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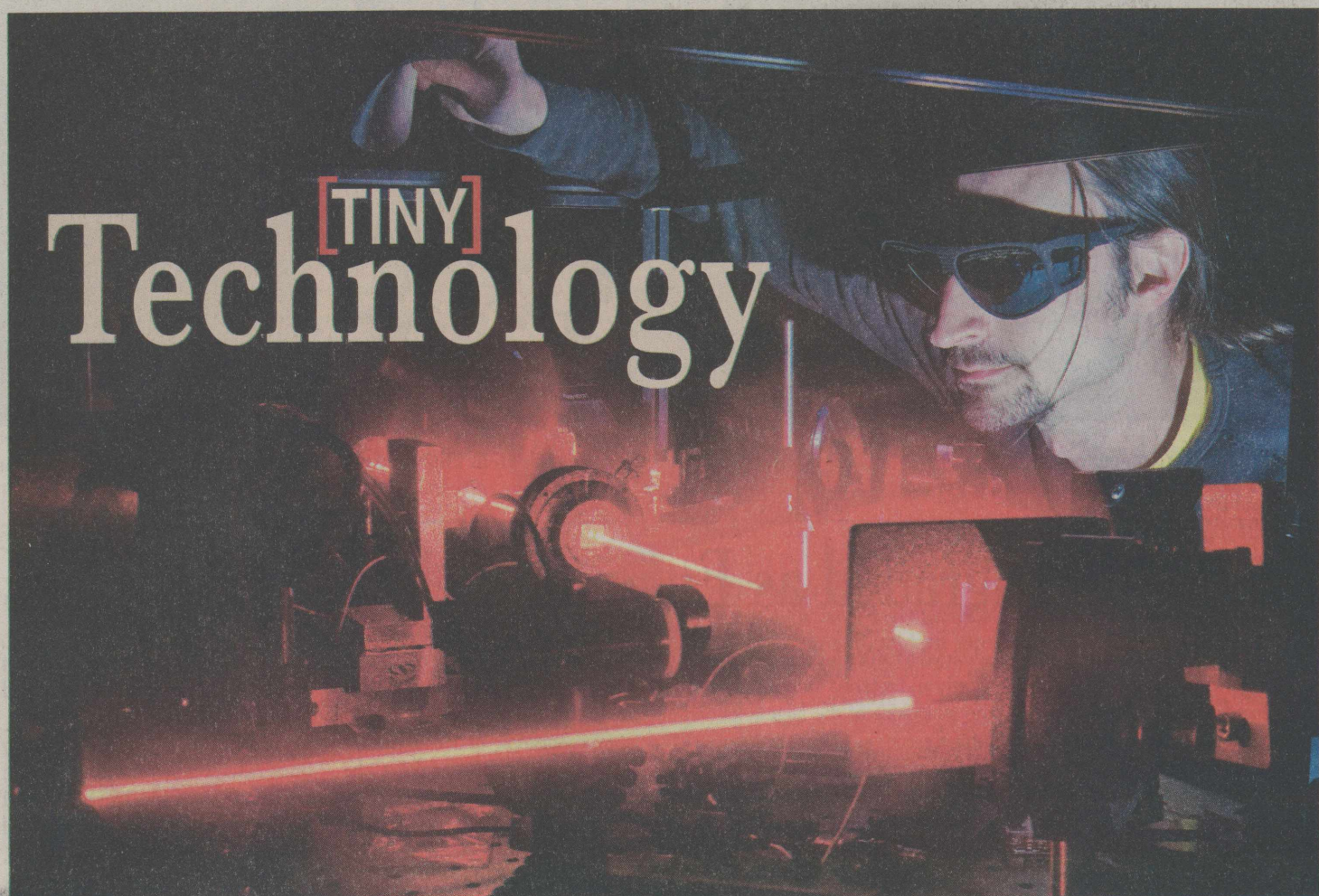


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STEPHEN FRISBIE, A senior research associate, studies the coupling of light to surface plasmons at a metal/glass interface Tuesday in the Nano Tech Center. Surface plasmon wave guides fabricated from such interfaces replace optical fibers in applications where optical fibers are too large.

TINY Technology

Center researches small things in big way

By HALLIE DAVIS
STAFF WRITER

With Texas Tech vying for Tier One status, the amount of the university's research has become a major point of interest. However, one of Tech's most important research facilities is making a big impact in micro form.

The Nano Tech Center brings in professors from different fields to do research and work on projects involving the most minuscule things imaginable.

"It's a pretty diverse range; it's hard to talk about everything," said Jordan Berg, a mechanical engineering professor and associate director of the center. "We're brought together by the fact that we are working at similar size ranges."

For all the professors and researchers, Berg said there are anywhere between 10 and 30 projects going on that apply to many fields including electrical engineering, mechanical engineering and physics.

He said if researchers discovered something that had an application in another field, it could count as two or more projects.

"The different areas might (work on) the same project," said Zhayoung Fan, who specializes in electrical engineering. "We can easily collaborate with each other though everyone has his area of expertise so we can share an idea and come up with new ideas."

As for what the center is working on now, Berg, Fan and Sergey Nikishin, an electrical engineering professor and researcher, were more than happy to share. Though much of it is highly technical, the work has applications in the average person's daily life.

Nikishin said he is working on projects involving light emission and finding a way to produce "true green." Berg said today's screens, like computers and TVs, still don't create a true green color.

Nikishin also is working on "solid-state lighting," which would be an alternative to fluorescent or incandescent light bulbs. He said the light would last for 100 times the life of current lights, and when it is going to go out, the solid-state lighting fades over time rather than flickering. On top of that, the solid state lights do not produce any heat to the touch.

"There's actually a huge market now for (solid state lighting) because, for instance, with solar cells for example," Nikishin said, "there are no electrical connections."

Much of the work done at the center is done to make things, like the lights, more efficient, although each project and researcher has a different goal in mind.

Fan said his latest project dealt with nanostructures, which could be used in solar cells as well as water purification and even making fuels.

Berg said an associate, Ayrton Bernussi, worked on a project involving terahertz and a way to see through things without X-rays, so there is no risk to people who have to go through them. It also has security and defense applications, like being able to recognize specific types of explosives.

To do all these things takes work and advanced equipment. For Nikishin's project, he is growing crystals. One of the machines he uses for that costs \$1 million.

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Tech tries to bring Men Can Stop Rape group to campus

By KELSEY HECKEL
STAFF WRITER

The Lubbock Rape Crisis Center teamed up with the national organization Men Can Stop Rape to host a meeting Tuesday in the Human Sciences building to try to start a group at Texas Tech and promote safety and awareness around campus.

Mike Lezzi, a psychologist at the Student Counseling Center, said the group targets men because men are the most common perpetrators in sexual assault cases.

"It's not really an easy subject to talk about," he said. "But I'm really hoping Tech is somewhere we can really get men involved and prevent rape."

Members of the Lubbock Rape Crisis Center explained at the meeting what sexual assault is and how it can be stopped.

"They will talk about sexual assault and rape and will describe from their perspectives what can be done," Lezzi said.

Erin Snyder, an outreach coordinator and psychologist at the Student Counseling Center, said help from the Lubbock Rape Crisis Center would be important to start a group at Tech.

"Sexual assault is something that affects every campus," Snyder said. "When you get a group such as Men Can Stop Rape together in Lubbock, it should bring Tech's crime rates down."

In 2008, one rape was reported on the Tech campus, down from three in 2007 and four in 2006. Jeanne Clery Act Reports for 2009 and 2010 was not available on the Texas Tech Police Department website.

If enough people are interested, Lezzi said he would like to see a group started on campus for the fall.

Snyder said women also can get involved on campus in preventing

rape and staying safe by joining groups such as the Sexual Assault Peer Education group, which is co-ed, at the Student Counseling Center.

"It's good to have both genders' perspectives," she said. "We talk about rape prevention all the time in a group

at the center."

A representative from the Lubbock Rape Crisis Center said the center would be collaborating with the national Men Can Stop Rape group to bring the organization to Tech.

Women and men can also go to the Lubbock Rape Crisis Center or the Student Counseling Center for advice, Snyder said.

The Lubbock Rape Crisis Center, Student Counseling Center and Tech Police Department also offer counseling for victims of sexual assault and rape, she said. The police department is required to post all information about sexual assault and rape on its website.

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MIKE LEZZI
STUDENT COUNSELING
CENTER PSYCHOLOGIST

AG: Court challenge possible on Arizona immigration law

By PETE YOST
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Eric Holder said Tuesday that the federal government may go to court to challenge Arizona's new law which makes it a state crime to be in the United States illegally.

Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano also voiced reservations about the new state law, saying it could siphon federal money and staff from hunting down dangerous immigrants.

The critical comments by the nation's top law enforcement official and the Cabinet secretary responsible for enforcing immigration laws came four days after Arizona's governor signed a law designed to crack down on illegal aliens.

Arizona's new law is, "I fear, subject to potential abuse," Holder told a news conference. The law allows police to question anyone about their immigration status if they have reason to suspect they are in the country illegally, and makes it a state crime if they are.

"I am very concerned about the wedge that it could draw between communities that law enforcement is supposed to serve and those of us in law enforcement," Holder added.

The Justice Department and the Homeland Security Department are reviewing the state law, which takes effect in late July or early August, 90 days after the Arizona Legislature adjourns.

A number of options are under consideration including "the possibility of a court challenge," the attorney general said in response to questions on the Arizona law posed during a news conference on another topic.

Testifying before the Senate Judiciary Committee, Napolitano said the office of Immigration and Customs Enforcement fears it will have to use its stretched resources to deal with those arrested under Arizona's new law.

"We have some deep concerns with the law... it will detract from and siphon resources that we need to concentrate on those in the country illegally, those who have committed the most serious crimes," Napolitano said.

Man cites explosives in luggage, jet diverts to Maine

By GLENN ADAMS
AND HARRY R. WEBER
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BANGOR, Maine (AP) — The former Air Force member who was detained Tuesday on a trans-Atlantic flight after allegedly claiming he had explosives in his luggage and a fake passport lives a "squeaky clean" life and has never been in trouble before, his father told The Associated Press.

Richard Stansberry said government officials told him the man who was detained after the Paris-to-Atlanta flight was diverted to Maine is his son, 26-year-old Derek Stansberry of Riverview, Fla.

The father said government officials questioned him, but he was as perplexed as they were.

"My son's profession in

the military required he live a squeaky clean life," Richard Stansberry said.

The father said his son served four years in the Air Force before leaving last year for a job in the private sector. He wouldn't identify his son's employer, but said the firm does work for the Air Force.

There were 235 passengers and 13 crew aboard Delta Air Lines Flight 273. The flight landed safely just after 3:30 p.m. at Bangor International Airport.

According to U.S. officials who spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity because the investigation was ongoing, the man claimed to have explosives in his luggage and a fake passport. They said his passport was authentic. The officials would not say what rank he held or the

type of discharge he received.

Federal officials met the aircraft at the airport. The Transportation Security Administration said the passenger was being interviewed by law enforcement.

After the man was apprehended, flight attendants collected passengers' pillows and blankets, piling the cushions in the back of the plane, according to Charde Houston, an all-star forward for the WNBA's Minnesota Lynx who was on the flight.

"It was definitely surreal, something you only hear about," Houston told the AP in a telephone interview.

It was not immediately clear what the significance was of the pillows being taken from passengers.

After the failed attack aboard a Detroit-bound flight on Christ-

mas Day, for a period of time there were extra pat-downs before boarding flights, no getting up for the last hour of the flight and some passengers reported being told they couldn't have items in their laps, including laptops and pillows.

Houston, 24, said that when Tuesday's flight landed, FBI agents boarded and helped remove the suspect, who was wearing handcuffs.

"He looked extremely calm, like a blank face. No emotion," Houston said of the man who was removed.

Richard Stansberry, of Apollo Beach, Fla., said he has not yet been able to speak to his son.

"Unfortunately, I don't think they'd let him call me," the elder Stansberry said. "In a situation like this, the government is doing what it is supposed to do."

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STATE

Complaint says GOP candidate broke rules

AUSTIN (AP) — A liberal watchdog group is accusing Republican nominee for the Texas Supreme Court Debra Lehrmann of violating fundraising rules with a \$20,000 campaign loan from her mother-in-law.

A consultant to Lehrmann's campaign says the loan is legal. Texans for Public Justice filed a

complaint Tuesday with the state Ethics Commission. It says the loan amount exceeds the \$5,000 contribution cap for judicial campaigns. The group says only close family members can make larger loans.

Consultant Susan Lilly says the law allows loans of unlimited amounts from family members and that Lehrmann did nothing wrong.

NATION

Gulf businesses wait as oil creeps toward coast

BILOXI, Miss. — This time, it's not a hurricane that threatens to wreck their livelihoods — it's a blob of black ooze slowly making its way toward the Gulf Coast.

Hotel owners, fishermen and restaurateurs are keeping anxious watch as an oil slick spreads from a wrecked drilling platform like a giant filthy ink blot. Forecasters say it could wash ashore within days near delicate

wetlands, oyster beds and pristine white beaches.

Crews have not been able to stop thousands of barrels of oil from spewing out of the sea floor since an April 20 explosion destroyed the Deepwater Horizon, which was drilling 50 miles off the Louisiana coast. Eleven workers are missing and presumed dead, and the cause of the explosion has not been determined.

WORLD

China wants telecom companies to inform on clients

BEIJING (AP) — China is poised to strengthen a law to require telecommunications and Internet companies to inform on customers who discuss state secrets, potentially forcing businesses to collaborate with the country's vast security apparatus that stifles political dissent.

The move, reported Tuesday

by state media, comes as China continues tightening controls on communications services. It also follows a spat over censorship that prompted search giant Google Inc. last month to move its Chinese site to Hong Kong, which provides broader protection of civil liberties than mainland China.

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RIBBON WRAPPING



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SHAY HLA VATY, A sophomore environmental conservation of natural resources major from Lubbock, gets green ribbons ready to hang on light poles as a part of Green Week around the Student Union Building Courtyard on Tuesday.

Greece downgraded as Europe's debt crisis worsens

ATHENS (AP) — Europe's government debt crisis worsened ominously Tuesday when Greece's credit rating was downgraded to junk status and Portugal's debt was lowered on fears the trouble could spread. Stocks slid on the news.

The Portuguese downgrade was a sign the European Union's fears of that the debt crisis would spread beyond Greece — and further undermine the euro currency — might be coming true.

For its part, Greece has already

admitted it can't pay debts coming due shortly and reached for a bailout. But the reluctance of the largest country using the euro — Germany — to fund the largest share of the 45 billion rescue by European government and the International Monetary Fund is sending shudders through markets.

Investors fear the money may not reach Greece to enable it to avoid default by May 19, when 8.5 billion in bond payments come due.

Greek Finance Minister George Papaconstantinou said on Greek

television that the country will "absolutely and without any doubt" be able to service that debt.

"Everyone now understands that there is no more time for delay," he said, adding that there was no chance Greece would restructure its debt, a concept he called "outside every negotiation."

"I am categorical on this point," Papaconstantinou said.

The minister said Athens was close to reaching an agreement with the IMF, the European Central Bank and the

European Commission on details of the rescue package, and that talks could "easily" be completed by Sunday.

The FTSE 100 index of leading British shares closed down 2.6 percent, Germany's DAX slid 2.7 percent and the French CAC-40 in France ended 3.8 percent lower. On Wall Street, the Dow Jones industrial average was down 132.25 points, or 1.2 percent, at 11,072.78 around midday New York time while the broader Standard & Poor's 500 index tumbled 18.17 points, or 1.5 percent, at 1,193.34.

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14 Somali civilians killed in battle

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — At least 14 civilians were killed Tuesday during a prolonged battle between government soldiers and Islamic insurgents that followed a separate suicide car bomb attack in Somalia's capital, officials and a witness said.

Four people were wounded, including two African Union troops, in the suicide attack outside an AU base earlier Tuesday.

