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On kidney waiting list ... History Professor Dr. Ledesma Dies



Dr. Irene Ledesma

Danny Martinez The Pan American

Dr. Irene Ledesma, assistant professor of history and philosophy, died Sunday. She had been on the waiting list for a kidney transplant for two years and undergoing kidney dialysis during that time. She would have been 47 Feb. 14.

"She was a great role model for me. She

encouraged me to a Ph.d in History. She was just a very nice lady.

She earned both her bachelor (1972) and ,master (1977) degrees from Pan American University and became the first female Hispanic teaching assistant ever at Pan American University in 1973.

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SGA keeps Student Union Referendum on Agenda

Danny Martinez The Pan American

Members of the Student Government Association (SGA) travelled to the University of Texas at San Antonio last week to tour a recently constructed student union. This continues the steps toward another student referendum that would allow a student union to be constructed on campus.

"The trip was very productive. We saw their new facility and although its not exactly what we have in mind for a student union of our own, we were impressed by what a student union could look like," Lee Keys, SGA senator, said.

Before construction can be planned, however, a student referendum must be held to vote on a \$30 per semester (\$15 per summer term) student union fee.

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Parking Shuffle Causes Problems for Faculty and Students

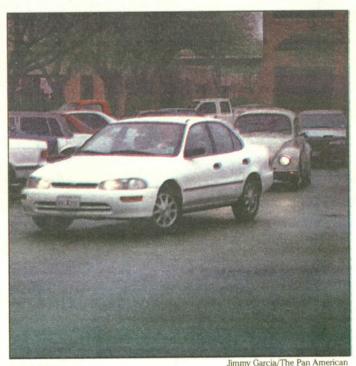
Oscar Gonzalez News Editor

Students can often be spotted around campus parking lots and surrounding streets scrambling for vacant areas to park their vehicles. Insufficient parking, or the overabundance of student commuters, has lead to the recent swelling in parking areas. This problem has faculty members fighting for parking spaces themselves as students resort to stationing their cars in reserved spots.

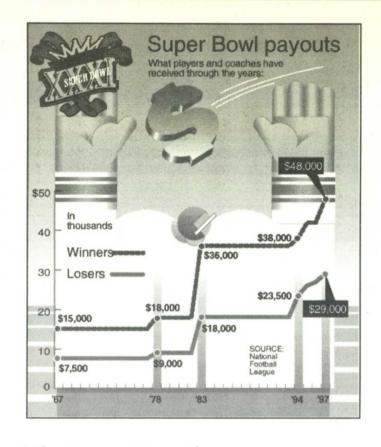
Such congestion around the parking areas can be blamed on the ratio of parking permits to parking spaces. Roughly 1,700 faculty and staff permits have been issued, complemented by 800 parking spaces around campus. Students have been issued

8,400 permits that must find their way into a little over 3,500 spots.

Traditionally, commuter students, which make up the majority of UTPA, have had difficulties with the parking areas available to them. Often students paid for parking permits but were not guaranteed parking. Now, some faculty and staff here are realizing that the student nightmare is slowly creeping up on them. Today, faculty and staff pay \$30 for a reserved spot but they too find themselves circling the parking lot.



Faculty and students wait for a parking spot. Recent changes in reserved parking spaces have caused some faculty to feel left out with only 800 spaces for 1,700 faculty.



Bail In Delaware Baby-slay Case?

WILMINGTON, Del.— Two teen-agers accused of shaking and beating to death their newborn son and dumping his body in a trash bin could be freed on bail.

Prosecutors will be seeking \$500,000 bail and a host of other restrictions for baby-faced sweethearts Amy Grossberg and Brian Peterson at a hearing in Wilmington, Del.The 18-year-old college students from a wealthy New Jersey suburb have been jailed since their arrests shortly after Grossberg gave birth in a motel room in Newark, Del. on November 12.

Prosecutors are not opposing bail for the teens because they did not want to force a hearing where they would have been required to lay out their case to keep the defendants behind bars. In papers filed last week, the prosecution recommends a bail of half-million dollars each.

They're also asking that Grossberg and Peterson wear monitoring bracelets, be subject to a curfew, and surrender their passports.Grossberg and Peterson are charged with first-degree murder and could face the death penalty.

They have pleaded not guilty, and the defense may argue that the baby was severely ill when it was born and died from those defects or from the teens' attempts to save its life.

Overused, Useless and Misused Phrases Targeted By University

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich.(CPS)-If you do "aromatherapy" in your "downtime," then perhaps you should "get a life."

Or get a new vocabulary, suggests a Michigan university. Whatever.

Actually, "whatever" is the most overused phrase of 1996, according to the Lake Superior State University's 21st annual "List of Words Banished from the Queen's English for Misuse, Overuse and General Uselessness." Each year, the university asks high school students, teachers and parents to nominate certain phrases that, arguably, have no place in the English language.

"Whatever what? Whatever I want? Whatever I need? It doesn't make any sense," said Rachel Bivens, a high school student from Manton, Mich.

The wordsmiths also frown on "as if," an expression popularized by the movie "Clueless."

The phrase may be used interchangeably with "Duh," which is just as useless, the university said.

Also banished is the phrase "phone tag," which describes the act of communicating by voicemail or answering machine.

"It may have been a cool, trendy phrase in the 80s, but it is really annoying now," said Mark Terwilliger, a Lake Superior State math professor.

Not only slang phrases, but terms like "aromatherapy" have gotten under people's skin, too.

"This catchy word can be found on the labels of everything from shampoo bottles to air freshener. If it's truly 'therapy,' perhaps it should come at a higher price," said Michelle Batterbee Fox, an Ellsworth, Mich., teacher.

Scores of teachers complained that computer terms such as "downtime" have infiltrated the Queen's English. "It may be all right when applied to computers, but not humans," said Polly Fields, a Lake Superior State English professor.

Also nixed was "multi-tasking."

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"Doing several things at once,' said it all," said Donna Gayon, a Perry, Mich., high school teacher.

And what about the old favorite, "get a life?"

"A worn-out phrase which has somehow escaped the list until now," said Chris Gailus, a broadcast journalist from Calgary, Alberta.

Another word that has worn out its welcome is "attitude," which mysteriously, is "often preceded by the preposition 'with,' but no article," said Byron Carey, of Clark Lake, Mich.

"It is a euphemism for an overbearingly aggressive nature."

Contributors to the list also said they were way tired of hearing the "bridge" metaphors used by politicians during the 1996 elections.

"Bridge to the 21st Century?' It's called a 'calendar.' Are we really so stupid as to think we won't reach the next century without the help of politicians?" asked Dan and Nancy Friesen, of Windsor, Ontario.

Last but not least, the university had only one comment for "La Macarena," a term conjuring up images of the dance craze that swept Yankee Stadium, the Democratic National Convention, the Olympics and much of the entire nation: "Ad nauseum."

Life Returns To Normal After Twin Explosion Near Clinic

ATLANTA (AP)-Escorted by federal agents, Christine Stadler was allowed back into her law office Saturday for the first time since two explosions rocked the three-story building.

Mrs. Stadler's office is two floors above the Northside Family Planning Services clinic believed to have been the target of Thursday's bombings in suburban Sandy Springs.

Her husband, Robert Stadler, and their twin infant daughters were in a nursery in her office when the first bomb exploded outside at the rear of the structure. About an hour later, after the Stadlers had left the building, a second bomb exploded near a trash bin in the parking lot.

