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AMY BRADSHAW, LEFT, a Rotarian from Waco, and *Daily Toreador* Photo Editor Karl Anderson, a senior public relations major from Round Rock, carry a Haitian earthquake survivor to an area where he will be given a free wheelchair. See page 6 for more.

Big 12 tourney on tap for Tech golf

By JOSE RODRIGUEZ
STAFF WRITER

Every shot, stroke and putt for the Texas Tech men's and women's golf teams this spring has come in preparation for today's Big 12 Conference Championships.

Both teams go into their respective tournaments with solid play in recent weeks. However, Tech men's golf coach Greg Sands believes his team still has to work on finding a rhythm. The Red Raiders tee off today in Trinity, with the tourney set to conclude Sunday.

"We'll have to play well — I just think the key will be consistency," he said. "We're going to have some good rounds, but we have to have some of the best rounds. We need to just have solid rounds and not bad rounds. We need to just have consistency throughout the lineup."

Considering the fact that Tech is ranked No. 12 in the nation, expectations for today may be high.

But with experience beating some conference opponents such as No. 7

Texas and No. 3 Oklahoma State, the team may be confident about its chances to come away with a high finish, or perhaps, a Big 12 title. Of the top teams in the conference, Tech has yet to defeat No. 5 Texas A&M.

"Top three is reasonable — my goal is to win," said Nils Floren, who is No. 9 in the individual rankings. "My goal is to win individually and my goal is to win as a team as well. I just expect that everyone is doing what they can control. If we do that and if we stay focused on what we control, I think we can win, definitely."

The women, despite being ranked No. 43, may also have a level of confidence similar to that of Tech's men.

With first-year head coach Jojo Robertson at the helm, the Lady Raiders have shown promise with results such as a first-place finish at the Heather Farr Memorial during the fall and a third-place finish last week at the Baylor Invitational. The strong play has come on the heels of solid performances from freshmen Gabby Dominguez and

Kim Kaufman.

Robertson shares Sands' confidence, as well.

She said she believes her team will be in contention for a title if they can remain consistent throughout the entire tourney.

"I think they have a great chance," Robertson said. "We haven't played too many tournaments where everybody played their best on the same day. So I'm excited about that, I'm sure the team is too — to just get this thing started, see where we end up."

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NILS FLOREN HOPES to lead the Texas Tech men's golf team to a Big 12 Championship this weekend in Trinity. He is ranked No. 9 in the nation according to golfstat.com.

RELIEF

The *Daily Toreador's* photo editor, Karl Anderson, traveled with Rotary International and the Wheelchair Foundation to Haiti and the Dominican Republic to distribute wheelchairs to those who were immobilized by the earthquake in January. Check out Page 6 for photos and to read about his experience.

Students compete in annual TECHStyle fashion show



PHOTO BY MATT MOFFATT/*The Daily Toreador*

MORGAN RUDY, LEFT, a junior retail major from Temple, has her dress worked on by Laurie Myers, a junior exercise and sport sciences and general dietetics major from Houston, Thursday in the Human Sciences Building.

By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI
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Showcasing the work they've done since the fall semester, the graduating seniors in the Apparel Design and Manufacturing Program will show off garments they have created throughout the year in the program's annual fashion show, TECHStyle.

Since the beginning of the fall semester, students learned various techniques to help make their garments, said Anna Michell, fashion show coordinator and a senior apparel design and manufacturing and interior design major from Dallas.

Each student will show a collection of a minimum of four pieces, but some have up to 10. Because the students have been working on most of the garments throughout

the year, she said some students may not want to show the first garment they made.

"It depends on the quality and it depends on what the designer wants to show or not to show," Michell said. "Techniques are learned in class, and through their applications we are able to produce garments without instruction."

TECHStyle will take the stage at 5:30 p.m. Saturday in the Student Union Building Allen Theatre. Unlike last year, TECHStyle will not be co-hosted by the Interior Design Program.

Previously, some shows had the interior design seniors present a gallery of their work before the fashion show, but this year the Apparel Design and Manufacturing Program wanted to go back to its traditional show of showcasing only its seniors,

said Su-Jeong Hwang Shin, director and assistant professor of the Apparel Design and Manufacturing Program.

Also new this year is the support of the Plains Cotton Cooperative Association and the Cotton Council International, which have been working with the program on Denim Runway, a jean designing competition for Texas Tech students.

