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Theta philanthropy raises funds for CASA

By HALLIE DAVIS
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As spring weather heats up and more people try to get in shape, people worked out to contribute to a good cause Saturday morning.

The Texas Tech chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta hosted its fifth annual 5K, beginning and ending at the Frazier Alumni Pavilion. The race is the biggest part of its philanthropy with Court Appointed Special Advocates.

"CASA is a non-profit that helps children who've been abused and neglected get through foster care," said Brooke Fietz, a senior public relations major from Midland who interns for CASA.

The organization, made up of volunteers, receives no state funding, Fietz said.

"It's a big event because they're a non-profit," said Melanie Haneman, a junior psychology major

and Theta from Austin. "Lubbock needs (CASA) the most, yet gets the least amount of money."

Haneman said Lubbock County has the highest per capita rates of child abuse in Texas, and the CASA that serves Lubbock is often the lowest funded in the state.

"Someone needs to speak up for them (abused and neglected children)," Fietz said, "I just can't say enough good things about (CASA)."

Some of the children CASA represents came out to the event, Haneman said, as well as local families and elementary school and church groups. The Thetas had a bounce house and balloon artists from Gatti's Pizza to entertain any children who came.

"It's gone really well," said Jenna Slagel, a freshman public relations and communications major from Austin who was helping with the balloon animals. "All

the kids are really excited."

This year not only included more activities for children, Hanna said, it also had more runners registered than in previous years, even though Relay for Life was hosted on the same day.

Haneman said the more than 800 people who attended were dedicated and caring enough to come out in the morning as well.

"People just want to help the community no matter what," said Kelli Hanna, a junior public relations major from Bedford and the vice president of public relations for the Thetas.

Runners came to the event to help CASA and just because they like running.

"It was fun, I liked it," said John Rushing, "I was a distance runner in high school, so I go to a lot (of 5K races)."



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CHILDREN TAKE OFF from the finish line during the Speak Up For Kids CASA 5K Series race Saturday near the Frazier Alumni Pavilion.

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The return of a legend



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SIR ELTON JOHN performs at the United Spirit Arena on Friday marking the 10th anniversary of the building and his first performance there.

Elton John concert helps alumnus, family celebrate life

By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI
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After his grandmother's funeral Friday morning, Jay Swann and his family decided to celebrate her life by attending Sir Elton John's "Rocket Man: Greatest Hits Live" concert in the United Spirit Arena that night.

Swann, a Texas Tech graduate, said the family considered purchasing tickets at about 10 a.m., but thought they couldn't get any. To their surprise, six second-row tickets were available.

Since his grandmother was a singer and pianist, Swann saw this opportunity as a way to celebrate her life while crossing something off his "bucket list." His family said he always has wanted to see John in

concert, and with some luck and the help of their grandmother looking down on them, it happened.

"(It was) unbelievable," Swann said. "Words can't even begin to describe it; I knew every song that he played for three hours."

The show lasted just less than three hours with no intermission and included an encore performance during which John returned to the stage to thank the audience for coming, to sign autographs and to sing a song that he said he doesn't perform very often.

"To hell with it, I'm going to sing it," John said before sitting down at the piano to sing "Circle of Life" to 13,000 cheering fans.

Audience members in the front rows crowded around the stage during the final songs and encore, fighting for the front spots when John reached down

to sign autographs. Swann's 11-year-old daughter Kennedy Swann not only got a pair of tickets signed, but was handed a guitar pick and drum stick from John himself.

"When he signed it I was relieved because my dad is a really big fan," Kennedy said.

Friday night's concert marked the second time the musician has played in Lubbock. In February 2000, John was the first performer in the arena after its construction. During his first visit, he noted his excitement to play in the hometown of one of his idols, Buddy Holly, said Cindy Harper, United Spirit Arena associate director. For this reason, she likes to believe Lubbock created a good memory for the performer.

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Relay for Life brings out cancer survivors

By SARAH SCROGGINS
STAFF WRITER

When she was 14, Arigayle Head was diagnosed with ovarian cancer.

She had one ovary removed three months after she was diagnosed. In the summer of 2009, she was then diagnosed with cervical cancer and three days later she had two-thirds of her cervix removed and was living cancer free. In February she was diagnosed with uterine cancer, which she is currently battling.

Head, a junior nursing major from Dodd City, along with several other survivors, took the first walk around the track at the Relay for Life on Saturday night.

"It means so much to me that all of these Tech kids come out to Relay," Head said. "It fills my heart with joy that all these kids care so much about fighting cancer."

Relay for Life is a 12-hour event that lasts from 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. that Texas Tech has participated in for more than 10 years. Tech competes against other schools, such as Texas A&M, to raise money.

"At the end of the day, we want to make a difference," said Maria Hernandez, the event chairwoman.

The purpose is to celebrate those

who have survived cancer, remember those who have lost their battle to cancer, to fight back with those who are still fighting cancer, and to raise money and awareness about cancer. This year 121 teams, as well as some sororities, fraternities and organizations, such as the Saddle Tramps, participated. At least one person from each group walked around the track for the duration of the relay.

Compared to other years, the turnout at Relay for Life surpassed what the coordinators expected. Not only did students come out and show their support, but faculty and staff members got involved as well, Hernandez said.

"The whole point is that we're supposed to walk around the track," said Josh Frost, a senior political science major from Austin. "The guy who did it originally took pledges and they walked around the track for 12 hours."

For Frost, the president of Colleges Against Cancer, it was his eighth year at the relay, and he helped make it happen for six of those years. For him, at first, it was about fighting back and taking preventative measures, but about a year ago his grandmother was diagnosed with cancer and the meaning changed.

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CANCER SURVIVORS MAKE a victory lap to kick off the Relay For Life events on Saturday in Urbanovsky Park.

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HSC students help Lubbockites with health fair

By **DEREK MOY**
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The Lubbock chapter of the Student National Medical Association hosted its first Health Fair on Saturday at the Larry Combest Community Health and Wellness Center.

The fair invited members of the community to get free checkups and gain knowledge to help them live healthier lives. There were booths for community members to increase their awareness in certain fields of medicine, like Pediatrics or Ophthalmology.

Fahmi Farah, third-year medical student and president of the Lubbock chapter of the Student National Medical Association, said the event was a way for medical students to give back to the community. The fair was run by students, with some help from faculty for supervision.

"All of this, all of our goals for SNMA, if you want to sum it up, is to basically do community service as well as raise diversity," Farah said. "Basically, making this a fair and equal place for

everyone."

Farah said she hopes to double the health fair attendance every year, this year few members of the community came out because of other health fairs being hosted and lack

of awareness of the event. She said she thought the fair would see 40 to 50 community members.

"It's important to the community because they're getting a basic health screen for free," Farah said. "So it's really geared towards anybody from the community, but more so for those who don't have ready access to health care, who are not really seeing doctors that much."

