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## Tech offers limited number of H1N1 vaccines

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The nationwide outbreak of H1N1 flu in Fall 2009 saw the cough, sore throat, body ache, headache and fatigue become more than symptoms of the seasonal flu and the word "swine" refer to more than pigs.

Texas Tech received a shipment of about 36,500 H1N1 vaccinations in December, and 900 vaccines still are available to Tech faculty, staff and students on a first-come first-served basis. The vaccinations are available free of charge from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Student Wellness Center and require no appointment, just a Tech ID.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Web site, last week was National Influenza Vaccination Week. The department in conjunction with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention used the week to encourage Americans to get the H1N1 flu vaccine.

Evelyn McPherson, director of Student Health Services, said students largely have not responded to the availability of the H1N1 vaccine. She said this might be due to the arrival date of the vaccines and people not knowing a seasonal flu shot does not protect against H1N1 flu.

"A seasonal flu shot only protects against the seasonal flu," McPherson

said. "In order to be protected against H1N1 flu, the H1N1 vaccine is required. You need to get both shots to be fully protected during flu season."

Jay Parchman, executive director of Public Safety and Emergency Management in the office of the chief financial officer, said he ordered the H1N1 flu vaccines for Tech and said the vaccines arriving at Tech in the beginning of December made the timing less than ideal.

"The vaccines came around dead day," Parchman said, "and many students and faculty were busy with finals."

Parchman said September, October and November brought a large volume of flu cases. By providing the H1N1 vaccinations to students and staff now, Tech will be able to prevent future cases of flu.

Lorraina Belle, an architecture graduate student from Jersey City, N.J., said she still is deciding whether to get an H1N1 vaccine.

"I don't feel like I need one," Belle said. "I have not heard of any swine flu cases recently, but at the same time I would hate to end up getting the flu."

Sandy Fortenberry, public health preparedness coordinator for the Lubbock Health Department, said although the number of flu cases has declined recently in Lubbock, she recommends people receive the vaccination.

"The health department recommends everyone get the H1N1 shot as flu

### VACCINE FACTS

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season is not over," she said.

According to a Jan. 8 press release by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, from April 2009 to November 2009, H1N1 flu infected about 47 million Americans. The department also reported flu season is unpredictable and lasts until May.

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## Remembering a dream

Tech, Lubbock celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day

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Not celebrated by all 50 states until 2000, Martin Luther King Jr. Day was a particularly controversial holiday.

When Arizona refused to celebrate it in 1992, the NFL relocated the Super Bowl to California. The movement for the holiday began shortly after Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination in 1968 to honor his memory as the leader of the civil rights movement.

Although King is well known for his famous "I Have A Dream" speech, his contribution to the non-violent movement as a whole and a petition with six million signatures are what got the holiday passed by Ronald Reagan in 1983. South Carolina was last to officially celebrate the holiday in 2000, and now the only controversy is whether King is being remembered and honored or if the third Monday in January has become just another day off.

The Center for International and Multicultural Affairs hosted an event to commemorate King and his efforts Friday in the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. However, Tech's most well-known way to celebrate is by not having class on Monday.

Amanda Barrett, a sophomore animal science major from Spring Branch, said she planned to spend the holiday doing the first homework of the new semester.

"Besides that," Barrett said, "I'll be sleeping and maybe see a movie to enjoy the last long weekend before spring break."

She said she was fully aware of the holiday's meaning and believes having a day off in honor of King is effective in that "it reminds us of his fight for civil rights and equality."

Lubbock celebrated his memory with an entire weekend of events hosted by the Martin Luther King Commemorative Council. The events ranged from a youth night held at Alderson Middle School to a formal banquet with former Lady Raiders coach Marsha Sharp.

"It's great for the community," said Alvin Hargers, who attended the City-wide Celebration Saturday at the Civic Center.

Hargers said his son told him Friday about the day off of school Monday for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. When asked if



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador

LARINA ROGERS LEADS the women's choral in singing "Good News" for the 39th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration in the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center on Sunday night.

he knew why, the 4-year-old simply replied it was because King had a dream.

"When I was younger, black history wasn't pushed," Hargers said. "But now I know how important it is to teach the kids."

Hargers' children sat with him in the almost-full auditorium to do just that. The evening featured interpretive dance, speakers and choirs praising the civil rights leader and King's idea of complete freedom for all people.

"This is what it's all about," said TJ Patterson, another attendee of the celebration. "He was an outstanding individual, and students need to see this is not vacation, it's a day of remembrance."

His son agreed students do not fully comprehend the meaning of the holiday.

"They weren't around; it's been forgotten about some," TJ Patterson Jr. said. "They don't have a full appreciation for it."

Although students may use the day for catching up on missed sleep or assigned homework, King's ideals are not lost on them, Barrett said. She believes King's famous dream was being fulfilled.

"Mostly, yes it is," Barrett said, "but do I think there is progress to be made? Definitely."

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PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador

EU'LINA SMITH, LEFT, and Shaquinn Davis perform an interpretive dance to the music of "It Wasn't Easy" by Cece Winans for the 39th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration on Sunday at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

## New permit-less parking system could deter theft

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Amid police concern of burglary on campus, two parking permits were stolen from unsecured vehicles at 2:20 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. Wednesday in the R-3 parking lot and Flint Avenue Parking Garage, according to the Texas Tech Police Department.

Heather Medley, marketing and training coordinator of University Parking Services, said her department takes parking permit theft as a serious offense.

University Parking Services is in the testing stages of a new parking control system, Medley said. The system would use license plate recognition to control parking on campus.

"There would be no need for parking permits," she said.

Parking services employees would be able to quickly scan lots for unauthorized vehicles, Medley said.

Stolen vehicles and vehicles belonging to wanted persons, she said, could be identified by the system and police could be alerted hastily.

Although there is no certainty as to when the license plate recognition system will be implemented, she said, there is a possibility the system will be in use on campus in the near future.

"Parking permits are government property, so we take this very seriously," she said. "People in the field are constantly updated."

Medley said in the event of a theft, there is a strong likelihood of the permit being recovered.

"Our folks are very good at what they do," she said. "They enjoy being the one to find (a stolen permit)."

A victim of a permit theft must sign an affidavit to receive a replacement permit, Medley said.

Bryan Quinteros, events supervisor for University Parking Services, said the employees occasionally encounter counterfeit parking permits.

"We see some pretty good ones," he said.

Some fabricated permits go into remarkable detail, Quinteros said.

Col. Gordon Hoffman, deputy chief of the department, said the stolen parking permits are worth \$216 and \$390. The vehicles from which the permits were stolen were unsecured and otherwise unharmed.

It is possible that the two incidents

were related in some way, Hoffman said, but there is no way to be certain of such an assumption.

Theft of permits, he said, is an uncommon incident. The department treats the cases as theft cases and responds accordingly.

"I don't think stealing a parking permit is worth it, but you never know what a thief thinks," he said.

In the event that a stolen parking permit is found by University Parking Services, Hoffman said, police are notified and the situation is handled as necessary.

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## IN BRIEF

## STATE

## 5 people shot to death in south-east Texas

BELLVILLE (AP) — Five people who lived in a small home in an isolated area of southeast Texas were gunned down, and a man who lived with them was being held for questioning, authorities said Monday.

Sgt. Paul Faircloth of the Austin County Sheriff's Office said a 69-year-old man, his 54-year-old wife, a 25-year-old woman and a child who was about 3 years old were found shot to death inside the small brick house over the weekend. An adult male was

found shot to death in the woods just behind the house, Faircloth said.

Investigators are still determining how many times each person was shot and what the motive may have been.

The 20-year-old man being held for questioning was arrested after trying to break into a nearby car and house at about 3 a.m. Sunday, after the slayings, Faircloth said. The man was held at gunpoint by a neighbor until authorities arrived, Faircloth said.

## NATION

## Both sides look to turn out voters in Senate race

BOSTON (AP) — Democrat Martha Coakley rolled out an eleventh-hour TV ad featuring President Barack Obama amid intense get-out-the-vote efforts by both parties on the eve of Tuesday's crucial Senate election in Massachusetts.

"Martha knows the struggles Massachusetts working families face because she's lived those struggles. She's fought for the people of Massachusetts every single day," Obama is shown saying in the spot during a gymnasium

rally at Northeastern University.

