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# THURSDAY

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## Student



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The Student Newspaper of The University of Texas-Pan American

### Student Orientations Members certified as UTPA Peer Educators

By PEDRO VILLANUEVA  
*The Pan American*

The New Student Orientations staff members were certified as Peer Educators recently at the Bacchus & Gamma Area Conference in San Antonio.

Orientation Leaders, the crew of The New Student Orientations, are in charge of hosting and touring new students on campus such as entering freshmen and transfer students from other universities. Orientation Leaders inform them on current campus issues and introduce them to the UTPA community.

"This new certification will allow Orientation Leaders to be able to deal with a wider scope of college student issues throughout the various orientations and the school year," said Tatiana McCaleb, Orientation Coordinator.

Now that they are certified, Orientation Leaders are better trained to handle a variety of student related issues such as HIV/AIDS, attendance, time management skills, dating and other college student issues. The current group is the first orientations crew to be certified Peer Educators and be able to cover such issues.

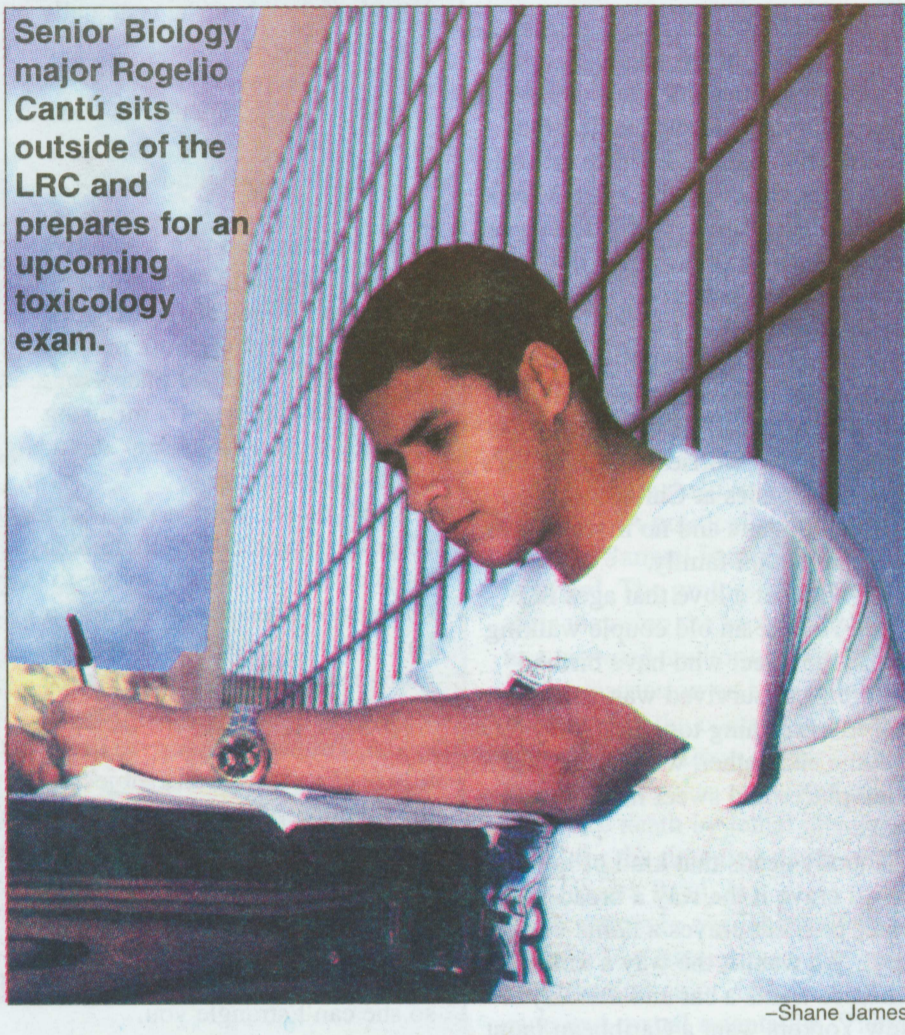
The New Student Orientations program, formally a part of the old Recruitment and Orientations, is under the direction of the department of Student Activities. Orientation Leaders are university students that are employed by the program.

#### Quote of the Day

**"Would y'all mind getting out of the picture? I may want to get elected to something."**

—George W. Bush to reporters before a press conference announcing that he was forming a presidential exploratory committee.

Senior Biology major Rogelio Cantú sits outside of the LRC and prepares for an upcoming toxicology exam.



—Shane James

### Bush wants to gauge support for White House bid

The Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas Gov. George W. Bush, eldest son of the former president, announced Tuesday he will form a presidential exploratory committee to raise money and measure support for a White House bid of his own in 2000.

Bush, 52, stopped short of formally entering the presidential race. But he has begun assembling a fund-raising team and has been consulting policy advisers for weeks.

"Those of you who cover me every day know I don't make this decision lightly. I've carefully considered its ramifications," Bush said today.

"I've been encouraged by the outpouring of support from fellow elected officials and party leaders all across

our country many of whom, as you know, have made the trip to Austin, Texas."

In an interview on Monday, Bush said forming a presidential exploratory committee would allow him to assess the national political mood and raise money.

"It'll be interesting to see what the different politics are around the country. But raising money is the most important aspect of an exploratory committee," Bush said.

Bush said Monday that he's raised no funds, although he has held a series of meetings with fund-raising and policy experts.

"People have said they're interested. They're just waiting to see what decision I make," he said.

### Campus gearing For next week's Student elections

By PEDRO VILLANUEVA  
*The Pan American*

The Office of the Dean of Students will hold elections Tuesday and Wednesday throughout the UTPA campus.

Students will be electing the president, vice president and the senators of the Student Government Association (SGA) and the president, vice-president and the directorate member of the University Program Board (UPB). Two positions in the Student Publications Committee and one in the Students Rights Committee will also be on the ballot.

Polling places are tentatively scheduled to be at the University Center (UC), UTPA Library lobby, Communications Arts and Sciences Building (COAS) lobby and the Science Building. Polls will remain open from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the UC, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Library, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the COAS and 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Science Building. Staff from the Office of the Dean of Students will man and supervise the polls.

According to the Election Rules, in order to vote, UTPA students must present a valid picture ID. A list of students, grouped by school and social security numbers will be available at each poll. A student wishing to vote must sign his or her name at the polling table printout before voting. Students may only vote once.

Election results will be posted as soon as the votes have been tabulated by the Office of the Dean of Students.



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## Love, lust, and the messy Job of dumping someone

By **FRED HOUTS**  
*The Daily Aggie*

The writing on the wall is getting upsettingly noticeable. You wonder if she sees it. Maybe she can tell that there aren't any more poems or midnight trips for steak and eggs. Maybe it's becoming apparent that the sweet nothings are getting thrown out with about as much pepper as a seventh-inning fastball.

You know it's over. All you can think about is how nice it would be not to have to call this person on the weekends. No worries on Valentine's Day. No baubles at Christmas. No birthday dinners and no more stories about her damn family.

We all want a love that ages like wine. You see an old couple walking across the street who have birthed children and survived war and witnessed everything together. They have become each other, wrinkled in the same places and sweet in the same spots.

Nobody needs that kind of love, but we all crave it the way a bread-and-water prisoner craves a home-cooked meal. We want it the way a middle-schooler wants a car and the way New Yorkers want a Caribbean jaunt during the dead of winter. Because while that kind of enduring love isn't a necessity, it certainly is something you'd hate to see yourself forever without.

Meanwhile, if you're most people, you settle for lust. It's very common human behavior, like eating Triscuits and Snickers at 4 p.m. because you know dinner won't be until very late.

Besides, lust can feel like love. In fact, in the beginning stages of either carcinoma, you can put a specimen of each under the microscope, and even a specialist can't say for sure if the biopsy is a malignant love or benign lust. You have to wait three or four months.