Nazanin Majdazadeh, third-year medical student and health fair coordinator, said without the help of her

peers the fair would not have run as smoothly as it did. Using the Combest center helped reduce costs for the event because it already was stocked with health care equipment.

"I just felt like having a health fair in Lubbock, especially on the east side of the town where people do need better access to health care, may be helpful for everybody," she said. "And this way they can find out if they're having problems."

Dr. Michael Mendez, family medicine resident at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, said he was there to help the students and provide guidance.

He said the fair was a great opportunity that was not around when he was a student at the HSC.

"It's a win-win for everybody. We help the community and we're all learning too at the same time."

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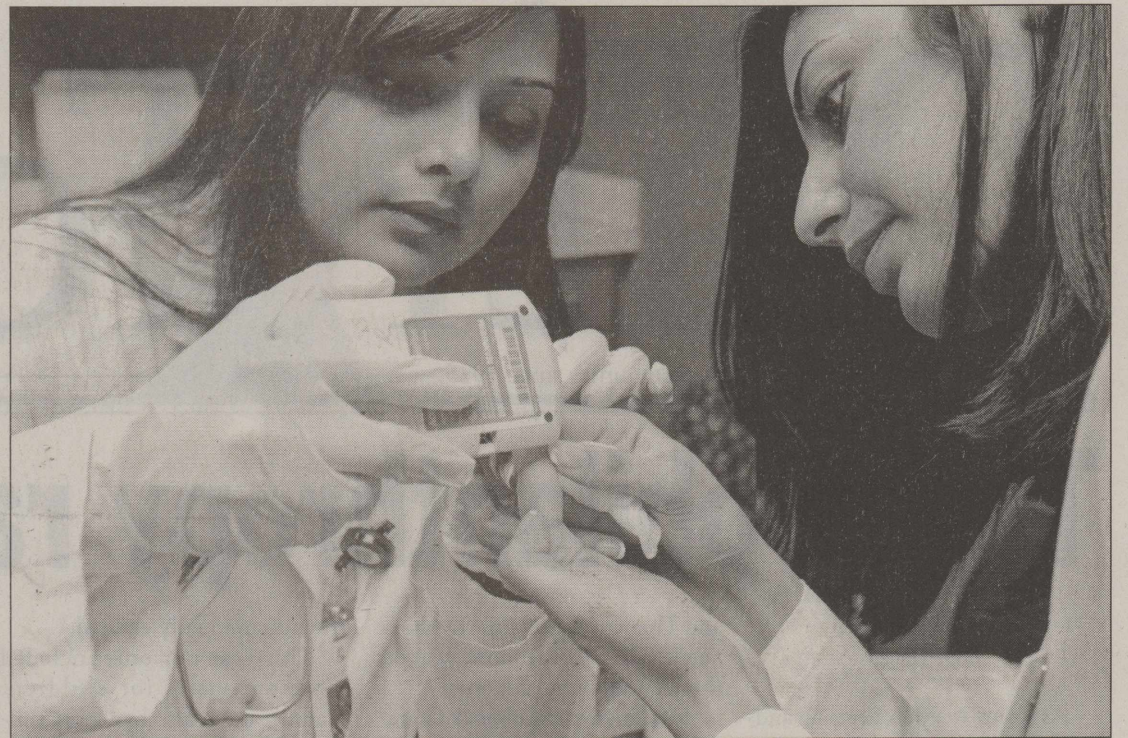


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SECOND-YEAR MEDICAL student Mallika Doss tests a patient for cholesterol and blood sugar levels Saturday during the Community Health Fair hosted by Lubbock's chapter of the Student National Medical Association.

"It's a win-win for everybody," Mendez said, "we help the community and we're all learning too at the same time."

The SNMA plans to have another Health Fair next year, hoping to increase the size and publicity the event receives.

"Even if we just help one person, then this is successful," Mendez said.

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BRIEF

STATE

Longtime legislators threatened in Texas runoff

AUSTIN (AP) — Lyndon Johnson was in the White House when Delwin Jones was first sworn in as a freshman member of the Texas House of Representatives. Since then, he's been defeated by a fellow Democrat, switched parties to become a Republican, been appointed

to powerful committee jobs and also lost them.

One thing that's never changed is his taste for elected office. On Tuesday, the oldest member of the Legislature — at 86 — is asking West Texans to send him back for another two-year term.

NATION

Obama election-year jobs agenda stalls in Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — The election-year jobs agenda promised by President Barack Obama and Democrats has stalled seven months before voters determine control of Congress.

Democrats have no money to pay for the program. That's because both Republicans and the

Democratic chairman of the Senate Budget Committee objected to taking money left over from the fund that bailed out banks, automakers and insurers and using it for the jobs bill.

Such a move, they insisted, would add tens of billions of dollars to the \$12.8 trillion national debt.

WORLD

Poles grieve over president killed in plane crash

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Poland's government moved swiftly Sunday to show that it was staying on course after the deaths of its president and dozens of political, military and religious leaders, even as tens of thousands of Poles expressed their grief over the shocking plane crash in Russia.

New acting chiefs of the military

were already in place and an interim director of the central bank was named Sunday, with work running as usual, said Pawel Grasz, a government spokesman.

It was a rare positive note on a day wracked by grief for the 96 dead and laced with reminders of Poland's dark history with its powerful neighbor.

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During the past 10 years, John's show has changed, and rather than touring as a solo act again, he brought his band adding a "whole new dimension to the show," Harper said.

"He's an icon and everyone knows who he is," she said. "A lot of people want to see him and having him come to Lubbock is a real treat."

John sported Tech colors, red and black, under his rhinestone "rocket man" jacket and red-tinted, round glasses. After his opening act, John told the audience he "even got his colors right," and is "very careful about that sort of thing."

"I loved getting to witness the attire that he is so famous for performing in," said Rebecca Markes, a freshman human sciences major from Murphy. "And just being able to hear the music that I have been listening to for years live and seeing him perform it."

The concert was almost sold out, leaving mostly individual seats scattered throughout the arena. Because everybody knows his music, Harper said, he appeals to multiple generations which is seen from his ticket sales. Audience members included older generations, college and high school students, parents and their young children.

"Elton John's music is so classic, everyone, whether they know it or not, has heard at least one of his songs," Markes said. "And recently movies such as '27 Dresses' have showcased his music."

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Retro game night brings out classics, good memories

By **ALEXANDRA PEDRINI**
STAFF WRITER

The familiar sounds and actions of "Mario Kart," "Pac-Man" and "Super Smash Bros." surrounded students day night as they participated in the Texas Tech Residence Hall Association's first Retro Gaming Party, and none of it was hosted online.

During winter break, Stephen Torrence, a senior philosophy and general studies major from Georgetown, came up with an idea for a Retro Gaming Party, during which students could get together to play their favorite childhood video games.

"It's a celebration of our youth," Torrence said. "It's a celebration of our childhood. Bringing back the old memories, the old games that we played at sleepovers, stayed up until our parents made us go to bed. It's good stuff."

