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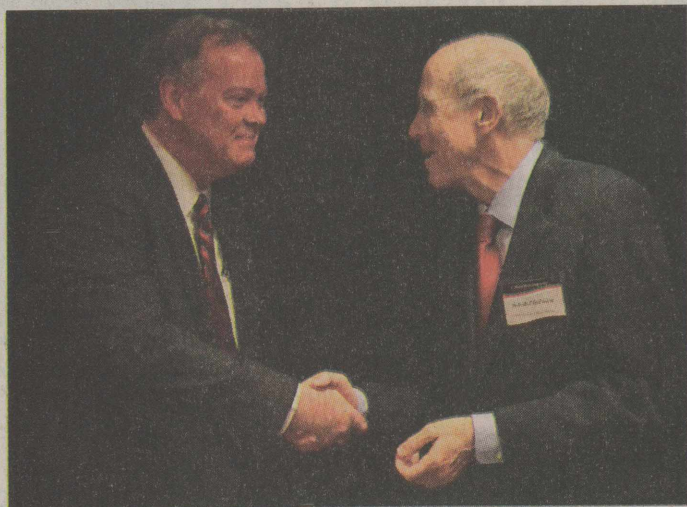


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DAN BURNS, ASSOCIATE director of the United Spirit Arena, accepts the Chancellor's Award of Excellence from Chancellor Kent Hance at the 2010 Quality Service Awards.

By RALSTON ROLLO
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Quality Service and Professional Development Department hosted the 2010 Quality Service Awards on Monday in the United Spirit Arena.

Tech Chancellor Kent Hance and Provost Robert Smith attended the ceremony and were on stage to congratulate award recipients.

Hance said the Quality Service Awards, which for 14 years have recognized "outstanding service," serve the purpose of heightening the morale of the entire Tech staff.

Kerry Billingsley, managing director of Quality Service and Professional Development, said the ceremony is intended to recognize and reward individual and team efforts by supporting Tech's SERVICEplus philosophy — Tech's full-time dedication to providing quality service

in a caring and friendly environment.

"Over the years, Texas Tech has become known for its friendliness and customer service," she said.

To be nominated for an award, she said, an individual must meet certain employment qualifications at Tech.

If those qualifications are met, Billingsley said, a committee — called the Selection Committee — judges all nominees based on two criteria: Customer Focus and Going the Extra Mile.

The top-ranked nominee, she said, is usually awarded the Chancellor's Award of Excellence.

Dan Burns, associate director of the United Spirit Arena, received the award this year and said he was proud to accept it on behalf of the entire staff of the United Spirit Arena.

"I'm just representing a group of people who

work hard and are good at what they do," he said. "I am happy to accept this award on their behalf and on my own."

Burns said the existence of an initiative such as SERVICEplus at an institution such as Tech is purely beneficial to the institution, its employees and its students.

"It makes a large university feel a little bit smaller," he said. "We're trying to make students feel at home."

Although the ceremony is hosted each year by Quality Service and Professional Development, Billingsley said much credit for the program's success is due to volunteers who help organize the ceremony each year.

"A lot of them are past recipients (of awards)," Billingsley said. "They try to make each year's ceremony better than the one before."

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Tech to impound illegally parked bicycles

By KATHERINE ROWE
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Bicycle Coordinating Committee will begin to impound bicycles illegally parked on campus as the semester draws to a close.

Craig Cotton, supervisor of Transportation Demand, said in the past the department has not done much with the bicycles that are illegally parked. Now that bikes on campus are of interest to students, a rule has been implemented so bicycles not chained to a rack will be cut loose, he said.

"We formed the Bicycle Coordinating Committee to have a central decision-making group on what to do with bikes on campus," Cotton said. "We have a couple

of students on the committee, SGA, university police, faculty and staff members on the committee, and they have all come up with a new bike rack design to where you don't have to pick your bike up and put it over the rack like you presently do."

The first 25 units of the new bicycle rack design, designed by Cotton and the Grounds Maintenance Department, are in production, Cotton said.

Dee Jay Wilde, a senior agricultural and applied economics major from Wall, said the committee comes together to decide what the campus bicycle plan should be, including what priorities to put first with the funding available.

"Anything we do, we want to make it safe for students," said Wilde, a member of the committee. "Next come bike racks

and shared bike paths."

Cotton said students will be fined a \$40 impound fee and a \$10 ticket that goes along with cutting the bikes off; those rules always have been in place but haven't been enforced.

The impounding of bicycles illegally parked will better serve visually disabled students on campus, Cotton said.

"(The Americans with Disabilities Act) requires all buildings to allow access to any disabled person," he said. "There is the risk of being in compliance with ADA laws."

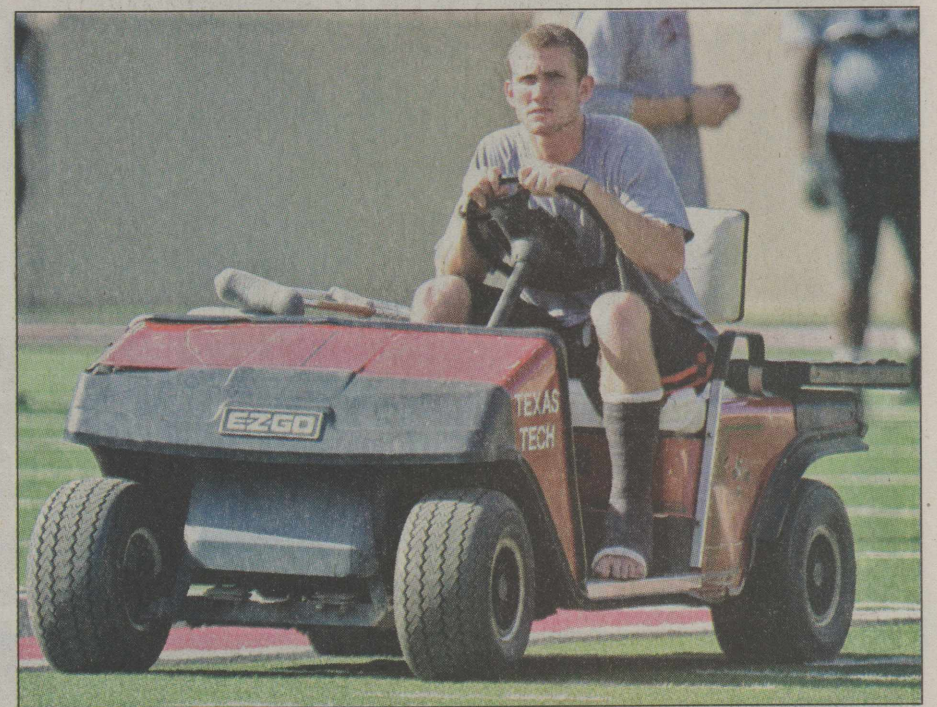
In addition to helping disabled students, the enforcing bicycle parking rules helps the grounds department as well.

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PHOTO BY SAM GRENAIER/The Daily Toreador
BICYCLE RACKS SUCH as the one located on the south side of Gordon/Bledsoe Residence Hall will be replaced with newer ones that better adapt to bicycle frames. Bicycles not chained to a bicycle rack also will be cut from where they are chained.

