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WHEELER (AP) — Firefighters on Sunday continued to battle several wildfires that erupted across Texas over the weekend.

The largest of those fires, an 11,000-acre blaze near the Panhandle town of Wheeler near the Texas-Oklahoma border, destroyed four homes and damaged about 20 others, according to the Texas Forest Service.

Forest Service spokeswoman Jeanne Eastham said Sunday that the fire was about 25 percent contained. Strong winds continued to hamper fire-fighting efforts there and elsewhere.

Many of Wheeler's 1,300 residents were evacuated Saturday after the wildfire jumped the North Fork of the Red River, threatening the town, about 90 miles east of Amarillo. They were able to return home Saturday night.

NATION Five children, father die in murder-suicide

GRAHAM, Wash. (AP) — A father apparently shot to death five of his children, ages 7 to 16, at their mobile home and then killed himself near a casino miles away, police said Saturday.

Ed Troyer, a spokesman for the Pierce County Sheriff, called it a domestic violence situation and a murder-suicide.

"We believe they all died of gunshot wounds," Troyer said.

Police found the father's body early Saturday in his still-running car near the Muckleshoot Casino in Auburn, about 30 miles south of Seattle. He had apparently killed himself with a rifle, although no note was left in the car, Auburn Police Sgt. Scott Near said.

WORLD NKorean satellite did not reach orbit

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — South Korea's presidential office says North Korea's satellite did not reach orbit as the communist nation claims.

North Korea earlier claimed success in launching a communication satellite into space. State-run media said Sunday that the satellite was already transmitting data and patriotic odes to leader Kim Jong Il and national founder Kim Il Sung.

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Giddy-up

Tech team, professional cowboys stir up West Texas dust during weekend rodeo

By CAYLOR BALLINGER
STAFF WRITER

When the dust settled Thursday, a professional rodeo had come to town.

The ABC Rodeo took place Thursday through Saturday at the City Bank Coliseum.

About 300 cowboys and cowgirls competed during the shows, including members of the Texas Tech Rodeo team.

Chance Honey, a junior agricultural communications major from La Junta, Colo., competed in the steer wrestling division this weekend.

"I've been doing steer wrestling since I was about 14," Honey said. "I like the rush and challenge of it and how every rodeo is different."

Steer wrestling involves getting a calf to the ground by hand with no ropes involved, said Honey, who placed third during the weekend rodeo.

Riding horses always has been a part of his life and family, he said, even though he gets injured from time to time.

"When I was little, I got kicked in the head by a horse," Honey said. "It doesn't make me want to stop riding, I just pay more attention and still look out when I am behind one."

The Tech rodeo team competes throughout the year in college-division rodeos and has a chance of competing at national rodeos, Honey said, but professional rodeos are open to college students who are not a part of the team as well.

"Rodeos happen year round," he said. "At the professional rodeos hopefully I might make some money, but you can't rely on just it."

However, competing in rodeos is a full-time job for many students on the team, he said. Between practicing, taking care of a horse and driving to different competitions most weekends, members need to "have a real love for it."

"A lot of maintaining the horses is involved," he said. "Practice for an hour or two for a competition, which lasts about three to four seconds."

Chris Guay, who has been the Tech rodeo



PHOTO BY KEN MUIR/The Daily Toreador

Chance Honey, a Texas Tech Rodeo team member and junior agricultural communications major from La Junta, Colo., competes in steer-wrestling at the ABC Rodeo on Friday at the City Bank Coliseum.

team coach for the past 11 years, said rodeos involve a lot of talented competitors, and he is proud the Tech team is among them.

Professional rodeos bring in a lot more athletes than the collegiate rodeos, he said. The students work really hard, and it's a great recruiting tool.

"We have a great education, good

coaching staff, and a lot of scholarships and general support for our members," Guay said. "Our region, the Southwest region, is the biggest because it has the most national teams."

The students make the team what it is, Guay said. Many students find success after graduating and leaving the team, which makes

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NKorean missile launch tests Obama

By MATTHEW LEE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — North Korea's defiant rocket launch has confronted President Barack Obama with his first global security crisis and a difficult diplomatic challenge for his young administration.

U.S. officials reacted quickly and sharply to the launch. In language they had used for weeks while the North set a timetable, they said it was "provocative" and a threat to stability in an already tense region that includes Japan and South Korea, two of America's staunchest Asian allies.

The U.N. Security Council planned to meet in emergency session at Japan's request late Sunday. Obama, traveling in Europe, called for international consensus to condemn the launch of what the North

claimed was a satellite. The U.S. and others say it violates a U.N. ban on ballistic missile activity by the communist state even though the satellite failed to reach orbit.

"North Korea broke the rules once again by testing a rocket that could be used for long range missiles," Obama said in a speech on nuclear proliferation in the Czech Republic.

"This provocation underscores the need for action — not just this afternoon at the U.N. Security Council — but in our determination to prevent the spread of these weapons. Rules must be binding. Violations must be punished. Words must mean something," he said.

"Now is the time for a strong international response, and North Korea must know that the path to security and respect will never come through threats and illegal weapons," Obama said to applause. "All nations must come together to build a stron-

ger, global regime ... we must stand shoulder to shoulder to pressure the North Koreans to change course."

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, traveling with Obama, worked to build that consensus. She called the foreign ministers of China, Japan and Russia to chart a course ahead before the Security Council meeting.

Isolated North Korea is already subject to a wide array of U.S., U.N. and other international penalties. Obama warned that the North would not see better relations with the outside world "unless it abandons its pursuit of weapons of mass destruction."

The U.S. ambassador to the U.N., Susan Rice, told ABC's "This Week" on Sunday that the launch "merits an appropriately strong United Nations response. She said the U.S. and its allies would seek to toughen existing U.N. penalties.

Pakistan sharpens tone, sets conditions for aid

By STEPHEN GRAHAM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ISLAMABAD (AP) — When U.S. envoy Richard Holbrooke arrives in Pakistan this week he will be publicly feted for President Barack Obama's pledge of massive, long-term aid for a wobbling nation critical to America's strategy for turning around its the war in Afghanistan.

But the money doesn't come without conditions, and Pakistan — while eager for the funds to shore up its faltering economy and develop its ability to counter insurgents — is honing a list of questions that highlight significant differences over the right way to combat al-Qaida and its growing band of regional allies, officials and analysts say.

Holbrooke, Washington's spe-

cial representative for the region, is expected in Islamabad on Monday, the first high-level U.S. visitor since Obama labeled Pakistan's border region "the most dangerous place in the world" for America because of the terrorists it houses, "almost certainly" including Osama bin Laden.

But Obama has warned that the pledge of \$7.5 billion in civilian aid over five years will only be forthcoming if Pakistan demonstrates its commitment to uprooting al-Qaida and other violent extremists — comments that have done nothing for the often-strained relationship.

Islamabad points out the hundreds of Pakistani troops killed by militant attacks or in a series of ill-fated operations along the Afghan border since Pakistan dropped its support for the Taliban in the wake of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks

in the United States.

"We have sacrificed much more than they have sacrificed," Prime Minister Yousuf Raza Gilani said Thursday. "We have sacrificed our economy. What else do they want?"

What Washington says it wants is better cooperation from Pakistan's powerful but reluctant security establishment, especially the pivotal Inter-Services Intelligence agency. After months of leaks to U.S. newspapers, Holbrooke, U.S. Adm. Mike Mullen and other American officials have in the past week gone public with allegations that the ISI has sustained links with — and perhaps secretly aided — some militant groups, a charge vehemently denied by Islamabad.

Binghamton officials defend slow response to massacre

By JOHN KEKIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BINGHAMTON, N.Y. (AP) — A faster response by emergency officials to the attack at an immigrant services center in Binghamton would have saved no lives, a county prosecutor said Sunday.

Authorities investigating Friday's massacre at the American Civic Association have faced questions about the speed and manner of the response to the attack, in which a gunman killed 13 people and then himself.

Survivors reported huddling for hours in a basement, not knowing whether they were still in danger.

"We can definitely say no one was shot after the police arrival," said Broome County District Attorney Gerald F. Mollen.

The first 911 calls came in at 10:30 a.m., said Police Chief Joseph Zikuski said at a news conference. The callers spoke broken English, and it took dispatchers two minutes to sort out what was happening, he said.

The first patrol cars arrived at 10:33 a.m.

"Nobody could have been saved if the police walked in the door that first minute," Mollen said. Medical examiners who conducted autopsies on the victims told him the injuries were so severe, they would not have survived, he said.