Torrence said he and his friends decided to bring the event to Tech because there has been nothing like it before. All gamers were welcome to bring their own consoles and games but had only one restriction: They must all be made before the year 2000. These were the games most students grew up playing.

"It's encouraging, I don't feel like I'm the only person who does this anymore,"

said Kelli Ames, a junior art history major from Odessa. "I really didn't think we'd have this sort of turnout. It's nice to see other people who game and still enjoy playing them and they're not all focused on Xbox 360 and the newest thing coming out."

Unlike many video games tournaments today, these games were not played online with strangers from around the world. Gamers aren't always shut-ins, said Ariel Walden, a senior electronic media and communications major from Austin. Unlike the stereotype, many gamers have lives outside of their games and even use games in a social aspect. Rather than playing the games alone in a room all the time, she and her friends play multiplayer games.

"It's not a shut-in thing at all; it's a social thing for us," Walden said.

The party was "very nerdy," said Doug Cooper, a freshman electrical engineering major from Austin. Rather than cheering when someone lost a game, students were supportive and excited to see people playing these games they grew up with and would even call out advice occasionally. He said people enjoy watching others play these games, and seeing them win, lose or get shot is always fun.

"(Gaming) has a social aspect, not where it can get you better in the world, but it can just get you being yourself,"



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FROM LEFT, JORDAN Mueller, a senior communication studies major from El Paso, Felipe Oliveros, a junior technical communication major from Houston, and Alan Kamenish, a junior marketing major from Plano, play video games at the Retro Gaming Party on Saturday in the Education building.

Cooper said.

By the end of the night, the room was filled with gamers, more than a dozen types of consoles and hundreds of games all being played by mostly men. Ames said she noticed the disproportional ratio of women present.

"I think people are under the assump-

tion that girls don't play video games," Walden said. "I've been playing video games since the Genesis first came out and video games are a big part of who I am. I'm proud to be a gamer girl. I wish more girls would get into video games because it's really quite fun."

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Community advisers host carefree day at rec

By **SARAH SCROGGINS**
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For their curriculum-based development program, the six-semester veteran community advisers hosted a Rest and Relaxation day at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center on Saturday.

Sarah Woody, a senior nursing major from Carrollton, said the advisers worked together to create an event that gave students living on and off campus a day to come together and be carefree. Because finals are around the corner, they thought rest and relaxation, choosing the rec center as the location, and hosting the event from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. was the best way to get people to attend.

To help with this stress-free day, the community advisers came from all around campus to plan Rest and Relaxation. Besides working with each other to make the event happen, they worked with the rec center to find employees to volunteer to teach workout classes. However, working out was not the only activity offered.

"We have a movie playing, we had McAllisters Deli that came, we've got pingpong and pool tables up here, board games," Woody said. "We had a nutrition session earlier today that learned how to make healthy microwave meals, they're doing a stress relief session

that's about to get started, we have massage chairs, and we have Yoga, Pilates and ab courses down stairs with F.I.T. Tech."

Because they planned for 250 people and it was a free event for anyone who wanted to participate, the advisers had to find a way to cover the expenses. The majority of the funding came from Residence Halls Association, and the rest of the funding came from a few residence halls that donated money, Woody said.

Josh Steiger, a freshman civil engineering major from Arlington, said Rest and Relaxation was all about the free food and a few select events.

"I'm definitely going to get a massage and go back for seconds (on food)," Steiger said.

As he waited for his massage, Steiger finished lunch and played pingpong with some friends.

Although this was the first year for Rest and Relaxation day, the community advisers hope to bring it back again next year.

"This is the product of the CA's who have been here for a while. We've done a lot of programs within the resident halls," Woody said. "This is kind of just what happens when we come together across campus."

Woody said she is hoping the next batch of six-semester advisers already have started planning for next year's event.

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Talent, fashion show brings international experience to Lubbock

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Members of the audience at Saturday night's International Talent and Fashion show were given the opportunity to see the world and be entertained by the fashion and talents from diverse cultures all while never leaving Lubbock.

The fifth annual event, hosted by Texas Tech's Baptist Student Ministry and Students for Global Connections, drew more than 200 people to Lubbock High School's theater for a night of fashion, music, dances and magic from around the world.

Students for Global Connections

is an organization that brings together Tech's international students and American students.

Sylecia Johnston, president of Students for Global Connections and a senior global affairs major from Victoria, said she founded the organization in 2008 to provide a second home for international students.

Proceeds from the show are used to buy furniture for some of Tech's international students.

"So many foreign students get to Lubbock with only a suitcase of clothes," she said. "Some are able to rent a furnished apartment, but many don't have the time, money or a vehicle to buy essential furniture

like a bed, desk or bookshelf."

Last year's show was able to generate \$1,600 to buy furniture. Because of a lower turnout this year, the organization was only able to produce about \$600 to \$800. Johnston said she thought the lower turnout was a result of the event being off campus.

Kevin Michel, a senior general business major from Aix-en-Provence, France, performed magic during the event's talent portion.

"My performance showed that with magic, you don't have to speak the same language as your audience," he said.

Julie Meadows, a senior music

major from Merkel, modeled a traditional Korean dress she brought home from her study abroad semester in Ulsan, Korea, in spring of 2009.

"I know what it feels like to be the strange person from when I was studying in Korea," she said.

For next year's show, Michel said he hopes even more people will be able to attend and it is not something anyone should miss.

"It is not often that you can travel around the world in two hours while sitting in your seat in Lubbock like you can during this show," Michel said.

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— Romans 8:28

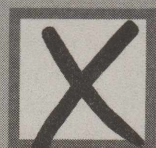
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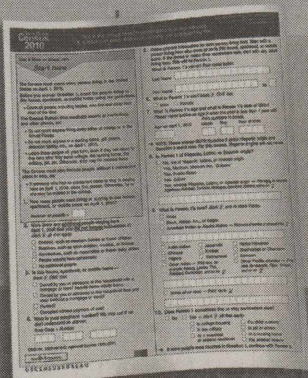


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Guns on campus not answer

Last week as I was checking the weather forecast online I came upon a poll on KCBD.com about whether I thought college students should be able to carry concealed handguns on campus and in residence halls. I was shocked and honestly taken aback because I didn't know where the question was coming from.

So I dutifully did my research and traced the poll to an article about the national Empty Holster Protest and learned about the Students for Concealed Carry On Campus campaign, which started after the tragic shooting at Virginia Tech. Last week Tech participated in this silent protest through its own Students for Concealed Carry On Campus supporters.

I'm glad the supporters created awareness about the issue of on campus violence, and it certainly gets you thinking about how powerless we would be in our classrooms if anything so terrible were to happen.

But even though I believe in the right of being able to have a licensed gun in my home to protect my family and myself, guns, although a defense, are not the answer. I don't think I could sit comfortably beside a guy I know is "packing heat." It's almost intimidating and definitely distracting.