Her Republican opponent, Scott Brown, said voters are "tired of business as usual. They want someone who isn't part of the machine or an insider."

Coakley's commercial came a day before Tuesday's special election for the late Edward M. Kennedy's Senate seat. Obama needs her to win to deny Republicans the ability to block his initiatives with a 41st filibuster-sustaining GOP vote.

## WORLD

## Afghan president says security restored in capital

KABUL (AP) — Afghan President Hamid Karzai says security has been restored to Kabul after a Taliban attack targeting government buildings that prompted fierce gunbattles and left five dead.

Officials have said at least five people, including a child, were killed and nearly 40 wounded in Monday's attack.

Karzai says in a statement that "the enemies of Afghanistan are ... trying to spread fear among Kabul citizens." He ordered security officials to do their best to arrest the perpetrators.

The brazen attack is a clear sign the insurgents plan to escalate the fight as the U.S. and its allies ramp up their own campaign to end the war.

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## US official: Violence in Haiti hindering aid work

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some incidents of violence in Haiti have hindered rescue workers trying to help earthquake victims, a top official leading the U.S. government's relief efforts said Sunday.

Providing humanitarian aid requires a safe and secure environment, said Lt. Gen. Ken Keen of the U.S. Southern Command. While streets have been largely calm, he said, violence has been increasing.

"We are going to have to address the situation of security," Keen said. "We've had incidents of violence that impede our ability to support

the government of Haiti and answer the challenges that this country faces."

Keen said about 1,000 U.S. troops are in Haiti and that 3,000 more are working from ships. More than 12,000 U.S. forces are expected to be in the region by Monday.

Fear of looters and robbers has been one of the factors slowing the delivery of aid. After Tuesday's earthquake, maintaining law and order fell to the 9,000 U.N. peacekeepers and international police already in Haiti even though those forces also sustained heavy losses in the disaster.

Keen said U.S. forces are working with U.N. peacekeepers and that local police are beginning to assist in providing security.

On Sunday, the White House said President Barack Obama had issued an order allowing selected members of the military's reserves to be called up to support operations in Haiti. Signed Saturday, the executive order permits the Defense Department and Homeland Security Department to tap reserve medical personnel and a Coast Guard unit that will help provide port security. More than 250 medical personnel from the Health and Human Services Department are already in Haiti.

## IT officials keep eyes on H1N1 e-mails

By JOEANN BON-JORNO  
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Identity theft, damage to hardware and software, and hours of frustration are waiting for Texas Tech students in their inboxes.

Sam Segran, associate vice president for Information Technology and the Tech chief information officer, said spam e-mails, or junk e-mails, are non-solicited e-mails sent to large groups of people. These may include e-mail hoaxes, e-mail scams, e-mails with attachments or links intended to infect or take over your computer.

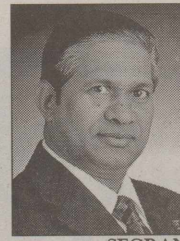
"Last year the Information and Technology Division stopped 21 million spam messages from reaching Tech students and staff," Segran said, "and IT goes through about half a million spam e-mails a day."

According to the Tech safe computing Web site, there is a recent increase in spam e-mails with attachments claiming to provide information about the H1N1 virus.

"Anytime you have an event get vast media attention, you see an increase in spam e-mails related to that event," Segran said.

Along with the rise in H1N1 related e-mails there is also an increase in e-mails coming from the address "Texas Tech University Help Desk" with a subject of "Texas Tech University System Administration."

Segran said the e-mails are not from Tech and anyone receiving such an e-mail should not reply to it or click on any links in the message. It also is important for students



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to remember no e-mail should ask for an eRaider password because sharing an eRaider password with anyone is a violation of the Tech Information and Technology Security Policies.

Recent enhancements were made to the TechMail filtering system, and most spam messages circulating automatically will be routed to the "Junk E-mail folder," he said. However, no filtering system is perfect and division officials recommend following safe computing practices.

The Tech Information and Technology Division also recommends all Tech students update their virus software. Symantec AntiVirus is available for download free of charge at [eraider.ttu.edu](http://eraider.ttu.edu).

Tech information technology division, as part of its safe computing practices campaign, lists the following as common characteristics of e-mail scams: Requests for

## THINGS TO AVOID

- Requests for financial information
- Promises of financial gain
- High pressure sales tactics
- Prize notifications
- "Free" goods, services and opportunities
- Internet auctions that require prepayment

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## PICK-UP PLAY



PHOTO BY MATT MOFFETT/The Daily Toreador

ROY SANCHEZ, A junior bilingual education major from Fort Worth, defends Julian Rodriguez, a sophomore mechanical engineering major from Forney, in a pick-up game of ultimate frisbee Monday on the intramural fields.

## Dems look at bypassing Senate health care vote

BOSTON (AP) — A panicky White House and Democratic allies scrambled Sunday for a plan to salvage their hard-fought health care package in case a Republican wins Tuesday's Senate race in Massachusetts, which would enable the GOP to block further Senate action.

The likeliest scenario would require persuading House Democrats to accept a bill the Senate passed last month, despite their objections to several parts.

Aides worked frantically Sunday amid fears that Republican Scott Brown will defeat Democrat Martha Coakley in the special election to fill the late Edward M. Kennedy's seat. A Brown win would give the GOP 41 Senate votes, enough to filibuster and block final passage of the House-Senate compromise on health care now being crafted.

House Democrats, especially liberals, viewed those compromises as vital because they view the Senate-passed version as doing too little to help working families. Under the Senate bill, 94 percent of Ameri-

cans would be covered, compared to 96 percent in the House version. The House plan would increase taxes on millionaires while the Senate plan would tax so-called Cadillac, high-cost health insurance plans enjoyed by many corporate executives as well as some union members.

The House passed its own version last year, and members assumed it would be reconciled with the Senate bill and then sent back to both chambers for final approval by the narrowest of margins.

A GOP win in Massachusetts on Tuesday would likely kill that plan, because Republicans could block Senate action on the reconciled bill.

The newly discussed fallback would require House Democrats to swallow hard and approve the Senate-passed bill without changes. President Barack Obama could sign it into law without another Senate vote needed.

House leaders presumably would urge the Senate to make some changes later under a complex plan requiring only a simple majority, but it's unclear whether that could happen.

The plan is highly problematic. House liberals already are bristling over changes the Senate forced upon them earlier, and some may conclude that no bill is better than the Senate bill. Meanwhile, some moderate Democrats may abandon the health bill altogether after seeing a Republican win Kennedy's seat in strongly Democratic Massachusetts.

Republican activists openly scoffed at the notion of Democrats passing the highly contentious health package after a GOP takeover of Kennedy's Senate seat. But some Democrats said failure to pass a health bill will cripple their ability to tell voters this November that they accomplished anything with their control of the House, Senate and White House.

"The simplest way is the House route," a White House aide said Sunday, speaking on condition of anonymity because Democrats have not conceded the race to Brown.

If Coakley wins, final passage of a House-Senate compromise is not guaranteed but seems likely.

But even as Obama campaigned for

Coakley in Boston Sunday, top aides furiously weighed options if she loses. They include:

—Acting before Brown is sworn in. Congressional and White House negotiators could try to reconcile the House and Senate bills quickly and pass them before Brown takes office. A firestorm of criticism would follow, but some Democrats say it would be better than having no bill.

—Seeking a Republican to cast the crucial 60th Senate vote. Some Democrats hope Sen. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine, might do this, but others seriously doubt it.

—Start over and pass a new, scaled back health bill using a complicated process that requires a simple majority of 51 Senate votes. Several Senate aides said this was unlikely.

Speaker Nancy Pelosi has repeatedly ruled out a House vote on the Senate's version, and privately, officials have raised concerns about asking the rank and file to vote on legislation containing provisions that might prove problematic in the midterm elections.

## 7 charged after deadly Kenya protest

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — A court charged seven Kenyans on Monday with assaulting police officers during a deadly protest last week where protesters demanded the release of an extremist Muslim cleric being detained in the East African country.

The leader of the group that organized Friday's demonstration, meanwhile, was arrested Monday after attending the court hearing. Kenyan authorities also said they had arrested about 400 people in a crackdown on suspected Muslim extremist sympathizers who they say were behind the protest.

Kenyan Muslims criticized the actions taken by authorities, accusing the government of discrimination.

