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HEART OF A CHAMPION

Ward relives Big 12 individual title experience round by round

By JOSE RODRIGUEZ
STAFF WRITER

Going through the motions wasn't going to be enough for Texas Tech men's golfer Chris Ward to win a Big 12 Conference individual title.

Which is why on April 23 — the first day of the Big 12 Championships in Trinity — Ward arguably had the most efficient day of any player in the field, placing himself in front of the pack.

"Just that whole day I was feeling it," said Ward of his performance during the opening rounds. "I hit the ball — the round I shot 69 that morning — just as good as I did the 65 round. I just made a few more putts. That round when I shot 65, actually could've been better. I made some long putts but also I missed a few five- or 10-footers. I guess it kind of evens out.

"I hit the ball probably the best I've ever hit it."

For Ward, a senior out of McKinney, Day One was simply a product of practice and hard work.

His preparation extended beyond the fundamentals, though, focusing on aspects of golf such as weather adjustments and experimenting with different techniques on the short game.

"Just leading up to the tournament I was just trying to work on hitting my ball at different heights because I knew it was going to be windy there and I think that helped me a lot," Ward said. "Just working a lot on my speed on longer putts and just trying to make consistent strokes on shorter putts."

After shooting rounds of 69 and 65, Ward began Day Two with the lead.

With the individual lead, the attention probably was focused on Ward during the third round. However, Tech coach Greg Sands just happened to be one of the few who did not get to keep an eye on the leader.

Sands said he was aware of Ward's progress, receiving only good news.

"A lot of the time I was with another guy, coaching a specific player, so I didn't get to see a lot of it," Sands said. "The things that I heard him tell me when he was in the first 18 — he hit 17 greens. Then the next 18 holes he hit 16 greens. For him to hit that many greens in two rounds is just a testament to his ball striking."

The combination of having the lead and the absence of his head coach could have added some pressure on Ward.

Ward said he entered the third round with the mentality of trying to repeat his performance the day before in hopes of maintaining his one-shot lead. Ward was sitting at 1-under going into Round Three.

"I just kind of tried to stay as focused as possible," he said. "Don't worry about results and I didn't hit the ball as well as I did the first day. I made some putts right at the end that really helped. I think I got to 3-over through 11 holes and then I ended up playing my last seven holes 4-under par."

By day's end, Ward had extended his lead to two shots heading into the final round Sunday.

However, he adjusted his game plan according to the play of the rest of the field to keep pace and maintain his lead.



PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH MEN'S golfer Chris Ward became the first Red Raider to win a conference individual title since 1996 when he won the Big 12 Championship with a 9-under 279.

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Bus routes could change

By JOEANN BON-JORNO
STAFF WRITER

With the semester coming to an end, changes are being made to the Texas Tech busing system.

Eric Crouch, University Parking Services managing director, said he and the Student Government Association external vice president Tyler Patton have met several times to stay in close contact about the busing system.

He said the biggest change that is coming to parking is they are no longer requiring students to have hang tags or decals; instead, they will be implementing the use of e-permits based on license plates.

Patton said he worked on the busing system for a several weeks and is in the process of finalizing the plan.

He said as far as bus routes, a big change being made is in the number of stops in the Red Raider and Double T bus routes.

"The Red Raider and Double T are going to the most used stops on campus, like commuter lots, Holden

Hall, Student Union, Wall/Gates, the Business building and Chitwood/Weymouth," Patton said.

He said the changes were made in an effort to eliminate lightly used stops and get students where they need to go faster, while not eliminating routes that will allow students to get off at any academic building.

Patton said another change being made is the Overton Park route is being cut in half and now will be Overton South and Overton North. He said this will help with longer headways that Overton Park residents have dealt with.

He said he also is working to eliminate congestion around Memorial Circle. A change, he said, that counters the congestion is tweaking the Masked Rider routes and adding three buses to the Masked Rider routes. He said changing the Masked Rider would help clear up congestion and make Memorial Circle more pedestrian and bicycle friendly.

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Students to strip to skivvies to support cancer awareness

By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI
STAFF WRITER

Stripping down to their underwear for charity, more than 1,300 confirmed guests on Facebook are expected at the first annual Texas Tech Undie Run kicking off at 6 p.m. tonight at Urbanovsky Park in an attempt to break a Guinness World Record.

According to Stephanie Foster, a senior advertising major from College Station and founder and principal of Whipper-Snapper Advertising, which is hosting the event, the Guinness record for the largest gathering of people wearing underpants was broken in New York in July by 500 people. If most of the people who said they were "attending" the event on Facebook actually do attend, they will be able to beat the record.

"Even if half the people come, we still break the world record and we have pretty good chances," she said.

After hearing about the idea of an underwear run from other college campuses, Foster said she and the group organizing it think it could be a fun way to support a charity.

Like other undie runs, this event will benefit a charity. All proceeds will go to the Sean Kimerling Testicular Cancer Foundation, and all clothes left at the starting line will be donated to Goodwill Industries International Inc. Foster said they chose the Kimerling foundation because "it kind of goes along with underwear."

Just because the event will have participants stripping down to their underwear, a dress code will be enforced, Foster said. No thongs will be allowed. Underwear cannot be see-through and must cover the runner, she said. The underwear shouldn't be more revealing than something seen at a track meet.

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Gov. appoints student regent

By JON VANDERLAAN
NEWS EDITOR

The new student regent for the Texas Tech system will be the first student from Angelo State University to serve on the Tech Board of Regents.

Gov. Rick Perry appointed Jeff Harris, a senior political science major from San Angelo, on Monday to fill the position, according to a Tech news release.

Harris said he spent the last year getting to know Kyle Miller, the student regent he is replacing from the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, and has learned about the communication needed to do the job.

Despite being a student at Angelo State University, he said he believes he

can represent those in the other Tech system campuses through communication with the various Student Government Association representatives.

"Ultimately the question is how can you represent anybody?" he said. "And the number one thing is knowing who you're representing."

