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STATE

Texas Rangers meet in Utah with accused man

SAN ANGELO (AP) — Texas law enforcers met Saturday in Utah with the man accused of abusing the 16-year-old girl whose call for help triggered a raid on the West Texas compound of a secretive polygamous sect.

Dale Barlow, 50, of Colorado City, Ariz., has denied allegations of physical and sexual assault made in a whispered March 29 telephone call to a Texas domestic violence hot line.

NATION

American Airlines gets clearance to fly

DALLAS (AP) — American Airlines on Saturday received clearance from federal aviation officials to return all of its 300 grounded jets to service, an airline spokesman said.

After 200 cancellations Saturday morning, Fort Worth-based American was running a full schedule by the afternoon with no cancellations, said spokesman Charley Wilson.

Starting Tuesday, the nation's largest airline canceled nearly 3,300 flights, as it grounded 300 MD-80 jets to wrap wiring bundles to meet federal safety standards and prevent fires.

WORLD

China arrests monks accused of planting bomb

BEIJING (AP) — China has detained nine Buddhist monks and accused them of planting a homemade bomb last month in a government office building in eastern Tibet, an official said Sunday.

There were no known deaths or damage from the first reported bombing since anti-government protests by monks began March 10 in the Tibetan capital Lhasa.

The official Xinhua News Agency said the monks fled after a bomb exploded in Cayanbe township on March 23. They later confessed to planting the explosive, Xinhua said.

DEATH TOLL

4029

U.S. Military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

SOURCE: Associated Press, confirmed by the Department of Defense

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More than 1,000 Iraqi soldiers, police fired

By BUSHRA JUHI
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD (AP) — The Iraqi government has dismissed about 1,300 soldiers and policemen who deserted or refused to fight during last month's offensive against Shiite militias and criminal gangs in Basra, officials said Sunday.

Interior Ministry spokesman Maj. Gen. Abdul-Karim Khalaf said 921 police and soldiers were fired in Basra. They included 37 senior police officers ranging in rank

from lieutenant colonel to brigadier general.

The others were dismissed in Kut, one of the Shiite cities where the fight had spread.

Last month, Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki ordered the security forces to confront armed groups in Basra, Iraq's second largest city.

But they met fierce resistance and the attack quickly ground to a halt as fighting flared across the Shiite south and Baghdad.

Since then, government officials have revealed that about 1,000 mem-

bers of the security forces — including an entire infantry battalion — had mutinied, on some cases handing over vehicles and weapons to the militias.

The majority of Iraqi soldiers and police are Shiites.

Speaking in Basra, Khalaf said those dismissed included 421 police officers and 500 soldiers who had not returned to duty in the southern port city and would be tried by military courts.

"Some of them were sympathetic with these lawbreakers, some refused to (go into) battle for political or

national or sectarian or religious reasons," Khalaf said.

But he said that those who returned in coming days and could prove they had been prevented from doing so by the militias would be reinstated.

In Kut, a senior police officer said 400 local policemen have been sacked for refusing orders to combat the militias, including the Mahdi Army of anti-American cleric Muqtada al-Sadr.

The officer, who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to the media, said

the Interior Ministry in Baghdad had ordered the policemen removed from duty on Saturday.

Although fighting in Basra eased in late March, security operations are continuing.

Fighting in Baghdad's Sadr City, a stronghold of al-Sadr's militia, has been ongoing for the past two weeks. Fresh clashes were reported Sunday and at least two rockets or mortar rounds were fired at the capital's Green Zone, which houses diplomatic missions and much of Iraq's government.

BUNCHES of BIKES

Tour de Tech Terrace boasts record participation



By MATT MCGOWAN
STAFF WRITER

En masse, they rode their bicycles proudly Saturday afternoon, raising rock fists and whooping along the otherwise serene streets of Tech Terrace, the neighborhood just south of campus.

More than 700 Texas Tech students and Lubbockites of all ages and social circles attended this semester's 10-mile Tour de Tech Terrace. Saturday's tour was a mass bicycle exodus, the largest turnout in the event's four-year history.

Some bike riders wore flamboyant costumes — there were a sailor and a butterfly — lending a distinctive innocence to the snaking and seemingly endless line of bicycle gypsies who collectively slithered from one of the 10 houses along the tour's route to another.

But not all of the riders rode bicycles. Some opted for skateboards or comically small mini bicycles towed along by a fellow rider. Mean-

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PHOTO BY TRENT BARNES/The Daily Toreador

HUNDREDS OF TEXAS Tech students ride down the streets Saturday afternoon at the biannual Tour de Tech Terrace.

McCain speaks to Lubbock residents, Tech students



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PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE JOHN McCain visits with the audience after his rally Friday afternoon at Lubbock Aero Care.

By MAGGIE KIELY
STAFF WRITER

An anxious crowd of Lubbock residents and Texas Tech students waited to be addressed by Republican presidential nominee Sen. John McCain, Ariz., Friday afternoon in the fully occupied Aero Care center.

As a close friend of McCain, Tech Chancellor Kent Hance introduced the presumptive Republican presidential candidate. Publicly supporting a political candidate is not something Hance said he usually does, but for a friend running for president, he made an exception.

"If you have a personal friend running for president of the United States, and you know what kind of person they are, you need to stand by them," Hance said. "He would be someone you would love to have as your next-door neighbor."

After being introduced, McCain was quick to jump into his platform. First on his list of topics to address was the issue of taxes.

McCain said he believes the current system is corrupt, and taxpayers' money needs to be spent better.

"We've got to restore trust in the American people that we are good stewards of their tax dollars," he said. "It's time to stop spending \$3 billion to study the DNA of bears... Americans want to get things done, and they are not happy with the status quo in Washington, D.C., and I will fix it."

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Chertoff: Don't expect changes soon in immigration enforcement

By SCOTT LINDLAW
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff says he feels the pain of employers pinched by intensified efforts to control illegal immigration, but adds that until Congress enacts broad immigration reforms they shouldn't expect any changes in enforcement.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Chertoff said this week that the rising complaints from businesses offer some evidence the Bush administration's approach is working.

"This is harsh but accurate proof positive that, for the first time in decades, we've succeeded in changing the dynamic and (are) actually beginning to reduce illegal immigration," Chertoff said. "Unfortunately, unless you counterbalance that with a robust system to allow people to come in temporarily and legally, you're going to wind up with an economic problem."

Chertoff defended the actions of his agency, which oversees Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

"We're enforcing the law as it is, but Congress has not yet given us the authority to really expand the temporary worker program," he said in the Tuesday interview. "If we could do that, then most of these businesses could find legal solutions."

Chertoff sharply criticized businesses that complain the crackdowns on their hiring of illegal immigrants will cost them money. In a federal court case last year, groups such as the U.S. Chamber of Commerce argued that the department had failed to account for the economic impact of new regulations on businesses.

The argument "basically suggests we can't enforce the law because it will prevent people from making money illegally," Chertoff said. "The business community loves it (hiring illegal immigrants) because you have illegals, you pay them less, they have no place to go to complain."

Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa wrote Chertoff a letter last month asking federal officials to rethink their policy on workplace immigration crackdowns, saying they could have "severe and lasting effects on our local economy."

Villaraigosa accused federal officials of targeting "established, responsible employers" and said ICE should spend its limited resources targeting employers who exploit wage and hour laws.

Asked about the mayor's plea, Chertoff gave no indication that Villaraigosa would get the review and revision of ICE's enforcement priorities he is seeking.

"I would be delighted to see Congress give us a way to bring workers in legally," Chertoff said. "Those workers would then be able to address the economic needs of the city and they would do it in a legal way. But as long as the law is as it is, I will enforce the law as it is."

Villaraigosa spokesman Matt Szabo said the mayor hopes to discuss the matter with Chertoff in person soon when he visits Washington.

Szabo emphasized that Villaraigosa "is not suggesting the secretary should not enforce the law; he's saying that the laws that we have are broken."

"In the meantime, we need to enforce the laws on the books in a much smarter way that targets those who are the greatest threat to the residents of this country," Szabo said.

Israeli leaders snub Carter during trip to Mideast over plans to meet Hamas leader

JERUSALEM (AP) — Former Prime Minister Ehud Olmert, Defense Minister Ehud Barak, but he's getting a cool reception in Israel during his latest visit to the Mideast.

Israeli leaders are shunning the globe-trotting peacemaker for planning to meet with the head of Israel's arch-enemy Hamas, Khaled Mashaal, and comparing the Jewish state's policies to apartheid.

A schedule released by the Atlanta-based Carter Center showed no plans for the former president to meet any of Israel's key players:

Prime Minister Ehud Olmert, Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni or Defense Minister Ehud Barak during this week's visit, which begins Sunday.

The only high-ranking official he's set to meet is Israel's ceremonial head of state, President Shimon Peres.