The detained cleric, Abdullah el-Faisal, once served four years in

a British jail for inciting murder and stirring racial hatred by urging followers to kill Americans, Hindus and Jews. British authorities say his teachings also heavily influenced one of the men who carried out the London bombings that killed 52 people.

El-Faisal, who was arrested in Kenya after preaching in local mosques, is being held because authorities here consider him a threat to national security. They unsuccessfully tried to deport the Jamaican-born cleric to the West African nation of Gambia.

On Friday, protesters gathered to call for his release. The Muslim Human Rights Forum says at least five people were killed when police shot at demonstrators, while the government says only one person died.

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## Performance immerses students, faculty in Middle Ages, apocalypse

By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI  
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Talking the audience back to the Middle Ages, the Texas Tech School of Music hosted world-famous musician Benjamin Bagby performing his piece "Fragments of the End of Time" at the Legacy Events Center on Friday evening.

Bagby is the cofounder of Sequentia, a medieval ensemble who has become one of the most well-known ensembles for this type of music in the world, said Angela Mariani, assistant professor of musicology. Because their ensemble changes for each program, this performance featured only Bagby and Norbert Rodenkirchen.

"The process of performing medieval music is interesting because in many cases we have no entire piece written down," Mariani said. "It becomes a kind of process of educating yourself of how music was done at that time — a little

bit of detective work and knowledge of ancient languages and all of these things are combined to create a performance for a modern audience."

The way Bagby creates his pieces is very backwards and intense, said Corey Green, a musicology graduate student from Lubbock. The ensemble works its way through history to figure out how someone of that time period would create music.

"It's a very intense way of learning but totally mind blowing and incredible," Green said. "He did a selection of 'Beowulf.' He has never written it down, but he's

been working on it for 20 years in a way that someone from the ninth century would have been doing this."

Friday's performance featured pieces revolving around the end of the world. The works were taken from their original context to create a new story about the events of the apocalypse. The story took the audience from the waking of

the apocalypse would be like in the Middle Ages, Mariani said. The ten pieces were found from all different areas of Europe in many different languages, and from different religious traditions. After collecting these texts, Bagby created a musical program from them.

"It's always hard to reconstruct (a piece)," said Brian McFadden, an English medieval literature professor. "They went as far as you can go with the manuscripts and when you take what is known and work back to what is most known, there is always going to be a margin of error, but this is probably as good as you can get. It really brings the text of the page to life."

Before performing, they must research the work itself and determine what instruments would have been used. There were reconstructions of Germanic harps, a triangular harp and a few early flutes; all based off of seventh- and



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON / The Daily Tormentor  
BENJAMIN BAGBY, LEFT, and Norbert Rodenkirchen performed numerous medieval songs on a Germanic harp and transverse flute during a Medieval Music Festival on Friday in Talkington Hall of the Legacy Events Center.

11th-century instruments. Mariani said she believes this presented Tech students with a chance to see the masters of this art and the highest level of performance.

"When you learn about medieval music, you learn about the

process," Mariani said. "(Seeing) how one can combine scholarship with music technique and performance skills to create this kind of event, that is very unique for an audience."

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## Adventures in Spain: Mass, pop quiz test Spanish skills

It's official — I survived my first week in a foreign country.

We had our first week of classes, my roommate Julianna and I moved in to our official host family's house, I got lost a few times, attended a Spanish Catholic mass and visited the ruins of a Roman city.

Julianna and I stayed at our host aunt and uncle's house while our host mother was getting her recently flooded floors repaired. On Wednesday, we moved and finally settled in.

Like most other students here, we share a room and bathroom. I absolutely love it; our room is cozy and has plenty of storage for our abundance of clothing. Everything is going smoothly, minus a few language errors.

One night at dinner Julianna and I were given a pop quiz. How fun. Our family would point or hold up different items on the table and we would have to name the item.

Julianna aced the test with flying colors, and then it was my turn. The first thing they pointed to was a spoon. After one minute or so of thinking it over, I confidently said, "cochina."

I didn't receive the response I anticipated. Instead of applause and smiles, I was faced with frowns and snickers.

Apparently cochina means pig or a person who smells bad. Vocabulary fail.

Carrie Thornton



But Julianna and I have accepted the fact we will mess up. That's how we learn. I've heard stories of students who sit in silence with their families because they are afraid of sounding stupid.

Well, hello — how else will you improve? I know Julianna and I make fools of ourselves on a daily basis, but our family is patient. They simply smile and correct us.

Daily life in Seville is relaxing, and I love it. Also, Julianna and I have failed to be on time for school every day. But that's alright; we try. We go to school from 8:30 a.m. to 11:25 a.m., then lunch is at 3 p.m. Times are different for each family. After lunch,

we have siesta. Best part of the day. At our house, we don't have dinner until 10:30 p.m., so we have a lot of time to kill.

Seville is filled with hundreds of beautiful parks scattered between the city's narrow streets, covered by ancient trees towering almost as tall as some of the buildings. You can find a café on almost every street corner, and every time you walk down a road or to a park, you see something new.

There are also many cathedrals here. Spain is more than 90 percent Catholic, said professor Douglas Ingles, director of the Texas Tech center, but fewer than 20 percent actually attend mass each week. This was obvious to me when I went to daily mass at the Catedral de Santa María de la Sede.

The building is the largest Gothic cathedral in the world and contains the most beautiful statues and carvings I have ever seen. Last Friday I

planned to attend mass there, and I practically sprinted the entire way, thinking it is bound to be packed and if I didn't get there early, I wouldn't get a seat.

However, including me, there were 12 people at mass. Regardless, it was beautiful. I am born and raised Catholic, and I can't tell you how stupid and helpless I felt staring wide-eyed at the priest, unable to interpret what he is saying. To solve this problem, Ingles helped me find a book with the daily readings in Spanish so I could follow along. Thus far, I have been unsuccessful at using this book. My Spanish vocabulary could be expanded, but I am trying.

We had our first trip this past weekend. The group went to Italica, which was once the second largest city in the Roman Empire. I love history, so it was an interesting trip. Its coliseum and theater were still standing, and they were breathtaking. Most of the other buildings, however, had deteriorated.

I can't wait to explore Seville and learn its streets as well as I know Houston or Lubbock. Thus far, it's been a great adventure.

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## Report: More men get economic boost from marriage

NEW YORK (AP) — Historically, marriage was the surest route to financial security for women. Nowadays it's men who are increasingly getting the biggest economic boost from tying the knot, according to a new analysis of census data.

The changes, summarized in a Pew Research Center report being released Tuesday, reflect the proliferation of working wives over the past 40 years — a period in which American women outpaced men in both education and earnings growth. A larger share of

today's men, compared with their 1970 counterparts, are married to women whose education and income exceed their own, and a larger share of women are married to men with less education and income.

"From an economic perspective, these trends have contributed to a gender role reversal in the gains from marriage," wrote the report's authors, Richard Fry and D'Vera Cohn.

"In the past, when relatively few wives worked, marriage enhanced the economic status of women more than

that of men. In recent decades, however, the economic gains associated with marriage have been greater for men."

One barometer is median household income — which rose 60 percent between 1970 and 2007 for married men, married women and unmarried women, but only 16 percent for unmarried men, according to the Pew data.

The report focused on U.S.-born men and women aged 30-44 — a stage when typical adults have finished their education, married and launched careers. The Pew report noted that today's

Americans in this age group are the first such cohort in U.S. history to include more women than men with college degrees.

In 1970, according to the report, 28 percent of wives in this age range had husbands who were better educated than they were, outnumbering the 20 percent whose husbands had less education. By 2007, these patterns had reversed — 19 percent of wives had husbands with more education, compared with 28 percent whose husbands had less education.

## Leno gets support from staff in NBC upheaval

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jay Leno staffers say their boss isn't the bad guy in NBC's late-night upheaval.

Leno has faced online chatter and some reports suggesting he's wrestling "Tonight" from Conan O'Brien.

"The network asked him to make a compromise. He's being a good soldier, and he's being trashed," said producer Jack Coen, who has worked with Leno for 14 years.

He added that there isn't any truth to the suggestion that the talk host forced the issue to get back on "The Tonight Show."

Tracie Fiss, a co-producer who has worked with Leno for 18 years, said her reaction to such characterizations is "frustration."

"Jay doesn't have the power to make these decisions. The decisions are made by NBC," she said.

