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Police release UT shooter's identity

Suspect kills himself; no other injuries reported



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POLICE OFFICERS ESCORT a student to safety across from the Perry-Castenada Library, after reports of a gunman in the University of Texas library Tuesday morning.

By KELLEY SHANNON THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A student wearing a dark suit and a ski mask opened fire Tuesday with an assault rifle on the University of Texas campus before fleeing into a library and fatally shooting himself. No one else was hurt.

The shooting began near a

— the site of one of the nation's deadliest shooting rampages more than four decades ago, when a gunman ascended the clock tower and fired down on dozens of people.

Within hours of Tuesday's gunfire, the school issued an allclear notice, but the university remained closed, and the area around the library still was confountain in front of the UT Tower sidered a crime scene.

acted in which students,

faculty and staff received

e-mails and text messages to

avoid campus or stay indoors.

Loudspeakers and uniformed

police officers were also in-

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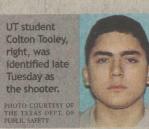
gency alert system in place

at UT is similar to the system

that has been in place at Tech

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Texas Tech Chief of Police



"Our campus is safe," school President Bill Powers said. Austin Police Chief Art AceView a related video at www.dailytoreador.com

"completely open and back to normal" by Wednesday morning. Authorities identified the gunman as 19-year-old Colton Tooley, a sophomore math major. Police declined to speculate on his motive.

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SGA encourages Tech students to register to vote

Wreck the Vote 2010 part of friendly Big 12 competition



KAYLA WALDROP, A freshman sociology major from Denton registers to vote at the Wreck the Vote 2010 table Tuesday near the Student Union Building.

> By DEREK MOY STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech Student Government Association kicked off Wreck the Vote 2010 in the free speech area of the Student Union Building on Tuesday. The event intends to register students to participate in the upcoming election season.

Tyler Patton, external vice president of the SGA, said Tuesday and Wednesday are chances for Tech to register students to vote. There is a friendly competition going on between other Big 12 schools to see which school can gather the most student registrations and help propel Texas into the No. 1 student registered state.

"Hopefully, this is going to be an effort, state wide, when you combine all of our totals for voter registration, we will have registered the highest number of students than any other state," Patton said.

More than 100 students registered from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, with more registrations expected Wednesday when student political groups, such as the Young Conservatives, Tech Democrats and Tech Republicans, will be on hand to talk to students about each of the political parties, he said.

"Today is really our day to just say, 'Hey guys, you need to vote,' and tomorrow with our political organizations is a way to put a face to the issues that they're going to be voting on," Patton said. "We're not going to be out here advocating the candidates but we're going to have people out here that represent all sides of the spectrum."

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Tech students react after UT shooting

Originally scheduled TechAlert! test canceled to avoid confusion

By BROOKE BELLOMY STAFF WRITER

After the reported shooting on the University of Texas campus Tuesday morning, a letter on the university's website from UT president Bill Powers posted at 9:52 a.m. detailed to the public the status of the shooting and actions being taken by the university to neutralize the situation.

The university was placed on lockdown, and an emergency alert system was en-

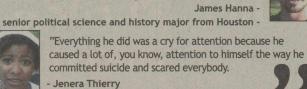
REACTIONS

It's very uncomfortable, it makes me feel like we're not in a safe town. I feel like Lubbock is a safe town but if it were to happen here it would be really bad." Juana Mata -

sophomore chemical engineer major from Dallas -"It kind of makes you think it could happen anywhere, anytime. No one was expecting it and stuff like that

happens. It's insane to actually hear about. - sophomore finance major from Celina

"It's pretty crazy that it was in Texas, it made me think intuitively to the gun control law, like whether there would be some kind of activist role or something like that."



freshman prenursing from Houston



White announces green energy plan

Democratic candidate visits

American Wind Power Center

By KASSIDY KETRON STAFF WRITER

Democratic candidate for Texas governor Bill White held a press conference Tuesday at the American Wind Power Center to announce a plan for a new green energy feature that he hopes will bring jobs to Texans along with a

stronger economy. White said he has a three-part plan. First is to make Texas a world leader in renewable energy. Second is to bring in more clean energy jobs to the state. Third is

to become more energy efficient. "If we want to move forward as a state, we need to have a more affordable cost of living,"



of that is to bring down the cost of power; part of bringing down the cost of power

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means reducing your bills."

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Community Calendar

TODAY

Beatrice Byaruhanga Speaks Time: 5:30 p.m. Where: International Cultural Center

So, what is it?

Award-winning Ugandan educator Byaruhanga, founder of the Lira Integrated School in Uganda and winner of the EMPRETEC Women in Business Award from the United Nations Development Programme, will speak about education and entrepreneurship.

Tech Volleyball vs. Baylor Time: 6:30 p.m. Where: United Spirit Arena

Whitney Thompson Speaks Time: 8 p.m. Where: Student Union Building, Allen Theatre So, what is it?

The first plus-size winner of America's Next Top Model, Thompson will speak about self-esteem and and body im-

THURSDAY

Symphonic Wind Ensemble Time: 8 p.m. Where: Hemmle Recital Hall, Tech School of Music So, what is it? Support the music department by coming to hear and watch

the wind ensemble perform.

Salsa Dance Lessons Time: 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. Where: D'Venue, 6202 Iola Ave., Suite 700 So, what is it? Learn how to shake it with these fun dancing lessons. They will start off with the basics in the beginning of the month then progress to hot

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intermediate moves.

Events will be published either the day or the day before they take place. Submissions must be sent in by 4 p.m. on the preceding publication date.

Court approves US-funded stem cell research for the time being

appeals court ruled Tuesday that government funding of embryonic stem cell research can continue for now.

The U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington granted the Obama administration's request to allow the funding from the National Institutes of Health while it appeals a judge's order blocking the research.

The administration had argued that stopping the research while the case proceeds would irreparably harm scientific progress toward potentially lifesaving medical treatment.

U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth had blocked President Barack Obama's research funding guidelines because he said it's likely they violate the law against federal funding of embryo destruction.

A three-judge panel of the appeals court issued an unusually quick decision, a day after hearing arguments over whether

WASHINGTON (AP) — An the funding could continue while it considers the case. The court also said it would expedite the case.

> Researchers hope one day to use stem cells in ways that cure spinal cord injuries, Parkinson's disease and other ailments. Opponents say the research is a form of abortion because human embryos must be destroyed to obtain the stem cells.

> A 1996 law prohibits the use of taxpayer dollars in work that harms an embryo, so batches have been culled using private money. But those batches can reproduce in lab dishes indefinitely, and Obama administration issued rules permitting taxpayer dollars to be used in work with the already created batches.