A senior Israeli official said "scheduling problems" was the official reason given for the high-profile snub — even though Olmert recently took time to chat with "Prison Break" star Wentworth Miller.

Lubbock mayoral candidates debate tonight

By MAGGIE KIELY
STAFF WRITER

Lubbock mayoral candidates David Miller and Tom Martin will vie for support during the Lubbock mayoral debate at 6:30 p.m. today.

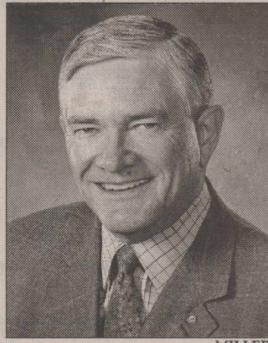
Norma Ritz Johnson, vice president of legislative affairs for the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce, said while the event is not open to the public, it will be broadcast on various channels for Lubbock residents to watch.

In addition to being broadcast live on the Lubbock Independent School District station, residents can watch the debate live on local media including the FOX Accuweather channel, KCBD-TV and through Internet streaming on the Web site www.newsradio1420.com.

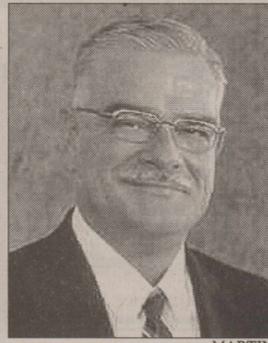
Johnson said the questions presented to the mayoral candidates will come from members of the legislative staff at the Chamber of Commerce, a committee of Lubbock volunteers and local high school students.

"We're actually doing something interesting this year in that we are working with Lubbock High School's Future Business Leaders of America 'Promote the Vote' project," Johnson said.

High school students who are part of the project were asked for question



MILLER



MARTIN

suggestions, she said, and qualified questions will be submitted as part of the debate.

Tom Martin, mayoral candidate, said he has no idea what sort of questions he will be asked.

"The chamber assures the candidates that they're not providing questions ahead of time," Martin said. "As a candidate for public office, you have to be able to discuss any and all issues."

Questions asked will have to do with issues important to the present and future state of Lubbock, Johnson said.

Martin, who ran for mayor in 2006, said the Lubbock mayoral debate is something he gets excited

about.

"I'm looking forward to it; it's a tradition in Lubbock political races," he said. "I think it's helpful to see the candidates together on the same stage responding to questions that are asked."

As a Texas Tech graduate, Martin said he believes students should pay attention to the race, even if they do not consider Lubbock their home.

"First of all, they're going to be here for a number of years," he said. "When they graduate, they may decide to stay here permanently. As citizens, I think it's always important to be informed on issues. I think it helps them get an idea of community."

The basic issues at hand for any mayor are public safety, utility systems and transportation systems, Martin said.

"Those are the basics for all cities, and they have a lot to do with the quality of life and so forth," he said. "Even if later on (students) relocate somewhere else, they will face the same issues in whatever city they live in. It helps further their education."

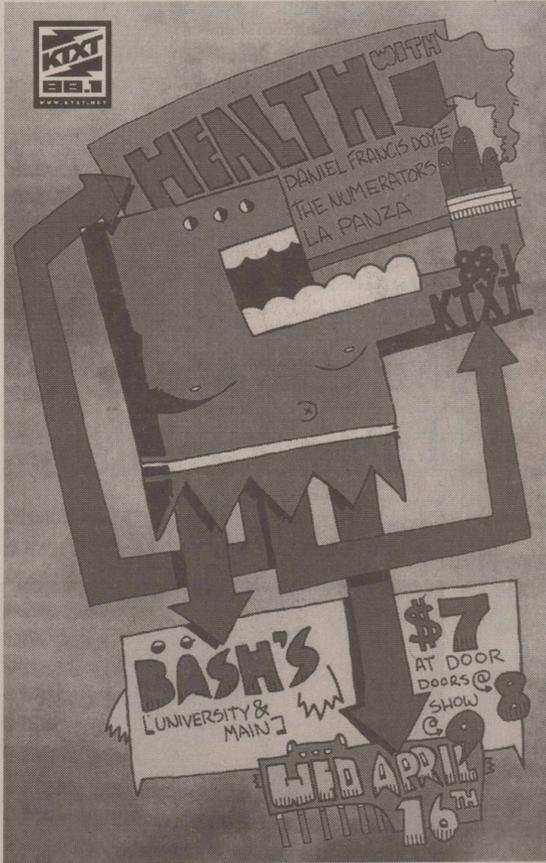
With Chancellor Kent Hance's goal of increasing Tech enrollment to 40,000 by 2020, Martin said he believes the next mayor will have to consider strongly the effects of the university's goal.

"Cities are either growing or they're dying; there's no standing still," he said. "Without Tech, we might be a small town. Students at the university are also thinking about their future career goals, (and) want to know that the local services will grow."

E-mails and phone calls to the other mayoral candidates — incumbent David Miller, Roger Setter and Gilbert J. Montes II — were not returned by press time.

Local elections are scheduled for May 10, with early voting beginning April 28 and ending May 6.

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Italians vote in general election that could put Berlusconi back in charge

ROME (AP) — Italians voted Sunday in a general election that could return conservative billionaire Silvio Berlusconi to power amid a widespread sense of national decline and an economic downturn.

Berlusconi, 71 and vying for his third term as premier, has blamed the outgoing center-left government for the country's troubles. Despite a questionable record during his five-year term between 2001-2006, he says he is the man to put Italy back on its feet.

His main opponent, former Rome Mayor Walter Veltroni, is almost 20 years younger and has promised deep reform and an ideology-free approach to tackle the country's problems.

There are 945 parliamentary seats

that are also up for grabs in the vote, which was scheduled to last until 10 p.m. Sunday and then resume Monday morning until early afternoon.

"I'm voting for Berlusconi because he's the one who can make it. If he doesn't, we're ruined," said 65-year-old Roberta Marini after casting her ballot in downtown Rome. "Berlusconi is strong, aggressive and he gives all he's got."

Fellow voter Andrea Saba disagreed.

"Bearing five more years of Berlusconi would be an outrage," said the 75-year-old retired economics professor, who also cast his ballot in the capital. "Berlusconi is surrounded by incompetents, and he's a bit out of sorts."

Italy has faced a number of hardships that have left voters disillusioned with political leaders who have failed to solve the country's mounting problems.

A garbage collection crisis has left tons of trash piling up on the streets of Naples. Efforts to sell the loss-making national carrier Alitalia are up in the air after a proposal by Air France-KLM met with the opposition of unions and conservative politicians. And a buffalo mozzarella health scare has hurt exports and hit one of the country's culinary treasures.

Italy's economy also has performed worse than the rest of the euro zone for the past decade. The International Monetary Fund predicts Italy's economy will grow by just 0.3 percent

this year, compared with a 1.4 percent average growth for the 15-country euro area. While the cost of living has grown, Italian salaries have not.

Berlusconi entered the race as the front-runner, capitalizing on the unpopularity of the outgoing government of Romano Prodi, whose early collapse forced the vote three years ahead of schedule.

But Veltroni has appeared to narrow the gap, according to polls released before a pre-election ban on publishing polls took effect. Analysts say a crucial factor might be undecided voters — a significant chunk in the electorate of 47 million.

Prodi, whose last government lasted only 20 months, is not running.

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Tech student hopes to help others with online note-sharing business

By JON VANDERLAAN
STAFF WRITER

A Texas Tech student's note sharing Web site has faculty and administrators considering the ethics of sharing class notes.

Daniel Montz said he created the Easy Notes Web site, www.easynotesonline.com, as a resource for students to upload and download notes for their classes.

Montz, a junior food and nutrition major from Kingwood, said he developed the idea when he realized he had notes typed up for 15 classes because his handwriting was so poor, and launched the Web site in January.

"I thought that other students would probably want this," Montz said. "I mean, who wouldn't want free class notes?"

He said he started the business because he wants to help his fellow students succeed and make their college experience a little easier.

But he also said that he is afraid professors may protest his Web site and bring some sort of judicial or legal action against him.

"A lot of professors have not liked this idea," Montz said. "They think that people are going to get the class notes and then not go to class or not pay attention."

Even though other students' notes can be a good resource, Montz said other materials such as books, lectures or one's personal notes should not be disregarded or thrown away, as Easy Notes is intended to be a supplement to other materials.

Jorge Iber, associate dean in

the College of Arts and Sciences, said he does not believe students will use the Web site exclusively as a supplemental tool, but rather, it will be used by many instead of traditional class materials.

"I'm not particularly happy with something like that," Iber said.

He said he believes it is important that students attend class and interact with their professors and the class, and Web sites such as Easy Notes will discourage students from doing that.

Montz said while some students obviously are going to take advantage of the situation, he believes his business and students will benefit from students going to class and submitting their notes online.