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## Friend zoning can be good, bad, ugly

In 2006, Jay Langley wrote an article for *The Daily Toreador* about friend zones — the zones in which nice guys forever remain “just friends” — and how they leave men dateless. The column saw a resurgence of comments on *The Daily Toreador* Web site at the end of 2009. It represented the male side of the story well; however, the female side of the story has yet to be told.

Friend zoning: We’ve all encountered it. Sometimes it is dreaded, and other times it’s simply a relief. It is a form of trial and error that can only be done the hard way. It’s neither a bad thing nor a good thing to occur, and there really is no early, telltale sign you are stuck in it. In addition, any advice for it that is less vague than a romance horoscope is bound to be contested, even the old-fashioned advice coming from your mom every time you turn around.

I’ll be honest; I have friend-zoned guys. I’ll just want to hang out for a few hours with someone who has a guy perspective, and I think guys want the same type of basic exchange. Of course, the guy’s side of the exchange is in the hopes the female will like him more if he hangs out with her. Indeed, the more time spent together, the more likely it is for them to become a couple. However, it is far less correlated than that.

As women, we are fragile. Sometimes we don’t know what we want. Other times, we know ex-

**Colleen Gartner**



actly what we want and put people in their respectable places. It’s not a game, but it still confuses guys to no end. However, anyone who knows a female well enough should be able to tell the difference. See, we may be indecisive, but it is predictable indecisiveness.

Usually, a guy will become saddened when I friend-zone him, perhaps thinking there was a legitimate chance of something developing. I would be lying if I said I didn’t see the disappointment on his face, and sometimes I feel like it is my fault.

Did I not make it as clear as I could have from the beginning? Or does he simply fail at reading I don’t see him as more than a friend? It’s no wonder there’s a popular Facebook group called, “I’m not flirting; it’s called being nice.” In reality, however, it is both sides’ fault for having completely different interests to begin with.

Friend zoning is most certainly a two-way street, whether we would like to admit it or not. I’ve been friend zoned by guys for a plethora of reasons. Sometimes you can go back and accept being just friends — meaning you would

rather have that person around as a friend than not having them around at all. That is one of the best-case scenarios.

Then, there are those awkward or miserable moments where you are just so disappointed you simply can’t live with a sane mind unless that person was blocked out of your life. It’s like a breakup but worse. It means you are sad over nothing but lost potential.

Is there a way to get out of the friend zone? Yes, it’s possible. Sometimes if you hang in there long enough she or he will realize the person who cares the most was in front of them the whole dang time.

However, I really don’t want to give you hope that your friend will suddenly have an epiphany in the middle of the night and want you the next day. It’s more like a miracle, so start praying for it now.

So, when you get friend zoned, don’t be discouraged. I’ve turned down “perfect” guys with perfect personalities, perfect timing and perfect charm before. If I don’t see a guy as more than a friend, it’s not necessarily the other person’s fault. I’m simply following that ol’ heart of mine, and following the heart is never wrong.

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## Find happiness in selflessness

I always enjoy breaks from school. During the semester, it is easy to be caught up in assignments and projects, losing the ability, time and will to ponder on life. However, during breaks from school, I often find myself evaluating, once again, the direction in which my life is headed. These are times of introspection, planning and decision.

During the most recent break, I considered happiness. What is it? From which source does it spring? How might I have more happiness in life? Reflecting on the development of happiness in my life has provided

When I was a child, I thought happiness was determined by circumstance. Chocolate chip cookie dough ice cream, getting to world eight on “Super Mario Brothers” and kickball were the definition of happiness to me. Unhappiness included chores, homework and definitely sleeping. However, the fleeting nature of finding happiness from objects or activities became quite clear to me. Now, I love afternoon naps. The fickle pleasure from circumstance was not satisfying to me so, the search for happiness continued.

When I was a teenager, I realized I could choose whether I was happy or not. However, on some level, I still believed my good choices in life led to definite rewards, and these perks were happiness. In school I was taught if I lived my life right I could

happiest giving to others, not receiving for myself. Although I enjoyed the cultural exchange I received in Finland, my happiness was based on doing something I could do right here on the Llano Estacado: serving others.

So, upon my return home and my return to school, I thought I should dedicate myself to good causes. I think many of us believe happiness would be on earth if we could eliminate world hunger or stop war and discrimination. Although service is a definite part of one’s own happiness, the choice to be happy is not

**Roy Long**



receive good employment.

The paycheck would pay for all sorts of toys that would bring happiness. After all, to a teenager, money can buy happiness, or at least a couple of gallons of gasoline and the latest music CD. Perhaps to a teenager, freedom is happiness. Hence, as Mac Davis said, “Happiness is Lubbock, TX, in my rearview mirror.”

When I was fresh out of high school, I discovered a change in scenery does not necessarily change my level of happiness. I spent several years abroad and realized I was

dedicated myself to good causes. I think many of us believe happiness would be on earth if we could eliminate world hunger or stop war and discrimination. Although service is a definite part of one’s own happiness, the choice to be happy is not

dependent on the elimination of the negative (as many of those great movements would teach). We must embrace the positive.

Now, I am happily married and raising a very young daughter. I have found happiness is an active participation in the wellbeing of others and a passive contentment with the circumstances of life. I may not be enthusiastic to wake up in the early morning hours to rock my daughter to sleep, but I am happy that I am trying to serve her. I can feel content with my life. More importantly, those around me can feel love when I try to serve, and this can snowball in “Pay It Forward” fashion.

Dag Hammarskjöld, second Secretary General of the United Nations, said, “It is more noble to give yourself completely to one individual than to labor diligently for the salvation of the masses.” I believe that quote. Giving of ourselves is real work and real accomplishment. Giving of ourselves does not require a university degree, or even a 2.0 GPA. It requires dedication, sacrifice and love, and it will lead us to happiness.

Everyone wants to be happy. That is one of the great quests in life. However, if we want to be happy, we need to follow the path that will lead to its attainment. We must serve our families and our fellow man. We must live life so we are at peace with ourselves. We must avoid an attachment to objects, ideas or even dreams that distract us from the fountains of true happiness. I hope as we all begin a new semester at Texas Tech, we give of ourselves more to all those around us.

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## Anti-death penalty movement wooing conservatives

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Roy Brown seems like a rarity — a conservative who’s against the death penalty.

But to Brown, a state senator and the 2008 Republican nominee for governor of Montana, the philosophy aligns perfectly with conservative ideology. He’s one of the more high-profile figures reaching out to other social and fiscal conservatives, hoping to create a bipartisan movement against capital punishment.

“I believe that life is precious from the womb to a natural death,” Brown said.

The Roman Catholic church has long been an organized and vocal critic of the death penalty, but the new effort is trying to bring in other conservatives shaped by both evangelical faiths and political ideology.

Now, liberals and conservatives — longtime opponents on contentious social issues from abortion to capital punishment — are working together in a time of strong political polarization.

The effort took center stage at the National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty’s annual confer-

ence over the weekend in Louisville. Brown was joined by a conservative Headwaters Coventant Church in Helena, Mont., and Heather Hass, a former National Republican Con-

gressional Committee staffer. They walked through how to make their case to others about the anti-death penalty movement.

Shari Silberstein, executive director of Equal Justice USA, a Brooklyn, N.Y.-based anti-death

penalty organization, said working with conservatives is about common sense and common ground.

“It’s not really an ideological question,” Silberstein said.

The effort has been backed by Richard Viguerie, a fundraiser and activist considered the father of the modern conservative movement.

Viguerie, in a July 2009 essay in *Sojourners* magazine, wrote that executions are supposed to take the life of the guilty — but noted there are enough flaws in the system to fear an innocent person has been put to death.

Viguerie noted that death row inmates have been exonerated by DNA evidence, raising the prospect that prosecutors and juries made mistakes in cases without scientific evidence and in cases that predate the science.

“To conservatives, that should be deemed as immoral as abortion,” Viguerie wrote.

And as lawmakers continue to slash budgets because of the slumping economy, many are wondering whether the price tag of the death penalty and the resulting drawn-out legal process is worthwhile. The winding series of appeals often runs up huge legal bills for states, which many advocates say is often more expensive than the cost of life imprisonment.

In 2007, New Jersey and New Mexico became the 14th and 15th states to abolish the death penalty. Ten other states have considered repealing it in recent years.

