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Raiderville citizens share stories, tents

An up-close look at the Raiderville way of life



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RAY VAZ, A senior marketing management major from Roswell, N.M., plays table tennis outside of his tent in Raiderville on Wednesday. Vaz and some friends drove in from New Mexico on Monday and have been camping in Raiderville since Monday night.

By BRITTANY HOOVER
STAFF WRITER

Tuesday, 3:30 p.m. It's very sunny and 91 degrees.

At the end of a long school day, which included a test, I made my way through the hundreds of tents set up in Raiderville. I estimated more than 200. It was pretty quiet, and most of the tents looked abandoned. A small group of guys tossed the pigskin, and I saw a couple of

people sitting in lawn chairs focused on their cell phones.

The first person I talked to was Mason Schwartz, a Raiderville first-timer. The sophomore from Flowermound said he's holding down the fort for his fraternity. At this time, the business administration major had been set up for about 24 hours. He said every night he goes home and gets his bedding to make his "homemade sleeping bag" before crashing in the five- to eight-person tent with about 10 other people.

Monday night, Mason got around 30 glorious minutes of sleep.

The problem wasn't the weather or trying to get comfortable, it was the immense school spirit of the Raiderville population.

"There are a lot of 'Raider power' chants that go on," he said, "even at 5 a.m. in the morning when everyone is waiting in line to get their IDs scanned."

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Tech coaches support students with free lunch

By BRIAN HOWARD
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech athletic coaches showed their support for the Red Raider community Wednesday by handing out free pizza and various other snacks to students camping out at Raiderville.

Tech head basketball coach Pat Knight said the students camping out show why Tech has some of the best fans in the nation.

"Sometimes the fans get overlooked," he said. "Fans that buy season tickets to help support the football team are important, but the greatest fans are the students."

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TEXAS TECH COACHES and players from various sports made a trip to Raiderville to hand out pizza and candy to loyal fans Wednesday.

Sportsmanship discussed in 1st SGA town hall

Students express concern for KTXT-FM, campus issues

By SOPHIA HALBROOK
STAFF WRITER

The Student Government Association held its first town hall meeting Wednesday in the Student Union Building, where students were given the opportunity to voice their concerns to SGA members.

Taylor Berrier, a junior geology major from Dallas, raised a question about students who are trying to bring KTXT-FM back to the university.

"It used to be music that wasn't on the top 100 list," he said. "It was music that wasn't played over and over again. It was local music that definitely helped support a lot of local bands, and now that it's gone, they don't have a station to play their music on."

Tyler Patton, the external vice president, said the SGA is currently focusing on formula funding for the state and transportation. He said KTXT-FM was an issue the university had been working on, and SGA previously had no involvement.

"That's why we're here," Patton said. "To at least look into the viability of bringing KTXT back to what it was in its former format. I'm not at all against that. I think the big thing students need to know is we can't fix problems unless students come talk to us."

Hannah Smith, senator at large for SGA, said the organization is encouraging students to come to SGA personally when faced with problems.

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Tech vs. Texas | Impact

Lubbock, Tech prep for Saturday's game

Police, surrounding areas prepare; Tuberville reaches out to businesses

By BROOKE BELLAMY
STAFF WRITER

With one of the biggest weekends of the Texas Tech football season quickly approaching, the Texas Tech Police Department and local businesses are making necessary preparations to handle the influx of people coming to Lubbock.

Eddie McBride, president of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce, said A&M, UT and OU weekends are the biggest retail weekends of the year for Lubbock and the surrounding areas.

"This weekend will have a dynamic impact on the entire area, not just the city of Lubbock," he said.

Because more people come into town than Lubbock has hotel rooms for, people are forced to stay in surrounding

towns, which helps other economies.

Seeing the biggest increase in sales this weekend will likely be the service, hotels and restaurants, and retail industries, and not just by visitors.

"This weekend is always a great and fun atmosphere," he said. "Folks around here like to eat out before the game, too, and buy spirit items and supplies for tailgates."

Though he didn't have an exact calculation, McBride said the UT game two years ago probably generated about \$20 million in sales. He said the city, the school and the region also received national press and media attention that had a positive impact on the community that could not be put into monetary terms.

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RAIDERVILLE Population

450 Tents

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Community Calendar

TODAY

Comedy Night with Ryan Reiss
 Time: 8 p.m.
 Where: Allen Theatre, Student Union Building
So, what is it?
 TAB invites you to laugh to the jokes of Ryan Reiss, who has worked on numerous MTV shows and other series.

Landscape as Knowledge Lecture: Heidi Hove
 Time: 5 p.m.
 Where: Art Building Room B01, Tech campus
So, what is it?
 Heidi Hove: Danish conceptual artist and co-director of the exhibition site Koh-i-noor, Copenhagen, and the artist-apartment and residency, The Berlin Office in Kreuzberg, Berlin.

Robert Owens Open Jam Night
 Time: 9 p.m.
 Where: Sting, 5132 69th St.
So, what is it?
 Bring your guitar and play your favorite chords.

Band of Brothers Tour
 Time: 6:30 p.m.
 Where: Tequila Jungle, 1718 Ave. E
So, what is it?
 Come and watch We Came as Romans live.

Mark Stuart and The Bastard Sons
 Time: 10 p.m.
 Where: The Blue Light, 1806 Buddy Holly Ave.
So, what is it?
 Genre: alternative country.

FRIDAY

Kaleidoscope of Choirs
 Time: 8 p.m.
 Where: Hemmle Recital Hall, Tech School of Music
So, what is it?
 Support the Tech choral department and hear songs from various ensembles.

Zac Brown Band and Robert Randolph and The Family Band
 Time: 7 p.m.
 Where: City Bank Coliseum, Tech campus
So, what is it?
 Tickets on sale at various outlets such as the Civic Center and Market Street for \$51 and \$48. Come to this electric concert before the Red Raiders take on the UT Longhorns.

Ballet Lubbock performs "Ragtime"
 Time: 7 p.m.
 Where: The Louise H. Underwood Center for the Arts, 511 Ave. K
So, what is it?
 Friday night marks the kick-off performance of the performance season with "Ragtime," an original ballet choreographed and set to the music of Scott Joplin.

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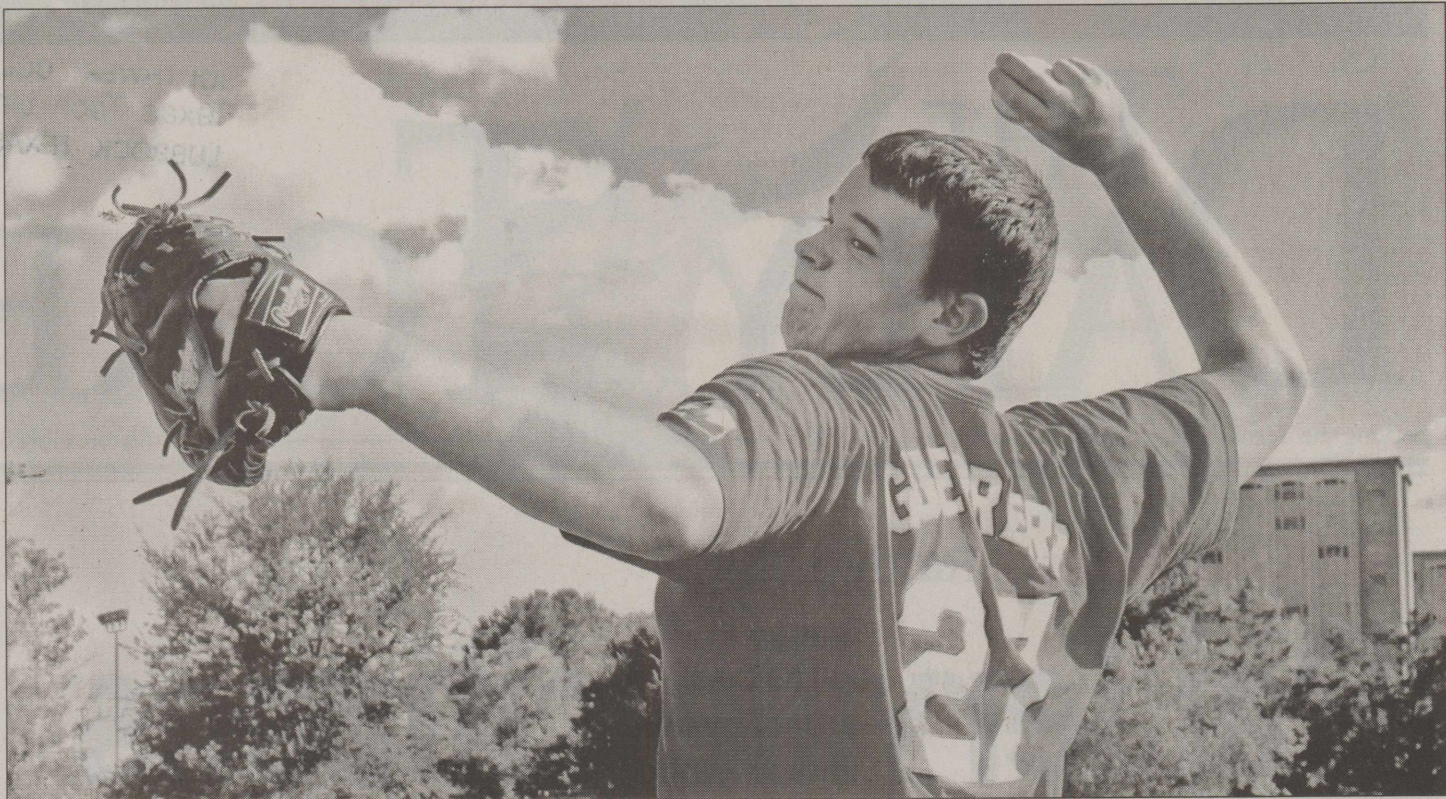