The competition was announced to students in January, giving them more than three months to create their jeans. The challenge was to design a pair of jeans for an 18- to 24-year-old market for either males, females or both, Michell said.

Originally, PCCA wanted to become more active with the Apparel Design and Manufacturing Program, which prompted the idea

of the competition, said John Johnson, PCCA director of public and legislative affairs.

"We are delighted with the cooperation of the faculty and the students really have embraced the contest," he said.

The competition has students designing a pair of jeans that could potentially go into commercial production. The winners will also visit a denim manufacturing plant in Guatemala and to attend a trade show in Columbia.

"This is the most exciting (award) because of everything they are offering," Michell said. "The chance to go to Guatemala and Colombia, all expenses paid, is an incredible opportunity for any designer."

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STATE

Hutchison gets Senate GOP leadership post

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell has appointed Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison of Texas to serve as counsel to the Senate Republican leadership team. Hutchison joins Sens. Bob Bennett of Utah and Judd Gregg of New Hampshire as counsel. McConnell

made the announcement Thursday. Hutchison, a lawyer who has been in the Senate since 1993, announced last month that she will serve out her third term, which ends in 2012. That reversed her previous declaration made when she was running for governor that she would leave office early.

NATION

Nearly 4M people pay without health coverage

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nearly 4 million Americans — the vast majority of them middle class — will have to pay a penalty if they don't get insurance when President Barack Obama's health care overhaul

law kicks in, according to congressional estimates released Thursday.

The penalties will average a little more than \$1,000 apiece in 2016, the Congressional Budget Office said in a report.

WORLD

Jordan says rocket hits Red Sea port city of Aqaba

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — A rocket launched from outside Jordan struck a refrigerated warehouse in the country's Red Sea port city of Aqaba, officials said Thursday.

Jordanian Information Minister Nabil al-Sharif said initial investigations indicate the rocket was a Russian-designed Grad that was fired from beyond Jordan's borders. He said authorities continue to look into the explosion to determine exactly where the missile was launched from.

Correction

The "7-Day Weekend" calendar in Thursday's issue of *The Daily Treador* incorrectly identified the bands performing at tonight's Rock the Plaza Event. The bands performing will be Mae and Colours. *The DT* regrets the error.

Tech grad, Iraqi official visits campus

By **KELLY WATSON**
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The president and chairman of Iraq's largest financial institution, a Texas Tech alumnus, returned to Lubbock to speak on the state of the Iraqi economy Thursday during a luncheon at the International Cultural Center.

Hussein Al-Uzri graduated from Tech in 1985 with a degree in electrical and computer engineering. Next month will be the 25th anniversary of his graduation, and he says it's been a dream for him to come back to visit Tech.

"The influence Texas Tech has had on my journey until now has been great," Al-Uzri said.

In 2003, he returned to Iraq after the American-led liberation of his homeland. He said it was not a hard decision to go back when the opportunity presented itself.

Al-Uzri is the head of The Trade Bank of Iraq, a government-owned trade bank created to help facilitate trade with outside nations and economic regeneration. It is also the first completely automated online banking system in Iraq.

He said the primary challenge to Iraq's economic development is overcoming the legacy of a 30-year wartime economy and transitioning into a private market.

"In the private sector, new projects are taking place," Al-Uzri said. "It was not possible before because it was a state economy."

When asked about working with the Obama administration versus the Bush administration, he said they have been about the same. Al-Uzri said even though President Barack Obama is withdrawing troops, it doesn't mean less support.

He said the country wants help now with education and technology. It wants to develop and establish better educational opportunities in Iraq.

"Universities in Iraq need help getting established" Al-Uzri said.

He wants to help his fellow countrymen gain experience and education and said they hope for help from



PHOTO BY KELLY WATSON/The Daily Treador

HUSSEIN AL-UZRI, A Tech alumnus, spoke at the International Cultural Center on Thursday about his experiences as the head of The Trade Bank of Iraq.

the United States in developing Iraqi professors and professionals. He said they cannot get Internet access in some areas, but he opes these improvements will come soon.

Al-Uzri says he still follows Tech football.

"It has always been my dream to come back to Texas Tech" said

Al-Uzri. He expressed his approval with the new construction and growth of the university, particularly the new stadium.

The Trade Bank of Iraq has \$100 million in capital and \$6.1 billion in total assets.

