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## University Print and Design Solutions to close

By JON VANDERLAAN  
NEWS EDITOR

A Texas Tech department will be closing its doors this summer after about 76 years of service to the campus, according to a Tech news release.

The space used by University Print and Design Solutions, formerly University Printing Services, will be transformed into a research facility as Tech continues to expand its research and academic mission, according to the release.

University Print and Design employees will no longer be employed by the university, said Director Randy Smith, but Tech officials offered "liberal" severance packages and will attempt to fill vacant positions in the university with those from the department.

Smith said he had no voice in the closing of the facility, but he is not bitter toward the administration.

"I'm disappointed, especially for the 31 other people that work here," he said.

Although he plans on retiring when the department closes, Smith said, others aren't so lucky and will have to start over, some of them after being at the university for a number of years.

Because of plenty of advance notice and help with the soon-to-be former employees, he said the university could not have handled the situation better.

"I believe that we have offered a service here that was a value because, No. 1, we're



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a family — we know what Texas Tech wants in its printing," he said. "We know our customers well and personally, and I believe the personal touch will certainly be missing."

Offers to employees to stay at Tech are not guaranteed, Smith said, but the Office of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs will be doing its best to either re-hire employees or send them off with more training on how to find a new job through job counseling.

Bill Mills, a 19-year employee with the department, said he found out last Friday the department was shutting down.

"It's kinda funny, you know? You're staying here for the retirement and two-and-a-half years before you get it, it's closing," said Mills, the lead operator of the press.

Although he has no bitter feelings toward the university, Mills said he was

disappointed he had to lose his job for top university officials to continue the Tier One push.

He said he hopes to get another job somewhere else at the university and otherwise will utilize job counseling Tech will offer in trying to find another job.

Jan Childress, associate vice president for Student Affairs and External Relations, the office that presides over University Print and Design Solutions, said the department has done a "wonderful job over the years," and that she is saddened it had to be cut.

"The need for research at the university is great and they needed the space to make that research work," she said.

Sally Post, director of Communications and Marketing at the university, said the university is going to convert the building, which is next to the Physical Plant, but she

does not know what specific types of research will be hosted in the building.

The decision to convert it was based on Tech's strategic priorities and the need for more research, she said.

Individual departments now will have to find alternatives off campus for printing needs.

University Print and Design Solutions was created in 1934 as Texas Tech Press, in which it coordinated with the Tech journalism program, and financed its first facility and equipment with a bond issue. In the early 1960s, the organization sold its building to the university and built a new facility.

The department is comprised of several different services, including PrinTech, CopyTech and the Bulk Mail Center.

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PHOTO BY RIANNON ROWLEY/The Daily Toreador

BRAD PHILLIPS, A first-year law student from Lubbock, got challenged by his friends to eat Taco Villa at least once daily for the month of April.

## Student takes on 30-day Taco Villa challenge

By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI  
STAFF WRITER

Everyone has their favorite go-to restaurant they claim they will never get tired of, but few people test the accuracy of that statement.

After being confronted by his friends, Brad Phillips, a first-year law student from Lubbock, decided to take on a 30-day challenge to prove he will never get tired of eating Taco Villa.

While eating at Jason's Deli one afternoon, Phillips' friends said they could eat there every day. After this comment, Phillips decided instead of eating Jason's Deli every day, he could eat Taco Villa and not get tired of it. His friends decided to call him out and challenge him to eat Taco Villa at least once a day for the entire month of April.

"We told him, 'Bull. Put your words where your mouth are and eat there for 30 days,'" said Tiffany Au, a first-year law student from Houston.

His friends created the challenge to see if

he gets tired of eating the food because some of them are tired of always going to and hearing about Taco Villa.

With every challenge comes rules, so Phillips' friends Zack Allen from San Angelo, Tim Craddock from Dallas and Ben Robertson from Kingwood created a list of rules Phillips must follow. Phillips must eat at Taco Villa once a day for 30 days, take a picture of him eating each meal, keep all receipts and use his debit or credit card. He also must eat everything on his plate and answer the question, "How do you feel about Taco Villa?" Robertson said.

"That's kind of the whole point: If he can truthfully say he's not tired of Taco Villa, then he wins," he said.

Robertson made a deal with Phillips to pay him back for all of his expenses from Taco Villa if he honestly still loves eating there after the challenge is finished, which is why he must keep all of his receipts.

Phillips said he, his undergraduate and high school friends think he will be able to complete

this without a problem because Taco Villa is his go-to fast-food restaurant. The friends who helped come up with the idea also feel confident that he will finish the challenge, but are curious to see if he actually returns to Taco Villa after April, Craddock said.

"We just doubt that (he) will like it after 30 days," Robertson said.

Phillips is no stranger to Taco Villa and because he is such a frequent visitor, Phillips knows the location of all 11 Taco Villas in and near Lubbock.

"This kid eats there for any special occasion, every day, any time," Au said. "His birthday, Valentine's Day, he loves that place."

Phillips said he has little concern for what his health will look like at the end of the month because unlike Morgan Spurlock, writer and director of "Super Size Me," he only will be eating one meal a day from Taco Villa and already maintains a healthy lifestyle.

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## Tech track shines at Texas Relays

By TOMMY MAGELSSSEN  
STAFF WRITER

In one of the most impressive performances at the 83rd annual Texas Relays, the Texas Tech women's distance medley relay team won its third title in four years.

Purity Biwott, Gladys Kipsang, Jonisha Boleware and Caroline Karunde won the race with a time of 11 minutes 14.64 seconds. Their time was more than five seconds faster than second-place finisher Kansas.

Tech coach Wes Kittley said his team's ability to compete on such a big stage early in the season should prepare it for meets later this season.

"I think it was a great experience," he said. "We had some great things happen and I think we are going to start getting better, and getting better times and marks as the season moves on."

At one of the most prestigious track events in the nation, the Red Raiders brought home some impressive early-season marks including the men's 400-meter hurdles.

Junior Bryce Brown finished second in the university division with a time of 49.83 seconds. Brown finished behind defending national champion Jeshua Anderson from Washington State by 0.06 seconds.

Senior Zach Plinario, an All American in the men's 4x400m relay team in the 2010 indoor national championships, also made the finals and finished seventh. Winning the 400m hurdles in the invitational division was sophomore Jamele Mason.

Sophomore runner Terra Evans was competing at her first Texas Relays and said she liked the amount of competition she saw and it was good to see that early on in the season.

"We competed very well as a team and we ended up doing really good," she said. "So I'm proud of everyone on the team and how they did."

Evans qualified for the finals in the women's 100m dash in the university division and finished seventh with a time of 11.45 seconds.

Freshmen long jumper Bryce Lamb and thrower Julian Wruck have been impressive as well. Both placed in the top five of their respective events.

Lamb's jump of 25 feet, 5 1/4 inches was good enough for a second-place finish, and a tie for fourth in the nation.

Wruck finished second in the discus with a mark of 57.46 meters, which placed him third.

