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Suddenlink, Tech make 5-year deal

Administrators: Deal allows for easier expansion

> By DEREK MOY STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech and Suddenlink signed a deal Oct. 7 for Tech to receive Suddenlink-provided services for the next five years at a rate of \$8.13 per outlet.

Before being finalized, the contract was amended by University Student Housing to include the basic expanded

lineup, three HBO movie channels and \$20,000 of scholarship money. The monthly service fee for the basic expanded lineup is \$33,089.10 based on the 4,070 outlets Tech has. In addition to the service fee, the HBO channels will cost \$15,262.50 per month based on a price of \$3.75 per outlet.

The Tech Athletic Department also made an addition to the contract, which cut its service charge to \$4.07 per outlet of their 350 outlets. Service for the department will cost \$1,424.50

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Early voting begins today

38 balloting locations available across county

By KASSIDY KETRON STAFF WRITER

Students will have the opportunity to voice their opinions by voting on issues ranging from county and state levels to the federal level this

Early voting begins today and will last until Oct. 29. An early voting center, which will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. today through Saturday and 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, will be set up in the student recreation center for

students to come vote. The center will also be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Oct. 25 to Oct. 29.

Dorothy Kennedy, Lubbock County elections administrator, said although the deadline to register to vote was Oct. 4, students who are registered elsewhere still have the opportunity to vote in the Lubbock elections through a limited ballot at the Lubbock County Elections Office.

"On Election Day we're doing vote centers, which in Lubbock County means that you can go to

any of the 38 locations," Kennedy said. "Wherever you work at or go to school, we have a voting center near you."

On Nov. 2, Election Day, students have the option to vote in the Student Union Building anytime from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. The ballot for the 2010 midterm

elections will be different from years past after a decision was made to add special elections to the ballot in order to be more cost efficient.

Kennedy said topics such as State House District 84 and LISD bond elections will only be available to those who are applicable

"It's a little more complicated than our typical ballot in terms that State Representative District 84, if you live in that district, you will see it twice on

the ballot," Kennedy said. "People who are registered to vote in the LISD bond election will see that on their ballot as well as at least one water district, potentially two water districts."

Kim Davis, president of Nomiss Communication and the head of media relations for the Lubbock County Elections Office, said because of the ballot's length, she recommends voters come out for early voting that lasts 12 hours each day for 11 days as opposed to 12 hours for one day.

There are a total of 150,291 registered voters in Lubbock County, Davis said, but during the last midterm elections in 2006, there was only a 36 percent turnout of voters.

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GAMEDAY | Week Seven

OSU shuts down Tech

Inconsistency plagues Red Raiders in 34-17 loss

> By JOSE RODRIGUEZ SPORTS EDITOR

As the saying goes, there's a first time for everything.

That saying would develop into the theme of Saturday's meeting between Texas Tech and Oklahoma State, as the Cowboys entered the confines of Jones AT&T Stadium looking to do something they had never accomplished in Big 12 Conference play - defeat the Red Raiders in Lubbock.

About three and half hours following the 2:30 p.m. kickoff, it was Oklahoma State, not Tech, which was on the winning end of the 34-17 final score.

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PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador

OKLAHOMA STATE SAFETY Johnny Thomas and linebacker Justin Gent tackle Texas Tech running back Eric Stephens during the Cowboys' 34-17 victory against the Red Raiders on Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

Cowboys snap long losing streak in Lubbock



PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador TEXAS TECH'S D.J. Johnson tackles OSU's Justin Blackmon.

By MIKE GRAHAM STAFF WRITER

Oklahoma State head football coach Mike Gundy was pleased with his No. 20 Cowboys' 34-17 winning performance against Texas Tech on Saturday, calling the victory the best played game of the season for his team.

The win was Oklahoma State's first in Lubbock since it began playing at Jones AT&T Stadium when Big 12 Conference play began, and the Cowboys first win in Lubbock since 1944.

"I thought it was the most complete game that we have played in all three phases," Gundy said. "We started fast on offense, then STREAK continued on Page 7

we went into a lull for a while and the defense picked us up."

Oklahoma State (6-0, 2-0 in Big 12 play) was demolished in their last game in Lubbock - the 2008 matchup that was televised on ABC for the nation to see.

A week before in 2008, Tech had upset then-No. 1 Texas at home to gain the No. 2 ranking, while Oklahoma State entered the game No. 8. Tech crushed the Cowboys 56-20 and remained legitimate contenders in the national title hunt that season.

It was apparent a lot had changed since then in Saturday's

School of Medicine project focuses on preventive health 3rd Barbershop health check to begin Oct. 30

By BRIAN HOWARD

Students in the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center's School of Medicine will begin the third barbershop health check Oct. 30.

Asongu J. Ncho, a second-year medical student and the project's co-chair, said the medical school has teamed up with 13 different barbershops and salons to give Lubbock's medically underprivileged an opportunity to receive a routine health check

in a more comfortable environment.