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Tech students prepare fashion, chef programs for campers

By **DEVIN SANCHEZ**
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Imagine being 13 again and having the dream of being a fashion designer or a celebrity chef. Then imagine being able to spend a week at a camp that focuses entirely on preparing kids for these industries.

For three summers, the Retailing and Hospitality Programs at Texas Tech have been hosting camp sessions for junior high and high school students who display an interest in going into the hospitality and retail management industry. Deborah Fowler, an associate professor in nutrition, hospitality and retailing, said she brought the program with her from another college.

"I did the camps at the University of South Carolina when I taught there," she said. "I started doing the camps here three years ago."

Fowler said she always has had students help her out with the camps and really likes to focus on the students learning event planning skills. In fact, 33 undergraduate students in apparel design, retail management, journalism, business, personal financial planning, arts and sciences, and restaurant, hotel

and institutional management, and 10 graduate students in hospitality and retail management will be working the camps this summer.

Amy Reed, a graduate hospitality and retail management student from Midland, is one of the graduate students in charge of the Fashion Camp. Reed said the students involved have been working since the beginning of the year to prepare for these camps.

"The students met everyday for the first two-and-a-half weeks of school to prepare and plan all the activities for the campers," she said. "For instance, for Fashion Camp they prepare activities on accessorizing in fashion and for Chef Camp they prepare activities on cake decoration."

Reed, along with her partner, Cindy Choi, a Ph.D. student in hospitality and retail management from Korea, try to make sure the events that are planned for the campers on hands on for the students as well.

"All the activities throughout the week lead up to the big fashion show at the end of the week," Reed said. "The food at the fashion show reception will be prepared by those attending the Chef Camp, so it all ties in."



PHOTO COURTESY OF DEBORAH FOWLER

JUNIOR HIGH AND high school students that attended the Department of Hospitality and retail management's Fashion Camp 2009. More than 40 Texas tech students will host this year's chef and fashion camps.

Sang-Mook Lee, a masters hospitality and retail management student from South Korea, and Nathan Stokes, a graduate hospitality and retail management student from Idaho, are in charge of the chef camps. Lee said the Chef Camp has two levels: beginner and intermediate. In the beginner level, students focus on basic skills such as knife skills and bakery, whereas the intermediate level focuses on presentation, Lee said.

"This is the first year for the Chef

Camp," Lee said, "but we are hoping for about 20 campers per session."

Campers stay on campus in the dorms to get the full experience, Fowler said.

"For my students, both graduate and undergraduate, this experience is really about event planning and being able to learn those skills," Fowler said. "I really just want them to have good skills in teamwork and event planning, and working these camps provides those."

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Fashion

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Other awards will be given out at the show including the rising star underclassman awards for Fashion Illustration, Construction, Creative Design, Trend Boards and Best of Show, all of which are voted on by seniors as well as the Glenna Goo-

dacre Design Award Endowment and Pete and Eleanor Woodson Scholarship Endowment. The event also will have a silent auction with items such as donated purses from one of the program's alumna, Ashley Sides, who has become a successful purse designer, Shin said.

Shin said she hopes the bags sell well because it is a big deal when their alumni become this successful.

Fashion show attendees won't just be able to see the final designs walking down the runway, but with the Snap It program, guests can take a picture of what "looks like a bizarre barcode" on their iPhone or Internet-capable BlackBerry and go to a YouTube video to watch footage of the designers working from throughout the year, Michell said.

"It's actually pretty cool," she said.

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Three Bands to 'rock the plaza'

By **BROOKE BELLOMY**
STAFF WRITER

Tonight, the plaza between the Student Union Building and the University Library will be rocked by the music of three bands from Lubbock, Dallas and Norfolk, Va., at Tech Activities Board's fourth annual Rock the Plaza concert.

Rock the Plaza is the first event in TAB, the Residence Halls Association and Student Government Association is One Big Crazy Weekend. RHA will host a Spring Fling extravaganza from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday in Urbanovsky Park. The SGA will host a Luau from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Student Leisure Pool.

TAB's concert coordinator, Ross Girouard, a junior marketing and management major from Rowlett, said Rock the Plaza is Texas Tech's biggest concert on campus. He said TAB members began the search for a group early in the fall semester.

"(TAB) tries to bring in diverse genres of music for concerts," he said. "RaiderGate is for more country music, and Rock the Plaza is for, obviously, rock music."

