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System in place for Tech emergencies

Training available online to educate students, staff, faculty

By BROOKE BELLOMY
STAFF WRITER

In the event of an emergency at Texas Tech, more than 40,000 members of the Tech community would be notified of the situation through TechAlert!, an emergency communication plan for the university.

The system has the ability to send e-mails, call cell phones and landlines, as well as send text messages, said Ronald Phillips, University Council and Tech's emergency management

coordinator.

Those receiving the emergency communications are students, faculty, staff and even parents of students who have registered to be included in the system. Phillips said the number of participants registered in the system has increased every year since its implementation in 2007. The system also alerts local media. Information regarding the situation would also be posted on the university's website.

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Tech sets 2nd consecutive student enrollment record

About 1,500 more students on campus this fall than last

By DEREK MOY
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech has surpassed its previous enrollment record this fall with 31,637 students enrolled.

Last year, Tech reached a 30,000-student population mark and has not looked back since. There were 1,588 more students enrolled this semester than the previous fall semester.

Ethan Logan, director of undergraduate admissions, said this year has seen the largest freshman class as well as

the largest enrollment in Tech's history.

"Right now, currently, can we handle the load in terms of what the student population looks like?" he said. "Yes, but we'll need to start making decisions about the future of Texas Tech and how we operate if we're going to continue to grow."

A variety of programs are in place to bring prospective students to West Texas, Logan said. The Student Tele-counseling Program allows current students to call potential students and inform them of Tech's benefits.

"We hire students, and they come out and basically work a phone bank and are calling prospective students to talk to students," he said. "There's no better recruiter to a new student than a current student."

There are challenges to increasing enrollment at Tech, Logan said.

"The challenge to recruit to West Texas, at Texas Tech University, we're geographically, we're distant from large metropolitan areas beside ourself," he said. "We're also challenged because the West Texas part of Texas is not the grow-



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ing population centers in the state; those are along the I-35 corridor."

Tech has about 6,500 students living on campus and that's near capacity, Logan said. New dorms, new food venues and new class schedules have all been considered.

Michael Shonrock, senior vice president of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs, said support for the growth is necessary and on the way.



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Engineering illustration Tech professor co-creates children's book



PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador

ENGINEERING PROFESSOR MICHELLE Pantoya is a co-author of "Engineering Elephants," a book introducing children to engineering.

By BRITTANY HOOVER
STAFF WRITER

Explaining complicated concepts such as the basics of engineering to children can be tough, especially with their endless questions, short attention spans and preoccupied hands. A Texas Tech engineering professor and a West Texas A&M engineering professor used their creativity and experiences as mothers to describe to young children what exactly engineering is.

After searching for resources to

explain engineering to their children, Michelle Pantoya, professor of mechanical engineering at Tech, and Tech graduate Emily Hunt, an associate professor of mechanical engineering at West Texas A&M University in Canyon, co-authored "Engineering Elephants," a book targeted at children ages two to 10.

The two authors met at Tech when Hunt, who graduated in 2005, was a graduate student of Pantoya's. The engineers remained friends and discussed the challenge of explaining

their occupations to their children.

"We sat with our kids every night and read them stories," Pantoya said. "Not once at the library or at the bookstore had I found a book that talked about engineering."

The goal of the book was to introduce children to engineering in a fun and whimsical fashion, said Pantoya, who is originally from California. The idea started as a hobby but soon turned into a passion for her.

"It's fun work," she said. "It's so different than my usual work, which is

heavy on the research side. We study nano-energetic material combustion in our lab. This is a far cry from that. Thinking about this is kind of relaxing in a way, and it sort of balances all the work we have to do."

"I don't think of this as work. It's for fun, but it's certainly impactful."

The two writers worked for more than a year and a half playing with ideas of what to incorporate in the book and how to relate it to children.

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Library mobile beta application provides 'on-the-go' access

Mobile website offers research capabilities from smart phones

By JASMINE BRADFORD
STAFF WRITER

Imagine having the Texas Tech librarians' knowledge at your fingertips, or even that one last source that you need for a research paper on hand. The Library Mobile Beta application, created by the university library, now provides such resources.

Library mobile is a condensed portrayal of the original university library website that consists of databases, librarian contact information and hours the library is open. Programs included on the mobile website, such as EBSCO, WorldCat and IEEE Xplore, provide research material for students every step of the way.

Kaley Daniel, director of com-

munications and marketing and a member of the library website support team, has worked with faculty throughout the library to establish the beta mobile version.

"The website support team is always looking to be pushing the envelope," Daniel said. "If you're not mobile, you're not in the game."

To launch the website, the team plans to campaign through TechAnnounce, table tents, city bus poster contracts, e-mail to faculty, poster push across campus and a website news story.

"We did a soft launch of the beta site with very minimal marketing, but we're soon to roll out the bigger marketing campaign and really spread the word," Daniel said.

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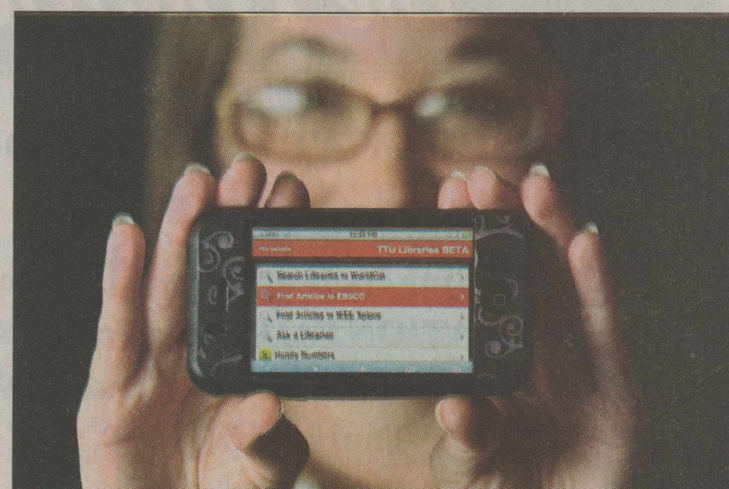


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KALEY DANIEL, DIRECTOR of Communications and Marketing for the Texas Tech University Library, displays a beta version of the library's mobile website.

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Professor publishes book covering political change in Texas history

By **BRIAN HOWARD**
STAFF WRITER

Author Sean Cunningham, an assistant professor of history at Texas Tech, recently published his first book titled "Cowboy Conservatism: Texas and the Rise of the Modern Right" chronicling changes in political views throughout Texas' history.

Cunningham said politics are rooted in his family history, and that he has always been interested in the political spectrum.

"My grandfather was a politician in the Amarillo area," he said, "and what has always fascinated me is the sporting nature of politics, including the ability to sell ideas and rally support."

After growing up in Lubbock, Cunningham attended Tech where he received his undergraduate and masters degrees before moving on to Florida where he earned his Ph.D.

"My background in public rela-

tions and marketing at Tech led me to become very interested in how political candidates convince people to support them," he said.

The book traces the development of the national Republican Party from 1964-80, which is one of the biggest changes in Texas politics history, Cunningham said.

"Most people know Texas used to be dominantly democratic," he said, "however many young people still do not know the underlying reasons as to why Texas shifted to become dominantly republican."

According to Cunningham's novel, to study the political transformations that shaped Texas it is necessary to take a look at the state's political culture in the 1960's and 70's.

"Texas experiences many changes in the tumultuous decade of the 1960's," Cunningham said, "including anti-war protests, opposition to Vietnam, confusion over civil rights and

even Christianity was falling under attack by the courts."

This led Texans to perceive the world over to be under attack in response to divisions in the Democratic Party, Cunningham said.

"Many Texans who had been democratic but conservative decided loyalty to the party was not worth it anymore," he said.

Media entered the political realm at this time as well, Cunningham said.

"Shaping all of this is the influence of mass media and the nationalization of politics," he said. "Icons like Ronald Reagan were embraced by Texans as one of their own, which can trump loyalties for image rather than tradition."

In his book, Cunningham writes that Regan's ability to connect conservative republicanism with mainstream Texas values led many Texan's to deny tradition and change allegiance to the republican party.

"By becoming republicans at the national level and then later on at the state level," he said, "most Texas conservatives felt more comfortable and more at home."

Fred McCormick, the Publicity and Rights Manager for The University Press of Kentucky, worked with Dr. Cunningham to get out press material and review copies as well as deal with media appearances.

Professor Cunningham's book helps explain the dramatic shift and implications that large political swings, such as the one seen in Texas, can have for regional and national politics, McCormick said.

"A functional democracy is dependent on informed voters, and understanding the how and why of major political shifts is part of what helps to make informed voters," he said, "and those who do not understand history are doomed to repeat it."

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Man accuses pastor of multiple sex encounters on church property

ATLANTA (AP) — One of four men accusing megachurch Bishop Eddie Long of coercing them into inappropriate sexual relationships says that he and the pastor would have encounters before and after services on church grounds.

Jamal Parris told WAGA-TV in Atlanta that they engaged in sexual acts at Long's home, in his car and his office at New Birth Missionary Baptist Church. Parris made similar claims in a lawsuit last week.

Also Wednesday, Spencer LeGrande told WSB-TV in Atlanta that he has been free since filing a lawsuit against Long. He says he has no hate for anyone and is praying for Long.

The four are suing Long in state court, saying the TV preacher seduced them in exchange for clothes, cars, cash and trips.

A spokesman for Long had no comment on the men's latest statements.

Research Department utilizes social media to boost tier-one status efforts

By **KATHERINE ROWE**
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Office of the Vice President for Research recently launched its new social media campaign to help promote its tier-one status aspirations.