"Barbershop's owners will tell customers that they can have their blood pressure, weight and blood sugar levels checked," she said. "On the 30th, students will be out there to talk about health and diabetes with the local

The project will target a different population and other demographic areas where there is a lack of basic medical information. Ncho said.

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The Red Raiders hosted their first official practice of the season Friday. SPORTS, Page 7

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Community Calendar

TODAY

Travis Shaffer: Eleven Mega Churches Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (all day) Where: Studio Gallery, Art

Building So, what is it? Shaffer's photography exhibit

displays images that use satellite imagery to examine the branding of churches as an all-in-one supercenter.

Fall Singer/Songwriter Contest Time: 10 p.m. Where: The Blue Light, 1806 Buddy Holly So, what is it? Bring your voice, guitar, sheet music, whatever you prefer and prove you're the best musical artist in Lubbock.

TUESDAY

Fall Microsoft Event Time: 2 p.m. Where: Red Raider Lounge, Student Union Building So, what is it? In conjunction with National CyperSecurity Awareness Month, the TTU Information Technology Division and Microsoft invites students to attend an IT security-focused session that will address evolving security threats, trustworthy computing and more.

"Rosy Fingers of a Navajo Dawn" Lecture Time: 2 p.m. Where: Museum of Texas Tech University So, what is it? The CH Foundation Gallery Talk Series by Paul Zolbrod will discuss the Navajo culture. Free admission and reception.

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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.

Tech class ring replica unveiled

By LISA HYNDMAN STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Alumni Association unveiled a new two-ton giant ring on the Leaders Plaza at the Merket Alumni Center Friday night.

The structure is an exact replica of the official Tech class ring. The bronze ring stands 6-feet-3-inches tall and 6-feet wide. Inside the band, "Strive For Honor" is engraved like all official class rings.

Nelda Laney, national president of the alumni association, said the association wanted something more than a building to represent Tech alumni, so they thought of the giant ring.

"I feel like I'm birthing another child," Laney said excitedly as the unveiling began.

She said the initial funding for the ring was by the Marshall Formby Foundation. The ring was made in Bastrop at Deep In The Heart Art Foundry and put into place at its new home on the Tech campus earlier this month.

Previously, there were several different designs of the class ring, and it was manufactured by multiple companies. In 1999, the current design on the class ring became official.

According to the Merket Alumni Center website, the ring is a part of the expansion project for the center. The new additions include a 10,694-squarefoot expansion of the building, Peggy and Bill Dean Reception Hall, and the Anders Courtyard with a gazebo.

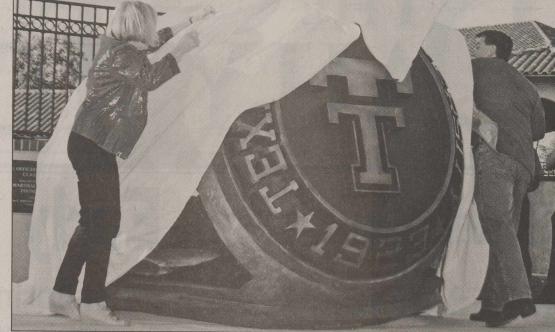


PHOTO BY RIANNON ROWLEY/The Daily Toreador

MANDY WILEY, DIRECTOR of Affinity Merchandise, and Curt Langford, director of Official Rings at Balfour, reveal the 6-foot-3 exact replica of the Texas Tech class ring on Friday at the Merket Alumni Center.

The giant ring is surrounded by several white tiles on the ground. Laney said the association envisions all the tiles to be engraved with names of Tech alumni and organizations that have been significant in Tech's past and future.

"It will be a ring for all students, forever more," Laney said.

Bill Dean, executive vice president and CEO of the alumni association, said the giant ring would become a great tradition.

"It will be a great way to really

memorialize the class ring," Dean said. He said the ring would be the perfect photo opportunity for students who will

be receiving their class rings at upcoming ring ceremonies. Laney agreed and said the ring would be a great tradition for students, family and alumni to have their picture

Tech Seal. We [the alumni association] have a joke where we call it 'Two Tons of Tradition," she said with a laugh.

taken with, like Will Rogers and the

Laney invited Mandy Wiley, director of Infinity Merchandise, and Curt Langford, director of official rings at Balfour, to reveal the ring because they are influential in the making of the ring.

The Saddle Tramps also attended the unveiling of the ring.

Mauricio Vazquez, a freshman Spanish major from Monterrey, Mexico, said he is excited about the ring.

"It's nice to have a ring for all the Red Raiders to enjoy," he said.

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Deal ←

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Athletics will supply Suddenlink with six football indoor club seats with stadium club benefits, eight season tickets, eight men's basketball season tickets, eight women's basketball season tickets and eight baseball season tickets. Parking passes are also included with the season tickets.