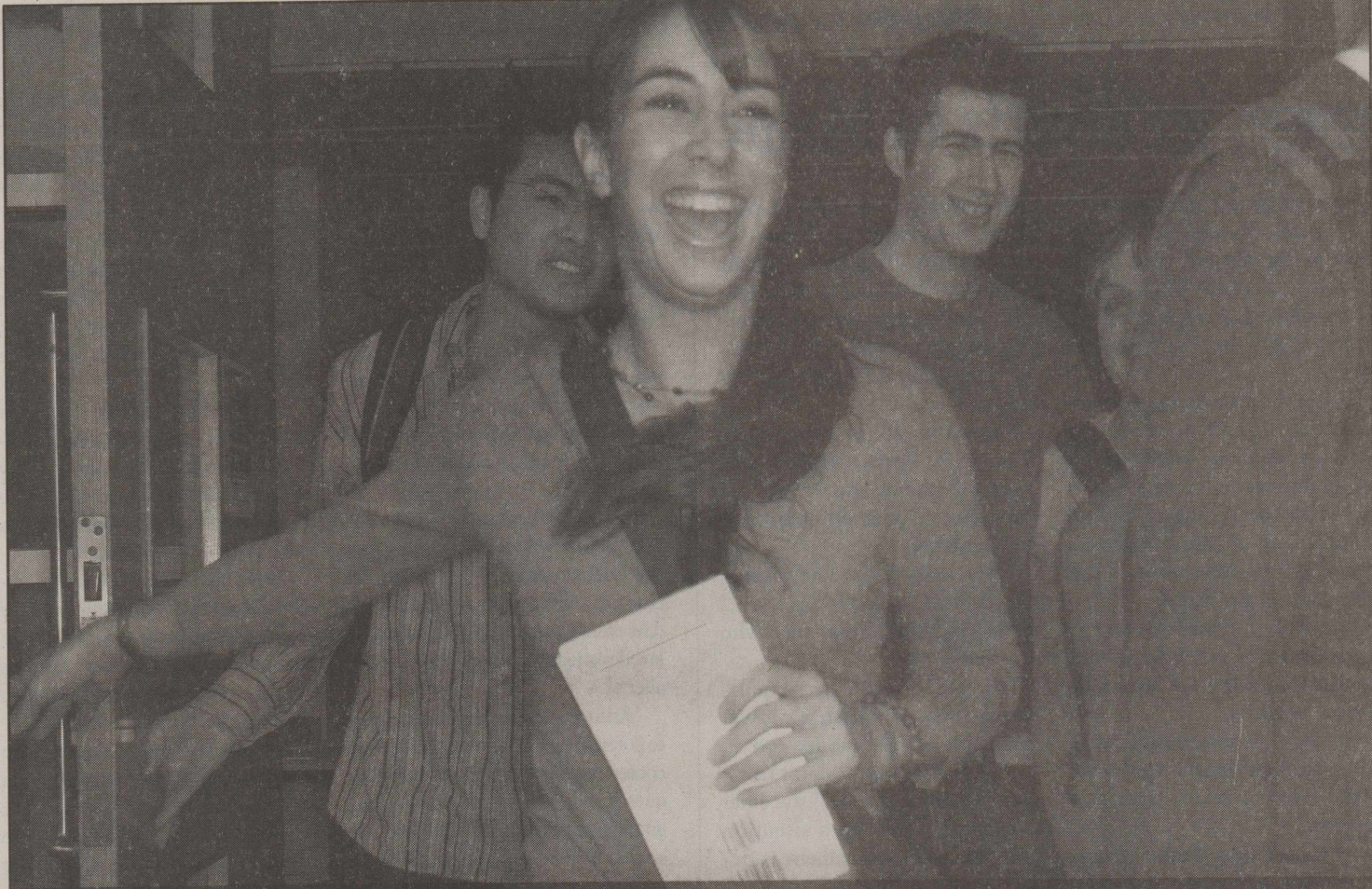
After the attack, Islamic insurgents attacked government soldiers and Islamic militiamen allied to the government as they moved between bases in southern Mogadishu. The clash sparked a four-hour battle. Ali Araf, a tailor in the area, said he counted the bodies of eight people. Araf also said

on phone that he was slightly wounded during the battle in which both sides pounded each other with mortars.

Ali Muse, the head of Mogadishu's ambulance service, said his group had counted six other bodies and took about 40 wounded people to hospitals.

Earlier Tuesday, al-Qaida-linked group al-Shabab claimed responsibility for the car-bomb attack on the AU base.

AU spokesman Maj. Barigye Bahoku said a truck full of explosives pulled up to a new AU base and that two soldiers opened fire on the truck. Those two were wounded when the explosion went off. The suicide attacker was the only one to die in the attack.

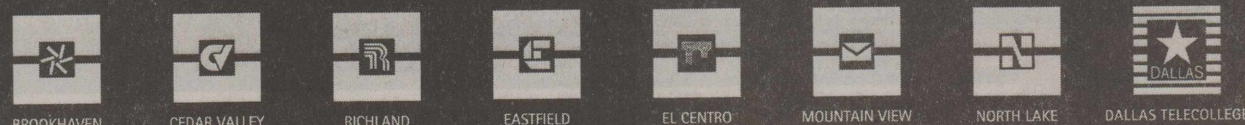


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Should I stay or should I go?

Economy pushes students to graduate school

By **BROOKE BELLOMY**
STAFF WRITER

Just two years ago in the spring of 2008, Evan Jackson was planning to graduate from Texas Tech the following December with a bachelor's degree in Spanish and become a teacher shortly after.

By graduation day, though, her plans completely changed.

When several of her friends who graduated a semester before her in May of 2008 could not find jobs by the end of the summer, Jackson, a native of Lubbock, began to rethink her plans.

"I was graduating right when the economy was changing," she said. "I thought it would be better for me to stay in school and wait things out a little."

After graduation and with the support of her parents, Jackson enrolled in Tech's School of Law where she is a first-year law student.

Although she no longer intends to be a teacher, Jackson said she is very satisfied with her change of careers and is enjoying law school.

She said she chose to enroll in law school rather than other post-baccalaureate degree programs because she didn't have a business background and because she could pursue several different careers with it after graduation.

Another benefit to staying in school rather than entering the workforce, Jackson said, is she will obtain a better-paying job after earning her J.D.

In choosing to go to law school rather than join the workforce because of the current state of the job economy, Jackson

said she is not alone.

"There are a significant amount of people in law school right now with a very similar story to mine," she said.

Another Tech student, Ellen Vasilache, from Midland, also decided to change her intended career path shortly before graduating.

Vasilache is a senior nutritional sciences and dietetics major and is set to graduate in May 2010, just a few weeks away.

To become a registered dietician, which was her initial plan, Vasilache said she needed to complete a dietetic internship after graduation. In December, she began to have second thoughts.

"I looked into applying for an internship, but it's really competitive right now," she said. "I was worried I wouldn't be accepted and without the internship, my job choices are limited."

In fact, Tech's Dietetic Internship is so competitive, it only accepts 10 students into its program in Lubbock.

After speaking with her parents, Vasilache decided she will graduate in May, but she will return to Tech in the fall to pursue a second undergraduate degree in geology, an industry in which her family is involved.

"There's more job security for me in that field," she said.

After completing her second undergraduate degree, she intends to enroll in the Graduate School at Tech to get a master's degree in geology.

"It's not that I don't love nutritional sciences," she said, "but this is the path I need to take right now."

David Kraus, director of Tech's University Career Services, said opting to attend graduate school after graduation rather than entering the workforce is a growing trend among recent graduates.

"For students that are already considering this route, now isn't a bad time to get pursue a second degree," he said. "It can buy you a couple of years, if you can afford it."

When considering if one can afford it, many people take into account their potential earnings with and without an additional degree.

A person in the United States 25 or older with a bachelor's degree will have a yearly median earning of \$47,094, whereas a person with a master's degree under similar circumstances will have a yearly median earning of \$62,179, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

A person with only a bachelor's degree would earn \$94,188 in the estimated two years it takes to earn a master's degree. It would take the graduate-degree earner 6.24 years to recoup the earnings lost while continuing his or her education, including the added cost of tuition.

Twenty years later, though, a person with a bachelor's degree will have earned an estimated \$941,880, and a person with a graduate degree will have earned an estimated \$1,119,222 in 18 years of work and two years of additional education.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics Current Population Survey from 2008, there is also a difference in the unemployment rates between people with bachelor's degrees and people with master's degrees. The unemployment rate for a master's-degree holder is 2.4 percent, 4 percentage points less than a person with a bachelor's degree. There is not a strong connection between yearly median earnings and the percent of people with a bachelor's degree and master's degree in a population.