Officers were on the scene five minutes before a wounded reception-

ist called police to report a gunman in the building, Zikuski said. Police had earlier said it was that call that brought them to the immigration center.

A SWAT team entered the building 43 minutes after the first call to police.

When police got there, the gunfire had stopped, so they believed there was no "active gunman" in the center and decided to wait for the SWAT team to arrive, Zikuski said.

He compared the scene with the 1999 Columbine High School shooting in Colorado, in which 15 people died, including the two teenage gunmen.

"At Columbine, there were numerous shots ringing out and law enforcement stood by," he said. "I was quite frankly horrified when I knew

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BROOME COUNTY
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

that." Zikuski said his officers would have gone into the building if shots had still been flying.

"If you arrive on the scene — the first two to four guys — and there's an active shooter, they enter," he said.

Pressed on why police didn't go into building, Zikuski said information they were getting from the receptionist was still uncertain enough to warrant caution.

"He was dead. We didn't know it," Zikuski said. "If there's a bunch of cops laying on the floor shot trying to rescue somebody else, it's not going to help anybody."

When reporters repeated the line of questioning, Mollen jumped in to defend the police chief.

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Study: Early results show change in brain function after binge drinking

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The South Plains Alcohol and Addiction Research Center will conclude an investigative study this week designed to address brain development and function in college-age adults who binge drink.

The research study, supported by a \$253,342 joint initiative grant from the Research Collaboration Grant Program, was awarded as part of more than \$400,000 in funding designated to Texas Tech researchers and Tech Health Sciences Center researchers in 2007, according to the Health Sciences Center Web site.

Binge drinking is defined as a pattern of drinking that brings a person's blood alcohol concentration to 0.08 percent or more, according to the Centers for Disease Control Web site, and typically occurs with the consumption of five or more drinks in men and four or more drinks in women within two hours.

Peter Syapin, professor at the Health Sciences Center Department of Pharmacology and Neuroscience, said the research study is in a preliminary phase but has produced some findings.

"We appear to have some preliminary results that indicate a change in brain function and changes in memory testing outcomes," Syapin said. "The more recently a person has participated in binge drinking in relation to the time when we conduct our tests, for example, seems to result in those people not doing as well on the tests."

The research study, which is comprised of 15 people who binge drink and those who do not drink, focuses on people who are 18 years of age to 25 years of age and addresses drinking patterns through neurological exams and brain function scans, he said.

Michael O'Boyle, professor in the Tech Department of Human Development and Family Studies, said the research study is particularly unique because it addresses binge drinking in a college-age population.

"We're looking at college students who are usually clean Monday through Thursday and then Friday through Sunday binge drink," O'Boyle said. "What we are trying to determine is how the brain functions in response to this unique binge pattern and if there is any functional brain deficit associated with it."

O'Boyle said the research study uses brain scans of students who binge drink and students who do not drink while performing two tasks to determine instances of brain loss or other cognitive impairments.

"Essentially, we take a picture of the brain while the participants are performing two tasks," he said. "Either they have to count the number of items in a display or perform a spatial reasoning task, meaning they have to look at a picture and determine a logical relationship among the elements, and we compare their results to those who do not binge drink."

A directional Stroop test is incorporated into research testing used in the study, O'Boyle said, and evaluates impulse control in a subject.

"Participants look at small arrows on a screen and try to determine whether or not they point in the same direction as the side of the screen on which they appear," he said. "So if an arrow points right and is presented on the left side of the screen, subjects have to fight the impulse not to push the button on the side that it appears."

According to the American Psychological Association Web site, the

Stroop test, or Stroop effect, refers to a psychological test of mental vitality and flexibility and is most commonly associated with the use of words and colors in an opposing pattern, such as the word green printed in blue ink.

Gregory Schrimsher, assistant professor at the Tech Health Sciences Center Department of Psychiatry, said the research study also included a battery of cognitive testing related to visual-spatial skills and tests of attention.

"We've been looking at verbal memory and spatial memory as well," Schrimsher said. "So far it seems that as people are drinking more frequently, say within the last 90 days, they have more trouble with delayed recall, meaning they may be able to recall a list of words we give them right after we say them, but they have trouble with recalling the same list after a period of 30 minutes or more."

Schrimsher said although people who binge drink may do worse on spatial and verbal memory tests, it does not indicate that they are impaired or have a clinical problem.

"Some people may just not do as well on these tests, so it's important not to assume anything," he said. "It's like with drinking in general, some people can just drink more than others and it varies from person to person depending on gender and weight and those sorts of things."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site, about 90 percent of alcohol consumed by people younger than 21 years of age in the United States is in the form of binge drinking, while 75 percent of alcohol consumed by adults in the United States occurs in the form of binge drinking.

The Tech Center for the Study of Addiction and Recovery offers a Collegiate Recovery Community that provides resources for those recovering from addictive disorders while at Tech, according to the Center's Web site, and holds 12-step meetings for those who wish to work through addictive behaviors.

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HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER NEWS FLASH

Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

- The Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences will host a Pharmacology and Neuroscience seminar led by Dr. Jan Hoek, professor at the Thomas Jefferson University Department of Pathology, Anatomy and Cell Biology, at 1 p.m. Tuesday in Health Sciences Center Room 5AB100. The seminar will address the science of drug action on biological systems and the human nervous system.
- A Graduate Council meeting will take place 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday in Health Sciences Center Room 4720. The meeting, hosted by the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, is open to all Biomedical Sciences graduate faculty members and typically is held on the second Thursday of every month.
- The Graduate Student Association at the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences will host a Journal Club meeting from noon to 1 p.m. Friday in Health Sciences Center Room ACB260G. The Journal Club meets once a week during lunch to discuss the scientific paper of a participating student and hosts guest speakers who discuss chosen topics throughout the semester for all interested students.

School of Medicine

- Health Sciences Center President Dr. John Baldwin will host an ongoing lecture series every first and third Wednesday of the month at 11 a.m. in Health Sciences Center Room 235. Baldwin's first guest in the lecture series was Dr. Rosa Vizcarra, assistant professor at the Tech Permian Basin department of Geriatrics, Family and Community Medicine, who spoke on health care reform in Mexico.
- Initial orders for the new Health Sciences Center Paul L. Foster School of Medicine white coat patch will be finalized Wednesday, allowing the departments within the School of Medicine to begin purchasing orders for the 2009-2010 academic year. The patch design was approved in March in preparation for the White Coat Ceremony for entering students to be held in August.
- The Health Sciences Center Faculty Senate will host its annual Spring General Faculty Meeting from noon to 1 p.m. Thursday in Health Sciences Center Room 5AB100. The Faculty Senate meeting will take place from noon to 1 p.m. Thursday at all Texas Tech Health Sciences Center campuses in Abilene, Amarillo, Dallas, El Paso, Highland Lakes, Midland and Odessa, apart from the El Paso Faculty Senate meeting, which will take place on from 11 a.m. to noon Thursday.

Office of Sponsored Programs

- Scopus, a science and social science scholarly publication database, will be available in the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center Harrington Library beginning this week. Scopus will allow health sciences center students to access current and past research in an accessible format to aide in medical research and scholarly work.

Garrison Institute on Aging

- The Health Sciences Center Garrison Institute on Aging will begin Get Fit Lubbock III, a community fitness challenge in partnership with the Healthy Lubbock Initiative program, Monday through May 31. Teams of six to 10 participants will earn points for minutes of exercise, weight loss and attendance at community health events with winners being announced during Healthy Lubbock Day June 6 at Maxey Park.

Institute for Forensic Science

- The Health Sciences Center Institute for Forensic Science will host a forensic training program discussing recovery software for stolen laptops from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday at the institute. The training program will be taught by instructor Ed Adcock at no cost to participants and will target law enforcement personnel and district attorneys interested in Lo Jack software produced by the company Absolute Software.
- The Institute for Forensic Science will host a forensic training program discussing evidence collection and preservation for Lubbock area investigators Wednesday at the institute. The program will be taught by Lubbock Department of Protective Services Crime Lab personnel at no charge to participants and will target Texas law enforcement corrections officers interested in evidence handling techniques of DNA, firearms, drugs and trace evidence such as gun powder residue.

Transportation among topics at West Texas Day

By **HALIE HARTMAN**
STAFF WRITER

Lubbock leaders discussed water, transportation and tier-one status of Texas Tech with the West Texas legislative delegation at West Texas Day Tuesday in Austin.

City leaders from Amarillo, Abilene, Midland, Odessa and San Angelo also attended.

"It is always a positive experience when the six major cities of West Texas get together for one common cause: the betterment of West Texas as a whole," said Kenny McKay, director of the Lubbock Economic Development Alliance.