Wruck's previous throw of 62.02m at the Texas Tech Open on March 27 is first nationally.

Kittley said the 'chaos' of the meet with having more than 5,000 competitors and dealing with the logistics of traveling is great preparation for the Big 12 Conference Championships and the national championships.

Next up for the Red Raiders is the Texas Tech Invitational on Saturday.

"It's a great meet, we've got so many people there," he said. "And I think it's a great situation with some really good competition and it's a great learning meet."

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## STATE

## GOP elite oppose ex-legislator in Texas court race

AUSTIN (AP) — Former state Rep. Rick Green once slugged a political rival outside a polling place at a Baptist church.

While in office, he hawked a nutritional supplement that promised to "supercharge your brain." And as an attorney, he's spent more time speaking to church groups and Tea Party rallies than arguing cases in court.

But Green has a shot at a seat on the Texas Supreme Court

after getting the most votes — 18.9 percent — among six candidates in the March 2 primary. He faces longtime family law judge Debra Lehrmann in the April 13 runoff for the Republican nomination.

Green's campaign has been unusual. Instead of touting lofty legal credentials, he's running as a hard-core conservative everyman who promises to bring what he considers a badly needed dose of normalcy to the court.

## NATION

## 6 dead, 21 missing in W. Va. coal mine blast

MONTCOAL, W.Va. (AP) — Six miners were killed and at least 21 unaccounted for Monday in an explosion at an underground coal mine, the state mining director said.

Ron Wooten said the blast was reported around 3 p.m. at Massey Energy's Upper Big Branch mine in Raleigh County, about 30 miles south of Charleston. The company did not provide details on the extent of the damage. A

Boone County ambulance dispatcher also said he has the same number of fatalities and missing miners.

The mine is operated by Massey subsidiary Performance Coal Co.

Mine emergency crews from the State Office of Miners' Health Safety and Training were headed to the scene, but agency spokeswoman Jama Jarrett had no more details.

## WORLD

## Lawmakers: Afghan leader threatens to join Taliban

KABUL (AP) — Afghan President Hamid Karzai threatened over the weekend to quit the political process and join the Taliban if he continued to come under outside pressure to reform, several members of parliament said Monday.

Karzai made the unusual statement at a closed-door meeting Saturday with selected lawmakers — just days after kicking up a diplomatic controversy with remarks alleging foreigners were behind fraud in last year's disputed elections.

Lawmakers dismissed the latest comment as hyperbole, but it will add to the impression the president — who relies on tens of thousands of U.S. and NATO forces to fight the insurgency and prop up his government — is growing increasingly erratic and unable to exert authority without attacking his foreign backers.

"He said that 'if I come under foreign pressure, I might join the Taliban,'" said Farooq Marenai, who represents the eastern province of Nangarhar.

## Corrections

The Daily Toreador's reporters and editors strive for accuracy in the news-gathering process. However, mistakes are inevitable.

It is The DT's policy to correct mis-

takes in this spot as soon as possible.

If you feel there is an error in a story, please call Editor-in-Chief Kevin Cullen at 806-742-3395 or e-mail kevin.m.cullen@ttu.edu.

## WHEEL WORKING



AMY CASSIDY, A junior studio art major from The Woodlands, works on the neck of a bottle for her advanced wheel class on Monday in the Art Annex.

PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador

## US plans broader nuclear arms talks with Russians

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Obama administration is poised to adopt a new policy potentially restricting the nation's use of nuclear arms, U.S. officials said, and hopes to persuade Russia to agree to mutual cuts in nuclear arsenals that go beyond the arms treaty both sides will sign this week.

A policy review, expected to be released Tuesday, is likely to include language reducing U.S. reliance on nuclear weapons for its national defense. That reflects President Barack Obama's pledge to move toward a nuclear free world, and could strengthen U.S. arguments that other countries should either reduce stockpiles of nuclear weapons or forego developing them.

The White House also planned

to urge Russia to adopt first-ever limits on shorter-range, less powerful nuclear weapons, an arena in which Russia holds an advantage, said officials who spoke on condition of anonymity because the policy review has not been released.

These officials said the administration's new policy would stop short of renouncing the use of nuclear weapons except in retaliation to atomic attack, as some activists have advocated. But it would describe the weapons' purpose as "primarily" or "fundamentally" to deter or respond to a nuclear attack.

Officials said the document was expected to move toward a policy that says the "sole purpose" of nuclear weapons is to deter or

respond to nuclear attack. That wording would rule out the use of such weapons to respond to an attack by conventional, biological or chemical weapons. Previous U.S. policy was more ambiguous.

The Obama administration plans to urge Russia to return to the bargaining table following Senate ratification of the new START arms reduction treaty, to be signed by Obama and Russian President Dmitry Medvedev in Prague on Thursday.

The White House hopes to overcome Russia's expressed reluctance to move beyond START, especially if it means cutting Moscow's arsenal of tactical, or short-range nuclear arms.

These so-called theater nuclear

weapons play a key role in Russia's overall defense strategy and are regarded in Moscow as an important bargaining chip on security issues.

The timing of a planned U.S. push for new, broader arms talks with Russia is uncertain. But officials said the proposal would only come after U.S. and Russian legislative approval of the new START pact, which isn't expected until the end of this year.

The Russian parliament is almost certain to sign off on any deal negotiated by the Kremlin, but the U.S. Senate's ratification of the new START treaty is far from a sure thing.

Obama is hosting dozens of world leaders in a nuclear security summit in Washington next week.

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## 4 shot, 33 arrested and dozens cited in NYC mayhem

NEW YORK (AP) — Hundreds of young people spilled into midtown Manhattan near Times Square early Monday, brawling and shooting guns after the New York International Auto Show in an annual night of mayhem the mayor called "wilding."

Four people were shot and 33 were arrested, mostly on charges of disorderly conduct on the streets not far from the Jacob A. Javits Center, where the auto show is held. Three men and a woman were arrested later Monday on gang assault charges related to

one of the shootings, police said. It wasn't clear whether anyone who fired shots was among those arrested. Another 23 were issued summons for disorderly conduct or were given juvenile reports and released.

It's not clear why the annual event often leads to violence in neighboring areas, but the police department had additional officers on patrol because of problems during past shows dating to 2003, chief spokesman Paul J. Browne said. Last year, there were 27 arrests on the same night. In earlier

years arrest numbers ran in the low 20s, Browne said. A teenager was stabbed in a similar ruckus in 2006, and in 2007, another teen was slashed in the arm.

Browne described those arrested Monday as "young men looking for trouble" after the auto show.

The fracas rattled businesses near busy districts in Herald Square, as well as nearby Times Square, where an armed street hustler was shot dead by police after exchanging gunfire on the street in December.

"You know it's the cost of doing business," said Angus McIndoe, owner of the restaurant bearing his name next to Broadway theaters. "It's not the first time there has been nutty activity in Times Square."

Auto show spokesman Chris Sams said no one stood out as suspicious Sunday at the show, which runs until April 11 and attracts more than 1 million people.