The contract also allows Tech to purchase additional outlets for the same \$8.13 price, which will allow the university to grow as its student population grows said Saundra Wilhite, contract manager of the purchasing department for Tech.

"We had to make sure that this contract was going to grow as the university grew," she said. "In order to have 40,000 students on this campus, it just stands to reason we're probably going to have more dorms. If you have more dorms, you're going to have more (outlets). We had to be able to make it easy for the university to utilize this contract as it grew."

The deal was signed Oct. 7, Wilhite said. Suddenlink was

part of the FirstChoice co-op and already received state approval, which made it easier to sign a contract with them.

Janice Forburger, manager in the purchasing department for Tech, said the co-op stopped Tech from having to take individual bids and sped up the process of getting state approval while limiting the cost of the overall contract.

"We just have certain things the state requires us to do," she said. "Being stewards of state money, part of it is to get the best price for the university that we

While deciding on the new contract, Forburger said, there were a number of things that needed to be looked at, including future expansive and finances.

"We're proud of...the university saving money," she said, "because it is a financial benefit to the students - more product for less dollars.'

The old contract with Cox Cable in 1991 made Tech pay \$10,000 per year for 12 years for the company to maintain, install, secure and a host of other services. Cox Cable helped set up the backbone for Tech's current

cable system. The old agreement cost \$12.11 for limited service. The new con\$4 per outlet, Wilhite said. Sean Duggan, managing direc-

tor of University Student Housing, said this partnership with Suddenlink could save Tech \$250,000 over the next five years. "I think we get a great deal on

the services that we provide to the students, so therefore they help us to keep the costs of living on campus down," he said. "We know students want cable television." The addition to the Suddenlink

contract by University Student Housing set aside \$20,000 in scholarship money for 20 students to get a \$1,000 scholarship, Duggan said.

"It's definitely Suddenlink givsame time." ing back to the students who are

tract with Suddenlink saves about , paying for the Suddenlink service, so it's a way that they give back to benefit students on campus,"

> The No. 1 interest of the contract was the students, Wilhite said. Getting the students expanded television with HBO and a cheaper price was a goal that was met.

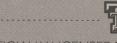
'Of course we have to have it for students," she said, "because if it wasn't for our students, we wouldn't even have our university. So we try to do our very, very best to make sure they get the quality that they deserve and see if we can save the university dollars at the

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"I feel people don't have a right to complain if they don't vote," Davis said. "If your vote isn't heard then you don't have the right to complain about what's going on in our country.

That's my philosophy." Jeff Morris, a MBA graduate student from Rowlett and chairman of the Young Conservatives

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more aware of the concealed carry on campus issue. They have also set up booths to correct students on common misconceptions between Rick Perry and Bill White.

Bill White has been a member of several anti-gun groups and doesn't support the Second Amendment right to bear arms, Morris said.

"Overall, I don't think he's

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of Texas, said the organization the right candidate for Texas," has been trying to make students he said. "We're a red state, and I would hate to see us go to a blue state."

Colin Davis, a sophomore political science major and president of the Tech Student Democrats, said the group has been working to help students register up until the deadline. They also plan to be in the freespeech area of the SUB to direct students to early voting and to give them information about candidates and important issues on the ballot.

There are very important issues that will be on the ballot, Davis said. The two most important are the race for Texas House District 84 and the race for governor.

"We cannot stand another four years of Rick Perry's failed policy, and we definitely want to see Bill White elected," Davis

Derek Cones, a junior anthropology major from Houston, said he plans to vote Democratic because he was raised in a Democratic family.

"I think it's important that students vote because it's our future," Cones said. "Voting affects what we go through, especially the education programs. People in Congress are in charge of that, and we want a say in it."

Drew Graham, a senior public relations major from Frisco and president of the Student Government Association, said communicating with state representatives was important when it came to higher education due to cuts in funding from the government, which raised tuition and fees.

College students have strong opinions, Graham said, but because they don't go vote and voice their opinions, the voting demographics are low for the 18-25 age group.

"After the elections are over and you have people in office, you don't have much control over the decisions that are made," Graham said. "It's better to go ahead and make your decisions now."

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V-Day coalition's 'Dear Hillary' campaign fights against Congo war

By CAROLINE COURTNEY STAFF WRITER

In the past six years, more than 10,000 women and children have been raped and tortured in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Rape has become a weapon of war.

Lubbock Coalition organized a letter-writing campaign outside the Student Union Building urging Secretary of State Hillary in the Congo.

"We want Clinton to fulfill her promise to involve the U.S. in providing security for victims of violence in the Congo," said Amanda Evans, president of the coalition and a graduate student in counselor education from Las Cruces, N.M. "Specifically women who have been raped and mutilated as a tool of war and

The coalition is urging Clinton to enforce Law 109-456, which commits the U.S. to relieve Congo victims and try to help keep the peace.