He said the committee brainstormed bands, compiled a list and listened to a lot of music. Then they discussed which bands would be the biggest crowd and students would enjoy most.

TAB member Anthony Krajewski, a junior sociology major from Keller, said the group looks for up-and-coming bands that haven't "hit it big" but that students will like.

"This is the event that TAB concerts committee puts the most time and energy toward," he said.

This year, the concert will open with music by the winner of TAB's singer-songwriter competition, South Texas Hippies of Lubbock.

Krajewski described South Texas Hippies music as folk and southern rock.

They will be followed by the group Colours, which is from Dallas. The final band to play and the group headlining the event is Mae, which is from Norfolk, Va.

"(TAB) thought the band Colours would be a good fit to open for Mae which we had already booked," Girouard said.

In addition to great music, Gi-



COURTESY OF FIELD DAY AGENCY
RICARDO GARCIA AND Phillip Carter of the band Colours from Dallas will take the stage Friday at TAB's Rock the Plaza.

rouard said there will also be free hot dogs, lemonade and T-shirts.

"There will also be a merchandising table to buy band shirts and CDs," he said, "and the bands will be available after each set to meet fans, take pictures and sign autographs."

Girouard said he expects the event will draw a crowd of about 1,500 to 2,000, but many people will come and go at their leisure.

Rock the Plaza will begin at 7 p.m. tonight at the Student Union West Plaza. Admission is free for Tech students.

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'Curtains' hits stage for final performance of semester

By **SARAH SCROGGINS**
STAFF WRITER

Dorothy Chanksy plays no-talent, movie star diva Jessica Cranshaw in Texas Tech's production of "Curtains," a murder mystery musical comedy.

After working in New York as a professional actress for seven years, Chanksy was offered a job teaching graduate students theater history, theory and criticism. Although she plays a small role, she said she believes it's great to not only be involved in the show, but to get to work alongside some of the graduate students she teaches.

"It's humbling to see how talented and hard-working they are," Chanksy said. "In this form at least, I'm not the one who's teaching them, they are the ones who have stuff to teach me and it's a delight."

Emily Hemmings, a freshman theater and dance dual major from Lubbock, plays the role of Bambi Bernet. As Hemmings describes it, she plays a character, who is also the lead dance role, which is a sassy, ingénue actress fighting to make it to the top.

Hemmings said she has been involved in theater since she was 5 years old and has performed in other classic musicals such as "The Wiz," "Oklahoma!" and "Fiddler On The Roof." Although she is a veteran in the theater world, this is her first year to audition and perform at Tech.

"I've got some butterflies,"

she said. "I'm excited, that's why I love doing this for the audience. I'm excited to have people there to respond to all the funny things we do."

Ali Duffy, the assistant professor of dance, was the choreographer for "Curtains." She said she spent four hours a day for a week with the cast, teaching the choreography to the music and lyrics done by John Kander and Fred Ebb, who are best known for their musicals "Chicago" and "Cabaret."

Since then, Duffy and the cast reunited every couple of rehearsals to review and rehearse the dances. Although she said she performed in musicals before, this was her first musical to choreograph. For her, it was different than choreographing something abstract for her modern dancing or ballet classes.

"There's almost a prescription to it," Duffy said. "There are different characters you have to attend to and certain emotions you want to illicit and make clear to an audience."

The director of "Curtains," James Bush, said he wanted to make sure the main focus around the show was to have fun. He describes directing



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador

MEMBERS OF THE acting troupe react after hearing that the director wants the show to go on to Broadway even after their lead actress was murdered during the opening performance of "Robbin Hood of the Old West". The performance "Curtains" opens today at the Charles E. Maedgen Jr. Theatre.

as storytelling, living under imaginary circumstances and, of course, reminding the cast to know their lines and to avoid collisions.

Bush said he believes it's important to have a good time and pay attention to the process of making a show happen, because the cast and crew spend 90 percent of their time working through the process.

"If the process is a success,

then the result is always a success," said Bush.

"Curtains" runs April 22 to April 25 and April 29 to May 2. Performance times are 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Admission to the Charles E. Maedgen Jr. Theatre is \$5 with a Tech ID and \$12 per person. For reservations or more information, call the box office at 806-742-3603.