Taylor Eighmy, the vice president for research, said social media is only a part of becoming a tier-one research university.

"We just completed a strategic plan for the university that, in 2020, we will be at a much more profound level of activity around research scholarship and creative activity," Eighmy said. "We expect to be the equivalent of the great research universities in the United States. Part of the process of getting there in 10 years is really focusing our successes on research, both to our internal audiences and our

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external audiences."

He said that their audience, including potential and current students, faculty, staff and external partners, are in tune with social media, and by using social media, the Tech research facilities are connecting with them in the best way possible.

Eighmy said the office implemented Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and Flickr about a week ago.

Kristina Butler, senior editor of research communication, said when Eighmy came to Tech, the research de-

partment was not utilizing the Internet.

"We are working on a website redesign for the office of the vice president for research," Butler said. "When Dr. Eighmy came, it was a perfect opportunity to change the face of research and our goal of becoming a tier-one research university."

Butler said social media and Web presence is just a portion of what it takes to become a tier one research university.

They have other requirements to meet, but they hope to use social media as a way to get information to researchers,

undergraduates and faculty researchers.

She said it was important for them to have a good online strategy for research.

Eighmy said research audiences are growing far more interested in seeing video clips about research activity than reading about them.

He hopes it will grow substantially over the next year as more news about research activities, scholarly successes and creative activity is released. His office is expecting to receive more engagement from their audience through social media.

"It's also happening institution-wide about what we're doing in the president's office, the provost's office and with athletics," Eighmy said. "It's just the way that we communicate these days."

Lisa Low, the associate director of emerging media and digital communications, said her team collaborates and consults with other organizations and offices across campus that are interested in social media.

"We teach people why it's special and why it needs to be a two-way communication avenue and why you need to be listening and questioning, especially on Facebook," she said.

Eighmy said he hopes with the use of social media, the office will be able to attract more interest to the research department, interact with their audience and meet their goal of becoming a tier-one research institution.

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JOSEPH JABER, A freshman advertising major from Sugar Land, performs a series of spins and flips off of the diving board at the leisure pool on Wednesday.

Book

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"When you have an audience of young children, only about half of the stories you read to them actually capture their interest," she said. "From experience, books that have an engaging, interactive style are the ones that work the best. Kids like those books; they want to hear them."

"If you know children, if they like a book, they want to hear over and over again. Ideas kind of become ingrained in their minds and stay with them."

They decided to make the book interactive by raising questions to the reader, Pantoya said.

"Like, 'Do engineers make elephants with long swinging trunks?' Well, no. The kids can yell out 'No, they don't make elephants or volcanoes or rainbows.' They understand what engineers do not do," she said.

Then, the young audience can understand the idea of the kind of work engineers do easily, Pantoya said. The book explains many facets of engineering, including biomechanical engineering, energy and nano-fibers, by showing the readers things they are familiar with, like roller coasters and race cars.

Introducing children to complex vocabulary was also important for the book, said Pantoya, who has four boys of her own, ages 3, 5 and twins who are 8.

"We use momentum to hold you in your seat (on a roller coaster)," Pantoya said. "That word momentum is a higher-level word. Children up to 8 probably have not heard that word used in common conversation. The more you use words like 'forces' and 'momentum,' the more familiar the kids will become with them."

The illustrator of the book, Holly Steward, attended high school with Hunt and submitted illustrations for the book.

"They ended up loving them," said Steward, who is a teacher in Mississippi. "I am a kindergarten teacher. I'm very excited to do this project. There are not many great books geared toward science curriculum, and this book gets kids excited about what they can be."

When coming up with drawings, Steward thought about her 8-year-old son and what he would think is funny.

She tried to create illustrations that would get him excited about learning.

"If you can take the text and put a picture with it, it makes kids think about it a little deeper than if they had to think it up themselves," said Steward, who also has a 10-year-old daughter. "It makes a little easier for them."

After getting the book together, Pantoya and Hunt sent the work to about 30 publishing houses and heard back from six, which took almost another year, Pantoya said.

To the authors' surprise, Slaton School District used "Engineering Elephants" in its summer school curriculum for third through fifth grade, Pantoya said. The book was the cornerstone for the entire three-week program.

"When we wrote this book, we thought it would be parents reading it to small children," Pantoya said. "It has become a book that can be integrated into elementary education as a jumping-off point for further developing concepts to the degree the age group needs it to be."

Hunt, who has three children, ages 4, 5 and 7, said the immense response from fellow engineers with children is shocking.

"We've been really surprised; we get e-mails daily from people that we don't know thanking us for writing it," she said. "They say, 'I'm working in the engineering field and I never had a way of talking to my kids about what I do.'"

One of the biggest rewards from the book was when a second-grade class drew sketches of what they would do if they were engineers, Pantoya said.

"All these creative drawings from these young children melted my heart, they really did," she said. "I thought, 'Oh my goodness, have I inspired these kids? If I have even a small role to play in that inspiration, I so much more than accomplished my goal.'"

She hopes the children who are inspired by her book now continue with their interests in engineering, Pantoya said.

"I get these kids now that are excited about engineering and didn't know what (engineers) did before," she said. "They will keep that excitement with them, naturally, as they get older and hopefully they will even decide to pursue that as a career."

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South Plains Fair entertains, attracts guests with acts from around country

By **ALEXANDRA PEDRINI**
STAFF WRITER

Attracting more than 160,000 guests in the 2009 season alone, the Panhandle South Plains Fair looks to surpass that number in this year's fair week.

With options like roasted corn, funnel cakes, corn dogs, turkey legs, fried pies, fried Snickers and fried cheese on a stick, fair goers had their pick of what to eat.

Martha and Manuel Coenstancio, a married couple from Lubbock, said the best part of the fair is the food. Buying candy, corn dogs, popcorn and turkey legs, the couple said they ate everything they were looking forward to at the fair.

"The turkey leg was pretty good," said Dylan Billings, a freshman agriculture business major at South Plains College from Kingwood. "It was pretty big and pretty greasy."

Many of the food vendors were from various organizations and companies in Lubbock and small surrounding towns, and some vendors use the fair as a fundraiser.

The New Testament Baptist Church has had a stand roasting corn for more than 10 years, said church member Lonnie Kirk. The church works at the fair to raise money to send their youth program to camp each summer. Because the camp cost is so high and some of the families may not be able to afford the trip, the church chose to hold this fundraiser so every student can go. As long as the students work during the week, they can go to camp absolutely free of charge.

"We feel that it's important for (these students) to go to church camp, so we feel that it's important that we pay for them," Kirk said.

Compared to other fundraisers the church could have that are a lot more work, he said this is simpler and much more profitable.

Other fair attractions include free shows and concerts, such as animal shows, Rock-it the Robot, Lamb Chop and a hypnotist. Performing part of his act for weeknight viewers, Ron Diamond began showing audience members how some of his hypnosis works. After making it appear that he shrank and enlarged his head, Diamond explained why these hypnotic illusions don't always work for some people.

Other mobile attractions include The Gooseman's Dirty Dozen Puddle Jumpers and Rock-it the Robot. Rock-it is a nine-foot-tall robot that makes his way through the fair grounds singing, dancing and talking to those who pass by.

Paul Messerschmidt, his dozen geese and his all-purpose ferret make their way around the country in fairs, parades and on national programs such as "Good Morning America" and on CNN.

These geese have done more for this Iowa resident than allow him to spend over 80 hours



PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador
THE 2010 SOUTH Plains Fair offers guests a variety of food vendors to choose from as well as rides and entertainment from across the country.

a week dressing them up for parades and fairs. They are part of the reason Messerschmidt is alive today, he said. Because of a medical condition, doctors told him he had less than a year to live, but after learning walking would help with his condition, he began taking his geese out around the block.

It once took him hours to walk the block with his geese, and now they walk more than 100 miles a year in various costumes.

Along with his dressed up geese, Messerschmidt brings his all-purpose ferret, Bojangles. He tells children who stop by to play with him that Bojangles can do anything, including be their own flashlight, hot water bottle and act as a toothbrush with three

flavors of toothpaste that come out of his tail. This act is a joke, he said, but the children get a laugh out of it.

Although many repeat fair-goers were happy with their experience, Dixie Lepard from Lubbock, who has gone to the fair every year for more than 70 years, said she was not happy with how this year's fair turned out.

Her major complaint is the lack of Future Farmers of America show animals and natural resource exhibits. Because students are limited to the amount of school they can miss, they can't keep their animals at the fair all 10 days it is running, so there are empty pens and nothing to look at. She said there was very little showing what makes this region

so different from the rest of the world.

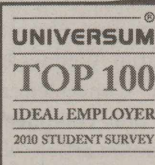
"I don't see the quality that it used to have here," Lepard said. "Things aren't what they used to be. I just think it's lost a lot of its feeling of what a hometown is about and what this part of the country is about."

The focus of the fair has shifted from the exhibits showing where the money comes from in the area and the culture of West Texas to the midway and fried foods, she said.

"They have the same (foods) as before, but it's not the quality," Lepard said. "It's all mass-produced."

The fair will be open through Oct. 2 at 1012 Ave. A.

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Extending tax cuts would be bad idea

Do you know the definition of insanity? According to Albert Einstein, it is doing the same thing over and over and expecting a different result.

For the past nine years, we have lived under the tax cuts of the Bush administration that were supposed to be a savior of our economy. Instead, we are facing grim economic outlooks.

Come December, it will be time for those cuts to expire. You would think this would be a no brainer. It is quite obvious these tax cuts have not created the growth that was expected. Why is the assumption that if you renew these cuts the economy will get better?