And what if this becomes a trend? Are we supposed to be OK with the idea everyone can

Marcia Ramos



bring their guns to campus? This definitely would give a whole new meaning to "get your guns up."

Of course, even if the current legislation was to pass that would allow this, think of all the flaws that are behind it. If we all were

allowed to bring our licensed concealed handguns to campus or keep them in our residence halls, who's to say some unlicensed owners won't get lost in the mix. Would the faculty have to take time from class to verify licenses for those guns from every student with a full holster? And what about faculty and staff?

Are they allowed to carry handguns as well?

In no way do I condemn those who support this idea. I understand where it comes from and I believe there should be an effective and reasonable defense tool against cases like on-campus shootings and violence. But let's not blur the lines of defense and fighting violence with violence.

Let's imagine a scenario of a disturbed individual walking into a large classroom and starting to shoot at everyone like a crazed criminal. Now let's throw five more

individuals with guns shooting at him in the picture. It's not a pretty painting — it's warfare. Students against student.

And through all this chaos, let's not forget the one binding factor: the disturbed student. In this world there is good and there is bad, and people who lose themselves and do horrible, destructive and tragic things always will be out there. No day is promised and we cannot all create a bubble for ourselves or for those we love, but we have the right to protect ourselves and them — under what pretenses is the question.

Students with licensed handguns would be students with a right to kill, and having a license doesn't mean a gun will always be used with good or legal intentions. It does not prevent the licensee from being flawed or susceptible to human error.

For the record, after I read the article and gave it some thought — much of which I have expressed in this article — I went back to the poll and voted no. I don't want to sit in a classroom and feel like I'm in an episode of "Law and Order: College Campus Unit," because even though in the back of my mind there is a thought about the possibility of a raging lunatic coming through those doors, I know I feel safe in class. I know when I walk to class or walk to my car after an evening exam I, although cautious, am not scared.

I, as a student on campus, have the right and benefit to be protected by my campus, but to whom that privilege is designated to should not be the guy sitting next to me in class.

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US needs smarter, less expensive security

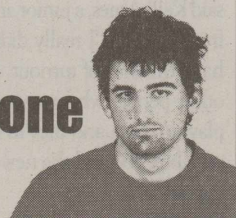
Terrorism in the United States is a serious problem that has been around since the nation's founding. The subject, however, has taken center stage in the political spectrum and in our daily life.

Most notably, following the Sept. 11 attacks, the establishment of the \$7.8 billion per year Transportation Security Administration has been in charge of preventing terrorist attacks on the nation's commercial airliners. The department, depending on your point of view, has done a decent job at securing our airspace.

But at what expense? The famously written line by Benjamin Franklin is at its most potent here: "They who can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety, deserve neither liberty nor safety."

In this case, however, it's not about deserving safety. It's the simple fact you are not much safer if you give up your liberties to be safer. If you've been fortunate enough to be able to fly in the last

Tony Cardone



few years, you know exactly how much liberty you are giving up.

It's almost impossible to understand the minds of terrorists, but using simple logic, it becomes fairly obvious how to maximize damage. If one potential target steps up its security, rather than trying to circumvent it, they will simply move on to another.

If commercial airliners inside the United States are more difficult to infiltrate, they moved on to arriving international flights.

If those become harder to use as weapons, the terrorists will find a private aircraft to use, as in the case of the Austin IRS tragedy.

If airports become impassable, then moving to public bus lines is the next step.

When security begins to scan ev-

ery entering passenger on a public bus line, terrorists will move to car bombs, as was the case in the Glasgow International Airport attack in 2007.

Once each individual car is scanned before going near large groups of people, terrorists will go into high schools with weapons and explosives, or poison food shipments bound for the country. This could go on and on until we live in a constant state of martial law, or in a world as George Orwell depicted in "1984."

When I say terrorists, I don't necessarily mean foreign-born operatives of al-Qaida. Terrorists can be home-grown, normal people who suddenly get mad at the federal government, average people who are severely depressed and wishing suicide, or they could be mentally unstable citizens wishing harm. But the point is there is no feasible way to secure every threat to the United States.

It is on the onus of the government to try to protect people from such attacks, but where is the line to be drawn? When I have to nearly undress at a security checkpoint, get rid of all liquids and be subject to a full-body pat down by a undertrained, underpaid security agent, my privacy could not be invaded more.

The people have been a far more effective security force. Remember Flight 93 on Sept. 11, the final airliner that did not hit its intended target? It was brought down by the passengers.

Three months later, in December, the shoe bomber, Richard Reid, after being investigated by French police before a flight to Miami was allowed on after a delay. Passengers and flight attendants were able to prevent him from lighting his bomb.

In 2007, a car bombing attempt in London was stopped by an ambulance crew who became suspicious of the car. The Christmas Day attack was prevented, again, by passengers who subdued the attacker before he got his bomb to light. The first, and last, line of defense against terrorism always has been the citizens.

This week, an air marshal detained a Qatari diplomat for suspicions of terrorism threats on a flight from Washington to Denver. Right now, it is thought that he was not trying to light his shoe, but rather sneak a smoke in the lavatory of the plane.

As a program, Tennessee Rep. John Duncan reported that an average of 4.2 arrests have come from a result of the Air Marshal program since 2001. The program has a budget of \$860 million this year and employs 1,000 people. By any stretch of the imagination, this is a colossal waste of money, and according to Duncan, that totals \$200 million per arrest. Certainly, this agency is a proactive defense, so its full effects are unknown, but that's clearly an inefficient system.

Do I think we should immediately abandon the TSA (and its international counterparts) and police ourselves? Obviously not. But we need smarter security that better balances the needs of citizens with security on a reasonable budget.