So a few moons pass and you real-

ize that you think kindly of your sweetie only when she is actually in the room. But even then she is faintly invading your space. And suddenly the fact that she breathes in and out bothers you.

That's when you know it is - er, was - lust.

More often than not, rotted lust leaves us saying, "What was I thinking?" But oh those beginnings are wonderful: when nothing makes more sense 2 a.m. Saturday than a romp in the shower followed by misusing Hershey's chocolate syrup and a bag of frozen blueberries.

Still, you know what they say about all good things. Sitting there many months later frantically trying to keep that nagging feeling of emptiness at bay, you realize that somebody is going to have to end it. This time around, it'll have to be you.

The dumper will rack his brain as to where to broach this subject with the dumpee. Maybe in a public place so as not to cause a scene. Maybe over the phone if it was just a short-term affair. Maybe at her place. Maybe in the car. Yeah, a car. One with a police screen between the seats so she can't strangle you.

Eventually, you meet somewhere. And you say, "I just don't think we can do this anymore." In a perfect world, that would be enough. She would shake your hand and drive away and send the stuff you left at her place back via Priority mail.

In reality, the first thing that happens after you drop the bomb is that you get asked, "Why?"

And all these thoughts race 'round your head. Why? Because it was lust and lust feels like love, but lust goes bad like a refrigerator science project. Because your very presence has started to bother me. Because when you suggested that we go away for the weekend, I thought of changing my name and moving to Reno. Because you will never ever get my jokes the

way I need you to get them. Because I don't care about you anymore, and it's a lie to continue this way.

"This is just a very weird time in my life, and I don't think I can be what you want in this relationship," you say. Yeah, that's safe. Kind along the lines of, "You're too good for me."

"But you're fine," she says. And you're thinking, 'Christ, will you please show a little self respect, call me a bastard, slap my face, and leave.'

When you are asked why, it's basically in the rules that you have to have a ready and harmless reason. Except there isn't one. To the dumpee the only excusable reason for you to get out of a relationship is death, which is why so many girls are in love with movies like Titanic or martyrs like James Dean.

Those of us who can't break up by means of our own death say, "It's not you, it's me" or something equally insipid:

I just need some space to figure some things out. I don't think this relationship is going anywhere. I need you as a friend right now. Like a really really good friend who will never ever call me again.

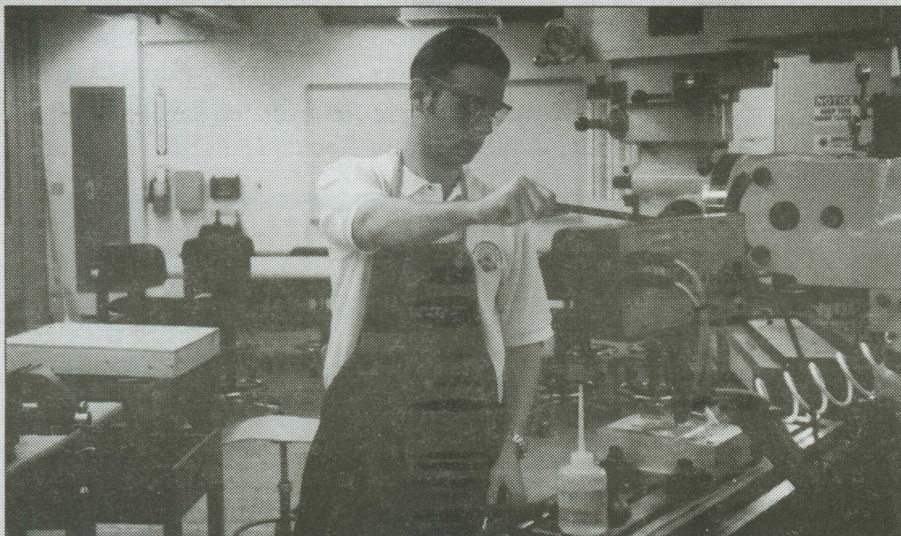
And then you begin to repeat, "It's just not working out" as if it were an incantation on a par with Kyrie Elieson.

So don't ask me why it's over because there is no reason at all. It's not you. It's not me. It's just the way the ball bounced, and it was fun while it lasted. Here's a pint of Häagen-Dazs and a copy of Pretty Woman. Now please leave me alone.

When you finally get back home to watch Raging Bull in peace, you wonder if you should feel guilty. You decide that maybe you should. But you can't. Because somebody once told you that it just wasn't working out. And you know that you'll hear it and say it again.

# Student Profile

— Adan Gomez



## Erik Humphrey

**E**rik Humphrey, a manufacturing engineering senior, recently won second place in a national engineering conference in Montana. Erik's research project called, "Rapid Prototyping," is a technology that allows engineers to create a three-dimensional model of any object. At the conference, Erik competed against students from such prestigious institutions as MIT and Harvard. Originally from Coahuila, Mexico, he came to the states with his family when he was a freshman in high school. Erik's father, an electrical engineer, always encouraged him to excel in school and become an engineer himself. He says his classes here prepared him well for the work force environment. "I related a lot to what the professor taught us here in school," he said. After graduation, Erik plans to get a manufacturing engineering job in the Valley. "I feel this area is in need of good engineers. Because of the competency level of the school, you can get a job anywhere," said Erik.

**HOMETOWN:** McAllen

**CLASSIFICATION:** Senior

**MAJOR:** Manufacturing Engineering

**CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT:** Society of Manufacturing Engineers, Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, Society of Automotive Engineers

**BEST THING ABOUT UTPA:** The people

**MAIN GRIPE:** People lack enthusiasm and ambition

**FAVORITE GETAWAY SPOT:** My home

**HANDLE STRESS:** Go out with friends

**PERSONAL MOTTO:** Never give up

**DREAM JOB:** Manager of a manufacturing facility

**BEST FEATURE:** Hard worker

**BEST ADVICE RECEIVED:** Do your best in everything

**ADVICE TO COLLEAGUES:** Take advantage of the opportunities given to you at this university.

# Campus Briefs

## UTPA debate on hate crimes Brings issues out in the open

By JOHN CANNON  
*The Pan American*

The Political Science Association, in conjunction with the Pre-Law Society held a debate Tuesday that focused on the issue of strengthening hate crime laws, and race relations in America.

The debate, held in SBS 101, featured UTPA political science professors Dr. Samuel Freeman and Dr. Jerry Polinard. The professors presented their views on the topic of hate crimes to a crowded auditorium.

The discussion on hate crimes was presented in the context of the recent trial in Jasper, Texas, where John William King was convicted and sentenced to death by lethal injection last week for the dragging death of a black man, James Byrd, Jr.

According to available statistics, over 60% of hate crimes are committed based on color, followed by religion and sexual orientation. There are presently 41 states, including Texas, with hate crime laws. However, in recent months, these laws have come under scrutiny because prosecution has proved to be difficult since the burden

of proof rests on the state.

The notion that there should be double penalty for hate crime laws was brought up. Some people feel it is unconstitutional to hand out stiffer punishments to those who commit hate crimes because the motive ends up being prosecuted, rather than the crime itself.

One of the other key points mentioned in the debate was that the U.S. is still a very racist nation. In the last few years, the number of hate organizations has been growing at an accelerated rate.

Overall, there are approximately 550 hate organizations nation-wide with 31 in Texas alone. The rise of the internet has become a burgeoning forum for spreading messages of hate because of its abilities to reach a large number of people. It is estimated that 16% of all web sites in the U.S. deal with racially motivated hate.

"I felt that it was a good debate," said Nigel Cohen, assistant professor of Criminal Justice. "[Hate crime] is a developing area of law, and we need to keep an eye on it."

## De la Garza to donate Congressional papers to UTPA

Former Congressman Eligio "Kika" de la Garza will officially donate his Congressional papers to UTPA at a signing ceremony to be held at 5:30 p.m. today at the International Trade and Technology Building, located across the street from the University Bookstore.