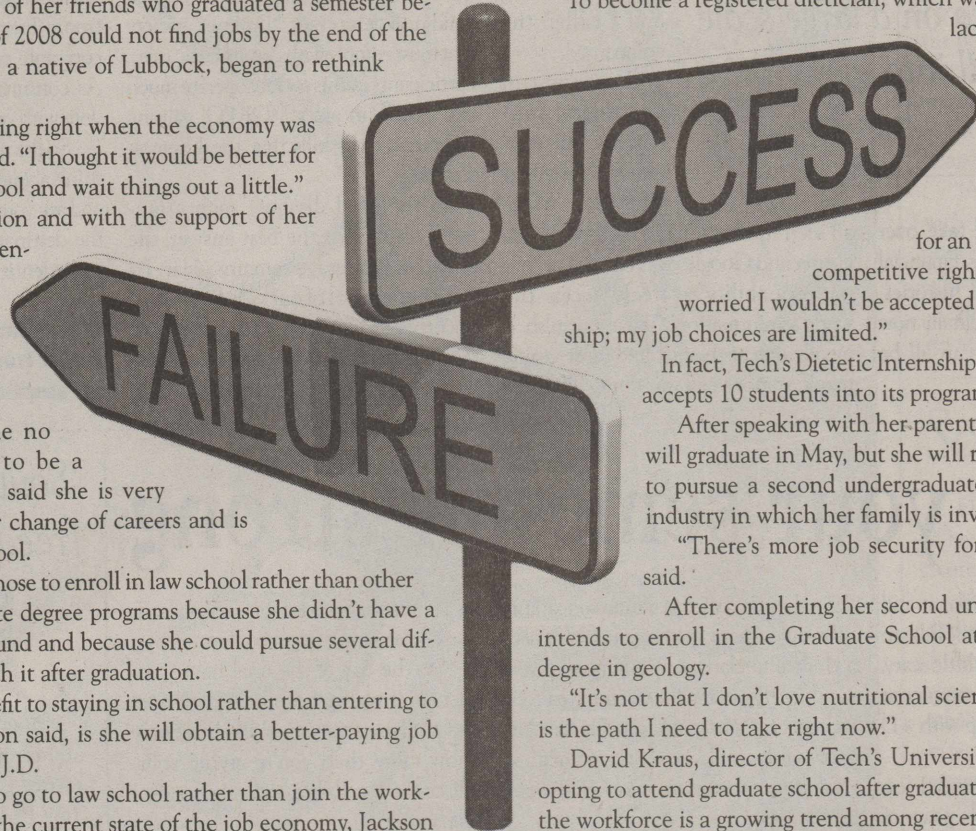
Tech's Graduate School enrollment is more than 4,400 students, with 106 master's programs and 57 doctoral programs.

Kraus said this is a good option for some students because the job economy is cyclical. It goes through periods of up and periods of down and it will continue to do so.

He said an added benefit of pursuing an additional degree is can help open students eyes to other potential careers they hadn't considered.

"Often students correlate one major with one career," he said. "Over the course of a person's life, chances are they will have several careers and graduate school may be able to help them out in the future."

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Marilyn Monroe writings to be released this fall

NEW YORK (AP) — Musings about life, literature and other rarely seen writings by Marilyn Monroe will be published this fall.

Farrar, Straus & Giroux announced Tuesday that "Fragments" would come out in October. Editor Courtney Hodell said the book would include poems, photographs, reflections on third husband Arthur Miller and other men in Monroe's life, and references to works by Samuel Beckett, James Joyce and numerous other authors.

"I think the book will show that she was a really thoughtful person with a real interior life," Hodell said. "She was a great reader and someone with real writing flair. There are fragments of poetry that are really quite beautiful, lines that stop you in your tracks."

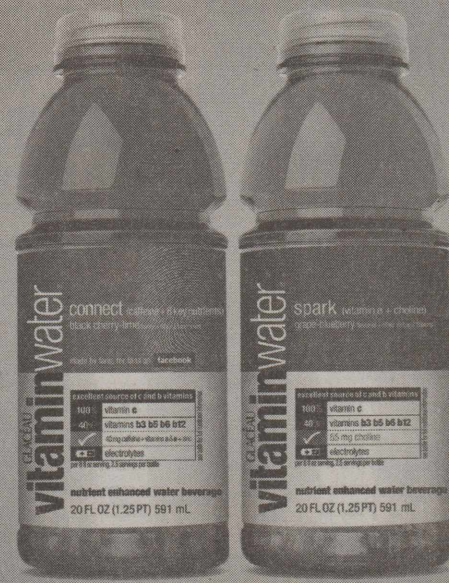
The book features a long essay about Monroe's first husband, James Dougherty; notes about acting and the roles she was working on; lists of resolutions and a letter to acting coach Lee Strasberg. Monroe wrote

on everything from spiral bound notebooks to stationery from the Waldorf Astoria.

The writings date from 1943, when Monroe was a teenager, to near the end of her life. Monroe was found dead in her Los Angeles home in 1962 at age 36, her death ruled a probable suicide, although theories of murder have proliferated.

Hodell said there were passages by Monroe that "make her seem suicidal," but declined to say what years the passages were written.

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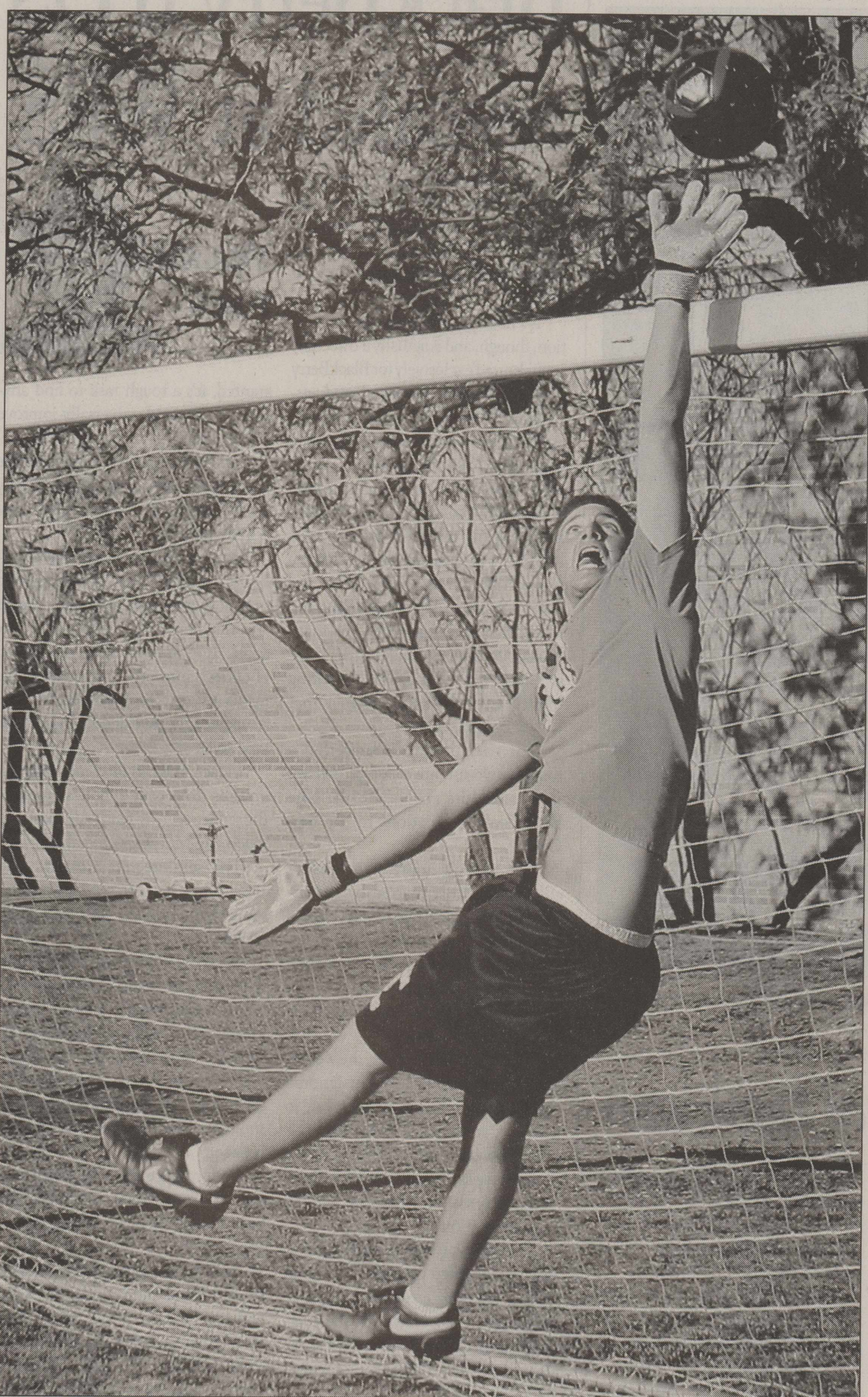


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TANNER CAMPBELL, A freshman chemistry major from Granbury, reaches to block a shot while practicing goalkeeping Monday on the soccer fields outside of the Sports Studies Center.