Miller said Harris always went to students to find out what they thought about a certain fee or other major decision that needed to be made before representing an opinion to the body making the decision.

Although he is further away from the main Tech campus, Miller said Harris will still be able to represent everyone accurately.

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HSC releases genital piercing study

By DEREK MOY
STAFF WRITER

A team of researchers at Texas Tech University and the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center have published research on male genital piercings that casts a new light on the men associated with such piercings.

The online study shows the average male who has a genital piercing is 36 years old, white, has some college education, heterosexual, married or in a monogamous relationship, and reported themselves excellent health. There were 445 men who participated in the study across 46 states and 26 international web sites.

Myrna Armstrong, one of the lead researchers and regional dean for the School of Nursing at Highland Lakes, said she has a 20 year history of

conducting research on body art. She has published 25 articles with her team since 1990.

"There were three nurse researchers along with two urologists, and we conducted a study using the Internet as a survey instrument to obtain 445 participants who have genital piercings," she said. "And that is an extraordinary number because it's very difficult to find them. They have what's called a hidden variable."

Armstrong said the Internet provides anonymity as well as acceptability to gather the information needed. The questions in the survey were worded very specifically so the participant could not fabricate their piercing. The data also corresponded similarly with data gathered 10 years ago.

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PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador
A RECENT STUDY by researchers at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center shows that men with genital piercings are mostly middle-aged men.

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Tech student refunds now in-house

By **KELLY WATSON AND KATHERINE ROWE**
THE DAILY TOREADOR

Texas Tech's Student Business Services will be using an in-house delivery system of student refunds starting May 1. The old program HigherOne

is being replaced with My Direct Deposit. With the new system students who get refunds can receive them faster through direct deposits. Zach Dominguez, a junior advertising major from Arlington, said he had trouble with the HigherOne account set up and

deposits. "I thought it was going to be a lot easier to set up," Dominguez said. "The school, for some reason, kept the money for a week or two before they put it into the HigherOne account, and I had a problem with that." Christy Gilman, managing director of Student Business Services, said she hopes the new system will speed up the refund process.

She said they have been using the system at the law school for a couple of weeks and hopes the kinks are all worked out.

Dominguez said with his HigherOne card, he was weary about

Ill., said he thought the HigherOne system was terrible because the company, which was not Tech affiliated, was profiting from student financial aid money.

"They would take a chunk of every transaction that you took out using the card," Reynolds said. "Plus, I didn't like the fact that they were outsourcing to a company that had nothing to do with Tech. That company had no stake in whether or not the students here actually did well, where as someone who is a financial aid advisor here might actually have a stake in our lives."

He said he hopes that the new system will facilitate face-to-face communication between a financial aid adviser and the student.

The Raiderlink portal allows for people to update their My Direct Deposit.

If students do not enter their information into My Direct Deposit will be mailed a paper check for their refund.

"We've gotten a lot of positive feedback," said Philip Salas, with Student Business Services.

He said since the system had some success, it's being implemented university-wide.

Students can choose to continue using their HigherOne card, but as of May 1 all fees associated with the HigherOne card will be the responsibility of the card holder.

Visit <https://www.higheroneaccount.com/info/outadditionalfees.jsp> for a complete list of fees.

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HSC

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"It's usually done for sexual stimulation or experimentation, but this is not a flippant decision," she said. "We don't believe, from our findings, that this is a flippant decision. These people have thought about it for a long time before they made the decision to do it."

Because of the deliberate decision making, some men took up to five years to get pierced, she said. Some do it for stimulation or aesthetics, but most wanted to try it and see if it works for them. There are eight types of genital piercings for men and different complications for each.

"That was one of the things that we looked at as complications," Armstrong said. "They did not report that many complications."

If complications arise with the piercing, the male will go back to their piercer or the Internet for medical advice, rather than a health care provider, she said.

"As a health care provider that disturbs me because we should be the ones who know the most about it and can help them to take care of it," Armstrong said. "This is not a new finding, it is a continual finding and that is still frustrating."

Sexually transmitted diseases are often a stigma associated with men who have genital piercings, but the research shows this to be unfounded. Only 80 men, or 18 percent, reported an STD of some type after their piercing, but only 19 people defined which STD.

"It's like when you buy a little red convertible, you're so proud of it," Armstrong said. "You take care of it. You wash it and you vacuum it all the time because you're proud of it and take care of it so well. You're not going to subject it to a lot of hard work."

LaMicha Hogan, assistant professor and family nurse practitioner at the School of Nursing, said she got involved in the study because the group needed someone with clinical expertise with people who had genital piercings.

"Everybody has their own talent that they're good at," Hogan said, "and that's why we come together and collaborate and bring our ideas together so that we can each bring a special piece of the puzzle to the article."

The published article does not say whether or not it is a good or bad thing to have a genital piercing, but mainly states there is a growing trend to have the piercing done, she said. The amount of people getting the piercing makes it a pressing issue for health care providers to be able to accept and treat the piercing with proper clinical care.

"Just like it's important for a physician to know how to treat somebody with high blood pressure," Hogan said, "it's equally as important for a physician to understand what the rationale and the care involved with somebody who has a piercing on a particular body part."

Men who have a genital piercing were once thought to be abused or sexually deviant, but the study is dismissing those myths too.

These men reported they were between the ages of 16 and 18 when they first had sexual intercourse, the national average is 16.9 years old. Having one sexual partner in six months was reported for 62 percent of those with genital piercings.

"We are simply saying, 'Hey, guys, there's a population that we've identified that participates in this and it's important for doctors and nurse practitioners to know that other people do this so when they're seen in the emergency room or the clinic how they can best be treated,'" she said.

Courtney Daugherty, a body piercer at Big Buddha, said she has been doing genital piercings for seven years. She estimates she has pierced almost 100 men and more than 100 women.

"Most of the time I think that the medical field, especially doctors, kind of look at piercings in general as a negative thing," she said.