QUARTERBACK QUANDARY



PHOTOS BY SAM GRENAIER/The Daily Toreador

ABOVE: INJURED QUARTERBACK Taylor Potts attended practice Monday wearing a cast supporting his right index and middle finger. Below: Injured quarterback Steven Sheffield was spotted at practice Monday at Jones AT&T Stadium sporting a cart, crutches and a cast.

Ukraine to give up nuke material; boost for summit

By ROBERT BURNS
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama optimistically opened a 47-nation nuclear summit Monday, boosted by Ukraine's announcement that it will give up its weapons-grade uranium. More sobering: The White House counterterrorism chief warned that al-Qaida is vigorously pursuing ingredients and expertise for a bomb.

At the same time, Obama and Chinese President Hu Jintao sought agreement on potential sanctions to discourage Iran's efforts to come up with its own nuclear weapon.

Ukraine's decision dovetailed with Obama's goal of securing all vulnerable nuclear materials

worldwide within four years — an objective that the White House hopes will be endorsed by all summit countries at a closing session Tuesday, even if the means to accomplish it are unclear. The fear is that terrorists or a nation other than the major nuclear powers could obtain crucial ingredients and inflict horrendous damage.

Before formally opening the summit with a reception and working dinner, Obama held a series of one-on-one meetings with leaders from China, Jordan, Ukraine, Armenia and Malaysia. Presidential aides billed the summit as the largest gathering of world leaders hosted by an American president since the 1945 conference in San Francisco that founded the United Nations.

In a brief exchange with reporters at the White House, Obama said of the summit: "It's impressive. I think it's an indication of how deeply concerned everybody should be with the possibilities of nuclear traffic, and I think at the end of this we're going to see some very specific, concrete actions that each nation is taking that will make the world a little bit safer."

The talks are a centerpiece of Obama's broader agenda for ridding the world of nuclear weapons, a long-term process that he says should include gradual disarmament by the nuclear powers, stronger steps to head off a nuclear arms race and more urgent action to lock down tons of plutonium and highly enriched uranium that are the key building blocks of atomic weapons.

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4 arrested in El Paso murder-for-hire plot

EL PASO (AP) — Four El Paso men are in jail and two others are wanted in an alleged murder-for-hire plot to kill two women.

El Paso Police Detective Mike Baranyay said Monday that 43-year-old Jose Juan Sandoval hired five men, ranging in age from 18 to 22, to kill the women. Baranyay says Sandoval "was not happy with the status of the rela-

tionship" with the two women.

Sandoval was arrested Friday on charges of criminal solicitation of murder and obstruction. Also arrested Friday on various charges related to the alleged plot were 18-year-old Gabriel Martin, 19-year-old Christian Renovato and 22-year-old Vicente Lopez. All four are jailed at the El Paso County jail.

NATION

Judge Sidney Thomas on Supreme Court list

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama's candidates for the Supreme Court include a new name, federal appeals court Judge Sidney Thomas of Montana, and at least six others who were contenders when Obama chose his first high court nominee last year, The Associated Press has learned.

Among the others under consideration are former Georgia Chief Justice Leah Ward Sears, federal appeals court judges Diane Wood and Merrick Garland, Solicitor General Elena Kagan, Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm and Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano.

The president is seriously reviewing about 10 people as a potential nominee to replace Justice John Paul Stevens, who is retiring this summer.

Seven of those names are now confirmed to the AP by the administration.

A senior administration official said the president's consideration is not just centered on the three people receiving the most public attention: Wood, Kagan and Garland. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because no announcements have been made about the people Obama is considering.

WORLD

Landslide derails train in northern Italy, 9 dead

ROME (AP) — A mass of mud and water slammed into a small commuter train traveling in the Italian Alps Monday, knocking the front car into a ditch and killing nine people aboard, officials said.

A Bolzano province official, Francesca De Carlini, said the two-car train, filled with local commuters and students, was passing by at the exact moment that a large irrigation pipe on higher elevation burst.

"A mass of mud and water knocked down the first car into the ditch," she said. "All of the dead were in the first car, which was pulled down into the ditch," De Carlini said by telephone.

She discounted earlier media re-

ports of the possibility of three missing, saying the death toll was definitive at nine and that all bodies had been identified. There were also 28 injured, including seven hospitalized in serious condition, De Carlini said.

A geologist was examining the terrain, near the border with Austria, but it was not clear why the pipe burst, she said. A magistrate has begun an investigation into the cause, but the rupture didn't appear to be due to cold weather.

De Carlini said the accident occurred shortly after 9 a.m. and that help arrived within a few minutes. Helicopters, ambulances and firefighters rushed to the scene to rescue survivors.

Correction

In Monday's issue of *The Daily Treador*, the photo caption in the article "HSC students help Lubbockites with health fair" should have stated that third-year medical student Fahmi

Farah tested second-year medical student Mallika Doss for cholesterol and blood sugar levels Saturday during the Community Health Fair. *The DT* regrets the error.

