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07/22/03	TTUHSC Expert Available to Comment on Rabies	MR
07/22/03	2003 Summer International Teaching Assistants Workshop	AL
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08/08/03	Jon S. Whitmore Sole Finalist for President at TTU	CR
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08/15/03	White Coat Ceremony Event Advisory	MR

08/18/03	Third Annual Buddy Holly Music Festival and Symposium: Not Fade Away: Exploring Music in Popular Culture	SLP
08/18/03	Doct-at-a-Distance Program Inducts Second Group of Students	TTB
08/21/03	First Semester to Teach the Turkish Language	SS
08/22/03	The Mildred and Shirley L. Garrison Geriatric Education and Care Center Celebrates One Year Anniversary	SCM
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08/27/03	Student Union Food Court Moves into the Ballroom	SLP
08/27/03	Binge Drinking	MR
08/27/03	University Students and Binge Drinking	MR
08/28/03	Grand Opening of the Career Management Center - Event Advisory	TTB
08/28/03	First Freshman Convocation since the 1960's	TTB
08/28/03	Changes in Financial Aid for the Fall Semester 2003	SLP
08/29/03	Ribbon Cutting for Jones SBC Stadium - Event Advisory	CR
08/29/03	German Delegation to Participate in Cowboy Symposium	SS
08/29/03	Shelley Burson, Director of Continuing Nursing Education, Receives the State/Public Employee of the Year	MHP



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BRICK DAY TO DEMONSTRATE MASONRY TECHNIQUES

WHAT: Brick Day at Texas Tech University will challenge 200 undergraduate and graduate students, instructed by local masonry companies, to build a brick wall.

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Friday, May 2.

WHERE: Service area parking (R16 parking lot) for the Engineering Center at Sixth Street and Canton Avenue.

EVENT: Brick Day at Texas Tech will be the third Brick Day held in Texas. After receiving instruction on the basics of bricklaying, the students will split into teams to see if they can build a brick wall. The teams will be judged on the design and workmanship of their projects. The winning team will be awarded the Golden Brick award, with the Silver and Bronze Bricks going to the second and third place teams.

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**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY DEBATE TEAM PLACES
IN TOP 20 IN NATIONAL DEBATE TOURNAMENT**

LUBBOCK – The Texas Tech University Red Raider Speech and Debate Team placed 20th in the nation in the American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament held at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Miss. This is the sixth consecutive year that Texas Tech has been ranked as one of the top 20 collegiate debate teams in the country.

“We have had a strong debate team for a long time and that is because of a talented group of people,” said David Roach, Ed.D., chairperson in the Department of Communication Studies. “We have an incredible team and great coaches, and when you put those things together, you get a stellar speech and debate program.”

Students who competed in the tournament were:

- Steven Chang, a sophomore communication studies major from St. Robert, Mo.
- Amador S. Juarez, a freshman animal science major from Laredo.
- Gianpaolo Macerola, a freshman political science major from Houston.
- Sonja Ralston, a senior theater and Spanish major from Centennial, Colo.
- Eric Schoenthal, a junior political science major from Arlington.
- Lindsey Stansell, a junior communication studies major from Abilene.

“For the university, the debate team’s performance can be used as a recruiting tool to show that we have high profile students achieving an incredible level of success,” said William Harlow, Ph.D., director of forensics in the Department of Communication Studies.

Ric Shafer, head coach of the Red Raider Speech and Debate Team, said the group’s performance was a team effort. Along with the team’s success, Shafer said one of the team members, Ralston, placed first in the nation in persuasive speaking. Ralston also won fifth place in impromptu speaking.

Last fall, the speech and debate team placed second in the state at the Texas Intercollegiate Forensic Association annual championship. Team members’ performance in the state competition qualified them for the American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament.

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LUBBOCK – Lindsey Stansell, a Texas Tech University junior communication studies major, from Abilene, received top honors in the American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament held at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Miss. She is the daughter of Johnny and Dale Stansell.

Along with her fellow teammates on the Texas Tech Red Raider Speech and Debate Team, Stansell placed 20th in the country in the national debate tournament. This is the sixth consecutive year that Texas Tech has been ranked as one of the top 20 collegiate debate teams in the country.

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Stansell was one of six team members who placed 20th in the collegiate tournament. Ric Shafer, head coach of the Red Raider Speech and Debate Team, said the group's performance was a team effort.

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LUBBOCK – Eric Schoenthal, a Texas Tech University junior political science major, from Arlington, received top honors in the American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament held at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Miss. He is the son of Chris and Lynn Schoenthal.

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LUBBOCK – Amador S. Juarez, a Texas Tech University freshman animal science major, from Laredo, received top honors in the American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament held at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Miss. He is the son of Amador A. Juarez and Diana Rueweler.

Along with his fellow teammates on the Texas Tech Red Raider Speech and Debate Team, Juarez placed 20th in the country in the national debate tournament. This is the sixth consecutive year that Texas Tech has been ranked as one of the top 20 collegiate debate teams in the country.

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Juarez was one of six team members who placed 20th in the collegiate tournament. Ric Shafer, head coach of the Red Raider Speech and Debate Team, said the group's performance was a team effort.

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LUBBOCK – Steven Chang, a Texas Tech University sophomore communication studies major, from St. Robert, Mo., received top honors in the American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament held at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Miss. He is the son of Rodney and Martha Chang.

Along with his fellow teammates on the Texas Tech Red Raider Speech and Debate Team, Chang placed 20th in the country in the national debate tournament. This is the sixth consecutive year that Texas Tech has been ranked as one of the top 20 collegiate debate teams in the country.

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Chang was one of six team members who placed 20th in the collegiate tournament. Ric Shafer, head coach of the Red Raider Speech and Debate Team, said the group's performance was a team effort.

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**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY STUDENT PLACES
FIRST IN NATIONAL DEBATE TOURNAMENT**

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LUBBOCK – Sonja Ralston, a Texas Tech University senior theater and Spanish major, from Centennial, Colo., recently placed first in the nation in persuasive speaking during the American Forensics Association National Individual Events Tournament held at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Miss. She is the daughter of Larry and Donna Ralston.

Along with her fellow teammates on the Texas Tech Red Raider Speech and Debate Team, Ralston placed 20th in the country in the national debate tournament. This is the sixth consecutive year that Texas Tech has been ranked as one of the top 20 collegiate debate teams in the country.

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In the tournament, Ralston also placed fifth in the nation for impromptu speaking. Under the informative speaking category, Ralston advanced to the quarterfinal round. Additionally, she advanced to the semifinal round in the communication analysis category.

Ric Shafer, head coach of the Red Raider Speech and Debate Team, said Ralston's and the speech and debate team's performance was a group effort.

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LUBBOCK – Gianpaolo Macerola, a Texas Tech University freshman political science major, from Houston, received top honors in the American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament held at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Miss. He is the son of Dominic and Daniela Macerola.

Along with his fellow teammates on the Texas Tech Red Raider Speech and Debate Team, Macerola placed 20th in the country in the national debate tournament. This is the sixth consecutive year that Texas Tech has been ranked as one of the top 20 collegiate debate teams in the country.

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Macerola was one of six team members who placed 20th in the collegiate tournament. Ric Shafer, head coach of the Red Raider Speech and Debate Team, said the group's performance was a team effort.

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**CONCERT AT TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
TO CELEBRATE DIVERSITY AND UNITY**

LUBBOCK – The Office of Community and Multicultural Affairs and the Office of the Chancellor of the Texas Tech University System, along with the civic organization, the Pastors' Forum, will present the "United We Sing Scholarship Concert," at 4 p.m., Sunday, (May 4), in the Allen Theatre of the Student Union Building.

"We want to develop a sense of community that incorporates all aspects of Lubbock," said Richard Baker, special assistant to the chancellor in the Office of the Chancellor. "With this concert, we are bringing together the religious community, the city of Lubbock and the Lubbock Independent School District. We hope that this event will not only reconfirm our commitment to diversity, but also our commitment to the community."

Local church choirs and musicians will perform at the concert. Proceeds from the event will contribute to a program that will award scholarships to Texas Tech students who tutor children attending schools located in North and East Lubbock.

Admission to the event is \$5. Tickets can be purchased at the door or at the Office of Community and Multicultural Affairs, located in Room 317 of the Administration Building. For more ticket information, call (806) 742-8671.

