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Unabomber suspect loses appeal

WASHINGTON (AP) - Unabomber suspect Theodore Kaczynski has lost a Supreme Court appeal in his attempt to be freed from prosecution because of news leaks.

The justices, without comment, refused to give Kaczynski a new chance to argue in a lower court that news leaks so poisoned public opinion that the government should forfeit its right to prosecute him.

"The government's conduct has made the word 'Unabomber' and the name Theodore Kaczynski interchangeable," his appeal contended. Kaczynski, arrested in Montana last April, has been charged in eight of the 16 bombings linked to the Unabomber and could face the death penalty if convicted. He is being held for trial at Sacramento, California.

Prosecutors said last month they had found a diary kept by Kaczynski that contains ``detailed admissions'' to each of the 16 explosions that killed three people and wounded 23 since 1978.

Last April, a federal judge in Montana refused to bar government prosecution of Kaczynski despite leaks about the case by unnamed govern-

ment officials.

U.S. District Judge Charles Lovell called the news leaks "entirely regrettable," but said he saw no evidence they were part of an intentional effort to prejudice the public against Kaczynski.

The San Francisco-based 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said it lacked jurisdiction to hear Kaczynski's appeal of Lovell's ruling. Kaczynski's appeal to the Supreme Court was filed in April by his Montana public defender before Kaczynski was charged in the Unabomber attacks.

The appeal said he should be given a chance to prove "that the government's outrageous conduct denied fundamental constitutional rights."

Justice Department lawyers said Kaczynski's appeal was premature. Grand jurors can consider information from nearly any source; thus, Kaczynski cannot show he was prejudiced by unauthorized news leaks, government lawyers argued.

'Date rape' drug bill goes to Clinton

WASHINGTON (Reuter) - The U.S. Senate has passed and sent to President Clinton for signature a bill toughening penalties for possession and use of a so-called "date-rape drug."

The bill would increase penalties for the use of any imported content and substance in the commission of a felony.

It was particularly aimed at the prescription drug Rohypnol, which is not sold in the United States but is marketed in 60 other countries as a sedative and has been showing up in the United States.

The drug is sold outside the United States by Hoffmann-La Roche Inc, an affiliate of the

multinational group of companies headed by Roche Holding Ltd of Basel, Switzerland. Police from various cities have reported that the drug was being given surreptitiously to unsuspecting women who then became victims of rape by their dates.

The bill, sponsored in the House of Representatives by New York Republican Jerry Solomon, provides for penalties of up to 20 years in prison for distribution of Rohypnol, or any other controlled substance, with intent to commit a violent crime, including rape.

In July Hoffmann-La Roche announced its support for the legislation. "We are encouraged by this bill because it recognizes that other

substances besides Rohypnol are misused to commit sexual assault," Robert Armstrong of the company said.

The bill would also bring penalties for manufacture, distribution, dispensing or possession of Rohypnol up to those in place for heroin or LSD and add a new penalty of up to three years for simple possession of the drug.

"Reports of drug-induced sexual assaults appear to be on the rise," said Sen. Orrin Hatch, a Utah Republican and one of the bill's sponsors. He said it would strike at "those who would use controlled substances to further violent assaults against women."

Window smashing continues in LA

LOS ANGELES (AP) _ Three more car windows were shattered Sunday in the latest wave of Southern California freeway vandalism, the California Highway Patrol said.

No injuries have been reported in the crime spree that has shattered about 200 windows in less than a month.

Sunday's attacks occurred on three separate Los Angeles County freeways. The first was shortly before 2 p.m. on Interstate 405 on the west side, the second at about 6 p.m. south of Los Angeles on I-105, and the third at around 7:30 p.m. on Interstate 10 that runs east-west through the center of Los Angeles.

On Saturday, at least 27 vehicles were damaged in attacks that began at about 5:45 p.m., Price said. Nineteen cars were attacked Friday night. A hotline has been set up to handle tips about the vandalism. The CHP also has added extra officers to a newly formed "Vandal Apprehension Task Force" to combat the window-smashings, which the CHP now says appear to be caused by a pellet gun or a high-powered slingshot.

LAPD's effort to recruit women successful

LOS ANGELES (AP) _ The LAPD's first black chief says efforts to recruit minorities and women to the force have been successful, yet they have failed to silence critics.

"Depending on what group I'm talking to, whether it's women or minorities, they say: `Chief, that's not enough.' It's like, `What did you do for me today?," Willie Williams said.

Court consent decrees and public demand have prompted the LAPD to drastically alter its make-up. White men, who once comprised 80 percent of officers, now make up less than 45 percent.

But issues remain. White males still hold most top positions, no woman ranks higher than Captain. And the percentage of blacks on the force has dropped to 13.8 percent from 14 percent since Williams took office in 1992.

"To some degree, the Los Angeles Police Department is ahead. Is it enough? No," Williams told the Los Angeles
Times in an interview published
Sunday.

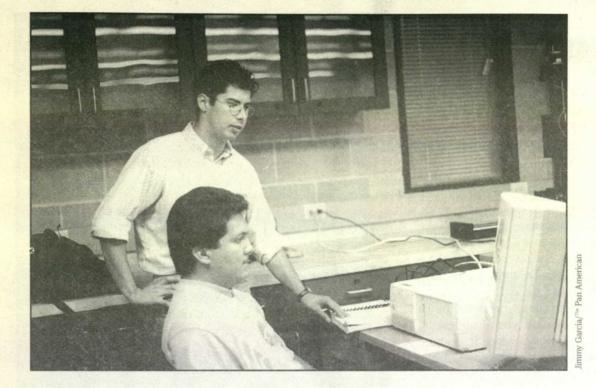
"We're being asked to change probably the most difficult social issues in America," the chief said. "And we're being asked to change them in a micro-second in time compared to the time that this country, this city, this state has had to deal with these issues."

Some critics contend that the LAPD is ignoring blacks in favor of Hispanics, who at 29 percent

are underrepresented on the force compared to the city's population.

The Times, however, citing sources it did not identify, said the LAPD recently has hired every available black candidate who scored above 70 in a 100-point oral interview while some white males needed a near-perfect score to be hired.

Hispanic, Asian and women candidates also typically are hired with lower scores, the Times said.



Students build twisters

Electrical Engineering students, John Reed and Carido Muñoz, complete programming for the Motion Control System which moves a laser within a wind tunnel. The Engineering Department has started building a 27-foot wind tunnel for ongoing research.

Nursing Department

Students fight changes through appeal

Joe Zambrano
News Editor

Students from the Nursing Department have initiated an appeal against the department's new changes. "We made a lot of changes for the program. However, the hardest change on the students is our new passing policy," said Carolina Huerta, Nursing Department chairperson.