William Marcy, provost and senior vice president for academic affairs, said class notes available from students have been around long before Easy Notes came online, and many professors post notes anyway.

"I don't know that there's anything fundamentally wrong with it," Marcy said.

Though he recommends students use their own notes and the professor's notes for ensured accuracy, Marcy said he could not argue with students trying to cut the costs of learning.

He also said it was beneficial for him and his students that he posted his notes online when he taught a class, so the idea of students obtaining other students' notes is not a big deal.

Though he still has a few things to work out with his new business, Montz said he is deciding whether

he will charge members and how much money, if any, students who upload files will receive from the Web site.

One of the possibilities, Montz said, is giving those who upload files free membership for a certain period of time based on how many files they upload.

Though his Web site does not have many registered users yet, he said he is hoping membership will increase so he can expand the university selection beyond the Texas borders.

"We want to get the main Texas universities up first, and then do all the other ones," Montz said. "We have one registered user that is from UCLA, so we want to get UCLA up real quick."

To draw new members to the Web site, he said there are several incentives on the horizon that students should pay attention to, such as scholarships and giveaways, as well as the possibility of downloading things other than notes — such as recipes.

"We want to provide as much free information as possible," Montz said.

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— DANIEL MONTZ
OWNER OF EASY NOTES,
JUNIOR FROM KINGWOOD

McCain

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The tax system was not the only part of the economy McCain said he believes needs to be fixed.

"My friends, there are a lot of things we need to do to fix our economy, and one of them obviously is energy," McCain said. "We have a Ph.D. program right here at Texas Tech for wind power, and thank you Kent (Hance). Wind energy production is a viable option; we've got to go to nuclear power as well."

He said he believes the price of oil will remain high and turning to alternative sources for power is not only environmentally efficient, but economically efficient as well.

"There are those that say if you go to these great technologies, it's going to cost us a lot," he said. "My friends, look at the programs they have at Texas Tech, we can eliminate our dependency on oil and make a profit out of it. I'm convinced of it."

Unlike his opponents, McCain said, he stands firm on his belief that pulling out of the Iraq War would be detrimental to the efforts being made.

"The war in Iraq and Afghanistan has been long and hard and tough. I'd much rather lose a political campaign than lose a

war," McCain said. "That strategy is succeeding, and we have been blessed with one of the greatest generals in American history, Gen. (David) Petraeus."

Fighting enemies such as al-Qaida will be one his top priorities,

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— JOHN MCCAIN
PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE FOR
REPUBLICAN PARTY

the Republican nominee said.

"My friends, if I have to follow him to the gates of hell, I will get Osama Bin Laden and bring him to justice," McCain said to a cheering crowd.

McCain ended his speech by encouraging his followers to participate in his campaign.

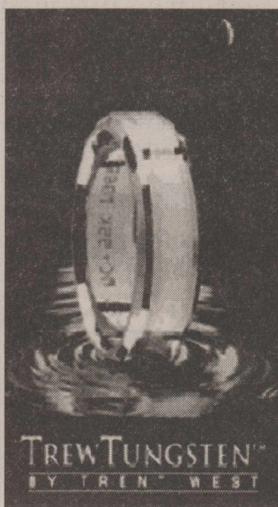
One supporter, John Steinmetz, Lubbock County Republican chairman, said he believes McCain's visit to Lubbock is a compliment to the Lubbock community, as well as the Tech leadership and student body.

"It doesn't surprise me that so many students come out because they play such an important role in our community," Steinmetz said. "I think Chancellor Hance does a very good job of not only representing our university, but representing with passion — something that is new to our leadership and something that does not go un-noticed."

After the rally, Steinmetz said he got a chance to chat with the senator and he believes, if elected president, McCain will not forget his supporters from Tech.

"He noticed the crowd and certainly the students," he said. "Every major university spends thousands of dollars working to gain the attention of legislation, and I think the student body deserves a pat on the back for what they did for their university."

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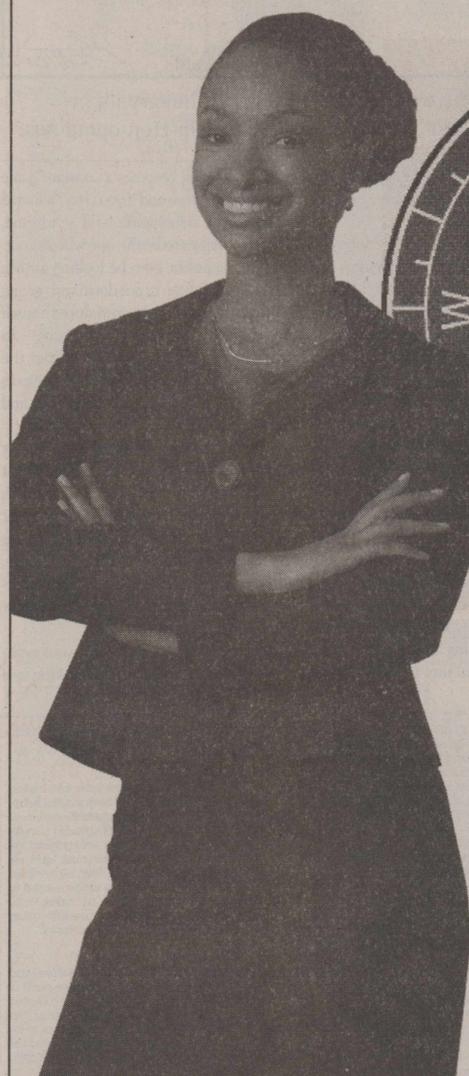


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Breasts: when obsession comes a-knocking

A few weeks ago, a Florida teenager died when complications arose during a routine breast augmentation surgery, after what doctors now believe was a bad reaction to the anesthesia.

Aside from being a grim reminder of the dangers inherent in so-called "routine" surgery, the incident also brings to light the ever-increasing obsession we have with all things breast-related as a nation, a society and a culture.

Of course, this also highlights a common stereotype in America that all men are naturally breast-obsessed. Technically, this is only a half-truth. While men everywhere do admire breasts, it is only American men that have been driven to the point of obsession.

And in some sense, American women have helped to drive them there. Take European women for comparison.

Recently, the Culture and Leisure Committee of Copenhagen voted overwhelmingly to allow topless bathing in and around public pools. The vote was not influenced by a council of chauvinist men but rather a group of feminists calling themselves "The Topless Front" — I'm not sure if there was a pun intended — and was part of a year-

Jonathan Hanson



long effort to make public topless swimming legal.

Their leader, 20-year-old Astrid Vang, said, "We women would like to decide by ourselves when our breasts should be sexual and when not. In swimming pools, they should not, and that is why the breasts should not be covered — we will bathe topless, just like men."

Score one for feminism. Denmark has joined the ranks of much of Europe in more openly accepting the female form around swimming pools and beaches. Or at least the top half. But America's attitude towards breasts has been far more prudent and ironic.

For instance, in Super Bowl 38, Janet Jackson accidentally showed part of her breast, and, due to breast-mania, my friend's head actually exploded. We've had to endure bland Super Bowl halftime shows ever since.

The situation reminds me of a scene from the 1963 classic "It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World," in

which an American and an Englishman are driving towards stolen money, when the American says, "Wait a minute, are you knocking this country? Are you saying something against America?"

The Englishman replies, "... In all my time in this Godforsaken country, the one thing that has appalled me most of all is this preposterous preoccupation with bosoms. Don't you realize they have become the dominant theme in American culture: in literature, advertising and all fields of entertainment and everything. I'll wager you anything you like that if American women stopped wearing brassieres, your whole national economy would collapse overnight."

American men obsess over breasts in large part because they have been such a well-kept secret for so long. For men, breasts are like the X-Files. They represent the forbidden, the mysterious and the unexplained, and the closer men get to them, the more they become possessed by them. Combined with their immaturity and juvenile mentality, it's a wonder they get any work done at all.

On the other hand, American women obsess over breasts because they spend much of their time jealously guarding them like drag-

ons hoarding their mountains of treasure in a cave. And, as anyone with mountains of treasure knows, if you don't share it, you're bound to spend your time fixating on it until you begin to find blemishes and imperfections. According to "Newsweek," almost 350,000 women underwent breast augmentation surgery in 2007 alone, up 64 percent since 2000.

The roots of the American preoccupation with breasts most likely lies with natural biology. In his classic book, "The Naked Ape," Desmond Morris argues that "the evolution of protruding breasts of a characteristic shape appears to be yet another example of sexual signaling. This would be made possible and encouraged by the evolution of the naked skin. Swollen breast-patches in a shaggy coated female would be far less conspicuous as signaling devices, but once hair has vanished, they would stand out clearly."

And they do.