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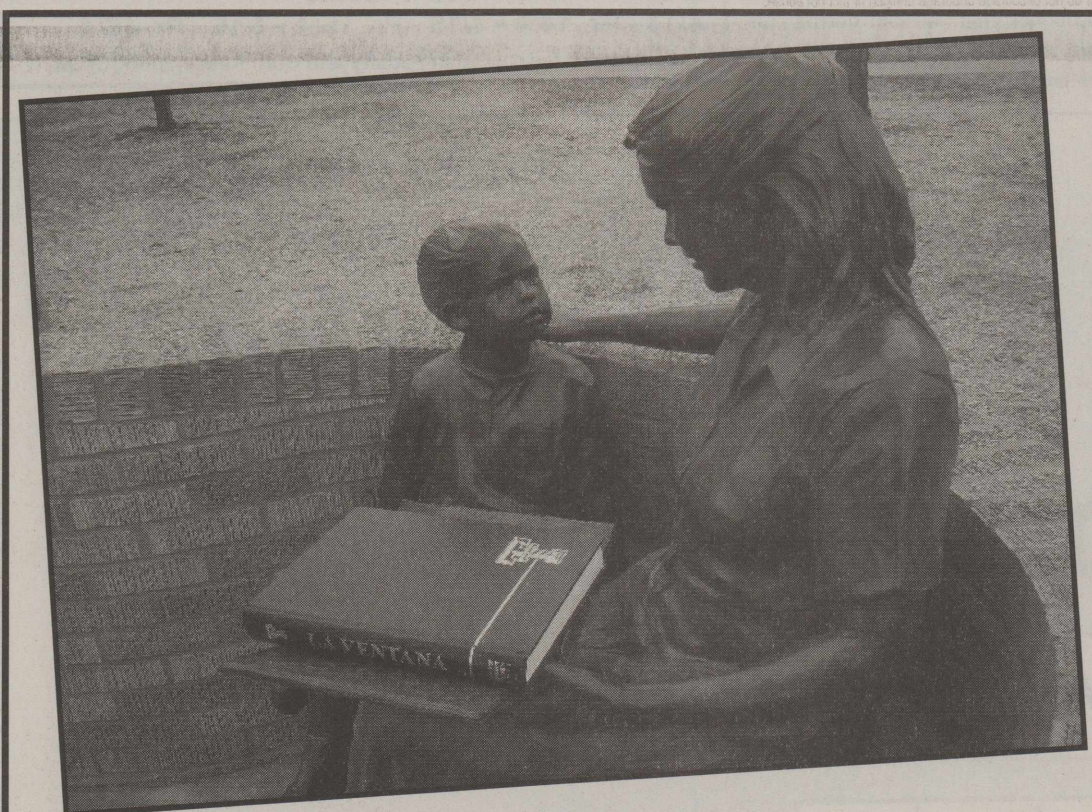
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Organization brings Turkish culture to Lubbock

By **DEVIN SANCHEZ**
STAFF WRITER

Three women sat in a circle on the ground around a large stone table. As Turkish music played in the background, the women kneaded at the dough in their hands. Surrounding them were multiple tables, all selling various items, mostly handmade knickknacks and food.

The second annual Turkish food, arts and crafts fair, which was open to the public, was hosted Saturday by the Raindrop Turkish House and included traditional Turkish food, such as baklavas, dolmas and pastries, and handmade items, such as jewelry and handbags.

Erhan Aslan, a graduate student from Ankara, Turkey, was at the event Saturday. Aslan said events such as these are important because it gives Americans a taste of the Turkish culture.

"These types of events are just good cultural opportunities," he said. "It's not something that happens every day."

Aslan also explained with his type of scholarship, he is required to do cultural exchanging.

"My scholarship is focused on the exchange of cultural information," he

said. "That is why I am involved with groups such as this, and attends events such as these."

Anna Maria, a recent Tech graduate from Michigan, was also in attendance at the fair. Maria said after living in Turkey, she developed a strong admiration for the culture.

"I lived in Turkey, I have students that are Turkish, and at school I was in the Foreign Language department. Therefore, I was always surrounded by this culture," she said. "I guess I always had a large desire to learn as much about the culture as possible."

Elife Dogon, a Ph.D. student also from Turkey, helped organize the event and said the main goal of the Raindrop Turkish House is to provide the Turkish culture to Lubbock.

"The main goal of this event was to show our culture," she said. "We try to provide it to whoever wants to learn about it."

Raindrop has been in Lubbock for three years, and, along with the Turkish Student Association, hosts multiple events throughout the year. Dogon said the events are meant to familiarize people with Turkish customs.



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador
MR. H, A volunteer, prepares a gyros for a financial supporter at the Turkish Food and Craft Fair on Saturday at the Raindrop Turkish House.

"Raindrop holds so many different activities," she said. "We have coffee nights, Turkish cooking classes and Turkish language classes."

The Turkish Student Association and Raindrop will host Turkish Night on Friday at ICC. This event will consist of people of all nationalities, performing poems and

music, and acting out scenes in Turkish. "Turkish night is basically a talent show," Dogon said. "There will be everything from music to role playing. This is another one of our big events."

Turkish Night will be hosted at 6 p.m. Friday and is free of charge.

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'Titans,' 'Date Night' clash at box office

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Steve Carell and Tina Fey are in a box-office clash with the gods of Mount Olympus.

No. 1 bragging rights for the weekend were too close to call Sunday, with 20th Century Fox estimating a \$27.1 million debut for Carell and Fey's comedy "Date Night" and Warner Bros. reporting the action tale

"Clash of the Titans" at \$26.9 million. Rankings will be sorted out Monday when studios release final numbers, which can vary by \$1 million or more for some films compared with Sunday estimates.

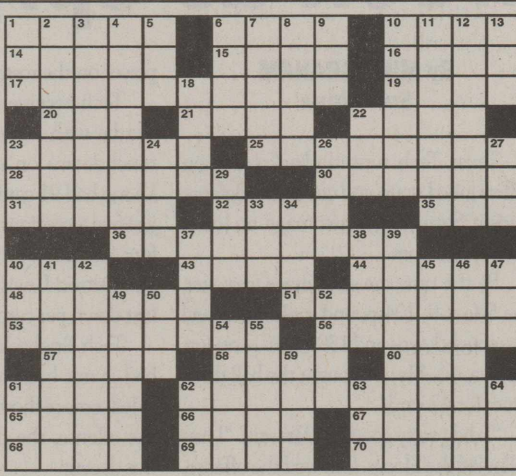
Warner executives said they tracked "Clash of the Titans" as No. 1 for a second straight weekend, with "Date Night" trailing by about \$1 million.

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

ACROSS

- 1 A dog may pull on one during a walk
- 6 Hari
- 10 Engrave with acid
- 14 Naval type
- 15 Medical suffix
- 16 Rise sky-high
- 17 Loose-hanging trousers
- 19 Soaks (up)
- 20 Colled hair style
- 21 Slanted type style: Abbr.
- 22 Buddies
- 23 Most sickly
- 25 1957 hit for Buddy Holly and the Crickets
- 28 Sharpshooter
- 30 Painting props
- 31 Tight as
- 32 Hired thug
- 35 4:00 London social
- 36 Coin collector?
- 40 Not prem., as gas
- 43 Chewy Hershey's candy
- 44 "— my case"
- 48 Beethoven symphony originally dedicated to Napoleon
- 51 Erode gradually, as savings
- 53 Gershwin song set in London, with "A"
- 56 Coast Guard operation
- 57 Do bar duty
- 58 Wander
- 60 Like two peas in
- 61 Cylindrical pasta
- 62 Carriage outings
- 65 Grammy co-winner for the rap song "Back on the Block"
- 66 Theater award
- 67 "— evil ..."
- 68 Super Bowl, e.g.
- 69 Avoid flunking
- 70 Admin. aides



By John Lampkin

- 2 Made possible
- 3 Lean and bony
- 4 Enrolled
- 5 Attention-getter
- 6 Castle protector
- 7 "Easy!"
- 8 Lancelot's was "Sir"
- 9 Barnyard brayer
- 10 Some exam answers
- 11 Handyman's must-have
- 12 Word after time or time-release: Abbr.
- 13 Time measures: Abbr.
- 15 Feel sorry for
- 22 Links org.
- 23 Snake River st.
- 24 Big road rig
- 26 Actress Rowlands
- 27 That, in Tijuana
- 29 "Leggo my —!"
- 33 Popeye's Olive
- 34 Woodwind quintet member
- 37 Alum
- 38 Evening, commercially
- 39 Crunchy cereal brand word
- 40 Foul caller

Friday's Puzzle Solved

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Relay

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"I'm not a scientist and I'll never be a scientist, so this is kind of my way to chip in," Frost said.

