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## Tech attorneys support Frenship ISD's motion

By JON VANDERLAAN  
NEWS EDITOR

The legal counsel for Texas Tech in the Mike Leach vs. Texas Tech University lawsuit wrote a letter to Judge William Sowerd on Wednesday criticizing Leach and his lawyers for issuing a subpoena to Frenship Independent School District for information about Tech head football coach Tommy Tuberville and his family.

The letter also asked the judge to reprimand the Leach camp for bypassing rules by not

servicing the Tech attorneys with a copy of the subpoena.

According to the letter, Tech attorneys believe the broad scope of the subpoena could lead to the release of homework assignments, grades and medical information about Tuberville's children.

Dicky Grigg wrote in the letter that it was meant to support the motion filed by attorneys for Frenship ISD and suggested that



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any documents only indicating when the district was contacted by the Tuberville family would be more appropriate.

Those documents, he wrote, would "dispel the ridiculous conspiracy theory that coach Leach is fueling."

The letter states that notice for multiple subpoenas have not been served to the university's attorneys in this case. According to the letter, a 10-day notice period is required for all served subpoenas.

Leach attorneys filed a subpoena with the court on March

5 requesting information about contact between the Tuberville family and Frenship ISD.

The subpoena asked for documents about Tuberville and/or the Tuberville family; any communications between the school district and the Tuberville family; documents about interest in admission, potential admission and/or admission of members of the Tuberville family into Frenship ISD; and communications between Tech and Frenship ISD about any member of the Tuberville family.

Frenship ISD attorneys re-

sponded by filing a motion for protective order Monday, noting that the documents requested may fall under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, therefore requiring the permission of the parent to release the documents.

The judge ordered a hearing about the subpoena for 9 a.m. March 26 in the 99th District Courtroom.

Leach also will give his deposition at 9 a.m. today in the office of one of his attorneys, Ted Liggett, who did not respond to phone calls from *The Daily*

Toreador.

The former Tech head football coach was suspended Dec. 28 because of allegations he mistreated wide receiver Adam James. Leach filed a temporary injunction in an attempt to coach in the team's bowl game against Michigan State, and was fired.

The lawsuit subsequently filed by Leach alleges defamation and wrongful termination against Tech. The two sides were sent to mediation and a gag order was placed on the negotiations.

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## Breaking the Barrier



PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador

PROFESSOR GULSANEM ALLAMBERGENOVA teaches vocabulary words during an Uzbek, the official language of Uzbekistan, language class Wednesday in the Foreign Language building.

## Tech offers 3 of 12 state department strategic languages

By BROOKE BELLOMY  
STAFF WRITER

About 5,000 languages are spoken worldwide as estimated by the Modern Language Association. In the United States, only 26 percent of the more than 1.4 million students enrolled in foreign language courses are learning a language other than Spanish, French or German.

These other languages are referred to as Less Commonly Taught Languages and Texas Tech's Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures is doing

its best to provide students with the option to learn these other languages.

The U.S. Department of State selected 12 languages — Arabic, Bahasa Indonesian, Bengali, Hausa, Hindi, Persian, Pushtu, Swahili, Tajik, Turkish, Urdu and Uzbek — as languages of "strategic importance to the United States."

Of those strategic languages, Tech offers courses in Arabic, Turkish and Uzbek. A minor in Arabic also is offered.

Liz Hildebrand, senior adviser for Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures, said the Arabic

program has been offered at Tech for seven years and has doubled in enrollment in the last three years. Thirty-one students are enrolled in the Arabic classes.

"Military and ROTC plays a large role in the student population of this program, in part due to the Middle East problems," she said.

The Uzbek language program at Tech is even smaller. The only Uzbek class has three students.

The sole Uzbek instructor Gulsanem Allambergenova, a graduate student and Fulbright Scholar from Uzbekistan, said she wishes more students would take an interest in

the Uzbek language and Central Asian culture.

"In the United States, the culture of Central Asia is not promoted enough," she said. "It is a unique culture, different from other Asian countries like Japan and Korea and it is largely unknown by students."

One of the benefits of learning a new language, she said, is learning about a new culture. In her class, she said she assigns the students small projects that compare and contrast an aspect of American culture with an aspect of Uzbek culture.

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## State department, Tech issue spring break alert

By KELSEY HECKEL  
STAFF WRITER

With spring break approaching, the U.S. Department of State has issued a travel alert for students traveling to Mexico asking students to be aware of their surroundings and cautious while traveling.

The alert, issued Feb. 22, warns those to areas such as Michoacán, Durango, Coahuila and Chihuahua to exercise extreme caution.

Greg Elkins, the Texas Tech Dean of Students, also issued an advisory for students to be careful during their spring break travels.

"While the greatest threat concerns continuing high rates of crime and violence near the U.S. border," he said in the release, "students traveling to the interior of the country should also be aware of escalating violent crime in resort areas and should exercise extreme caution."

Drug cartels and other criminal bands

have retaliated violently against individuals who speak out against them or who they otherwise view as a threat to their organization. These attacks include the abduction and murder of two U.S. citizens, according to the Department of State Web site.

"There's been a lot of news about safety concerns along the Mexican border," said Sandy Crosier, director of the study abroad program. "Violence in the country has created concerns that are imperative that U.S. citizens be aware of."

Crosier said that students flying into the interior areas of Mexico don't have as much to be concerned about but still should remain conscious of the fact that they are in a foreign country.

"In Lubbock we know what areas are safe and what areas are not," she

said. "In foreign areas we aren't as aware of this and sometimes we don't have that heightened sense of alertness."

Because of the difference of customs and laws between the United States and Mexico, Crosier also warned about students drinking in unfamiliar areas.

"I know people like to drink over the break, but if you are drinking and get into a compromising situation, you're going to have slower reactions and could possibly not be able to respond in the proper way," she said.

The Department of State Web site recommends students should read specific country information such as public announcements or travel warnings.

Another suggestion is to become familiarized with local laws and customs to avoid getting into a legal or medical situation that could be difficult to get out of in a foreign country. Crosier said she recommends carrying a valid passport and the contact information for the nearest U.S. embassy, consulate or consular agency.

Another service available to students is Road Raiders, a program that offers help to students traveling in the United States.

"Road Raiders is made up of a group of parent association members that can help with questions about proper mechanics if a car breaks down, directions and even somewhere to rest if you get tired of driving," said Christine Self, unit coordinator of Parent and Family Relations.

Self said the program is even easier to access for students with iPhones or smart phones because of the online list of numbers for members of Road Raiders around the state.

"It would be smart for students to either print off a pdf file of numbers from areas that they are going to be in or to visit roadraiders.ttu.edu to learn more about the program," she said.

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SANDY CROSIER  
DIRECTOR OF THE STUDY  
ABROAD PROGRAM

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**BRIEF**

**STATE**

**Texas ed board member walks out amid race debates**

AUSTIN (AP) — A longtime State Board of Education member accused her colleagues of “whitewashing” curriculum standards Thursday and walked out of the panel’s meeting in frustration amid heated debates about race and the inclusion of Hispanics in lesson plans.

The board had rejected an effort to include the names of two Hispanic Medal of Honor recipients and one black recipient in lessons for a world history class, but agreed to revisit the amendment for an American history class. It also approved an amendment that deletes a requirement that sociology students “explain how institutional racism is evident in American society.”

“I mean we’ve already been whitewashing all of social studies up to this point and now we’re doing it

in sociology?” Democratic board member Mary Helen Berlanga said after Republican Barbara Cargill’s amendment was proposed. “You’ve got to leave some integrity in this.”

The amendment was adopted on a 10-5 party line vote.

Decisions by the board — long led by social conservatives who have advocated ideas such as teaching more about the weaknesses of evolutionary theory — affects textbook content nationwide because Texas is one of publishers’ biggest clients.