Kansas lawmakers have four days of hearings scheduled later this

month to consider abolishing executions in the state, based in part on cost. And a Duke University professor concluded that North Carolina could save \$11 million a year if it halted the death penalty.

“Criminals should be prosecuted,” Brown said. “I want it to be life without parole. In the long run, that’s much cheaper.”

Not all conservatives are open to Brown’s pitch. Kent Scheidegger, legal director of the Criminal Justice Legal Foundation and an outspoken capital punishment supporter, said most of the costs of a death penalty case come from “exhaustive investigation” of the defendant’s background and should be cut out.

“I think those who are falling for this line are misguided,” Scheidegger said. “The death penalty does not need to cost more than life imprisonment.”

While there are no hard numbers on how many conservatives have joined the anti-capital punishment campaign, those involved say it’s a growing movement.

“I am so sick of American polarizing politics,” said Laura Porter, director of organizing for the Equal Justice USA. “I think we all have a lot more in common than is ever acknowledged.”

Brown knows not everyone will agree with him, but he and other death penalty opponents are willing to take small gains.

“There are some people I’m not going to convince,” Brown said. “That’s all right. I’m not trying to win over the world.”

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## Hutchison renews call for term limits

DALLAS (AP) — U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison is again calling for term limits for the governor’s office.

The Republican who’s running against Rick Perry — the longest-serving governor in Texas history — discussed term limits in the first of four campaign stops Monday in Dallas.

**Psalm 27:1** The Lord is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid?  
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Hutchison has for months been saying Perry’s been in power too long and that the state needs term limits for the office, and said she’d seek a constitutional amendment to limit the top state spot to two terms.

Perry will seek an unprecedented third term in a re-election bid that starts with the GOP primary election March 2. His spokesman, Mark Miner, says Hutchison has “no credibility on the issue” because she’s been in Washington for 17 years after saying she’d serve two terms.

TUESDAYS WITH TINA

# The return to Tech, the start of a column

Boring professor? Break between classes? Need to waste some time?

Welcome to Tuesdays with, well, me. Consider reading my column every week. I plan to make it pretty entertaining, at least for those who enjoy humorous stories that may or may not involve doggy poop fiascos.

I'm a dog mom to an energetic eight-month-old labrador retriever mix named Gaia. I'm also fostering a 3-month-old beagle puppy. Poop happens, often at inopportune times.

I suppose I should back up and give some background information about myself. I graduated with a journalism degree from Texas Tech last spring. I had an amazing semester as features editor at *The Daily Toreador* before I finished college and moved to Odessa.

Remember me? I'd be thrilled if anyone did.

In any case, I didn't pursue journalism after graduation. Instead, I enrolled in graduate school for a master's degree in education. Odessa really wasn't my cup of tea, though. So, I moved back to Lubbock with my boyfriend — who did pursue a career in journalism — and now I'm attending graduate school at Tech.

When faced with the question of what I wanted to do for a living, I just couldn't see myself as a reporter at a newspaper. If I could do anything, I'd

**Tina Arons**



be a student forever. But life's not that simple. So, I'm going to make college last as long as possible. If it ain't broke, don't fix it.

Plus, I didn't really take the time to enjoy college life the first time around. I'd really like to make Round 2 count. And, if you'll let me, I'd like to share my experiences every week.

Beyond the quirky things that happen to me this semester, I plan to also share a few of my opinions. I've got quite a few and would like to pass them on for anyone willing to read.

Don't expect anything too outrageous, unless of course you happen to be against premarital cohabitation, in favor of animal abuse, love to pollute and think a healthy dose of skepticism is silly.

Because if you do, you're going to hate me.

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A GROUP OF students play blackjack during the Winter Raider Welcome Casino Night on Saturday in the Frazier Alumni Pavilion.

# Tech agrees to student exchange contract with Chinese university

By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI  
STAFF WRITER

Encouraging international study for all students, the International Cultural Center presents a new opportunity for Chinese students from Lanzhou University to study at Texas Tech beginning next fall.

As one of five schools Lanzhou University officials visited, the seven delegation members came to Tech to allow some of their students and other chance to study abroad in the United States.

"They are a critically important partner for us," said Tibor Nagy, former ambassador and vice provost for International Affairs. "It's the critically most important partner for the United States per say, and educationally, it's extremely important for U.S. universities because that's where a lot of the technology is going to be and where we can look for where our students are going to be. It's an inexhaustible amount of students."

Other universities that partner with schools in China associate with schools universities along the coasts of larger cities like in Beijing or Shanghai, Nagy said. Even what's considered an average-sized city has more than three million residents.

"Lanzhou is like China's Lubbock, but a lot bigger," Nagy said.

Lanzhou faces many of the same problems Lubbock does with the climate and weather. Both cities are dry and wind-swept, and agriculture and cotton are of interest.

"They're just the perfect partner for us," Nagy said.

Coming from such similar climates, the delegates were interested that 10 percent of the world's cotton is grown within 100 kilometers of Lubbock and Tech was the first university to offer a doctoral degree in wind sciences, Nagy said.

"They were also impressed

with how contained the campus is," said Elizabeth McDaniel, study abroad coordinator. "To have it be so self-contained, I think most of their universities are spread out and have various buildings around the city and it's not just one central campus."

The delegation visited Lubbock for three days and saw many things that were "truly Texas," Nagy said.

The ICC took the seven visitors to Cagle Steaks and had several organizations host lunches for them with food specifically from Lubbock and Texas. The delegation visited four other schools — Stanford, Yale, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and Virginia Tech — to sign agreements for the programs, and the ICC wanted the visitors' three days to stand out.

"They don't want to come here and have French food," McDaniel said. "And I'd never take them to a Chinese restaurant."

Bringing in Chinese students is fairly easy, McDaniel said, but sending Tech students to Lanzhou presents many more challenges. Since Lanzhou offers no classes taught in English, American students would have to speak Chinese at the level where they

can take all of their courses in Chinese. Since not many students can do this, Tech sends a group of students to China with a professor every two years. These 15 to 20 students study in Lanzhou for about two weeks and fulfill the other half of the exchange agreement.

"We have an agriculture professor that takes a group of students there to look at the agriculture there, and Lanzhou pays for a good portion of that trip and that balances out their students coming here," McDaniel said.

"It's an exchange agreement, but in a very different way." Already taking force, the agreement was a renewal of the former agreement exchanging Tech agriculture students for Chinese students, but now there is an affiliation between the universities that allows Chinese students to come to Tech with out a direct exchange, McDaniel said.

"The international student numbers are looking really good for this semester," Nagy said.

"(There are) many more than what we expected."

Although the agreement is already in effect, no new students will begin coming until Fall 2010, when they will have opportunities to come for one to two semesters before returning home. The study abroad department offers chances for undergraduate and sometimes graduate student exchanges. This agreement with Lanzhou allows some graduate students to travel abroad, but has yet to be finalized. Although graduates can come as exchange, McDaniel said most international graduate students are degree-seeking students.

"Most of the providers we work with are set up for undergraduates," said Sandra Crosier, director of Study Abroad.

The ICC expects to gain global presence for Tech from programs like these, Nagy said. The center wants students to have the ability to be global and to make transitions from one place to another with ease.

"We can't take every Texas Tech student to the world, but we can do our best to bring the world to Lubbock," Nagy said. "U.S. higher education is one of our highest exports. Just like other products, people want to buy the best, and it's a complement to us when international students want to come to the U.S. for higher education and especially to Tech."

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# New decade brings new tunes to music fanatics

Welcome to 2010, my faithfully devoted readers and followers. I know you all are eagerly waiting for my opinions on some new albums that have hit the stores since the start of the new year, but I want to take this time to get a little serious (doesn't happen often) and plea with you all to support music and art wherever you go and especially in Lubbock.

The non-commercialized fine arts are on life support right now, most noticeably live performances and shows, and in this economy, crazy-talented artists and musicians aren't getting their chance to rock the stage, gallery or the mic. So go to the bars on the weekends some group is touring Lubbock. Check out the art trails around town. And just do your best to support the fine arts.

OK, serious Noel is done. Let's get crunk with some new music, shall we? There have been a few really solid albums that have been released in these first few weeks of 2010 (don't be one of those "two-thousand ten" sayers, we all know "twenty ten" is way hipper).