Not only is Head a survivor participating in Relay for Life, she is also on the committee that helps set this event up every year. As part of the relay's committee,

Head wants people to know they are here to fight cancer and help donate for research.

"Even a penny can help to fight cancer," Head said. "It means so much just having your presence out here."

For more information on how to sign up for Relay for Life next year or on how to donate to help fight cancer, log on to relayforlife.org/texastechtx.

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CASA

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Rushing, a freshman mechanical engineering major from Houston, placed first in the male 16-to-19 age bracket. He said the race was a lot like others he had been in.

"It's about the same, it's people who just want to run and people who want to support a cause," Rushing said.

As the last walkers crossed the finish line, awards were given for first, second and third place by age and gender, as well as the top three overall men and women.

"Being Greek gives us the opportunity to be out in the community, to help it," Hanna said. "(Working with CASA) is great because we get to be around kids and give them the homes they deserve."

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SPORTS

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Scrimmage sets stage for crucial week as spring game approaches

By **MIKE GRAHAM**
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech running back Harrison Jeffers juked, spun and cut up the defense during Saturday's scrimmage at Jones AT&T Stadium.

By the time the scrimmage was over, the 5-foot-9, 204-pound sophomore had two touchdowns and 139 yards — on just nine carries. He also caught the ball three times for 47 yards.

"I did pretty good," Jeffers said. "I just followed the blocks, followed the offense, and the receivers made good blocks and I made good cuts."

Jeffers and the rest of the running backs took snaps from the offset I formation — something Tech rarely used during the Mike Leach era.

Aaron Crawford had a Jeffers-like run and finished the day as the second leading running back with 68 yards on 15 carries and a reception for 22 yards.

But while offensive coordinator Neal Brown was pleased with Jeffers' effort, he said there is always room for improvement.

"He had one play where he ran the wrong route that would have been a touchdown had he run the right route," Brown said. "So he's coming along. Most of his big plays are coming against (the second string defense), but toward the end of the scrimmage he had a couple of big plays against the ones."

Jeffers was not the only offensive

player on the roster that impressed.

Tech receiver Alex Torres finished the day with 116 yards receiving and four touchdowns on eight receptions. Lyle Leong had 91 yards and a touchdown on just five receptions, Tramain Swindall had four catches for 90 yards and a touchdown and Detron Lewis averaged more than a first down per catch.

Tech linebacker Brian Duncan said it had not been for missed tackles that aided some of those big performances from the offense, the defensive performance was decent.

"Most definitely we need to improve on tackling," he said. "That's the worst tackling I've ever seen. But overall, we were probably about 90 percent today."

The scrimmage precedes a final week of practice and the Red-Black Spring Game on Saturday.

Tech quarterbacks Taylor Potts and Steven Sheffield — one of which most likely will be the starter — did not participate because of injuries. Both players are coming off surgeries. Potts has an injured right hand and Sheffield has issues with his left foot.

But both attended the scrimmage Saturday and Potts still attended practice this week. Sheffield sat in a motorized cart that is usually used to carry injured players off the field and was about 20 yards behind offense on any given play. Potts followed the offensive coaches around the sideline.

With Potts and Sheffield out, quar-

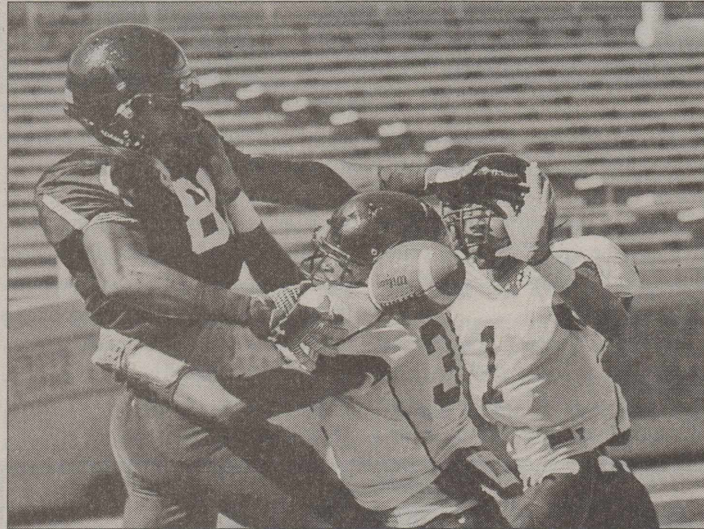


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EUGENE NEBOH AND TERRANCE BULLITT defend a pass to **GARRICK MCCRAY** during Texas Tech's scrimmage Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

terbacks Seth Doege and Jacob Karam got all of the reps during the scrimmage. Doege completed 29-of-52 passes for 301 yards and Karam completed 11-of-33 passes for 184 yards. Both threw for five touchdowns.

"Every spring you're going to get more comfortable, more confident," Doege said. "Coach Brown did a really good job coaching me up and we're learning a lot from him."

Tech coach Tommy Tuberville said he was pleased with Saturday's scrimmage, but his players still aren't conditioned to play the Big 12 Conference teams

they face in the fall and they won't be in good enough condition after the spring game.

"We're still a ways away," he said. "A good two or three months of conditioning with the strength coaches. You know, we've got to do a lot of strength in the lower body, that's why we're having so many leg problems right now."

"We're short on both sides of the offensive and defensive lines. But conditioning is a factor but it won't be a factor once we get into August."

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Tech track nabs 17 titles

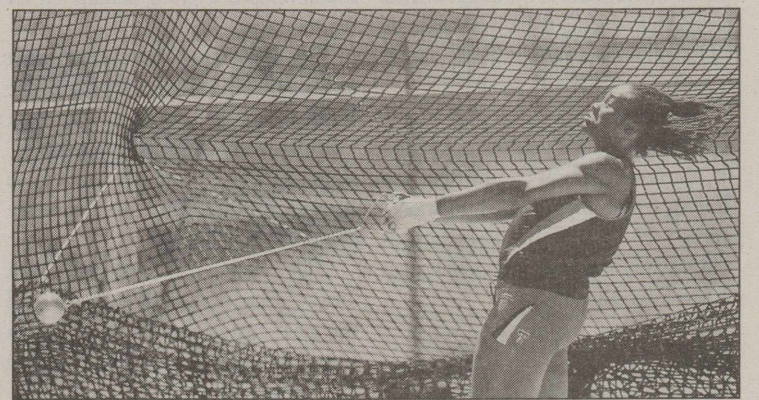


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OZIE OKOLIE PARTICIPATES in the hammer throw in the Texas Tech Invitational on Saturday at the Terry and Linda Fuller Track and Field Complex.