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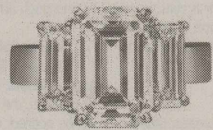
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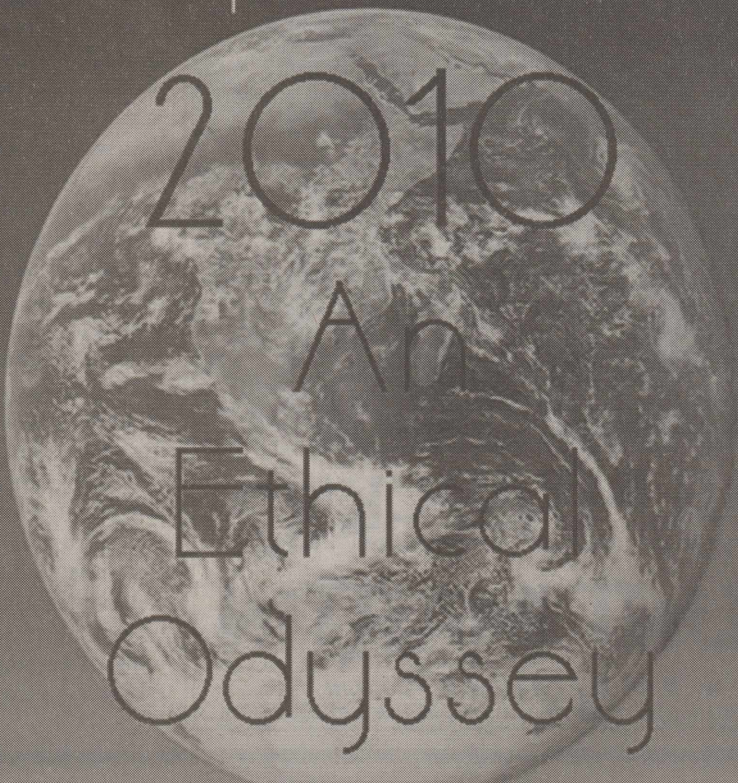


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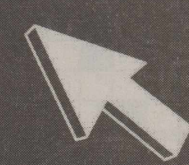


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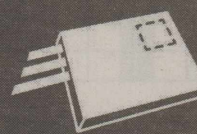
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Uninformed arguments give views bad name

On April 15, Tax Day, Conservatives flocked to Washington, D.C., as part of the growing Tea Party movement. Among the protestors, at least one man can be seen in many pictures online (including the *Washington City Paper* website) carrying a sign that says "God hates taxes."

But when the Pharisees approached Jesus in Matthew 22 and asked him, "Is it right to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" Jesus showed them the image of Caesar that appeared on their coins — not unlike the American iconography that appears on our own bills and coins — and said "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's. Give to God what is God's."

Telling people to give Caesar his money doesn't really seem like an anti-tax message, does it? Quite the opposite, in fact.

Britton Peele



Trying to pull the religion card purely to further your agenda is already a shady practice, and many in the anti-religion camp are quick to point out (perhaps not wrongly) that such attitudes are the source of too many of our most horrific wars and events.

Trying to spread what you believe to be God's message might be one thing. It's quite another if you're completely and utterly wrong.

In the aforementioned photograph, the "God hates taxes" sign bearer

appears dressed in a monk's garb and wearing a large wooden cross around his neck. I would imagine this outfit is entirely for show, and that the man has no official affiliation to any church or monastery (though I could be mistaken), but I would still expect someone who is brazen enough to attend a rally in such attire, with such a sign, to be familiar with at least the basic teachings of Christ. And the passage I quoted above seems pretty basic.

I've mentioned in previous columns that I'm a Christian. I understand the desire to preach the message of the Bible and to use Scripture to guide your actions. However, if you're going to go out in public and try to protest your government or preach on a street corner, you should at least have some idea of what the heck you're talking about.

I confess that I'm not exactly a test case for what an "average" Christian should know. I spend a lot of free time studying philosophy, theology and world religion. I'm far from an expert and farther from a priest, but I can hold my own in a discussion or debate. But Jesus' message about taxes in Matthew 22 seems pretty rudimentary to me. I'm pretty sure I was aware of his comments at least by high school, if not far earlier.

Everybody is ignorant at some point or another. Ideally, we should leave behind as much ignorance as possible as we grow older, but sometimes we are confronted with new ideas and need to restrain ourselves to think about the world differently. There are certainly people out there, religious and not, who are walking around with false or uninformed ideas in their head, but in

some cases it's understandable; they just don't know any better.

