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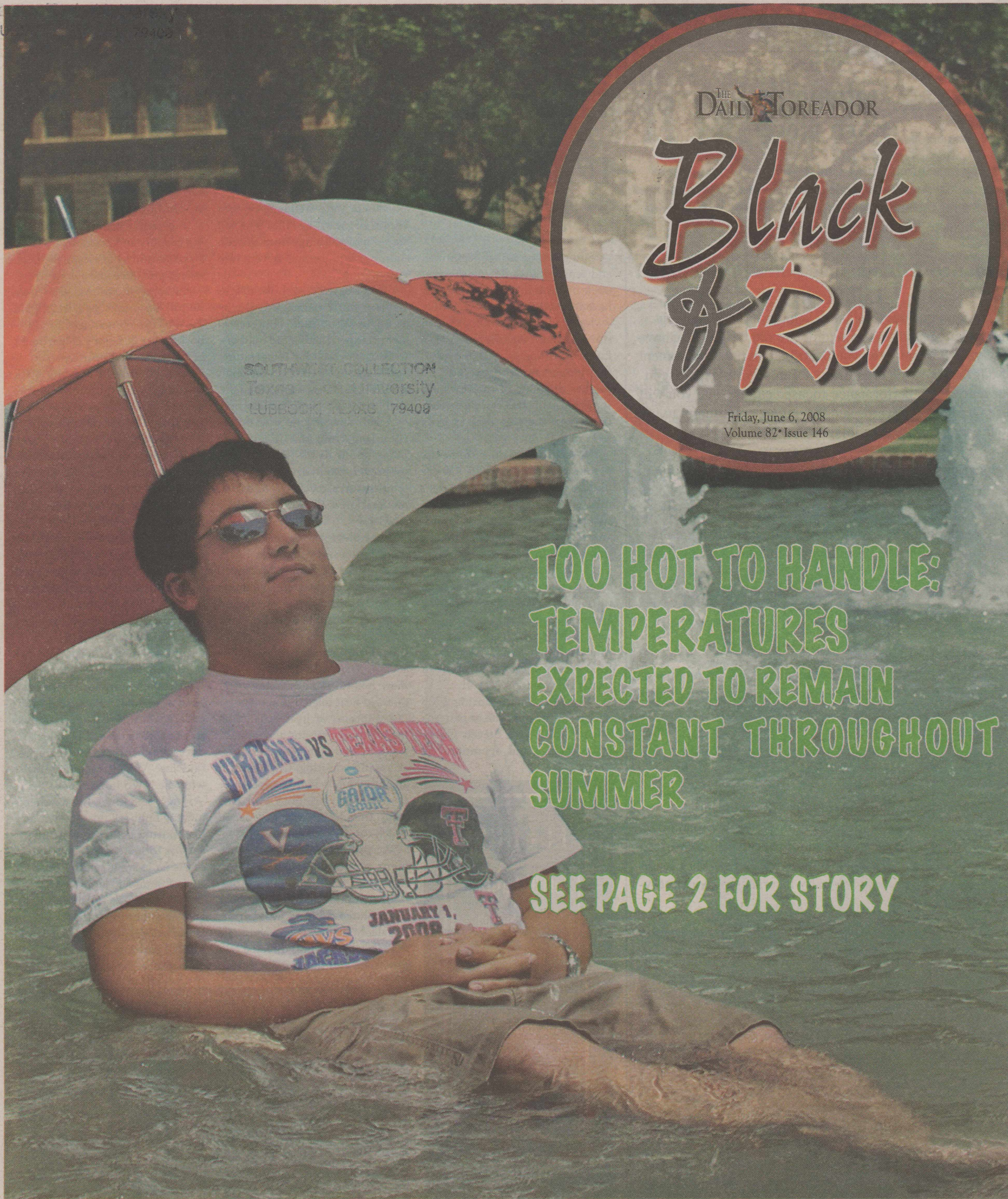
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Heat temperatures expected to remain constant during summer

BY ANGELA FARMER
STAFF WRITER

Summertime is just beginning, and temperatures during the first week of June in Lubbock already have reached triple digits.