PHOTO BY MATT MOFFAT/The Daily Toreador
LARRY KENNEDY, A sophomore agricultural education major from Dallas, practices his pitching, Wednesday in Urbanovsky Park.

Town hall

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"This year on senate we are really, really focusing on reaching out to students," Smith said. "We are really the students' best resource. We are willing to help delegate and send students in the right direction."
 Allen Sanyi, sophomore biochemistry major from Arlington, raised a question concerning rumors of a new coffee shop being constructed in the library.
 Tyler Patton said the shop will be under construction soon. There will be a small coffee venue in the foyer at the main entrance of the library.
 "It's not supposed to be loud; they want to keep it contained in the foyer," Patton said.
 Hannah Smith said the coffee shop should open this semester.
 "They are going to try to have it open before finals at the end of the semester," Smith said.
 Patton said SGA has a tough legislative year ahead of them, and they want to focus on not having any more cuts in their formula funding.

"We've had two consecutive sessions where the state of Texas has faced a record budget shortfall," Patton said. "This means essentially we can't pay for everything we're supposed to. In 2008, there was an \$8 billion shortfall, and that was the biggest that had ever been in Texas. This year, there is an \$18 billion shortfall."
 What this means is that all the publically funded state universities had to cut their budgets five percent, Patton said. By the spring, there could be a state legislation mandate that cuts publically funded schools' budgets even more dramatically.
 "For a lot of students, that may sound like, 'How does that affect me?'" Patton said. "But whenever your formula funding is cut, the cost of operations, things like running water and light, is shifted to you guys."
 Patton said transportation and parking are always issues, and something they work on improving each year.
 "It's one of those things you never have to ask students to tell you about," Patton said. "But in reality, our parking availability is really good, especially when compared to other universities. Right now, we are more focused on lowering the cost of textbooks for students and the availability of a rental program at Barnes

& Noble."
 Taji Senior, a senior journalism major from Amarillo, stressed her concern about Student Business Services at the meeting.
 "There's not a lot of clarity between students and the people who work there," Senior said. "The staff is nice, but they seem understaffed and ill-equipped to handle complications that arise from thousands of students in need of financial aid."
 Senior said she has faced many complications in receiving her financial aid even though her father was in the military.
 Matt Phippen, a senator for SGA, said the organization is well aware of the problems.
 "There are a lot of flaws that need to be worked out," Phippen said. "It's not just about this one instance. Unfortunately, this is a normal occurrence many students face."
 Patton said they are forming a contingency plan to work out the kinks with SBS.
 The integrity issues dealing with the "Texas Tech Fight Song" was a prevalent issue brought up by students.
 "I think it's great that we have one of the most intimidating student bodies," Patton said. "But I think it is important to make sure you have integrity whenever

you are at games.
 "I understand that when you are at a game, there is a high level of emotion there," he said. "But you don't have to use inappropriate language to be intimidating."
 The silent scare is what SGA came up with at its brainstorming sessions over the last couple of weeks, Patton said.
 "Essentially, the idea is that football teams run into a stadium and they are so used to everybody screaming at them," he said. "We thought, 'What would it be like if they ran into a stadium that was almost completely silent, everyone was wearing red, and everyone had their guns up - pointing at the score board?'"
 Daniel Syptak, a senior political science major from Carrollton, said he thought the silent scare was a good idea, but doubts it would actually work.
 "When you have 60,000 fans in a stadium, and the other team's band starts playing, it will be instinctive for the crowd to start booing and screaming and carrying on," he said. That's the nature of a crowd."
 SGA members said they hope to make the silent scare a new Tech tradition. SGA president Drew Graham said they are relying on a large student push to make the movement work.
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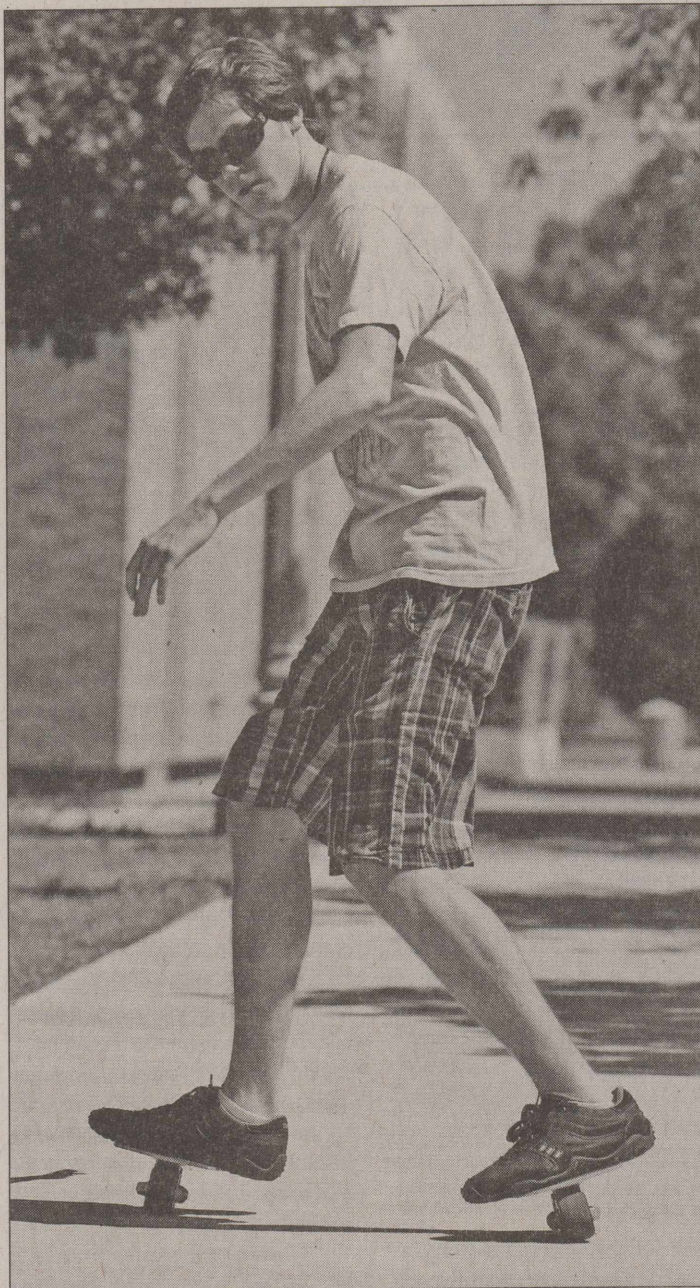


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CHAD GEIB, A sophomore business management major from San Antonio, rides a pair of Freeline Skates near the English building Wednesday. Geib said the skates, which are propelled by swinging the body and turning the feet in and out, allow him to keep up with longboarders and bicycleists and reduce his travel time between classes.

Tech receives \$1.5 million grant for student research

By BRIAN HOWARD
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech recently received a \$1.5 million grant in support of the PRISM project conducted by the departments of mathematics and biology that will aim to increase the amount of student research conducted at the university.

Brock Williams, an associate professor in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics, said the National Science Foundation awarded Tech nearly half of the total amount of grant money the foundation had available.

"The grant we received was part of a two-year program by NSF," he said. "This year, they had \$3 million to award, and Tech got half of it."

The overall goal of the project is to bring in bright students who are studying and succeeding in math and science, Williams said.