Berlanga, who has served on the board since 1982, walked out of the meeting after reviewing upcoming amendments involving the inclusion of Hispanic names in the standards.

**NATION**

**Obama backing of immigration overhaul ‘unwavering’**

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama on Thursday assured immigration advocates frustrated by the wait for a promised overhaul of U.S. immigration laws that he remains committed to fixing a system he has said is broken.

What remains unclear is whether Congress will send him a bill this year.

Obama also met separately later in the day with Sens. Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., and Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., who gave the president an outline of a bill they are drafting. Obama said afterward in a statement that he “looked forward to reviewing their promising framework.”

Obama said he told the senators and the advocacy groups that “my

commitment to comprehensive immigration reform is unwavering, and that I will continue to be their partner in this important effort.”

The immigration issue is an important one for Obama, who has promised to work to solve the problem. Hispanics voted heavily for Obama in the 2008 presidential election, making the difference in key states like Florida, and their votes will be critical in the November midterm elections when Obama and his fellow Democrats will be fighting to maintain control of the House and Senate.

Latino voters who don’t think progress is being made on the issue may not go to the polls.

**WORLD**

**Early Iraq results: PM battling secular challenger**

BAGHDAD (AP) — First results from Iraq’s parliamentary election showed the prime minister and his secular rival locked in an extremely tight contest Thursday amid fraud allegations by rival parties and a chaotic, unpredictable vote count.

The partial tallies came from only five of Iraq’s 18 provinces. However, Iraqi officials who have seen results from across the country said Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki’s coalition appeared to have a narrow edge, though not an outright majority.

That foreshadows tough and lengthy negotiations to build a government and choose a prime minister.

The partial results, posted on TV screens in Baghdad to crowds of reporters, were the first in an election that will determine who governs the country as U.S. troops go home — and whether Iraqis can put behind them deep sectarian tensions that once brought their nation to the brink of civil war.

# SGA cancels April SORC meetings

By JOEANN BON-JORNO  
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The Texas Tech Student Government Association Student Senate passed a bill to dismiss meetings in April for the Student Organization Representative Council to give student senators more time to train before they are sworn in.

The senate also confirmed elections results, moved the 2010-2011 student organization funding bill to third reading and kept a resolution about veterans tabled at a short meeting Thursday.

Senate Bill 45.19 called for the dismissal of April Student Organization Representative Council meetings, and was authored by Sen. Brandon Taylor.

According to the SGA Web site, SORC meetings were created to provide an environment that promotes collaboration, feedback and increased communication. All registered student organizations at Tech have been divided into categories and assigned an SGA

representative to gain feedback and communicate with organizations.

Organizations also are assigned a Budget and Finance Committee representative to help the organizations applying for funds. Each group meets at different times as determined by the members of that specific category.

Taylor said for his college, the April SORC meeting also is the first night for the new senate.

The bill gives the opportunity to make sure to leave SORC as a functional body, Taylor said.

“We want new senators to have at least a month to go through retreat and transition before carrying out SORC meetings,” he said.

As senators, the job is not done until April 16, said Sen. Daniel



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Syptak, and he would like to see current senators continue with April SORC meetings.

Ashley Larkin said the College of Agricultural Sciences will have a SORC meeting in April, but the timing of it is too late in the year to be able to make legislation.

According to the bill, the funding bill would need to be amended by the newly elected Budget and Finance Committee if SORC meetings were to continue through May. Senators still may host SORC meetings, but at-

tendance is not mandatory and changes cannot be made to the budget bill through feedback from the meetings after the bill has been passed.

The Student Organization Funding Bill was put on third and final reading and will be up to be passed at the next senate meeting April 1.

The Tech Student Senate meets on the first and third Thursday of every month in the Senate Room of the Student Union Building.

*“We want new senators to have at least a month to go through retreat and transition before carrying out SORC meetings.”*

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# Tech to host national debate championship

By KATHERINE ROWE  
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Texas Tech will host the 2010 National Parliamentary Debate Championship starting March 20.

Joe Gantt, the director of Forensics, said he has been preparing accommodations for the visitors and coaching his debate teams.

“This year we get to host the national tournament, and I am the national tournament host,” Gantt said. “I’m responsible for getting rooms and meal arrangements together, just do everything we can to make the experience as good of an experience as possible for these people that are coming to Tech.”

Gantt said 382 debaters will visit campus from 60 different schools. The six Tech teams he coaches

includes 12 students.

The entire tournament will be open to the public, he said, and anybody is free to attend if they want.

The preliminary rounds, which will be hosted Saturday and Sunday in the Business Administration building.

The national championship debate will be hosted at the Lubbock Civic Center at 6:30 p.m. Monday.

The Irish national champions also will do an exhibition at 4:45 p.m. March 19 at the Holiday Inn Hotel and Towers. Gantt said they will debate against three of the top American debaters in the country.

“We get people from the public to attend,” Gantt said, “and they seem to really enjoy it.”

Gantt said one of Tech’s teams is ranked No. 4 in the nation, featuring Brian Horton, a senior political

science, French and geography major from San Angelo, and Adam Testerman, a junior mass communications major from Springfield, Mo.

Horton said he is expecting to have fun and enjoy one of his last debate tournaments next weekend.

“I’ve always prided myself in walking into a tournament expecting nothing,” he said. “Then just going in and trying to win each round as it comes.”

Gantt said the goal for the sophomore team is to do better than they did last year.

“This year we have good teams, not only at the senior level, but we have good sophomore and freshman teams who won’t win the national championship but can over achieve,” he said. “For our freshman teams, I would like them to win more

debates than they lose. That’s my goal for them.”

Horton said students looking at attending the Tech Graduate School can tour the campus because of this tournament.

“Hosting a national tournament is also a great thing for Tech to put under their cap and look at this as something that we, as a campus, have done,” he said.

Bolanle Olaniran, interim department chairman of Communication Studies, said that he wants to put credit where credit is due.

“Our coaches and our debaters are really the ones that deserve most of the credit because you cannot put a program together unless you have individuals who want to work it,” he said.

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# Bomb near store kills 4 in Pakistan

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (AP) — A homemade bomb placed outside a store in northwestern Pakistan where locals watch movies exploded Thursday, killing four people, including a child, said officials.

The attack, which also wounded 21 people, occurred on the outskirts of Peshawar, a city near the Afghan border that experienced a wave of bombings at the end of last year but has been fairly quiet in recent months.

Officials earlier said the explosion was caused by three suicide bombers who were attempting to attack a security convoy. It was unclear what prompted the erroneous report.

The shop that bore the brunt of the blast often screened movies on a large television, said Liaquat Ali Khan. The explosion also damaged three other shops nearby, he said.

Two men were killed instantly, while two others, including a child, succumbed to their injuries after arriving at a local hospital, said

medical official Jamal Shah.

The bomb appeared to contain some 11 pounds (5 kilograms) of explosives, said police explosives expert Shafiqat Malik.

Pakistan has been plagued by a Taliban-led insurgency that has killed thousands of people over the past few years, many of them in the volatile northwest. The government has fought back with a series of military offensives to deny militants sanctuary along the Afghan border.

The largest operation so far was launched in October in the South Waziristan tribal area, the major stronghold of the Pakistani Taliban. The ground invasion sparked a wave of attacks that killed over 600 people, many of them in Peshawar.

The decline in attacks since the beginning of the year may indicate the military operations have had some success in disrupting the militants’ activities.

Pakistan has also suffered frequent sectarian violence between

Sunni and Shiite Muslims, especially in the southern city of Karachi.

Unidentified gunmen shot and killed the leader of a hard-line Sunni group in Karachi on Thursday along with three other people as they were riding in a vehicle, said Jamil Soomro, the government spokesman for surrounding Sindh province.

Soomro said authorities suspected Shiites in the attack, which killed Mufti Saeed Jalal Duri, the head of Khatme Nabuwa, along with his son and two other men.

