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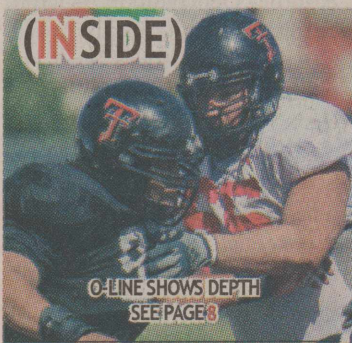
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Bed found in temple at polygamist compound

ELDORADO (AP)—Agents searching a 1,700-acre polygamist compound in West Texas found a bed in the soaring limestone temple and prosecutors believe it was used for male members to have sex with their underage wives after sect-recognized unions.

The discovery was revealed Wednesday as troopers completed their weeklong search of the grounds of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, said spokeswoman Tela Mange.

NATION

Va. Tech families reach \$11 million settlement

ROANOKE, Va. (AP) Most families of victims of the mass shootings at Virginia Tech have agreed to an \$11 million state settlement that will compensate families who lost loved ones, pay survivors' medical costs and avoid a court battle over whether anyone besides the gunman was to blame.

Gov. Timothy M. Kaine said Thursday a "substantial majority" of families of victims of the Virginia Tech shootings agreed to the settlement.

WORLD

Zimbabwe opposition not to participate in runoff

HARARE, Zimbabwe (AP)—The opposition party said Thursday it will not participate in a presidential runoff, while spokesmen for President Robert Mugabe and his chief rival said both will attend an emergency summit of African leaders this weekend.

The Movement for Democratic Change says its candidate, Morgan Tsvangirai, won the March 29 vote outright, and has accused Mugabe of delaying the results to give ruling party militants time to intimidate voters and ensure he wins a second round.

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'Heavy military presence' to last in Iraq

By DEB RIECHMANN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP)—Defense Secretary Robert Gates said Thursday he sees no chance that the number of U.S. troops in Iraq will drop to 100,000 by the end of the year, guaranteeing a heavy American military presence as the war grinds into its sixth year to the end of the Bush presidency.

President Bush said Gen. David Petraeus, his top commander in Iraq, can take "all the time he needs" to consider further withdrawals after the latest round of cutbacks is completed in July. In the meantime,

Petraeus will continue what, until Thursday, had been secret visits to Middle Eastern countries to try to curb the influx of foreign fighters into Iraq.

With 285 days remaining in his presidency, Bush set the course of the war in a speech following two days of testimony before a skeptical Congress by Petraeus and the U.S. ambassador to Iraq, Ryan Crocker.

Bush said that after the troop withdrawals, which already have been announced, end in July, he would give Petraeus 45 days to evaluate the effects of the drawdown. That would be followed by an indefinite period to reassess U.S.

troop strength in Iraq, where new flare-ups of extremist violence are threatening to undercut security gains.

Bush argued that last year's troop buildup had succeeded in reducing violence, tamping down al-Qaida in Iraq and allowing normal daily activities to resume in many areas. Because of that progress, Bush said, an already planned reduction in troops can be completed in July.

"Serious and complex challenges remain in Iraq, from the presence of al-Qaida to the destructive influence of Iran, to hard compromises needed for further political progress," Bush said in a White House address. "Yet

with the surge, a major strategic shift has occurred... This war is difficult, it is not endless."

Petraeus on Thursday revealed for the first time that he had quietly visited several Mideast countries in an effort to slow the flow of foreign fighters into Iraq. The Associated Press learned that the trips, all taken since September, were to Jordan, Kuwait, Bahrain, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates.

Gates appeared before the Senate Armed Services Committee on Thursday, and backtracked from testimony he gave last fall when he said he hoped that drawdowns could continue throughout the

year, which would have left about 10 brigades — or roughly 100,000 troops — in Iraq at year's end. When the committee's Democratic chairman, Sen. Carl Levin, asked Gates whether he still thought that was possible, Gates said: "No, sir."

In his White House speech, Bush also said he was ordering that Army combat tours be trimmed by three months.

It was a response to heavy pressure from military commanders who say long, multiple deployments have strained the Army to its limits. Army units heading to Iraq after Aug. 1 will serve 12 months instead of 15 months.

BACK PEDALING

Student cyclists risk wipe-outs, collisions while riding on campus

By MATT MCGOWAN
STAFF WRITER

They weave through pedestrian traffic, cut across roads and sometimes even go toe-to-toe with buses, but Texas Tech students on bicycles may want to think twice the next time they put the pedal to the gravel on their way to class.

Considering an April 1 incident reported by the Tech Police Department in which a student collided with a bus at the intersection of Main Street and Flint Avenue, bicyclists may want to consider caution as they ride on campus.

"I saw a bike turned over on the side of the road, and I saw a bus stopped there with the police," said Austin Pennington, the Student Government Association's external vice president, who witnessed the scene of the accident and its aftermath. "I was thinking, 'Good God, I hope everybody's okay.' I would say that bikers need to be very careful and very aware of what's going on when they're out there biking."

Cyclists who ride on sidewalks, a violation of the law, may want to consider different routes, he said, because police have been "cracking down" on those who do so.

Tech police began a campaign in December to curb the frequency of sidewalk cycling, said Col. Gordon Hoffman with the Tech



PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Toreador
THOUGH SOME BIKE LANES do exist on campus, the Texas Tech Student Government Association has no plans to expand the lanes because of a lack of funding.

Police Department. During that month, police issued 126 warnings to cyclists, but issued no tickets.

In January, police issued five tickets and 104 bicycle-related warnings, he said. Then in February, police wrote five tickets and issued 31 warnings.

When they see an initial offense, Hoffman said, police tend to merely remind the student they should only ride in the

street. Repeat offenders, however, often receive tickets from officers.

For some bicyclists, however, the choice comes down to either the sidewalk or the road because only some portions of campus currently have bike lanes.

Though Tech's campus does have some bicycle lanes, the effort to expand

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Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones donates \$25,000 to Tech



COURTESY PHOTO/Morgan Hall

DALLAS COWBOYS OWNER Jerry Jones announced Wednesday from Dallas he would be making a \$25,000 donation to the College of Mass Communications.

By MATT MCGOWAN
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech's College of Mass Communications alumni in the Dallas area saw firsthand what it takes to keep up with the Joneses.

Jerry Jones, general manager of the Dallas Cowboys football team, donated a minimum of \$25,000 to the college's alumni scholarship endowment fund Wednesday during a fundraising luncheon in Dallas.

As the keynote speaker for this year's Dallas Area fundraiser and award luncheon, Jones pledged to match the total amount received from other donors, said Jerry Hudson, dean of the College of Mass Communications, who attended Wednesday's lunch. Aware of the event's \$25,000 goal, Jones promised to donate at least that much, regardless.

Also during the luncheon, he said, college officials and alumni honored Brad Sham, a renowned Dallas Cowboy sportscaster otherwise known as the "voice of the Dallas Cowboys," in whose honor Jones donated the money.

"It's a feel-good, pass-it-forward type of campaign for people to feel good about doing something extraordinary," Hudson said. "When we selected Brad Sham for the award, somebody said, 'Why don't we get Jerry Jones to be the keynote speaker.' He agreed to do that, and we began selling tickets."

Although the college does not know exactly how much money it raised in addition to Jones' donation, Hudson said Thursday, Jones guaranteed attainment of at least its minimum goal.

"We're still counting the money," Hudson said. "We still

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Iraqi prime minister gets political show of support but Sadrists excluded

By KIM GAMEL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD (AP)—Iraq's prime minister got a show of support from political leaders of both Muslim sects on Thursday as he moved to isolate anti-U.S. Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr and his followers.

The meeting drew warnings from Sadrist lawmakers that the government's effort against them could backfire even as fighting between Shiite militants and U.S.-Iraqi forces eased somewhat after days of fierce clashes in Baghdad's Sadr City district.

The fighting has taken its toll on all sides. The U.S. military announced that an American soldier was killed by a roadside bomb Wednesday in central Baghdad, raising to 18 the number of Americans who died in Iraq the first 10 days of April.

Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, himself a Shiite, convened the meeting of the main political blocs to discuss the Iraqi-led crackdown on militias that began March 25 in the southern city of Basra, triggering the current crisis.

But the notable absence of the Sadrists signaled that al-Maliki was making good on a threat to try to isolate the movement politically if its Mahdi Army militia is not disbanded.

The Sadrists complained they were not invited to the meeting.

"The Iraqi prime minister is waging a political war," Sadrist lawmaker Falah Shanshal said. "But he is committing a big mistake because the Sadr movement enjoys the support of a large portion of the Iraqi public."

The developments came a day after Iraqi authorities announced they would lift a 2-week-old vehicle ban on Sadr City and another Shiite militia stronghold, Shula, this weekend. The intent is to provide relief to the residents who have suf-

fered from food shortages as well as the violence.

Sheik Salman al-Ferajji, al-Sadr's chief representative in Sadr City, welcomed the decision but warned "the battle is not over yet because the U.S. helicopters are still hovering over the city and U.S. forces are still surrounding it."

He also accused al-Maliki of waging a personal vendetta against the Sadrist movement, despite the government's assertion it is only targeting criminal gangs.

"Al-Maliki is refusing to listen to us or meet our leaders," al-Ferajji said. "We think that al-Maliki is determined to continue his mission, and the recent lull happened because of the U.S. criticism of the fruitless performance of his security forces."

Violence in Iraq had declined last year and early this year following a 7-month-old cease-fire by al-Sadr, an influx of American troops and a Sunni revolt against al-Qaida in Iraq.