The two most common issues discussed were water and transportation needs, he said.

"If Lubbock is going to continue to

grow, then we have to make sure that we have a viable source of water for the next hundred years," said Randy Jordan, chairman of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce.

Michael Reeves, president of Port-to-Plains Trade Corridor Coalition in Lubbock, attended West Texas Day to address transportation issues.

"There's a difference in transportation issues for rural areas as opposed to metropolitan areas," Reeves said. "Rural areas are more concerned with connectivity, where metropolitan areas are more about congestion and transit."

Reeves said it is important to work with other community leaders throughout the region and raise awareness about issues that affect everyone.

"There are more state representatives

in Houston than in all of West Texas," Reeves said. "We have several common issues, and it's important to come and speak together so our voices are heard a little better."

The issue of Tech reaching tier-one status was especially important, McKay said.

"We emphasized the importance of such a status to all West Texas cities, specifically Lubbock and San Angelo," he said.

With Tech's system extending to San Angelo, Amarillo and Abilene, tier-one status could have a significant impact on all the surrounding communities and cities in West Texas, Jordan said.

"We feel that by Texas Tech getting that status, it would put the school on another level and allows it to grow," he said. "If the school grows, Lubbock grows, business grows, and that goes hand-in-hand with what the chamber is trying to do, which is to promote business and the vitality of our economy."

Jordan said Lubbock leaders were able to meet with state Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock; and state Reps. Delwin Jones, R-Lubbock; Joe Heflin, D-Crosbyton; Carl Isett, R-Lubbock; and Tom Craddick, R-Midland.

"Anytime that we can voice concerns to our legislators, we feel as if we have hopefully accomplished something," he said. "But what comes of that, certainly time will tell."

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CEO softens GM's bankruptcy opposition

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp. is softening its opposition to bankruptcy reorganization a little more.

"If it's required, that's what we'll do," new Chief Executive Fritz Henderson said in an interview broadcast Sunday, but noted that GM still would prefer to avoid bankruptcy protection while restructuring.

President Barack Obama and his auto industry task force have indicated that bankruptcy protection "may very well be the best solution for the company to achieve these goals," Henderson told CNN's "State of the Union."

That is why, he said, "when you look at the situation, we said, 'OK, we'll spend the time to try to complete the work, more aggressive work, outside of the court process, but if it's required, that's what we'll do.'"

Obama had said GM's initial plans to become viable didn't go far enough. Last week, he told the company it had 60 days to make more cuts and get more concessions from bondholders and unions, or it won't get any more government help.

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Puzzles by PageFiller

In Sudoku, all the numbers 1 to 9 must be in every row, column and 3 x 3 box. Use logic to define the answers.

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Third version of Conficker worm confounds Internet security experts

If you've been meandering about the right parts of the Internet recently, you'll undoubtedly have heard about Conficker and probably been wondering how much of its impending impact was myth and how much it was horrifyingly probable speculation.

If not, then you probably have that and so many other problems of which you're blissfully and amazingly unaware.

Conficker is a worm, a piece of software that does any number of despicable activities on your computer ranging from displaying annoying pop-up ads to logging and sending personal information quietly in the background. This is better known as malware and as far as such heinous software goes, Conficker is one of the most sophisticated.

It manages to exploit the MS08-067 vulnerability to crack passwords, delete files, disable security software, and so much more, most of which is unknown for Conficker.C.

Thus far, the worm has undergone three iterations of A, B and C, each one thwarting what security experts managed to employ to squash the previous Conficker version.

However, discovering the what and how of each variety is decidedly difficult. In fact, Microsoft offered a \$250,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the Conficker creators (the worm only affects Windows systems).

While A and B's obfuscation techniques and randomization cyphers have been cracked, C was released Wednesday and though Team White Hat has already discovered a way to detect the worm, they have not detailed

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a way to remove it (check out the report at the Honeynet Web site).

At the very least, this means you can determine if you're infected, but at the very worst, you'll know exactly how you'll be screwed over.

Luckily, it appears that so far Conficker.C has done a whole lot of nothing, though nothing is simply relative to the Armageddon most professionals and media outlets have been touting for the past month.

It has mostly been limited to Asian regions and only to 2 million or so systems. Little is known of whether this is the full potential of the worm. As far as anyone knows, Conficker could simply be slowly amassing an army to DDoS attack a slew of select targeted systems or waiting to bring everything down in the world at once.

No one except its authors could truly know until the worm shows its true malicious nature.

How can you avoid it? Well, short of switching to Mac or Linux or eliminating the Internet from your life completely (blasphemy), you can apply any and all updates from Microsoft as soon as possible.

Then look to US-CERT and Microsoft Web pages for instructions on how to turn off AutoPlay and AutoRun, followed up by updating your anti-virus and firewall software.

Finally, definitely quit using

Internet Explorer and stop clicking and downloading everything in sight as if you were top contender for Idiot of the Year award.

To determine if you're already infected, check your computer's symptoms against the worm's known list of effects at CA's Web site. If you've got the bug, try to run one of the Conficker removal tools by Symantec, F-Security or Microsoft (probably best to do all three, though they only work on the A and B variants).

Download the tool to a clean PC and rename it since the worm generally blocks tools with the word "Conficker" in the title and then run it on your infected machine.

Or, if you'd rather create a bootable disc or thumb drive of security programs, go for it. Otherwise, you might have to completely reinstall Windows and start fresh. Don't you wish you had backed up your data now?

While it's unknown what Conficker.C will actually do (along with when and how), it appears security companies and teams are making significant headway on turning it into a moot issue.

If you've got the worm, there's a chance you can manage to remove it. If you don't, be sure to take the necessary precautions to ensure you don't unwittingly switch camps.

And if you run something besides Windows, congratulations. You're already ahead of the Conficker game. Now go celebrate by writing some shell scripts or something.

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Students test their knowledge of music lyrics at game show event

By **HANNAH BOEN**
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A good memory and a desire to sing were the only things required to win a variety of prizes Thursday evening.

The Texas Tech Activities Board hosted "Do You Think You Know the Lyrics?" at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Student Union Building's Allen Theatre.

The event tested students' knowledge on popular music from the past several decades.

Derek Kelsheimer, a senior marketing and management major from Richmond and special programs coordinator for TAB, said he hoped the event was a stress reliever for students.

"This is going to be fun," he said before the event. "It's something interactive, and it allows everyone to get together and be social."

The event followed a similar format to the Fox game show "Don't Forget the Lyrics." Unlike the game show, Kelsheimer said, the purpose of the TAB event was not to stump the participants but to get the entire audience involved in the music.

Tim Allen, a TAB member and junior finance major from Dallas, was the host for the evening event.

"We used the show as inspiration," he said, "but (our show) is so much more fun."

Upon entering the Allen Theatre, students put their names into a box to be drawn from during the game. When a name was drawn, the chosen student got on stage to choose a song from a variety of

categories, hoping they would remember the lyrics.

Country, alternative, rap and oldies were among the music categories for students to pick from. Although some students did not know the answers to all the questions, others displayed a knowledge of music from a wide range of genres.

Andrea Morris, a senior exercise science major from Lovington, N.M., attended the event with

her husband, Greg Morris, a senior chemical engineering major from Amarillo.

Andrea Morris said she and her husband enjoy music and are always singing their favorite songs together in the car.

However, she never expected her ability to remember lyrics could win her a prize.

She left the stage one of the biggest winners of the night after reciting the lyrics to, "Welcome to the Jungle," "Red, Red Wine" and "Good Morning Baltimore."

Andrea Morris said she was proud of her performance, which impressed and surprised many audience members, including Kish Rajput, a TAB member and sophomore marketing and management major from Plano.

Rajput said he hoped for more people at Thursday's event, but was thankful for the opportunity to include most audience members in the game.

"Everyone's getting a change to participate," he said, "and I'm impressed at how well everyone is doing on singing the songs."

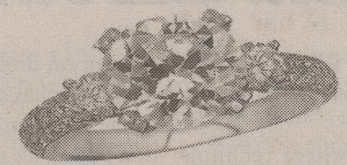
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It's time for major sex education reform

I remember watching "Mean Girls" for the first time a few years ago. It's a deceptively clever film overall, but the sex education scene really stands out.

"Don't have sex," says a burly middle-aged coach. "Because you will get pregnant and die. Don't have sex in the missionary position. Don't have sex standing up. Just ... don't do it, promise? Now, everybody take some rubbers."

Unfortunately, this scene accurately sums up the sex education system of the United States over the past couple of decades. Since the sharp rise of the AIDS virus and teenage pregnancy rates in the early 1980s, the United States has made a habit of throwing huge amounts of federal aid at abstinence-only sex education programs.