Jody James, meteorologist with the National Weather Service's Lubbock office, said it is typical for temperatures to exceed 100 degrees this time of the year, and sometimes this area can experience triple-digit temperatures as early as May.

"It really has to do with the upper air patterns," he said. "We're under a ridge of high pressure right now, which results in the storm systems being deflected northward, and we get a lot of sinking motion that results in warm weather."

It was unusual for temperatures to remain below 100 degrees throughout 2007, James said. On average, temperatures reach or exceed 100 degrees on approximately nine days each year. Temperatures hit triple digits for the first time in nearly two years on May 31.

Weather patterns during 2008 have been the opposite of patterns during 2007, said Steven Cobb, NWS science and operations officer.

"There were frequent periods of rain last year," he said. "The soil stayed moist. Energy from the sun didn't go into heating. It went into evaporation."

The weather in Lubbock is stable because temperatures drop at night, Cobb said. However, if an area experiences more than one week of extremely hot temperatures and humidity levels reach the point where it remains warm at night, then the NWS may be concerned.

Cobb said anyone who enjoys spending time outside by the pool should drink lots of fluids to prevent dehydration. When temperatures reach triple digits, moderation is the key to outdoor activities.

Regardless of age, Ron Cook, associate professor with Texas Tech's Department of Family Medicine, said anyone can become a victim of heat exhaustion or heat stroke and summer months frequently bring increased chances of heat exhaustion. Drinking electrolyte fluids such as Gatorade or Powerade is more helpful than drinking water to avoid heat-related illnesses.

Symptoms of heat exhaustion include heavy sweating, weakness, a rise in body temperature, headaches and vomiting, Cobb said. If an individual's body temperature continues to rise and sweating stops, then heat stroke may occur, which can be very dangerous.

According to the U.S. Department of Commerce, heat wave safety tips include reducing outdoor strenuous activities, wear light-colored clothing, avoid drinking alcoholic beverages, avoid taking salt tablets unless directed by a physician, and spend more time in

air conditioned places.

But with so many people retreating indoors and cranking up their air conditioners to escape the heat, energy grids become a concern.

In some situations, heat takes its toll on power grid lines, said Travis Turner, manager for Lubbock Power & Light's Department of Electrical Engineering.

If a household is using a lot of energy by performing multiple tasks at once, Turner said there is a possibility for transformers or wires to overload.

"The heat will affect our electric grid no matter where," he said. "In these first hot days, we can find where the weaker areas are and go from there."

Lauren Peel, a senior communication studies major from Canton, said because of the hot weather, her energy bill for her apartment may be more expensive this month.

"I just don't go outside unless I have to," she said.

But weather officials said the heat is not without its benefits.

Although tornado rates have been very high this year nationwide, warm air and a high barometric pressure in the Lubbock area reduces the chances of severe storms, said Jose Valdez, a meteorologist with the NWS in Lubbock.

James said June's hot weather is making Lubbock miss its "window of opportunity for severe weather," such as tornadoes.

As far as what to expect for the rest of summer, James said there probably will be a few more 100-degree days, but the Lubbock region is expected to return to normal rainfall patterns.

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Two astronauts in midst of spacewalk to outfit \$1 billion Japanese lab

HOUSTON (AP) — Two astronauts stepped outside the international space station Thursday for a spacewalk to spruce up the orbiting outpost's newest room — a \$1 billion Japanese lab.

In the early part of their excursion, space shuttle Discovery crew members Michael Fossum and Ronald Garan Jr. set up two TV cameras around the Kibo lab's robotic arm. Japanese flight controllers were to test the cameras later.

The spacewalkers also finished removing thermal covers from the robot arm.

Later, they planned to do some advance work for a nitrogen-gas tank replacement scheduled for their third and final spacewalk this weekend.

The scheduled 6½ hour spacewalk, the second by Fossum and Garan in three days, began about 30 minutes ahead of schedule and the two astronauts were about 25 minutes ahead on their work timeline.

Kibo was delivered by the shuttle earlier this week.

An extra task was added to the spacewalk: tucking in some thermal insulation around one of Kibo's docking ports so there won't be any problems when another part of the lab — essentially a storage shed — is attached on Friday. The storage room has been temporarily located on another section of the space station since it was delivered by the last shuttle crew in March.