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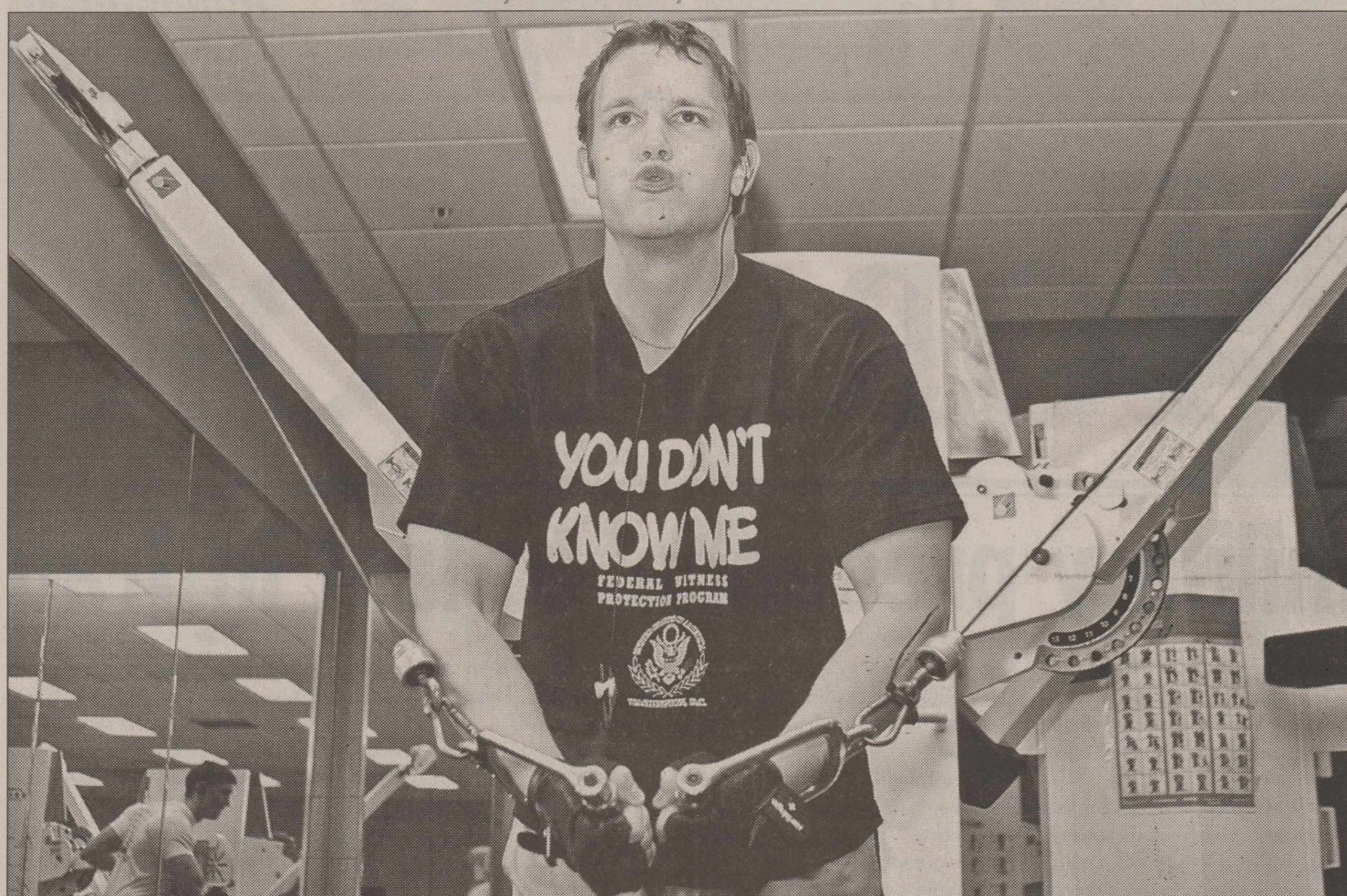


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RUSSELL JOHNSON, A sophomore business management major from Abilene, works out in the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center Thursday afternoon.

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have commitments of people who were table sponsors and who were corporate sponsors, but we think it's going to be, again, \$15,000 that we'll make from table sales. We think we're going to have about \$15,000, plus his \$25,000."

Last year's event raised approximately \$15,000 for the college's scholarship endowment fund, he said. Once coupled with the estimated \$40,000 from this year's fundraiser, the scholarship fund may

soon contain more than \$50,000, which Hudson said made the alumni in attendance "very excited about that and very pleased."

Tech's Chancellor Kent Hance helped tremendously with efforts to bring Jones to the luncheon, Hudson said. Jones, a billionaire, made time in his schedule to give the speech, Hudson said, and he even remained for 30 minutes to take pictures and converse with attendees.

"He was a little pressed for time, but a gentleman all the way," he said. "We were just very pleased and honored to have him participate and talk so positively about the College

of Mass Communications and Texas Tech."

Jones wanted to show his support for the many Dallas Cowboy fans who are Tech alumni, said Rich Dalrymple, director of public relations for the Dallas Cowboys. Also, he wanted to extend his respect and appreciation for Sham's work as the team's sportscaster.

"A tremendous percentage of our fans and season-ticket holders are Tech (alumni) and affiliated with the university," he said. "They thought that the natural tie-in would be to have Jerry as the guest speaker to continue with the theme

of honoring the Cowboy's play-by-play voice."

Also in attendance were several Tech students, Hudson said, who had an opportunity to meet Jones and witness fundraising efforts.

"I thought it was pretty exciting to so many successful (College of Mass Communications) alumni there," said Morgan Hall, a junior photo communications and advertising major from Duncanville, who attended the lunch. "It was really Tech-spirited and stuff like that. It's nice to see people who aren't in Lubbock that are big Tech fans."

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Bikes

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them to other areas currently has come to a financial standstill, Pennington said. With the increases in the price of gasoline, student transportation fees only provide enough funding to maintain existing bike lanes.

"As far as expanding them right now, as it stands, we don't have any plans," he said. "However, the bike lanes are a big way of alleviating some of the burdens of parking and from buses, so it's a big deal. I really want to find ways to get money."

Looking at possible actions to free up money to build new bike lanes, Pennington said he hopes to establish an endowment fund to

sustain the Safe Ride program, which then would release \$50,000 from the transportation budget to go toward bike lanes.

As enrollment grows toward 40,000, he said, bike lanes should become a key component of Tech's transportation network, which will experience "growing pains." Also, rising gas prices only will swell the ranks of Tech's cycling student body.

With these issues in mind, Pennington said expanding the university's bicycle-friendliness is a priority, but, again, the funding limits his ability to do so.

Because it has no bike lanes, the stretch of Flint Avenue between Main Street and 18th Street tends to be very dangerous for bicycle riders, said Kimberly Majors, safety coordinator with Citibus and a former

bus driver.

"I observed several things while driving a bus," she said. "One major problem is them getting out of the bike lane and turning in front of not only buses, but other vehicles to get to the other side of the street." Incidents like this month's bicycle/bus collision rarely occur, she said. In fact, this was the first she knew of.

Investigating a bicycle accident, Hoffman said, goes much like the investigation of an accident between two cars. Police fill out a crash report, speak to witnesses and assign fault just as they would in an all-automobile accident.

If a bicyclist fails to exercise caution and awareness as he or she rides on campus and an incident does occur, he said, he or she will be assigned fault and may receive a ticket, just like any other motorist.

Debunking the myth that bicyclists and pedestrians who are found innocent after colliding with a bus are entitled to waived tuition or other compensation from the university, Rex Oliver with Tech's President's Select program said no such policy exists.

The safest way to ride a bicycle, Majors said, is through awareness and cooperation with others.

"We all need to serve as a team out there — the pedestrians, the passengers and the bike riders, you know, everybody," Majors said. "We all need to work together to make it a better community on the Tech campus for everybody."

E-mails and phone calls to the student reported by the Tech police to be involved in the April 1 collision were not returned by press time.

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Officials from Cheney on down were immersed in interrogation tactics

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bush administration officials from Vice President Dick Cheney on down signed off on using harsh interrogation techniques against suspected terrorists after asking the Justice Department to endorse their legality, The Associated Press has learned.

The officials also took care to insulate President Bush from a series of meetings where CIA interrogation methods, including waterboarding, which simulates drowning, were discussed and ultimately approved.

A former senior U.S. intelligence official familiar with the meetings described them Thursday to the AP to confirm details first reported by ABC News on Wednesday. The intelligence official spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to publicly discuss the issue.

Between 2002 and 2003, the Justice Department issued several memos from its Office of Legal Counsel that justified using the interrogation tactics, including ones that critics call torture.

"If you looked at the timing of the meetings and the memos you'd see a correlation," the former intelligence official said. Those who attended the dozens of meetings agreed that "there'd need to

be a legal opinion on the legality of these tactics" before using them on al-Qaida detainees, the former official said.

The meetings were held in the White House Situation Room in the years immediately following the Sept. 11 attacks. Attending the sessions were then-Bush aides Attorney General John Ashcroft, Secretary of State Colin Powell, CIA Director George Tenet and national security adviser Condoleezza Rice.

The White House, Justice and State departments and the CIA refused comment Thursday, as did a spokesman for Tenet. A message for Ashcroft was not immediately returned.

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., lambasted what he described as "yet another astonishing disclosure about the Bush administration and its use of torture."

"Who would have thought that in the United States of America in the 21st century, the top officials of the executive branch would routinely gather in the White House to approve torture?" Kennedy said in a statement. "Long after President Bush has left office, our country will continue to pay the price for his administration's renegade repudiation of the rule of law and fundamental human rights."

Dalai Lama begins US visit in Seattle amid Olympic torch turmoil

SEATTLE (AP) — The Dalai Lama arrived in the United States on Thursday for the first time since the recent turmoil in Tibet, serenaded by fellow Tibetans as he prepared to anchor an ambitious conference on compassion.

The exiled Tibetan spiritual leader came here a day after demonstrators disrupted the Olympic torch run in San Francisco in a protest of China's treatment of his people. The Dalai Lama will be attending a five-day conference that begins Friday.

With the Dalai Lama in town, some community leaders said they expected counter-demonstrations from pro-China groups.

But all was peaceful when he arrived at a downtown hotel Thursday, telling local Tibetans who sang to him that he supports nonviolent demonstrations but was saddened by the protests in San Francisco.