Title V of the Social Security Act, the Community-Based Abstinence Education program and other federal sources together allocate about \$176 million total in funding to states provided their programs teach abstinence from

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sexual activity is the "expected standard."

Specifically, federal law states abstinence should be taught as having "social, physiological and health gains," sex in monogamous marriage is the standard, sex outside of marriage has "harmful psychological and physical effects," and abstinence is the only way to prevent the spread of STDs. There is no requirement to even mention contraceptives or other alternatives.

According to the Guttmacher Institute, a non-governmental organization which researches reproductive health and recommends policy in line with the standards of the World Health Organization, there is considerable

evidence against the effectiveness of abstinence-only programs.

You might recall a major study released in January revealing teens who take virginity pledges are just as likely to have sex as those who don't and are less likely to use proper contraceptive measures. A 2007 congressionally-mandated study also found the top four abstinence programs in the United States made absolutely no impact on local abstinence rates.

Most egregiously, abstinence programs are not subject to any uniform requirements of medical accuracy. The American Medical Association, American Academy of Pediatrics and other large medical organizations have expressed concerns over the alarming number of programs that present outdated and distorted statistics while omitting possibly life-saving information.

Unfortunately these inaccuracies propagate even outside sex education programs. Reiterating the controversial anti-contraception policy of the Roman Catholic

Church, Pope Benedict XVI recently stated on a visit to Africa condoms were not the answer in the fight against HIV/AIDS and they actually increase the problem.

This couldn't be farther from the truth. According to the World Health Organization, a 100 percent condom use policy instituted by the government of Thailand for their workers in 1990 resulted in a 95 percent decrease in STD cases among this group by 1994. Condoms don't just work; they work really, really well.

Recently we have made some progress in the United States. Twenty-three states now refuse federal funding for their programs due to disagreement with the abstinence-centric policy. Also, Congress soundly struck down a 2008 budget request to expand funding for the CBAE.

Still, 23 states currently choose to stress abstinence, and although about 15 choose to cover contraception, not a single state chooses to stress it. Texas does not mandate

sex education, stresses abstinence and allows parents to opt their children out of any sex education program.

With the Obama administration taking the reins this year, conditions seem perfect for reform in national sex education policy. A few of senators have recently introduced the Responsible Education About Life Act, which intends to revise the current requirements for state programs seeking federal sex education funding.

The REAL Act updates the language of the law, requiring that programs teach "age-appropriate and medically accurate" facts, "family communication about sexuality," how to develop healthy relationships, and the value of abstinence alongside alternatives for those who do engage in sexual activity. Most importantly, it prohibits any religious overtones.

Challenges would remain even after the passage of this act. States would still have the option to opt out of federal funding, and even in

those who did accept it, counties and cities would have a large say in the exact curricula of their particular sex education programs.

However, the REAL Act would be the first step toward a more comprehensive and beneficial sex education policy in the United States. Preliminary pilot studies on 48 REAL-inspired sex education programs have already shown significant benefits over abstinence-only programs, including reduced rates of STDs, teenage pregnancy and even (shock!) small increases in abstinence rates.

While it may be too late to eliminate the rise in STDs and teenage pregnancy caused by foolish and ineffective abstinence-only policies this go-around, we have a chance to make a significant improvement for the next generation. We failed. Let's learn from our mistakes and move on.

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Obama already falling out of touch

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In a world where technology becomes obsolete only a few months after it hits the shelves, how long will it take for the shiny new President to become outdated and out-of-touch?

Last week the White House held an online town hall meeting, inviting Americans to submit their questions and concerns for the President's consideration. Overwhelmingly, the question most frequently asked was: "With over one out of 30 Americans controlled by the penal system, why not legalize, control and tax marijuana to change the failed war on drugs into a money-making, money-saving boost to the economy? Do we really need that many victimless criminals?"

Obama, who in 2004 called

the war on drugs an "utter failure," seemed uncharacteristically outdated when he answered mockingly, "No, I don't think it's a good strategy," and in response to the question's popularity snarked, "I don't know what this says about the online audience."

Has it really been that long since Obama turned in his trusty BlackBerry for the White House? Has he already forgotten his digi-roots? Or is this more of Obama's not-so-funny, "Special Olympics" brand of humor?

In case memory loss has set in, one of Obama's aides should remind him of the unprecedented role the Internet played in raising awareness of his platform, coordinating the rallies in support of his candidacy and raising \$500 million for his campaign in online donations.

More importantly, three of four Americans use the Internet. Even Sen.

John McCain Twitters. The "online audience" isn't some fringe subculture of stoners hell-bent on derailing Obama's online town hall meeting. They are the burgeoning mainstream.

Knuckleheaded comment aside, I suspect Obama isn't so out of touch that he doesn't realize what's happening out there in cyberspace. In fact, I don't think Obama is out of touch at all. I think this gaff is just the latest manifestation of his current obsession with obtaining bipartisan support.

I'm all for finding common ground, but if Obama thinks he can co-opt the GOP by distancing himself from drug law reform, he is sadly mistaken; Republicans don't do compromise.

If Republicans had their way, the war on drugs would continue with the same unyielding arrogance they've maintained since the early '70s, when President Nixon began the impossible mission of purging America of illicit drugs. The Republican Party would simply continue its jihad against pot, continue to arrest African Americans at five times the rate of whites and try to top the 872,721 marijuana-related arrests in 2007.

Luckily, this is Obama's turn at the wheel and, despite what his performance at the online town hall would have us believe, the wheels of progress are already spinning.

Just last week Obama appointed Seattle police chief R. Gil Kerlikowske to be White House director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, a move which begins a shift in the definition of illicit drug use from a criminal model to a medical one.

"Combating drugs requires a comprehensive approach that includes enforcement, prevention and treatment," Kerlikowske explains. "The success of our efforts to reduce the flow of drugs is largely dependent on our ability to reduce demand for them."

As a police officer, Kerlikowske experienced the war on drugs firsthand and is acutely aware of its immense toll on police resources. Many officers feel that they could better protect and serve their communities if they did not have to police the recreational use of drugs.

As it stands, marijuana-related arrests outnumber all violent crime arrests combined, and the war on drugs costs taxpayers upwards of \$40 billion a year — a massive sum that could be better spent on rehabilitation facilities for drug users and funding for universities and colleges.

Betty Yee, Chairwoman of the California Board of Equalization, the state's tax collector, estimates that selling marijuana the way cigarettes are sold would raise \$1.4 billion in taxes annually in California alone.

Beyond the monetary benefits of ending the war on drugs, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton underlined a more important moral responsibility: America also needs to rethink its drug policies in light of the Mexican drug wars and the heroin and opium operations that are financing Al Qaeda and the Taliban in Afghanistan.

She explains, "Our insatiable demand for illegal drugs fuels the drug trade."

Indeed, the violence and destruction that America's war on drugs has spawned is a monstrous mutation of the kinds of criminal syndicates we saw flourish during the alcohol prohibition era of the 1920s and early '30s, like some hideous repeat of a failed social experiment.

I appreciate the nuanced way in which Obama is handling drug reform. It is undoubtedly a more effective strategy than coming at it guns blazing and causing a culture war between the Democrats and the Republicans. But we mustn't forget that beyond this political dance there are people incarcerated and dying daily because of a stupid, unwinnable ideological war.

And in a country where 40 percent of the population supports decriminalizing marijuana and 70 percent approves of the President, it would have been nice to see Obama show a little more character and a little less calculation.

Using dating services at too young an age bad idea

By **BOB KESSLER**
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Last week the April Fool's Day jinks were very high amongst me and my friends.

My roommate awoke to find thousands of post-it notes stuck to his car. Another friend found fish swimming in her bathtub, while some others participated in the traditional "RA fake busts some freshmen drinking beer hoax". However, the worst joke of all the jokes was saved for me as some yet to be determined friends of mine signed me up for eHarmony.com.

While I admit that this joke is hilarious (as I am incredibly open about my troubles with the ladies), I believe that it is in poor taste.

It isn't really a problem that my inbox has become cluttered with information from Dr. Neil Clark Warren asking me to fill out a survey to determine my 27 levels of compatibility; the real problem is that I will invariably let down all the probably wonderful ladies who will be matched with me on the deepest of levels.

I can't begin to imagine how excited Victoria (age 20, On the Hudson, NY) or Jennifer (age 22, Pembroke Pines, FL) will be when they find out that they are perfectly compatible with me, Observer Columnist Bob Kessler, concerned citizen and organ donor.