"Hopefully it's not going to take very much more time," Emily Nelson, a space station flight director, said of the extra task.

Meanwhile, the inside of Kibo was also getting a makeover.

The shuttle and space station crews on Thursday moved in more equipment racks so the new lab can be fully brought to life. Some of the racks contain equipment for the lab's power and data needs while others contain scientific experiments.

The door to Kibo — Japanese for hope — was swung open Wednesday, a day after its installation at the international space station.

It was a momentous occasion for Japanese astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, who hung a banner over the threshold and led the procession inside.

Hoshide noted that Kibo was empty, for now, but quoted an engineer back on Earth who told him, "It looks really empty but it's full of dreams."

"Enjoy your new module," radioed Japanese Mission Control near Tokyo.

The 10 inhabitants of the linked shuttle Discovery and space station took advantage of all the empty space inside the bus-sized lab and twirled, performed back flips and bounced on the walls. Then they started hauling in racks for science experiments.

Nelson said the new lab will

look more full as it's loaded with equipment Thursday.

"So it will look maybe a little bit smaller although it's always going to look like this incredibly long module," she said.

At 37 feet in length, Kibo is the largest of the nine rooms now at the space station. It surpasses the two other labs, belonging to NASA and the European Space Agency, by nine feet and 14 feet, respectively, and an expansion is planned.

Besides the storage shed to be installed on Friday, a third section — essentially a porch for experiments — will be launched next spring. That's when full-scale science operations are expected to begin inside Kibo.

The other good news Wednesday

was that the space station's toilet finally was working normally again.

Russian space station resident Oleg Kononenko put in a new pump that was delivered earlier this week by Discovery, after it was rushed to the launch site from Moscow. Flight controllers gave the go-ahead for the toilet's use once it became apparent it worked.

"We fully expect it's now fixed and we don't have to worry about it anymore," Nelson said.

For two weeks, the three men living aboard the space station had to manually flush the Russian-built toilet with extra water several times a day. It was a time-consuming job and a waste of water, not to mention an unpleasant chore.

Hispanics dying on job at high rates

ATLANTA (AP) — Hispanic workers die at higher rates than other laborers, with 1 in 3 of these deaths occurring in the construction industry, a government study reported Thursday.

Hispanics tend to hold more high-risk jobs than those in other racial groups, but language and literacy barriers and poor training and supervision may also be factors, researchers said. The leading causes of death in recent years have been falls and highway-related accidents.

"Many of the Hispanic workers in construction are undocumented, and many of those who are recently arrived do face a language barrier," said Rakesh Kochhar, associated director for research at the Pew Hispanic Center.

"A language barrier hinders understanding of a job, or the risks associated with it, or safety precautions," said Kochhar, who was not part of the new study.

The study was done by health researchers in Massachusetts, Michigan and New Jersey and at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. It's being published this week in the CDC's Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report.

The study counted more than 11,000 Hispanic work-related deaths nationwide from 1992-2006. The data were culled from death certificates, police reports, workers' compensation reports and other sources.

The researchers calculated an annual death rate of 5 per 100,000 Hispanic workers in 2006. But the rate for foreign-born Hispanics, roughly 6 per 100,000, was far higher than the 3.5 for those born in the United States.

The rate for non-Hispanic white workers was 4. For blacks, it was 3.7.

"The burden of risk is primarily on foreign-born workers," said Scott Richardson, a Bureau of Labor Statistics program director, in a Thursday telephone press conference about the new report.

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Co-ed rooms sweeping through U.S. residence halls, make some nervous

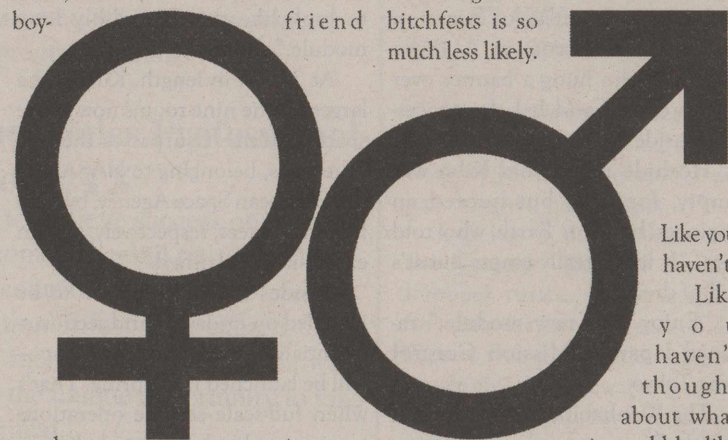
BY EMILY SMITH
THE POST (OHIO U.)