"When I was in there and I looked at that office where my girls stay, that just shook me up knowing they were just 5 seconds from being in that debris," she said.

Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents escorted her into the building so she could retrieve a computer and a child's car seat.

At least seven people were injured in the second explosion, including federal agents, rescue workers and a television cameraman.

No one claimed responsibility, no arrests were made and no suspects had been named, and authorities remained tight-lipped about details of the investigation. A toll-free number set up by investigators had fielded more than 200 calls as of Friday.

Police made extra security sweeps at abortion clinics in the Atlanta area on Friday and said they will continue through this week's anniversary of the Supreme Court's Roe vs. Wade decision that legalized abortion, U.S. Attorney Kent Alexander said Friday.

Residents and merchants said the bombing had made them more observant. "When I see a strange face I wonder who he is and why he's there," said resident Jerry Lamb, 71.

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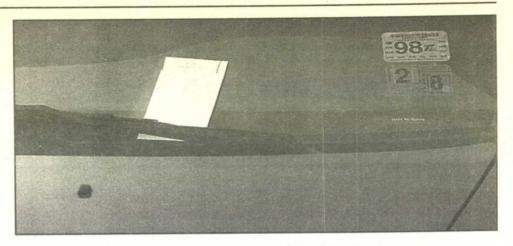
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Lack of faculty parking in the Lot B area where the CAS, university snack bar, and the UC building are located, is blamed on the recent reassignments of designated parking areas. Student Health /Speech and Hearing parking spaces have been clustered in the first row closest to Emilia Hall, where eight parking spaces were formerly reserved for faculty and staff. This has faculty and staff members up in arms.

Speech and Hearing spaces were located around the CAS circle. But

those parking spaces have been moved since the university is considering the closing of the circle to traffic. The university is concerned that pedestrians are at risk since traffic around that area is heavy.

In addition to the university's view of traffic around the southwest side of campus, Texas law mandates that specialized parking areas, such as handicap parking, be specifically located. Thus, leading to the recent reassignment of such parking spaces.



An unsuspecting motorist is cited for parking in a faculty parking space.

UNION, From P. 1_

The university will not collect the fees until the Student Union is built.

Students shot down the last proposal in 1994 to build a student union in a referendum vote. A student union fee was defeated by14 votes, 227 for and 241 against, that would have allowed for a new fee.

Students will play a major role in the in the design of the building as they will be a large portion of the design team that will work with the architect throughout the design and construction process.

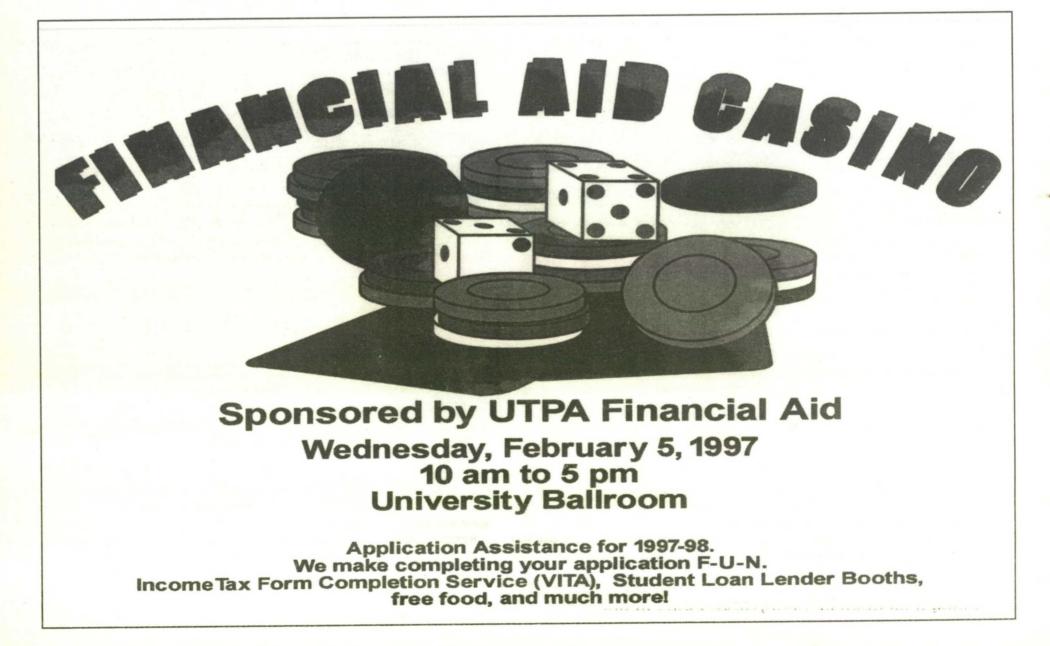
Upon passage of a student referendum, a Student Union Advisory Committee will be formed consisting of students and faculty alike. A primary job of the committee will be to annually submit a complete budget to the Student Affairs executive staff after which changes may be made through the intercession and collaboration of the Vice President for Student Affairs.

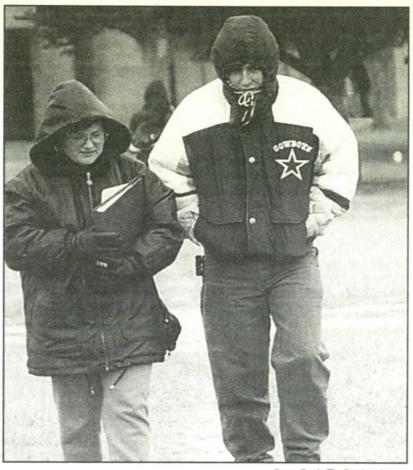
Students ranked the need for additional study areas, access to wider variety of food choices and overall socializing space as top priorities to be included in a student union on campus, according to a survey conducted in the 1996 Spring semester.

Postal and copy services along with

the desire for more pay phones and automatic teller machines also rated high on the survey.

Additional surveys are also slated to help the design-construction team create a student union that will fulfill its intended purpose.





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Students bundle up during the arctic blast that brought temperatures below normal for two weeks.

Tenure Review Vote Jan. 29

David Waltz Editor

Vews

Tenure, designed to protect the academic freedom of faculty, has come under fire by state legislatures and as a protective measure.Bernard Rapoport, chairman of the university of texas system board of regents, recommended a measure to require a periodic evaluation of tenured faculty, which was adopted by the Board Regents last month and calls for each campus within the system to draft a policy to evaluate tenured faculty by May 1, 1997.

According to Dr. Gerald Brazier, chair of the faculty senate, the faculty senate hopes to have an acceptable policy later this month.

"We want to look for something efficient," Brazier said. "We feel this is something that has to be done."

An acceptable policy does not exist right now; however, the senate reviewed the current draft yesterday and it will be revised for a Jan. 29 vote.

"We are hopeful that we can come up with an acceptable policy," Brazier said. "We are concerned about the rights of faculty, but gets rid of those who don't do their job."

In an open letter to faculty, staff and students Rapoport states, "The guidelines require that institutional policies be developed for comprehensive review of tenured faculty every five years."

Some faculty have expressed concern over 'term tenure' or 'tenure recertification' the letter states, however, Rapoport writes - "The new review guidelines provide that nothing in the guidelines or the institutional evaluation policies shall be interpreted or applied to establish new term-tenure systems or to require faculty to reestablish their credentials for tenure."

"Only the Board of Regents has authority to terminate a tenured faculty member for good cause(after a faculty tribunal, appointed by the president of the university, conducts a due process hearing on specific charges.)" the letter states.