"We had an amazing crowd, a very family-oriented crowd. The type of person who makes an auto show great, people listening to the presenters," he said.

## He is risen!

- Mark 16:6

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## Fort Worth band can't get enough of Lubbock

The Dan Family is a band made up of three men from Fort Worth who keep coming back to Lubbock. Daniel Payne, Bret Waters and Dan Hardick performed March 6 at The Blue Light, will be playing at Bash Riprock's on April 16 and will be returning to Lubbock to play at The Blue Light on June 17. Daniel Payne took some time to talk with *The Daily Toreador* before the band returns to Lubbock.

### •Tell me about The Dan Family.

We're just a three-piece cow punk band, that's how we like to explain it to people. Two of us lived at home with a bunch of cows, hence the name cow punk. We got together about a year ago and just started playing.

### •What brings you to Lubbock?

We have some experience on the road. Every time we've played in Lubbock the people have been really appreciative and it seems like a good form to showcase our music in. And not to mention Lubbock is my hometown.

### •What inspired you to start making music together?

We're all pretty motivated people. We are all very driven. We don't let obstacles or anything stand in our way. So, naturally we were bound to hook up like that. That's what the stars seemed to have in line for us.

### •Are you actually a family?

I'm sure you could trace us on down the line and call us family. But we actually met after I graduated college at South Plains College and came back this way to the Fort Worth area looking for opportunities and

people to play music with. It took me almost a year to find Bret and Dan.

### •Where did you meet?

There was this really, really cool place called The Fairmount. It's closed now, but they had live music seven nights a week. That was the place in Fort Worth for underground music scene. Not the mainstream stuff you hear on, like, pop radio or whatever. I mean like, the real music.

I guess that's just an opinion, but what I call real music. I met Bret there, he was the first one I met. He was actually looking for a guitar player, and I was actually looking for a bass player.

### •So, it was meant to be?

It was kind of like, "I'll play your songs if you play my songs," kind of deal. At first I didn't know exactly how it was going to go, but I knew he was a nice guy. He's probably the nicest guy I've ever met.

It worked out good because he's very gracious and humble and that's the kind of people I liked to play and surround myself with.

I don't like to be just anybody's guitar player, but I love playing for someone who's kind and appreciative, and he is that. He has been playing with Dan Hardick for a good, I don't know, year and a half before I ever came in the picture.

They were trying to cook something up and put something together, and that's kind of what made it happen.

### •You call your style of music "punk cow twang." How would you describe that to people?

Well twang is like a blues, very traditional. Like a Hank Williams kind of sound and stomp. When you plug a telecaster guitar into a fender amp, that's just the sound it makes, its twang. You combine that with punk and cows and that's pretty much it.

A lot of our music is folk music. Bret, the bass player, writes based on his life of growing up on a farm and a suburban sprawl come and take over and basically, just about having a home out here.

### •What are your biggest musical influences?

Definitely have to start with Hank Williams and Meryl Haggard. From there we're going to get a little crazy and start throwing in bands like Reverend Horton Heat, which we really love.

If we all had to agree on one favorite band that inspired us and that we absolutely love that would be the Legendary Shack Shakers

### •Do you write your songs together?

Oh no, not at all.

### •Who writes them, and what are the generally about?

We have a very unique creative process. For instance, Bret doesn't like to just sit down and write songs. I don't know if he puts himself in these situations on purpose, a lot of times he doesn't, but maybe sometimes he does, I haven't figured that out yet.

Anyway, when something extreme happens that's not necessarily good, then he's got something to write about.



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PHOTO COURTESY OF SCOTT AUSBURN AND THE DAN FAMILY

FROM FORT WORTH, the Dan Family enjoys performing in Lubbock because of the fans, venues and it being the hometown of band member Daniel Payne, who plays guitar. The band identifies itself as a three-piece cowpunk band with members (from left) Bret Waters, Payne and Dan Hardick.

He only writes about something when it really, really means a lot to him. When it comes to him, it takes him about five minutes to write one of the best songs I've ever heard in my life.

### •Does he do most of the writing or do you try to split it up?

Well, I have my own creative process, but we do try to split it half and half. My creative process is different than his.

I've got probably about 1,000 songs that I've actually written, but I don't think any of them are good

enough, even though we've recorded a bunch of them and released a bunch of them. We're about to release our first album.

### •If you could pick one song for our readers to listen to, which one would you pick?

I would pick "Shotgun Wedding."

### •Why?

Because Bret wrote it, and it's one of the most honest songs I've ever

heard in my life. Like I said, his music is just straight folk music. He's telling you something that's happen in his life.

It's a true story about him being falsely accused of knocking this girl up and the drama that unfolds. It's dangerous, it's psychotic, and its real intense and you can hear that in the music.

To learn more about The Dan Family, look for other upcoming shows or to hear their music go to [myspace.com/thedanfamily](http://myspace.com/thedanfamily).

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## Tuesdays with Tina: Been outside lately?

Hey, sunshine. Long time no warmth. Oh, I see you've brought your friend Mr. Wind. That's OK. Just don't embarrass me by blowing my sundress over my head as I bask in the glory of spring.

For those who haven't ventured outside the confines of numerous walls and fluorescent lighting, I'm disappointed. The weather — oh my gosh, how much of an old person am I? I'm talking about the weather — is awesome.

My boyfriend mowed the lawn this weekend, frowning and grumbling about how much he hated yard work the entire time. It was a necessary evil, though. The weeds sprung up about a month ago and grew into a small jungle in a short period of time.

He chopped them down with a weed wacker last weekend, only slightly thwarting their dominance of our yard.



Tina Arons

I feared that a tiger — on Easter holiday and camping out in our makeshift jungle — would eat our puppy if something wasn't done soon.

(By the way, before anyone thinks poorly of me, I want to point out that I agreed to take over all poop clearing and pest control duty and in exchange for a pass on lawn mowing.)

It was a lot easier to find a place for my lounging chair with the weeds in check, and it felt so good to finally

soak up some rays. Plus, it's a perk to have some privacy. I can't imagine feeling comfortable tanning in my teeny bikini at the leisure pool with so many people around — call me modest (and out of shape).

All this wonderful warm weather has me itching to go out and do things, too. I hope this is the case for more than just me. It is too bad I've got so many papers to write and projects to create before the semester ends. I guess it will just have to wait until after the sun goes down!

Here are a few activity suggestions for anyone who is interested in my two cents:

— Attend the Turkish Food and Craft Fair from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday at the Raindrop Turkish House, located at 29 Briercroft Office Park in

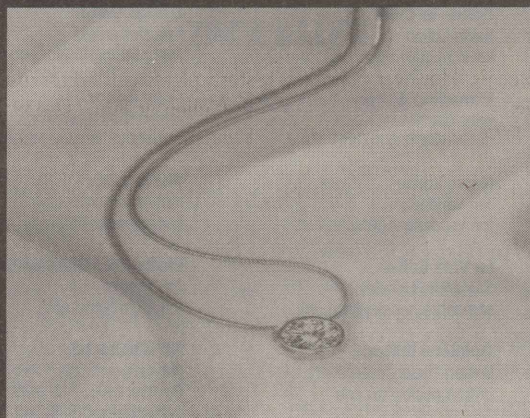
Lubbock. It's a fundraiser as well as a chance to showcase Turkish culture to the public.