You asked for it and you may soon be getting it: The co-ed college dorm room. Yes, a trend of boys and girls cohabitating is sweeping select college campuses on the east coast and it's moving due west. I, for one, am in favor.

Imagine: One guy and one girl living in one tiny dorm room on two agonizingly small twin extra-long beds. Our Awkward Evaders are trembling in their stiletto-outfitted shoes at the probability for gauche moments. You'd think it would be impossible for a guy and a girl to live together without feelings developing into something more. Since cohabitation happens in off-campus housing situations like houses and apartments, why can't we practice while we're young and still living in the dorms?

Why do I think co-ed dorm rooms should be an option on undergraduate housing contracts? Freshman year, I

was placed on with the world's most atrocious random roommate. (If you're reading this, I love you anyway and I'll never forget you). I won't go into detail, but she and her boy-friend



made my stay quite unfortunate for two excruciatingly long months until I escaped to a converted broom closet. (But that's an entirely different story).

Oh revenge. Anyway, in this case, it couldn't have gotten much worse. If she had

been a guy, the roommate drama wouldn't have happened. Guys are so much more chill (a.k.a. relaxed) than most girls. Obvi. The probability for having all-out bitchfests is so much less likely.

Like you haven't. Like you haven't thought about what it would be like to live with a member of the opposite sex. Platonic relationships between girls and guys really do exist. I can prove it. Call me. Just because two members of the opposite sex live in one dorm room does not mean that friends with benefits or

feelings would inevitably develop into something more promiscuous than their "just friends" relationship status. As I thought about the possibilities, I got more curious.

I decided to take a little field trip to the housing office. I tracked down an Ohio University housing representative to ask her about the co-ed dorm room movement hitting college campuses. Before I could even finish my question, she laughed at the idea of having members of the opposite sex living together in one room here at OU. A big, emphatic "no" was the answer I received. Something about ethical conflicts or something. Blah blah blah. I don't think she believed me when I told her Ohio's very own Oberlin College has decided to offer co-ed dorm rooms as a housing option next year. Google it, duh.

The next day, a more informed housing representative called me to say that co-ed dorm rooms did not fit the "university's current climate." Laugh out loud. \$10 bucks says discussion of

the trend will now be on the agenda at the housing department's next meeting. Shock. Horror. Whatever.

I'm thinking co-ed dorm rooms could have a funny downside. I enter a quote from The Daily Pennsylvanian: "I was talking to my dad about [living with my guy friend], and his only concern was that I might have to toilet-train the guys," said Talena Liu, a freshman at the University of Pennsylvania. "They seem clean; they'll put the seat down and stuff, and that's all I'm asking for." She seized her school's gender-neutral housing option. She'll be fine after she invests in Lysol disinfectant wipes and some Febreze.

So get ready, OU, because change is coming whether the OU housing department knows it or not. If it can happen at Oberlin, the University of Pennsylvania, Carnegie Mellon and Brown University, it can happen here. The Movement is coming to college campuses near you faster than Barack Obama can secure the Democratic Party's nomination.

Historically black colleges have outlived purpose

BY ROBERT REECE
DAILY MISSISSIPPIAN (U. MISSISSIPPI)

I commend Delta State University for becoming the first "white" college in the state of Mississippi to have a student population truly representative of the state at about 40 percent black and 60 percent white. While such an accomplishment is a distant dream for us here at the University of Mississippi — perhaps not even a goal of the university — we should focus on the hypocrisy of forcing these "white" schools to be more representative of the state, while historically black colleges and universities go completely ignored.