If these cuts actually worked then our country would not be in the position that it is in now.

Republicans, however, continue to argue that an increase in taxes now would be a bad thing and an extension would be a good way to stimulate the economy because giving people more money, especially businesses and corporations, means more money to spend.

William Gales, of the Brookings Institute and former staff economist for George H.W. Bush, argues that a good stimulus needs to have a big bang for the buck spent.

"As the CBO notes, most Bush tax cut dollars go to higher-income households, and these top earners don't spend as much of their income as lower earners," Gale reported for

Paul Williamson



The Washington Post. "In fact, of 11 potential stimulus policies the CBO recently examined, an extension of all of the Bush tax cuts ties for lowest bang for the buck."

The government could better spend money from tax revenue on things like unemployment benefits, tax credits for job creation or aid for state governments.

Many also argue that small businesses would be harmed. Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) argued allowing the cuts to expire would be "a job-killing tax hike on small business during tough economic times."

This claim is kind of misleading. The problem is that no one can determine small business ownership just from tax charts and statistics, according to Derek Anderson reporting for *The Atlantic*.

An individual can receive small business income from being a consultant, a speaking event, etc. All can be filed under the small-business portion of tax reports.

Anderson reported that 24 percent of people reported some form of small business income but that is not indicative of small business ownership. Only 2.5 percent of people declaring small

business income would actually see a hike in taxes.

However, another way to look at it is how many people declared more than half of their income as small business. That number is 30 percent, according to Anderson.

However, again, that does not mean 30 percent of people will see a spike in taxes on the small business income because we don't know ownership.

And extending them also would not help long-term investment.

Gale reports that with tax cuts comes government debt, which in turn hikes up interest rates, and this hike in rates actually caused the price of investment to go up as a result of the tax cuts.

But what about entitlement spending, like Social Security, and the new health care bill; they are the reason for our debt.

There is some truth to that, yes. However, the Congressional Budget Office projects that allowing the cuts for the wealthy to expire will add \$700 billion to the debt. That is the cost of another "bailout" that conservatives constantly squirm over.

All I am asking is for our government to no longer be insane and do something different.

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Live by 'Buried Life' example

Earlier this week, on Monday, Sept. 27, the season premier of "The Buried Life" aired for its second season. The show is a documentary of four guys who made a list of 100 things they wanted to do before they die, and for every item they cross off their list, they help and encourage others to go after their own lists.

The second season started off with "streaking at a stadium and getting away with it." They also

RoAnne Romo



next day with help from the producers of the show.

Because they didn't get away with it, they weren't able to cross it off their list, but they did kill two birds with one stone by knocking off "spending a night in jail."

"The Buried Life" is probably the only show I give credit to MTV for producing. I love the meaning behind the whole show; it's absolutely hilarious, and (as an added bonus) the boys are de-

licious.

If the boys of "TBL" walked up to you right now and asked you, "What do you want to do before you die?" what would you say?

Seriously think about it right now. I'll wait.

Write a book? Kiss a stranger? Backpack across Europe? Ride in a van with hippies? Swim in the fountain outside the library? Be a part of a protest?

What would you do?

All of the opportunities are surrounding us, but we've become so narrow minded to what's in front of us that we can't see the doors we can walk through.

So many people nowadays have these dreams they want for their lives but continually put them off. But the biggest question of them all is: What's stopping you?

Carpe diem. Seize the day.

We are all living in the monotony of our own lives. Wake up, school, work, homework, watch TV, sleep. Over and over and over again.

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GUEST COLUMN

UT incident further proves licensed concealed carry on campus necessary

I am writing to comment on Jon Arnold's column from Wednesday's edition entitled, "Concealed carry on campus will only complicate matters." Mr. Arnold's article was based on nothing more than an abundance of emotional "what-ifs" when it comes to the licensed concealed carrying of handguns on college campuses. At no point in the article did he use facts or expert testimony to make his case.

After what happened Tuesday at the University of Texas at Austin, I can understand why many people have taken the side against allowing the licensed concealed carrying of handguns on college campuses. The University of Texas community experienced a horrific event, and I extend my thoughts and prayers to them today. However, we should not let our emo-

tions interfere with the facts of the argument.

Mr. Arnold obviously failed to do his research. Currently, 26 colleges in the United States (71 different campuses) allow existing CHL (concealed handgun license) permit holders to carry licensed concealed handguns on campus. Those allowed to carry on campus are the same individuals that are allowed by law to carry licensed concealed handguns in restaurants, movie theatres, shopping malls and other off-campus locations.

Of all colleges in the country that allow campus carry, not one has had a violent incident involving a CHL holder, resulting in their wide support of the law. Of course, this comes as no surprise after the Texas Department of Public Safety concluded that Texas CHL holders are more than 14 times less likely to

commit a violent crime in their life than non-CHL holders. If it works at institutions in other states, why wouldn't it work in Texas?

Similar to Texas Tech, the University of Texas at Austin is a "gun-free zone." That means that no one – not even CHL holders – are allowed to carry guns inside of campus buildings. Unfortunately, as we saw happen at the University of Texas, gun-free zones are impossible to enforce on most college campuses. This stacks the odds heavily in favor of an active shooter and heavily against the law-abiding CHL holder.

Of course,

many argue that since there is typically a high ratio of campus police officers to students on college campuses, police would be able to quickly take out an active shooter, eliminating the need for students to carry licensed concealed handguns on campus. Unfortunately, it can take several minutes for officers to respond to the scene of a campus shooting, leaving many helpless bystanders to wait, which is exactly what we saw happen at UT.

In the case of the UT shooting, Mr. Arnold argued that if a CHL holder were to draw his weapon in an attempt to take out the shooter, "anyone calling 9-1-1 [would be] not only describing the actual threat but the permit holder, as well." Although this is a huge what-if statement, let me say this: When a person undergoes training for his CHL, one of the most important topics taught in class is exactly how to deal with the police when they arrive. I am confident that any CHL holder in that situation would know what to do.

Finally, Mr. Arnold used a quote from John Woods, who lost his girlfriend after she was killed during the Virginia Tech massacre. A point that should be made is that a CHL holder is trained to draw his weapon only in the event that his life is in danger. A CHL holder would not draw their

weapon simply to "go in and be [a] hero," as Mr. Woods stated. Although I feel much sympathy for Mr. Woods, he speaks on pure emotion and as such, he should not have been referenced at all in the article.

Despite Mr. Arnold's belief to the contrary, allowing licensed concealed carrying of handguns on college campuses would allow individuals to protect their life, if, heaven forbid, the same situation that happened at the University of Texas was to happen on Texas Tech's campus. I implore Mr. Arnold to seek facts the next time he writes an article on a topic as controversial and misunderstood as this one.

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Uganda, Montana's treatment of sexuality wrong

By MIKE MUNZENRIDER
MINNESOTA DAILY (U. MINNESOTA)

The Montana GOP and the Ugandan Parliament aren't usually known for seeing eye-to-eye on many policy ideas, but there is at least one instance where their priorities are shockingly in line: They would both make homosexuality a crime.

The situation in Uganda has been on the radar for almost a year. The Ugandan "Anti-Homosexuality Bill" was introduced last October by a member of its parliament, David Bahati. Due to wide-ranging international pressure, the bill's more draconian measures have been blunted, but it would still call for the execution of gays and lesbians who had sex while HIV positive, or who practiced homosexual acts more than once. The bill has yet to go to vote.

The Montanan side of the story came to light a little more than a week ago.

The Associated Press reported that in June, the Montana GOP adopted a party platform that included this statement: "We support the clear will of the people of Montana expressed by legislation to keep homosexual acts illegal." The plank itself is a vestigial part of policy left over from 1997, when the state Supreme Court overturned a law that had made homosexual acts illegal. It's both amazing and troubling that the policy has persisted for so long.

As with any embarrassing revelation, members of the Montana GOP are split. Some are reacting with incredulous surprise, like Republican state Sen. John Brueggeman, who said, "I looked at that and said, 'You've got to be kidding me.'" He continued, "Should it get taken out? Absolutely. Does anybody think we should be arresting homosexual people? If you take that stand, you really probably shouldn't be in the Republican Party."

On the other side, some Montana

Republicans are tacitly backing the plan, yet with hedged answers all the same. "There had been at the time, and still is, a substantial portion of Republican legislators that believe it is more important for the Legislature to make the law instead of the Supreme Court," said Montana GOP Executive Director Bowen Greenwood.

While Brueggeman unflinchingly calls an unjust measure exactly what it is, he continues on to explain how intellectually dishonest it is, in light of other Republican values. On the other hand, Greenwood seems to want to cover his ears and yell, 'Activist judges!' all the while propping up the abhorrent idea.

As of right now, the plank is still a part of the official platform. While it does not advocate for the same cruelty that the Ugandan bill does, in essence, both statements mean the same thing: Homosexuals are second-class citizens.

Gold standard would be ultimate check on inflation

By SERGIO GONCALVES
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Today, worries about inflation are justifiably widespread. In the past, there was a check in place to prevent inflation from spiraling out of control: sound money. Unlike the Federal Reserve Notes used in our daily transactions today, which are actually nothing but pieces of paper, sound money is backed by a commodity, usually gold. The advantages of sound money over fiat paper money are numerous.