— Volunteer at the Haven Animal Shelter. Gaia, my adopted puppy, has begun to shed her winter coat. I'm sure the dogs at the shelter could also use a bath and some brushing or maybe just someone to romp around with on a lovely day.

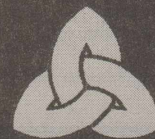
— Plant something! I'm making an effort to grow mint, basil and onions. My mom gave me some starter pots. My green thumb isn't very green, but I get better each year. Hopefully I can keep something alive for longer than few weeks this year.

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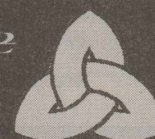
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## In social dealings, being older is being wiser

WASHINGTON (AP) — It turns out grandma was right: Listen to your elders. New research indicates they are indeed wise — in knowing how to deal with conflicts and accepting life's uncertainties and change.

It isn't a question of how many facts someone knows, or being able to operate a TV remote, but rather how to handle disagreements — social wisdom.

And researchers led by Richard E. Nisbett of the University of Michigan found that older people were more likely than younger or middle-aged ones to recognize that values differ, to acknowledge uncertainties, to accept

that things change over time and to acknowledge others' points of view.

"Age effects on wisdom hold at every level of social class, education, and IQ," they report in Tuesday's edition of *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.

In modern America, older people generally don't have greater knowledge about computers and other technology, Nisbett acknowledged, "but our results do indicate that the elderly have some advantages for analysis of social problems."

"I hope our results will encourage people to assume that older people may have something to contribute

for thinking about social problems," Nisbett said.

In one part of the study the researchers recruited 247 people in Michigan, divided into groups aged 25-to-40, 41-to-59 and 60 plus.

Participants were given fictitious reports about conflict between groups in a foreign country and asked what they thought the outcome would be.

For example, one of the reports said that because of the economic growth of Tajikistan, many people from Kyrgyzstan moved to that country. While Kyrgyz people tried to preserve their customs, Tajiks wanted them to assimilate fully and abandon their customs.

## Ohio Christian convert fights to stay in US

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — A teenage girl who converted to Christianity and ran away from home is being blocked by her Muslim parents from fighting the possibility of deportation, her attorney told a judge Monday in an ongoing custody dispute.

Rifqa Bary, 17, who fled home last year and stayed with a Florida minister whom she met on Facebook, is an illegal immigrant and does not want to be returned to her native Sri Lanka because she fears being harmed or killed by Muslim extremists.

Her attorney, Angela Lloyd, asked a judge to sign an order stating that reunification with her parents is not possible by her 18th birthday in August.



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# OPINIONS

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## Tiredness no excuse for poor school performance

Springtime has arrived again. Birds are singing, blossoms growing, the days are getting longer and students are staying up until early morning hours, hopped up on caffeine, writing term papers and making up assignments that really should have been written months ago.

As common as the mockingbird's call this time of year, we begin to hear the call of the freshmen. "I'm so tired," they say. Sometimes, they will mention a time of night when they finally decided to sleep. They may even list their favorite drugs that help keep them awake, such as caffeine, Rockstar and Starbucks.

(It is very interesting that the call of the senior is silent. He has learned by now that his apathy will prevent him from doing homework at night, or even during the day.)

Now, I do not mean to be unsympathetic, but I think the tired excuse is just pathetic. I do not mean to insult those who do their work on time and occasionally must stay up to finish homework every once in a while. But when doing homework at 4 a.m. becomes a lifestyle, you know you have a problem.

The exhausted freshmen often complain, "Well, I didn't do my homework because I didn't have time." Well, the bitter news is everyone has the same number of hours and minutes in one day (That is, unless Einstein's theory

**Roy Long**



of special relativity applies to you, but I doubt anyone is moving at close-to-light speed.)

Everyone makes choices as to how they will fill their time, and those who "don't have time to do homework" merely made the choice not to do it.

Undergraduate students often wonder why they do poorly on their tests and get sick all the time. I am sure that staying up late and eating junk food doesn't help the situation.

Now, I am sure all of our mothers have told us to go to bed early before tests, to study consistently and to eat well. However, for some reason, it seems

as though we have not learned this lesson. We assume we are excused from the laws of nature. For us to be able to give a good output into the world, we must have good input. Protein, fruit and good carbohydrates, along with plenty of water, will maintain energy levels for studying.

The occasional cram-session is understandable, but cramming does not help. Consistent, small, daily doses of studying (or at least attending class) will guarantee the information is easily retrieved come test time.

Just think about it like this: If you are being operated on, you certainly want the surgeon to know the material and not to attempt a cramming session right before. When you are on the operating table, you do not want to hear, "Nurse, I need a scalpel and a medical reference book, quick!"

The key is prioritization, which is different from procrastination. Why procrastinate until tomorrow, when

you can do your assignments the day afterwards? Well, that might not be the right attitude. Prioritization is "doing first things first", according to Dr. Steven R. Covey. If we do the most important things first, we will find that we will eventually have time to do the least important things too.

Besides — and here is the truth about the issue — being tired is merely a state of mind. Have you ever noticed that when you sleep in past, say 11 a.m., you get a pounding headache? Why? I am sure that there is a good scientific reason for this, but ultimately, if you sleep in too late, you'll wake up tired.

On the converse, if you do something active and energizing (such as racquetball), you will notice that you feel as though you have more energy. If we will stop complaining about being tired, I am willing to bet that we will not feel tired as much. The words we say and the actions that we do trick our mind into thinking or feeling a certain way. So, let's avoid being tired by prioritizing, pretending we are completely awake and being active.

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## Store chains should step back before expanding

I go to Wal-Mart all the time. In fact, I go so often I practically live there.

Sometimes I find great deals, and other times I just cannot find anything I am looking for. I easily can attribute both to Wal-Mart being a huge warehouse, but what's unsettling is how many other chains are emulating it. Is this really what shopping has come to?

Just think about all of the megastores that exist in this region. There's Gander Mountain, Target, Kmart, HEB, Home Depot and Hobby Lobby, just to name a few. Even Forever 21 and Whole Foods have large flagship stores in the larger cities across Texas.

All of this space and expansion makes me feel like the entire shopping industry is a living, breathing specimen in the movie "Super Size Me." In Texas alone, there are about 350 Wal-Mart stores. The average Wal-Mart Supercenter is 186,000 square feet, and Whole Foods has stores that can go up to 80,000 square feet.

If this does not make you feel like a measly little ant, I do not know what will.