> The administration thus expanded the number of stem cell lines created with private money that federally funded scientists could research, up from the 21 that President George W. Bush had allowed to 75 so far.

ART INTELLECTUALS



INSTRUCTOR LAGINA FAIRBETTER talks to her architecture drawing class about artwork on display in the Art building, Monday night.

Research projects to further Tech's goal of achieving tier-one status

BY BRIAN HOWARD STAFF WRITER

Research being conducted by Texas Tech's chemistry and biochemistry department and The Institute of Environmental and Human Health shows why Tech is quickly becoming one of the most nationally recognized research universities.

Dimitri Pappas, an assistant professor in the department of chemistry and biochemistry, recently received a three-year grant of \$520,000 from the National Institutes of Health in order to develop new screening methods to study cell death.

To keep a balanced level of cell growth, the human body naturally kills off cells by a process called apoptosis, Pappas said.

Apoptosis, which is defined as a genetically directed process of cell self-destruction that is marked by the fragmentation of nuclear DNA,

is activated either by the presence of a stimulus or removal of a suppressing agent or stimulus, and is a normal physiological process eliminating DNA-damaged, superfluous, or unwanted cells.

"Apoptosis is a normal process," Pappas said, "but when it happens too much, it kills good tissue."

The new screening methods being performed will aim to speed up or slow down cell death to find new treatments for specific diseases, Pappas said.

"Finding a way to more quickly measure apoptosis could lead to better treatments and targeted drugs to fight heart disease and cancer," he said. "In the case of cancer, we would want to speed up cell death in cancerous cells, and with heart disease, we would want to slow down the process to stop the death of healthy cells."

Pappas said the grant he received is yet another step towards Tech's goal of being recognized as a leading research

"The more money we bring in to do research," he said, "the closer we are to achieving tier-one status.'

Another recent research project performed by Seshadri Ramkumar, an associate professor at The Institute of Environmental and Human Health, is now receiving worldwide recognition.

"I invented a product called Fibertect-CS," he said. "It is a cotton carbon wipe comprised of two layers of nonwoven cotton surrounding a carbon center."

The cotton swab is being produced commercially by Hobbs Bonded Fibers in Waco, Ramkumar said.

According to the Hobbs Bonded Fibers website, Fibertect is being introduced as a product that can be tailored to fit numerous decontamination needs, including neutralizing and absorbing toxic chemical agents potentially used in chemical warfare, toxic industrial chemicals and pesticides.

Larry Hobbs, the vice president of manufacturing at Hobbs Bonded Fibers, said Fibertect's uniqueness lies in its

"In the military market, it will affect the lines of fighters," he said. "Although it is a long and slow testing process before it will be implemented, the Marines have already been using a prototype as a decontamination aid."

The state is also looking into the application of Fibertect in crime scene investigation, Hobbs said.

With the manufacturing and marketing assistance from Hobbs Bonded Fibers, Professor Ramkumar has been granted the opportunity to take his high-tech cotton swab worldwide.

"My invention is now being evaluated for applications in the Middle East," he said. "I received sample requests from Bahrain, and I have been contacted by the United Arab Emirates and Israel, as well."

The fact that interest is coming from outside the United States is a big deal, especially considering the university's objective of being recognized nationally for research, Ramkumar said.

"It is great to see the research that we've been doing ultimately having an impact on society," he said. "It is big for Tech, and it's something the university should be proud of."

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"TechAlert! is a computerized system that will alert any cell phone, home or e-mail in the system of a situation, be it weather or something as unfortunate as (a

shooting)," he said. A test of that system was scheduled for Tuesday but was cancelled when news of the UT shooting broke and will be rescheduled at a later date,

Seacrist said. "We didn't want people to panic so we've decided to reschedule it," he said.

Should such a situation occur at Texas Tech, Seacrist said Tech police officers are adequately prepared to handle it by routinely training with Lubbock police.

As far as he knew, Seacrist said he thought UT handled the situation by the book and showed a great deal of training occurring at Tech.

and preparedness, something he is confident Tech would also be able to demonstrate.

At any given time, at least seven officers are on duty patrolling campus and in high visibility, he said. During peak times on campus there are typically 12 officers on duty.

Students on campus had mixed feelings regarding campus safety and the potential for a similar situation occurring on campus.

Lauren Flores, a sophomore pre-nursing student from Dallas, said she was surprised upon hearing the news from UT, but she wasn't worried about her safety at Tech.

"It seems docile and calm here," she said. "I don't think it would happen here. I feel safe. I always see cop cars around."

Justin Ward, a sophomore with no declared major from Houston, said he was concerned about the potential for a shooting

"Something needs to happen because anyone can have a gun and start shooting," he said.

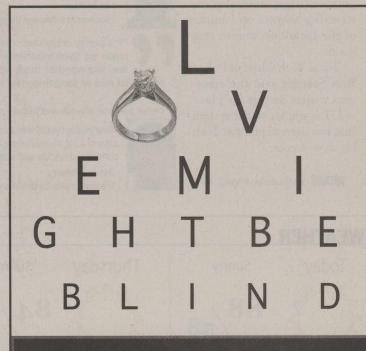
Cody Dieterich, a sophomore dual broadcast journalism and political science major from Colorado Springs, Colo., said he thought the emergency alert system in place could help prevent people from being injured in those situations but there is more the university and police can do.

"One thing I've noticed that is lackluster is the alarm button system," he said. "I don't see them at all. Other campuses have them every 10 feet."

On the Tech website Tuesday, President Guy Bailey and Chancellor Kent Hance extended their thoughts and prayers to the UT campus on behalf of the Texas Tech community.

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Tooley's parents did not immediately respond to a message left by The Associated Press. A man who said he was a relative of the family and would identify himself only as Marcus came out of their home late Tuesday and said Tooley's parents were distraught over losing their child.

"I want you to understand how he lived. He was a very smart guy, very intelligent, excellent student. He wouldn't or couldn't hurt a fly," he said, reading from a prepared statement. "This is a great shock to me and my family. There was nothing prior to this day, nothing that would lead any of us to believe this could take place."

Tooley's high school principal in Austin described him as an excellent student who excelled in every subject.

"All of us in the Crockett High School community are shocked and saddened by today's tragedy at the University of Texas," said principal Craig Shapiro. Shapiro's prepared statement said Tooley, a 2009 graduate, was remembered by teachers as being "brilliant," "meticulous," and "respectful."

Red Raider Spotlight

A weekly feature sharing stories of individuals within the Tech community who exemplify what it means to be a Red Raider

Tech student creates iPhone repair business, expands it across globe

By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI STAFF WRITER

Daniel Vitiello, a sophomore finance major from Rockwall, began his own iPhone repair business in July 2010 and now has more than eight similar companies working for him.