DNA DETECTION

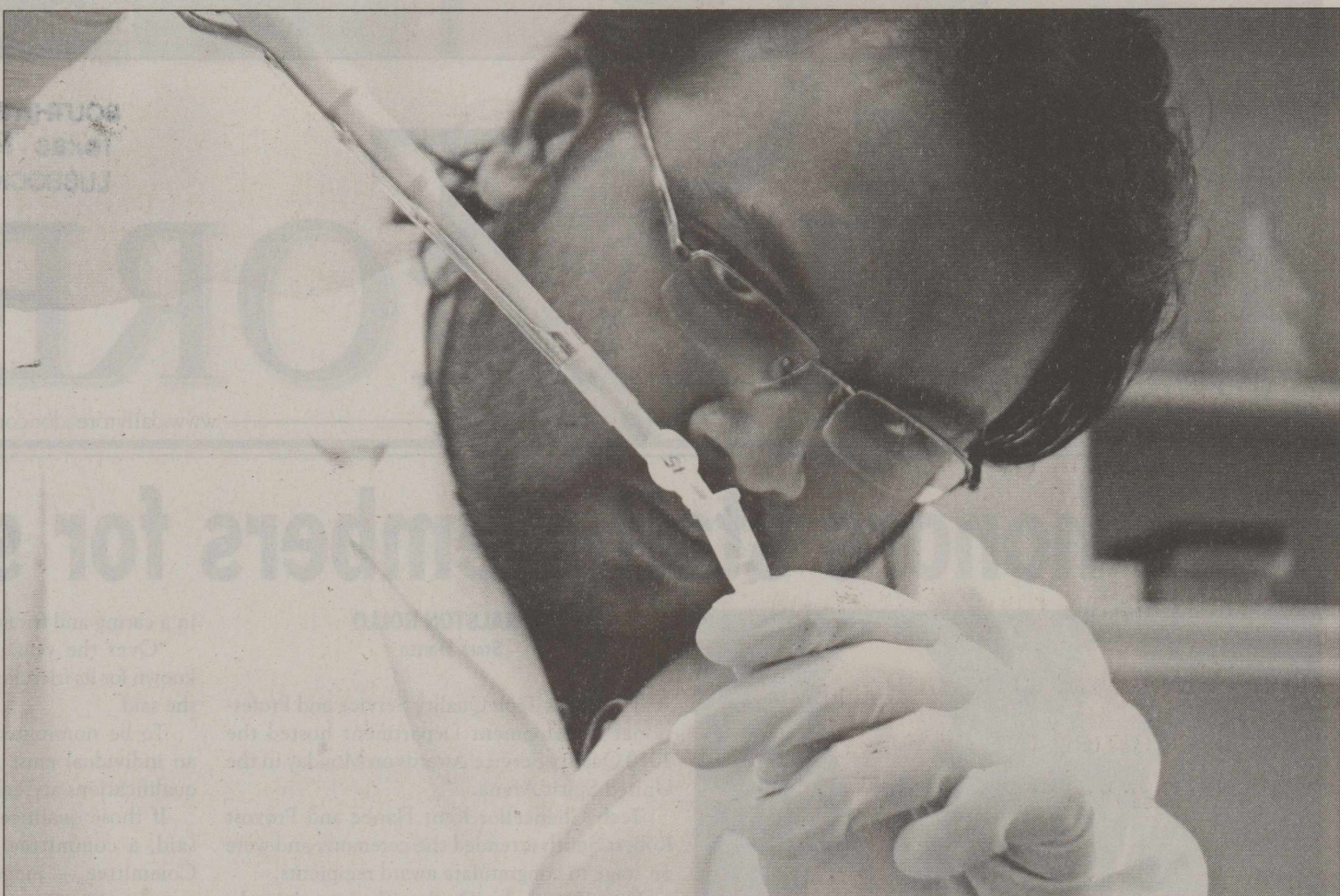


PHOTO BY RIANNON ROWLEY/*The Daily Treador*
FAISAL ALI ANWARALI Khan, a second year Ph.D. student in zoology from Malaysia, does a DNA extraction of bats on Monday in the Biology building.

Oklahoma tea parties and lawmakers envision militia

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Frustrated by recent political setbacks, tea party leaders and some conservative members of the Oklahoma Legislature say they would like to create a new volunteer militia to help defend against what they believe are improper federal infringements on state sovereignty.

Tea party movement leaders say they've discussed the idea with several supportive lawmakers and hope to get legislation next year to recognize a new volunteer force. They say the unit would not resemble militia groups that have been raided for allegedly plotting attacks on law enforcement officers.

"Is it scary? It sure is," said tea party leader Al Gerhart of Oklahoma City, who heads an umbrella group of

tea party factions called the Oklahoma Constitutional Alliance. "But when do the states stop rolling over for the federal government?"

Thus far, the discussions have been exploratory. Even the proponents say they don't know how an armed force would be organized nor how a state-based militia could block federal mandates. Critics also asserted that the force could inflame extremism, and that the National Guard already provides for the state's military needs.

"Have they heard of the Oklahoma City bombing?" said Joseph Thai, a constitutional law professor at the University of Oklahoma. The state observes the 15th anniversary of the anti-government attack on Monday. Such actions could "throw fuel in the fire of radicals," he said.

"But when do the states stop rolling over for the federal government?"

AL GERHART
TEA PARTY LEADER
OKLAHOMA CITY

Extension of jobless benefits clears legislative roadblocks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats in the Senate won an initial skirmish Monday to restore unemployment benefits to hundreds of thousands of jobless people despite Republican criticism that it would add \$9 billion to the nation's debt.

The 60-34 vote killed a GOP filibuster against debating the measure, which would extend jobless benefits through May 5 along with short-term extensions of several other lapsed programs.

Senators in both parties blamed each other for allowing the programs to lapse last week, leaving several hundred thousand people who have been out of work for more

than six months without federally financed benefits averaging \$335 a week.

Republicans blocked the measure last month. Monday's vote buys time while House-Senate talks continue on a far larger measure to extend them through the end of the year.

At issue is unemployment compensation for more than 400,000 people whose benefits lapsed but who would have been eligible to reapply for additional weeks of compensation if the program's authority had not ended on April 5. More than 5 million people continue to receive the extended benefits, but 200,000 people each week stand to lose them if the impasse continues.

Awards

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Otto Ratheal, assistant managing director of Quality Service and Professional Development, said a total of 85 nominations were received for this year's Quality Service Awards.

A total of 21 awards were given, including a record of three awards to teams, Billingsley said.

Smith said the Quality Service Awards recognized and honored the efforts of individuals and teams which help to make Tech a prominent and successful institution.

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lieving in what you do can bring you to the level of service we have honored here," he said.

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Bikes

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"Our grounds department spends a ton of money every year taking care of the trees, and when you tie a bike to one, especially if you do it every day, it damages the tree," Cotton said. "As far as poles and non-disability handrails, they spend a ton of money repainting those every year. If bikes are tied to them often, grounds has to repaint them more frequently."

The ability to hold more bikes was appealing as well.

"We don't want to cut off the bikes, and that is why we are trying to get the word out. For us to get students to use the bike racks, we are going to start enforcing it," Cotton said. "Hopefully, we will be able to get the word out and students will voluntarily take their bikes and put them on the racks instead of the rails and trees."

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Editorial, The Dallas Morning News, 11/9/09

Houston Chronicle

“Several of Texas Governor Rick Perry’s appointees to state university regent boards have already learned the hard way that crossing him can be an administrative death sentence. Playing footsie with Perry’s primary opponent, Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, cost several Texas Tech regents their positions.”

Editorial, Houston Chronicle, 10/7/09

The Dallas Morning News

“Now the governor’s [Perry] messing with three of Texas’ university systems. What does the Republican think our colleges are, his playground?”

Editorial, The Dallas Morning News, 9/13/09

Houston Chronicle

“Right now both universities and their students are victims of state government’s misplaced spending priorities. Until lawmakers increase higher-education funding, continuing tuition raises will restrict access to our institutions of higher learning at a time when our economy demands a highly educated work force.”