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"PIE THE PROF" READY TO CREAM TEXAS TECH PROFESSOR

WHAT: Civil engineering students at Texas Tech University will have the opportunity to throw cream pies at Kenneth Rainwater, Ph.D., professor of civil engineering, who "won" the honor during a fund-raiser.

WHEN: 1 p.m., Friday, May 2

WHERE: East side of the Civil Engineering Building, 10th Street and Akron Avenue

EVENT: Texas Tech's chapter of Chi Epsilon, the national civil engineering honor society, recently sponsored a "Pie the Prof" fund-raiser in which students were allowed to vote for the professor they would most like to throw a pie at. Rainwater received the most votes and has agreed to face down a few pies.

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**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY TO SPONSOR DAY OF MATH
FOR LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

LUBBOCK – In an effort to spark an interest in math for girls, the Department of Mathematics at Texas Tech University will sponsor the Emmy Noether High School Mathematics Day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Thursday, (May 15), in the Chemistry and Mathematics Buildings on campus. The conference will target area female high school students. The one-day event is sponsored by the Office of the Provost; the College of Engineering; the Teaching, Learning and Technology Center; and the Lubbock Independent School District.

“Mathematics is not dry, gray and scary,” said Mara Neusel, Ph.D., a committee member for the event and an associate professor in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. “We want to show that mathematics can be fun.”

The symposium will open with a welcome and introduction by Jane Winer, Ph.D., dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Lawrence Schovanec, Ph.D., chairperson in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. Krystyna Kuperberg, Ph.D., professor in the Department of Mathematics at the University of Auburn in Auburn, Ala., will deliver the keynote address for the conference.

Throughout the day, students will have the chance to compete for prizes in a math contest. During the conference, workshops will cover the topic of how math is applied in real-life situations, and a panel discussion will focus on career opportunities in math. Seminars on teaching and research will take place for local high school teachers.

Currently, an estimated 300 students will attend the conference. Admission to the symposium is free. For more information on this event, visit <http://www.math.ttu.edu/~mneusel/enhd.htm>.

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John L. Schroeder, Ph.D., assistant professor of atmospheric science, specializes in the characterization of surface layer wind fields within hurricanes. He can speak to specific storm issues as well as evacuation procedures. Schroeder conceived and led the design of Texas Tech's mobile-instrumented tower placed in the path of land-falling hurricanes to collect building-level meteorological data. Schroeder can be reached at (806) 742-2813 or via e-mail at john.schroeder@ttu.edu.



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**INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL CENTER HOLDS
SCHOLARSHIP FUND-RAISER**

WHAT: The Texas Tech University International Cultural Center will hold a silent auction fund-raiser to benefit the Willie Enriquez Jr. Memorial Scholarship.

WHEN: 5:30 p.m., Friday, (May 9), though guests are welcome to arrive later. The silent auction will end at 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: International Cultural Center, located at 601 Indiana Ave.

EVENT: All proceeds from the event will go toward the scholarship, which is awarded to deserving students who are members of the Hispanic Student Society.

Tickets are \$25 each and the costs cover heavy hors d'oeuvres, two complimentary beverages, live music by Jazz Alley, art exhibits by Tina Fuentes and Joel Saleido, and the opportunity to bid in the silent auction.

Enriquez Jr., a former Texas Tech student and president of the Hispanic Student Society, was killed in a car accident.

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**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH PROFESSOR
RECOGNIZED WITH ENDOWMENT NAMED IN HER HONOR**

LUBBOCK – In recognition for her contributions in technical communication, Carolyn Rude, Ph.D., director of technical communication in the Department of English, has been honored with a \$13,600 scholarship endowment bearing her name. The Carolyn Detjen Rude Endowment for Technical Communication will provide scholarships to Texas Tech University students pursuing degrees in technical communication.

“Dr. Rude is a teacher and scholar of rare achievement,” said Sam Dragga, Ph.D., professor and chairperson in the Department of English. “Over the last 15 years, she has made major contributions in building the technical communication program at Texas Tech. We are one of the leading programs in the United States and that chiefly is because of Dr. Rude’s efforts.”

For more than 20 years, Rude, who also is a professor in the Department of English, has been at Texas Tech. As the director of the technical communication program, Dragga said Rude expanded the curriculum to offer not only a bachelor’s degree in technical communication, but also a master’s of arts degree and doctoral degree in technical communication. Through the program, Dragga said students are able to earn a master’s of arts degree in technical communication online.

To raise money for the endowment, Dragga said graduates of the program and Rude’s colleagues donated funding. Patricia Goubil-Gambrell, Ph.D., a former English professor at Texas Tech, said she and other donors contributed to the endowment to honor Rude for her commitment to helping technical communication students excel both academically and professionally.

“With the endowment, Dr. Rude will have a legacy at Texas Tech, and that is what we all wanted to give her,” Goubil-Gambrell said.

At the end of this year, Rude will retire from Texas Tech. In the Fall 2003, Rude will join the faculty as a professor in the Department of English at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg, Va.

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TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY TORNADO RESEARCHER VISITS STORM SITE

Larry Tanner, research associate at Texas Tech University, will travel from Lubbock to Pierce City, Mo. today (Tuesday), where he will stay until Thursday. He will study wind damage to structures in the area affected by this weekend's tornadoes. He also can talk about in-house shelters developed by Texas Tech, which can withstand the strongest tornado winds. He can be contacted on his cell phone at (806) 543-4957.

A swarm of tornadoes struck the Midwest this weekend, killing at least 38 people in Kansas, Missouri and Tennessee. Experts at Texas Tech University's Wind Science and Engineering Research Center have been studying tornadoes and the effects of high winds for more than 30 years. The researchers have studied tornadoes and hurricanes nationwide, including the 1999 Oklahoma City tornado, in which a shelter based on Texas Tech's designs survived and saved two lives.

Other researchers available for comment at Texas Tech include:

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MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER TIPS

Receiving that perfect bouquet on Mother's Day can warm a mother's heart, but finding just the right kind of flower can be a challenge. Judith Wilmington, manager for the Horticultural Gardens and Greenhouse at Texas Tech University's Department of Plant and Soil Sciences, offers advice on picking the perfect flowers for your loved one on Mother's Day. Wilmington also teaches a flower arranging class at Texas Tech.

- ◆ For those on a tight budget, Wilmington suggests less expensive flowers, such as carnations or mums. Also, a single stem of an orchid or a lily is a beautiful statement and not hard on the pocketbook, said Wilmington.
- ◆ When choosing the right flower for your mother, Wilmington said to consider any allergies or smells that might affect them. Knowing the preferences of your mother is important when picking out flowers, she said.
- ◆ When picking out flowers, remembering culture and also the area in which you live is important. Flowers can mean certain things to different people. For example, the Asian community uses mums for funeral arrangements, whereas, Caucasians use them for bright colorful fall decorations. Wilmington suggests asking a florist, an herbalist or looking at books when you want to choose the correct flower for the occasion.
- ◆ Keeping your flower brilliant for an extended period of time also can be a problem. Wilmington suggests picking up the packets of nutrients available at the florist shops to put in the flower's water and also cutting the stem occasionally to ensure that the flower is receiving the maximum amount of water and nutrients. Changing the water frequently is also a plus.
- ◆ Wilmington said that the key to making your own bouquet is to pick flowers that have not fully bloomed and have fresh leaves on them. The flower will have time to open and will last longer, she said.

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(Editor's Note: Course instructors will be available for interviews on May 19. Contact Leslie Woodard at Texas Tech Extended Studies to arrange times and locations.)

HURRICANE ENGINEERING COURSE SCHEDULED FOR GULF COAST

LUBBOCK – Texas Tech University's Wind Science and Engineering Research Center and the Division of Outreach and Extended Studies will present a short course titled "Engineering for Gulf Coast Hurricanes" in Galveston.

The course will be held at the San Luis Resort, Spa and Convention Center, at 5222 Seawall Blvd., on May 20-21.

The course will address the engineering of housing to withstand hurricane-force winds, as well as wind load provisions recommended by the American Society of Civil Engineers for buildings and other structures.

A discussion of the appointment process and the responsibilities of engineers inspecting structures to meet Texas Department of Insurance requirements also will be included.

Other course topics will focus on current approaches to assessing wind loads, wind effect concepts for buildings and structures and new provisions of the national wind load standard.

Instructors for the course will include Kishor C. Mehta, Ph.D., P.E., Horn Professor of civil engineering and director of the Wind Engineering Research Center at Texas Tech; Joseph E. Minor, Ph.D., P.E., research professor in the Graduate Center for Materials Research at the University of Missouri—Rolla; and Paul Bove, Ph.D., a senior engineering specialist with the Texas Department of Insurance.