In Tibet, the recent protests against five decades of Chinese rule have been the largest and most sustained in almost two decades. China has accused the

Dalai Lama of being involved in the uprising. The Tibetan leader has said that he wants greater autonomy for the remote mountain region but is not seeking independence.

Earlier Thursday, during a stop-over in Japan, the Dalai Lama said he has always supported China's hosting of the Olympic Games this summer, but said Beijing cannot suppress protests in Tibet with violence or tell those calling for more freedom in his homeland "to shut up."

He strongly denied Chinese allegations he and his followers have used the run-up to the Olympics to foment unrest.

"Right from the beginning, we supported the Olympic Games," he told reporters near the airport outside Tokyo. "I really feel very sad the government demonizes me. I am just a human; I am not a demon."

Organizers of the five-day Seeds of Compassion conference in Seattle say the Dalai Lama's visit is expected to draw more than 150,000 people.

The Chinese community in Seattle has been split by the Tibetan situation, said Assunta Ng, publisher of the Northwest Asian Weekly, a local Asian-American community newspaper. Ng said she wouldn't be surprised if pro-China demonstrators show up at some of the events, and added that some Chinese students plan to protest the politicization of the Olympics.

The conference will feature dozens of workshops on various subjects, beginning with a panel discussion Friday with the Dalai Lama on "The Scientific Basis for Compassion: What We Know Now."

Tickets for events involving the Dalai Lama have already sold out, according to the conference Web site.

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FRESHMAN MICHELLE NOVELLI, an art student from Houston carves human features into an apple Wednesday afternoon in the art sculpture lab before taking it to be fired in the kiln in the Art Foundry.

Advisers suggest ways to avoid holding up registration

By ELIZABETH ELLIOTT
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

It is time for registration, and students frantically are trying to make appointments with their advisers. Student Business Services is overloaded with calls and TechSIS keeps timing out as it tries to accommodate an influx of users.

But many students will sit down to register in the coming days and realize they cannot because a hold has been placed on their account. Holds are put on student's accounts for any number of reasons, including failure to meet with an adviser and outstanding tuition and fee balances.

The Advising Center at Texas Tech recommends students read the "reason" and "entry office" portions of their holds record on TechSIS Web for Students to make sure they contact the right person about getting their hold removed, according to the center's Web site, www.depts.ttu.edu/acct.

Melanie Hottell, a call center representative for Student Business Services, said the most common holds students receive from Student Business Services are for unpaid parking tickets, but holds also may be for physician fees from Student Health Services or for failure to pay late fees at the University Library.

Hottell said all of these fees can be paid directly through Student Business Services, so students do not need to go to each individual office.

Hottell also said holds do not show up automatically throughout the semester, but are placed on a student's account around the time of registration.

"You can go all term without a balance before registration starts," she said.

According to Hottell, the easiest way to remove a hold placed by Student Business Services is to pay outstanding tuition and fee balances online through TechSIS Web for Students or E-bill. After payment is complete, Hottell said, the hold will be moved within 24 hours, but if a student needs to, he or she usually can call and get it removed the same day.

Holds also can be placed on students' accounts by their respective colleges, usually in an attempt to ensure that each student gets advised before registering.

Missy Helbert, assistant academic adviser in the College of Mass Communications, said mass communications students have a hold on their account each semester; the hold is moved after the student comes in to be advised.

"The main reason is so we can

make sure our kids get in the right classes," Helbert said, "and not into classes they don't need."

Helbert said mass communications students have several ways to get advised, including open advising sessions, individual appointments and the option to submit a checklist online at the College of Mass Communications Web site, www.depts.ttu.edu/masscom/.

Students who wait until after their registration date to get advised have to fill out a petition to be advised late and a checklist with a proposed schedule, she said. After the student turns everything in, she said, it usually takes about 24 hours to get the hold removed, though literature in the mass communications building indicates it could take up to three days.

Each college has its own policies regarding holds and registration, so students should check with their college's advisers if they have any problems. However, no matter what college a student is in, the basic advice is the same.

"You have to take care of business," Helbert said. "It only takes a few minutes to get it done."

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Both Yahoo's attempts to escape Microsoft could help Google

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Microsoft Corp.'s attempt to take over Yahoo Inc. has become so tortured it may help Internet search and advertising leader Google Inc. grow stronger, undermining Microsoft's main reason for pursuing the deal in the first place.

"We find this to be a very advantageous situation for Google," Cantor Fitzgerald analyst Derek Brown said Thursday. "The longer this gets dragged out, the better for Google."

Yahoo signaled it is bracing for a

protracted battle late Wednesday when an announcement and a media leak provided a glimpse at its labyrinthine search for alternatives to Microsoft's bid of more than \$40 billion.

The options include an experimental advertising alliance with Google that could lead to a broader partnership and, according to published reports, a combination with the online operations of Time Warner Inc.'s AOL. Google also owns a 5 percent stake in AOL.

As part of the AOL deal, Time Warner would get a roughly 20 percent

stake in the merged entity in return for a substantial sum of cash that would help Yahoo buy back some of its stock at a price well above Microsoft's offer, which was initially valued at \$31 per share.

"This is the first time that we have seen real feasible alternatives that could derail the Microsoft deal," said analyst Jeffrey Lindsay of Sanford C. Bernstein & Co.

Other analysts doubt Yahoo will succeed in thwarting Microsoft but believe it could force the world's largest software maker to raise its offer as high as \$35 per share, or about \$50 billion.

American grounds 570 flights Friday

FORT WORTH (AP) — The cancellation of thousands of flights this week will cost American Airlines tens of millions of dollars, the company's chief executive said Thursday, but he said the nation's largest carrier can withstand the losses.

American said it canceled another 570 flights Friday and disruptions will continue through Saturday as it continues to check electrical wiring in all 300 of its MD-80 aircraft.

CEO Gerard Arpey said he took full responsibility for the airline's failure to comply with a federal safety rule designed to prevent electrical fires in the planes.

American scratched more than 900 flights Thursday, the third straight day of major cancellations, while its mechanics worked overtime to check the aircraft and comply with the rule. The company said all its MD-80s would be back in service by Saturday night.

Arpey said neither the airline's mechanics nor the Federal Aviation Administration were to blame for the more than 3,000 canceled flights so far this week.

The airline canceled more than 400 flights for the same reason two weeks ago. But the repairs done then didn't meet FAA standards, resulting in this week's debacle.

On Wednesday, Arpey's top lieutenant suggested that American had fallen victim to a suddenly more aggressive FAA. The agency has been under fire since disclosures last month of its lax enforcement of safety rules at Southwest Airlines Co.

In measured tones, Arpey said Thursday that the FAA "obviously is under their own set of scrutiny and pressure right now," but was only doing its job of "holding airlines to exacting standards."

Arpey said it was too early for the airline to estimate the cost of the cancellations. AMR is running a tab for meals, hotel rooms and \$500 travel vouchers for stranded passenger and it lost revenue when it booked people on other airlines. On the other hand, it has saved what it would have spent for fuel on those 2,500 flights.

"I think it will be in the tens of millions of dollars," Arpey said of the final cost. But he said the airline had built up enough cash and paid down debt to deal with the loss. He said

the carrier has business-interruption insurance, but he doubted that it would cover the cancellation-related losses.

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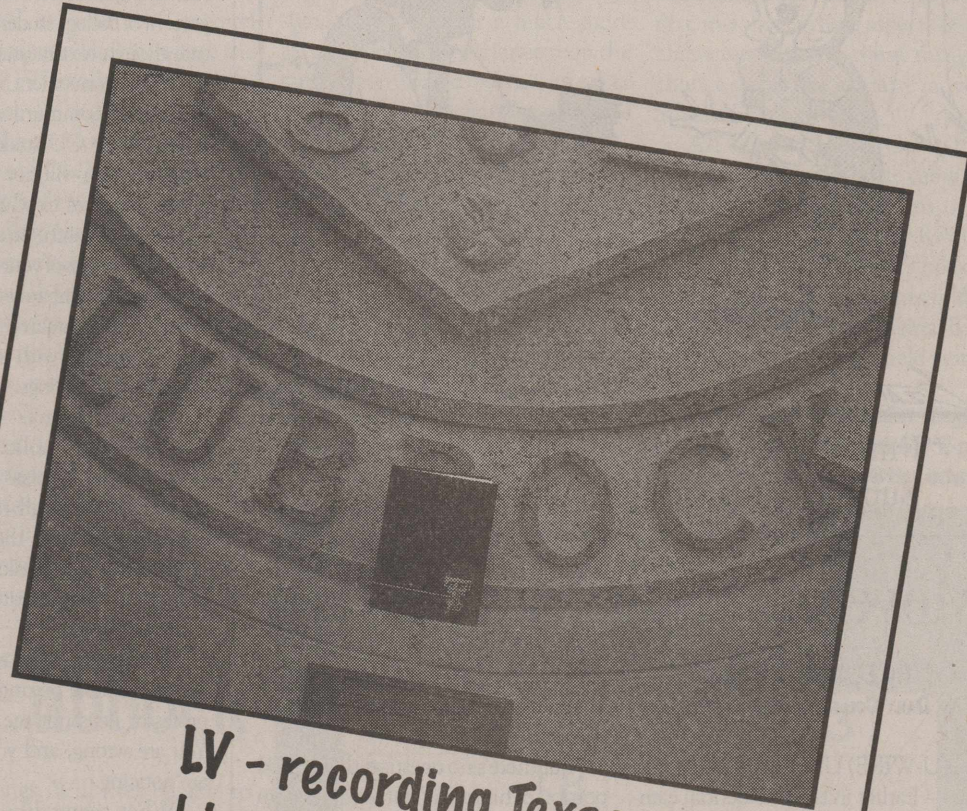
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About a year or two ago, my life changed for the better when I decided it didn't matter if I never saw another rerun of "Friends" again before I die.