"We are doing it because it ties in perfectly with our spotlight from the past two years," Evans vivor, so these issues are very said, "which has been on rape in the Congo. Our main platform is violence against women, and we feel that enforcing Law 109 is essential to helping women specifically in the Congo, as they have been targeted for genocide."

While the V-Day Coalition is trying to spread awareness of the issues in the Congo, Evans said it is more about spreading

awareness of an issue that crosses national borders and makes its way onto college campuses like Texas Tech.

"Students as a body have the potential to become a major force in the fight against violence, but some of them don't know what resources are out there," Evans Last week, Texas Tech's V-Day said. "Violence against women is a relevant issue for them, as one in four women will be assaulted while they are in college."

The Dear Hillary campaign Clinton to use her influence to raises awareness for students stop the suffering and slaughter and helps them get involved in something important, whether it's in the Congo or on campus, Evans said.

> "Even if the students who sign the postcards don't get fully involved in the issue," Evans said, "they still leave a little more aware of what is happening to women in the Congo, around the world and in our own community, which is our larger goal."

> Jeanne Haggard, a doctoral student majoring in arts administration, said the coalition's proactive approach to protecting women's rights attracted her to overcome domestic abuse and join the fight.

"I'm a domestic abuse surimportant to me," Haggard said. "I want to support women's protective services and do whatever I can to help the victims because I was there and I know what it was like."

Haggard now uses her voice to help women on campus and across the world. One student Haggard reached out to now wants to help the V-Day Lubbock



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador ADAM PEÑA, A sophomore business administration major from Grand Prairie, signs a letter addressed to Hillary Clinton to encourage her to donate funds to the Democratic Republic of Congo Friday in the free speech area. The table was hosted by the V-day organization in an attempt to remind Clinton that she said she would donate funds to the people of Congo.

Aida Reyna, a sophomore advertising major from San Luis Potosi, Mexico, said she was attracted to the coalition because she realized that just by signing a postcard she could make a difference and potentially change someone's life.

"If I was a woman suffering from violence or abuse," Reyna said, "I would like to know that there is someone that cares and is willing to do something about it and not just feel sorry for me."

About 3 percent of college women experience a completed

Coalition in its efforts to protect or attempted rape during a typical college year, according to a report released by the Justice Department's National Institute of Justice and Bureau of Justice

> With statistics like these, Reyna said she wants to help the group prevent rape and abuse locally.

> "Violence against women is everywhere," Reyna said. "It happens all the time, and the more we educate ourselves about these issues, the more we can help others.'

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Michigan-based Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts prepares for move

(AP)—The Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts in Grand Rapids, Mich., is preparing to move into a new \$13.5 million home next year that's designed to showcase more ambitious works and strengthen its emphasis on took third at ArtPrize, winning arts education.

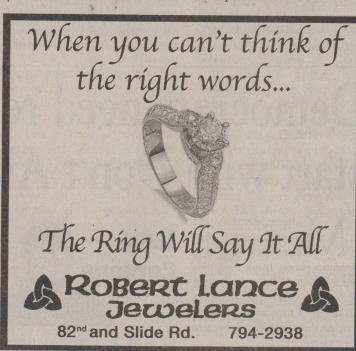
Visitors to this fall's 19-day ArtPrize competition got a sneak peak at the building, which is part of a downtown mixed-use development that includes an apartment tower, parking structure and retail

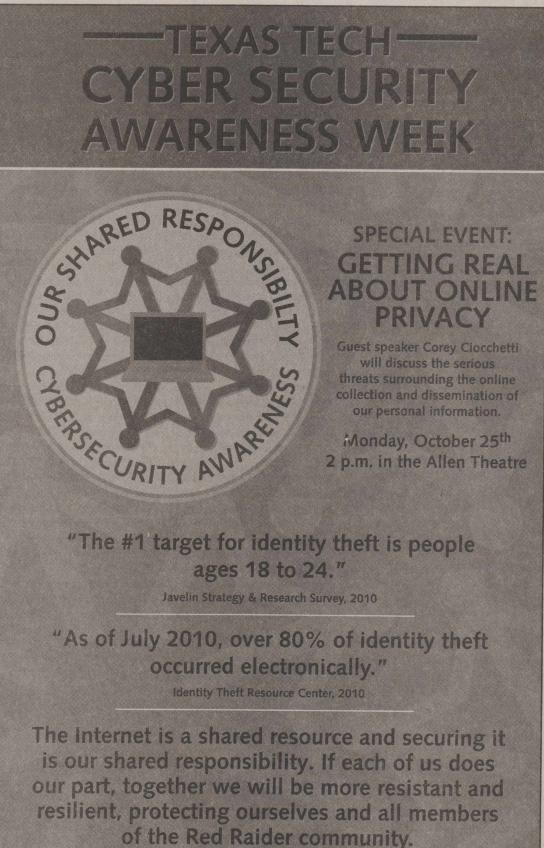
"Even though the building wasn't fully complete yet, we respond to these really unique and visible locations," said Jeff Meeuwsen, executive director of the Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts.