The shooting followed a similar attack Thursday morning against Mulana Nadim Ghafoor, the local Karachi leader of Sipah-e-Sahaba, a banned Sunni militant group that has carried out attacks against Shiites, said Soomro.

The attack seriously wounded Ghafoor and killed his son, he said.

# NYC to pay up to \$657M to settle WTC health cases

NEW YORK (AP) — After years of fighting in court, lawyers representing the city, construction companies and more than 10,000 ground zero rescue and recovery workers have agreed to a settlement that could pay up to \$657.5 million to responders sickened by dust from the destroyed World Trade Center.

The settlement was announced Thursday evening by the WTC Captive Insurance Co., a special entity established to indemnify the city and its

contractors against potential legal action as they moved to clean up the site after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

The deal, which still must be approved by a judge and the workers themselves, would make the city and other companies represented by the insurer liable for a minimum of \$575 million, with more money available to the sick if certain conditions are met.

Most if not all of the money would come out of a \$1 billion grant from the

Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Mayor Michael Bloomberg called the settlement “a fair and reasonable resolution to a complex set of circumstances.”

“The resolution of the World Trade Center litigation will allow the first responders and workers to be compensated for injuries suffered following their work at Ground Zero,” Bloomberg said in a statement.

# Dems look to health vote sans abortion foes

legislation, which would change the ways many people receive and pay for health care, from the most routine checkup to the most expensive, lifesaving treatment. And most Americans would be required by law to get health insurance.

Republicans continued their fierce criticisms of the president’s efforts, vowing to make Democrats pay dearly in the fall elections if they don’t back off from what they brand a government takeover of health care. But senior Democrats predicted they can convince their colleagues that doing nothing is the worst option of all, politically and substantively.

“The stars are aligning for victory on comprehensive health reform,” said Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa.

White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel emerged from a meeting in the Capitol with top Democratic lawmakers Thursday night saying, “We made a lot of decisions. We’re getting towards the end.”

The end might be near, but the outcome remains uncertain. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., must round up at least 216 votes when the real nose-counting and arm-twisting begin in a few days, after final cost estimates arrive from the Congressional Budget Office. All House and Senate Republicans have vowed to oppose the legislation.

With Senate Democrats no longer able to block Republican filibusters, the strategy calls for House Democrats to embrace a health bill the Senate passed in December, despite their numerous objections. Democratic senators in turn would promise to make a limited number of changes under “budget reconciliation” rules, which bar filibusters.

Republican and Democratic lawmakers quarreled Thursday over whether Obama must sign the Senate bill into law before Congress can make the changes, which Democrats see as crucial to making the overall package more politically palatable. Republicans plan to pounce on Democrats the instant the Senate bill becomes law, and House and Senate parliamentarians eventually may have to determine the allowable sequence of legislative actions.

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## International show to bring 'the force'

By **ALEXANDRA PEDRINI**  
STAFF WRITER

Returning to North America during their 50-stop worldwide tour, Star Wars: In Concert will make its way on May 23 to the United Spirit Arena.

Star Wars: In Concert is a multimedia event that features the musical scores of all six "Star Wars" films played by a full symphony orchestra and choir with movie clips showing on the three-story LED-screen.

"This alone is fun and is a really great afternoon to spend with friends," said David Barber, a national representative for Star Wars: In Concert.

Tickets go on sale for general audiences at 10 a.m. Saturday, but students, faculty and staff can purchase their tickets early from the Select-a-Seat Web site by entering the passcode "skywalker." Tickets cost between \$30.25 and \$72.25.

"For an event this exciting, I'm hoping that there will be a lot of folks buying their tickets early to get the best seat in the house."

*"This alone is fun and is a really great afternoon to spend with friends."*

**DAVID BARBER**  
NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE  
STAR WARS: IN CONCERT

said Cindy Harper, the associate director of the arena. "It is such a unique event, I think it's going to be really successful and hopefully we'll sell out."

Although audience members may have heard performances of the "Star Wars" music played by other ensembles, Barber said this show is very different than the rest. The music and film clips are designed to specifically for this show and will explore the entire series.

"The music is specifically tailored for the event," Barber said. "John Williams and George Lucas' people got together to make this show specifically."

The clips from the six films were compiled to fit each piece

specifically and cover every topic in the films, he said. The show will have montages for each of the major characters as well as to tell the story of the series.

"It celebrates what the six films have in common and will be everything (audiences) expect," Barber said.

Harper believes this is the type

of show that will draw in a variety of audiences. She said this show not only will attract "Star Wars" fans, but also symphony enthusiasts, those interested in movie exhibits and fans of new cartoons on Cartoon Network.

"This is an opportunity to see the whole line of the story and how it got to be there," Barber said. "That's interesting for people who haven't seen the whole series."

Since some fans have grown older and now have children who might not be able to sit through the two-to three-hour films, he said, this show can give them an idea of what the series is about.

"(The exhibit) gives them something to be excited about," Barber said.

The concert will bring an exhibit featuring various props, costumes, manuscripts, backdrops and more from the films that will be on display before and after the show. The most popular part of the exhibit are the backdrops that audience members can pose in front of for pictures, Barber said.

"I think a really neat element of it is the museum exhibit," Harper said. "You can actually walk through and see the costumes and there's lots of neat stuff like that to see."

The pre-sale will remain open until 4 p.m. today online and regular ticket sales will begin 10 a.m. Saturday.