Only M.D. Anderson Cancer Center has term tenure. Faculty are under contract for seven years to determine if a new contract is awarded. The burden of proof is on the faculty member in showing why another contract is warranted.



January 23, 1997 Baha'i Organization Presents 'Kingfisher's Wing' Tonight

The "Kingfisher's Wing" (The story of Badi), a full-length play by Bill George, based upon an historical episode drawn from the turbulent years of the birth of the Baha'i Faith, will be presented today free of charge at the Media Center beginning at 8 p.m.

The play tells the story of the young, rebellious Aqa Buzurg who later becomes Badi after his conversion to the Baha'i Faith. Badi subsequently undertakes the mission of delivering a sacred message from the revered prophet Baha'u'llah to the Persian Monarch, Nasiri'd-Din Shah.

"The play is about sacrifice," George said. "It is also about the dreams and hopes of youth, the perplexities of old age, and the very present challenge as to how to pass, in the face of a disintegrating and corrupt society, those eternal principles that define and unite us from age to age."

Directed by Augustine Ripa, Chairman of the Theatre Department at Lehigh University, the two-person performance features the use of shadow images, monologues and puppetry operated by George as well as effect heightening music contributed and performed by Styve Homnick.

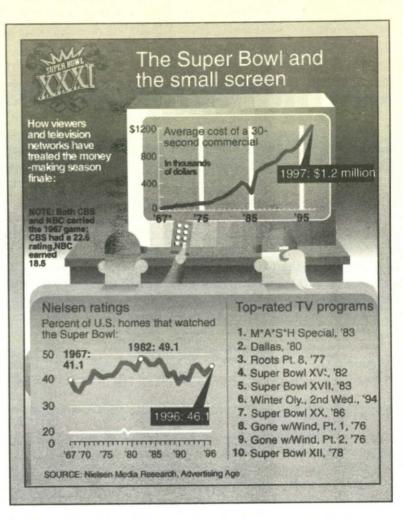
The group completed a run of shows in Europe where they met with high praise and are currently beginning a series of performances throughout Texas.

According to Robert Ramirez, Baha'i Association Adviser on campus, the dramatic presentation is a rare and generous gift considering the expense and quality of the production.

The Baha'i Faith is a religious association which emphasizes that there is only one God and all the major religions of the world come from this divinity. Also, the teachings specify that throughout the world there is only one race, the human race.

Although tickets are available upon request, seating is limited and Ramirez urges interested parties to make reservations by calling 381-2326.

- Danny Martinez







SANTA ANA, Calif.(KRT)-Although he is accused of helping steal human eggs and embryos from women and implant them in others, Dr. Sergio Stone faces only mail fraud charges when his trial begins Tuesday.

The fact that he will not be charged in the conspiracy to misuse the eggs and embryos of couples desperately trying to have children has angered many, especially the women and men who were victims of the alleged plot. But there is a good reason why Stone, along with two other doctors face no criminal charges for such reproductive theft.

At the time, there was no law against it. After the case became public in May 1995, California State Sen. Tom Hayden introduced legislation that made it a crime to steal human eggs. The bill became law and went into force Jan. 1. While more than 80 civil suits have been brought against Stone and his colleagues, Ricardo Asch and Jose Balmaceda, Stone is the first of the three to stand trial on criminal charges.

The other two fled the United States before they

PROFESSOR, From P.1-

The first female Hispanic teaching assistant ever at Pan American when she began in 1973, she received both her Bachelor and Masters degrees from Pan American University. Eventually Dr. Irene Ledesma travelled to Ohio State University where she earned her Ph.D before ultimately returning to her alma mater in 1992.

According to lecturer Juanita Garza, all of Dr.

could be arrested. Asch is living and working as a fertility doctor in Mexico and Balmaceda returned to his native Chile.

The indictments charged that Stone, 54, filed false claims indicating that he had been assisted by other physicians in performing certain fertility-related treatments when in fact he had worked alone or with the help of trainees. He was arrested shortly after the indictments were unsealed, but he was released from jail after friends posted a \$3 million bond.

He has denied all wrongdoing in regard to the mail fraud charges and the allegations that he helped Asch and Balmaceda in misusing the eggs and embryos. Even prosecutors and lawyers for those suing the three doctors concede that Stone is the least culpable of the three.

The University of California at Irvine accused Stone, Asch and Balmaceda of stealing the eggs and embryos of scores of woman and implanting then in others. Some of the women who received the implants became pregnant, and between seven and 12 children are believed to have been born from the

Dr. Ledesma abilities did not go unnoticed. She

ag America's Teachers. Her selection to the pres-

was included in the 1996 edition of Who's Who

tigious volume came after being recommended by

former students who are listed in either Who's Who

misappropriated eggs.

Last August, the university reached a settlement with two of the plaintiffs. The university regents agreed to pay \$1.1 million in the settlements and assumed the responsibility for damages that the university originally said belonged to the doctors alone. At the time, however, the regents said that future settlements might not cover the doctors.

That left the three exposed to future litigation. In addition to the suits over the misappropriation, there are at least two custody suits by women whose eggs and embryos were taken. Some of the children in the custody suits are as old as 5.

So why is he the one being singled out for trail now?

One answer is that he is the only one of the three available to prosecute. But lawyers close to the case, who asked not to me named, also suggested that federal prosecutors might be trying to pressure Stone into cooperating with their continuing investigations of Asch and Balmaceda.

Ledesma's students loved her and respected her. "She National Dean's List. had a positive influence on her students," Garza said.

In addition to her love for teaching, Dr. Ledesma completed and furthered research within her field of study. Her article, "Interviewing Chicano Workers," which appeared in the Western Historical Journal in 1995, earned her an award from the Western Women Historical Association for best article.



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Waiting List For Packers Season Tickets Nears 30,000 Names Unborn children wait in line as well

News

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) - In NFL lore, "The Drive" is the thrilling comeback John Elway engineered to lead Denver to a dramatic playoff victory over Cleveland in 1986.

Pittsburgh has its "Immaculate Reception," Franco Harris' miraculous touchdown off of a deflected pass in the 1972 playoffs against Oakland.

In Green Bay, folks call it simply "The List" - a ranking of nearly 30,000 rabid Packers fans, some of them babies, some yet to be born, wanting to buy season tickets.

Just the five top names got tickets last year as only 16 became available in this football-crazed city.

Packers ticket administrators guarantee some people languishing at the bottom of the list can't possibly live long enough to get tickets.

Still, the list, already containing people who have been on it 30 years, grows daily.

Kathy Kohlbeck's letter adding her 8-month-old son, Luke, arrived at Packers' ticket offices Friday, joining a stack of about 600 others in recent days.

"We are hoping by the time he is 30, if he isn't playing for the Packers, he will at least be able to go to Lambeau Field and experience the excitement firsthand," the 28-year-old Sheboygan mother said in a telephone interview.

For 5-year-old Michael Adriansen of Green Bay, his name is No. 11,458—thanks to a present his

godfather gave him when he was 2.

The godfather, Rob Coleman, 37, of Green Bay, got on the list when he was in high school in 1975. He's up to No. 1,640.

"I figure my first Social Security check will be made out to the Packers, hopefully," Coleman said.

At the current rate, if no other names were added, it would take 6,000 years to empty the list.

There are no immediate plans to add more seating at 60,790-seat capacity Lambeau Field, a stadium erected in 1957. The Packers predict it will be the team's home for another 50 years.

There's also a waiting list of 900 names for season tickets for the field's 1,920 indoor club seats. "The last two years, we have not removed any names," Edwin said.