After breaking and fixing his own iPhone over the summer, Vitiello said, he began this business with a trial-and-error system in place figuring out how to make the repairs. Because he didn't want to pay Apple Inc. to fix the phone, nor did he know there were already non-affiliated companies that provide the same service, he went to the Internet to figure out how to fix

"I learned a lot of ways not to fix them," he said. "Making mistakes like pushing too hard on one area, touching something you're not supposed to touch, you only make those mistakes once. Over the last couple of months, I've encountered a lot of things you're not supposed to do."

He began the business, United Phone Repair, by fixing only the glass panels and digitizers on the phones and ordering the parts from China. Now that he knows how to fix other iPhone problems, Vitiello said he

orders a variety of parts, expanding his

Because of the national media attention he has already received, people from various places have contacted him about starting their own iPhone repair company. As of now, Vitiello's business has eight locations around the country and soon will be around the world where he has trained others how to repair the phones. The two most recent opened this month in Fort Hood and a town in North Carolina.

Vitiello also spends time teaching others how to build a similar business. He's writing a book that will instruct readers how to fix and diagnose the phones, as well as how to run their company.

"I think that's where the next level of the business is going," Vitiello said. "It's going from me making all of the repairs and going up to helping other people to start their business."

When a new person wants to start their own company with the help of United Phone Repair, they pay between \$750 and \$1,350 to receive a general start-up kit that includes information on how to fix phones, technical support and basic parts. Because there is a higher chance for profit from distribution, he said he won't stop fixing phones, but the market demanded for him to provide this opportunity to others.

Because these companies aren't necessarily a franchise, each owner is free to get their parts from wherever, Vitiello said. But after helping the companies get started and know they can trust the goods he sells them, his clients will come back to keep purchasing from him rather than directly from a manufacturer.

"They're familiar with me, and the parts are going to be reliable," he said. "If you don't know what you're doing, you can get bad parts from your suppliers and you can't fix phones and you're not making money. I provide them with customer support; if they're in the middle of fixing a phone and something goes wrong, they call me and I can walk them through it. Having that relationship already is keeping them loyal to them ordering

Vitiello and his roommates, who sometimes help him repair phones, stick to fixing the iPhone 3G, 3GS and 4G. Eventually, he said, he hopes to expand the company to repair other brands of phones and iPods, but as of now, the market isn't big enough to justify carrying

Vitiello got his two roommates involved with the company to help with the actual iPhone repair. After teaching them how to do the repairs and making

sure they could do the job correctly, they began completing weekly repairs, said Amir Ravassipour, a sophomore mechanical engineering major from Plano and one of Vitiello's roommates.

In the past three months, Vitiello's business has transformed from him fixing phones alone to having several companies up and running under him. He said this has been moving very fast, but it's because the market demanded it.

Michael Ryan, executive director for the Center for Entrepreneurship and Family Business, said typically when people want to start their own business, they don't realize how much time and effort it will take. Students achieving this amount of success, especially this quickly, are few and far between because it is not as easy as some think.

'There is a well-defined process to developing a business," Ryan said. "A lot of times we recognize an opportunity and get a business concept, but it takes perseverance to carry it through. You really have to be in love with the idea."

As he continues working on his book, Vitiello said he is working to make this a global company, with people looking to start their own companies in England and Puerto Rico.

"It has grown exponentially fast," he said. "It just shows there's such a great de-

PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador DANIEL VITIELLO, A sophomore finance major from Rockwell, started his own company Lubbock iPhone Repair over the summer

mand on the market, and I've been able to put in enough time to satisfy that." Students interested in contacting

and already has eight branches working under him.

Vitiello can reach him by phone at

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Television premiere: 'Boardwalk Empire' showcases 1920s version of 'Jersey Shore'

BY KELLY HOTARD THE DAILY REVEILLE (LOUISIANA STATE U.)

One of the main criticisms my pop culture views have received thus far is how incompatible they are with those of my peers. I must admit: The claims of being old fashioned and out of touch with

current trends may be somewhat accurate. Perhaps a childhood spent in the certified retirement community called Picayune has affected my cultural appreciation. I did grow up in my grandparents' house, watching Lawrence Welk and reading classics instead of playing with the neighborhood kids. I've always felt like I was born in the wrong era.

I recently decided to embrace my so-called antiquated notions by watching a new historical fiction TV show called "Boardwalk Empire." HBO's new Sunday night series chronicles the culture of

Atlantic City, New Jersey, in 1920 – the ents' generation was early similar to our birth of the Jazz Age and Prohibition.

Presumably, we've all heard of the Roaring Twenties, if only through the required reading of F. Scott Fitzgerald's "The Great Gatsby" or "This Side of Paradise" in high school. But aside from those mostly dreaded masterpieces, the 13 years America wasted banning alcohol hasn't really been explored in pop culture - until now, thanks to director Terence Winter and actor-producer Mark Wahlberg, the brains behind "Empire."

Before the show premiered Sept. 19, this Prohibition business seemed familiar enough to someone raised in a dry county.

But a dry country? Nationwide hypocrisy? Say it ain't so.

It's evident from the Martin Scorsesedirected pilot episode that this is not your mama's period drama. Viewers get an immediate sense that our great-grandpar-

own in terms of scandal and debauchery.

Don't let your elders' lectures about the "good old days" fool you: They were just as reckless and insubordinate as we are.

Though the irreverent speakeasy jargon closely mirrors the art of expletives we've now mastered, the inhabitants of 1920s Atlantic City - yes, on the Jersey shore - are genuine gangsters, unlike those Italian-American wannabes manufactured by MTV.

The difference between HBO's foulmouthed flappers and Snooki? Most 1920s women were literate. Believe it or not, the bootlegger's favorite accessory - aside from a full flask - was a book, and the prop department of "Boardwalk Empire" won't let you forget it.

But the cultural connection between the 1920s and 2010 extends far deeper into the ideologies underlying such behaviors.

ed individual freedom - anything goes, and if our personal interests aren't represented, we have the right to raise hell about it. This social liberation is largely attributable to Sigmund Freud's ideas about human psychology, which didn't really catch on until the 1920s.

For instance, the post-Victorian generation was the first to adopt Freud's theory of sexual desire and the subconscious: Apparently sex is all humans think about, and if we suppress those urges, we'll destroy ourselves.

Fast forward nearly a century, and we've got Tiger Woods, Jesse James and a slew of prominent public figures succumbing to "sexaholism." Psychobabble aside, the truth is they're just pigs. But I guess the medical industry profits more when they have diseases

Alaska checking Bristol Palin's bar stop

it was legal for "Dancing with only to eat. the Stars" contestant Bristol dancing partner Mark Ballas performed.

