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# EGO Life

## LEGOs theme for 32nd Lubbock Arts Festival

By HALLIE DAVIS STAFF WRITER

In a Lego necklace and Lego earrings, Vanessa Hocutt showed her excitement for this weekend in more than her words.

A Texas Tech alumna from 2004, Hocutt is the assistant director of the Lubbock Arts Alliance, which is hosting its 32nd Lubbock Arts Festival this weekend at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The festival's theme this year is Life, LEGO Art and the Pursuit of Happiness.

The festival brings together more than 100 local and national artists and performers, Hocutt said.

Every year also features a special visual art, said Elizabeth Regner, the executive director of the Arts Alliance, this year's being the Lego sculptures by New York artist Nathan Sawaya.

"When you're a kid, you have these toys," Hocutt said. "This is such an extreme presentation of them."

The sculptures in the exhibit, called "The Art of The Brick," are made entirely of Legos and range from a 5-foot pencil to a man building his arm with the red blocks.

"He (Sawaya) basically determines what he wants and assembles them and then glues them," said John Doig, who works for Turtle Bay Exploration Park in California and is part of the agency that manages Sawaya. "All the designs are completely original."

Doig said Sawaya is a former corporate attorney who found art more "agreeable." Sawaya will be at the festival Saturday.

"The Lego art is amazing," said Kimberly Powell, a sophomore finance major from Perryton. "I don't think anyone in the area has seen anything like this."

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THE LEGO SCULPTURE by Nathan Sawaya named "My Boy" sits on display at the Lubbock Civic Center for the upcoming Art Festival.

## Tech seeks to learn from integrity survey

By RALSTON ROLLO STAFF WRITER

In conjunction with the Center for Academic Integrity, Texas Tech and other universities around the world are participating in the Academic Integrity Matters survey.

An e-mail was sent to Tech students Monday inviting them to complete the survey via the Web.

"This study is designed to collect student opinions about the current state of academic integrity at colleges and universities in various countries," according to the e-mail.

Valerie Paton, vice provost of planning and assessment and a principal investigator for the survey, said Tech's participation in the survey could yield valuable information regarding the academic culture at Tech and at other universities worldwide.

The survey also could help Tech determine the effectiveness of its Strive for Honor initiative and allow for changes or improvement where necessary, she said.

The term strive for honor describes members of the Tech community who believe in mutual respect, cooperation and communication, creativity and innovation, community service and leadership, pursuit of excellence, public accountability, diversity and academic integrity, according to Tech's Web site.

Academic integrity requires students to earn their grades honestly, trust and respect other members of the Tech community, and be responsible for their own work, according to the Web site.

Donald McCabe, a professor of management and global business at Rutgers University and the founding president of the Center for Academic Integrity, said he plays a large role in administering the survey and Tech is one of more than 150 schools that have participated in the survey.

He said the survey is completely confidential and no identifying information will be collected during the process.

Caleb McEntire, a junior mechanical engineering major



from Tomball, said academic integrity is important for all students because it retains the value of their education. "It's important for an individual

because, without it, they're cheating themselves out of an education," he said.

By being academically dishonest, students can cause great damage to their work ethic and also harm their chances of getting a job after they graduate, McEntire

"Either way, (cheating) is going to reflect (on you) whether you get caught or not," he said.

McCabe said the presence of sound academic integrity in a university environment is important for many reasons, including the promotion of fairness in class grade distributions, the minimization of the overall amount of cheating at a university and the retention of a university's academic reputation.

Chase Webb, a junior geophysics major from Post, said taking the easy way out by cheating is nothing but counterproductive to a student's efforts to earn a degree.

McEntire and Webb said they plan to participate in the Academic Integrity Matters survey, citing the importance of feedback as their reason.

"Feedback is always important for administrators, students and anyone else who is interested in the topic," McEntire said.

The survey can be found at http://honesty.rutgers.edu/texastech asp and takes about 15 minutes to complete, according to

Paton said the survey is set to close at midnight May 1. >>> ralston.rollo@ttu.edu

# speed bump in Senate

work after months of unemployment is crats to keep the measure on track. expected to rebound from a temporary setback in the Senate.

defeat a GOP challenge to the jobless benefits measure. Vermont Democratic Sen. Patrick Leahy was absent to attend the funeral of a close friend.

The defeat should be temporary since to Washington.

Congress to pay for its \$18 billion cost of benefits.

WASHINGTON (AP) — A mea- and not add to budget deficits topping \$1 sure restoring jobless benefits of up to trillion. But George Voinovich, R-Ohio, 99 weeks for people struggling to find broke with his party to vote with Demo-

Later, Democrats by a 51-46 vote killed a move by Tom Coburn, R-Okla., to Despite winning the single Republican finance the benefits by having the Obama vote they needed, Democrats Wednesday White House erase \$20 billion worth of fell just short of the 60 votes necessary to government spending authority that has yet to be specifically allocated.

The temporary measure would extend jobless benefits averaging \$335 a week through June 2. A program providing federally-funded benefits to people who Democrats are likely to win a revote have been out of a job more than six Wednesday evening after Leahy returns months lapsed last week, which means more than 200,000 people a week are Republicans were seeking to force unable to reapply for additional weeks

## Jobless benefits bill hits Tech Faculty Senate discusses library fee

**By JOEANN BON-JORNO** STAFF WRITER

After announcing that library fees will increase next year during the Faculty Senate meeting Wednesday, Dean of Libraries Donlibrary system as it continues to all students. develop its services.

fered as well as in the use of those services by students.

cated, having the most wired space nals 24 hours a day," Dyal said. and the Student Union Building closing at 10 p.m. are factors that contribute to the significant amount of traffic in the libraries, he said. "All the chairs are worn out

bathroom," Dyal said. "I've had fire marshals tell me the library was exceeding the amount of people per space before." To meet with the increase in

and we even had to install a new

demand he said he would like to ald Dyal described accomplishments increase capabilities of the libraries and growing pains of the current and the fee will now be a flat fee for

A system-wide journal-sharing Dyal said Tech's libraries have capability is something library offigrown significantly in services of- cials hope to see accomplished soon,

"The plan is everyone everywhere The library being centrally lo- will be able to access everyone's jour-

There are kinks with the plan, he said, but it will enable cross-campus collaboration that previously has been very difficult.

Dyal said during the last three

years there has been an increase of 20 percent in serial subscriptions, 125 percent increase in searches and 350

"Everything we put up electronically gets used," Dyal said.

percent increase in downloads.

Brian Shannon, a faculty athletics representative, spoke at the meeting and delivered a presentation about some of the academic accomplishment Tech athletes have achieved.

According to Shannon's presentation, the campus-wide average for cumulative GPA in Spring 2009 was 2.84 with Tech athletes having an average 2.91 GPA.