So few season tickets become available each season because the Packers are big winners these days _ the team (15-3) plays New England in the Super Bowl in New Orleans Jan. 26. It is the Packers first trip to the world championship game since 1968.

Also, the team, founded in 1919, allows families to hand down the tickets from one generation to the next, making them family treasure worthy of being put in wills. There were 300 such transfers last year.

Some families can trace their season tickets back to 1935 _ a testament to the extreme loyalty fans in this city of 100,000 give to the team, owned under a unique arrangement by 1,915 shareholders, none with majority control.

Ten years ago, in the middle of losing seasons, the general waiting list for season tickets had 8,000 names, Edwin said. Two years ago, it swelled to 18,000 and at last count had skyrocketed 29,685 _ not including the stack of letters waiting to be processed.

"We do get a lot of letters from grandparents who say, 'I want to have my grandchildren on the list,"" Edwin said. "It's getting to be a prestigious thing to say they are on this long waiting list."

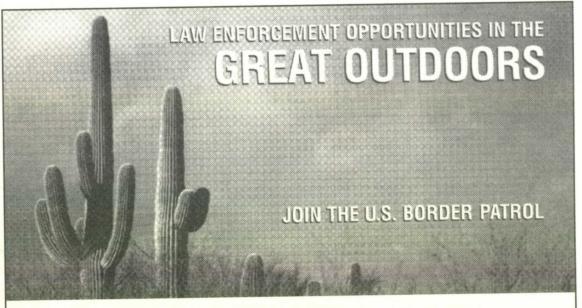
Peter Zeller, 33, of De Pere, a suburb of Green Bay, got season tickets in 1994 thanks to the foresight of his grandmother who got on the list in 1967, an era called the Packers glory years, he said.

But the day she got the tickets was bittersweet. "When she got the notice that she finally got the tickets, she was too old. She was 90," Zeller said of his late grandmother Clara Zeller. "She just transferred the two tickets over to my name."

And now the family has started over.

Zeller said he put his 1-year-old daughter Abigail on the list last May at No. 23,795.

He has hopes things will happen to move her up the list before old age sets in.



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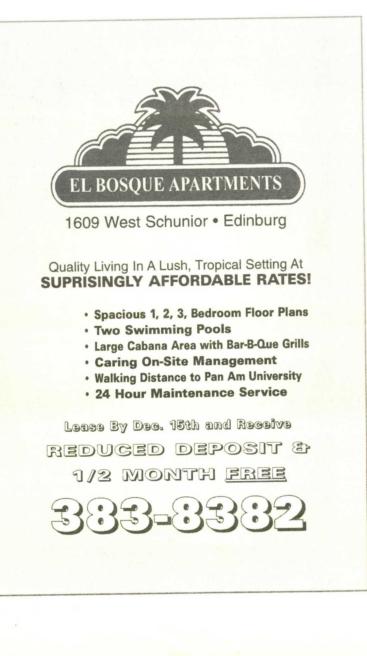
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The Pan American • p. 8 Editorial January 23, 1997 There isn't a Parking Problem?

Time and time again students raise their voices and articles and editorials appear in *The Pan American* about the parking situation on campus. It has happened again; however, students aren't the only ones complaining this time - UTPA faculty have finally felt the brunt of inadequate parking spaces students have felt for many years.

In April 1995, a campus transit study was completed by an independent organization. The evaluators of the study concluded that their wasn't a parking problem then, even though students were complaining about the parking situation.

Well, is there a parking problem?

Currently, 1,700 faculty and staff permits are issued with only 800 parking spaces and 8,400 student permits are issued with a little over 3,500 existing spaces, so isn't it expected?

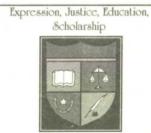
With only 47% of faculty and 41% of students served, one wonders why people are complaining and why there is this perceived notion of a parking problem.

In the past, students complaints have fallen on deaf ears or closed eyes. Many have said, as the evaluator did in 1995, "There are sufficient parking spaces for the number of students using them. They (students and faculty) just think there is a problem because they can't park close to the building they want to go to, even though there are plenty of spaces toward the back of campus."

Well both faculty and students who fight the morning traffic know that spaces fill up quickly, even the ones in the back of campus. Schunior Road is lined with cars, and the makeshift dirt parking lots that exist beside the apartment buildings are overflowing.

If there isn't a parking problem on campus maybe all of us should get our eyes checked or trade in our monster trucks for smaller cars.

And for some reason, everyone seems to know the secret of old, leaving home early doesn't seem to work anymore since everyone on campus seems to do it, too.



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Upinion The Pan American • p. 9 January 23, 1997 Will Another Four Years Make Clinton a Great President

Donald M. Rothberg Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) - Advice for President Clinton as he begins the four years likely to determine his place in history: Think globally, learn from the two Roosevelts and be thankful your victory was far short of a landslide.

For Clinton, the phrase "four more years" takes on new meaning, something more like "your last four years to make your mark."

Does finding a niche in history intrude on Clinton's thoughts?

"Actually, I read a book not very long ago ... on second-term presidencies," he told a news conference 10 days after his re-election. The news was not particularly encouraging. Any book about second terms is largely a study of failure.

"I'm very mindful of history's difficulties and I'm going to try and beat them," Clinton said.

"Everywhere you look, second terms have not been kind to people in American history," said Louis Gould, a historian at the University of Texas. "It makes you wonder why people run for second terms."

Historians generally rank Franklin D. Roosevelt with George Washington and Abraham Lincoln as the greatest of presidents. But Roosevelt endured what historian Robert Dalleck called "a pretty stumbling second term." His plan to restructure the Supreme Court collapsed under furious public opposition and unemployment rose again.

elected to third and fourth terms. The onset of World War II gave him the chance to assert the leadership

that assured his rank among the greatest of presidents.

His second term might also have reflected the curse of landslides.

Roosevelt's troubles began shortly after he was reelected in 1936 in one of the great landslides in political history. He carried every state but Maine and Vermont.

Two years after the biggest popular vote margin in history, Lyndon Johnson saw his standing plunge as Vietnam War casualties rose. Richard Nixon suffered the biggest fall after a landslide re-election when the Watergate scandal forced him to become the only president to resign.

"Clinton may be better served by the fact that he got only 49 percent of the vote," Dalleck said. "He has to be very attentive to the political constraints on him. That's not a bad thing." At the midpoint of the eight years allowed him in the White House, Clinton cannot yet claim a crowning achievement that would assure him a ranking among the near-greats, presidents like Thomas Jefferson and Andrew Jackson, Woodrow Wilson and Harry Truman.

How do presidents achieve greatness?

Wars are a big help - the Civil War in Lincoln's case, World War I for Wilson and the Second World War for Franklin Roosevelt.

Clinton's awareness of the role of wars in presidential standing is attested to by former political adviser Dick Morris in his book, "Behind the Oval

According to Morris, whose relationship with a prostitute forced him to resign his post, he offered Clinton his views on presidential greatness in a telephone conversation one Sunday morning last August. "In the first tier are presidents who did great things

but also did them in great times," Morris said he told Clinton. "I don't think you can get onto the first tier unless you have the right backdrop.

He quoted Clinton as responding, "You mean a war or something like that?"

Later in the conversation, Morris said Clinton asked him, "Where do I fit in?"

"Right now, to be honest," the consultant replied, "I think you are borderline third tier."