Beili Liu of Austin, Texas, installed "Lure/Wave, Grand Rapids" - made up of thousands of hand spiraled coils of red thread suspended from the ceiling in what will be the arts center's lobby. She \$50,000.

The Grand Rapids installation, she says, was influenced by the building's open space. People often can walk near or through her works, and she created more dramatic waves of color because it would be seen from outside behind glass.

"I adjust my work every time saw an opportunity for artists to I go into a gallery," said Liu, an assistant professor at University of Texas at Austin. "Once I knew that people couldn't go inside, I decided to change the form of the

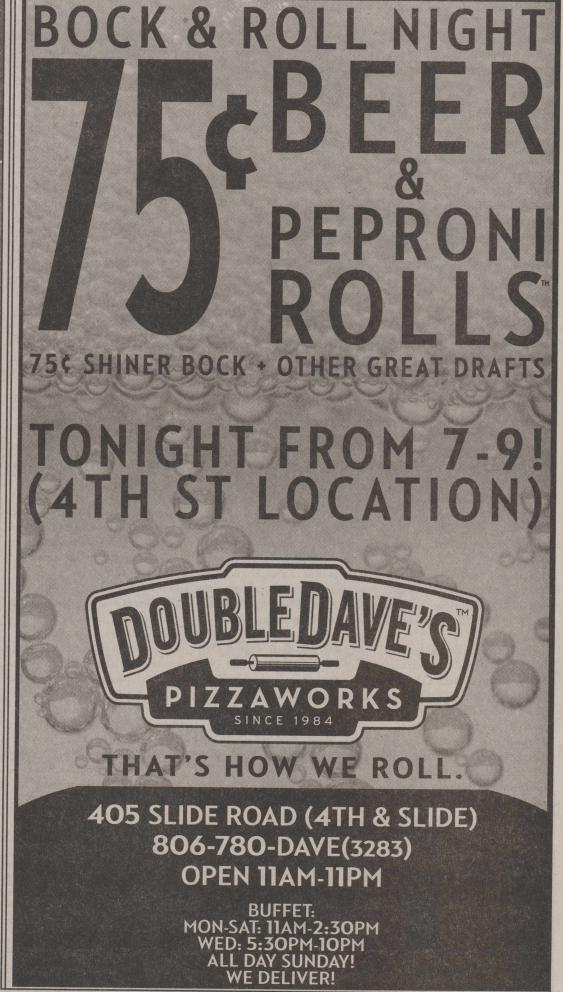




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apitalism and democracy are the notes to which our nation's song is sung; capitalism concerning our monetary system, and democracy concerning our political system of governance.

But what most people don't rightly recognize is that these two concepts, ruling two different spheres of operation, can sometimes conflict.

While typically these areas of friction are trivial and explained away by predetermined boundaries and rules of conduct, there is one glaring example that serves as a crux of this intersection, and that is money in politics. Quintessentially, campaign finance.

This election season is shaping up to be uglier and more expensive than any other midterm election in our nation's history. In the 2006 midterms, an election that was also deemed explosive at its time, interest groups and political action committees spent \$16 million on their efforts to shape the outcomes

Chris

those donors' identities disclosed, according to the Washington Post.

So far in the 2010 midterms, with still a few weeks to go, interest groups and PACs have spent over \$80 million in order to try and sway elections in their favor, with less than 50 percent of those sources

So, have American citizens suddenly become more interested in politics and quadrupled their political donation budgets for their favorite candidates? Hardly.

The unprecedented increase in spending and the growing opacity of fund sources is the direct result of the Ianuary Supreme Court ruling in the citizens united case.

The ruling essentially said that corporations and unaffiliated poof the elections, with 90 percent of litical organizations are entitled to spend an unlimited amount of money to influence elections under the First Amendment of the Constitution, freedom of speech.

This depressing and misguided ruling is evidence that in the crux where capitalism and democracy meet, capitalism wins out. This subverts our democratic rights by translating our votes into dollars and then drowns out those individual votes by larger corporate ones typically unattainable by the average American.

The first argument in favor of the citizens united ruling, used by the majority concurrences, is that these corporate entities are entitled to the same rights as citizens. But this logic is flawed as there are obvious limitations to the rights that a corporation (for-profit or non-profit) can enjoy.

For instance, the First Amendment also grants freedom of religion, and the Second Amendment grants all citizens the right to bear arms. But I don't see any incorporated entities trying to practice a certain religion or walk around with handguns.

Rights is intended for individual of buying happiness and, equally, citizens, and not all of these rights should directly translate to large private institutions.