Ortiz arrested, accuses Jameson of drug use

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mixed martial arts star Tito Ortiz claims his ex-porn star girlfriend is addicted to Oxycontin, and he blames Jenna Jameson's drug use for his arrest Monday on suspicion of domestic violence.

Ortiz was arrested in Huntington Beach at the home he shares with Jameson and their twin sons. Several hours after posting bail, Ortiz and his attorney accused Jameson of drug addiction and claimed Ortiz never struck her.

"Jenna Jameson has been fighting an ugly battle with an addiction to Oxycontin for well over a year, and this morning, she had a relapse," at-

torney Chip Matthews said. "We're here because Tito was trying to help her. Tito Ortiz never laid a hand on Jenna."

Ortiz wept openly at the hastily arranged news conference at an Italian restaurant in North Hollywood, saying the support of his family and Jameson's father "just means the world to me."

"My parents have gone through an addiction, and I'm seeing a mirror of that," Ortiz said. "I hold everything dear to my heart that Jenna will be OK."

Ortiz is a former UFC light heavyweight champion whose celebrity has eclipsed his MMA accom-

plishments since he began a relationship in 2006 with Jameson, perhaps the world's most famous adult film actress. Jameson, who crossed into the mainstream after publishing a popular autobiography in 2004, gave birth to the couple's twin sons, Jesse and Journey, in March 2009.

Matthews said the 35-year-old Ortiz found drugs in their home Monday morning, leading to the confrontation that ended with Ortiz's arrest. Matthews also claimed the 36-year-old Jameson has made 911 calls threatening suicide over the past year, but Ortiz stuck with his partner of four years in hopes of salvaging their relationship.

Dissertation may redefine view of women's sexuality

By SARAH SCROGGINS
STAFF WRITER

For some people, a sexuality issue can be an uncomfortable subject to discuss. Some might be afraid to ask questions or talk to anyone about their problems.

After doing extensive amounts of researching and surveying, Erin Murphy Ross, a third-year doctoral student in marriage and family therapy, is pulling together her dissertation about women's sexuality in order to graduate.

She became interested in the subject while studying for her master's degree in marriage and family therapy. Ross said she had couples who were having sexual issues come in for therapy. Because the majority of people with the problem were females, she said she quickly realized not very many people were involved in this particular study in her field of therapy, especially female sexuality.

"A lot of women were coming in with desire issues," Ross said. "They attach that a lot of times with their self-worth."

Because of their lack of desire, these women felt like they were a bad wife or

girlfriend. Ross said it's frustrating that so few people are searching for an answer to a problem so many women face.

To solve the problem and find an answer, Ross said she spent time talking to experts and researching sexual desire to find something she could suggest to these women. Although she found assessments she could suggest, it was hard for these women to understand because of the medical and biological language used, which says if you don't have desire, then you have dysfunction.

Ross said the word dysfunction is commonly used in the medical world. Because of the word's connotation, women are quick to think they have a disorder. However, Ross said she believes there is a very significant difference between arousal and desire.

"Arousal is physical and desire is psychological," said Ross. "But yet all of the things we assess women for are for the biological, physical aspect."

Last year, Ross presented at the Texas Tech All University Conference, explaining her ideas about reforming the language used around women's sexuality. Many people came up to her after her presentation telling her how much they liked her work and they wanted

to know more.

This sparked Ross's idea of giving a voice back to women about their sexuality. She wanted them to be able to talk about their personal troubles and what it means to them, rather than the medical community prescribing or diagnosing something that doesn't fit with their problems, Ross said.

As her dissertation chair for marriage and family therapy, Doug Smith has worked close with Ross to help her produce her dissertation. He said his job is to guide Ross with her study and statistics, and he gives her feedback to ensure her dissertation is properly done.

Smith said he believes it's an important research question because a lot of the time it is studied from either a medical or male point of view. He also believes Ross has taken the proper steps to giving a woman's perception and possibly redefining the way women's sexuality is viewed.

"It's an important contribution," Smith said.

For information about women's sexuality, to find out the outcomes of her research, or to ask her questions e-mail Ross at erin.murphy@ttu.edu.

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Scottish police once believed in Loch Ness monster

EDINBURGH, Scotland (AP) — What lurks beneath the dark waters of Scotland's Loch Ness?

Newly released documents on display Tuesday in Scotland show that during the 1930s, police in Scotland were convinced some sort of creature inhabited the Highlands lake — so sure, in fact, that they worried about how to protect it from big-game hunters.

The files from the National Archive of Scotland show that local officials asked Britain's Parliament to investigate the issue and confirm the monster's existence — in the interests of science.

"That there is some strange creature in Loch Ness now seems beyond doubt," wrote William Fraser, a senior police officer, "but that the police have any

power to protect it is very doubtful."

The Nessie Files, kept secret for 70 years, were revealed as part of an exhibition on government secrecy. The exhibit examines how governments once kept almost everything secret, and how attitudes evolved to move toward more open government in modern times.

Nessie, of course, was the epitome of mystery. The loch in which the monster is said to swim is the deepest inland expanse of water in Britain. At about 750 feet (230 meters) to the bottom, it's even deeper than the North Sea.

The legend of what lies beneath the surface dates to 565 A.D., when an early Christian, St. Columba, is recorded as having driven away a water monster by the power of prayer, the National

Archive said.

The documents also offer a glimpse of the collision of centuries-old lake lore with an emerging mass media — a modern effort to document a long-held superstition. The search grew feverish in the 1930s after a surgeon snapped a (now discredited) photo of a black dinosaur-like head rising from the depths.

Archivist Tristram Clarke said the letters reveal that some people sincerely believed there was a monster in the loch — though the cool response from the government suggests there plenty of detractors. If nothing else, Clarke said the Fraser letter proves that the police were under pressure to protect the monster — whatever it was.

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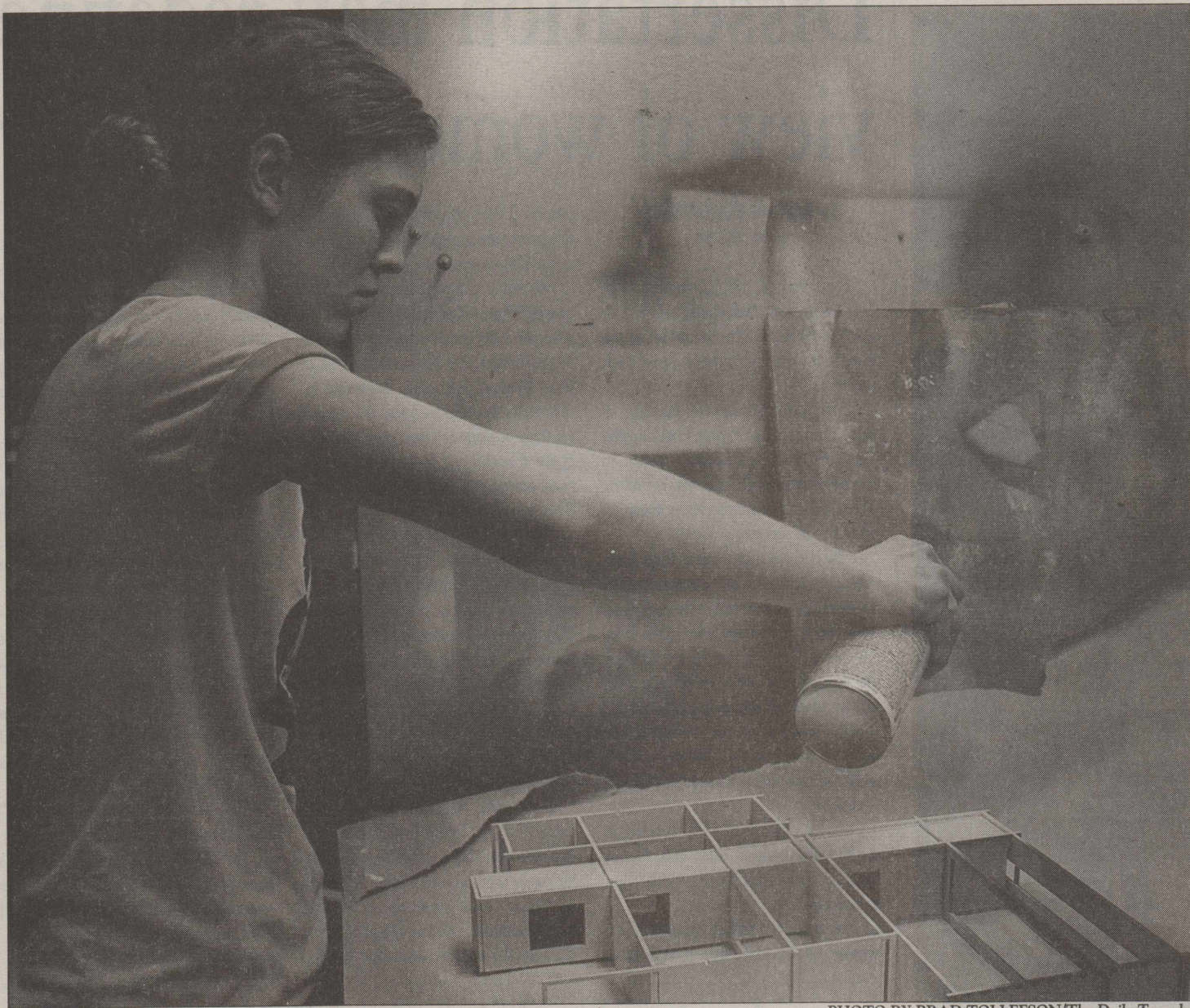


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DANIELLE SMYTH, A sophomore architecture major from Austin, spray paints the walls of a model that she is working on for one of her classes Tuesday in the model shop of the Architecture building.