"Contra" by Vampire Weekend — Vampire Weekend is a relatively new group in the commercial music world, but they are without a doubt one of the most creative groups out there. Their self-titled release back in 2008 was fantastic, and this most recent effort, "Contra," has tried to build upon that success.

Once listeners hear the opening song, "Horchata," and its awesome mallet accompanied, Afro-inspired melodies and harmonies, they will realize Vampire Weekend has made a good thing even better.

This new album is their last album and more. They have delicately kept the magical Afro-inspired alternative/indie/electronic sound of their past and included with it a much bolder groove, especially in tracks like "Run," "Diplomat's Son," and

**Noel Bryant**



"I Think Ur a Contra." This is a really fun, creative and audacious release from Vampire Weekend.

"Superficial" by Heidi Montag — I know what you're thinking: "How in the world could this be any good?" But, believe it or not. ... Actually, I can't write anymore. I couldn't even get through one full sentence.

I tried to fool you, but you are too smart. This CD is terrible. I mean really, really terrible. The only way it will ever be close to good is if some German DJ remixes it so well you can't even tell it's Heidi's song anymore. Why people buy this stuff I cannot fathom.

Please, Heidi Montag: Be happy making money doing nothing but crappy television, and don't infiltrate the music world again. Love, Noel.

"Y Not" by Ringo Starr — Yeah, that Ringo Starr, of Beatles fame, has been releasing solo albums ever since the early '80s. But his efforts have mostly been misses with only a few hits. And his latest effort, "Y Not," is more of the same.

The album as a whole is pretty good, with no two tracks sounding alike (just like The Beatles used to do). But while some tracks are fantastic — like "Everyone Wins" and "Walk With You" — many are forgettable. But overall, if you crave some solid British, Beatles-esque tunes, check this album out.

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# East Texas radio show is 'World Wild West'

SAN AUGUSTINE (AP) — It's 7 p.m. when Ralph Hampton dons a headset and starts the show.

"We're coming to you live from sparkling San Augustine, Texas, from the second floor of the Hightop Feed and Seed," the 53-year-old says into a small microphone.

This is "Ralph's Backporch," a connection from a small, East Texas town to Western and cowboy culture lovers the world over.

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday night, Hampton and Tamara Boatright, 42, host two hours of conversation, Western-style music and cowboy poetry broadcast by way of Internet radio.

The Backporch has hit the Internet every week since October 2007, reaching a few thousand listeners throughout the nation and in Britain, New Zealand, Brazil and about 20 other nations.

Their broadcasting booth actually is a table at Zippy's Pizza, Wings and Things, a small Hampton- and Boatright-owned restaurant situated between the doughnut shop and liquor store along U.S. 96.

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## Willis ready for new role as Tech's defensive coordinator

By ADAM COLEMAN  
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New Texas Tech defensive coordinator James Willis still is waiting on the national championship ring he won at Alabama this season as a linebackers and associate head coach for the Crimson Tide.

But once he gets it, he won't dwell in something he considers a thing of the past.

"That's one thing that it's great to have," Willis said. "But I'll put it on the shelf, because the one thing about it, you really got to have a short memory."

"Just keep competing week in and week out, preparing week in and week out and taking one day at a time, game at a time."

As far as Willis is concerned, he's ready to start building on a Tech defense already equipped with a few standout players.

As the latest of new additions to Tech coach Tommy Tuberville's staff, Willis is entering his first stint as a defensive coordinator.

He's spent the last few seasons coaching in the SEC, known for voracious defenses. Prior to his term at Alabama, Willis spent the 2006-2008 seasons at Auburn coaching linebackers under Tuberville, the same school the new

coordinator he was a three-year starter and all-conference pick.

He also has coaching credits at Temple and Rhode Island, and probably most noteworthy, experience as a player in the NFL. Willis played in the NFL for seven seasons and the XFL for one.

But now he has an opportunity to build his own defense, which Willis said already boasts some

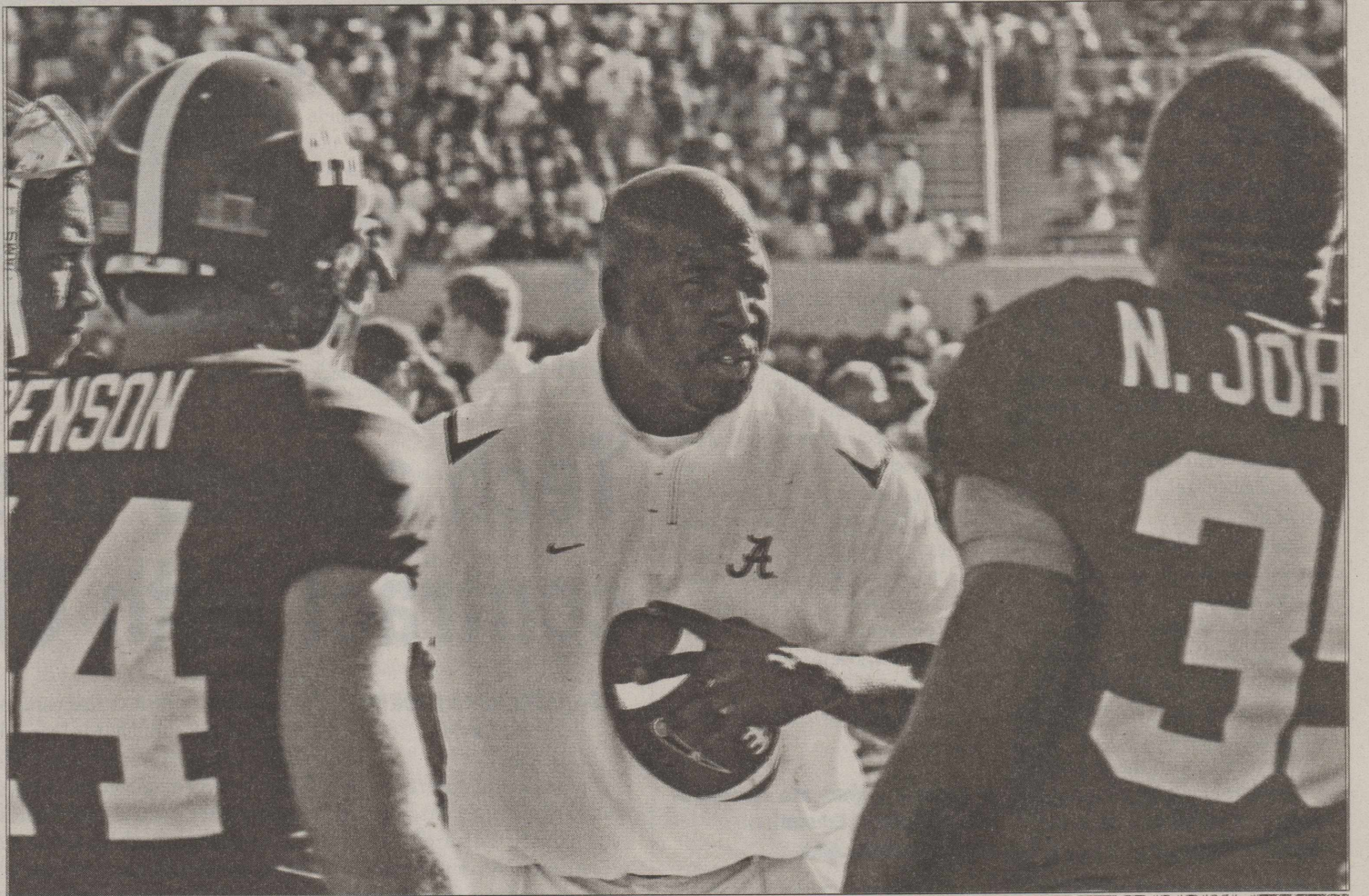
impressive attributes. Pointing out he'll specifically work with linebackers, Willis will have players such as Brian Duncan, Sam Fehoko and Brent Bird to work with.

"I turned the film on and I watched them play against Texas and some other schools," he said. "They compete now. They get after

you. They're hard-nosed. They're blue-collar. And that's the team we'll be. We're going to be aggressive. We're going to fly around. We're going to get to the ball."

Much of what Willis sees on film with this defense probably had to do with former defensive coordinator Ruffin McNeill, who was not retained in Tuberville's staff changes.