The changes stem from a failure to pass the state boards nursing exam with a 75 percent for a duration of two years.

"Over the years we have had good board results. In order to be considered an autho-

rized program or to be in good standings with the board of nurse examiners, 75 percent of the students have to pass the board per year. We have a real good success story, unfortunately for those two years we fell below the 75 percent margin."

As a result, the Board of Nurse Examiners have made recommendations to the department in order to improve the pass rate and the program, according to Huerta.

She said the main idea of the changes is to strengthen the students. "The pass rate for this year, the ones that graduated this may, was 96 percent."

According to Huerta some of the changes may be hard for the students to accept. "That

is part of the reason why maybe we have some of these appeals. But, some of these are very good changes and have really improved the students."

Currently, students involved in the appeal have not been identified. "The appeal process is a confidential process," she said.

She said anytime one makes changes, people have a hard time adapting to it.

"The 70 to 75 pass rate increase is difficult, but it is no different then any other nursing program.

"We have a responsibility to the community to produce people that know what they are doing in the medical field," she said.

University catalog correction

The 1996-98 University Catalog (p.224) describing the minor in mathematics is in error. The phrase "including MATH 1401 and 9 approved hours of mathematics" should read "including MATH 1401, 1402, 2401, 2345 and 9 approved hours of mathematics." The rest of the description is correct. Students with questions should contact the department in Southwick Hall 105 or call 381-3452.

Edinburg proclaims Physicians Assistant Day

Joe Zambrano News Editor

The Mayor of Edinburg proclaimed October 6 as Physicians Assistant Day. PA Day has been around for several years; however, the Physicians Assistant program on campus recently initiated a local proclamation. "We approached a few cities for the proclamation," said Mickie Rowlett. She hopes several other cities follow Edinburg's example and proclaim October 6 as PA day by next year.

The department celebrated Physicians Assistant Day by promoting awareness of the program at various high schools, including Med High and Sharyland. Steve Palacios, PA student, hopes the proclaimed day informs students of the new department. "Every time I tell someone that I am a Physicians Assistant major, I have to explain. I hope the proclaimed day informs everyone," he said.

Anyone seeking information may contact Dr. Jack Runyan, Program Director, or call 381-2298.

Athletes prompt new policy

Joe Zambrano News Editor

According to Linda Odaniel, Faculty Representative for the Athletic department, complaints from professors about athletes missing classes have initiated a new policy.

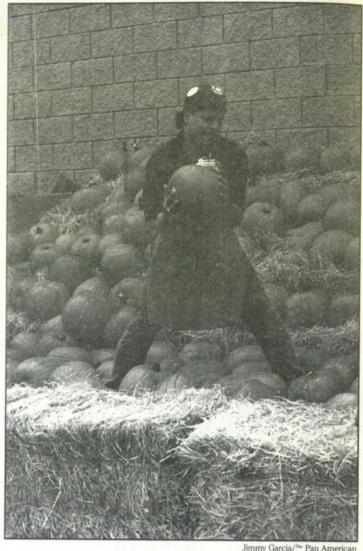
"Athletes missing classes started this, but the policy will affect all students being excused for university business. This will include the Music, Art, Athletic and any other department excusing students for campus business," said Odaniel.

Students absent while representing the university in officially recognized activities are required to inform their class instructors at least one week in advance of the excused absence and arrange with

the instructor to make up missed work or examinations. Instructors will provide those students an opportunity to make up the work or otherwise adjust the grading to ensure that the student is not penalized for the absence. Failure to notify the instructor or failure to comply with the arrangements to make up the work will void the excused.

The situation was mentioned during the Faculty Senate meeting in the Spring; however, it was voted not to be acted on until the Fall.

The policy, being proposed by Bill Morris, Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs, Mark Roundtree, Assistant Athletic Director, Odaniel and Elvie Davis, Dean of Students, will be voted on by the Faculty Senate next



Pumpkin time - A Wal-Mart employee prepares pumpkins for display outside the store in Edinburg.

Club sponsors debate

A Presidential debate between Dr. Samuel Freeman, political science associate professor, and Dr. Jerry Polinard, political science professor will be hosted by the Philosophy Club today. Individuals may attend the debate in the Liberal Arts Building room 101 at noon to 1:00 pm. According to Cheri Klink, club officer, the purpose of the debate is inform students of the election as well as the issues.

'Binge' Schools Battle Campus Drinking

Reuters CHICAGO—Universities known as "binge" schools have agreed to join the American Medical Association and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation in a precedent-setting multimillion-dollar effort to battle drinking on campus, officials said recently.

'At high binge schools, students are twice as likely to have been assaulted, and 74 times more likely to have driven after five or more drinks," said Nancy Kaufman, vice president of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, who is administering the 5-year, \$8.6 million grant

Kaufman said the foundation was spurred to initiate the program because of the effects of 'second-hand" drinking on students. She said non-drinkers often have to deal with drunk roommates or loud parties that can disrupt their studies.

While all six schools in the grant program have had past histories as problem drinking campuses the current administrations are making "a strong commitment" to change the students' drinking habits, Kaufman said.

One of the main objectives of the program will be to change the attitudes of alumni who, Kaufman said, often return and spark bingeing among undergraduates. The programs will involve harsher penalties and restrictions and education.

"The alumni come back and expect to have the same kind of party atmosphere they remember," said Kaufman. Kaufman said that a 1994 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation financed study by Henry Wechsler of Harvard, found that schools where athletics and fraternities are considered to be important are usually the ones with binge drinking traditions.

An AMA survey earlier this year that was a follow-up on Weschler's work revealed that half the students on about a third of the college campuses in the United States admit to being binge drinkers.

The survey also showed that 20 percent of Americans between 18 and 30 years of age reported some episodes of binge drinking. Many also admitted to driving drunk.

Alcohol-related motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death for youths aged 15 to 24, according to the AMA. A binge drinker is defined as a male who consumes five or more drinks in a row or a woman who downs four or more at least once during a two-week period.

"We found that things hadn't gotten any better (between 1994 and 1996), and we felt we needed a fresh approach," said Dr. Nancy Dickey, AMA chairwoman. The programs will involve tougher penalties and restriction and education. Dickey said the AMA wants to

develop models so that they can be implemented at the six schools taking part in the program as well as other schools with similar problems.

"Drinking is a kind of high-risk behavior that disrupts institutions, endangers the drinkers and victimizes their fellow students with violence, vandalism and harassment," Dickey added.

"We challenge the universities to come up with as many innovative programs as they can." A side effect of binge drinking, Dickey said, is unplanned and unprotected sex leaving students open to unwanted pregnancy as well as diseases including AIDS.

"You cannot drink and think," Dickey said. The Princeton, N.J., based Johnson Foundation plans to add two more schools to the program within two years and eventually extend it to seven years.