Editorial, Houston Chronicle, 3/4/10

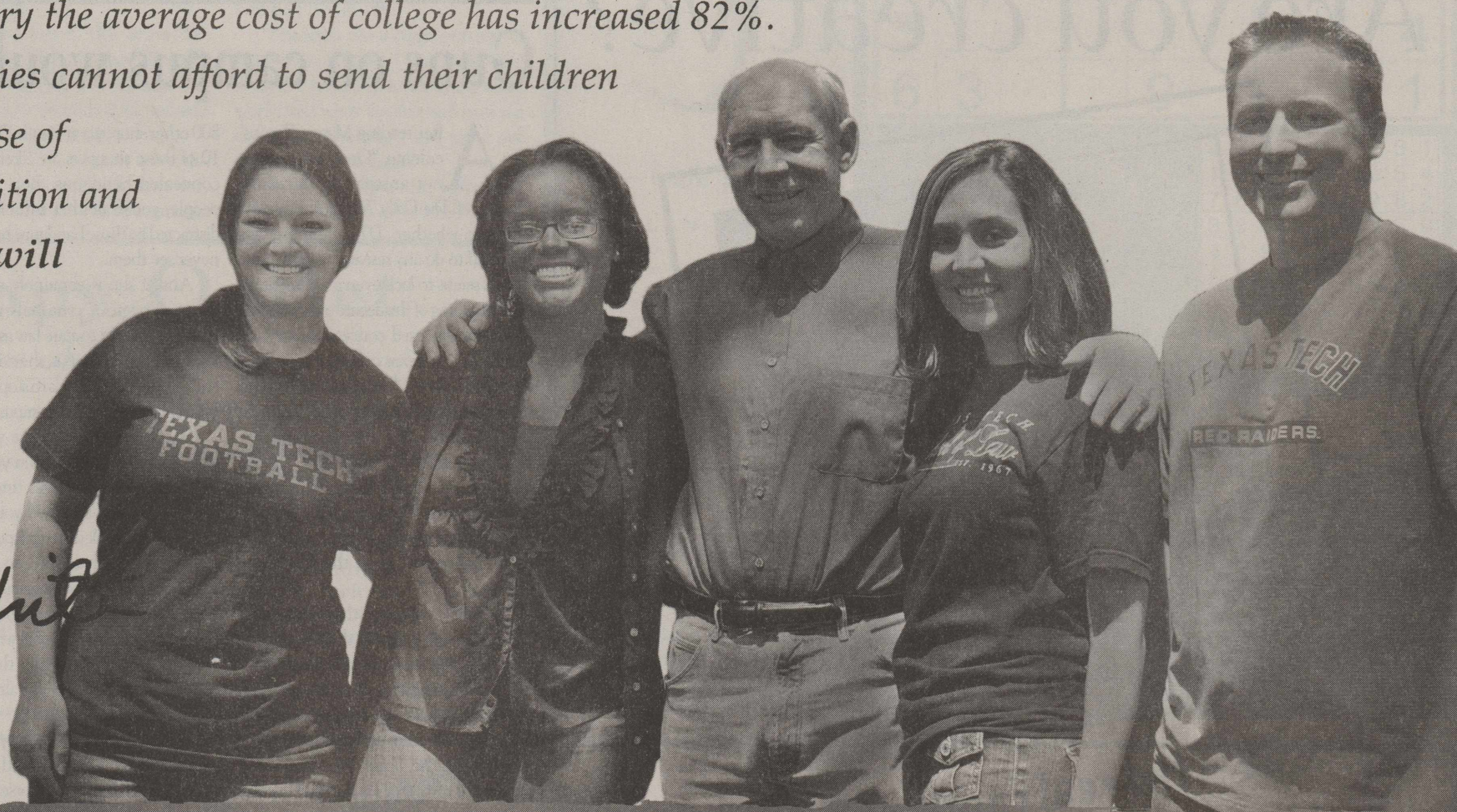


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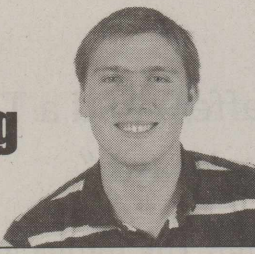
'Green' light bulb requirement ridiculous

Lately, I have been trying to work on my house. I am no handy-man, but I at least try to stumble into the Home Depot or Lowe's and pretend to know what I am talking about. I leave it to the workers to translate my gibberish about studs and nails into the construction worker's vernacular.

On one of these trips, I found myself looking at lights. For some reason, I have noticed that we go through light bulbs quicker than square dance partners. I found the particular bulb that I needed, the one that had burned out after nine months, and saw something ridiculous. Now, mind you, these bulbs are those new "green" bulbs that we must begin using as of 2014, according to Congress. I saw these bulbs were guaranteed to last for 10 years and use less considerably less electricity.

How completely ridiculous. I

Roy Long



go through these bulbs every few months, and my wife is adamant about making sure all the lights in the house are off when they can be. Yet somehow we are being forced to buy these products (through the elimination of market competition) with the guarantee they will be this efficient. This is another case of fuzzy Washington math, the kind of government "misunderestimation" that causes the economy to drag.

Despite my annoyance, I bought the bulbs. Sure enough, they have burnt out. Now, the question that comes to mind is not, "Is this more

efficient for the environment?" Quite honestly, I do not care too much about a light bulb's "green factor." The real question is quite simply, "Where does the government find the authority to force us to buy these particular light bulbs after 2014?"

Congress has taken the task upon itself to regulate the day-to-day affairs of human life in this country. Does the Constitution give Congress this power? I am not aware of any clause in the Constitution giving the power of the regulation of light bulbs to Congress. Yet, here I was, standing in front of green bulbs and being forced to buy one.

Some argue that the Constitution is a living document, therefore they can twist any statement in the Constitution to mean whatever they want it to mean. "Yes, the

clause on the right to bear arms clearly was meant to imply that every car in America has to be insured."

Well, that may be an extreme example, but the idea basically states that if the Constitution says something, it can mean a million different other things.



The Founding Fathers were brilliant, but they also were practical men. If the Constitution needs changing, it would have been written in a way so that it can be changed. Oh yes, it was written that way. We have the right to approve amendments to change the Constitution, but we do not have the right to interpret the

wording of the Constitution into anything else except what it says.

"Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" does not mean we have the right to energy-efficient light bulbs, health care or even that handy check from the government to fund your cable television. "Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" means what it says. It means the government cannot take away your life, your rights listed in the Bill of Rights, your right to own property or your right to opportunities for self-advancement.

However, according to those rules, if a particular action does not infringe upon the rights of others, it is not contrary to the Constitution.

Believe it or not, the government does not owe us much. We are not even "oppressed" by the government, despite what many liberal politicians may tell you. The government is in place only to

guarantee opportunities are available. The Constitution does not, as President Barack Obama has noted with disappointment, include a means to redistribute wealth. Therefore, those laws which redistribute wealth in one way or another, are unconstitutional.

We should all recognize the correct role of government. Government is not the all-powerful Super Nanny, present to protect all Americans from any misfortune that could ever occur. Government is present to give us the opportunity to improve our own situation. In fact, government is there to ensure that I do not have to buy light bulbs just because a radical "green" movement demands that it will prevent Doomsday.

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Texting hurts physical, mental relations with other people

I text at a level most people would find ridiculous. I text so much, I walk right into parked SUVs. If I can get away with it, I might even text during class. I know I am not the only one, either; texting is simply addicting.

It is important not to text while driving, particularly where there is a myriad of pedestrians who love jaywalking. The federal government already bans truckers and bus drivers from driving and texting at the same time. Of course, that begs the question: Should an everyday car ride have the same criminal implications?

We already know how much

Colleen Gartner



of a distraction it can be and how much it can increase our risk of an accident. According to a 1,200-person survey released in 2007 by Nationwide Mutual Insurance, 73 percent of drivers talk on cell phones.

In addition, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety

Administration, distracted drivers are a part of 80 percent of the accidents that occur in the United States.

In a more recent 2009 study by the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute, texting while driving increases the risk of an accident by 23 times. Surprisingly, it found that talking on a cell phone increases the risk by a mere 1.3 times.

Quite frankly, these statistics scare me, and they should concern you too.

Sure, we all understand the need to communicate. Communication makes our world go round. I prefer to text rather than call. I'm not

avoiding anyone, but it is like a highly accessible message machine. I don't have to "leave my name and number after the beep." I can just say what I need to say and get on with my life.