Most piercers are not doctors or nurses, and Daugherty said she stresses the fact she is not a doctor and does not give medical advice. She insists on people go to the doctor to get properly diagnosed for an infection, but she will give the symptoms of infection.

"I think it would be a nice thing for doctors to do their research and talk to a knowledgeable piercer and also the piercer taking the doctor's advice — doing some more collaboration on how everything works," she said.

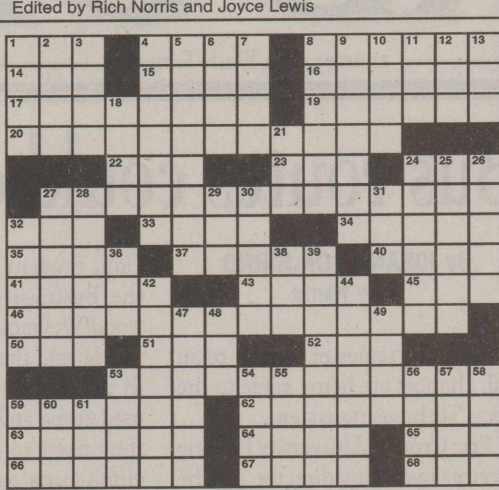
It can be awkward for a male to talk to a piercer about a genital piercing as well as talking to their doctor about it if they believe there may be a complication, Daugherty said. But by communicating with doctors and piercers, a male can make an informed decision with his own body.

She said in this day in age everyone should be more accepting of piercings in general.

"I think sometimes it's a personal preference," Daugherty said. "I think eventually, hopefully it won't be such a judgmental thing, you know people won't look at you and just solely base you on your appearance than what you can do."

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle



By Victor Barocas 5/4/10

Monday's Puzzle Solved

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Students prepare for CRU summer projects

By DEVIN SANCHEZ
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When you talk to Todd Wedel and Matt Langhoff, there is a calming presence about them that makes you instantly feel comfortable around them.

They are friendly and can effortlessly hold conversations, which makes it easy to imagine why they would desire to spend their summers living somewhere unfamiliar — one on the West Coast and one in Russia — to spread the word of God in Campus Crusade for Christ's Summer Projects.

Wedel, a freshman restaurant, hotel and institutional management major from Midland, will be going to Moscow on May 23 for six weeks. A summer project, according to Wedel, is the opportunity to take the Gospel virtually anywhere in the world with CRU.

Wedel and Langhoff distinguished that CRU Summer Project is not really a mission trip because there isn't the physical labor aspect associated with traditional mission trips. There are more than 150 types of international and domestic summer projects, ranging in length from one week to 10 weeks. Thirteen students from Tech will be participating in the CRU Summer Projects.

Langhoff, a freshman general studies major also from Midland, will be going to Santa Cruz, Calif., for 10 weeks. The men have different reasons for going to these particular locations. Wedel's reason for choosing Russia was more personal.

"My younger sister was adopted from Russia, and when my parents went to get her, I had to stay in Midland," he said, "So that was a main reason of why I wanted to go to Russia."

Langhoff said the main difference between the domestic and international projects is the fact that, unlike Wedel, he has to get a job. Langhoff said the reason behind getting a job all has to do with ministering to the public.



PHOTO BY MATT MOFFATT/The Daily Toreador
MATT LANGHOFF, LEFT, a freshman university studies major from Midland, and Todd Wedel, a freshman restaurant hotel and institutional management major from Midland, prepare to leave for mission trips to California and Russia, respectively, this summer

"You want to make friends with the people around you, those people will be the ones you eventually will be ministering to," he said. "That way it isn't just blind evangelism."

Going on these summer projects isn't cheap. Langhoff's project will cost him \$4,500, which includes travel expenses and food. Wedel's project is \$6,000, which includes a weekly stipend.

Both men have been encouraged to raise support for their projects. They mailed letters to family members, friends, community members and others who they thought would be willing to help.

"As far as how they plan on reaching people, both men have their own

style of "preaching." Langhoff said he wants to be able to have people relate to him.

"I would much rather people see that I'm not perfect and get to know me and my problems," he said, "rather than me shoving the Gospel in their faces and freaking people out."

Wedel said his group will mostly stay around Moscow and the Red Square, finding college-aged students, talking to them and interweaving the Gospel into basic conversation. This will prove to be more difficult than one would think, due to a pretty extensive language barrier. However, Wedel said he is prepared.

"My mom has given me the books

she used whenever her and my dad went to get my sister," he said, "but Russian is a very difficult language."

With the preparation and excitement that come along with the trips they are about to embark on, both want to make sure they don't lose sight their main goal: to administer the Gospel to anyone they can.

Langhoff said one thing he is looking forward to is seeing how much he grows in his own faith this summer.

"I was told that during project, a day is like a week, a week is like a month, and a month is like a year in how much you grow in your own spirituality," he said. "I can't wait for that."

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Regent

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"I think it presents an interesting opportunity to help foster transparency and communication more among the team players because now Jeff is going to have the opportunity to coordinate among all the campuses," he said.

The student regent position rotates between Tech, the HSC and Angelo State. The appointed regent serves a one-year term, according to the release.

Harris said he would like to focus on making sure students get their money's worth when the graduate from a Tech system school.

"One of the things that I've been focusing on here at Angelo State, that I'd like to consider from a university system standpoint, is making sure our students are better prepared for the outside world," he said.

Tuition and fees, which will be the main issue at the May 13 and May 14 Board of Regents meeting, is something Harris said is an "extremely rough" issue to deal with.

"That's probably one of the

hardest things that I'm going to have to deal with, is tuition and fees," he said.

Although some fees will need to be increased, Harris said, he will focus on making sure the fees that do not need increasing stay constant while making sure students receive a quality education.

Harris is currently a candidate for the San Angelo City Council and was elected for a second term as the ASU Student Government Association President in the fall. However, his appointment to the Board of Regents means he must resign from that position, Harris said.

