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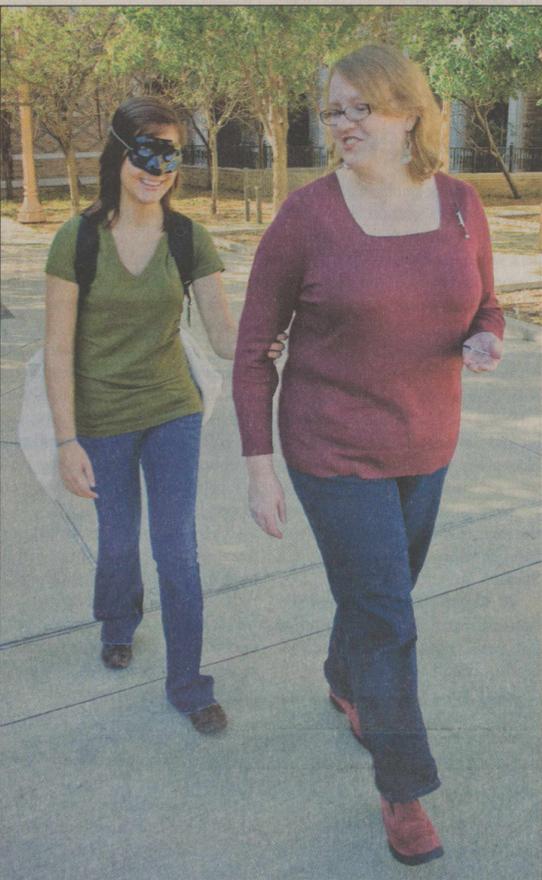


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CARRIE THORNTON, A senior public relations and English dual major from Houston, experiences visual impairment as she is directed through the English-Philosophy Courtyard by Amy Parker during the National White Cane Day.

By CARRIE THORNTON  
STAFF WRITER

Thursday morning, I temporarily lost my sense of sight.

It was National White Cane Day and the Texas Tech Virginia Murray Sowell Center set up a booth in the education building where they offered to willing students such as myself the chance to experience a walk across campus without the ability to see where you are going.

When I approached the booth, I would be lying if I said I was excited to have my vision blocked with a plastic, black costume mask with blue tape covering the eyeholes.

But how hard could it be? I have had night vision anyway, so I figured it would not be any different from getting up in the middle

of the night and traversing across my apartment to grab a cookie from the kitchen.

I slid the mask on my face and realized I could still see my feet. I briefly considered leaving it in that position, but for the principle of the thing I pulled it down over my closed eyes.

Amy Parker, my guide and a research assistant professor at the Sowell Center, began by showing me how surprising it can be for a blind person to suddenly be touched or grabbed without warning.

"Usually, when people want to help out a visually impaired person, they grab them and ask if they need assistance, which they don't realize can be startling," she told me as she grabbed my arm, making me violently jump and laugh nervously.

She then asked me which arm I would like to hold, and I flopped my left arm around until I came in contact with hers. I cupped her arm, shaping my hand like the letter C, just above her elbow.

And then we were off.

My first few steps were not pleasant ones. My head was spinning because I wanted so badly to see the door I was opening in front of me, instead of listening to Parker explain it to me.

Also, I was irritated my recently curled eyelashes were being squished inside the tape.

But as we slowly waddled — I say waddled because apparently when I am blinded I lose the ability to walk like normal — I began to feel more and more comfortable trusting this woman I barely knew

and could not see.

A habitual power-walker, I found my legs refusing to move faster than a slow walk. Parker commented on this, and told me people who are not used to being visually impaired usually find it hard to walk fast and I was dragging her.

Parker told me the proper way to lead someone is to always stay slightly ahead, and when you need your follower to get directly behind you or "get skinny" as she coined it, to move your arm directly behind you.

This would come in handy if we were to walk through a crowd of people or a narrow walkway, and I silently hoped she would refrain from both.

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## Tech celebrates White Cane Day, opportunities for visually impaired

By CARRIE THORNTON  
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech recognized National White Cane Day on Thursday with an activity sponsored by the Virginia Murray Sowell Center.

The day was devoted to celebrating independence and opportunities for people who are blind or visually impaired.

"Visually impaired is defined differently by state," said Amy Parker, research assistant professor for the Sowell

Center. "In Texas, someone is visually impaired when their vision becomes an educational hindrance."

The Sowell Center instructs teachers on how to teach and handle visually impaired students and also provides services to those students, Parker said. The center's ultimate goal is to show visually impaired students how to be independent.

"And that's really what White Cane Day is all about — independence," she said. "We want to teach those students how to

go about campus and their everyday lives without help."

The state is in dire need of professionals who know how to teach and care for visually impaired students, she said. Because Texas is so large, there may be some areas where only a small population of visually impaired students exists, but they receive no professional attention because there simply are not enough people to go around.

Roseanna Davidson, director of the Sowell Center, said the center has special programs for

visually impaired students.

"Those students can receive services to become better acquainted with campus," Davidson said. "We have special individual orientations on campus that are specialized according to how close the student lives, where their classes are and so on."

In terms of getting where they need to be, students use canes or a seeing-eye dog to maneuver in public places, she said.

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## Speakers: Drinking age debate necessary, may not be right time

By KELSEY HECKEL  
STAFF WRITER

During an open forum about the legal drinking age Thursday, two advocates on different sides of the issue agreed lowering the age is a question that needs to be addressed but disagreed on how it should happen and whether the United States is ready for the change.

Following the European example and lowering the legal drinking age from 21 to 18 in the United States was the topic of the debate between speakers John McCardell and William Dejong at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Allen Theatre.

*"I believe in state experimentation. Not in this case though. I think there is great wisdom in gradual progression."*

WILLIAM DEJONG  
PROFESSOR  
BOSTON UNIVERSITY

McCardell, founder of the group Choose Responsibility, said changes need to be made to reflect the nation's issues now and not those of 1984 when the age limit was set at 21.

The main problem that people should focus on is binge drinking, he said.

"The problem in 1984 was drinking and driving, the solution was to raise the drinking age," McCardell said. "Sixty percent of deaths related to underage drinking now are off the highways, that's what we need to focus on."

Dejong, a professor in the Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences at the Boston University

School of Public Health, said the time for lowering the legal age was not now because the nation still is far from being ready to face the issue.

"Major policy reform needs to be done first, then we can look at lowering the age," he said. "There will be some increase in deaths and injuries, but it will be a level of increase that we can tolerate. To lower the age limit right now would be a disaster."

McCardell also said individual states should be allowed to make decisions about the drinking age.

"If a law is not being observed and respected, I think we should look at it if it's a bad law," McCardell said. "I believe that this should be allowed of the states, let them look at the situation, and I think that we would see a variety of approaches at a solution."

Dejong said it would create "blood boundaries" between states if they were allowed to limit the drinking age individually, meaning those underage in one state would be able to go to another state where they are of legal age to drink.

"I believe in state experimentation," he said. "Not in this case though. I think there is great wisdom in gradual progression."

Alex Lake, a sophomore electrical engineering major from Spring Branch, said he believes change needs to be made now rather than later.

"There will always be someone unhappy," he said. "But if we can't even open up the stage for debate, then how do we find a solution and a balance?"

Although the law should prevent under-age people from buying alcohol, Lake said students have friends who can purchase the alcohol for them, which only will be made easier with the availability of alcohol in city limits.

If a limit was set, he said, it would be best to provide education for those who would then be allowed to purchase alcohol.

Both of the speakers also said they believe an education course should be required.

"If we were ever to contemplate lowering the drinking age, we better make damn sure that those that are of age know better



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WILLIAM DEJONG SPEAKS about drinking age during the debate about the subject Thursday in the Allen Theatre.

than to provide those that aren't with alcohol," Dejong said. "It is a mistake to look the other way. We need to direct them to make responsible decisions."

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**STATE**

**Houston mayor adds \$1.5 million for Senate bid**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Houston Mayor Bill White has raised \$6 million to make himself one of the more formidable candidates in the race to replace Kay Bailey Hutchison in the U.S. Senate.

White, a Democrat, raised \$1.55 million during the three months that ended Sept. 30, including a \$414,000 contribution from himself. That pushed his fundraising total to \$6 million.

Others who have declared them-

selves candidates for Hutchison's seat are Democrat John Sharp, former Texas Comptroller; and Republicans Michael Williams, a Texas Railroad commissioner; Roger Williams, former Texas secretary of state; state Sen. Florence Shapiro, and Elizabeth Ames Jones, also a Texas Railroad Commissioner.

Hutchison is challenging Gov. Rick Perry for the GOP gubernatorial nomination.

**NATION**

**Interracial couple denied marriage license in La.**

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A Louisiana justice of the peace said he refused to issue a marriage license to an interracial couple out of concern for any children the couple might have.