The Congressman's papers chronicle de la Garza's more than 40 years in public service in the Texas Legislature and the U.S. House of Representatives.



—Jennifer Garcia

*Former Congressman Eligio De la Garza*

# MARCH

**4 CEREMONY:** Congressman Eligio "Kika" de la Garza will officially donate his Congressional papers to UTPA at a signing ceremony to be held at 5:30 p.m. today at the International Trade and Technology Building.

**5-6 CONCERT:** The UTPA Dance Ensemble will present its Spring Dance Concert at 8 p.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Saturday in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Admission for the concert will \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. Tickets are available at the Edinburg Chamber of Commerce.

**6-7 BASEBALL:** Broncs vs. Texas Wesleyan at 4 p.m. Saturday and Noon Sunday at Jody Ramsey stadium.

**6 ACTIVITY:** Gamma Beta Phi will be presenting a free self-defense seminar with Third Degree Black Belt George Villareal from 10 a.m. - Noon in the gymnastics room. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**7 RECITAL:** The Music Department will present a Faculty Voice Recital featuring Dr. Bomgardner at 8:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Recital Hall.

**8 ART EXHIBIT:** Works by printmaker and educator Jack R. Lewis, chair of the art department at Georgia Southwestern State University will be

displayed in the University Gallery in the COAS Building through April 15.

**9 ACTIVITY:** The Office of Placement will be sponsoring the 26th Annual Career Day from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. in the Field House.

**9 MEETING:** The Pre-Medical/Bio-Medical Society will be meeting at Noon in the Science Building room 1.288. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**9 LECTURE:** Jack R. Lewis, chair of the art department at Georgia Southwestern State University will be lecturing at 1 p.m. in FIAB 228.

**9 CONCERT:** The Music Department will present a Choir Concert at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

**10 ART EXHIBIT:** Works by Master of Fine Arts students will be displayed in the Charles and Dorothy Clark Gallery in the Fine Arts Complex through April 8.

**12-14 BASEBALL:** Broncs vs. Yale at 7 p.m. Friday, 4 p.m. Saturday, and 1 p.m. Sunday at Jody Ramsey stadium.

**12 DEADLINE:** Deadline for submitting art, photography, poetry, and prose for entry in *Gallery*, UTPA's literary-arts magazine, in COAS 266.

**15-20 NO CLASSES:** Spring Break holiday for fac-

ulty and students. Classes will resume March 22.

**21 CONCERT:** The Music Department will present a Faculty Concert featuring John Raimo on piano at 3 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

**23 MEETING:** The Pre-Medical/Bio-Medical Society will be meeting at Noon in the Science Building room 1.288. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**23 RECITAL:** The Music Department will present a Sr. Recital featuring Joe Ayala on saxophone at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Recital Hall.

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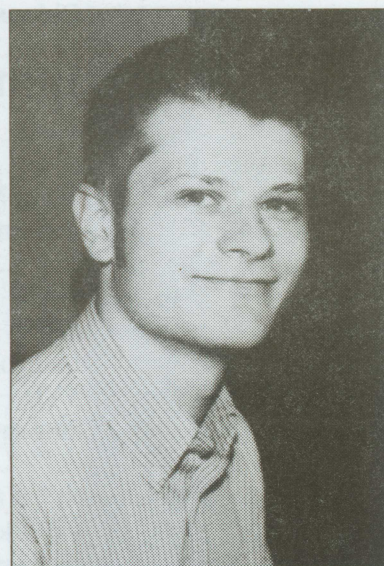
## German exchange students spend three weeks at UTPA

### UTPA Information Office

For many South Texas natives, warm winter temperatures and sunshine are often taken for granted and even occasionally seen as a nuisance, but according to 22-year-old Matthias Kolling of Luneburg Germany, that could never be the case for him.

For three consecutive weeks in February, the German native could often be found basking in the warm South Texas sun before attending his lecture classes at UTPA.

"Some people might find it strange, but the weather is just



— University Relations

**Mattias Kölling spent three weeks at UTPA with 20 other German exchange students.**

so wonderful here, I just can't help myself," Kolling said. "I just enjoy standing outside and soaking up the sun's rays."

But Kolling didn't travel all the way from his native homeland only to soak up the South Texas rays. He is participating in a three-week foreign exchange program between UTPA and the Luneburg Business Law School.

The student exchange program was put together by Dr. David Neipert, assistant professor of management and international business at UTPA, who at one time attended the German school as a foreign exchange student himself.

"We have an international business degree here at UTPA, which mainly focuses on Latin America and not really on Europe," Neipert said. "This program gives a great opportunity for European students to interact with our students in which they both benefit from the exchange of ideas."

The program hosted 21 German students who throughout their three-week stay toured a maquiladora in Reynosa, Mexico.

"It was very interesting seeing how a partnership between these two countries (U.S. and Mexico) works," Kolling said. "I love the United States and

the way of life here. It's always been a passion of mine to one day come here and now I'm here."

The students also attended lectures at UTPA dealing with such topics as the buying patterns of the Rio Grande Valley, U.S. educational programs, and small businesses in South Texas.

"The students were very interested in how small businesses are started here in the Rio Grande Valley," Neipert said. "It is very difficult for someone to start a small business in Germany as compared to here."

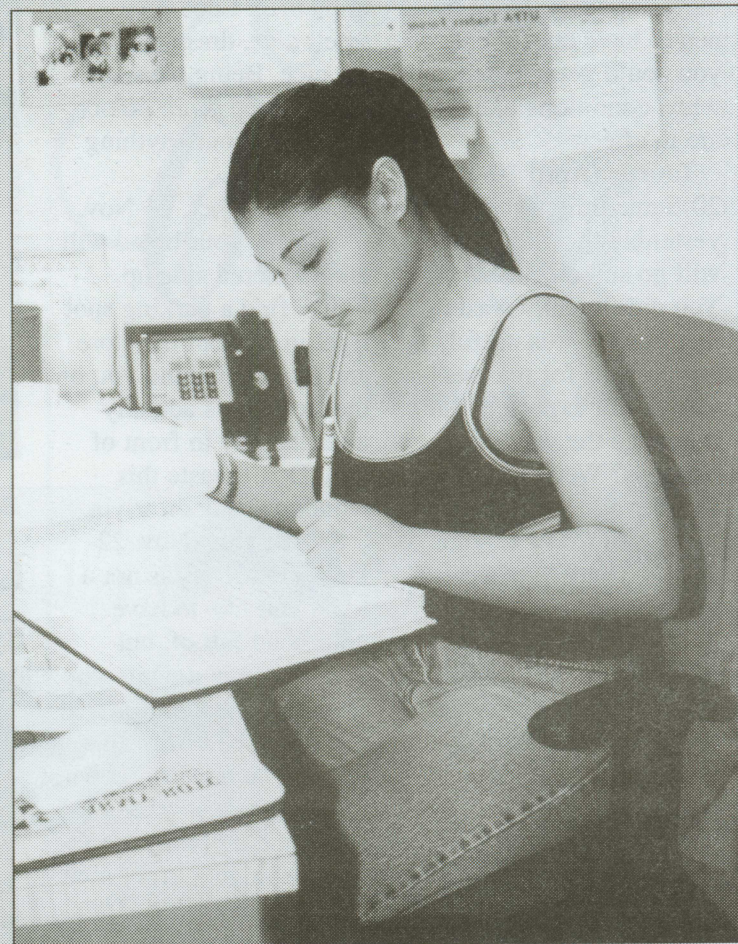
According to Neipert, the German students stayed with UTPA students while they were in the Rio Grande Valley.

"We have the program worked out where the students help each other out," Neipert said. "When our students go to Germany, they will be staying with the German students they housed here."