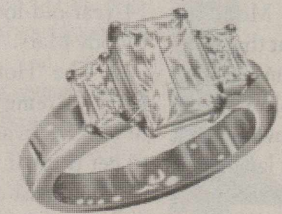
Tech Chancellor Kent Hance said there were great candidates from all three major Tech campuses and any would have been good for the position.

"What the governor's office has tried to do is move it around from TTU to HSC to Angelo State and that's part of the process," he said. "And Jeff will work closely with the student government people with Tech and the HSC."

Hance also said knowing the regents through his SGA experience will help Harris.

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ORDER PIZZA AT RESTAURANT

What began as a typical dining-out experience quickly turned into a scary situation yesterday when sophomore Danny Rivers and his friends realized that the Italian restaurant that they had chosen for lunch... was completely Italian-speaking.

Looking for something more authentic than local favorite Pizza Barn, the group had to venture out

added. "Professore Vacanti would've been proud of me. Or maybe I should say would've been feiro di

liberty.

"Did we eat too many...? Maybe. Throw a little...? Sure. But teachers...? We have to have a little fun too. And...? Not like it hurt anyone," said the...? The old Fineman. "In fact, I...? The students should be thank...? I was so hungover the next day...? I just gave everyone A's...? I think it worked in their

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GREEK SYSTEM RUNNING OUT OF LETTER COMBINATIONS

Panic struck the heart of fraternities and sororities across the nation this week when word spread that the

just about every option out there," said National Greek Board President, Henry Boggins. "There were only about 18,000 possible letter combinations to begin with, so you had to know it was coming."

The news certainly left the Greek System in a state of turmoil, as rumors began to fly immediately. Some suggested a move to a 4-letter system, while others questioned why it always had to be Greek. "I think English is a pretty good language," said Debra Boomgardner. "I mean, this is the United States, not a foreign domestic country."

moment of my life," Karl Winsey, a friend of Danny's, recalled. "It was like we time-warped into Italy or something. The waiter came over and started talking in Italian! Um... what? I had no idea what to do."

Fortunately for the group, Danny Rivers did.

"I've been taking Italian 101 this semester," Danny explained, "so I was pretty comfortable in that environment. Once I heard him say 'amici' I knew he wasn't mad at us or anything, so I just stuck with what I remembered... 'saluti,' 'il mio nome è Danny,' that kind of stuff."

After breaking the ice, Danny managed to tell the waiter that he and his friends wanted one very much good pizzas on the large. It was exactly what they received, much to everyone's surprise.

"It was a good day," Danny

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"They were freaking tailgating?" Ben exclaimed furiously. "Charcoal grill, coozies, Chinese horseshoes... the whole shebang! They're supposed to be helping us here... not grilling hotdogs and high-fiving."

The faculty did not deny the claim. In fact, Art History professor Michael Fineman spoke with great

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OPINIONS

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DAILY TOREADOR EDITORS SAY FAREWELL

Parting words of advice

After three years of being a student at Texas Tech and half of that time spent working at *The Daily Toreador* as the copy and La Vida editor, I've learned a few things. If you think about it, most of what you know comes from life experiences, not from the classroom.

Samantha Hensley



Although I believe in the value of a formal education and will be pursuing an MBA at Mizzou in the fall, I can't help but reflect on some of the things I wish I knew when I walked into my first class in August 2007.

Getting advice has made my time here a lot simpler. I thought I'd share a few of my favorite lessons — some of which were learned the hard way — to hopefully make your college experience at Tech a bit easier.

- Don't get in a prank war unless you're prepared to be barricaded in your room with telephone books stacked on a large trash bin in your doorway as a pile of recyclables falls on your head. It's not the perfect start to a Sunday.
- The best stories come from the times when you were the most embarrassed. Thanks Mom for shooting hand sanitizer at that guy's face in the Student Union Building when I moved in. He really enjoyed when you wiped him down with a napkin while the cashier laughed at us. It made the transition so much easier, especially when the cashier

and don't-tell anyone else about it. Drive toward the sunset and don't turn back until you get to New Mexico.

- People in Lubbock generally aren't bad at driving. If you're driving faster than the speed limit, you are the problem.
- Choose your instructors based on their evaluations and grade distributions found on Raiderlink's MyTech tab. It may seem like cheating, but if you pick a good professor, you'll be less inclined to cheat on a test.
- Be in charge of your degree plan. Advisers occasionally give you the runaround and tell you to take classes that don't help. The truth is though, your future isn't their responsibility, it's yours.
- Buy and sell your books at Varsity Bookstore if you don't buy and sell them online. Double T Bookstore does not buy back every book (I have the GMAT prep book to prove it), and Varsity books cost less.
- Never assume you can do someone else's job. It is probably more complicated than you think.
- Take the Golden Rule to next level. Don't just treat people as you would have them treat you, think of them the way you would have them think of you.

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I couldn't have done it without you, and you, and you and you

I don't feel like I have enough experience in life, and I definitely was not a good enough student, to give any of our readers advice on what they should do during their college career and I don't think my time here was interesting enough to awe people with stories I could tell.

Jon Vanderlaan



So instead I'm going to take the most boring way out of this column and use it as a thank you to all those who have helped me get a job after college.

First of all, I want to thank Robert Wernsman, who I believe is one of the best — if not the best — instructor at Tech. If it was not for Principles of Journalism and News Writing, I probably would not even be a journalism major.

I also don't know where I would be without our staff advisers, Sheri Lewis and Andrea Watson. These two ring true to the journalist's reputation: overworked and underappreciated. They tell us the things we don't want to hear but we know are true.

I would like to thank the several professors through whose classes I learned that there is no replacement for experience — not even being taught by a tenured professor.

To my friends who have stayed in contact with me: Thank you for

being patient with my work schedule. I know I work an ungodly amount of time and there's not much time to just hang out, but I appreciate the time you take when I'm not working.

My parents also have been a wonderful influence on my career path toward journalism. They accept the fact that I love what I do and support me even though I probably won't ever be able to afford the old persons' home I eventually put them in.