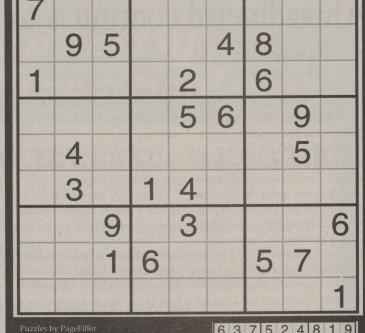
The question is Palin's age, 19. She could only legally be in Rumrunners Old Towne Bar and Grill last Friday if accompanied by a parent, spouse or legal

ANCHORAGE, Alaska would allow her to be there if it's (AP) — A state investigator been designated as a bona fide is apparently checking whether restaurant, and she was there

The Alaska Dispatch report-Palin to be in a downtown An- ed Tuesday that a state Alcohol chorage establishment while and Control Board investigator visited their office, asking for copies of raw video shot at Ballas' performance. The request was denied.

An Alaska Department of Public Safety spokeswoman said they never discuss investigations guardian over 21. State law also unless someone is charged.





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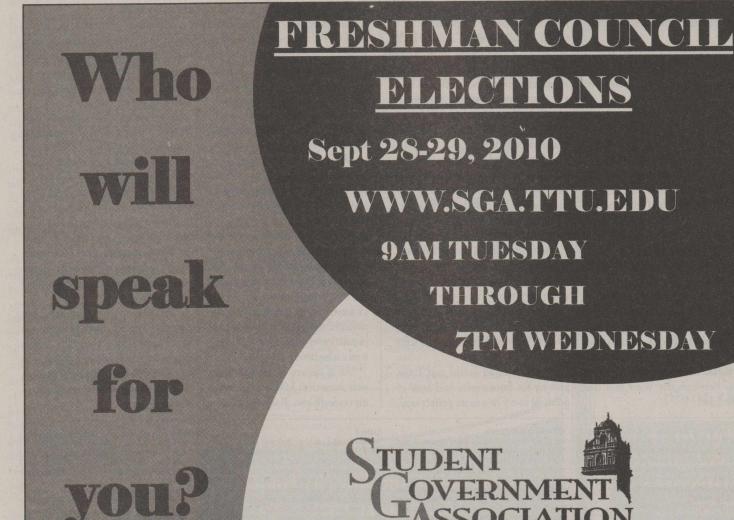
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Concealed carry on campus will only complicate matters

After another terrible instance of a gunman on a college campus, people are already drudging up the issue of allowing concealed handguns on campus.

Thankfully, the only casualty of the active shooter on the Texas campus was himself, but we've seen this far too many

A bill allowing those who already have concealed carry licenses to carry handguns on college campuses failed to pass the Texas House earlier in the vear. Now, some the bill's supporters are planning on trying again next session.

A situation like the one in Austin Tuesday is the perfect illustration for why there shouldn't be concealed carry on campus. A man, clearly not in his right mind and heavily armed, was shooting in a public of harm, but for whatever reason he didn't. He took his own life and not the life of any others around him.

After the shooting, police were looking for another gun-



man due to differing descriptions of the man.

Imagine if there was a concealed carry permit holder on campus or on the sixth floor of the Texas library. The man begins firing his assault rifle, and the permit holder draws their weapon. Ideally, they immediately eliminate the threat, and the active shooter can't harm anyone. But if something goes wrong, the active shooter is now likely targeting whoever is shooting at them.

Plus, anyone calling 9-1-1 is place. He could have done lots not only describing the actual threat but the permit holder, as well.

Also, unless the permit holder has produced their permit and somehow proved to everyone in the vicinity that they're not

the one trying to inflict harm student at UT. His girlfriend was or panic, people are still going to be incredibly afraid of the permit holder, since they have a gun and just shot at someone.

It's already hard enough for law enforcement to sort these things out. In theory, yes, I do want someone with a weapon protecting me from some loony. In practice, it just doesn't make sense.

I know permit holders are put through incredible scrutiny. I understand how seriously those who have a license take this issue. The Second Amendment does give the right to bear arms. but institutions should maintain the right to keep guns off their property.

things never happen. "One lost is far too many" may be a cliché saying, but it is one that holds incredibly true. Still, I can't help but believe that, in these situations, allowing students and others on campus to conceal weapons will create far more harm than good.

One man who agrees with me is John Woods, who is a graduate

killed by Seung-Hui Cho during his attack on students at Virginia Tech. He spoke with the Texas Tribune's Reeve Hamilton in a fantastic article Hamilton authored about the revival of the concealed carry debate in the immediate aftermath of Tuesday's shooting.

"I'd just point out that the only person who's been killed has been the shooter," Woods told Hamilton. "I think the situation might be a lot more chaotic and a lot more deadly if a number of students had tried to go in and be heroes."

In an odd twist, UT's Students for Concealed Carry chap-Obviously, I hope these ter was hosting a lecture by concealed carry proponent John Lott Tuesday night. The event surely had no lack of topics to

I hope these shootings stop happening, but even if they persist, concealed carry on campus will not eradicate the problem. ■ Arnold is *The DT's* managing

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

All dancing is art, don't be offended

I am writing to comment over the letter to the editor entitled, "Striptease coverage misleading, demeaning." First off, let me say I feel as if the professor/head of the dance department, DeCesaro, wrote that long-winded letter just to whine and complain.

All that needed to be said on her end was something along the lines of, "The Texas Tech Dance Department has no affiliation with Ms. Cook or her business and for the record does not condone or endorse any such sexually styled/based art form."

You let this women ramble for a quarter of a page of a paper that I read every day? I could have been reading any other article that advertises sex or art in a positive manner.

All dance is art, just like all music is art. Just because I don't like country music doesn't mean it is in any way offensive to other musical styling.

The Daily Toreador could not have posted the striptease article on any other page but the first. Sex sells. Everyone knows this. The DT and Ms. Thornton are only doing their best to attract readers and gain business. This is what most papers around the country are doing considering failing business due to the ease-of-access of Internet, paperless news.

I read The DT because I know I can find no better source of "untainted, uncensored" news; a paper that isn't biased or ethnocentric. I am only satisfied by the fact these criticisms landed under the "Opinions" page. Long live free speech and long live Genevieve DeCesaro's opinion.

But to disband one of the forms of your beloved art just because it's too modern and it doesn't fit your moral guidelines and then "claim" popular opinion and state criticisms disregarding its legitimacy in your line of work? Without freedom in dance, you might as well be practicing martial arts, which is still an incredibly respectable art form, but at the same time extremely separate from the art of dance (though the creative combination of these two might get me my own dance studio).

This is the success of any true artists, the ones who only dream of success through their individualistic idealisms of expression that go outside the lines and can perfect their own style. Then people will follow and begin to gather into a group. This group becomes influenced in such a way that another new and potentially more offensive art form emerges, or maybe a less offensive one.