The fee for the course is \$550.

For more information about the short course or how to register, contact Texas Tech Extended Studies at (806) 742-7200 or (800) 692-6877, extension 270 or 262.

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[Editor's Note: Program is full, but photo opportunity available.]

PROGRAM RECOGNIZES ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

WHAT: The Texas Tech University Division of Public Education K-12 Outreach Program in collaboration with the South Plains Electric Cooperative celebrates May as Electrical Safety Month with the program, Be Safe Through Knowledge.

WHEN: 10 a.m. - noon, Friday, (May 9)

WHERE: South Plains Electric Cooperative Northern District Office, located at 110 North I-27.

EVENT: The program will be divided into four parts, demonstrating the dangers of electricity and the technical skill required to be a lineman.

A mini-transformer/power line rig is used to teach children the different dangers of overhead power lines. Other demonstrations include pole top and bucket truck rescues, which shows what crewmembers use when an accident occurs. An electrical safety video also will be shown.

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EXPERTS TO SPEAK ON EFFECTS OF A DIRTY BOMB

LUBBOCK – Cities across America are getting better prepared in the event of a terrorist attack via a dirty bomb. Listed below are experts at Texas Tech University who can comment on the impact of a dirty bomb explosion. The bomb is an explosive containing radioactive material that is used to spread contamination throughout a designated area.

Carleton Phillips, Ph.D., assistant vice president for research and professor in the Department of Biological Sciences, can speak on how the Chernobyl accident can predict the effects of a dirty bomb exploding. Phillips, who worked on a research project about the Chernobyl nuclear incident, also can comment on the biological effects associated with exposure to radioactive material. In June 2003, Phillips will join the U.S. Department of State as a William C. Foster Fellow Phillips. Under this one-year appointment, he will work in the Nonproliferation Bureau, a division in the State Department that aims at curbing the spread of weapons of mass destruction. Phillips can be reached at (806) 742-2715, (806) 790-1853, or carl.phillips@ttu.edu.

Ron Chesser, Ph.D., professor in the Department of Biological Sciences, can comment on the biological effects of radiation exposure from a dirty bomb. Chesser, who worked on a research project studying the Chernobyl nuclear accident, also can speak on radiation dosimetry, which assesses the amount of radiation that is absorbed by an organism. He can be contacted at (806) 742-1737, (806) 535-2275, or ron.chesser@ttu.edu.

Robert Baker, Ph.D., Paul Whitfield Horn professor in the Department of Biological Sciences, can discuss how radiation impacts the molecular and genetic structures of animals. He has conducted research on the nuclear reactor incident at Chernobyl for almost 10 years. Baker can be reached for comment at (806) 742-2702 or rjbaker@ttu.edu.



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SEVERE WEATHER EXPERTS AVAILABLE

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82-YEAR-OLD STUDENT TO GRADUATE FROM TEXAS TECH

LUBBOCK – Some college students are on the four-year plan. Some are on the five-year plan. This spring, Texas Tech University will graduate a student who was on the 65-year plan.

William E. Whitfill, an 82-year-seven-month-old history major, is going to be Texas Tech's oldest graduating undergraduate student ever when he receives his diploma on May 17.

Whitfill, who was born in Lockney in 1920, originally attended Texas Tech in 1938 as a zoology major, with an eye toward becoming a doctor, but he left school in 1942 to join the Air Force for six years. Afterward, he took over the family farm east of Plainview until his retirement in 1985.

"I sat around the house about six months before my wife said she was tired of my retirement," Whitfill said. "So then I got a real estate license, and I've been working in real estate since 1986."

In 2001, 65 years after he originally enrolled at the university, Whitfill returned to Texas Tech at the urging of his grandchildren, two of whom were students at Texas Tech at the time. Feeling he didn't have the time for the zoology lab courses, he changed his major to history, noting wryly that "I've lived a whole lot of it."

Whitfill said the long gap between his two college careers caused a few problems.

"I had a little bit of difficulty getting registered," Whitfill said. "They couldn't find my old records. They were down in the basement somewhere. They told me at the registrar's office they'd had people older than me register, but nobody ever waited so long."

Whitfill said his classmates have reacted well to having a fellow student who is so much older than they are.

"I think maybe a lot of them thought I was snooping," he joked, before adding, "They've all been real considerate. They really have. I don't hear as good as some people do, and I'd have to turn around and ask them what the teacher said. I had no problems getting an answer."

Whitfill also said some big changes have occurred in college life in the past 60 years.

"The main difference I see is the number of students," he said. "When I was going to Texas Tech in '38, there were maybe 2,500. There are about 10 times that many now. All of them have got a cell phone. You don't see very many walking around without talking on the phone, which I'm not used to yet."

Whitfill said he is a believer in the value of getting an education.

"You're never too old to keep learning," said Whitfill. "The more you try to learn, the more active your brain will be. I've visited with a lot of parents of children who wanted to drop out of school, and I've encouraged the kids to keep at it."

Like many new graduates, Whitfill has big plans for what he's going to do with his degree.

"I'm going to put it up on the wall and look at it," he said.

Whitfill and his wife, Murlene, have five children, seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY TO HONOR GRADUATES

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LUBBOCK – Almost 2,300 Texas Tech University students will receive diplomas during commencement ceremonies at 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., Saturday, May 17, in the United Spirit Arena, located at 1701 Indiana Ave. The featured speaker at both ceremonies will be Tibor P. Nagy Jr., the new executive director of Texas Tech's Office of International Affairs and the International Cultural Center.

Born in Budapest, Hungary, Nagy arrived in the United States as a political refugee. He received his bachelor's degree from Texas Tech and his master's degree from George Washington University. He joined the Foreign Service in 1978 and has served in a variety of positions worldwide. He was U.S. Ambassador to Guinea from 1996 to 1999 and ambassador to Ethiopia since 1999. He will assume his post at Texas Tech in June.

Sportscaster Jack Dale will receive an honorary degree from the university at the morning ceremony. Dale, who is known as the "Voice of the Red Raiders," retired this year after providing play-by-play commentary for Texas Tech athletic events for 50 years. He has been elected to the Texas Tech Athletic Hall of Honor and has received a Distinguished Service Award from the Texas Tech Alumni Association.

The morning ceremony will include students in the Colleges of Architecture, Arts and Sciences, Engineering and Visual and Performing Arts. The afternoon observance includes the Colleges of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, Education, Human Sciences and the Jerry S. Rawls College of Business Administration.

The Texas Tech School of Law has scheduled its ceremony for 6 p.m. at the United Spirit Arena, with a reception immediately following at the Law School. The speaker for the law school commencement is the Honorable Robert Junell, U.S. District Judge in the Midland Division and a 1977 graduate of the School of Law. The class speaker will be Blake Rocap of San Angelo.

Receptions for the colleges will follow their respective ceremonies. Reception locations are: College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources in the Croslin Room in the library atrium; College of Architecture in the Architecture Gallery Courtyard; College of Arts and Sciences in the foyer in front of Room 104 in Holden Hall; Jerry S. Rawls College of Business Administration in the Business Administration Building Rotunda; College of Education in the second floor foyer of the Education Building; College of Engineering in the courtyard of the Engineering Center; College of Human Sciences in the El Centro lounge; and College of Visual and Performing Arts in the foyer of the Art Building.

Outstanding students will carry banners representing their respective colleges. Administrators selected the banner bearers based on all-around achievement.

The banner bearers are: Dustin Jim Miller, an agricultural and applied economics major from Seagraves, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources; Eden Livingstone, a master of architecture student from Colleyville, College of Architecture; Krystal Renae Batchelor, a biology major

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from West Columbia, College of Arts and Sciences; Courtney Ann Watson, a management major from Abernathy, the Jerry S. Rawls College of Business Administration; Robyn Louise Green, a multidisciplinary science major from Bedford, College of Education; Benjamin M. Howe, an electrical engineering and computer science major from Plano, College of Engineering; Christopher Adam Mitchell, an English and history major from Lamesa, at 9 a.m., and Paula Burnett Moore, a human development and family studies major from Morton, at 1:30 p.m., Honors College; Laura Lyn Bell, a human development and family studies major from Kermit, College of Human Sciences; and Laura Beth Feinberg, a visual studies major from Arlington, College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Selected to carry the banner for the Graduate School are Harlan Rusty Harris, from Lubbock, a doctor of philosophy student in electrical engineering in the College of Engineering, at 9 a.m.; and Chad E. Cook, from Midland, a doctor of philosophy student in consumer economics and environmental design in the College of Human Sciences, at 1:30 p.m.