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## PADDLE TIME

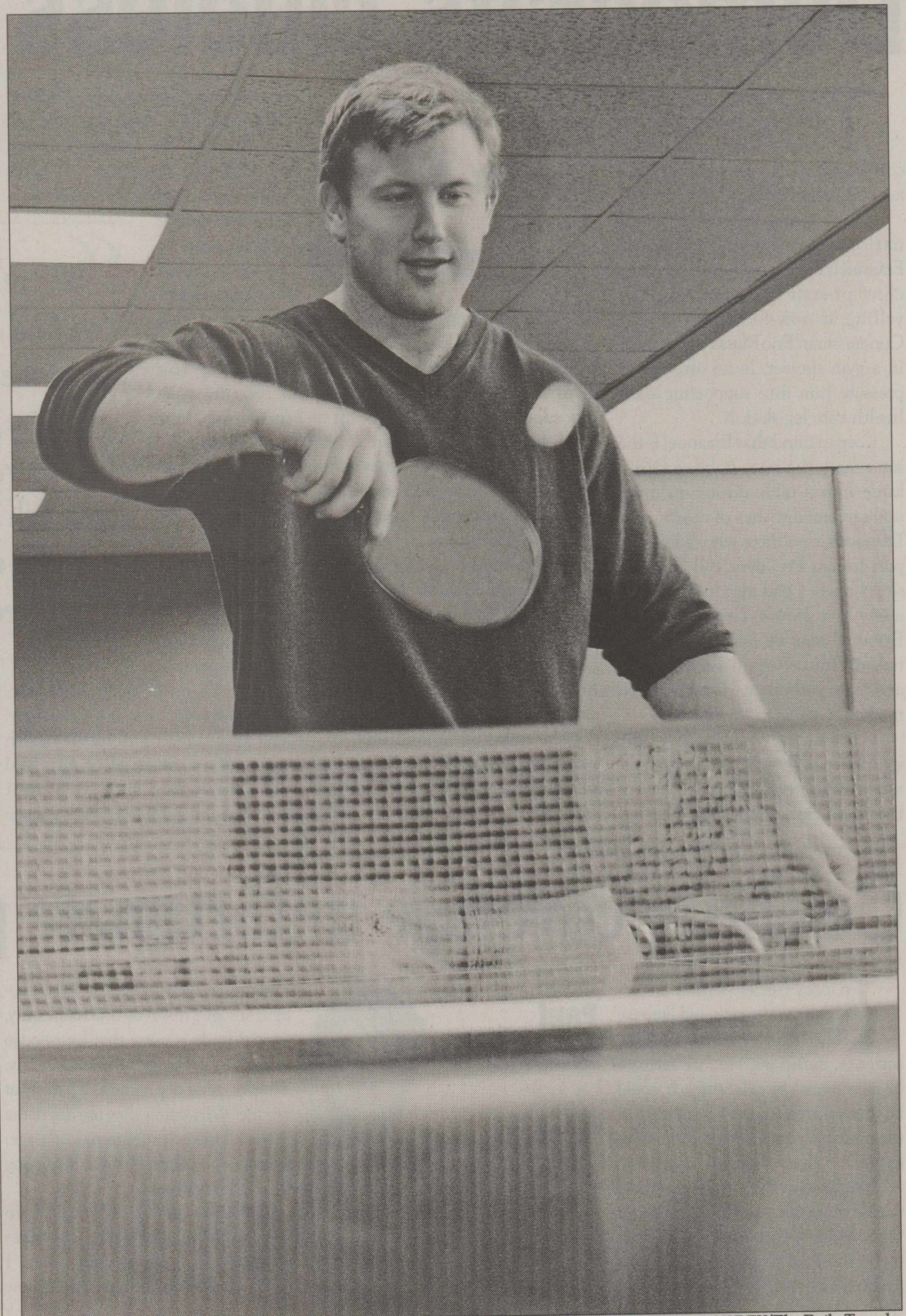


PHOTO BY RIANNON ROWLEY/The Daily Toreador  
CORY PAYNE, A senior accounting major from Dallas, plays ping pong Thursday in the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center.

## Ancient sex on show in Paris

PARIS (AP) — The latest show at Paris' Quai Branly museum comes with a warning for visitors: "This exhibition of Moche ceramics shows sexual acts of an explicit nature."

But the extraordinary and graphic testimonial of the ancient Moche civilization of Peru isn't about physical pleasure or procreation, according to the curator.

He says the sexual acts evoke the rituals that accompanied the death of dignitaries, and the human sacrifices that went with them. They tell a story about the power of the elite that he says has parallels with modern life.

"Sex, death and sacrifice in the Moche religion," which opened this week and runs until May 23, brings to Europe for the first time 134 erotic Moche ceramics on loan from the Larco Museum in Lima, Peru.

The Moche lived on what is now the northern coast of Peru between the first and eighth centuries. The ancient Andean people belonged to one of the first societies to organize itself in way that

would be recognized as a state, constructing cities with elaborate monuments and specialized centers for the production of textiles, metal and ceramics.

Their culture is on display at the anthropological Quai Branly museum, whose recent exhibits include an exploration of the Teotihuacan people of ancient Mexico and a tribute to African literature and culture.

The visitor to the Moche show is asked to look beyond the graphic nature of the exhibits, such as the outside penis used for pouring liquids, or the grimacing woman being forced to perform oral sex.

Some of the acts are disturbing and violent — but not in the provocative fashion of pornography or some modern artists.

They don't reflect scenes from ordinary Moche life, the exhibition explains.

Curator Steve Bourget, a professor at the University of Texas at Austin who has made his career studying the Moche,

says he believes they were part of ritual or sacrificial ceremonies — bloodthirsty and wild though strictly controlled affairs.

Some of the ceramics are almost anatomical — the Moche artists have made clear, often in minute detail, the nature of the acts they are depicting.

That may be because the artists were making what Bourget says is an important distinction between vaginal intercourse, which is rarely shown, and other forms of sex.

Vaginal sex is usually performed by a supernatural being called Wrinkle Face — which Bourget believes makes it associated with the afterlife.

Non-vaginal intercourse often involves women engaging in sex with skeletal beings or sacrificial victims, seen as inhabiting a place between this world and the next.

As such Bourget believes the sexual acts are linked to a ritual inversion of order which takes place during funerary or sacrificial rituals associated with the transition into the other world.

## Pink Floyd wins battle over online sales

LONDON (AP) — In a victory for the concept album, Britain's High Court on Thursday ordered record company EMI Group Ltd. to stop selling downloads of Pink Floyd tracks individually rather than as part of the band's original records.

The prog-rock group sued the music label, saying its contract prohibited selling the tracks "unbundled" from their original album setting.

Pink Floyd lawyer Robert Howe said the band was known for producing "seamless" pieces of music on albums like "Dark Side of the Moon," "The Division Bell" and "The Wall," and wanted to retain artistic control.

EMI claimed the clause in the band's contract — negotiated a decade ago, before the advent of iTunes and other online retailers — applied only to physical albums, not Internet sales.

Judge Andrew Morritt backed the band, saying the contract

protected "the artistic integrity of the albums."

He ruled that EMI is "not entitled to exploit recordings by online distribution or by any other means other than the complete original album without Pink Floyd's consent."

The judge ordered EMI to pay the band's legal costs and said he would rule later on how much the company must pay in damages.

The judge also ruled on a second issue, the level of royalties paid to the band. That section of the judgment was made in private after EMI

argued the information was covered by commercial confidentiality.

A spokesman for EMI said the company was considering its response to the ruling.

The band's spokesman said Pink Floyd had no comment.

Pink Floyd signed with EMI in 1967 and became one of its most lucrative acts, with its back catalog outsold only by The Beatles.

Online sales make up an increasing portion of music companies' profits, and are a growing area of dispute.

## Language

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"With these projects, my students learn about the culture of Uzbekistan while they are also learning the language," she said. "I also get to learn about American culture."

Arabic instructor Faten Arfaoui, a graduate student and Fulbright Scholar from Tunisia, said she also incorporates Arabic cultural lessons into the class. Once a semester, she said the class celebrates a student's birthday the way an Arabic family would, including the traditional food, songs and decorations.

For the three students enrolled in Uzbek, each said they are taking the beginning Uzbek class because they were told it would be beneficial for their major, Russian. At this time, no minor is offered in Uzbek.

Davell Jenkins, a sophomore Russian major from Houston, said the five-hour credit Uzbek class is intensive and at times overwhelming.

"We meet for one hour, five days a week, and then we have Uzbek homework every night, including weekends," he said. "It is a lot of work."

Classmate Lawrence McInvale, a junior Russian major from Houston, said he agrees the class is intense but that helps create an interactive environment.

"With such a small class, we each

have a lot of professor attention," he said. "It is an intense class."

Uzbek student Samantha Lippard, a freshman Russian Language and Area studies major from Martin, Tenn., said such a small program has its ups and downs.

"With only three students in the class, our questions don't go unanswered," she said. "But because the program is so small, we have no options to practice outside of class. There is no student organization or club related to Uzbek."

Arfaoui said she thought the lack of student organizations devoted to each of the languages taught at Tech was hindering the growth of the language programs. If more foreign students came to Tech and more student organizations related to languages were created, she said the all of the language programs would benefit and grow.

"With more foreign students and more language focused student organizations, more students would be aware of the languages taught at Tech" she said. "It would get more students involved and it would also give them a way to practice and learn outside of class."

Hildebrand said occasionally students suggest other languages be taught at Tech such as Hindi, Korean and Polish, but no professors are available to teach the classes.

Arfaoui said students should not be

intimidated to learn these languages, and she hopes all of the language programs at Tech continue to grow.

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## Democrats clueless on health care fixes

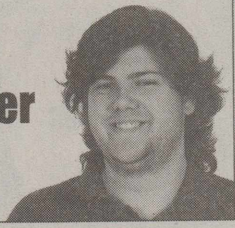
The battle over health care has been raging on Capitol Hill and in the conversations of many pundits and average citizens alike.

It's gotten so heated amongst national legislators that Rahm Emanuel, President Barack Obama's chief of staff has even taken to yelling at now-former New York Congressman Eric Massa whilst nude in a gym shower, in an attempt to pressure him into supporting their health care legislation.