"We will host a camp next summer, which will bring in college freshmen and sophomores, as well as incoming high school seniors," he said.

Williams said reaching out to high school students will further the project's effort of bringing in the best and brightest students.

"We will provide students attending the camp with dorm rooms, and then pay them to spend three weeks doing research with the faculty," he said.

The idea is that these younger students will continue to work with faculty throughout the school year in an attempt

to draw the students in and have them get hooked on the research they are performing, Williams said.

Jaclyn Canas, an assistant professor in the Institute of Environmental and Human Health, is one of a handful of professors teaming up with Williams on the PRISM project.

"Part of the project's goal is recruiting and retaining under-represented students," she said.

Getting students involved in research early in their college careers will give them something tangible, as opposed to a classroom setting where generally the material covered is in a book, Canas said.

"When they start working in a lab," she said, "they see how things are used in daily life."

The large amount of grant money received for the project will further Tech's quest for Tier One status as well.

"From a Tier One status standpoint, research dollars are very important," Canas said, "and this makes us one step closer."

Kathleen Harris, the senior vice president for research at Tech, reviews and negotiates many of the grants the university receives.

This grant is going to count as restricted research and will go towards the \$45 million needed for Tier One status, she said.

"The reason we are trying to reach that goal and expand research is to increase the prestige of the university, which will benefit students and the local community," Harris said.

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Prep ←

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To prepare for this weekend, Don Armstead, front office manager of Staybridge Suites, said the hotel will have additional security and staff to handle the larger than normal crowds.

Staybridge Suites allows people to reserve rooms up to 50 weeks in advance, and the hotel has been entirely booked for this coming weekend since last fall. Armstead said although some rooms were cancelled in the spring by loyalists of former coach Mike Leach after he was fired, they were quickly reserved by people on the hotel's two-page-long waiting list.

"Not all of the people coming in town this weekend are here to see the Red Raiders or the Longhorns, though," he said. "We've had a lot of people coming in town just to see Tommy Tuberville coach."

McBride said Tech athletics is important to the success of Lubbock businesses,

and he is happy head football coach Tuberville is making an effort to forge a positive relationship between the athletics program and local businesses.

"This is a huge weekend for area businesses," said McBride. "Tuberville has reached out to (the Chamber of Commerce), and we're developing a mutually-inclusive, supportive relationship."

In addition to increased staffing, Overton Hotel general manager Shawn Saadat said the Overton will also be expanding the hotel's bar and restaurant hours and adding additional food and beverage areas in the lobby.

"During the UT game weekend, (the Overton) sees a huge increase in beverage and food revenue," he said.

Deputy Chief Kenny Evans said Tech Police begin preparing for big football game weekends, such as the University of Texas game, by Aug. 1 every year. He said Tech Police will staff officers in accordance to the number of people expected to attend the game, and place them in strategic locations across campus.

"We consider the rivalry of the game, the time of the game and the other activities going on like tailgates or if the game will be on TV," he said.

Before the game, he said, officers will work to keep the flow of traffic onto campus smooth. As kickoff approaches, more officers are located at the stadium to help people entering the game. After the game, officers will again focus on traffic and help people leaving the stadium area.

Evans advises those planning on attending the game arrive early, as the area gets more congested as the start of the game draws near.

Because the Tech-Texas game is in the evening, Evans said more staff is required because people will be on campus longer.

"For a seven o'clock game, people are tailgating in the west commuter lot a lot longer than they do for an early or afternoon game," he said. "For a sold out game like this one, people will be in the west lot all day with no intentions of going to the game."

To account for all of the extra staff needed for a big game like this weekend's, Evans said Tech Police coordinate with the Lubbock Police Department, the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office and the State of Texas Public Safety Department.

Although he doesn't foresee having plans with unruly game attendants, Evans said Tech Police is prepared to deal with such situations.

"Event staff will usually talk to the person, and they're usually polite and receptive to that," he said. "Typically by the time (Tech Police) is called in, the fan has been warned multiple times and (Tech Police) has received several complaints."

By preparing in advance for the large number of people that are going to be in Lubbock this weekend, Tech Police and local businesses are expecting the weekend to be a great experience for everyone. They are also expecting another Red Raider win against the Longhorns this year.

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Coaches ←

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The students that are paying money to come to the school and stay here for four or five years show the most school spirit and loyalty, Coach Knight said.

Bubba Jennings, an assistant men's basketball coach, said numerous coaches came out to give back to the dedicated fans at Raiderville.

"Men and women's basketball, tennis and track coaches are out here today," he said. "Tech establishing traditions like Raiderville helps all athletic programs."

The importance of everyone sticking together, including students and coaches, cannot be overlooked, Jennings said.

Tim Siegel, the head coach of men's tennis, said he has seen support for Tech athletics grow substantially over his 18-year tenure as a tennis coach.

Siegel said the students roughing it out at Raiderville show why the football team has grown to be so successful. "There is nothing more encouraging for a coach," he said. "This is the epitome of school spirit."

Students staying at Raiderville were each able to help themselves to a whole Domino's pizza and as much candy as they could grab.

Terrance Rodrigues, a sophomore business management major from Corpus Christie, said camping out is definitely going to be worth it to get a good seat at the Tech-Texas football game this weekend.

"It's important that coaches came out today because we show support to them," he said, "and it means a lot when they show their support to us."

Sowmya Sunkara, a junior psychology major from Colleyville, said the fun she was having at Raiderville

There is nothing more encouraging for a coach. This is the epitome of school spirit.

TIM SIEGEL
HEAD COACH
MEN'S TENNIS



PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH BASKETBALL coach Pat Knight, left, and Red Raider tennis coach Todd Petty look for students to hand pizza and raider power signs to during a surprise visit to Raiderville Wednesday.

outweighed the hassle of camping out for the week.

"I've met so many people," she said. "It's like a small community out here."

Traditions such as Raiderville are a part of the culture here at Texas

Tech, so it's great the coaches are here, Sunkara said.

"We go to pretty much every football game," she said. "By coming out today, the coaches show they really do care."

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Sex sells, America suffers

The other day, I was thumbing through *The Daily Toreador* on my way to class with a friend when I came across this massive ad asking, "Still a virgin?" The moment I read it, I literally laughed out loud in shock. There was also a phone number right beneath "If you are a virgin, or know someone who needs help loosing it, call this number."

I laughed again, and showed the girl I was walking with. Neither of us could decide if it was real or not, and, just as curiosity killed the cat, I dialed the phone number.

A man with a movie-narrator voice answered the virgin hotline giving me choices: "If you're a virgin, press one. If you know a virgin who needs help loosing it, press two. If you aren't a virgin, press four."

Again, I was obligated to press all of the numbers, wondering how long this machine would talk to me. All of the responses I received once I pressed a number were pretty funny, I will admit.

But the moment I pressed one, the guy on the other end started laughing and yelling, "You're a virgin! Dude, you're still a virgin!"

Again, I won't lie to you, I was laughing. Whether out of

RoAnne Romo



amusement or pure shock, I can't really decide.

But that got me thinking, since when does everyone think it's a bad thing to be a virgin?

Through some Google research, I easily found out that this ad was intended for the movie "The Virginity Hit." This movie was produced by the famous Will Ferrell, who I loved up until this. The movie is a fictional documentary of three high school boys, one of whom is a virgin who wants to secretly tape him and his girlfriend losing it to each other.

Stupid, I know. I thought the same thing. But, it gets worse.

Something goes terribly wrong, and the girlfriend finds the camera right before the deed

is done, so the boys document the rest of their journey of trying to lose their virginity.

Sounds awesome, right? Does the entertainment industry really have no more ideas for good movies anymore?

Back to my point: I have no idea who the hell even put this movie through to theaters.

This is what our society is now known as. Way to go, America.

I am disappointed in how our world revolves around sex.

I can't turn on the television or radio, ride the bus, or even sit in class without hearing something said about sex.

Thank God for pop-up blockers on my computer or I'm sure that it would be filled with sex, too.

Everyone has been way too lenient about how "sex sells," in my opinion. It's been one thing after another after another. Our sex snowball is rolling so fast down the hill that no one dares step in the way to try and stop it.

Girls just entering middle

school are having sex and openly admitting that it's the "popular" thing to do. They do it "to get accepted."

I am absolutely appalled.

Not too long ago, I was at the hot tub at one of the apartment complexes close to campus. Three other people came to join us, one of whom was a young girl no more than 8 years old.

One of the older girls, mostly likely a college student, handed her little sister/niece (or whoever) a cigarette.

Sweet role model, right? I thought so too.

Who are the younger kids of the incoming generations looking up to?

You.

