 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

McClure was arrested after the Texas Department of Public Safety discovered he helped Karim produce the counterfeit licenses, said Tom Vinger, a DPS spokesman.

DPS officials said they suspected McClure but had to obtain an additional arrest warrant because the initial warrant was for Karim.

"Really, the investigation is just beginning," Vinger said. "We now have all the evidence we need to sift through and see what else is going on."

The arrests are part of an ongoing DPS campaign to prosecute producers of fake IDs.

The DPS arrested Karim Feb. 20 after it obtained a warrant to search his dorm room and found fraudulent documents being developed, counterfeit licenses and tools used to make fake IDs. Karim is accused of selling hundreds of counterfeit driver's licenses across the country.

Karim is currently out on bail.

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Blanton Ball raises \$400,000 for art museum

By Kirk Watson
Daily Texan Staff

The inaugural Blanton Ball Saturday night raised \$400,000 for the purchase of three new pieces of art for the Jack S. Blanton Museum of Art.

The black-tie event brought 800 dignitaries from various fields of philanthropy, ranging from UT alumni to elected officials and art endowment patrons.

The Blanton Museum held the event in Gregory Gym, and proceeds from the event, which had a \$500-per-plate minimum cost, went toward the purchase of three new works. A \$500 plate consisted of a salad, a filet with mashed potatoes and a chocolate-and-butter-scoff soufflé dessert.

Lady Bird Johnson and Cindy and Jack Blanton were distinguished guests at the event.

Jessie Hite, the Blanton Museum director, said many guests enjoyed having the event on campus.

"They really liked the fact that students were there," he said. "People were also very happy to be in Gregory Gym."

Hite added that the majority of the attendees were UT alumni.

"Many of them had fond memories of Gregory and enjoyed being back on campus," she said.

Nicole Griffin, Blanton Museum spokeswoman, said the event was of great importance for the museum.

"This event has been in the planning for two years. It is our first-ever ball, and the next will probably not take place until the new building is constructed," she said, referring to the Blanton Museum's planned construction at the corner of Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Speedway. "New art for the Blanton has always been paid for with outside funding, not from UT. It's really been astounding, the level of support we have received, especially considering the current economic situation."

— Nicole Griffin, Jack S. Blanton Museum of Art spokeswoman

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Volunteers spread search for missing Georgetown woman throughout Texas

By Esther Wang
Daily Texan Staff

More than 60 family, friends and concerned individuals drove throughout Texas to post fliers for Rachel Cooke Saturday, as the search for the missing Georgetown woman intensified.

The searchers participated in "Ride for Rachel," an event organized by those close to Cooke who wanted to spread the search to the rest of the state. They posted fliers with updated information in shop windows to bring news of her disappearance to places where people may not have heard of the case.

The 19-year-old student, who attended Mesa Junior College in California, disappeared on the morning of Jan. 10 while jogging near her home in Georgetown. More than six weeks later, investigators still don't know how she disappeared or where she might be, and no clues have surfaced.

"There are still an incredible amount of people who do not know, and the



only way they might know is if they see a flier in a store window somewhere," said Robert Cooke, Rachel's father.

Inspiration for the drive came from one of Robert Cooke's co-workers at IBM, who said he wanted to drive his motorcycle from Oklahoma to Mexico and post fliers about Rachel's disappearance.

Ben Hepworth discusses what route Ronnie Doerr will take in distributing fliers for a statewide search for missing Georgetown woman Rachel Cooke.

Addy Sambamurthy/Daily Texan Staff

Kelly Mehan and Ben Hepworth, two other co-workers, began planning the event with help from the Cooke family. Taking time off from work, the two assembled 130 routes that would take searchers from Georgetown to as far as the Texas Panhandle and the coast.

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Proceeds support women's groups

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Playing to sold-out crowds, *The Vagina Monologues* were performed Friday and Saturday and last Friday, Feb. 15, in conjunction with V-Day — an annual event held on or around Valentine's Day to spread awareness and raise money to end violence against women. Sponsored by the Women's Resource Center and the Orange Jackets, the University joined about 550 other colleges worldwide in presenting the monologues this year.

"People have all been smiling after performances," said Katie Jahnke, producer of *The Vagina Monologues* and a government senior. "People are happy; people are thrilled with this. It means a lot of different things on a lot of different levels to people. It really has changed something in their outlook."

Tickets for the weekend's performances sold out by Tuesday, Jahnke said. Though waiting lists were created each night to allow people without tickets to join the audience, only about half the people on the list were allowed in.

"As soon as people started coming, about 6:45 p.m., we'd take their name and the number of tickets they wanted," she said. "At 8 p.m., we started counting the number of empty seats, then sold those tickets."

Matt Azark, a sociology sophomore who came without tickets to Saturday's performance, said he was surprised by the turnout.

"I really [thought] there'd be hardly any people here," said Azark, as he waited for extra tickets. "That's why I didn't buy tickets in advance. I had no idea. It kind of sucks. I was looking forward to watching it."

Though Azark was able to get tickets Saturday night, Jahnke said about 60 people were turned away due to the lack of space. For next year's performances, Jahnke said she hopes they will be able to use Hogg Memorial Auditorium.

"We have to start working with PAC," Jahnke said. "UT's largest lecture halls seat between 500 and 600. We have to get something significantly larger."

Despite setbacks with the sound crew at Friday's show, Jahnke said the crowd remained supportive.

"[Friday] night the sound guys were late, so the first third of the show was sound check," Jahnke said. "The audience was accepting. You could do no wrong [Friday] night. Everyone was really pumped."

Jahnke said she's thrilled with the success of *The Vagina Monologues* and the popularity they gained on campus over the past month.

"I've been amazed but delighted," she said. "I didn't know what to expect. I just wanted to tell everyone about it so they wouldn't get caught off guard. We kept the communication about what it was so it didn't scare people."

Though addressing a very feminine issue, Jahnke said she received plenty of support and praise from males.

"I caught glimpses of changes at UT," she said. "Men became very involved in working this."

Sharath Viswanathan, an electrical engineering freshman, said he first heard of *The Vagina Monologues* last year when his mother and brother's girlfriend saw a production in Houston. Viswanathan said the performance was eye-opening.

"I'm speechless," he said. "I really don't know what to say. I definitely never thought about [vaginans] before. It never really crossed my minds what they went through. The women who played the roles were really, really good. They really seemed into the whole spirit of it all."

Though the final tally had not been calculated, Jahnke said she believes the show has raised between \$7,000 and \$9,000, of which 25 percent will be donated to SafePlace, 25 percent to the Revolutionary Association of the Women in Afghanistan and 50 percent to the Settlement Home.

Men's team earns 23rd straight title

SWIMMING, from 1

"The team was the reason why — they pulled me to the wall," Oswald said. "Everytime I came to the wall, the noise got louder and louder. It was amazing knowing that you were swimming with 20 people behind you."

As a testament to their team unity, the women marched into Saturday's final day of competition donning personalized team outfits. Their T-shirts were emblazoned with the hip-hop anthem "bling-bling" — a phrase that comes from a song the team listens to frequently and one they associate with their fun-loving attitudes.

"What we talk about a lot is that in the moment of peak performance, you're basically having a party in your swimsuits," Walker said. "It doesn't change whether it's a dual-meet, practice, conference or NCAAs. The 'bling-bling' is all about fun."

The Longhorn men captured the women's energy on their way to steamrolling the competition and setting their own records.

Sophomore Brendan Hansen set a new

Big 12 record in the 200-yard breaststroke, eclipsing the record-mark he set last year. Hansen is also the American- and NCAA-record holder in the same event. Longhorn freshman Rainer Kendrick added to the men's momentum by shattering the previous Big 12 record in the 200-yard butterfly and capturing his second individual Big 12 title.

"I'm still two weeks out, I feel," Hansen said. "Conference last year was two weeks later than this year's. So to be able to capture that record this early, shows that light at the end of the tunnel."

Hansen and Kendrick shared the Big 12 men's swimmer of meet title with teammate, junior Chris Kemp.

Texas men's head coach Eddie Reese said he worried that the road meet would affect his team's performance.

"I talked to them about home-pool advantage," Reese said. "There's a definite advantage having people yell for you. But we like to come here, even though we're great rivals. The A&M crowd really took care of us. When we set records or won events, they applauded."

Reward for missing woman raised to \$50,000

SEARCH, from 1

The appeal for drivers and helpers brought out a diverse gathering of volunteers, who ranged from a trio of black-leather clad, church-going Harley Davidson riders to Cooke's high school friends and people who hadn't known the family but simply wanted to help.

Austin resident Andy Hoover heard of the drive from a friend who worked with Robert Cooke and brought his son along early Saturday morning.

"We just want to help out our neighbors in need here," Hoover said. His route took him to Temple, where he posted fliers for more than six hours.

Many of Cooke's relatives also came out, wearing T-shirts a local printer had donated for the search.

Cooke's family said the past six weeks have been very difficult.

At the beginning of the search, they were optimistic that a private search party, Texas EquuSearch, would find her. But since EquuSearch removed themselves from the search two weeks ago, the family's cautious optimism that Cooke would be found alive turned to the hope of simply learning the details of her disappearance.

"I think we're clinging to the hope that there is a possibility Rachel is still alive and that someone is holding her somewhere for whatever reason," said Elaine Hettnerhausen, Rachel's aunt. "But we do realize

that with each passing day, that hope is fainter and fainter."

While Cooke's parents have slowly but surely resumed a more normal routine over the past few weeks as they start to go back to work, they say their lives will never go back to the way, they were. They need to keep on searching for their loved one, if only to reach some closure, they said.

"Doing projects like Ride for Rachel helps, because I feel like I'm doing something to try to bring her back instead of just sitting around and waiting for a clue," Robert Cooke said. "I'm actually going out there and possibly generating clues."

And he needs to feel like he's doing something — anything to help

find his missing daughter, he said. Since EquuSearch left, a Web site has been set up with information about the search, a billboard was erected in Austin, and the reward has been doubled to \$50,000.

Despite those efforts, however, no clues have been found, and all leads have led nowhere.

But her parents said they won't stop looking until they find her.

"Sometimes part of me thinks she's just in California going to school, and she'll call me up," said Janet Cooke, wearing a gold necklace that says "Mom," which Rachel Cooke gave to her a few years ago. "But it is very real, and until she's home one way or the other I'm not going to stop looking. We can't. No mother could."

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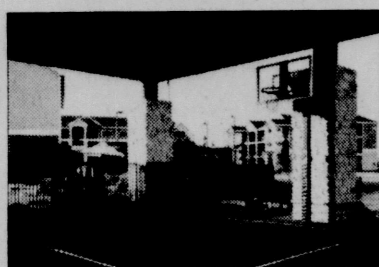
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Astounding indeed, as the price of admission for the event ranged from \$5,000 to \$25,000 and raised \$400,000. The ticket price, obviously brought certain privileges along with it such as the final say in the acquisition of the paintings. Curators were brought from galleries across the nation.

There were two pieces of art in each

of three different categories and the attendees voted on one work from each, Griffin said.

The chosen pieces included: Jacobo da Empl's *Three Marys at the Tomb*, for the European painting category; Rembrandt's *Self Portrait with Barret*, for the print category; and Bill Viola's *Anima*, a video piece voted as the best in the American category. The pieces will all be on display by late spring in the

Art Building at 23rd Street and San Jacinto Boulevard.

Suzanne Goodson, special events manager for Blanton, said the new acquisitions enhance the University because students use the museum collections extensively.

"The collections are used by students more than any other population," she said. "It is used by classes such as humanities, art history and the lan-

guages. The Blanton Museum is one of the best university museum collections in the nation, our Latin American art, in particular."

Hite stressed the emphasis the center places on UT relations.

"Our whole mission focuses around being a teaching center for UT," she said. "We have hired a new person on our staff to design new ways of utilizing our collection for the University."

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Rebels abduct Colombian presidential candidate

By The Associated Press

SAN VICENTE DEL CAGUAN, Colombia — Leftist guerrillas held a presidential candidate hostage Sunday after abducting her at a roadblock as she was driving into a volatile area of southern Colombia where government troops are trying to oust the rebels.

Sen. Ingrid Betancourt, an outspoken critic of the rebels, was being held along with her campaign manager, Clara Rojas, by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC.

Betancourt's campaign spokeswoman, Diana Rodriguez, said the senator's entourage ran into the rebel roadblock Saturday afternoon as they tried to reach San Vicente del Caguan, the main town inside a rebel zone the government began attacking last week.

President Andres Pastrana had ceded the zone to the FARC in 1998 as an incentive to end Colombia's war. He called off peace talks and ordered the army to retake the zone after guerrillas hijacked an airplane and kidnapped another senator Wednesday.

Three men traveling in the same car, including two Colombians and a French photographer on assignment for *Marie Claire* magazine,

were detained for several hours Saturday and released.

French President Jacques Chirac telephoned Pastrana on Sunday to express his "deep concern" over Betancourt's kidnapping. Chirac also spoke by telephone with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan to ask him to try winning her release.

Betancourt is well known in France, where she spent her college years. She married a French diplomat from whom she is now divorced, and she published a best-selling memoir last year in French.

The FARC has not confirmed or denied it has Betancourt. There has been little word from rebel leaders since Pastrana called off negotiations with the 16,000-strong rebel army.

Betancourt's abduction outside the zone underscored how tenuous government control is in southern Colombia as thousands of troops creep slowly into a rebel stronghold of jungle and pasture. Officials say they warned Betancourt not to attempt the trip.

Airstrikes pounded hundreds of rebel targets on the first night of the campaign and troops reached San Vicente del Caguan on Saturday. But thousands of FARC fighters melt-

ed into the nearby countryside, popping out from time to time to set roadblocks.

Troops say they're moving slowly to avoid ambushes and minefields.

On Sunday, the army captured Vista Hermosa and Mesetas in the eastern half of the rebel zone after marching for more than 24 hours.

"They're here! They're here!" residents shouted in Vista Hermosa as 20 heavily armed soldiers began patrolling the streets on a busy market day.

One soldier stood with his assault rifle in front of a yellow billboard with the likeness of Cuban revolutionary Ernesto "Che" Guevara.

Later, army chief Gen. Jorge Mora flew by helicopter into the sweltering town. He assured a crowd of 2,000 residents they would be safe now, saying, "You are Colombians, and you never ceased to be."

Critics had called the rebel haven a quasi-independent guerrilla republic. Many residents now worry they could be seen as traitors for having coexisted so long with the FARC.

Little troop movement was seen in San Vicente del Caguan, the largest of the former rebel-held towns with 22,000 people. Residents

welcomed police after a three-year absence.

"Having the police back is something we've been waiting for. The government never should have left here," said Carlos Tabares, owner of a farming supply store.

News of Betancourt's kidnapping overshadowed the low-intensity ground offensive against the FARC.

Betancourt's mother went on television with an impassioned plea for the rebels to free her daughter, an activist who is near the bottom of presidential polls as the candidate of the "Oxygen-Green" party.

Leading presidential candidates pleaded for Betancourt's release, as did Interior Minister Armando Estrada.

But the government also suggested Betancourt had been "irresponsible" for traveling into the war zone from the southern city of Florencia. In addition to the warning, the military had turned down her requests for ground and air transport to San Vicente.

The crusading, 40-year-old senator, who has railed against corrupt politicians as well as the guerrillas, is known for her brashness.

She was one of four presidential candidates who traveled into guerrilla territory in

February to cajole rebel and government peace negotiators to make progress toward ending the 38-year war. At a round-table with senior guerrilla commanders, she lambasted the FARC for getting involved in the cocaine trade to finance its war.

Her entourage was stopped near the town of Montanitas, about 18 miles east of Florencia, according to Adair Lamprea, a campaign staff member who was one of the three men freed by the rebels. The group was outside the former safe haven at the time and still at least a two-hour drive from San Vicente del Caguan.

The other two men were identified as French photographer Alain Keller and Colombian cameraman Mauricio Mesa, who was working for the campaign.

In a telephone interview with The Associated Press, Lamprea said rebels put two trucks packed with explosives along the highway and had been stopping cars before the senator pulled up. He said the rebels waited for instructions from senior commanders before making off with Betancourt and Rojas.

As she boarded the rebel truck, Lamprea said, "Betancourt appeared strong, just like she always is, but nervous."