Facebook's expansion triggers political backlash

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Facebook's plan to spread its online social network to other websites could be detoured by regulators looking into privacy concerns that have raised the ire of federal lawmakers.

Four senators said Tuesday that Facebook needs to make it easier for its 400 million users to protect their privacy as the site opens more avenues for them to share their interests and other personal information.

The Federal Trade Commission already had been examining the privacy and data collection practices of Facebook and other social networks, the agency confirmed Tuesday.

Then last week, Facebook announced a proposed expansion that irked Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., and, he says, many Web surfers who called his office to complain.

Having built one of the Web's most popular hangouts, Facebook is trying to extend its reach through

new tools called "social plug-ins." These enable Facebook's users to share their interests in such products as clothes, movies and music on other websites. For instance, you might hit a button on Levis.com indicating you like a certain style of jeans, and then recommend a movie on another site. That information about the jeans and the movie might be passed along to other people in your Facebook network, depending on your privacy settings.

Facebook says all this will help personalize the Web for people. It stresses that no personal information is being given to the dozens of websites using the new plug-ins.

Still, it means that information that hadn't been previously communicated could get broadcast to your friends and family on Facebook.

And Facebook is indeed sharing some personal information with three websites that Facebook hopes will demonstrate how online services can be more helpful when they know more about their users. The sites with greater access to Facebook's data are business review service Yelp, music service Pandora and Microsoft Corp.'s Docs.com for word processing and spreadsheets.

Facebook users who don't want to be part of the company's expansion have to go through their privacy settings and change their preferences.

BlackBerry 6 OS revealed at WES

Research In Motion, the Canadian mobile device company best known for its BlackBerry line of products, is in the middle of its annual Wireless Enterprise Symposium, better known as WES.

It's not a general wireless convention, though, and is actually a three-day event hosted exclusively for BlackBerry news and BlackBerry-related products. Although the entire event ends on April 29, the biggest news already may have come for many users.

In yesterday's early morning keynote by RIM co-CEO Mike Lazaridis, the company revealed the first true look at its new, upcoming BlackBerry 6 operating system. Though the first hour or so was a lot of reminding the attendees there was more out there on mobile devices besides the iPhone OS and Android, possibly reassuring himself as much as the audience that RIM is still relevant.

But then Lazaridis unveiled a roughly two-minute video of dancers showcasing the changes to the core BlackBerry applications in the new OS.

The video's impressive "dance-casing" was only marred by the inclusion of the Black Eyed Peas' "Boom Boom Pow," an unfortunately similar situation with the entire keynote when will.i.am inexplicably showed up on stage to mumble some words and show off his designer jeans.

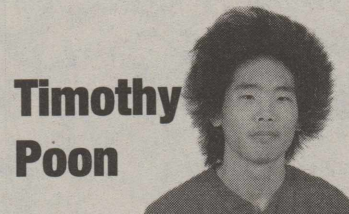
The important part, however, was with the video. If you ignored the fancy foot moves putting you in a trance, you noticed BlackBerry 6 is heavily touchscreen-based, no surprise considering how highly the BlackBerry Storm was praised despite its limited implementation.

However, it is important for RIM to show it can keep up with user trends with its touch-optimized interface in BlackBerry 6, what with the ever-worsening mobile OS market share situation for any companies not named Apple or Google.

It's unfortunate, then, things look simply reskinned, though still very much in the BlackBerry 5 milieu. The underwhelming sensation, it seems, was masked by the highly kinetic video.

The music organizer looks pretty slick but also seems to just be RIM's take on Apple's Cover Flow. RIM also apes the Android app drawer, though here you can add contacts to the drawer, a nice addition indeed.

The onscreen keyboard also doesn't appear to be anything new aside from a smiley button where you would normally find a "Send" key, though,



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granted, it's a tough task to find anything that would universally improve a keyboard.

But for the better, it appears the BlackBerry messaging app is largely unchanged as it is one of the best systems around.

However, it does appear that BlackBerry 6 will be more self-integrated overall than before, as tapping names and numbers at any point in a core application appears to give a myriad of options into other apps with social media accounts tied to contact profiles so updates are provided in a Motoblur-type style.

In fact, you can filter messages and updates from your contacts based on the service such as Twitter or Facebook, much like Motoblur's social inbox.

This self-integration extends into something the video showed that is somewhat along the lines of a global search.

With the user typing "Freddie" into the search bar, results came up for a few contacts (presumably named Freddie) as well as a calendar appointment called "Conference with Freddie." Another option is to search the Web, giving the video and RIM a chance to showcase BlackBerry 6's new WebKit browser.

Performance can't be ascertained from a promotional video like this, but its tab switcher system seems pretty slick.

RIM announcing new phones like the Bold 9650 and Pearl 3G are all fine and dandy, but it really comes down to whether they want to go the way of Palm with their WebOS or Windows and its upcoming Windows Phone 7 OS. WebOS, for the most part, is grasping at straws whereas Windows Phone 7 has enough people intrigued that when the first device of its kind ships — be it from LG or HTC, people are going to line up for it.

So far, it seems a bit of a mixed bag. There's not much new, but they are taking some of the better elements of their competitors' products, so BlackBerry 6 may end up being a nice little dish after all.

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"The lifetime, if you operate it correctly, is around two to three years," Nikishin said of one of the machines he uses. "One of my students, he just made a mistake and that cost us \$30,000 for repair."

Many graduate students and post-doctoral students help with research at the center and must be experienced enough and knowledgeable enough to use the equipment and take part in the research, he said.

Although other universities have similar equipment, Berg said he didn't know of many with an integrated center like Tech's,

which started with individual researchers and is now a facility that combines fabrication, characterization and research groups.

"We're people with very different interests," Berg said. "We're brought together by the fact that we are working at similar size ranges."

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6 Tech tennis players receive Academic All-Big 12 first, second-team selections

By **JOSHUA KOCH**
STAFF WRITER

Before heading into the Big 12 Conference Championship this week, Texas Tech tennis received some good news.

The Big 12 announced its 2010 Academic All-Big 12 teams Tuesday. Among the 68 athletes named, six Tech men's and women's athletes made the list. Tech men's tennis players Raony Carvalho and Gonzalo Escobar and women's tennis players Natalie Leitch, Kelsy Garland, Stefanie Peana and Kerryn Potgieter received the honors.

The Lady Raiders earned four spots, two first team and two second team. Tech women's tennis coach Todd Petty said the honors are great for the program, and shows the type of players he recruits.

"I think it's a credit to them and the maturity, and the hard work they put in to be student-athletes here at Texas Tech," he said. "They're not only great athletes and put in a lot of work to the sport and to the game. But they also work just as hard in the classroom."

Earning recognition for the first time were sophomores Leitch and Peana.

Leitch, a sophomore restaurant, hotel and institutional management major, earned first team honors, and earning second team honors was sophomore Stefanie Peana, an advertising major. Garland, an early childhood education major, was selected for the second time to the first team. Potgieter, an exercise and sport sciences ma-

ior, earned her third second team recognition.

"In the recruiting process, want to recruit girls that are not only great athletes, but also good ambassadors for Texas Tech," Petty said. "And that means in the classroom, and doing what they're really here for, which is get an education."

Leitch, Garland, Peana and Potgieter were not available for comment Tuesday.