Keith Bardwell, justice of the peace in Tangipahoa Parish, says it is his experience that most interracial marriages do not last long.

"I'm not a racist. I just don't believe in mixing the races that way," Bardwell told the Associated Press on Thursday. "I have piles and piles of black friends. They come to my

home, I marry them, they use my bathroom. I treat them just like everyone else."

Bardwell said he asks everyone who calls about marriage if they are a mixed race couple. If they are, he does not marry them, he said.

Bardwell said he has discussed the topic with blacks and whites, along with witnessing some interracial marriages. He came to the conclusion that most of black society does not readily accept offspring of such relationships, and neither does white society, he said.

**Provost presents strategic plan at SGA meeting**

By JETT THOMPSON  
STAFF WRITER

Provost and Senior Vice President Robert Smith introduced an early version of the new university strategic plan, which will be adopted by the end of the calendar year, before the Student Government Association meeting Thursday.

During his presentation, Smith said the plan is important to further the integration of the entire Texas Tech System, including university locations in San Angelo and El Paso. Smith's plan also accounted for future possibilities such as National Research University status and a growing student population.

As one of the United States' national energy universities, Smith said, Tech should take the lead in wind energy research especially considering the university's location in windy West Texas.

He also proposed a new university vision statement and mission statement at the meeting.

Smith said during his presentation the university plans to maintain

and improve teaching facilities and increase research at Tech.

"We're not sacrificing what is great here at Tech as we go toward tier one," Smith said.

The plan is not yet finalized and he said some details of the plan may change before it is adopted.

During the meeting, senators sent Senate Resolution 45.17 to the transportation committee. The resolution proposed the creation of a new crosswalk

between Boston Avenue and Canton Avenue, adjacent from the bus stop on

Drive of Champions Avenue. According to the resolution coauthored by Sen. Olivia Chriss, no crosswalk exists between the Frazier Alumni Pavilion and the Commuter North parking lot although a large number of students cross the spot every day.



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and make the walk safer for Tech students, Chriss said.

The resolution was sent to the transportation committee for further review, she said, but the crosswalk could be painted on pavement within the next few weeks.

Another bill read during the meeting, Senate Bill 45.07, passed with 70 percent of the senate vote and stipulated that leading authors of proposed legislation speak from a podium on the senate floor during the third and final reading of their proposed legislation.

Heather Medley, a spokeswoman for University Parking Services, also spoke to the Student Senate and discussed the dangers of drowsy driving.

She announced a car clinic, which will be hosted by University Parking Services, will take place from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 11 at the intersection of Texas Tech Parkway and Indiana Avenue.

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*"We're not sacrificing what is great here at Tech as we go toward tier one."*

**ROBERT SMITH**  
PROVOST AND SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

**POLICE BLOTTER**

**Car caught on fire in parking lot, glue inserted in locking mechanism**

Oct. 7

10:59 a.m., an officer documented information about a collision between a bicyclist and pedestrian in the 1600 block of Akron Avenue. The bicyclist sustained minor injuries and was treated and released by Emergency Medical Services.

5:36 p.m., an officer investigated the theft of a T-Mobile BlackBerry at The Market in Stangel/Murdough Residence Hall.

Oct. 8

3:17 a.m., two officers arrested a student for driving while intoxicated in the 2500 block of 7th Street. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

3:30 p.m., an officer investigated an accident in the C4 parking lot. No injuries were reported.

7:30 p.m., an officer investigated the report of a missing child in the Administration building. It was determined that the child was with the other parent.

8:00 p.m., an officer investigated criminal mischief in the Z6-A parking lot where the rear driver-side window of a vehicle was shattered.

Oct. 9

2:32 a.m., an officer investigated an accident in the Z6-A parking lot. No injuries were reported. One of the drivers was cited and released for driving under the influence by a minor and arrested for possession of another person's valid driver's license. The driver was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

2:37 a.m., an officer arrested a student and a non-student for public intoxication in the A-1 parking lot of the University Medical Center.

Both were transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

6:35 a.m., an officer investigated criminal mischief on the fourth floor of Weymouth Residence Hall in which several emergency light fixtures and exit signs were damaged.

6:35 a.m., an officer investigated criminal mischief in the Z4-P parking lot. The driver-side window of a gold Mazda Protege was shattered.

8:31 a.m., an officer investigated an accident in the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center A-3 parking lot. No injuries were reported.

10:40 p.m., an officer arrested a student in the Z4-M parking lot for public intoxication. The student was also issued a citation for possession of drug paraphernalia and was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

Oct. 10

6:45 p.m., an officer arrested a non-student in Section 13 of Jones AT&T Stadium for public intoxication. The non-student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

7:15 p.m., an officer arrested a student for public intoxication near Gate 4 of the stadium. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

11:55 p.m., an officer issued a citation to a non-student for possession of an alcoholic beverage in a motor vehicle in the 1500 block of Akron Avenue.

Oct. 11

12:53 a.m., two officers released a student pending the filing of charges for public intoxication in the lobby of Wall Residence Hall. The student was transported to the UMC emergency room for possible alcohol poisoning.

1:43 a.m., two officers arrested a

non-student for public intoxication after a traffic violation in the 900 block of University Avenue. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

2:17 a.m., an officer arrested a student in the 2500 block of 25th Street for public intoxication. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

9:27 a.m., an officer investigated a hit-and-run accident in the north 700 block of Knoxville Avenue. No injuries were reported.

12:25 p.m., an officer investigated the theft of a wallet and its contents from section 14 of Jones AT&T Stadium.

10:36 p.m., an officer arrested a non-student for three outstanding Lubbock County warrants in the 2500 block of Eighth Street.

11:26 p.m., two officers issued a citation to a student for possession of alcohol by a minor in Murdough Residence Hall.

Oct. 12

12:52 p.m., an officer responded to a vehicle fire in the R-3 parking lot. The fire was extinguished by the Lubbock Fire Department and the vehicle was towed by Lubbock Wrecker Service.

3:00 p.m., an officer investigated the theft of a black Giant bicycle in the Sneed Residence Hall south bicycle racks.

4:29 p.m., an officer investigated a burglary from the Petroleum Engineering building in which a digital camera was taken from a secured room.

Oct. 13

9:47 a.m., an officer investigated harassment at the Architecture build-

ing in which a staff member was receiving unwanted written communications.

12:14 p.m., an officer investigated an accident in the 1800 block of University Avenue. No injuries were reported.

3:32 p.m., an officer investigated a theft from a vending machine on the second floor of Murdough Residence Hall.

4:19 p.m., an officer investigated a hit-and-run accident in the HSC F-1 parking lot. No injuries were reported.

8:54 p.m., an officer investigated the theft of a green and tan bicycle from the north bicycle racks at the Bledsoe/Gordon Residence Hall.

10:30 p.m., two officers released a student pending the filing of charges for possession of marijuana on the east side of Weymouth Residence Hall.

Oct. 14

2:09 p.m., an officer responded to a medical call on the third floor of the Business Administration building in which a student fainted and struck her head after giving blood. She was released after being treated by EMS.

10:00 p.m., an officer investigated the theft of a red and silver Giant bicycle from the bicycle racks in between Chitwood Residence Hall and Sam's Place West.

11:03 p.m., two officers investigated criminal mischief at Coleman Residence Hall in which glue was placed inside a locking mechanism in Room 211.

11:27 p.m., two officers investigated a damaged light pole in the north courtyard area of Gates Residence Hall.

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**Ill. voters to decide on gov. recall**

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — With one former Illinois governor in prison and another facing corruption charges, the state's Senate decided Thursday to let voters choose whether they want the power to recall crooked governors in the future.

The Senate's vote means a constitutional amendment will be placed on the ballot in November 2010. If it passes, Illinois will adopt a convoluted mechanism for recalling governors seen as corrupt or incompetent.

"The very best way to make sure the governor does the right thing all the time is to have in our constitution the power of recall," said Gov. Pat Quinn, who took office in January after his predecessor, Rod Blagojevich, was impeached. "I think we will see this is the ultimate ethics measure."

Blagojevich was ousted after he was ac-

cused of trying to sell or trade President Barack Obama's former U.S. Senate seat. He has pleaded not guilty, and his federal trial is set to start in June.

Another former governor and Blagojevich's predecessor, George Ryan, is serving a six-year prison sentence after he was convicted in 2006 of federal corruption charges involving a scam to illegally sell licenses to truck drivers while he was secretary of state.

Two other past governors have also gone to prison in the past three decades. Otto Kerner, governor from 1961 to 1968, was convicted of bribery after he left office. Dan Walker, who served from 1973 to 1977, was convicted on charges related to financial dealings after he left office.

*"I think we will see this is the ultimate ethics measure."*

**ROD BLAGOJEVICH**  
FORMER ILLINOIS GOVERNOR

**Walking**

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What should have been a miniscule walk from the Education building to the English building seemed to take hours as I absorbed every detail of my surroundings.