The initial grants, announced Tuesday by the AMA, average \$770,000 per school. The schools selected are: the University of Colorado, at Boulder; the University of Delaware, Newark; University of Iowa, Iowa City; Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa.; University of Vermont, Burlington and the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

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Financial aid seeks improvement

Gracie Gonzales
The Pan American

The financial aid department is in need of major improvements as a result of the hand full of complaints they have received. Although the department of the financial aid has a director, Arnold Trejo, the department advisors handle the matters of complaints as best as they can, within their jurisdiction. The department is overseen by the Vice President for Business affairs, Mr. James R. Langabeer. "The financial aid division, as put by Lucile Shabowich, an Associate Director of Financial Aid, only handles the eligibility and the awarding of funds for the student.

The remainder is handled through the comptrollers office, and with payments and collections". Lucile Shabowich did not confirm if the financial aid department is seeking any improvements due to any problems. "The process of any improvements for financial aid is in the discussion stage at this time and any further developments are not going to be shared with any media until it is final," she exclaimed.

Their is no current written policy at this time as far as the paper flow is concerned, nor will there be until they receive an adequate amount of complaints.

Joe, an anonymous student, believes the policy now seems to be "go along as you go" or learn by your mistakes. These issues have

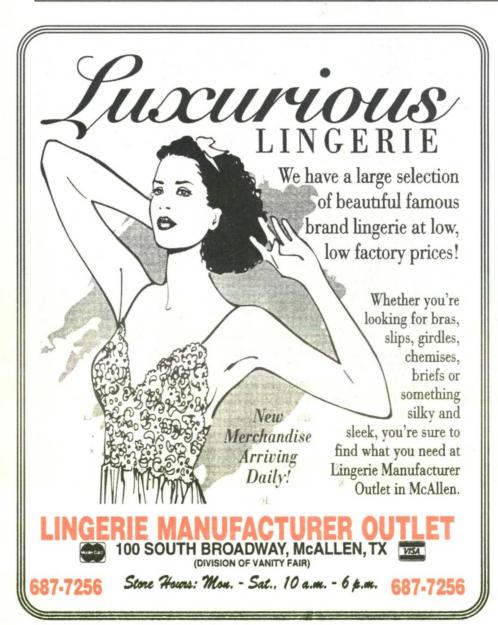
been a recurrence for many students at the University of Texas at Pan American.

"It is very frustrating every time I register, even though everything is turned in on time", said an anonymous student. Students, at times, are being dropped from their classes for a minimal fee that is at times the collections department fault. "I was dropped from my classes for a mistake that was not mine to begin with ", said Catherine who is currently a senior.

Joe, feels a policy should be implemented in writing. "There would not be so many problems if they remained consistent and were properly trained on the policies at hand," he added.

Faculty Senate sets post-tenure review meeting

An open forum for the entire faculty and admnistration to express their views on the UT System's proposal to institute additional post-tenure review procedures is scheduled for 2:30 Friday, in the Engineering Auditorium Everyone will have an opportunity to speak, but persons wanting to make a statement should contact Gerald Brazier (3519) or anyone else on the Senate Executive Committee.





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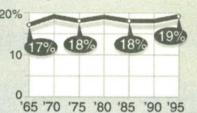
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Taxes: A campaign check-up

Here's a look at how federal taxes have changed over the years, and how Clinton and Dole compare on their key tax-cut proposals:

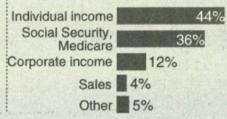
Have taxes gone up?

They've gone up slightly since the 1960s. Federal taxes as a percentage of GDP:



Biggest sources

Before the 1940s, sales taxes were the main source of federal revenue. Now, it's individual income taxes:



Tax rate cut	None proposed
Family	●Tax credit for children under 13, starting at \$300 per child; \$500 in 1999; for incomes up to \$75,000
Education	\$1,500-a-year tax credit, for two yrs. of college tuition; phased-in \$10,000 higher education deduction;

Clinton on taxes

education IRA

 Increase exclusion for homeowners SOURCE: Congressional Budget Office, Dole and Clinton campaigns

Dole on taxes

Phased-in 15% cut in all tax rates

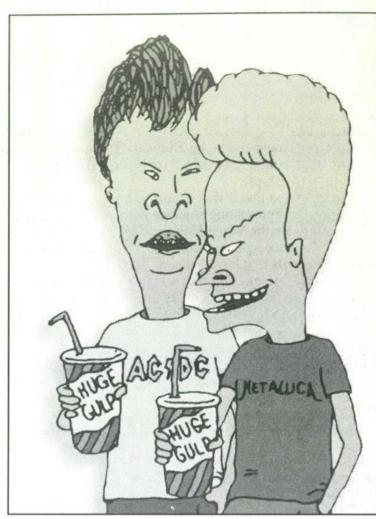
 Credit for children under 18, starting at \$250 per child; \$500 in 1998; for incomes up to \$110,000

 Restore deduction for college loan interest; education IRA: tax exemption for state-s ponsored tuition plans

 Cut rate in half; increase exclusion for homeowners

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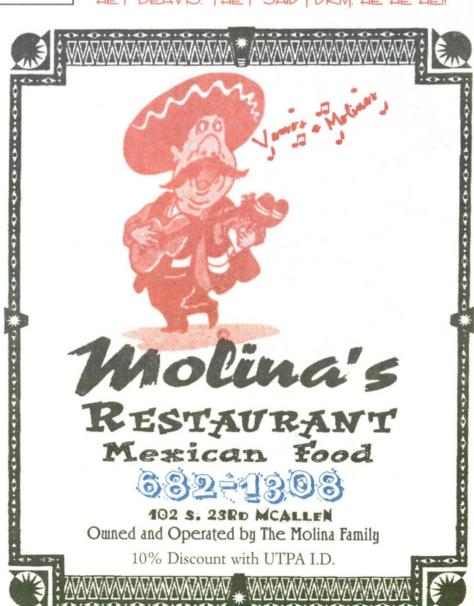
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College Students Score First Presidential Debate

By Colleen DeBaise CPS

HARTFORD, Conn.—President Clinton and Republican challenger Bob Dole exchanged barbs and quips as they laid out their differences in education and economic policies during their first televised debate Oct. 6.

Dole defended his position that the Education Department should be eliminated, saying that the money could be used instead for scholarships.

Clinton responded that it was important to have someone representing students at the Cabinet table in the White House.

The president once again outlined two education proposals that have become focal points of his re-election bid: a \$10,000 tax deduction for the cost of college tuition, and a \$1,500 tax credit to help families pay for the cost of a typical community college.