He said Tech's federal graduation rate for all student athletes who exhaust eligibility is 93 percent, which makes it the second highest in the

Provost Bob Smith provided

each senate member with a copy of Tech's 2010-2020 strategic plan and discussed its content.

The plan will be sent out to more than 263 institutions and their respective chancellors, presidents, provosts and so forth, he said.

In the copy is Tech's new mission statement: "As public research university Texas Tech advances knowledge through innovative and creative teaching, research, and scholarship. The university is dedicated to student success by preparing learners to be ethical leaders with multicultural and global competencies. The university is committed to education a diverse and globally competitive workforce and enhancing the cultural and economic development of the state, nation, and world."

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### STATE

### No fish story: Man jailed for weighting fish

DALLAS (AP) — A suburban Dallas man must serve 15 days in jail after admitting to stuffing a lead weight into a bass he caught during a fishing tournament.

A Texas Parks and Wildlife Department spokesman tells The Dallas Morning News that Robby Rose must also surrender his fishing license. That's after the 45-year-old Garland man pleaded guilty to felony attempted theft after admitting to rigging his fish.

The felony charge relates to the bass boat Rose hoped to win with the rigged fish at a bass-fishing tournament on Lake Ray Hubbard last October

Rockwall County District Attorney Kenda Culpepper tells the newspaper that her office considered the issue one of a \$55,000 bass boat, not a 10-pound fish.

The newspaper reports fishing contest officials became suspicious after feeling. a lump inside the fish and confronted

### **NATION**

### Gov. orders inspection for 200 W.Va. coal mines

CHARLESTON; W.Va. (AP) - Gov. Joe Manchin on Wednesday ordered the immediate inspection of all underground coal mines in West Virginia after an explosion last week killed 29 miners and injured two.

Manchin also asked for the state's more than 200 underground coal mines to cease production Friday to mourn the victims of the nation's worst coal mining disaster in 40 years.

"I don't know any better way to honor the miners we've lost and the families who are grieving so much,"

Manchin said.

Manchin wants the miners to show up for work, but to help check on safety instead of producing coal.

"If they don't go to work, they're not honoring our fallen heroes," Manchin said. "I don't think there will be a mine or a miner that won't honor those fallen heroes."

Massey Energy Co., which owns the Upper Big Branch mine where the blast occurred, said a work stoppage was an appropriate way to honor the

### WORLD

### Israeli officials say Syria gives Hezbollah Scuds

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli in 2006. defense officials said Wednesday they believe Hezbollah has Scud missiles that could hit all of Israel, a day after Israel's president accused Syria of supplying the Lebanese guerrillas with the weapons for the first time.

Israeli officials say the introduction of Scuds could alter the strategic balance with Hezbollah, the Iranianbacked militia that battled Israel to a stalemate during a monthlong war

President Shimon Peres, speaking in Paris, charged that Syria is playing a double game, talking about peace, while "it is delivering Scuds to Hezbollah to threaten Israel," according to a statement from his office.

The remarks by Peres, whose position is largely ceremonial, went beyond public assessments of senior Israeli defense figures. He gave no

### Correction

Daily Toreador, the article "Perry, sole Democrat to enter the March Frullo win primary runoff elec-primary for District 84. The DT tions" should have stated John regrets the error.

In Wednesday's issue of The Frullo will face Carol Morgan, the

### POLICE BLOTTER

## Recruitment flier for hate group found on campus

April 8

5:25 p.m., damage to a vehicle in the C-15 parking lot. 6:24 p.m., medical call in Murray Residence Hall.

8:50 p.m., medical call at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center.

April 9

2:18 a.m., public intoxication and possession of a fietitious driver's license in Chitwood Residence Hall.

4:33 a.m., criminal mischief in Weymouth Residence Hall. 1:01 p.m., accident without

injuries in the R-18 parking 3:30 p.m., accident without

injuries in the Z4-R parking 4:55 p.m., accident without

injuries in the C-11 parking 7:32 p.m., assault and possession of drug paraphernalia

in the 1400 block of University

10:10 p.m., medical call at the rec.

10:53 p.m., assault at the United Spirit Arena.

11:30 p.m., accident without injuries in the 2800 block of 18th Street.

April 10

12:15 a.m., possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia in Coleman Residence

12:17 a.m., driving while intoxicated at the Texas Tech Police Department.

4:15 a.m., public intoxication in Weymouth Residence Hall.

5:08 a.m., criminal mischief in Murdough Residence Hall. 9:04 a.m., investigation of graffiti at Bledsoe Residence Hall.

9:46 a.m., consumption of alcohol by a minor in Chitwood

7:07 p.m., damage to a vehicle in the parking lot of the Softball Complex.

11:56 p.m., public intoxication and possession of alcohol by a minor in the Z3-L parking April 11

3:43 a.m., driving while at Wall Residence Hall. intoxicated and possession of multiple valid driver's licenses in the 1200 block of Flint Avenue.

4:31 a.m., accident without injuries in the 1800 block of Indiana Avenue.

9:23 p.m., possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia in Sneed Residence Hall.

10:54 p.m., medical call at the Softball Complex.

April 12

2:07 a.m., criminal mischief in Weymouth Residence Hall. 9:10 a.m., theft of a bicycle at Hulen Residence Hall.

9:20 a.m., documentation of damaged university property.

1:45 p.m., theft of a backpack at the Sam's Place in Stangel/ Murdough Residence Hall.

1:55 p.m., theft of an iPhone at the Sports Studies Center. 2:07 p.m., criminal mischief in Stangel Residence Hall.

2:24 p.m., medical call in the Student Wellness Center.

2:55 p.m., theft of a bicycle

6:12 p.m., criminal mischief

in Weymouth Residence Hall. 7 p.m., possession of a controlled substance and multiple valid driver's licenses in the

3000 block of 15th Street. 8:17 p.m., accident without injuries at the loading docks of the Student Union Building.

9 p.m., documentation of a recruitment flier for a hate group in the C-12 parking lot.

10:38 p.m., accident without injuries in the Z5-C parking

11:37 p.m., possession of drug paraphernalia in Wall Residence Hall.

April 13

12:30 p.m., damaged property in the Flint Avenue Parking Garage.

4:01 p.m., driving with an invalid license, no valid inspection certificate and expired license plates in the 700 block of Flint Avenue.

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## GOP: Border Patrol should control federal lands

WASHINGTON (AP) — A group of House Republicans say Border Patrol agents should be granted direct control over U.S. borders, even on federal lands managed by other

Lawmakers introduced a bill Wednesday to transfer operational control of lands along the federal border to the Department of Homeland Security, instead of the Interior Department or Forest Service. The land agencies would still manage national parks, forests and other public lands,

but would not have authority to block Border Patrol agents from acting as they see fit to secure border areas.

The lawmakers say the change is needed to improve border security, which they say is hampered by federal land managers more concerned with protecting wilderness and endangered species than securing the border.