I know all of these stores have aisle numbers and customer service people who help, but there are also massive check-out lanes that can take longer than the actual shopping excursion, particularly around the winter holidays. It all strikes me as an impersonal, raw system. How much and how long can these stores get away with before we realize we are being cheated out of our shopping experience?

Whatever happened to free samples of food or perfume? Is it cheaper for them to make the customer buy something and then return it if it is not what they expected? Shouldn't we just be able to pick out the right item the first time around?

As you can probably tell, I am a bit frustrated. I know warehouses make perfect economic sense when it comes time to expand, but there is a loss that comes with expanding that way. The customer feels far more alone, lost or confused about the store and about the products in the store. There's also the loss of culture. A mom-and-pop store with the same people every day ready to welcome and help you brings so much more familiarity.

In addition, as if the lack of personal customer service isn't enough at megastores, there's also product quality. The old phrase, "you get what you pay for" has never been more true than today.

Wal-Mart is smart when it comes to this; they stick to brand names.

**Colleen Gartner**



However, they force the brands to match a certain price point, and many of the manufacturers are forced to simplify their products to match such a price. Otherwise, they cannot have access to Wal-Mart's millions of shoppers.

The whole scenario is seen as that access to sell is a privilege since the setup is still retail. As much as I appreciate not paying for bells and whistles I don't need, I won't be buying any products from these megastores that I feel my life will depend on, like one might end up doing with a product from an outdoor recreation section.

There have been protests in the past arguing that megastores create a monopoly that can directly affect the economy. Although this may be the case in small-town

America, megastores are more like an indoor market with fixed prices.

Even others go as far to say that without Chinese manufacturers, megastores would fold.

Now, I don't think they would fold because of the diversification of products that they offer. However, any lack of cheap inputs would affect the bottom line. I mean, low cost leadership is more than just having the lowest price around. It involves a cheap labor force and an inexpensive enough product that can produce a solid margin of profit.

So, these companies are far from being bankrupt because they are efficient. Kmart is an obvious example of an inefficient company that does not watch out as carefully as it could have.

I would never go as far to say these megastores are evil and are out to get our local businesses. However, I recognize there is a loss when a megastore becomes the focal point of a community. At some point, customers will either accept the status quo of expecting far less than we should from businesses, or megastores will have to accept that quality still matters in the consumer's eyes. Until then, consumers like you or me will have to be careful where we shop.

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- Jack's partner
- Not exactly lined up
- Stanford-Binet IQs
- On the less breezy side, at sea
- Jacket part
- Actor's signal
- Jazz bandleader and lover of forests?
- Common Market initials
- Dazzling celestial events
- Source of a hot tip
- 737, for example
- Singer Domino
- Trig function
- Corn unit
- "No \_\_\_"
- emphatic denial
- is able to, biblically
- It may wash away castles
- Postal motto word
- Yellowfin tuna
- Former heavyweight champ and lover of mountains?
- Madhouse
- Golfer's accessory
- Base runner's goal
- Divided Asian land
- Give up amateur status
- Up to, briefly
- Express line unit
- Lass
- Spiteful
- "Strangers in the Night" singer
- Prefix with physics
- Sault Marie
- Ex-Dodger pitcher and lover of beaches?
- Russian fighter
- Postwar British prime minister
- Farm field unit
- Ending for Vietnam
- Dwell
- Like the Mojave

**DOWN**

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- UN workers' rights agcy.
- Kate's "Titanic" co-star
- Gave false hopes
- Workplace watchdog org.
- Try to escape, as pursuers
- de-lance: pit viper
- Arab or Jew
- Cowgirl Dale
- Change for a 20
- Stranded at the chalet, maybe
- Brooklyn neighbor
- Whispered thing
- Actor Montand
- Old Testament prophet
- Teacher's favorite
- Home in the wild
- Faucet attachment
- California county in which Mount Whitney is partly located
- Greek X
- Itchy rash cause
- Expert server
- "Kampgrounds" company
- Showed over
- "Up to this point, no"
- Fall to include
- Bridge expert
- Culbertson
- Pecking order?
- Ear inflammation
- Go back on a promise
- Meado
- Stadium team
- Not tricked by
- Fireplace feature
- Resort island off Venezuela
- Ivan IV, for one
- Ball
- Mid sixth-century year
- Baba of fiction
- Deleted, with "out"

By Kenneth Berniker 4/6/10

**Friday's Puzzle Solved**

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# Students stay in town, relax during holiday

By HALLIE DAVIS  
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When Texas Tech offers a day out of class, it often means a weekend out of town, especially when it comes with a holiday.

Easter is a major holiday for Christians, but with such a short break and so many things to do on campus, many stayed at Tech.

Heidi Michaels, a biochemistry major from Plano, said she decided it would be best for her and for her GPA to stay in Lubbock for the long weekend, which she used to study.

"It would've been nice (to go home)," Michaels said, "but my family understands."

Michaels said she was confident the studying paid off and she'd do well on biology professor Michael Dini's test.

She did more than just study though. Michaels said she went to church on Sunday to celebrate Easter and volunteered at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, where she routinely works at the information desk, on

the day off.

Studying was one of the most popular reasons to stay.

"I have a huge anatomy test and I had to write a paper," said Patti Kabobel, a freshman nursing major from Temple. "I knew if I went home I wouldn't do it."

For others, the weekend was spent in relieving stress, as in the case of Alexander Wyatt, a freshman history major from Plano.

"My Easter was pretty amazing actually," he said. "I just hung around campus with friends."

Wyatt said he planned out things to do all weekend to keep it fun, like going to the leisure pool.

"We wanted to go, but the time we had planned to go it was closed," he said.

Though he wasn't with family, Wyatt did something to make the time here more like his previous Easters.

"I dressed up in a bunny suit, and my friends chased me," Wyatt said. "I love my bunny suit. It's basically a tradition to use it, and it got some chuckles from passers-by."

Others participated in more, well, traditional traditions. Kyle Krueger stayed on campus because he doesn't have a car and his normal ride home was staying here.

"We went to church," Krueger said. "Afterwards, we were all dressed up and we went out to eat."

Krueger also went on an egg hunt at a friend's house as part of what he said was a great Easter; and Kabobel ate dinner with her sister to celebrate the holiday.

Unlike most institutions, Tech has the Monday after Easter off rather than the Friday before.

"A lot of people took Friday off though," Krueger said, "So it might as well have been (a holiday). It would be nice to have both days off—Good Friday is more significant."

Although both days off would be nice, Kabobel said she thought having Monday off was a good choice.

"It's good to have Monday, so people don't have to travel on Easter," Kabobel said.

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PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY RIANNON ROWLEY /The Daily Treador  
DURING EASTER BREAK, many students remain in Lubbock to catch up on studying, relax and enjoy the long weekend.

## Apple sells more than 300,000 iPads

SEATTLE (AP) — Apple Inc. said Monday that it delivered more than 300,000 iPads on its opening day, meeting expectations of some analysts while underscoring the challenges the company still faces marketing the device beyond early adopters.