If we are going to pressure Ole Miss to take measures to become more representative of the state's population, we should do the same for historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs), which are much more black than Ole Miss

and Mississippi State are white. It's almost as if we just accept that it's OK for blacks to have a separate facility because various forms of racism still exist. Truth is, HBCUs in Mississippi seem to have become a place where black students can hide from interactions with white people under the claim they feel more comfortable and in a place that is more than 90 percent black. I'm sure they do feel much more comfortable.

Because of everyone's "need" to feel comfortable, Mississippi's higher education remains very segregated. Life isn't all about comfort, and the only way to progress as a society is by stepping outside of your comfort zone. This was one of my primary reasons for attending Ole Miss (that and SEC football), and my high school friends and teachers looked at me like I was a fool when I said that to them.

Up until commencement, I was bombarded with questions of why I wanted to be around all those white people as they all ran away to black schools that serve very little purpose in 2008.

True, racism is alive and well, and, as we all know, I'd be the first to admit that. Yet it's not as if black people can't get into other universities and succeed. The true HBCUs have outlived their purpose and should now simply become another university and integrate.

If every school in the state attempted to follow the example of Delta State, we could be on the road to changing the culture and reputation of not only every university, but the entire state of Mississippi. Since college students are the future leaders of the state, by changing the way they think and feel, we change the way the state feels.

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Talking to "Strangers" can be brutal, disconcerting

"Why are you doing this to us?" Kristen McKay (Liv Tyler) asks one of her creepy tormenters in Bryan Bertino's "The Strangers."

"Because you were home," the girl with a doll-face mask casually replies.

Those words are the theme of this intense horror flick: getting tortured for no apparent reason. While "The Strangers" is a truly horrifying and exciting thriller, it almost drowns in its own darkness and depression.

James Hoyt (Scott Speedman) and McKay return to the Hoyt family's summer home late one night after a wedding reception. James proposed to Kristen at the reception, and she turned him down, saying she wasn't ready yet. This provides for a lot of tears back at the house. They clearly still love each other, but James calls his friend Mike to come pick him up in the morning. James and Kristen realize they desperately need each other, but their make-up sex is interrupted by a knock at the door.

Remember, all this at 4 a.m.

"Is Tamara home?" a strange-looking blonde girl asks.

Unfortunately for James and Kristen, Tamara isn't home. We've

Chris Kellerman



known from the opening titles — which claim this is a true story, though it's not — things will not end well for the handsome couple. Three mysterious people in masks appear at the house and spend the night chasing James and Kristen. The film is in real time, and the tension never lets up.

It's been a while since I've had such mixed feelings about a film. Watching it felt a little like getting drunk: It was a lot of fun at the time, but the next morning something didn't feel right. It's rare to find smart, effective horror movies anymore — way too many rely on excessive gore. Instead of working with psychology, horror films today simply try to gross us out.

Bertino, a first-time director from Crowley obviously knows what's missing from horror flicks today.

That's why "The Strangers," in a sense, feels like a breath of fresh air. Sure, there's some blood, but no spilling guts or the removal of limbs. Bertino masterfully manipulates the gifts of tension and silence. So often we simply watch Kristen sit alone in a dark room, waiting for the inevitable moment when one of the masked strangers will find her. The way Bertino's villains creep through the shadows and hazy backgrounds shows much influence from M. Night Shyamalan, whose "The Happening" will be released next weekend.

Good horror films have strong direction; very good ones have great acting, too. Think about the slasher films of the 1970s, as opposed to "The Shining," "Rosemary's Baby" and "The Sixth Sense." Sure, those attractive girls who get chopped up know how to scream, but they're no match for Jack Nicholson and Mia Farrow. Thankfully, Bertino's leads are strong. Throughout the movie, Speedman has that perfect look of someone in a terrible situation who is trying to remain calm, and he never overacts — a rife problem in most horror movies.

Tyler is the star of the show,

though. She displays absolute despair as she sits alone and weeps. She screams bloody murder when she's being attacked, flailing around uncontrollably. In other words, she acts exactly like anybody would in her situation. She feels incredibly real.