Whichever the case, this is the process of evolution of art. I can only imagine this is Ms. Cook's mindset. Well, I guess this is why she has a business, and you are teaching. How does that expression go?

■ Taylor Berrier is a junior geology major from Carrollton.

Stem cell research still hurdle, even for Obama

On Aug. 9, 2001, George W. Bush made a decision to limit federal funding for human embryonic stem cell research, and in March 2009, Obama reversed that deci-

However, last month, a federal judge blocked such controversial funding on the basis that destroying human embryos violated U.S. law. The U.S. Court of Appeals in D.C. is currently hearing the case, but appears divided on the issue.

Despite Obama's strong use of executive power to pass monumental bills such as healthcare, he still struggles to make embryonic stem cell research stick almost two years into his presidency. This puts the pressure on scientists, who are not thrilled about the government's inconsistency. Every time a decision is made, research is either physically grown or it's disposed of.

Long-term research is irreparably harmed by this "stop-go" approach, preventing us from having a better idea of how promising this type of



research could be in comparison to other alternatives, and how much money should be invested, if any, in a field many consider an unknown.

Of course, I'm talking from a purely research standpoint here: Wouldn't starting over every decade be wasteful, not only in time, but also in money, resources and

Stem cells are cells than can differentiate into specialized types of cells and are considered a key for regenerative medicine. In terms of potential, curing baldness or missing teeth is the tip of the iceberg. Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and diabetes are just a few diseases that can be helped, or even cured, by stem cell research.

Adult stem cells can unlock enough secrets for years to come, so is there really a need to pour an enormous amount of resources into embryonic stem cells, particularly federal money? Furthermore, should federal money be spent on controversial stem cell research when it otherwise would have little future without such

Other countries, like Germany, Italy and Norway, prohibit embryonic stem cell research, while countries like Japan and the United Kingdom allow some embryonic research. Should we let these other countries get ahead, or is the cost for this Christian nation too hot to handle?

Now, there's still the argument of whether science

should take precedence over our morals when this science could save millions of people. As a single

individual in society, it's not my place to decide, but a decision eventually has to be made. After being waffled between presidencies, this issue will finally have a check on it, and that check will be in the form of the justice

Of course, based on your views on borderline issues such as abortion, the justice system is either the answer or the enemy. Not to say that the case before the courts right now is the deciding case; it could be another decade or two before this is ever decided to a point of no return. For now, this is most certainly one of those times where I'll invest in more healthy habits, because God forbid I age quicker than I should.

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Give death penalty the chair

By ZACHARY DAVIS THE DAILY REVEILLE (LOUISIANA STATE U.)

This past Thursday marked the me a woman was put to death in the United States in five years. A decade after successfully plotting the death of her husband and stepson, Teresa Lewis finally received so-called

This execution has not come without some outcry from international sources, which use Lewis' low IQ to argue lightening her punishment to life in prison instead. However, among those who spoke out against her execution was America's favorite anti-Semite/conspiracy theorist, Iran President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, who complained of the West's double standard about executions.

He's alluding, of course, to a current situation in his country of Iran.

About 6,000 miles away in Tehran, a woman sits on death row. This woman, Sakineh Mohammadi Ashtiani, was sentenced in 2006 for adultery. Unlike Lewis' painless execution, Ashtiani would have been stoned to death had it not been put on hold since July.

For Mr. Ahmadinejad, these two crimes are apparently comparable, and he finds it outrageous for our media to decry Ashtiani's execution and not Lewis'.

While obviously spouting entertaining, anti-American rhetoric like usual, he does make me wonder again if it's time we rethink our capital punishment laws.

In 2009, 52 inmates were executed in 11 states, according to the U.S. Bureau of Justice. Currently, 35 states allow the death penalty, with the most usually occurring in Texas. However, while the number being executed seems fairly low, the total population of inmates on death row is much higher.

As of January of this year, there were more than 3,000 inmates waiting on death row, all waiting an aver-

age of 10 years, like Lewis experienced. This may not seem like a big deal until you take into account the massive cost

According to the Death Penalty Information Center, it costs California taxpayers \$90,000 a year to keep a convict on death row, nearly double the average cost of a normal inmate at \$47,000. With 697 criminals currently residing there, this adds up to \$62,730,000 a year - simply so we can kill them.

The death penalty was suspended by the Supreme Court in 1972, which said the penalty violated the Eighth Amendment by being cruel and unusual

Of course, being the violencefueled culture we are, the death penalty resumed only four years later. Our use of it to this day makes us one of only 58 countries and the only other permanent member of the U.N. Security Council besides China to still use it on a regular basis.

For a country that prides itself on being fairly advanced, this makes us seem pretty damn backward among the rest of the world.

Beyond all this, though, there's always been one point that has upset me about the death penalty, and it's the main reason I want it abolished.

Is dying really much of a punishment for these people?

These are society's scum, either having taken others' lives or committing treason against the U.S., yet they get a chance to really escape what they've done. Instead of suffering in a prison cell, dealing with other inmates and living with their actions, they instead only live in confinement on death row for a few years and then it's over.

This seems much more of an escape than a punishment, and while unconstitutional, I'd rather see them suffer

So while we hope Ashtiani does not have to suffer death by stoning in Iran, I say it is time to change our own system as well. Punish these people with something far worse than the freedom of death, and stop wasting money to support them.

Ahmadinejad continues to play deplorable blame game

STAFF EDITORIAL THE LARIAT (BAYLOR U.)

When Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad accused the United States government of orchestrating and/or backing the Sept. 11 attacks in order to boost the economy and patriotism, the entire world stared in shock — not just at the ludicrous nature of the remarks, but also the complete lack of dignity and common courtesy for where he was located —

Ahmadinejad could not have picked a more offensive avenue to deliver his remarks, as it was during his speech at the recent United Nations General Assembly on Thursday.

New York City.

The remarks come after Obama has made repeated efforts to reach out to the Tehran regime.

Obama has repeatedly offered diplomatic relations to Iran, as long as the country opens its doors to the United Nations' nuclear inspectors to inspect its nuclear facilities.

Iran has refused, despite saying all of its nuclear facilities are used only for energy.

The remarks also came at a time when the majority of diplomats were making speeches about world poverty, the importance of the Israel-Palestinian peace talks and the world

His remarks, far from the norm at the assembly, were not meant to be constructive in any way.

They were merely hurtful and inflamed Middle Eastern sentiment against America.

Ahmadinejad voiced his comments in a series of "theories" and recommended the United Nations form an investigative panel to examine the facts of the case and investigate the American government.

According to the New York Times, he has used similar tactics in the past when questioning the validity of the Holocaust.