Despite scandal and controversy, Olympic games end on high note

By The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — The world came together for fun and games, only to get a big dose of scandal along with it.

The Olympics came to a close Sunday after more than two weeks of memorable performances, Cold War flashbacks and one big controversy over two figure skating gold medals.

On the snow and ice, athletes displayed brilliance and human frailty. Boosted by huge flag-waving crowds, the home team won medals at a rate beyond wildest expectations — and a

black athlete claimed gold for the first time ever at the Winter Games. More than 1.6 million spectators and huge audiences followed the dramatic happenings on NBC.

"The field of play was superb," Salt Lake Olympic chief Mitt Romney said.

Behind the scenes, though, the games couldn't escape controversy, turning ugly at times with accusations of favoritism and influence that belied the notion that 77 countries could come together in harmony.

Protests led to the awarding of a second gold medal in a pairs figure skating scandal that dominated the first week

of the Olympics. Russia was so angry it threatened to pull out of the games in the final days because of decisions that cost the country two possible gold medals.

In addition, discontent among Russian athletes and audiences led President Vladimir Putin to accuse judges of favoring American and Canadian athletes.

Through it all, the 2,526 athletes who came with Olympic-sized dreams were content to perform.

"We are extremely pleased," said International Olympic Committee president Jacques Rogge. "They have done

a superb job. The venues were superb. The crowds were warm and supportive. The athletes were very happy."

American teams entered the games expecting to do well, but they exceeded even the highest expectations. Having never before won more than 13 medals in the Winter Games, American athletes garnered a total of 34 this time around, much to the delight of home fans who braved security checks to pack mountain slopes and city arenas.

Skeleton team member Jimmy Shea slid to gold with his Olympian grandfather's funeral card in his helmet, and teen-ager Sarah Hughes performed gleefully on ice on her way to an improbable gold in figure skating.

Even the biggest scandal would make it hard to forget the snowboard run that made Chris Klug a bronze medalist, 19 months after a liver transplant saved his life. Or the moment when 39-year-old Brian Shimer finally won a bronze medal in bobsledding in his fifth and last Olympics.

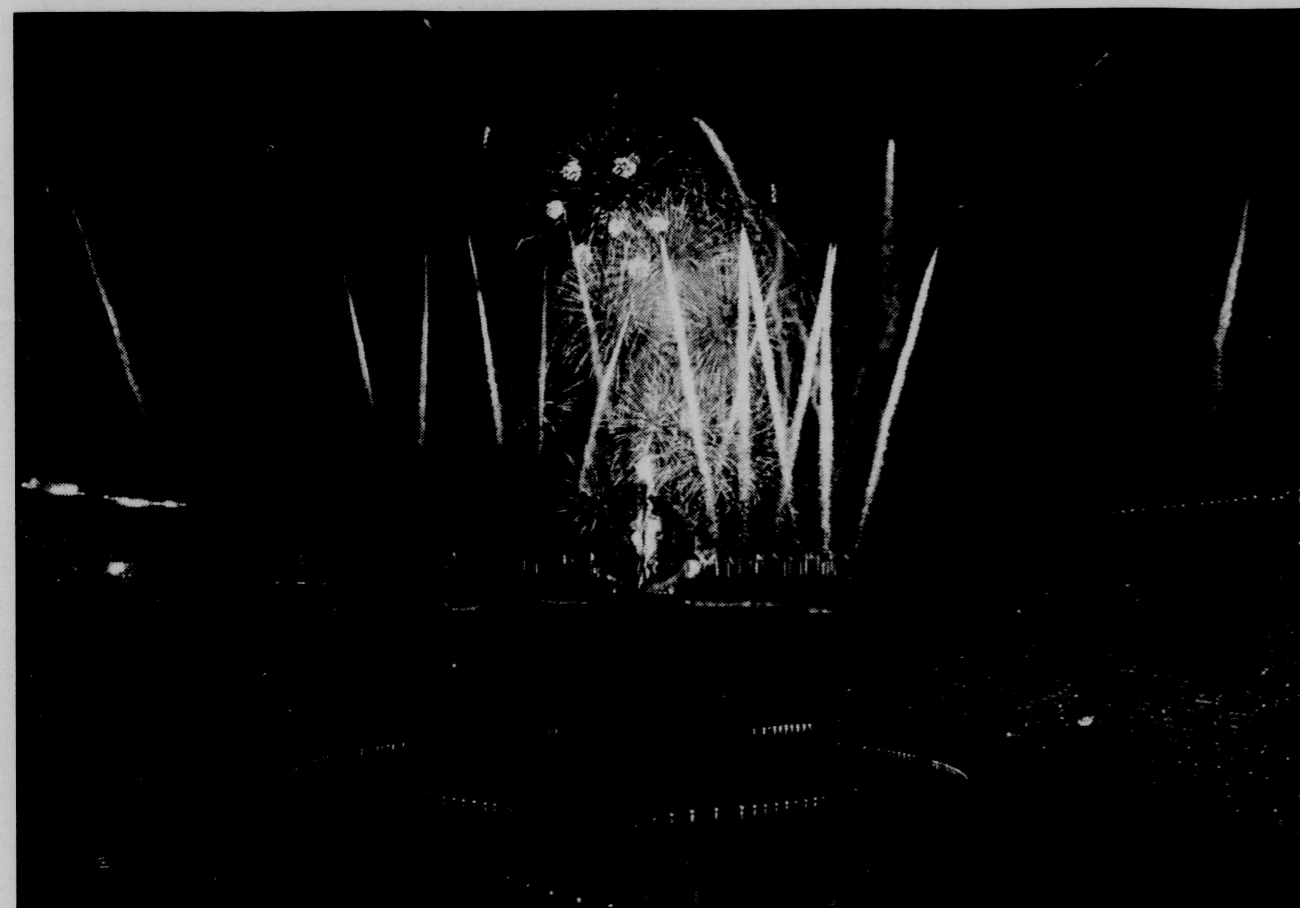
"This is a fairy-tale ending," Shimer said. "Who doesn't like that?"

The Mormon Church kept its pledge to keep missionaries from spreading the word among Olympic visitors. In return it got a public relations bonanza from journalists who found a church that didn't seem as weird as they had believed.

"Some of the misconceptions that people have about the church have made a giant step forward," said M. Russell Ballard, one of the church leaders. "I think that we've made a lot of friends. I hope we have."



American figure skater Michelle Kwan, center, leads other American athletes as they enter the Rice-Eccles Olympic Stadium during the closing ceremony of the XIX Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City Sunday.



Fireworks explode over the Rice-Eccles Olympic Stadium at the start the closing ceremony of the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City Sunday.

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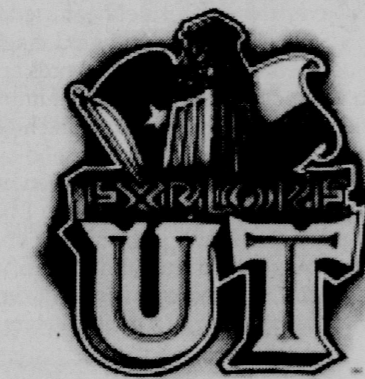
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VIEWPOINT

Texan SG Endorsements

The Student Government elections are a blend of politics, emotion, disdain and enthusiasm found only at the University. Some tirelessly toil for months to craft a message that resonates with the student body — mostly to get dirty looks as they try to give you some information about their candidacy on the West Mall. Others are just in the process for the T-shirts and the social scene.

Regardless of intentions or motivations, the work put into making these elections go smoothly — well, as smooth as any election goes on this campus — is mindboggling. Between slick T-shirts and catchy slogans, the good intentions of many candidates often get lost. Important issues such as a student regent and a stronger presence at the Capitol are all worthwhile goals. How successful SG will be in these endeavors will depend on the organization and leadership of the executive officers.

One of the more depressing aspects of this election was the shocking percentage of campaign funds spent by the tickets on meaningless T-shirts. The Achieve ticket is to be commended for spending the smallest percentage of their money on T-shirts, although \$2,700 on apparel for a campaign still seems somewhat exorbitant.

While the One-Year-At-Large position is very important in terms of representation, *The Daily Texan* ultimately chose not to endorse candidates for this position. Due to the sheer number of candidates and numerous campaigns, the *Texan* will only be endorsing presidential and vice-presidential candidates this election cycle. Nevertheless, we strongly encourage students to find out as much as they can about at-large candidates and those running to represent specific colleges. This will require students to learn more than the standard push-card offers and pinning a candidate down and telling them your concerns. Whether you believe SG is a legitimate voice of students, currently it's the only voice the administration listens to, so it's better to have a strong SG — at least as insurance.

Each candidate for president is immensely qualified and is passionate about representing students. In fact, the depth of experience among the candidates made these endorsements all the more difficult.

Katie King of Achieve has a strong grasp of the need for SG to become a bigger influence at the Capitol. King has a history of leadership on campus and was very professional in her demeanor. The only conceivable drawback to King is that she may be too much of an insider already. However, King seemed genuinely concerned about instigating some change and lending SG some real influence in the Legislature.

Mandy Price of Action brings a youthful energy to the election and has already proven herself to be a leader on campus in her short time here. Price had a healthy skepticism of the student fee and showed a real concern for standing up to the administration when students seem marginalized. Price, like most candidates, was somewhat vague on specific objectives.

Kevin Robnett is very concerned about having SG and the Cabinet of College Councils work more in harmony to present a stronger student voice. If successful, having the two organizations work together would indeed be a boon to any student led initiatives. Whether it will ever happen is another story. Robnett seems almost too focused on the idea of campus life council — a worthy goal but not the most significant.

Sonia Nezamzadeh showed promise in being someone who pays attention to the concerns of those who aren't normally involved with SG. Her enthusiastic concern for the student body will serve her in trying to bring in factions not comfortable with associating with the SG. While a little vague when pressed for specific topics, her passion would move issues along as they arise.

Overall, the Editorial Board felt the vice-presidential candidates had more to offer in the way of concrete ideas. Nada Antoun had an impressive knowledge of the political process of SG and the Texas Legislature. Seth Kovar was the only candidate to address the paramount issue of freedom of speech on campus. Stacy Kounelias was dedicated to bringing often fractious elements of the student body together to work with SG. Travis Hunt was determined to grease the wheels of the legislative system and improve the work ethic within SG.

While you can only vote for one candidate, we feel Antoun and Hunt are equally qualified for the job. Both possess the qualities to be an effective vice president, and we did not feel comfortable selecting one over the other.

Regardless of whether or not you believe SG is legitimate vehicle to represent the students, these elections are important. Currently, SG is the only student organization to which the administration listens. So it's better to have a strong SG than ignore the polls and have a weak one next year. There are some significant issues on the horizon for the University. Standardized testing and the price of higher education are but a few. Take 10 minutes out of your day to learn something about these candidates so that the student body isn't ignored more so than it already is.

President

The *Texan* endorses Katie King of the Achieve ticket.

Vice President

The *Texan* endorses Nada Antoun of the Achieve ticket and Travis Hunt of the Imagine ticket.

U.S. should withdraw from United Nations

By James Watkins
Daily Texan Columnist

At the surface, the United Nations can appear to be a benevolent entity. Representatives of nations should come together and discuss international issues in order to work toward solving the many problems of this world, so having an organization such as the United Nations can seem like a good idea.

However, the perception that many people have of the United Nations is not an accurate one. The United Nations is a fascistic regime and every single American should be united in opposition to this international organization. The United Nations has one goal: complete control over every nation of this world.

The United Nations wants our weapons. They do not just want guns; they want all forms of weapons of mass destruction. In U.S. Department of State Publication 7277 from 1961, it is proposed that the United States and all other nations relinquish their war-making capabilities to the United Nations, so that the United Nations can effectively settle disputes and work toward making this world a peaceful one. The document advocates the use of a U.N. "Peace Force" to maintain order. "As states relinquish their

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arms, the United Nations must be progressively strengthened in order to improve its capacity to assure international security and the peaceful settlement of disputes," says the proposal.

On the United Nation's own Web site, one can find a handbook that explains how to destroy small arms, light weapons, ammunition and explosives. In the foreword to the handbook, Under-Secretary General for Disarmament Affairs Jayantha Dhanapala claims that weapons must be seized and destroyed in order to prevent armed conflicts in the future. It is easy to conclude that the United Nations wants to be the one that confiscates and destroys these weapons.

At first, one might conclude that this proposal makes sense. However, the truth is that if the United Nations gains control of the weapons of this country,

the people of the United States will become the United Nations' slaves. The United Nations would have an enormous power over us, because we would be unable to defend ourselves from those who wish us harm. The reason our Constitution has a Second Amendment is so law-abiding citizens can defend themselves. Not surprisingly, the United Nations does not declare that people have a right to bear arms in its Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Another little-known fact about the United Nations is that they participate with the Chinese government in performing abortions upon women forcibly. China only allows women to bear one child, and those that become pregnant a second time are forced to undergo an abortion. The U.N. Population Fund participates with China in these cruel and

de-humanizing acts. The fund has received tens of millions of dollars of U.S. support in the past. The U.S. government should defund this program now and in the future.

Speaking of abortion, last year the Human Rights Commission of the United Nations petitioned the country of Guatemala to legalize abortion. Guatemalan law prohibits abortion except under extreme circumstances. The United States was recently ejected from the HRC, and Sudan was granted the their former seat. Sudan practices slavery to this day. China, Cuba, Russia, Libya, Syria and Vietnam also hold seats on the HRC. Regardless whether or not abortion should be legal in Guatemala, the HRC has no business telling Guatemala or any other nation what their laws should be.

The United Nations has a set of standards that they want to impose on every nation of this world. The people of this nation must wake up to the fact that the United Nations must be opposed at all costs. The U.S. government should immediately stop funding this organization, and oppose the U.N. efforts to take away the sovereignty of this nation and others throughout the world.

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THE FIRING LINE

Editorial responsibility

In my capacity as a teacher of media studies, a media analyst and a UT alumna, I was appalled to read Monty Markland's column. Known for its liberal campus, UC has traditionally offered offbeat courses such as a firewalking seminar and blues guitar education through its Experimental College program. Markland clearly refuses to acknowledge the possibilities of an education beyond the staid ivory tower curriculum of "traditional" academic courses. While he is certainly entitled to his insular judgements, the cursory research and the mishandled facts in his column reflect poorly on editorial judgement at *The Daily Texan*. Markland quoted facts that he obviously just glanced at on the various Web sites condemning this episode and his neglect of cautious research resounds throughout the column.

On the brighter side, I was reassured of *The Daily Texan's* commitment to hard-hitting journalism by the columns printed in the Feb. 21 edition.

Todd Willis shows exemplary in-depth research and analysis of the Shays-Meehan bill and the driving need for de facto campaign finance reform. The piece on toxic WTC waste by Radhika Mitra is equally commendable in its strong voice against an outrageous policy of environmental dictatorship by the United States.

The editorial page sets the tone for a newspaper's credibility and *The Daily Texan* clearly has a pool of dedicated editorial columnists. Hopefully, they will strive to guard against easy sensationalism and cultivate a lasting credible voice.

Nancy Phuong
Dallas

UT's real 'black' agenda

The University has postured itself as virtually fanatical in its attempt to romance black educators to the University.

"Oh, but there simply are not enough African Americans getting doctorates" was the whine served by President Faulkner at a dinner for student leaders of color last year. Oh, there is too much competition for the few that are qualified. Oh, they just keep going elsewhere.

The same is said when the University is chastised for not reflecting the demographics of the state in its student population. We are told Hopwood is just something that

simply happened to them.

At the same time we bemoan the alleged drought of qualified black candidates, we forget the University's hiring of a white woman with fictitious credentials.

But at some point, the lamentations of the dearth of educated black people must end. At some point, it is necessary to look at the University. At some point, we need to hold the University accountable for what it is unable to achieve.

Kevin Foster, formerly an instructor at the University, was forced to leave after his compelling petitions to be promoted from the deprived designation of temporary professor were thwarted. Foster wanted to stay. He just could no longer afford to. His dignity and pocketbook had suffered enough.

And now Paula Poindexter, a practiced, adept black woman, too has been shorn — first of a place in the administration and now of the ranks of full professorship.

It is not enough to do a little wooing and just get black professors here. It is not enough to take advantage of the depressed numbers of traditionally underrepresented populations. It is not enough to clench to the ideals without maneuvering its reality.