Every sound and smell was magnified. I heard each drop of water splash in the fountain we passed, and I could smell the burning scent of cigarette smoke like I was puffing one myself.

However, I must add my depth perception is incredibly off. When I heard the fountain's splashes, Parker asked me how far away I thought I was.

"Oh, about two feet. No, one foot. I mean foot," I said confidently.

She then informed me my hand was a mere three or four inches away.

After more nervous laughter and accidentally trying to climb onto the fountain in a misunderstanding where

she wanted me to step down, we were on our way again.

The blue tape covering my eyes was slightly opaque, and every slight shadow made me jump in anticipation of running into a solid object.

However, Parker kept me reassured by talking to me throughout our journey.

A few minutes after the fountain, I could feel cool air brush against my skin, and I knew she led me to a shaded area.

"And now, I'll show you how someone would help a blind person sit in a bench," she said as we stopped walking.

First, we stopped right in front of the bench so my knees hit its edge. Then, according to her instructions, I held my hand close to my forehead to protect myself from hitting anything and swept the bench for obstructions with my other.

After deciding the coast was clear, I clumsily rotated and plopped down on the bench with satisfaction.

After leaving the bench, I knew the fun part was coming: three flights of stairs in the English building.

"Here, grab the rail with your right hand," she told me as I groped the wall until I found the handrail.

Then one by one, we ascended.

Because I was familiar with those stairs, it was not much of a challenge for me. But still, I could hear students rushing past us and could not help but feel a little foolish.

We reached the top, and I was allowed to take my blindfold off.

Smiled, shook her hand, and continued the rest of the way to class blinking under the bright fluorescent lights.

I sat down near my classroom door and mulled over the experience I just had. I realized I take so many things for granted, and I made a mental note to thank my parents for buying me contacts.

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**White Cane**

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All canes are white with reflective tape and come in a variety of tips.

Some tips are better for certain surfaces, Davidson said. For instance, a child's cane might have a bigger tip, called a "marshmallow tip," which makes detecting objects easier. However, there is an alternative to canes.

"Typically, people are more likely to use canes," she said. "Because it takes a special person to use a dog. A dog you have to take care of and it is a big commitment. However, in urban areas using a dog is more common because there tends to be not enough space for the use of a cane."

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**Reports: Russia warns US on missile defense**

MOSCOW (AP) — A top Russian diplomat suggested Thursday that the U.S. should not talk with non-NATO nations about a prospective missile shield, Russian news agencies reported.

Deputy Foreign Minister Sergei Ryabkov's remarks appeared to reflect alarm over the idea that Western-leaning neighbors such as Ukraine or Georgia, Russia's foe in a war last year, could potentially host U.S. missile defense facilities.

Ryabkov said Russia is concerned about what he said were

contacts between the U.S. and nations outside NATO on missile defense, state-run ITAR-Tass and RIA Novosti reported.

President Barack Obama removed a major irritant in relations with Russia last month by scrapping U.S. plans to place interceptor missiles in Poland and a radar in the Czech Republic — deployments Russia treated as a threat.

The Kremlin has praised Obama for the decision, but Russian officials have also said they want to know details about what system the U.S. will put in place instead.

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## Free-spirit artist has own TAB event

By SHERREL JONES  
STAFF WRITER

The artist who painted the mural in the Student Union Building struck again with pastels on a free-standing piece of drywall Thursday.

As Erick Stow, a senior public relations major from Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, blended pastel colors of purple, yellow and green together, he spoke about his art. He said he feels each color expresses a different emotion.

There are two sides to the free-standing drywall and Stow plans to do a black and white piece on the opposite side of his colorful mural. He said he likes the feeling of painting with colors rather than the bland feeling he gets when working on a black and white piece.

"I love art," Stow said. "Art can't be taught. I find inspiration through things that have happened to me, experiences and struggles."

Stow spent about 15 hours Sept. 24 painting a mural in the SUB without permission, which was torn down the next morning. Zane Reif, unit associate director of Student Union and Activities, said the organization was one of the first groups to spot the artist in action that day, and their immediate reaction was a student is painting on a wall without permission.

"We don't necessarily condone people just coming up to a wall and

start painting," Reif said. "I think our director felt bad because Erick put so much time and effort into it, and we allowed him to finish because we knew it would be painted over the next day."

He said he and Student Union and Activities do not want to inhibit students from creating artwork in the SUB, but students must ask for permission.

"We encourage students who want to do art work in the student union to contact us," Reif said. "We're open to all types of stuff like that and are willing to make accommodations for students who want to do stuff like that."

To allow the student to express his art freely, TAB created an event and built a canvas for him to recreate a new masterpiece, which will be displayed in the SUB for about three weeks to a month.

"If you talk with Erick, you can definitely tell he has an artsy personality," Reif said. "He is a free spirit and very connected to the environment. He spoke with me about his thought process of artwork and said he does not plan out his work. This project is a free-flow project for him."

Students stood in awe as they watched the artist create his vivid.

Esteban Castillo, a sophomore vocal performance major from El Paso, said Stow's focus is inspiring.

"I was here about 15 minutes ago when there were just lines on

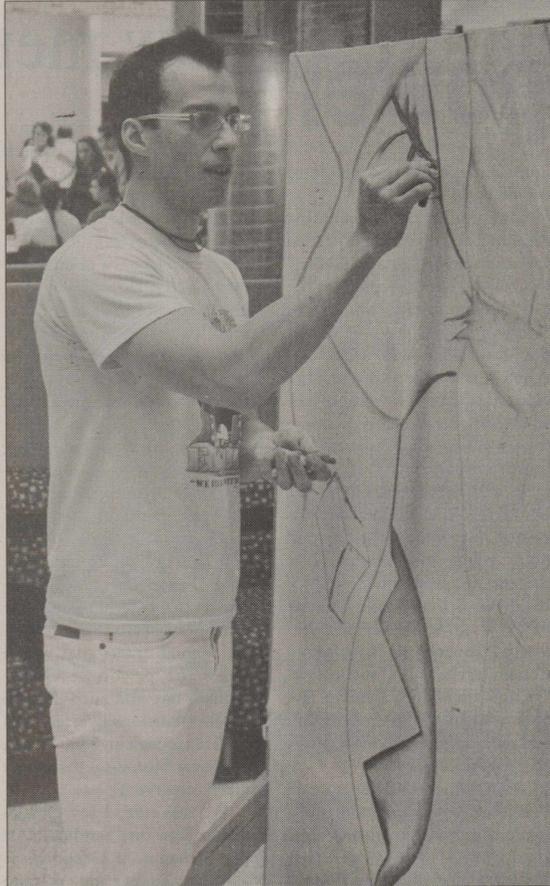


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ERICK STOW, A senior public relations major from Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, draws a second mural, sponsored by TAB, outside of the Allen Theatre after the success of his first mural in the Student Union Building.

the canvas," Castillo said, "and now to see how he has shaded in the lines is impeccable. This is outstanding."

To watch the evolution on a piece of artwork is incredible, said Kyle Eveler, a sophomore voice music education major

from El Paso.

"I think it would be cool to see more things like this," Eveler said. "I know we have music performances, but I would like to see other people making art, like sculpting or pottery."

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## Billy Mays' family: Review finds no chronic cocaine use

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The family of TV pitchman Billy Mays released the findings of an independent medical examiner Thursday, who concluded that the infomercial star's cocaine use was not a significant contributing factor in his sudden death.

The report, released by a family spokeswoman, does not refute Mays' cocaine use, but states there is no evidence to suggest he was a chronic user. A review of the official autopsy also concludes that "cocaine was not a significant contributing factor" in his death.

"There is no evidence that Mr. Mays' death was related to acute cocaine intoxication with coronary artery

spasm or dissection or even aortic dissection for that matter," wrote Dr. William Manion, the independent medical examiner who conducted the review. "Rather, the use of cocaine by Mr. Mays appears to have occurred a remote time several days before his death."

Mays, 50, was found dead in his family's Tampa condo in June.

The Hillsborough County medical examiner's office conducted the official autopsy. The office classified his death as "natural" but said that cocaine use contributed to the heart disease that killed him. Mays' family disagreed with that finding.

"We found this to be so upsetting that we asked for review by an independent medical examiner," Deborah

Mays, the late pitchman's wife, said in a statement Thursday.

Manion, chief of pathology for Virtua Health, a multi-hospital health care system based in Marlton, N.J., wrote that he was asked to review the official autopsy and address "the question of whether or not cocaine was a significant contributing cause" in Mays' death.

Manion said that a review of Mays' past and family medical history indicated Mays had mild obesity, a history of smoking and two close relatives with heart conditions.

"Family and friends found no evidence of symptoms or signs of chronic drug use as would be expected in a long-term chronic drug abuser," Manion states in the report.