Simply stated, gold is highly valued by people – paper is not. The more Federal Reserve Notes in circulation, the less each individual note is worth. Inevitably, in order to finance the government's ever-growing welfare state and its increasing interventions overseas, the Fed will be forced to print more money. How does this impact you? As the Fed prints more money, you will be able to

buy less and less with a one-dollar bill until you won't be able to buy anything. As the French Enlightenment thinker Voltaire noted, "Paper money always returns to its intrinsic value – zero."

Although the value of gold can decrease, gold will never be worth zero. As long as people continue to regard gold as an extremely valuable metal, a gold-backed currency will always have some intrinsic value.

A gold standard means each dollar bill would be backed by gold. Thus, our currency would be worth more than it is today, and the purchasing power of a dollar bill would be higher than it is today. People would afford more goods and our country's overall standard of living would improve considerably.

Furthermore, a gold standard would restore the American ideal of limited government by providing a check on inflation. As Ron Paul and Lewis Lehman note in "The Case for Gold," there

is a fixed amount of gold in the world; consequently, only so much money could be printed. Unless politicians wanted to commit political suicide by raising taxes, unconstitutional government programs would inevitably have to end. For instance, there would be no money to fund unnecessary wars that weaken our national defense. Likewise, entitlement programs and corporate welfare programs that unjustly punish the judicious and reward the irresponsible would have to end.

If the United States adopted sound money, the term "dollar" would be defined as a fixed quantity of gold. Suppose a dollar was defined as five grams of gold. This would mean that one could go to a bank and exchange a one-dollar bill for five grams of gold, or vice-versa. The beauty of this is that the definition of a dollar would be fixed, and people would have a much more accurate idea of where they stand for the long term.

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Top model speaks to students, emphasizes beauty is limitless, not only external

By CAROLINE COURTNEY
STAFF WRITER

Whitney Thompson, the first plus-size model to win "America's Next Top Model," said healthy is beautiful in a speech at the Student Union Building Tuesday night.

"We have totally unrealistic expectations of what we should look like," Thompson said. "We see these fake, airbrushed women in magazines and think that's beautiful. It's not beautiful - it's fake."

Thompson said the fashion industry causes impractical expectations of beauty by enforcing extreme restrictions on what is considered beautiful.

"Designers use girls who haven't gone through puberty so they will be skinny enough," said Thompson, shaking her head. "One designer said 'I don't want my models to be anorexic. I just want them to look like they're anorexic.'"

The average woman's size for the United States is 14. The average plus-size model in the fashion industry is a six, Thompson said.

"When a size six is considered plus-size," Thompson said, "you know something is wrong. Today, anyone who looks at a magazine or watches commercials is influenced by these unrealistic conventions of beauty."

Thompson said the pressure from the fashion industry leads almost all models to eating disorders, and the more disturbing fact is that it leads fashion consumers to eating disorders.

According to the South Carolina Department of Mental Health's website, the average age when girls begin dieting in the United States is 8 years old, and some women are beginning to dilute breast milk with water to prevent babies from becoming fat.

The most shocking statistic is 80 percent of 10-year-old girls are more afraid of becoming fat than they are of a parent dying, getting cancer or nuclear war, Thompson said.

This trend of unhealthy eating

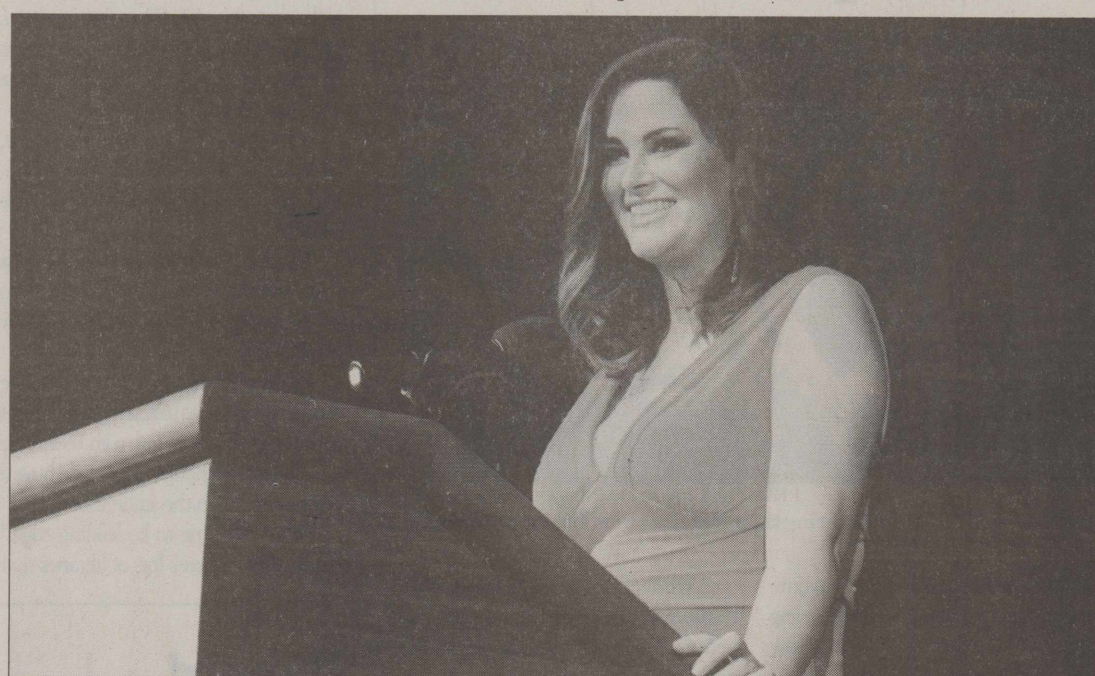


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WHITNEY THOMPSON, CYCLE 10 winner of America's Next Top Model, speaks to Tech students Tuesday about her experience as a plus-sized model and being confident in your body.

among young girls led Thompson to be on "America's Next Top Model."

"I was so repulsed and disgusted with the fashion industry," said Thompson, who was allowed half a can of tuna and an apple each day when she was a regular model. "But I had to spread the message that there is no one definition of beauty, and since then I have spread my message all over the world."

Since "America's Next Top Model," Thompson has become the spokesperson for the National Eating Disorders Association and a role model for girls all over the world by promoting positive body image, despite size.

"If your boyfriend thinks you need breast implants, you don't need breast implants. You need a new boyfriend," Thompson said as the crowd applauded and cheered.

Ariana Dominguez, a freshman from El Paso, said she came to hear Thompson speak because she wanted a confidence boost and some inspiration.

"I've never watched 'America's Next Top Model,'" Dominguez said. "I had no idea who Whitney Thompson was, but I'm really glad I came."

Dominguez said she was amazed at the statistics of eating disorders among young women and the fact that girls began modeling at 14 years old.

"The biggest thing I took away tonight is her quote that beautiful is not a size," Dominguez said. "It's not an age and it's not a procedure."

Katie Farmer, the nightlife coordinator for the Tech Activities Board, said a lot of college students have poor body image and invited Thompson to speak because she believed Thompson would entertain, educate and motivate the audience.

"We're constantly comparing ourselves to models and airbrushed celebrities," Farmer said. "These people's lives are literally revolved around looking perfect. I believe that learning to love our bodies and love ourselves is important, despite what society tells us."

Farmer said most people feel singled out from what society instructs us to look like. She said Thompson has experience being singled out as the only plus-size model and hopes Thompson can share her advice on overcoming adversity.

Janae Pyle, a sophomore biology major from Muleshoe, came to see Thompson speak because she loves "America's Next Top Model" and enjoyed watching Thompson, specifically.

"I came out knowing that beauty is not a shape or a size," Thompson said. "It's being healthy. Her speech was really motivating and really funny."

While Thompson focused her lecture on body-image issues, she kept the audience laughing with her descriptions of her experience on "America's Next Top Model."

"After they dyed my hair," Thompson said, "I looked in a mirror and thought, 'Great, I look like Barbie - big Barbie.'"

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Puzzles by PageFiller

In Sudoku, all the numbers 1 to 9 must be in every row, column and 3 x 3 box. Use logic to define the answers.

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Evan Million, a junior electronic media and communications major from Austin, said he thought the text message communication feature of TechAlert! was most beneficial to students.

"It's the fastest way to contact anyone," he said.

Dean of students Greg Elkins said the safety of Tech students is a chief concern of the university's.

"Situations like (Tuesday's shooting at UT) remind us we need to be conscious of our safety," Elkins said.

The university has the training video "Shots Fired: When Lightning Strikes" available to view online to help students, faculty and staff prepare for an active shooter situation. The video offers step-by-step instructions and real-life situations that encourage students to adapt a survival mindset so they can survive an active shooter situation.

"It's a good video that gives insight into what might happen and what to do if it happens," Phillips said.

Both Phillips and Tech chief of police Ron Seacrist encourage all members of the Tech community to watch the video.

"Go online and click on the video and remind yourself of what to do," Seacrist said.

Because no two emergency situations are the same, Seacrist said Tech police officers are extensively trained and will respond according to the specifics of each unique situation. There are some standards that are followed, he said, such as contacting local law enforcement, blocking off campus and initiating TechAlert! to alert the Tech community.

After neutralizing the situation, he said, Tech police secure the area, and it is considered a crime scene.

Among other places on campus, he said, officers are specifically trained in neutralizing situations at the university library.

Seacrist said he advises anyone to stay inside, lock any doors and to not come out in the event of an active shooter on campus.

"Campus safety is something the university takes very seriously," Phillips said, "and dedicates time and resources to (campus safety), with the hopes (a shooting) never happens."

To receive TechAlert! updates or watch the active shooter training video "Shots Fired: When Lightning Strikes," visit the university's emergency communications center website at www.emergency.ttu.edu.