They will mimic your actions, say what you say, do you what you do, drink what you drink.

These kids are going to be the young adults that have to sponge bathe you when you're too old to reach your back.

Some parents aren't doing their jobs as parents. When you were younger, who did you want to be when you grew up?

Set an example, because if you don't, who will?

ing back their country with the "core values" it was founded on.

They are talking about going back to the world of deregulation that got us into this mess. Yes, I am talking about Bush. It was eight years of financial deregulation that allowed the greedy to take over our economy, and the "free market" defeated itself.

When you go back to see what these people did, it confuses everyone. The derivative, housing bubble, etc. all were due to the lack of regulation and oversight.

The tax increase Obama wants to do? It will go back to the same levels as under Clinton (who was the last president to raise taxes), when our economy was so much better than it is now.

And, while not all of them are racists, there is a racial undertone of the movement. In an article by Newsweek, a study proved this.

"When read the statement that 'if blacks would only try harder, they could be just as well off as whites,'" Newsweek reported, "73 percent of the movement's supporters agreed, while only 33 percent of people who disapproved of the Tea Party agreed."

The survey showed very negative views of Mexicans and immigrant populations.

The survey was conducted in key battleground states, and compared answers from Tea Party backers and opponents.

I am not saying all Tea Party backers are racist, but there is a racial undertone to the movement. Ask yourself this question: If Joe Biden was president, would there be this big of a movement? Doubtful.

They are based on an ideology that will end all progress that has been made.

A main website for the Tea Party is www.teapartypatriots.org. This website is filled with people talking about tak-

ing back their country with the "core values" it was founded on.

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Tea Party should fail

The Tea Party movement has claimed a big victory in primary elections across the nation.

Christine O'Donnell defeated the mainstream moderate Mike Castle in the GOP primary in Delaware for a senate seat, and Robert Ehrlich won the gubernatorial primary in Maryland.

For many conservatives, this may seem like a good thing. However, it could work out to be a shot in the foot for many who want to beat incumbent Democrats.

The key to winning any general election is moderates. Moderates on both sides of the aisle. A moderate Democrat has more of a chance of winning a moderate Republican vote than a conservative tea party candidate. And the opposite is true.

A moderate Republican (cough ... Mike Castle) is more likely to get moderate Democrats' vote than a conservative tea party candidate (cough ... Christine O'Donnell).

On top of that, moderate Republicans might not feel inspired to vote for tea party members because, since they are moderate, they are not that conservative.

This is how Scott Brown won Massachusetts. He was a moderate Republican. He was able to steal the votes away from Democrats by appealing to the moderates of that state. Brown went on to vote for Obama's financial reform bill.

Christine O'Donnell is no Scott Brown. O'Donnell is going to have a hard time appealing to moderates to actually go out and vote.

And personally, I can't wait for it to fail. Miserably.

Their agenda is scary and needs to stop.

There is a reason why far left-wing groups never win elections, and there is a reason why this group needs to lose. They are a fringe movement that cannot get the votes of anyone in the middle.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Raider Power tradition

As a 1988 alumnus of Texas Tech and Section 18 season ticket holder to football games, I would like to make a suggestion to the fantastic student body at the games.

My suggestion has to do with the Tech tradition of chanting "RAIDER POWER" across the stadium. Can you imagine having all 60,000 fans booming that back and forth across the newly renovated Jones AT&T Stadium? Probably not.

Let me explain. When I was a student and Saddle Tramp, the south end-zone seats were general admission. Unlike today, there were mostly non-students

sitting there, and the students filled a majority of the east seats.

When the students started sitting in the south end zone, it made a great home field advantage, and the students get crazy and loud down there. I love it!

Here's the problem. The students in the south end zone start chanting "RAIDER" to the students 10 feet away from the students in the east side who return "POWER."

They go so fast since they are sitting so close that it never works for the entire stadium to join in.

We need to slow it way down and allow time for the sound to carry 100 yards across the stadium

to get full participation.

My suggestion: I would love to have the students slow it way, way down. Think about the entire stadium participating. Start real slow with "R-AAA-I-D-E-RRR!" (Dramatic pause for sound to carry ... Wait for it. Wait for it.) "P-OOO-W-E-RRR!" I think if we try it a few times, it will bring back that old tradition we miss now.

Love you, students. Keep up the good work. By the way, Section 18 is the rowdiest non-student section in the Jones. We stand with you the entire game and sometimes think we are still students. We still feel like it is our responsibility as

fans to help our team win by cheering.

One more thing. Keep your guns up. No reason to "stoop" to Oklahoma traditions by turning down your horns. We have a great heritage with the guns up gesture and we do not need to honor or recognize the horns by doing horns down.

Leave the horns down to OU - all they have for a gesture is an index finger up, like, "We're No. 1." I think I would find something else too.

Beat Texas!

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Professor fast-tracked through 3 degree levels, obtains 4 degrees

By JASMINE BRADFORD
STAFF WRITER

While an average student needs around 11 years to earn a bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree, one Texas Tech professor accomplished this plus an additional master's degree in nine.

Bolanle Olaniran never imagined becoming a teacher, especially considering the years he committed to educating himself in other fields. He always envisioned a career as a consultant or a financial analyst on Wall Street, but after he taught his first year at Tech in 1991, Olaniran found his calling.

Originally from Nigeria, Olaniran received his Ph.D. with a total of nine years of education at age 25. With a bachelor's degree in business administration, two master's degrees in business administration focusing on marketing and finance, and a doctoral degree in organization cross-cultural communication, Olaniran has accomplished what most people may only dream of completing by 30.

He is a strong believer of sticking to your goals in order to achieve success.

"Have a goal or a vision of where you want to be in the future," Olaniran said. "Goals give people a sense of purpose."

The average student would spend four years completing his or her undergraduate degree, along with an extra two years for a master's degree.

Nowadays, there are programs that can combine the requirements of receiving a master's and a doctorate within these two years, but Olaniran said he chose to pursue two Master of Business Administration degrees with additional educational experience in order to receive his Ph.D. in communication studies.

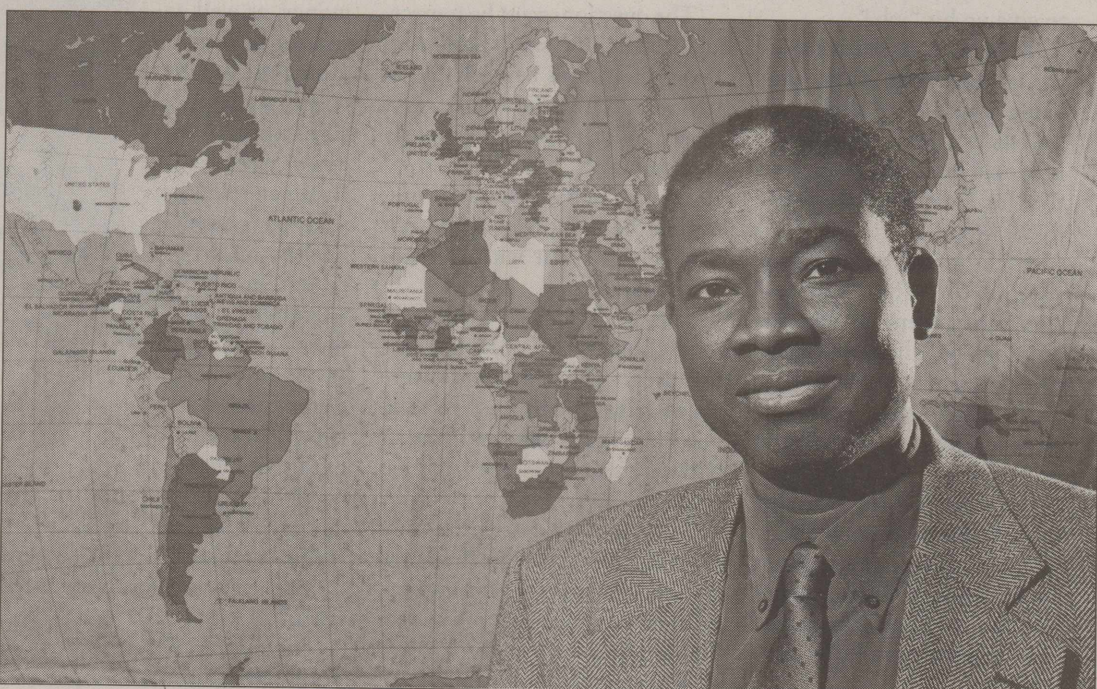


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BOLANLE OLANIRAN, A professor in the Department of Communication Studies, received his bachelor's, two master's and doctoral degrees by age 25.