Thank you to the students, staff, faculty members and people in the Lubbock community who have called in tips throughout the years. As a student newspaper, we don't get as many tips as the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, but we appreciate any we get.

The people who brought me up in my young journalism career, several of whom are working at the *A-J* and the others are scattered elsewhere, also deserve a round of applause. I could not have accomplished anything if it wasn't for the patience and guidance given by my former news editor and other former editors and writers.

Finally, to my coworkers — I don't think anyone has made me more frustrated, angry or put me in a general bad mood as the lot of you journalism kids. But at the same time, the time I have spent with you guys and gals has been some of the most entertaining, fun and adventurous I have ever had.

You are great friends. When I am having a bad day, I know someone in the newsroom will be there to pick me up (or kick me down a peg if I need it). I know most of you will miss screwing around in my wheelchair more than you'll miss me, but I'll definitely miss all the times I've had with each of you.

I don't think you'll ever find truer friends than the ones who are willing to put up with your antics on a daily basis. Whether those antics include pink bowls, aggressive tendencies or a friendly rivalry between two cities (Dallas is better), you guys were there for me.

Students of Texas Tech, I bid you adieu. I hope I left some sort of imprint on your lives through my attempts to expose the truth and print accurate information to the best of my ability. And if not, I'm sure you at least enjoyed my hockey columns.

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Four unforgettable years thanks to a handful of special, unique individuals

It's hard to put this moment into words. For four years, I've tried to make my mom proud by graduating from college, making good grades, not ending up in jail with two baby mamas, etc. I've succeeded in that sense.

Adam Coleman



I'm most proud, however, of the three-and-a-half years I dedicated to this newspaper you pick up every day to play Sudoku. I don't regret one second.

Like I said, it's hard to put this moment in words. Plus, I don't think I can write about myself for another 400 words.

So like some of my other senior co-workers, I'd rather spend the rest of this column pointing out a handful of people who made the

last four years of my life unforgettable.

Travis Cram and Stephen Monahan — I had no experience in the journalism field. I didn't know what AP style was. I rarely even read a newspaper. All you knew was I liked sports and yet, you still hired me. Even though you both are Cowboys fans, and it sickens me, I wouldn't be here without you.

Bob Knight — I will never

be more nervous for any press conference more than I was for your press conferences. It's almost like going to war, you don't know what to expect and you could get killed or at least make the "sports journalists embarrassed by Bob Knight" list (which I did). Seriously though, you made me a better writer. Especially when you decided to retire on a random school night. I appreciate Pat Knight as well for being a great coach to work with.

Mike Leach — Most of the time, I felt like the luckiest journalist in the country because I got a chance to cover you. But I do have a strand of gray hair in my head because of you and Texas Tech football for that matter. Last year was the craziest. There probably will never be another season where Twitter and sovereign immunity are a bigger deal. I hope the whole lawsuit thing works out or doesn't hit your pockets too hard depending on how the judge

decides. I look forward to seeing you take some other program to new heights.

My co-workers — Whether it's Kevin Cullen and his movie quotes or Jon Vanderlaan and his beard, you made my experience that much better. I'll never forget Ben Maki and his daily antics. Michelle Casady is one of the best leaders I've ever met. Alex Ybarra is the best writer I've ever met. There are way too many of you I want to recognize, but you know who you are.

By the way, for any of you who look at the picture next to this column and think to yourself, "I didn't know *The DT's* sports editor was black." Thank you for the laughs.

Finally, I want to thank any student, professor, athlete, source, Lubbock resident or friend who read my stories. If you read my story and thought it was good, thank you. If you thought it sucked and I need to change majors, thank you. If you read the headline, thank you. If you read my writers' stories, thank you. A lot of work and dedication goes into this newspaper. There are writers here that would rather miss a test than miss a big story. It's all done for you, too. So next time you're playing Sudoku, take the time and read one of our stories. It means the world to us.

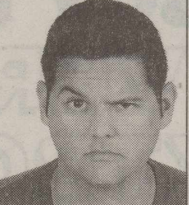
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“There are way too many of you I want to recognize, but you know who you are.”

Second senior year an abrupt ending I saw coming

It doesn't mean I'm good at them, but this isn't my first farewell column. Back when I graduated high school in 2005 (this already is depressing) I wrote about moving on to college. Ignorant cliches like falling asleep on textbooks in college, getting lost on campus, meeting new people and how I couldn't wait to experience it filled the page. I didn't know much, obviously.

Alex Ybarra



Everything in my head about college was pulled from mushy scenes in movies like "American Pie." Just to clear things up, I'm not referring to the scene where Jason Biggs is dancing with his mom's home cooking. Not that kind of mushy.

So with four years and a victory lap complete, I figured I have enough experience to tweak that high school column, which hit homeroom classes once a month and was titled "Alex-Tha-Great." (Those who hired me here made fun of me for that column title, and I don't blame them.) Here are some things I never expected when I graduated high school.

I worked at good old Sam's Place in Weymouth (back when it was classy, and didn't have a Quiznos and Chik-fil-A) as a freshman, where I not once, but twice, got a drunk person to chug an entire cup of gravy.

Oh the dorms, those filthy dorms. Live it up freshmen, especially whoever is in 224. Hopefully you don't still get "Girls Gone Wild" DVDs that my friend once ordered as a practical joke. We never stopped getting those. But if you do, shoot me an e-mail. And yes, my friend ordered them. Best practical joke ever, just kidding.

I never once fell asleep on a textbook. But I did throw up at Cricket's on my 21st birthday. I met plenty of new people, like the ones at *The Daily Toreador*.

Some of the hardest working, most intelligent people I will ever know. I'm so lucky I got the opportunity to write for this paper, even if it meant getting rejected when I first applied (Adam Coleman got the job over me).