Dalleck, a professor of history at Boston University and a biographer of Lyndon Johnson, said the pattern among presidents who succeed during their second terms is to focus on foreign affairs.

"On the domestic side, I don't think historians are going to look back and see Clinton as heroic because the budget is coming into balance," he said.

Clinton has said he would like to be compared to Theodore Roosevelt, who compiled an enviable record on both domestic and foreign affairs. He pushed for antitrust legislation and laws protecting the environment. The Pure Food and Drug Act also was enacted during his second term. Roosevelt's mediation led to a treaty ending a war between Russia and Japan, and won him a Nobel Peace Prize.

Gould of the University of Texas suggested Dwight Eisenhower as another role model.

"If Clinton can be in the league with Eisenhowereight years of peace, no international involvements that go sour, leaves the country as good or better than he found it and the economy roars on for eight years -in the normal course of things, that ought to get you a pretty good place in American history.'

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McAllen Resident Tommy Joe Crutcher Talks of the D

Oscar Gonzalez News Editor

Tommy Joe Crutcher leaned back on his leather recliner, his shoulders almost exceeding the width of the chair itself. Hanging on his walls are pictures of longhorn cattle, an old high school football team photo, and a snapshot of silos. Crutcher, a soft-spoken individual, swivels his chair back and forth. His biceps look bigger than the computer sitting on his desk. Crutcher, who probably stands at about 6-3, still looks like the fine tuned machine that once roamed the Frozen Tundra. Although not the 240 pound linebacker he once was, Crutcher still looks the part.

Crutcher is a Texas native who played on the famed Green Bay team that won a world title and two Super Bowls.

Growing up north of Dallas, Crutcher played for the McKinney High School Lions. From McKinney he went on to the next level in Texas Christian University. It was there that Crutcher proved to good enough to get drafted. Two teams vied for his signature, but it was the Packers /ho bid the highest for Crutcher's athleticism. Crutcher agreed to play for Vince Lombardi and the Green Bay Packers for \$15,000.

Crutcher had a dual role at TCU, alternating at fullback and linebacker. But at Green Bay he was lining in the backfield more than on defense. That was his first year with the Packers. His second year proved to be a different than his rookie season.

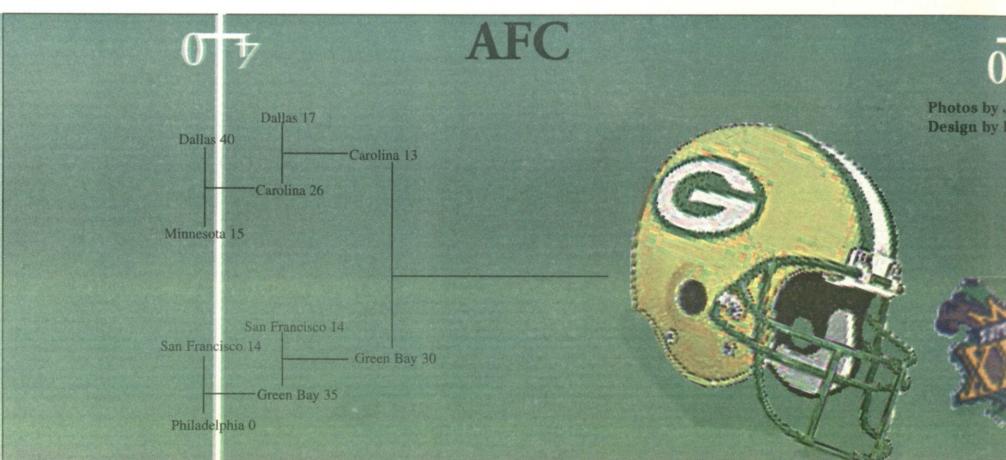
"The second year, they figured out how slow I was," Crutcher said. "So I moved to linebacker."

Crutcher went to the Pack in 1964 and remained there until '67, Lombardi's last season in Titletown. The next two years Crutcher spent with the Giants and then with the Rams. But Crutcher returned to the Packers after a two year vacation. After his return, he found that the Packers were headed by a new skipper, Dan Devine.

"Jingle bells was there'," Crutcher said of new coach. The players had given the name to Devine after Gene Autry's sidekick, Andy Devine, a paunchy, comical character.



Tommy J



The Pack Just Wants to Have Fun

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - Mike Holmgren's pep talk to the Green Bay Packers as they flew south for Super Bowl week was simple: Have fun, stay focused and then put the finishes touches on one heck of a season.

The Packers coach, who won two titles as an assistant in San Francisco before taking over in Green Bay five years ago, stressed that the club's first journey to the Super Bowl since 1968 wasn't all about business. "We talked a lot about it. I have some experience. We only have a cou-

"We talked a lot about it. I have some experience. We only have a couple of players, Don Beebe and Jim McMahon, who have been in Super Bowls," Holmgren said.

"We have a pretty mature team, I think, and good leadership on the team, and they want to finish what they started. And so I'm not gong to be a policeman down here. I want them to enjoy the experience. I want their families to enjoy the experience. And then I want them to do it all." Holmgren said he wasn't going to deny his team its due.

Holmgren also gave his players a not-so subtle reminder of the spoils of



victory. On the charter to New Orleans, he wore his diamond-encrusted championship ring from the 1990 Super Bowl, when he was San Francisco's offensive coordinator and the 49ers whipped Denver 55-10, also in New Orleans.

"I put it on this morning and I haven't worn it all season. I thought this would be a good time to wear it, because we got this one in New

Orleans," said Holmgren, who also has a ring from the '89 Super Bowl. Holmgren said he wasn't so much concerned with Favre staying out of trouble as he was with keeping him calm, however. "He has a reputation of coming out a little excited, and some of the balls fly on him occasionally," Holmgren said.

ly," Holmgren said. "We'll continue to talk about it, and I've talked with him about that all season. But this is the biggest game he's played in, and the biggest game I've coached in.

"So we all want to do it right."

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He was the fourth linebacker in the rotation.

"We only had four," Crutcher said. "Of course, on Lombardi's team nobody got hurt," he said of the legendary coach's discipline. "He made that pretty clear."

During the infamous Ice Bowl against the Dallas Cowboys, Crutcher said it was so cold that players resorted to sandwiching plastic bags in between their socks to keep them from getting wet and frostbitten. "My toes, they bothered me for a week or so, but some of the boys' toes bothered them for months."

Being on the kickoff team, Crutcher went on after the Bart Starr touchdown. After the play, he got a little surprise.

"I came out the field and someone said, 'You're nose is frostbitten get by the fire!" Crutcher said when he neared the heater someone else advised, "Don't get by the fire you're nose will fall off."

Joe Crutcher How did it feel to win a super bowl? "I didn't know it until I saw it on t.v. They didn't call it Super Bowl when we played them."

The Super Bowls weren't being called such until the Kansas City Chiefs played in the fourth one. The first three Super Bowls were named after the fact. Previous championships were referred to as AFL-NFL championships.