"By choice, I wanted to go for my second master's degree to better myself and make myself more marketable," Olaniran said.

He received his bachelor's and both of his master's degrees at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, Okla. and received his doctoral degree at the University of Oklahoma in Norman, Okla. During his college experience, he took many opportunities to travel and take on the extra degree in order to stand out from the rest of the competition and fulfill his goal of working on Wall Street.

Even as the interim chairperson for communication studies and the College of Arts and Sciences, he said, he still has time to teach incoming freshmen

about his experiences, and build bridges between his colleagues.

Juliann Scholl, who also has a Ph.D. in communication studies and is the interim associate chairperson for the Department of Communication Studies, has been working with Olaniran since she was hired in Fall 2002. They continuously work on many different levels, with projects ranging from crisis communication research to grant proposals.

"I respect him a great deal," Scholl said. "He fights on the behalf of the department if needed, and he really does believe in harmony while being tough."

Along with completing advanced levels of education, Olaniran also managed to do other activities, such as study abroad and keep up with his freshman

seminar class. He passes down his experiences to prospective students in order for them to "broaden their horizons."

One of his students, Dylan De La Peña, a freshman architecture major from El Paso, said he has heard Olaniran's many stories and observed his teaching skills inside the classroom.

"His education (background) was intense," De La Peña said. "He must have been super studious."

In the seminar classes, Olaniran reiterates to his students that studying is an important key in passing the first year of college. An action he strongly advocates, since it has helped him greatly with his career as well as achieving his life-long goals.

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Obama children's book already a hit

NEW YORK (AP) — President Obama is still a hit with the nation's book buyers.

Obama's tribute to 13 American ground breakers, "Of Thee I Sing," was in the top 25 on Amazon.com and Barnes & Noble.com as of Wednesday morning, less than two days after the children's book was announced and two months before its scheduled release. Random House Children's Books plans a first printing of 500,000 copies.

Both of Obama's previous works, the memoir "Dreams From My Father" and the policy book "The Audacity of Hope," are million sellers.

Obama, who finished "Of Thee I Sing" before his administration began, is the rare president to have a book come out while still in office. He will be an even rarer one if "Of Thee I Sing" is a best seller. Presidents from Ulysses

S. Grant to John F. Kennedy to Bill Clinton have written popular books, but none came out while they were in the White House. Clinton's policy book, "Between Hope and History," was released near the end of his first term and sold a fraction of the memoir "My Life," published three years after his second term.

At a press briefing Wednesday, White House Press Secretary Robert Gibbs said that neither Obama nor his daughters, Malia or Sasha, who helped inspire "Of Thee I Sing" and appear on the illustrated, will be involved in marketing the book.

Asked about how the White House urges the media to respect the girls' privacy, but then features them on the book jacket, Gibbs said, "Our encouragement is to keep their private lives private."

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Nanny: TV movie inspired her claim in Smith case

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A nanny whose credibility has come under attack by defense lawyers in the Anna Nicole Smith drug trial testified Wednesday that a movie inspired her previous claim that she saw two defendants melt pills in a spoon and inject the former Playboy model with the liquid.

Nadine Alexie said she did see a spoon being taken into a bathroom with Smith but did not see any drugs being melted or injected by defendants Howard K. Stern or Dr. Kristine Eroshevich.

"Did you tell police you got the idea of melting pills from a movie you'd seen?" Eroshevich's lawyer Brad Brunon asked.

"Yes," Alexie said. "I saw that on TV."

Stern, Eroshevich and Dr. Sandeep Kapoor have pleaded not guilty to providing Smith excessive opiates and sedatives. They are not charged with causing her overdose death in 2007.

Wednesday's court session began with Superior Court Judge Robert Perry giving lawyers a lecture outside the jury's presence about the importance of ethics in a trial.

The remarks came on the heels of a blowup Tuesday over a claim by Stern's lawyer, Steve Sadow, that Deputy District Attorney Renee Rose had encouraged Alexie to commit perjury.

The dispute involved testimony by

Alexie that she had taught her sister-in-law Quethlie Alexie to recognize Stern's name on prescription bottles, even though Quethlie reads no English.

Sadow suggested Rose had encouraged Nadine Alexie to fabricate the story to explain her sister-in-law's statements on the witness stand that she had seen Stern's name on the bottles.

Nadine Alexie said she had met privately with Rose before she took the witness stand and "she just asked me did I ever have my sister learn anything. I told her yes I did."

Alexie said there was no mention of Stern during the discussion.

After Alexie left the witness stand, prosecutors called sheriff's computer expert Melinda Clark to identify photographs found in the hard drive of Smith's computers at her Bahamas home after her death.

The prosecution offered the photos to bolster their claim that Eroshevich crossed the line between being Smith's psychiatrist and her friend when she prescribed medications for Smith.

Two pictures shown to jurors depicted Smith and Eroshevich naked in a bathtub together. The judge had a black box placed over intimate parts of their bodies.

In one photo, the women are hugging and smiling for the camera. The second picture was difficult to see because of lighting.

Focus groups gain statistics, provide students with money

By HALLIE DAVIS
STAFF WRITER

After making \$25 an hour for talking and eating free food from Chik-fil-a, sophomore Nick Robertson is reluctant to give up his "job."

Robertson, a creative writing major from Katy, said being a part of a focus group was such a great experience, he would discourage others so that he could have their spot in the group.

Focus groups are held on campus to gather information from students about their opinions on different topics, products and services.

A group begins with students signing in and filling out surveys, Ali Pohlmeier, a nutrition graduate assistant from Plainview, said. Pohlmeier is running a focus group for Hospitality Services, and said the information gathered from students could be very valuable.

"I've been a student, so I can come up with ideas," she

said, "but we need actual input from (current students), that's what makes or breaks a program."

Pohlmeier said her study consisted of nine questions approved by the Protection of Human Subjects board.

The questions must be respectful, Pohlmeier said, and keep Texas Tech from being liable in any way. The study must also keep participants completely anonymous.

Pohlmeier said she audio recorded the sessions, but did not connect any of it with the students' names.

Her study focuses mainly on food choices, so Pohlmeier said she didn't think students were necessarily embarrassed to talk, but knowing it was anonymous allowed them to be "freer" in their responses.

Participants were selected after replying to a post on TechAnounce asking for volunteers. Pohlmeier said she received over 300 responses.

Robertson said he found out about the group he participated in from a friend, and said he doubted

many students were aware the opportunity even existed.

For their time and willing participation, students often receive money, as well as snacks or a meal during the group.

It's these incentives that usually draw people in. Pohlmeier said her study was offering a healthy meal to eat during the discussion, water bottles, a T-shirt, a reusable bag and \$20 to each participant.

"I hope they come for the content," she said, "but I have a feeling it's more about the amount of incentives and kinds of incentives."

No matter why they came, Pohlmeier said, their input was exactly what the study would be looking for.



"Even if something someone says doesn't work for our program, it's good for Hospitality Services in some way," Pohlmeier said.

For his focus group, Robertson spent two hours looking at products he's not allowed to name and rating them, while being watched through a wall of double-sided mirrors.

"It was kind of creepy," Robertson said, "but feeling like a lab rat is worth \$50."

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Recession-inspired survival gardens help save cash

(AP)—Many cash-strapped families are turning to "survival gardens" to help dig out from the recession. These differ from the usual vegetable patch by delivering high yields from small spaces and producing wholesome foods that store well.

Probably just as important: They can be done on the cheap.

"They were called 'victory gardens' during the world wars because they helped ease shortages," said Chris Becker, a regional agent with the Alabama

Cooperative Extension Service in Florence. "We call them 'survival gardens' now because they help families cut spending."

The term is part of a larger do-it-yourself trend toward growing more backyard veggies and eating locally grown food.

Survival gardens are used mainly to raise the kind of produce that you can grow for less than what you would pay at a grocery store — things like squash, watermelon and zucchini.

"There's also the bonus that homegrown tastes better than store-

bought. Just a lot more flavor," Becker said.

People new to gardening can get help from county extension offices, churches and community groups. Some offer training, others provide growing sites and a few distribute supplies — all for little or no charge.

"When families come to us for our free starter kits, we seek out people who've never gardened before as well as those having the skills and the willingness to teach it," said Tammy McDaniel, executive director of the Community Action Agency of

Northwest Alabama.

"We had 209 volunteers this year who did everything from take in applications to repackaging and handing out the garden supplies, which included seed, plants and fertilizers," McDaniel said. "They served over 900 families."

Discounts and buying in bulk brought the agency's costs down to \$16.84 per garden site. "That should produce an estimated \$400 worth of food, primarily items that are good for freezing or canning and that can tide you over for a while," McDaniel said.