Carvalho, a human development and family studies major, posted a 17-6 record on the court and a 3.58 GPA in the classroom. Carvalho earned first team recognition in his first year of eligibility as a sophomore.

"I think it's good," Carvalho said. "Maybe when I leave they won't just remember me as a good player, but as a good student, too."

Achieving a 3.03 GPA, sophomore Escobar, a business major, earned second team recognition. This is also his first academic honor Big 12.

"I think it's great, it's just exciting to hear that," Escobar said. "This whole year, compared to the other one, I'm trying to work hard both on the court and in the classroom, so it's always good to get something good after all the effort."

To be selected to the Academic All-Big 12 teams players have to be nominated by the institution's director of student-athlete support services and media relations office. They also have to be at least a sophomore and have completed at least one year of academic residence at that university.



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KELSIE GARLAND IS one of four Lady Raiders to earn an Academic All-Big 12 selection. Two Tech men's tennis players also earned honors.

To be selected for the first team players have to have a 3.20 GPA or higher, and to be selected for the second team players have to carry a minimum GPA of 3.00. The players also have to participate in 60 percent of the team's scheduled matches throughout the season.

"I'm proud of what our guys have accomplished on the tennis court, but I'm more proud of the

the kids they are and what they've done in the classroom," Tech men's tennis coach Tim Siegel said of Carvalho and Escobar. "All of our guys have done a great job in the classroom, and these two guys have really worked hard in the classroom. So I'm really proud of what they've accomplished."

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Former UF broadcaster pleads guilty to child porn

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Former University of Florida broadcaster Steve Babik has pleaded guilty to a child pornography charge.

Babik pleaded guilty Tuesday to one count of receipt and distribution of child pornography. He is facing a mandatory minimum sentence of five years in prison. Sentencing is Aug. 2.

Prosecutors alleged that between June 2008 and November

2009, the 50-year-old Babik offered known child pornography files for distribution 326 times on his home computer. Analysis of Babik's computer revealed "a significant volume of children engaging in sexual acts with other children and with adults," prosecutors said.

Babik, a longtime sideline reporter for football games, was fired in November. He had worked at the school since 1987.

TE joins Cowboys after saying he would pass on NFL

IRVING (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have signed tight end Scott Sisko, three days after the New Hampshire player said he was turning down the NFL to go to graduate school.

Sisko signed a free agent contract Tuesday, reversing course on a decision that he wouldn't pursue

NFL offers after he wasn't taken in the draft.

The 6-foot-4, 251-pound Sisko caused an Internet stir with his announcement Saturday. Some applauded the 22-year-old's focus on academics, while others blasted him for passing on a rare opportunity.

Oswalt returns after helping tornado relief effort

HOUSTON (AP) — Astros ace Roy Oswalt has rejoined the team after spending several days with his parents in Mississippi helping them recover from tornado damage.

Oswalt returned to Houston on Tuesday. He plans to make his next start as scheduled on Thursday against Cincinnati.

Oswalt's childhood home was

destroyed by the tornado Saturday near Weir, Miss. His mother stayed in a closet with her dog as the twister came through.

Oswalt drove home on Saturday and worked with parents to salvage what little they could from the debris. He said many of the homes in the neighborhood where he grew up were destroyed, but that no one was killed in the immediate area.

Hawks guard Jamal Crawford wins 6h man award

ATLANTA (AP) — Atlanta Hawks guard Jamal Crawford has been named the NBA Sixth Man of the Year.

Crawford won the award going away with 580 of a possible 610 points. Jason Terry of the Dallas Mavericks finished second with 220 points and Anderson Varejao of the Cleveland Cavaliers (126 points) finished third.

Crawford averaged 18 points a game in 31.1 minutes off the bench in his first season with Atlanta. He shot 44.9 percent from the field to help the Hawks win 53 games and earn the third seed in the Eastern Conference playoffs.

The Hawks are the fourth NBA team in nine years for the 30-year-old Crawford.

Sale of Wizards to Leonis close to final

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — The family of late Washington Wizards owner Abe Pollin has agreed to the "major economic terms" of a deal to sell its stake in the NBA team to Washington Capitals owner Ted Leonsis.

Leonsis, a former AOL executive, and the Pollins ran into some snags in talks this year. But in a statement Tuesday, Pollin's sons, Robert and James, said they and their mother, Irene, congratulate Leonsis on this "near-final step in a long negotiation."

A person familiar with the negotiations confirmed to The Associated Press last month that the two sides agreed to value the franchise and the arena at slightly more than \$550 million.

Pollin died at age 85 in November, setting in motion what was expected to be a smooth transfer of the Wizards and the Verizon Center to Leonsis.

Pollin anointed Leonsis as his heir when the two became partners in 1999. Leonsis' group already owns 44 percent of the team and the arena, and was given the right to get the first chance to purchase the remaining 56 percent.

"It's not a 'done, done' deal, but it's fairly close," Robert Pollin said in a telephone interview Tuesday. "A signed deal should be a matter of days."

The NBA Board of Governors will need to approve the sale, but Robert Pollin said, "There's really no question that they will. They know Ted. ... It's a foregone conclusion they will approve it."

A representative for Leonsis' group had no comment Tuesday.

Abe Pollin was the NBA's longest-tenured owner, having bought the Baltimore Bullets in 1964. He renamed his NBA team in 1997 because of the violent connotation of the word "Bullets." A builder by trade, Pollin constructed the Verizon Center, which helped revitalize Washington's downtown area.

Pollin previously sold Leonsis the NHL's Capitals in 1999, and the WNBA's Mystics in 2005.

"Obviously, very sad feelings about transitioning out of it, but compared to losing my father, it's not the same category," Robert Pollin said. "It was his project for most of his adult life. I was 13 when we bought the Bullets."

The Wizards are coming off consecutive last-place finishes, including a 26-56 record in 2009-10, a season marred by the suspension of star Gilbert Arenas for bringing guns into the locker room.

Tech women's track bursts into Top 25 at No. 12

By **TOMMY MAGELSSSEN**
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech women's track and field team catapulted into the Top 25, debuting at No. 12 in the USTFCCA rankings Tuesday. This is the first ranking of the outdoor season for the Lady Raiders, and comes two weeks before the Big 12 Conference Championships.

Tech coach Wes Kittley said it is good to finally see the team get into the rankings, and it shows how hard they have been working the past few weeks. Unlike most collegiate polls, the USTFCCA Top 25 is based on a mathematical formula.

According to the USTFCCA website, the purpose of the rankings is "to create an index that showcases the teams that have the best potential of achieving the top spots in the national team race."

"I think anytime you can have

good performances and people give you respect and we keep moving up in the national rankings — you know I think it really helps our girls create a little bit of momentum," Kittley said.

Kittley pointed out a few individuals' performances this weekend that helped the track team achieve such a high ranking, including Terra Evans, Tori Smith, Winrose Karunde and Caroline Karunde.

Both Evans and Smith set school records Saturday competing at the Sooner Invitational in the 100-meter dash and 100m hurdles, respectively.

The Karunde sisters both competed in the 3000m steeplechase at the Brutus Hamilton Invitational, and earned top 15 spots nationally.



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The Tech men dropped a spot from No. 5 to No. 6 in the USTFCCA rankings, but Kittley said the drop doesn't worry him.

"I've always felt that's about where we are," Kittley said. "So I think they have given us a lot of respect there all year."

As the Red Raiders celebrate their national recognition, an individual track athlete also was recognized Tuesday.

Junior distance runner Gilbert Limo shared the Big 12 Athlete of the Week

honor with Kansas' Mason Finley after Limo's 3000m steeplechase at the Brutus Hamilton Invitational earned him the third best spot in the nation.

Limo's honor is the second for a Tech athlete this outdoor season, as freshman thrower Julian Wruck was recognized March 30.

Kittley said Limo has worked hard for the honor and he believes Limo also will work hard to make it to the NCAA Outdoor Championships.

"I love it when we have those Big 12 people each week," he said. "And I think that the other people on the team recognize it and it gives them confidence in the team that we've got good people, and it's always a plus."