I remember Bob Knight asking me during a press conference if I had any more questions for him. I remember walking away thinking, "He was so polite. Wait, what?" I remember Mike Leach critiquing summer movies, talking about fat girlfriends, being special to think that I won't cover another football coach as strange as that man for the rest of my life.

I remember the Margaritavilles and River Trips when I was in Kappa Sigma. I remember standing on the sideline when a grinning Michael Crabtree strutted across the endzone. The earth began to shake and then I got hit in the back by students.

That's one thing I'll miss for sure. Texas Tech fans and their constant rushing of the court and field. It's ridiculous. Our rush per

semester rate has to be tops in the Big 12 Conference. I'd bet those DVDs on it. Better yet, I'll chug a cup of Sam's Place gravy if I'm wrong.

That's enough scatterbrained details of my college life you don't care about. But honestly, fill your college years with as much joy and happiness as you possibly can. I know I at least tried, and I'm not the craziest person.

Find something that drives you. I had *The Daily Toreador*, which became my home. I've spent more time in this newsroom than any home I've had in Lubbock. I wouldn't change any of it. It ends abruptly, trust me. I will miss college, but the real world beckons me. Then again, I smell another victory lap.

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'nuff said

Monday signified the end. Not only my last day of college classes, but my last day at *The Daily Toreador*. It's strange how quickly my two years at *The DT* have passed.

My employment began simply enough — I was young and inexperienced, desperately making an effort to improve my designing skills and pad my resume, which is what I told the editor. Honesty and enthusiasm landed me the design position at the end of my sophomore year and the following promotion to editor in December. The incredible experiences and people kept me in this position until my looming graduation.

The Daily Toreador taught me nearly everything I know about designing and print production. I can truthfully say most of my endeavors would have failed had I not experienced them first through *The DT*. I love every person I got the chance to work with and I wish them all the best of luck in their future pursuits.

So to anyone who actually reads these here are a few things:

- If you kept up with "Pick 'Em," I was not a

sports prodigy (you would be surprised how often I was asked about this). The collaboration with my fiancé improved my results.

- Command Z is the greatest short cut ever invented. Period.
- Corn Reborn is always a suitable headline.
- Mesquites \$.50 wells make every Friday better.
- It's Kyla, not Kayla.

Good luck to all new editors and *DT* staff. If you're not already on the payroll I encourage you to apply, it's a great thing. I'll always remember the things I've learned and will truly miss all the wonderful people who came into my life during my time here. Oh, and as always: not my chair, not my problem.

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Concert coordinators hope to attract art enthusiasts

By SARAH SCROGGINS
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Many people enjoy going to dance performances, but fewer appreciate it as a form of art.

Ali Duffy, an assistant professor of dance at Texas Tech, is hoping the faculty dance concert will attract people who find the beauty and art in dance.

By dropping the title Texas Tech Dance Department from the concert and hosting the concert at the Louise Hopkins Underwood Center for the Arts Firehouse Theatre on May 21 and May 22, she believes it will bring out more of an audience that can interpret dance and find the meanings behind each piece.

Duffy has two pieces in the show that have extremely different meanings.

One of her dances, "Extermination: A Fairy Tale in 3 Chapters," was inspired by a documentary she watched about the genocide in Rwanda. Although the topic is very serious, she wanted to include other parts that had satire in it to balance it out.

"It really effected me when I watched it," Duffy said. "I wanted to have a reaction to genocide."

Her other pieces is called "Entangled In A Drift, They Wait for

Surrender," which is performed by a trio inspired by the Tech production of "Curtains" she choreographed. She said the piece is unique because the three dancers stay in contact throughout the dance by using ballet and contemporary movement.

Not only did Duffy and Kyla Olson, a dance adjunct faculty member, choreograph the concert, they also perform in it. It was particularly unusual for Duffy because she performs in her own piece about genocide.

She said she believes it was much harder to put herself in the piece rather than just choreograph it. This is the first time she has been in her own works and she said that she might not do it again. Olson said working alongside other dancers that she teaches daily was interesting.

"I think it's a different dynamic in rehearsal," Olson said. "In class I'm in a leadership role, and in rehearsal I'm just one of the dancers."

Olson also choreographed two pieces in the show. "Rococo" is a contemporary ballet piece that she choreographed in the fall and recently was chosen to compete at the American College Dance Festival Association.

Her other piece is titled "Dissections," which is a dark, edgier dance about the human psyche. She said



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STUDENTS PERFORM A dance routine during a rehearsal as part of an independent show of dance produced by the dance faculty Sunday at the Sports Studies Center.

she believes this particular show is set apart from the other department shows because the choreographers and dancers take more risk with their music selections and movements in each dance.

Tara Stredny, a senior public relations major from Katy, is a two-year member of the Tech Dance Company and will be performing in two pieces, "Rococo" by Olson and "Incognito"

by Genevieve Durham, an associate professor and head of dance.

Because this is the last performance of the year and she is a graduating senior, Stredny said she believes this performance to be bittersweet.

"It's going to be sad, but it'll be fun," she said. "They are my best friends, so it was fun to come to rehearsal every day."

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No spying in Pa. school laptops case

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — There's no evidence a suburban school district used school-issued laptops to spy on students despite its questionable policies and its lack of regard for students' privacy, according to a report issued Monday by attorneys hired by the district.

Concerns about an online chat captured in a screen shot of a school-issued computer led to public disclosure of the Lower Merion School District's laptop tracking program, according to the report by the Philadelphia law firm Ballard Spahr, which was presented at a meeting of the school board Monday night. The firm recommended a ban on remote activations of webcams and remote capturing of screen shots from computers issued to students.

Harriton High School student Blake Robbins and his family alleged privacy violations over webcam images taken at home without their knowledge and sued the district, which said it secretly activated the webcams only to find missing laptops but admitted lax policies led it to capture 58,000 images.

The report says Robbins turned in his laptop with a broken screen and was issued a loaner on Oct. 20, but school officials quickly moved to retrieve it due to outstanding insurance fees. So the tracking program was activated from Oct. 20 to Nov. 4 and captured 210 webcam

photographs and 218 screen shots, the report said.