The majority of his speech lacked any factual basis, like the theory that the United States started the attacks as a way to boost the economy (especially since the economy plunged after the attacks).

According to the New York Times, Ahmadinejad's "comments prompted at least 33 delegations to walk out. including the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Costa Rica, all 27 members of the European Union and the union's representa-

To those nations who supported the United States in this malicious attack on American character, we Thank you for demonstrating

comments like this are not only unacceptable, but also unbelievable. This lesson was most important after Ahmadinejad stated the majority of American people and other nations

believe the American government

to the entire world that outrageous

was behind the attacks. Hopefully, the fact that so many delegates were brave enough to walk out during the speech was a clear indication to Ahmadinejad that his beliefs are not commonplace. Ahmadinejad's comments were hurtful, not only to American citizens and those directly affected by the Sept. 11 attacks, but it also damaged relations between the West and the

Obama, as well as other government leaders, made it clear that respect was necessary in dealing with the Middle East after the near-Quran burning escapade in September.

And while some (a minority) of American citizens may have disrespected Islam and the Middle East, American government officials and the vast majority of the American public, both secular and Christian, made a national plea for tolerance and understanding.

Ahmadinejad, in his non-factually based comments, is not leading his people in a plea for tolerance or understanding, but exactly the opposite. He is leading the way for anti-

American and anti-West sentiment.

Ahmadinejad disregarded caution, ignoring common diplomatic traditions and courtesy, the already volatile situation in the Middle East and Obama's request for better Iranian-American relations in a deplorable stab at American character

Ahmadinejad could not have proven his immaturity and lack of political savvy in a more perfect way.

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Australian singer to perform at Tech

By HALLIE DAVIS STAFF WRITER

Singer and songwriter Anthony Snape, who will be performing at the Student Union Building Thursday, has come a long way from a small town in

Snape said that with only about 10,000 people, there wasn't much to do other than play music or sports, though that was not a bad thing for him.

"It gives a great grounding for the rest of your life," Snape said.

The boy who lived in Gunnedah moved to Sydney to pursue his music career. After the release of Snape's second single in 2008, Tommy Emmanuel invited Snape to the United States where Snape opened for Emmanuel in 18 states. Snape said that was when he caught the travel bug, and has been in the country ever since.

Concerning his opinion of Texas, he said he was a bit surprised at first. He had been expecting more of a desert and was interested to see everything was actually green.

He said he's spending a few days in Dallas between his Angelo State show and the Texas Tech show, both of which are part of his college tour.

"I love touring colleges," Snape said. "The audience is mostly creative young people at the beginning of their journey.'

This excites Snape because he said

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While mayor of Houston, White

said, his goals for the community as a

whole were to become the fastest grow-

ing urban area in the country without

one of his favorite parts of touring is meeting new people and finding out what inspires them.

"It's a very relaxed kind of music," said Christi Figueroa, the daytime coordinator for the Tech Activities Board.

She met Snape at the annual National Association for Campus Activities conference and said she had gotten to know him there.

What attracted Figueroa to his act was his prestige; she said he was not just very talented but had co-written and performed the theme song for the 2000 Olympic games.

According to his website, he has also had music featured on "The Biggest Loser" and has performed in venues like SXSW and The House of Blues LA.

He will be performing many songs, including his latest single, "Say So," which he said should be memorable and stay with listeners.

"Anytime you say, 'If you say so,' it will jump back in your head," Snape said, laughing.

One goal of his music is to defend against the darkness in the world today, and he said he hopes people will be inspired by his lyrics.

"I always try to put a positive spin on it," Snape said. "There's a lot of bad stuff going on in the world, and we don't need that in our faces all the time."

Snape will be performing at noon Sept. 30 in the Student Union Courtyard. >>> hallie.davis@ttu.edu

said she is very excited about White's plans for education in the state.

He wants to cut the dropout rate, and by doing so, it will give teachers more money to work with, Springer said. He said with White's plan, Texans will start to see higher-waged jobs here.

"I know from my dad's experiences once you lose your job, it's kind of up in the air on whether you're going to find another one," Springer said. "My family lives outside of Dallas, and there were times that we didn't know if my dad was going to find another job after he quit."

Mackenzie Maxwell, a senior electronic media and communications major from Rockwall, said the Rick Perry administration gave the board of regents an ultimatum, which was to either support him or lose their jobs.

She said Bill White doesn't work like that and has tried to have Perry debate with him in a public forum, but Perry declined.

"Rick Perry has too many secrets, and a guy with that many secrets is the kind of guy that would treat our board of regents like that," Maxwell said. "However, a guy that wants everyone to know everything about him, that's the kind of leadership I want." >>> kassidy.ketron@ttu.edu

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The upcoming gubernatorial race between Rick Perry and Bill White will be a close one, Fairchild said.

determine many things for Tech, such as budgeting, Patton said. "With the estimated budget shortfall, especially

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priority for them," he said. "I in what goes on," she said.

Waldrop registered to vote in Lubbock Tuesday after her Denton registration was lost.

"I think it's important for people to vote; I mean, if you don't Kayla vote, you have no say in how your government is ran," she said. "If you complain about it, you have no right because if you didn't vote that's your own fault."

Andy Means, a sophomore exercise and sports sciences major from Corsicana, said he registered to vote after his friend, Fairchild, asked him to. He said he wants to make sure the right people are in the right positions.

"We're the new generation coming up that's going to be overseeing a lot of what's going on in the government, so if we're not voting, it's not doing us much good in the future," Means said. >>> derek.moy@ttu.edu

FEEL THE BURN



PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador

CHASE MOORE, A junior physical therapy major from Temple, lifts weights Tuesday in the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center.

for them.'

Vote ← CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Stuart Williams, an SGA senator for arts and sciences, said once students register, they can then seek out information to pick which political party they agree with most.

"We don't care who you vote for as long as you vote and start participating in the process," he said. "Once you start participating in the process then you can become more informed about the issues."

Tech has a low student voter turnout, and Williams said he thinks the SGA can help students do their civic duty and vote more often.

'Tech has a consistently low voter turnout, and if we could get a higher voter turnout, that not only impresses people here, it helps with the vote for either candidate, but it also impresses our representatives in Austin," he said. "It says, 'These kids are voting, we have to be accountable."

Yale Fairchild, an SGA senator for business, said after the last couple of elections, he really wants Tech's students to vote more.

"It's really important for the younger generation to have our voice heard and have an impact on our officials and the people that are representing

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> **STUART WILLIAMS** SENATOR

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consumption. high efficiency standards for public buildings while providing for the needs of the fastest growing community in the country and saving taxpayers' money,

White said. "We need that kind of leadership in the state government right now,' he said.

If there were a program implemented to make buildings more energy efficient, schools wouldn't have to raise their tuition to keep up with their bills,

He said the state currently spends over \$16 billion on utility bills.

