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Groups sue Farmers Branch over ordinance

DALLAS (AP) — Latino advocates and a civil liberties group are suing a Dallas suburb whose officials want to oust illegal immigrants by checking the names of some prospective tenants against a federal database.

The federal lawsuit by the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund and the American Civil Liberties Union Immigrants' Rights Project filed Friday in Dallas is the third Farmers Branch faces over its most recent rule.

MALDEF and the ACLU contend a plan to ask house and apartment renters to obtain a license from Farmers Branch is unconstitutional.

NATION

Feds look into texting before train crash

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Federal officials investigating a commuter rail collision that killed 25 people said they want to review cell phone records to determine if an engineer blamed for running a stop signal before the crash may have been text messaging at the time.

With the probe into Friday's crash continuing, a smaller number of commuters than normal returned to the rails Monday morning.

Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa boarded one of the morning's earliest trains.

WORLD

Bombs kill at least 35, Iraqis say

BAGHDAD (AP) — A suicide bomber blew himself up Monday among police officers who were celebrating the release of a comrade from U.S. custody, killing at least 22 people, Iraqi officials said. Separate bombings in Iraq killed 13 other people.

The suicide attack happened in Diyala, a province northeast of Baghdad where Sunni insurgents have carried out persistent attacks despite security gains elsewhere in the country. The female bomber targeted the home of a police commissioner who had been detained by American troops for allegedly cooperating with the Mahdi Army, a Shiite militia.

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U.S. military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

SOURCE: Associated Press, confirmed by the Department of Defense

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SADDER DAYS

Health officials concerned about student suicide trend

By TINA L. ARONS STAFF WRITER

Seek help as soon as possible if you or someone you know exhibits any of the following signs:

Threatening to hurt or kill oneself or talking about wanting to hurt or kill oneself

Looking for ways to kill oneself by seeking access to firearms, pills or other means

Talking or writing about death, dying or suicide when these actions are uncharacteristic of the person

Feeling hopeless

Feeling rage or uncontrolled anger or seeking revenge

Acting recklessly or engaging in risky activities — seemingly without thinking

Feeling trapped, like there's no way out

Increasing alcohol or drug use

Withdrawing from friends, family and society

Feeling anxious, agitated or unable to sleep — or sleeping for unusually long periods of time

Experiencing dramatic mood changes

Seeing no reason for living or having no sense of purpose in life

For help, contact the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK or Contact Lubbock crisis line at 1-800-SUICIDE.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

University officials have their eyes on recent trends that show deteriorating student mental health.

More than half of American college students considered suicide at some point in their lives, according to a 2006 survey conducted by David Drum, a professor of educational psychology at the University of Texas.

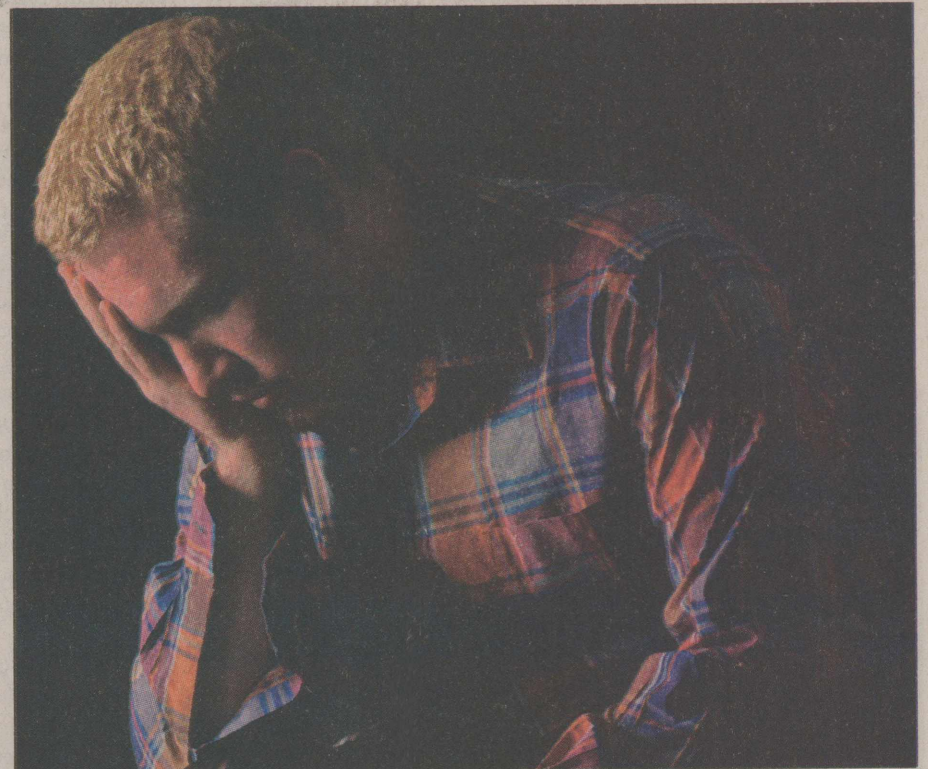
"This is a voice-of-the-students study," Drum said. "We were trying to find out what students say is going on."

Researchers questioned 26,000 students at 70 different institutions and found that more than 5 percent of respondents reported attempting suicide at least once.

When the American College Health Association conducted a similar survey in 2000 that included 16,000 college students from 28 college campuses, it found more than 9 percent of students seriously considered suicide and more than 1 percent attempted to kill themselves.

A comparison of the 2000 and 2006 surveys shows an increase in the contemplation and attempted suicide rates of more than five times.

"The severity of mental health problems among students has gotten worse," said David Rudd, chairman of the Texas Tech Department of Psychology, "Most likely it's a result of an increasing number of high-school



A RECENT UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS study revealed more than half of college students have considered suicide at some point in their lives.

students attending college."

Rudd, an expert in suicidology, said advances in psychiatric medications and treatments also increase the statistic, because more-effective mental health care means a larger percentage of people with mental health problems are able to attend college.

Drum said the survey results, which

were presented at the annual convention of the American Psychological Association in August, may help college counseling centers find ways to help students prevent suicidal thoughts.

"The current system helps people who already have a problem," he said. "That does address

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Meltdown in US finance system pummels market

By PATRICK RIZZO AND JOE BEL BRUNO ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK (AP) — The upheaval in the American financial system sent shock waves through the stock market Monday, producing the worst day on Wall Street in seven years as investors digested the failure of one of its most venerable banks and wondered which domino would be next to fall.

The Dow Jones Industrial average lost more than 500 points, more than 4 percent, its steepest point drop since the day the stock market reopened after the Sept. 11, attacks.

The carnage capped a tumultuous 24 hours that redrew U.S. finance. Lehman Brothers, an investment bank that predates the Civil War and weathered the Great Depression, filed the largest bankruptcy in American history. A second storied bank, Merrill Lynch, fled into the arms of Bank of America.

It was by far the most stomach-churning single day since a financial crisis began to bubble up from billions of dollars in rotten mortgage loans that have crippled the balance sheets of one bank after another and landed mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac under the control of the federal government.

"We are in the middle of a deep, dark recession, and it won't end soon. Here it is, and it is pretty nasty," said Barry Ritholtz, who writes the popular financial blog The Big Picture and is CEO of research firm FusionIQ.

And the fallout was far from over. American Insurance Group, the world's largest insurer, was fighting for its very survival: New York Gov. David Paterson moved to allow the company to tap one of its subsidiaries for an emergency loan to stay above water.

"AIG still remains financially sound," Paterson said, even as the company's stock tumbled almost 60 percent. Almost \$20 billion was wiped off AIG's balance sheet on Monday.