"The Border Patrol is not being allowed do their job. That has to change," said Rep. Rob Bishop,

At a news conference Wednesday,

federal land managers of "hiding behind the law" to place wilderness or endangered species ahead of border safety. "It's unforgivable," he said.

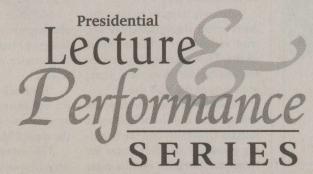
Bishop and other lawmakers cited the March 27 death of Arizona rancher Robert Krentz as an example of the failure of current policy. Law enforcement officials say Krentz's killer likely entered the United States through the San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuge, a remote area hear Douglas, Ariz., and Agua

Bishop and other lawmakers accused Prieta, Mexico.

The Fish and Wildlife Service manages the 2,300-acre refuge, where motorized vehicles are widely prohibited and roads and surveillance structures are scarce. In one instance, a tower used by Border Patrol agents was removed because of concerns about endangered species, said Rep. Peter King, R-N.Y., senior Republican on the Homeland Security Committee.

King called the proposed legislation "essential to restore common sense" along the border.

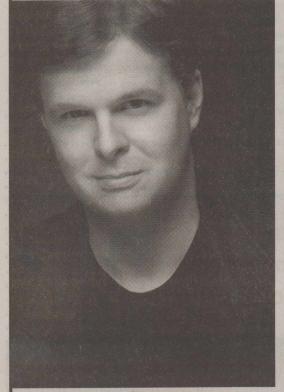
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At the conclusion of the guest speakers' presentations, the nomination committee led by Sandy River announced the ballots for next years' officers as Richard Meeks for president, Tim Matis for vice president and with all of them running unop-

to make being a senate officer more attractive," River said.

The low number of candidates has to do with faculty not having enough time to devote to holding an officer position, she said.

"In my contact with many of you over the phone and asking Michael Farmer for secretary, that you run for office, not one of you blew me off and I thank you

all for that," River said during the "I think we need to find ways meeting. "It was simply a matter of not thinking it was doable."

The Tech Faculty Senate meets on the second Wednesday of every month at 3:15 p.m. in the Senate Room of the SUB, but will have a special meeting at 3:15 p.m. April 23 in the Escondido Theatre where Tech President Guy Bailey will be a

guest speaker. » joeanne.bon-jorno@ttu.edu

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YADIRA TORRES, A Lubbock High School junior, performs with Ballet Folklorico de Oro during an event put on by the Hispanic Student Society on Wednesday in front of the Student Union Building.

## Larry King, wife file for divorce

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Larry clear a clogged blood vessel. King has filed for divorce from his

seventh wife, court filings show. "Larry King Live" filed Wednesday a court not to award Southwickto end the couple's nearly 13-year King, 50, any spousal support. marriage, citing "irreconcilable differences." He married Shawn welfare of his children," said in 1997 three days before surgery to man for King.

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The couple have two sons, ages 11 and 9. King is seeking joint cus-The 76-year-old host of CNN's tody of the boys. He is also asking

"His major concern is the Southwick-King in a hospital room Howard Rubenstein, a spokes-

## Students compete in Denim Runway competition

By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI STAFF WRITER

Denim Runway.

Design and Manufacturing, International are hosting a com-tion," Amor said. petition for students to design South America.

ences and Natural Resources, products, Shin said. PCCA decided to reach out to the department to get more involved with the university, said John Johnson, PCCA director of public and legislative affairs.

the students," Johnson said.

Su-Jeong Hwang Shin, the department's program director, and as-The one item of clothing in sistant professor and Cherif Amor, almost everyone's closet serves interim chair and associate profesas the focus for students' creativ- sor, said they are excited to have ity in the competition dubbed this new partnership with PCCA and CCI because it helps prepare The Department of Apparel, students for the real world.

This contest and the winner's Plains Cotton Cooperative As- reward will help with "bridging the products yet, he said he expects they've heard about but never sociation and Cotton Council gap between theory and produc-

jeans and to go Central and tion for students to design and he said. create their own pair of jeans. The After working with the De- company is looking for designers judged Monday by a group of partment of Agricultural Sci- to help create and improve their judges. The winners will be an- show, he said, the winners will get

"We were delighted with the challenge, which is typically how — both of which are main reasons on with things that are real." corporation of the faculty and long designers work on pieces. students entered the contest, John- >alexandra.pedrini@ttu.edu

Students have done everything son said. from creating their own patterns the final garment.

Shin said. Although Johnson has really work, he said. not seen any of the designers' final many fashionable designs.

Denim Runway is a competi- interesting and very innovative,"

"The students have really emment's annual fashion show, on top designers in the industry. braced the project," Johnson said. April 24. The winners will travel Twenty-six students began the to Guatemala and Columbia to ration for students with their project in January, taking just more visit PCCA's manufacturing plant professional life," Amor said. "Stuthan three months to complete the and the Colombiamoda tradeshow dents will have hands (experience)

In Guatemala, students will and cutting the fabric to assembling see everything it takes to actually produce a pair of jeans to sell. This PCCA donated all fabric the chance will give students the abilcontestants used to create their ity to put what they have learned garments, giving students numer- in the classroom to use and see how ous possibilities of color choices, the terminology and techniques

"There will be some things seen," Johnson said. "We hope this "What I have seen is very will give them more background, give them something to put on their resume and we want this to be Contestants' pieces will be a real positive life experience."

At the Colombiamoda tradenounced at TechStyle, the depart- to "rub shoulders" with some of the

"It is a very good kind of prepa-



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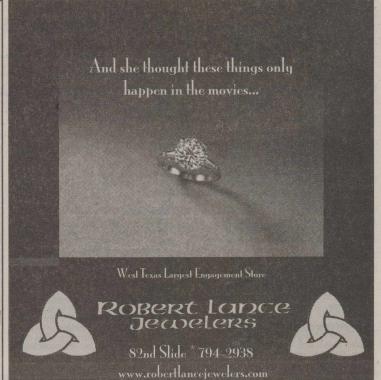
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# **JPINIONS**

## Twitter's growth stagnation not problem

witter has stopped growing. According to recent numbers revealed by Compete (a site which tracks and analyzes unique visitors to a number of major Web sites), Twitter's growth ceased starting around August of last year.

Numbers from Quantcast (another Twitter's quantity of unique visitors in slightly overstated. However, Mashable the United States has fallen from a peak of about 29.2 million in July 2009 to ferent explanations for the Quantcast soon. about 23.6 million in early January of data. this year. More recent numbers suggest this downward slope is continuing.

This stagnation comes on the heels of Twitter's explosive growth in February and March of last year. Encouraged by this massive rise in unique users, many companies flocked to Twitter as the next big thing in marketing, advertisement, news dissemination and ter having a limited appeal, low user features it offers. communication.