"Imagine if we were able to cut that 5 percent, 10 percent, those would be dollars going back into our economy,' White said.

Jorge Ramirez, a professor of law and director of international programs at the Tech law school, said he has known White for more than 20 years. Ramirez's first job as a lawyer was at a firm in Houston where White was a partner. Later, he served as executive director under Bill White, chairman of the Texas Democratic Party.

Bill White is known for being bipartisan, Ramirez said. White has shown through his role of mayor and other positions that he understands the importance of differing viewpoints.

"I think that one of the big problems we have in the country today and in this state is that Republicans and Democrats won't talk to each other," Ramirez said. "I think if we're going to solve the problems that we face as a state and as a nation, we're going to have to start learning to work together, communicate with each other and seek common solutions. I think that is Bill White's strong point."

Eric Levy, a senior electrical engineering major from Houston, said he decided to attend the media conference because he is a big supporter of White after he saw first hand what White did for his hometown of Houston as mayor.

He said White's desire to have Texas become a major renewable energy state will help produce more high paying jobs in the state and give Tech graduates a greater chance of finding a job after graduation.

Levy believes the current governor of Texas, Rick Perry, is not giving the state the opportunity to grow in regards to renewable energy.

Although Perry has been able to keep up with wind energy, he hasn't been able to expand it, Levy said. In solar energy, Perry hasn't been able to keep up at all, whereas White wants to make that a core part of the energy

"Things are booming here, and we're just barely able to keep up with the energy that's being created out here," he said.

Loryn Springer, a junior early childhood education major from Lewisville,



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SPORTS

Knight, Tech search for 1st 2010 Big 12 win

By JOSHUA KOCH STAFF WRITER

One squad will walk out of the United Spirit Arena tonight with its first Big 12 Conference win of the year — the Texas Tech volleyball hopes it's them, not Baylor, who will lay claim to that.

The Red Raiders (2-11, 0-4) face the Bears (7-7, 0-3) at 6:30 p.m., and considering both groups are winless, Brandy Huskey believes both teams will be equally hungry for the win tonight.

win, so I'm kind of expecting it to be a good game because we're both in the bottom right now," she said. "We'll both have to work hard to get that win."

Tech comes off a rough week on the road, one that consists of losses at Oklahoma and Texas A&M, Wednesday and Saturday,

The Bears ride a three-match losing streak, consisting of losses to No. 13 Texas, No. 9 Iowa State and No. 3 Nebraska.

Two of those three matches were on the Bears' home court, but Baylor's record on the road is not much better at 2-2 on the year.

This is a slow start for the Bears, after making a Sweet 16 appearance

The Red Raiders come into this match on their own losing streak that has now grown to seven in a row.

The last time Tech walked au a victory was almost a month ago on Sept. 4 against Texas State in Dallas.

Although the wins have not been there for Tech, the individual numbers certainly have.

Outside hitter and middle blocker Amanda Dowdy recorded her third double-double of the season against the Sooners last week, bringing her career

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at home.

Tech has been slowly improving on the offensive side of the net, since the number of kills for the team has been ascending since Big 12 play

Against Missouri, the Red Raiders posted a then season high 39 kills and wasted no time topping that, logging 47 kills against Oklahoma.

On the defensive end, the Red Raiders have been building momentum as well, led by Jackie Vincent, "They're kind of pushing for the who has been solid all year, piling

> up 139 digs thus far. Barbara Conceicao leads the team with 38 blocks. With all

of this pressure on the Red Raiders to get a Big 12 win, Conceicao said the team is focused on putting an end to the winning

drought. "That's all we've been talking about, like, about getting ready for," she said. "Every time we step on the court, we've been, like, practicing and just trying to get this win. So, hope tomorrow we can win."

After the Red Raiders are finished with the Bears, they'll have a few days to get ready for Kansas, who comes to town Saturday.

Getting the team's first Big 12 win anywhere would be great, but Knight said accomplishing that at home is where it would mean the most to her and the players.

"It'd be great to get it on the road, but it'd be so much sweeter to get it at home," she said. "So, hopefully we'll be able to finally do that tomorrow and be able to get that big ape off our backs, and I think if these kids get one win, they'll start seeing that, 'Yeah, we can win."

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in the game DB Moore set to play for first time since injury

By MIKE GRAHAM

It had been a long wait, but Texas Tech cornerback LaRon Moore was about to play his first snap of 2010 against Texas, after a broken leg from spring practice sidelined him for the first two games of the season.

And then the Longhorns called a timeout — giving Tech's starting corners enough time to catch their breath — and prolonging the time Moore has to wait before playing his first play of his senior

Moore's opportunity to play will finally come Saturday when the Red Raiders take on Iowa State in Ames, Iowa.

"I wanted to play against (Texas), but we've got nine more games to go," Moore said. "But Texas lost last week, and we've just got to buckle up this week, and we have a chance to win the Big 12 (Conference) Championship."

Moore was one of the Red Raiders' starting corners last year opposite now-Houston Texan cornerback Jamar Wall.

During the 2009 campaign, Moore had two interceptions and forced two fumbles in addition to being Tech's eighth-leading tackler.

Moore said his leg feels 100 percent and it's just a matter of getting back where he was from an endurance standpoint before he will be competing for one of the starting cornerback spots on a weekly basis.

Moore said he began his rehab process as soon as his cast came off. At the beginning of the August practice sessions, he could barely

run, but by the end of camp he was cutting at full speed. More also

said his recovery was two months faster than doctors anticipated. The speed of his recovery process thwarted any chance of Moore sitting out for the remainder of the season with a medical redshirt.

"I just had faith in God because I wanted to get back and

The Daily Toreador TEXAS TECH CORNERBACK LaRon Moore has not played since he suffered a broken leg in spring practice. Moore had two interceptions and two forced fumbles during the 2009 season.

play this year," Moore said. "All I missed was three us a little during and if we hadn't start- Tyrone Sonier said. ed conference so early "That really helped all I would have missed him out a lot, was three nonconference

"Everything happens for a reason, and I'm excited to get back and play."

While waiting to get back on the field, head coach Tommy Tuberville said Moore served as another coach for the team.

"He was (coaching) for games so that's great, camp," linebacker and I'd come to

FILE PHOTO/

him when I had questions about coverages. He's been around us a and the coaches a lot and has good awareness of what's going

on in the backfield." Moore is not the only player

Tech secondary for the ISU game, however. Safety Franklin Mitchem also will be in the

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starting lineup after missing the Texas game and the majority of the New Mexico game with an injury. "I'm pretty much ready to go," Mitchem said. "I've had pretty much two weeks off to get some treatment and some rest, so I'll be ready to go."