But if you make it your mission to go on the offensive, to protest and rally and debate, then you need to make sure to hit the books first.

It's not just religious people who need to worry about this. Political views from both sides of the aisle are often skewed and mutilated until they're barely recognizable. How many times have you heard a comment (or even read a column) in which the person speaking was obviously ignorant of the views they were presenting?

It's easy to see when the opinion is in opposition to yours — it's much easier to sniff out problems with an argument if it's one we don't agree with — but we sometimes ignore the people on our own side who spread ignorance and lies. Whether it's a stu-

dent saying, "Coffee makes you sober," an atheist saying, "King Solomon cut a baby in half" (a real argument I've heard based on a story out of context) or a conservative saying, "God hates taxes," people spew ignorance everywhere, and it usually makes them look stupid.

I'm personally tired of being a conservative Christian who constantly has to correct the misconceptions others have based on things they've heard from other "conservative Christians." No matter your views, try to be informed about them before you go imposing them on others. Otherwise you just make things harder on your potential allies.

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Can we have our net neutrality and eat it too?

By **SAM BLAKE**
MINNESOTA DAILY (U. MINNESOTA)

A recent court ruling and the resulting actions of the Federal Communications Commission have brought the sporadically-debated issue of net neutrality back into the limelight. First, some background:

Comcast, currently the nation's largest provider of high-speed Internet access, got in trouble with the FCC in 2008 for intentionally throttling certain user connections. Specifically, Comcast throttled

peer-to-peer services (BitTorrent being the predominant one) on the grounds that they take up massive amounts of bandwidth and are more often than not used for illegal sharing of copyrighted materials.

Comcast's customers complained to the FCC (why they didn't complain to Comcast instead is beyond me), which slapped Comcast with an order to desist in discriminating against particular kinds of network traffic. Since then, however, the U.S. Court of Appeals has unanimously ruled that this action goes beyond the

authority of the FCC. Specifically, the FCC only has the authority to regulate telecommunications services, whereas broadband Internet is currently classified as an information service.

Since the ruling, the FCC has made it clear that it has no intention of losing its ability to regulate broadband. Strictly speaking, the FCC has the power to reclassify broadband Internet if it wants to (it was the FCC itself that originally classified broadband as an information service); however, it will have to find a solid legal basis to do so lest it embroils

itself in another stodgy legal battle.

Some U.S. senators (mostly Democrats) have stated their support for this reclassification, though they've made it clear that Congress is unwilling to get heavily involved in the net neutrality debate at this time. The Open Internet Coalition, an organization of heavily-invested Internet companies such as Google, Amazon and Facebook, is lobbying strongly for the FCC to enact this classification change.

On the other side of the equation, Comcast and other large telecommuni-

cations companies have hinted that they will once again bring suit if the FCC tries to reclassify their industry once again. Given that, in 2005, the Supreme Court ruled 8-1 in favor of the FCC's classification of broadband as an information service, the legal battle that comes out of a reclassification is bound to be fierce and protracted.

Most people do agree that net neutrality is something that they want. The problem, as with most difficult debates, is in the terminology; people don't agree on what net neutrality actually is.

First, there is market-regulated net neutrality. Under this system, some corporation that provides Internet access (an Internet service provider, or ISP) has the ability to selectively direct your Internet usage — they can block particular sites, they can affect your search results, what have you. As part of the contract you sign, they agree to provide some service as they define it, not necessarily as you envision it should be.

To demand net neutrality in such a case is to say to the ISP, "Look, you have to give me unhindered access, and you need to be able to convince me that you will provide unhindered access, or else I will not pay you."

Second, there is government-regulated net neutrality. Under this system, the government ensures that all ISPs behave by the official standard of what constitutes unhindered Internet access. Under current proposals, this includes stipulations about things like customer rights as well as requiring telecommunications companies to share their bandwidth. And, of course, with government regulation generally comes censorship, as it has with television and radio.

Which of these two options, then, is the better one? The first option is riskier, since you lack a guarantee (or a scapegoat, depending on how you look at it) that the product you're purchasing is in fact what you expect it to be; however, the market has the ability to freely provide the services customers want.

The second option eliminates the risk but at the cost of more government regulation and, inevitably, higher taxes. (Corruption and graft are also a threat, but let's give the government the benefit of the doubt here.)

So we're essentially choosing between efficiency and security; the nature of government interaction in an otherwise free market necessarily creates that trade-off.