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Schwartz is luckier than many students camping out because his Tuesday classes don't start until noon...

Zach Kilborn, a graduate student from Midland, said this is his fifth year at Raiderville. He set up Tuesday morning before his classes...

for the football games, and the senior said he's seen it all, including portable toilets being so full that they're useless to the residents of Raiderville...

ated a little over 900 students staying at Raiderville. Tuesday, 8:20 p.m. 79 degrees and dark. I returned to Raiderville, and was overwhelmed by the crowd...

out with everyone," he said. "And of course it's huge that we get to sit in the front row at the game." Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. 73 degrees and breezy.

putting on her makeup inside her tent. She got about three hours of sleep in the early hours of Wednesday morning...

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Tech volleyball drops 1st Big 12 match of season

Loss extends conference losing streak to 60

By JOSHUA KOCH
STAFF WRITER

The fans that attended the Texas Tech volleyball home and Big 12 Conference opener Wednesday got to experience Fan Fest before the match between Tech and Missouri got under way.

At the event, fans were able to meet and greet their favorite Tech volleyball players and get autographs.

Tech coach Trish Knight was at the event as well.

"We want our fans to feel like they're a part of our program, and it's nice, I think, when they get to come and meet our kids," Knight said. "Because then they really feel like they have a lot more invested in it, and its more fun because they know the players. So that was great."

It was all business after the pregame festivities for Tech, as they hosted the Tigers in front of 1,248 fans at the United Spirit Arena.

Tech came out firing, opening the match on a 6-2 run before the Tigers took a timeout to try and stop the bleeding.

Following the timeout, the Tigers came back and tied the set at nine apiece before taking a 16-14 lead, forcing Knight to take a timeout of her own.

After Mizou took the momentum, and seemed to be on its way to an easy set victory, Amanda Dowdy served the Red Raiders back into the contest, tying things at 24.

But Missouri was too much, taking the next two points to win the first set 26-24.

Despite dropping the opening set, the Red Raiders posted a higher hitting percentage than Mizou with .256.

The second set, however, belonged to the Tigers from the start.

Missouri came out and took an early 8-5 lead and never looked back. The Tigers eventually took the set 25-18 as the Red Raiders posted a .073 hitting percentage.

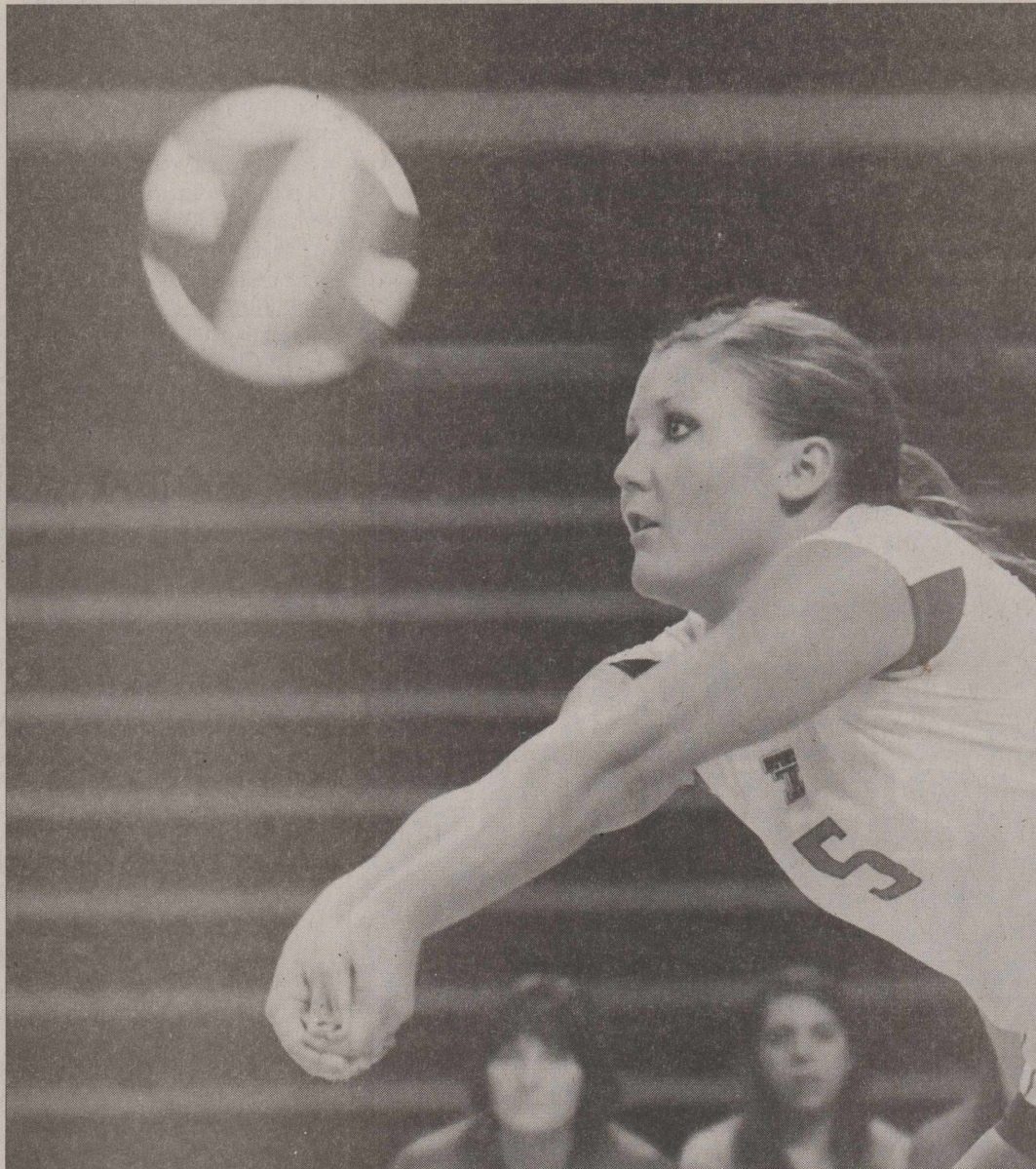
After the intermission, the Red Raiders came out and took a quick 3-0 lead, but Missouri battled right back.

The third set consisted of each team going back-and-forth throughout.

After tying things at 20, Mizou went on a 5-1 run, closing out the Red Raiders' hopes of getting back into the contest.

Missouri (9-2, 1-0 in Big 12 Conference play) will travel back home to face Iowa State Saturday, while Tech (2-8, 0-1) stays in Lubbock to face Kansas State in a Saturday game as well.

Brandy Huskey, who had a team-high 32 assists, said the team came together



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TEXAS TECH LIBERO and defensive specialist Tory Vaughan, digs a ball during the Red Raiders' 3-0 loss to Missouri on Wednesday night in the United Spirit Arena.

last night on the court. "We stayed in there, tried to work hard, never gave up," she said. "We just kept going; everybody was talking to each other, trying to bring each other up. It was a team effort."

Wednesday's loss extends Tech's Big 12 losing streak to 60.

Amanda Dowdy, who leads the team with 16 kills, said this team has the potential to get over that obstacle and put an end to that streak.

"Overall I think we played great; we came out strong," Dowdy said. "We have a lot of young players on our floor, so I think the more experience they get the better we're going to get as a team. We played strong, and once we get over that hurdle we're going to be great."

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Cowboys OC takes blame for botched play

IRVING (AP) — Cowboys offensive coordinator Jason Garrett is taking the blame for trying an ill-fated play at the end of the first half against Washington instead of having Tony Romo take a knee.

"I called the play," Garrett said Wednesday. "It's my fault."

Garrett called for a Hail Mary when Dallas was at its own 46-yard line with 4 seconds left and trailing 3-0. Before the snap, a penalty pushed the Cowboys back 10 yards. Romo ended up shoveling the ball to running back Tashard Choice. He fumbled and the Redskins returned it for their only touchdown in a 13-7 victory.

Cowboys coach Wade Phillips said Monday he was ultimately to blame because he could've overruled Garrett. The offensive coordinator realizes he should've done it on his own.

"In hindsight, it should have been called off. Absolutely," Garrett said. "We've had an aggressive style here, really throughout our football team and on the offensive side of the ball, for the last three years and it's served us well. Having said that, you have to manage situations better."

"That was a situation where we should have just taken a knee and should have gone into the locker room."

The play loomed so big because Garrett's offense scored only one

touchdown, despite producing 380 yards. It's a problem they had last season, too.