Other medical conditions consistent with chronic cocaine use — including kidney disease, stroke, and other cardiac conditions — were absent in the autopsy findings.

Hillsborough County released a statement Thursday, saying the medical examiner's office was "aware of media reports regarding a differing opinion of the cause of death," but that it stood by the findings in its autopsy report and had no further comment.

Mays was known for his energetic commercials pitching gadgets and cleaning products like Orange Glo and OxiClean. He got his start on TV on the Home Shopping Network and then branched out into commercials and infomercials. He developed such a strong following that he became the subject of a reality TV series, Discovery Channel's "Pitchmen."

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ERIC STOW  
ARTIST

*"We found this to be so upsetting that we asked for review by an independent medical examiner,"*

DEBORAH MAYS  
WIFE OF LATE BILLY MAYS

## Student Disability Services gearing to spread awareness with week of events

By EMILY MOSER  
STAFF WRITER

Marcus Engel was a freshman in college when his life took a dramatic turn after a drunken driving accident left him blind.

Engel didn't let his disability disrupt his dreams though.

Texas Tech Student Disability Service will be hosting a variety of events for Disability Awareness Week Oct. 16 to 22. One event the program directors are particularly excited about is a visit from Engel.

Tamara Mancini, Student Disability Service's assistant director, said she has heard great things about him and his story.

"We think his message is dynamic and important," Mancini said.

Mancini said Engel will speak at two presentations Sunday as well as book signings and a reception. The event is just one of several events during the week geared to spread disability awareness to faculty and students with or without disabilities. She said the program has about 1,000 students registered, but there are probably more who have not registered.

"There's probably a pocket of people that don't even know we exist," Mancini said.

Shelley Ducatt, the program's associate director, said she believes an additional 1,000 people are not registered with the program either by choice or because they are unaware. She hopes the program will catch the attention of some of the unregistered group during the week.

She considers accessibility for people with disabilities a problem on campus, she said, and hopes the program will improve faculty awareness of classroom needs for people with disabilities.

Ducatt said she believes students also should be aware of people with disabilities in classrooms. Students may be unaware they use offensive language or mannerisms.

"So people would be careful about the words they choose in classrooms," she said.

Karina Lago, a senior music education major from San Antonio who is legally blind, said except for a few instances, her fellow Tech students haven't offended her by what they say. She describes herself as insensitive to her disability.

Lago said she jokes about it with friends because she feels humor is a part of life but considers the term "visually impaired" offensive.

"You can say blind," Lago said. "I'm not offended or anything. It's not like I'm trying to hide it."

She said she was unaware of the Student Disability Services until she attended New Student Orientation. She is registered through the program because it is necessary to receive modified material for some of her classes.

"I'm not used to it," Lago said. "When I was in high school I went to a private school and I didn't have any help. I had to do things on my own."

The program requires a doctors' letter proving disability for registration, she said, which might be the reason some students with disabilities choose not to register.

"Maybe for a lot of people it would have to be accepting the fact to have a doctor send a letter stating their disabilities," she said.

She said she often runs into trouble at the library while searching for books because she cannot see the numbers on the labels.

She said the library could improve its conditions if it had more people willing to help her. Until then, she always goes with a friend to look for books.

"More like they're looking for the books and I'm carrying everyone else's books," she said with a laugh.

### DISABILITY AWARENESS WEEK EVENTS

FRIDAY

•Awareness Ribbon Distribution 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., front of the Student Union

SUNDAY

•Guest Speaker: Marcus Engel 3 p.m. to 8 p.m., Allen Theatre

TUESDAY

•IT Round Table 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Red Raider Lounge Room 246

WEDNESDAY

•SDS Open House 10 a.m. to noon, West Hall, Room 335

THURSDAY

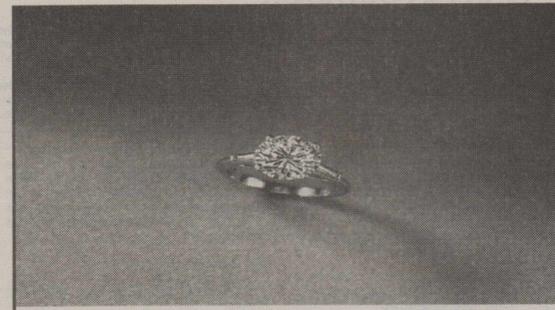
•Deaf Bingo 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Wall/Gates Residence Hall

Lago said she was had not heard of the upcoming Disability Awareness Week and was surprised to learn of its events.

Besides Engel's presentation, Ducatt listed several other upcoming events including awareness ribbons being handed out Friday outside of the Student Union and a game of Deaf Bingo for students.

"Students can come and see the office, take a tour," Ducatt said. "Maybe reach students and faculty and give them a chance to stop in and ask questions."

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## Washington inching toward more power

During the past two decades, there has been a major push to make the District of Columbia more like a state.

Local Washington politicians, notably U.S. House of Representatives delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton, have pressed for "more equal" rights for Washington, D.C., residents, who do not have full representation (other than three electoral votes for president). Similarly, residents did not have the right to vote in presidential elections until 1971.

The most recent bill to push buttons — a bill about gay marriage rights — is very important as Congress realizes decisions have been made through this medium. If local politicians succeed, the district and its residents could have almost as much or equal amounts of power as any other state.

Washington, D.C., as of this moment, is not considered a state. It is a district, which means it has more power than Puerto Rico's status as a territory, but less power than a state. Since it is a district, Congress has authority over anything and everything that occurs within its 61.4 miles as the capital of the United States.

So it has a non-voting delegate in Congress to represent itself, but there is no senator or house representative that can definitively say he or she has made a difference on a particular bill other than lobbying the real members of Congress to vote for

**Colleen Gartner**



or against a particular measure affecting the district.

Of course, a majority of the population of Washington is black. Today's census notes population percentages are about 55 percent and it reached as much as 70 percent during the 1970s. Whether Congress has been suppressing Washington because of these numbers should remain on the table. History of such discrimination has occurred in the past, and those past decisions continue to influence the city today.

The Voting Rights Act of 2009, which would grant a vote on Washington's behalf in the House of Representatives, passed in the Senate in February. It will increase the number of representatives in the House by two from 435 to 437. It awaits President Barack Obama's signature but has been on hold because of one particular last minute amendment to the bill.

Known as the Ensign Amendment for Sen. John Ensign of Nevada, it repealed many gun restrictions previously placed upon residents in Washington. This has been bawked at as an oxymoron since gun ownership would and should have been considered a local issue for the

more independent district to decide upon.

Many politicians, including Eleanor Norton, informally called the amendment "unacceptable," but voiced that the passage of the bill was more important. Most recently, the Ensign Amendment has been called out by the *Washington Post* as a "betrayal" and the National Rifle Association has, as always, favored any increase in gun ownership, regardless of how it is obtained.

It will be interesting to see how this all pans out. As Washington has become more and more independent, demanding respect for such independence has been a long road. On one hand, Washington has been cradled by Congress since its formation under the U.S. Constitution. On the other hand, there are real people living in the district with real problems that need an active voice to be resolved.

After all, the murder rate in Washington — as reported by the Uniform Crime Report and compiled by the FBI — rivaled New Orleans during the 1990s. That is a scary thought, considering not only New Orleans's statistics but also the fact the headquarters for the DEA and the FBI are located there.

However, residents were able to take back the city, and they may just make greater strides in the gay rights arena this year than any U.S. state.

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## Peace prize no longer noble, now mere political vehicle

As of last Friday, President Barack Obama joins such glowing company as Yasser Arafat, Former U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan (who was found to have unethically mishandled the oil for food program), political misfit and scare tactician Al Gore and not last but most certainly least, Jimmy Carter, arguably the worst president the United States has ever seen (yet). Obama joins these interesting individuals in becoming a Nobel Peace Prize laureate.

At the time of this year's nomination deadline, Obama had been in office about 12 days. During that time, he paraded on Inauguration Day, made some phone calls to Arab leaders, signed orders that would close the prison at Guantanamo Bay and allow federal aid for abortions overseas and bullied through an \$800 billion bailout to businesses that really didn't deserve it.

At this rate, I say Obama would be a fine candidate for the Heisman, a Grammy, at least two Emmys and an Israel Prize. Although what he did during that time wasn't necessarily violent to those already born, it's a stretch to say the actions were deserving of a Nobel Peace Prize.

That's perfectly fine, however. According to Alfred Nobel's will, a group selected from the Norwegian Parliament called the Norwegian Nobel Committee chooses a candidate who in the past year "shall have done the most or the best work for fraternity between nations, for the abolition or reduction of standing armies and for the

**Cole Shooter**



holding and promotion of peace congresses." It's a private award, and it's completely up to the Norwegian Nobel Committee to decide how they choose to further devalue it.