Finding a balance between the efficiency of freedom and the security of regulation is pretty much impossible. Both angles have merit, and both corporations and government have their motives, good or bad, to prefer their option. The problem as usual is that people want to have their cake and eat it too.

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle
Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

ACROSS
1 Lively Cuban dance
6 They can be loose or tight
10 Shade of red
14 Sharon of Israel
15 Bobby's informant
16 Moisturizer brand
17 Stonemason's goal?
20 Word before or after dog
21 Islamic spiritual guide
22 Contemptible people
23 "Woe ___"
25 Biography opener?
27 Flirt's mascara stains?
30 Fanciful idea
34 "It's what's hot in pain relief" brand
35 Feudal estate
37 Caesar's morning meal?
38 "Man is himself when he talks in his own person": Wilde
39 Chain with pieces, briefly
40 Rose petal pest
42 PC program
43 French 101 infirmity
45 Bustle (with)
46 High-tech unit
48 Dermatology class videos?
50 With wild abandon
52 Chiwere speaker
53 End of a series
58 Regarding
59 Curdle
62 Inherited wealth?
65 Celtic language
66 Whitecap formation
67 Befuddled
68 Feat
69 Minnesota ___
70 Antares or Betelgeuse

DOWN
1 Crow cacophony
2 Like much lore
3 River from Lake Victoria
4 Kelso and Funny Dide
5 Frazier foe
6 Glossy paint
7 Zip, to Zapata
8 Like many a rescue
9 Something to look up to
10 Certain pet, in toispeak
13 Kid
18 "Build it somewhere else" acronym
19 Flier with a bent nose
24 Shark or Penguin footwear
26 Take advantage of
27 Obviously sad
28 Unsuitable
29 Buyer's proposal
31 Boeing
32 Political columnist Molly
33 Anti-DUI org.
34 Betray a confidence, perhaps
36 One-named male model
39 Volcano in the Sunda Strait
41 Skunk relatives
44 Company quorum?
45 "Sweet" river in a Burns poem
47 Made 3 on a par-5
49 Clan emblems
51 Mad, e.g., briefly
53 Due
54 Bog down
55 Word suggesting options
57 Doc's "Now!"
59 Tilt
60 Pre-military rank?
61 Royal Russian of yore
63 Amiss
64 Pinup's leg

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By Jerome Gunderson
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A HAITIAN AMPUTEE sits in her wheelchair at a clinic in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

RIDING ON HOPE

A FIRST-HAND LOOK AT HOW THE ABILITY TO GET AROUND IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE EARTHQUAKE IN HAITI CAN MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD

PHOTOS AND STORY BY KARL ANDERSON, DT PHOTO EDITOR

AN ELDERLY HAITIAN MAN LIES IN PAIN ON A COT IN A DARK, WOODEN SHACK WITH NO ELECTRICITY OR RUNNING

water in a rural area near the Haiti-Dominican Republic border.

The 100-pound earthquake survivor, Jean, is unable to walk — a virtual prisoner in the shack.

As he is peeled from the sheets, he moans quietly. He is placed in his new wheelchair and taken outside. He looks to the sky, lets out a gasp and fills his lungs with fresh air.

I'm the *Daily Toreador* photo editor. Last week, I was supposed to be in class finishing up my degree. Instead, I found myself in the Dominican Republic, distributing wheelchairs to Haitian earthquake survivors who desperately needed them.

My parents invited me on this humanitarian trip that was a joint project of Rotary International and The Wheelchair Foundation. Our mission was simple: eradicate immobility. Our nine-member group, accompanied by three Dominican relief workers, spent three days delivering 70 wheelchairs, free of charge, to earthquake victims in villages, hospitals and clinics throughout the Dominican Republic.

We all take our legs, our mobility, for granted. But for people without the use of their legs, wheelchairs have an enormous impact on their lives. It gives people back their independence. Children can go back to school, adults can go to work, and the elderly can get out of their homes and have some social interaction. It also alleviates the burden on family members who otherwise would have to carry the person around.

For perspective's sake, a 7.0 magnitude earthquake tore through Port-au-Prince, Haiti, on Jan. 12. It killed 250,000 people, injured countless thousands and left about 1.5 million homeless. Some of the catastrophic damage can be blamed on poor or nonexistent building codes. Many displaced Haitians took refuge with family and friends in the neighboring Dominican Republic. The Dominican hospitals, clinics and orphanages are filled with Haitian earthquake survivors.