However, this does not explain why breasts have consumed our national culture to the extent that they have. Breasts may embody the differences between the American and European feminist ideals. Perhaps whereas Europeans view the display of breasts as a type of equality, Americans view the pro-

just ask a European.

The time we spend thinking about the symmetry, cleavage, firmness, size-to-weight ratios, gravitational pull, wind resistance, fluidity, vectors, mass, shape and weight of breasts could be put to much better use elsewhere.

Secondly, women must stop analyzing their own breasts. If you look at something long enough, you're bound to find flaws. Being happy with who we are is one of the cornerstones of a fulfilling life. I, myself, never will meet my goal of being 7 feet tall, and I've come to accept that.

But I know that being a foot short of my aspiration won't make me any less valuable, nor will it diminish any of my other accomplishments. Or, at least it won't once I have a few.

If we, as Americans, refocused the time, energy and brainpower we spend consumed with breasts, we probably could have this global warming crisis licked in five years — tops. If not, women well may be forced to go topless, because of the rising temperatures alone.

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"American men obsess over breasts in large part because they have been such a well-kept secret for so long."

race to unravel the mystery. That, and some of them can melt your face off.

But, if we ever hope to withdraw from this preoccupation, there's a couple of steps that must be taken. First, at some point, men need to let them go. There is no mystery;

LETTER TO THE EDITOR



In response to Friday's article "Student cyclists risk wipe-outs, bus collisions while riding on campus," I would like to comment on the school's bike lane program.

I ride my bike either to campus or on campus regularly and use the lane on 18th Street from Indiana to Boston. Normally, there are no problems with my short ride to class, but every week or so, a car or bus will somehow make me swerve, skid or cut out into the traffic lane by crossing into the bike lane without signaling.

The Wall/Gates and Hulén/Clement parking lots are very common places for cars to suddenly turn into, crossing what the school defines as a separate lane of traffic, without any warning.

Buses will exit a pull out when there is no vehicular traffic, but they seem to have no problem cutting off a bicycle. Joggers will run down the bike lanes, and pedestrians will use them as a sidewalk all over campus, once again impeding the flow of safe bicycle traffic and causing me to use the traffic lane.

Campus police and officials, as well as SGA members, constantly comment on the need for bicyclists to obey the law and stay off the sidewalks and in the bike lanes. If this is going to be enforced, then motorists need to respect my rights to the lane of traffic that I am being restricted to, and pedestrians need to not use the bike lane as a second sidewalk.

I ride my bike in accordance with Section 551.003 of the Texas Transportation Code and follow the rules laid out about traveling on a public roadway. All cyclists must follow these laws, and those who don't deserve to be cited by the police.

But when I follow these laws and am endangered by cars not respecting me on the roadway, then it is the driver's fault. It is about time that there was an honest, two-sided conversation about bicycle safety on campus — one that includes not only bicyclists following the laws, but also drivers and pedestrians respecting the lane bicyclists are restricted to.

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'Oh My God, It's Airborne!': The 'Syph' spreads at Cornell

By SHANNAN SCARSELLETTA
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(U-WIRE) ITHACA, N.Y. — Syphilis is kind of funny. And the fact that Cornell had to distribute a mass e-mail painting a bare-bones picture of the recent syph outbreak is downright hysterical (alas, if only we could "Reply All"). But the real gem is the simultaneity of the syph outbreak and the rise of bizarre Collegiate Creep-er crime. Correlated? Sure. Cause-ated? God, I hope so.

For the past week, my imagination has been all astir. It seems Ithaca's criminals have the case of the crazies. Wouldn't it be glorious if the recent surge of dudes breaking and entering girls' apartments only to watch them sleep was actually brought on by syph-induced insanity? (Look it up. It goes to your brain.)

If so, Cornell's campus would have to become weaponized, as girls wandering home from the library late at night would replace their obligatory mace-equipped key chains with the needle full of penicillin they had picked up at Gannett for free with their Cornell ID.

After spending an evening at the library carefully planning a repertoire of STI jokes that could easily slide into every conversation, I heard the most hilarious news of all: Cornellians were starting to "hypothesize" (read: gossip our cold-soled little mouths off) about the source of the syph epidemic.

Each rumor seemed more bizarre than the last: a single freshman fratress infecting a brotherhood. (Frat's: synthesis of "frat" and "mattress." Does not refer to the ones on sale at Sert.) An orgy club that met online. And, my personal favorite: the sauna air at an Ithaca gym, as if media has our terror-ridden minds to believe that the syph is now airborne.

Personally, I think we should stop looking to blame other people and get wise to the real route of our problem: Ruloff's inability to keep the women's restroom condom basket filled.

I know it's crude and offensive to crack

jokes about STIs, but that's what makes it so much fun. As one of my more classiness-impaired male friends once wisely replied to the inquiry about whether he had ever contracted one, "Oh, tons. But, as long as they're curable, who cares?" Ah, a true sage.

I admit, as non-gingers should refrain from redhead jokes, I should probably steer clear of mocking a group of which I've not procured a membership. Yes, I've never contracted an STI. But I haven't had much time, considering I held on to my V-card so long I had started to worry it would expire.

That's right, kids. Surprisingly, this awkward turtle got pulled up to the big leagues pretty late in her career. I guess you could call me the Jimmy Morris of booty. (Don't worry, about 13 people got that reference.) In other words, I was one of the few who found 40 Year Old Virgin terrifying.

I know the assumptions. In fact, I've always made them, too. I was either a Bible-beater or a man-hater; I either had a poor body image or my body was a poor image.

Only recently did I hear a new one: I was intercourse's version of a steadfast triathlete starving myself and shaving my legs with a carving knife to take a few seconds of my 40-yard sprint. (Sorry, Jenna B. Like many of your adoring female readers, I can't help but question my heterosexuality while reading your columns. But I'm going to go ahead and deflate your deified view of innocents, so the young virgin babes out there don't think it's going to be a marathon-run. P.S., Please be my friend.)

In high school, I read an article about teens that somehow managed to keep their Levis zippered. As I flipped through the images of out-of-shape farm girls posed in front of their American Doll Collections holding two Persian cats that were also pictured on their tie dye tee shirts they'd screen printed themselves, I wondered if the author had really believed that this would be the article that would



By day, he was just another hungry, hungry hippo. But by night, he was the original "Hip-Hop-opotamus."

convince millions of American teens to cast aside their hormones and bear the cost of celibacy.

Look: sometimes, people choose virginity; other times, virginity chooses them.

In fact, I wouldn't even classify it as a choice; for me, getting laid was simply not a priority. I've discussed this with other graduates of small, smothering private schools, and I've found many share a common history: At a school where three generations of old money would be informed the minute you entered school grounds wearing a skirt two inches above the knee, you try keep the gossip to a minimum.

Everyone's experienced it; once you step onto Cornell's campus, everybody becomes sex-crazed. Watching a cute girl entering the common room in Donlon is like watching a crate of cheeseburgers being airlifted into a Weight Watchers meeting.

Your hall becomes a constant game of musical beds and if you aren't afflicted with the nerds-gone-wild syndrome, you're happy to be the one who sits out. You might not even be looking for Mr. Right, but if you're not down with giving it up to someone who introduced himself as "T-Dog" on a semi-private couch — as "The Thong Song" pounds from the speakers of the frat hosting after hours — well, it can be pretty difficult to find Mr. Sufficient.

But, it's cool. Eventually you will lay down that lightsaber of virginity that has thus far ended off potential Darth Maul-esters (Star Wars joke! Count it!). There are benefits to keeping your legs crossed for a year or two of college, as it gives you time to get to know yourself without biblically getting to know someone else.

In the meantime, enjoy your syph-less existence. And I suggest taking up a hobby. Tuba, anyone?

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Tour

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while, a vast array of different types of music echoed through the neighborhood at each of the 10 stops and from the portable stereos tooted by a handful of riders.

At intersections, children laughed and waved from their car seats while their parents gawked, agape at the sight of so many hundreds of exuberant cyclists with beers in their hands.

"The tour's a lifestyle," said Aaron Blom, a Tech alumnus who created the event with a friend in 2004, "not a bike ride."

Hidden behind the good-time atmosphere of the tour, however, lies a charitable motivation, said Ethan Minsheu, a senior advertising major from Georgetown and one of the organizers of this semester's tour. Throughout its four-year history, the event's organizers encouraged riders to bring canned goods for donation to the South Plains Food Bank.

"We never thought it would get this big," said Ricky Stillwell, a senior computer science major from Houston and an organizer of the event. "It looks like we raised about 1,000 pounds of canned goods this time."

Aside from the charitable aspects of the tour, it offers bicycle riders a chance to celebrate their passion for riding in a group of like-minded people, Blom said, an idea that dawned on him and his friend four years ago.

"One day we were like, 'Hey man, we need to throw a cool party,'" he said. "We were both really into bikes and held the tour. There were 30 people when we started out. It's just grown and grown and grown, and here we are now."