The total seemed modest given the weeks of hype about the revolutionary nature of Apple's new touch-screen tablet device. Furthermore, the figures included pre-orders that were picked up or delivered Saturday and iPads sent to retail stores such as Best Buy but not necessarily purchased. Apple did not say how many went to such stores.

Assuming most of the 300,000 iPads ended up in the hands of consumers Saturday, though, the figure is in line with the number of iPhones that Apple sold when the smart phone made its debut in June 2007. Apple didn't

publicize first-day sales at the time, but later earnings reports indicated the company sold about 270,000 iPhones during the first two days the gadget was available.

Apple sold 1.1 million more iPhones over the next three months. The volume has only increased as Apple has released new versions of the phone in a growing number of countries and software developers have created add-on programs, or "apps," that do everything from online banking to mapping bike rides using GPS. In the most recent quarter, Apple sold 8.7 million iPhones.

Kaufman Bros. analyst Shaw Wu wrote in a note to investors Monday that he believes a similar pattern will unfold for the iPad.

"When the iPhone was first launched, it was also somewhat of a

disappointment," Wu wrote. "But as the iPhone got more refined, with more apps, better software, not to mention better prices," then sales picked up.

Wu had estimated the iPad's sales at 250,000 to 300,000 for the weekend. In the research note, the analyst wrote that manufacturers said Apple was telling them to get ready to ship 10 million iPads in the first 12 months, twice as many as previously expected.

With the iPad in its early days, the iPhone will continue as Apple's star product this year, Broadpoint Amtech analyst Brian Marshall said in a note to investors Monday. Marshall had predicted Apple would sell 525,000 iPads over the Easter weekend, despite some stores being closed for the holiday.

The iPad is "off to a fantastic start," he wrote, but he still expects iPhone sales to top \$20 billion this year, eight

times his forecast of \$2.5 billion for the iPad.

The same hoopla that drew eager shoppers to long lines outside of Apple stores swept away a few analysts, too. Piper Jaffray analyst Gene Munster published a research note early Monday boosting his initial forecast for first-day sales to 600,000 to 700,000—only to quickly follow with a second note admitting he'd jumped the gun.

"We were overly optimistic," he wrote. Munster's original forecast was for 200,000 to 300,000 iPads to be sold on Saturday.

However, Munster wrote that he still expects Apple to sell 1.3 million iPads in the current quarter.

Apple devotees were willing to queue up across the country to be among the first to own an iPad, even if they weren't exactly sure what they'd

## Taco Villa

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"I'm not a huge fatty or anything," Phillips said. "I just don't see something like that happening, but who knows. Time will tell."

The main difference between Spurlock's experiment and Phillips' challenge is Phillips and his friends aren't trying to make

a statement about the food; they're simply trying to see if he gets sick of eating Taco Villa, Allen said.

"We didn't want to put his health in danger any more than it already is at least," Allen said.

*"We didn't want to put his health in danger any more than it already is at least"*

**ZACK ALLEN**  
PHILLIPS' FRIEND  
FROM SAN ANGELO

able to run since he participated in the Austin Marathon, but if he can complete the two miles under the time limit, Allen will give Phillips \$30.

The group of friends started a Facebook group for them to know what was happening with Phillips' progress, but as some of their friends started seeing the group, others were eager to join, Craddock said.

"It's really spread like wildfire," Craddock said. "It wasn't really supposed to be a big deal, it was just sort of us giving Brad a hard time, but because it's been publicized, a lot more people have joined."

The group is using the page to keep members up-to-date with

Phillips' progress and to share his daily pictures.

With almost 80 options, Phillips shouldn't get tired of the food unless he orders the same thing every day, said Kesha White, Taco Villa breakfast assistant manager. Taco Villa has many regulars they look forward to seeing every day, she said.

"We'll get to know him," White said. "I know it'll be very interesting."

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## Judge settles key issues in Hopper divorce case

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Dennis Hopper's estranged wife and daughter can live on his property while the couple resolve their bitter divorce case and the actor fights prostate cancer, a judge ruled Monday.

Superior Court Judge Amy Pellman also ordered the actor to pay \$12,000 a month in spousal and child support.

Hopper, 73, did not attend the hearing but was repeatedly described by his attorney as "desperately ill."

Hopper's three adult children from previous marriages attended but did not speak.

Pellman sternly told both sides they needed to come together dur-

ing what appeared to be Hopper's final days.

"It's never one-sided," Pellman said of the family turmoil. "There needs to be street-cleaning on both sides of this street."

The judge noted the couple's 7-year-old daughter is about to undergo the traumatic loss of her father and the rhetoric should be toned down.

"Having her extended family in a war with her mother is not in her best interests," Pellman said.

The rulings came after two months of bickering in court filings, including allegations of abuse by both sides, and jockeying for financial position.

The couple has been married for nearly 14 years. Hopper filed for divorce in January.

"It's heartbreaking and I hope it can be amicably resolved," Victoria Duffy Hopper said after the hearing.

She has been living in a house at her husband's Venice compound, which is also home to one of his adult children.

She has agreed to remain at least 10 feet away from the "Easy Rider" star and avoid the main home on the property.

She said in court filings the divorce was an attempt to cut her out of her inheritance, an accusation that has been denied.

Hopper's attorney, Joseph Maninis, said after the hearing that he was happy with the outcome, aside from the judge awarding Victoria Hopper \$200,000 in attorney and accountant fees.

He said his side did not intend to further contest the spousal or child support orders but was preparing for a fight over the couple's prenuptial agreement.

The agreement calls for Victoria Hopper to lose her stake in her husband's estate if they are divorced or not living together when he dies.

Another hearing on how to divide Hopper's life insurance policy will be held in May.

## Paper's April Fool's UFOs spark panic

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — A Jordanian newspaper's April Fool's Day report chronicling a late-night visit by 10-foot-tall aliens in flying saucers sparked public panic and almost led to the town's emergency evacuation, officials said Monday.

The Al Ghad newspaper published a front-page article April 1 about the fake UFO landing near the desert town of Jafri, some 185 miles (300 kilometers) from the capital, Amman. The report said the UFOs lit up the whole town, interrupted communications and sent fearful residents streaming into the streets.

Jafri's mayor, Mohammed Mleihan, got caught up in the paper's prank and said he sent security authorities in search of the aliens.

"Students didn't go to school, their parents were frightened and I almost evacuated the town's 13,000 residents," Mleihan told The Associated Press. "People were scared that aliens would attack them."

A Jordanian security official, speaking on condition of anonymity in order to discuss security issues, said an emergency plan was almost enacted in Jafri.

Mleihan said he may sue the daily for its "big lie," but added that the paper had called to apologize for the inconvenience caused by the joke.

Al Ghad's managing editor, Moussa Barhoume, tried to defuse the situation, saying the report has been "blown out of proportion."

"We meant to entertain, not scare people," he said.

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## Potts to have surgery, out 8 weeks

### Young QBs ready to step up

By ADAM COLEMAN  
STAFF WRITER

By the time August gets here, senior quarterbacks Taylor Potts and Steven Sheffield will start fresh, like it's the first day of spring.