The new numbers suggest that wild predictions of Twitter's continued

major analytics service) suggest that growth and success might have been stop growing, but

and others have put forward a few dif-

Stephen

First, Quantcast measures only users visiting Twitter.com through a Web browser. Thus the data excludes the large (and possibly growing) base of users who tweet through apps such as TweetDeck or Tweetie (which Twitter lieve Twitter has recently bought).

Other explanations include Twit- saturation for the retention and not enough users to Mashable concludes a combination of follow, most of which are celebrities.

decrease in usage.

industry have taught us anything, it's mix with news, advertising, market-

no company grows indefinitely. We all knew Twitter would eventually few predicted it would happen this

In my opinion, this stagnation is not necessarily infailure on Twitter's part. Rather, I bereached a natural

When users first come to Twitter, of the Web interface. reach critical mass (a la Facebook). they are given suggestions for users to

This can result in a rather confusing celebrity dies or an earthquake happens bring increased venture capital and lots If the last 30 years of the technology initial experience. Personal updates or a bill passes Congress, Twitter is able of buzz, is inherently unsustainable.

ing, link sharing

and much more.

their interests and

Many are simply If the last 30 overwhelmed. years of the stick with Twittechnology industry ter soon learn to bring some order have taught us to this chaos. They tune their anything, it's no stream, selecting users to follow company grows based on quality and relevance to indefinitely

What these veteran users come to realize is that they now have their finger portunity for sustainability in a literal

to find that information. Enough users verify each other and it becomes a relitounderstand its user base and focus on

like Facebook, not everyone needs to be Users who using the service to reap its rewards. As long as one person in a circle of friends the "guard on watch."

I believe what many users who tried to dry up. Twitter and left realized is they don't need to constantly be on watch. This is not necessarily a bad thing for Twitter. Rather it means that Twitter has found organizing their its sweet spot — that magic number of stream using a dedicated users necessary for the service a quick and unforgiving exodus. desktop client rather than the fire hose to thrive with rich content and good

What Twitter has here is an op-

these explanations is responsible for the They also tend to follow their friends. on the pulse of the Internet. When a sense. Indefinite growth, while it does

To sustain itself, Twitter must work refining its features for them. Things The beauty of this system is that unlike the "@ Anywhere" initiative they announced at SXSW in March are a step in the wrong direction.

Additionally, Twitter must solve the has his or her eye on Twitter, the whole age-old problem of monetizing itself. group will find out about information Now that its growth has apparently they value. Think of this individual as ceased, the venture capital that has sustained it for so long will likely begin

> These will not be easy tasks, but if done right they could secure Twitter a place in the Internet's future. If they react poorly and attempt to remake themselves or fail to monetize, they risk

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## Leading with devotion to ethics

n an age of transparency, responsibility and account-Lability, ethics and a devotion to ethical principles become enabling factors. Thus, whether in school or serving as a professional in a firm, institution or organization, it behooves us to become acquainted with relevant codes of ethics and conduct.

As examples, I chose a set of firms, institutions and organizations that proudly proclaim their codes of ethand the University of California, the condition Council of International Schools (which accredits international K-12 schools and facilitates partnerships and the practice of one's religion among more than 500 member The Forum on Education Abroad, the International Red Cross and Internal Auditors.

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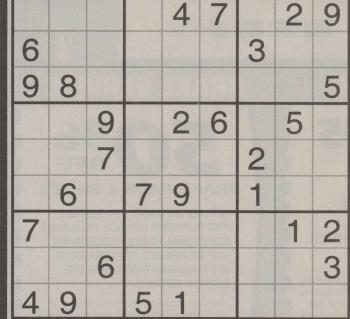
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## Grade charade

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fall of the changes to American society due to outsourcing, one in particular has recently raised eyebrows: the delegation of paper grading at some colleges to companies that work in India and Malaysia.

Outsourcing in this manner takes away from the education that students are receiving, as there is considerable value in having teaching assistants who experience the class and then evaluate students accordingly. This allows the graders to take into account dynamics in the course that otherwise would be missed by an international firm.

Furthermore, outsourced grading strictly limits the range and scope of the papers being considered. Companies that grade papers remotely likely rely on an outline from the professor, listing points that should be covered in the assignment. Papers should be graded with a more holistic view, to encourage a diversity of ideas that simply cannot be expressed when attempting to follow a fixed outline.

Additionally, it is worthwhile for students to have an opportunity to communicate directly with the people who are evaluating their work. Although office hours with a teaching assistant would be ideal, given the understandable constraints of tight budgets, even having the option to e-mail evaluators with questions is worthwhile and preferable to a complete lack of contact.

Although large classes are often the norm at some universities, schools should never overextend enrollment of classes to the point where they do not have the adequate resources — both physical and human — to accommodate all of the students.

## THE 7-DAY WEEKEND...

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TODAY "Schoolhouse Rock"

Creator You loved learning the preamble of the Constitution in fifth grade when you listened to that "Schoolhouse Rock" video. Now pay your respects to the man who made the series — and your U.S. history grade - awe-

WHEN: 7:30 p.m. WHERE: Hemmel Recital Hall COST: \$12

FRIDAY Tech baseball vs. Oklahoma

• With the Big 12 Conference race taking shape, the Red Raiders begin a three-game series against the Sooners. Tech has won two consecutive Big 12 series, so the Red Raiders will look to add to its winning streak this weekend.

WHEN: 6:30 p.m. WHERE: Dan Law

COST: Free with student ID

**SATURDAY** Hispanic Knowledge Bowl

• If you haven't quenched your thirst for knowledge bowls yet this semester, Mentor Tech Student Organization has the event for you. Visit the Mentor Tech Office in the Administration Building to register. Cash prizes will be awarded for winning

WHEN: Noon WHERE: Holden Hall Room 126 COST: \$20 per team

**SUNDAY** Santa Fe Opera Spring Tour

• Perhaps the Spring Opera Spoof piqued your interest in opera, or perhaps you're up for seeing a nationally recognized show. Either way, you're in for a unique experience in Lubbock involving performers Jamie Rose Guarrine and Sean Anderson. WHEN: 2 p.m.

WHERE: Lubbock Memorial Civic Center The-

COST: Free

**MONDAY** Chris Sims: Theater of

War exhibit opens •Sims' photo gallery is sure to be an interesting look into war and photography. Be there to see the gallery's opening at the School of Art and see a bit of the Baum Award For Emerging American Photographers' work first

WHEN: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. WHERE: Landmark Art Gallery at the School of Art

COST: Free

TUESDAY

After Hours: Singer/ Songwriter Competition •Competing for a chance to open at Texas Tech's Rock the Plaza event, students will perform their original pieces while you sit back, relax and forget about that political science test you just bombed. We told you to go to the "Schoolhouse Rock" event.