But Dole touted his tax cut and accused Clinton's 1993 budget of resulting in the

"largest tax increase in history." Under the Dole plan, a family making \$30,000 a year would save \$1,261, which translates into several months of day care or a home computer, he said. Clinton also criticized Dole for his opposition to the AmeriCorps national service program, a project created by the Clinton Administration in which young people earn money for college by performing community service.

In response, Dole said the program "costs about \$27,000 to pay people to volunteer . . . If that's one of your successes, I wouldn't speak about it too loudly."Dole, trailing the president by about 15 percentage points in most polls, needed to score high marks in the 90-minute debate in order to get back in the race.

Opinion polls conducted immediately after the debate showed that Clinton came out on top, though many watchers said Dole performed better than expected. In an effort to break from his somber image,

Dole tossed in a few humorous asides, drawing laughs from the audience.

In a clear effort to avoid the mudslinging that dominated the 1992 debates, both men refrained from personal attacks, saying that despite their differences they respected each other personally.

That seemed to set well with many college students across the nation, some of whom met in groups to watch the debates.

At the University of Kansas, senior Jarius Jones said he found the debate to be exciting. "I really liked it. In years past, they've been so boring," he said.

KU senior Jeffrey Auslander said he thought the debate "was entertaining . . . with Dole ripping at Clinton in funny ways, and Clinton rebutting in funny ways."

The second debate will be held town-hall style with members of the audience asking questions at the University of San Diego on Oct. 16.

Clinton holds large lead over Dole

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) _ President Clinton would easily defeat Republican nominee Bob Dole in West Virginia if the election were held Sunday, according to The Charleston Gazette Poll released Monday. Clinton was favored by 59 percent of registered voters, compared with 35 percent support for Dole and 6 percent for Reform Party candidate Ross Perot, the poll found.

The poll did not factor in undecided voters.

The newspaper polled 521 voters by telephone from Sept. 30 through Oct. 2. It had a margin of error of 4.1 percentage points.

A poll conducted by the newspaper in early September showed the same support for the candidates.

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Editor's Call

GLOBAL, the Gay Lesbian Bi-sexual Alliance, has faced many problems at this university.

Defacing of signs advertising meetings and discrimination have caused this recognized student organization to cry out for help.

Some argue this organization shouldn't be allowed on campus or hold public meetings in campus facilities.

The evidence - defacing of signs posted by GLOBAL.

The reason - sexual orientation.

We ask what does sexual orientation have to do with the university?

We ask what does sexual orientation have to do with a citizin's right to assemble and discuss any issue he/she wants?

An individual's sexual orientation should not be a basis for any decision to restrict the rights of student organizations.

Emphasis should be in finding the ones responsible for defacing GLOBAL's signs and in preventing anyone from hindering student's rights.

Stop hating and discriminating against people who only want the same rights as everyone else.

Let alone their bedside manner and let them assemble and advertise their meetings.

They deserve their rights.

Just leave everything else in the bedroom.



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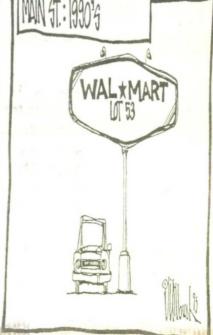
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All's well that ends well, but Dole doesn't gain

Terrance Hunt
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) - After 90 minutes of anxious debate, they concluded with a smile and a handshake, two men who clearly knew what it was like to walk in one another's shoes.

Bob Dole and Bill Clinton allowed as how they actually liked each other. Their families tumbled onto the stage for more handshakes and a group photograph.

It was high political theater, but it wasn't the breakthrough performance that Dole needed to break Clinton's long-running lead in their presidential duel

Indeed an instant CBS poll indicated nine out of 10 viewers did not change their support on account of the debate. There were no major blunders, no big surprises, no new initiatives in the first of two televised debates between Clinton and Dole.

Now, the clock is running out on Dole, with only 30 days remaining for him to try to play catch up with the president.

The next round: a vice presidential debate on Wednesday. And then the final presidential debate on Oct. 16.

Sunday night's matchup offered Dole an opportunity to shake up the race so far dominated by Clinton. The debate covered alot of ground and penetrated a wide range of policy differences, but it didn't seem to change the campaign environment.

"Neither person looked bad or made any terrible mistake. On balance, that's in Clinton's favor," said Michigan State University political scientist James

Granato

"Obviously, all Clinton needed was to hold his own," agreed Princeton University political scientist Fred I. Greenstein. "In fact, he won it on points. Clearly what Dole needed was a breakthrough."

Dole tried to raise doubts about Clinton's leadership. Dole said he wouldn't talk about Clinton's youthful drug experimentation, he said he wouldn't talk about the tangled Whitewater issue, he said he wouldn't talk about the president's character. And largely, aside from the clever references, he didn't.

Clinton played it safe, although television cameras in split screen often captured a smug expression during Dole's expositions.

Most of Clinton's remarks came straight out of his campaign speeches. He never tired of saying that he had cut the deficit by more than half and presided over the creation of 10.5 million new jobs.

Dole complained that Clinton was taking credit when it wasn't due or credit where it should be spread around.

"The truth is, there is a lot wrong with America," Dole said. He spoke particularly of economic anxieties.

Clinton, leading the nation at a time of peace and prosperity, answered that America is better off now than it was four years ago.

"It is not midnight in America," the president declared.

In style, Clinton appeared fluid; Dole was not as comfortable.

"The physical contrast between the two was very dramatic" Greenstein said. "Dole was static, compact."

Dole did show flashes of humor. He said he

recalled a day on the Senate floor when he said, "Now, gentlemen, let me tax your memories," and Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., jumped up and said, "Why haven't we thought of that before."

"You know?" Dole said to Clinton. " ... one of your liberal friends."

The race hasn't changed much since Dole won the nomination in March. Clinton has maintained a steady double digit lead, and Dole has been left struggling even in Republican strongholds like Florida, Arizona, Indiana, Oklahoma and Alabama.

Nothing has eroded Clinton's advantage, from setbacks in the Middle East to the humiliating resignation of his chief political strategist. With tens of millions of viewers, the debates were the biggest campaign audience for the candidates and an opportunity to focus voters on the race for the next 30 days.

Unfortunately for underdog Dole, it might not matter. Only 30 percent of the more than 1,500 voters surveyed by the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press said the debates would matter to them. And 65 percent said their minds were made up already.

Yet, for a challenger like Dole, the debates put the challenger on an equal footing with the president. This time there was no Iraq bombing or Mideast crisis to distract. And with Reform Party nominee Ross Perot excluded, it was a one-on-one encounter.

Unfortunately for Dole, the hard history of presidential debates is this: Usually they don't change much. In every case over the last 20 years, the leader going in was the leader coming out and the winner in November.