This excitement will eventually fade away to intense disappointment when they realize that I am not going to contact them.

The problem isn't that I will let down women like Joelle (age 21, Me-herrin, VA) and Tiffany (21, Antigo, WI), the real problem is that they are all far too young to be utilizing eHarmony as a serious means to meet people.

Using eHarmony at such a young age can't merely be labeled as failure, because a person who uses such a site before the age of 30 has actually given up on their life.

Using online dating services this soon is like using the Warp zones in Super Mario Bros. While they can

help you more quickly move to a later stage of your life, they also take away all of the experiences you could have in the intervening years (or worlds). Isn't there value to all of these experiences?

It would be like if in round two Rocky had said, "You know what, I don't think I stand a chance with Apollo. I'm just gonna lay down on the mat and take the knockout." What would our world today be like if that had happened?

Would Carl Weathers have still made hilarious cameos in Arrested Development? Would Taxi Driver have won Best Picture in 1976? Would Brian Kenny have ever been seen on the big screen? Would the Cold War still be going on? How many experiences have been made possible by Rocky trying his best and going the distance?

Twenty-somethings have many opportunities to meet future spouses. Weddings, tattoo removal doctor's offices and World of Warcraft raids are all places that would make great stories to tell future children. There is also the chance that you meet the love of your life at any bar anywhere. I'd much rather spend my less awesome years telling people that I met my wife at a bar when I was 28 than telling them that I was matched with my wife online when I was 22.

So I'd like to apologize to Brittany (21, Portland), Stephanie (21, Kalamazoo), Kimberlyn (23, Eugene, MO) and all of the other women who I have been matched with on eHarmony.com. While you may be content to phone it in, I'll add using eHarmony to the top of my list of things not to do before I turn 30, and go out and live my life.

The list: seriously consider using eHarmony.com; get a hotel room when I visit my parents; stay in on New Year's Eve; go to a high school reunion; tuck in a t-shirt; watch Letterman and SNL in successive nights; talk about the good ole days like they have ended; use Facebook to 'reconnect' with people; use the word 'kid' to talk about professional athletes; watch any hour-long CBS show.



It would be years before little M.C. discovered shiny, baggy pants; but that day, his grandmother laid the groundwork for a future hit record.

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Musicians bring down the house at 42nd Annual Jazz, Blues Festival

By KATE OZMENT
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Musicians brought the jazz music of Dizzy Gillespie to life Saturday night in the Allen Theatre.

The Dizzy Gillespie Alumni All-Stars performed for local high school jazz musicians, Texas Tech students and Lubbock residents.

The band, which is comprised of friends of Gillespie, was a part of the final concert in the 42nd Annual Jazz & Blues Festival and as a part of the Presidential Lecture & Performance Series at Texas Tech.

Band members James Moody, a vocalist who also plays saxophone, and John Lee, a bassist, worked intimately with Gillespie before his death.

Joseph Sanders, a graduate student in arts administration and a graduate assistant for the lecture series, said the purpose of the concert was to enhance the musical experiences of Lubbock residents.

"We want to expand the cultural sphere of Lubbock," he said, "not just Tech."

The festival is a competition for high school jazz students, which includes workshops and other training activities, he said. Members of the

Dizzy Gillespie Alumni All-Stars conducted some of the workshops, giving the students the opportunity to work with some of the "big names" in jazz music.

Jo Moore, director of the Presidential Lecture & Performance Series, said the show was an exciting chance for students to experience jazz music.

"It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for students to interface with legendary performers in the intimacy of Allen Theatre," she said.

Although the festival has been around for 42 years, Moore said this was only the second year her department has been a part of it.

The concert began with a presentation of awards to the high school students, with each school receiving a ranking for their performance during the festival.

Afterward, the Dizzy Gillespie Alumni All-Stars took the stage. The band members alternated playing together and performing solos and entertaining the crowd with jazz music and Moody's humorous lyrics.

Moore said she thought the concert was "dynamite."

"James Moody has a wonderful sense of humor, and it came through

his music," she said.

During the last song, Tech jazz professor Paul English walked on stage and played the piano with the rest of the band.

Donovan Ashcroft, a senior from Fraternity High School and trombone player, said he thought the show was amazing.

"It was one of a kind; it was something else," he said. "You can't beat it."

Although the concert was the end of a festival for high school students, Tech students also were welcome to attend.

Joe Bufford, a sophomore food science major from Amarillo, attended the concert.

"Those old cats can break it down," he said, referring to the jazz players.

Bufford, who is a trombone player, said he went to the concert because the music was good and the tickets were free.

"It's great Texas Tech gets such great jazz bands," he said.

Upcoming events in the Presidential Lecture & Performance series can be found on the Tech Web site.

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Feminist icon speaks about equality at 25th annual conference in Lubbock

By HANNAH BOEN
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Before she visited Lubbock last week, Gloria Steinem spent most of her life as one of the feminist movement's most outspoken activists.

Texas Tech Interim Provost Jane Winer introduced Steinem to an audience of students and Lubbock community members at 4:30 p.m. Friday at the Lubbock Civic Center Theatre.

Winer recalled the first time she heard of Steinem and the feminist movement. She said she was a graduate student at a university with few female professors and female friends who found it difficult to break into traditionally male areas of study.

"Women were to love and be loved," she said, "and what did an education have to do with that?"

Steinem's visit was the final event of the 25th Annual All-University Conference on the Advancement of Women in Higher Education, and she was welcomed with a standing applause.

"Who says Lubbock is a conservative place?" Steinem asked.

She said each audience member is a unique combination of heredity and environment, and she hoped the event would act as a pool of communal wisdom in Lubbock and shed light on issues of equality.

Steinem used her observations from decades of feminist and humanitarian activism to tell audience members about history, hierarchy, sex and culture.

The self-described "hope-aholic" said although she has seen the women's movement come a long way in her lifetime, she believes it has a long way to go to bring

equality to everyone.

"Revolutions, like houses," she said, "are not built from the top down. They're built from the bottom up."

When she first decided to take a stand against discrimination of women, she was told the women's movement wasn't necessary. However, she said she continued to challenge the prejudices and began to see results.

Still, she said, there are possibly centuries to go before every culture stops categorizing people based on sex. She encouraged individuals of the younger generation to continue seeking out justice for all individuals.

Lynne Fallwell, member of the event's conference committee and assistant professor of history, said she felt the event was a success and realized the visit mostly attracted feminists but hoped to get the attention of Lubbock citizens from all "walks of life."

"This is not a conversion experience," she said. "This is an opportunity to hear an iconic figure of the 20th and 21st centuries."

Fallwell teaches Women and War within the women's studies program at Tech and she said the event started dialogue concerning important community and campus issues.

One community issue addressed by Steinem was unwanted teen pregnancy. Steinem said the nation-wide problem is prevalent in Lubbock and is directly tied to child abuse rates.

"How is it that sex education is the only thing to be valued by



STEINEM

absence of knowledge, not presence of knowledge," she asked the audience.

Immediately following her speech, Steinem answered questions from audience members regarding a variety of topics — from gay marriage to religious feminists.

Her speech took place the same day the Iowa Supreme Court legalized gay marriage, and she addressed the landmark decision.

"Gays symbolize and embody the fact that sexuality and reproduction are separate," she said.

Multiple questions were raised following Steinem's speech about the role of religious or conservative females in the feminist movement.

Although Steinem said she did not consider herself to be religious, she admitted religious women have played a large role in the movement, which was shown by the presence of the religious group, Women in Ministry of Lubbock, at the event.

Kevin Powell, a sophomore history major from Lubbock, had never seen Steinem speak in person but said he was excited to do so.

"She is someone who has really influenced the century," he said.

"Once in a lifetime does someone get to see a person like that."

Powell was glad Tech was giving students, both male and female, an opportunity to hear Steinem speak, and he said Steinem's message can teach people about equality and fairness, not just the feminist movement.

"Besides being a feminist, she's a humanitarian," he said. "She stressed the importance of people, no matter who they are."

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Rodeo

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him proud to have coached them. "We help portray the history of rodeos at Texas," Guay said. "Being around a lot of good people makes it worthwhile."

Hunter Cure, a 2006 Tech alumnus and former member of the Tech rodeo team who participated in the ABC Rodeo during the weekend, lives in Dundee and earns his living as a profes-

sional rodeo cowboy.

"I broke the barrier this weekend

in steer wrestling,

which is like getting a speeding ticket," Cure said. "It's a time delay, so I didn't place."

Steer wrestling is straight man-power, he said. Success is up to the individual. In

a year, he will have an opportunity to compete in 75 to 80 rodeos and travel

throughout the United States and parts of Canada.