Gas prices rise as Ike hits, oil prices drop

By JON VANDERLAAN STAFF WRITER

Although oil prices dropped below \$100 for the first time since early March, the price people pay at the pump continues to rise after Hurricane Ike.

Crude oil closed at \$95.71 per barrel Monday on the New York Mercantile Exchange after reaching a record high of \$147.27 per barrel July 11, according to Associated Press reports.

Jim Ervin, AAA area district manager for the Fort Worth Area, said rising gas prices do not always directly relate to falling oil prices.

He said the supply and demand of gasoline has more of an effect on the price of gas, and due to Hurricane Ike, there is a shortage of supply.

"The supply, while it is not out, it is going to be somewhat limited for a while," Ervin said.

Because several refineries were hit by the hurricane in the Gulf of Mexico, Ervin said, many of them were without power and unable to produce and distribute oil.

Ervin said gasoline supplies are the lowest they have been since 2000, but when the refineries are back online, prices should fall further. He said he had no estimate when the refineries would be back online.

Charles Bolton, co-owner of Lubbock-based Bolton Oil Company, said while the prices of oil and gasoline have been closely related in recent years, they do not always



PHOTOS BY KEN MUIR/The Daily Toreador DESPITE OIL PRICES under \$100 a barrel, Hurricane Ike has put a dent in consumers' wallets by increasing gasoline costs.

have a direct correlation.

"Just because oil goes up sometimes, doesn't mean gasoline goes up," Bolton said.

Bolton said his company only changes its gas prices if costs or the market require it to do so. The company monitors prices of competing stations and the prices set by its suppliers throughout the day, adjusting prices accordingly.

"If it's something we can absorb, we will do that," he said, "and if it's something we can't, then we'll just have to make a move and go up (in price)."

Though speculation about the price of oil is well-covered in the media, Bolton said, speculation does not dictate the price of gasoline at the

pump, which is subject to change hourly. On an average day, he said, they change the price of gas at the stations at 6 p.m., but have changed it as many as five times per day.

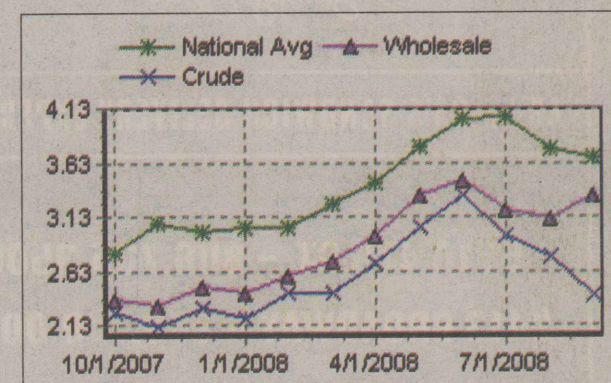
As Hurricane Gustav neared the refineries in the Gulf of Mexico early this month, Bolton said, his gas stations raised prices 12 cents in one day, only to drop the prices 10 cents the next day after the hurricane caused no significant damage to refineries.

There most likely will be no direct relief from rising prices resulting from Hurricane Ike because it hit refineries in the gulf, Bolton said, and the hurricane has caused a possible gasoline shortage.

He said the price of gasoline at his stations was \$3.43 per gallon two weeks ago but increased to \$3.68 per gallon by late Monday as a result of the storm.

AAA does not predict future gas prices, Ervin said, because the practice is unhealthy and could

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Weather forecast for TODAY (Sunny, High 80, Low 53), Wednesday (Sunny, High 81, Low 53), Thursday (Sunny, High 78, Low 51), Friday (Sunny, High 79, Low 53), Saturday (Sunny, High 79, Low 56)

Canceled classes allows for testing of emergency system

By **MATT COBB**
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech has the ability to notify its students, faculty and staff of an emergency situation even if it is just after midnight.

Tech utilized its emergency communication system for the first time last week to notify students that Friday classes were canceled because of inclement weather and flooding.

The new emergency communication system Tech purchased in August 2007 can notify the entire Tech community of an emergency situation in up to six different ways, said Margaret Lutherer, executive director of the Office of Communications and Marketing. The mediums through which students can be notified include phone calls, text messages and e-mails.

"We put everybody's eRaidr e-mail address in the system, but it is up to the individual student to go into the system and put in (their) cell phone, home phone or if they want a text message or not," she said.

The system also can be versatile, Lutherer said. It can be used to contact students in only one residence hall or faculty members in only one building.

The emergency communication system is called Connect-Ed and it is operated through a company called Blackboard Connect Inc., she said. The company is a fully-hosted off-campus provider that keeps a database of contact information of the university's students, faculty and staff.

"We pay (Blackboard Connect Inc.) per year for the number of names we have signed up in the

databank and then we can access the databank and make an emergency call," Lutherer said. "We can call up some 32,000 names that we have in a matter of probably 8 to 10 minutes."

Currently, government agencies, hospitals, police departments and universities all over the country are using this system to contact a large number of people in emergency situations, she said. The University of Oklahoma and Baylor University are other schools in the Big 12 that have adopted the same system.

"We've got over 2.5 million students and staff using our services," said Natasha Rabe, the public affairs officer for Blackboard Connect Inc. "We are also nearing 500 university campuses."

After the Virginia Tech shootings, campuses across the nation are looking for more effective ways to notify their students of emergency situations, she said. That has caused an increase in the awareness and capabilities of Blackboard Connect Inc.'s services.

Friday was the first time Tech has used the system to notify the entire student body of an emergency type situation, Lutherer said. The campus has done two trial runs of the system — one during the fall 2007 semester and another during the spring 2008 semester — but both involved only a select group of students and faculty.

Nearly 18,000 students, faculty and staff members received notification that Friday classes were cancelled due to inclement weather and flooding via cell phone or text message, she said. More than 10,000 students have registered their phone numbers in the system

since Friday.

This program will only be used in emergency type situations, Lutherer said. Students who register to the emergency response system should not be worried about receiving any type of spam messages.

"It's an all purpose emergency system, but we will not use it for anything else that's not considered an emergency that will affect the entire student body," she said. "You will never get a call saying that we have a new way for you to pay your tuition, or there's a new program in the Student Union Building."

The only time the system will be used is if an emergency situation that could cause disruption to the normal flow of campus life takes place, Lutherer said. This could include an on-campus fire, an active shooter or an extreme weather situation.

The president and the chancellor of the university make the final decision on whether or not to use the system to notify students about an emergency, she said, but the police department can also use the system to send out a notification if there is an immediate threat to the Tech community.

"We have the capability of issuing those announcements in the case of an emergency situation," said Col. Gordon Hoffman, deputy chief of the Tech Police Department. "We would only do it if it was an emergency, and we didn't have time to contact the president's office."

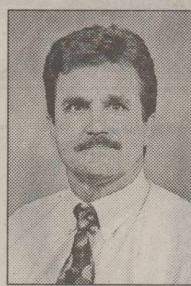
Any student can register to the emergency notification system by going to the university's Web site, www.ttu.edu/emergency.

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Tech names interim dean of College of Arts and Sciences

By **JON VANDERLAAN**
STAFF WRITER

About two weeks after she was named interim provost of Texas Tech, Jane Winer named Lawrence Schovanec as interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Friday.



SCHOVANEC

Schovanec said he thinks "great things are going on" at Tech, and he is happy to work with Winer and Tech President Guy Bailey.

He said the interim job will be different than the department chair position he has served in for nearly 10 years, but he said he was focused

completely on the dean position.

"I serve a much broader constituency, and I will advocate for every department in the college," said Schovanec, who has been a member of the Tech faculty since 1982 and was the chair of the department of Mathematics and Statistics since 1999.