Keep in mind that Emanuel is the same man who once stabbed a steak knife into a table during a dinner and screamed wishes of death upon Democratic politicians who didn't support former President Bill Clinton, so it's likely a bad idea to make him angry in a shower. Despite the fact Emanuel may be intimidating in a naked, Greco-Roman sort of way, he and other proponents of nationalized medicine are dead wrong.

I continuously am amazed by the ignorance of those supporting state-run health care, so I'll lay out some of the basics. Socialized medicine is ad-

**Cole Shooter**



equate at handling basic emergency care to patrons. For other issues, it's not so great. Since no government can adequately fund all of the procedures that the citizens want or need, the health systems are forced to ration their services. Inevitably, the demand will far exceed the supply leading to sizeable queues.

Many Canadians are extremely unhappy with the wait for surgery in their socialized health care system. An article that ran in the *Montreal Gazette* this week discussed the mortality problems in waiting for basic heart procedures and the costs of supporting their system.

The editorial opined that "Already, health soaks up about 45 percent of spending on programs, up from 30 percent 30 years ago. Each

year that share grows, squeezing out other priorities. And each year all the players in the system — except the patients, who have neither a union nor an advertising agency — keep demanding a bigger share of the too-small pie for themselves." Countries with these systems aren't seeing a terribly rosy future for their medical care.

The United Kingdom's system is just as bad. Its doctors are either paid per patient by the government to increase productivity or given a grant to set up and maintain a practice, and what's left is their salary. The government rations the health care dollars on quality adjusted life years, which allots treatment for younger people who are more

likely to have more time to enjoy the benefits of the National Health Services' labor.

We see similar rationing in extreme circumstances in the United States such as organ transplantation, mainly due to constraints on organs rather than funds.

Not all British subjects are happy with their health care system, and so private health care facilities are available for the well-to-do, who choose not to enjoy the same government-imposed death sentences of the proletariat.

Germany's national health insurance fund, known as the *Krankenkasse*, is paid into by everyone who makes below a threshold income, and others are allowed to voluntarily

participate. Health care providers are paid out of this fund, and the costs of treatment are controlled through haggling between the government and health care providers. We see this style of haggling in the United States between the health care provider and the insurance companies, passing the extra cost off to the uninsured, but that's another issue entirely.

No health care system is perfect, but the plan that was approved by the U.S. House of Representatives would be a horrid alternative. The bill would impose a new 8 percent payroll tax on many employers as outlined in section 413, and establish a new tax on health insurance policies to fund a government board, which would work to find the most cost-effective treatments, to begin rationing care as mentioned in section 1802 of H.R. 3962, otherwise known as the "Affordable Health Care for America Act."

That particular piece of legislation has quite an ironic name, however, considering the Congressional Budget Office put the 10-year price

tag for the bill at \$1.05 trillion, as compared to the Republican alternative's cost of \$871 billion. Both bills would prohibit insurance companies from denying coverage or increasing premiums due to preexisting conditions.

The Republican plan would also have the federal office of personnel management contract with private insurers to offer at least two national health plans, and at least one would have to be non-profit, which would help to usher in some increased competition in the insurance market without funding another powerful governmental entity.

We're not going to find solutions to make everyone happy, but the Democrats' health care bill is going in the wrong direction. The Republican alternative offers real fixes for less money, and less government intrusion. It's quite a shame that nobody's going to pay attention to it.

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## Celebrity coverage unfortunate part of life

In today's society, there is an emphasis on the rich and famous. Whether it be athletes, actors, actresses, musicians, etc., we seem to be mesmerized by celebrities. It could be that we are genuinely interested in these people's lives or that it provides us with an escape from our own lives.

It sickens me the way we give these people more than two seconds of our time. Most of these celebrities have to be addicted to this spotlight and we are more than happy to give it to them. Shows like Nancy Grace and TMZ constantly are covering these celebrities.

Yes, these shows often show them in a very negative light. However, this still operates under a flawed assumption that these people are actually worth our time. It is so sad how caught up our society gets in celebrity gossip.

There are very few things that get on my nerves worse than a Texas Longhorns fan and one of those is a Paris Hilton fan. They mindlessly follow this person as if she actually accomplished something. It really says something that you have to have a TV show just to find a new best friend. What's wrong,

**Paul Williamson**



Paris? Scare away everyone else? It is also not like she is attractive. What is attractive about skin and bones? It is like someone dressed up a mannequin and brought it too life. Except a mannequin is more appealing.

Now you have the likes of Lindsay Lohan. She is suing E\*Trade Financial for their commercial where a baby is talking via webcam to a girl baby. In the commercial, the baby boy is trying to explain to his baby girlfriend as to why he did not call her. She asks him if that "milkaholic" Lindsay was over. Then another baby girl appears on the baby boy's side and says "milk-a-who?"

OK, follow that? If not, go to YouTube and find it.

She is suing E\*Trade for (hold your breath and take a seat) \$100 million.

According to SheKnows's Web

site, Lohan's lawyer states, "Many celebrities are known by one name only, and E\*Trade is using that knowledge to profit. They used the name Lindsay. They're using her name as a parody of her life. Why didn't they use the name Susan? This is a subliminal message. Everybody's talking about it and saying it's Lindsay Lohan."

Is Lohan so full of herself as to think she on level with the likes of Oprah, Madonna and Cher? I never thought of Lohan when I saw that commercial. All I could think about was how stupid it was E\*Trade had another commercial with these babies.

It does not stop with celebrities in the entertainment world. We see similar situations with athletes. The constant circus that is Chad Ochocinco gets my blood boiling. I used to support NFL commissioner Roger Goodell in his fining and attempts to contain Ochocinco. Now

I think Goodell has shown his hypocrisy when he allowed murderer Donte Stallworth back into the NFL. Stallworth got drunk and killed someone while behind the wheel of a car. He got 24 days in jail and is now back in the NFL.

We need to stop giving legitimacy to these people. Period. Stations like CNN and Fox need to stop covering them. That is how they feed: the spotlight. If you cut off their lifeline, maybe they will just go away.

Wait. I just wrote an entire column on celebrities. Oh well. Guess we are all guilty of it.

I now return you to your previously scheduled life, already in progress.

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## Live like you only live once

A topic long debated from antiquity is the subject of reincarnation. Reincarnation, literally "to be made flesh again," is the belief that the soul, after death of the body, comes back to earth in another body.

According to one belief, a new personality is developed during each life in the physical world, but the soul remains constant throughout the successive lives.

The early Egyptians believed in reincarnation or "transmigration of the soul," which is the main reason they embalmed the bodies of their loved ones. They did this so that the body would be preserved to follow the Ka — an Egyptian equivalent of the soul — into the next world.

Far-famed Greek philosophers like Plato and Pythagoras (an excellent mathematician, who by tradition is credited with the discovery and proof of the Pythagorean Theorem) also shared beliefs in the fact the soul of man was eternal, pre-existence and wholly spiritual. They also

concurrently believed the soul transmigrated from body to body.

Pythagoras believed the soul survived bodily death and was purified in the Underworld and rests during the time frame between birth and death.

On the other hand, Plato's views uncannily resemble those most held by Christians, the belief of good and evil, of heaven and hell. According to him, however, the soul became impure during transmigrations, which are essentially the transfer of the same soul from one body to the next. If the soul continued doing good, as it moved between lives, it would return to its pre-existence state: a state of total and unmatched purity. If it degenerated, it would eventually find itself in Tartarus, a place of eternal damnation.

Later, in 533 AD, reincarnation was declared a heresy by the Council of Constantinople. The reason reincarnation was repudiated was because of the eschatological teachings of death and judgment which were established as orthodox Christian doctrine. More simply, this doctrine states man has just one life in which to merit his eternal reward or damnation. Such a doctrine is also strengthened the Church. However, many Christians still believe in reincarnation because they think it was taught by Christ.