But in this calamitous age of victim blaming, the University abdicates responsibility and faults a situation that simply is untrue.

There are people of color with doctorates. They are just choosing not to come here. And certainly why should they? The University mistreats and neglects the ones they already have.

Shamiso Maswoswe
President, UT chapter, National Association of Black Journalists

A matter of maturity

I'm not the type of person who makes it a point to attack the administration, but in reading Mr. Mathes' quotes (*SG forms regent task force*, Feb. 21) regarding a student on the Board of Regents, I simply cannot help it. To say that among 50,000 students, not one of us "could possibly bring [the requisite] maturity to the board" is fiercely stunning. It's a statement that I feel is either incredibly naive or a deliberate lie. As I read it again and again, I asked, "Are these words actually coming out of his mouth?" It implies that no student is capable of making highly responsible decisions.

Well then, what is the point of even having representation? The more often I hear criticisms that SG can't get anything done, the more I wonder if the administration is letting them? The more I wonder if we're seriously being taken as a political voice? It

invalidates their attempts to hear student concerns because it insinuates that they won't even pay attention to us.

Also, what is the problem with having a "pro-student agenda?" If the board isn't designed to look out for the best interests of the students first, then it has no business being there. We are what the University is designed for. If we were all responsible enough to be accepted into this highly-acclaimed university, then there must be at least one student who has enough maturity to represent us. Otherwise, this institution is just discrediting itself, and that doesn't attract prospective students.

Connor McGee
Government sophomore

Columns in contention

The latest articles by Todd Willis (*Shays-Meehan muzzles candidates*, Feb. 21) and Radika Mitra (*Toxic WTC wastes get dumped on Asian countries*, Feb. 21), served no effective purpose whatsoever.

Willis writes about the loopholes of the Shays-Meehan bill, a topic that has been written about in so many columns by national columnists that it definitely did not merit sudden focus in your current edition. It brought absolutely nothing new to the table. Perhaps Willis wanted to give us all a legislative lesson in campaign finance reform because the only visible purpose of the column was the painstaking detailing of the bills and provisos. In which case, why was the piece pretending to be an opinion piece? Mr. Willis, old facts and worn out viewpoints can hardly pass off as an effective editorial to the discerning reader.

Mitra's column loses its effectiveness in the exact opposite manner. The subject matter is new and revelatory no doubt. It's the type of news that the self-serving U.S. media conceals from the public and hence it is promising that a student journalist has tried to investigate and expose a low key issue. But what was the purpose of the piece? It pointed fingers at the United States when the United States is certainly not the only accused in the story. The greatest onus of the blame must fall on the Asians who are willing to grab any amount and any kind of western export as long as the dollars keep rolling in to fluff their weak economies. Mitra misses that point entirely.

Matt Perez
Austin

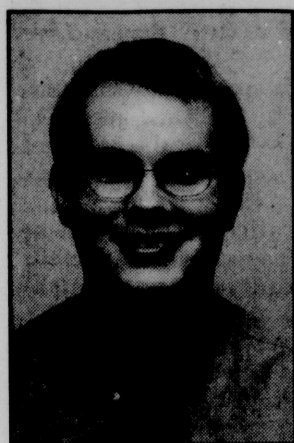
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Platform Statements for Editor and Board Candidates

Texas Student Publications

Daily Texan Editor



Jesse E. Harris

For the last two years, *The Daily Texan* has been my home. I see my managing editor more than I see my mom. I spend more time eating in the *Texan* office than I do in front of my television at home. I came to the basement five days after graduating high school to sign up for tryouts. In the nearly two years since that day, I have had an experience in every editorial department at the *Texan*.

The bulk of my experience has been in production. I initially worked as a makeup editor but soon began working on the copy desk and then in the graphics department. This summer, I worked as design editor three days a week and as a general reporter on my two days off, culminating in a three-part enterprise series — the only series to run during the semester. I've written for the Focus and Entertainment departments,

worked with the Sports department to produce sports features and design packages, and worked with the Editorial department on several in-depth issues. As associate managing editor last fall, I helped oversee the production of the entire newspaper. This semester, as art director, I supervise the visual elements of the paper: photo, graphics, news and design, while working with every department to make sure the paper is doing all it can to serve its readers.

I believe that my experience qualifies me for the position — and I believe my goals for what the *Texan* can become make me the right choice.

The *Texan* has enjoyed a long tradition of excellence. I hope to continue in the successes of the past, and will make it my goal to build on them. My broad base of experience will allow me to work closely with the managing editor to lead the paper to even greater accomplishments.

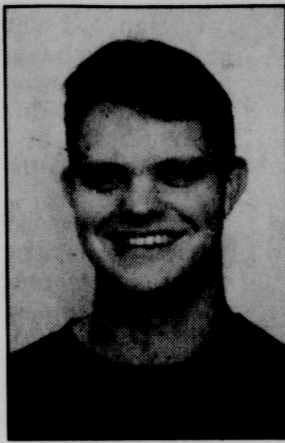
Among my goals for the position of editor are:

1. Making the Opinion page accessible to more students and covering a broader variety of issues, while balancing the role of the *Texan* as a watchdog over the University with its responsibility to its readers by:
 - writing editorials that reflect *Texan* news coverage;
 - focusing on issues relevant to students, faculty and staff;
 - redesigning the page; and
 - introducing a weekly humor column.
2. Committing to cultural diversity and minority representation both in news coverage and in the makeup of our staff
3. Reaching out to the community by organizing monthly meetings between the *Texan* Editorial Board and campus leaders, students, faculty and staff
4. An increased partnership with the managing editor and news staff to ensure news and editorial coverage match up.

These are my goals. But I am a firm believer that the *Texan* should be the voice of all students at the University. So I encourage you, the student body, to take an active role in your newspaper by telling me what you would like to see in the *Texan*. Please visit my Web site at www.votejesse.com and tell me how your newspaper can better serve the student body.

Most importantly, I encourage you to vote. With recent allegations that students are being left out of administrative decisions at the University, it is imperative that you use your voice — your vote — to its fullest capacity. See you on the campaign trail. Texas Fight!

Daily Texan Editor



Jason Hunter

I have been actively involved in journalism for nearly five years. In that time, I have experienced the small-town flavor of a low-power radio station, written news and typed obituaries for a community newspaper near Dallas, and contributed heavily to *The Daily Texan*. This array of experience has allowed me a perspective on journalism that qualifies me to act as editor of the newspaper and implement a variety of plans to make the *Texan* a visible player in the University community.

One aspect of the newspaper that I would emphasize if elected editor would be an increase in in-depth stories on the University and the city of Austin. The economic realities of our current times have limited the length of newspapers that are printed. We must utilize our space in the best way possible to bring informative and insightful information to our readers. Every resource at our disposal must be used to its fullest potential, especially the documents that can be obtained through the Freedom of Information Act.

A complaint that the *Texan* — and the media as a whole — hears often is that there is a lack of diversity and perspective on the staff of the *Texan*. If elected editor, I will spearhead a push to add as many perspectives as possible to the newsroom. The *Texan* must reach out to the University community; we cannot wait for them to come to us. Representatives from the *Texan* should reach out beyond the College of Communication and the basement. We must go to the student groups and spread recruiting information all over campus. There should be as many tryout flyers up in Robert Lee Moore Hall as there are in the Jesse H. Jones Communication Center.

Having worked in a variety of media both on- and off-campus, I have noticed the overlap between them. If elected editor, I will make it a goal to promote unity under the TSP umbrella. KVRX, KVR-TV, the *Texan*, and the *Cactus* should not compete but rather share resources. The professional media is full of examples of newspapers working with affiliated television and radio stations. TSP is providing a disservice to its volunteers and employees if this reality is not recognized and student journalists are not given a chance to experience first-hand the new era of the hybridization of media.

Finally, I would like to propose that the *Texan* become involved in the community surrounding the campus. Many working at the *Texan* come from white, suburban backgrounds and have had little contact with the urban world that lies a few blocks to the east of Interstate 35. I have worked as a substitute teacher in the Austin Independent School District for nearly a year now, and the experience has left an indelible impression on my perspective of the world. I propose that the *Texan* reaches out to schools to provide much-needed positive role models. A simple gesture of taking an hour to speak to a journalism class or allowing students to tour the *Texan* as a reward could go miles in shaping the life of a child.

These are my plans for the *Texan* as the newspaper moves on in its second century.

TSP Board, Place 1 (unexpired term)



Laura Cruzada

What is the definition of a good student? Is it someone who has a perfect GPA? Is it someone who solemnly devotes his time into his education to reap the fruits of his labor one day? That is not my definition of a student. With a population spilling over 50,000, being a good student at the University of Texas is more than just going to class. It is experiencing the true life and dynamic relationships that surround our

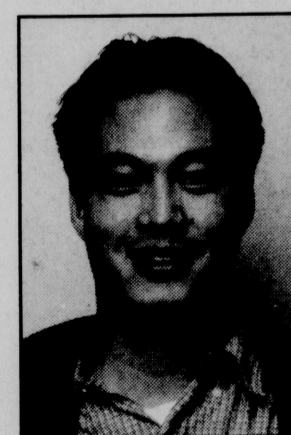
University. It is taking advantage of the diverse and rich environment that exists as our society.

I define myself and revolve my life around the relationships and experiences that take place here at the University. Building more relationships is my mission. Maintaining those relationships is my challenge. The Texas Student Publications Board is my next target.

The relationships I will build on the board are parallel to relationships I will experience in my future career in public relations. These are relationships between the students (the public), the media industry (the organization) and, of course, the board (the decision makers).

So you see, my excitement does not stem from the leadership nature of this position or from the opportunity of putting this on my resume. My excitement is a manifestation of the goals that define me.

TSP Board, Place 4



Jonathan C. Lee

Howdy! My name is Jonathan Lee, and I'm running for an at-large position on the Texas Student Publications Board of Operating Trustees. I have previous experience as an employee of the Texas Student Publications as a general news reporter for *The Daily Texan* in the spring semester of 1997. I have met many dignitaries, including Sen. Hillary Clinton, the U.S. senators of Texas (Hutchison and Gramm), former UT chancellor William Cunningham and various state representatives and senators. I am currently a government senior in the College of Liberal Arts, but will be completing a second major in economics in about two years. During my collegiate career, I have been involved in many leadership, campus, community, and educational programs. My previous involvement includes Student Government, Texas Union committee, and various leadership programs sponsored by the Office

of the Dean of Students. In Student Government, I have previously been involved with the Freshman Leadership Organization, Legislative Relations Agency, University Policy Committee and Student Services Committee. Student activities that I currently am involved with or previously have been involved with include: University Flying Club, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, University Council of Student Organization, Greek Impact, Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity, Greek Week, Project ReachOut, Longhorn Skiers, University Ski Club, Longhorn Linebackers and Longhorn Singers. Some personal projects that I'm currently working on include the establishment of the Texas Inter-Greek Association, the establishment of the Texas Leadership Institute, and the reorganization of the University Council of Student Organizations. Recently, I was selected as a torchbearer for the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Olympics for my dedication to the campus and community. "Jonathan has been involved in the community for many years. He has participated and often organized numerous charity, community, and educational programs. He encouraged others to be involved. He has inspired many by example and by his optimism. Often unrecognized, his participation and enthusiasm has encouraged many others to better themselves and the community. He is respected for his continuous dedication and personal sacrifices to improve the community."

My overall goal as a student leader at this University has been to promote services to better reach out to both students and student organizations. In addition, I have experience in being creative in developing ideas to better finance organizations.

If I could vision one major change to the Texas Student Publications, I would like to see *The Daily Texan* to have a special weekly section dedicated to the student organizations.

In addition to my experience as a reporter of *The Daily Texan*, I have an understanding of the role of the Texas Student Publications overseeing the student newspaper (*Daily Texan*), humor magazine (*Texas Travesty*), radio (KVRX), and television (KVR-TV). I am a strong advocate for the freedom of the press. I have experience in being creative in finding ways to keep cost down or bring in more revenue to fund new ideas. I am the best candidate with a true vision of reaching out to students, have the best experience in connecting with the campus and surrounding community, and have the best understanding of the needs of the student body.

TSP Board, Place 1 (unexpired term)

Jim Dallas

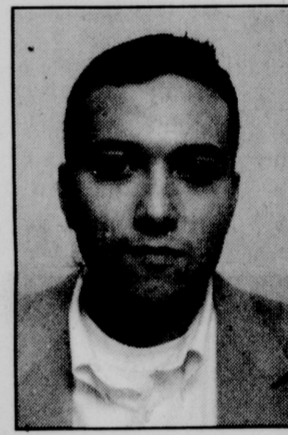
I gained tremendous respect for *The Daily Texan* as an institution as well as for *Texan* staffers while working in the *Texan* basement. Our paper is one of the most well-respected student publications in the country, and it is also one of the best educational experiences as the University of Texas. Like all of our student publications, it is something to be proud of.

Recent budget problems, created primarily by the nationwide economic slump, have made the TSP Board somewhat hesitant to allocate money to create jobs for interested students. As a permanent staff member, I was deeply saddened last semester that we were forced to regularly send home talented page designers due to a lack of funding. While tough times necessitate shared sacrifice, I strongly believe that protecting educational opportunity (as well as economic security) for students must be the first and most important goal of the board.

Furthermore, I agree strongly with many *Texan* employees that the board should spend more time re-evaluating the wisdom of making the *Texan* editor an elected position. At the same time, however, I understand that many students and faculty members at the University (and especially in the College of Communication) are skeptical of giving up on this time-honored tradition. Accordingly, I would like the opportunity to play a role in forging a compromise that will further the independence and journalistic integrity of *The Daily Texan*.

While I do not claim to have all the answers, I feel my experience on the receiving end of TSP Board policy allows me to see things in important and different ways that can and must be represented on the Board. (Photo unavailable)

TSP Board, Place 1 (unexpired term)



Sergio Chapa

I hope that Texas Student Publications will consider my application as a candidate for the Texas Student Publications Board of Operating Trustees Student Member from the College of Communication.

I feel that I am a qualified candidate: I have worked at two newspapers and a television station in the private sector. I have also seen the business side and creative sides of TSP — having worked at *The Daily Texan* and KVRX.

Readers should know about the great effort it takes to get the *Texan* from the newsroom to the newsstand every morning before 8 a.m. classes. Too often the dedication, skills and determination of TSP staff go unrecognized, so here goes an attempt to get their names printed in the *Texan* (for the first time?):

Angie Lombardo (the coolest boss and inserting machine wizard), Marvin O'Neal and Dale "Beaver" Loyd (they know the quirky *Texan* printing press better than most people know their mothers), Art Villanueva (who some nights it seemed heroically delivered all 25,000 copies of the *Texan* by himself), Dave Hermann (the king of composing), and Richard Fennell (is there anything he doesn't know about?). I was lucky to work and learn from these people for almost three years.

Sure, there were many nights when it seemed that the *Texan* would not make it to the newsstands on time. But thanks to determination, great feats of improvisation, and an unbroken spirit of teamwork between these people, the *Texan* came out every morning and everyone breathed a great sigh of relief when the last delivery truck left the loading area.

There were also some nights I wrote an article for the *Texan*, went home, had dinner or went out with friends, and then came back to work on the printing press, watching 20,000 copies of the article wizz by me on the press. Not many *Texan* staffers claim that.

I believe that my time at TSP has been quite rewarding and also allowed me to meet some of the best friends I have ever known in my whole life. I would like to see this tradition to continue for other students as well.

Thank you for your consideration.

Texas Student Publications

TSP Board, Places 2 & 3



Coleman Lewis

I am writing in interest of joining the Texas Student Publications Board. I have wanted to become involved with Texas publications for some time and believe this is the best opportunity. My belief is that the publications serve to provide the student body and community with information on issues around campus and the world that have an impact on our lives. I would like to

see each publication grow in the next few years and become more self sufficient in the way they are financed. I believe this can be achieved through better and more rigorous advertising incentives. It is in the best interest of the students and the University of Texas to have strong publications that provide mediums in which we can all speak and be heard freely about any interest and issues that may arise, pertinent to everyone. These issues between students and the administration would not be heard and discussed without the publications that have served this University for so long. In order to do so, it would seem best that they be able to control their own financial destinies. I am also interested in seeing the newspaper continue developing into the best daily college paper in the nation through expansion and objective, open-minded reports. I am seeking a position on the board to uphold these principles and to provide an unbiased voice for all students on the board.