Also recognized during commencement exercises will be bachelor's degree candidates with the highest grade-point averages in their respective colleges. In some cases, the honoree also is among the previously mentioned banner bearers.

Highest ranking May graduates are Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources: Miller of Seagraves; Architecture: Livingstone of Colleyville; Arts and Sciences: Lina Mabel Alvarez, a mathematics major from Snyder; Ashley Kristine Amerman, a journalism major from Carrollton; Jace William Balzen, a general studies major from Lubbock; David Brandon Dennis, a German and mathematics major from Amarillo; Amanda Michelle Easton, a psychology major from Houston; Dale Anne Gensler, a history major from Arlington; Brian Jeffrey Gonzalez, a telecommunications major from Sugar Land; Kelly Anne Hicks, a biology major from Sugar Land; Jason Heath Howard, a political science major from Brownfield; Mary Sue Klein, a biology major from Henrietta; Jodi Lee Pavolini, a zoology major from Temple; Marc Pimsleur, a microbiology major from Lubbock; Rebecca Lynn Rolke, a exercise and sport sciences major from DeSoto; Barbara Ursula Schraml, a cell and molecular biology major from Linz, Austria; Shazia Rauna Siddiqui, a political science major from Fairfax, Va.; Julia Marie Sodeman, a biology major from Lubbock; William Curtis Taylor, a mathematics major from Amarillo; and Lindsey Rebecca Yates, a psychology major from Lubbock; Business Administration: Hadi Ali Meerza, an accounting major from Houston; Stefanie Janine Moss, an accounting major from Big Spring; Christopher Dwight Souder, an accounting major from Wellington; Richard Patrick Bixler, a finance major from Shallowater; Lindsey Renee Doherty, a finance major from Boerne; Kelly Ann Felderhoff, a finance major from Muenster; Jamal Mubariz Ismayilov, a finance and business economics major from Grand Junction, Colo.; Robert Harvey Stanley, a finance major from Lubbock; Raegan Ann Koesler, a general business major from Muenster; Michael Thomas Lair, a general business major from Canyon; Amy Elizabeth Simpson, a general business major from Crosbyton; Seth Paul Stevens, a management major from Sherman; and Watson from Abernathy; Education: Green of Bedford; Engineering: Luke Thomas Dunn, a petroleum engineering major from Midland; Joshua Nathaniel Fink, a petroleum engineering major from Magnolia; Howe of Plano; and Benjamin Ellis Stephens, a civil engineering major from Lubbock; Human Sciences: Moore from Lubbock; and Lindsey Nicole Qi, a human development and family studies major from Odessa; Visual and Performing Arts: Lauren Sue Boldon, a design communication major from Houston.



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TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY TO HOST A VARIETY OF SUMMER CAMPS

LUBBOCK – As another school year ends, the days of summer begin for local students. Listed below are various summer camps that are offered by Texas Tech University for elementary, middle and high school students.

SCIENCE: IT'S A GIRL THING

When: July 21-24
Grades: Entering the 7th grade
Contact: Martha Hise at (806) 742-2420 or m.hise@ttu.edu
Cost: \$245 for residential only

The "Science: It's a Girl Thing" program introduces young female students to a variety of educational and professional opportunities in science. Participants in the program will be involved in a number of hands-on activities, such as telescope building, star gazing and blood typing.

SHAKE HANDS WITH YOUR FUTURE

Session I

When: June 8-20
Grades: Entering the 8th-11th grades
Contact: Martha Hise at (806) 742-2420 or m.hise@ttu.edu
Cost: \$935 for residential only

Session II

When: July 6-11
Grades: Entering the 4th-7th grades
Contact: Martha Hise at (806) 742-2420 or m.hise@ttu.edu
Cost: \$395-\$530

"Shake Hands with Your Future" is an academic enrichment program in which talented and gifted students explore future careers. The program offers classes in law, chemistry, engineering, theater arts and other areas of study.

THE LUBBOCK PRE-FRESHMAN ENGINEERING PROGRAM (TEXPREP-LUBBOCK)

When: June 2-July 18
Grades: 7th-11th grades
Contact: Leticia DeLarrosa at (806) 742-2580, ext. 246

Cost: Free program

The Lubbock Pre-freshman Engineering Program is an enriched mathematics-based program that offers local students the chance to build their skills in advanced mathematics. Students will gain insight into careers in engineering, mathematics and science while participating in the academically intense program.

2003 SUMMER YOUTH CLASSES AT THE MUSEUM OF TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Session I

When: June 17-27
Grades: Pre-Kindergarten through 7th grades
Contact: Education Division of the Museum at (806) 742-2432
Cost: \$20 per course, pre-registration is required

Session II

When: July 8-18
Grades: Pre-Kindergarten through 7th grades
Contact: Education Division of the Museum at (806) 742-2432
Cost: \$20 per course, pre-registration is required

The Summer Youth Classes at the Museum of Texas Tech is an educational, hands-on program that offers fun courses on art, astronomy and archaeology.

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY BEDTIME AT THE MUSEUM

When: Every Thursday from 7-7:45 p.m.
Ages: 6-10
Contacts: Education Division of the Museum at (806) 742-2432
Cost: Free of charge

"Bedtime at the Museum" consists of different themes such as "Bedtime Under the Stars" and "Bedtime with the Icons."

TEXAS TECH SUMMER WORKSHOPS AT LUBBOCK LAKE LANDMARK

A.M. Adventures

When: June 4-Aug. 1 (Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, from 10-11:30 a.m.)
Ages: 8-11
Contact: (806) 742-1116 or lubbock.lake@ttu.edu
Cost: Free of charge, pre-registration required

Amazing Afternoons (Session I)

When: July 22-25
Ages: 6-7

Contact: (806) 742-1116 or lubbock.lake@ttu.edu
Cost: Free of charge, pre-registration required

Amazing Afternoons (Session II)

When: July 29-August 1
Ages: 6-7
Contact: (806) 742-1116 or lubbock.lake@ttu.edu
Cost: Free of charge, pre-registration required

The Summer Workshops at Lubbock Lake Landmark offer fun and educational topics that range from the animal kingdom to earth science.

2003 BOY'S BASKETBALL SCHOOL AT TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Session I

When: June 22-26
Grades: 3rd-12th grades
Contact: (806) 742-7600
Cost: \$315 residential/\$265 commuter

Session II

When: July 27-31
Grades: 3rd-12th grades
Contact: (806) 742-7600
Cost: \$315 residential/\$265 commuter

2003 BOY'S POSITION CAMPS AT TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Session I

When: June 20-22
Grades: 3rd-12th grades
Contact: (806) 742-7600
Cost: \$200 residential/\$175 commuter

Session II

When: August 1-3
Grades: 3rd-12th grades
Contact: (806) 742-7600
Cost: \$200 residential/\$175 commuter

2003 BOY'S TEAM CAMP AT TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

When: June 27-30
Contact: (806) 742-7600
Cost: \$250 residential per person/\$125 commuter per person

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY MARSHA SHARP'S LADY RAIDERS TEAM CAMP

When: June 13-15
Grades: 9th-12th grades
Contact: Vicky McKenzie at (806) 742-7705
Cost: \$1,250 per team for residential/\$1,000 per team for commuter

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY LADY RAIDERS BASKETBALL POST CAMP

When: June 16-18
Grades: 3rd-12th grades
Contact: Vicky McKenzie at (806) 742-7705
Cost: \$225 residential/\$175 commuter

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY LADY RAIDERS BASKETBALL PERIMETER CAMP

When: June 16-18
Grades: 3rd-12th grades
Contact: Vicky McKenzie at (806) 742-7705
Cost: \$225 residential/\$175 commuter

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY LADY RAIDERS OVERNIGHT FUNDAMENTAL CAMP

Session I

When: June 3-7
Grades: 3rd-9th grades
Contact: Vicky McKenzie at (806) 742-7705
Cost: \$300 residential/\$250 commuter

Session II

When: June 8-12
Grades: 3rd-9th grades
Contact: Vicky McKenzie at (806) 742-7705
Cost: \$300 residential/\$250 commuter