Jane Winer, who was the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences before being named as the interim provost Sept. 1, said her decision was influenced by Schovanec's qualifications and his work in the college.

"I knew that he had done an excellent job in his nine years as department chair," Winer said, "and that his department was a really big and complex department, just as the college is a complex college."

She also said naming Schovanec as the interim dean allowed her to be sure there would be support across

the college for Schovanec.

Although she made the final decision, Winer said Schovanec received more nominations to be the interim dean than any other candidate and also received the most diverse nominations from several departments.

As the interim dean, Winer said, Schovanec has the same responsibilities and powers as the permanent dean would have. Because of those responsibilities that come with the job, she said it is important for the person filling the position to be experienced.

When a permanent provost is named, Winer said she has the option of moving back to her position as the dean of the college, and Schovanec would go back to the department chair of the mathematics and statistics department.

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Defense Secretary Gates foresees narrower US combat role in Iraq

BAGHDAD (AP) — Defense Secretary Robert Gates said Monday he foresees a shrinking U.S. combat role in Iraq in coming months, while the No. 2 U.S. commander in the region cautioned that it would be a mistake to push the U.S.-trained Iraqi army and police into a leading security role too soon.

"I'm not sure that pushing them forward is the right thing that we want to do. We tried that once before and found that that didn't work," Lt. Gen. Lloyd Austin told reporters, referring to the pre-2007 U.S. strategy, which focused on handing off security responsibility to the Iraqis fast while reducing the U.S. presence. That approach faltered, leaving Iraq on the brink of all-out civil war before President Bush switched strategies and put Gen. David Petraeus in charge in Baghdad.

Austin said key measures of insurgent violence today are about 80 percent lower than one year ago.

Petraeus is scheduled to hand off on Tuesday to his successor, Lt. Gen.

Ray Odierno. Odierno, who served for 15 months as the No. 2 U.S. commander here before leaving last February, will be promoted to four-star rank at a separate ceremony prior to the formal change-of-command ceremony.

Gates, who planned to preside at the change-of-command ceremony, told reporters traveling with him on an overnight flight from Washington that conditions have improved enough to permit a continuation of the process of handing off responsibility to the Iraqi security forces. Last week he told Congress that the war was now in the "endgame," with U.S. forces drawing back to a secondary role.

A suicide bomber blew herself up Monday among police officers who were celebrating the release of a comrade from U.S. custody, killing at least 22 people, Iraqi officials said. The attack took place in Diyala, a province northeast of Baghdad. Separate bombings in Iraq killed 13 other people.

Although no additional U.S. combat brigades are to withdraw

from Iraq this year, under a plan announced by Bush last week, Gates told reporters that he expects the U.S. combat role to keep shrinking. Pentagon commanders say they need more forces in Afghanistan, where fighting has worsened.

"We are clearly in a mission transition," he said.

On Monday, the Pentagon formally announced that a Marine Air-Ground task force, including the 3rd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, will go to Afghanistan in November to replace the two Marine units there now. The battalion is based at Camp Lejeune, N.C., and will be supplemented with aviation, headquarters and logistics units from across the Marine Corps.

The two Marine units now in Afghanistan total nearly 3,900 Marines.

The Army's 3rd Brigade, 10th Mountain Division — based at Fort Drum, N.Y., and numbering up to 3,700 soldiers — will head to Afghanistan in January, rather than to Iraq as initially planned.

NATO envoys: Russia must leave Georgia

TBILISI, Georgia (AP) — Diplomats from every NATO nation demanded immediate Russian withdrawal from Georgia in a show of support from the U.S. ally's capital

on Monday that made no promise of faster membership in the alliance.

NATO Secretary-General Jaap de Hoop Scheffer led 26 envoys in calling on Moscow to comply with

a cease-fire deal and withdraw to positions its forces held before fighting with Georgia erupted Aug. 7.

But the diplomats offered no positive response to Georgian President Mikhail Saakashvili's call to "accelerate" Georgia's integration into NATO. Saakashvili said Russia's invasion should not keep his country out of its "proper and rightful home" in the alliance.

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contribute to an "unnecessary

situation."
Lauri Saathoff, a spokeswoman for the Texas Attorney General's office, said there were hundreds of complaints last weekend claiming stations gouged the price of gas in the wake of Hurricane Ike.
Under the Deceptive Trade and Practices Act, Saathoff said businesses are not legally able to hike rates of necessities in disaster areas, and people who believe they have been

victims of rate hikes must contact the Attorney General's office.

While residents of counties not in disaster areas also may complain, she said the focus of the office is currently counties in disaster areas.

Prices in Knoxville, Tenn., were reported as high as \$4.99 and as high as \$5.50 in Tallahassee, Fla., Saturday, according to the AP.

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Puzzles by PageFiller

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Solution to yesterday's puzzle

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Some colleges distribute iPhones to students

By MEGHAN PESCH
TUFTS DAILY (TUFTS U.)

As brand new college freshmen flooded university campuses earlier this month, some were greeted with more than just a Nalgene bottle and a class of 2012 shirt. In an effort to bring the latest technology into the classroom, several universities decided to give every student a new iPhone or iPod touch.

The University of Maryland, Abilene Christian University, Oklahoma Christian University and Freed-Hardeman University are among the schools that gave out the devices to some or all of their students this year. By doing so, the schools hope that students will

take advantage of the technology to connect to academia in the same way that they would connect with friends.

George Saltsman, director of educational technology at Abilene Christian, hopes that now students will be able to more easily immerse themselves in their academics.

"Students take their cell phones everywhere; it's the way they interact with the world," Saltsman said. "We want them to be that way in their academics. We want students to have the same opportunity to engage in academics as they do socially."

The iPhones and iPods the students receive from their schools are the same as those available to the

public, but include special applications that are specific to the students' schools. The Abilene Christian University iPhones have an interactive map feature that can track the phone and give directions to the student's next class. The phones can also be used to poll the class, giving the professor instant feedback from the students.

"They are a way to interact with students," Saltsman said. "Instead of everyone having a clicker, [the] phone is the clicker. It becomes a way to have a response system. It gives the professor a formative way of taking the pulse of the class."

The phones also have a mobile form of a program similar to Blackboard, where professors can share

documents with students.

"Teachers can also put documents and pretty much all other forms of media up on the server for students to access from their iPhones," Saltsman said, "so the system is paperless and, for the most part, green."

Although advanced technology in the classroom is by no means a new phenomenon, the introduction of the iPhone to the classroom meant that many teachers were forced into new ways of teaching. The faculty at Abilene Christian was required to attend several training sessions to familiarize themselves with the technologies. The school has introduced the program slowly, so teachers can adjust their syllabi and teaching style.

"We started with just the incoming freshmen this year, and since not all of our classes are ubiquitous — we don't have any all-freshman classes — it gives the faculty time to get used to the technology," Saltsman said. "The inaugural faculty agreed to two training courses, the first of which was basic iPhone use, like syncing it with your computer, and the second session was more about how to use it in a classroom setting."

While Abilene Christian has decided to integrate the technology slowly, starting with only the incoming freshmen and roughly half the faculty, other schools have offered the phone to the entire student body. At the University of Maryland, any student can receive

the phone on the condition that they participate in a feedback seminar. Stanford University also offers the iPhone to all students, but they must be willing to pay the costs of the phone.

In the past, schools like Duke University have given out phones to students who don't already own them as a tool to use in case of campus emergencies. While Tufts has not given out phones, the university has taken action against emergency events.

"We chose to do that using 'Send Word Now,' which reaches out to students automatically in case of an emergency via text message, e-mail or a phone call," Dean of Student Affairs Bruce Reitman said.