By **JOSE RODRIGUEZ**
STAFF WRITER

Seventeen titles sounds nice to Ozie Okolie, but it doesn't mean every performance at the Texas Tech Invitational this weekend was flawless.

"I think I could've improved more on the hammer," said Okolie, who took first place in the women's hammer throw event. "I didn't have a good hammer performance. I just think I had a slow start getting into the groove of things. I wasn't really happy, but next week is a different week and I'm going to get out there and do it."

Whether there is room for improvement or not, Tech's performance is hard to deny.

Okolie also claimed first place in women's discus with a throw of 159 feet, 10 inches to cap off a successful day. Okolie said it's her sense of optimism that motivates her to go out and do well.

"I expect to win them all," she said. "I just want to be the best. I need to be the best out in the field, and I'm going to strive to the best out in the field. Hopefully with that attitude, I'll go out there and do what I need to do."

The most impressive performance on the women's side probably came from freshman Shade Weygandt, who set a school record at the Terry and Linda Fuller Complex with a jump of 14 feet, 1.25 inches. That mark is the third best in the country at this point during the outdoor season.

Tech's Tori Smith, Katie Grimes and Kelsey Lloyd finished first, second and third, respectively, in the women's 110-meter hurdles. Caroline and Winrose Karunde also finished atop their event, the women's 1500-meter race, finishing first and second, respectively.

Terra Evans came away with two titles, winning both the women's 100-meter and 200-meter races.

Saturday was the first chance for the men to compete since moving up in the national rankings to No. 4 last week.

Julian Wruck, who has been key for the Red Raiders so far this season, finished in third place in men's discus with a throw of 188 feet, 8 inches. Brian Porter's jump of 16'-6.75" in the men's pole vault helped complete Tech's sweep of the men's and women's pole vault events.

The highlights for the men, however, probably occurred in running events.

Senior Jansen Hyde took first place in the men's 110-meter hurdles with a time of 13.96 seconds. Tech's Jamele Mason and Brandon Tucker finished second and third.

But Hyde didn't create the same success in the 400M hurdles where teammate Mason ran a 50.29 in the 400-meter hurdles — one of the top five times in the country.

Showings like that make it easy to see why Hyde said his best preparation comes from his own teammates.

"It's good just to have that atmospheric practice," he said. "When we do go to big meets, we're prepared for whatever competition we do or may face."

Other winners for the men include Markus Henderson in the 100-meter race with a time of 10.58, along with Tech's 4X400-meter relay team of Zach Plinario, Bryce Brown, Latoy Williams and Mason, who ran a time of 3:08.71.

Saturday was one more step toward the end of the season, with the Penn Relays and Big 12 Outdoor Championships looming.

But Hyde and his teammates are taking things day-by-day.

"We really just want to take it one step at a time — focus on winning a Big 12 outdoor championship," he said. "Hopefully contend for a national championship."

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Tech men's tennis beats Nebraska, loses to Texas A&M

By **JOSHUA KOCH**
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The Texas Tech men's tennis team split its final home matches of the season, but the squad didn't go down in its second match without a fight.

No. 14 Tech (18-3, 1-2 Big 12) defeated No. 38 Nebraska (13-9, 1-3) 4-3 then fell to No. 12 Texas A&M (20-4, 5-0) 4-3 this weekend.

"I'm proud of my guys. These are freshmen and sophomores doing everything they can," Tech coach Tim Siegel said. "I'm very proud of the way we played and the way we fought we just came up a little short."

Against Nebraska in doubles play, sophomores Raony Carvalho and Rafael Garcia defeated David Bendheim and Calin Paar 8-6 to clinch the doubles point and the early advantage. Tech eventually swept the doubles matches to claim the point, snapping its two-match drought without winning doubles.

The Red Raiders began singles play by dropping the No. 4 and No. 2 spots in straight-sets to give the Cornhuskers the 2-1 lead. But Tech fought back in the No. 3 spot as Garcia defeated Francois Van Impe in straight-sets, 6-4, 6-4, to tie the match at two apiece.

After falling at the No. 5 spot it

came down to freshman Raphael Pfister and Carvalho to win the match for Tech. Pfister defeated Eric Sock, 7-6 (10-8), 6-1, then Carvalho sealed the deal with his three-set victory against Bendheim 6-1, 5-7, 6-3.

"This win was really important," Carvalho said Friday. "Nebraska is a really tough team, and I think everyone tried really hard. Everyone was fighting all the time."

Tech came out strong by winning the doubles point against A&M.

The No. 1 doubles match was huge as it matched Tech's No. 20 ranked pair Carvalho and Garcia against A&M's No. 5 ranked pair Austin Krajicek and

Jeff Dadamo. After a back and forth match, the Red Raiders finally took the lead and held on to win 8-6 and clinch the doubles point.

The doubles didn't really help in the end as Tech came out in singles and dropped four singles consecutive matches in straight-sets to give A&M the victory.

"I think we keep our heads high," Garcia said. "We're doing well, we keep doing well — nothing's lost. We just fighting to get higher in the rankings, and I definitely believe in my team that we can keep getting higher."

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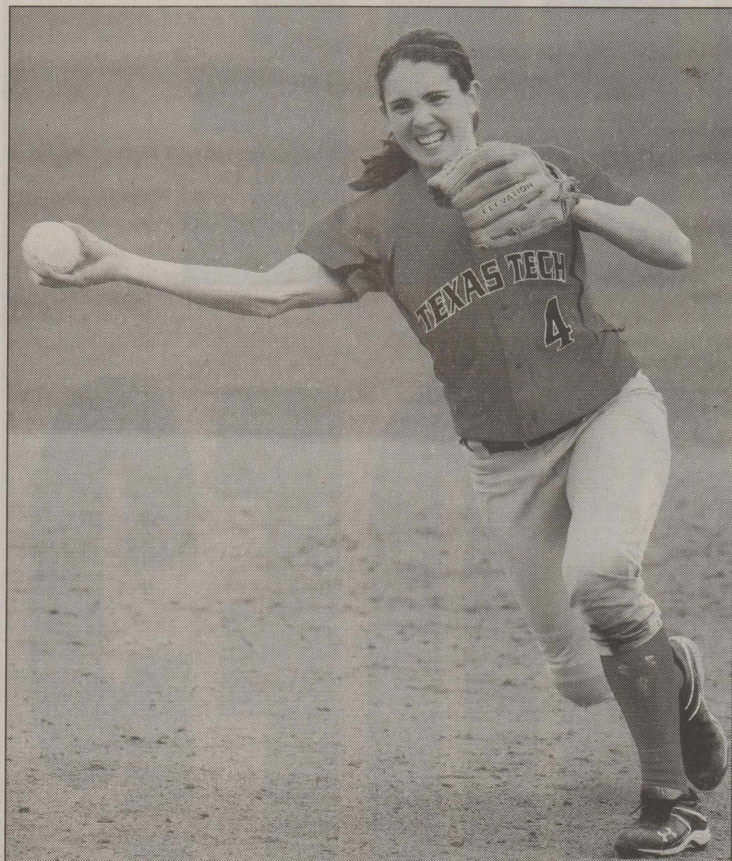


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TEXAS TECH'S LEAH LEGLER puts out a Nebraska player at first during the Red Raiders' 2-0 loss to the Cornhuskers on Sunday at Rocky Johnson Field. The Red Raiders fell to 2-5 in Big 12 Conference play. Tech has a double-header against No. 13 Oklahoma on Thursday.