I'm a reader by nature; I often have a number of books on the go at once. But before that important moment, even my affection for the written word was growing weak. I realized, in the face of television's devilish temptations.

Upon reflection, I quickly understood why I was so easily drawn to the box, rather than the book, when I came home from work each day. Television is, well, just so darned accessible in its tidy resolution of life's problems in 22- or 44-minute blocks. You have to plow through a lot of pages to find out what fate befalls Raskolnikov or Madame Bovary, but you can be in and out of a Ross-and-Rachel crisis inside of a half hour. Such convenience!

Yet, even acknowledging the ostensible economic advantage that privileging TV narrative over literature seemed to allow, I decided I was done with the tube. Sure, I still turn it on occasionally, to view a DVD or catch a basketball game on broadcast — yeah, I ditched cable too — but for the most part, the television sits unattended, a quiet animal in the den, tamed by my will.

At the end of my life, I resolved, I'd rather have made it through the complete works of Philip Roth than have seen Jay Leno embarrass himself again with some pretty young starlet promoting her latest film.

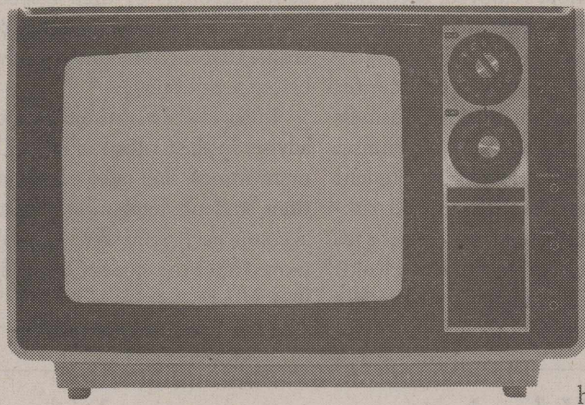
Immediately after making this decision, I felt great. I was reading more. I listened to more music. I spent more

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time in quiet but active contemplation, rather than lose hour after hour in passive reception. Life was good.

But oddly, when I told others about my resolution, I found myself slipping into curious apology. "Um, look," I'd say, stammering in equivocation, "It's not like I'm trying to be one of those anti-TV snobs, but, um, I decided it's just not for me." Then I'd sheepishly play the wallflower as conversations raged on



around me about the latest "Mythbusters" or clever commercials with which I wasn't familiar.

In the end, why should I have cared about the unavoidable outcast status to which my anti-TV stance consigned me anyway? I'm a socialist Canadian living in West Texas. I smoke a pipe and wear argyle socks. I should be used to living

a little bit on the fringe.

What ended up strengthening my turn against television was a thorough consideration of the medium's ill-effects. Beyond the obvious — uh, your mind goes generally numb watching images flicker across a screen — I thought about how TV so insidiously corrupts people's relationships to the world around them.

Think of its effect on political conversation, for instance. Television demands otherwise complicated dialogue about our human condition be distilled into palatable forms of entertainment. The Tucker Carlsons and James Carvilles of TV punditry blow a lot of hot air in articulating their stances on contemporary issues, but do they ever say anything of substance? Hardly.

The staging of opinion has to preclude the power-flicker's urge to switch to something less demanding, like pro wrestling, and accordingly has progressively become simpler forms with which it competes. Moreover, the dramatic simplicity of television narrative is scarily influential in shaping attitudes toward current issues into easy, morally unsophisticated positions.

Last year, I was mortified to read in a New Yorker magazine profile of Joel

Sumnow, creator of Fox-TV's "24," that U.S. Army Brigadier General Patrick Finnegan, the dean of the United States Military Academy at West Point, argued that the cadets over whose education he presides were increasingly sympathetic to an interrogative regime staked on torture — because Jack Bauer so often utilized it successfully in questioning bad guys on the hit show.

These reasons have guided me away from quiet abstinence toward ever louder proselytizing. So, echoing a bumper sticker I saw in Tech Terrace a week or two ago, I say simply this: Kill Your Television. Turn it off. Put it in a closet. Don't let it control you any longer.

I know you'll resist, but really, wouldn't you rather be erudite and thoughtful, or is it that important to you to ingest extreme home makeovers and see former pro athletes learning to foxtrot in prime time?

Or maybe you'll tell me that television isn't as bad as I make it out to be. "Oprah inspires me!" you might protest. But trust me, reading Thich Nhat Hanh or Maya Angelou or Gustavo Gutiérrez will inspire you, too.

Let them call you pretentious — turn the other cheek when they accuse you of elitism. Television is nasty and stupid and time-wasting. Hit the library. Read another book.

I assure you: you'll feel better if you do.

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STRIVE FOR HONOR Discussion on Ethics

Part Two — Ethical Path

'JUST SAY WHEN'

Recall that in the "Just Say When" case featured earlier this week, the main character, Simon, is concerned about the quality and safety of the engineering work performed by his boss and friend, Marcus.

This case confronts us with two challenging questions: What is the right thing to do, and what is the right way to do it? To some, the answer to the first question might seem obvious — Simon should bring his concerns about Marcus' work and the safety of the bridge project to the appropriate authorities. A closer look at this case, however, will reveal that it is more complex than it initially appears. Briefly examining some of this complexity will help illustrate the broader point that ethical issues can often be subtle and multi-faceted, and that ethical solutions often can be difficult to determine and demanding to implement. We do not have the luxury of ignoring this complexity if we truly are interested in "doing the right thing."

It is important to note that Marcus has not violated any laws governing the practice of engineering. This fact is significant for two reasons. First, it constrains Simon's choices about how to address his concerns. Second, it highlights the difference between ethics and legal compliance. It is not the case that doing the right thing ends with following the law; sometimes our moral obligations extend beyond what is legally required of us. Simon's concerns rightly persist, despite the fact that no laws have been broken.

Simon recognizes that anyone, like engineers, in a position to cause harm to the public is expected to hold paramount the safety of those affected by a project. How exactly does this obligation apply to this case? This is not an obvious threat to the public, only Simon's concerns about Marcus' work on the bridge project. Moreover, ensuring absolute safety on a project is nearly impossible. Engineers must make choices about which risks are acceptable. Does the possibility of a design error in this case represent an acceptable risk?

Simon could bring his concerns to an agency outside of his firm. Such a decision would be one type of whistle-blowing and should be approached carefully. Deciding when to expose a company's wrongdoing involves a number of considerations. Would-be-whistle-blowers should consider whether any laws have been broken, whether the threat to the public is likely versus possible and whether the potential harm is severe enough. A bridge with serious

Richard Burgess



faults certainly presents a real threat to the public. However, this does not completely capture what is going on in this case.

Simon also has his obligations to his employer to consider. Should he try to first resolve the situation internally? Given the absence of any obvious wrongdoing, does he have any other choice? We might even consider whether friendship imposes its own obligations. Sometimes our personal life rightly impinges upon our professional life and vice versa.

Hopefully it should be clear that

"This case confronts us with two challenging questions: What is the right thing to do, and what is the right way to do it?"

Simon must not only make the right choice, but he needs to implement this choice in the right sort of way.

Minimally, Simon should address his concerns to Marcus more forcefully. Simon could suggest strongly that Marcus' work with another engineer on the most complicated aspects of the bridge design and that he submit all of his calculations for review. Such an approach avoids the danger of unjustified whistle-blowing without ignoring the problem. Even this moderate solution might lead to a strained relationship between Marcus and Simon. Doubtless, Simon will find it difficult to make a decision that will cause stress and pain to his friend during an already difficult time. In addition to all of the other complexity above, "doing the right thing" also can be unavoidably demanding at times.

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"I'm on my way to Grandma's Alzheimers Supportive Assisted Living Facility."

Move over: Obama's got class

By **ELAINE HUGHES**
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(U-WIRE) UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. — Earlier in the presidential campaign, something new popped up on Youtube.com — a video of "Obama Girl" singing, "I got a crush on Obama," professing her attraction to the Democratic candidate.

Next were the T-shirts reading, "Obama is My Homeboy."

At the senator from Illinois' speech two weeks ago, students wore pins with "Hot Chicks Dig Obama" scrawled in pink, and recently, Black Eyed Peas musician Will.i.am posted an online video of music set to one of Obama's speeches.

Sure, the Illinois senator wears a suit and talks about economics, but in the last 15 months, he's achieved pop icon status, something not usually acquired by politicians.

His name's key to his iconic status. It's the perfect length for an "O-bam-a" chant and lends itself to such witty pro-suffrage sayings as "Barack the Vote." It can also be made into fun tongue twisters (try saying Obama obtrusely oblong obstacles five times fast) and just sounds more exotic.

And let's face it — the Illinois senator is younger and more handsome than your average politician. If the girl in

the online video had a crush on Newt Gingrich, the song wouldn't have been nearly as believable.

But there's no question that a good portion of his iconic status comes from his likability. Compared to Sen. Hillary Clinton, Obama has spent less time in the public spotlight and has remained free of the stigma of a political family legacy. In the backs of voter's minds, there are no burning questions about secret meetings or staying married to a cheating spouse.

Obama also lacks a sense of entitlement and a pompous air, and he paints a rosy portrait of the next four years, one that doesn't include pricey groceries, childhood obesity and job outsourcing.

From time to time, Obama also steps out of the scripted political circus and illustrates that he is, indeed, human. Recently, he scored a 37 at an Altoona bowling alley, and in February, Us Weekly printed photos of his shopping for groceries at a campaign stop — though he refused to tell the gossip rag whether he wears boxers or briefs.

Because of all this, Obama doesn't seem like a career politician: He seems like a person who genuinely wants to lead the nation into a prosperous era, where everyone has a chicken in their pot and a car in their garage.

Being textually active during class causes stir

By **EMILY SMITH**
THE POST (OHIO U.)