Although a technician confirmed on the first day of tracking that the laptop was "now currently online at home," another official in the same department instructed him to keep the tracking on and later told investigators he thought he needed authorization to terminate it, the report said.

On Oct. 30, the report said, a technician saw a computer screen shot that "included an online chat that concerned him." After consulting with a superior, he allowed school officials to look at the images.

Run

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"It's not supposed to be something inappropriate, it's supposed to be who can donate the most clothes or who can help the Sean Kimerling Foundation the most," Foster said.

Stripping down to the bare minimum isn't a requirement. Foster said she plans to wear tights under her underwear because it shows people the run isn't just about being naked and is to support the cause.

"It's just a funny way to do it," she said.

People can take this event one of two ways, Foster said. They

can either embrace the event as something raising money for charity or they can see it as a bunch of college students running around in their underwear for no reason.

"We really are helping two great foundations," she said. "Have an open mind and come and support us."

Although the purpose of the event is to raise money for charity, some people aren't as excited for it as others, Foster said.

Madison Proctor, a sophomore international business major from Roswell, N.M., said this is a creative way to raise money and awareness but has mixed feelings about the run.

"I feel like it's a little inap-

propriate," he said. "How do you monitor thousands of people? It's for a good cause, which is good, and it's creative. I like that, but I just have not good feelings towards people running around in their underwear."

The people in charge plan on making sure the dress code is followed by checking runners when they register.

"You wear bikinis and stuff like that to the swimming pool, so it's really not that much different," said Jessica Hensley, a sophomore business major from Denton.

Registration beings at 6 p.m. in the pavilion and the run starts at 7:30 p.m.

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Bus

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"Under the new system the Masked Rider keeps the same stops but is going to go on the route of the Red Raider," Patton said.

"Our biggest worry is that if we don't tweak the bus system it won't be able to handle the increase of students," he said.

He has also been working on the safe ride night shuttle busing system to increase safety for students.

He said this summer he will be going

out into the community with SGA President Drew Graham to get involvement from local businesses where students could use safe ride in the future.

Michael Shonrock said having the busing system become official requires discussion with Citibus, Tech contracting office and approval of the Board of Regents.

"The new busing system requires approval of the Tech Board of Regents on their Aug. 5 and Aug. 6 meeting next fall to become official," Shonrock said.

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Students reflect on time as Red Raiders

By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI
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After walking quickly across campus between classes in less than 10 minutes multiple times a week, waking up to the smell of cow manure and fighting sideways rain in 60 mile-per-hour winds, students take a look back at their time spent at Texas Tech, remembering why they are proud to be Red Raiders.

After spending time at Tech, students remember different things about why they like Tech. Students' reasons for coming to Tech differed, but Kevin Rodriguez, a freshman business major from Plano, said a principal reason he wanted to come to Tech was the atmosphere and campus.

"Everyone's so friendly and (Tech) has a way different atmosphere than other colleges," said Katie Dober, a freshman business major from Flower Mound. "It has a small feeling even though it's a big school."

Dober and Eric Launer, a sophomore marketing major Carrolton, said college and Tech aren't what they thought. A real college experience isn't always what's in movies, he said.

The people one meets here are different than at other universities, said Sauganth Vijayappan, a computer

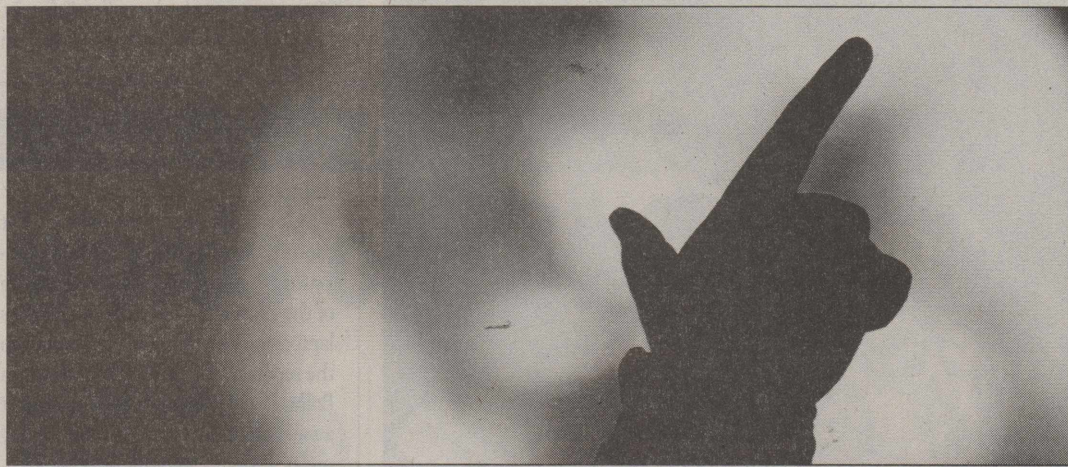


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STUDENTS PREPARING FOR finals, graduation and summer break experience different levels of school allegiance.

science masters student from Chertala, India.

After attending Ohio State University, he said Tech's campus is well-designed. He also expressed his interest in another large part of Tech: football season.

"When I think of Texas Tech school spirit, I think of red and black," Rodriguez said. "I think of putting my guns up and yelling, 'Raider power,' at football games. Football season is probably the best part of the year. Everybody is so spirited, and you are always in for a good game."

As a Tech graduate and Texas Tech

Alumni Association executive vice president and CEO, Bill Dean said he loves the university. The association has more than 28,000 members and is growing. The association constantly is trying to update its social media sites and make its presence known on campus.

Students know about the Alumni Association, but joining right after graduation isn't always at the top of a student's mind, he said. Getting jobs and finding ways to support themselves becomes the main focus of graduates.

"Loyalty to Tech is important (to students), but not initially," Dean said. "It is a constant struggle and is no different than anywhere else."