WHEN: 7 p.m. WHERE: The Market Café at Texas Tech Barnes and Noble COST: Free

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• Raise awareness about sexual violence and get your department to wear denim for a day during Sexual Assault Awarness Month. E-mail the Student Counseling Center at erin.snyder@ttu.edu for more information about how to get involved.

WHEN: All day WHERE: Across cam-

COST: Free

### Sharp drop in maternal deaths worldwide

LONDON (AP) — The number of women dying in childbirth worldwide has dropped dramatically, a British medical journal reports, adding that it was pressured to delay its findings until after U.N. meetings this week on public health funding.

A new, separate report by a group headed by the United Nations reached a very different conclusion on maternal mortality, saying the figure remains as high as 500,000

The disagreement reveals the politics behind public health, where progress made in tackling a health problem can jeopardize funding. Public health officials are gearing up to ask for billions of dollars at U.N.

U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon is holding a press conference later Wednesday in New York to kick off a new global initiative on reproductive, maternal and newborn

The British medical journal Lancet rushed out a paper on Sunday that found the number of women who die in pregnancy or childbirth has dropped by more than 35 percent over 28 years.

### LEGO ←

Powell, who is also an intern for the Arts Alliance, said the festival took more work than one might expect. Hocutt said the theme is planned more than a year in advance and as soon as one is over, the planning for the next year's begins.

"For a three-day event it takes a year and 300 volunteers," she said, "and since we are a non-profit, we depend on donors."

During the three days, Powell said she expected "controlled craziness" - last year's event drew a crowd of

"It's only \$2, and it's entertaining for all ages," Powell said.

Adding to the theme, the Arts Alliance is renting more than 20,000 Legos for a Lego building area, Regner said.

"I love to see children be amazed," Regner said, "to see their wide eyes when they see something they've never seen before, something that sparks their

imagination."

The event is for college students CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 as well, with Tech being represented in many ways. The Texas Tech University Press will debut its new book, "The Art of West Texas Women," Hocutt siad.

> The Tech Presidential Lecture & Performance Series will present the Santa Fe Opera Spring Tour as a part of the festival rather than hosting it on campus, Regner said. She also said Tech students were a valuable addition to

"We use a lot of Tech volunteers, we couldn't pull it off without them," Regner said. "We're really plugged in with musicians and professors."

The festival is open to the public and costs \$2 for adult entrance, the Lego exhibit will be open for the length of the festival.

"I'm terribly excited," Hocutt said, "It's so overwhelmingly interesting."

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for a calendar. >> hallie.davis@ttu.edu

## Kin One and Kin Two, codenamed 'Pink,' nothing new

In the middling days since their Monday announcement, the Kin One and Kin Two from Microsoft have greatly divided those who found it even worthwhile to form an opinion about the two mobile phones from the technology giant.

Originally codenamed "Pink," the Kin platform has now been revealed to

Probably due to this social slant in the marketing, many have been quick to point out several missing features on the two Kin devices. As opposed to even many of the lower-end smartphones, Kin is lacking in software. It won't support apps of any sort, doesn't have built-in personal productivity software like a calendar or do anything involving Flash or streaming video. Microsoft, apparently, is reserving those gems for the Windows Phone 7 crown.

However, Kin may not need to do all that. As far as what you or I could ever hope to glean from the hipster-heavy videos of Kin, the phones are built more for utility than superfluous, bogging ex-

be a series of phones aimed specifically are ostensibly made to fit right in beat the young, socially engaged phone tween the dumbphone and smartphone user segments, a niche group of users that I wasn't even aware needed sating.

Timothy

But then again, I'm not a young adult living in Brooklyn with a wardrobe comprising entirely of Urban Outfitter garb, so maybe that's why this concept seems a bit underdeveloped to me. Why, with Windows Phone 7 on the way, a platform that promises to do away with all the evils and injustices of Windows Mobile 6 and reboot the reputation of Windows on mobile devices with a Zune-centric overhaul, would Microsoft screen and nothing else? deem it necessary to put out Kin?

First, as Gizmodo points out, we've all seen this skewed advertising campaign that additional \$360 a year has to go before with the Zune. Its "Welcome towards something better than just readcess that someone of the 20-something to the Social" ads also featured young ing tweets as users can't post their media range would simply abhor. Kin phones urbanites living it up to the beat of their to anything except the Kin Studio, and

own drum and still-somehow ended up being an incredibly large waste of money and brought about the inevitable end to the Zune's run at killing the iPhone and iPod Touch.

conscious decision to not include the ability to use apps on Kin devices kills the notion that they could be useful to anyone who has needs beyond that of making calls, texting and checking the time. I am clearly not the target demographic, but even people that shop at American Apparel occasionally must have the need for a calendar, right?

And with the "Loop" feature of Kin phones, aggregating everything an irreverent modern teen might need from Twitter, Facebook and MySpace, wouldn't that necessitate some sort of data plan? Will indie rockers find the extra \$30 a month worth it just to have their cloud life streamed to their phone

Doubtful. The rebellious youth may So much of it seems counterintuitive. not have a need for turn-by-turn GPS navigation or instant messaging, but

even video uploading is restricted to just

the Kin One. In the end, the biggest mystery sur-

rounding the Kin is why, as in why does Microsoft think Kin will succeed? The Second, it seems that the totally consumer they're aiming for undoubtedly already has some sort of smartphone (most likely something along the lines of an Android or Palm device given Kin's Verizon exclusivity) that is leagues beyond both Kin One and Two in terms of hardware and software.

The Kin One has a QVGA screen, for crying out loud, and maxes out at 4GB of internal storage. The Kin Two ups the ante with 8GB, but neither supports any sort of memory expansion. Where does Microsoft think users will store all that music, video and pictures that they can't share via Twitter? Their skinny jeans just might explode.

It seems Microsoft simply has a penchant for uphill battles, and Kin can definitely provide. As one commenter put it, "Apple has targeted hipsters for years. (Microsoft) just decided to user a laser-guided missile."

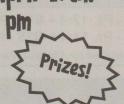
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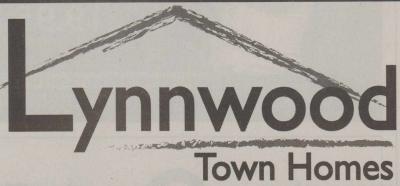
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## DBs hope spring, summer practices pay off

By MIKE GRAHAM STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech secondary may squaring off with the pass-happy offenses of the Big 12 Conference.

But sophomore cornerback D.J. Johnson believes this secondary will give other offenses fits by the time twoa-days are over.

"I think the pressure is probably up a lot of failure for other offenses, so selection. it's going to be fun."

since new head coach Tommy Tuberville's staff has taken over.