TSP Board, Places 2 & 3



Brian J. Ferguson

This serves as my letter of intent. I am a team player — go Horns!

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Election board ends financial disclosure dispute

By Courtney Morris
Daily Texan Staff

A financial disclosure dispute between Student Government election campaigns ended Sunday after the Election Supervisory Board ruled that the One campaign's violations of the Election Code didn't warrant reprisal.

The board held three votes at the hearing. The first vote determined that the campaign's failure to disclose its T-shirt and banner expenditures didn't violate the SG Election Code. However, the ESB did rule that the campaign's failure to disclose its Web-site expenditure, which occurred prior to the campaign kickoff, constituted a violation. The third vote determined that the One campaign would not be punished for the Web-site violation.

Kevin Robnett, the One campaign's presidential candidate, said the verdict was fair to the One ticket and took into account the extenuating circumstances the campaign had encountered.

One campaign members said they had difficulty getting an invoice from the company that sold them the shirts and had purchased banners and handbills in bulk from a printing company. Because of that, they said could not disclose the expenditures since they did not know the price of the shirts and had not yet paid for the banners, Robnett said.

Nathan Brown, ESB chairman, knew of One's situation and had advised the campaign to file all its expenditures as soon as possible. Therefore, the board ruled, the

campaign had not violated the election code. The campaign's failure to file the cost of their Web site, however, did constitute a violation, but didn't merit punishment.

One filed all of its expenditures, which are available to the public, last Friday at 4:20 p.m.

But Matt Mackowiak, Achieve campaign manager, said the filing was done in an untimely manner and was unfair to the three other campaigns.

"It's unbelievable that [One] could not file at 4:30 [Feb. 13] like every other campaign did," Mackowiak said. "When three of the campaigns are playing by the rules and disclosing everything as they're supposed to, when one specific campaign doesn't, there is an unfair advantage."

But Ben Brummett, financial adviser for the One campaign, said the campaign was never misleading in its dealings and hasn't harmed the other campaigns.

"One didn't do anything wrong, that's my point," Brummett said. "It's not our intention to trick anyone or pull a fast one on anyone."

Andrew Friedberg, ESB member, said the fact that only the Achieve ticket filed a complaint showed that the other tickets had not been harmed by One's failure to disclose its expenditures.

"We followed the rules as best as we understood them," Robnett said. "Their assessment of our situation is fair because the number one thing for us is keeping the integrity of our campaign for our candi-

dates. I feel like we've done that and we done that all along."

But the Achieve campaign expressed displeasure with the ESB's verdict and intends to appeal the decision with the Student Government Judicial Commission, Mackowiak said.

"Finding them guilty of a portion of the complaint is absolutely insufficient and finding them guilty and not punishing them is absolutely insufficient," Mackowiak said. "We feel that the board unfairly and unduly held proceedings here without regard for standard judicial practices. We're absolutely unsatisfied with the results, and we will be appealing."

SWT regents postpone vote on possible name change

By Patrick Hotze
Daily Texan Staff

The Southwest Texas State University Board of Regents voted unanimously Friday to postpone their decision on whether the university would change its name to Texas State University until a future SWT president takes office.

The name change has been widely discussed since current SWT President Jerome Supple proposed it in October and has generated mixed opinions. The Friday vote was the first time the regents considered the issue.

The proposed name change would be the fifth for the 103-year-old university.

Mark Hendricks, spokesman for SWT, said the regents thought it best to postpone their vote considering that Supple — the change's biggest advocate — will resign on Aug. 31, 2002.

"President Supple has done a great deal of research on the name change, and found that the majority of people living outside the state of Texas are not familiar with our university," Hendricks said. "We feel [the] name change will be advantageous for our university when recruiting prospective students and it will also be beneficial to our graduates to have a more distinguished name when interviewing for jobs."

The regents voted to postpone the decision, because they did not feel it would be right to burden Supple's successor with a name change immediately upon his or her arrival to the university, Hendricks said.

A statement released by the university last week

outlined views for and against the name change to educate students unfamiliar with the issue. Arguments for the name change included increased prestige to the university because the "southwest" sounded rural and inconsequential. However, a new name could decrease donations from alumni who graduated from SWT and would feel no connection to the university with a different name.

Kristine Walsh, a SWT interior design senior, said the name change would be good for the university, because many people confuse it with other universities with similar names.

"It seems there has been a number of times when I have had to pull out a map to show people where I go to school," Walsh said. "There is a great deal of confusion with other universities such as Southwestern or Texas Southern. I think a name change would help clarify which university was being talked about."

James Weaver, a UT government senior, said he thought the change could be risky for SWT.

"I don't think people decide on a university based on whether or not the name has a ring to it, and if they do, their priorities aren't in the right place," Weaver said.

If the regents had decided to change the name, it would have taken effect on Sept. 1, 2003. Students graduating after that date would receive diplomas from Texas State University even if they enrolled in the university when it was still Southwest Texas State University.

ANYONE'S GAME



Winston Goertz-Giffen, left, and Dirk Schmidt play chess on the West Mall Sunday afternoon. They said many people enjoy playing chess in public spaces.

Luciana Castro/
Daily Texan Staff

Faulkner, government professor speak at UT Memorial Lecture

By Peter Walker
Daily Texan Staff

UT President Larry Faulkner discussed the University's need for more funding from the Texas Legislature and UT government professor Walter Burnham discussed the Republican Party's domination of state and national politics at the V.O. Key Jr. Memorial Lecture Friday.

Faulkner used the lecture, which commemorates the life of one of the Department of Government's most distinguished graduates, to discuss the financial challenges facing the University.

Faulkner said he is wary of the Texas Legislature possibly reallocating millions of dollars of "excellence funding" from the University to other state schools such as the University of Houston and Texas Tech University. Faulkner testified on that same subject before a legislative committee on higher education funding last Thursday.

"It's a classic issue of configuring public resources to public ends in a situation where the goals are not clear," Faulkner said.

Faulkner added that the issue of supporting Texas higher education in the national arena is complicated by the "tremendous regionalism in this state."

"Texas is trying to put all of this together and find ways to build strength in other places, and what we're trying to do is keep them from taking us and Texas A&M apart while doing it," he said.

For the state to develop four or five nationally competitive universities, it would need to lay out a plan and stand by it for

several decades, Faulkner said.

"Statements like, 'They should all be flagships,' are unrealistic. We know that won't happen," he said.

After Faulkner's keynote address, Burnham delivered a lecture on the future of politics in the United States. Burnham said he expects the rest of the decade to be marked by Republican dominance in both national and state politics.

"The age of Lyndon Johnson is indeed as far back as the age of Abe Lincoln," he said, commenting on the decreased power the Democratic Party now has in the state.

Burnham also offered his prediction for the next presidential election.

"In 2004, Bush will not lose, barring disaster," he said.

V.O. Key Jr. earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in 1929 and 1930 from the UT Department of Government. His essay, "A Theory of Critical Elections," spawned volumes of literature in the area of voting and election theory. It remains one of the most widely read essays in the field.

Mujibur Rehman Sheikh, a government graduate student, helped organize the lecture.

"I encourage the University to establish V.O. Key Memorial Lecture series in years to come to commemorate the government department's greatest graduate," Rehman said.

Rehman added that the lecture series could act as a source of inspiration to UT government students, especially those from other parts of the world.

"If the department and administration develop it, it could become a premier intellectual event," Rehman said.

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UNIVERSITY CO-OP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Candidates • Student Election Platform

		Personal Qualifications	Personal Statement	Goals & Objectives
Julie Anne Wagner place #1		EDUCATION • BA from University of Dallas in Philosophy • MBA, University of Dallas, Business Management • 1st year Law Student at UT SKILLS • Leadership, negotiations, procedure development, financial and performance evaluations, training, effective communications, team building. EXPERIENCE • Director, Contracts & Bus. Relations for Intecom, Inc. • Manager, Contract Administration & Planning for Weblink Wireless	I feel my unique business skills will enhance the student representative's opportunity to make a positive impact. My years of experience dealing with upper level executives and board members ranging from companies to city councils and my also being a first year law student, puts me in a unique position to be a great candidate to represent the UT student body. My educational background including my MBA will also assist in my ability to quickly and correctly assess business challenges and make positive recommendations on how to deal with these challenges without negatively affecting the UT student body.	1) Encourage the documentation of buyback policies for textbooks and the distribution of such at the point of sale 2) Encourage the electronic tracking of student purchases, eliminating the need for student receipts for returns or rebates 3) Communicate the activities of the Board back to the student body as appropriate in order to encourage student input into the various areas of Board influence 4) Correctly assess challenges and offer experienced and constructive input into the resolution of issues 5) Communicate the needs and desires of the student body effectively to the Board of Directors
Brian J. Ferguson place #2		EDUCATION • Senior in PPA Accounting • Fall of 2002 will be in Law School SKILLS • Public accounting & auditing • I can pour concrete • Leadership skills EXPERIENCE • TX Union Board of Directors, member and vice chair • Sigma Phi Epsilon, VP • TX Blazers • Election Supervisor Board Chairman • Independent Audit Association	I think the Co-op is a well managed enterprise that supports the University and sells cool Horn's gear. I want to help the Co-op continue its tradition.	1) Work with the Co-op directors to continue providing great Horn's gear 2) Continue support for UT programs with excess Co-op revenues
Drew Gressett place #3		EDUCATION • College of Education, Sports Management Major SKILLS • Organized • Hard-working • Time management leadership EXPERIENCE • Member, Athletes in Action • Member, Men's Basketball 2 years • Independent Audit Association	I want to be part of the continued excellence and tradition that the University Co-op has provided students and fans for so many years.	1) Continue to provide excellent leadership from Student Reps 2) Continue tradition of excellence at University Co-op
Mickey Baden place #4		EDUCATION • Sophomore, Liberal Arts History SKILLS • Committed to achievement, leadership experience, decisiveness • Logical & reasonable individual EXPERIENCE • Attended National Youth Leadership Conference in Washington D.C.	As a student representative on the Board of Directors, I will pursue the interests of the student body. I will use my liberal arts education to make rational and essential decisions on how the Co-op Society allots its monies. I will pay specific attention to book prices, rebates and student organizations.	1) Improve the book ordering system, making sure that the Co-op has your book when YOU need it 2) Provide students with advance knowledge of buyback prices 3) Push for a change to an electronic rebate system, ensuring all students receive what they are entitled to, and to help increase the speed of return 4) Increase student awareness of the opportunities and services provided by the Co-op 5) Increase the number of cashiers during peak purchase and return times
Kirby Allison place #5		EDUCATION • Business School: Pursuing a dual-degree in Finance and Economics SKILLS • Excellent decision making skills • Strong speaking ability • Organized EXPERIENCE • Worked for a Financial Planning firm for over two years • Mentored with Fortune 500 company • Involved in many UT student organizations • Marketing experience	Almost every single student at UT interacts with the Co-op and will probably, at least once, become frustrated doing so. I want to enhance this experience for YOU! As a Co-op Director, I will work hard to make the Co-op more accommodating of YOU while improving its services. My drive and determination to make the Co-op a better place for students will enable me as a director to make improvements that benefit YOU.	1) Increase communication between Co-op and Professors to minimize money lost by YOU from buybacks! 2) Make the Co-op more accommodating of YOU! 3) Put Co-op profits in YOUR pocket by increasing yearly refund 4) Make the Co-op more active in YOUR organization
John Broussard place #6		EDUCATION • Notre Dame with BA in Economics & Computer Applications • University of TX, Law JD in 2004 EXPERIENCE • Worked 2 years at Hewitt Associates in The Woodlands as a computer programmer • Played varsity baseball at Notre Dame • Volunteered as a Junior Achievement Instructor for one year	As a member of the board, I will commit to upholding the nonprofit mission of the Co-op while expanding the quantity and quality of goods, services, and opportunities that the Co-op provides for the University community. I will protect undergraduate and graduate students' interests when making decisions on the direction and policies of the Co-op.	1) Streamline the web, enabling the rebate process 2) Push for more student-friendly store hours, especially at the beginning of the semester 3) Make book buying on the internet more user-friendly 4) Enforce fair pricing and buyback policies 5) Uphold the nonprofit mission of the Co-op
Eric C. Vornsand place #7		EDUCATION • University of Texas, Engineering SKILLS • Word processing skills • Clerical skills • Basic knowledge of C++ computer programming • Basic knowledge of Spanish EXPERIENCE • Ferguson, Inc. • Department of Human Services	As a member of the University Co-op Board of Directors, I would work to ensure fair business practices, as well as maintaining or improving the quality, quantity, and cost of the goods sold at the Co-op, in order to better serve the student body.	1) To continue to increase the diversity of goods and services rendered by the Co-op 2) To increase the number of Co-op sponsored events 3) To maintain or reduce prices at the Co-op
Liesl Shang place #8		EDUCATION • Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration • Bachelor of Arts Finance • Plan II SKILLS • Team player • Group decision making experience • Finance and Accounting background EXPERIENCE • Undergraduate Real Estate Society, President Pro-tem • Philanthropy Chair, Honors Business Association • Co-Founder, Cooking Works • Plan II Good Society • Intern, real estate development/investment company	The Co-op Board of Directors is responsible for shaping a Co-op that maximizes service to its customers. I am dedicated to serving my fellow students in this capacity. Committed to adding value to the current decision-making team, I will bring responsibility and accountability to the Board. I will bring an informed student's perspective to the Co-op Board. I will carefully examine management decisions and financial statements to maximize the capacity in which the Co-op serves UT students.	1) Serve in the best interests of UT students by maximizing Co-op resources 2) Utilize accounting and business skills to increase Co-op's effectiveness in serving students 3) Provide and informed student's perspective on Co-op's funding for clubs 4) Understand the reasons behind Co-op management's decisions and inform fellow students of them 5) Add value to the current Co-op Board through my analytical and teamwork skills
Stacy Hays place #9		EDUCATION • University of Texas, BBA • UT Law School, currently enrolled SKILLS • Organization • Communication • Leadership • Assertiveness • Creativity • Attention to detail • Collaborate with peers and supervisors EXPERIENCE • University Co-op, past Student Board Member • Law Student Recruitment & Orientation Committee • UT Orientation Advisor • UT BHP, Director of External Affairs • Gamma Phi Alpha, Vice President	As a student director on the University Co-op Board, I will work hard to represent the student body. I believe it is important for student directors to communicate the concerns of the students to the rest of the Board, even if they contradict their own. I want to encourage students from every college and major to contact me and make me aware of their needs. I want the entire campus to have the opportunity to be heard and look forward to working towards what is best for the entire student body and the University Co-op.	1) Be the voice of the student body, bringing your concerns to other board members for serious consideration 2) Be a resource to students interested in learning more about how they can benefit from the services the Co-op provides 3) Be open to ideas, questions, suggestions and concerns of the student body 4) Maximize the benefits students receive from the Co-op 5) Help faculty directors understand the students' perspectives
Jamie Thomas Hall place #10		EDUCATION • University of Texas, BJ/BA 2001 • UT School of Law, JD expected May 2004 SKILLS • Researching • Writing • Analyzing skills obtained through experience as a journalist and law student EXPERIENCE • Past Co-op work experience • First hand knowledge of basic operations of the Co-op • First year law student with experience in non-profit corporations • Office Manager, 2 years	As both an undergraduate and graduate student at UT, I have experienced the trials and turmoils that the "book buying" process can bring. I hope to return more money to students each year by increasing rebate percentage. I hope to lower the students burden in fees at UT by giving larger donations to the University to fund building infrastructure.	1) Boost annual rebate from 10% to 11% 2) Increase awareness of the rebate program through campus-wide awareness campaign 3) Target Co-op monetary gifts to UT upgrade of campus buildings, reducing student fee burden 4) A return to the "half back" book buying program 5) Encourage & upgrade on-line book buying programs
Omead Adib place #11		EDUCATION • Business Honors Program, Finance Major SKILLS • Making executive decisions • Negotiating • Planning strategic business operations • Analyzing financial activities • Leading organizations EXPERIENCE • Net Impact, President • Undergraduate Business Council • Phi Chi Theta, Pledge Class Financial VP • Member, Honors Business Program, UT Finance Association ALD/PES, Texas Exes Student Chapter	I am capable and enthusiastic to serve as a director for the University Co-op Board. Having served as President of Net Impact, I will do everything within my power to guarantee that each of the Co-op's decisions are made in order to benefit the community as a whole. Help me help you create a better relationship between the Co-op and UT students & faculty.	1) Help me help you get more rebate money back 2) Help me help you create a more efficient Co-op 3) Help me help you improve textbook pick-up 4) Help me help you increase donations to student organizations 5) Help me help you have a University Co-op that works for you!
Trenton W. Engledow place #12		EDUCATION • Liberal Arts sophomore SKILLS • Good communication skills • Team player • Good head for business EXPERIENCE • Worked in family business • Banking industry, employed as a teller • Currently working for a Senator at the State Capitol	Growing up in a business atmosphere, I have learned how to handle relationships with people in the business world. I would most definitely be an asset to the University Co-op.	1) Re-evaluate the textbook pricing and buyback system 2) Promote more efficient business operations 3) Enhance customer service
Clint Wood place #13		EDUCATION • Representing School of Liberal Arts, dual major, Junior, Plan II Business EXPERIENCE • Varied business experience • Active in several organizations on campus	Although the Co-op is a business, it should not exploit students but use its resources to the advantage of the greatest number of students. The Co-op does this by providing grants to university programs and rebates on purchases. I will work to increase these programs and develop new ways to help our customers...the student. Please read my objectives listed to the right.	1) Ensure book prices are fair market prices and Co-op does not take advantage of its monopolistic position 2) Ensure Co-op grants benefit the largest number of students possible 3) Maximize the student rebate and buyback prices 4) Streamline online ordering and pickup procedure 5) Be open to all suggestions from students and serve the students' interests
David Lanier place #14		EDUCATION • Business School, majoring in Engineering Route to Business SKILLS • I know how to get things done efficiently! EXPERIENCE • Human Resource Recruiter for UPS • Variety of sales experience	Like many students, I have found textbooks to be quite expensive! Every year there seems to be more to buy and at higher prices. I believe there are ways to make them affordable for everyone—especially for those students who have other financial needs. My intentions are to explore every possible way of making this happen whether elected or not!	1) Affordable textbooks 2) Discount programs for students with financial needs 3) Incentives for academic achievement and community involvement 4) Buyback programs with the student in mind
Edward D. Doan place #15		EDUCATION • College of Engineering SKILLS • Technical team management • Leadership development • Public speaking • Microsoft Office certified EXPERIENCE • Software Engineer, White Rock Networks • Network Administrator, Verizon • Resource Chair, Vietnamese Student Association • Director of Corporate Relations, Freshman Engineering Association • Member, Student Engineering Council	You own the University Co-op, just as I own it. We are all stakeholders. As a resource to all members of the University of Texas at Austin community, the University Co-op should be a dynamic and competitive non-profit business focused on excellence in customer service. I believe I can make a difference for every individual at UT by increasing the utility and value offered by our University Co-op.	1) To ensure all customers receive the best level of customer service 2) To create a more individual customer experience by utilizing the internet 3) To position the Co-op as a compelling resource for student needs 4) To widen the Co-op's philanthropic involvement in the community
Jonathan C. Lee place #16		EDUCATION • Liberal Arts candidate • Former Engineering student • Government & Economics Senior with Business Foundations • Planning to pursue Elements of Computer SKILLS • Strength in business management • Communication skills • Leadership experience EXPERIENCE • University Council of Student Organizations, past President • Student Government, Legislative Relations, Shuttle Bus Committee, University Policy, Student Services • Founded 2 internet companies, served as Corporate Officer for 3 international corporations	My overall goal as a student leader at UT has been to promote services to better reach out to both students and student organizations. I have experience in being creative in finding ways to keep costs down or bring in more revenue to fund new ideas. I am the best candidate with a true vision of reaching out to students, have the best experience in connecting with the campus and surrounding community, and have the best understanding of the needs of the student body.	1) To limit inflation on books and school supplies 2) To extend period of guaranteed textbooks buy back 3) To increase financial efficiency and maintain the 10% rebate 4) To work with other co-sponsorship funds in order to help co-sponsor more activities of student organizations 5) To set a percentage of co-sponsorship funds for rolling applications of student programs