Here's To Your Health

By Debra Nelson, R.N.
Nursing Coordinator
UTPA Student Health Service

hat do you need as a young adult to stay healthy? Now that many of you are more independent, you will need to take greater responsibility for your personal health needs. To begin with, if you had all your childhood immunizations you need to continue with some occasional booster doses.

You need a Tetanus Toxoid shot every 10 years to protect yourself from getting tetanus (lockjaw). The tetanus bacilli live in the soil so it can easily get into our bodies through any opening in our skin (such as a cut). A booster dose of MMR (Measles, Mumps, and Rubella) is recommended if you were born after 1957.

Two newer vaccines, the Hepatitis B and Chicken Pox vaccines are optional but a good idea. Annual tuberculosis (TB) skin tests are strongly recommended, and in some cases, mandatory. The flu vaccine is offered yearly, and may help you to avoid the flu while keeping you in class and on the job.

Do you know what your cholesterol number is? More importantly, do you know what modifications should be made to your diet to achieve and maintain a cholesterol level below 200, as recommended by the American Heart Association?

Females need yearly Pap Smears after age 18 or once you become sexually active. You should also get a baseline mammogram at age 35. Males under age 35 should be examined for testicular cancer and learn testicular self-examination. Males over the age of 35 should have a rectal prostate exam, which also screens for colon cancer.

Anyone that is sexually active, in a recent sexual relationship, or has had more than one sexual partner should be tested for sexually transmitted diseases such as gonorrhea, syphilis, HIV, and chlamydia.

Other ideas to help you stay healthy are yearly eye and dental exams, and a complete physical exam at least every three years. Let's all work toward staying healthy. Your Student Health Service can help you do just that!

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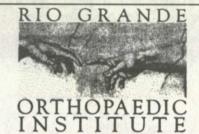


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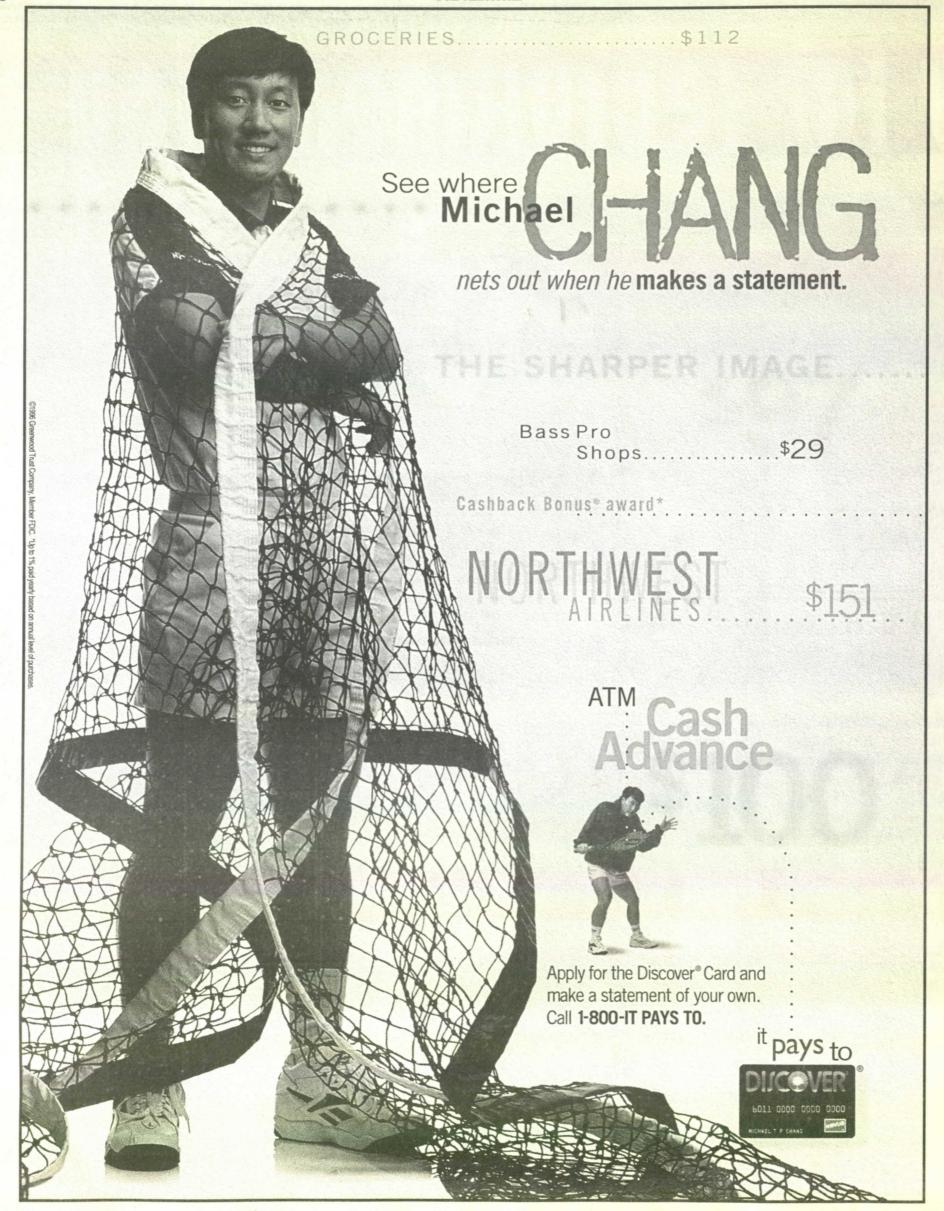


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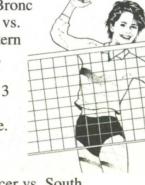
14-25 ASSIST registration for Spring 1997 by appointment.

To Graduate and Professional School Fair, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., University Ballroom. Sponsored by Office of Placement, Testing and Cooperative Education.

17 History Movie Night, "The Mountain Men," 7 p.m., LA 101.

18 Bronc soccer vs. Vanderbilt, 1:30 p.m., Soccer Stadium.

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20 Bronc soccer vs. South Alabama, 2 p.m., Soccer Stadium.

20 Bronc volleyball vs. New Orleans, Parents' Weekend, 5 p.m., Fieldhouse.

22 UT Pan American Choir Concert, 8 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

24 History Movie Night, The Wind and the Lion, 7 p.m., LA 101. MBA Toastmasters Club, 10 a.m., BA 113.

26 Carnival of the Great Pumpkin, 7 to 11 p.m., UT Pan American Field House. Food, fun, games and music by "Crossfire."

27 Bronc soccer vs. UT Pan American Alumni, exhibition, 4 p.m., Soccer Stadium.

29 Barbecue for international students at UT Pan American, 7 p.m., Hidalgo County Historical Museum. Sponsored by International Women's Board, UT Pan American Foundation.