"All people should experience rodeos," Cure said. "It's a different lifestyle than urban life and a different culture that people should experience in

order to broaden their horizons."

Being around a lot of good people makes it worthwhile.

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Madonna leaves Malawi after adoption setback

LILONGWE, Malawi (AP) — Madonna left Malawi on her private jet Sunday after being rebuffed in an attempt to adopt a second child from the poor African nation, air traffic control officials said.

Police roadblocks prevented reporters from approaching the airport but one police officer said Madonna carried David, her adopted Malawian son, up the steps of the Gulfstream jet.

It was found for London's Gatwick Airport, air traffic officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to journalists.

The singer's lawyer has said that she will appeal against a court ruling that she is not eligible to adopt a three-year-old orphan girl, Chifundo "Mercy" James, because she hasn't lived in Malawi.

Madonna first spotted Mercy during a 2006 visit to an orphanage where she

found David. Then, unlike now, she was able to leave the country with the infant and the adoption was completed last year.

But now Madonna is a single mother after her split from film director Guy Ritchie. Her attempts to adopt a second child caused outrage among some child welfare groups.

In a ruling Friday, Judge Esme Chombo said Madonna did not meet Malawi's strict definition of "resident." Noting that Madonna had last visited Malawi in 2008, the judge said the pop star "jetted into the country during the weekend just days prior to the hearing of this application."

Malawi requires prospective parents to live in the country for 18 to 24 months while child welfare authorities assess their suitability — a rule that

was bent when Madonna was allowed to take David to London in 2006. Madonna has two other children, Lourdes, 12, and Rocco, 8.

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Tech earns series win against Texas A&M

By MIKE GRAHAM
STAFF WRITER

At home in Big 12 Conference play, it's so far so good for the Texas Tech baseball team.

Tech (14-19, 6-6 in the Big 12) capped off its three-game weekend series with Baseball America's No. 14 Texas A&M (20-11, 7-5) losing 10-6 Sunday at Dan Law Field to giving Tech the series win two games to one. Tech had a 4-3 victory Friday, but dropped Saturday's contest 13-7.

"We just needed to jump out early and get a lead," said Tech catcher Jeremy Mayo, who now leads the Big 12 in home runs with seven. "We came out hard (Sunday) and played hard and did what we know we can do."

The win Sunday brought Tech's home record in Big 12 play to 4-2, and Tech is now 2-2 in series against Big 12 opponents. Tech also climbed up the standings by taking down A&M, who was the top team in the Big 12 heading into the weekend.

Tech finished the weekend in fifth place in the Big 12 standings. In addition, Tech overcame one of the most impressive pitching staffs in the Big 12, twice.

But all is not good news for the Red Raiders.

Tech second baseman Willie Rueda, a preseason Big 12 selection, re-injured his left hamstring rounding third base in what at the time seemed to be a ninth-inning rally that eventually ended in the 13-7 lost Saturday.

With two runs scored and no outs, Rueda rounded third and thought about heading home but decided to head back to third

when he pulled up lame. He fell to the ground without even getting back to third and A&M catcher Kevin Gonzalez jogged over for an easy tag.

Rueda previously injured his hamstring in the third game of the season and ended up missing 12 games before returning to action. In Friday's game, Rueda's hamstring seemed shaky in the first inning while base running. He limped into home for a run but seemed like he was back to full-speed later in the game.

Spencer said Rueda already had begun his second rehabilitation process of the season before the first pitch of Sunday's game. Garrett Totten replaced Rueda at second Sunday.

"It's horrible," he said, "just a horrible deal for Willie, and for us. But Willie will get back at some point this year. He showed up early, did his treatment. We're just going to have to try to hold on until they get back. To win this game (Sunday) in conference is huge."

Both Tech and A&M's pitching staffs faced strong winds blowing toward the Dan Law outfield. The wind carried some balls out that may not normally have left the yard.

On Sunday, Tech jumped out to an early 7-0 lead. Designated hitter Scott Lejeune hit a two-run homer in the top of the first and doubled in the second inning.

In the second, Taylor Ashby batted in Lejeune and Chris Richburg on the next at bat for a 5-0 lead.

On the next at bat, Justin Berry hit a triple, and Mayo batted him in with a homer for the 7-0 lead.

Tech starter Miles Morgan (2-4) overcame the wind, pitching six

complete innings for two runs on five hits with three walks for the win, while two A&M pitchers pitched the first and second innings for the combined seven runs on six hits.

A&M's Adam Smith came back in the third inning with a one-run shot and a slowly-but-surely comeback attempt began.

After the Smith homer in the third, A&M scored one run in the fourth and two in the eighth while Tech only added one by the beginning of the bottom eighth, 8-4.

But Tech added two runs in the bottom of the eighth to pull ahead 10-4. A&M added two runs in the top of the ninth but the comeback stopped there, 10-6.

Saturday's game was almost the exact opposite.

A&M got out to a commanding early lead and had four homers—all off of Tech's starter AJ Ramos (3-2)—in the first four innings on their way to a 13-7 victory.

With a 4-2 lead heading into the bottom of the ninth Friday, Tech pitcher Chad Bettis and careless fielding loaded the bases with one out. A run crossed the plate to make the score 4-3, but Bettis pitched A&M's Gonzalez into a double-play



PHOTO BY KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Toreador
THIRD BASEMAN JUSTIN BERRY throws the ball to first causing an out Sunday against Texas A&M at Dan Law Field.

Masked Rider makes historic run in game against A&M

By MIKE GRAHAM
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech school history was made Friday when the Masked Rider rode across the outfield of Dan Law Field before a baseball game against No. 14 Texas A&M.

It marked the first time the Masked Rider, riding the horse Midnight Matador, has led any Tech athletic team onto its field of play other than the football team.

"I was really excited I got to do it," said this year's Masked Rider Ashley Hartzog, a senior animal science and Spanish major from Farwell. "Whenever I thought about the magnitude of it (historically)—that I was the first person to get to do something like that and the fact that this position has been around for over 50 years—it's an amazing feeling, and I had a great time doing it and so did the horse."

Prior to Friday's first pitch, the Red Raider "Go. Fight. Win." chant was performed by the Tech fans and the Masked Rider ran across the outfield from left to right field just before the Tech starting lineup took the field.

Most Tech fans and the baseball team agreed the unique experience was a neat gesture of school pride.

"I thought it was great," Tech coach Dan Spencer said. "It was very unique. And I liked it a bunch, and I think our like fans liked it a whole lot as well."

Lauren McDowell, a fresh-



PHOTO BY KEN MUIR/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH MASKED RIDER Ashley Hartzog rides Midnight Matador in Tech baseball's game against A&M Friday.

man mass communications major from Fort Worth in attendance for the game Friday, said it was smart to plan the Masked Rider event for the first A&M game.

"I probably would not be here tonight if the game wasn't against A&M," she said. "But I think a lot of people are the same way and come when A&M is in town. It makes it a great atmosphere and that probably will draw people back to more games."

Hartzog said one of her first events as the Masked Rider was to a San Angelo Colts minor league baseball game where she rode Midnight Matador around the bases.

Friday's baseball game indicated almost a full-circle for Hartzog as one of her final Masked Rider appearances.

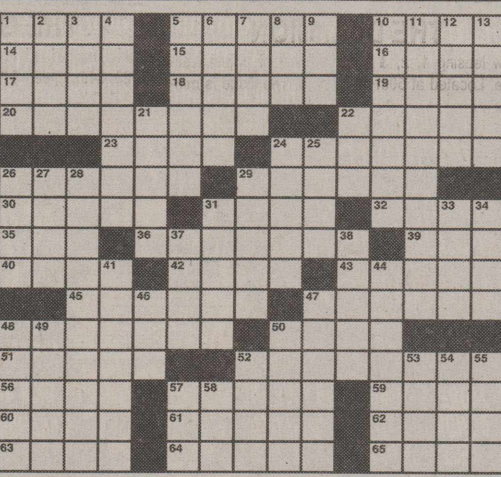
"This has been a dream come true," she said. "I have had the time of my life getting to serve as the Masked Rider. It's an amazing job."