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL CAMPS

Strength and Conditioning Course

When: June 1
Grades: All Ages
Contact: (806) 742-4260, ext. 245
Cost: \$75

Junior Camp

When: June 1-4
Grades: 3rd-8th grades
Contact: (806) 742-4260, ext. 245
Cost: \$325 residential/\$300 commuter

Senior Camp

When: June 4-7
Grades: 9th-12th grades
Contact: (806) 742-4260, ext. 245
Cost: \$325 residential/ \$300 commuter

Texas Tech Passing Championships

When: June 7
Grades: 9th-12th grades
Contact: (806) 742-4260, ext. 245
Cost: \$325 per team

Mini Camp

When: June 8
Grades: 11th-12th grades
Contact: (806) 742-4260, ext. 245
Cost: \$50 per an individual

Quarterback/Wide Receiver Camp

When: June 9-11
Grades: 7th-12th grades
Contact: (806) 742-4260, ext. 245
Cost: \$325 residential/\$300 commuter

Defensive Skills

When: June 9-11
Grades: 7th-12th grades
Contact: (806) 742-4260, ext. 245
Cost: \$325 residential/\$300 commuter

Offensive Line

When: June 9-11
Grades: 7th-12th grades
Contact: (806) 742-4260, ext. 245
Cost: \$325 residential/\$300 commuter

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY RED RAIDER BASEBALL CAMPS

Session I (Day Camps)

When: June 24-26
Ages: 6-8 (8:30-10:30 a.m.)
9-12 (10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.)
Contact: Greg Evans at (806) 783-8863
Cost: \$80 for day campers

Session II (Overnight and Commuter Camps)

When: July 17-19
Ages: 9-17
Contact: Greg Evans at (806) 783-8863
Cost: \$275 residential/ \$210 commuter

Session III (Overnight and Commuter Camps)

When: July 24-26
Ages: 9-17
Contact: Greg Evans at (806) 783-8863
Cost: \$275 residential/\$210 commuter

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY RED RAIDER SOCCER CAMP 2003

Session I (Half Day Camp)

When: June 2-6
Ages: Boys and girls, ages 6-10
Contact: (806) 742-3355, ext. 267 or ext. 284
Cost: \$100 for half day campers

Session II (Half Day Camp)

When: June 9-13
Ages: Boys and girls, ages 6-10
Contact: (806) 742-3355, ext. 267 or ext. 284
Cost: \$100 for half day campers

Session III (Girls Residential Camp)

When: June 15-19
Ages: 11-18
Contact: (806) 742-3355, ext. 267 or ext. 284
Cost: \$330 residential/\$245 commuter

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY RED RAIDER VOLLEYBALL CAMPS 2003

Girls Skills Camp 1

When: July 6-9
Grades: 3rd - 8th grades

Contact: Theresa Bowman at (806) 742-7545 or theresa.bowman@ttu.edu
Cost: \$300 residential/ \$260 commuter

Girls Skills Camp 2

When: July 10-13
Grades: 9th-12th grades
Contact: Theresa Bowman at (806) 742-7545 or theresa.bowman@ttu.edu
Cost: \$300 residential/ \$260 commuter

Setter or Libero Camp

When: July 14-16
Grades: All ages
Contact: Theresa Bowman at (806) 742-7545 or theresa.bowman@ttu.edu
Cost: \$210 residential/ \$170 commuter

Girls Skills Camp 3

When: July 16-19
Grades: 9th - 12th grades
Contact: Theresa Bowman at (806) 742-7545 or theresa.bowman@ttu.edu
Cost: \$300 residential/ \$260 commuter

Team Tournament Camp

When: July 21-24
Grades: 9th-12th grades
Contact: Theresa Bowman at (806) 742-7545 or theresa.bowman@ttu.edu
Cost: \$250 residential per individual/ \$210 commuter per individual

2003 TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY TENNIS CAMPS

Session I (Day Camp)

When: June 16-20
Ages: 9-17
Contact: Tim Siegel at (806) 742-3355, ext. 277 or Siegeltim@aol.com
Cost: \$300 for day campers

Session II (Overnight Camp I)

When: June 22-26
Ages: 9-17
Contact: Tim Siegel at (806) 742-3355, ext. 277 or Siegeltim@aol.com
Cost: \$395 residential/\$325 commuter

Session III (Overnight Camp II)

When: July 6-10
Ages: 9-17

Contact: Tim Siegel at (806) 742-3355, ext. 277 or Siegeltim@aol.com
Cost: \$395 residential/\$325 commuter

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY CHAMPIONS TRACK AND FIELD CAMP

When: June 29-July 2
Ages: 8 and above
Contact: Diane Wholey at (806) 742-3355, ext. 250 or diane.wholey@ttu.edu
Cost: \$295 residential/ \$225 commuter

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS

Session I

What: June 2-13, 8 a.m.-noon
Ages: 7-11
Contact: (806) 742-3351, or visit www.ttu.edu/recsports
Cost: \$90

Session II

When: June 16-27, 8 a.m.-noon
Ages: 7-11
Contact: (806) 742-3351, or visit www.ttu.edu/recsports
Cost: \$90

Session III

When: July 7 - 18, 8 a.m.-noon
Ages: 9-13
Contact: (806) 742-3351, or visit www.ttu.edu/recsports
Cost: \$90

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY BAND/ORCHESTRA CAMP 2003

When: July 5-12
Grades: 6th-12th grades
Contact: Anna Henry at (806) 742-2225 or Anna.MW.Henry@ttu.edu
Cost: \$475 residential/ \$218 commuter

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY ALL-STATE CHOIR CAMP

When: July 23-26
Grades: 9th-12th grades
Contact: Anna Henry at (806) 742-2225 or Anna.MW.Henry@ttu.edu
Cost: \$235 residential/\$115 commuter

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY RED RAIDER CAMP (JUNCTION, TEXAS)

When: July 23-25, July 26-28, July 30-Aug. 1, Aug. 4-6, Aug. 7-9 and Aug. 11-13
Grades: Texas Tech entering freshmen.
Contact: Britta Tye at (806) 742-2192 or redraidercamp@ttu.edu
Cost: \$125 residential

Red Raider Camp is a program that introduces first-year students to the traditions and culture of Texas Tech University.



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TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY TORNADO RESEARCHER VISITS STORM SITE

Larry Tanner, research associate at Texas Tech University, will travel from Lubbock to Oklahoma City today (Thursday), where he will stay until Saturday. He will study wind damage to structures in the area affected by the recent tornadoes in Oklahoma City and Moore, Okla. Tanner was one of the researchers who investigated the 1999 tornado in Oklahoma City. He also can talk about in-house shelters developed by Texas Tech, which can withstand the strongest tornado winds. He can be contacted on his cell phone at (806) 543-4957.

Experts at Texas Tech University's Wind Science and Engineering Research Center have been studying tornadoes and the effects of high winds for more than 30 years. The researchers have studied tornadoes and hurricanes nationwide, including the 1999 Oklahoma City tornado, in which a shelter based on Texas Tech's designs survived and saved two lives.

Other researchers available for comment at Texas Tech include:

Kishor C. Mehta, Ph.D., P.E. Horn professor of civil engineering and director of the Wind Science and Engineering Research Center, specializes in structural analysis of small buildings exposed to extreme winds, and the design and construction of small buildings to resist damage caused by extreme wind events. He can speak on structural failure of buildings, the types of variables that can cause such failure, and provide more than 30 years of experience to validate data provided. Mehta leads the Wind Science and Engineering Research Center and the entire group of researchers. He can be reached at (806) 742-3479, ext. 323, or via e-mail at kishor.mehta@wind.ttu.edu.

Ernst Kiesling, Ph.D., P.E. professor of civil engineering, specializes in debris impact and above ground shelters. He can speak on the construction and use of personal and community shelters. Kiesling has more than 30 years of experience in the field, documenting debris damage and testing different materials and types of construction. He can be reached at (806) 742-3476, ext.335, or via e-mail at ernst.kiesling@wind.ttu.edu.

H. Scott Norville, Ph.D., professor of civil engineering and director of the Glass Research and Testing Laboratory, specializes in the behavior of window glass and other glazing materials under severe conditions such as extreme wind events or explosion. He can offer advice on the use of storm shutters and impact-resistant window glazing. He can be reached at (806) 742-1930 or via e-mail at scott.norville@wind.ttu.edu.



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**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER TO HONOR ALL
SCHOOLS IN COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY**

WHAT: Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center will graduate students from its five schools.