However, the quick, conciseness of texting has a downside: It is dry. There is no personal communication. It takes the essence of humanity out of the picture. Miscommunication is rampant, and the turnaround time on correction varies solely on how often that person checks their phone.

It's so easy to become impatient with technology, too. We bang on computers, slam printers

and puncture keyboards. It is no wonder we have to replace these electronics so often.

Like murdering a printer (or two, in a field with a baseball bat to some energetic rap music), texting can also be expensive. This forces many families to adopt an unlimited plan just for one member of the family. Should I feel guilty I was that person who needed more texts per month? From my perspective, I "needed" more texts. In reality, however, it feeds my habit.

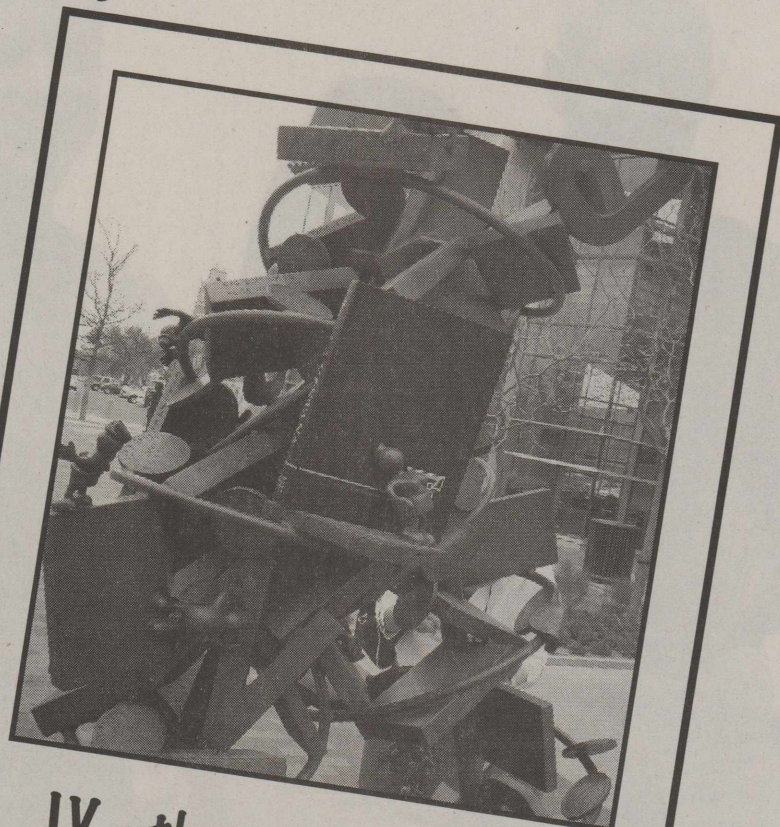
Now, I do not want texting to go away, as a part of me would immediately go missing, but at the

point where it affects your friend's and family's relationships, it may be a good idea to hide the phone.

I attempted a vow to replace texting with calling my boyfriend for a month, and I did not last more than a day. I suspect it may have been the phone's fault for making itself known. Wishful thinking, I'm sure, but I encourage you to try it. See how attached you've become to that phone. You might just learn something about yourself, for better or for worse.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Guns on campus wouldn't be problem

After reading Marcia Ramos' column "Guns on campus not answer" in the April 12 issue of *The Daily Toreador*, I'm curious as to whether *DT* columnists are expected to do any research whatsoever. Ramos seems to lack even a rudimentary understanding of the debate over whether to legalize licensed concealed carry (of handguns) on Texas college campuses.

Ramos states, "I don't think I could sit comfortably beside a guy I know is 'packing heat.' It's almost intimidating and definitely distracting." Is she unaware that Texas state law requires holders of Concealed Handgun Licenses to keep their handguns concealed? The word "concealed" is on the license for a reason.

Is Ramos intimidated and distracted when she visits a movie theater, a shopping mall, a grocery store, an office building, a restaurant, a bank or a church, all places where licensed concealed carry is allowed in the state of Texas?

Here in the Lone Star State, one person out of every 77 is licensed to carry a concealed handgun. That means that when you're sitting in a packed 310-seat theater at Tinseltown Theaters, four of your fellow moviegoers are likely carrying concealed handguns. And when you're working your way through a crowd of

800 other shoppers at South Plains Mall, 10 of those shoppers are likely carrying concealed handguns. But, like most people, you're neither intimidated nor distracted by those handguns because you never see them.

And if she is genuinely concerned about dangerous criminals using this proposed change to state law as an excuse to carry guns on campus, she needs to stop and ask herself, "What is to stop a criminal from carrying a gun on campus now?"

When was the last time you passed through a metal detector on your way to class? When was the last time security stopped you and searched your bags? A criminal can walk onto campus carrying a gun just as easily as you can walk onto campus carrying a pocket calculator. Why should you be more concerned about law-abiding license holders who want to carry guns on campus legally than you are about criminals who might already carry guns on campus illegally?

Ramos' assertion that the presence of armed license holders would somehow make a school shooting worse is baseless conjecture. What is worse than allowing an execution-style massacre to continue uncontested? How could any action with the potential to stop or slow a deranged killer intent on slaughtering victim after victim be considered "worse" than allow-

ing that killer to continue undeterred? According to a 1997 FBI study, most real-world shootouts last less than 10 seconds. How could a few seconds of exchanged gunfire possibly be worse than a 10-minute, uncontested execution-style massacre, like the one that occurred at Virginia Tech?

There is simply no pragmatic, factual basis for rules stating that the same trained, licensed, carefully screened adults — age 21 and above — legally allowed to carry concealed handguns virtually everywhere else in the state of Texas should be prohibited from doing so on college campuses. These state laws and school policies serve no purpose but to stack the odds in favor of any criminal willing to disregard state law and school policy.

To anyone convinced he or she knows a reason — be it binge-drinking college students or theft-prone dorms — why concealed carry should be prohibited on college campuses, I suggest you visit StudentsForConcealedCarryOnCampus.com and look at the facts and arguments for yourself. If you still want to debate the issue after that, I'm not hard to find.