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Kirk encourages Austin High School students

By Miguel Liscano
Daily Texan Staff

Students can achieve their full potential if they do not let anyone define them, said Democratic U.S. Senate candidate and former Dallas mayor Ron Kirk to Austin High School students Friday.

The stop was a break from the campaign trail for Kirk, who spoke at the high school of the importance of Black History Month and the need for people to achieve their full potential.

"No matter who you study as a history-maker, you have to be struck by the fact that history is made by ordinary people who rise to the challenge in special moments in their lives," he said. "Very rarely did any of them have an anticipation at the moment ... that they were doing this to make history."

Kirk said there is power in every individual. He used Rosa Parks as an example of an ordinary person achieving greatness, whose refusal to give up her seat on a bus to a white individual led to the Montgomery Bus

Boycott, one of the most memorable events during the civil rights movement of the 1960s.

Students should study history backwards, Kirk said, so they can understand how past leaders shaped the current of life today rather than study a single period in history as separate from culture now.

Kirk, the first black mayor of Dallas, graduated from Austin's Reagan High School in 1972.

Black History Month, he said, is important so people can get a complete history of the nation rather than one excluding the contributions of groups of people.

"Having an incomplete history is having a flawed history, so African-American history month is not so much for African Americans as it is an opportunity for all Americans to understand the contributions of all the people that have made this nation great," he said.

In addition, Kirk said more emphasis should be placed on increasing the quality and number of teachers in schools.

Graduating University students should be offered breaks on student loans if they commit to about two years of teaching in the nation's schools, Kirk said.

Eric Howell, a high school senior, said students need to invest in what they do if they want to succeed, adding that students should look backward to see how far they have come and realize they have great potential.

"Some kids will drop out not knowing that they could grow up and become somebody," he said. "It's still a problem and it will be for a pretty long time, but as soon as people start to realize what they have and what they need to get, it should change."

Courtney Simms, a high school junior, said certain groups in her school do not communicate with other groups, and therefore ideas are never shared.

"If we start to reach out, then we would discover what there is about everyone else and their uniqueness in all their qualities that might help someone else reach their full potential," she said.



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Students from Austin High School talk with Ron Kirk, a Democratic candidate for the U.S. Senate, in the school's library Friday. Kirk visited the school to speak to students about Black History Month.

Protestors speak out against detainment of ethnic minorities by federal agencies

By Neaha Raol
Daily Texan Staff

About 100 members of the Austin community gathered at the Capitol Saturday to protest FBI and Immigration and Naturalization Service detainment of more than 1,000 ethnic minorities.

The rally, organized by the Asian American Relations Group at the University, was part of the National Day of Solidarity with Muslim, Arab and South Asian immigrants. The rally

was preceded by a march from Guadalupe Park to the Capitol.

AARG member Tabraiz Muzaffar, who is Muslim, said the media doesn't pay attention to the number of people who are in custody.

"This is a really important issue that no one has been talking about," said Muzaffar, a math and history senior. "I think having a rally, a public demonstration, is a way to get more people to talk about it and want to take more action."

Tracy Thottam, a communication sciences

and disorders senior and AARG member, said a domestic war exists, arguing those detained have been found guilty of nothing more than immigration violations.

"Normally this would be illegal, to take them out of their houses and away from their families without just cause, but it is the [USA] PATRIOT Act that makes this okay," Thottam said. "It is sickening to think that a group like this that is so large can be unfairly discriminated against."

Thottam said she is frustrated with the sys-

tem at large because it is one in which racism is accepted.

"We are now doing things that were once considered untraditional," Thottam said. "Well, yeah, it's a desperate time, but that doesn't mean your neighbor is evil."

Thottam said Asian-Americans and other ethnic minorities must fight for equal treatment under the law.

"With everything that has been going on post-Sept. 11, this is the time for brown people," Thottam said. "This is our time to stand up for those rights that have slowly slipped away in the past years."

Adam Bitter, Young Conservatives of Texas University chapter chairman, said the government is countering terrorism efficiently.

"What happened on Sept. 11 was tragic, but it was also an eye-opener," Bitter said. "We realized that there are holes in our system, and one of those systems is Immigration and Naturalization Services. Now we are trying to fix that system."

Bitter said the government is simply doing its job, arresting people who have violated immigration violations.

"[The detainment] is just, and we are treating them fairly," Bitter said. "The fact is, we treat these individuals extremely well compared to other countries."

Lily Hughes, a member of the International Socialist Organization, said Arabs everywhere are facing intimidation because of a biased notion of security.

"I am concerned with the way they have expanded justice to better prosecute, or so-called prosecute, terrorists by targeting minorities," Hughes said. "That is racial scapegoating."

Hughes said the government is responsible for the ignorance of the general public.

"[People] can't persecute a group of people based on the acts of a few individuals," Hughes said. "It is wrong and even violent. Mosques have been bombed and people killed, and it is all because of the climate created by our government."

Rahul Mahajan, a physics doctoral candidate, spoke at the rally, stressing the need for more people to speak out and raising the possibility of a new civil rights movement.

"Unfortunately, this massive violation of civil rights is going unopposed, in the streets and in the government," Mahajan said. "All of these are basic violations of people's civil rights that are being done based on ethnicity."



Tom Wald/Daily Texan Staff

Asra Syed, a journalism junior, Andre Lancaster, a theater and dance senior, and Isabella Quintana, a history graduate student, protest recent FBI and INS detainment policies at the state Capitol Saturday. About 100 people attended the march and rally in solidarity with Muslim, Arab and South Asian immigrants. The UT Asian-American Relations Group organized the event.

'Digital divide' discussed at LBJ forum

By Anita Powell
Daily Texan Staff

Scholars, students and public policy and technology professionals gathered last weekend for the sixth annual Barbara Jordan National Forum on Public Policy.

The two-and-a-half day forum, held at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, focused on "The Digital Divide: Myth, Metaphor, & Reality," addressing the limitations on technological advancement due to the digital divide — the barrier between those who benefit from new technology and those who don't.

"The ultimate goal is that forum participants return to their schools, workplaces and communities with practical ideas of what they can do to narrow the digital divide and level the playing field," said forum chairman Cassius Johnson, a master's candidate in public affairs and the LBJ School 2001 Barbara Jordan Scholar.

The forum focused on narrowing the divide across racial, age, educational and economic lines and featured workshops such as "The Senior Citizen: Age and the Digital Divide" and "Telecommunications and Economic Development."

Through the workshops, participants identified practices that would help ensure equitable access to digital technologies, with focus on the disabled, rural communities and the poor. The forum also discussed how developing nations could benefit from removal of the digital divide.

Luci Baines Johnson, daughter of former President Johnson, delivered the opening address.

Speakers and participants said the ideas of Barbara Jordan were a driving force at the forum, particularly her statement during a 1985 symposium at the LBJ School of Public Affairs that "the imperative is to define what is right and do it."

Thomas Freeman, a professor at Texas Southern University and Barbara Jordan's speech coach and mentor, said Jordan contributed to public policy by increasing awareness of important issues.

Alene Riley, 2002 Barbara Jordan Scholar and master's candidate in public policy, discussed the issues behind the digital divide, citing lack of diversity in schools, educational inequalities, issues in health care and socioeconomic dividers, among others.

"I'm dissatisfied with the existence of the digital divide," Riley said.

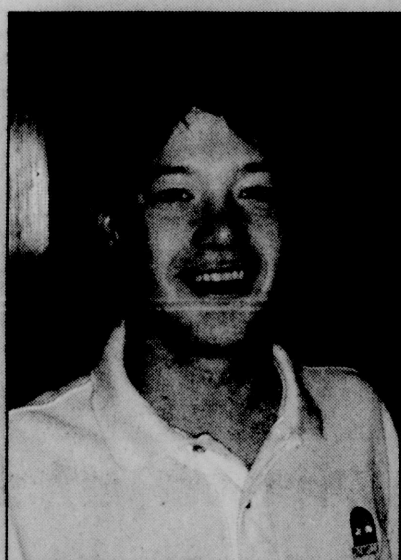
However, the forum is a step in the right direction, Riley said.

"Surely this is what LBJ would have wanted — a room full of different races, ages, and backgrounds commemorating his dear friend, Barbara Charline Jordan," Riley said. "Although [Jordan] is not with us here in the flesh, she is here in spirit."

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Junior Alan Bomer garnered his third win on the season when Texas beat the Lions on Saturday.

Texas' run production still strong in weekend sweep

By Jeff Sturdevant
Daily Texan Staff

The offensive onslaught continued for the Texas baseball team as it clinched the sweep of its weekend series against the Loyola Marymount Lions on Sunday with an 8-2 victory.

The Lions (4-8) hung on for three and one-half innings on Sunday before the Longhorn (12-2) hitters awakened with a three-run, two-out rally in the bottom of the fourth inning.

"What made our offense productive today was two-out hitting," said Texas head coach Augie Garrido. "We scored a lot of our runs when two were out."

Texas senior Jeff Ontiveros, off to a slow

start this season, got things moving for the Horns in the bottom of the fourth inning with a solo home run deep to right-center field. The home run was his first of the season.

"It's been a tough time for me, lately," Ontiveros said of his slump at the plate. "Everything I've been doing was right; my timing was just a little off. But I came out here and hit the ball really hard today."

Ontiveros ended the game 3-for-4 with three RBI, missing hitting for the cycle by just a triple. The Round Rock native also reached base in every at-bat he had Sunday.

"Jeff is the kind of player who can carry a team on any given day or any given week," Garrido said. "He's been building toward this

[type of production] for the last few weeks."

Texas went on to score two more runs in the fourth after the Ontiveros home run, and posted another three-run inning in the fifth to pull away from the Lions.

Ontiveros wasn't the only Texas batter to show power this weekend, though, as Chris Carmichael, Ryan Hubele and J.D. Reininger all went yard in Saturday's game.

Reininger's shot ended five shutout innings for Texas offensively, and put him in a tie with Michael Hollimon for the team lead in home runs with three.

"I'm seeing the ball real well right now," Reininger said.

Not only was the offense clicking on all

cylinders this weekend, but the Texas pitching staff also had an outstanding weekend, holding Loyola Marymount to a combined six runs in the three games.

Sophomore Justin Simmons started the weekend off for the Texas staff by tossing a three-hit, one-run game in Friday's 10-1 win.

Saturday, Alan Bomer took the mound. And while admittedly struggling with all three of his pitches, the junior was able to hold the Lions to three runs in seven and two-thirds innings of work, as Texas rolled 17-3. The win was Bomer's third on the season.

Brad Halsey, the starting pitcher on Sunday,

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A fond farewell

Horns cruise on Senior Day, 91-63

By Mercedes Parker
Daily Texan Staff

Texas senior Kenya Larkin said her team had already been embarrassed by the Aggies earlier this season, and they definitely didn't want that to happen again — especially on Senior Day at the Erwin Center.

With that attitude, the No. 15 Longhorns handily defeated the Aggies Saturday, 91-63, before 9,658 fans.

"You only want to be embarrassed once a season, and we embarrassed ourselves at A&M," senior Larkin said, referring to Texas' 70-65 loss to A&M on Feb. 2.

With the win, Texas (18-8, 9-6 Big 12) avoided its first regular-season sweep by Texas A&M (13-14, 5-10) in seven years.

Freshman Heather Schreiber led the Horns with 16 points and seven rebounds, her 23rd game of the season, to score in double figures. Sophomore Stacy Stephens had 14 points, and junior Tai Dillard had a season-high 13 points.

Texas, who committed 27 turnovers and gave up 23 steals to A&M in their last meeting, was much more in control of the Aggies' stingy half-court trap on Saturday. This time, Texas had 12 steals, and A&M had 24 turnovers.

"We just did a few things to prepare ourselves for their press in a different way," Texas head coach Jody Conradt said. "It's all about confidence and being calm and poised, and I thought we were."

Meanwhile, Aggie head coach Peggy Gillom said her team wasn't there defensively in allowing Texas its biggest point total of the season.

"I don't think our defense showed up, and they were [hitting] on all cylinders," Gillom said. "Their level of intensity went from the first player on their team to the last."