"You look at our third downs, we got into some third-and-12s, third-and-13s, -14s, -15s that were all on drives after penalties," Garrett said. "You have to be able to sustain your concentration and focus throughout a drive. Obviously making some big plays and having some of the drives be shorter (would) help too, but we'll continue to address it individually and collectively and make sure we get that right going forward."

Things could change Sunday, at home against Chicago, because Dallas may have right tackle Marc Colombo and left guard Kyle Kosier back in the lineup. Both missed the opener, but practiced Wednesday.

Colombo's return would mean sitting Alex Barron, whose three holding penalties included one on the final play that wiped out a potential game-winning touchdown catch by Roy Williams.

"We emphasize the importance of working hard each and every day in meetings and practice and rectifying some of the things that have gone wrong and going forward," Garrett said. "The Bears are going to be here on Sunday. It's going to be a great challenge for us."

Houston's defense shows progress in win over Colts

HOUSTON (AP) — Peyton Manning was flustered, the Indianapolis Colts' offensive line was confused and Joseph Addai went nowhere in Houston.

The Texans' defense mostly had its way with Indianapolis and continued its progress from last season in a 34-24 victory on Sunday. The Colts converted only two third downs and mustered 10 points through three quarters, losing to Houston for the second time in 17 meetings.

"We are a confident bunch, and we're not going to let anybody take that away from us," Houston safety Bernard Pollard said. "I think we did make a statement."

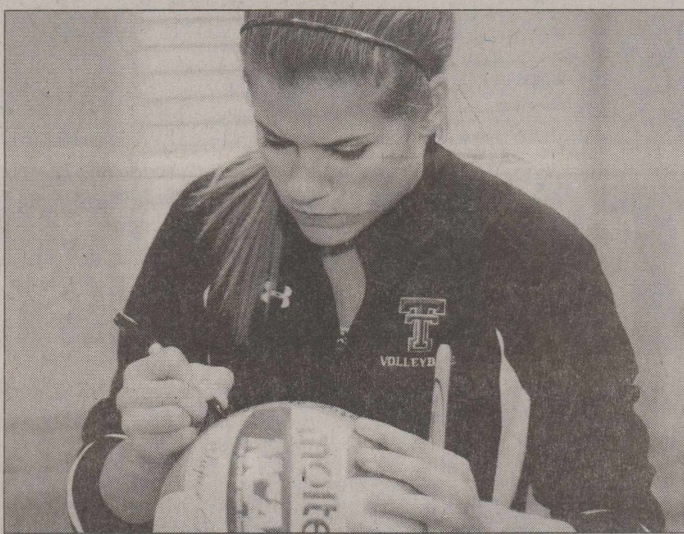
The Texans (1-0) play at Washington (1-0) this week. Houston has

a five-game winning streak dating to last season, and the improvement of the defense is a big reason why.

Through the first three games of 2009, Houston ranked at or near the bottom in most defensive statistics, giving up an average of 437 yards and 29 points. The acquisition of the hard-hitting Pollard in the first month of the season started the steady turnaround.

Pollard added a brash swagger that the Houston defense was largely missing in past seasons. The unit came together over the final 13 games, allowing only 19 points and 84.3 yards rushing in that span.

But the Texans still missed the playoffs by one victory, and the defense accepted much of the blame.



TEXAS TECH DEFENSIVE specialist Jackie Vincent signs a volleyball before the game against Missouri Wednesday night.

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

By David J. Kahn 9/16/10

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Fournier brings winning past to Tech

By JOSHUA KOCH
STAFF WRITER

Success comes easier to some than it does to others.

Texas Tech freshman Haley Fournier may be able to relate to that, considering the track record she has brought to the Texas Tech women's tennis team.

With that success came a lot of high expectations, but Fournier said there are many differences between the high school level and collegiate tennis.

"In juniors, you always had, like, a few players who weren't always at your level," Fournier said. "Now, coming up to college, everyone's just as equal as you are or better."

Fournier, an Overland Park, Kan., native, spent her high school career playing soccer and tennis for the Blue Valley North Mustangs.

As Fournier walked across the stage at graduation, she left Blue Ridge North with a high school diploma and seven 6A state championships on her list of accomplishments.

Those were not all tennis, though.

As a freshman, she helped the soccer team capture a state title. Fournier decided not to play soccer her junior and senior years, after leading the team in scoring during her sophomore year.

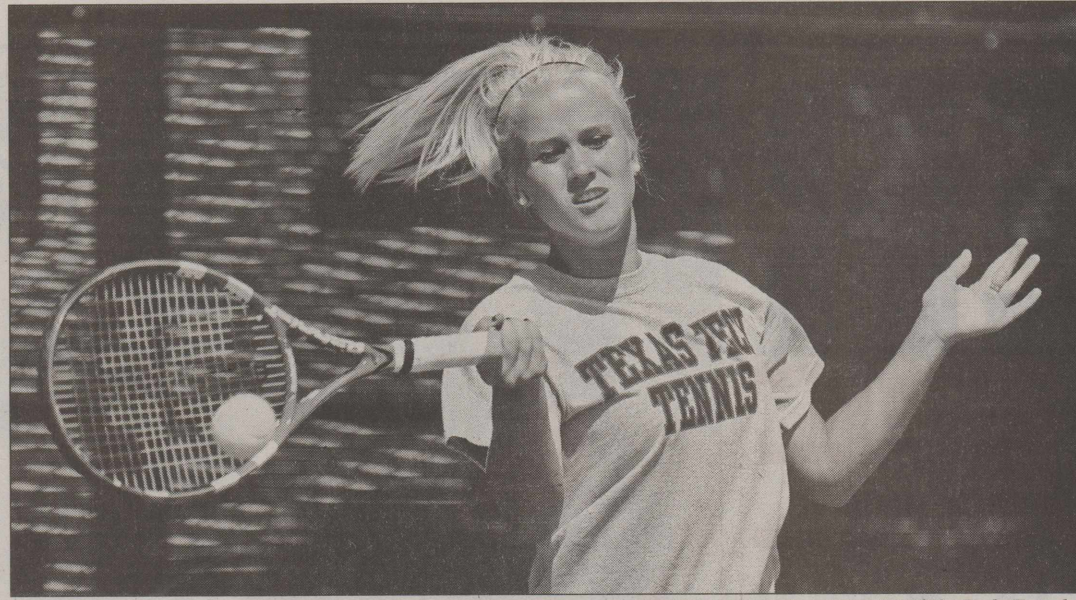


PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador
HALEY FOURNIER, AN Overland Park, Kan. native, brings a winning past with her to Tech tennis.

The other six titles came on the tennis court both as an individual and in team competition.

"She's someone you can stick up at the top and she's not going to be afraid of anybody."

TODD PETTY
COACH
WOMEN'S TENNIS

Fournier, logged a 28-2 record as a senior on the way to another state title. She also was a member of two doubles state titles in 2006 and 2007.

When Fournier started to get recruited by colleges, the Tennis Recruiting Network ranked her as a

five-star recruit. "She's someone you can stick up at the top and she's not going to be

afraid of anybody," Tech coach Todd Petty said about Fournier. "She's also someone you can stick at the bottom and she's going to give you a bunch of wins because she's just gritty."

Fournier will be seeing her first collegiate action this weekend as a member of the Lady Raiders at the Midland Racquet Club Invitational, but she got a head start on her Tech career during summer play.

Fournier played in tournaments, some of which included matches against the No. 1 players from Kansas and Missouri — both of which Tech will confront in the spring — and beat them.

Sandra Dynka, a sophomore, said the way Fournier played in high school and over the summer has been impressive, and is ready to see what Fournier can do for the Lady Raiders this year.

"She's definitely an asset," Dynka

said. "We're really lucky to have her, and I'm really excited to see what she'll bring to the team this spring."

Fournier has only been at Tech for a few weeks and has started to adjust to collegiate tennis and college altogether.

Although there have been a lot of changes that Fournier has had to go through, she said she has had an enjoyable few weeks in Lubbock as a new member of the tennis team.

"I don't know, I just like being able to always hit with my teammates, and like getting to know them," Fournier said. "I haven't really had, like, a memory yet, but just being able to be out here every day with them and then on weekends hanging out with them. Being able to compete with them and stuff has been really fun."

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Texas Tech football launches new website

By JOSE RODRIGUEZ
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The additions continue to pile up for Texas Tech football.

To further expand the scope of Red Raider football, the Tech football program launched its own website Wednesday, maske-raider.com, allowing faithful of the scarlet and black to follow everything regarding Tech football.

"We are excited about maske-raider.com and hope fans really enjoy it," head coach Tommy Tuberville said in a news release. "We feel it's another avenue for fans to see what's going on here with our football program."