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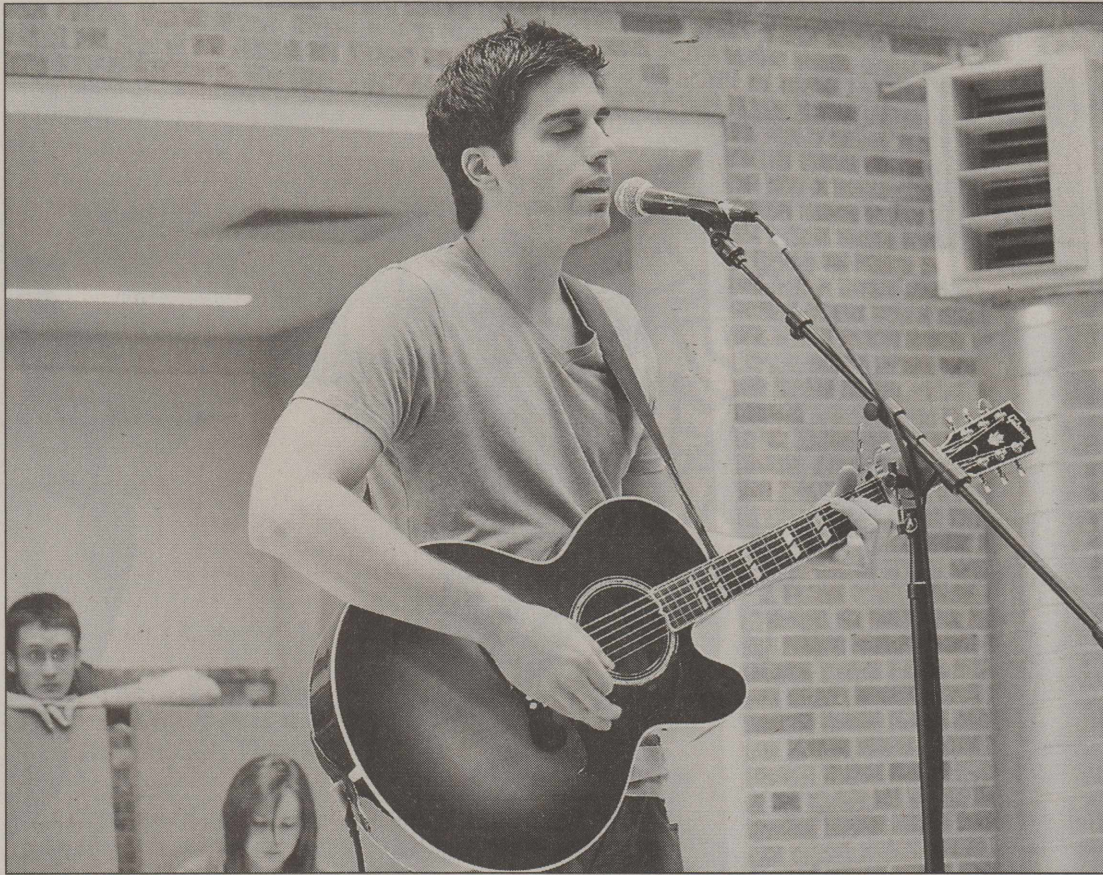
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MTV-featured musician performs at SUB



ZACK NICHOLS PERFORMS in the Student Union Building Monday.
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By DEVIN SANCHEZ
STAFF WRITER

When Zack Nichols was a young boy, his dad handed him a guitar. He hasn't put it down since.

Nichols performed at the Student Union Building courtyard Monday afternoon as a part of TAB's daytime events. Nichols is an acoustic performer from Los Angeles. His song "Dust in June" was featured on MTV's "The Real World."

Erin Rinderknecht, TAB's daytime coordinator and a sophomore communication disorders major from Taylor, said they saw Nichols at a convention and decided he would be a good performer to have come to campus.

"(Nichols) was at the National Association of Campus Activities convention in Arlington, and we really liked his sound," she said. "So, the daytime committee voted on having him, and we all thought it would be a good idea."

Nichols performed from noon to 1 p.m., which is usually a peak class time for students, but Rinderknecht said the turnout was small considering

the time frame.

"We really just wanted the students to have someone here during the lunch hour," she said. "It's for them to be able to enjoy the music and relax on their way to, or in between classes."

Nichols played a variety of songs, including his own songs and covers from other artists. He incorporated the chorus of Amy Winehouse's "Rehab" into his song "Elizabeth Street." He also played a cover of Kings of Leon's "Use Somebody" and Ray LaMontagne's "Jolene."

Nichols, who had never been to Lubbock before, said his visit to Tech turned into a mini-tour. He is off to San Antonio to play at UTSA on Tuesday. Nichols recently changed up his venues. He performed primarily on the club and bar scene, and he has now decided to play primarily on college campuses.

"When you play at a bar, the meaning of your music can sometimes get lost because of the environment," he said. "But playing for students, they seem to appreciate it more, and the show comes across better."

Nichols said he got into music

at a young age and at the hands of his father.

"My dad played the guitar, recreationally, and so I began to play," he said, "and I've been passionate about it ever since."

Nichols then began to write his own music while he was in college. Although he performs covers of other songs, he said he prefers to perform the songs he has written. Nichols also said he gets the inspiration for his music from many different aspects in life.

"A lot of my music comes from my own relationships," he said. "But I have found that more of my recent songs are me looking at other people's issues. I tend to write better based on somebody else's experience."

So far, Nichols has had three albums, but the first one is out of print, something that he said he is surprisingly happy about.

"You definitely progress as time goes on," he said. "My third album is the one I am really happy about and am really pushing."

Nichols' other two albums can be found on iTunes.

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Nationally ranked Ad Team heads to district competition

By BROOKE BELLAMY
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After working for eight months, Texas Tech's Ad Team will head to Amarillo on Wednesday to compete at the National Student Advertising Competition' district level.

Each year, more than 150 collegiate teams compete in NSAC.

Shannon Bichard, Ad Team's adviser, said District 10, the district in which Tech will compete, was so large this year it was broken up into two smaller districts. Tech will compete against six other college teams from around Texas and Oklahoma.

The first-place team in each district will compete at nationals in Orlando from June 10 to June 12. Last year, Tech's Ad Team advanced to nationals in Washington, D.C., where it placed sixth overall.

This year, every team was given a case study in September that included information about the client, State Farm Insurance, a mock budget

of \$40 million and the goal of the advertising campaign — to increase auto insurance in the target market of people ages 18 to 25.

Curtis Leitko, a senior electric media and communications major from Round Top, said he has been working with the creative segment of team to create commercials and to make the overall feel of the advertising campaign cohesive.

"We want the campaign to be serious yet entertaining, without being silly," he said.

Leitko's main job on the team was to put together two 30-second television commercials, something he said entails more work than most people realize.

"In December, the team decided on a creative strategy," he said. Since then we've written and re-written scripts, produced, filmed and edited the commercials."

Jordan Gould, a junior advertising major from Lubbock, also was part of the team's creative segment.

She said she helped with the overall campaign's unique concept as well as copy writing and editing campaign materials.

She said the team has been working hard since September and recently began to put in even more hours to perfect the project.

"As the competition date began to get closer, the team met more frequently and for longer hours," she said. "During spring break many of us were pulling overnights."

Before the competition, the 18-member team will host a dress rehearsal to present the full presentation to the Tech community at 6 p.m. today in Mass Communications building Room 101.

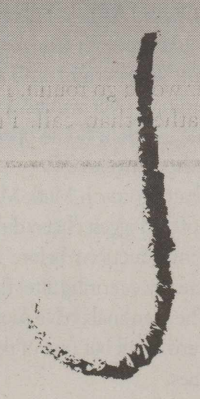
"Students are a large portion of our target market," she said. "We want the feedback so we know what works and what doesn't and how we can make it better. It will make our presentation stronger."

Leitko also said the presenters will be in front of several judges

and an audience of 70 people at the district competition.

"If the presenters do well at the dress rehearsal," he said, "they will do great in front of the judges and audience at district and at nationals when we get there."