I do understand the disapproval of those who aren't happy with Obama becoming a Nobel Peace Prize laureate so quickly though. I can't say I have much respect for the award because in my lifetime it's become nothing but a political shill aimed at awarding those who are least qualified by the terms of Nobel's will. Some grew up revering the award and giving nothing but the utmost respect to the winners, though.

Jerusalem Post columnist Schmueley Boteach discussed his feelings on the award shortly after the Laureates were announced for this year.

"I grew up in awe of the Nobel and its noble recipients," he said. "This award was an acknowledgement on the part of our civilization that peace is humanity's greatest goal ... Don't get me wrong. I am not an Obama basher. Our president is a man of rare eloquence. I have supported him through the good he has done and criticized him for the missteps I think he has taken. But come on. Peace is not simply a great speech, and universal harmony is not merely a collection of words."

Even other Nobel Peace Prize laureates were surprised at the

news. Poland's anti-communist leader Lech Walesa, upon hearing the news, quipped "Who, Obama? So fast? Too fast — he hasn't had the time to do anything yet." He later added, "For the time being Obama's just making proposals. But sometimes the Nobel committee awards the prize to encourage responsible action."

There have been some Nobel Peace Prize laureates who were worthy of the award. The aforementioned anti-communist Lech Walesa, the 14th Dalai Lama and Mother Teresa all lived up to the true spirit of the award. Peace isn't the aim of the award anymore though.

How did Al Gore and his fear mongering pieces on global warming help to promote peace? It didn't, but the Norwegian Nobel Committee saw the chance to use the award to show their displeasure with the George W. Bush administration, and they took it. Obama's win is no different.

Obama may not be deserving of the award, but it shouldn't come as any surprise. Any organization that would be willing to give a peace prize to Arafat, often described as the godfather of modern terrorism, is not one to be taken too seriously. It's truly a shame such a well-intentioned award has fallen so far from its original intention.

If the peace prize doesn't satiate the president's ego, perhaps the Obamas can hop a plane with Oprah and lobby for an Olympic gold medal. After all, Obama's done as much for table tennis as he has for world peace.

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## Cell 'sexting' better than real-life fling

By **JILLIAN MAHEN**  
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The best relationship I ever had was with my cell phone. Time and time again, I always go back. No matter how many times it hurts me. Wow, there goes my credibility. But let me explain.

I recently got out of a serious relationship with a guy from Florida. I was totally heartbroken and had a complete sob-story-saga for anyone within earshot. The one question everyone inevitably asked me was, "How long were you two together?"

I was embarrassed at how short our actual "exclusive" relationship was because it felt like so much longer. We weren't geographically together but we had our wonderful telephones to keep us connected. We would text each other whenever we were out, whenever we were bored in class, whenever we were sad, mad, happy or just plain wanted to hear from each other.

When I felt my little pink

Motorola Razr vibrate in my clutch, I felt that happiness you get when you either really like someone, or you have the perfect number of drinks. I got a "stupid little smirk" on my face (as my ex would later describe it). Oh, it was a great relationship, my phone and I.

It's easy enough: Boy meets girl, they exchange numbers, and the text messages begin. It's a casual way to "get to know each other" until, like every other relationship, your constant communication leads to sex.

Sexing: Those naughty little messages you and your beau send to each other are a source of shame no more.

In the August issue of *Cosmopolitan* magazine, Anna Faris revealed she and her boyfriend sex-text one night a week. Britney Spears expressed her physical love for her phone with her hit song "Phonography." And Cosmo also advises women to send their naughty messages to keep him guessing and give him a treat to look forward to later.

A good friend enlightened me to the secrets of her naughty sext

messages with a boy all the way in Colorado. "It keeps me entertained at the bar if it's a boring night and gives me the same little jolt you get when a new guy comes up to hit on you. It's exhilarating and no one else has to know," she said. As an experienced sext-messenger, she even sends enticing pictures from her phone, just in case it wasn't clear.

So, while it's great that our naughty secrets are no longer a cell phone faux pas, the problem arises in situations like mine. Oh, I followed the steps: cordial, casual texting, to constant updates, to the occasional risqué sext message session. But the problem with this relationship is when you actually have to be with each other. Like, in person. What happens then? Let's hope your phone acted as the good medium it was supposed to and only brought you and your lover together.

Otherwise, you could end up like me, heartbroken and disappointed over a relationship that was only successful while there was a telephone doing the talking and the sex.

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## Guest artist Metz speaks for making a difference

By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI  
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Contemporary artist and University of Dallas professor Greg Metz spoke about his work in political and social activism through his art on Thursday.

David Mondt, assistant curator of Landmark Arts, said he hopes experts such as Metz will help enrich the students' education.

"I hope that people will gain insight to the arts and their own work," Mondt said. "Metz is an internationally-recognized artist with many accomplishments. He has been active throughout his life using his art as a means of bringing light to public issues and emphasizing the importance of the arts in our everyday lives."

Metz's career began in Oak Cliff, where cheap buildings for studios were available. In an attempt to upgrade the city, he said, officials began bringing in local artists in hopes of attracting a newer, wealthier class. Metz took advantage of this and began working.

The city offered artists \$300 for each piece of artwork, provided the artists put a small sign on display stating who gave them the money.

"I refused to do that, and I did this piece and rolled it through the parade," Metz said.

He said his piece was a large cage with chickens inside and metal snakes on the outside, representing the city and turmoil he lived in. This was the beginning of Metz's politically- and movement-focused style.

Metz said he continued to focus

on tough issues by working closely with Ingrid Newkirk, founder of the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, making sculptures such as his "Dining Car" piece, representing the horrors of meat packing industry.

"I'm not necessarily pushing animal rights as much as I'm talking about the idea of what makes something work," Metz said. "My art was (used as) a communication device and made a difference."

He continued making pieces for PETA as well as for other shows willing to show his work. He said his artwork made statements ranging from asking people not to murder cows by comparing the former pope to a bull to raising awareness about an previous election and increasing students voting by creating a boxing ring on the Richland Community College Campus.

Metz said he is known for this activism and his contemporary style influences local artists, especially in the Dallas area where he played a large role in founding the McKinney Avenue Contemporary — a place dedicated to exhibiting all forms of contemporary art.

"(Contemporary art) is tricky," said Amanda Hughlett, a sophomore chemistry major. "People don't see that it takes a lot of talent. It's all a form of expression, and I have an appreciation for it."

Through his pursuit of meaningful art, Metz said he strives to make a difference with his work also by encouraging others to do the same.

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## POWER SERGE



PHOTO BY KEN MUIR/The Daily Toreador

TESSA MARSH, A junior apparel design and manufacturing major from Chicago, Ill., serges a roll hem onto cotton Thursday at the Human Sciences building.

## BIZ WEEKLY

### Whoopi Goldberg helps to bring 'Head Games' to TV

NEW YORK (AP) — Whoopi Goldberg says she's always been a geek and that comes in handy for a new science trivia show she's producing.

"Head Games" on the Science Channel is a cheeky take on the game show genre. Goldberg says it's a mashup of an "endless" number of games. It uses humor, facts and videos to test the intellect of contestants and viewers alike, with questions about astronauts burping in space and how Tennessee meat goats react to stress. (They faint.)

Goldberg calls that segment fantastic because it leaves viewers wondering why. Why don't goats get "gassy or something?" she said. She added that that's the "kind of stuff that I think about."

Goldberg says she has many interests and considers herself a curious person.

"Where there are places you can ask questions and get answers, those are places I like to dwell in, and science is one of those things because it's not just science with beakers, there's all kinds of science."

### Lindsay Lohan ordered to appear in court

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Lindsay Lohan has another date with a judge.

A judge in Beverly Hills, Calif., has ordered the "Mean Girls" star to appear at a court hearing Friday morning.

The 23-year-old actress was placed on three years of probation in 2007 after she pleaded guilty to two counts of being under the influence of cocaine, and no contest to two counts of drunken driving and one

count of reckless driving. She spent 84 minutes in jail.

It is unclear why Lohan has been ordered to appear. The judge's order was made during a routine progress report Wednesday.

Court records show that no warrant has been issued, and they do not reflect a probation violation has occurred.

E-mails to Lohan's publicist and attorney were not immediately returned Thursday.

### Megan Fox gets top dollar in Armani endorsement

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Confirming that endorsement deals still have cachet in a recession, "Transformers" star Megan Fox is pulling down a seven-figure payday to model Armani underwear and jeans.

The 23-year-old will be the new face of Emporio Armani Underwear and Armani Jeans in 2010, the Milan-based fashion house announced Wednesday.

Most endorsement deals pay celebrities from \$500,000 to \$2 million for an ad campaign that runs a year,

and Fox will make toward the high end of the range, a person familiar with the deal told The Associated Press. This person was not authorized to comment publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity.