The term "born again" may not appear in the Bible. The Greek phrase often translated "born again" (*gennatha anothan*) occurs

**Alan Dsouza**



twice in the Bible (John 3:3 and 3:7) and there is a question of how it should be translated. The Greek word another sometimes can be translated "again," but in the New Testament, it most often means "from above." In the King James Version, the only two times it is translated "again" are in John 3:3 and 3:7. Every other time it is given a different rendering.

Catholics and Protestants agree that to be saved, you have to be born again. Jesus said so: "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:3).

I believe the concept of dying while your soul lives on has far reaching consequences for us today. If we truly believed we could die at any sec-

ond but that our soul would carry a smidgen of knowledge, of good and bad experiences of its former life into its next, we would want to give it the best experience it ever had.

A very influential song in my life from the popular rock band Nickelback is "If Today Was Your Last Day." The lyrics of which go as follows: "If today was your last day and tomorrow was too late could you say goodbye to yesterday? Would you live each moment like your last, leave old pictures in the past, donate every dime you have if today was your last day?"

Although this train of thought contradicts earlier points of view, there is a lot of retrospection that can be done in our own lives, with Nickelback's words in mind. Suppose, we are given this body and our talents just once, and the purpose of Ka was just to recreate life into another human, we'd be so much more aware of the life-force within us.

We would stop procrastinating and putting things off until they are due. We would tell our near and dear ones how much they mean to us more often, we would leave the past in the past and live in the present wholeheartedly and we would be less wasteful knowing that we may be in need again in our next birth.

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### Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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# Lady Raiders lose to Wildcats, will accept possible WNIT bid

By JOSE RODRIGUEZ  
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This is the time of year when the best players step up and steal the spotlight.

So it comes as no surprise to Kansas State head coach Deb Patterson that Tealor Karr and Kari Kincaid performed the way they did Thursday in beating Texas Tech 59-51 in the Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City, Mo.

"That brought competitive play today from our freshman Tealor Karr," she said. "I thought that was big, great leadership and a presence today out there from Kari Kincaid and possessions on both ends where we needed these two to step up and make plays for their basketball team and they did."

Karr and Kincaid, who combined for 30 points, helped K-State eliminate the Lady Raiders from the 2010 Phillips 66 Big 12 Women's Basketball Championship, wrapping up what was a 17-14 season for Tech.

The Wildcats advance to take on top-seeded Nebraska. With a few key plays here and there, the Lady Raiders could've been the team to advance.

Tech's best opportunity to steal the game may have been when center Kierra Mallard stole an inbound pass with 3:41 left in the contest. Mallard converted with a layup at the other end to bring the Lady Raiders within two points of tying Kansas State.

But that's when Karr and Kincaid stepped up to seal the deal for the Wildcats.

Karr drained a 3-pointer with 1:12 remaining to extend that lead back to five. Kincaid then contributed by stealing a pass, leading to an Ashley Sweat bucket to make the lead seven with 57 seconds left on the clock.

K-State went 7-for-24 from 3-point range. The Lady Raiders went 0-for-8 from behind the arc.

Tech head coach Kristy Curry said the Wildcats simply made things happen when they mattered the most.

"I think a day like today you have to



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TEXAS TECH'S KIERRA Mallard attempts a layup in the Lady Raiders' 59-51 loss to Kansas State in the opening round of the Big 12 tournament Thursday in Kansas City, Mo.

credit Kansas State," she said. "They made a lot of great plays. We had the shot clock down there late, and they were able to finish and they hit big threes at critical plays and credit them."

Aside from executing in the final minutes of the game, K-State also took advantage of its second-chance opportunities.

Curry has preached all season that second-chance points are a key statistic, and it showed Thursday. The Wildcats outscored the Lady Raiders 20-10 in second-chance points, which may be attributed to rebounding.

K-State who took care of business on the glass, outrebounding Tech 36-35.

Additionally, the Wildcats outrebounded the Lady Raiders 10-6 on the offensive boards, which contributed to those second opportunities to score points.

"The post had their men and you had to try to rebound," Mallard said. "I give it

to Kansas (State) for going in and hitting the boards."

Tech may have more questions than answers about this season.

A deep run into the Big 12 tourney possibly could've earned the team a spot in the NCAA tournament, considering the depth of the Big 12 this year.

But Curry said she is looking forward to a possible invite to the Women's National Invitational Tournament, although she believes her team was on the verge of going to the "Big Dance."

"We're going to accept a bid. I hope they ask us," she said. "I think we're probably that eighth spot, and if we hadn't messed around we would probably be in the NCAA tournament, and we're going to accept a bid with open arms and continue to improve."

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# Tech baseball in Fort Worth for series against No. 7 TCU

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Going into Texas Tech's first true road series of the season, Taylor Ashby realized the Red Raiders haven't had many at-bats in the top of the first inning this year.

The Red Raiders might welcome that opportunity considering where they're headed — Tech begins a three-game series against No. 7 TCU today in Fort Worth.

"We were home at that Houston Classic twice, so we've only batted first once," Ashby said. "So hopefully we can go out there and score some runs early. Give our pitching a little break early on. Let them relax and hopefully get some wins."

Coming off a split in a two-game series against Gonzaga this week, the Red Raiders (8-6) are looking for some signature wins as the season continues.

There may not be a better chance to get those wins than this weekend against a stacked TCU squad.

It may help that Tech got a sneak peek at the Horned Frogs (9-2) a week ago. But the Red Raiders didn't fair too well in that matchup, losing to TCU 11-2 in the Houston College Classic.

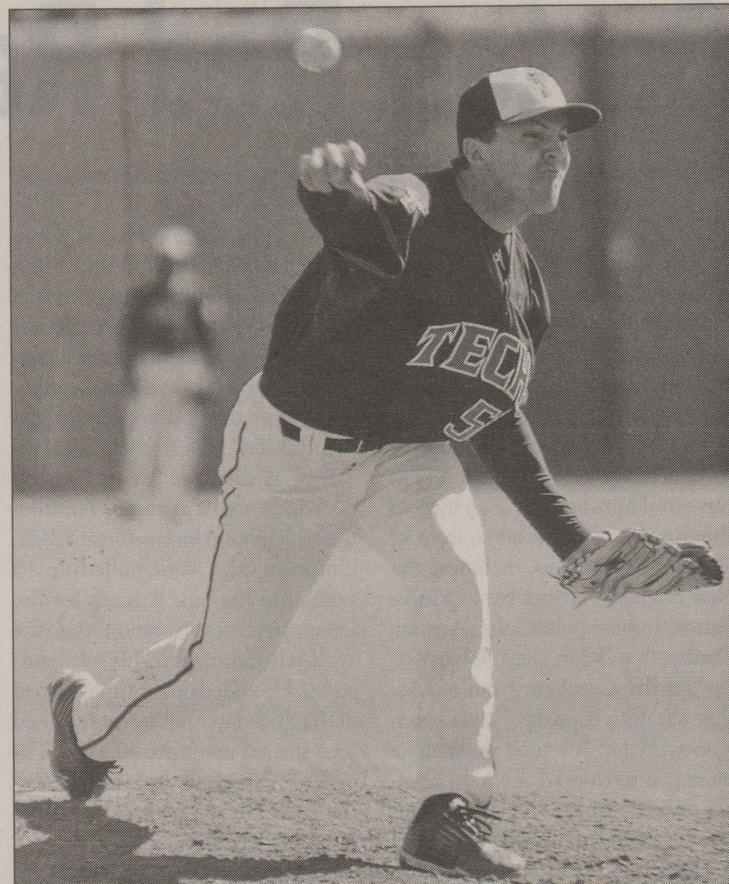
TCU's ace, Steven Maxwell, caused a lot of problems on the mound for the Red Raiders. He allowed seven hits, two runs and struck out four in six innings in the first game between the two teams.

Maxwell, who is 3-0 with a 1.59 ERA, hopes for a repeat today, as he takes the mound against Tech's new Friday night starting pitcher, Brett Bruening.