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Solution to yesterday's puzzle

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Defensive linemen anxious for spring game

By TOMMY MAGELSEN
STAFF WRITER

With only a few days left before Texas Tech unveils its new 3-4 defensive look at the annual Red-Black Spring Game, defensive lineman Pearlie Graves feels like he has his rhythm down and is ready to hit someone.

"It's very exciting, I mean anytime you get to touch the football or hit this field or even get to run or tackle someone — I mean that's a great opportunity," he said. "I try to go out there and do the best I can and go hard at what I do."

Graves is one of several Tech defensive linemen competing for playing time in Tech's new defensive scheme that must replace three starters, including defensive ends Daniel Howard and Brandon Sharpe.

Some early injuries will have a visible effect on the look of the defense, as Chris Perry will miss the spring game with a foot injury and Myles Wade was carted off the field Monday with a leg injury.

Tech coach Tommy Tuberville said injuries are nothing out of the ordinary and he expects some of the linebackers to help out on the line in the spring game.

Tuberville also said, overall, the depth is not near what it needs to be.

"Some guys have been beat up and they've worked through it and they've showed physical toughness and that's what you try to do in spring practice," he said.

Both Tuberville and assistant coach Sam McElroy pointed out the play of

Whitlock as the anchor of the defensive line.

Whitlock, a three-year starter, is the only returning starter for a front four that helped pile up 41 sacks last season.

"Whitlock is a veteran and he is playing solid and is giving us really good snaps. ... Myles Wade got banged up a little bit today, but he's done a great job in there at the three technique," McElroy said. "Donald Langley, Pearlie Graves — Britton Barbee has been around a while and knows what to do so we're getting solid reps out of all those guys."

McElroy said the D-line still is trying to find the right mix, but the crew they have now is putting forth a lot of great effort that should only improve with the addition of some new recruits in the summer. Defensive end Jackson Richards from Carroll High School in Southlake was one of the prized recruits in Tech's 2010 recruiting class.

In the meantime, Graves said the new defensive scheme is going to be exciting, and he revels in the chance to learn from defensive veterans including linebackers Bront Bird and Brian Duncan.

"I'm a young kid so you know I try to look up to everyone I can," Graves said. "If I need help with anything I try to get with someone even outside of football. If I needed help with anything I try to get in contact with one of them before I try, and make a mistake."

One thing McElroy said he likes about this team is the physical nature of its spring practices. Graves was scrappy with an offensive lineman during practice Monday, but McElroy said a little



TEXAS TECH DEFENSIVE tackle Britton Barbee battles in the trenches with offensive lineman Lonnie Edwards, during a spring practice Monday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

scuffle is good to see.

"It's competitive, kids compete and this is Day 12 or so of spring ball," he

said. "They're tired of hitting on each other. But that's coach Tuberville's nature, we're going to do things a physi-

cal way. Once in a while a kid will get a little banged up or a little upset about something but that's part of it. You

know, just separate shake hands and go on to the next play."

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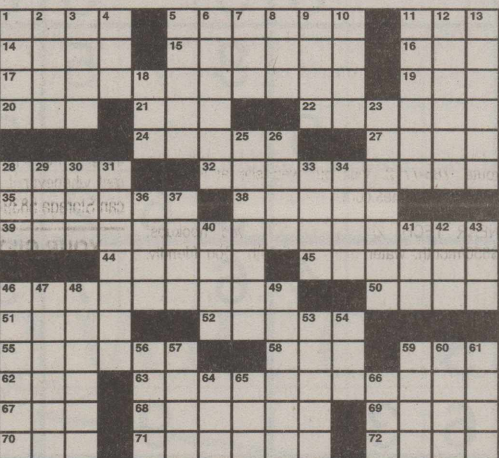
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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

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- 11 ... an ill cook that cannot lick his own fingers": "Romeo and Juliet"
- 14 Viking war god
- 15 Draw in
- 16 Pictures on the wall
- 17 Manhattan rail hub
- 19 Vert. opposite
- 20 Lose support
- 21 Go bad
- 22 Ida of Hollywood
- 24 "The March King"
- 27 British boarding school
- 28 First name in spycraft
- 32 Mattress support
- 35 Like many notebooks
- 38 Unmoved
- 39 Cherished
- 44 Hi-tech greeting
- 45 Dogpatch cartoonist
- 46 "Hold your horses!"
- 50 Highland toppers
- 51 Part of BTU
- 52 Fast partner?
- 55 Social service?
- 58 R.E. Lee follower
- 59 Hel's party wear
- 62 Downed Russian orbiter
- 63 1980s Neil Carter sitcom, and a hint to the puzzle theme found in the ends of 17, 32, 39 and 46-Across
- 67 Educator
- 68 Worldwise
- 69 Gutter site
- 70 One of the states of matter
- 71 Summer ermines
- 72 Oedipus' arrogance, e.g.



By David W. Cromer

Monday's Puzzle Solved

- 5 "Star Wars" surname?
- 6 Where to find three men?
- 7 Firm pro: Abbr. CCL x II
- 9 Earth Day sci.
- 10 List of options
- 11 Island from which the Bounty sailed
- 12 Attach, as a patch
- 13 Able-bodied
- 18 18-yr.-old high schoolers, usually
- 23 Ideal
- 25 What's-her-name
- 26 Car bar
- 28 AOL rival
- 29 Barbary beast
- 30 Relative of Juan
- 31 Rap sheet listings
- 33 Former Cubs slugger
- 34 Sci-fi author Frederik
- 36 The Coasters' record label (coincidentally, all its letters appear in their name)
- 37 Bread knife target
- 40 Like some tough tests
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- 46 Nog spice
- 47 New York tribe, city or lake
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- 49 Tried to rip open
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- 56 Quiche base
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- 59 Ring out
- 60 Joe
- 61 Depict in a biased way
- 64 Bovine bellow
- 65 Wall St. exec's degree
- 66 NFL whistle blower

Pujols powers Cardinals past Astros at home

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Albert Pujols homered and drove in four runs, leading Adam Wainwright and the St. Louis Cardinals over winless Houston 5-0 Monday in their home opener and dropping the Astros to 0-7.

New batting coach Mark McGwire drew one of the biggest cheers during the pregame introductions before his first home game since retiring after the 2001 season. The Cardinals have scored five or more runs in all but one of their first seven games.

Pujols hit an RBI single and a three-run homer and Ryan Ludwick went 4 for 4. Wainwright (2-0) pitched eight scoreless innings and added his first career pickoff.

The Astros are off to their worst since opening 0-9 in 1983. They've been shut out three times while facing a string of aces — Tim Lincecum, Matt Cain, Roy Halladay and Wainwright already — and have scored a major league-low 13 runs.

Pujols got more than even with

Wandy Rodriguez (0-2), one of the few pitchers who had given him fits. The three-time NL MVP got hits in his first two at-bats against the Houston left-hander, and walked in the fifth to load the bases.

Pujols entered just 5 for 31 with no homers and only one RBI against Rodriguez, his most anemic numbers against a left-hander with a minimum of 20 at-bats.

The Cardinals certainly got a boost from the pregame pomp of the traditional

introductory motorcade, including an appearance by 89-year-old Hall of Famer Stan Musial and a crowd of 46,918 — largest at 5-year-old Busch Stadium.

Pujols is .438 (12 for 32) with three homers and 14 RBIs in 10 home openers.