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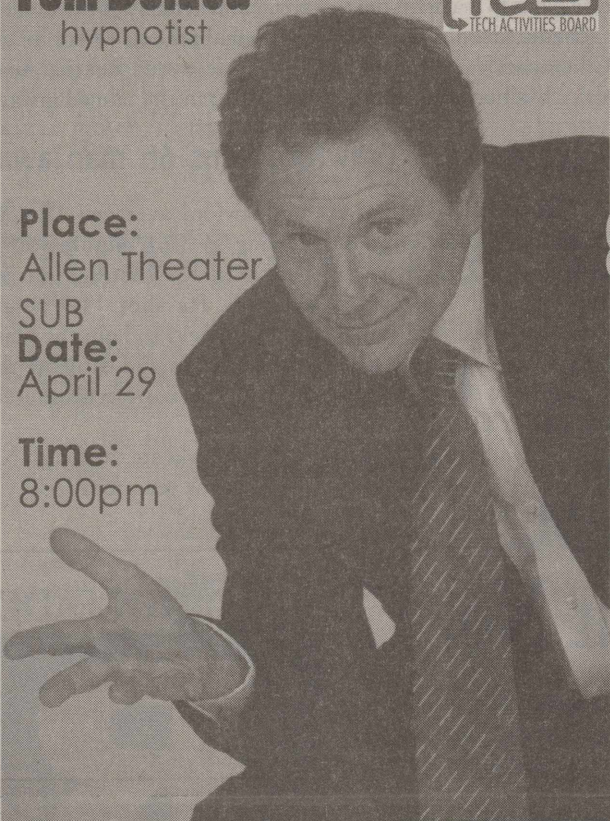
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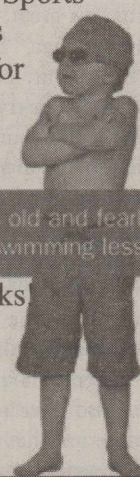
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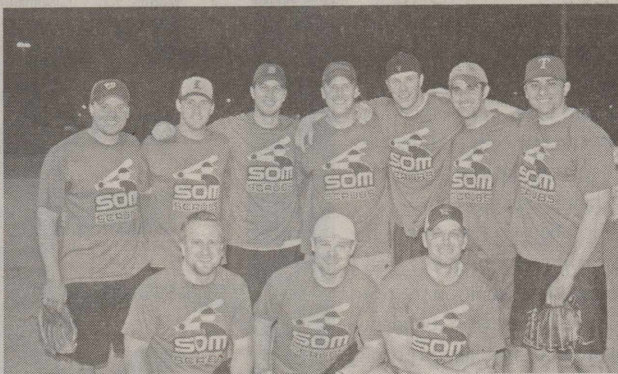
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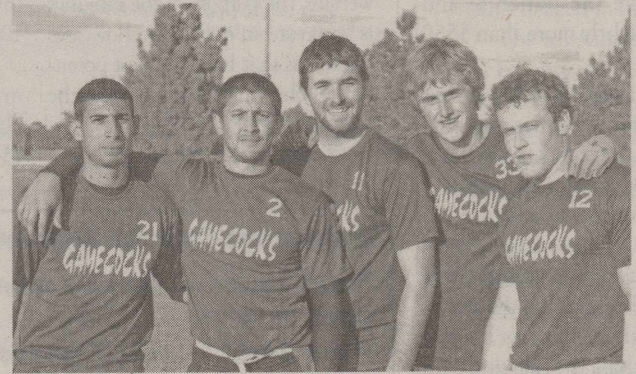
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Upperclassmen credit freshmen for Tech women's golf success

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For the Texas Tech women's golf team, turning to its youth for guidance isn't such a rare occurrence.

At least that's what junior Jackie Smith—one of only three upperclassmen on the squad—believes.

"I just think that the freshmen that we have this year made a huge impact on the team," Smith said. "They force us to play better for our spots, and they're playing well at tournaments. They keep us positive and playing well."

The Lady Raiders' lineup consists of seven total players, four of which are freshmen.

The best proof of the freshmen impact might be the individual rankings. Tech has two ranked players, both of whom are freshmen in No. 170 Gabby Dominguez and No. 182 Kim Kaufman. As a team, Tech is ranked No. 43 in the country.

But the impact these new faces have had on the program stretch beyond just rankings.

Tech juniors Smith and Alex Gibson, along with senior Rosalyn Kim know that all too well. Although the drought for making regionals has only been two years for the trio of veterans, they believe the accomplishments the younger players have reached are helping set a foundation for the future.

Tech last made an appearance in an NCAA Regional in 2008, when the Lady Raiders were selected to play in the

Central Regional in Austin. Tech also entered that regional as the No. 43 ranked team in the nation.

But Gibson said the effect the freshmen have had on the team is placing the program on the right path toward attaining some stability.

"I think it's definitely going in the right direction," she said.

"I think that they're definitely going to start getting chances to make it into the nationals—more recruiting and stuff. These freshmen are definitely going to change the program."

Gibson's confidence in the freshmen may be warranted, considering the progression the team's made this year.

The younger players have played a large role in Tech's improvement, especially with the team also adjusting to first-year Tech coach Jojo Robertson. Additionally, the Lady Raiders also had to deal with some notable losses such as Ulrika Van Nieker, Megan Dowdy and Gloriana Soto, all of whom were seniors

on last year's group.

But the freshmen Robertson inherited have made the transition smooth because of their mentality.

There may not be a better example of that than Dominguez, who said she isn't fully satisfied with just making an appearance at this year's East Regional at East Carolina University.

"It feels great, we've worked hard this whole year," she said. "It paid off pretty well, but I think we could've done a lot better. We're working hard here so we can have a better result at regionals."

But the regional may serve as a launching pad for the team heading into next season.

Regardless of next week's outcome, players believe they already have the confidence they need to build onto come next fall.

"We're already going into next season with a lot of momentum," Smith said. "I think anything we do now is just icing on the cake."

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LADY RAIDER GOLFER Alex Gibson works on bunker shots during practice Tuesday at The Rawls Course.

Federer opens clay season with loss to Gulbis

ROME (AP) — Roger Federer has a long way to go if he wants to successfully defend his French Open title next month.

In his first singles match of the clay-court season, Federer lost to 40th-ranked Ernests Gulbis of Latvia 2-6, 6-1, 7-5 Tuesday in his Rome Masters opener.

The top-ranked Swiss will play two more tournaments — in Estoril, Portugal, and Madrid — before the start of the French Open on May 23.

"I hope I can come back from this. That's usually what I do after a loss like this," Federer said. "Sometimes it takes a loss to wake up and

shake you up for your approach the next week. When you always win, sometimes you forget how hard it is. That's why today I don't get too worried about this loss."

Gulbis was anything but blasé about what happened.

"I don't have a word in English for it," he said. "It's indescribable."

Ovechkin's Capitals get ready for another Game 7

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — Alex Ovechkin knows all about playing in a Game 7. Every NHL playoff series of the two-time MVP's career has gone the distance.

His Presidents' Trophy-winning Washington Capitals probably weren't even considering the possibility of dealing with another Game 7 when they took a 3-1 series lead over the eighth-seeded Montreal Canadiens in the first round this year.

And yet here they are, due in large part to spectacular goaltending by Montreal's Jaroslav Halak: The Capitals host the Canadiens on Wednesday night, with the stakes quite clear.

"One team is going to be (going on) vacation," Ovechkin said with a smile Tuesday, "and, you know, I don't want to think about vacation right now."

The Capitals went 1-2 in Game 7s over the previous two seasons — all at home. This time, they're facing a Canadiens club that won the series'

last two games as Halak stopped 90 of 92 shots.

"He bailed us out," Canadiens forward Brian Gionta said, "and this time of year, that's what it's all about. You get a goalie who stands on his head for a game or two, it changes a lot of momentum in the series."

In Montreal's 4-1 victory at home Monday night, Halak made 53 saves, and Ovechkin was held without a goal or an assist for the second time this postseason.

All eyes will be on those two players Wednesday.

This Game 7, according to Capitals coach Bruce Boudreau, is "another opportunity for (Ovechkin's) reputation to grow. I mean, people love Alex Ovechkin stories, and if he was to rise to the occasion — and I know he will mentally; hopefully he can on the ice — then everybody will build that up probably twice as much as it should have been. And if he doesn't

succeed, they'll build it up twice as much as it should have been in that respect, too."

Boudreau and several of his players insisted that they are not intimidated by Halak or worried that they simply cannot score on him.

"I bet you, if you ask Alex, he still thinks he's going to score a goal," Boudreau said. "He thinks he's going to score every game."

If that truly is not an issue for the Capitals, there are several other worries for a team that led the NHL in goals and power-play percentage during the regular season:

— Washington is only 1 for 30 with a man-advantage in this series after going 0 for 6 on Monday;

— The Capitals will be without defenseman Tom Poti, who was hit in the eye by a puck in Game 6 and could wind up being sidelined for two or three weeks — or longer — if the team stays in the playoffs.

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