And knowing the relationship between McNeill and his players was a close one, Willis said he understands it may take time to build that same type of bond.



NEW TEXAS TECH defensive coordinator James Willis instructs two linebackers during one of Alabama's games last season. Willis was linebackers and associate head coach for the Crimson Tide during their national championship run in 2009.

More changes seem to be in order, too. As far as the scheme is concerned, Tuberville already said he wants Tech to use the 3-4 as another facet of the Red Raiders' defense. Willis is assembling his staff on defense, which could facilitate that process.

But while he's coached at a few other schools, it seems like Willis' time at Alabama has prepared him for this step.

Willis said one of the most important things he can take away

from Alabama coach Nick Saban is the blueprint to winning a national championship. Willis said he hopes to bring that to Tech.

It's also a reason Tuberville said Willis is a great hire.

"Coach Willis will be a great addition to our staff in that he is a great recruiter and he knows the direction we need to take our defense," he said in a press release. "Having spent the last year at Alabama, he knows what is involved in building a championship caliber

defense, and he and his family are thrilled to be part of the Texas Tech family."

Willis said he knows what he will be up against this season with Big 12 Conference teams — a conference he believes is known for its top-notch offenses.

He said that's all the more reason to continue implementing an aggressive attitude in the Tech defense.

"Offensively, this conference is known for throwing the ball,"

Willis said. "We got a chance last year at Alabama to play against a few offenses that did the same types of things. You turn on the film and what you see is a lot of points being scored out here. You see defenses really trying to get after teams and slow them down some."

"We'll do the same thing. We're going to be aggressive. That's what we do and that's going to be our motto."

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## Tech track sets two school records in indoor season opener

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Quitting is never an option for Omo Osaghae.

As he won his 55m hurdle with an NCAA seasonal best mark 7.22 seconds, his headband donned the aforementioned phrase.

And the Texas Tech's track and field team did not quit by any means during the Texas Tech Open on Saturday in the Athletic Training Center, as it ran away with 18 first-place finishes.

Among the numerous first-place

winners, there also were many second and third-place finishers. The men's hurdle event won by Osaghae saw Tech hurdlers place first through fifth in the finals.

"Hurdling at Texas Tech is as good as it gets," Osaghae said. "It doesn't really get much better than this as far as an all-around group."

Coming into the meet at No. 14 in a preseason poll by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association, the Tech men's team

appeared to be in top form against its competition despite the Open being the first meet of the season.

The women didn't disappoint either, setting two school records Saturday.

The women's 4x800m team set a school mark with a time of 8:57.70, beating a 17-year-old record by nearly

10 seconds. Juniors Caroline Karunde, Winrose Karunde, Purity Biwott, and senior Gladys Kipsang ran the record time for the Tech women.

Tech newcomer Shade Weygandt, a freshman pole-vaulter from Mansfield, set a school record in her first meet with Tech.

Weygandt's mark of 4.11m not only was good enough for the school record, but also for an NCAA provisional mark.

Weygandt said her goal for the Open was to set the school record and qualify for an NCAA automatic mark. Although she did not get the automatic mark, she said she had fun at the meet.

During her last attempt at the automatic mark, Weygandt clapped

her hands above her head to get the crowd into it.

"I compete the best when I'm loose, when I'm just relaxed and having fun," she said.

The first meet of the Open is often when athletes try and get their jitters out and get back into the feel of running. Markus Henderson, a sopho-

more runner from Lewisville, said he only anticipates improvement after the Open.

After winning the men's 55m and 200m, along with being a member of the winning 400m relay team, improvement may prove difficult for Henderson.

"The goal for the season is just to get better, each and every week,"

Henderson said. "As the coach says, we'll worry about times later and just try and get better."

Tech coach Wes Kitley said he is encouraged by this first meet and likes what he sees for the season. He also said he doesn't like to push his athletes too hard the first meet.

"It was a real good start for us," Kitley said. "I wanted to just have a meet that wasn't too high pressure

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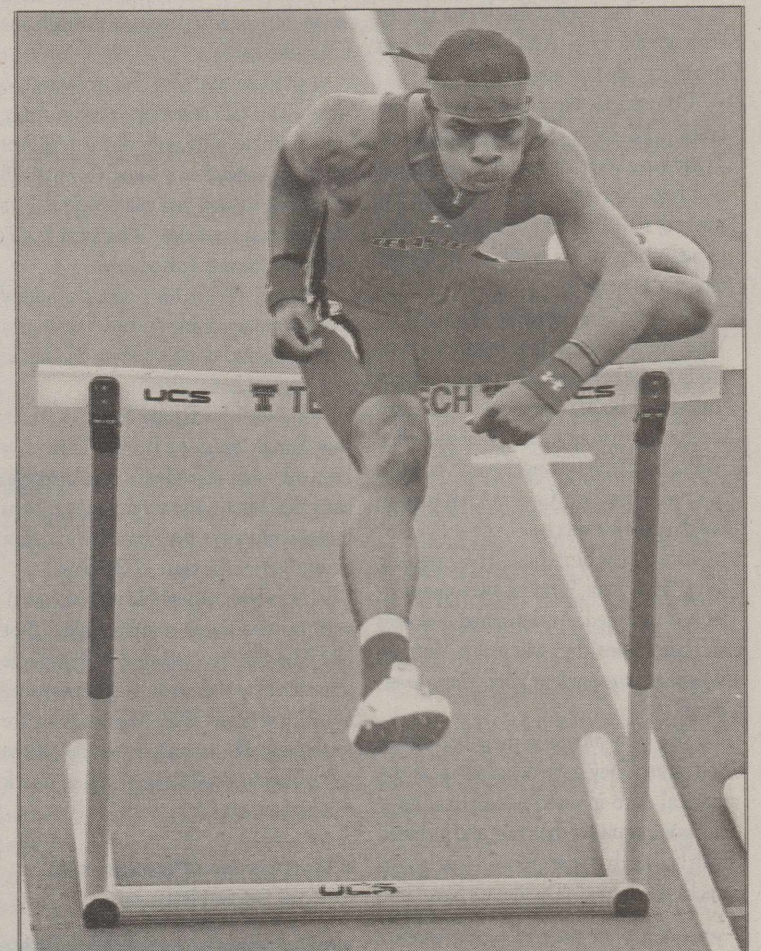


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TEXAS TECH HURDLER Omo Osaghae competes in the 55m hurdle at the Texas Tech Open on Saturday in the Athletic Training Center.

to give us an opportunity to get our feet wet."

Senior Timothy Foster and juniors Gil Roberts and Lamont Adams, who reportedly were arrested at the Academy Sports and Outdoors store on Jan. 6 for allegations surrounding robbery, did not compete at the

Open. However, all three were at the meet to support their teammates.

No disciplinary measures have been taken against them, and Kitley said they remain members of the team.

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## THIS WEEK IN RED RAIDER SPORTS



# Tech gets rocked by KU, Knight still optimistic

By **MIKE GRAHAM**  
STAFF WRITER

LAWRENCE, Kan. — It's plain and simple for Texas Tech coach Pat Knight: there's no place in college basketball quite like Allen Field House.

"We call (Allen Field House) a Mecca of basketball," Knight said. "It's one of five places if you like basketball you need to come and see a game. I don't like to get beat here, but from an experience standpoint, I've always felt you've got to come here to see what basketball is really like."

The Red Raiders found that out the hard way.

Tech fell to the Jayhawks 89-63 Saturday in Lawrence, Kan., in front of a crowd of 16,300. The crowd included members of Kansas' 1954 NCAA Championship team, the 1976 Final Four team and Philadelphia Phillies first baseman Ryan Howard underneath countless banners commemorating legendary players like Wilt Chamberlain, conference titles, deep

NCAA Tournament runs and five National Championship teams.

The last time Tech (12-5, 0-3 in Big 12 Conference) visited Lawrence, Kan., in one of Knight's first games as head coach in early 2008, Kansas handed the Red Raiders its worst loss in basketball history, 109-51. Saturday's 26-point loss was what the No. 3 team in the nation should do to a team struggling to find its place in a conference where all 12 teams have winning percentages of .625 or better as of Saturday afternoon.

"They're probably on a different level than most of the teams we've played," Knight said. "The only thing I was disappointed with is we could have competed better in the first half, made it a better game. We did compete better in the second half. We're 0-3, but there's still a lot left and a lot of spots left for the NCAA and NIT tournaments after you get past Kansas and (No. 1) Texas."