Movie Night, "The Old Gringo," 7 p.m., LA 101.



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Bronc volleyball vs. Western Kentucky, 7 p.m., Field-house.

1-2 UT Pan American Folkloric Dance Company in concert with the UT Pan American Mariachi, 7 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

Bronc soccer vs. Schreiner College, 2 p.m., Soccer Stadium.

5 Bronc volleyball vs. Texas A&M-Kingsville, 7 p.m., Fieldhouse.

5 Senior Recital, Debbie Jasso, flute, 8 p.m., Recital Hall.

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12 Bronc basketball vs. Monterrey Tech, Mexico, international exhibition, 7:30 p.m., Fieldhouse.

12 UT Pan American Jazz Ensemble Concert, 8 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

1 4 UT Pan American Alumni Association awards banquet, 7 p.m., University Ballroom.

Lady Bronc basketball vs. U.S. All-Armed Forces, exhibition, 5 p.m. Fieldhouse.

16 Bronc basketball vs. U.S. Army, exhibition, 7:30 p.m., Fieldhouse.

23 Bronc basketball vs. McMurry University, 7:30 p.m., Fieldhouse.

23 & 24
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25 Payment period for Spring 1997 ASSIST registration through Dec. 11.

26 Lady Bronc basketball vs. Texas A&M-Kingsville, 5 p.m., Fieldhouse.

26 UT Pan American
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27 Last day to drop or withdraw through the Office of Admissions and Records.

27 Residence halls close for Thanksgiving holidays at 6:30 p.m.

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Thanksgiving holidays. No classes.

December

3 Lady Bronc basketball vs. Oral Roberts University, time TBA. Fieldhouse.

3 Senior Recital, Eddie Mendez, trumpet, 8 p.m., Recital Hall.

2-8 "A Christmas Carol," by Charles Dickens at the University Theatre.

7 UT Pan American
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confronting hate and ignorance

Holly Meisel

Pan American

Since the beginning of their existence five years ago, the Gay

Lesbian Bisexual Alliance Organization—known to many as GLOB-AL—has experienced widespread destruction of its signs posted on campus. This year is no exception.

An estimated 25 posters and 25 flyers have been defaced or torn down throughout the campus walkways.

"We're not here to say 'we're here, we're queer and just try to stop us," said Ismael Garza, president of GLOBAL. "We're here to say that we're a people and we care about everyone's concerns."

Some of the posters found have obscene expressions such as "faggots" or "go to hell" written on them. Garza says he thinks these people are probably freshman who come to Pan Am close-minded.

"Personally, I believe discrimination will always be there," he said.

"A lot of people don't understand where we're coming from...but once a year or two goes by, their eyes open."

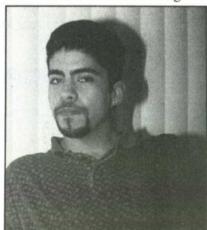
The organization is composed of twenty-seven members—not all of whom are homosexual. It was formed to educate and inform the whole university community as well as the outside community about the issues of homosexuality, AIDS, discrimination and equality.

Garza says there are a lot of gay students on campus who aren't members of GLOBAL because the organization is so active.

"At first, a lot of interested people who are gay think it is a social club," he said. "But when they find out there is a lot of work involved, they stop coming to our meetings."

One of the ways GLOBAL reaches out to the university community is by sending memos to various organizations on campus—including religious clubs.

"Just recently, a member of the Baptist Student Union came up to me and asked if they could attend one of our meetings," Garza said. "If we are able to have meetings with various religious student unions,



Global President Ismael Garza

maybe our issues could open their minds and make them understand us better." Garza says that even though homosexuality can "run in the family", he doesn't agree with the argument of a biological gene causing his sexual preference.

"There are a lot of people who, somewhere, will find someone in their family who is gay," he said. "But other people don't make you who you are. They can influence you but, at the same time, you

make those choices."

Lydia Rodriguez, a senior Computer Information System major and the former president of GLOBAL says that while growing up in elementary and junior high, she never had crushes on little boys, but rather little girls.

Being the youngest of nine children—5 brothers and 3 sisters—Rodriguez says that when she "came out" with her sexual preference in 1990, her mother cried, thinking she didn't raise her the right way.

"I told her 'mom, if that were true, you would have 8 other children who were gay", she said. "Personally, I think I was born this way. Just like everybody else who is born heterosexual, they know they are heterosexual."

She says that students at Pan Am have to realize that homosexuals



Reine Martinez / Pan American

Global participates in the recent Recruitment Day

are just like them.

"We want to be part of the University; with them destroying our posters, writing on them, tearing them down...they need to grow up! They're in college now and it doesn't matter if they don't agree with our choice or not—they just have to respect us and leave us alone."

Earl Bolander, president of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity says that he believes in the freedom of speech for all organizations on campus, but is against same sex marriages. If they want to meet on campus, that's their own decision," he said. "But in today's world, we're losing a lot of the stable family atmosphere." Bolander says that their sexual preference makes the situation unusual, thus uncomfortable for some people.

"But really, we're all people here," he said. "and that's what counts."

Garza says that someday he would like to get married and, perhaps, adopt children. "I would love to get married, but not to a female," he said. "I know that it's going to be hard to marry a male."

He says he considers himself to be a non-practicing Catholic.

"I do go to church but it's not as much as you would think a practicing Catholic would attend," he said.

Marilyn Hagerty, the coordinator of the Campus Catholic Ministry says that the church stands against discrimination of homosexuals because, in a sense, they're human beings.

"The bottom line is that the Catholic church does not approve of homosexuality. But at the same time these are human beings, and if they're Christians then we have to deal with that too."

Today is National Coming Out Day—a day in which people everywhere are encouraged to come to terms with their own sexuality.

"Coming out to a person can mean coming out at different stages," Garza said. "You can come out to yourself, your friends, your parents or the whole community."

"Coming out, you might find you're a heterosexual if you're thinking you're a homosexual," Hagerty said. "It could go either way."

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Classic drama kicks off season

Lydia Puente

The Pan American

One of the best known dramas in American theater will kick off the Mainstage season at the University Theatre.

"Death of A Salesman" by Arthur Miller will run at 8 p.m. Oct. 14-19, and at 2 p.m. Oct 20 at the University Theatre in the CAS Building.

Director Linda Donahue said this production is the first time the play has been produced here.

Donahue said in the past she felt it couldn't be produced because of the thrust set-up of the theater.

"We didn't know how we could pull off the various settings and times in the play," she said.

She said though with the help of lighting designer Tom Grabowski, the play will incorporate various lighting sequences that will segue from one scene to the next.

While Donahue hasn't had to deal with any preconceptions of her cast regarding this classic play, she has had a few comments from the prospective viewers.