The loyalty of Red Raiders after graduation in the association helps the university in many ways. The association's primary purpose is to keep

alumni informed on what's going on with the university, but they also donate money for various boards to get students involved and for financial aid.

"We've made more progress with less resources than any of our competition," Dean said. "No one has better support than our alumni."

Whether they decide to join the Alumni Association, seniors such as Abbey Carter, an electronic media and communications major from Amarillo, said they will miss the traditions and fun they had at Tech.

"Don't wish (your college experience) away," she said. "Don't look forward to just the weekends because it goes by a lot faster than you think. Enjoy it as it comes."

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Adventures in Spain: Semester reflection

Carrie Thornton



I can't believe in one week I'll be gone from these dog-poop-covered, beautifully crooked, orange-scattered streets. I love you, Seville!

Lately things have been a little crazy here in Spain: We had our last week of school, my poetry class had a reading/end-of-the-semester dance party, and we all made it through finals.

And now as I sit in my room looking out the window at the luminous orange trees, I can't help but second guess whether it really is May.

Four months ago I began this incredible journey with 70 other amazing Red Raiders with no idea of what to expect and no anticipations of how these months would change me.

Before this gets too mushy, I'd like to say a few things I learned about being abroad and the beautiful city of Seville.

For one, all Spanish men are short with greased-back hair or a poorly trimmed mullet. And they are not shy when it comes to pointing out what they like about you. If you want to see some eye-candy, I suggest visiting France or Italy.

In Spain, I'm pretty sure not one person has ever held a door open for another. In Texas, you treat everyone as if they were your relatives (and they probably are on some branch of the tree) in terms of considerateness and kindness.

Here, women and men alike will watch with little interest as your purse falls to the ground, scattering euro-coins, and not move an inch as you hurry to pick everything up before the homeless man around the corner gets to them first.

Everything here is beautiful. Even the spray paint on the older bridges is alluring in its own way. The river is charming and a great place to have a ... Coke ... and sit with your friends. I will definitely miss it.

Each host family has their own individual charm, but regardless of whether they like to cook or not, they will try to stuff you until you cannot breathe. They will also yell at you for not wearing socks on the "cold floor," even when it's 80 degrees outside.

Everyone here has the same dog, and it has the same sweater. I have a theory that they just rotate it around

the city on weekends.

Most things are cheaper here, including airfare, but it's deceiving because of the exchange rate. The lower amounts of Euros come in coins; it's a lot easier to spend a coin for some reason, and in reality we are actually spending \$1.35. I failed to take these calculations into consideration throughout most of my time here, but somehow I'm not bankrupt yet.

The coffee here is one-third espresso and two-thirds hot milk. It will make you shake for a few hours and give you gas, but it tastes good. Another breakfast favorite is pan tostada con aceite y tomate, toasted bread with olive oil and tomato. Sounds pretty strange, but it's very

delicious. The bread here, by the way, will add a few layers to your backside — just a heads up.

I was blessed to live with an incredible roommate, Julianna Nickens, who taught me so much about myself. My trundle-bed-mate, along with my amazing host family,

was the best part of this experience.

The Texas Tech Center is fantastic. Our school is so lucky to have its own facility in a foreign country. Although my Spanish is nowhere near perfect, I have learned more than I ever thought I could in four months. Too bad school is over; everything is leaking out of my brain. Lately my host family has had to repeat themselves multiple times before I even get the gist of what they are saying — great success!

In the end, I couldn't have asked for a better semester. I have grown so much, formed relationships with incredible people and gained a second family. I only hope if any of you have the chance to be a part of this program, you will take it with no reservations.

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Tech softball playing waiting game for Big 12 tourney seeding

By TOMMY MAGELLEN
STAFF WRITER

With only the Big 12 Conference Championship ahead of them, Texas Tech softball will need to make some noise in the tournament to make it into the field of 64 for the NCAA tournament.

"I think we definitely could assure ourselves of getting in (the NCAA tournament) if we win a couple of games down in Big 12 (tournament)," Tech coach Shanon Hays said. "But we may get in anyway. I think they look at your whole body of work as well."

Even being in the picture for an at-large bid to the tournament is astounding for the Red Raiders, led by first-year coach Hays. Tech finished dead last in the Big 12 last year with a 15-42 overall record and only three conference victories.

This year, the Red Raiders are 35-15 and 7-11 in Big 12 play after the conclusion of their regular season schedule.

"I didn't expect that we would have the chance to make regionals here at the end of the year," Hays said. "But that's what you always

work for. You know I'll say it again, I'm proud of this group of girls for putting us in this situation."

Although the Red Raiders are finished with their regular season slate of games, they play the role of cheerleader for this weekend's Nebraska-Missouri series.

The top six teams earn a first round bye in the Big 12 tournament, while the remaining four duke it out in the first round.

Tech rests at sixth place heading into the last weekend of the season, but a sweep by seventh place Nebraska against Missouri would switch the two teams and force the Red Raiders to open their tournament a day earlier than they hoped.

However, Hays said his team will compete hard no matter when it plays. But what might pose the biggest problem for Tech is staying

in the right mindset for the conference tournament after two weeks off.

"You want to be playing, I think two weeks is too long to not play, no question," he said. "We're at a disadvantage when you lay off that long in softball."

To make sure his team is ready to go for the conference tournament,

Hays said they need to have some good batting practice sessions and scrimmages during the next two weeks, but his team's number one focus should be getting through final exams.

After Sunday's loss to Texas A&M, senior Leah

Legler said this year's team is the best she has played on in her four years at Tech and she would love to make it to a regional. Hays said he would love to give the three seniors on the team a chance to play in the



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KARLI MERLICH PITCHES on Saturday during the game against the Aggies at Rocky Johnson Field. The Aggies won 10-6.

postseason.

"We're very proud of (seniors Ashly Jacobs, Danielle Matthews

and Legler) and our team has shown a lot of character this year," he said. "And I think those three

seniors were great kids for me to help us rejuvenate our program."

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