The actress' publicity team, managers and agents approached Armani several times over the years to build the relationship. She wore Armani outfits at red carpet events and met designer Giorgio Armani at an Armani Prive fashion show in Paris this year.

### CBS plans memorial for '60 Minutes' founder

NEW YORK (AP) — CBS is planning a memorial service for the creator and longtime executive producer of "60 Minutes."

The service for television pioneer Don Hewitt will be held Monday at the Time Warner Center in New York. Hewitt died of cancer in August at age 86.

In addition to his work at "60 Minutes," Hewitt also produced the first

televised presidential debate in 1960.

Speakers at the memorial service will include CBS chief executive Leslie Moonves (MOON'-vess), actor Alan Alda, "60 Minutes" correspondent Morley Safer and Hewitt's successor at the helm of the newsmagazine, Jeff Fager (FAY'-gur).

CBS paid tribute to the late longtime anchor Walter Cronkite in a public memorial service a month ago.

### Garth Brooks says he's coming out of retirement

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Country superstar Garth Brooks announced Thursday that he's coming out of retirement.

Brooks, 47, talked about the long-rumored move at a news conference in Nashville.

"We're going to take the retirement roof off over our head, and I already feel taller," Brooks said Thursday.

Brooks said he has no immediate plans and will see how things go in the coming years.

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## Tech looks to keep Nebraska from chewing clock

By ALEX YBARRA  
MANAGING EDITOR

Texas Tech linebacker Bront Bird admits last year's narrow victory against Nebraska wasn't exactly the defense's greatest game.

Most of that had to do with Bo Pelini's game plan, the Nebraska coach played a lethal game of keep away in order to keep Mike Leach's vaunted offense squirming on the sidelines.

It worked like a charm, and had it not been for a late overtime interception, the Huskers could've pulled off the upset.

The end result was more than 40 minutes of possession time for the Huskers. Long drives were sustained by setting up play action bootlegs with a solid rushing attack that gained 114 yards. That may not seem like a lot, but it enabled the offense to throw downfield and gain 357 yards through the air.

"That's one thing they tried to do to us," Bird said. "They'd try to run a lot of stretches and everything and get us used to those — then fake a stretch and run a bootleg. That was kind of their game plan going in to last year, and they kept our offense off the field a lot."

Consequently, the Red Raiders (4-2, 1-1 in Big 12 Conference play) ran a total of 48 offensive plays.

"You always like to win the time of possession, but the bottom line is we want to score," said Pelini, whose No. 15 Huskers meet Tech at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Memorial Stadium in Lincoln, Neb. "If it happens fast, it happens fast. That's great. We have to execute

our offense. If you're doing that, you're gonna chew up some clock."

The repetition of certain run plays, Bird said, lulls the linebackers into a rhythm and gets them tired.

That's when Nebraska (4-1, 1-0) will look to play action and find a receiver or tight end downfield.

In those situations, tight end Mike McNeill, who has 12 catches and 146 receiving yards, quickly becomes a favorite target of quarterback Zac Lee.

McNeill caught his third touchdown of the season in the fourth quarter against Missouri on Saturday, and it was exactly the type of play Bird mentioned. McNeill delayed his release on a route, making a block before running away from the defense and catching the go-ahead touchdown pass.

"They like to block with him a lot. He's a good blocker," Bird said. "So is their other guy (Dreu Young) whenever he comes in as well. They're athletic. They make plays. They're not just blocking tight ends. They're kind of a dual threat too, they catch just as well."

But it all starts with running back Roy Helu Jr., who has 552 yards and six touchdowns this year — good enough for 13th in the nation in rushing yards per game.

In addition, a couple developments point to Helu getting plenty of carries Saturday against the Red Raiders.

The Huskers didn't work in the run game early enough against Missouri, allowing the Tigers to open up a 12-0 lead.

And now freshman 1-back Rex

Burkhead, who is from Plano and was primarily the backup running back, is out indefinitely with a left foot injury.

"I've said Roy is a stud before," Lee said. "I think Roy can take whatever we can put on him, honestly. But it's always nice to have a second guy that you can throw in there and give him a blow."

It may have been against Kansas State, but Tech's defense showed it can handle Nebraska's run game by shutting down the Wildcats' in a 66-14 blowout last week, holding running back Daniel Thomas under 50 yards rushing.

The other question will be if Nebraska's pass defense, ranked 12th in the nation, can slow down Leach's offense, which is rolling at the moment with Steven Sheffield at the helm.

Regardless of who is at quarterback, Leach has had some success against Nebraska. He has won three straight games, including Tech's first and only victory in Memorial Stadium — where it's 1-3 all-time — in 2005.

Leach said it's a game-time decision on whether hot-handed Sheffield or Taylor Potts, who is coming back from a concussion, starts against the Cornhuskers.

Leach didn't comment on Potts' status.

"Both good quarterbacks. Both do good things," he said. "We've taken a lot of pride in quarterbacks here at Texas Tech and their development and had some good ones. I think we're fortunate that way and have had two guys who have played well."

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TEXAS TECH LINEBACKER Bront Bird tackles Kansas State tight end Jeron Mastrud during Tech's 66-14 victory against the Wildcats at Jones AT&T Stadium in Lubbock.

## Tech hoping A&M game sells out with seat expansion



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador

THE NORTH ENDZONE expansion at Jones AT&T Stadium increased its capacity by nearly 6,000 seats. They will be open for the next home game against Texas A&M.

Texas Tech Athletic Director Gerald Myers announced Thursday the Jones AT&T Stadium expansion seating will be open for the Tech-Texas A&M matchup Oct. 24.

The stadium now has 5,000 extra seats after the first expansion to seating since 1960. There are 3,000 seats still open to the public for the game against the Aggies.

Myers said he is hopeful the game will sellout and break the old attendance record of 56,158 set in 2006 against Texas.

"We're looking to break that record this year with A&M with these new seats," he said. "With the addition of these seats our capacity is a little over 59,000."

Tech has made expansions to the press box and added luxury suites, but along with the additional seating, plans are in the making to add new luxury suites and club level seating on the east side.

Myers said the expansion should have a positive affect on the students, the play-

ers and the university as a whole.

"I think it's a reflection on the support that we get for our football team," he said. "We've been averaging over 50,000 now for several years and we should be able to add 6,000 seats. It's something we felt we needed to accommodate the interest, the growth of the school, the growth of the town and the increased interest in Texas Tech football."

Construction for the project began after the 2008 season in November and while the crews have been working since then, Myers said the framework for the added seating was pre-fabricated and only took 23 days to put up.

To increase student attendance at the games, 1,500 seats of the ones already added will be reserved for the student section.

Construction on the northwest and northeast sections of the stadium began once the 2008 football season ended.

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## Cross country ready for Chile Pepper Festival

By ZANE TURNER  
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It may be the closest thing to the high-profile meets the Texas Tech cross country will see late in the season.

Tech competes in the Chile Pepper Festival Saturday in Fayetteville, Ark. The Red Raiders run their last race before the Big 12 Conference Championships, Regionals and for some, the NCAA Championships.

Tech coach Jon Murray said the race is a great opportunity for his team to experience some of the top competition in the nation leading up to the NCAA Championships.

"This should be a good tune up before the conference meet," he said. "Actually I think half the conference, almost half the conference is there too. So, we'll get to see some of the best schools in the conference and in the nation."

The Chile Pepper Festival is a weekend-long event consisting of five races and the collegiate men's 10K and the women's 6K.

The race began in 1992 to help the Fayetteville High School cross country team raise money and originated with one 10K open race. Today, the Chile Pepper Run, as it was first named, hosts more than 3,500 runners from across the nation.

As the size and meaning of the race has grown so has the field that competes in the event.

Along with the No. 20 ranked Lady Raiders — who jumped 10 spots in the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coach Association rankings after winning the Cowboy Jamboree Oct. 3 — highlighting the field of competition on the women's side is No. 12 Baylor, No. 22 BYU and No. 26 SMU. On the men's side, the Red Raiders will face conference rivals No. 4 Oklahoma State, No. 23 Oklahoma and host team No. 25 Arkansas.

The Tech women's squad hopes to see more of the same as it has won all three meets it has competed in this season.

"We have high hopes for this meet, hopefully win because

that is what we are going for," said Kaci Westervelt, who has two top 10 finishes this season. "It's getting down closer and closer before we run, so it's getting down to who our competition is and how we need to focus on our races."

The Lady Raiders have become mainstays at the Chile Pepper, winning the team race the past two seasons. Former Tech All-American Sally Kipyego won the last three individual titles in Arkansas with her last two being wins for the Lady Raiders. However, All-American Lillian Badaru is looking for her third individual title of the year after winning the Cowboy Jamboree.

The race traditionally has been a good measuring stick for Tech because of the top competition in attendance.

"It's a pretty big deal," said Logan Culotta, a junior from Lewisville. "There is going to be some really great teams there looking to test us. So, we really want to be in top notch (shape) for the Big 12 Conference meet and this will really help us increase if we do well there."