Kolling said after the exchange program, he is hoping to transfer to UTPA as an undergraduate student.

"I'm already getting started on my paperwork," Kolling said. "The culture, the weather, the education, everything is so wonderful here, I'm hoping I'll be able to start a new life here."

## Seen around campus



— Shane James

**Nursing sophomore Maria E. Espericueta, a work-study, is hard at work as a secretary in the Dean of Students' office. "I really like my job because it makes it easy to get to classes on time," says Espericueta.**

## Mrs. Clinton, Giuliani to keep arm's length on her New York City visit

### UTPA Information Office

NEW YORK — With speculation swirling over a possible U.S. Senate run against Mayor Rudolph Giuliani in 2000, Hillary Rodham Clinton visits New York this week for a string of publicity-rich events in the Republican mayor's backyard.

Giuliani's aides moved quickly Monday to suggest that the first lady's trip was politically motivated and that she was trying to win favor with New Yorkers by associating herself with popular programs engineered by the mayor.

Giuliani urged Mrs. Clinton to bring federal money for

education on a two-day visit that will take her to two city schools and to a major fundraiser for the Democratic National Committee at the Plaza Hotel.

On Wednesday, the first day of the stopover, the first lady is scheduled to appear at a Queens school to release a national study on arts education. The same day, Giuliani will be in Washington, D.C., testifying before a congressional committee.

"If she wants to come and showcase the fine work the mayor has done in bringing back these (arts) programs, God bless her," said Giuliani's communications director, Cristyne Lategano.

"There hasn't been a dime of federal money for the arts programs."

Considering the first lady's flirtation with the Senate race, could politics be motivating Mrs. Clinton's visit?

"I can't remember the last time she was in a school in New York, do you?" Lategano said.

Mrs. Clinton has been consulting advisers about whether to make a Senate run in New York, a state that has never elected a female senator. Recent polls have found Mrs. Clinton holds an edge over the mayor in a hypothetical match-up for the seat being vacated by Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y.

A decision by Mrs. Clinton could be months away.

Mrs. Clinton's visit is not connected to a possible Senate race, and she had no plans to meet with political advisers during the trip, said her aides.

Mrs. Clinton is expected to be followed by a throng of television cameras and reporters throughout the visit, which includes an appearance at the sold-out Democratic fund-raiser and a visit to the United Nations. Giuliani and the first lady aren't expected to cross paths.

Giuliani has been raising money for a possible Senate bid, and Republicans tout him as the strongest likely candi-

date. The mayor has yet to make a definitive statement on his political future. He is barred by law from seeking a third term as mayor in 2001.

Giuliani said he welcomed Mrs. Clinton to the city and assumed she'd be endorsing Project Arts, a city program that has restored to hundreds of public schools the arts classes that were cut in the 1970s.

"Maybe the first lady will come with a check from the federal government, and they can contribute something so we can continue to enhance arts education," the mayor said. "A lot of odd things happen in politics."

# Horoscope

**Aries** (March 21-April 19) You've got a grand trine in water signs, which brings out your gentle, nurturing side, if you happen to have one. If not, you could get irritated when conditions like these are in effect.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20) Some things you tried yesterday that didn't work will go smoothly now. You didn't really waste that time. It was useful, but perhaps for reasons you hadn't expected. Isn't it strange the way that happens? Well, no point in wondering about why.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21) You might get a raise today, or a better job. You've probably already done the work to establish yourself as an expert in the field. Now, all you need to do is let other people know that you want to be rewarded.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22) Yesterday was a struggle, but today should go smoothly. Looks like you've set things up to take advantage of an opportunity, and that's exactly what will happen. You not only have the talent necessary, but you also have friends in high places.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22) Looks like quite a bit of money could be riding on how you handle a tough situation. It won't be enough that you do your job well. You'll also have to be nice about it. The positive impression you make now could benefit you in more ways than you can imagine.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You hardly ever play hooky, but today the temptation is great. If you could start your weekend early, that would be perfect. If not, a long lunch hour may have to do. In any case, conditions are perfect for playing, and a new game is suggested.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) This is a good day to advance in your career, and if you're going to do it, be nice. Look nice, smell nice, dress nice and act nice. Being pleasant will get you more points than just about anything else.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) Today your bread will land buttered side up. You'll find a parking spot right in front of the store and the cop behind you on the freeway is actually after the guy in front of you. Don't waste this wonderful day on trivia.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Money is not a topic you like to have your head full of, but every once in a while you have to think about it, and this could be one of those times. You have skills that are definitely marketable, and some probably aren't being marketed right now.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today's focus is on the areas of partnership, friendship and education, so you'll be meeting new people, making new friends and possibly even forming new partnerships. Your relationships can help you do your job better.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You could get more money for the work you do, especially if you put together a good case. You'll have to prove to the boss that you're generating income and you require a larger percentage. It's not going to be that hard to do, because it's probably true.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20) This is one of your best days all year. You've got luck in love, travel and self-esteem. You're looking good, feeling great, saying the right thing at the right time, doing everything perfectly.

Linda Black  
Tribune Media Services



-Shane James

Senior Nick Taylor receives a New Testament Bible from George Soucie, a member of the Gideons.

## Latest top 100: Century's best American journalism

By RICHARD PYLE  
Associated Press

NEW YORK - To the list of lists, add the best 100 examples of American journalism in the 20th Century.

Author John Hersey's book, "Hiroshima," first published in an entire issue of The New Yorker magazine in 1946, was chosen No. 1 by a panel of experts assembled by the New York University school of journalism.

Closing out the roster, announced Monday, was Hunter S. Thompson's "Fear and Loathing on the Campaign Trail," a series of articles published by Rolling Stone magazine in 1973 and later turned into a book.

In between, a varied compendium of books, articles, columns, collected works, famous photographs and television reports drawn from several wars and many major social issues of the past 100 years.

Some were familiar: Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein's Watergate reports for the Washington Post (3), Edward R. Murrow's expose of Sen. Joseph McCarthy (10), AP photographer Joe Rosenthal's Iwo Jima flag raising photo (68).

Others are less vividly recalled: Lincoln Steffens' 1902-4 "Shame of the Cities" (6), Ralph Nader's 1965 book, "Unsafe at Any Speed" (38), war correspondent Ernie Pyle's reports from the foxhole in World War II (9).

Books made up nearly a third of the selections, among them Norman Mailer's "Armies of the Night" (19) and "The Executioner's Song" (72), Tom Wolfe's "The Right Stuff" (48), Truman Capote's "In Cold Blood" (22), Betty Friedan's "The Feminine Mystique" (37) and "Angela's Ashes," the recent bestseller by Frank McCourt (95).

Photos, in addition to Rosenthal's, included Life photographer Robert Capa's coverage of D-Day in Normandy (27) and the Spanish Civil War (73); Margaret Bourke-White's post-war Germany photos (65) and two Associated Press photos from Vietnam - Nick Ut's picture of a burned girl fleeing napalm (41) and Eddie Adams' shot of a South Vietnamese general executing a Viet Cong suspect (92).

While any list is open to argument, "I suspect that another similarly distinguished group of voters would have selected much of the same work," said Prof. Mitchell Stephens, head of the NYU journalism school.

He said the list touched in some way most of the major social issues of the past 100 years. "It shows that this was a century that understood itself through its journalism and non-fiction," he said.

"Lists like this are just b.s. - until you make it," said veteran CBS newsman Morley Safer, whose 1965 report on the destruction of a Vietnamese village by U.S. troops came in at

No. 88. Safer also served as a judge in the competition.

Hersey also made the list at No. 76 with a 1963 collection of articles, "Here to Stay," but "Hiroshima," a narrative built around six survivors from the moment of the blast, had no competition for top honors, NYU journalism Prof. Mike Norman said.