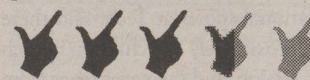
And that's the main problem with "The Strangers." It's just too real. The tormenters are not otherworldly or superhuman. There are no shocking twists. It's entirely believable from start to finish, and the opening titles do not lie when they promise a "brutal" end. But of course, I've always believed the best horror movies are the ones which seem like they could happen. So what's the problem?

The problem is that even those plausible horror movies still take some of the edge off the brutality.

The people who get killed are either unimportant or immoral, or the villain has a weakness which leads to his end. The plot of "The Strangers" seems like it could be straight out of a newspaper, and nobody wants such a real-life plot for their horror movies. It's just not fun.

Despite that painful detriment, it cannot be denied that "The Strangers" is an effective film, and Bertino has real potential as a filmmaker — if only he can find a better story.

Three-and-a-half out of five guns up.



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Young Red Raiders participate in on-campus summer athletic camp

BY MATT COBB
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech's Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreational Center has been overrun with youngsters since Monday and is likely to remain that way until the middle of July.

Tech's Student Recreational Center is hosting three sessions of a youth sports camp throughout June and July, in order to give children the opportunity to utilize all of the center's facilities.

Don Davis, associate director of recreational sports at Tech, said there are approximately 120 children in each camp session, and their ages range from 7 to 13. All of the campers will have the opportunity to participate in a variety

of activities such as archery, rock climbing and swimming.

"The neat thing is they get to do a lot of stuff they wouldn't do before," he said. "Texas Tech has a lot of resources — we have fields, equipment and gym space — and it's really neat they get to take advantage of all of that."

The goal of the camp is to get children active and to make sure they have fun, Davis said. The camp has been around since the 1970s, and its initial goal was to provide children with sports training. Today, the camp is geared toward making sure children have fun by being active and socializing with their peers.

"What it used to be was more focused on skill building," he said. "What it has evolved into is more just

a recreational play camp. We've focused it away from skill teaching and made it more for having fun."

The camp will also give participants a chance to get swim lessons from instructors who were certified by the Red Cross, Davis said. This will give them a chance to improve their swimming skills while they are under the supervision of trained professionals.

"We as counselors would lead volleyball, racquetball and those types of sessions," said Terry Harris, a Tech graduate and camp counselor. "For the other sports sessions like dodge ball and outside sports, they have special instructors for that."

Safety is another big issue about the camp, he said. Counselors want to make sure proper accommodations can be met if something bad was to arise. All camp counselors are required to be both CPR and first aid certified.

Emily Burkholder, a junior advertising major and camp counselor, said the camp is going to try to make sure all of the children get a chance to participate. All of the events involve a lot of social activity, and the counselors want to make sure everyone has a good time.

"We're focusing on participation," she said. "We just want to make sure that every one participates, socializes and has fun."

Camp sessions are held from 8 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday at the Student Recreational Center.

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The former sidekick to Johnny Carson on the "Tonight" show is in danger of losing his multimillion-dollar Beverly Hills home to foreclosure. Documents show that McMahon is nearly \$644,000 behind in payments on a \$4.8 million mortgage loan he got in 2005. Countrywide Home Loans Inc. filed the notice of default on Feb. 28, with the amount owed to "increase until your account becomes current," according to documents obtained by Celebtv.com.

As of Wednesday afternoon, McMahon's Mediterranean-styled house was still in the process of foreclosure; the bank hasn't taken it over yet and no trustee sale date has been set. McMahon and his wife, Pamela, are having "very fruitful discussions" with the lender to resolve the problem, spokesman Howard Bragman

said Wednesday.

Bragman declined to give specifics about McMahon's finances, but said the 85-year-old television personality has been unable to work since he broke his neck 18 months ago. He did say that the current problems are unrelated to a toxic mold that spread through the structure, sickened McMahon and his wife, and led to the death of their dog in 2001. He received a \$7.2 million settlement from that case.

The former "Star Search" host has found himself in the same situation so many homeowners have recently, said Daren Blomquist, spokesman for RealtyTrac, which follows foreclosure filings. He found that McMahon has taken out several loans on the house over the past few years, including a \$300,000 home equity line of credit the same day he took out the \$4.8 million loan in November 2005.