The second argument the concurring justices used in favor of the ruling was the claim that the amount of money did not matter in influencing the outcomes.

This is like saying money can't buy happiness. Sure, you may not be able to go to Wal-Mart, find a box of happiness on sale and check out with it. But money surely gives you the ability to live the life you want unbridled by the restraints of conventional workweeks at a job you may hate and to purchase pleasant experiences and safety for you, your family and your friends.

But if you happen to

This is because the Bill of believe that money is incapable more, corporate and PAC spendelection results, then why not rule to restrict the amount of money in campaigns instead of increasing it, therefore making it cheaper and more affordable for average citizens to have a chance at running for public office.

It's interesting to note that the 5-4 Supreme Court ruling was a party-line vote, the five "conservative" justices voting in favor and the four "liberal" justices voting

Also, this controversial vote comes on the eve of an election season in which Republicans are desperate to regain power after being decidedly cast

out during the 2008 presidential elections, in which Barack Obama raised unprecedented amounts of money primarily from individual do-

ing aligned with Republicans has outpaced similar Democratic spending seven to one, according to the Washington Post. But campaign finance is a problem not for Republican politics or Democratic politics - it's a problem for American politics.

As more and more money floods our political system and the cost of elections rise, our representatives become increasingly hooked on these funds to simply stay competitive.

This money also increasingly creates barriers to entry for average citizens who would decide to take part in our democratic system and run for office.

These corporate funds slowly restrict representatives' ability to better serve their constituents and will increasingly continue to undermine democratic rights and liberties of American citizens.

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Democrats need revitalization, should start with Don't Ask, Don't Tell policy

idterm elections are usually seen as barometers on how the American people think the president is doing. At least, that's what the pundit cycles tell us. In reality, it is usually a time when power in Congress shifts dramatically because of the electorate.

This year, it seems likely that Democrats will be on the short end of the stick, simply because the Democratic base is less energized than the Republican one. President Obama is pleading with the base to cans can serve, get more excited, get out and vote in the same decisive manner as in 2008.

I'll still be voting Democrat this year. I believe the Democratic Party has the potential to move America forward to where we need to be as a country. However, the fervor of 2008 is not there. The Democratic National Committee doesn't understand it. President Obama doesn't understand it. It's really not that hard to understand — the culprit is easily found in a mirror.

The most egregious example, in my opinion, occurred this week in the evolving saga of Don't Ask Don't Tell. DADT was signed by President Clinton in 1993. At the time, it was seen as a major step forward — the military had up until that point actively kicked out service members who were considered deviant, and the directive instructed the military



not to ask about the sexual preference of members but still instructed the military to kick out anyone found to be gay or lesbian.

This is the place where we are today, where gay and lesbian Ameri-

This is one of the worst pieces of legislation in America today. The United States military does not tell people of differing religions that they cannot join the military. For

me, that's far more likely to cause problems in any group than what two consenting adults do in their free time. Fifty-eight percent of Americans believe that gays should be allowed to openly serve in the military.

Earlier this week, a California federal judge ruled the military's discrimination policy unconstitutional because it "irreparably injures

service members by infringing their fundamental rights." This ruling was preceded by a two-week court case, and it not only nullifies the Clinton directive, but the original 1950 bill signed by President Truman. For reference, the Civil Rights Act, signed by Lyndon B. Johnson, had not yet been signed when the law went into effect.

Obama, during his 2008 campaign, promised that he would *overturn the DADT legislation and let any American serve. Now that

> he's taken a few steps forward, most notably forming a panel to study the effects of repeal. Frankly, this is absurd. The rights of Americans should be the first things the president

defends.

Delaying the

inevitable march

of equal rights has

never fared well for

those who slow it.

However, given the absurdly snail-like pace of the modern American political system, I understand why it may take so long. Especially looking at the depressing statistics for this supposedly progressive Congress on issues of actual progressivism, a little caution could be

The DADT ruling, then, is

perfectly placed for the Democrats, and especially Obama. There is no political risk for them. The ruling, like Brown v. Board, allows for open serving in the military without the blowback on current office holders. It seems like it would be a win-win.

However, the Department of Justice, under the direction of the president, has appealed the ruling. The president says he wants Congress to pass a bill before allowing it to progress. This is simply absurd. Delaying the inevitable march of he's in office, equal rights has never fared well for those who slow it.

This unfortunately is not atypical of this administration. So far, middle of the road health care, fiscal policy that doesn't place any significant safeguards to protect against another recession, and now this. It's certainly better than what existed, but it's not really what the American people elected the Democrats to do, and it's why the excitement is not there this election season.

It's probably too late for Democrats now. But they would be wise to figure it out before 2012, for the good of not only themselves, but for the good of the country. America cannot afford four years of Republicanism.