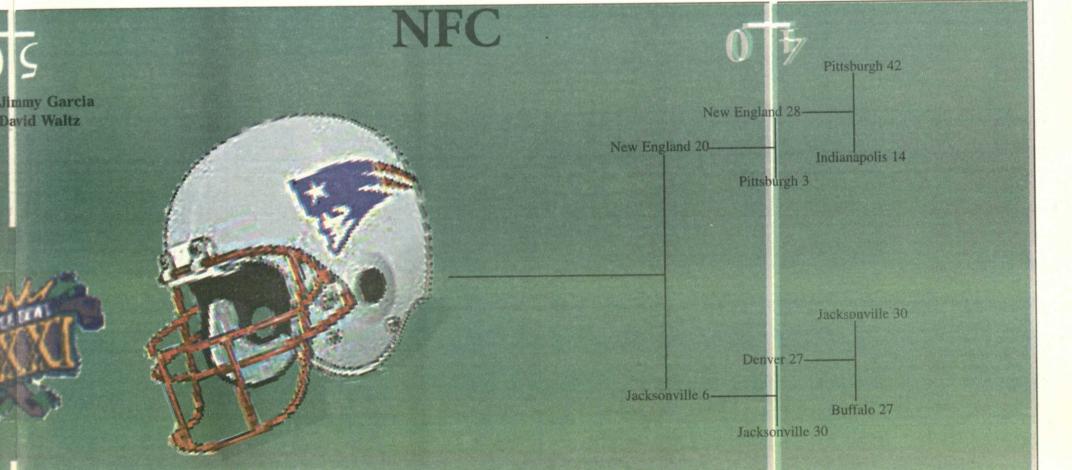
Today, after a 30-year drought, the Green Bay Packers are back. Crutcher said that this year's Pack and the Lombardi squad are unrelated. He said that in those days, teams had no clue as to the other team's plays, players or coaches other than the newspapers.

How would the old packer team stand up to Brett Favre, Reggie White and Mike Holmgren?

"Get the hell beat out of us, probably," Crutcher said.

Crutcher used his Super Bowl winnings to open up Southwest Grain Company. There is no doubt that Tommy Joe Crutcher will be watching the Packers on Sunday.

His prediction for the Super Bowl? The Packers by 16.



Patriots know what awaits in New Orleans

Massachusetts (AP) - Bill Parcells knows what awaits his New England Patriots at the U.S. National Football League's Super Bowl - excitement, distractions and a chance to become champions.

His players are about to see for themselves, and the coach who won two NFL titles with the New York Giants wants to make the experience as easy as possible. So before they began a two-day break from preparations for the game Sunday against the Green Bay Packers, he held a squad meeting earlier this week that lasted nearly twice as long as the expected 30 minutes.

"I'm fairly comfortable with it," Parcells said of the Super Bowl routine. "I've been through it. I'm not going to be distracted by it. I know where I've got to go and what I've got to do to get the team ready."

Only four Patriot players - David Meggett, William Roberts, Bob Kratch and Shawn Jefferson - have been to the Super Bowl. "There's no feeling like standing in that tunnel at the Super Bowl. You're getting ready to come out," Parcells said. "I told my kids here in New England a couple of years ago that I wish I could just share it with them, and now I get to do it. Perfect."

They will represent the American Football Conference in New Orleans after winning the conference title Sunday with a 20-6 win over the Jacksonville Jaguars in dark, chilly Foxboro Stadium. Parcells and his assistants worked on the game plan Tuesday and Wednesday.

He wants his players to enjoy the experience. There will be curfews, but not every night. He's made them aware of the pitfalls once they reach that lively city where the Patriots played in their only Super Bowl 11 years ago.

"There's a couple of things that could get them right out of New Orleans before the game starts," he said. "They know what they are."

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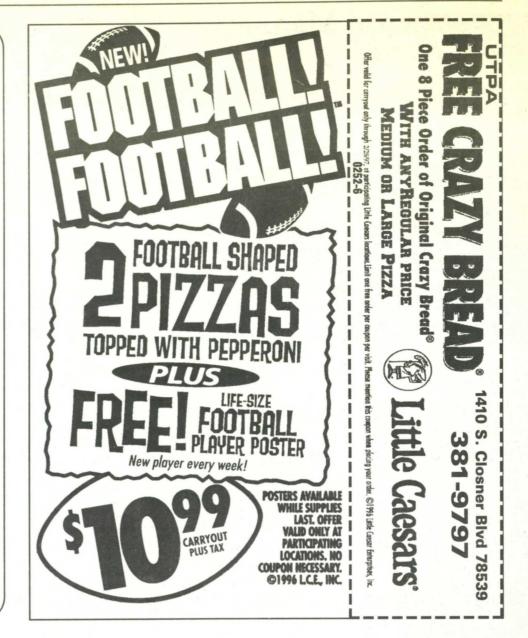
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Life Styles

ETS Program providing opportunities

Rita Castro

"What do you want to be when you grow up?" It is a question that each of us can remember having been asked? The answer always seems to spark excitement. As it should, for students need to be planning and preparing for their future. Knowledge, desire, and money is what all students need in order to obtain the career they would like. This was once an impossible dream for Americans who happened to be born in low income homes. Worst yet, was that schools did not prepare them for college.

Fortunately, Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, has established programs to help lowincome Americans entering college. Congress mandated that two-thirds of the students served must come from parents earning under \$24,000, four in the family, with neither parent having graduated from college.

According to Sonia Del Angel, Director of Educational Talent Search, "the ETS program at UTPA is one of the 312 Talent Search TRIO programs." ETS serves over 800 students at eleven Rio Grande Valley high schools and four middle schools. UTPA has had the Talent Search program since 1982. "Students began participating in Talent Search since they were in eighth grade," says Del Angel. They receive counseling, information, and assistance on admission requirements and financial aid. The students selected are visited, once a month, at their high school campuses.

At UTPA, the Educational Talent Search, Upward Bound, and Student Support Services are three of



With the assistance of Sofia Pina, Counselor Specialist, and Sonia del Angel, ETS Director, Freshman Claudia Proa completes the required forms.

the TRIO Programs that help students to obtain a higher education. Congress enacted TRIO programs for three reasons. First, "to create a real opportunity society." Secondly, "to address invisible barriers(cultural, academic, class and social)." And finally, "to prevent the waste of human capital."

Rosa Zapata, a former senior counselor at Mission High School says, "The Talent Search counselors from UTPA gave students a better understanding of how a schedule works in college. They also explained the importance of keeping their grades above a 2.0."

Genaro Cantu Jr., a Junior in Kinesiology says, "Talent Search is the reason I am here." He was chosen to be in Talent Search when he was a sophomore at Valley View high school. "Each month, a counselor met with our group and discussed different topics such as test taking skills, time management, and they helped me fill out applications for colleges while I was a Junior. I decided I wanted to be at UTPA, to be close to home," Cantu said.

Claudia Proa, Freshman in International Business Administration says that she was selected to be in Talent Search her Freshman year in high school. Proa remembers going up to Sophia Pena and asking if she could be included in Talent Search. "I kept asking her to put me in Talent Search every time I saw her." It was not until she was a Freshman in high school that she saw Pena again. "I asked her if she was going to put me in Talent Search," Proa says. She remembers Pena telling her that she was about to go looking for her. She wanted to tell her that she wanted to include her in Talent Search.

Proa feels that she was well informed about what college life would be like in high school. "It is because of the counselor's preparations that I have done well." Proa wanted to be close to her family, and so she decided that she would attend UTPA.

"I'm not scared because I can talk to the counselors here about my classes," says Proa.

What career should I choose? Where do I go if I need help with courses? Difficult decisions that each of us has to make each semester. Educational Talent Search prepares high school students to make the transition from high school to college. ETS is one of the programs at UTPA that is making it possible for hundreds of students to get prepared to succeed in their career goals.

Some tips on how to manage your credit cards

(CPS) -Easy credit has a double meaning for college students: it's easy to get . . . and it's easy to use. According to the Roper CollegeTrack Financial Services study, 64 percent of college students have a credit card.