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TIPS FOR A CAMPUS CRISIS

In the event of an active shooter on campus:

- Adapt a survival mindset: "I will survive. I will never give up. I will live."
- Get out: if you can, trust your instincts, leave belongings.
- Call out: call 911, don't assume someone else will call, be persistent as lines may be jammed.
- Keep out: find a room that locks, blockade the door, spread out, be silent.
- Help out: help others escape, keep others away from dangerous areas, help the injured.
- Be prepared to provide to law enforcement: the location of the shooter, the number of shooters, a physical description of the shooter(s) and the number and type of weapon(s).

Source: "Shots Fired: When Lightning Strikes" video

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High Riders continue to support, promote Tech women's sports teams

By BRITTANY HOOVER
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech senior Ashlie Haas recalled one of her favorite memories from a Tech sporting event as the day the Lady Raiders beat Oklahoma State University in 2008.

"We took a travel trip to OSU spring of '08," Haas said. "It was so much fun. We got to cheer against the whole stadium of Oklahoma State. They're a really good team, and we beat them... the team invited us into locker room and we had a little cheer rally."

Haas, an electronic media and communications major from Deer Park, is the president of the High Riders, a women's spirit organization dedicated to promoting and supporting Tech women's athletics by upholding the principles of service, spirit, leadership, tradition and sisterhood.

The group attends all women's sports with the exception of golf and cross-country, Haas said. They also have a secret spirit program where they leave cards and gifts for athletes and coaches in their locker rooms before big games or tournaments.

Catherine Tilley, a junior special education major from Midland, acts as the organization's pledge trainer. She said she enjoys decorating the teams' locker rooms and surprising them.

"I really enjoy making gifts for the athletes and going to the women's events because there are usually not a lot of people there," Tilley said. "It's nice to be supportive."

One of their most unique activities is ringing the victory bells after a Tech win.

"It's a really cool experience for everyone who gets to do it," Tilley said. "It's very energetic and fun."

High Riders also participate in community service projects, Haas said. They are currently looking into new opportunities like possibly coaching a girls' basketball team.

"This year, we're also trying to get in-



THE HIGH RIDERS cheer on the Texas Tech volleyball team during their match against Baylor Wednesday night.

volved with the (Boys and Girls Clubs of America), the Lubbock chapter," she said. "One option is to pick up the students from their house and take them to a community event. We're wanting to involve them with the High Riders, like taking them to soccer or other sporting events."

Last year, the group helped Guadalupe-Parkway Neighborhood Centers raise money by selling brisket tacos, said Karina Perry, the sergeant at arms and standards officer for High Riders. They also accompany Raider Red when he goes to community events.

For Perry, a junior restaurant, hotel and institutional management major from San Antonio, the community service aspect of High Riders is one of the most rewarding. As a National Honor Society officer and a girl scout, she participated in many volunteering projects throughout her youth.

"I had a lot of community service in high school," she said. "I had, like, 3,000 hours or something like that. Coming to High Riders, I'm glad to have an organization that supports community service since it's such an important part of my life."

Haas is one of two women who pledged their freshman year, fall 2007, and are still participating in High Riders

during their senior years. Her favorite part of being a High Rider is showing support for the women's teams, whose games are less attended than men's sports, Haas said.

"Especially for women's athletics, you don't get a lot of support within a stadium, like tennis, no one goes," she said. "With volleyball, we have a hard time getting attendance up because, well, we're not that good. I think it's important for athletes to know people care about what they do and how they play."

"It's important that they know people support them and they're not just out there alone playing their game."

The spirit organization sits together in the stands and tries to cheer loudly and keep morale up throughout the games, Haas said. Sometimes, members get too involved in the game and become angry with officials, which is not allowed.

"One thing we're not allowed to do is talk against refs or say anything bad against calls made," she said. "You know how Tech did the silent treatment, it's kind of like that; we just put our guns up."

In instances where a member gets too excited, Haas said, the member will be asked to sit down or leave the game.

"We feel we are upholding Tech tradition," she said. "We usually sit behind the other team in basketball and volleyball. We represent Tech and its values, you know, 'Strive for honor, evermore.' It's important that we're not crazy and rude to the other team."

The High Riders hold rush every fall and spring semester, and pledges are required to learn all the different aspects of being a member of the spirit organization, Burrow said.

Burrow enjoys being a part of the High Riders because it gives Tech women a group that is involved with athletics.

"It mostly just gives an option to girls interested in athletics but are not necessarily good enough to play a sport," she said. "It lets them be a part of the program and get to know coaches and players. It's neat to learn about all the traditions at Tech from the past. It's like a sisterhood."

Not only is being involved in High Riders an enjoyable experience that leads to future opportunities, it gives the members a good sense of accomplishment, Haas said.

"I feel like I'm doing a good thing by going to sporting events," she said.

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Mobile

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With research from other versions of the mobile library, the library web support team established a resourceful tool for Tech students to use, whether they are out eating or on their way to class. The website can be accessed on the computer, also, to give students and faculty a sense of how easy it is to navigate the website with just a few clicks.

Along with Daniel, Kathrin Dodds, who leads the website support team, took part in creating the library mobile website.

"It's really great for on the go," Dodds said. "We also have a survey on there to get feedback from students to let us know what they love and what they hate."

In creating the mobile website, the support team hopes to add more databases to enhance the beta version and continue to make major changes that could have a positive effect on the student body.

"We are trying to be leading edge," Dodds said. "There's lots of libraries that

are coming up with their own mobile websites, and we know that's where the students are. They are always on their phones, and we want to be right there."

Some students have already started using the website to their benefit for class assignments, projects and even to talk to their librarian.

Jonica Knight, a junior biology major, has no problem using the mobile library website to get her work done.

"The website is easy to navigate on my BlackBerry," Knight said. "I can do many things, from researching articles for my biology paper to simply checking the library hours."

To access the mobile website, you can visit www.library.ttu.edu/m on your smart phone. The menu gives the option of using the various databases and library catalogs worldwide as well as many other tools to make it easier to search for what is needed.

"The on-the-go university library is such an awesome resource when I don't have time to visit the library or when I'm not near a computer," Knight said.

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"I think we've anticipated the growth and tried to place in the types of support services necessary," he said. "We've added a bit more to the bus systems, we're adding more options for on-campus food service, we've already started some planning, long-term, to add up to 2,000 more residence hall spaces on campus - apartment style."

Tech has hired Noel-Levitz to help with enrollment management, Shonrock said. Tech also has a Strategic Enrollment Planning Council, which consists of more than 40 members, including students.

"Our plans are to have at least a draft of a strategic enrollment plan for the undergraduate part by the end of the fall semester, which will have very, very specific strategies and action plans on how to implement," he said.

Enrollment is only part of the process, Shonrock said. Having high retention rates, transfer students, out-of-state students and students graduating are all part of maintaining Tech's image.

"We've just got to look at how we can accommodate the schedule for students in

such a way," he said. "Ultimately, we want to make sure you get the courses you need to make progress and graduate."

Chancellor Kent Hance said his plan to have 40,000 students by 2020 has been a success so far. When he came to Tech, the enrollment had been down for the previous few years.

"It shows that the strategy I advocated when I came here of going to 40,000 students by 2020 is working," Hance said. "Anytime you make a change at a university this large, it's not done overnight."

The student-to-faculty ratio is of high importance to Hance, and he said President Bailey has had an aggressive campaign to recruit faculty for the past three years.

Tech isn't lowering its SAT admittance score, he said. In 2007, the average was around 1092 and for the past three years, they have been above 1100.

"We've kept our standards high," Hance said. "I didn't want to lower our standards and just to get more students."

The current graduate enrollment at Tech is 5,505, which has grown every semester since Fall 2003. There are 2,451 transfer students, and credit hours have increased 4.8 percent.

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Rangers beat Mariners 6-5 after K error

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Nelson Cruz has already hit three game-ending home runs this season for the Texas Rangers. This time, they won when he struck out.

Mitch Moreland raced home from first base with the winning run after a wild pitch and a throwing error on Cruz's strikeout with two outs in the ninth inning, lifting the AL West champion Rangers over the last-place Seattle Mariners 6-5 Wednesday.

"I sent Nelson up there to get it done, and he got it done," manager Ron Washington said.

Though certainly much different than expected.

Cruz came on as a pinch-hitter after Moreland drew a two-out walk against Dan Cortes (0-1). The slugger with 22 homers struck out, but reached on a wild pitch that bounced past catcher Guillermo Quiroz.

Quiroz retrieved the ball, but threw wildly into right field trying to get Cruz at first. Moreland never stopped running and beat the throw home by right fielder Ichiro Suzuki.

"When I checked my swing, I saw the ball went by (Quiroz)," said Cruz, who then heard umpire Wally Bell call strike three. "And I ran hard."

By time Moreland touched second base with the ball in the outfield, third base coach Dave Anderson was already waving for him to keep running.

Neftali Feliz (4-3), the third Rangers reliever, struck out one in a perfect ninth.

The Rangers had scored three runs in the eighth to tie the game at 5-5, scoring on a bases-loaded walk and another wild pitch by Cortes.

"We've seen the good and the bad with young kids," Mariners interim manager Daren Brown said. "I can't remember ever losing a game that way but I just saw it."

It was the first time a game ended on a play that began with a strikeout since Aug. 3, 2005, when Philadelphia beat the Chicago Cubs 4-3, according to Elias Sports. Pat Burrell struck out with the bases loaded in

the bottom of the ninth, but Jimmy Rollins scored from third on a passed ball by Michael Barrett.