It's already been announced that Sheffield will miss the rest of spring practice after re-injuring his left foot in practice March 29. On top of that, Potts suffered a cut on his right hand Wednesday after hitting his hand on another player's helmet.

But Potts' cut turned out to be a little deeper.

Tech coach Tommy Tuberville said Potts is scheduled to have that

right hand operated on today to re-attach ligaments that may be loose or completely detached. Tuberville said Potts will miss about eight weeks, about the same time Sheffield is expected to be out.

"They don't want to take any chances so they'll operate on him (today) and he'll have the bandages

up for at least three or four weeks, but won't be able to throw for eight weeks," Tuberville said of doctors' evaluation after practice Monday. "So that's going to set him back a little bit."

"I thought Potts was going to get a little bit of edge on Sheffield. It didn't take long for him to even up with him."

Tuberville said the two quarterbacks lack of conditioning time through their injuries is what is most unfortunate. Potts was at practice Monday, wearing a bandage on his right hand, but still around his fellow quarterbacks.

Seth Doege, Jacob Karam, Colin DeLaune and Brant Costilla might appreciate support from the injured Potts. The four young signal callers

will take the reps Sheffield and Potts leave behind this spring. The Red-Black Spring game on April 17 could feature all four of these quarterbacks as well.

Two key names in that group are the sophomore Doege and redshirt freshman Karam, who should get most of those reps left over.

Karam has not played in a game and is fresh off a redshirt year. So while the chance for more reps sounds great to all quarterbacks, it's even more attractive to Karam, who described his redshirt year as a challenge.

"The redshirt experience here is really hard," Karam said. "You have to stay patient. You practice

with everyone. You have to do all the work but you really don't get a lot of the benefits, which is hard. Luckily I got to travel. I made the travel squad.

"I'm preparing like I'm the first string every day. I realize that a lot of things can happen and I just gotta stay prepared and do the best I

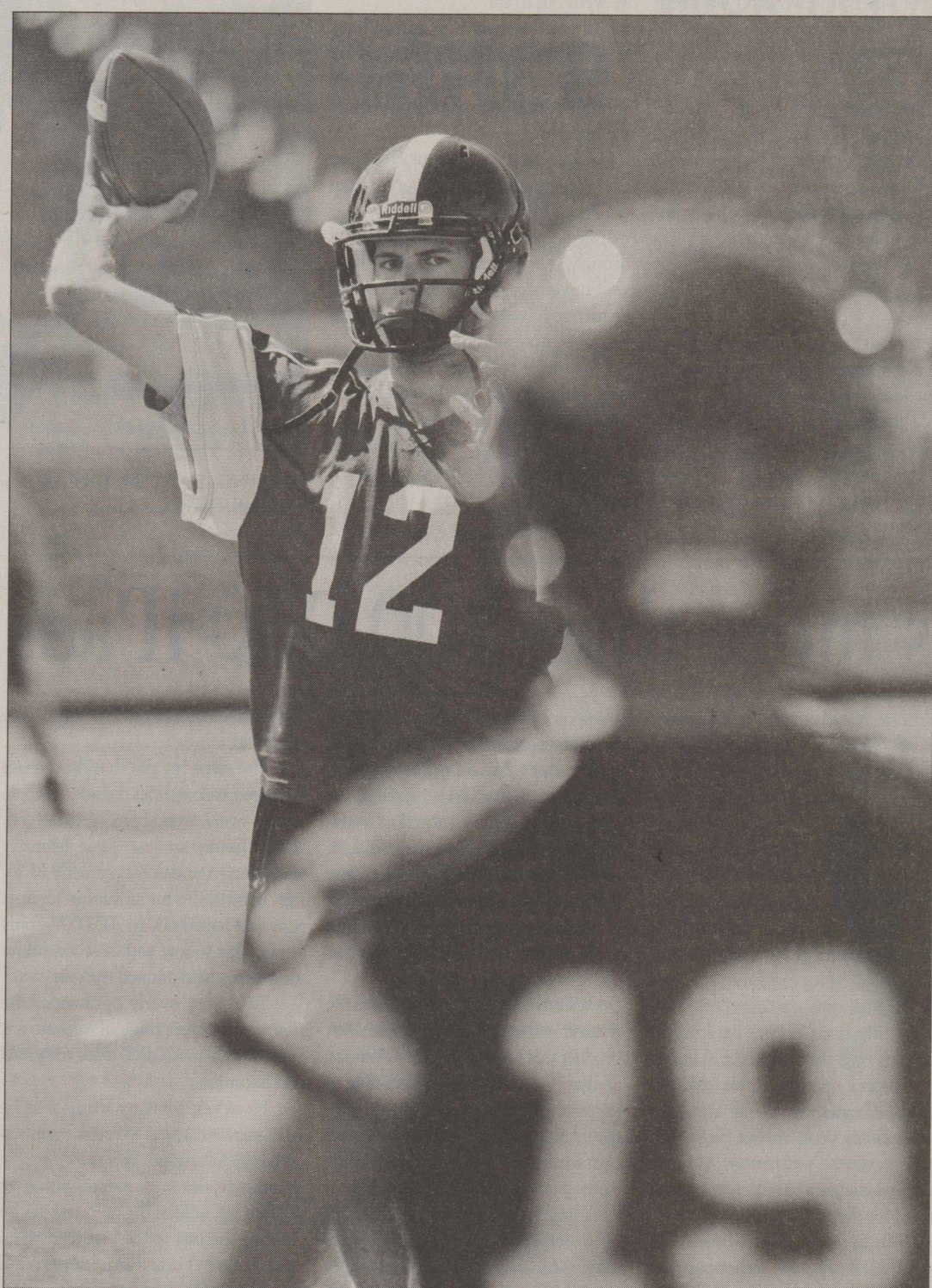
can to prepare in the film room and out here."

Karam also said the transition in practice has not been as tough thanks to offensive coordinator Neal Brown. Karam said the first-year offensive coordinator has made it easier to take in the fast-paced practices.

Doege has the experience, although it's not a lot. He started against Kansas last season through the season-long battle at quarterback between Potts and Sheffield. He also played against Kansas State and Texas A&M prior to the start against KU.

Brown previously tabbed him as the starter after news of Sheffield's injury broke.

And the sophomore can relate



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador  
TECH QUARTERBACK TAYLOR Potts throws a pass to wide receiver Lyle Leong during the first day of spring practice at Jones AT&T Stadium.

to Potts and Sheffield, who he said he is close friends with.

Doege missed the last two seasons of his career in high school with a knee injury. But he said Potts' and Sheffield's work ethic is what will pull them through when August comes around.

"Knowing those two guys, those guys will never give up," Doege said. "They'll never quit. These injuries won't set them back one bit. Being a senior — it's different, college football and high school football — I feel for those guys because it's a hard thing to do. It's just spring football but it's your senior year. You want to go through it."