"They'll be plenty good," Tech coach Dan Spencer said. "They'll be all we want. They'll be good to play in that environment. We're looking forward to the trip. It'll be a good test for us."

It should be a test, considering Chad Bettis has been moved back to the bullpen. Against TCU in Houston, Tech had Bettis on the mound as the top man in the rotation.

But in an effort to bolster the bullpen,



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Treador

TEXAS TECH PITCHER Brennan Stewart and the Red Raiders open a three-game series against No. 7 TCU today in Fort Worth.

Tech moved him back to closer earlier this week. He made his first appearance in that spot Tuesday against Gonzaga and nabbed his first save of the season.

Now Bruening, at 2-0 with a 5.00 ERA, will try to keep a potent TCU lineup in check.

TCU's Matt Curry and Aaron Schultz went yard against the Red Raiders in Houston. There also is Josh Elander to worry about — he's batting .488 with four doubles and 11 RBIs this season.

Ashby said TCU is a team the Red Raiders are all-too-familiar with.

"They got a couple good pitchers," he said. "We got a taste of them. I know they're a good ball club so we're going to have to come out and get after them."

We need to get at least one, hopefully two or three."

But that first loss to TCU is not easy to forget.

It was one of the low points for a Tech squad that took three losses in the Houston College Classic and has lost four of its last five games.

Tech's Bonham Hough knows beating TCU may be a tall order, but he said if the Red Raiders can play the way they're capable of, they should leave Fort Worth with a series win.

"TCU kind of put it on us there in game one at Minute Maid and that kind of left a bad taste in our mouths," he said. "We're going to go there and we're going to try and give them a little payback."

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## Carter, Red Raiders make most of Pro Day

By ALEX YBARRA  
MANAGING EDITOR

The memory of running a bad 40-yard dash at the NFL Combine can linger in the mind of a potential draftee. Of all the measurements taken before becoming a professional, the 40-time is the celebrity.

For former Texas Tech offensive lineman Brandon Carter, Tech's Pro Day on Thursday was a chance to slim his time down a bit in front of about 15 NFL teams, including the New England Patriots, New Orleans Saints, Indianapolis Colts, Arizona Cardinals and San Diego Chargers.

"At the Combine I ran a 5.36, that was not a good day," said Carter, who whittled his time down to a more comforting 5.1 seconds, unofficially. "I think I did pretty well staying in focus. I didn't have any real mess ups."

The 6-foot-5, 325-pound Carter represents a sliver of players in the nation who use college pro days to improve on Combine results, but other former Tech players were in the spotlight for the first time. No-

table players who participated were receiver Edward Britton, center Shawn Byrnes, tackle Marlon Winn, cornerbacks Jamar Wall and Brent Nickerson, defensive ends Brandon Sharpe, Ra'Jon Henley and Daniel Howard, linebacker Marlon Williams and defensive tackle Richard Jones.

One of the top corners in the Big 12 Conference throughout his career, Wall wowed scouts with a 40.5-inch vertical jump, building the anticipation for his 40-yard dash. Unfortunately, Wall pulled up 15 yards into his run. A scout for the Green Bay Packers announced that Wall felt tightness in his left hamstring. He ended up running the rest of the drills later but never returned for a second try at the 40.

ESPN's Scouts Inc. ranks Wall the 24th best cornerback available in this year's draft.

Sharpe, who recorded a school-record 15 sacks last season, jumped 35 inches and ran an unofficial 40-time of 4.6 seconds. His counterpart during the 2009-10 season, Daniel Howard, impressed as well. He got 31.5 inches off the ground and

clocked unofficial times of 4.7 and 4.8 seconds.

For most players, results at Pro Day bridge the gap between the realization of reaching a dream and the hard work necessary to achieve it. For every player other than Carter on Thursday, the NFL Combine was in Lubbock.

"It feels good," Williams said. "This is what I've been working for since I was five, just being able to be on a big stage. It feels good to be prepared more than anything, not necessarily running but knowing that my body is ready to do what I'm asking it to do and put on a show for these guys."

But now it's time to wait and see which NFL teams call for private workouts to get a more in-depth look.

"I came out here and I did what I had to do," Williams said. "If it's good enough, then I'll be somewhere playing on Sunday. If not, I'll go to the next step from there."

Carter is the highest-ranked player from Tech and is projected to be off the board first. ESPN's Scouts Inc. ranks him as the 11th best guard



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SCOUTS WATCH AS defensive end Daniel Howard completes the 40-yard dash during Texas Tech's Pro Day on Thursday in the Athletic Training Center.

available in the draft.

Carter said until the draft, he will focus more on position-specific drills rather than running 40-yard dashes will help land him an NFL job.

Before any of that though, the ec-

centric, face-painting Tech favorite has a non-football related errand to run.

"I haven't gotten a tattoo since before Christmas," he said. "I'm actually getting a tattoo tomorrow. I

already got the session set up. I have like five different ideas from right now. I might end up just finishing up my leg or a sleeve or something like that."

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## Tech's tourney ends against No. 1 Kansas

By MIKE GRAHAM  
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech can take one thing away from Thursday's 80-68 loss to No. 1 Kansas in the quarterfinals of the Big 12 Conference tournament: The Red Raiders played as hard as they have all season.

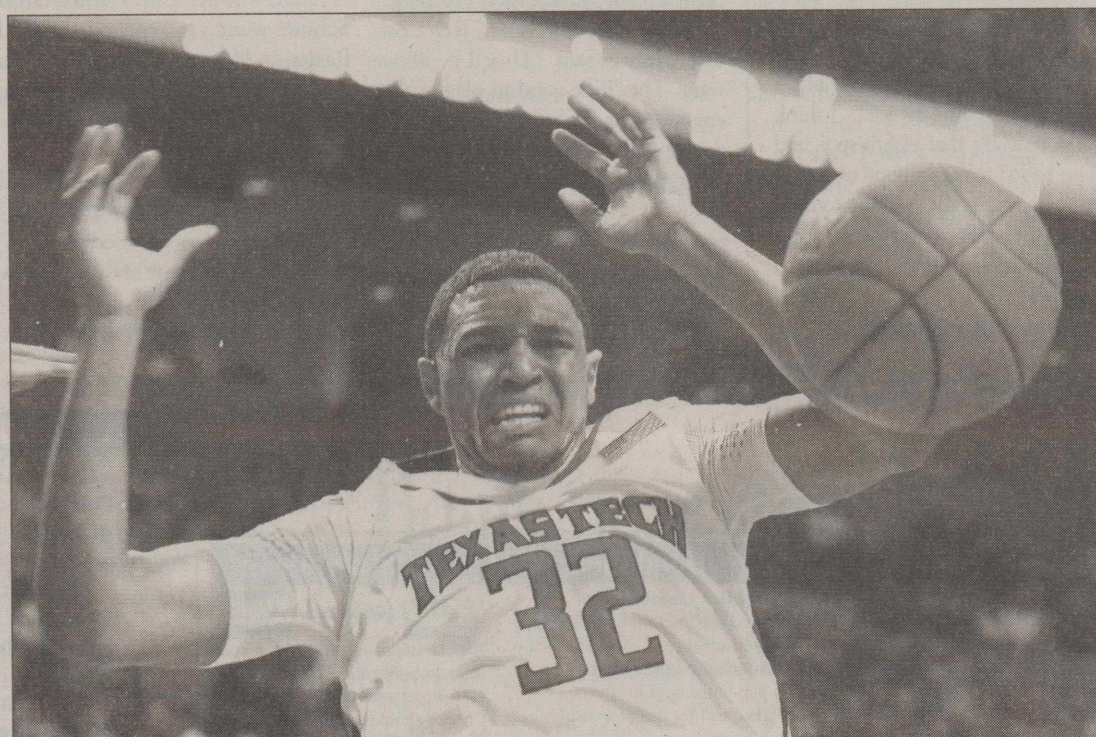
"It always feels good to get back that winning taste in your mouth," Singletary said about Tech's win against Colorado on Wednesday. "We just wanted to come out in this tournament and just play hard and just put out everything, lay everything on the floor. And I think we did that in the two games, we gave Kansas all they could handle."