"I've received some calls from worried people wondering whether I was going to modernize the play, perhaps update it to now, but I'm doing it as true as it was written," Donahue said.

One person who will probably have to deal with audience ideas about this play will be Dan Donahue, who portrays the lead, Willy Loman.

Loman, one of the most sought after roles in American theater, is often thought to be defined by two actors, Lee Cobb and Dustin Hoffman, who also portrayed him in the film.

Donahue said he really can't prevent comparisons that the audience will make.

"I just play the role as true as I see it," he said.

Donahue said the popularity of this drama goes beyond the cliches of the human condition.

"I can understand it in that Willy has two sons and I have two sons," he said, "and he gets very involved with his older son's life to the point where he's living his youth through his son."

Donahue said as a parent he can relate to the issues brought up in the piece, and he believes this is something the audience can empathize with as well.

"As a parent, you have to guide your children but you also have to let them live their own life, which is one of Loman's struggles," he said.

On a more personal note, Donahue has to deal with struggles with his director, who also is his wife.

He said that while he feels his wife is a very good director, working so closely can be difficult at times.

"It is difficult to leave your ego at the door of the theater, so to speak," he said.

For her part, Dr. Donahue said working with her husband has been been a gratifying experience.

"I give him a hard time about it at times," she said, "but he and the rest of the cast are great; and if you have a good cast it makes it less difficult."

Admission to "Death of A Salesman" is free with valid ID. Faculty, staff and students can receive two free admissions on one valid ID on Pan Am nights, Oct 14-16. Late-comers and children under 3rd grade will not be admitted. For more information, contact the University Theatre Box Office at 381-3581.

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Editor's Note

The student portrayed in the photo received numerous comments from friends and associates asking why he was stealing. The photo was not in any way real. The student was not stealing from the cafeteria.

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Column

Hitting the Boards

In sports we have entrusted to the officials a certain level of guardianship and control of the games, whether it be a referre, an umpire, or a judge. These people serve a duty to preserve not only the fundamentals of the game, but the character of the game and those who participate. Yet, recently there has been a rash of disrespect and deplorable acts directed towards the officials, and it makes one want to scream, "What the hell is wrong with these athletes?"

Roberto Alomar charges out to confront MLB umpire Mark Hirschbeck, and in the process of being a real hotheaded jerk, spits in the face of this man -- for which he receives a five-game suspension, effective not immediately, but next season. Alomar is a punk and should be polishing the bench with his narrow butt and big attitude,

instead of helping his team in the play-offs. Just at the very moment that the public was about to be swept away by the play-offs, here comes another stinging example of why baseball is

slowly dying off in the American heart and soul.

Yet, it is not only baseball that has been challenged by problems between players and game officials. Without a doubt, professional football and baseball are filled with the same sort of malcontents and egomaniacs who believe they are bigger than the sports itself.

Just this past week-end, Chicago linebacker Brian Cox found himself in the ugly spotlight again. I say again because this man has a history and reputation of being disgraceful and out of control when confronted with the authority of the league and their officials.

Cox showed his immaturity when he was caught on television shooting the middle finger at a referre, the same man who had just called a penalty on the linebacker... Cox was supposedly confused and angered by the lack of effort by his fellow teammates, but instead of going off on his guys back at the bench, he picked the most visible

symbol of the league. Well, maybe he will reflect on his actions while he is sitting on the bench and forking over a chunk of his check in penalities to the NFL.

At least that is what the league should impose on Cox. It has yet to be decided, but the NFL better have the guts to slam some punishment on Cox and any other player who crosses that barrier. Until the leagues and the owners establish a pattern of imposing severe restrictions and fines for any and all conduct determental to the game, these fat mouth, super wealthy, above the rules athletes will continue to believe that they can push the limits further and further.

There was a time when we could expect that the superstar athletes where above the rest of society. They shined as the best, the brightest members of our communities,

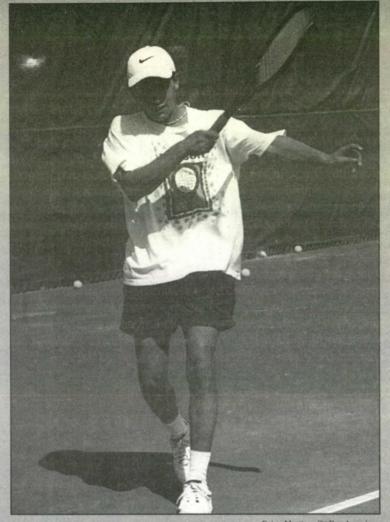
for not only their superior talent but for their unquestionable character... those times no longer exist. The modern athletes find themselves engrained into society; unfortunately, it is usually in connection with the

darker elements of our society.
Drug abuse, acts of violence, and confrontations with the law are a part of today's reality in professional sports, and combined these aspects of society threaten the core of our games in ways that chill my sport-bent bones.

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Mark Milam

I have often said that it is not too late to save the games, but at times like these I begin to doubt myself. Sports in my book is sacred, the passion is deep and pure, but even that is starting to be shatter by the argonance and stupidity of the athletes and their conduct of disrespect. The time has come to restore the authority of the league and the officials, who are the guardians of the game, by seizing back the power that the players somehow gained and completely abused. If not, then kiss it all away because the games will then be doomed for failure, and soon you can find another way to spend your weekends and your money!



Reina Martinez/100 Pan American

UTPA tennis teams visit Monterrey Tech tomorrow. See page 24.

Lady Broncs lose two on the road

The Lady Bronc volleyball team began the Sun Belt Conference trail at Arkansas-Little Rock, where they were swept in three games, 15-10, 15-8, 15-6. The women went into the conference opener with a four game losing streak, and now they extend it to five.

Although the Trojans punished the Lady Broncs, the game wasmore than just a pounding, as Head Coach Oscar Segovia points out.

"One of the positive things that came out of tonight's game is that we were more efficient and consistent with our blocking," he said.

Christine Phillips, Lisa Yanez, and Christine Laury all had five kills. Marie Velasquez, a setter, accounted for 21 assists. Christine Alvarez had 21 digs against the Trojans.

Phillips continues to dominate the Sun Belt Conference in service aces at 40, enough to hold the 16th spot nationally. Yanez is second in the conference in blocks.

The Lady Broncs then took on Louisiana Tech. The Lady Broncs lost that one in three games, 15-10, 15-6, 15-7.

Senior Christine Alvarez finished with 12 kills and 16 digs. Christine Phillips had 9 kills and 10 digs. Senior Marie Velasquez had 36 assists and 11 digs.

The Lady Broncs then raced to Shreveport to beat up on Centenary College in five games, 15-13, 15-10, 13-15, 12-15, 15-12.