Kansas (16-1, 2-0) put on a

show for its home crowd with dunks, ally-oops, 3-pointers from well beyond the arc and highlight reel blocks, as Tech played the role most thought it would — the sacrificial lamb.

Tech was held to a season-low first half, scoring just 18 points and Kansas jumped out to a 42-18 halftime lead.

The Red Raiders had their moments though.

After the game, Kansas guard Brady Morningstar said the Jayhawks need to put two solid halves together, but Tech didn't let that happen.

The Red Raiders fought back in the second half, scoring 45 points including a 12-0 run against KU that got Tech back within 18 points with 11 minutes left.

Tech also out-blocked the Jayhawks and forced one more turnover than it gave up in the game.

The Jayhawks pulled together and had the game seemingly won by the nine-minute mark as they answered Tech's run with a run of

their own and started pulling starters out of the game with more than four minutes left. The game ended with a KU backup guard Elijah Johnson dunk to put an exclamation point on the win.

But Knight said his team's confidence should be fine when Tech takes on Iowa State — a team the Red Raiders match up more favorably with — at the United Spirit Arena on Wednesday.

Players were not available to speak to the media after the KU loss Saturday.

"We've played three really good teams that went to the tournament last year," Knight said, reminding fans the Red Raiders were ranked No. 16 not too long ago. "You can't get too high, and now I've got to be careful so that we don't get too low. There are still a lot of spots left to try to get to the postseason. We haven't been to the postseason in two years."

"Just going to any postseason would be big for us."

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DATING BACK TO last season, Texas Tech coach Pat Knight and his Red Raiders are 3-16 in Big 12 Conference play.

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## Henin on track in Grand Slam comeback

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Justine Henin's new, philosophical outlook on life and tennis comes with a few fringe benefits. She's dining out more, for one thing.

The relentless intensity that characterized the diminutive Belgian as she won seven Grand Slam singles titles before retiring 20 months ago has given way to a more self-assured, open manner in her second coming to the game.

"I'm a little less superstitious about the past," Henin said after her 6-4, 6-3 win over fellow Belgian Kirsten Flipkens to the Australian Open on Monday. "I've tested a different restaurant every day since I've arrived — that never happened in the past."

"I feel like I've evolved," she added, laughing, "and there are things that don't have a role in success or failure."

Henin is still driven by a challenge, and that's what brought her back to Melbourne Park for her first major since a quarterfinal loss to Maria Sharapova at the 2008 Australian Open.

Unranked and playing as a wild card entry, Henin will now play a

second-round match against fifth-seeded Elena Dementieva, who won the Olympic gold medal in Beijing only a few months after Henin retired in May 2008, opting not to defend her French Open and Olympic titles.

A win over Dementieva could put her on course for a quarterfinal against fellow Belgian Kim Clijsters, whose win at the U.S. Open last September in only her third tournament out of retirement inspired Henin's comeback.

Clijsters, who beat Henin in the final of a warmup tournament at Brisbane on Jan. 9, won her first-round match 6-0, 6-4 over Canadian qualifier Valerie Tetreault.

Sharapova, the last person to beat Henin at a major, played her first match here since winning the 2008 title on Monday, and recorded her earliest exit at a major in seven years when she lost 7-6 (4), 3-6, 6-4 to fellow Russian Maria Kirilenko. Sharapova was unable to defend her title last year after undergoing shoulder surgery that kept her off the tour for 10 months.

Dinara Safina, who lost last year's final to Serena Williams, and No. 3

Svetlana Kuznetsova, the reigning French Open champion, advanced in straight sets.

Henin comes across as more relaxed, more content in herself. She's more inclined to talk openly about issues beyond the court, comfortable laughing out loud.

"First round in a Grand Slam is something that I hate, and usually the first week. But this week is going to be special," she said. "I don't live anymore like in the past — it's very good because that doesn't help in life."

On a gray, rainy day in Melbourne, only 26 of the 64 scheduled matches were completed — another 12 matches started but were suspended.

Defending champion Rafael Nadal was among the last to finish, coming back from a break down in the first set to beat Australia's Peter Luczak 7-6 (0), 6-1, 6-4. Now that his photograph is on the wall of champions here, he's assured of a match on the covered courts and there's little risk of his matches being postponed from one day to the next.

"I feel lucky to finish my match

today," Nadal said. "That's important. I was a lot of times in the other situation."

Nadal beat Roger Federer in five sets in the final here last year to claim his sixth major and his first on hardcourts. He hasn't added one since, while Federer won the French Open and Wimbledon to surpass Pete Sampras' record of 14 career Grand Slam singles titles.

He was a win away from a 16th, too, until Juan Martin del Potro's surprising win over Federer in the U.S. Open final.

The 21-year-old del Potro, coming to a major as a reigning champion for the first time, ignored the pain of a sore wrist and a disagreement with the chair umpire in a 6-4, 6-4, 3-6, 6-2 win over American Michael Russell.

No. 5 Andy Murray advanced in straight sets over South Africa's Kevin Anderson, No. 7 Andy Roddick beat Thiemo de Bakker of the Netherlands 6-1, 6-4, 6-4, and 2007 finalist Fernando Gonzalez of Chile also advanced.

Croatia's Ivo Karlovic ousted No. 13 Radek Stepanek of the Czech Republic.

## Cowboys bosses to players: 'Keep it the way it is'

IRVING (AP) — Jerry Jones and Wade Phillips stood before the disappointed Dallas Cowboys on Monday and gave them some encouraging words to take into the offseason.

"Keep it the way it is," the message went.

Jones and Phillips did not speak with reporters, but players shared the news — the tone being a clear indication Jones plans to pick up the team option on Phillips' contract for next season.

Safety Ken Hamlin came away thinking Phillips' return is a done deal.

"For him to have that confidence from Jerry and everyone to know he's coming back ... it's good for us," Hamlin said.

The Cowboys have won the division twice in Phillips' three years.

They had a winning final month of the regular season for the first time since 1996, then turned that into their first playoff victory since '96, eliminating two major burdens.

But they also were flattened at the finish for a second straight season, this time going down 34-3 to Minnesota in the second round of the playoffs.

Dallas has now gone a franchise-worst 13 straight seasons without reaching — much less, winning — the Super Bowl.

"This year it was a building year, it was a year to really see where we could go and how far we could go," defensive captain Bradie James said. "So we've proved to ourselves that we have enough confidence to really be there. We can win the big games. We can be good. But there's still some things that

we have to get better at to get to the ultimate game."

Cornerback Terence Newman called this season "a stepping stone."

"It's a positive, but at the same time, still, if you look at the overall goal, it's still a failure," he said.

With the main coaching decision likely settled, Jones can focus on other moves in what could be among the most tantalizing offseasons of his ownership.

The Super Bowl is coming to Cowboys Stadium after next season, the first time his franchise has hosted it. No host has played in the game, and that's been an obsession for Jones since he won the bid.

"That would be like the best situation that could happen, period," Newman said. "There's no other thing that would be better than that."

Jones also is likely to have the unique opportunity of spending as much as he wants because the 2010 season is expected to have no salary cap. That could mean anything from handing out big contracts to getting rid of overpaid players.

His biggest comfort is having seen how well the Cowboys played in the four games before the wipeout ending. Dallas showed it has plenty of the right pieces in place on offense and defense.

The loss to the Vikings certainly showed there's more work to be done, but it's probably not as much as last year, when Jones got rid of several high-profile veterans and dumped his defensive coordinator and special teams coach following a 44-6 loss at Philadelphia that exposed how deeply flawed that club was.

## Robinson back to defend dunk title

NEW YORK (AP) — Defending champion Nate Robinson will return to the slam dunk contest, trying to become the first three-time winner.

The Knicks guard will be joined by Charlotte's Gerald Wallace and Lakers guard Shannon Brown. The fourth contestant will be determined by a dunk-off during half-time of the rookie game between the Clippers' Eric Gordon and Toronto rookie DeMar DeRozan.

It was a somewhat disappointing field announced Monday, since it didn't include LeBron James, who said during last year's event he was considering taking part Feb. 13 in Dallas.

The 5-foot-9 Robinson won his first title in 2006 and claimed it again last year, leaping over Dwight Howard for one dunk en route to beating the 2008 champion.

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