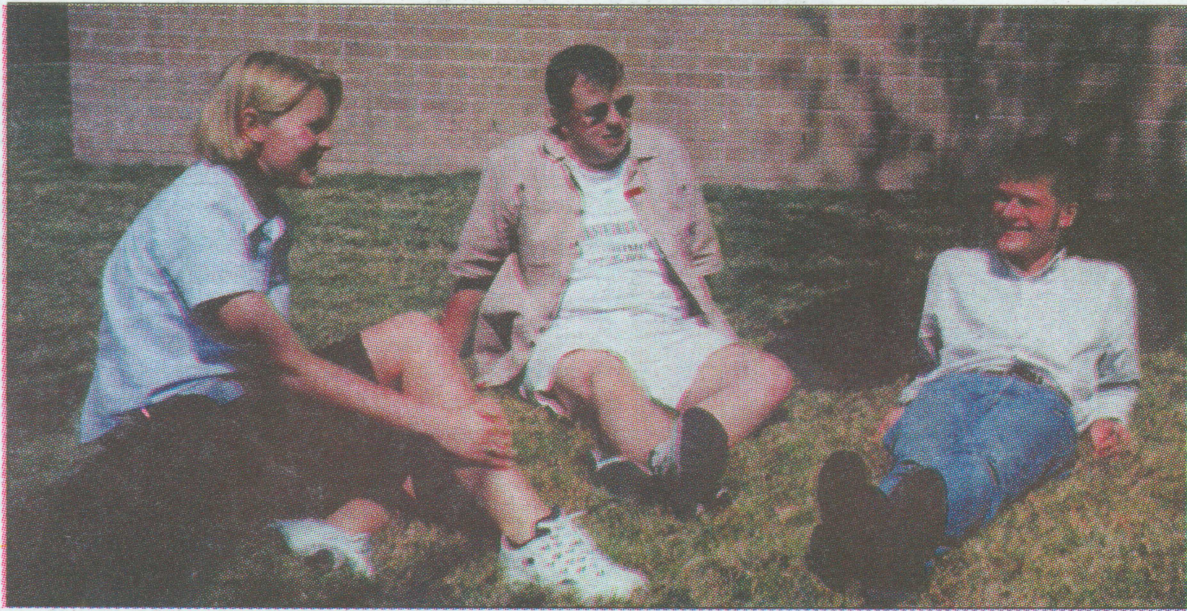
"It hit like a thunderbolt" at the time and has since become "the model for American journalism, the first use of the technique of plot in journalism," Norman said.

The runner-up to "Hiroshima" was Rachel Carson's precedent-setting 1962 book on the environment, "Silent Spring." Like "Hiroshima," it was first published in full by The New Yorker.

Stephens said the decisions were not easy, and quoted one judge as saying it was "excruciating" to have to leave some candidates out. The top bumpee was "Radical Chic," an essay by Tom Wolfe.

Bernstein, who moved from print journalism to television after the Watergate days and was one of a handful of winners attending the ceremony, deplored the electronic medium's thin representation.

"There is so little television on this list, except for Murrow," he said. "That might not be unfair given what's on this list, but how we've had this incredible tool for half a century and have not made better use of it - that really saddens me."



Tatjana Nothing, Rainer Possenriede, and Matthias Kölling, exchange students from Germany, take a break in the sunshine.

# Around Campus

By Rolando L. Gonzales



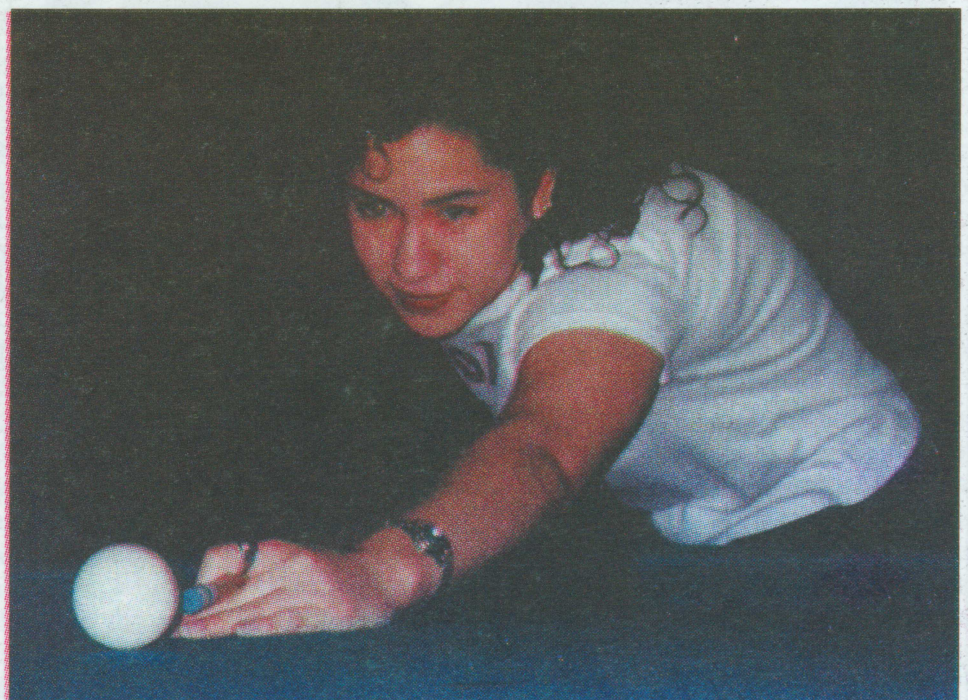
Senior Roberto Torres and Rebecca Castellano cook fajitas in a fundraising effort for the Student Council for Exceptional Children.



Above: Communication freshman Val Martinez finds time to study at the University Center Circle.

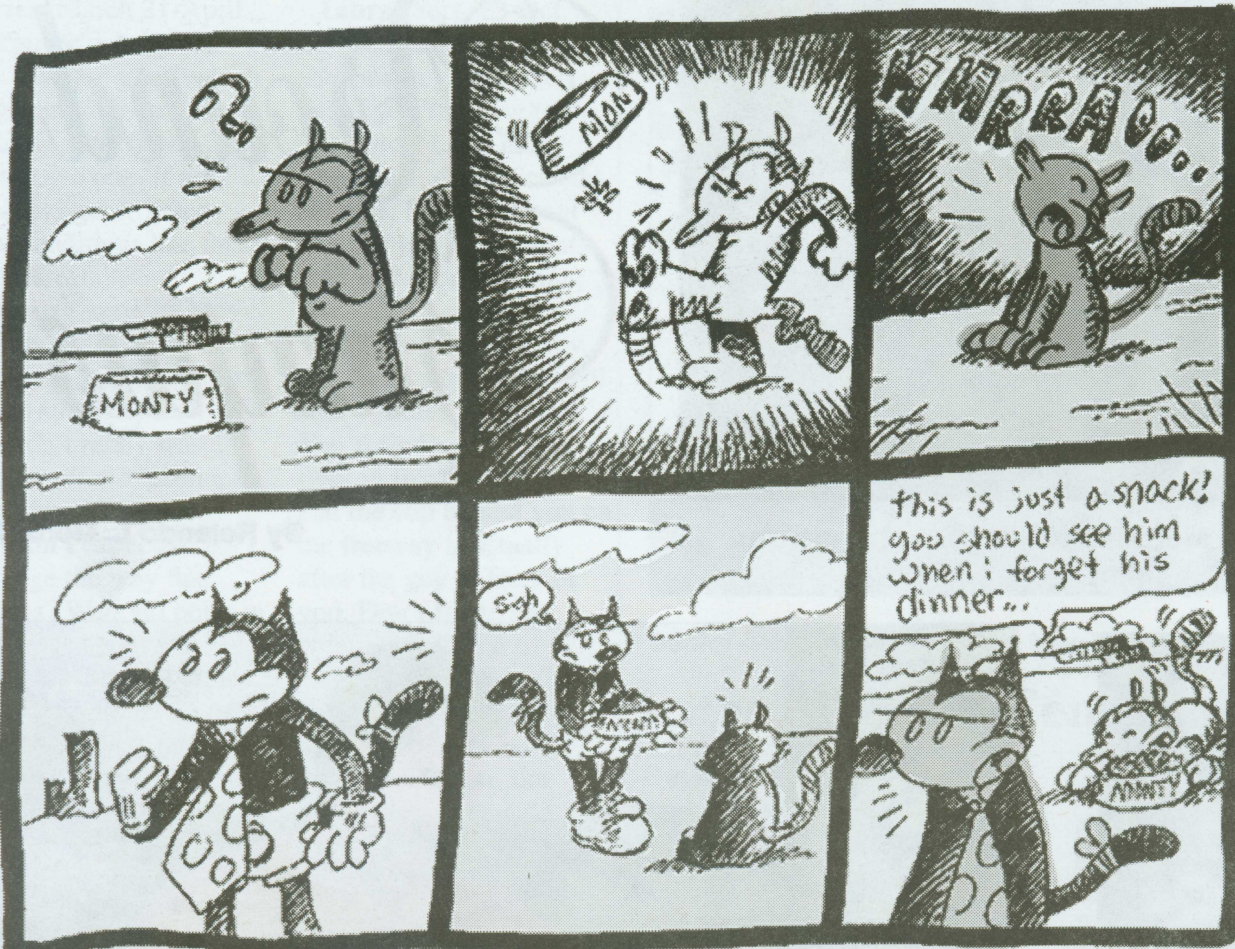
Left: Celina Peña practices her hackey sack moves.