Tech defensive coordinator James Willis, secondary coach Travaris Robinson and the rest of the defensive at the secondary they can come up with, Tuberville said. However, there is much time and many practices until Tech's first game against SMU in September.

"Man, we're a long way away," Tuberville said. "We've thrown a lot then did zone in the middle of the with two. spring, then back to more man coverage Their heads are spinning every day they several more fumbles in 2009.

come out here and even worse when they leave."

But Tuberville said it's warranted because coaches are trying to get as have the toughest job on the defense many plays and coverages in before two-a-days.

> Tuberville also mentioned a lack of depth at the corner and safety positions, which means a few young players will see a lot of playing time this upcoming

Fortunately for the Red Raiders, going to be on those offenses," Johnson they return safety Cody Davis, who was said. "The way we're running it, it sets a first-team Freshman All-American

Davis was second in team tackling The Tech cornerbacks and safeties last season behind linebacker Brian have had arguably the most to learn Duncan with 81 tackles - 58 unassisted — and six broken up plays. But Davis does not believe there will be pressure to be nationally recognized this season.

"I think I put enough pressure on coaching staff have thrown everything myself just to do good," he said. "You know, with the new staff, it's a new slate. No starters are picked out, so I'm just going to try to get out on the field first, and then seeing what I can do

Tech also returns cornerback Laat them in a short period of time. We Ron Moore who was in a three-way started off with a lot of man coverage tie for the team lead in interceptions

Tech's defensive backs combined — a different kind of man coverage. for nine of Tech's 10 interceptions and

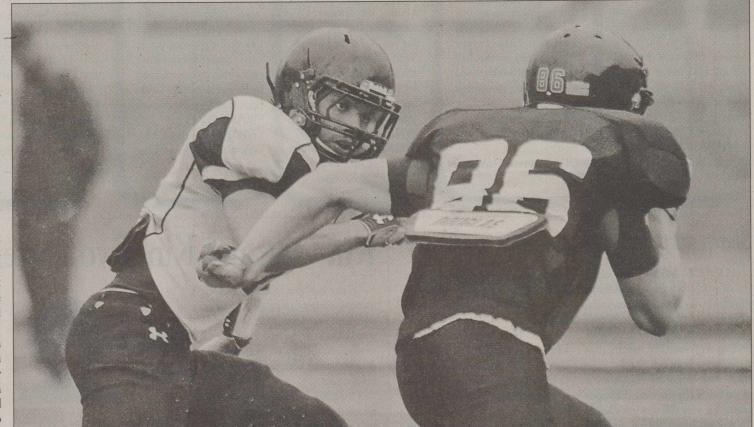


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WILL FORD COVERS Texas Tech receiver Alex Torres during practice Wednesday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

But with the loss of hard-hitting corner Jamar Wall and Brent Nickerson, players such as Johnson and 6-foot-3 redshirt freshman safety Terrance Bullitt must step up.

Moore hopes to bring the younger players along in the summer with team-

led workouts and film room work. be relearning when fall comes "We're all just going to continue working technique," he said.

"Watching film, having an install every day. You just try to keep it fresh because you can't

going to play Texas.

We've got to come in it running, hitting the ground running in the

because in three games we're >michael.graham@ttu.edu

## 'More calm' Ovechkin leads Capitals vs Canadiens in first-round matchup

caused more than a ripple of con-

Ovechkin and the Capitals say concentrate." there's no need to be alarmed. The

WASHINGTON (AP) — It just self-policing his emotions.

"I just want to be in good shape," cern among Washington Capitals Ovechkin said Wednesday. "I fans when Alex Ovechkin left don't want to give my emotion in practice early one day this week. practice. I just want to be calm and asked about his 50-goal scorer:

OK, that's an interesting exreigning two-time MVP says he was planation, although it won't quiet his word, it is further evidence of a

skeptics who point out that NHL players will go to great lengths to conceal injuries. But coach Bruce Boudreau didn't hesitate when "He's fine. He's healthy."

If Ovechkin is to be taken at Capitals team that is maturing, but not yet fully mature as it prepares to open the postseason with Thursday's Game 1 against the Montreal

## Tech DT Whitlock to miss spring game

The trend of key injuries for the Texas Tech football team this spring continues with the loss of senior defensive tackle Colby Whitlock.

"We lost Colby Whitlock the and their ability to perform well. other day and he's out," Tech head coach Tommy Tuberville said after on a defensive line that lost the likes of de-Wednesday's practice. "He's having fensive ends Brandon Sharpe and Daniel beat up."

Whitlock is slated to miss Saturday's Red-Black Spring Game, which Tech's spring thus far, as the list in- his freshman and sophomore year. cludes key players such as quarterbacks Taylor Potts and Steven Sheffield.

Although the defensive line has scheme makes Whitlock's loss even been dealing with several injuries, Tech head coach Tommy Tuberville remains optimistic about the remaining linemen who is out with a foot injury, and defen-

surgery (today) and we're kind of Howard, who combined for 23 sacks, 27 tackles for a loss and 78 total tackles. Whitlock tallied eight tackles for a loss and three sacks last season. His value

is at 1 p.m. at Jones AT&T Stadium. in the trenches is warranted, considering Whitlock's injury is nothing new to he earned All-Big 12 Conference honors

Additionally, the installment of defensive coordinator James Willis' new

tougher. Other injuries on the defensive line include defensive tackle Chris Perry, sive end Myles Wade, who is out with a Whitlock is the only returning starter knee injury.

The full extent of Whitlock's injury remains unknown, but Tuberville said it was a jaw injury he suffered during Saturday's scrimmage.

"Hurt his jaw," Tuberville said. "A little worse than that. He didn't even know it, he practiced with it. It happened during the scrimmage. Four days later, it starts hurting. It's just one of those things. A little different."

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## Magic's Howard donates \$100K for Haiti relief

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) -Orlando Magic center Dwight Howard has started a fund for at-risk children around the world, beginning with a \$100,000 donation for young earthquake victims in Haiti.

The Magic's All-Star center and teammate Adonal Foyle formed the "The Dwight Howard Fund" announced Wednesday. Howard has tapped Foyle's Kerosene Lamp Foundation to manage the fund for him.

The fund will start an online fundraising campaign to help match Howard's contribution for Haiti, with a minimum donation of \$2.99.

The January earthquake in Haiti killed a government-estimated 230,000 people and left more than a million homeless in the Caribbean nation.

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## Gonzalez's return to squad proves helpful

By JOSHUA KOCH STAFF WRITER

APRIL 15, 2010

Injuries are sometimes crush-David Gonzalez, that was almost so impressive in singles that a reality earlier this season.

Gonzalez went down with a selection. fractured left elbow in January, and it looked like his dual match Raider, he took on a different season was over before it even role and had began, and perhaps even his col- to adjust to a legiate career. Gonzalez said a new conferlot went through his mind after ence. In sinsuffering the injury.