Austin-area Rotary clubs raised enough money to purchase 560 wheelchairs. Each chair costs \$150 and comes in everyone's favorite colors: red and black.

I was supposed to chronicle the trip with photographs. But, the first time I saw a child with a missing leg whose face lit up when he was placed in a wheelchair, I knew I had to put down the camera and be an active participant.

I took some pictures. But, now that I'm back in our world on the Tech campus, I'd like to share a few of the many stories I heard and saw as our

group hand delivered wheelchairs.

Michelle was lying in bed at a clinic in Santo Domingo, gripping her college-aged daughter's hand. Before the earthquake, she was a kindergarten teacher and homemaker in Haiti. The earthquake destroyed her two-story home. Her children escaped with minor injuries. Michelle, who was with her sister on the first floor during the quake, had her left leg crushed; the bone protruded from both sides. Her sister died in her arms as they waited to be rescued.

Michelle was full of hope because she could now move her toes. The wheelchair we provided will allow her to continue physical therapy. If she shows promise, there is a chance she will go to Atlanta to learn to walk again.

At a hospital in Santo Domingo, my parents decided the mood was a little damp. My father conducted a wheelchair race. The halls filled with sounds of screeching tires and laughter. My mother danced with an amputee in one of the wheelchairs. She wanted to show her that she could have a normal life. They twirled around the hospital room, patients and doctors cheered and laughed. Dancing with the stars, beware.

Our original plans had us distributing wheelchairs in Haiti, but the Haitian government recently closed the border to undocumented vehicles. Miles of trucks filled with expired food and medicine lined the boarder, unable to reach the earthquake-ravaged people. We continued into Haiti on foot, weaving through hundreds of islanders carrying supplies and food on their heads and in wheelbarrows. I wonder what they thought of nine camera-wielding Americans slathering sunscreen on their pale faces.

The boarder trip was not a waste, however. One of our guides, Hector, obtained the proper documentation to bring hundreds of wheelchairs to Haiti. According to Hector, it is paramount that each chair be hand delivered. It is the only way to guarantee each chair goes to a person in need.

Our group had adventures away from the villages, hospitals and clinics as well. We ate fresh watermelon and coconuts at roadside stands, saw an overturned 18-wheeler, and were temporarily stranded by a roadblock of burning brush and tires.

It will take years, perhaps decades, to rebuild Haiti. But for now, I can smile knowing that Jean, Michelle and 68 other earthquake victims have hope to rebuild their lives.

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TRUCKS FILLED WITH expired food and medicine sit parked along the main route from the Dominican Republic to Haiti. Due to a lack of documentation, the trucks were not allowed to deliver their supplies.



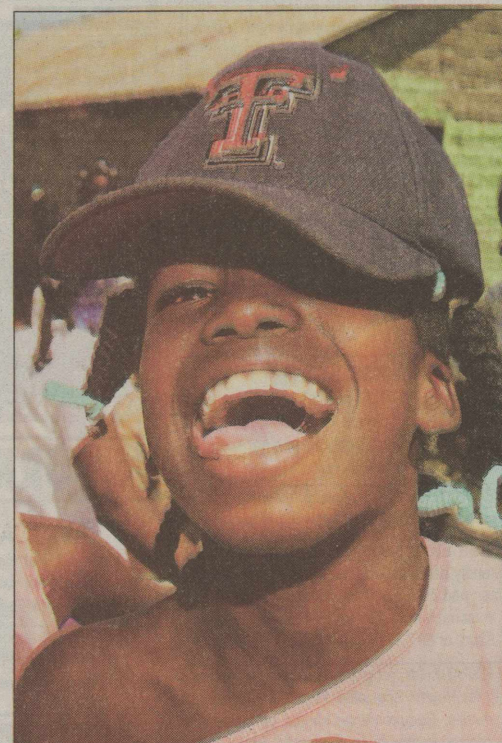
MARTHA ANDERSON, RIGHT, dances with a Haitian amputee at a hospital in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.



GAIL BUCKLEY, A Rotarian from Austin who raised the money to purchase the wheelchairs, helps a disabled girl into her chair.



MICHELLE, A HAITIAN earthquake survivor who suffered a broken leg, is inspected by Amy Bradshaw, a Rotarian from Waco, in a clinic in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.



A GIRL WEARING a Texas Tech hat poses for a photo.