Some alumni even return to Lub-

bock each semester to participate in the tour. Ashley Lee, a Tech alumna from Greenville, said she drove five hours to attend Saturday's event.

Others loyally attend the tour every semester because they have such a good time, like J.D. Raymond, a senior exercise and sports sciences major from San Antonio, who said he attended Saturday's tour for the same two reasons he attended twice before: "bikes and booze."

"After going to the first one and watching it turn into this, I mean, it's amazing," said Robert Sladeczek, a senior electrical engineering technology major from Austin. "Even when I go to Austin, I tell people about it. It's a new Lubbock tradition."

After years of attending the tour, Catherine Lee said she never has had anything but a great time at the event. It gives people an opportunity to see friends and acquaintances they normally do not encounter on a day-to-day basis.

"It's generally pretty hilarious," said Lee, senior a geography major from Lubbock. "It's a great people-watching event. Then there are all of the crazy bikes and crazy costumes and people mixing it up who don't normally mix it up."

The sheer magnitude and nature of the event, Stillwell said, occasionally does tend to cause friction between riders and Tech Terrace residents.

"The main concern is keeping everybody in control," Stillwell said. "They're all inebriated, and, while dealing with the police, we have to be careful."

While all but one of the eight tours in the past four years concluded without too much police intervention, Minsheu said safety concerns and legal issues vex organizers in the months before each semester's tour.

These concerns dictate many planned aspects of the event, including the routes themselves.

"We look at the major streets, like Flint (Avenue) and Boston (Avenue), where there is a lot of traffic, and we try to avoid them," Stillwell said. "We only cross those major streets, like, two or three times. We keep it 10 routes in all, and 10 miles in all."

Despite this semester's careful planning, Minsheu said, Saturday's unexpectedly large turnout gave him reason to cancel the last leg of the tour after police arrived at both the eighth and ninth houses in response to neighbors' complaints.

With so many riders converging on her block, many riders trampled her garden and damaged her property as they walked into and out of the tour's eighth house, said Johanna Waterhouse, a resident of Tech Terrace.

"All of this," she said, pointing to her and her neighbors' lawns, "is private property. Now, the street is not, so do what you need in the street, but we don't need people in our places of residency."

Waterhouse noted she ordinarily has no qualms with college students, but she was angered by some riders' disregard for her garden and her property line.

"Everybody's been nice," she said.

"They said they're sorry. 'Great. Get on the street. Go about your way.' That's all that matters."

When a police car arrived at the ninth stop on 25th Street, a voice from its loudspeaker told riders to "Break it up and leave ... you will go to jail."

"(Police) have come out just about every tour," Minsheu said before the second leg of the tour. "Last year, they were really nice as long as we didn't block the streets. We've never had a problem or an incident. We've never had a fight."

This year's tour, however, pushed the limits of capacity, he said, so next semester's organizers may want to plan for a larger crowd and make decisions accordingly. With so many people in attendance Saturday, the situation became unpredictable. Though no serious incidents occurred, Minsheu thought it best to cancel the final route.

Some riders, however, pedaled on, determined to finish the last portion of the journey as planned. A smaller snake of hundreds of bicyclists pressed on to the final house stop at the corner of 33rd Street and Flint Avenue, where a celebration ensued both on the lawn and on the roof as the sun set on the Tour de Tech Terrace's eighth semester.

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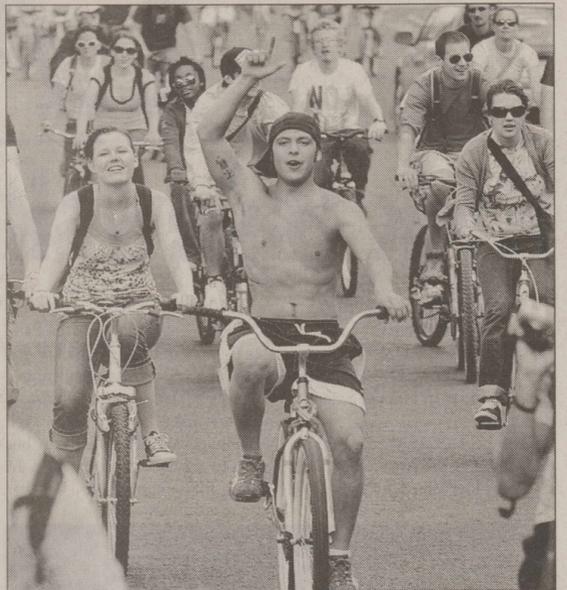


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Rick Salewske motivates Tech to stay fit

By BRIDGET DE STEFANO
STAFF WRITER

F.I.T. Tech hosted Rick Salewske at noon Friday in Human Sciences Room 169.

The event began with a video recorded message from Texas Tech President Jon Whitmore's wife, Jen-

nifer Whitmore.

She congratulated all of the F.I.T. Tech participants for their eight weeks of hard work and dedication. Jennifer Whitmore said because of a recent surgery, she has not worked out as much as she would like to, but plans to get back on track soon. In return, F.I.T. Tech awarded Jennifer

Whitmore with a plaque for her support of the program.

Salewske took stage quickly after Jennifer Whitmore's words. He began with a slide show presentation of his 2-year weight-loss journey. A widely-viewed photo appeared, showing Salewske as a 538-pound man desperately needing help.

The crowd clearly was taken aback by Salewske's astonishing transformation, because he truly looks like a new man. He used a Snickers candy bar as a visual for how something so small — a mere 280 calories — can add up to many unwanted pounds.

Eight years ago, Salewske was in his late 30s and hindered by his obesity. It was difficult for him to sit comfortably in chairs and find clothes big enough for him to wear. Even driving was painful for Salewske because the steering wheel would press into his stomach.

"As I got bigger, the world seemed to get smaller," Salewske said.

The breaking point for Salewske came after a series of events that struck a chord in him. When he went back to visit his family in Michigan for Christmas, they were devastated by his weight gain and fearful that he might die on any given day.

He also avoided a high school class reunion because his classmates



PHOTO BY KEN MUIR/The Daily Toreador

RICK SALEWSKE, A motivational speaker from Michigan, talks about his remarkable weight loss of 300 pounds in a period of 27 months Friday afternoon in the Human Sciences building.

would not recognize him from his days as a star football player.

But the change in his life did not occur until Salewske was offered a new job in the steel industry and turned it down because of his insecurities about his weight and how new co-workers would view him.

When word of his rejected offer circulated throughout his current company, Clark Steel Framing, the CEO gave Salewske an unbeatable opportunity.

The CEO offered Salewske a chance to join a weight-loss program for three months, paid for by the company.

The Dallas resident joined a local program at the Cooper Aerobics Center that offered him trained nutritionists and personal trainers. His goal was to naturally lose 300 pounds. In the first stages of his program, Salewske underwent hypnosis.

"Weight-loss is all mental," he said. "I wanted to change how I felt about food."

After two weeks of caloric reductions and exercise, Salewske lost 27 pounds. His weight continued to decrease as time passed, and the little things started to make a huge difference.

For example, when Salewske drove, the steering wheel did not hit his stomach anymore, and people were noticing and complementing him on his weight-loss.

To show his feelings about the weight loss, he used the comparison of when a woman pulls out a pair of old skinny jeans that suddenly fit and the joy she feels in showing them off.

After his three months were up, Dr. Cooper, owner of the Cooper Aerobics Center, was so impressed with Salewske's loss that he wanted him to keep working out, free of charge. Once Salewske lost 200 pounds, his trainers urged him to run a half-marathon.

At first he thought it was impossible, but "once I set a goal, I make

sure to achieve it," Salewske said. "When your mind tells you that you can do something, your body will follow."

His body did follow, and he completed his first 13-mile half-marathon.

Salewske later was named "Cooper Man of the Year" for his tremendous 300-pound weight-loss. But he had one more goal in mind: to be on the Oprah Winfrey show.

The first time he appeared on "Oprah," it was for successful weight-loss stories, where Salewske — as a leaner, healthier man — burst through an old picture of himself.

He mentioned on the show that visions of the grave and his family lowering him into the ground haunted him and led him to lose weight.

On his second appearance on "Oprah," Salewske proposed to his girlfriend.

Salewske credited Tech for making great efforts to keep students and faculty healthy with programs like F.I.T. Tech. He said exercising, making the right food choices, having a positive attitude and knowing one's body will help anyone in a pursuit to be healthy.