"I talked to coach and I in the No. 5 thought that I wasn't able to play and No. 6 spot anything in the season," he said. where he had "I was thinking maybe just to go a 3-6 record home, but he told me to stay, that during dual I would heal, that I would be able match season, to play, and I'm playing right now and was 8-10 so that's good."

This is Gonalez's second year was extremely as a Red Raider. He played his successful, freshman year at the University teaming with of the Pacific where he solidified then-freshhis already impressive resume.

Before going to the college Escobar for a game, he was impressive on the team best dual match doubles amateur stage. He was a part of record of 16-5. two world cups with Ecuador na-

trophy as an amateur.

In his first year at Pacific, Gonzalez was named the Big West Conference Freshman of ing to a player's career, be it col- the Year and led the team in legiate or professional. For Texas singles victories playing in the Tech men's tennis' only junior, No. 2 spot primarily. He was he was an All-Big West singles

In his first year as a Red

gles he played

man Gonzalo

Tech coach Tim Siegel said tional teams, and he also won the Gonzalez has a lot of good Eddie Herr Prince Cup doubles' qualities, some of which aren't the doubles court did not come

necessarily tied to his play on the court.

"The first thing is that he's got a lot of energy," siegel. "He's a very likeable guy, so everybody likes having him around. He keeps everybody loose, always in a good mood. Those things are important for a team, but also he's taken his role very well."

Gonzalez's role ended up being more as a doubles player than a

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**DAVID GONZALEZ** 

TEXAS TECH MEN'S

TENNIS PLAYER

the season.

singles player after the injury sidelined him for nearly eight weeks. During that time, freshman Raphael Pfister took over the No. 6 spot in the lineup.

Gonzalez has made one appearance in singles play this season, which

was back on

March 5 against Louisiana-Lafayette where he defeated Robert Voss in straight-sets 6-1, 6-2. But Gonzalez's return to until more than two weeks later during the Blue-Gray Classic in Alabama.

Gonzalez said there were some nerves there when he took the court for doubles after the

"I played my first match with Vitor (Manzini) at the Blue-Gray against Oklahoma State," he said. "That was a pretty tough match, and coach told me 'you're gonna play.' We started losing 4-0, and I was playing really bad and I actually ended pretty good and that was really nice. Starting that tough match and win."

That Oklahoma State match was back on March 19, and after that the pair has stayed consistent at the No. 3 spot. They finished off the Blue-Gray Classic 2-1, and have posted a 2-1 record in Big 12 Conference play so far.

With this recent success, and Gonzalez getting back to full strength, Manzini said he's been happy with his partner.

"He's a pretty good player, so have been really good," he said. "He's really fast at the net, so it helps a lot, and he has great returns. So there is nothing to complain about.'



TEXAS TECH'S DAVID Gonzalez returns a volley during the Red Raiders' 4-3 loss to the Aggies on Sunday at the McLeod Tennis Center.

## Tech to retire Segrist's No. 24 jersey Saturday

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FORMER TEXAS TECH

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one-man show during his tenure as Texas Tech baseball coach.

For that, Tech Athletics Director Gerald Myers believes Segrist's jersey being retired is the perfect honor for the former coach.

"Kal pretty well just had to work from scratch," Myers said. "He's very deserving of it."

Segrist will have his jersey retired Saturday when the Red Raiders take

on Oklahoma in the second of Tech's threegame series. His No. 24 jersey will be retired in a ceremony prior to the first pitch.

The fifth Tech baseball coach was at the helm from 1968 to 1983, taking over for Berl Huffman.

He has the second-longest tenure as Tech's coach,

managing the Red Raiders for 16 seasons. Larry Hays coached the Red Raiders for 22 seasons.

Myers remembers Segrist as a hard-working coach dedicated to his program. Myers said Segrist fielded a Tech baseball team when there was not as much funding and as many scholarships for the program like there are today.

Segrist even helped maintain the field so the Red Raiders could have a place to play, Myers said.

Segrist will have his number re-

Kal Segrist can be described as a tired along with Hays' No. 27 jersey, Brooks Wallace's No. 22 and Clint Bryant's No. 23.

Segrist will join Hays as the only two coaches to have their jerseys retired at Tech.

Hays couldn't be any happier for Segrist to join him. He said he could remember Segrist helping him maintain the infield when he first took over.

"I'm honored that his number

will be next to mine because I consider him an outstanding baseball person," Hays said. "He, in my mind, was the founder of Texas Tech baseball. He gave it a lot of credibility because of who he was as a baseball person.

"He just got everything going in the right direction."

Before coaching the Red Raiders, Segrist was a member of the New York Yankees in 1952 and the Baltimore Orioles in 1955. He also attended school at Texas.

But Myers believes his contributions to Tech baseball will not

"He did just about everything with Texas Tech baseball," he said. He's kind of the guy that built a lot of the foundation for Texas Tech baseball."

## Joe Montana leads Cotton Bowl Hall of Fame class

ARLINGTON (AP) — Joe Montana and Kris Haines, the quarterback-receiver combo that led Notre Dame to one of the greatest comebacks in college football history, were among six inductees into the 2010 AT&T Cotton Bowl Hall of Fame on Wednesday.

Also honored at the eighth annual ceremonies were Texas wingback Phil Harris, Alabama middle guard Warren Lyles, Texas A&M and Mississippi State coach Jackie Sherrill and the late Wilbur Evans, the Cotton Bowl's first executive director.

Montana, who went on to a Hall of Fame career spanning 16 seasons in the NFL with the San Francisco 49ers and Kansas City Chiefs, helped the Fighting Irish to a 38-10 upset of top-ranked Texas in the 1978 Cotton Bowl as Notre Dame won the national title.

Dame trailed Houston by 22 points tana said. "I took chicken. Otherwise,

with 8 minutes left before pulling off a fantastic finish.

Montana passed to Haines for a two-point conversion to narrow the deficit to six points with 4:15 remaining. Montana later threw again to Haines, who made a diving catch in the corner of the end zone for an eight-yard touchdown as time expired, tying the score at 34. The ensuing extra-point kick by Joe Unis completed the rally in what has become known as the Chicken

Soup Game. The game was played in bitter cold after an overnight ice storm, and by halftime, Montana's body temperature had fallen below normal. Notre Dame trainers gave Montana hot chicken bouillon, and it proved the perfect tonic.

"When you played in a coldweather game, you could have either Back in Dallas a year later, Notre chicken broth or beef broth," Mon-

it would have been called the Beef Bowl."

Haines remembered working with Montana on the practice field when he first arrived at Notre Dame, running a corner route and getting hit in the head three times by Montana's passes. Eventually, they developed the chemistry that helped win the '79 Cotton Bowl.

"Thank you for the throws," Haines said.

Montana said this was his first induction into a college hall of fame.