Tech trailed by just two at the end of the first half, 34-32, rather than being down 42-18 in the schools' only other meeting of the season and kept this game close until the end.

Down by 10 midway through the second half, Tech clawed their way back to within two at the 5:55 mark thanks to Tech guard John Roberson's layup which also drew a foul. However, Roberson missed the subsequent free throw and a potential game-tying jumper a few seconds later and Kansas closed out the game on a 15-5 run.

"It's hard," said Tech guard John Roberson, who moved to 10th all-time in the Big 12 for career assists with 491. "But I think the coaches did a great job of calling timeouts when they were making runs and when we were ahead in the first half for a little bit. We knew they were going to make a run. It's just all about not making turnovers and helping them make a run. And we kind of did that."

Kansas advances to play Texas A&M in the tournament's semifinals. With the win, Kansas earned



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

MIKE SINGLETARY AND the Red Raiders fell to Kansas 80-68 in the quarterfinals of the Big 12 Conference tournament on Thursday in Kansas City, Mo. Now Texas Tech must wait to see if it is invited to a postseason tournament.

the program's 2,000th victory — the third team in NCAA history to reach the 2,000-win plateau.

But for Tech, the end result of the Kansas game, in addition to the first-round win against Colorado, could be enough earn Tech an NIT berth — a big step for a program that has not been to the postseason since 2007.

Tech started the season out red hot with a big win against then-No. 10 Washington and was the first team in the country to push its record to 9-0 and the No. 16 ranking.

But things turned ugly when Big 12 play came around. Tech went just 4-12 against the Big 12, including a seven-game losing streak that was snapped Wednesday.

However, Tech still finished

the season with a 17-15 record, despite playing in arguably the best conference in the nation.

Tech coach Pat Knight hopes that will be enough to get Tech into the NIT, and his team's experiences in the tournament should give it a boost.

"Now instead of being in a slump that we had for three weeks, we now have some momentum going into the NIT if we get selected," he said. "So I'm proud of these guys. They played their butts off today and many kids would have quit after the three weeks they had."

Kansas coach Bill Self saluted the Red Raiders' effort as well.

"I thought they played better

than us for sure in the first half," he said. "We were fortunate we were up two at the half. And our energy level, it wasn't very good."

The Red Raiders will have to wait until after Selection Sunday this Sunday to learn their fate with the NIT. But if Tech is not selected, Knight looks forward to his third season as Tech's coach.

"They're my kids," he said. "I look forward to next year. We'll have six seniors, a great core returning. Yeah, should we have won more games? I think so. I think we could have won three or

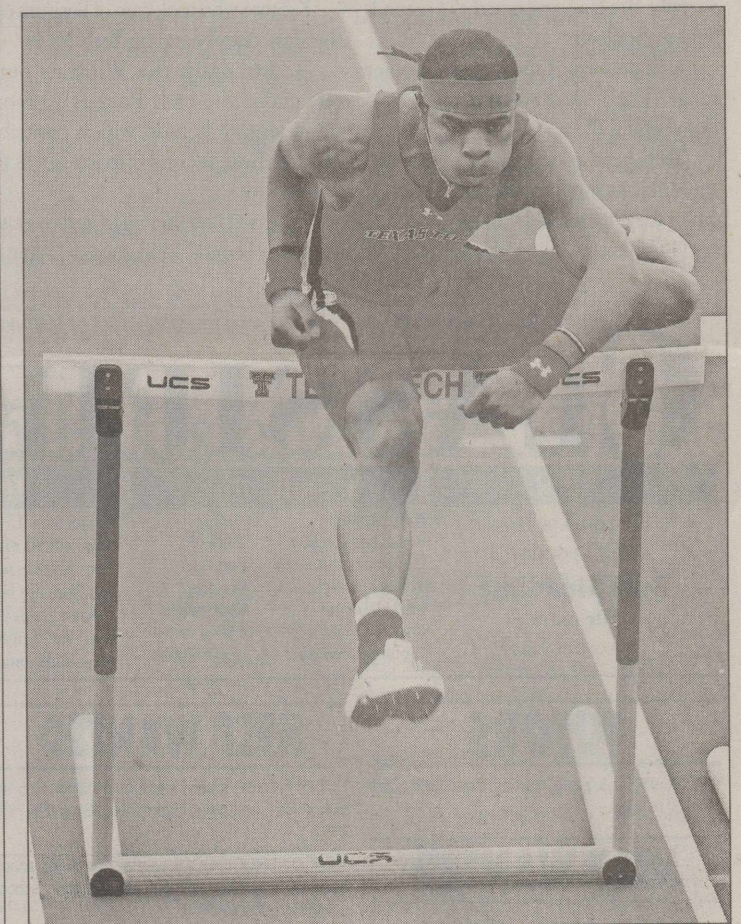
four more in this league. And I got lucky as a coach. I keep getting better, just like my players."

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PAT KNIGHT  
COACH  
TEXAS TECH

## Track and field teams in hunt for title at NCAAs



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

OMO OSAGHAE IS hoping for a national championship as Texas Tech competes at the NCAA Championships this weekend.

By TOMMY MAGELSSSEN  
STAFF WRITER

Omo Osaghae believes this year's indoor track and field team is easily the best he has seen in his four years at Texas Tech.

Osaghae, a two-time All-American, finished second in last year's 60-meter hurdles at nationals, and said a national championship would mean the world to him.

"This is it right here, so I just got to leave it all there," he said. "It's my last indoor races for the red and black on so I got to leave it all out there and hopefully come out on top."

Tech will be competing in the Indoor NCAA Championships today and Saturday in Fayetteville, Ark., for a chance at the national title.

Tech is sending 17 athletes to Fayetteville, the most ever in program history. The 17 will compete in 10 events, including pole vault, triple jump and the 4x400 relay.

Going into nationals, the Tech men are ranked No. 6 nationally and the women are unrated.

Tech coach Wes Kittley said things would have to be about perfect for his team to bring home a title, but if his team has a fabulous meet, then it can surprise some people — especially on the men's side.

The top four teams place at nationals, and if his team can score in the high 20s, Kittley said they have a good chance at placing and bringing home a trophy.

"This is a real quality group going into this meet, of course," he said, "and if you get some of those 10s and eights and sixes — those top three spots — you're going to score a lot of points."

Kittley said he tells his athletes before important meets to stick with what they've done before and they will do fine.

"Everybody needs to go do what they got here with," he said. "And if they do that then we're going to be — we're going to get a trophy on the men's side and we'll be top 15 women if we'll just do what we've done."

One of the reasons why Tech has 17 athletes headed toward nationals is through the work of associate coach Rock Light. Four of the athletes coached by Light are going to nationals, including the 2010 Big 12 Men's Indoor Performer of the Year Bryce Lamb.

Both Lamb and Light were honored Tuesday with the 2010 Men's Mountain Regional Field Athlete of the Year and the 2010 Men's Mountain Regional Assistant Coach of the Year, respectively.

Other athletes coached by Light going to nationals are senior triple jumper Darrell Roddick, senior pole-vaulter Brian Porter, and freshman pole-vaulter Shade Weygant.

Going into nationals, Lamb is ranked third in triple jump and second in long jump.

Lamb said he is a competitor and his goal for this weekend is to win both of his events to cap off a great indoor season.

He also said the nerves are always there for competitions like this, but he knows his teammates can deal with it.

"We have the potential (to place) — everybody just has to show up for that to happen," he said. "Just like any other team, you know, we all have to come out and do our best. Put out personal bests and new records and things like that. And if that happens, it happens. And if it doesn't we'll just go to the next season and try it again."

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