Right: Amy Montesdeoca sets up her shot at the rec room in the UC.





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# Oasis settles lawsuit with former drummer

Associated Press

LONDON - The rock group Oasis settled a lawsuit Tuesday filed by its fired former drummer, who had demanded one-fifth of the band's considerable annual earnings.

The settlement, details of which were not disclosed, was reached minutes after the case began in the High Court. It must be approved by a judge Wednesday.

Tony McCarroll, 27, was fired from the band after a fight with singer Liam Gallagher in a Paris bar. Oasis members also claimed McCarroll, who was replaced by Alan White, took no interest in improving his "poor" drumming.

McCarroll sued the band for being "unlawfully expelled from the partnership," seeking 20 percent of Oasis's annual earnings, estimated at 18 million pounds (\$29 million).

McCarroll raised his arms victoriously and smiled as he left the courthouse, telling reporters he was going out to celebrate.

"I'm glad it's over," he said. "I'm totally happy."

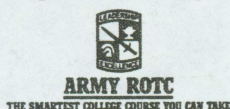
Liam Gallagher and his brother and bandmate, Noel Gallagher, did not attend the hearing.



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## Justice department reverses course, Opposes Independent Counsel law

### Knight-Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department, which had been expected to support a scaled-back version of the independent counsel statute, abruptly reversed its long-held position Tuesday and came out against the law.

The announcement deals a near-fatal blow to the controversial system for appointing outside counsels to investigate top officials. Opposition had been building since President Clinton's impeachment trial ended last month, and one of the law's few chances for survival had been the Clinton administration's anticipated support.

Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder announced the change of heart to a House Judiciary subcommittee, outlining the administration's opposition to a system that has caused the Clinton presidency severe damage.

"The Justice Department has reluctantly come to the conclusion that there are fundamental structural flaws with the act," said Holder, the No. 2 official at the department. "These flaws, we believe, pervade the entire statute."

The law should be allowed to die when it lapses June 30, Holder said, and all attempts

to reform it should be abandoned.

Holder also announced the department's intent to directly challenge the authority of a three-judge panel that is seeking to intervene in Attorney General Janet Reno's plans to investigate allegations against Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr.

For weeks it has been clear that the independent counsel system, once praised as a shining example of post-Watergate reform, was in trouble. But few anticipated such early, unanimous agreement that the statute should be scrapped rather than changed.

Reno came to this conclusion recently, Holder said, after the unanimous recommendation of an internal Justice Department task force. Holder said he conferred with the White House, which supports the new position.

The administration supported the independent counsel law when Clinton first took office. Reno testified fervently on behalf of the statute before it was re-enacted last time around, in 1994.

Now, a much chastened Clinton administration is pushing the diametrically opposite viewpoint. Seven independent counsels have been appointed to investigate

Clinton officials, and Starr's investigation has resulted in Clinton's becoming the second president to be impeached.

Ultimately, it may be that both parties had to suffer major damage from the independent counsel statute before they could agree to do away with it.

If Congress does allow the statute to expire, Reno would retain the power to appoint special prosecutors in high-profile cases. These prosecutors would have less independence than Starr and his colleagues, but they have often proved successful, notably in the case of Watergate special prosecutors Archibald Cox and Leon Jaworski.

After waiting for months to act on charges that Starr improperly failed to disclose his contacts with Paula Jones' lawyers and that his agents mishandled their interview with Monica Lewinsky, Reno recently signaled her intent to begin an investigation. But Starr has protested angrily that this would infringe on his independence, leading to a stalemate.

A three-judge panel recently announced its intent to intervene in this dispute. But as many have noted, it is unclear that the judges have any authority to do so.



CONCERT — The UTPA Dance Ensemble will perform their Spring Dance at 8 p.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Saturday in the Fine Arts Auditorium

## Couple sues, saying renamed road Has 'negative sexual connotation'

### The Associated Press

HEDGESVILLE, W.Va. — Berkeley County's decision to change "Boy Scout Road" to "Big F Park Road" has landed county officials in court, and now another band of residents is debating whether to file a lawsuit of its own.

A group of about 100 residents said they will meet later this week to decide whether to challenge the renaming of 61 streets in Martinsburg and 425 county roads.

Paul D. Oliver and Carolyn S. Oliver, the first to file a lawsuit, contend that the county's choice of "Big F Park Road" has a "negative sexual connotation" that will drive down the value of their

\$205,000 home.

"Your address defines who you are," Paul Oliver said. "Most people take 'Big F' to mean something else."

The Oliver's lawsuit will be heard March 24. In their suit, they argue that the Berkeley County Commission lacks the authority to change county road names, and they want a judge to reverse the name changes or order the commission to pay damages.

With an April 1 implementation deadline looming, the county commission cannot afford further delays and arguments about name changes, said Berkeley County Commission President D. Wayne Dunham.

## Charles Manson teaches political science

### College Press Exchange

WICHITA, Kan. — Students aren't likely to sleep through Robert Beattie's political science class at Newman University since his class will be peppered with teachings from Charles Manson, one of the nation's most notorious mass murderers.

To help his students learn about the U.S. legal system, Beattie asked for Manson's help in recreating the trial in which Manson was convicted of the 1969 murders of actress Sharon Tate and six others in Los Angeles.

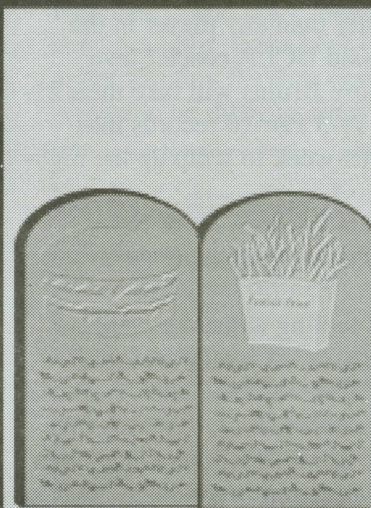
Prosecutors said the murders were motivated by Manson and his followers' desire to start a race war. Manson and three of his followers were convicted and sentenced to death, but the

sentences were changed to life in prison in 1972 when the U.S. Supreme Court temporarily decided to end capital punishment.

Beattie said he never expected a reply and was stunned when Manson wrote back from his maximum-security cell at California State Prison in Corcoran, Calif., agreeing to help.