"I didn't have exactly a stellar college career," Montana said. "I didn't set any records on fire. So if this has to be the first one, what better than the Cotton Bowl? I wish I would have played in a couple more.'

These days, Montana's following the career of his son, Nate, a sophomore walk-on quarterback at Notre Dame.

"He's had a rough road from the in the 1970 game.

beginning (in high school), but right now he's in the No. 2 spot there, so he's in good position," Montana In 1964, Harris caught three

passes for 157 yards and two touchdowns to lead Texas to a 28-6 victory over Navy. Lyles had 16 tackles in the 1981

and '82 Cotton Bowls. Alabama beat Baylor 30-2 in the '81 contest, and Texas knocked off the Crimson Tide 14-12 a year later.

Sherrill, who recruited Montana when he was at Pittsburgh, coached Texas A&M in three straight Cotton Bowls from 1986-88. He also coached Mississippi State in the 1999 game.

Evans worked for the Cotton Bowl in the '60s and '70s, helping persuade Notre Dame to end a 45year ban on postseason games to accept an invitation to participate

## Iowa coach killer Mark Becker sentenced to life in prison

him, Ed Thomas' sons finally addressed Mark Becker directly on Wednesday, gunning down their father, a renowned high school football coach.

"Every day as you live in jail, I want you to reflect on what you stole from us," said Todd Thomas, his pregnant wife standing beside him, minutes before a judge sentenced Becker to life in prison.

It was a departure for Ed Thomas' sons to hold Becker accountable for his actions on June 24, when he walked into the Aplington-Parkersburg High School weight room and opened fire Becker will appeal the verdict. at his former coach.

ALLISON, Iowa (AP) — After that Becker suffered from a severe mental nearly 10 months of trying to forgive illness, this time they focused on the 24-year-old's premeditation.

"No one else grabbed the gun that asking him to take responsibility for day. No one else pulled the trigger," Todd Thomas said. "No one else, like a coward, brutally murdered my father on June 24 in front of over 20 innocent kids."

After listening to statements by the coach's sons and other relatives, Iowa District Court Judge Stephen Carroll sentenced Becker to life without the possibility of parole. Last month a jury convicted Becker of first-degree murder, rejecting his plea of not guilty by reason

Public defender Susan Flander said

Thomas was a winner on the football While they again acknowledged field, amassing a 292-84 record and two state titles in 37 seasons as a head coach —34 of them at Aplington-Parkersburg. He coached four people who have played in the NFL.

He also was a community leader, helping Parkersburg rebuild after nearly one-third of the 1,800-person town was

wiped out in May 2008 by a tornado that beard. He carried a Bible. killed six people.

During the trial, no one disputed that Becker had broken into his father's gun cabinet, loaded a .22-caliber pistol and drove about 10 miles to the high school weight room, where Ed Thomas was working with 22 football and volleyball players.

Becker walked inside and approached Thomas. He fired six or seven rounds, fatally wounding Thomas, then kicked him and stomped on him. He cursed Thomas, then walked out of the building.

Prosecutors and defense lawyers agreed that Becker had paranoid schizophrenia. He suffered episodes in his house, terrorizing his parents and forcing them to call sheriff's deputies to take him to the psychiatric ward of a Waterloo hospital. Sometimes, his delusions focused on Ed Thomas, whom he believed was appearing in his home and trying to assault him.

Becker appeared in court Wednesday wearing a blue jumpsuit, with the same shaggy hair he sported at trial and a new

The sentencing hearing was a foregone conclusion. After denying a request by Becker's lawyer for a new trial, Carroll listened to the victim impact statements, then handed down the mandatory life term.

The judge also ordered Becker to pay \$150,000 to Ed Thomas' estate, \$16,600 in lawyer fees and \$53,000 for expert psychiatric witnesses. He didn't address how Becker could pay the charges.

The statements showed the agony that Thomas' family had endured. During Todd Thomas' comments, even the judge wiped away tears.

Todd Thomas' brother, Aaron, said his three sons, ages 6, 4 and 2, have dealt with the killing in differ-

"I can't tell (6-year-old Owen) not to be scared or that nothing will happen, as he witnessed it. He knows his grandpa was murdered by Mark Becker," Aaron Thomas said, speaking directly to Becker.



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## Pivotal stretch for Tech softball begins today at Oklahoma

By TOMMY MAGELSSEN STAFF WRITER

Oklahoma.

"I think my goal personally recent games. for the team is to jump on (Oklaso if we can jump on them early this weekend." hopefully we'll get some Ws."

Norman, Okla.

For Tech to help coach Fox

tear and leading the Big 12 in hit-12 games.

Getting things going offensive-

leads the Big 12 in pitching with a 1.57 ERA.

In order to help rectify some Losers of five of its last six of their recent hitting woes, Tech games, Texas Tech softball will try coach Shanon Hays said he has to right the ship today. That task not changed anything up too may prove difficult against No. 12 drastically but he and his players have been scouring over video of

"We've been trying to make homa) early," Tech assistant coach some subtle changes," he said. Kristie Fox said. "If we get on them "You know, any little thing can early they tend to fold. I played either throw you off or put you against Oklahoma a lot and that's back on. So I've been studying just how they've always have been, hard and trying to get ready for

With 30 wins already under The Red Raiders (30-5, 2-5 their belt, the Red Raiders are in Big 12 Conference play) take having their most successful seaon the Sooners (31-9, 5-2) in a son since 2001. But players and doubleheader at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. coaches believe anything less than today at Marita Hynes Field in a postseason bid will be disap-

Hays previously said to have a achieve her ambitions of toppling good shot at a regional, his team the Sooners, the Red Raiders will would have to have at least 35 need to be a bit more productive wins. On Tuesday, Hays said there at the plate than they have been is still a lot of softball to be played and he believes Tech is in a good After starting the season on a position to make a regional.

However, the Red Raiders are ting before conference play began, entering one of their most difficult though, and she just wants to go when there are runners in scor- ners on base during that stretch. do at that time," Hays said. "You the Red Raiders have hit a lull and stretches of the season. Nine of out and compete. But being the ing position," she said. "That is Hays said having a short memory don't think about the last at-bat or are batting .179 through seven Big their last 11 games are against underdog can potentially give the one adjustment that we need to is key in softball, and this is some- if you made an error or the score. ranked opponents.

Right fielder Ashley Hamada ly against the Sooners may seem said she doesn't worry about her ing what we're doing and making outscored 14-4 in their last six



PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH PITCHER Ashley Brokeshoulder attempts to put out a playerduring the Red Raiders' 2-0 loss to Nebraska Sunday at Rocky Johnson Field.

Red Raiders more confidence.

"We're just going to keep do-

The Red Raiders have been team. like a daunting task. Oklahoma opponents' rankings too much sure that we also get better at-bats games, and have stranded 44 run ment and think of what you can >>> thomas.magelssen@ttu.edu

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