The men's squad looks to bounce back from a 28th-place finish at the Cowboy Jamboree, and Murray said he wants a top 10 finish from the Red Raiders.

Led by Big 12 runner Gilbert Limo, Silas Kemboi and seniors Zach Quiñones and Cory Higgins, the Red Raiders may have that opportunity.

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*There is going to be some really great teams there looking to test us.*

LOGAN CULOTTA  
MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

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### Indians interview Manny Acta for manager

CLEVELAND (AP) — Manny Acta managed a young, inexperienced team in Washington. He'd like another shot with a similar group in Cleveland.

Acta, fired by the Nationals in July, was interviewed by Indians general manager Mark Shapiro and assistant GM Chris Antonetti earlier this week

for the club's managerial opening.

Acta is one of eight to 10 candidates the Indians are conducting initial interviews with this week from their training complex in Goodyear, Ariz. The Indians plan to bring the finalists for the job to Cleveland in the near future for formal interviews and to meet with the media.

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# Tech volleyball hopes to end losing streak as Texas visits

By JOSE RODRIGUEZ  
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The Texas Tech volleyball team erased a little bit of its losing history Wednesday at Colorado by winning its first set against a Big 12 Conference opponent since Nov. 19, 2008.

Ending what is now a 46-match losing streak to Big 12 opponents may be a little harder to do with No. 2 Texas in town.

"They are super talented," Tech coach Trish Knight said. "What we need to do is to go into that match very relaxed and play the best that we can. They're just too talented and we're bad, so it's going to have to be effort and Texas will have to fall flat on their face."

Tech (2-14, 0-7 in Big 12 play), coming off a 3-1 loss to Colorado, takes on No. 2 Texas (13-0, 8-0) at 6:30 p.m. Saturday in the United Spirit Arena.

The Longhorns pose Tech's biggest challenge this season, as Texas is the highest-ranked team the Red Raiders have faced this season.

Texas only has lost one set in Big 12 play this season, and the offense is one of the best in the country because of senior All-American outside hitter Destinee Hooker.

Despite being the underdog, Tech's defensive lineup changes prove to their worth with good performances in recent matches.

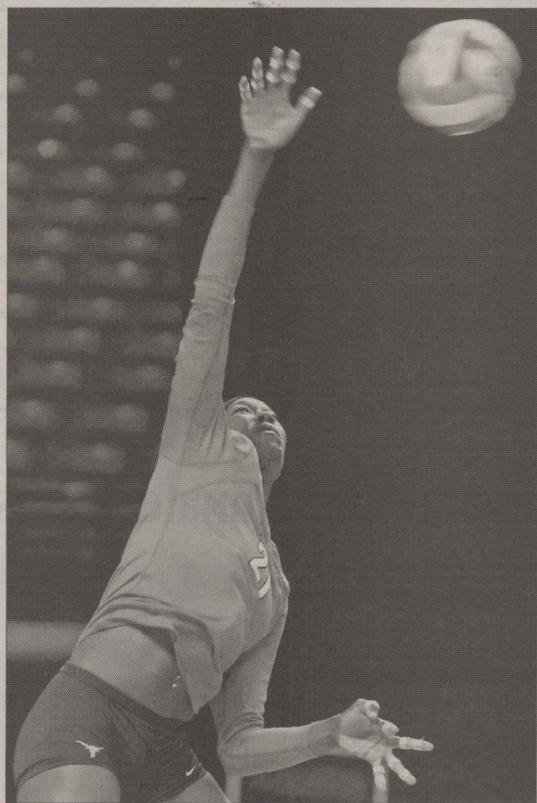
The Red Raiders competed with then-No. 17 Baylor despite being swept, which led to Tech picking up its first conference set win against Colorado. Tech had been swept nine consecutive times in Big 12 play dating back to last season.

The set win Wednesday was something that picked up the team's spirit, senior defensive specialist and libero Jenn Goehry said.

"We couldn't help but feel a sense of confidence even though we just won a game and not the match," she said. "It was really tough for us because we wanted the win, but we know we're doing well."

But Tech will have to play better to hang with Texas.

Hooker leads UT with a total of 120



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**TEXAS OUTSIDE HITTER Destinee Hooker leads the Big 12 Conference in kills per set averaging 5.04.**

kills on the season, and has a Big 12 best 5.04 kills per set in conference play. Junior outside hitter Juliann Faucette is second on the team with 148.

The Longhorns' size is critical at the net, as they lead the conference in blocks as a team. The defense is lead by Rachel Adams, who is fourth in the Big 12 with 1.17 blocks per set.

Knight said that an upset for her team will require concentration and composure. She also said Texas' recognition as a national power is evident, her team plays its best volleyball against the top teams in the conference.

"Our kids tend to relax and play better against the better teams, which I have found to be true," she said. "We'll try to play the best that we can and hope that they overlook us a little bit."

Tech and UT are on opposite ends of the spectrum in conference standings.

The difference between the two teams could prompt the Longhorns to look past the Red Raiders since Tech is winless in conference play, but Tech players and coaches said they expect Texas to come out strong Saturday.

With records and statistics aside, junior outside hitter Caroline Courtney said the Red Raiders look forward to the challenge.

"I think we play better against the best teams like Nebraska and Texas, ranked teams," she said. "We play harder and everyone pulls together for these games. We may not be as confident going into this match as we were with Colorado, but it's going to be fun."

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*What we need to do is to go into that match very relaxed and play the best that we can.*

**TRISH KNIGHT**  
TECH VOLLEYBALL COACH

# Tech gives first look at open practice

By MIKE GRAHAM  
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech begins the 2009-2010 season today with its first organized practice at 5 p.m., which is open to the public.

Picked to finish ninth in the Big 12 Conference's preseason poll, players said they would like to see fans in the stands and will show supporters this season's team will be a pleasant surprise.

"Everybody is excited," John Roberson said. "This is an exciting time of the year. Just to see how everybody is going to react, how the freshmen will react and the veteran players. Hopefully we'll have a good turnout. I hope everybody is excited about this season."

Tech fans did not have much to be excited about last season.

The Red Raiders finished the 2008-2009 season at 13-18, 3-13 in Big 12 play. Tech was 1-12 in games away from the United Spirit Arena, finishing 11th in the conference standings.

However, one of the highlights of the season was Tech's upset of Texas A&M in the first round of the Big 12 Tournament before Missouri ended the Red Raiders' season in the quarterfinal round.

Sophomore forward Robert Lewandowski said since that point, Tech has committed itself to a better campaign this time around — with the focus being on the defensive side of the court.

"We work on defense every day," sophomore forward Robert Lewandowski said. "In workouts we lift weights and we do a lot of defensive specific stuff. We scored plenty of points last season, we've just got to stop guys from scoring. That's going to be our focus all year."

Tech also should be more mature this season. Roberson, heading into his junior season, led the team in scoring with 14.4 points per game. As a freshman, Lewandowski started 19 of 37 games,



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**TEXAS TECH GUARD John Roberson and the Red Raiders' practice is open to the public at 5 p.m. today.**

playing a total of 488 minutes for 6.9 points a game. In addition, Tech added three junior college transfers to their roster — Theron Jenkins, Brad Reese, and David Tairu.

Lewandowski said the basketball squad stayed in Lubbock this past summer to workout and practice as a team. He also said a bond was formed with the Texas Tech football team last summer, as the men's basketball team worked out with the football squad once a week.

The season begins in less than a month when Tech plays back-to-back-to-back games in conjunction with the Duel in the Desert tournament hosted by the Red Raiders. Tech will host South

Dakota on Nov. 13, the Red Raiders then play Texas A&M-Corpus Christi on Nov. 14 and Oregon State on Nov. 15 with all games being played at the United Spirit Arena.

For the open practice, United Spirit Arena doors open at 4:30 p.m. and the Red Raiders will take the court at 5 p.m. Seating is on a first-come-first-served basis, and the balcony will not be open.

"I think it will just be fun for us to see how our hard work is going paid off," Roberson said. "For us to come together as a team, practice and get better every day. I think everyone is excited for that."

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# Texans young linebacker pushes Ryans to excel

HOUSTON (AP)—DeMeco Ryans has led Houston's defense since he was a rookie in 2006.

Now the Texans have a new rookie star at linebacker in Brian Cushing and coach Gary Kubiak said his presence has made Ryans even better.

"I think Cush has really pushed DeMeco's game to another level, just competition-wise," Kubiak said.

Ryans earned Defensive Rookie of the Year honors in 2006 when he led the league with 126 solo tackles and his 156 total tackles were the most by a rookie in 20 years. The second-round pick from Alabama has led the team in tackles in each of his three seasons.

The middle linebacker has some competition in that category this year with Cushing leading the team with 39 tackles. Ryans is second with 33 stops.