Yanez had 18 kills and 11 digs. Phillips and Alvarez continued to show their athleticism with a combined 27 kills and 31 digs.

The Lady Broncs take on David Lipscomb tomorrow. On Saturday the Lady Broncs have a double header as they face Williams Baptist at noon and Tennessee State at 4:30.

The Lady Broncs will make their season debut at the UTPA Fieldhouse on Saturday the 19.

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Sports

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Cardenas proves potent for Bronc soccer

Luis Cardenas blasted a 25-yard goal from the middle Sunday to provide UTPA with a huge soccer upset over Oral Roberts University, 2-1.

ORU's Golden Eagles beat UTPA in Edinburg just 10 days earlier, 2-0. ORU grabbed a quick 1-0 lead Sunday when Nathan Claridge scored from 18 yards in the 16th minute.

Marcelo Paredes, UTPA goalkeeper, was credited with three saves as ORU took nine shots. Kirk Wehby of ORU, who scored the game's only 2 goals in Edinburg, shot 0-for-3 at home after going 2-for-5 in Texas. ORU's record fell to 3-5-1. UTPA stands 1-9 in U.S. collegiate play after opening with two exhibition victories.

Going into the game, the Broncs figured to be without some key

olayers.

Dr. Miguel Paredes, UTPA Coach, said the list of foot, knee and leg injuries now includes Rey Cisneros, Nauri Garcia, Juan Zambrano and Tony Chavez, who suffered a broken bone in a foot.

Einecker replaces Padgett as women's golf coach

The athletic department appointed Barb Einecker as the new head coach of the women's golf team. Einecher replaces Cindi Pagett who has moved to Phoenix, Ariz. to be with her husband.

"We look forward to continued improvement and success in our women's golf program under Barb," Gary Gallup, athletic director, said. "She has excellent golf and academic credential and is a good fund-raiser. Her contacts in the state and in the Valley will help enhance the program."

"The student-athletes and the Athletic department have made this a very easy transition for me," Einecker said. "I am very excited about the program here. We have an excellent group of athletes that have a lot of desire to learn and the motivation to improve their game. I think it is a tribute to both the players and to Cindi, who has instilled a great work ethic with the players."

Einecker has worked extensively with a number of golf organizations in the Valley, including The Club at Cimarron in Mission. She is currently on the Board of Directors for the Women's Texas Golf Association and is a member of the All Valley Women's Golf Association.

Einecker has played an instrumental role as a member of several tournament committees including the National Kidney Foundation-Cadillac Invitational and the Texas Two Step Invitational.

"I am looking forward to hosting the Sun Belt Conference Championship Tournament in April. I think it is going to be a very positive experience, not only for the players but for the university community as well. One of the areas I feel confident in is my experience in organizing, administrating, and promoting golf tournaments," Einecker said.



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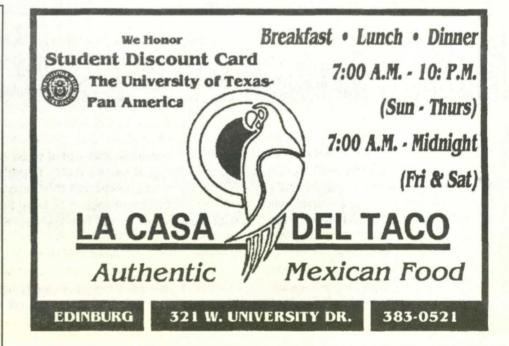
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Martinez adds flavor to women's tennis

OSCAR GONZALEZ
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At mid-afternoon there are a few players on the court. The practice area is blurred into obscurity at the southeast end of the campus. Only the bookstore lies further from the "real" world at UTPA. With anonymity enveloping the tennis squads, it would be the general consensus that athleticism would definitely be lacking. But such ideas should be left to mere lore.

The UTPA tennis teams have swatted their way into a new season. Both teams are a few short as far as players are concerned, but a few key athletes can turn the tide this season.

The women's squad returned in a good mood from a tournament in Beaumont last week. Karen Bowley advanced to the third place round where she was defeated by Julie Lagarde from Lamar University, 6-0 and 6-1.

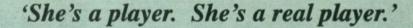
"She played very well for us, and I think she surprised a lot of people," Greg Hilley, tennis coach, said.

Yvette Martinez, rated as the best player on the women's team, didn't have a very good outing. Martinez was defeated by Jodie Glendhill of Southwest Texas and Magdalina Solcova of UT-San Antonio.

Bowley and Martinez combined their strength in the doubles category, but wound up short.

Hilley said that the Lady Broncs had a good tournament despite the weekend's results.

"I thought our team played well this weekend, we know what we have to work on in order to improve for our spring season," said Hilley.



-- Greg Hilley

Although her performance didn't show it, Martinez is a great athlete. "She's a player. She's a real player," said Hilley of standout Martinez. "She's competitive."

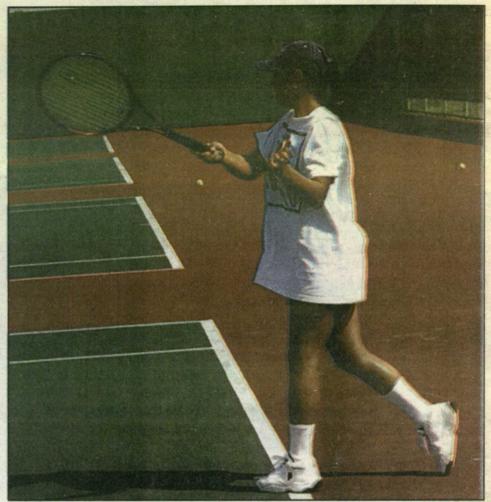
Martinez has lived up the her reputation as a super athlete. She defeated a player from Texas Tech, and she went three sets with a Texas A&M player before losing that one.

Hilley says that the tennis squad is very fortunate to have someone of Martinez' caliber on hand. She ranked in the top 15 in Texas, "which is good," according to Hilley. Martinez played at North Texas her first year in college where she collected her big wins over the, now defunct, Southwest Conference opponents.

"We're lucky to have her," says Hilley.

Hilley points to Jesus Garcia and Rafael Gonzalez as his leaders. Both players are from Monterrey. Junior Brian Smith comes closely behind Garcia and Gonzalez at the third spot. Hilley says that it is difficult to get an abundance of great athletes since many are looking for full scholarships. The men's tennis squad is allowed just 4 scholarships, while the women can double that. The scholarship criteria is designed by the NCAA and has nothing to do with the university's athletic funds.

To further the limp, the men's and women's tennis teams share a head coach. Coach Greg Hilley is the sole captain of the duo. The reason being is that there isn't enough cash to afford more than a part-time assistant coach. Most of the budget must be set aside for travel and such other expenses.



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Yvette Martinez