Suicide

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part of the problem, but then there are all these students who never come into the system."

About half of students who reported having suicidal thoughts chose to tell someone about it, Drum said.

Of those, the majority said they talked to a peer.

They seldom chose to confide in a community advisor or faculty member, Drum said.

Rudd said people often become aware of the problem, but don't want to get help.

"They're hesitant to get help because of a stigma or other kinds of issues and they end up waiting," he said. "And often times, when students wait, they develop other problems like substance abuse, because they're trying to cope with the symptoms."

Drum said one way to prevent suicidal thoughts and other related issues would be to address some of the sources of emotional and physical pain, such as depression or anxiety that lead students to thoughts of harming themselves.

Eileen Nathan, director of Tech's Student Counseling Center, said the center has taken many steps to promote mental health awareness on campus.

"We're trying to create a community of caring," Nathan said.

She said one resource faculty and staff have is MentalHealthEdu, an online program geared toward learning to identify student mental

DEPRESSION WEEK

Who: Texas Tech Student Counseling Center

What: Will offer depression screenings and chair massages at no charge along with giveaways and prizes.

When/Where: 2 to 4 p.m. Oct. 5 at Chitwood and Weymouth Residence Halls

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 6 at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center

4 to 6 p.m. Oct 8 at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center

Other activities: A video of mental health in the media and mental health culture panel discussion will be held from 7 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. Oct. 8 at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center

health issues.

The program is offered by the same company that provides AlcoholEdu, which first-year freshman are required to take.

Klint Hobbs, a psychologist and outreach coordinator for the counseling center, said it is important for first-year students to be aware of their mental health as well as alcohol safety, because first-year students often face transitional issues while they are away from their previous support systems.

Hobbs said the center offers several options for students to educate themselves about mental health issues.

For the past seven years, Tech's Student Counseling Center has sponsored a Depression Awareness Week.

Hobbs said the week-long series of events, which includes free depression screenings, is a way to reach out to any student who may be — or may know someone who is — struggling with depression.

The depression screening includes a five-minute survey and a brief discussion with a counselor.

If the student needs further assistance, the counselor will refer them to a place he or she can receive professional help, such as the Student Counseling Center.

"Depression is something everyone experiences," Hobbs said. "The idea that people will be depression-free for their entire lives — I don't think that's accurate."

Thus, Hobbs said, it is important for students to learn to manage the depression and anxiety they may feel before it turns to thoughts of suicide or other harmful behavior.

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Eighth Great Underwear Dash draws hundreds at U. Florida

By FAITH REAVES
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As midnight approached on Friday, hundreds of University of Florida students on Turlington Plaza stripped down to their skivvies, dancing and chanting Gator cheers in the process.

Participants in the eighth Great Underwear Dash took off in droves after a countdown to midnight.

All of the clothes left on Turlington were donated to The Salvation Army.

Lauren Pyne, a UF biological engineering junior, went to the event for the first time on Friday. Pyne said she had more trouble choosing her underwear than her actual outfit.

Clad in a sports bra and matching underwear, Pyne proudly displayed the whales on the front of her panties.

"I'm excited," she said. "I'm ready to run. I'm ready to go."

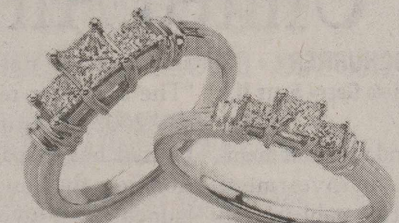
Chris Nelson, a psychology and sociology senior, donned a blond wig and a friend's tie-dye underwear for the event.

Nelson had never attended the event before, but he said with the right underwear, he couldn't miss his last chance to participate.

"You gotta rep it," he said.

Jorge Gómez, a UF electrical engineering and business administration senior who organized the event, said he's participated in every dash except the first one.

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Who would Jesus judge?

Bumper stickers have always been entertaining, but never have they really inspired me to rant and rave about much. That is, until I recently saw the sticker that inspired the title of this column. When a stranger's bumper posed the question, "Who would Jesus judge?" I automatically thought to myself, "Nobody." This response seemed so obvious to me, until I realized how many other responses the question might receive. Who would Jesus judge? Some would say, "Gays, of course." Others would quickly answer, "Muslims," or "Atheists." Not me. From what I understand of Jesus, He would judge no person.

Let me be clear, what I have to say in this column is not meant to offend anyone. I also do not mean to prove or disprove any certain religion. What I intend to say is what Gandhi declared many years ago, "I like your Christ, I do not like your Christians. Your Christians are so unlike your Christ."



Mackenzie Maxwell

At first, it may seem crazy to say that Christians are not like Christ. However, if you look a little deeper, what Gandhi said makes more sense.

In any branch of Christianity, the Church teaches that Jesus Christ was perfect and, therefore, he loved all people — no exceptions. Christians also teach that humans should try to be like Christ. Call me crazy, but that means that we should all try to love all people — no exceptions.

In the Bible, there is a story of an adulteress who has been taken to the streets to be stoned. According to the story, when Christ sees this, he says that he who is without sin may cast the first stone. Seeing nobody is without

sin, no stone is thrown. The message of the story is we should not pass judgment on others because we are all sinners. Whether you believe the story or not, the point is that it is in the book Christians follow.

When you look at the story of the adulteress combined with the fact that Christians believe we should all strive to be like Christ, it only makes sense that no Christian would judge another person. Sadly, this is not always the case.

Now, before anybody jumps on the computer to send hate e-mail, let me be clear. I do not think every single Christian passes judgment or is not like Christ. If I believed that, I would be a hypocrite. I do believe there are many Christians out there soiling their religion's name.

When I see a Christian organization protesting at a gay soldier's funeral, I think to myself, "Is that really what Jesus would do?" Would the Jesus Christ they teach people to believe in really

ruin such a sacred event? I do not think so. So, are they really being Christians by committing such an act of hate? I am certain the answer is no.

What about when a group of Christians yell to someone of a different belief that they will go to Hell if they do not join a Christian church? Is the group doing what Christ would do? No. Then how can they really claim to be Christian?

The point I am trying to make here is this: Maybe some people should stop trying to convert others and instead worry about following their own beliefs.

Who would Jesus judge? Nobody. The Jesus that the Christian faith teaches about would not judge. He would not turn to violence. He would not hate. So why would His followers?

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The Jetsons finally realized that Elroy needed to be raised by his parents, not just a housekeeping robot.

Fact-checking failure ruins United Airlines

By PHIL SCHURRER
THE BG NEWS (BOWLING GREEN STATE U.)

Last Monday, a staff member at an investment newsletter publisher in Florida entered the words "bankruptcy" and "2008" in a Google search. The objective was to search for overlooked information about companies in trouble. But what followed was the "perfect storm" in terms of what happens when everything goes wrong.

My understanding is that Google assigns the current date to any item that is not date-stamped. The first item returned from this particular Google search was a story about the United Airlines bankruptcy filing that appeared on the South Florida Sun Sentinel Web site. For whatever reason, this item had no date on it. The story mentioned United's filing on Monday morning. Wrong Monday. United had filed for Chapter 11 protection on Monday, Dec. 9, 2002. No one checked the story.

At 10:43 a.m., a summary of the story from the Sun Sentinel site was posted on Bloomberg, which is a major source of financial information. Again, no one checked the story. The story subsequently hit Wall Street.

At the opening bell on the stock exchange this past Monday morning, the stock opened a price of around \$12 a share. After the article was posted on Bloomberg, the stock dropped to below \$5 in about five minutes, and shares fell as low as \$3 before trading in the stock was halted just after 11 a.m.