Cushing, the 15th pick in the first round, has excelled since his first game despite missing all four preseason games with a knee injury. He's now struggling with a sore left foot and missed practice Thursday. An MRI on the foot showed no damage and he expects to play Sunday at Cincinnati.

"He hit the ground running, but he's eliminated his mistakes," Kubiak said. "The first few weeks he still made plays, but he made mistakes and the mistakes have started to go away. The effort plays

are there."

The former Southern California standout also has a safety, ½ a sack and has defended three passes this year. Kubiak has said the linebackers have been a bright spot on his defense and he's enjoyed watching the pair work together.

"When you're DeMeco out here and you're our captain and been a leader around here since he's been here and all of a sudden a young kid steps in ... the plays that he's making week in and week out, to me it only makes DeMeco better," Kubiak said. "They even compete in practice. We call the defense up, they see who can sprint to the ball first, little things."

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# LeBron, Cavs battling flu

INDEPENDENCE, Ohio (AP) — LeBron James didn't get any sympathy from his teammates when he came back to work after spending two days sick in bed.

They ran the other way. "You come back around and everyone is like, 'Ugh, you got the cooties,'" James said Thursday. "They don't want to be around you."

James and two Cleveland teammates have tested positive for Influenza A, and are being treated as if they have the H1N1 virus by the Cavaliers, who are being proactive in dealing with a flu bug that already has sickened six players.

H1N1, also known as swine flu, is a strain of Influenza A, and though the Cavaliers have not gotten back H1N1 test results on James, Darnell Jackson or Coby Karl, the team is treating all its players and the traveling party to Texas with medication to fight the virus.

Team physician Dr. Alfred Cianfoccolo met with the team at Cleveland Clinic Courts to discuss preventive measures on how to stop the flu from spreading.

"We feel very comfortable and confident that what we are doing is

an appropriate course of action," Cavs spokesman Tad Carper said. "The key for us is to approach things proactively and from a presumptive standpoint."

James, Jackson and Karl were tested for H1N1 at the Cleveland Clinic. Carper did not know when the results will be known. All three players missed Wednesday's exhibition against Washington but are traveling with the Cavs for preseason games in San Antonio on Friday and Dallas on Saturday. James believes he will be able to play in one of the games.

Forward J.J. Hickson and guard Andre Barrett are not making the Texas trip.

Jackson said the flu hit him hard. He had a high fever and slept 22 straight hours.

"I can't remember ever being that sick," he said.

James was still congested as he talked about having to spend the past two days lying in bed. He said he drank over a gallon of water each day.

"I think I'm over it now," he said.

*"You come back around and everyone is like, 'Ugh, you got the cooties.' They don't want to be around you."*

**LEBRON JAMES**  
FORWARD  
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## The DT Staff College Football Pick 'Em

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No. 3 Texas @ No. 20 Oklahoma	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Oklahoma	Texas	Texas
No. 6 USC @ No. 25 Notre Dame	USC	USC	USC	USC	USC	USC	USC	USC	USC
No. 4 Virginia Tech @ No. 19 Georgia Tech	Virginia Tech	Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech	Virginia Tech	Virginia Tech	Virginia Tech	Virginia Tech	Virginia Tech	Virginia Tech
No. 22 S. Carolina @ No. 2 Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama
Missouri @ No. 16 Okla. State	Okla. State	Okla. State	Okla. State	Okla. State	Okla. State	Okla. State	Okla. State	Okla. State	Okla. State
No. 11 Iowa @ Wisconsin	Iowa	Iowa	Iowa	Iowa	Iowa	Iowa	Iowa	Iowa	Iowa

★ indicates "Game to Watch"

# Tech to play pivotal home finale against Okla. State

By **MIKE GRAHAM**  
STAFF WRITER

Last week, the Texas Tech soccer team looked like it could afford a loss or two during the course of Big 12 Conference play.

How much of a difference a week makes.

Tech takes on Oklahoma State at 7 p.m. today at the John Walker Soccer complex in a game that has the potential to change the direction of both team's seasons. The Red Raiders, in fourth place, have a chance to stave off some of the opponents chasing them in the Big 12 standings with a win or a draw. Oklahoma State hopes to come back from a bad start to Big 12 play.

"Every game is an opportunity for one or three (points)," coach Tom Stone said. "I think we're not the only ones feeling that way, every team in the Big 12 is right now. Oklahoma State for sure looks at this as a must-win because they only have (two) win in conference."

Last weekend, Tech (8-6-1, 3-2-1 in Big 12 play) dropped games against Kansas and Missouri, falling from second place in the standings. With no game scheduled for Sunday, the losses opened up a window of opportunity for several teams to leapfrog the Red Raiders.

With a loss to Oklahoma State, Tech could fall to eighth place in the conference standings — the last spot to receive a Big 12 Tournament

berth — before taking on three teams ranked in the top five in the conference on the road.

Just two points behind Tech stand Baylor, Nebraska and Texas. A Tech loss to the Cowgirls and a win by any of those three teams also could make things a little bit harder for Tech as the season winds down. In addition, a Tech loss and two Oklahoma wins could push the Sooners in front of the Red Raiders.

With no game scheduled for Sunday, the Red Raiders will have to sit at home and hope the right combination of teams do the right things for them starting today when Texas and Nebraska face head-to-head.

Oklahoma State might be Tech's toughest competition this season at the John Walker Soccer Complex because the game is crucial to its chance at making a run to the Big 12 Tournament. Like Tech, the Cowgirls have to see how Sunday plays out without playing their own game.

However, Oklahoma State (8-7, 2-5) is in much more of a need for a win.

"It's a big game for both teams," said Oklahoma State coach Colin Carmichael. "(Tech) is a loss or two from falling back into the pack, and we're a win away from getting into the pack fighting for a spot to go to the Big 12 Tournament in San Antonio."

Despite the implications this weekend could have on the direction of the Red Raider's season, the



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

**TEXAS TECH'S** Haley Fowler kicks the ball past Webber State forward, Kylie Johnson, at Red Raider Open on Sept. 20 at the John Walker Soccer Complex. Tech plays Oklahoma State at 7 p.m. today in Lubbock.

team has chosen to focus on giving the seniors a final victory at the John Walker Soccer Complex.

With this game Tech's last at home, seven seniors will be in front of the home crowd for the last time in their careers.

"We're just excited about this weekend," freshman defender Tiffni Smith said. "It's our last home game for the seniors so it will be an emotional game. It'd be nice to win it, I wouldn't say we have to win it because that puts pressure on us. But winning will keep the ball rolling for us."

While much of the senior class has had to compete with underclassmen for playing time, Stone said

the seniors are responsible for the culture of the program in the locker room, on the field and outside of the game of soccer through their outgoing nature.

At the end of the season, Tech will lose Meagen Hoffert, Jennifer Kammerer, Zhaleh Rezaie, Sarabeth Clopton, Emmie Bennett, Maegan Wilber in addition to Brittney Harrison, who was lost to injury earlier in the season.

"Just because it's our last home game does not mean it's the end for us at all," Kammerer said. "Our minds are where they should be, we're looking forward. These road games are going to be just as important as home games." — [michaelgraham@ttu.edu](mailto:michaelgraham@ttu.edu)

### Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

**ACROSS**

- 1 Seawater component, to a chemist
- 5 Egypt's Mubarak
- 10 Adriatic Sea country; Abbr.
- 13 "In other words ..."
- 15 Decide to participate
- 16 "You stink!"
- 17 Oktoberfest dance
- 18 Seat for eating scallopine?
- 20 Speaker's stand
- 22 Blue Cross competitor
- 23 Tool for a dueling snake?
- 26 Home of the witch who melted
- 27 Earth tones
- 28 Newspaper ad mess.
- 30 Sainted fifth-century pope
- 31 Playfully
- 33 Org. once headed by Heston

**DOWN**

- 1 Chill in the air
- 2 Latin 101 verb
- 3 Texting device
- 4 View from Cleveland
- 5 Shack
- 6 "The Barber of Seville," e.g.
- 7 Represents 8 Zilch
- 9 Peruvian ancestor
- 10 Taper off
- 11 Tender beef cuts
- 12 Sacha Baron Cohen title character
- 14 Mother-of-pearl
- 19 Axed
- 21 Atlanta-based ski resort
- 23 Saab competitor
- 24 Trap during a winter storm, briefly
- 25 Prefix with distant
- 29 22-Acr. business
- 31 Deep-rooted
- 32 Miami-to-N.Y. dir.
- 33 Aquarium fish with an iridescent stripe

By Dan Naddor

10/16/09

#### Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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NOW ROPE ONWARD  
AOL USED SCOURS  
CRESCENTROLLS  
KATIE MAY LEGO  
SYST PIPE DREAMS  
SHANE RENTAL  
ELM AND CAF ECO  
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