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Former Tech football player dies after life full of struggles and accomplishments

BY ADAM COLEMAN
EDITOR IN CHIEF

After being paralyzed for 10 years, former Texas Tech football player Stoney Garland died in his home in Plains Wednesday.

After his junior season as a Red Raider, Garland suffered a neck injury in an automobile accident on Nov. 28, 1997 that forced him into a wheelchair for the rest of his life. After numerous surgeries, Garland still was a part of the Red Raider community as one of its most recognizable supporters. During that junior season, Garland had 58 tackles and two sacks.

"Lost a great Red Raider, and a great Red Raider fan, I'll tell you that," former Tech football coach Spike Dykes said. Nobody ever loved the Red Raiders anymore than Stoney Garland."

Through the 10 years he was paralyzed, Garland became a symbol of hope and an inspiration to many inside the Red Raider community, as he has made speeches to past Red Raider teams and

children in the community about making the right choices.

"Stoney was an inspirational and impressive young man," Tech coach Mike Leach said in a press release. "He spoke to our team several times at practice and in the locker room before games.

All Red Raiders that came in contact with him truly valued his friendship."

Dykes said Garland's battle inspired many he was close to.

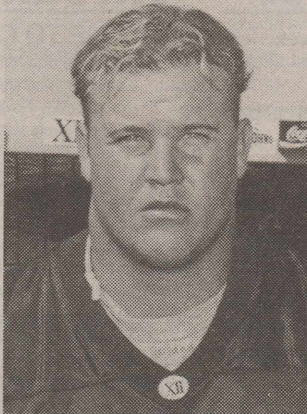
"I think he was an inspiration to everybody," Dykes said. "Simply because of the fact that when what happened

to him, happens to you when you're 20 years old — you've got all your life and future ahead of you — it's real easy to get bitter and blame and have that attitude. He never did that. He was a total, complete inspiration. That's the thing that makes him so near and dear to your heart."

As a result of his accident, Dykes created the Spike Open in 1998, an annual charity golf event where a portion of the proceeds go to Garland and his mother, Debbie. Over the years, the name has changed to the Red Raider Open, with the same purpose in mind. Instead of a portion of the proceeds going to the Garland family, all of the proceeds from the 2008 Red Raider Open will head to the Garland Family.

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Stoney Garland was known to the Red Raider community as a caring person.

Rays select Beckham with top pick

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — The Tampa Bay Rays selected Tim Beckham with the No. 1 pick in the baseball draft Thursday, choosing the talented high school shortstop from Griffin, Ga., over Florida State catcher Buster Posey.

Beckham was recognized as one of the best pure athletes in the draft and labeled a legitimate five-tool player. He established himself as the top prep prospect in the nation with solid performances at last summer's high school showcase events and hit .500 with five homers, 31 RBIs and 16 stolen bases this season.

"I found out this morning. ... The scouting director gave me a call and the general manager gave me a call. It was crazy. I was about to do a backflip in my room," Beckham said.

"It means everything in the world. I've worked this hard the last three or four years, me and my brothers and my dad. This means all the hard work paid off. I hope to become an All-Star and after that I want to become a Hall of Famer."

With the second pick, the Pittsburgh Pirates chose sweet-swinging

Vanderbilt third baseman Pedro Alvarez. Florida high school first baseman Eric Hosmer went to the Kansas City Royals, and the Baltimore Orioles took top college pitching prospect Brian Matusz out of San Diego with the fourth pick.

This is the second straight year the Rays have had the No. 1 pick. David Price, a hard-throwing left-hander from Vanderbilt, was the choice in 2007 and is off to a great start with Class-A Vero Beach.

Beckham is the third high school shortstop taken No. 1 overall in the last five years, joining Justin Upton (Arizona, 2005) and Matt Bush (San Diego, 2004).

There is always pressure to get the No. 1 pick right, but the Rays imposed some extra heat on themselves this year because they're hoping it will be years before they'll be in a position to select first again.

Tampa Bay whittled its list of candidates for the top pick to five, then trimmed it to two — Beckham and Posey, a converted shortstop who developed into one of college baseball's top offensive and defensive catchers over the past year.

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