WHEN: 3 p.m. Sunday (May 18)

WHERE: United Spirit Arena, 1701 Indiana Ave.
(NW entrance, graduate and faculty entrance)

EVENT: The Health Sciences Center will graduate students from all regional campuses and schools of allied health sciences, nursing, pharmacy, medicine and graduate school of biomedical sciences.

Guest speaker will be David Satcher, M.D., the 16th surgeon general of the United States. He also served as the assistant secretary for health from February 1998 to January 2001, making him only the second person in history to have served both positions simultaneously. In these roles Satcher led the efforts of both departments to eliminate racial and ethnic disparities in health care.

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MOODY'S UPGRADES TEXAS TECH'S LONG-TERM DEBT RATING

LUBBOCK – Moody's Investors Service has upgraded Texas Tech University System's long-term debt rating to Aa3, with a stable outlook, from A1 with a positive outlook.

In a statement, Moody's Investors Service said the Aa3 rating reflects:

- Strong demand and growing research program, highlighting the system's status as one of the state's leading public university systems;
- A Health Science Center, which serves an important role in providing medical education and health services to the West Texas region;
- Borrowing plans that are expected to moderate following a period of significant leverage increase;
- Health levels of financial reserves providing a good cushion for debt and operations;
- Good operating performance providing some flexibility to respond to a tightened state funding environments.

Growing enrollment and research funding highlight the university's prominent position, Moody's reported in its release. It added that the Health Sciences Center provides important services to the West Texas region, a factor supporting the rating.

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**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS HONORS
FORMER GOVERNOR PRESTON SMITH FOR LIFETIME SERVICE**

LUBBOCK – Former Texas Gov. Preston Smith today (May 16) received the first Infinito Horizonte Award from the Texas Tech University System Board of Regents honoring his lifetime of service to the university.

“Preston Smith has been a friend and supporter of this university for decades,” said Robert Black, chairman of the regents. “As a state legislator, as governor and as an alumnus, Texas Tech has always been able to count on Preston Smith. It’s appropriate he is the first recipient of the Infinito Horizonte Award.”

The Board of Regents created the Infinito Horizonte Award, which means Endless Horizon, last year to honor those who have had a significant impact on Texas Tech. It is the highest award the Board of Regents and the Texas Tech University System can bestow on an individual.

Smith graduated from the then Texas Technological College in 1934. He served as governor of Texas from 1968 to 1972. During that time Smith was instrumental in the establishment of Texas Tech School of Medicine and School of Law.

He also served as Lt. Governor from 1962 to 1968; as state senator from 1956 to 1962 and as a state representative from 1944 to 1950.



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**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER HONORS ALL
SCHOOLS IN COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY**

{Editors note: recipients have not been informed of awards}

LUBBOCK – Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center graduated students from all regional campuses and schools of allied health sciences, pharmacy, nursing, medicine and graduate school of biomedical sciences in an all school commencement ceremony Sunday (May 18) at the United Spirit Arena.

Commencement speaker was David Satcher, M.D. Satcher was confirmed for a four-year term as the 16th surgeon general of the United States in February 1998. He also served as the assistant secretary for health from February 1998 to January 2001, making him only the second person in history to have served both positions simultaneously.

In these roles Satcher led the efforts of both departments to eliminate racial and ethnic disparities in health. He is currently the director of the National Center for Primary Care at the Morehouse School of Medicine in Atlanta.

The School of Allied Health Sciences graduated 200 students. Aaron Gabriel West and Bobbie Kay Smithson were presented the Dean's Award for Excellence. West, a graduate student, received his master of science in molecular pathology. Smithson, who received the award for an undergraduate, graduated with a bachelor of science in speech-language and hearing sciences. The award recognizes excellence in academic achievement and overall performance by individuals chosen as the top graduate and undergraduate students.

The School of Medicine and the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences graduated 128 students. The School of Medicine presented the Gold Headed Cane Award to Laurie Ladawn Marbas, M.D. The Gold Headed Cane is a symbol for excellence in the art of medicine and in the care of patients. The recipient is selected jointly by faculty and students as the individual who best exemplifies those attributes most desirable in the competent and caring physician.

Kellie Leanne Mathis, M.D. was given the Dean's Highest Academic Achievement award. Nelson Hsia, Ph.D., received the Outstanding Graduate Student Award for the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences.

The School of Nursing graduated 207 students. Awards were presented to Sandra Lynn Grant Bradley, R.N. M.S.N., and Lyndel Jean Hilburn, R.N., B.S.N. The Award for Excellence in Nursing recognizes graduating students who have best exemplified nursing through the philosophy of Holism in patient care.

The School of Pharmacy presented 76 doctor of pharmacy degrees. Jason Price Haire, Pharm.D., received the Bowl of Hygieia award. The award is an internationally recognized symbol for the profession of pharmacy. Universally depicted as a snake wrapped around a bowl, it comes from Greek mythology. Hygieia is the daughter of Zeus and the goddess of purity. Her bowl represents medicine and the snake indicates potency. The Bowl of Hygieia symbolizes "pure and potent medicines."



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**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY PUBLIC BROADCASTING STATION
TO AIR WATER DOCUMENTARY**

LUBBOCK – The future of Texas' water supply is examined in, "Texas: The State of Water," a documentary that airs at 9 p.m., May 29, on KTXT-TV (Cox Cable Channel 5). The documentary will air the same night in more than 30 Texas cities.

The documentary looks at critical questions about the state's water supply, including: Will Texas run dry? Can other Texas regions learn from the cautionary tale of the over-taxed Rio Grande? How can the state provide enough clean water for wildlife and the environment, as well as for cities, industry and agriculture?

"The timeliness of this documentary couldn't be more appropriate. All Texans need to be aware that water is one of our most important resources, affecting just about every facet of our lives. The future of water, and the future of Texas, is at stake," said Michelle Dillard, KTXT-TV manager of television programming.

The Emmy award-winning Texas Parks & Wildlife television series teamed with KERA-TV, the public broadcasting station in Dallas, to produce the original, prime-time program. Lead vocalist Ray Benson of the Grammy-winning western swing band Asleep at the Wheel will narrate the documentary.

The program includes segments involving El Paso, Caddo Lake in East Texas, the Ogallala Aquifer in the Panhandle, the Pecos River area in West Texas, and the Colorado and Trinity River watersheds involving Dallas/Fort Worth, Austin and Houston. The program also focuses on the once mighty Rio Grande as a case study to show how, if care is not taken, rivers can stop flowing. The Rio Grande has intermittently ceased flowing into the Gulf of Mexico in recent years, and today in many areas there is little or no water in the riverbed.

"Water is the single most important factor for the future of people and wildlife in Texas, period," said Robert L. Cook, Texas Parks and Wildlife executive director. "Water is a finite resource that will only get stretched farther as our population expands. There is still time now to plan for a future with enough water for people and wildlife."

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**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION TO PRESENT
CONFERENCE FOR EDUCATORS IN VISUAL IMPAIRMENT**

LUBBOCK – The College of Education at Texas Tech University will present the Fifth Annual Virginia Sowell Center for Research and Education in Visual Impairment Distinguished Lecturer Series from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sept. 26-27, in the College of Education Building in Room 001. The event is open to all teachers and other professionals who work with visually impaired individuals and students.

The theme for this year's lecturer series is "Orientation and Mobility for Students with Low Vision."

"Particularly within the state of Texas, there is a movement toward encouraging orientation and mobility specialists to use non-visual techniques when working with individuals with low vision," said Pat Kelley, Ed.D., research associate professor in the College of Education Virginia Murray Sowell Center for Research and Education in Visual Impairment. "This lecturer series will identify specific techniques for individuals who have low vision."

The conference will feature keynote speakers Charles T. Vasile, an orientation and mobility department supervisor, and Rick Ludt, an orientation and mobility intern supervisor, both of the Western Blind Rehabilitation Center in Palo Alto, Calif. Along with keynote speakers, the Virginia Murray Sowell scholarships will be presented at a luncheon scheduled for 11:30 a.m., Sept. 27, in the College of Education Building, Room 001. During the conference, the Helen Keller National Art Show will feature artwork by students with visual impairments from across the nation.

Registration for the lecturer series is \$30. Hotel accommodations will be available at the Lubbock Inn. The deadline to register for the conference is Sept. 12.

"We hope that those attending the conference will gain the knowledge and skills needed to better assist their students," Kelley said.