Ludwick added an RBI triple in the seventh when the ball dislodged from center fielder Michael Bourn's glove when he slammed into the wall. That was plenty for Wainwright, who gave up six hits and struck out seven.

Roethlisberger happy to move forward

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger is "happy" to put sexual assault allegations in Georgia behind him and knows he must work to regain the trust of his teammates and the team's large fan base.

Roethlisberger, reading a statement for 74 seconds on Monday night but not taking questions from reporters, said Georgia prosecutors reached the right conclusion by deciding not to charge him in the case.

"I'd like to begin by expressing gratitude to the thorough investigation process in Georgia," Roethlisberger said. "The prosecutor's decision not to bring charges, I know without a doubt, is the right conclusion. I don't intend to discuss any details related to the events of Georgia. I'm happy to put this behind me and move forward."

The two-time Super Bowl winner plans to resume working out shortly with his teammates, but did not say when. Roethlisberger, wearing a red sports shirt and light-colored slacks, made his comments from a podium in the Steelers' locker room, not far from his own locker.

"I am excited to get back to work with my teammates, and I'm more determined than ever to have a great season," he said.

Roethlisberger did not discuss his upcoming meeting with NFL commissioner Roger Goodell or any possible punishment that might be brought against him by the league or the team for violating the players' conduct code. Roethlisberger also is contesting a civil suit in Nevada brought by a woman who is accusing him of assaulting her in a Lake Tahoe hotel in 2008.

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Solid return, uncertain future for Woods

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Except for watching Phil Mickelson slip into another green jacket, Tiger Woods should have few complaints about his week at the Masters.

He tied a tournament record by making four eagles. He was never out of the top 10 from the opening round. He had his best 72-hole score at Augusta National in five years.

None of that might have been possible without a spontaneous and warm reception on the first tee Thursday.

Woods might have looked like the same player, but he wasn't the same person. The fans who came to watch his golf could not ignore the sordid lifestyle that kept him away from the game in the

first place.

That's why the cheers were so important.

They put him at ease from the start, and he felt more comfortable as the week went on, even as his swing got worse.

"Overall, it was a good week," Woods said Sunday after he tied for fourth.

The next step?

Woods didn't say when he would play again. He said he needed to "take a little time off and kind of re-evaluate things." If he sticks to a normal schedule, Woods could show up at Quail Hollow or The Players Championship or even the Memorial. Those are the three places he typically plays before the U.S. Open at Pebble Beach.

Just don't get the idea the next step will be forward.

All of those tournaments, or any others he chooses to play this year, will be everything Augusta National is not.

They will be public golf tournaments, with fans who won't worry about losing their season badges. What he hears from the crowd sitting around the island green on the 17th hole at the TPC Sawgrass might be a little different from what he heard in Amen Corner.

And the scrutiny will not stop.

Woods set himself up for failure when he pledged to tone down his temper — the celebrations and the cursing. He caused quite the stir in the opening round when he flung his iron to the ground

after an errant shot to the 14th. A year ago, no one would have noticed. Now, it was proof that Woods hadn't changed a lick.

He seemed to reach a boiling point when CBS Sports analyst Peter Kostis asked him about controlling his emotion without eliminating it.

"I think people are making way too much of a big deal of this thing," Woods said. "I was not feeling good. I hit a big snipe off the first hole, and I don't know how people can think I should be happy about that. I hit a wedge from 45 yards and basically bladed it over the green.

These are not things I normally do. So I'm not going to be smiling, and not going to be happy."

Lady Raiders gaining confidence, 'maturing'

Although the Texas Tech women's tennis team has had an up-and-down season, head coach Todd Petty believes his team is finding its stride.

"I think it was a productive weekend, I thought we played really well," Petty said. "I think we're starting to gain some momentum and get better every match."

Petty's Lady Raiders fell to No. 45 Nebraska 4-3 and defeated Iowa State 5-2 on Friday and Sunday, respectively.

Players were not available for comment as the team returns to practice today.

The Lady Raiders have had their fair share of troubles on the court thus far. Tech sits at 10th in the Big 12 Conference standings behind ISU.

Despite the youth, Tech has competed in a fair share of its matches. Tech has lost four matches decided by one point and many others that could have gone its way.

But for the most part, this season has been a roller coaster ride for Tech. The Lady Raiders have struggled to find some consistency since beginning the season 3-0.

The Lady Raiders have seen

most of their issues occur away from home — Tech is 3-7 on the road. Most teams probably thrive on home court, but Tech is only one game over .500 at home as they sit at 4-3 for the season.

But Tech will have an opportunity to improve its home record with three matches at the McLeod Tennis Center this weekend.

Two of the three matches are matches against Big 12 opponents in Colorado and Missouri. CU is sixth in the conference and Missouri is in last place, with only six wins on the year.

Petty knows his team has a lot of growing up to do, but he said they're working on turning the corner.

"This team is maturing as we go along," he said. "Suffer four 4-3 losses and four 5-2 losses shows that they're on the brink. But again that's a maturity process, and when you're starting four freshman in the lineup it sometimes goes that way."

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PETTY

Cruz homers, Rangers top Indians 4-2 in 10 innings

CLEVELAND (AP) — Nelson Cruz hit his fifth home run of the season, connecting in the 10th inning and sending the Texas Rangers to a 4-2 win over Cleveland on Monday, spoiling the Indians' sold-out opener and manager Manny Acta's home debut.

Cruz's two-run drive came with one out against Jamey Wright (0-1).

Cruz leads the AL in home runs. His line shot onto the pedestrian home-run porch at Progressive Field wrecked an otherwise pleasant day for Cleveland fans, who have to be concerned about the club's shaky bullpen.

Frank Francisco (2-2), who lost his

job as Texas' closer on Sunday, pitched a perfect ninth. Neftali Feliz, Francisco's temporary replacement, earned his third career save throwing fastballs at nearly 100 mph.

Shin-Soo Choo homered for the Indians, who lost four in a row.

One day after blowing a two-run lead in the ninth in a loss at Detroit, Cleveland's fill-in closer Chris Perez loaded the bases in the ninth without getting an out.

He threw three straight balls before giving up a double to Joaquin Arias. Taylor Teagarden followed with a bunt that Perez fielded cleanly, but the

right-hander's throw to third was high and not in time to get Arias. Perez then walked Elvis Andrus and was pulled by Acta.

Tony Sipp got pinch-hitter Ryan Garko to pop out before Acta, forced to mix and match with closer Kerry Wood on the disabled list with a sore back, brought in Wright to face Michael Young. On the first pitch, Young bounced into a double play, ending the threat.

Wright wasn't so fortunate in the 10th as Cruz helped the Rangers improve to 2-9 in road openers since 2000.

Texas is 9-1 against Cleveland the past two seasons.

While his relievers may give Acta some early-season heartburn, manager Ron Washington must feel better about his bullpen staff.

The Indians put the go-ahead run in scoring position with one out in the eighth but Darren Oliver struck out Travis Hafner and Jhonny Peralta to keep it tied 2-2.

Texas starter Rich Harden, who signed a one-year, \$7.5 million free agent contract with the Rangers in December, allowed two runs and five hits in six innings.

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