The Longhorns used all 11 players who were suited up for the game, and each scored at least four points. All four seniors — Tracy Cook, Asha Hill, Dana Godfrey and Larkin — managed a good amount of playing time, including several minutes on the court together.

"This was one of our best efforts from beginning to end," Conradt said. "We looked like a team that's approaching the playoffs ready. We have some depth and we have some answers."

A&M scored the game's first

points, but that would be its only lead, as Texas built an 11-point advantage at 26-15 with 7:28 to play in the first half. The Horns then went on a 16-5 run to close out the half with a 22-point lead, 42-20.

The Aggies shot only 25 percent in the first half, and Texas hit 5-of-6 three pointers, giving A&M its second-largest half-time deficit this season.

Texas A&M came back from 13 points down to win the game in the teams' last meeting, and Gillom thought her team would do it again.

"I thought we were going to make a comeback," Gillom said of the second half. "We just stopped playing defense, and they did what they wanted to do."

Texas junior Alisha Sare hit a three-pointer at the 8:54 mark in the second half, giving Texas a 30-point lead that it would maintain the rest of the game. Texas A&M made a final comeback with 3:36 to go off a jumper by junior Tammika Sims, but it only put the Aggies within 24.

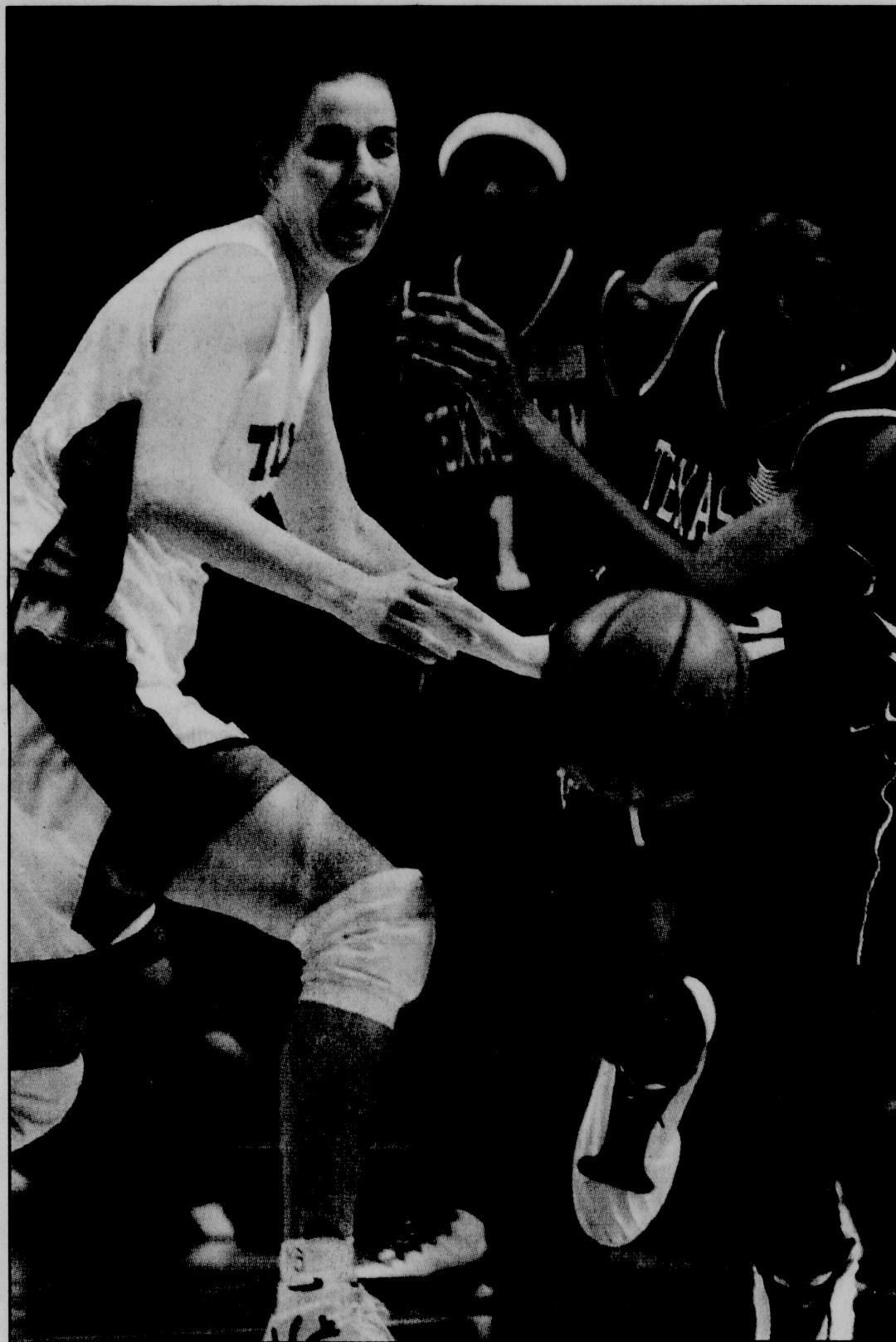
Former player Brown hospitalized

Former Texas reserve guard Meg Brown was diagnosed Friday with lymphoma, an aggressive form of cancer, in her throat and chest area. She is currently undergoing chemotherapy treatments at Seton Hospital in Austin.

"Obviously, our team is very concerned about her," Texas head coach Jody Conradt said. "Right now, we have left it in the hands of her parents and family to deal with in whatever public way they want to."

Brown is currently a fifth-year senior at the University, completing her student teaching for elementary certification. She played for the Longhorns from 1997-2001.

Texas coaches and staff wore yellow ribbons in honor of Brown in the Horns' 91-63 victory over Texas A&M on Saturday. Texas senior Tracy Cook, who was one of Brown's teammates for three seasons, wrote the letters "MB" and the number "10" on the tape around her ankles during the game, honoring Brown and the number 10 she wore as a Longhorn.



Associated Press

Texas' Tracy Cook, left, and Texas A&M's Celeria Washington scramble for a loose ball during the first half of the Texas-Texas A&M game Saturday. The contest was Cook's final home game in her Texas career.

Seniors reflect on time at Texas

By Casey Zertuche
Daily Texan Staff

The Texas women's basketball team played their final regular season home game last Saturday against Texas A&M. Before the game, Texas honored its four seniors: forward Tracy Cook, forward Dana Godfrey, guard Asha Hill and guard Kenya Larkin.

Emotions were high because it was Senior Day, but it was important to find a focus for the game and look toward the future. Further clouding the minds of the Texas seniors was the medical

condition of former Texas player Meg Brown, who was diagnosed with lymphoma Friday.

"It was hard to focus on the game," Cook said. "My best friend Meg is in the hospital, and I've been with her. It was tough to focus on the game, but a huge motivation was to play hard for her and for the team."

Prior to playing the Aggies, Cook took time to appreciate her past four years at Texas.

"Before the game, I sat in the highest seat in the upper deck for two hours," Cook said. "I tried to let it sink in what it was like to

play in a place like this."

Cook said she is going to miss the whole team environment. But with games still left, her focus is on what lies ahead for the team.

"I'm enjoying the rest of the ride, trying to relax and see how far we can get," Cook said.

Cook gives her family a lot of credit for supporting her through the years.

"My family has helped me out tremendously," she said. "If it wasn't for them, I don't know if I would have made it."

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Sooners swarm Horns, 96-78



Associated Press

A flurry of Oklahoma defenders converge on T.J. Ford in Saturday's contest. It was the Horns' third loss in four games.

By Jonathan Green
Daily Texan Staff

Texas guard Royal Ivey said the Big 12 is the best conference in the nation because of its depth of quality teams from top to bottom.

That depth puts Texas (17-9, 8-5) in a quandary as its conference season comes to a close. With three games left in Big 12 play, the Longhorns sit in a three-way tie for third place with Oklahoma State and Texas Tech. The top four teams get a first-round bye in the Big 12 tournament (March 7-10).

No. 1 Kansas has secured the top seed in the tournament by clinching the Big 12 regular season title. No. 6 Oklahoma (21-4, 10-3) will lock up the second seed with its next win.

And the Sooners next game comes Saturday at 8 p.m. against the Horns in Norman, Okla. OU has won the past six contests between the two teams.

But Texas needs to break that streak to keep an eye on one of those first-round byes. However, Texas head coach Rick Barnes said he is not focusing on where his team is seeded next month — he just wants to win each game at hand.

The way the tiebreaker rule works for seeding in the tournament gives the advantage to the better team in head-to-head competition. Texas already defeated Texas Tech last month, but meets the Red Raiders again on Tuesday in the Erwin Center. The Horns split the series with Oklahoma State. Tech and OSU also split their series.

If all the teams are tied in head-to-head competition, the tiebreaker goes to the team with the better division record. OSU and Texas are both 5-3 in the South division. Texas Tech is 4-3.

The Horns finish their season with OU and then a home game against Texas Tech before traveling to face lowly Iowa State in the regular-season finale.

Texas Tech and Oklahoma State each have dates with Baylor and Texas A&M. OSU must also face Missouri, another team that figures into the mix for third- or fourth-place in the conference.

That leaves Missouri, at 7-6 in conference play, as the odd team out. Plus it has to face the top-ranked team in the nation, Kansas, in its final regular-season game.

Texas has earned a first-round bye each year during the Barnes era. In his first season with the Horns, Barnes won the Big 12 regular season title.

While Barnes has never finished lower than second place in the Big 12 standings, he has struggled with Saturday's opponent, Oklahoma.

In his four years at Texas, Barnes has a 2-7 record against the Red River rivals.

Since defeating Texas on Feb. 2, the Sooners have four wins against weaker Big 12 opponents (Baylor twice, Texas A&M and Kansas State) sandwiched around its overtime loss to Oklahoma State on Feb. 13.

In Texas' 85-84 overtime loss to OU earlier this month, Sooner guard Hollis Price lit the Horns up for 25 points. But since that game, Price has averaged just 10 points per game.

On the contrary, Texas point guard T.J. Ford's offensive production has soared recently. The freshman has averaged 15.8 points in the month of February.

Women crush Big 12 foes, stay undefeated

By Melanie Boehm
Daily Texan Staff

The Texas women's tennis team continued their dominance over Big 12 opponents last Saturday as they defeated both Missouri and Iowa St., 7-0.

"With the way we are playing, we can keep going and definitely win the Big 12 title," senior Kaysie Smashey said. "We can compete with any of those teams. Our goals are set high, and we're on our way to achieving them."

The No. 9 Longhorns remain undefeated in dual-match play with a 6-0 overall record and a 4-0 record against Big 12 opponents.

In the first game of the doubleheader, Texas grabbed a 1-0 lead after winning all three doubles matches against Missouri. At the



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Texas' Rodrigo Echagaray and Jose Zarhi compete in doubles during the Longhorns' dual match against South Alabama on Sunday.

Men extend win streak to nine

By Kelsey Scroggins
Daily Texan Staff

The Texas men's tennis team swept their opponents off the courts last weekend, their ninth straight victory of the season. Fresno State and South Alabama left Austin with a blemish on their records, while Texas has earned its best season start at since 1996 at 9-0.

"I'm very pleased with the effort our guys showed," Texas head coach Michael Center said. "Overall, it was just a team effort — a really amazing team effort."

The Horns began their winning weekend with a flawless competition against Fresno State on

Saturday. In recording a 7-0 win, the Horns did not falter a single set to FSU.

Texas grasped all three doubles matches, giving them a 1-0 lead in the FSU match. The duo of Rodrigo Echagaray and Jose Zarhi had an 8-0 win in the No. 1 doubles position. Mirroring their success were Ryan Haymond and Alastair Jenkin with an 8-5 victory at the No. 2 spot, while Will Clinton and Drew Hoskins wrapped up doubles play with another 8-5 win at the No. 3 position.

The Horns continued to dominate the match in singles play as players in positions one through six left their opponents in a state

of defeat.

"Our top three have played remarkably this season," Center said. "Jose [Zarhi] is just playing exceptionally well, Jean [Simon] is playing like a true All-American, and Rodrigo [Echagaray] has clinched every match."

The performance of these players was seen again on Sunday when the team faced South Alabama. Thanks in part to Echagaray, who is nationally ranked No. 80, the Horns achieved their ninth win of the season.

Echagaray had made his fourth match-clinching victory for the

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BRIEFS

Football team to open spring practices Monday

The Texas football team will open spring football practice today at 4 p.m. at Frank Denius Fields.

Spring practice consists of 12 practices and three scrimmages, culminating in the spring football jamboree at Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium on March 30. Last season, the jamboree drew over 31,000 fans.

In addition to the spring jamboree, Texas will scrimmage on March 2 and 7 at Memorial Stadium before taking an 11-day hiatus for spring break.

A number of players will not participate in spring drills. Wide receiver Roy Williams and defensive end Kalen Thornton will be out due to an injury, as Williams is recovering from ankle surgery and Thornton is rehabbing his torn anterior cruciate ligament in his knee.

Projected starting safeties Dakari Pearson and Phillip Geiger, as well as running back Victor Ike, will miss spring practices due to academic-related issues.

The first three practices will be without pads, as the NCAA prohibits teams from wearing pads in their first two practices of the spring and allows only eight workouts to include tackling.

Golf team tied for third place in Puerto Rico

The sixth-ranked Texas men's golf team is tied for third place after the first round of the Puerto Rico Classic in Palmer, Puerto Rico.

The Longhorns shot a 1-over-par 289 on the River Course at Westin Rio Mar Country Club. They are tied with Colorado and are 14 strokes behind No. 1 Georgia Tech, the tournament leader. No. 3 Clemson shot 279 and is in second place.

Senior John Klauk paced Texas on Sunday, firing a 69 on the par-72 River Course. Klauk is tied for third individually with five others, two shots back of Georgia Tech's Chris Mikkelsen.

Junior J.J. Wall filed in right behind Klauk on the leaderboard, posting a two-under-par 70. Wall is tied for eighth place with six other golfers.

Redshirt junior Russell Surber shot a 74 and is tied for 31st; sophomore Jason Hartwick is tied for 48th place after shooting 76; and sophomore Rusty Kennedy posted a 78 and is tied for 61st place.

Texas and the rest of the 15-team field will tee off at 8 a.m. today for the second round of play. The tournament will conclude with 18 holes on Tuesday.

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Texas track competes in Big 12 Indoors

Women finish in first to earn their third title

By Jared Vitomb
Daily Texan Staff

While much of the Midwest was chilled by freezing temperatures last weekend, Lincoln, Neb., was set ablaze by the Big 12 Indoor Championships. The Texas women's track and field squad battled teams from every school in the conference and came out on top, as head coach Bev Kearney's squad captured the Big 12 Indoor title for the third time since the conception of the conference.

Since the beginning of the indoor season at the Hilton Memorial Indoor, Kearney has stated that one of his goals for the season was to win the conference indoor title. Last Saturday, the Horns delivered.

"I'm very pleased with the way we competed," Kearney said. "We took care of what we set out to accomplish."

The champion was not determined until the meet's final event: the 4x400-meter relay. Going into the relay, Nebraska led the meet by a score of 100-97.

The Texas relay team, which features three pre-season All-Americans, delivered its best time of the season to win the event by nearly three seconds. The performance also gave Texas the overall team title by four points over the Huskers, 107-103.

"I was not surprised that we performed so well in that event," Kearney said. "We are usually very strong in the mile relay."

The performance was also good enough to earn the relay team an automatic berth into the NCAA championships. At the final meet of the season,

qualifying times were the main focus for the Horns.

"We got several people qualified for the NCAAs. And hopefully, we will get enough of our provisionals in to put up a solid score at nationals," Kearney said.

Texas had two athletes place first in their respective events. Junior Moushami Robinson won first in the 400-meter dash and earned an automatic berth into nationals, while junior Aleah Williams won the 60-meter dash and earned a provisional qualifying time.

Sophomore Raasin McIntosh, a member of the victorious relay team, earned provisional qualifying times in both the 60-meter hurdles and the 400-meter dash.

Robinson, who anchored the relay team, finished a close second to Baylor's Barbara Petrahan in the 200-meter, an event in which the Horns racked up 21 points. Also competing in the event was junior Keasha Downer and Williams, who finished just behind Robinson in the third and fourth spots, respectively.

Downer and Williams posted provisional qualifying times as did Robinson, who achieved a provisional qualifying time earlier this season.