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BARBECUE THE RIGHT WAY

LUBBOCK – It's getting hot outside, and many people are lighting up their grills for a good old-fashioned barbecue. When visiting a grocery store, one may notice there are so many types of meats to choose from. However, picking the right kind of meat can make a big difference.

Mark Miller, Ph.D., professor for the Animal Science & Food Technology Department at Texas Tech University, said when choosing a steak, look for the most tender, muscle-based meat.

"The rib-eye steak, the T-bone, the New York strip, the filet mignon and maybe the top sirloin steak are the best. With pork, pretty much anything works, but it is best to stay with the loin or loin chops. Lamb is the same way," Miller said.

"Some types of meats to stay away from include grill round steak or anything out of the chuck," Miller said. "There are a lot of steaks that you get in the shoulder of the animal that are always going to be tough."

Miller said there are some health differences between whole muscle steak and ground steak such as hamburgers.

"It's ok to eat rare steak or whole muscle cuts because the bacteria that can make you sick is found on the outside of the meat and can be cooked off. Ground and chopped steak on the other hand should always be cooked thoroughly," Miller said.

Individuals should defrost meat in the refrigerator. Leaving meat out in the open air makes it a prime target for bacterial growth, he said. Also, store cooked meat in a cool place within an hour and a half after eating.

Never marinate or store a variety of meat products like beef, pork and chicken together. This will help prevent cross contamination. Individuals should rinse their meat off before grilling, frying or baking.

As far as taste preparations are concerned, Miller has a little advice.

"A good cook or chef can put just enough smoke flavor on them to make it just right. I think if you have doubt and don't have time to experiment, then use charcoal briquettes and just a little bit of wood," he said.



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**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY STUDENT ATHLETE
HONORED FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION**

[Editor's Note: A student from your area is featured below.]

LUBBOCK – Jessica Watson, a Texas Tech University freshman exercise and sports science major from Jewett, has received the High Merit Award from the Texas Tech University Department of Athletics. The award recognizes student athletes who not only succeed on the field, but also make strides in the classroom. Watson is the daughter of Mike and Jamie Watson.

Watson was awarded the honor during the athletic academic banquet, which took place April 16 in the United Spirit Arena Citibank Room.

"I think it is good that the athletics department recognizes student athletes for their academic achievements," she said. "This award shows that athletes are able to excel on the field and in the classroom."

Watson, who also is a member of the Texas Tech volleyball team, said she received the award based on her grade point average. To qualify for the merit honor, a student athlete must maintain a 3.5 or higher grade point average.

"For me, it is a great accomplishment to be able to successfully juggle both school and sports," she said.

Along with receiving the High Merit Award, Watson said she has garnered two other honors. Watson was awarded the Top Newcomer and Coach's Awards at the Texas Tech volleyball team's annual awards banquet in January 2003.



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**FOUNDATION AWARDS TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
PROFESSORS \$750,000 IN GRANTS**

LUBBOCK – Five Texas Tech University professors received funding from the Welch Foundation, one of the United States' oldest and largest private donors, for basic chemical research. Each of the professors obtained \$150,000 in grants to further their research projects for a three-year period.

Faculty members who received the funding are:

- **Stefan K. Estreicher, Ph.D., Paul W. Horn Professor in the Department of Physics**, will conduct the research project, "Dynamics of Defects in Semiconductors." Estreicher earned his doctoral degree from the University of Zürich in Switzerland.
- **Allan D. Headley, Ph.D., associate dean in the Graduate School and professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry**, will conduct the research project, "Chiral Ionic Liquids, A New Class of Solvents for Asymmetric Reactions." Headley earned his doctoral degree from Howard University in Washington, D.C.
- **Guigen Li, Ph.D., associate professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry**, will conduct the research project, "New Electrophilic Amination Reactions and Their Asymmetric Versions." Li earned his doctoral degree from the University of Arizona in Tucson, Ariz.
- **W. David Nes, Ph.D., professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry**, will conduct the research project, "Studies on Stereochemical Mechanisms in Sterol Synthesis." Nes earned his doctoral degree from the University of Maryland in College Park.
- **Paul W. Paré, Ph.D., assistant professor in the Department of Chemistry**, will conduct the research project, "Flavonoid Substituents that Direct Free-Radical Scavenging." Paré obtained his doctoral degree from University of Texas at Austin.

Since 1954, the Welch Foundation has awarded more than \$494 million on behalf of chemical research conducted at institutions throughout Texas. Last year, the Houston-based foundation awarded \$900,000 in grants to six Texas Tech professors. Each of the professors received a \$150,000 grant.

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MOBILE CLINIC HELPS TO DETECT BREAST CANCER

LUBBOCK – Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Mobile Mammography Clinic and the YWCA of Lubbock will offer clinical breast examinations and mammograms Wednesday (May 28) at Wal-Mart in Seminole, 2000 Hobbs Highway.

The Clinic will also offer services Thursday (May 29) at United Supermarket in Muleshoe, 104 W. Ninth St.

The Mobile Mammography Clinic provides both screening and diagnostic mammograms, clinical breast examinations and free educational brochures on breast health awareness and the importance of mammography.

This health care project is a traveling clinic which allows women in rural areas to have greater access to the exams that are vital to early cancer detection. Routine trips into each community are coordinated to allow women to have regular, annual mammograms.

“We want to provide the best care possible and that means regular visits to each community. Annual exams are vital to detecting cancer in the very early stages,” said Eleanor Greiner, director of Women’s Health Services. “Remember, mammography can save your life through early detection of breast cancer.”

Clinical breast exams and mammograms will be at no cost for women ages 40 to 64 who qualify.

To schedule an appointment for a mammogram individually or for a group organization, please call 1-800-222-8388.



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MAD COW EXPERT AVAILABLE FOR COMMENT

A single cow in northern Alberta, Canada, has tested positive for bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE), commonly known as mad cow disease. While it "appears to be an isolated case," according to United States Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman, the food industry is taking precaution.

John Blanton, Ph.D., assistant professor in the department of Animal and Food Sciences in the Texas Tech University College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, is available to speak on the recent case of mad cow disease, what mad-cow disease is and food safety when dealing with diseases in the cattle industry.

"The USDA has done a great job so far of keeping the situation under control and banning shipments of meat and livestock from Canada," Blanton said.

Mad cow disease has never been found in United States cattle, despite intensive testing for it. The United States ban includes any beef-derived product or animal feed from Canada, according to the Food and Drug Administration.

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FOOD INDUSTRY CENTER HOSTS INAUGURAL EVENT

WHAT: The International Center for Food Industry Excellence will host an inaugural event.

WHEN: 1 p.m., Thursday (May 22).

WHERE: Human Sciences Building, Room 169.

EVENT: 1 p.m., Keynote speaker, Merle Pierson, Ph.D., deputy undersecretary for Food Safety for the United States Department of Agriculture.

2:30 p.m., Tour of center facilities.

5:30 p.m., Cocktail hour and entertainment at the Merket Alumni Center.

6:30 p.m., Prime rib dinner and entertainment at the Merket Alumni Center.

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TEXAS TECH AG DEAN ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

LUBBOCK - John Abernathy, Ph.D., dean of the Texas Tech University College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, has announced his retirement, which will be effective Sept. 1.

"I will miss the energy and dynamic atmosphere that the faculty and students bring to this university," said Abernathy. "My family and I plan to spend a lot of time with each other and do things that we haven't been able to do. Although I am retiring from Texas Tech, I am not retiring from the love of agriculture."

Two of the greatest accomplishments within the college include partnerships with other universities and agencies and the student congressional internships, he said.

"Our joint-faculty and partnerships have made the college an outstanding resource for our students and also the community," said Abernathy. "We have created opportunities for our students to learn from such a diverse group of people."

Abernathy has been the dean of the college for the past six years. He received his bachelor's degree in agronomy in 1967 and his master's degree in 1969 in agronomy and weed science, both from Oklahoma State University. He received his doctorate degree from the University of Illinois in agronomy and weed science in 1972.

Abernathy also worked at the Texas A & M Research and Extension Center in 1973 and was named resident director in 1985 before becoming the dean at Texas Tech in 1997.

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FORMER TEXAS TECH PRESIDENT GROVER E. MURRAY DIES

LUBBOCK – Grover E. Murray, Ph.D., president emeritus of Texas Tech University, died Wednesday, (May 21). Murray had served as president of Texas Tech from 1966-1976. He was the eighth president of the university.

“Grover Murray has been a personal friend of mine for years. He will be remembered for his service to Texas Tech, but most of all for his commitment to our students and to this region. He will be sorely missed,” said Interim President Donald R. Haragan, Ph.D.