Fifty-nine percent of these students have a general credit card, such as a Visa, MasterCard or American Express card, in their wallet. But it is the way that these cards are managed that make all the difference.

Loren Schmerler, president of Bottom Line Management, offers advice to students on how to responsibly manage credit cards. First, apply for a low line of credit, and make it a habit to pay off the monthly balance in full to avoid interest charges of 18 percent or more. "Don't get in the habit of just paying the minimum balance," he warned. "You will start to live beyond your means."

Also, never, ever miss a monthly payment. If you do not have the funds to pay even the minimum balance, call your creditor and explain your circumstances. Most creditors will work with people, such as accepting a smaller payment, if they are honest about their circumstances, Schmerler said.



A little embarrassment is a lot less painful than seven years of bad credit.

"Late payments become a part of your credit profile for seven years and are always reported even after you bring your account current," he said. Students also should read the fine print carefully, because not all credit cards are the same. Find out if your card gives you a "grace period" or charges you interest from the date of the charge, Schmerler advises.

Also, most cards require payment of an annual fee; some have no annual fees but have other expensive charges. Weigh all the factors when

choosing a card, he said. More and more banks are offering a debit card,

which acts likes a plastic checkbook by

subtracting a charge directly from a bank account. But security problems arise with the debit card. A thief can clean out "whatever you've got in your account," Schmerler cautioned. "The debit card is just a wide-open liability

situation."

Also, it's important for students to understand that credit cards should only be used in an emergency, rather than as a way to supplement lifestyle, Raffield said.

"Don't use credit cards to purchase shirts or dresses because they are on sale," he said.

"And never use them to fund a party." If you're having trouble with making monthly payments, contact the National Foundation for Consumer credit at 1-800-388-2227. They'll give you some advice on budgeting or working out your debt problems.



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The film, the music, the woman...

Evita has proven to be the most anticipated musical of the year and Madonna's most pivotal acting performance. Evita is an adaptation from the Broadway production by Sir. Andrew Lloyd Weber, known for such films as 'The Phantom of the Opera' and 'Jesus Christ Superstar'. Madonna's last stellar performance in 'A League of their Own' displayed her ability to make the audiences laugh, but in this latest flick she tries to make everyone laugh and cry at the same time.

Evita tells the story of Eva Duarte's rise to power and fame with the help of her politically influential husband, Colonel Juan Peron, played by Jonathan Pryce. Allen Parker's film is based on actual events that transpired during the 1930s-50s in Argentina. Madonna was born to play the part of Eva Peron because in many ways Evita's life parallels Madonna's. A difficult beginning in the acting world and a sudden jump in the realm of fame and fortune shared by Madonna and Eva Peron are just a couple of reasons why Madonna's acting seems so effortless and flawless. Madonna is successful in representing the spiritual leader of Argentina that Eva Peron was in the 1930's.

The film also exposes Argentina's political power struggle between the glamourous upper-class and the labor movement by the working-class and the government's repressive attitude towards its citizens and the press.

Madonna's portrayal of Evita is stunningly accurate and realistic both in appearance and personality due to the film's reproduction and use of furs, pearls, and dresses from the original epoch.

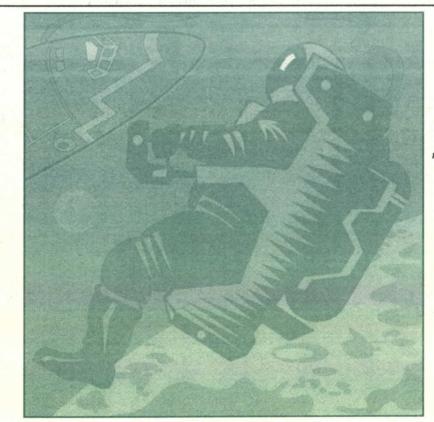
Antonio Banderas plays the antagonistic conscience of Peron's town, Buenos Aires, through the character of Ché. Banderas' character is present at every one of Evita's efforts to help Argentina rise to power only to mock and scrutinize the maternal reasons behind her actions. With the exception of a few spoken words, Evita is a mustsee musical with exceptional lyrics by Tim Rice. Madonna's pregnancy did not stop her from performing daring tango sequences with Banderas and Pryce but she did admit that she cautioned herself and kept her daughter, Maria Lourdes, in mind throughout the entire production.

The motion picture also features 'You Must Love Me', 'Don't Cry for Me Argentina,' and many other songs included in the double CD soundtrack. Evita is a musical masterpiece that revives the musical and theatrical imagination. It provokes an emo-



tional empathy for the characters that only few films can. At the same time it provides a musical escape for everyone to enjoy and take part.

Evita received five Golden Globe nominations including best film, actress, actor, musical, and song. The film won Golden Globe awards for best actress in song and musical. Evita has also inspired a new line of designer clothing and Estee Lauder has created a new cosmetics line featuring an Evita Red lipstick to tend to the forthcoming Evita fashion trend. – Joe Lara



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Sports

Hitting the Boards

with Mark Milam

The weekend

before the Super Bowl is a terrible time for the raving football junkie. The playoffs are over, the college bowls are fleeting history, and all the networks are running golf or women hoops... when all you need my friend is a football fix!

Not that boggus stuff like the East-West, North-South, Senior Bowl, etc... I want some NFL action! It's enough to make you want to pawn or pitch your television out the window, or mow the yard and paint the house, or even go to the mall with your girlfriend!

Sad times, strange days indeed for the numerous fans of the seasonal sport. I am proud of myself though, I did make it and believe I can hold-out until Sunday but it will be another long stretch until August and preseason games. What I did instead of chores, shopping or freaking out on Sunday was I took a moment to reflect on this season and I came up with seven definitive statements, suggestions, and outright complaints about professional football... and course my Super Bowl pick!

1 - SHORTEN THE PRESEASON: An extended preseason really annoys the hell out of fans... Yeah, the NFL loves it because it adds to their notions of hype and preparation but those games and scrimmages could easily be turned into part of a teams schedule... And owners know that you sell more tickets, more beer, and more parking slots for a 'real' game.

2 - IMMEDIATELY STOP TEAM RELOCATION: Nothing has torn apart the ties between the legacy and future of the NFL more than the sorry trend of relocating teams for profit and advantage. Places that had become football domains are now suddenly experience the vacancy and rejection of the very industry they help create. I am talking about Cleveland, Los Angeles, and Houston. My Oilers had a decent team, one of the best road records, but fell flat every time they played at the Astrodome... Sure hope they treat my team better in

Nashville because there is a future winner within that squad! **3 - BRING BACK INSTANT REPLAY:** If I had a dollar for every blown or miss call, penalty, or judgment error you would not be reading this... I would be sending you postcards from Tahiti! Instant replay is needed in a limited form to ensure not only the quality of the game and its competition, but to overcome the flaws of the men with the authority of yellow flags and shiny whistles... Think of some of the great calls that you saw this year and then call me up to argue.

4 - ANYONE USING DRUGS IN THE NFL SHOULD BE OUT: Michael Irvin, Leon Lett... Enough said!

5 - LESS REGIONAL TV COVERAGE: Say you live down here but your team happens to be the Kansas City Chiefs... Guess what ? Unless they are playing the Cowboys or the Oilers you will not get to see them. The NFL and the networks make big bucks on their programs and packages.. at least they could offer us some diversity! I mean the reason most of us are at home is because the teams and the NFL have made it too damn expensive to actually attend the event. Who will be our regional team when the Oilers bail ? The Arizona Cardinals ??!! One television for sale, cheap, and busted!