Beattie, who has received approval of his plan from school administrators, said the mock trial would involve students as jurors with Beattie presenting both the prosecution and defense. The professor also wants to set up a phone that will allow Manson to testify before the class in his own defense — something he didn't do during his trial 30 years ago.

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Are your beliefs making you chunky?  
States with the greatest percentage of obese residents had larger religious populations. Some think that God-fearing folks gained weight because of church happenings such as potluck dinners and immaculate lifestyles that allow for

food as the only indulgence.

Source: Purdue University



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## Mens and women golf Set to tee off Monday

By **JOE LEAL**  
Sports Editor

The UTPA men and women's golf teams will be in action next week beginning Monday.

The Lady Broncs will host the Lady Bronc Classic at the Club at Cimarron.

For the ladies it will be their first action of the season.

The men are off to New Orleans to compete in the University of New Orleans Collegiate Tournament held at the Oak Harbor Golf Club.

Bronc senior Toby Grubert is coming off his first top-10 finish of the season at the UTSA Invitational.

Grubert shot a 3-over par 147 to finish in fourth place.

Looking to get back on track will be fellow senior Manuel Inman. Like Grubert, Inman had his first top-10 finish, but he has yet to break 70 during the spring season.

After New Orleans, the Broncs head off to Laredo for the Border Olympics beginning March 19.

The Lady Broncs also hit the road after next week. They are off to St. George Utah for the BYU Utah Dixie Classic, set to begin April 5.

## Braves' staff ready for new season

By **JAVIER SOLANO**  
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. - Tom Glavine, Greg Maddux and John Smoltz have been consistently excellent in the 1990s, sharing a run of six consecutive Cy Young Awards (1991-96).

So have the Atlanta Braves, pushing for their eighth consecutive division title.

That's pretty good for a franchise that won one division title between 1970 and 1990. But fans sometimes forget the past, even the one world title in 1995, when spoiled by the present.

So it's World Series or bust again for the Braves, coming off a franchise-record 106 victories but another disappointment in the playoffs, falling to San Diego in six games in the NLCS.

"Anytime you've done what we've done and gone through what we've gone through," Smoltz said, "sometimes it just gets a little difficult to keep coming to spring training and know what is expected of you and what happened last year. I think all of us, at some point, look forward to

it, but maybe not with the eagerness that we once had."

A new season of high expectations begins this week at Disney. The Braves play their first game of spring training Thursday against Georgia Tech, 1:05 p.m. EST at the Wide World of Sports complex, followed by Friday's Grapefruit League opener against Houston in Kissimmee.

The common thread linking one spring to the next is the Big Three of Glavine (20-6, 2.47 ERA), Maddux (18-9, 2.22 ERA) and Smoltz (17-3, 2.90 ERA), once again coming off a monster season.

Glavine and Smoltz have been fixtures in the starting rotation for more than 10 years. Excepting second-term players like Otis Nixon and Brian Hunter, they are the only two holdovers from the 1991 team that started this run of seven division titles.

Since then, no Major League pitchers have won more games than Maddux and Glavine, 142 and 140, respectively. They are a combined 6-14 in the NLCS, perhaps their only blemish on the way to the Hall of Fame. But they

didn't get this far by dwelling on the past.

"I think there's more looking forward than looking back," said Maddux, who has four Cy Youngs, nine consecutive Gold Gloves and 11 consecutive campaigns of 15 victories or more.

"I'm proud of the years I've had with the Braves. I'm proud of the things this team has been able to accomplish."

Big payroll aside, it has been an amazing run, a constant in an age of disposable rosters. Any number of variables can kill it. The Braves are confronted with one now, losing clean-up hitter Andres Galarraga to a cancerous tumor on the first day of spring training.

"You always have to deal with injuries, and you always have to be prepared," said left-hander Glavine.

"And that's why, when people are always trying to tell us, 'Ah, you guys will be in the World Series, you'll this, you'll that,' the unknown factor is always the injury bug. And here's a perfect example of it."

## UCLA's Davis poised for the NBA

By **FRANK BURLISON**  
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

LOS ANGELES - It was a silent season-long question, hanging in the air at Pauley Pavilion and any other arena where UCLA sophomore guard Baron Davis dazzled opponents and NBA scouts:

A year from now, would he be pitting his considerable basketball gifts against players with names such as Stephon Marbury, Damon Stoudamire and Jason Kidd.

Deal with it.

And that goes for everyone, including those who can think of nothing grander than seeing him in a UCLA uniform next season.

Saturday afternoon, after the Bruins' 79-62 victory against Washington, and after the latest in a series of spectacular performances, the question finally was put to Davis in full force:

Had he just played his final game in a UCLA uniform in Pauley Pavilion?

He was coy and said he would not make a decision on the NBA until sometime after the Bruins' season is over.

"Over the past month, I think he has played better than any player in the country," said UCLA coach Steve Lavin, whose Bruins will take their 21-7 overall, 11-5 Pac-10 records into Arizona this week to wrap up the regular season.

And Lavin knows a lot of NBA scouts and executives share those sentiments.

"My gut feeling is that he wants to come back (for his junior season)," Lavin said. "He asks me about scheduling (for next season), our uniform design and recruiting. I know he loves his teammates, and it would be great to see him come back, spend a full season at full strength and have a chance to be the best player in college basketball."

NBA executives and scouts are often reluctant to say much on the record about a college player's professional

potential. And that's especially true of underclassmen, since they don't want to appear as if they are encouraging to leave school early.

But they can't mask their enthusiasm about Davis, who turns 20 years old March 13.

"All the question marks that existed about him after his freshman season have been erased," said Portland Trail Blazers assistant general manager Mark Warkentein, whose team doesn't own a selection in the 1999 draft.

Davis said most people he knows rarely ask him about his NBA future. And that's by design.

Now, "I just sit in my apartment and watch SportsCenter (when he's away from school)," he added. "I don't put myself in a situation where I'm around people who want to talk about stuff like that."

As a sophomore, he's as outgoing as ever but he's definitely tightened the hatches on his inner circle.

The surgery and rehabilitation as a

result of the torn ligament in the left knee he suffered during the Bruins' NCAA Tournament game with Michigan last March caused him to re-evaluate a lot of things about his life.

One of those was the company he keeps.

"During my rehabilitation, everyone fell off me. I just saw a few of my 'friends' around then, so those are the ones I'm sticking with. I learned that not everyone who you think is your friend really is."

"There are some people who said, 'I don't think he'll ever be as good as he was before the injury,'" Davis said. "And that's what drives me today. I want to prove to everyone that I'm back."

Only not for quite as long - it inevitably seems - as those who consider Pauley the Mecca of college basketball would have hoped.

# NBA Roundup

The following is a rundown of Tuesday night's NBA action.

## Spurs 99 Rockets 82

Tim Duncan had 23 points and 14 rebounds and two former Houston players helped the Spurs. Mario Elie hit 15 first-half points and Avery Johnson, who played with the Rockets during the 1991-1992 season, hit eight of his 18 points in the first five minutes of the final period, keeping the Rockets from gaining ground.

## Mavericks 112 Clippers 99

Michael Finley scored 20 points and A.C. Green had 19 points and 12 rebounds, both season highs, as Dallas kept the Clippers winless.

Hubert Davis added 18 points and Steve Nash and Gary Trent had 16 each.

## Pacers 88 Nuggets 81

Reggie Miller scored eight of his 21 points in the fourth quarter and Indiana held Denver without a field goal for more than seven minutes in the period. Chris Mullin contributed 18 points, connecting on all five of his 3-point attempts for the Pacers.

## Heat 85 Knicks 84

Alonzo Mourning scored 28 points and Patrick Ewing missed a 14-footer as time ran out.