Cortes had been the first Seattle reliever since 1993 to open his major league career with consecutive appearances without allowing a runner when he struck out four while retiring the first six batters he faced. Nothing went right in the right-hander's third game.

Taking over for Jamey Wright in the eighth with two runners on, Cortes started with nine consecutive balls. The first walk loaded the bases and the second forced home a run before Julio Borbon hit an RBI single and a wild pitch allowed the tying run.

"I made a few mistakes, walked those two guys, and it cost me," Cortes said. "When you walk two guys like that, it's a sign of some weaknesses and they could tell some pitches weren't working. They take advantage of that."

Quiroz's throw was to the infield side of the bag, and rookie first baseman Justin Smoak was set up on the foul side. Suzuki made a strong throw home, but Moreland beat it.

Moreland had entered the game in the second when David Murphy left because of a strained left groin. Washington said Murphy was having an MRI exam and they would know more Thursday.

Smoak, sent to Seattle when the Rangers acquired ace left-hander Cliff Lee on July 9, homered for the third straight game against his former team. He hit a two-run homer in the first off Rich Harden, who might have made his last start for Texas.

The Mariners led 5-1 after Quiroz had a double in the sixth and scored when Suzuki reached on an error by shortstop Andres Blanco.

Texas (88-70) can still reach 92 wins, the mark that team president and co-owner Nolan Ryan had set as a goal before the season with a sweep in the upcoming four-game home series against the Los Angeles Angels.

Tech defense expects variety from ISU attack

By MIKE GRAHAM
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech football is just two days away from playing its first game since the Texas loss nearly two weeks ago.

Head coach Tommy Tuberville is as anxious as anyone for the Iowa State game to kick off.

"We need to play, we actually need to play today," Tuberville said after Tuesday's practice. "It's too early in the season for us to have an open date but we had it and now we're fresh, ready to go. Attitude's been great, we have great senior leadership and everyone is ready to go to Ames, Iowa, and see if we've improved."

On the other side of Tech's plane ride to Ames, Iowa is a 2-2 Iowa State team.

The Cyclones, who lost their Big 12 opener to Kansas State the same day Tech lost to Texas, could very well have entered Saturday's game with a major setback. Quarterback Austen Arnaud was injured with a non-throwing arm shoulder injury in Iowa State's last game, a 27-0 win against Northern Iowa.

Fortunately for Iowa State, Arnaud was cleared to play early this week, giving the Cyclone's enough time to prepare for Tech (2-1, 0-1 in Big 12 Conference play) knowing for sure Arnaud will be the starter.

Arnaud has performed above average thus far, completing 69-of-105 passing attempts for 590 yards and two touchdowns. He also has 139 rushing yards and a touchdown on foot.

Another concern for the Tech defense is the Cyclone offense is sure to give them a variety of looks.

"They're a spread offense but they come out in various formations," linebacker Tyrone Sonier said. "They like to utilize their tight end a lot. They're very versatile. They can come out and run the ball out of the I-set or they could line up in five-wide. They're a very disciplined team, very aggressive and they

don't really beat themselves."

An encouraging stat to Red Raider fans, though, is Iowa State's offensive average yardage of a little less than 300 yards per game while the Tech offense averages 345 yards despite the poor performance against the Longhorns.

On the defensive side of the ball, the Cyclones seem anxious to see how they measure up to the Red Raider offense.

Iowa State defensive back Jeremy Reeves expects Tech to come out throwing after the Red Raider offense sputtered to a -14 rushing yard total in their last game.

"It's a challenge for the (secondary)," Reeves said. "The last three games we've faced primarily running teams but this time they're passing the ball. But we go up against it every day against (our) offense. We're going to get double the work this week and it's going to be a big challenge for us."

"You love a team that passes a lot because it gives you an opportunity to show your skills and get pass breakups and interceptions. So we love to play teams that pass the ball."

Tech quarterback Taylor Potts has just two interceptions in three games, however, and running back Baron Batch said Tech will still run the ball against the Cyclones.

"I think we've done really, really well in practice with it," Batch said. "Even against Texas we ran the ball effectively it's just we didn't run it enough. When it comes down to it though you just have to make plays. In the Texas game, we were in bad down-and-distances a lot of the time so we didn't run it as much as we would have liked. But we're going to get that back on track."

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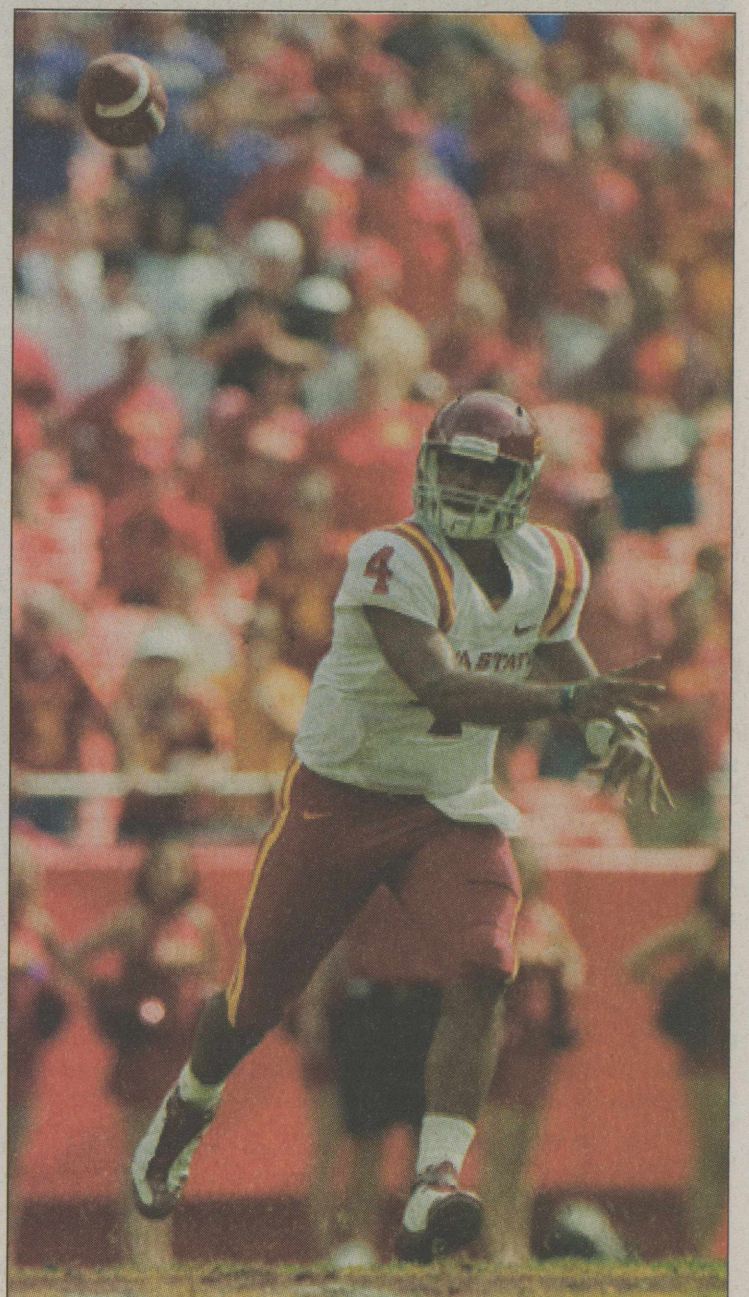


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IOWA STATE QUARTERBACK Austen Arnaud makes a pass against Kansas State Sept. 18. Arnaud, a dual-threat quarterback, will lead a Cyclone offense looking to show different formations against Tech's defense.

Best preparation is off the course for Ryder Cup

NEWPORT, Wales (AP) — Preparations for the Ryder Cup were intense and inspirational. There was laughter and a few tears. One thing players from both sides agreed on was the importance of rallying behind the flag.

And that was before anyone hit a shot Wednesday.

A rain-filled day at Celtic Manor shifted the attention to the team rooms, and even that became somewhat of a contest.

U.S. captain Corey Pavin gathered his troops for a motivational speech by Maj. Dan Rooney, a decorated F-16 fighter pilot from Oklahoma with the rare distinction of being an Iraqi war veteran and a PGA professional.

"It was pretty emotional, actually, but a good kind of emotion," Pavin said. "It was very quiet when he was talking."

The voice in the European team room came over the telephone, and it was chilling — Seve Ballesteros, the symbol of European pride and determination in the Ryder Cup. The Spaniard, stricken with a brain tumor, is unable to travel.

"We have enough motivation in our team room," captain Colin Montgomerie said. "I was after some passion. And by God, I got it."

Ballesteros sounded like he wanted to tee it up himself.

"Go get them so hard that they'll all be caddies in the future," Ballesteros told them, according to the Swedish Golf Federation website.