Now the back-filling and "it's not my fault" chants began. Bloomberg announced that they don't edit third-party Web sites or other news organizations' content. A statement from the Tribune Co., which owns the Sun Sentinel and the Chicago Tribune, stated that the story from 2002 was located in the archive section of the Web site of the Sun Sentinel in South Florida. They concluded that the story contains information that would clearly lead a reader to the conclusion that it was related to events in 2002. They assumed that the reader would know about the bankruptcy occurring in 2002. But we all know what can happen when we assume.

United quickly denied the bankruptcy rumor categorically

and issued a statement saying, "The story was related to United's 2002 bankruptcy filing, and United has demanded a retraction from the Sun Sentinel and is launching an investigation."

After the error was discovered, trading in shares of United resumed at 12:30 p.m.

Lack of checking, a search engine's anomaly and assumptions made this perfect storm. So, what can we learn?

First, information travels much faster than it used to. The Battle of New Orleans was fought several weeks after the War of 1812 formally ended. It took that long for the news to reach Andrew Jackson, and the battle was needlessly fought. Things are — or should be — much different now. But it's important not to be overawed by the power and speed of information flows or the technology that enables it to move as fast as it does. More important is the quality of the information. In short, does it pass the "smell test"?

Second, no one stopped to check if the story that appeared on the Google search made sense in terms of time. If that had happened, someone would/should have remembered that United declared bankruptcy in 2002 and would have wondered about the probability of a company journeying down the bankruptcy trail twice in six years.

Lastly, we need to avoid the tendency to immediately act on information that hasn't been checked, vetted and evaluated. It's become much easier to instantly react to news and unconsciously make a decision in response to it in the same amount of time as it took the information to reach us. A knee-jerk reaction is neither appropriate nor effective.

Information is a product of human beings and, as such, has all of the faults, foibles and strengths that humans possess. With instant information, we can delude ourselves into thinking we have instant knowledge. And, since knowledge is power, the next conclusion can be inescapable. But, as Jacob Bronowski in his book "The Ascent of Man" stated: "We have to cure ourselves of the itch for absolute knowledge and power. We have to close the distance between the push-button order and the human act."

Or, as "Dirty Harry" would say: "We've just got to know our limitations."

American flag a sacred symbol, regardless of party

By JIMMY PAUL
DAILY ORANGE (SYRACUSE)

Twelve thousand American flags stuffed into garbage bags is an alarming, disturbing sight. This was the alleged scene outside of Invesco Field in Colorado after the Democratic National Convention. The Denver Post reported a vendor who worked the event discovered these miniature flags and turned the flags over to Sen. John McCain's campaign. Having rescued the 12,000 mini flags from the trash, the campaign redistributed them to audience members at a McCain rally later in the day.

Officials from the DNC called the story false, saying that the plan all along was to reuse or donate the flags. However, packing up the flags in garbage bags and placing them next to trash cans seems rather suspicious. It

is important to note that even if the DNC did plan to throw out the flags — which has been debated — this was most likely not an executive decision by the Democratic Party.

But the issue at hand is not a fight between political parties. The true issue concerns the symbolism of the flag and the important meaning behind its stars and stripes.

Considering America is currently engaged in a war and a mere seven years have passed since the World Trade Centers towers fell, perhaps this is not the best time to be packing thousands of flags into garbage bags and placing them anywhere near things Americans consider waste.

"We aren't perfect, but we are the greatest country in the world in terms of freedom and living your life the way you want to live it," said Republican congressional seat candidate Dale Sweetland on Wednesday at a speech with Syracuse University College Republicans. "Sept. 11 was

the first time Americans felt the devastation of what it was like to be struck at home."

The flag is, yes, an inanimate object without feelings. The "rescued flags" were almost certainly cheaply mass-produced in another country, but that does not lessen their symbolic value.

In an election season where voters are being bombarded with the theme of hope, it is important to remember that there is no greater symbol of hope than the red, white and blue proudly waving in the sky. The American flag stands for the incredible opportunities presented to all people within this country.

"I know people who have served in Iraq, and the flag now has a much more personal significance," said Alex Barham, a junior conservation biology major at the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry.

The flag honors those brave men and women who have devoted

their lives to serving in the military. These are the people who have made the ultimate sacrifice for their country, a sacrifice that most other Americans could not even begin to comprehend.

On campus, the flag does not always evoke the positive message of patriotic freedom and opportunity that this country is supposed to stand for.

"Unfortunately, the flag makes me think of the war in Iraq and how George Bush has divided this country," said Liz Weil, a junior industrial design major. It is disheartening that Weil and other students are reminded of the past eight years under President Bush instead of the proud history of the United States.

The heat of the 2008 election has caused Americans to polarize politically. The flag should be a unifying symbol that transcends politics and represents Americans' true love for their country.

Public education system failing low-income students

By CAROLYN PIPPEN
VANDERBILT HUSTLER (VANDERBILT)

In 2006, former Vice President Al Gore snagged himself a Nobel Peace Prize for calling to our attention what he called an "inconvenient truth." Another colossal threat, however, is developing as we speak — and not among the ice caps of Antarctica or in an elusive hole somewhere in our planet's atmosphere, but in cities across the United States — that is severely damaging our nation's most precious resource: our children.

You have heard the stats before: Fourth graders in low-income schools are on average three grade levels behind their higher income peers, and only 50 percent of them will graduate high school by the age of 18. But I think it's rare for students

to truly grasp what these numbers mean. Imagine if in your preppy suburban elementary school, old Mrs. Humperdink had taken four full years to teach you what all the other kids learned in the first grade. Or, in your high school class, only the half with the highest annual income had been allowed to graduate. I bet you would have felt significantly cheated, and I guarantee your mother would have raised some serious hell at the PTA meetings that year.

The bottom line is that public education in our country is failing miserably, and this should come as no surprise to anyone. Education reform, however, is by no means the sexiest of headlines, and politicians continue to discuss it in an obligatory manner, as a placeholder to appease American mothers before moving on to the more pressing issues of congressional sex scandals and the color of lipstick

worn by Sarah Palin's pet pig.

Well-intentioned but insufficient legislative actions such as No Child Left Behind have made steps towards raising national awareness, but it is obvious the impetus to reverse this horrifying trend must come from within the system. An excellent example of the measures needed has emerged through the work of Michelle Rhee, the newly appointed chancellor of D.C. public schools. In her first year, she managed to close 23 of the district's schools, firing 36 principals and over 100 from her central office staff. This radical overturning of the system has brought chaos and controversy in her jurisdiction, but it has also brought an urgency and accountability to those floating along next to the sinking boat of D.C. public education.

These problems do not merely exist in far off Washington or at the bottom of the CNN ticker,

however. The public schools of metro Nashville are currently under corrective action after failing to meet the standards set by NCLB, and the Tennessee Department of Education has set into motion a series of hirings, firings and innovative restructuring of the system in its attempt to bring our city's children up to par with the rest of the nation.

"Well, what the hell do you expect me to do about it?" you may be wondering. I am not asking every student to run out and transfer to Peabody or drive down to Maplewood High School and adopt the first struggling kid you see. The most anyone can ask at this point is awareness, and in five or 10 or 50 years when you find yourself, as you will, in a position of influence in the world, then you can do something about it. And we must do something about it.

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PATRICK OSWALT, A junior multidisciplinary sciences major from Eastland, walks across a slackline at the climbing center in the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center Monday. The Climbing Center has over 4,000 sq. feet of climbing on the 53-foot tall climbing wall, a free standing boulder, a full length crack, 10-foot roof section, 13 top-rope stations, 7 lead lines and climbing routes for the beginner to the advanced climber. The Climbing Center offers fundamentals classes for beginners to earn their skills verification for \$5 at 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. All equipment needed to use the climbing center is available to anyone who wishes to learn how to climb.