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- Narrow-necked pear
 - James who robbed trains
 - Wine glass part
 - Pasty-faced
 - Laud, as virtues
 - Drive—window
 - "Pow!" relative
 - Immune system agent
 - Litter's littiest
 - "Shari Lewis" puppet
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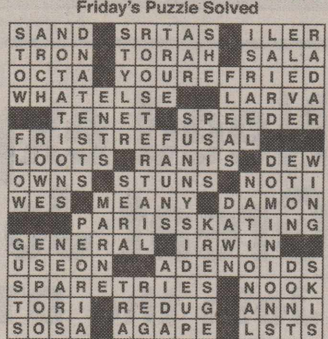


By Elizabeth A. Long

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- Cry loudly
- On-the-job protection org.
- Pillow covering
- Drummer's crashers
- Rockers—Tull
- Many a security guard
- One of AA's twelve
- Sun, in Spain
- Building addition
- Layer
- Duster's find at a crime scene
- Tennessee-born country singer
- Ford
- Like a subdued trumpet
- Biblical spy
- Paw's mate?
- Transmission stuff
- Opera box
- Mont Blanc's range
- Protruded-lip expression
- "Precariously situated"
- More azure



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- Cheerleading unit
- "Let's leave— that!"
- Medicore
- Pilate's "Behold!"
- Late
- Trounces
- Annoying people
- James Bond, e.g.
- Piercing looks
- Stir the fire
- Paparazzi target
- and kicking
- It can be chronic or shooting
- Bear among the stars
- Hari
- "We're not serving liquor," briefly
- Bk. introduction
- Make, as a wager

Tech athletes, children bond at Red Raider Play Day

By ADAM COLEMAN
SPORTS EDITOR

Lubbock area children had a chance to bond with Texas Tech athletes as they used Jones AT&T Stadium as a playground Saturday.

The Fourth Annual Red Raider Play Day took place Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium where about 300 children registered to spend the day playing games with Tech student-athletes.

The event, which was organized by Tech student-athletes and the CHAMPS/Life Skills program, allowed children to participate in various games while the athletes conducted every activity.

Children had to be accompanied by an adult, and many parents found satisfaction in seeing their children enjoy the activities.

"I feel like a hero when I can put a smile on a kid's face, smile on a parent's face for these kids to come out here and have some fun," Tech linebacker

Brian Duncan said. "I feel like I've accomplished a lot for these kids."

Most Tech sports teams were represented Saturday to help conduct the activities.

Women's basketball players such as forwards Kierra Mallard and Jordan Barncastle helped with the face painting. Volleyball players such as libero Jackie Vincent and Jenn Harrell helped with the hula-hoop games.

Without Saturday practices this spring, football players such as Brandon Sesay, Marlon Williams and Sam Fehoko also helped out.

In addition to the face painting and hula-hoop games, there also were mini-basketball games, football tosses, relay games, obstacle courses and blow-up castles for children to enjoy.

Harrell said she enjoyed seeing the camaraderie between all the Tech athletes, whether it was the volleyball team or the football team.

"I think it's good for all the sports

to be able to get together," she said. You automatically go with your team, but at the same time, there's still that unity. It's always encouraging for the female sports to get to see the guy sports get involved."

Near the end of the day, there was a tug o' war, which garnered all athletes' participation. Children received goodie bags and athletes gave autographs after the tug-o-war.

The event was scheduled to last from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., but the games ended at about 4 p.m. The children still were allowed to stay at the stadium for the final hour.



PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH STUDENT athletes line up for a friendly game of tug o' war against local children during Red Raider Play Day Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

With registration, children and parents also received free admission to Tech's baseball game against Texas A&M Saturday.

Red Raider Play Day was more than conducting games and activities, as Barncastle said giving children a chance to see Tech athletes as normal people is worth it.

"They see us only as athletes," she said. "It's just awesome to interact on such a personal level. We're face painting, and they love it. You could put anything on their face and they'd love it."

Red Raider Play Day was even used by some as a tour of the Tech campus.

Armando Tijerina, a deputy marshal for the Dallas Police Department, said he drove his 14-year-old son from Dallas Friday evening to participate in Red Raider Play Day.

Since his son wants to attend Tech, Tijerina said he found Red Raider Play Day beneficial in many ways.

However, driving from Dallas for the weekend did have its effects.

"I'm exhausted," Tijerina said, "but looking at my kid who wants to come here, it's worth it."

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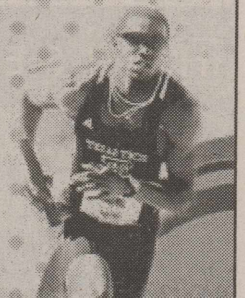
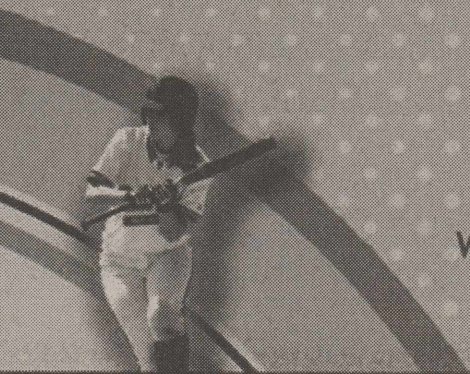


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Cavaliers thump Spurs 101-81 to stop slump

CLEVELAND (AP)—Back to basics. Back to winning. The Cleveland Cavaliers didn't need long to remember what's made them so good.

Locked into attack mode from the start, LeBron James scored 38 points — 18 in the first quarter — and Mo Williams and Delonte West added 22 apiece as the NBA's best home team avoided its first three-game losing streak by beating the San Antonio Spurs 101-81 on Sunday.

Embarrassed in a 29-point loss Friday in Orlando, a humbling defeat that came one day after a humiliating loss at lowly Washington, Cleveland played with purpose at both ends and improved to 37-1 at home.

"It was a wake-up call," Williams said. "We didn't get overexcited about the losses. It just kind of hit everybody the same way. That's why we're such a good team. We didn't talk about it. We just put

it behind us. We knew what we had to do and everybody came out and responded real well."

Timing can be everything in the NBA, and Spurs coach Gregg Popovich was certain the Cavaliers (62-15) would be a handful.

"We knew we were in trouble," he said. "I want to find out who the scheduler was that made us play this game after they lost their last two."

Connecticut's Jim Calhoun to contemplate future

DETROIT (AP)—Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun has always said he would not make any decisions about his future after a tough defeat.

But the disappointment of losing to the underdog Spartans, coupled with frustration over allegations that Calhoun's program violated NCAA recruiting rules, bubbled over after the Huskies' 82-73 loss to Michigan State in the national semifinals on Saturday night.

"Those kind of things, that's why Dean Smith told me at 67 he got out," Calhoun said, referring to North Carolina's retired Hall of Fame coach. "It wasn't basketball. It was the other things."

"I love the kids, love the game. I don't plan to go anywhere. But I'm going to give a lot of reflection, maybe more reflection than normal, because of that,"

the 66-year Hall of Famer said. Asked about Calhoun's comments, Villanova coach Jay Wright said he hopes Calhoun will not make any decision quickly.

"I could probably be talked into retiring were it now," Wright said after the Wildcats' 83-69 loss to North Carolina in the late semifinal. "Tomorrow I'll be excited about next year. I hope he waits a couple days."

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Tech women's tennis defeats K-State, Kansas, moves to .500 in Big 12 play

By ZANE TURNER AND ADAM COLEMAN
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One weekend can change the whole season.

After disposing of Kansas State Friday and Kansas Sunday, that seems to be the case for the Texas Tech women's tennis team.

Tech defeated the Wildcats 6-1 and the Jayhawks 4-2 this weekend at the McLeod Tennis Complex to move to .500 in Big 12 Conference play for the first time this season.

"We put it on their plate after the San Diego Tournament we needed to win out in the Big 12," Tech coach Todd Petty said. "That's kind of what we're looking to do. We've kind of pushed that way."

Tech (9-10, 4-4 in Big 12 play) could not have had a better start to the weekend against Kansas State.

The Lady Raiders came out of the gate sluggish against the Wildcats (3-10, 0-6) with the No. 1 and 2 teams falling in doubles. The No. 3 team of Natalie Leitch and Simone Templeton prevented the sweep, defeating K-State's Petra Chuda and Katerina Kudlackova, 8-4.

However, Tech turned it around in singles.

The Lady Raiders took advantage of the Wildcats' youth, sweeping all six singles matches.

Kansas State has three freshmen in its singles lineup.

In her third match this spring, Kyla Coleman improved to 2-1 in the No. 6 slot, defeating K-State's Natasha Vieira, 6-3, 3-6, 6-2. Clinching the match for the Lady Raiders at No. 4 was Leitch, who disposed of the Wildcat's Katerina Kudlackova, 6-3, 7-5.

"We came back really strong from a shaky doubles point," Coleman said. "But we pulled together and showed the team who we really are. And it was great to get a win in, and I knew I could so it was really, really awesome to be able to help the team out."