While Kearney was pleased with the performance of her team, she is not very optimistic about the chances for a national title at the indoor national championships in two weeks.

"We just won't be deep enough in that meet to compete for the top spot," Kearney said.

The NCAA Indoor Championships will be held at the Randal Tyson Track center in Fayetteville, Ark., on March 8-9.

Men come in as runners-up

By Hunter Taylor
Daily Texan Staff

After coming off a successful meet in New York and taking a two-week layoff, the Texas men's track team finished second this past weekend in the Big 12 Indoor Championships.

The meet, held in Lincoln, Neb., featured four top-twenty teams, including No. 7 Texas. However, No. 10 Nebraska proved that the home soil was an advantage as they went on to win the meet in close fashion. Nebraska defeated Texas 105.5-97 in the final standings of the meet.

"I'm really proud of the guys for the way they fought down to the end," Texas head coach Bubba Thornton said. "Give Nebraska credit. They did a good job of coming out on top. It was a close team race, and both teams missed some points they were counting on."

Texas needed to beat Nebraska by seven points or better in the final event, the 4x400-meter relay. The Horns finished fifth, but Nebraska took third to claim the championship.

Highlighting the day for the Horns were junior hurdler Jermaine Cooper and freshman high jumper Einar Hjartarson. Cooper, who has remained undefeated throughout the course of the year, kept his streak alive as he claimed his second Big 12 title in the 60-meter hurdles. His provisional qualifying time of 7.8 edged out Nebraska's Derek Zachary (7.82) for the win.

Also Hjartarson, an Iceland native, pulled together his best jump of the season at 7-1 3/4 to take the high jump event.

Others having success for the Horns: junior Tre Gardner took second in the 60-meter dash; senior Jordan McCambridge took third in the 1000-meter; and junior Jeff Wood took third in the mile.

"We needed almost a perfect meet to win this thing, but we'll regroup," Thornton said.

The Horns will now take another two weeks off before returning to action at the NCAA Indoor Championships in Fayetteville, Ark., on March 8-9.

Seniors will miss team

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Larkin, although excited, was also able to keep her focus in the midst of heightened emotions. She, too, is looking toward the future and Texas' season finale at Kansas on Tuesday.

"I feel like I am ready to go up to Kansas and win," Larkin said.

She has thought about missing the team once the season is over.

"I've never really been on a team where it's like family," Larkin said.

Hill said there was a lot of excitement since it was Senior Day, but the team was motivated and focused on beating A&M. She doesn't believe that the season is coming to an end.

"I feel like there's a lot of basketball left," Hill said. "We still have about a month of basketball."

It hasn't set in that Hill has played her last home game of the regular season.

"It hasn't hit me yet ... ask me in March," she said.

Hill's concern now is on playing hard and winning. Godfrey, agreeing, said the team still has a chance for a ring and that is where the team's focus is now.

Echagaray seals win for Horns

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team as he bounced back from a one-set deficit to defeat his opponent 7-6 (5), 5-7, 6-1.

The Horns got off to a slow start as they lost the doubles point with only one win in three doubles matches.

Zarhi began Texas' recovery after he defeated opponent Christian Thall with a 6-1, 6-3 win.

Following Zarhi's match, Simon pulled Texas into the lead with a 6-3, 6-4 victory. Texas remains undefeated going into its match against Boise State Thursday in Austin. A win would improve the Horns' standing to 10-0, which no Texas men's tennis team has accomplished since match-by-match records began being compiled in 1975.

Garrido second on career-win list

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also went more than seven innings and allowed only one run. Halsey consistently went inside on batters, keeping his pitches low and jamming batters.

"Pitching inside is one of my strengths," Halsey said.

Garrido added, "He forces hitters to hit out of the bottom part of the strike zone. It's a hard place to hit out of, and as a result, you see the number of groundballs he gets out of it."

Friday's victory put Garrido in sole possession of second place on the all-time winningest coaches list with 1,333 wins, surpassing USC legend Rod Dedeaux. Cliff Gustafson, Garrido's predecessor at Texas, holds the all-time record with 1,427 wins.

Doubles goes the Horns' way

WOMEN, from 9

No. 2 doubles position, Smashey and Lindsay Blau quickly defeated Mary Rebecca Barry and Caitlin Thompson, 8-0.

The Horns clinched the doubles point at the No. 1 spot after Vladka Uhlirova and Ziva Grasic defeated the No. 19 duo of Urska Juric and Katerina Sevcilkova, 8-2.

At the No. 4 position, the Horns claimed their first singles victory with Michelle Krinke's 6-1, 6-1 win over Lucie Ruskova. Smashey followed her with a 6-1, 6-2 win at the No. 2 spot. Texas claimed victory after junior-transfer Lindsay Blau defeated Kristina Olshanskava at the No. 3 position 6-4, 6-1.

At the No. 1 singles position, Uhlirova defeated Juric 6-3 in the first set and took a 5-2 lead in the second. Juric rallied to tie the set at 5-5, but Uhlirova won the next two games to claim victory.

"Missouri is much improved from the last time we saw them play. I was very pleased at how we finished them off at five courts really quickly," Texas head coach Jeff Moore said. "Vladka had a very tough opponent, and she stayed focused even though everyone else finished much sooner."

With the loss, No. 75 Missouri dropped to 3-4 overall and 0-3 in Big 12 play.

After a 30-minute break, the Longhorns came out ready to continue their dominating play into the second part of the doubleheader.

Texas won all three doubles matches, again giving them the doubles point. Smashey and Blau were the first to finish as they defeated Tara Goedjen and Kristin Gyaki 8-2. Uhlirova and Grasic immediately followed with an 8-1 win at the No. 1 spot. Forney and Michelle Krinke finished the doubles sweep at the No. 3 position after defeating the Cyclones 8-4.

"Our doubles play is really coming together right now. Our No. 2 team had been struggling until these past few matches. Everyone has really come together and just dominated over their opponents," Moore said.

In singles play, Texas outplayed the Cyclones and quickly grabbed the 7-0 victory. Smashey's great play continued as she defeated Edna Vazquez 6-0, 6-1.

"I felt great all day. I went out with my mindset that I would play my game and do what I wanted to do. I was very focused," Smashey said.

Grasic then won 6-1, 6-0 at the No. 2 position and was followed by Krinke's 6-1, 6-1 victory at the No. 6 spot over Sharia Whitaker, which gave the Longhorns the win.

Texas will fight to remain undefeated on Saturday when it hosts UCLA at noon.

"If we play the way we have played thus far, we can win every game we play," Moore said. "We just have to stay focused and play consistently."

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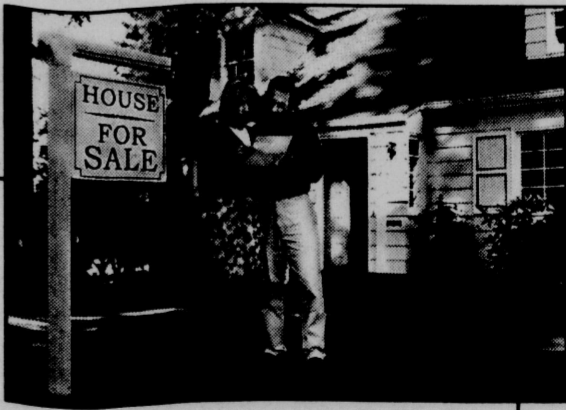
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O Canada!

Canada ends 50-year drought, defeats United States for gold

By The Associated Press

WEST VALLEY CITY, Utah — The Maple Leaf dollar buried in America's home ice turned out to be a golden omen for Canada.

The Canadians finally ended an agonizing 50-year wait for the Olympic gold medal in their national sport, beating the United States as Jarome Iginla and Joe Sakic each scored twice in a historic 5-2 victory Sunday.

The loss ended U.S. coach Herb Brooks' quest to lead a second gold-medal winning team 22 years after the famous "Miracle on Ice" with a group of college players.

Maybe it was because the Americans really didn't have the home-ice advantage.

As the Edmonton Oilers' ice specialists made the surface at the E-Center rink, they sank a loonie — a golden Canadian dollar coin — into it for good luck.

"I dug it up and we're going to give it to the Hockey Hall of Fame," Team Canada executive director Wayne Gretzky said.

Remarkably, Canada's gold came 50 years to the day an amateur team called the Edmonton Waterloo Mercurys won the nation's last Olympic gold. In 1998, Canada easily won its first four games, only to be eliminated by the eventual champion the Czech Republic.

The Canadians' victory ended the U.S. men's team's 70-year unbeaten streak on Olympic home ice — three days after the American women's team also lost to Canada in the final.

"We took a lot of inspiration from how the women's team played," defenseman Chris Pronger said.

Paul Kariya and Iginla scored less than four minutes apart in the first period as Canada seized the lead after falling behind 1-0. Brian Rafalski tied it in the second period after the Americans killed off a two-man advantage, but Canada regained the lead on Sakic's goal later in the period.

In the third, Iginla redirected Steve Yzerman's shot from the left point with just under four minutes left to increase Canada's lead, then Sakic added his second goal.

Right then, Gretzky, the dominant

figure in Canadian hockey for a quarter-century, jumped up wildly in his private box, pumping his fists and waving his arms.

Canada's pursuit of the gold medal mesmerized Canadians, with the CBC predicting the afternoon game would draw the largest TV audience in the nation's history — not just for sports, but for any event.

"You don't know what it's like to have a piano on your back. No other team had more pressure than ours," defenseman Al MacInnis said. "Everybody in Canada was watching with the same intensity that we played the game with. It's amazing the way a sport can bring the country together."

The American loss came despite goals by Tony Amonte and Brian Rafalski, and was the first for the United States in 25 Olympic games (21-1-3) on U.S. ice since a 2-1 loss to Canada in 1932. Brooks had been 10-0-2 in Olympic games.

"We would have loved to win, but if we couldn't, there's nobody better to do it," U.S. forward Jeremy Roenick said. "We were playing hockey's creators."

Shortly after the game ended, Canada captain Mario Lemieux hugged Brooks, a scout for the Lemieux-owned Pittsburgh Penguins.

"It probably was a good time to ask for a raise," Brooks said.

Just as Brooks' team did in its 4-2 victory over Finland for the gold in Lake Placid in 1980, the United States trailed by a goal going into the third period. This time, the Americans had no answer for Canadian goalie Martin Brodeur, who was playing behind Curtis Joseph when the tournament began.

Brodeur turned aside 31 shots to outduel Mike Richter, who made more spectacular saves but could not halt a succession of Canadian odd-man rushes in the first two periods. Brodeur is the son of Denis Brodeur, the team photographer who was the goalie on Canada's bronze-medal winning team in 1956.

The gold was redemption for Gretzky, who got a post-game call on the ice from Canadian prime minister Jean Chretien. Gretzky drew heavy criticism when Canada was routed 5-2 in its Olympic opener by Sweden, then barely beat Germany.



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Team Canada's Theo Fleury waves the Canadian flag as team captain Mario Lemieux looks on after defeating the U.S. team 5-2 in the men's hockey final at the Olympic Winter Games.

Two cross-country skiers have gold stripped

By The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Vowing to stay one step ahead of the athletes, Olympic officials stripped gold medals from two cross-country skiers Sunday for using a drug so new, it's not yet on the banned list.

Cross-country skiers Larissa Lazutina of Russia and Johann Muehlepp of Spain forfeited their most recent medals after testing positive for a performance-enhancing drug intended to help kidney patients avoid anemia.

A third cross-country skier, Olga Danilova of Russia, also tested positive for the same drug, darbepoetin, which boosts the production of red blood cells that carry oxygen to muscles.

All three athletes were tossed out of the Winter Olympics on the final day of competition.

Arne Ljunqvist, chairman of the International Olympic Committee's medical commission, said the disqualifications were a warning to athletes who think they can get away with using new drugs.

"The substance is not listed on the banned list because it is so new," he said. "This is a strong statement to those who say we are far behind. We are on their heels."

Lazutina, who tied an Olympic record Sunday with her 10th medal by winning the women's 30-kilometer classical race, was forced to give up that victory. But she will be allowed to keep two medals she won earlier — silvers in the 15K freestyle and the 10K combined event.

Muehlepp, who had won three gold medals at these games, was ordered to return the one from Saturday's 50K classical race. But he gets to keep his golds in the 30K freestyle and the 10K pursuit events.

"I don't understand this result. I've been skiing for 10 years in World Cups and I've been through 25 controls, and there's never been a problem," Muehlepp said in a Spanish radio interview.

He had been picked to carry the Spanish flag at the closing ceremony, but he was replaced by Maria Jose Rienda Contreras, who finished sixth in the giant slalom.

Danilova, who earlier won a gold and a silver, was disqualified from the 30K classical race in which she finished eighth.

The IOC said it could not strip the other medals because the athletes had passed those drug tests, but IOC president Jacques Rogge said those medals are tainted.

"Technically, they are Olympic champions," Rogge said. "Morally, it is a totally different issue."

Only five drug cases have been confirmed since the first Winter Olympics in 1924 — none in the past three games. But officials had set up the most rigorous Olympic testing program ever in Salt Lake City, so the chances of catching cheats were greater.

The Spanish and Russian Olympic delegations challenged the process by which the test results were validated. All three positive results came from out-of-competition drug tests on Thursday.

Vitaly Smirnov, an IOC vice president from Russia, said the Russian team would appeal the decision to the Court of Arbitration for Sport, but would not pull out of Sunday night's closing ceremony because of the drug cases.

Since darbepoetin is relatively new, it is not on the IOC's list of banned substances. But it has similar properties to the banned hormone erythropoietin, or EPO.

Darbepoetin, marketed by Thousand Oaks, Calif.-based Amgen Corp. under the name Aranesp, was approved in mid-September by the Food and Drug Administration to help patients with chronic kidney failure.

After Lazutina was disqualified, Gabriella Paruzzi of Italy, who finished second, was awarded the gold, Stefania Belmondo of Italy got the silver and Bente Skari of Norway moved up to bronze.

Muehlepp's disqualification means Mikhail Ivanov of Russia will trade in his silver for gold, while Estonia's Andrus Veerpalu moves up to silver and fourth-place finisher Odd-Bjoern Hjeltnes of Norway gets the bronze.

Lazutina's 10th medal had tied the women's Winter Games record held by cross-country skier Raisa Smetanina, who won four gold, five silver and one bronze competing for the Soviet Union and the Russian Unified team from 1976 to 1992.

Lazutina's medal total now stands at nine.

The 36-year-old skier was disqualified from the women's relay Thursday for having high levels of performance-boosting hemoglobin, a blood molecule that helps carry oxygen to muscles. She took another blood test Sunday morning and passed, allowing her to compete before the results of the earlier test were announced.

"It was a shocking experience," she said. "That tragedy on Thursday made me more determined to work hard."

The heavily favored Russians had to withdraw from the relay. Russian officials claimed drug-testers were targeting their athletes, and the dispute led to widespread complaints of biased judging in other sports.



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Johann Muehlepp of Spain celebrates winning the gold medal in the men's 50km cross-country at the 2002 Olympics.



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Penn State track team members show solidarity in mourning the death of a Penn State pole vaulter.

Big Ten track championships canceled after Penn State pole vaulter, 19, dies

By The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Teary-eyed Penn State athletes led a lap around the track, and a moment of silence replaced competition at the Big Ten men's track and field indoor championships Sunday.

A day after Penn State pole vaulter Kevin Dare died in competition, the championships were called off. The decision was made after a meeting of Big Ten coaches, conference athletic commissioner Jim Delaney said. The meet, which began Saturday, won't be rescheduled.

Coaches, athletes and fans gathered around the track Sunday afternoon to honor Dare, a 19-year-old sophomore who fell during a pole vault attempt Saturday and hit his head. He was treated by emergency medical technicians at the University of Minnesota Field House and was then taken to Hennepin County Medical Center.

He never regained consciousness and was pronounced dead shortly after arriving at the hospital.

Some Penn State athletes stopped during their lap around the track and knelt at the pit where Dare had fallen, while others threw flowers on the spot where he landed.

The women's championships at Penn State also held a moment of silence Sunday.

"Today, life is not as good as it was yesterday," Penn State coach Harry Groves said to the crowd gathered for the ceremony. "The best way we can pay tribute to Kevin is to get back to doing what we do, which is track and field. I think he would like that."