DeLaune and Costilla are the most unknown names in this bunch, but the two could have just as much of a chance to impress coaches. Costilla carries some experience, playing at Navarro Junior College.

Potts' and Sheffield's story continues to be one filled with ups and downs, dating back to last season.

The two went back and forth for the starting spot at quarterback under Mike Leach while battling injuries the whole season. Potts suffered a concussion against New Mexico last season and Sheffield injured his left foot against Nebraska. Both players played in the Valero Alamo Bowl, leading Tech to the

41-31 win.

Even with Tuberville as new coach, questions of who will start this season spilled into spring practice. Now that question may not be answered until two-a-days.

It doesn't matter to Tech receiver Eric Ward, who quickly has made a name for himself during spring practice. He expects Doege, Karam, DeLaune and Costilla to fill in nicely.

"Well, a quarterback is a quarterback," he said. "As long as you get the ball to the receiver, that's all that matters."

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## No. 5 Texas hooks Tech men's tennis

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It seems like nothing has been able to slow down Texas Tech men's tennis this season. But even Tim Siegel said his Red Raiders had to drop one sooner or later.

It finally happened when No. 13 Tech (17-2, 0-1 in Big 12) fell to No. 5 Texas (19-2, 3-0) on Saturday at the McLeod Tennis Center in a close one, 4-3. The loss snaps Tech's 15-match winning streak.

"Well this one stings — it's a tough one, because we were so close we had so many opportunities," Tech coach Tim Siegel said. "Overall I'm really proud of our team, we fed off the tremendous crowd. I can't say enough. We took the No. 5 team to the very end and we've had some go our way. We finally had one that went against us."

The Red Raiders' struggles in doubles play continued as Tech only won one of the three doubles matches. This is the second match in a row Tech has lost the doubles point to begin the match.

In the No. 1 and No. 2 spots the Red Raiders dropped both of the matches 8-5. Tech's only unranked doubles team came through when freshman Vitor Manzini and junior David Gonzalez defeated Texas' No. 56 doubles pair Daniel Whitehead and Jean Anderson 9-8.

Texas had taken the early lead, but in singles, fans saw two Top-10 singles players face off. No. 6 sophomore Ranyo Carvalho faced No. 10 Dimitar Kutrovsky, both of whom have earned the Big 12 Player of the Week honors already this season. This match did not live up to its hype as Kutrovsky defeated Carvalho in straight-sets 6-4, 6-0.

No. 72 sophomore Gonzalo Escobar cut into the Texas lead with his victory against No. 18 Ed Corrie in straight sets 6-3, 6-4. Then in the No. 3 spot sophomore Rafael Garcia came back to get the win against No. 82 Kellen Damico 3-6, 6-3, 6-3.

But Tech fell in the No. 4 and No. 5 spots to give the Longhorns the victory.

"I think we are as good or better than them," Garcia said. "Today they did better than we did, but again we didn't play our best in doubles and that's something that has been helping us so much."

Escobar said that the squad did all that it could, but there is more tennis to play this season.

"Not too much to talk about, we had to many chances," he said. "We fought as hard as we could, but at the end they just handled the situation better than us."

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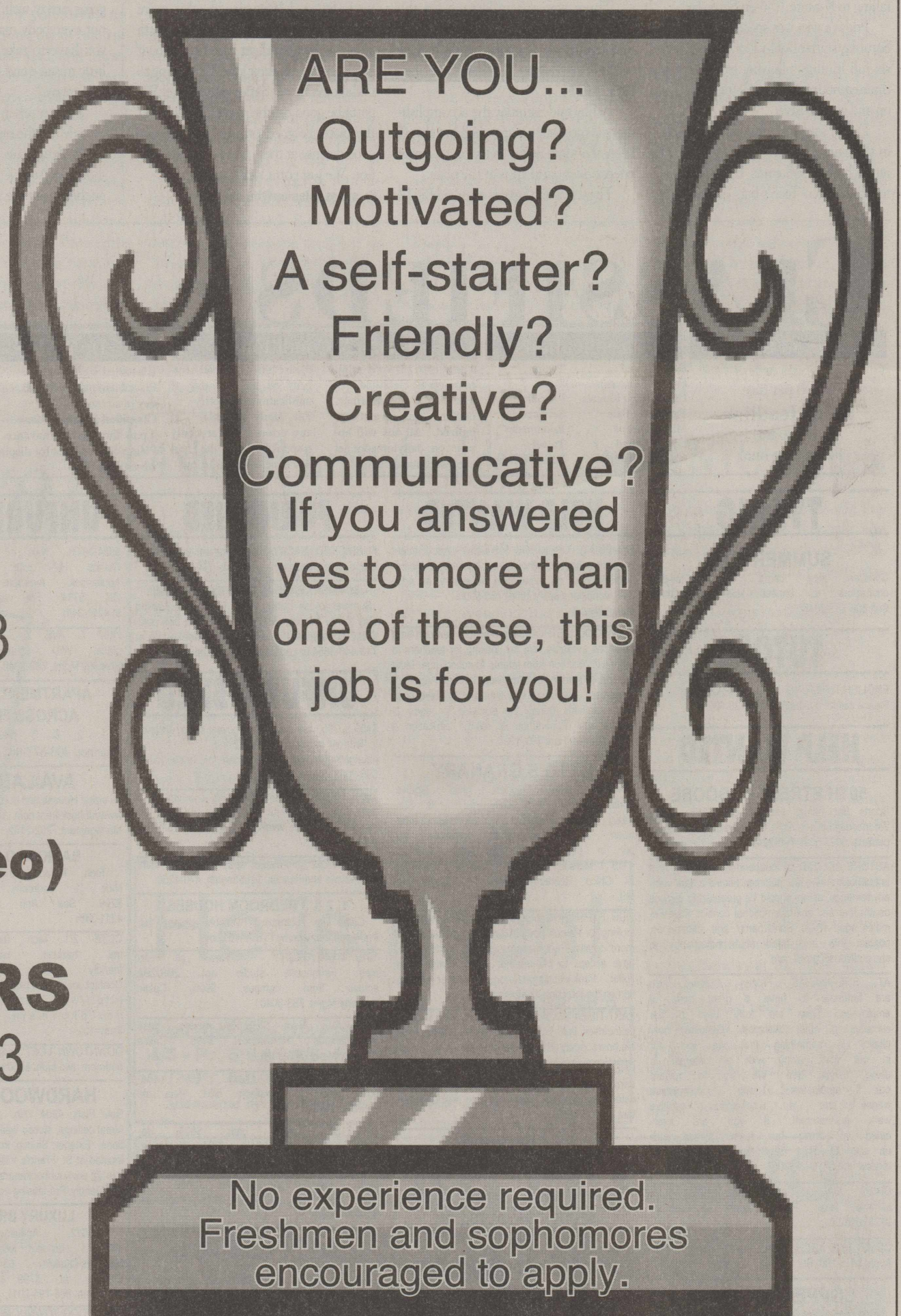
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