Kansas was the last home match for Tech this season and for seniors Samantha van der Drift and Coleman.

The Lady Raiders and the Jayhawks were forced to allow singles play determine the match because of the windy conditions. If doubles was needed, then the match

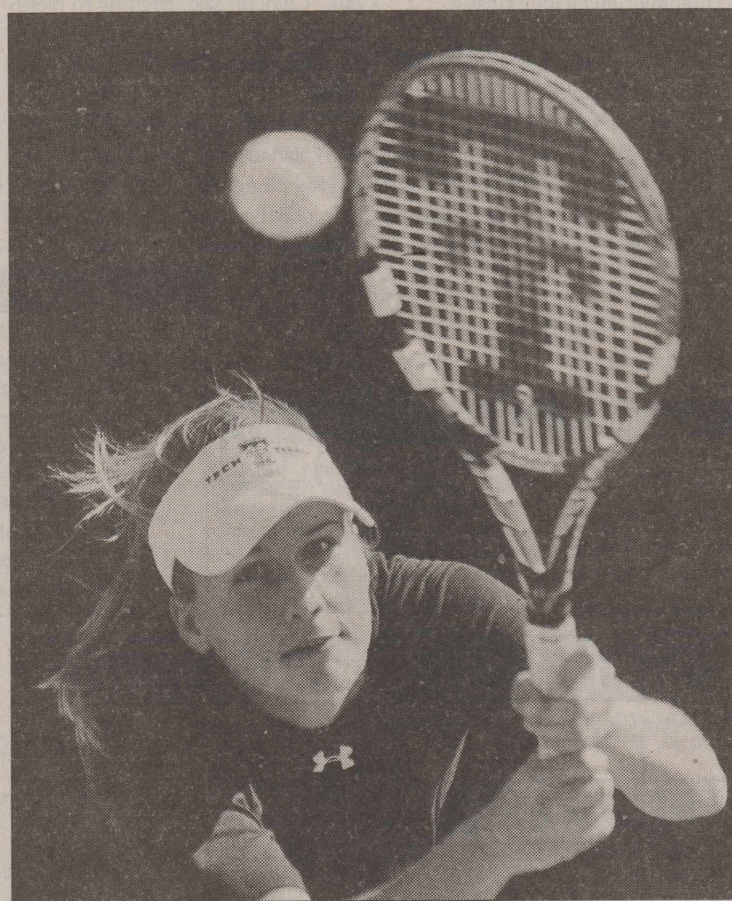


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TEXAS TECH SENIOR Samantha van der Drift returns the ball during singles play against Kansas State Friday at the McLeod Tennis Complex.

would have been extended, but whichever team could clinch four singles matches would come out with the win.

Thanks to Leitch, the Lady Raiders had no need to play doubles.

Leitch continued her strong play in Sunday's match against Kansas (8-10, 3-5) by defeating Maria Martinez, 6-1, 7-5. It was the fourth point Tech needed to clinch the match.

While she won the first set easily, Leitch had a much closer set against Martinez.

Leitch said the wind was another obstacle she had to battle, but considering this was the last home match of the season, nothing could stand in her way.

"The wind is not OK," she said. "It's real tough to play. She was good, and she figured out a good gameplan, but I really wanted to win for my seniors and for my captain. I didn't want to let anyone down today."

After grabbing a win in the K-State match, Coleman fell in straight-sets to

Kansas' Alessandra Dzuba, 6-1, 6-4.

However, Tech's all-time singles wins leader ended her time at the McLeod Tennis Complex on a high note, taking care of KU's Edina Horvath 6-2, 6-2.

Tech still has Oklahoma State, Oklahoma and a make-up match against Nebraska. Petty said if the team can win out, an NCAA Tournament berth is not out of the question.

With that in consideration, van der Drift said the last home match against Kansas Sunday was not as emotional as she thought it would be.

"Actually, it's not that bad," she said. "I always thought it was gonna be real emotional. It wasn't at all. I don't know. It's just another match and especially because we still have so many matches to go, I don't feel it's my last match or anything."

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Softball nabs first home win

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The Texas Tech softball team can now breathe a little easier.

The Red Raiders grabbed their first home victory of the season Sunday against Kansas, 4-2.

Tech (13-29, 2-7 in Big 12 Conference play) split the two-game series with the Jayhawks (12-21, 2-4), losing the first game on Saturday, 10-0 in six innings at Rocky Johnson Field.

"Amy (Suiter) had talked to us about the energy that we came out with at the beginning of the season at Arizona," said left-fielder Stephanie Drewry. "We came out ready to play, and she talked to us and asked us to dig deep, find that energy and we responded."

On Sunday, the Jayhawks start-

ing pitcher, Val George kept the Red Raiders at bay with four innings of work, five hits, five strikeouts and one earned run. However, when Kansas went to the bullpen, Tech took advantage of KU's Sarah Vertelka (5-5), who gave up three earned runs in two innings and recorded the loss for KU.

"We knew we could hit the bullpen," Elizabeth Eimen said.

When Vertelka came into the game in the bottom of the fifth, Drewry blasted a leadoff double into right center field followed by an Eimen single. Then a throwing error by Kansas' Kolby Fesmire brought Drewry home and moved Eimen to third. Alex Watkins came up to bat and drove in Eimen with a double into the right field wall.

The Tech bats came to life Sunday as the Red Raiders compiled nine hits compared to Saturday's two.

Watkins, Eimen and Drewry each had

two hits, while Eimen drove in three of Tech's four runs.

While her teammates scored the runs, pitcher Ashly Jacobs (8-15) kept the Jayhawk bats quiet, pitching a complete game in the win with six hits, two earned runs and a season-high eight strikeouts.

"Saturday helped to get the kids motivated," Tech coach Amy Suiter said. "They needed to figure out that you can't sleep, you can't sleep in conference play. You have to come out ready to play every game. We had the same game plan as yesterday, but today they actually executed it."

Eimen said the teams focus changed from Saturday to Sunday resulting in the win Sunday.

"We made it a business to leave it all on the field today," she said. "To play for a full seven innings, and that's what we did and came out with the win."

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Track finishes strong at Texas Relays

By ADAM WADSWORTH
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AUSTIN — Thursday was not the best start for the Texas Tech track team, but the Red Raiders didn't let that keep them down.

After a disappointing first day of competition, the Red Raiders took two first-place finishes, 12 top-five finishes, 16 NCAA Regional marks and set a school record this weekend at the Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays in Austin.

Tech coach Wes Kittley said he was much happier with the way his team performed in the final two rounds.

"There were a lot of good things. I thought our kids competed so much better today than they did the first day," Kittley said. "So things did definitely pick up the second and third day."

The turnaround began Friday morning with the 110-meter hurdles and the 100-meter dash preliminaries.

Omoghan Osaghae qualified first in the hurdles and Terra Evans made her way to the finals in the dash.

The first Tech win of the compe-

dition came from senior discus thrower D'Andra Carter.

Carter threw an NCAA regional mark of 180 feet, 8 inches on her way to winning the competition for the second year in a row.

"It's important because it gets the ball rolling," Carter said. "It gets you pumped, like, if you don't do good, it gives you incentive to work harder, or if you do do well, it makes you want to keep improving on that."

She said she was excited about the win, but still has work to do before the season is over.

In the B section of the women's pole vault, Sage Lasater cleared 12'-7.50" to finish third.

Tech finished Friday with a school record in the men's 4x1500-meter relay.

The team — consisting of Gilbert Limo, Cory Higgins, Zack Dawson and Silas Kemboi — ran a 15 minute, 58.5 second time to place second and set the new record.

The momentum from Friday carried over to Tech's performance on the final day.

In the first collegiate event of the day, Darrell Roddick placed fourth in the B section of the men's high jump with a

mark of 6'-10.75".

In an event that quickly became a three-team race, the women's distance medley relay team found itself in a battle for first with Baylor and Rice.

Tech led the tight group for the first three legs but was passed by both teams in the final turn and finished third.

The men's distance medley relay found itself just on the outside of another three-team battle for first, finishing fourth.

The second win for Tech came from Osaghae in the men's 110-meter hurdles.

He ran a wind-assisted 13.42, which is the fastest time ever by a Red Raider and the fastest time ever at the Texas Relays, but does not count for a record because of the wind.

Osaghae said the record is not important to him, instead he was just excited to have a chance to see how he and the team stacked up against some of the best in the country.

"I guess I have pretty high expectations, but I've never had a problem meeting them before," Osaghae said. "I'm just going to keep trying to have everybody drive behind me and feed off them, and hopefully have a good season."

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