During his decade as president, Murray oversaw the establishment of the International Center for Arid and Semi-Arid Land Studies, the opening of the School of Law in 1967 and of the School of Medicine in 1972. He was also instrumental in the development of the Museum of Texas Tech University and the Ranching Heritage Center. Enrollment increased from 17,768 to 22,580 students during his term, and 13 major construction projects were initiated.

Murray and his wife, Sally, established the Grover E. Murray Education Award in 1996. They envisioned the award as one that would be given annually to individuals or groups who bring prestige to Texas Tech through the excellence of their activities. The Grover Murray Professorship at the Health Sciences Center is awarded by the Texas Tech Board of Regents to the most outstanding professors at the institution.

Murray continued as a professor of geosciences at Texas Tech after stepping down as president. He was an internationally recognized scientist, serving at one time on the National Science Board, the governing body of the National Science Foundation. He had received numerous professional honors and was named to the Alumni Hall of Distinction at Louisiana State University.

Murray had been a professor, department chairperson of geology and vice president of academic affairs at Louisiana State University before coming to Texas Tech.

He is survived by his wife Sally; a daughter, Barbara Murray of Houston; and a daughter Martha Poag, of East Falmouth, Mass.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Grover E. Murray Education Award or the Dr. Grover Murray Undergraduate Scholarship in Geosciences, both in care of the Texas Tech Office of Institutional Advancement, P.O. Box 45200, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas 79409-5200.



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**WORLD TRADE CENTER DESIGNER TO SPEAK AT INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE SPONSORED BY TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY**

LUBBOCK – One of the original designers of the World Trade Center will speak at an international conference to be hosted by Texas Tech University. Leslie Robertson, Ph.D., a renowned structural engineer and designer of the World Trade Center, will give a keynote address from 8:30 to 10 a.m., Monday (June 2), at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. His speech will be a part of the 11th International Conference on Wind Engineering scheduled to take place June 2-5, at the Civic Center.

Established in 1960, the conference, which is held in different parts of the world, will focus on all areas of wind engineering. The event will attract more than 350 attendees from England, Australia, China, South Africa, Japan, the Czech Republic and other nations. This is the first time for Texas Tech to host the conference.

“This conference presents an opportunity for researchers to exchange information on studies they have conducted on wind engineering,” said Kishor C. Mehta, Ph.D., chair of the conference and director of the Wind Science and Engineering Research Center.

Donald R. Haragan, Ph.D., interim president of the university, will open the conference at 8:15 a.m., Monday (June 2). Dennis Mileti, Ph.D., a professor and chair of the Department of Sociology and director of the Natural Hazards Research Applications and Information Center at the University of Colorado at Boulder, will deliver a keynote address from 8:30 to 10 a.m., Tuesday (June 3), at the Civic Center.

The conference also will include a variety of workshops and lectures featuring invited speakers. Mehta, who also is the Paul W. Horn Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering, said Texas Tech was selected to host the conference because of the university's in-depth research into wind engineering. The Texas Tech Wind Science and Engineering Research Center is world renowned for its work in wind research and developed in-residence shelters resistant to wind.

The keynote addresses are free and open to faculty, staff and the public. All other events are open to registered participants.

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LEARNING LEGACIES TO BE HONORED WITH MEMORIAL SERVICE

WHAT: Willed body program memorial service

WHEN: 10:45 a.m., Monday (May 26)

WHERE: Resthaven Memorial Park, 5740 W. 19th St.

EVENT: A memorial service is planned to remember those individuals who have chosen to donate their bodies to the willed body program at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

Donated bodies are used by first-year medical students and are on extremely valuable contribution to the health sciences center.

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TEXAS TECH PROFESSOR RECEIVES TELECOMMUNICATION AWARD

LUBBOCK – Edward E. Anderson, Ph.D., professor of mechanical engineering and associate director of the Teaching, Learning and Technology Center at Texas Tech University, is the recipient of the 2003 United States Distance Education Association Award, sponsored by the board of directors of the Institute for Telecommunications at Oklahoma State University.

The award consists of a \$1,500 honorarium and a classroom technology package valued at \$15,000, donated by PolyCom Corp.

The award was established to recognize an outstanding individual who has made a unique and significant impact on learning through the creative use of telecommunications technologies.

Anderson has created innovative courses that match pedagogy to appropriate technologies. He is the author and producer of several educational CDs, including one that is used by engineering students throughout the world, and Web sites. He also has assisted more than 50 Texas Tech faculty members with material design and selection of appropriate electronic learning tools for varied curricula and specific learning objectives.

"It is indeed an honor to be recognized by the prestigious USDLA for activities that I truly enjoy and that students find to be very helpful for mastering complex subjects," Anderson said.

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JOINT AG PROGRAM WINS NATIONAL AWARD

LUBBOCK -- Doc-at-a-Distance, a joint doctoral program between Texas Tech University and Texas A&M University, recently received the 2003 Outstanding Educational Program Award given by the American Distance Education Consortium (ADEC).

"This success is due to dedicated faculty, staff and students, as well as outstanding administrative and technical support. I express my sincere appreciation to everyone who has believed in this program, and worked above-and-beyond the call of duty to make it a success," said Matt Baker, Ph.D., professor and chairperson of the Department of Agricultural Education and Communications at Texas Tech University's College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

The degree is specifically designed for educators in agricultural sciences and natural resources. The degree prepares candidates for the understanding of theory, practical application and the ability to grow and mature intellectually in agricultural education, said Baker.

"This program brings together the largest agricultural education faculty in the nation and allows working professionals to obtain an advanced degree," said Baker. "There is no question in my mind that these graduates will quickly rise to leadership positions in their professions."

Joint faculty from the universities work closely together to deliver this program, said Baker. The program meets all standards established by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. The 64-semester-hour program leads to the doctor of education degree with a major in agricultural education. Both university's names are on the graduate's diploma.

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TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY WATER EXPERT AVAILABLE

Water is one of Texas' most valuable natural resources. Besides quenching the thirsts of millions of residents, it is also used to water livestock, to irrigate crops and residential lawns and to maintain industry. It is even used for recreation, as millions of Texans enjoy fishing, swimming, boating and water skiing. But as Texas' drought continues, water levels are dropping statewide, lakes and rivers are drying up, and more cities are instituting water rationing. A new one-hour documentary, "Texas: The State of Water," airing on Texas PBS stations on Thursday, will address the state's water conservation problems in more detail and ask the question: can anything be done to preserve Texas' water?

Kenneth A. Rainwater, Ph.D., P.E., D.E.E., director of the Water Resource Center at Texas Tech University, oversees numerous water researchers and experts. The Water Resource Center's activities focus on current water issues of regional importance and encompass state, national and international water issues that are of common concern. He can speak on general water issues and the importance of water conservation. He can be reached at (806) 742-3597 or via e-mail at ken.rainwater@coe.ttu.edu.



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**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY GEOLOGIST TO PARTICIPATE
IN NATIONAL SECURITY SEMINAR**

LUBBOCK – Melanie Barnes, Ph.D., a research associate in the Department of Geosciences at Texas Tech University, has been selected to participate in a seminar on national security. Barnes will attend the 49th Annual National Security Seminar from June 2-6 at the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle Barracks, Pa. The event is a part of the curriculum at the Army War College, the Army's senior educational institution.

"I was quite honored to be selected to attend the National Security Seminar," Barnes said. "I look forward to participating, and I hope the seminar will open communication about the importance of earth science research to issues relating to public policy."

The purpose of the seminar is to bring together distinguished speakers and invited guests from various fields to discuss issues pertinent to national security. Through these discussions, students and faculty of the Army War College will gain insight on how to address security issues. As a participant, Barnes said she will have the opportunity to give input on how science can be used to address issues on national security.

"It is great that the military is including scientists in talks on homeland security because we can contribute a wealth of knowledge on security issues," Barnes said.

The weeklong event will include a variety of keynote speakers and group discussions. Barnes will be among approximately 160 business, government, media and academic leaders from across the nation.

Since 1989, Barnes has been a research associate in the Department of Geosciences. For eight years, she has been a member and co-chairperson of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's Pollution Prevention Advisory Committee. Barnes is a two-year member and chair-elect of the Geological Society of America's Public Policy Committee. She earned her master's degree in geology from the University of Oregon in Eugene, Ore., and her doctoral degree in geology from Texas Tech.