Broncs Teams In A Rut

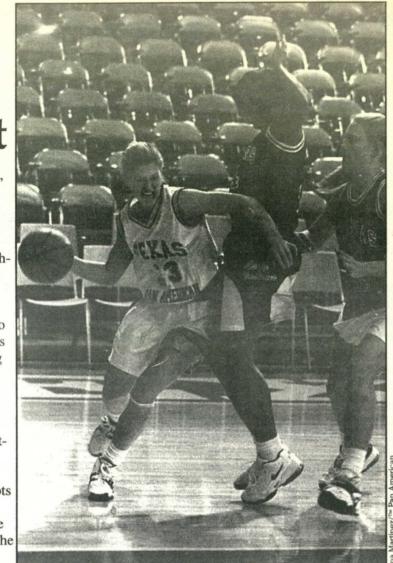
With the season at it's peak, the Bronc basketball teams make their place around the bottom of the Sun Belt Conference standings. Both squads have struggled throughout the season.

The Broncs, who are traditionally a home crowd team, were ambushed in overtime to let one slip away. The Broncs lead with moments remaining in the game when Southwestern Louisiana tied the game with a last-minute shot from the arc.

The Lady Broncs were beaten handily by ASU 100-59. Much like the Broncs, the women have a few bright spots on the team.

Royla Rideaux has been the leader most of this season. The Lady Broncs see some outstanding performances from Bobby Cole, Tammy Wilson

and Michelle Hinton from time to time. The Broncs can rely on Ivan Ostarcevic, the only Bronc in double figures. Keli'i Bandmann is a regular help on the court along



with Lalo Rios and Larry Jackson.

Overall, the basketball squads are in a long slump. It is going to take time in order to become a contender. But time is running out this season, and the only way to go is up.



Keli'i Bandmann keeps the ball a safe distance from and Arkansas State opponent. The Broncs lost to ASU in a heart-breaking overtime duel.

Top: Tammy Wilson drives past a few opponents for the score. The Lady Broncs lost to he ASU at home. The Lady Broncs are in Western Kentucky today to take on the Lady Hilltoppers.

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NCAA Allows Student-Athletes To Hold Jobs

KANSAS CITY(CPS)-Stan Lovell needs a job.

"I just need some money to buy food, get my laundry done, maybe get some CDs," said the outside linebacker at Kansas State University.

But until this month, NCAA rules prohibited Lovell from working. Athletes, unlike the rest of the student body, have not been allowed to work during the school year because of concerns of abuses.

"It's hard to get by without that pocket money," Lovell said. "You just want to have a little something with you in case something comes up."

Thanks to Bridgit Niland, a cross-country runner and second-year law student at the State University of New York at Buffalo, student-athletes will get to work on a parttime basis. Niland, who heads the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, led a group of students into unfriendly waters at the NCAA Convention Jan. 13 in Nashville.

"I admit it was intimidating," Niland said."But I knew I was fighting for something that was right. It sounds arrogant but (working part-time) just makes sense. And I think it was the argument, more than the arguer, that won out."

NCAA delegates approved an employment proposal that will allow athletes in good academic standing to hold part-time jobs during the academic year. While representatives from Division I schools debated the proposal, Niland addressed concerns about scandal and abuse again and again.

"I just knew I had to hammer my message to get it through," she said. "It's like you have to say it over and over again to make it stick."

Niland pointed out to commissioners that only a small percentage of athletes go onto careers in professional sports.

"We are talking about the rest of us who will go out and look for a job, and employers will say to us, 'Where is your work experience?" she said.

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6 - EITHER MOVE THE PRO BOWL OR SCRAP IT: The Pro Bowl is anti-climactic, especially after the hoopla of the Super Bowl. The game should be moved to the dead week before the Championship game, and held at the site of the Super Bowl. That way there is still interest in the players and the game that has been severely missing since the inception of a star-studded match... plus it could be incorporated into the entire festival of the Super Bowl. For a league so bent on self-hype it is amazing that they so often miss opportunities like

Big Ten commissioner Jim Delany helped sway NCAA members by urging them to think realistically. "We've got to do what's right in fact and what's perceived as right," Delany said."If we can't get over this hump, there are about 10 other humps that we're faced with over the next five years that I'm not sure we'll get over, either."

Niland says she was able to persuade the NCAA voters by getting them to focus on the difficult situations part-time employment would solve, not the problems it might create.

"You have to consider the welfare of the student-athlete," she said. "Look at this legislation on the principle of honesty and trust, not fear of abuse. Give us the opportunity to work."

Lovell, for one, is looking forward to that opportunity.

"It will be a big help," said Lovell. "Now I can think about delivering pizzas and making some money."

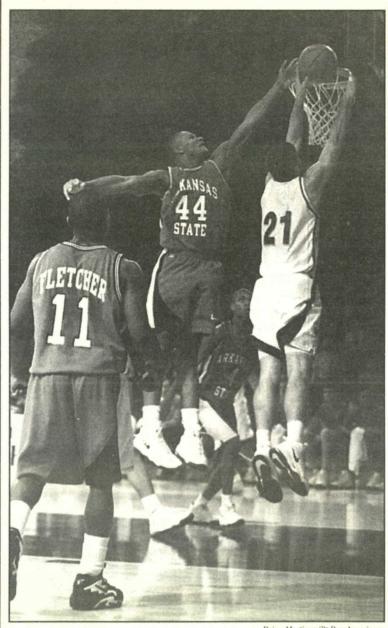
Sara Collinsworth, a volleyball player at the Ohio State, says she isn't looking to make a lot of money, just enough to make ends meet.

"Just because I'm an athlete shouldn't mean I have to suffer through college," she said. "I appreciate the opportunity to play volleyball, but let's be serious. I should have the right to make a hundred bucks a week."

Although the part-time rule has been voted down several times before, Sam Smith, chairman of the President Commission, said the proposal was successful this year because of student involvement. "The NCAA is trying to move toward a recognition that students play a larger role than they've had the last several years," Smith said.

The new legislation goes into effect Aug. 1. It will allow Division I scholarship athletes to earn the difference between the value of their scholarship and the full cost of attending their school, maxing out at \$2,500.

Just a little kiss off the glass...



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Rene Salomao tries to lay it up as an Arkansas State defender attempts to block his shot. The Broncs take on Lamar at 7:30 tonight at the UTPA Fieldhouse. The game will be broadcast live through KSOX Radio, 1240 AM. The Broncs then host Jacksonville on Saturday also starting at 7:30.

this in which to turn a buck and smile pretty for the cameras.

7 - GET RID OF THE MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL CREW:

This has to be the most awful example of television coverage and commentary ever witnessed in modern sports. Yeah, these guys know football, but they can not shut-up and just let the game roll on... Dan, Al, Frank, and Mike need to be ship off to cover paddleball at the retirement home and get off my set... Please! Please! Get somebody new... anybody, even nobody would be better than this!

Well, there you are presented with the extent of my thoughts and football meditations... Take them

as you like, unless you are somebody within, or are employed by the NFL. Football is great, professional football is even better but without the proper respect and maintenance our game will breakdown, and fall apart.

It is a good thing I am a big hoops fan because I at least can spend my time screaming at the Knicks, but my heart will be with all of you who have not much else to do except pack away your TV set into the attic until mid-August.

Pray for August and the Patriots... Still pulling for the underdog because this year the little pup was the big spread winner. Patriots over Green Bay 24 -20.



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