The website serves as an interactive site, providing video, information for various fields within Tech football, and an overall better look into the football program itself.

Considering the timing of the website's launching, Tech fans

can expect some changes and revisions to maske-raider.com as the year goes along.

"We will do different things with the site as we go throughout the season," Tuberville said. "Bear with us, as it's brand new, and we will tweak things as we go to make it the best in the country."

Content on the website will be updated as the season progresses, keeping fans in the loop with Red Raider football.

The website is one of many additions to the football program — others include the Raider Walk and the use of white helmets — since Tuberville's arrival in Lubbock.

Tuberville faces his toughest challenge yet as the head coach of the Red Raiders when Tech takes on No. 6 Texas at 7 p.m. Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium in front of a national audience on ABC.

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Heisman Trust: No 2005 winner

NEW YORK (AP) — And the Heisman Trophy winner for 2005 is — no one.

Rather than replace Reggie Bush, who returned his trophy after a scandal erupted, the officials who administer the award decided it would remain vacant for that year.

There was some initial talk that the trophy might go to former Texas quarterback Vince Young, who finished a distant second to Bush in the voting.

However, Heisman Trust President William Dockery told The Associated Press in a telephone interview Wednesday that the eight trustees never decided to take the trophy away from Bush nor did they receive any advance notice of Bush's decision.

"We're certainly not upset Reggie resolved the issue," he said.

The Heisman board held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, but Dockery said there were no plans to make a final decision about Bush and the 2005 Heisman at that time.

Turns out they didn't have to. Before the meeting started, Bush announced he would make the unprecedented move of forfeiting the Heisman he won while starring at running back for Southern California. In June, after a

four-year investigation, the NCAA ruled Bush was ineligible for the 2005 season for receiving improper benefits.

Players are required to be in good standing with the NCAA to be eligible for college football's highest honor.

Even before Dockery said there would be no winner or revote for 2005, Young said he didn't want the Heisman anyway.

"I would not want to have it, and don't want the trophy. Like I said, 2005, Reggie Bush is the Heisman Trophy winner. Why would I want it?" he told reporters after Tennessee Titans practice in Nashville.

Dockery said Bush, now with the New Orleans Saints, met with some of the trustees in New Orleans several weeks ago.

"Reggie requested a meeting," Dockery said.

He didn't disclose what was discussed, but did say Bush was given no indication the trust might strip him of the award because a decision had not been made.

Red Raiders Carvalho, Escobar ranked in preseason Top 25

By JOSHUA KOCH
STAFF WRITER

The 2010 Intercollegiate Tennis Association preseason rankings were released last week, honoring four Texas Tech men's tennis members.

Juniors Raony Carvalho and Gonzalo Escobar are ranked individually in the Top 25, 16th and 24th, respectively. Additionally, the duos of Escobar and Rafael Garcia along with sophomore Vitor Manzini and Carvalho are ranked in doubles as well, 27th and 34th, respectively.

"Well it's a first for us in all our years to have two players ranked preseason Top

25," Tech coach Tim Siegel said. "But at the same time that's based on last year's performance, and I think both players certainly are capable of being two of the Top 25 players all year — maybe even higher."

Carvalho has accomplished a lot since joining the Red Raiders — he was named an ITA All-American after last season, becoming the first ever Tech player to receive the accolade.

He finished last season 26-11 in singles and 16-11 in doubles.

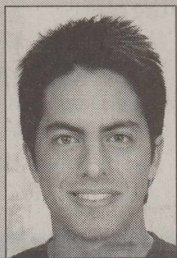


CARVALHO

Carvalho said he is happy with the recognition but he is not going to stop working hard.

"I think it just show how hard I was working the last season," he said. "I got here my first year, I finished 44th in the ranking and now I'm starting the season 16th. So it just show me that I improved a lot on my tennis, and getting more motivation to improve even more."

Carvalho's main partner at the No. 2 spot, Escobar, finished last season ranked No. 39 in the



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country and was named to All-Big 12 singles. He finished the season with a 24-8 record in singles and 21-10 in doubles.

Escobar, like Carvalho, said he is honored to be recognized but there is still a lot of work to be done.

"It's a motivation but I think it doesn't mean anything," Escobar said. "There are so many good players here for sure that have been working hard this summer. I know that they can beat me a lot of them. It just about how hard I work this preseason and then show it if I'm really 24th or better."

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Tech defense's ability to get to Texas' Gilbert could be difference Saturday

By **MIKE GRAHAM**
STAFF WRITER

Texas Longhorns quarterback Garret Gilbert has played in a neutral-site BCS National Championship Game, a contest in front of more than 72,000 at Reliant Stadium in Houston against Rice, and in front of about 100,000 last week in Austin.

But he has never played in an entirely hostile environment.

If No. 6 Texas is to beat Texas Tech in Lubbock this Saturday, Gilbert will have to overcome nerves and on-field communication issues set forth by the Red Raider faithful.

"It's very exciting for us to know that we're going into it," Gilbert said during Texas' weekly media conference. "Lubbock is a great place to play. It's going to be a hostile environment. It's going to be a true road test, and it's going to be our first one. As a team, we're excited for the challenge."

Gilbert also said communication is going to be as difficult as

it has ever been throughout his tenure as Texas' starting quarterback. With the crowd noise against them, the Longhorns plan to use more hand signs and be a lot louder at the line of scrimmage.

Gilbert said the crowd noise could cause the Longhorns to commit some false start penalties, but bigger problems await them once the ball is snapped.

For starters, Tech defensive coordinator James Willis was part of Alabama's coaching staff last season, a defense that flustered Gilbert early in the National Championship Game

this past January.

Gilbert came into the National Championship Game cold and expected to be on the sidelines as Colt McCoy's backup.

But early into the game, McCoy had to leave with a stinger, and Gilbert was forced into action.

The Alabama defense came after Gilbert hard, and forced four interceptions and a fumble that sealed an Alabama championship season. Gilbert completed just 15-of-40 passing attempts, but

still threw for 186 yards and two touchdowns. Willis said that game helped

"We're going to most definitely come after him. He hasn't played on a road game, a real road game ... we're going to bring it."

BRIAN DUNCAN
TEXAS TECH
LINEBACKER



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH DEFENSIVE linemen Colby Whitlock and linebacker Sam Fehoko pressure Southern Methodist Quarterback Kyle Padron during Texas Tech's 35-27 Victory against the Mustangs Sept. 5 at Jones AT&T Stadium. Defensive pressure could be key in what will be Texas quarterback Garrett Gilbert's first true road test against the Red Raiders Saturday at 7 p.m. at Jones AT&T Stadium.

him get somewhat of a head start on preparing for Texas as a member of the Red Raider coaching staff.

"Every year is a new year," Willis said. "I'm sure those guys are the same way, they watch film just like we do. They'll be ready, but we'll be prepared. I don't face this game differently than I do any other."

The 2010 Texas offense will look much different than in 2009, when the Longhorns beat Tech 34-24 in Austin.

Texas doesn't have quarterback Colt McCoy anymore — a four-year starter who now plays for the Cleveland Browns of the NFL.

So Texas head coach Mack Brown and offensive coordinator Greg Davis have tapped Gilbert as McCoy's successor.

The Texas coaching staff also tailored a new offense around

Gilbert, reverting to an under-center, run-first approach that hasn't been seen since before former Texas quarterback Vince Young's time.

In the Longhorns' first game against Rice, Texas rushed for 172 in a 34-17 win. But last week against Wyoming, the Longhorns seemed to back off their run-first approach, and passed 35 times for 222 yards while rushing for 167 yards in a 34-7 win.

It doesn't help that Texas can't seem to stick to a solid No. 1 running back entering the Tech game.

Cody Johnson was named the starting tailback against Rice, but gained just two more yards than Tre' Newton. Newton was named the starter for the Wyoming game, but gained just 25 yards on eight carries, while Fosswhit Whittaker rushed for

62 yards on seven carries.

Whittaker is expected to get the start against Tech.

There may be no doubt Tech is the most capable defense to put pressure on Gilbert since Alabama's unit did last season. And that's the game plan this week.

Linebacker Brian Duncan, who already has four sacks on the season, said one of the keys to a Tech victory will be getting pressure on Gilbert to fluster the new quarterback into bad decisions.

"We're going to most definitely come after him," Duncan said. "He hasn't played on a road game, a real road game, and then coming into this hostile environment, we're going to bring it. We've got plays, we've got schemes, and Coach Willis is doing a really good job as far as getting us in place to come after this guy."

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you talk like that?

Keep your F#@*
outta my
Fight Song.

Sing it right.
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