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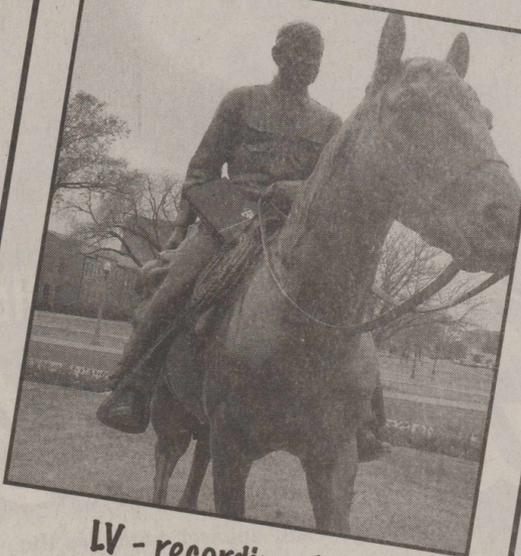
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Concert review, interview with band 'Catfish Whiskey'

After a two-month absence, post-CD release party, Catfish Whiskey returned to Lubbock Friday night to entertain the crowd at Texas Café, also known as The Spoon. Travis Dixon, John Goodman, Keegan McInroe and Mike Maftean still appeared to be the good ol' boys we met and loved last time they visited.

Chelsea Roe



In contrast to their previous show, tonight members of the band seemed more interested in connecting with the music than they did patrons of the bar. There is a fine line one walks between boredom and hypnosis when choosing to take that approach to live entertainment. Catfish Whiskey may not have drawn quite as large a crowd as last time, but the ones the band played to appreciated the connection to the music. They also were appreciative of the way the band dealt with difficulties from Maftean's amplifier — after all, the show must go on.

The band was playing mostly to a crowd of an older generation Friday. College students are easy enough to entertain, but often times younger bands have a hard time reaching out

to Lubbock's middle-aged citizens. At 10:30 p.m., when the first couple hit the dance floor, the verdict was in. The members of Catfish Whiskey had managed to reach out to people twice their ages. To keep their parents' generation thoroughly entertained was an accomplishment and a rarity.

McInroe — guitarist and lead vocalist — originally from Lubbock, recalled memories that his mother had told him of watching Stevie Ray Vaughn play the same stage decades ago. It could have been his humbleness or his paying homage to those that came before him that those in the crowd appreciated the most.

"It's an honor to be on this stage," he said. "We want to thank The Spoon. We've been wanting to do this for years."

Interview

Roe: Tell me a little about what you are doing now any or tours you might have done recently.

McInroe: After the CD release party, we took a few weeks off, actually. What we do these days is actually try to stay a little more regional because we found that, with big road trips like going out West, it's a big expense and has to be carefully handled. We do a lot in Dallas, Fort Worth, Austin, Houston and Lake Charles, La. When everybody has bills to pay, it doesn't make it very efficient for us to do it that way. But we do have a summer concert series booked in North Carolina on July 24. We are going to book a tour around that.

Goodman: It's like a shoot-and-move tactic I read about in a business magazine. But you have to move is the key.

McInroe: The idea is that you have to go back to these places. It's a great time and, as far as personal goes, touring is a great adventure. But business-wise, it won't make sense just to hit these places up, because you need to be going back to them within three months.

Roe: How has it been in Fort Worth since you guys moved there, as opposed to Lubbock?

McInroe: Fort Worth has been really good actually. We played every weekend in March.

Roe: But how would you say that Lubbock has been to you?

McInroe: Lubbock is always really nice because, if you have a good band and it comes through pretty regular, it's great. Like you said earlier, there are so many good

artists here, but there's not a whole lot of new stuff coming through. Places like Dallas and Austin, well, the market is flooded with all kinds of new stuff. So if you have a new band here, especially since we know people, we can always get a good crowd.

Goodman: The support we receive from our friends and family here has really helped us a lot. We gained so much more support just from playing something like the (Sigma Alpha Epsilon) party we did.

McInroe: We can make more money in Lubbock than we can in Fort Worth most nights, for sure. Lubbock may not be a great hub for people that want to travel, but if you want to just play, Lubbock is a great place to stay.

Roe: What is one of the biggest difficulties you guys face?

Maftean: Being able to hold us together.

McInroe: Well, we don't really have a problem staying together, but it's just being able to find the balance between being able to play and pay bills, to take care of responsibilities, whatever they may be.

Goodman: Yeah, me and T-bone work 40-hour-a-week jobs, too.

There you have it. Truly grateful for the support it has received, Catfish Whiskey returns to Lubbock and once again speaks highly of the experiences it has here.

Hard working and determined to do it the right way, these guys will keep on playing — even if their

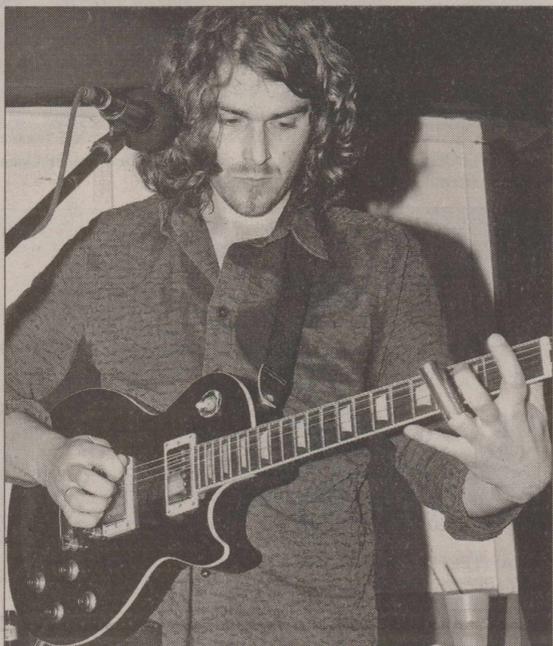


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MICHAEL MAFTEAN STRUMS his guitar Friday night at the Texas Cafe where the band Catfish Whiskey made its debut back from on tour.

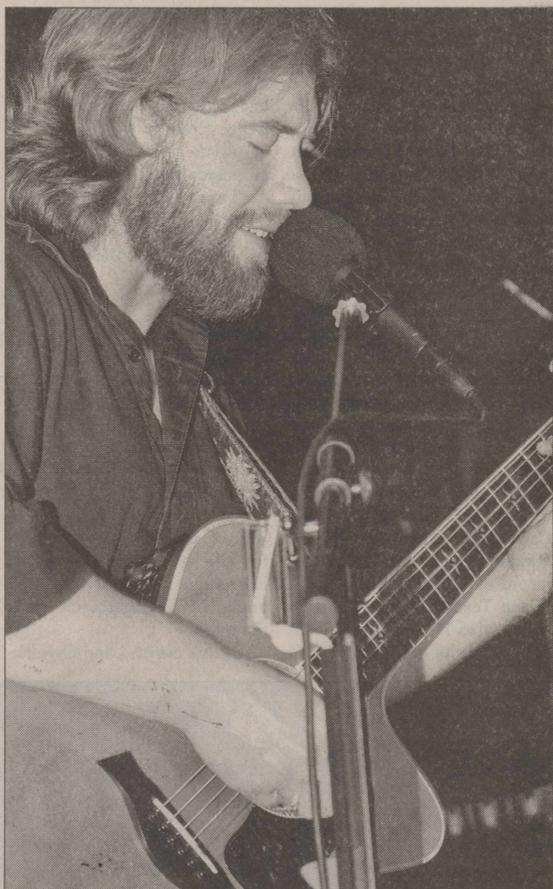


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Keegan McInroe plays Friday night at the Texas Cafe where the band Catfish Whiskey made its debut back from on tour.

It's an honor to be on this stage. We want to thank The Spoon. We've been wanting to do this for years.

—KEEGAN MCINROE
GUITARIST AND LEAD
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But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. - Romans 5:8 NKJV

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8 AM	Super Why			Awesome Eye	Lopez		
9 AM	Sesame Street		The 700 Club	Cristina	Wilkos	Regis & Kelly	Martha Stewart
10 AM	Big World	Roker "Lends a Hand" (HD)	The Price Is Right	Divorce	Temptation	The View (HD)	The Morning Show
11 AM	Barney	Jeopardy	Restless (HD)	Alex		Paid Programs	Tyra Banks Show
12 PM	Callou	Crosswords		Paid Prog.	Cosby		
1 PM	Quit	News	News	Jerry Springer	Cosby	All My Children	Feud
2 PM	Gary Spetz	Days of Our Lives	Beautiful	Roseanne		Extra	
3 PM	Scraps	Jeopardy	As the World	Jerry Springer	Roseanne	One Life to Live	The People's Court
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12 AM	Bus. Rpt.	News	News	Access	Standing	News	Simpsons
1 PM	NewsHour (HD)	News	News	Law Order (HD)	Queens	News	Family
2 PM	Wheel	Million.		Queens	ET	Two & 1/2	
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4 PM	American Experience "Walt Whitman"		How I Met	Paradise Hotel 2	One Tree Hill (HD)	(8:32) Sam	New Amsterdam
5 PM		Medium (HD)	CSI: Miami (HD)	Jim (HD)	Sex City	(9:01) Bachelor Ski trip.	News
6 PM	Bus. Rpt.	News	News	70s	Will (HD)	News	Two & 1/2
7 PM	Charlie Rose	The Tonight Show	(10:35) Late Show	King	Will (HD)	Nightline	Sainfield
8 PM	News	(11:35) Late Show	Late Late Show	Malcolm	Bernie	Insider	Friends
9 PM	Destinos	Night		Wife	Bernie	Jimmy Kimmel	Scrubs
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Track teams take 12 titles from Red Raider Open

By **ADAM COLEMAN**
STAFF WRITER

Because the Red Raider Open was going to be the only outdoor home meet for the Texas Tech track team, the Red Raiders were going to make it count.