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

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- Bouillabaisse
- base
- "Coffee Cantata" composer
- "Once I had ... love and it was ...": Blondie lyric
- So out it's in
- in unison, musically
- Caffeine source
- One of Israel's 12 tribes
- Bird bonnet?
- Shows scorn
- Director Wertmüller
- Hound over a debt
- Bird boo-boo?
- Fluty of "A Raisin in the Sun"
- Favorable times, as for pics
- Marshland
- Afternoon services
- Mazda MX-5, familiarly
- Granola grains
- Bird brain?
- Author Silverstein
- First first name in Olympic gymnastic tens
- Cardinal Cooke
- 1,000 G's
- Free TV ad
- Suffix with expert
- Bird backpackers?
- Cubs, on scoreboards
- Morlock haters
- Clawed
- Bird bottoms?
- "Tootsie" Oscar winner
- Ireland, to poets
- Cuba, to Castro
- Polecat relative
- Something to take lying down
- It helps you get up
- Orchestra section

DOWN

- 1997 Depp title role
- Close again, as a change purse
- Unlisted ones
- Cornered, in a way
- Frightful
- Milky Way, e.g.
- "Be ...": "Help me out"
- Georges Braque, for one
- Burn
- Oberhausen
- "Oh"
- Considerable amount
- Traditional song with the line "Je te plumerai"
- Blue state
- Zola novel
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By David Poole 9/30/10

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Tech loses Dowdy to injury in loss to Baylor

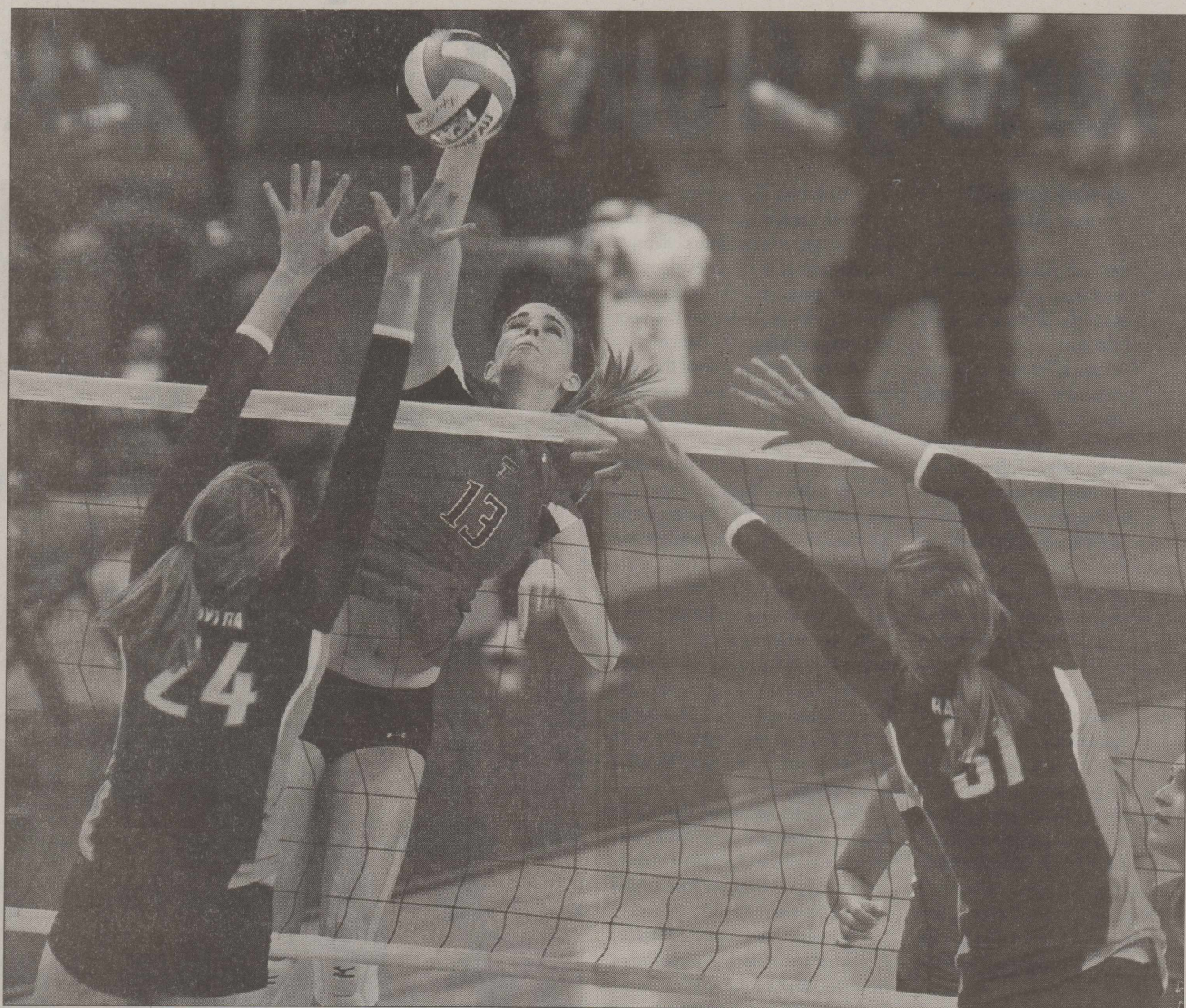


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AUBREE PIPER, TEXAS Tech middle blocker and outside hitter, spikes the ball between Baylor's Ashlie Christenson, left, and Elizabeth Graham Wednesday night in the United Spirit Arena.

By **JOSHUA KOCH**
STAFF WRITER

Taking another Big 12 Conference loss is tough enough.

But losing arguably your best player — in this case outside hitter and middle blocker Amanda Dowdy — may be too difficult to overcome.

"Hopefully someone will step up and it's one of those things where sometimes I think we rely on her too much," Tech coach Trish Knight said. "I think everybody needs to start getting in the frame of mind that they need to step up and not wait for her to do everything."

Dowdy went down late in the third set taking a swing at a ball, coming down on top of a Baylor player who was across the line resulting in a right ankle injury. Dowdy didn't return to the

match and could be forced to sit out one to two games according to Knight.

Immediately following the injury, Dowdy remained on the floor in pain until trainers came over to assess the injury.

The air was seemingly taken out of the United Spirit Arena as Dowdy was assisted off of court.

So the Red Raiders had to finish the game without her.

Tech began the match much different than they're accustomed to, opening the match on an 8-2 run behind the serving of sophomore defensive specialist and libero Candice Neill.

But Baylor (8-7, 1-3 in Big 12 play) slowly chipped away at the Red Raiders' lead and once it was cut down to one, Knight burnt her first timeout to try and get the momentum back.

But Tech didn't have the spark

coming out of that timeout and the Bears took advantage to take a 17-15 lead.

A big tip by middle blocker and outside hitter Aubree Piper, after a battle between the teams for the lead point, gave the Red Raiders a 20-19 lead.

But that was the last lead the Red Raiders would have in that set as Baylor went on a 6-0 run to take the first set.

Neither team took a commanding lead in the second set until a Piper serve went into the net and started a 5-0 Baylor run.

The Bears never looked back, taking over the rest of the set to go on a 7-1 run and take an 18-7 advantage, eventually winning 25-13.

After the intermission Baylor opened the final, and decisive, set on a 4-0 run, but the Red Raiders surged back to cut the Bears' lead to two.

That was as close as the Red Raiders were going to get as Baylor won the

set 25-18, clinching their first Big 12 win of the season.

"Overall I felt that we played pretty consistently," Neill said. "I mean we had a few slip ups there was a lot of times where we made to many errors in a small amount of time. So we had to try and catch back up, but unfortunately we came up a little short."

The Bears return to Waco this weekend to face Oklahoma and the Red Raiders (2-12, 0-5) will stay in Lubbock to face Kansas Saturday in the United Spirit Arena.

Considering Tech's rapid start and flat finish, setter Karlyn Meyers said maintaining consistent play throughout an entire match will be the key to winning.

"It's a spark just like you said and we need to keep that ignited and turn it into flame," Meyers said. "You can win one (set) off a spark, but your not going to win a match."

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Armstrong staff member goes to LA courthouse

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A staff member for Lance Armstrong's Team Radioshack went Wednesday to the grand jury room at a federal courthouse where prosecutors are presenting evidence of alleged doping in pro cycling.

Exercise physiologist Allen Lim was seen reporting to the grand jury room around 9:30 a.m. Wednesday. He was greeted by an assistant U.S. attorney overseeing the probe, which has issued subpoenas and solicited testimony about whether Armstrong and other cyclists took banned substances.

Lim also has ties to disgraced cyclist Floyd Landis, who accused him in an e-mail earlier this year of helping him cheat during his career. Lim has denied the allegations put forward by Landis, who was stripped of his 2006 Tour de France title for doping.

Grand juries meet in closed session and testimony is sealed. It was unclear how much time Lim spent before the panel, which broke for the day late Wednesday. Lim did not return a call seeking comment.

Armstrong has won the Tour a record seven times. The Austin, Texas, cycling great has repeatedly denied allegations he took performance-enhancing drugs.

Federal authorities have declined to comment on the investigation,

which is being aided by Food and Drug Administration Agent Jeff Novitzky, who previously investigated steroid abuse in Major League Baseball and track and field. Novitzky also was seen in the grand jury area Wednesday.

Lim is the latest Armstrong associate to be summoned by prosecutors. Last week, longtime Armstrong friend Stephanie McIlvain appeared before jurors in an all-day session.

Her attorney later said McIlvain told the panel she had never heard Armstrong admit that he used banned substances.

McIlvain was present in the hospital room where Armstrong was being treated for cancer in 1996, when former teammate Frankie Andreu and his wife, Betsy, claim the cyclist told doctors he used performance-enhancing drugs.

Several of Armstrong's former teammates also have been contacted, and a person with knowledge of the probe told The Associated Press that former cyclist Kevin Livingston might also testify before the grand jury as early as Wednesday, though Livingston was not seen in public areas of the courthouse. Livingston was a U.S. Postal Service team member with Armstrong in 2000. The person spoke on condition of anonymity Tuesday because the investigation was ongoing.

Lee, Figueroa lead Astros to victory over Reds 2-0

CINCINNATI (AP) — Clinching a division championship caught up with the Cincinnati Reds a day later.