(U-WIRE) ATHENS, Ohio — Are you textually active? Before you call a doctor, realize that being textually active refers to sending text messages through your cell phone. According to Media Life magazine, 80 percent of college students communicate through text messaging. For me, texting is a convenient, non-intrusive method of communicating, and it is part of the OU student culture. I guarantee you will not believe some of the extremes to which professors will go if they catch you texting during class. The results of your texting could be even more embarrassing than that time during freshman year you walked around campus with a highlighted map of OU buildings.

Like you haven't. I am a textaholic. I am guilty of occasional in-class texting. We all text. We can all relate to that annoying person in the back of the classroom who thinks we cannot hear his or her vibrating phone and clicking keypad.

Think you can get away with your under-the-table texting? Think your professor does not see you texting? You are wrong, and your professors are noticing.

What seems like long ago, I remember talking to one of my professors during his office hours. He said that in his class of 200 students, some are just pretending to take class notes when they are actually texting.

Text messaging while in class creates a distraction to the rest of the

class in addition to you. Still think you get away with your under-the-table texting?

Simply acknowledging that rude texter is not enough for some professors, and they are willing to cause a stir and put their reputations on the line so they can make a difference. Dr. Laurence Thomas is one.

Dr. Thomas walked out of a 400-person lecture last week when he caught just one student texting during his class. Last Friday, I talked with Dr. Thomas, professor of Ethics and Value Theory at Syracuse University.

On the first day, Thomas notified his class that he demands mutual respect from his students. He had stated beforehand that he would walk out and cancel class immediately if he catches a student text messaging during his class. Last week, he followed through.

While Thomas says he is "not against technology, the moral conduct [of the class] is changed" when a student is texting during his class. Usually once per year, a text-messaging student will cause the cancellation of class.

Thomas justifies the incident in a letter to both the students and the chancellor of the university. "Usually, I only walk out once per semester. Twice this semester I have cancelled class because of one computer-related issue and the second for text messaging." And that is why a protocol Thomas started roughly eight years ago has rocked a university and an industry.

Are his actions extreme? Yes. Does he prove his point? Indubitably, yes.

Dr. Thomas caused a stir not only in Syracuse, but also in the higher education community as a whole. In a

related article at InsideHigherEd.com, more than 145 readers commented on his reaction to a text-messaging student within four days of posting.

And what about the students?

Dr. Thomas has gotten responses from students both criticizing and praising his method of "empowering excellence" from a class of 400 students. He has seen the benefits in many students who took a class that he walked out on.

Some even send him e-mails commending his brave, innovative approach to classroom control.

Texting during class is rude, but in

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Tech grad overcomes adversity, excels in career

By **CLINTON MUSSELMAN**
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Elroy Wisian's office is full of Texas Tech sports memorabilia — auto-graphed basketballs, footballs, helmets and pictures — but because of a medical mishap in 1992, he can picture his prized possessions only in his mind.

Wisian, who graduated from Tech in the fall of 1974 with a bachelor's degree in accounting, said he started having vision problems in May of 1991.

"I saw six doctors in a month's time," Wisian said. "A nuclear ophthalmologist diagnosed me with Graves Disease — a thyroid disorder."

To treat the disorder, Wisian underwent a procedure called radiation retinopathy and accidentally was given double the intended amount of radiation.

Wisian said the extra radiation eventually caused him to lose his vision.

"My lawyer told me the doctors knew 10 days after the radiation treatment that something had gone terribly



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wrong," Wisian said. "The doctors said the damage was done and there was no way to reverse the damage."

In the spring of 1993, Wisian settled a multi-million dollar medical malpractice suit.

"It was the largest medical malpractice suit in the history of the state of Oklahoma," he said.

On his 40th birthday, Wisian received the first of two payments from the lawsuit and decided to pursue a ca-

reer in buying and selling real estate. "I wanted to make sure I invested my money in something I knew was going to make money," Wisian said. "I bought my first real estate in September of 1993. My initial purchase was three duplexes."

Wisian said his banker loaned him enough money to build 12 more duplexes on 82nd Street, which he later sold.

Though he is now successful in business, Wisian's initial career path after college was not a traditional transition to a successful career in real estate.

"My sophomore year in college, I decided to get a degree in divinity," Wisian said. "I had a real personal Christian experience when I was going to school and I felt a real call on my life to do that."

Though receiving a degree in accounting at Tech, Wisian said he never practiced accounting and graduated in 1978 from Asbury Seminary with a master's degree in divinity.

He preached for eight years and had a change of heart.

"I just didn't fit as a minister," Wisian said. "I decided to go into insurance sales."

Wisian said he worked for several insurance companies before he started having trouble seeing.

But soon after the finalization of his medical malpractice lawsuit, Wisian consulted a video dating service called, "Uniquely Single." It was through this service that he met his wife, Vickie Wisian.

"We talked on the phone that night and we literally fell in love over the phone," he said. "We went on our first date two nights later and we got married three weeks later."

Vickie Wisian said Elroy Wisian had all the qualities she was looking for.

"I was looking for a godly man with a Christ-centered heart," she said. "He is a passionate man with abundant energy and a generous heart."

Elroy Wisian said the couple have been married for 13 years and have four kids — all of who have degrees from Tech.

"In 2000, we sold everything we owned and enlarged our real-estate investments to 81 rental units," he said. "In the summer of 2003, we bought an 80-acre cotton farm that eventually became what is now Lynnwood Town Homes."

He said the ownership of the 316-home complex is made up of various high school friends, acquaintances and family.

"All the owners own their buildings with no down payment, and they are

fully leveraged," he said. "Our whole drive for developing Lynnwood was to allow university students to live residentially."

Megan Sommerfeld, Lynnwood's property manager, said she believes Elroy Wisian is a rewarding and generous man.

"He has high expectations and goals for his business for us to achieve," Sommerfeld said. "He has used many other techniques to adapt and get the job done efficiently."

Elroy Wisian gives donations each year to various individuals, charities, preachers and scholarships.

"We bought seven cars for preachers," he said. "When I got my settlement money, I gave \$100,000 to my church."

Though he does not know what he will do in the future, Elroy Wisian said he is happy with his current career.

"I don't know what I am going to do next," Wisian said. "The future is not mine to be known. The whole deal was God allowing us to help people."

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He is a passionate man with abundant energy and a generous heart.

— VICKIE WISIAN
ELROY WISIAN'S WIFE

Eddie Izzard brings laughs, advice to Northwestern U.

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DAILY NORTHWESTERN (NORTHWESTERN U.)

(U-WIRE) EVANSTON, Ill. — Though best known for being the funniest man in drag, British comedian and actor Eddie Izzard showed up at Louis Hall Monday afternoon in a track hoodie and jeans for an invitation-only talk with about 40 people.

Izzard covered topics including being a street performer, his transition to America, working on the show "The Riches" and his famous stand-up routines as a transvestite.

"I'm not a real transvestite," he said early on. "I'm an action transvestite. I'm like a Carrie-Anne Moss-in-The Matrix transvestite."

Audience members were all personally invited by screenwriting

Prof. David Kukoff, who also asked Izzard questions throughout the talk and led an audience Q-and-A session. Those in attendance included script-writing students, theater majors and various faculty members.

The event, organized by the Radio-TV-Film department, followed a format similar to an episode of "Inside the Actors Studio."

"I told Eddie to let me know if I start sounding too much like James Lipton," Kukoff joked. Familiar with Izzard's stand-up for several years, Kukoff said he got hooked on Izzard's comedy through his DVD "Eddie Izzard: Dress to Kill."

Izzard drew laughs from the audience right away by offering Kukoff money for this brief introduction. Izzard emphasized the importance of having an ego and working with

it in comedic performance. "Stand-up is the distillation of personal nepotism," he said. "So you may as well have a world view."

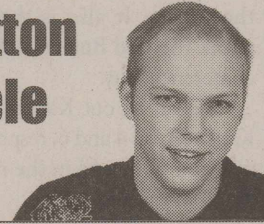
He also warned students about certain difficulties he has faced in Hollywood. Pitching stories requires practice just like acting, he said. Izzard recommended that students should practice the act of pitching stories to one another constantly.

Kukoff raised many questions about Izzard's transition to America as an actor and the work he now does on "The Riches," a show about an Irish gypsy family of crooks settling down in the deep South.

Izzard explained how being a foreigner influences his work on the show, with the idea of "stealing the American Dream" as a constant influence on his character.

New 'Final Fantasy' addition continues to please gamers

Britton Peele



hardcore players. But the much weirder and more controversial change to the gameplay is the "Digital Mind Wave," or "DMV." The DMV is basically a slot machine on the top left corner of your screen that always is moving, as long as you're defeating enemies.

The DMV, which seems to be nearly entirely random in how it affects you, is the key element to powerful limit break attacks, certain combat bonuses and the leveling up of not only your skills, but Zack himself.

My personal feelings on the DMV are somewhat mixed. Sometimes I like it, sometimes I don't. While you seem to level up at about the same rate that you would with a traditional system, it is sometimes frustrating that you have absolutely no control over these aspects of your character. Leaving these things to chance seems like a bizarre move on Square-Enix's part.

All in all, "Crisis Core: Final Fantasy VII" is a fantastic game that should please not only fans of the original, but also fans of RPGs or even stories in general. It's not only one of the best "PSP" games to date, it's also one of the best original RPGs ever to come to a handheld system.

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Ashlee Simpson gets engaged to Fall Out Boy's Pete Wentz

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Ashlee Simpson and her rocker boyfriend Pete Wentz are engaged.

"We know there has been a lot of speculation recently about Pete and I, and we wanted our fans to be the first to know, because you guys are the best," Simpson said in a statement posted Wednesday on People magazine's Web site. "Yes,

we are thrilled to share that we are happily engaged."

Simpson's manager-father, Joe Simpson, told the magazine he's "totally happy" and "so excited to have Pete as part of (our) family."

The couple began dating in fall 2006, according to People.

Wentz, 28, is bassist for Fall

Out Boy. Simpson, 23, a singer, songwriter and actress, is the younger sister of pop star Jessica Simpson. Ashlee Simpson's new album, "Bittersweet World," is set for release on April 22.