BIZ WEEKLY

Pink Floyd member Richard Wright dies age 65

LONDON (AP) — Richard Wright, a founding member of the rock group Pink Floyd, died Monday. He was 65.

Pink Floyd's spokesman Doug Wright, who is not related to the artist, said Wright died after a battle with cancer at his

home in Britain. He said the band member's family did not want to give more details about his death.

MTV's 'Total Request Live' to conclude in November

NEW YORK (AP) — Time to start the countdown clock on MTV's countdown era: "Total Request Live" will soon leave the air after 10 years.

Dave Sirulnick, executive producer of "TRL," said Monday that the music video countdown show

will conclude in a two-hour special on a Saturday afternoon in November. He stressed that the show wasn't ending for good, but felt now was the right time to give it a break after an unprecedented run on the cable music channel.

"TRL" debuted in September

1998 and became the splashy center of the teen pop music scene with Britney Spears, the Backstreet Boys, N'Sync and other acts. From its heyday until 2008, it's been a destination for musicians, movie stars and celebrities promoting their new music, movies and other projects.

Britney Spears due to release album in December

NEW YORK (AP) — Britney Spears' second comeback is in full swing: She's due to release a new album in December, on her 27th birthday.

"Circus" is set for release Dec. 2, a little over a year after she released last November's "Blackout," which was perhaps her most critically acclaimed

CD, but came during her infamous year of erratic behavior, rehab, custody battles and at least one hospitalization. She barely promoted it, and the album — though it was certified platinum — was one of her least successful.

But these days, Spears has been in the spotlight for all the right reasons.

She won three MTV Video Music Awards for her clip "Piece of Me" and appeared on the Sept. 7 awards show looking fit and stunning, a reversal of her disheveled, widely panned appearance in 2007. She also drew praise for her guest appearances on CBS' "How I Met Your Mother."

George Takei marries longtime partner Brad Altman

LOS ANGELES (AP) — George Takei and his longtime partner, Brad Altman, have agreed to live long and prosper together.

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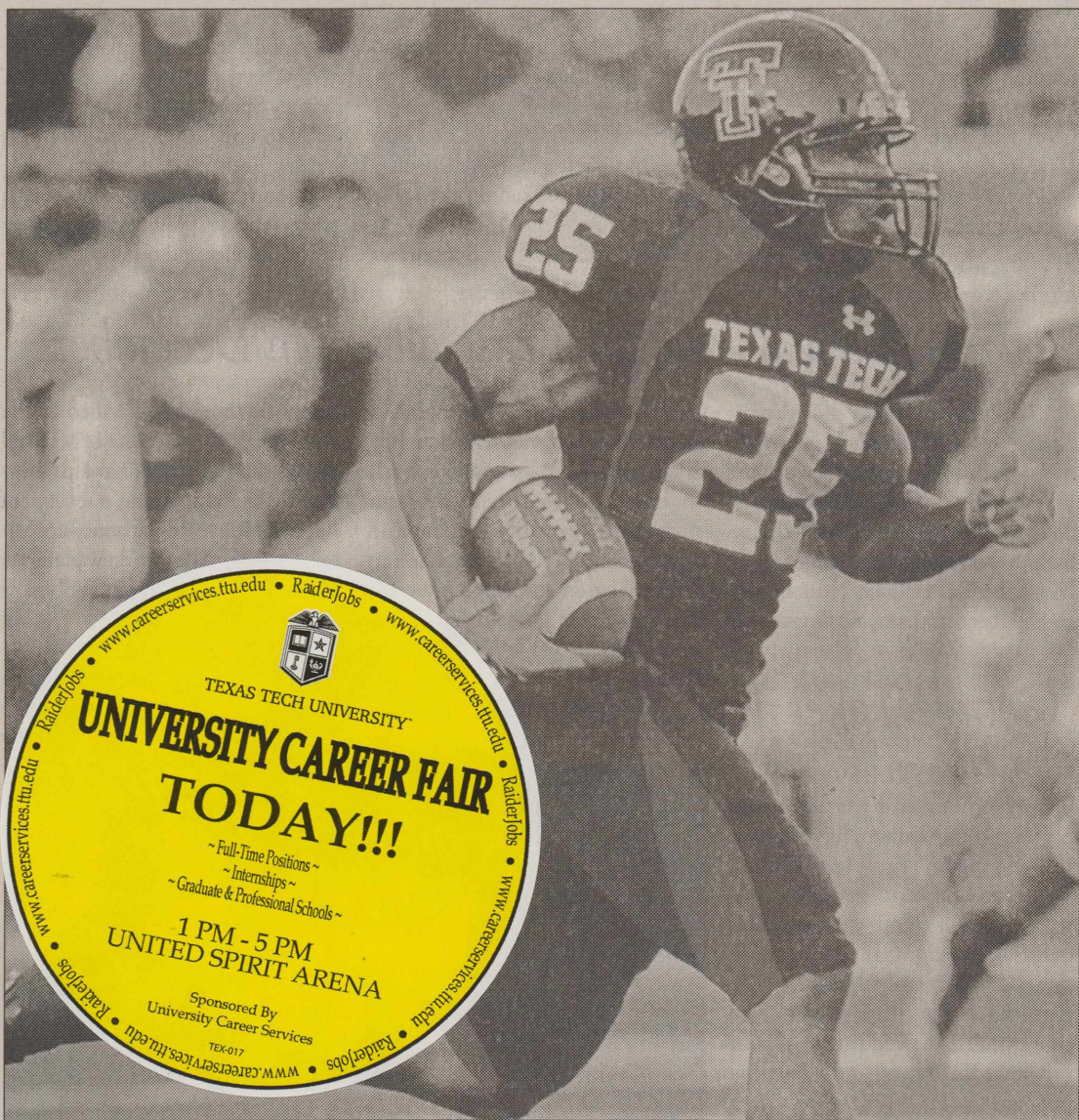


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Production from backfield making difference



By ALEX YBARRA
STAFF WRITER

Call it crazy, but don't be surprised if defenses start loading the box and playing the run against Texas Tech's offense.

Maybe that won't actually happen, but coach Mike Leach's set of ground troops complement his vaunted Air Raid offense much better than in season's past.

Against SMU on Saturday, Baron Batch ran for 98 yards and a touchdown on 10 carries, while Shannon Woods managed 86 yards on 13 carries — combining for the most rushing yards since Tech ran for 175 against Baylor in 2006.

Junior guard Brandon Carter said just when he was getting used to Tech running the ball only under desperate measures, this powerful and quick backfield burst onto the scene.

"Since I've been here, really my freshman, sophomore year, run blocking really wasn't a thing for us," he said. "It was just kind of a third and short, second and short kind of deal that if we needed it we would do it. It was never really a first down and 10 decision to make. Now the fact that we can do that is a huge credit to everybody."

Under Leach, who is known for his potent passing attack, Tech has averaged more than 100 yards rushing only twice, in 2003 and 2005.

In three games this season, the Red Raiders have averaged 135.7

yards on the ground and already have a surprising nine rushing touchdowns — five of those came against Eastern Washington on Aug. 30.

At this rate, Tech could have more than 36 rushing touchdowns by season's end — Leach's offense has never eclipsed more than 25 touchdowns in a season and has reached 20 only twice.

All of this comes after Tech averaged a school-record low 59.3 rushing yards per game in 2007.