■ Cardone is a sophomore computer engineering major from San Antonio.

they normally sell, like, lingerie

as a costume! I think that females

should have the same worries that I

have - to wear a costume that's sort

wear red tape that spells out "SEX"

over their breasts and crotch for

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How to anger your roomies

By KERI STEVENS THE DAILY UNIVERSE (BRIGHAM YOUNG U.)

You've probably figured out by now

that your roommates aren't perfect. And guess what? They've discovered the same thing about you.

Moving in with strangers can be hard, and sometimes even more so if you're bunking with a best bud.

Learning to get along with each other's habits, preferences and personality traits can take time, patience and

compromise. Here are a few things not to do if you plan on being liked.

1. Food issues

Don't have any. It's best to eat someone else's.

In shared apartments the best way to stay fed is to eat others' food without asking. Another way, not always as successful but equally satisfying, is to ask permission once and apply that permission for the rest of your living-together time. Sometimes you will be referred to as a mooch. That is OK! Mooch is actually an endearing term. Don't let it persuade you to help buy the apartment condiments, take turns purchasing milk or participate in other such unnecessary worries. Why should you buy more ketchup if there is always ketchup in the fridge when

2. Dishes and other bothersome

you want it?

Don't do them. Someone else will. 3. Be messy. Or super clean and

Cleanliness doesn't have to be next to Godliness in your book. Consider leaving your stuff everywhere. All who bother to step foot in your

apartment will appreciate it. This stuff can include but is not limited to: laundry -- clean or dirty, shoes, homework, nail polish, bathroom items, dirty dishes, letters from home, books, photos, dead flowers, yesterday's bowl of cereal, trash and all other belongings that can take up space. It's best to consider "everyone space" your "personal space."

As for the neat people who live with not-so-neat, sometimes "super messy," people. Nag them. Continually nag them until you feel like they are no longer worthy of your nagging, which will be never, so nag, nag, nag until you can't nag any longer (which will also be never).

4. "The Smelly Factor"

This one is a class favorite. Everyone knows someone who smells and that is you! Congratulations! Living with someone who has incredibly poor hygiene and bad bathroom etiquette is a desired trait of all.

Cut your hair or shave your chin

and want to leave it all over the sink? Go right ahead! Showering is optional and deodorant is unnecessary? No big deal! Leaving nail clippings around the house is also smiled upon.

Leaving wet towels, trash, old makeup, used tissues and all other bathroom items sporadically around the sink, toilet and bath area is normal and expected.

5. Communication Don't bother. 6. Be a House Hog

Allow others to spend more time in the apartment than your roommates do. To do this you should invite random people, aka your boyfriend, girlfriend, best friend, sibling, freshman RA or mother to "move in for the day, everyday" without

Make sure they feel right at home and have free access to the fridge and remote. To be nice allow them to control the noise level of the apartment. This includes letting them choose which piece of furniture they wish to attach themselves to.

It would be a good idea for them to feel like they are doing you and your roommates a favor by being there. That way, your roommates will feel the same way. Then they won't ever want to invite their own friends over, study in the living room or enjoy time on their couch in their own apartment.

7. Be loud. Be very loud.

Nobody cares about disturbing the peace these days, so don't worry about respecting early morning or late night hours. There just aren't enough hours in the day to vacuum your bedroom, so go right ahead and do it whenever you want, even if others are studying or sleeping.

Everyone likes listening to the same songs on replay hour after hour, just like you. So turn it up! The walls in student housing apartments are thick anyway.

Other things to try in case you haven't mastered them yet: slamming doors, talking with your outside voice, turning the TV's volume up to get the surround sound effect and seeing how many times you can hit the snooze button on your alarm clock before your roommate gets up.

Now here's the thing. You could continue secretly hating each other's disgusting habits. Better yet, you could complain to your friends or other roommates but refuse to actually address each other. Go ahead, hate your living-arrangement lives. Nobody else cares.

Or you could sit down as an apartment and talk about things. Decide together that each of you will try harder, and if no one else wants to try, then decide to be better on your own.

It's pretty simple. Share. Be nice. Treat others how you want to be treated and if it still isn't happening, then bite your tongue and be the better person. Help around the apartment and do something nice for someone. Set apartment expectations and then stick to them.

Women, time to get creative, take back Halloween

By CHANCE CARMICHAEL UNIVERSITY DAILY KANSAN (U. KANSAS)

It's beginning to feel a lot like

Halloween. Well, not really "beginning,"

because stores have had those Halloween candy aisles since the dawn of Sept. 1, but Halloween is on its spooky way.

This Halloween column goes out to all the ladies - yeah, I can do that, just like a school dance D.J. Men, you can keep reading if you want — I mean, it won't like de-masculinize you. And it might get a bit sexy!

I went to a costume shop the other day to research what exactly Belle and Alice from Beauty and The Beast and Alice in Wonderland, respectively, wore for a paper I had to write for my What Fictional

Characters Wore: Jesus to Jacob from -According to their costume se-

lection, Belle and Alice were kind of scantily clad. In fact, if you were at the bottom of the rabbithole, you probably had an interesting show when Alice fell down it, and Belle wasn't so much playing hard-to-get as she was dressing like a stripper and staring off into space suggestively.