Carlos Lee had three hits and Nelson Figueroa took advantage of a Cincinnati lineup missing all of its regulars as the Houston Astros beat the newly crowned NL Central champions 2-0 Wednesday night.

Manager Dusty Baker rested every one of his starting position players on the day after the Reds clinched their first division championship and postseason berth since 1995.

"I haven't seen too many teams win the day after they clinched," Baker said. "(Thursday), most of the team will be out there. We were so high (Tuesday). You've got to pick yourself back up the next day."

Figueroa (6-4), who had been 0-2 in his previous three starts, capitalized with 6 2/3 shutout innings. He allowed six hits

and three walks.

"It was one of those things where I knew a few of those hitters from playing against them," Figueroa said. "There were a bunch of guys I have never gotten a chance to face. As the pitcher, you have the advantage. My biggest thing was to get ahead of them and put them away early."

Wilton Lopez relieved with a runner on base and struck out pinch-hitter Jay Bruce, whose game-ending home run Tuesday night clinched Cincinnati's division title.

Fernando Abad pitched a perfect eighth and Brandon Lyon allowed a single in the ninth for his 20th save in 22 chances. Matt Lindstrom has 23 saves, making Houston the fifth team in major league history with two pitchers recording at least 20 saves in the same season. The last was the 1992 Reds, who had Norm Charlton with 26 and Rob Dibble with 25.

Houston manager Brad Mills appreciated the versatility.

"Anytime you can get a guy at the back end of the game that you have confidence in, it's pretty special," Mills said.

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Golf finishes 8th at PING/Golfweek Preview

By THORN COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

For the first time in Texas Tech history, the No. 22 Red Raider golf team was invited to play in the Ping/Golfweek preview, which tends to feature 15 of the nation's top teams from the previous year.

Tech may have also done its part in leaving a solid first impression at the event, finishing the tourney in eighth place. The Red Raiders finished behind three Big 12 Conference rivals: Texas, Texas A&M and tournament winner Oklahoma State.

Tech golf coach Greg Sands said finishing behind three conference rivals leaves a bad taste in their mouth, but said he is happy with his team's overall play, especially in the first and third rounds. "We played two solid rounds," Sands said. "We kept ourselves in contention with our first round and had the second-best round in the tournament on the final day."

When asked about his team's finish, Sands said he wasn't satisfied with being in the middle of the pack but considering the level of competition, it is an acceptable finish. "Our middle round hurt us," Sands said, "I thought we should have shot 10 strokes lower than we were, which would have put us in fourth headed into the final day."

Tech senior Nils Floren carded his first top-10 finish of the 2010 season with a four-over par for the tournament. Floren shot a one-under in his second round and an even par in his third round to put him in a tie for sixth place overall.

Senior Matt Smith shot a final round two-under par to climb into a tie for 13th place, placing two Red Raiders in the top 15 for the first time this season.

Sands said the play of his seniors helps keep the team in sync, and it is good to see them play consistently well. Senior Will Griffin turned in two consecutive four-over par rounds to finish the tournament in 32nd place. Junior Tyler

Weworski and redshirt freshman Chandler Rusk both turned in final day three-over par rounds to help the Red Raiders push into that eighth spot.

Sands said the other members of the team showed good things throughout the tournament, as well, but need to play consistently well to compete with upper-tier competition. He said they have what it takes to be good — the younger guys just lack experience.

However, Sands and his Red Raiders hope to make one more appearance at the course they played on during the weekend.

The tournament took place at Karsten Creek Golf Club in Stillwater, Okla. — home to tourney champs Oklahoma St. and the site for NCAA National Championships in June.

"We are looking forward to playing there again this June," Sands said. "The course is challenging and really tests you; we feel we can be successful there."

"We kept ourselves in contention with our first round and had the second-best round in the tournament on the final day."

GREG SANDS
GOLF COACH
TEXAS TECH

Oklahoma State and Texas A&M shoot for 4-0 start



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS A&M QUARTERBACK Jerrod Johnson and the Aggies face Oklahoma St. Thursday for the rights to a top Big 12 South standing.

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — With nonconference play winding down, two Big 12 South schools will meet in an early divisional showdown to remain undefeated.

One team is from Oklahoma, the other from Texas. No, not the Sooners and the Longhorns. This week's lone Big 12 game between undefeated teams is not the Red River Rivalry, but Texas A&M (3-0) at Oklahoma State (3-0) on Thursday night.

Both teams come in without a blemish on their records, but also without much acclaim leading into the nationally televised showcase. It's the first time the Aggies have been on TV this season.

"As long as we play every game like we're supposed to, we'll be where we want to be at the end of the year. It's OK that we haven't been on TV, we'll get our time eventually," said Von Miller, A&M's ace pass rusher.

The game provides the winner the early position as the top challenger to perennial powers Oklahoma and Texas in the Big 12 South, and perhaps a shot at cracking the Top 25.

"Our coaching staff has enjoyed

being under the radar, but our players understand the importance of performing in big games," Cowboys coach Mike Gundy said. "We want them to relax, we want them to go out and have fun and play hard and play with great effort."

Oklahoma State will be trying to carry over its momentum from an eye-popping offensive start. The Cowboys lead the nation with 596 yards of total offense per game and boast the country's No. 1 receiver (Justin Blackmon, 144 ypg), No. 3 passer (Brandon Weeden, 325 ypg) and No. 3 rusher (Kendall Hunter, 158 ypg).

They've scored 65 points in two of their three games, blowouts against Washington State and Tulsa, and edged Troy 41-38 in between.

Texas A&M opened with back-to-back routs and is trying to get back on track after a sloppy 27-20 win against Florida International.

"We had a blowout game and a big confidence-booster, and they had a bit of a scare," OSU cornerback Andrew McGee said. "Now, that could help them in a way, too, because I think it helped us against Troy. It kind of (brought) us back to reality, that you can't sleep on anybody."

Run game critical for Oklahoma, Texas in rivalry

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Since Mack Brown has been coaching Texas against Oklahoma's Bob Stoops, success in the Red River Rivalry has boiled down to one telltale statistic.

Without fail, the team that rushes for the most yards wins. Not since 1997, when John Mackovic and John Blake were on the sidelines, has a team failed to win when having an advantage in the rushing department.

"That's just how it's been going the past 10 or 11 years. You definitely have to run the ball," Oklahoma tailback DeMarco Murray said. "I do know that. I'm sure all the coaches know that. We have to take care of the ball and run the ball. If we do those two things, we have a pretty good chance to win the game."

Here comes the tricky part. Neither eighth-ranked Oklahoma (4-0) nor No. 21 Texas (3-1, 1-0 Big 12) has been able to establish a consistent ground game this season. And both have been unexpectedly gashed by opposing rushers.

Murray started the season with a career-best 208-yard outing against Utah State, but he's been averaging only 3.3 yards per carry since then. The Sooners' defense, usually one of the nation's top run stuffers, is giving up 177.5 yards per game and ranks 93rd in the country.

The Longhorns have had their problems, too.

After losing the BCS title game, Brown set out to develop a power rushing attack in spring drills and training camp. It wasn't supposed to replace the passing attack, but was supposed to get Texas the tough yards when it needed them most.

Through four games, the Longhorns have yet to produce a 70-yard rusher while burning through ineffective tailbacks. Cody Johnson started the first game, then Texas went to Tre' Newton only to next try Fozzy Whittaker. He may start again Saturday, but the Longhorns are now starting to explore how to best use speedy D.J. Monroe.

Texas' defense had been the best



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador
FOZZY WHITTAKER PLAYS a big part in Texas' ability to run the ball, an aspect of the game that's helped decide most Red River Rivalry games.

in the nation, allowing just 44 yards per game against three spread offenses, before UCLA accumulated

264 yards on the ground in a 34-12 win on the Longhorns' home field last week.

Cowboys rookie WR socked with \$54,896 dinner tab

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Dallas Cowboys receiver Dez Bryant knew there'd be payback for having refused to do the rookie rite of carrying teammates' shoulder pads during training camp. The check came due this week at the traditional rookie-picks-up-the-tab dinner.

The damage: \$54,896.

The meal was supposed to be only for offensive players, but

more than 20 guys showed up at a steakhouse — and brought their appetites, said Bryant's adviser, David Wells. The story first was reported by espn.com.

"People had goooood meals," Wells said, laughing. "If you'd never had lobster before, you had it that night."

Steaks, fish and plenty of beverages made for a fun evening, albeit

at a high price. Then again, Bryant is making \$2.8 million this season so he can afford it.

"Dez knew what he had to do and he took responsibility for it," said Wells, who wasn't there but saw the bill. "He made the best of it, nothing negative. He had a good time with the guys, bonding with his teammates."

Traditions like carrying pads and

paying for meals are typical for NFL newbies. However, early in training camp, Bryant wasn't aware he was expected to schlep anyone's shoulder pads, which caused a bit of a tiff with veteran Roy Williams.

This time, Bryant knew what was coming.

"He just didn't know that many people were going to show up," Wells said.

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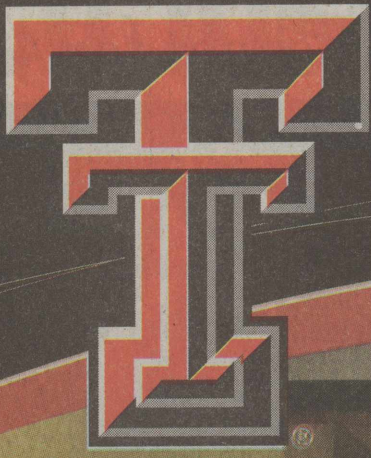
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