A phone message left Wednesday for Joe Simpson by The Associated Press was not immediately returned.

Preview: Catfish Whiskey to return to Lubbock

It has been only two months since Catfish Whiskey released its debut album "Blood and Bones." Now, after having toured the West during the two months since it left Lubbock, the band is back again to rock the Hub City.

Beginning at 10 p.m. Friday, Catfish Whiskey is scheduled to entertain the patrons of Texas Café, also known as The Spoon. The band also has been chosen to play at Texas Tech's Beta Woodstock Party on Saturday.

It is, however, Friday night's show that you do not want to miss.

The last show the band played in Lubbock was a definite success. Catfish Whiskey chose Jake's Backroom to host its CD release party in early February, and those who'd never had the chance to hear the band were pleasantly surprised.

The addition of the slide guitar, not heard too often in Lubbock, kept the crowd of hundreds interested in a new genre of music until the bar closed. Band members also were found mingling excitedly with their fans once they left the stage.

Having recorded the album "Blood and Bones" in only seven days, these men are serious about their music — business-like even. They possess the skill and the high-energy entertainment value it takes to gain a larger fan base than most do in Lubbock.

In a previous interview, guitarist Mike Maftan said, "We are firm believers of paying your dues beforehand, or all of these people wouldn't be here. We are a working band."

Friday, the audience will see just how hard Catfish Whiskey

has been working.

It is the band's simplicity that really turns fans on. The dirty and raw homegrown sound these men pulled out of their bag of tricks was a nice twist to a seemingly simple set

of blues songs. Will they be able to create the same feeling of going back home and pickin' on the porch swing that they did previously?

Most likely, they will. chelsea.lroe@ttu.edu

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Kreder: Tech baseball needs to 'win every series from here on out'

By **BEN MAKI**
SPORTS EDITOR

The Texas Tech baseball team is in a crucial stretch of the season.

The Big 12 Conference season is nearly halfway finished and the Red Raiders (17-16, 4-8 in Big 12) sit in eighth place in a sport in which 10 schools in the conference compete. Tech will face Kansas in a three-game series starting at 4 p.m. today at Hogle Ballpark in Lawrence, Kan. The Jayhawks (19-16, 1-8) sit in last place in the conference.

Tech catcher Monk Kreder said

the remaining conference series are must-win situations after the team's slow start in Big 12 play.

"We have to win, based on where we are in the rankings and whatnot," he said. "We're just looking at it coming in, we're just gonna win every series from here on out and hopefully be able to maybe sweep a couple."

Nathan Karns (1-5, 9.40 ERA) is projected to take the mound today for Tech. In his last start, he earned the loss as he went five innings, allowing five runs — four earned — on seven hits and two walks, while striking out six.

His counterpart for Kansas, Nick Cxyz (1-3, 6.54 ERA), has not recorded a decision since March 15, when he earned the loss to then-No. 10 Texas as he pitched 5.1 innings, giving up two runs on five hits and a walk in the Jayhawks 6-1 loss.

Tech coach Larry Hays said he believes his team is close to putting all of the pieces together to make a run for a title, but one of the hindrances thus far has been the pitching depth issue, caused in part by an NCAA rule that forced teams to start later than what the Red Raiders had in the past. Tech now plays five games

a week instead of four.

"For us to have the depth we want, this may be good for us because it forces us to use guys," he said. "Like (Lorenzo) Douglas comes out (and pitched Tuesday). He'd been struggling, but because these mid-week games, we've been putting him on the mound. He comes out and throws five good innings — that's the good part of it. We got to (pitch everybody). No use complaining about it. We just need to use it this way get everybody better."

Compounding some of these issues this weekend will be the



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weather. According to the Weather Channel Web site, www.weather.com, there is a chance for rain and snow today and Saturday.

"We can't afford to lose a game to weather," Kreder said. "We kind of put ourselves in that kind of position, but if it's gonna be cold or it's gonna be rainy, just suck it up and play through it, because we need these games."

Another issue for the Red Raiders has been the play of preseason All-American Roger Kieschnick, who has been hitting .159 in conference play and has not fared much better recently in the mid-week games, as he has been hitting .214 in the last four mid-week games. Hays said

he has not considered moving him below the cleanup spot in the lineup because he does not know who would hit in his place.

He also said the team's approach for this weekend will not be any different than when the Red Raiders took 2-of-3 from then-No. 5 Missouri two weeks ago, despite playing a team that has just one conference win.

"We don't approach it any different than we did in the past when we played the No. 1 team in the league," Hays said. "We've got to go out and do the basic things. We pitch well and play good defense and hope our offense can get something going." benjamin.maki@ttu.edu

Szumanski to play final home matches, women host Oklahoma schools

By **KEVIN CULLEN**
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech men's tennis team comes home this weekend for the final time this season, while the women's team will attempt to expand on its renewed sense of confidence.

The men (17-3, 2-1 in Big 12 Conference play) will face one of the nation's top teams in No. 4 Texas (17-3, 3-0) at 1 p.m. Saturday and Nebraska (9-11, 0-2) at 1 p.m. Sunday, both at the McLeod Tennis Complex.

The Tech men's all-time leader in singles victories, Bojan Szumanski, will play in his final match in Lubbock Sunday.

"He has been an unbelievable player for us," Tech coach Tim Siegel said. "He is a part of the best four years in the history of this program — a major part. We'll have gone to the NCAA Tournament three of his four years. He's had such a great career, and I want him to finish up strong at home."

Szumanski is a two-time NCAA singles participant and a two-time NCAA doubles participant, with his third in both events likely to come this postseason.

Siegel said he believes playing from the No. 1 spot makes Szumanski's record more impressive, considering he has had to face opposing team's top players day in and day out.

"He has won some big matches for

us this year," Siegel said. "It's difficult to play No. 1 with the schedule that we have, because every single match is tough. He has handled it very well this year."

Against Texas, the Red Raiders will see some of the top singles players in the country: No. 16 Dimitar Kutrovsky, No. 22 Kellen Damico, No. 48 Ed Corrie and No. 109 Luis Diaz Barriga.

Szumanski is Tech's only ranked singles player at No. 43.

The men currently sit at No. 20 in the nation and No. 4 in the Big 12.

The Red Raider women (11-7, 4-3) take on No. 68 Oklahoma State (8-7, 2-4) and Oklahoma (9-8, 2-4) at 5 p.m. and noon, today and Sunday, respectively, at the McLeod Tennis Complex.

The Tech women enter this weekend hoping to extend a two-match win streak. The win streak is the first since the Red Raiders claimed three-straight against San Diego, North Texas and Nevada earlier in the season. It also is the first win streak the Red Raiders claim within conference play.

Tech took out Kansas State and Kansas April 4 and 6, respectively, to propel it to No. 64 in the nation and No. 4 in the Big 12.

"I think it's gonna be another good weekend of tennis," Tech coach Cari Groce said. "You've got a group of us that are very, very close in ability. Being a home match is certainly

gonna help us. The players are rolling right now. They're feeling a lot of confidence."

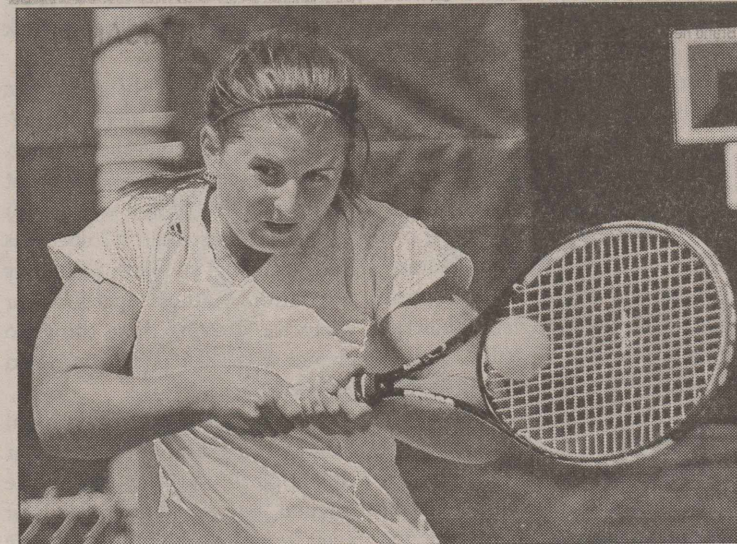
The Cowgirls have won their last two as well, and Groce said this weekend will be a fight just like their past matches, thanks to OSU's Top 2 singles players Iryna Tkachenko and Jo-Anne Karaitiana.

"Oklahoma State has kinda been up and down," she said. "(They) beat some teams that you didn't think they were gonna beat, and lost to some

teams you thought they weren't gonna lose to. No. 1 and 2 are gonna be tough with Oklahoma State. They will always be a good challenge."

Groce said the matchup with the Sooners will be a similar story.

"OU, it's gonna be a good match," she said. "I think that it's gonna be another one of those battles where it's gonna come down to the team with the most heart." kevin.m.cullen@ttu.edu



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THE WOMEN'S TENNIS team will host Oklahoma and Oklahoma State at the McLeod Tennis Center this weekend.

BOJAN SZUMANSKI SERVES the ball against Texas-Pan American at the McLeod Tennis Center.

Men's golf prepares for Big 12 Championships

By **KEVIN CULLEN**
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech men's golf now can focus on its goal: postseason success.

The No. 28 Red Raiders ended their regular season Tuesday with a tie for fifth place in the Morris Williams Interscholastic tournament in Austin.

The Red Raiders finished one stroke ahead of No. 1 Alabama, which is something Tech coach Greg Sands said his team can build on and take pride in.

"Alabama has played incredible all year," he said. "They're by far the best team in the country. This was probably their worst tournament this year by a long shot, but any time you can play well enough to beat the top-ranked team, you gotta feel good about yourself and feel good about the fact that you can compete with anyone in the country."

Sands said ending the spring season on a high note gives his team confidence heading into the Big 12 Conference Championships.