Ewing had a season-high 31 points and 16 rebounds. But he also missed two shots and committed a turnover in the final two minutes in regulation, then missed a potential game-winning jumper over P.J. Brown. Terry Porter scored Miami's last four points, including two free throws with 55 seconds left for the game's final points.

## Bucks 94 Nets 86

Glenn Robinson scored eight of his 18 points in the final 2:49 as Milwaukee Bucks scored 11 of the last 13 points.

The Nets, who lost for the seventh time in eight games and fell to 3-11, trailed by 19 in the first half, but rallied to take an 84-83 lead on Eric Murdock's 3-point shot with 3:03 to play.

But Robinson and the Bucks took charge from there. Robinson hit a jump shot to give the Bucks the lead for good.

## Timberwolves 89 Warriors 78

Staring at a possible four-game losing streak, the Timberwolves rallied from an eight-point fourth-quarter deficit.

Kevin Garnett scored 27 points and Stephon Marbury had 13 of his 19 in the fourth quarter.

Chris Mills scored 21 points to lead the Warriors.

## Pistons 108 Bulls 78

The Pistons handed the Bulls their worst loss ever at the United Center. Detroit (9-6) had six players in double figures, led by Grant Hill's 17 points. Joe Dumars kept up his hot streak since coming off the injury list scoring 16 points on 4-of-8 shooting from 3-point range.

## Cavaliers 116 Celtics 99

Shawn Kemp scored 22 points and Bob Sura added a season-high 19 as Cleveland broke the 100-point mark for the first time this season. Ron Mercer led Boston with 22 points. Celtics rookie Paul Pierce, who entered the game averaging 20.4 points, scored just two and shot 0-for-11 from the field.

## Wizards 97 Hawks 97

Washington ended a four-game losing streak as Mitch Richmond scored 28 points to lead the hot-shooting Wizards over Atlanta.

Juwan Howard added 20 points and Rod Strickland had 18 as the Wizards shot 42-for-71 (59 percent) for the game.

Grant Long led Atlanta with 17 points and Anthony Johnson added 14.

## Brown's Sixers earning respect

By **STEPHEN A. SMITH**  
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

PHILADELPHIA - Hours before his bedtime on a recent evening, Larry Brown appeared to have trouble staying awake. There were bags under his eyes, his glasses were off, and he was rubbing his forehead - sort of like he does when the Philadelphia 76ers are giving him headaches.

He has helped the 9-5 team crack the force field of mediocrity and tap on the door of respectability, though the 5-foot-9 guy with gray hair hasn't gotten much of the credit.

"I'm pleased, really," Brown said of the progress. "But it's a long season. We still need to get better."

The Sixers have the league's top road record (5-1), the third-stingiest defense (allowing 83.3 points a game), and the league's leading scorer in Allen Iverson (29.1).

Iverson was named player of the month for February. Matt Geiger isn't stiff anymore, and he's dunking.

Rookie Larry Hughes is showing why he was the No. 8-overall pick, and the Sixers are resembling a team that could pose a potential roadblock for title contenders.

Under Brown, teams have repeatedly gotten better. In 17 NBA seasons before this one, he's compiled a 655-531 record (.522), including a 1061-699 (.603) mark overall.

Known in basketball as "Mr. Fixit," he has rebuilt franchises in New Jersey (1982-83), San Antonio (1989-90), the L.A. Clippers (1992-93) and took the

Indiana Pacers to two straight Eastern Conference finals (1995 and 1996).

But it's difficult to get Brown to acknowledge his successes.

Instead of taking some credit for Iverson's play, he gives it all to the guard. Same with the development of Theo Ratliff, Eric Snow and others — he credits his coaching staff.

"All I want to do is make players better and watch this team grow," Brown said. "As I said when I first came here, Philadelphia, I think, understands basketball as well as any city I've ever been in, and they love the game. I just wanted to make sure we gave them something to cheer about and appreciate."

Just 14 games in the season and that's already apparent. Iverson has been unstoppable, playing the best defensive basketball of his life.

"It's because of defense. The defense coach has instilled in us. Words can't even describe the way he's been coaching us. But I kind of knew what was going to happen from last year," Iverson said.

That was when Brown made the necessary changes — trading away numerous players to get the ones he wanted. The result? A team that plays together — on and off the court — and one that believes.

"All I wanted was guys with good character, who would play tough defense and play hard," Brown said. "That's what I have with this team."

And it's similar to what the team appears to have in Brown.

## Houston man believes NFL Expansion talks stalemated

**Associated Press**

HOUSTON — The businessman trying to lure an expansion NFL franchise here believes the league's owners are locked in a stalemate as to whether to award a new team to Houston or rival Los Angeles.

"Right now there are not enough votes for Los Angeles and there are not enough votes for Houston," Bob McNair told Houston television station KRIV.

McNair hopes owners will come up with a way to bring the NFL back to both cities, either by guaranteeing a relocated team to the expansion loser or by granting two expansion teams.

Some owners are skeptical about

adding even one team, citing the dilution of the talent pool. Also, adding two teams would maintain an odd number of franchises, which causes scheduling problems.

"It's something that is not the most satisfactory in terms of scheduling, but it's not the end of the world," McNair said. "It's something you can live with."

Owners are expected to act on the expansion question at meetings next month in Phoenix. With the allure of the nation's second-largest television market, Los Angeles is considered the front-runner.

# Hot bats look to start new streak against Rams

By **JOE LEAL**  
Sports Editor

One Bronc enjoys his best season while another slowly creeps out of a slump.

During the recent 12-game Bronc winning streak, right-fielder/designated hitter Steve Garza continued to swing a hot bat, while second baseman Gabe De La Garza saw his catch fire giving him some much-needed confidence going into their weekend series against Texas Wesleyan — a rivalry that dates back to 1979. UTPA owns the series 11-1.

Now that the Bronc streak has been snapped, head coach Reggie Tredaway sees no need for any drastic changes.

"I haven't told them anything different. We just need to get better at what we do. We beat ourselves [in the final game] against Incarnate Word," said Tredaway.

For the first time this season the Bronc batting average rose above that of their opponents. UTPA currently bats a collective .299 while opponents hit .293 against them.

While Garza enjoyed success at the plate from the start of the season, De La Garza struggled immensely.

In the first twelve games of the season De La Garza batted .040 with one hit and one RBI.

Since then, the tables have turned in De La Garza's favor. In his series against Incarnate Word, De La Garza batted .750, going 6-for-8 and increasing his average to .222.

"Gabe has actually swung the bat very well the past couple of weeks. He got down on himself, so he just started to work a little harder," said Tredaway.

For De La Garza, success at the plate means he is more than a solid defensive player.



—Bert Gonzalez

**Gabe De La Garza batted .750 in his last series against the Incarnate Word Crusaders.**

Although a .982 fielding percentage and only committing one error this season — tied for best among those with 10 starts — surely doesn't hurt.

At the opposite side of the baseball spectrum, Garza batted a scorching .500, scoring 15 runs and 12 RBI in the last 13 games for the Broncs. He went 3-for-4, helping the Broncs extend their streak to 12 in game two of last week's double-header against Incarnate Word.

"I thought he would have a good season. Right now, he's swinging the bat with a lot of confidence. He's holding up our lineup at the four spot and his pitch selection is a lot better this season," said Tredaway.

The Bronc senior couldn't have picked a better time to flourish.

Garza leads the team with

a .448 batting average cranking 30 hits in 67 at bats. He leads in doubles with 10 and has a slugging percentage of .597. Garza is also 9-for-9 in stolen bases.

The Broncs enjoy one of their best starts in the '90s. Only 1992 saw them start better. In that season UTPA started that season with a 15-6 mark in the first 21 games.

The Broncs best 21-game start came in 1975 when they posted a 20-1 mark. The Broncs ended that season with a 63-7 record.

In their last 13 games the Broncs have outscored their opponents 84 to 49. They have also held opponents to one run five times during that stretch.

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