Tech claimed 12 titles along with 21 NCAA regional marks in the Red Raider Open Saturday at R.P. Fuller Stadium.

"I love this meet because we get to come home and be home for one time of the year in front of our home people," Tech coach Wes Kittley said. "We've got five seniors and I'd like to honor them at this meet. I think we relaxed and looked up and do some really good things."

One of the most notable titles in Saturday's meet was D'Andra Carter's discus throw of 184 feet 5 inches. Carter broke her own record of 181'-03" set last week at the Texas Relays. Saturday's throw also is the best at R.P. Fuller and the best discus throw

by a female in the NCAA this season.

Carter said she enjoyed setting the record, but she still believes there is room for improvement.

"I was happy about it, but I wish I could've thrown further," she said. "I felt like I could've thrown further, but I didn't. So, I'm happy, but I'm not happy."

Following Carter's performance, Shawon Harris set a new school record for the men's 110M hurdles. Harris ran a time of 13.51 seconds, the third fastest time in the nation.

In this event, Omo Osaghae,

Jansen Hyde and Nathan Lowry followed Harris, as the Red Raiders took the first four spots in the 110M hurdles. Osaghae, Hyde and Lowry ran times of 13.99, 14.02 and 14.68 seconds, respectively. Harris, Osaghae and Hyde's times were NCAA regional marks.

Bobby Evers, one of the seniors on the team making his final appearance at R.P. Fuller Stadium, finished second in the long jump for the Tech men with an NCAA regional jump of 24'-7". This performance was preceded by a jump of 24'-2.25" at the Texas Relays, good for fifth.

Evers said the Red Raider Open was an indication of things to come for the rest of this season.

"The meet is very successful here because we're finally putting things together," he said. "Texas Relays didn't go as I thought it was going to go, but this meet — worked hard during practice and things started to come together like how it did last year."

Patience Knight also continued her success from the Texas Relays, with a discus throw and NCAA Regional mark of 162'-11". Knight finished second, behind Carter. Ozie Okolie took third in the discus throw with an NCAA regional mark of 158'-05".

Among the performances, Kittley said Carter's throw was impressive, and it helps to see her progression.

"Every week, she's just getting better and better, and that was the No. 1 throw in the country right now," he said. "Throws another school record, she keeps breaking it. She's just looked good all year, and I'm so pleased with her."

Kittley said mentality is key for his team to continue its performance all the way to the Big 12 Championships.

"When we keep having good things like this happening, it just helps our confidence all the time," he said. "I think if we can go in there healthy, we're going to have a really good mental state of mind to do it."

Other notable performances include Tech having four women place in the Top 5 of the 1,500M. Six-time national champion Sally Kipyego won the event with an NCAA regional mark of 2 minutes 8.26 seconds. Asia Diaz finished with a time of 2:10.84, good for third. Gladys Kipsang finished fourth with a time of 2:11.60. Shannon Jackson claimed fifth place with a time of 2:11.84.

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— **WES KITTLEY**
TEXAS TECH
TRACK COACH



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TEXAS TECH'S SHAWON Harris finishes first in the 110M hurdles setting a school and stadium record in the event Saturday afternoon at R.P. Fuller Stadium.

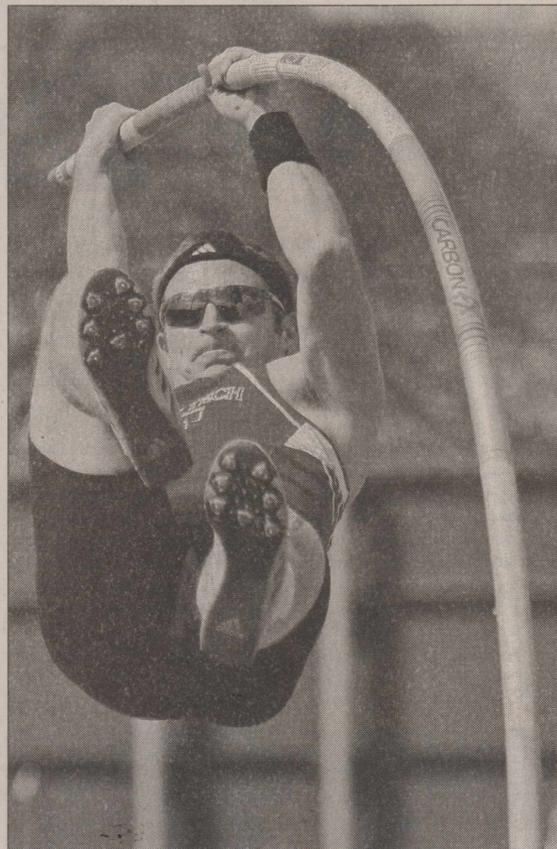


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TEXAS TECH'S BRIAN Porter pole vaults at the Red Raider Open Saturday afternoon at R. P. Fuller Stadium.



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TEXAS TECH'S TRAVON Hill-Chadwick reacts to his long jump Saturday afternoon at R.P. Fuller Stadium.

Stars down Ducks 5-2 to take 2-0 series lead

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — First-round flops the past three years, the Dallas Stars are on a roll against the defending Stanley Cup champion Anaheim Ducks.

"It's been a couple years going

through some heartache and upsets and not meeting expectations. You come back every year trying to redeem yourself," Dallas' Mike Modano said after the Stars beat the Anaheim Ducks 5-2 on Saturday night to take a 2-0 series lead.

Modano and Brad Richards scored 55 seconds apart in the third period as the Stars, after letting the Ducks come back from a two-goal deficit, pulled away to take another one-sided victory.

They dominated the Ducks 4-0 in the series opener two nights earlier.

Heading home for games Tuesday and Thursday, the Stars said that after winning the opener, they weren't going to be satisfied with a split in Anaheim.

"We've all been on teams where we take a breath after winning one on the road and you are happy with a split. We tried to forget it as quick as we

could and we just kept plugging away," said Richards, a valuable late-season addition who came to Dallas from Tampa Bay in a Feb. 26 trade.

"Our mind-set wasn't on a split," Stars coach Dave Tippett said. "We won the first one, we had the same mind-set for the second one."

The Ducks, meanwhile, certainly haven't played like champions.

"We are all guilty of not playing as good as we can right now," goalie Jean-Sebastien Giguere said. "I'm not making the saves, we're not playing well defensively and not scoring enough goals."

"All together, it's pretty ugly out there."

Modano scored on a slap shot from the blue line during a power play at 5:47. Shortly afterward, Richards wristed a shot from the right circle between Giguere's pads.

Mike Ribeiro had a goal and two assists for the Stars. Loui Eriksson capped the scoring with 5:24 left to play after assisting on Richards' goal.

"We came out with the first goal and I think that was big," said Ribeiro, who opened the scoring on a breakaway. "They battled back and we stuck with the game plan and it worked."

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SPORTS

Men's tennis beats No. 4 Texas, women lose 2 matches

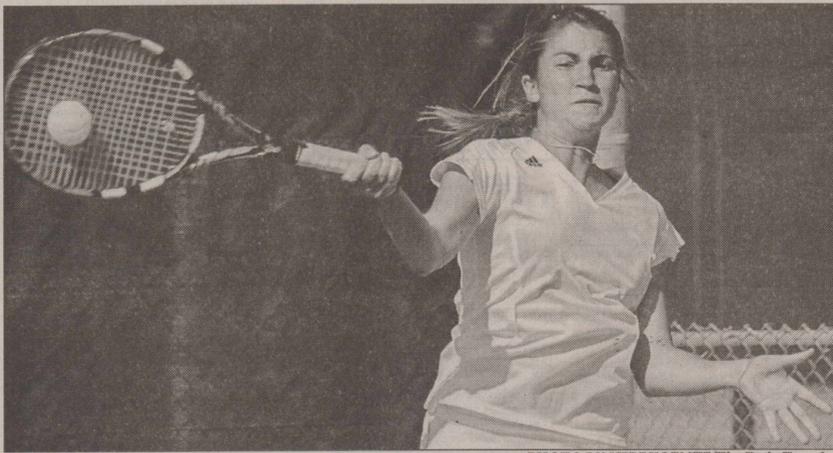


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TEXAS TECH'S KELSIE Garland returns the ball to OSU's Yawna Allen Friday afternoon at the McLeod Tennis Center.