After the Penn State athletes huddled in the center of the field and yelled a cheer for Dare, the team's poles were carried out of the building.

Dare won the pole vault in the U.S. junior championships in June, clearing 16 feet, 6 3/4 inches.

Minnesota heptathlon competitor Jesse Madsen, who was scheduled to vault Sunday, said vaulters have little room for fear when they take off down the runway.

"You can't think about it; if you start running down the runway and think, 'I'm going to get hurt,' you'll just stop, or run through or not even go up," a red-eyed Madsen said. "You cannot even think about it. That's the last thing you're thinking about."

But after Saturday's tragedy, it was all he could think about.

"Before they canceled it, we were going to have to go through with it. Last night, I was trying to convince myself that I was going to be able to," he said. "I was actually happy they canceled the heptathlon for sure, because there's no way I'd be able to go up today after seeing that yesterday. Halfway down the runway, I know I'd be choking on my tongue or something."

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The family of Debbie Gusman plays with kites Sunday at Zilker Park. They said they are looking forward to the Zilker Park Kite Festival next weekend.

Conference works to improve skills of Texas school-based social workers

By Stephanie Weintraub
Daily Texan Staff

School-based social workers from across the state shared experiences and learned new techniques for interacting with clients at a social work conference last week.

Held at the Red Lion Hotel, the 11th Annual Texas School Social Work Conference featured speakers and workshops to improve school social workers' skills.

School social workers are employed by public — and a few private — school districts to address the needs of children from kindergarten through 12th-grade.

"They have a role that's similar to counselors, but they're more focused on issues outside of school, such as families and drop-out situations," said Sarah Noland, social work graduate student and teaching assistant in the School of Social Work.

Social workers can use storytelling to relate to children, said Gayle Ross, professional Cherokee storyteller and presenter at the conference.

"It's especially helpful for people who work with families," Ross said. Through storytelling, one can "teach without preaching."

All stories have universal themes that speak to our "common humanity," she added. "And it's one of the most important ways we can celebrate being different."

Norma Leben, registered play therapy supervisor, taught social workers games, including card games, that use positive reinforcement to help children with attention deficit hyperactive disorder and opposition defiant disorder.

Telling a child with one of these disorders, "I just like the way you sit," or "Thank you for paying attention," during the games is constructive — it "reinforces

desirable behavior," Leben said.

Andrew Marks, executive director of the Texas State Board of Social Work Examiners, gave tips on how to solve the ethical dilemmas social workers often encounter at the professional ethics seminar.

Social workers have difficulties putting their clients' interests ahead of their employers' concerns, Marks said. Determining exactly who the client is — the child or the parent — can also prove challenging, he added.

Holly Mobley, social worker at Westwood High School in Round Rock and member of the conference planning committee, said the conference reminds social workers why they chose the career.

"This is a really great time to learn what others are doing to help clients," Mobley said. "Coming together as a community of social workers is energizing and invigorating."

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15 Wind-borne toys

16 Nick's wife in "The Thin Man"

17 2002 Olympics locale

18 W.W. II sub

19 Response to a vet, maybe

22 Motorist's org.

23 "This ___ test"

24 Sacred song

27 Phone hook-up

29 Mischievous

32 B.M.I. alternative
- 33 Designer Chanel

34 McGwire's onetime home-run rival

35 "Quiet, please!"

38 Weapons in shootdowns, for short

39 "___ kleine Nachtmusik"

40 New coins

41 Couple

42 Grain holders

43 Artist Max

44 Long time

45 Suffix with absorb

46 Hive output?

55 Children's song refrain

56 Mysterious: Var.

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- 1 Cobra's weapon

2 Frankenstein's assistant

3 Extrashort haircut

4 Burn

5 Early time to arise

6 Prefix with venous

7 Shakespearean king

8 Bert of "The Wizard of Oz"

9 Person born October 1

10 Suffix with origin

11 Bring up

12 Study of the stars: Abbr.

15 Ill-fated Russian sub of 8/12/00

20 Designer Lauren

21 Big copier company

24 "I don't believe it!"

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26 Satisfied sounds

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HEY LOOK! IT'S GEORGE MICHAEL!

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Hey, roomie, I'll be back at 7. That's 2 hours. I'll lock the door... 2 hours!

Aight, I'll see you later! And I'll be done by the time you get back... but knock just in case!

hmmm...

What the heck was that all about?

Well, roommates need their alone time. Trust me, you don't want to walk in on a guy's "alone time."

Oh God, you men are so gross...

It's so hard to study today, what's wrong with me? I can't concentrate at all.

now, there's an idea...

A little while later...

much better, I can think again.

hey what's this here on the bed?

oh, um, that's a back massager

bzzzz!

wow, this works pretty well!

CAUSE FOR DELAY

PRESIDENT BUSH WRAPS UP THE VISIT TO CHINA WITH A PRESENTATION

THIS IS AN ICBM ARRAY

THAT THERE'S A BUNKER BUSTER

DAISY CUTTERS OVER YONDER

AHH, YES! VERY IMPRESSIVE, I HAVE NICE DREAMS OF SUCH GREAT DEVICES!

YEAH, ME TOO!

I WANT MY BABY BACK BABY BACK

ICBM MADE IN CHINA

FALN GOMF

I WANT MY BABY DICK BABY DICK

ooh yeah

AT LAST THERE IS CONSENSUS B/W THE SUPER-POWERS!

WHEELCHAIR NINJA!! ABLE-HERO

Joshua By' Gosh

OH MAN THERE ARE SOME FINE LADIES OUT IN THE PARK TODAY!

GOD ALMIGHTY! IS IT HOT OUT, OR IS IT "IN HEAT" OUT?

NO DOUBT I'M GONNA GET SOME GOOD "MATERIAL" TO WORK WITH TODAY.

I'M STILL WORKING WITH A LITTLE KODAK MOMENT OF MY OWN...

THE OTHER DAY WHEN EMILY WAS STRETCHING, AS SHE REACHED FOR HER SUCCULENT TOES I CAUGHT A GLIMPSE OF -

WHOA MAN - HOLE-UP!!

FLY BALL!

WHY ARE YOU TELLING ME THIS???

I THOUGHT WE WERE TALKING ABOUT "MATERIAL" TO "WORK" WITH.

I MEANT PHONE NUMBERS!

HEY BRO - TO EACH HIS OWN... SHALL I CONTINUE?

I FOUND THE "AEROBIC!"

I DON'T KNOW... WHAT IF LATER ON, WHEN I GO TO "WORK," THE SOUND OF YOUR VOICE IS THE ONLY "MATERIAL" I HAVE?

THEN YOU MUST NEVER EVER TELL ME.

SUP SWEET HOLASSES?

THEN PLEASE CONTINUE.

IN MY DAY, PREMARITAL SEX WAS A CRIME PUNISHABLE BY HORSE- WHIPPING, SO THE ONLY WAY ONE COULD GET SEXUAL RELEASE WAS BY BARE-KNUCKLE BOXING AN ESKIMO.

I CRIMSONED THE FACE OF MANY AN ESKIMO IN ORGASMIC PUGILISM. THOSE WERE THE SALAD DAYS.

OF COURSE, ALL THAT CHANGED WHEN THE EVIL TWIN OF COLONEL SANDERS INVENTED MASTURBATION IN 1953.

UH... THAT'S GREAT BUT ALL I ASKED FOR WAS THE TIME.

WELL I AMN'T TELLIN'!

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Hey Rachel, do you have any -- oh, sorry! Are you the boyfriend?

Nope, she just left to meet him

I'm Shawn, by the way

Oh! The ex-boyfriend. Right

I'm not her ex-boy--

Wait, you weren't doing anything weird in here like smelling her panties, or jerking off to her stuff, were you?

Well, so much for a favorable first impression

Sooo

shhh...

THERE ARE THEORIES AND THERE ARE THEORIES...

WHY DID THE DINOSAURS DIE OUT?

YOU KNOW WHY.

IT'S BECAUSE YOU TOUCH YOURSELF AT NIGHT...

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STOP THE BIKE!!

Swingin' Like a Zebra!

Jumpin' Gypsy Kings! What's wrong with your hands? They're all wrinkled and callused.

You know, I could tell you, but for one, you're suppose'd to be the psychic, and two, considering the fact that you're currently holding them, I really don't think you want to know.

Shawn Alff alffozzo@mail.utexas.edu

Philosophy is to the real world as masturbation is to sex.

-Karl Marx

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Photo courtesy of Epic Records

Amy Ray, left, and Emily Saliers, right, played in Austin Thursday night.

Indigo Girls go live

By Weezy Melancon
Daily Texan Staff

Over two decades, the Indigo Girls have produced seven albums of the purest melody and rhythmic soul.

Amy Ray and Emily Saliers combine folk, soul and pop to create a sound that is unmistakably their own. The deep acoustics, untainted melody and open-hearted lyrics create the harmonious sound and intimate music that defines the Indigo Girls. Their honest lyrics stem from the joys and sorrows life presents and the hardships that defeat us, as well as the ones we conquer. They compose their songs from the experiences and the people that inspire them, resulting in heartfelt songs that inspire their listeners.

Whether the Indigo Girls are playing for an audience of 200 or 2,000, they always play with a passion that manages to touch each member in the audience.

On Thursday night, Ray and Saliers presented their acclaimed music to their loyal fans of Austin at the Mercury. The line that wrapped around the block illustrate the effect the music of the Indigo Girls has on their fans.

They began the show with "Shame On You" and alternated old hits with their newest songs throughout the performance. From their most well-known songs, "Least Complicated" and "Closer to Fine," to their latest wonders, "Moment of Forgiveness" and "Become You," these two incredible women never seem to fall short of amazing.

Their enthusiasm shined onstage,

and their energy was clearly felt and admired by their fans. The personable styles of Ray and Saliers mixed with their instrumental sounds inevitably provoked feelings of warmth and adoration among their audience, as their fans sang along to each word, displaying expressions of enjoyment and contentment.

The Mercury was the perfect setting for such an intimate concert. The small area lit by rows of strung lights and Chinese lanterns gave an outdoor effect that felt as though the concert was on a friend's back porch. Ray and Saliers chatted with the audience between songs, whether it was to set up the next song or to simply comment on the weather or how much they love coming to Austin.

Their friendly manners are reflected in their music; their songs cannot help but leave a memorable impression on anyone listening to these women sing.

In their hometown of Atlanta, Ga., the Indigo Girls recently completed their eighth album, *Become You*. The 12 songs on *Become You* blend the unique styles of these two women and display the remarkable way each of their distinct sounds complement one another. On Feb. 11, the Indigo Girls began their acoustic tour by promoting *Become You* in Boulder, Colo. The Indigo Girls will continue their tour to Canada and throughout the East Coast with Carol Isaacs, Clare Kenny and Brady Blade, ending in West Virginia on March 24. They will perform a total of 23 shows to promote their new album that will be released March 12.

Juilliard strings practically sing

Quartet brings a change of pace for the 'Live Music Capital of the World'

By Jonathan P. Noble
Daily Texan Staff

Even though Austin is the "Live Music Capital of the World," on any given night, musical choices tend to be limited to stock blues-rock or frat-boy fare. That's why it was such a treat to see the Juilliard String Quartet in Bates Recital Hall.

This is the UT Performing Arts Center's 20th anniversary season, and over the past 20 years, their commitment to bringing eclectic artists ranging from Bill Cosby to Philip Glass have provided an opportunity to enjoy world-class artists in Austin.

Last Thursday, the Juilliard String Quartet delighted listeners with three selections: Mozart's *String*

Quartet in B flat major, Bela Bartok's *String Quartet No. 6* and Schubert's *String Quartet in G major*.

An American institution, the Juilliard String Quartet has been in existence for more than 55 years and is dedicated to performing traditional compositions, as well as works by more contemporary composers like Bartok and visionary composer Elliott Carter. The quartet includes violinists Joel Smirnoff and Ronald Copes, violist Samuel Rhodes and cellist Joel Krosnick.

The Mozart and Schubert selections were perfect examples of the kind of balance and tonal clarity one would expect from a group of its stature, but the Bartok *String Quartet* highlighted the singular emotive quality that makes the Juilliard

Quartet stand out. Using the *mesto* theme as a centerpiece for its composition, Bartok's *String Quartet* utilizes Hungarian folk elements, a shifting harmonic center and eerie pizzicato string techniques to create a work that is subtly disturbing yet emotionally beautiful.

Cellist Krosnick was particularly impressive in playing a variety of complex lines that were always technically perfect and simultaneously human. In playing such a sophisticated work, the individual strengths and collective consciousness of the Juilliard Quartet was able to shine.

Throughout the performance, I was often reminded of the differences between seeing a pop show and a concert of classical music. Being in the audience at Stubbs or

the Austin Music Hall is all about external experience — how one reacts to Andre 3000 and Big Boi or Willie Nelson. Seeing these artists is always about interacting with an icon, a performer, but being engaged in the reproduction of classical music by a group of the Juilliard Quartet's caliber forces one to be introspective, to examine the music's value and implications in an arena devoid of audience interaction and star factor.

Being able to experience music on such a personal level made seeing the Juilliard String Quartet a thoroughly enjoyable evening, and it is a credit to the Performing Arts Center's vision and ability to attract such important artists for the UT community and Austin area.

Korean group SamulNori to play Austin

By Stephen Saito
Daily Texan Staff

The Korean percussive group SamulNori has always danced to the beat of a different drummer. And this week, they will be bringing their unique sound to the Hogg Auditorium.

The group, whose name means "four instruments" in Korean, will be bringing all four of them to Austin Thursday, in addition to many others.

The musicians who play Korean instruments known as the kwaengwari (a small gong), jing (a padded stick), janggu (an hourglass drum) and buk (a barrel drum) have roots in both Buddhist and a sound known as "farmers music."

According to the group's Web site, each instrument has a connection to a certain aspect of nature. For instance, the kwaengwari is connected to lightning, the jing is associated with wind, the janggu sym-

bolizes rain and the buk represents the clouds.

Since 1978, when SamulNori started, the original four instruments and the artists that played them have expanded to a company of nearly 30. In 1993, the group finalized their expansion and began touring the United States heavily, both with their own solo headlining act and as part of festivals such as Peter Gabriel's WOMAD Festival and the Kool Jazz Festival. Besides touring, the group has participated in the lighting of the Olympic torch during the 1988 Olympics in Seoul, Korea, in addition to working with the ethnomusicology department at the University of California at Berkeley during a residency there.

Austin audiences can possibly look forward to SamulNori's performances of the "Pinari," a spiritual awakening where the group's members enter from the back of the auditorium to recreate a feeling

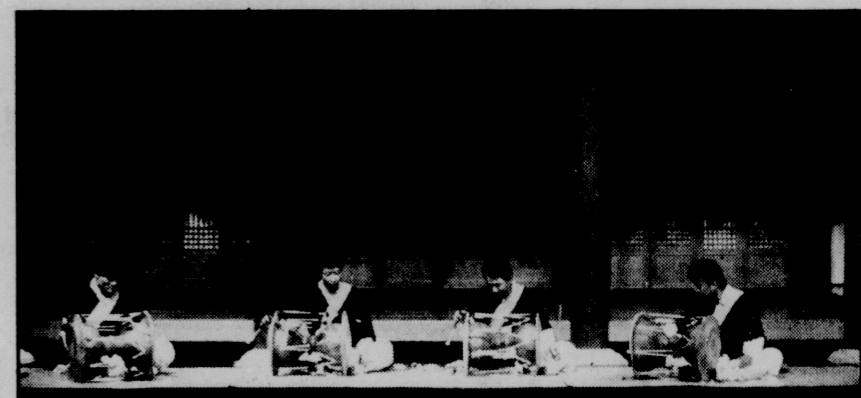


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Members of SamulNori create wind, clouds, rain and lightning with their drums.

similar to the Korean ritual of the Mun-kut. The group's act proceeds to the "Samdo Seolchanggo Karak," a musical explanation of the evolution of the universe containing different styles of music from each of Korea's three main provinces. Their show then takes on a lighter, more entertaining tone with "Samdo

Nong'ak Karak" and the "P'ankut," which include a lot more dancing than the first two production numbers.

Tickets are still available for the show, which takes place this Thursday at 8 p.m. The price ranges from \$16.50 to \$38.50.

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