Carter said the determination to shed tackle after tackle shown by Batch and Woods is something he is not used to seeing. Specifically, Carter cited a moment toward the end of the game against SMU when Woods was carrying the ball inside the Mustangs' 10-yard line. Woods was hit three yards deep in the backfield, but he side-stepped several tacklers before being brought down a 1-yard line.

"There was a couple times where I'd make my block, and I'd look up and our running back would get hit by two people, and he'd just keep moving to get five, 10 yards extra," Carter said. "I think they have a different mentality this year. In the past, I could see them get hit and go down to the ground, but I never saw them do that this week. I never saw them stop their feet."

Batch said at one point during Saturday's 43-7 blowout of SMU, he and Woods seemed to feed off each other's big plays that came one after

another on the ground and in the air, combining for 301 of the team's total 693 yards.

Leach said none of this surprises him, mostly because of the tight competition that has continued to sharpen his running backs' skills since spring practices.

"You almost see them imitating each other's strong qualities," Leach said. "I mean, Baron is looking more and more like Shannon blocking. Shannon is looking more and more like Baron carrying the ball, so I think it really has brought out their best qualities and features."

Batch polishes his blocking every week, Leach said, adding that Batch's struggles stem from too much intensity.

"Baron's intensity is not his problem, but over (intensity is)," Leach said. "He might overshoot a guy or hit the wrong guy really, really hard type of deal."

However, there is no running game without the offensive line, which repeatedly opened up gaping holes Woods and Batch busted through for huge gains on Saturday.

"They've gotten to where they play together real well," Leach said of a massive offensive line that weighs a combined 1,900 pounds. "They've gotten to be a group that plays decisively with one another. Offensive line is the ultimate group where you need five guys being on the same page with one another."

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TEXAS TECH RUNNING back Baron Batch runs in a 43-yard touchdown in the Red Raiders' 43-7 win over SMU Saturday.

Harrison's move to forward brings hat trick for Tech

By STEVEN RYAN
STAFF WRITER

Scoring a hat trick is one thing. Doing it in less time than it takes the average person to shower is another.

Forward Brittney Harrison scored three goals in less than 10 minutes in the Red Raiders' 5-1 win over Northwestern State Sunday.

Harrison's hat trick was just the sixth in school history and the most recent one since Chessa Pursler scored five goals in a 2006 match against Prairie View A&M.

"I think her speed was overwhelming to start the game," Tech coach Tom Stone said. "She was just lethal. When she gets going she can really hurt you."

The feat also was the fastest hat trick in school history. Her first goal happened just five minutes into the game when she beat the defender on an open break and scored one-on-one against the goalie. Five minutes later, Harrison scored again off a cross from Katie Hinds. Not another five minutes passed when she rebounded her own shot and kicked it into the net while the goalie was still on the ground.

The three first-half goals also tied a school record for most goals scored in a half.

"Three goals in about 10 minutes," Stone said. "It's just a testament to how lethal she can be."

Harrison normally plays defense, but with junior forward Zhaleh Rezaie

out with a foot injury, Stone felt the need to give his all-conference stand-out a chance to show her offensive skills.

The three goals she scored in 10 minutes matched her season total from last year when she played mostly defense. Harrison now has six goals on the season, good for the team lead.

Originally, Harrison was recruited to Tech as a forward and played the position her freshman year. She scored nine goals and had three assists during her initial season.

With all the goals she has scored this year, some might wonder if she could permanently stay at forward.

Stone said he is going to do whatever is best for the team in regards to his lineup.

"We are going to play her where we most need her," he said. "Right now, with Zhaleh out and other people out, we need her up front, but we wouldn't hesitate to move her back to the back if that's what we needed."

Even though Harrison had a hat trick in the first 15 minutes, she did not score the first goal. That was accomplished by attacking midfielder Maegan Wilber. About four minutes into the game, Lauren Yelinek's cross was tapped by forward Katie Hinds right to a wide-open Wilber in front of the goal for her first of the season.

After taking the 4-0 lead early on in the match, the Red Raiders began to relax and almost allow the Demons to get back into the game.

In the 43rd minute, Tech's defense let the ball get behind them, giving Maddy Hall a one-on-one against goalie Tina Rincon, which Hall converted for her first goal of the season.

"I think in the first half we went down a little bit after scoring a bunch of goals," Wilber said. "But in the second half we came out strong again."

With seven minutes left in the match, junior Sarabeth Clopton added one more for the Red Raiders when she headed in a corner kick by Megan

Hoffert. It was Clopton's third goal and Hoffert's second assist of the year.

Tech only allowed one shot by Northwestern State in the second half

while taking 12 of their own.

The Red Raiders moved to 4-2-1 on the season.

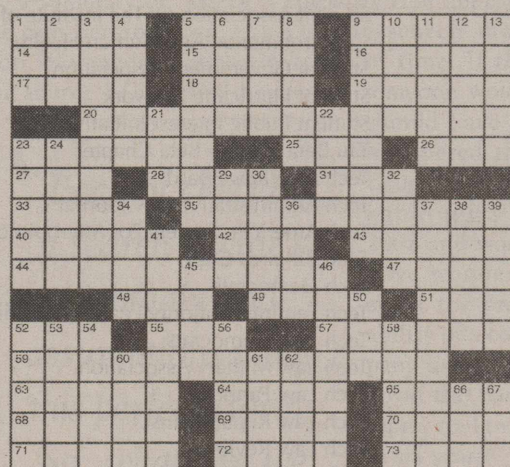
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TEXAS TECH'S BRITTNEY HARRISON had the sixth hat trick in program history against Northwestern State Sunday.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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By Barry Silk
McLean, VA

9/16/08

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O.J. Simpson prosecutor: evidence will show threats

LAS VEGAS (AP)—A prosecutor told jurors Monday they will learn “the true face” of O.J. Simpson during the former football star’s trial on charges of robbing sports memorabilia dealers in a Las Vegas hotel room.

Prosecutor Chris Owens began his opening statement by playing an audio recording of the confrontation and pointed out one voice barking commands: “Don’t let nobody outta here ... stand the (expletive) up before it gets ugly in here.”

Simpson, who flashed a thumbs-up sign when he arrived at court, sat impassively while Owens described the rest of the recording.

“The audio will show threats, it will show force, it will show demands and it will show the taking of property from the victims in this case,” Owens said.

“In our presentation of the evidence we are going to spend the next few days finding which may be the true face of ... Simpson, not necessarily the one he tries to put out to the world,” Owens said.

In his opening statement, defense attorney Yale Galanter asserted that the evidence will not show that Simpson intended to commit a crime, but rather that he simply wanted to recover stolen personal effects, including pictures of his deceased parents, and not sports memorabilia.

“You can think what you want about his past, and you all as jurors have agreed to ignore that ... what you’re going to hear in this courtroom is not a case about hiding anything from anybody. It’s a case about recovering personal items,” Galanter said.

Brewers fire manager Ned Yost in midst of playoff race

MILWAUKEE (AP)—The Milwaukee Brewers fired manager Ned Yost on Monday, hoping to pull out of another late-season slump that has jeopardized the team’s chance of making the playoffs for the first time since 1982.

Third-base coach Dale Sveum will take over as interim manager for the remainder of the season. The Brewers have lost seven of eight and fallen into a tie with Philadelphia for the NL wild-card lead.

At 83-67, the Brewers have just 12 games to rebound.

Milwaukee came into this month with a 5½-game lead in the wild card, but since has lost 11 of 14—including a four-game sweep completed by the Phillies over the weekend.

Milwaukee was idle Monday, and was scheduled to begin a three-game series with the Central-leading Chicago Cubs at Wrigley Field on

Tuesday.