"I know this team is not gonna back down from anybody," he said. "It's always good to at least end on a positive note so you feel good about yourself going into conference."

The Red Raiders' high hopes before the Morris Williams Interscholastic tournament were unfulfilled with two consecutive sixth-place finishes in tournaments where Tech was

the top-ranked team in the field.

The field in Austin was a lot more competitive than the last few for the Red Raiders, Sands said, and the team took advantage of the tough competition.

"It was a lot better (tournament)," Sands said. "Even though we finished sixth in the last two, and this was fifth, it doesn't sound much better. This was a much better field. We played quite a bit better than those last few tournaments."

Consistency is key in golf, which is something Sands said he recognizes as a positive attribute of his team.

"We are just consistent one through five," he said. "What we really need to happen is to have two or three guys get really hot at the same time. No one is playing really bad, and no one is playing really great. That's what we need to have happen at the end of the year is have a few guys play great."

In the time between now and the Big 12 Championships in Trinity April 25-27, the Red Raiders will try to shore up their games to make a run in the tournament.

"We just talked about getting better every day," Sands said. "Trying to learn from what our stats tell us. Most of the guys — and this is kind of in general in golf — they're always trying to hole a few more putts or chip the ball a little bit better. We are continuing to work on the short game." kevin.m.cullen@ttu.edu

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7 AM	Curious Clifford	Today Scheduled: pet fitness; authors India Knight and Marie Thomas present their new book 'Neris'	The Early Show	Copeland (5:00) Daily Buzz	Good Morning America (HD)	J. Hanna	Paid Programs Sponsored.
8 AM	Super Why	Sesame Street	The 700 Club	Animals	Lopez	Regis & Kelly	Martha Stewart
9 AM	Dragon	The Price Is Right	Divorce	Divorce	Paid Programs	The View (HD)	The Morning Show
10 AM	Big World	Word	Barney	Jeopardy	Restless (HD)	Alex	Victory
11 AM	Callou	Crosswords	News	Jerry Springer	Cosby	All My Children	Feud
12 PM	Needle	Fine Art	Days of Our Lives	Beautiful As the World	Jerry Springer	Roseanne	One Life to Live
1 PM	Real Moms	Place	Jeopardy	Guiding Light	Paid Programs	All of Us	General Hospital
2 PM	Teletub	Crosswords	Guiding Light	Paid Programs	All of Us	General Hospital	Judge Mathis
3 PM	Reading	Clifford	Dr. Phil	Judy	Meury	Steve Wilkos	Rachael Ray
4 PM	Clifford	Arthur	News	News	TMZ	Standing	News
5 PM	Maya	Bus. Rpt	News	News	Access	Standing	News
6 PM	NewsHour (HD)	Wash Wk	Amnesia	Ghost Whisperer	"Vital Signs" ('90) Med student trauma.	Friday Night Smackdown!	Bones (HD)
7 PM	Bill Moyers Journal	Miss USA 2008 Pageant	Price Is Right	Numb3rs (HD)	Jim (HD)	Sex City	20/20
8 PM	Theology	Consuelo	News	News	70s	Will (HD)	News
9 PM	Bus. Rpt	Charlie Rose	The Tonight Show	Malcolm	Bernie	Insider	Friends
10 PM	News	Destines	Last Call	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.

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8 AM	WordGirl	Saddle	Design	Heartland	TX Parks	Texas	R. Steves
9 AM	Design	Heartland	TX Parks	Texas	R. Steves	Victory	P. Allen
10 AM	TX Parks	Texas	R. Steves	Victory	P. Allen	Old House	Yankee
11 AM	R. Steves	Victory	P. Allen	Old House	Yankee	Home	Smith Shop
12 PM	P. Allen	Old House	Yankee	Home	Smith Shop	Antiques (HD)	Food
1 PM	Yankee	Home	Smith Shop	Antiques (HD)	Food	Baking	Barbecue
2 PM	Home	Smith Shop	Antiques (HD)	Food	Baking	Barbecue	Gourmet's
3 PM	Antiques (HD)	Food	Baking	Barbecue	Gourmet's	FarmerTV	Walk
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5 PM	Baking	Barbecue	Gourmet's	FarmerTV	Walk	Globe Trekker	Austin City Limits
6 PM	Barbecue	Gourmet's	FarmerTV	Walk	Globe Trekker	Austin City Limits	Masterpiece (HD)
7 PM	Gourmet's	FarmerTV	Walk	Globe Trekker	Austin City Limits	Masterpiece (HD)	News
8 PM	FarmerTV	Walk	Globe Trekker	Austin City Limits	Masterpiece (HD)	News	Independent Lens
9 PM	Walk	Globe Trekker	Austin City Limits	Masterpiece (HD)	News	Independent Lens	American (HD)
10 PM	Globe Trekker	Austin City Limits	Masterpiece (HD)	News	Independent Lens	American (HD)	Secrets NY
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11 AM	InnerVIEWS	Business	Poker from Caesar's Palace, Las Vegas	1976 Masters	Paid Programs	"The Prince of Egypt" ('98, Animated)	"Great Expectations" ('98)
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3 PM	Unusual Build	Design	Gymnastics	Everybody Game	Raymond	Jim (HD)	
4 PM	Design	Gymnastics	Everybody Game	Raymond	Jim (HD)		
5 PM	Unnatural (HD)	News	TMZ	One Tree Hill (HD)	News	Idol "Top 3 to 2"	King
6 PM	Walk	Dateline NBC	60 Minutes	Star Trek	Top Model (HD)	Home Videos	King
7 PM	Nature (HD)	Monk	Big Brother	"Stranded" ('05, Drama)	Emma Lung	Everybody	Oprah's Big Give
8 PM	Masterpiece (HD)	psych '9 Lives	Cold Case (HD)	Two & 1/2	Cops	Dead Like Me	News
9 PM	Classical	Law & Order: SVU	Dexter (HD)	Two & 1/2	Cops	Dead Like Me	News
10 PM	The Jewish Americans	News	News	Lopez	Dead Like Me	News	Red Raider
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O-line possibilities encourage coach Moore

By ADAM COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech defensive coordinator Ruffin McNeill said there never can be too much depth when it comes to the men in the trenches.

After dealing with a 2007 season

of injuries, Tech offensive line coach Matt Moore could not agree more with McNeill's statement.

"There's no doubt," Moore said. "The more bodies that you have there that can move around, big people that can move around that know what they're doing, the better. That's

what we're trying to do. We're trying to get to have 20 guys on scholarship every year from an offensive line standpoint."

Last season, the offensive line dealt with its struggles and triumphs.

With injuries plaguing it, the offensive line had a six-man rotation in the middle of the season, making the possibility of rest and depth a difficult goal to accomplish.

Despite the injuries, the unit never broke apart, finishing fifth in the Big 12 Conference in sacks allowed against Big 12 opponents with 13.

Moore said this season should be a different story.

The offensive line is reloaded and progressing well, even though some heavy hitters still are missing in action.

The whole offensive line, including center Shawn Byrnes and left guard Louis Vasquez, is returning for 2008 with Rylan Reed out from an ankle injury he suffered in the Gator Bowl Jan. 1.

As a result of last season's mis-

haps, some of the linemen had to put a basic concept to the test: Always be prepared and learn every position on the offensive line for versatility.

One of those versatile players was center Stephen Hamby.

Hamby backed up Byrnes at center, who was one of the players who battled injuries last season. Byrnes missed the UTEP game and did not start the Northwestern Louisiana

State game, but Hamby stepped in, hoping to fill a void.

"I'll be getting into the ball game anyway I can," Hamby said. "I learned center, so you pretty much understand the whole line. I can play any position out there 'cause once you pick up the basics, you go with it from there."

Displaying his knowledge of the line, Hamby is listed as a backup in three different positions along the line, including center and both guard positions.

With the limited players the line had, Moore still did his best to rotate. Hamby played in every game except one last season. Right tackle Marlon



PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador
OFFENSIVE LINEMAN STEPHEN Hamby blocks two defenders during a field goal drill on the practice field.

Winn did not start for the first five games of the season before taking over the position to finish the year. Right guard Brandon Carter, Vasquez and Reed made every start in 2007.

This spring, Carter, Vasquez, Winn and Byrnes are slated to start. Redshirt freshman Mickey Okafor is slated to take left tackle in place of Reed. Although Byrnes is ahead on the depth chart, Hamby continues to battle for the starting nod at center.

Moore said one thing is available this year that was not in 2007: young talent that has developed. Redshirt freshmen Dominique Delpheche and Lonnie Edwards join the roster this year.

With Reed being hurt, Vasquez is the only senior starter heading into spring.

Although some of the young offensive linemen are learning and the unit is young, Vasquez said he is not the stereotypical leader.

"I'm not a vocal leader, so I just lead by example," he said. "I expect all the rest of the guys to follow me. Sometimes I come out here, I have a bad day. I expect one of them (to say) 'Hey, let's pick it up.'"

This spring also is Moore's first as Tech's offensive line coach.

The offensive line was without a coach after Jack Bicknell's decision to leave Tech in the middle of spring practices last year for Boston College, where Bicknell took over as assistant head coach and offensive line coach.