Moore has had to wait longer than Mitchem, though, to see his first action this season, but head coach Tommy Tuberville said Moore's time has finally

"LaRon's getting better and better," Tuberville said. "He'll play this game; we'll play him at corner, nickel and dime. He's smart. He's been sitting back and kind of coaching for us for the first couple of months, and I think that's helped him understand the intricacies of what we're trying to do."

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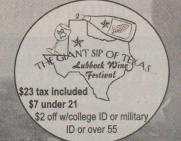
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shouted instructions during drills, then got into an animated argument with Dwyane Wade over a scoring dispute as practice was ending.

'That's just me," James said. That's who the Miami Heat wanted.

The NBA's reigning two-time MVP went through his first full practice with the Heat on Tuesday, a workout so intense even coach Erik Spoelstra was dripping sweat when the first session of training camp was over at a U.S. Air Force installation on Florida's Panhandle. A snaking line of reporters and camera crews surrounded nearly half the court, and James gave them a memorable show.

not normal just yet. It's a new beginning for me. I don't feel like a rookie but I feel like it's a new start. I've been around training camps before, but it's not normal. You guys know it's not normal. But as the year goes on, with the team getting to know each other, I continue to get to know you ... you get more comfortable with

one another." He'd put on the Heat practice uniform before, doing so over the summer after joining Miami and spurning an offer to remain with the Cleveland Cavaliers, essentially his hometown team and the place where he grew into a global icon over his first seven pro seasons.

And he wasn't laid-back in his first formal Miami practice. Quite the contrary.

"That's what we're trying to get from everybody, no possessions off, to have that mentality," Spoelstra said. "It was a good start."

Miami arrived 12 hours before its first practice amid fanfare, a large crowd of military personnel packed into a hangar to greet the team that decided for many reasons to hold their weeklong camp about 650 miles from home. Col. Michael T. Plehn, commander of Hurlburt Field's 1st Special Operations Wing, had a midcourt seat alongside Heat president Pat Riley for practice.

Players posed for pictures with some reporters after practice, a sight that rarely, if ever, happens in Miami.

"We can train here side by side with some of the best to do it," Wade said, referring to the airmen stationed at Hurlburt and nearby Eglin Air Force Base. "So for us, it's an honor and a privilege to be here."



Big 12 openers reveal positives, negatives



TEXAS TECH'S WHITNEY Sharpe fights for the ball during a 1-0 win against North Texas at the John Walker Soccer Complex Sept. 10. Sharpe, who returned from injury against OU Friday, and the Red Raiders continue Big 12 Conference play this week at home against Colorado and Nebraska. Tech is 1-1 in Big 12 play.

"No matter which way I go,

I'm going to push to get healthy as

quickly as I can," he said. "It really

doesn't matter where I'm playing. That's not really the pressing issue

right now. The pressing issue is get-

NFL draft consultant Gil Brandt

said Keenum's stock won't drop

because of his injury, as long as doc-

tors clear him in time for next year's

combine. And Brandt is confident

that Keenum would get selected if

Houston QB Keenum uncertain

of career beyond knee surgery

brace protecting his mangled right NFL draft.

The senior quarterback for Hous-

ton was closing in on several NCAA

career records when he tore his ante-

rior cruciate ligament trying to make a tackle during a 31-13 loss at UCLA

on Sept. 18. That came a week after

he suffered a mild concussion in a

Keenum will undergo knee sur-

gery on Wednesday, and he's putting

off any decisions about his future

beyond that. He hasn't ruled out

trying to play one more season with

victory over UTEP.

HOUSTON (AP) — Case Kee- the Cougars by asking the NCAA num limped into the team's audito- for a medical exemption. Or, he rium on crutches Tuesday, a bulky could turn his sights to next year's By TOMMY MAGELSSEN STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech soccer was hungry for more than a win Friday night against Oklahoma, and it showed in a 3-1 victory.

"Friday night was huge," defender Whitney Sharpe said. "We always get to go to Chipotle if we win, so it's kind of one of our motivations. But on the road is huge in the Big 12 — it's just a good feeling.'

The defender missed Tech's (8-3, 1-1 in Big 12 Conference play) final nonconference game of the season with a leg injury, but she said she was glad to be back out on the pitch.

The win at OU was Tech's first Big 12 road win since the 2008 season. Sharpe transferred from traditional soccer power UCLA, and is playing in her first year with the Red Raiders. But playing in the Big 12 can be a little bit different than playing in the Pac-10 Conference, Sharpe said.

"It's a lot different," she said. "The next two weekends are big, and last weekend was big. It seems every weekend is a big weekend versus Pac-10 being one of the higher teams, you pick and choose your big weekend, but it seems like it's always a big weekend here."

Despite the victory against Oklahoma, the Red Raiders came out flat against No. 8 Oklahoma State, losing 2-0. However, the team played much better in the second half, and Sharpe said she believed they would at least score

Two of Tech's three losses have come against Top 10 teams, but that doesn't make losing any easier, she said.

"I think we're mad either way," Sharpe said. "We don't care how high they're ranked. I think it's even more of a motivation — we on to me about is turning and get even more pissed off that we didn't take our chance to move

The Big 12 boasts one of the toughest leagues top to bottom, said Tech coach Tom Stone. After the first weekend of play, only two teams failed to log a point.

Forward Dawn Ward netted in Tech's first conference goal of the season against Oklahoma. The sophomore said the team needs to work hard to maintain their fast start.

For the first time this season, the Red Raiders were outshot in back-to-back games. The Sooners outshot Tech 14-9, while the Cowgirls maintained a 23-6 shot advantage.

The shot deficit needs to be a point of emphasis this week in practice, Ward said.

"In practice, one of the main things that coaches always get going to goal — especially in the 18-yard box. And I think that's something that is going to have to happen in order for us to have

a good season." However, the defense needs to help the offense by limiting the number of shots given up, Tech defender Morgan Johnson said.

"I thought our defense could have been a lot better," Johnson said about the loss to Oklahoma St. "I think we could have reduced that shot amount. I think (we need to) have more of a commitment in getting to the ball and winning it."

Tech hosts a pair of home games this weekend for the first time since Sept. 12. The Red Raiders take on Colorado (5-4-1, 1-0-1) at 7 p.m. Friday and Nebraska (8-3, 1-1) at 1 p.m. Sunday at the John Walker Soccer Complex.

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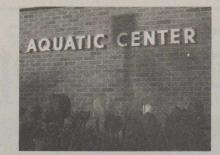
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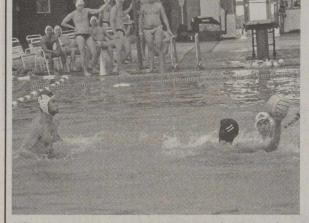
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