“This was a very difficult move to make, and we appreciate all of the work that Ned has done to develop this team into a contender,” general manager Doug Melvin said in a statement. “In the end, this was a collaborative decision made to put our club in the best position for the final two weeks of the season.”

The team has scheduled a news conference Monday night in Chicago. Yost did not immediately return a message left on his cell phone by The Associated Press.

Bench coach Ted Simmons, once considered a potential successor should Yost be fired, has been reassigned to an “advisory role,” making his long-term status with the team unclear.

By shaking up its on-field leadership, Milwaukee is hoping to avoid a repeat of last year’s collapse.

GETTING TO KNOW

“Getting to know Texas Tech athletes” is a once-in-an-occasional series in which members of The DT staff interview Red Raiders about their lives outside of athletics. The first player profile is available online today at www.dailytoreador.com. Today’s featured athlete: Tech volleyball coach Nancy Todd.



TEXAS TECH ATHLETES

Women’s tennis has strong showing under Petty debut

By KEVIN CULLEN
STAFF WRITER

You never forget your first.

The Texas Tech women’s tennis team took the court this weekend for the first time under the tutelage of new coach Todd Petty at the North Texas Invite in Denton.

Tech coach Todd Petty said he is relieved to be done with the first match of his head coaching career.

“Just a little nervous going out there, but it’s always good to get the first one out of the way and get the nerves down,” Petty said. “I think for the girls and us, because we try to get to know what to expect when we are out there in a competition setting.”

The added pressure is what Petty said is the biggest change in the transition from assistant to head coach.

“Just those one or two different decisions,” he said. “Having it all kinda fall back on you—that your decision is the one that everyone is listening to, and I think that’s the biggest decision. It’s not a huge difference; it’s just that one or two extra decisions and you know that everything is falling back on you this time. That’s the main (difference).”

Kerry Potteiter and Lindsey Holcomb, playing her first collegiate tournament, both advanced to the semifinals.

Each lost to a North Texas player: Potteiter to UNT’s Irina Paraschiv and Holcomb to Ashley Akin.

Doubles was a focal point going into the tournament, Petty said, and he was pleased with the way his players’ performed.

Two of the team’s veterans, Kelsey Garland and Samantha van der Drift, teamed up to form a tandem that advanced to the semifinals and fell to UNT’s duo of Rachel Wilhelm and Amy Joubert.

“Kelsey and Sam played very well, which (was) expected,” Petty said. “Our other two—it’s just trying to get that chemistry together. I saw glimpses and brilliant things, and then you just saw glimpses of just horrific things and that’s just what happens coming out of the box on your first match. The good thing is the girls know when they’re making mistakes, and they’re able to recognize that and that’s the

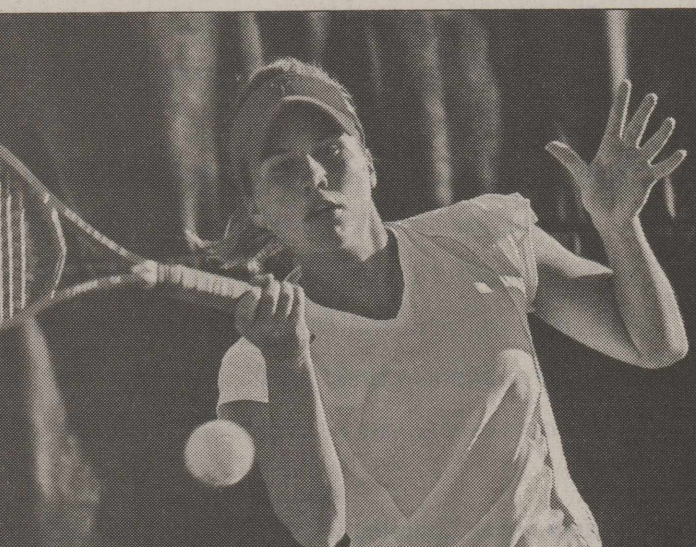


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TEXAS TECH’S SAMANTHA van der Drift returns for her senior season under new coach Todd Petty. The women’s tennis team started the fall season at the North Texas Invite this past weekend.

biggest part of it.”

The way the freshmen played caught Petty off guard, he said, making him encouraged by their play in Denton.

“I was very pleasantly surprised with the freshmen,” Petty said. “(They) competed very well in the upper flights with the other schools’ No. 1s and No. 2s. They were able to get some good wins and get some good experience and shake those first-match jitters. I think it was a big stepping stone for them.”

The Lady Raiders’ attitude will go a long way in the success of the team this season, Petty said.

“The chemistry of the girls, I think, is always the big strength,” he said. “I think the attitude has changed this year. I think it’s been on that way of changing to more of a winner attitude. They expect to win instead of hoping to win now and that’s half the battle right there.”

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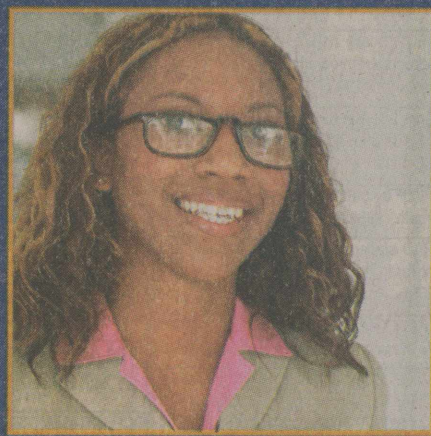
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Dowdy named Big 12 Rookie of the Week



PHOTO BY KEN MUIR/The Daily Toreador
AMANDA DOWDY SPIKES the ball against Oklahoma in the first Big 12 Conference match of her career. Dowdy led the Red Raiders with 51 kills and 16 block assists on her way to all-tournament honors.

By KEVIN CULLEN
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Growing pains do not seem to bother Texas Tech freshman Amanda Dowdy.

The middle blocker was one of the few bright spots for Tech at the Red Raider Round-up this past weekend even though the volleyball team dropped three straight matches.

In the seventh, eighth and ninth matches of her collegiate career, the 18-year-old Dowdy added 51 kills with 16 block assists. Her effort earned her the accolades of being named to the all-tournament team and Big 12 Conference Rookie of the Week.

"I feel very honored — huge honor," Dowdy said. "I'm actually kinda at a loss for words to be

honest. I wasn't really expecting anything. I just played with all my heart as hard as I could. I wanted our team

to win. I was just trying to do my absolute best out there and do everything I could to help our team."

To some extent, the Red Raider Round-up party for Dowdy, who eclipsed her previous six-match season total of 45 kills in three matches.

Dowdy saw her first home crowd of her career at the tournament and her first Big 12 action when the Red

Raiders matched up with Oklahoma Saturday night.

Her welcome-to-the-Big 12 moment came early in the Oklahoma match, Dowdy said.

"My mom actually made a joke about this," she said with a laugh. "My very first attempt kill in the Big 12 got blocked. She thought that was really funny. Then I was like, 'Okay, I got it again and I got the kill.'"

Dowdy said she was pleased with her hitting and awareness of the other teams throughout the tournament, but she said she believes she could improve her blocking.

Dowdy's all-tournament showing was aided by setter Caroline Witte, who racked up 127 assists at the Red Raider Round-up.

"She did really well this weekend," Witte said. "She did great on her slides and connected well on that and put a lot of balls down. We weren't connecting within the weeks before. It's real exciting to see that. Her outside hitting was actually pretty good. She was getting over the tops of blocks. It was nice."

Both Dowdy and Witte said their effort in practice helped to make something click for the two during the tournament.

"Actually since our first tournament it's like night and day difference," Dowdy said. "We had to work on it a lot in practice and just talking to each other, knowing what we like and dislike."

Dowdy will try to follow up her performance as Tech attempts to get back in the win column

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