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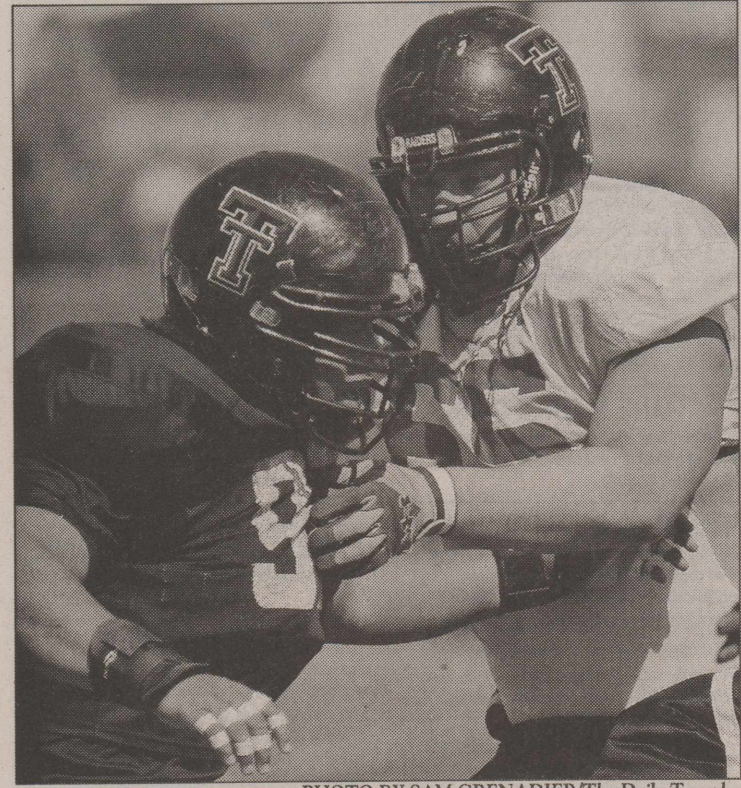


PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH OFFENSIVE LINEMAN Louis Vasquez blocks defensive tackle Rajon Henley during an open practice on the practice field.

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— LOUIS VASQUEZ
TEXAS TECH
OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

Rose back on top after first round of Masters

UGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Justin Rose has the first round of the Masters down pat.

It's the rest of the tournament he must master.

On a warm, sunny opening day that featured Ian Poulter's hole-in-one, a solid start to Zach Johnson's title defense and Tiger Woods plodding around the course, Rose shot a 4-under 68 that put him atop the leaderboard.

Sound familiar? It should. In 2004, the Englishman led after the first and second rounds but faded to a tie for 22nd. Returning to Augusta last year, Rose surged to the front again with a 69 on Thursday, but didn't come close to matching that score the rest of the weekend, settling for a fifth-place tie three strokes behind Johnson.

On Thursday, he got off to another quick start and was tied for the lead with South African Trevor Immelman.

"I've learned you can't count your

chickens too early," said Rose, who won the Order of Merit as the top golfer on the European Tour in 2007. "Obviously, the first round has been great to me here."

Rose actually struggled in the beginning, with bogeys on two of the first four holes. But he played the rest of the round at 6 under, surging past early clubhouse leaders Poulter and Robert Karlsson, who posted 70s.

"Eventually you've got to say, 'OK, it's time to step up,'" the 27-year-old Rose said. "But I'm not putting too much pressure on myself. I'm just coming into my prime, I feel. I've got 10 to 15 good years in front of me."

Immelman played a bogey-free round that seemed to come out of nowhere. He missed the cut in four of his eight events this year, and has yet to finish higher than 40th in a stroke-play tournament.

"Obviously, my form has not been too stellar so far this season," Immelman said. "I had to just stay patient with myself and know it's in there

somewhere. You just have to remember you're a fairly good player."

Woods isn't lacking confidence. After putting up nothing but pars through the first 12 holes, he was on the ropes a bit with two straight bogeys. But the world's No. 1 player quickly pulled himself up by chipping in for eagle from just off the green at No. 15, bringing out his first fist pump of the tournament. He parred out from there for a 72.

Of course, it's early. No matter what happened in the opening round, Woods remained the overwhelming favorite to win his fifth green jacket — the starting point for an unprecedented Grand Slam.

"I feel good about how I played all day," Woods insisted. "I feel good about how I played all day. I hit it really well. I hit a lot of good putts that just didn't go in. I've just got to stay patient out there and hopefully it will turn."

Johnson, a low-key guy from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, came into the week as little more than an afterthought to Woods, despite an improbable win last year.

Johnson's victory was viewed as a fluke of the weather. Cold, blustery conditions made it possible for him to play it safe and claim the green jacket with a 1-over 289, tied for highest winning scorer in Masters history.

Tech track competes in Red Raider Open

By ADAM COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

After much success in the Texas Relays last week, the Texas Tech track team looks to continue the trend at the Red Raider Open starting at noon Saturday at R.P. Fuller Stadium.

Both the men and women had success for Tech at the Texas Relays in Austin.

Ozie Okolie set a new school record in the hammer throw. She won the event with an NCAA regional mark of 207 feet 3 inches. The record was Okolie's personal best and the second consecutive week she set the school record in the hammer throw.

On the second day of the event,

Tech finished with two titles and nine NCAA regional marks.

Some of the notable marks came at the hands of D'Andra Carter and Patience Knight. The two finished first and second in the women's discus A Group, respectively. Carter threw a personal best of 181'-3", which also is a new school record. Knight threw the NCAA regional mark of 173'-5". Continuing her success was Okolie, who was in the B Group for the women's discus, where she threw her second regional mark of 159'-5", good for fifth in the group. Knight also took home the shot put event for the Red Raiders with a throw of 55'-5.5".

For the Tech men, Michael Cast won a title in the javelin, participating with the B Group. He threw a personal

best of 216'-10". Having won in the B Group, Cast was allowed to compete in the A Group.

Both of Tech's long jumpers for the men finished in the Top 5. Bobby Evers claimed a fifth place finish with a mark of 24'-2.25". Anthony Flemmons had a third place finish with a NCAA regional mark of 24'-4.5".

The Red Raider Open will begin with the javelin event. It is the only outdoor meet of the season that Tech will host. Running events begin at 5 p.m.

Some of the Red Raiders' competition includes Abilene Christian, Eastern New Mexico, New Mexico Military, New Mexico Junior College, South Plains and Wayland Baptist.

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IOC strips medals from Marion Jones' relay teammates

BEIJING (AP) — Marion Jones gave up her Olympic medals. Her relay teammates aren't quite as willing.

Jones' former relay teammates paid for her doping offenses Thursday, losing their medals from the 2000 Sydney Olympics as the International Olympic Committee stripped them from athletes who won gold with Jones in the 1,600-meter relay and bronze in the 400 relay.

"The decision was based on the fact that they were part of a team, that Marion Jones was disqualified from the Sydney Games due to her own admission that she was doping during those games," said IOC spokeswoman Giselle Davies, who announced the decision. "She was part of a team and she competed with them in the finals."

Jones' teammates on the 1,600

squad were Jearl-Miles Clark, Monique Hennagan, LaTasha Colander-Richardson and Andrea Anderson. The 400-relay squad also had Chryste Gaines, Torri Edwards, Nanceen Perry and Passion Richardson.

The runners have previously refused to give up their medals, saying it would be wrong to punish them for Jones' violations. They have hired a U.S. lawyer to defend their case, which could wind up in the Swiss-based Court of Arbitration for Sport.

The IOC ruling follows the admission by Jones last year that she was doping at the time of the Sydney Games.

She returned her five medals last year and the IOC formally stripped her of the results in December. Jones won gold in the 100 meters, 200 and 1,600 relay, and bronze in the long jump and 400 relay.

"The (IOC) decision ... illustrates just how far-reaching the consequences of doping can be," USOC chief executive officer Jim Scherr said in a statement. "When an athlete makes the choice to cheat, others end up paying the price, including teammates, competitors and fans."

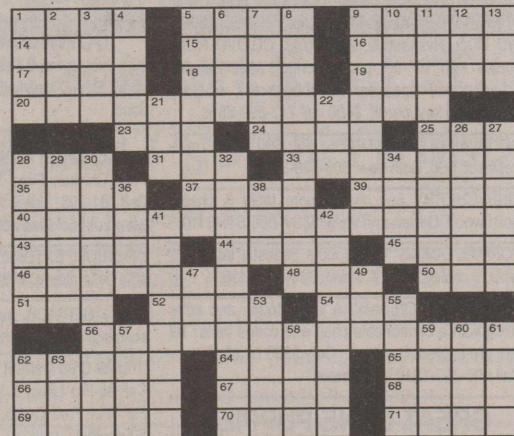
"We respect the decision of the IOC executive board, as well as the right for the athletes who are impacted by this decision to file an appeal with the Court of Arbitration of Sport, should they so choose."

The IOC put off any decision Thursday on reallocating the medals, pending more information from the ongoing BALCO steroid investigation in the United States.

A reshuffling of the medals could affect more than three dozen other athletes. The IOC wants to know whether any other Sydney athletes are implicated in the BALCO files.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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1 Low in pitch
5 Jagged cut
9 Slang feelings
14 Latin & others
15 Christiania, today
16 French river
17 Ambiance
18 Goneril's father
19 Core group
20 James Joyce classic
23 Jefferson's bill
24 Will of "The Waltons"
25 Kilmer of "The Doors"
28 Lead balloon
31 Yada, yada, yada
33 Nautical distance
35 Bad to the bone
37 Stockings
39 Nero's successor
40 Len Deighton classic
43 Martini garnish, perhaps
44 About
45 Numbers game
46 Went for a quick visit
48 Decline
50 Put on
51 Actress Tilly
52 Hurry-up letters
54 Beaver's work
56 Gettysburg tourist attraction
62 Plot of hair?
64 River to the Caspian Sea
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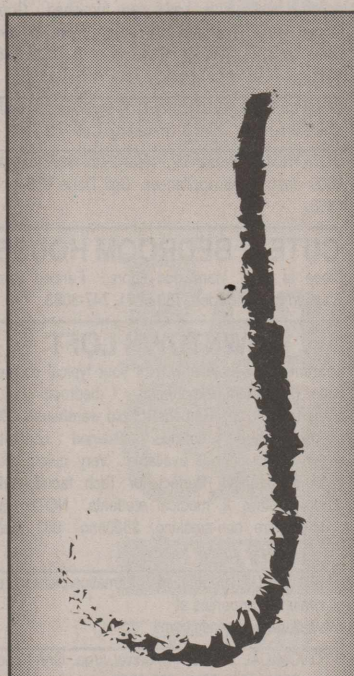


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