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Texas Tech softball dropped a pair of two-run decisions against visiting Nebraska this weekend, combining for only one run on four hits during the games.

The Red Raiders (30-9, 2-5 in Big 12 Conference play) have dropped five of their last six games, scoring only four runs during the stretch.

Despite the low offensive output, Tech coach Shannon Hays was quick to give credit to Nebraska and their pitching duo of Robin Mackin and Ashley Hagemann.

"They did a great job of pitching against us and we can't string anything together right now," he said. "They (strung) together some hits and they pitched very well and outplayed us this weekend. And that's what happens, you get swept."

During the first game, the Red Raiders appeared to be cruising against the Huskers despite the lack of run support and they held a slim 1-0 lead heading into the sixth.

But with two outs, Nebraska (24-17, 3-3) right fielder Brooke Thomason evened the game with a solo home run just over the left-center wall.

After allowing a lead-off single in the

top of the seventh, senior pitcher Ashly Jacobs was pulled in favor of freshman Ashley Brokesoulder to try and put Nebraska down.

But the Huskers seemed to be clicking at the right time and with the bases loaded, Ashley Guile hit a two-run RBI single to give the Huskers all the run support they would need, taking the game 3-1.

Tech shortstop Leah Legler recorded the only hit for the Red Raiders, an RBI single in the third inning. She said Tech's recent run output is not going to be enough to win games in the Big 12.

"You know, we're just not getting timely hits," Legler said. "Usually we're seeing the pitchers pretty well but just not making it count when it matters most. And so that's obviously our biggest problem right now."

The Red Raiders got more hits in the next game, but were shut out for the third time in eight days.

Tech third baseman Emily Bledsoe entered Sunday's game batting .400 to lead the team, but was held without a hit for the third consecutive game.

"It's not good enough," she said about the team's offensive output. "It's definitely

not good enough. It's very disappointing. We're hitting it but just right to people and it's so frustrating."

Tech has a double-header against No. 13 Oklahoma on Thursday in Norman, Okla. Hays said he does not believe his team will be pressing for a win despite dropping two against unranked Nebraska.

"We're not expected to go out and win at Oklahoma and our girls know that," he said. "Hopefully they'll go play loose and let it all hang out and play hard and go play to win."

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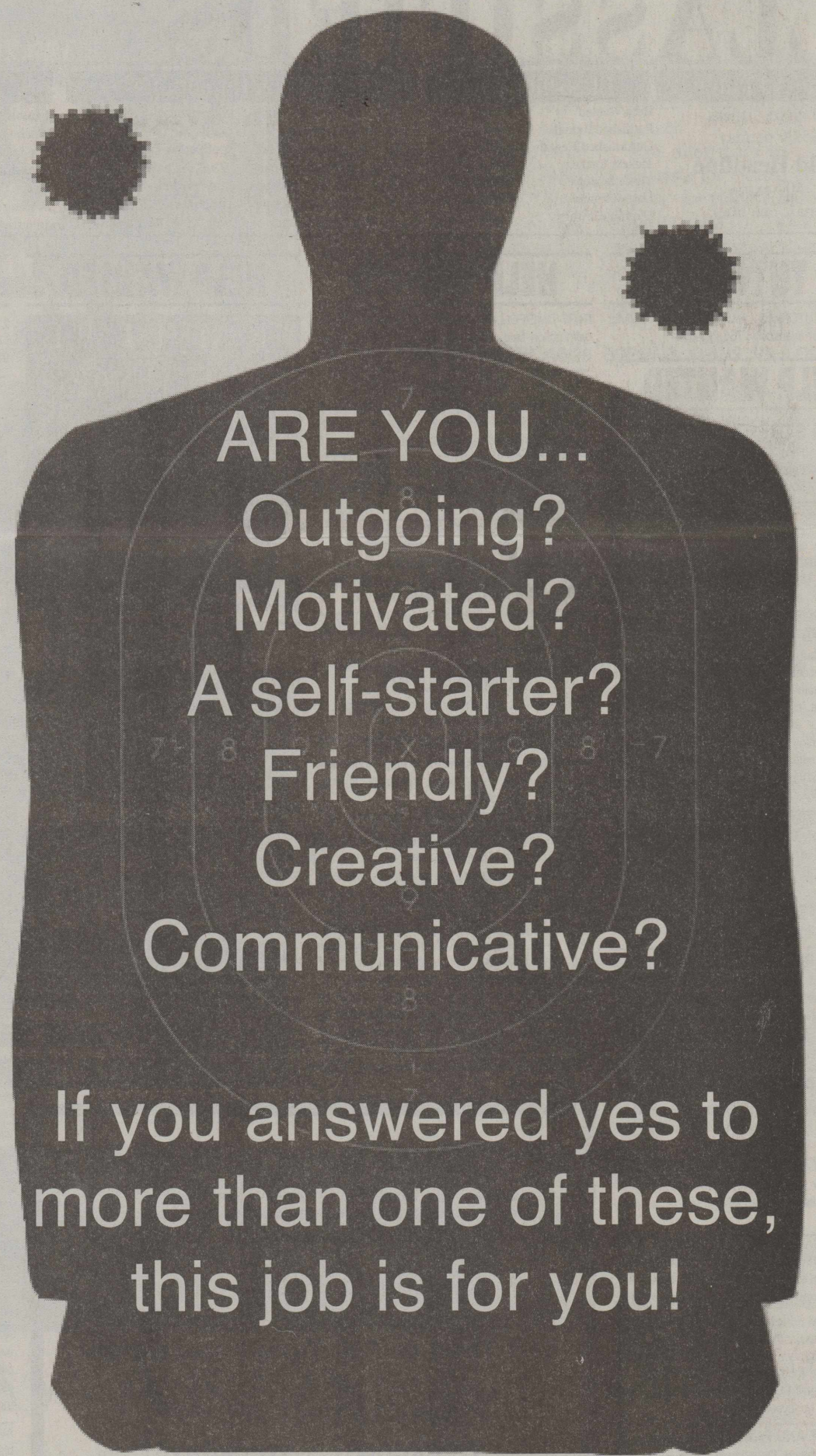
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