By KEVIN CULLEN
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech men's tennis team took a huge step Saturday and Sunday by beating No. 4 Texas and Nebraska.

The Tech women (11-9, 4-5 in Big 12 Conference play), however, had a big let-down, losing to both Oklahoma State (9-7, 3-4 in Big 12) and Oklahoma (10-9, 3-5 in Big 12).

The Red Raiders' (19-3, 4-1 in Big 12) 4-3 win over UT (17-4, 3-1 in Big 12) at the McLeod Tennis Complex is something Tech coach Tim Siegel said is big for the program.

"I would have to say that it may be the biggest win in school history," he said. "Last year, when we beat Oklahoma State and they were ranked seventh — I know that was biggest win in my 16 years, ranking-wise. This was certainly the biggest win in school history."

Tech was buoyed by Senior Bojan

Szumanski who did not lose a match, doubles or singles, in his final two regular season home matches.

Szumanski, Tech's all-time leader in singles wins, clinched the match against UT by beating No. 16 Dimitar Kutrovsky.

"I could not have written a better script, because I wanted Bojan to be the guy to clinch this match," Siegel said. "He has struggled in the past clinching matches, but to do it against Texas, in basically his last weekend of college tennis, I could have not written a better script."

After the Texas match, Szumanski said doubles was a big

reason for the win.

"All the matches that we've lost this year, we have also lost the doubles point," Szumanski said.

"Nobody won four singles against us so far. It was a huge momentum for us; we gained huge momentum after the doubles."

Tech men followed up their win against Texas with a 7-0 win over Nebraska (9-13; 0-4 in Big

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— TIM SIEGEL
TEXAS TECH MEN'S
TENNIS COACH

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Tech's No. 2 player Sinisa Markovic was in dominant form both matches, never giving his opponents room to breathe.

Markovic took out Texas' No. 2 player Kellen Damico, ranked No. 22 in the nation, in decisive fashion, winning 6-2, 6-0. He then proceeded to dominate Nebraska's Calin Paar by

a score of 6-2, 6-3.

"It was a good day," Markovic said. "I played really good. I played one of my best matches this semester. This whole semester, I have been feeling good and coming to the match confident."

Siegel said he believes his No. 2 player should be ranked, especially after his performance during the weekend.

"Sinisa Markovic is one of the top — I believe he is one of the Top 50 players in the country for sure," he said.

Also competing in his final match in Lubbock was Tech senior Ilya Babinciuc.

He came out on top against Nebraska's Francois Van Impe after losing Saturday to Texas' Luis Diaz Barriga, No. 109 in the country.

"It feels great," Babinciuc said. "I was worried there a little bit that I wouldn't be able to do it. I found my game. It felt good to win, it was a great season."

The Tech women's team was hoping to capitalize on its momentum coming into the weekend after winning the last two against Kansas State and Kansas, but could not after losing to both the Cowgirls and the Sooners by the score of 5-2.

"It's a little disappointing," Tech Coach Cari Groce said. "I thought we'd do better. We had such a good weekend run in Kansas. It was real important to get those two matches. We got beat; they played better than us. The credit goes to the victor."

The Lady Raiders won the doubles point to start both matches but came out flat in singles, which led to the disappointing weekend.

"It really is (disappointing) to come out so flat in singles and not be able to do much," Groce said. "I just don't think we've played singles the last two matches the way we played in Kansas. It's hard to swallow."

The young Lady Raiders have

been inconsistent at times, but Groce said it is important to stay positive.

"We gotta stay positive with this group," she said. "We are a young group, as far as really trying to build the program. Five years

in the making and we're still very young and still trying to get the players that we want that can help us win a Big 12 title and go to the postseason."

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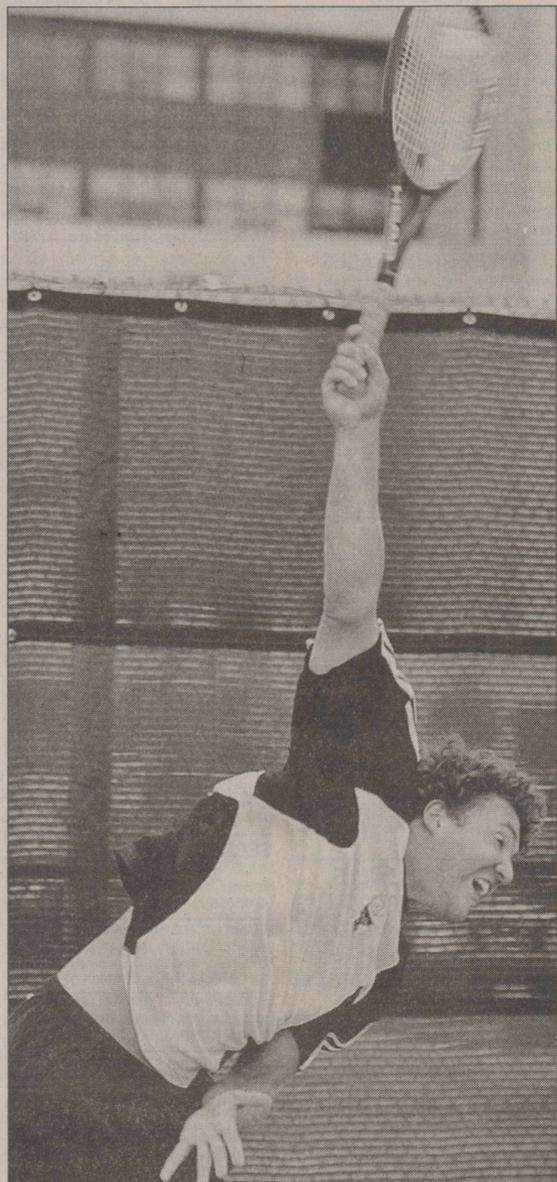


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TEXAS TECH'S LENOIR Ramos serves the ball Saturday afternoon at McLeod Tennis Center. Tech beat No. 4 Texas 4-3.

The DT Reader's Choice Awards has just gotten easier. The survey will be available only online, so don't miss your chance to choose Lubbock's best. Use the link provided and give us your opinion. **The survey will be available until April 20, 2008.** The most popular answers will be published in the April 25 edition of *The Daily Toreador*.

Many questions have options listed that were popular choices from last year's survey. There is also a field to write in a choice not listed.

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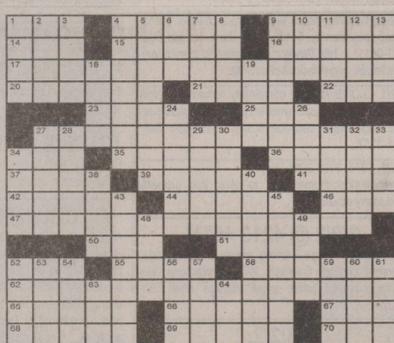
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THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

- ACROSS**
1 Sphere of power
4 Shillong's state
9 Adagio, allegro, etc.
14 Part of mph
15 Florida city
16 King's territory
17 Bar
20 Audiophile's setup
21 Street-fighter's blade
22 Gender
23 Basics
25 Go lickety-split
27 Bar
34 Chum
35 Tint
36 Closet type
37 Longfellow's bell town
39 Go-ahead
41 Tater
42 Tack room gear
44 Loa volcano
46 Switchback curve
47 Bar
50 Uh-huh
51 Advocate
52 "Dune" composer Brian
55 High shots
58 Code for one-on-one combat
62 Bar
65 Lennon's "Instant..."
66 On guard
67 Fr. woman's title
68 Simple weapon
69 The March King
70 Stand in the way



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New York, NY

- DOWN**
1 Untitled work
2 Monthly payment
3 Semisoft cheese
4 Of a single-celled organism
5 Hot Sahara winds
6 "Casablanca" pianist
7 Writer Kingsley
8 Ho Chi City
9 Insignificant
10 Mad, printout
11 Provides with a crew
12 Knee-bending movement
13 Big name in big pictures
18 Monks' titles
19 Magnitude
24 Genesee specialty
26 Greek letters
27 San CA
28 First Pope-canonized saint
29 True blue
30 Crewman under Capt. Kirk
31 Dismantle mortise joints
32 Try it again
33 Extremes
34 Paris greenery
38 Black as night
40 As commanded
43 Of constellations
45 Maine's capital
48 Each
49 Maiden name indicators
52 Moose cousins
53 Tidal situation
54 Made-up monster
56 Bikini parts
57 Go it alone
59 An arm or a leg
60 Linda, CA
61 Unique person
63 Doctors' org.
64 Pot-au-

Friday's Puzzle Solved

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