But it wasn't just Belle and Alice, all of the costumes were a bit tightfitting and lacking in fabric — oh, I'll just say it — they were all kind of "whorey." So I promptly turned to the store clerk, yelled, "Well, I never!," and stormed out of the store.

There's a scene in Mean Girls written by the brilliant Tina Fey in which Lindsay Lohan's character shows up to a Halloween costume party dressed as the bride of Frankenstein. Her friends, dressed as whorey versions of mice, cats, and bunnies, are surprised when she shows up to the party not dressed like a total slut.

This is true to life. Every Halloween, most of my women friends and even my sister dress as scantily clad versions of referees, Batman, Robin, witches, nuns, etc. In fact, a friend of mine ex-

pressed interest in going as a banana one Halloween, but decided that it was not slutty enough, and she would be laughed at if she went through with it. And bananas are hilarious, people! This issue really plagues me,

because it's a cruel and unusual pressure for women to have. Victoria's Secret even sells costumes now, which is funny, because don't

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grouch, go on ahead!

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'Big Brother' final four visit Lubbock

By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI STAFF WRITER

The final four contestants on CBS' reality show "Big Brother" plan on making visits to each of the contestants' hometowns. This weekend, the group made the first trip to Lubbock, visiting Lane Elenburg's family and making a stop at local bar, Bash Riprock's.

Although Elenburg is from Decatur, his sister is the one who I showed them thought he may have enjoyed showing his friends around how awesome the Lubbock, said hospitality is in Mike Fuqua, Bash Riprock's Lubbock. None of manager. The four friends bethis is what they came close on the show and were expecting; decided they wanted to see this has been a lot where the others are from. of fun. Though this was not an official CBS pro-**LANE ELENBURG** motion, fans **BIG BROTHER**

newfound celebrities, get their autographs and take pictures.

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Elenburg said he was having the time of his life and couldn't believe what was happening when he saw there was a crowd waiting for them at the bar. Making their first trip to Bash's Thursday night and their second Saturday night, the group arrived by limo more than an hour

later than expected both nights. At Saturday's football game between Texas Tech and Oklahoma State at Jones AT&T Stadium, Elenburg, a former Tech linebacker and first runner-up on the show, presented the game ball.

"It was awesome; I loved being back on the field," Elenburg said. "I loved seeing everyone. A lot of my friends don't play anymore, but just seeing all the players was

awesome." He and the three other final four contestants, Hayden Moss, Britney Haynes and Enzo Palumbo, sat in the vice chancellor's suite at the game.

Besides going to the game, the four also made an appearance at Bash's, introduced Palumbo to eating okra and went to Klusoz late Saturday night

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the hospitality is in Lubbock," Elenburg said. "None of this is what they were expecting; this has been a lot of fun.'

Moss, the season 12 winner, said he loves Lubbock and jokingly said he'd come here for his master's degree.

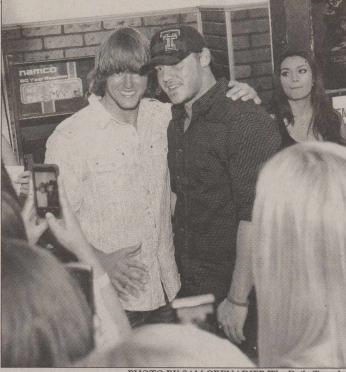


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BIG BROTHER 12 final four members Hayden Moss and Lane Elenburg, a former tech student, pose for photos at Bashes Saturday.

While on the show, the contestants didn't feel like anvone was really watching them, Elenburg said. Seeing people show up at Bash's to meet them was surprising and a big culture shock since the group had been stuck in a house with no connection to "I showed them how awesome the outside world for more than two months.

> Sarah Bednarz, a senior exercise sport science major from Slaton, said she came out because she is "insanely in love" with the four contestants. Because she has been a fan of the show since season one, getting the chance

to meet the cast members was nothing short of exciting.

'All the hype is getting people excited, and I think it's good for the Lubbock morale," Bednarz

Elenburg said the four former housemates would like to do more trips to one another's hometowns in the future. Despite their sometimes conflicting and busy schedules, they will try to fit the visits in.

"I love Lubbock, and I wanted to show all my friends what it is,' Elenburg said.

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Tech students, relatives celebrate annual family weekend with activities

By JASMINE BRADFORD STAFF WRITER

Every year, the Department of Parent and Family Relations hosts a family weekend for Texas Tech in order for parents and family members to get a feel for campus life. This past weekend, parents were able to spend time with students in some fun activities that led up to the Oklahoma State game.

Starting Thursday, parents could attend the wine event, where they can enjoy a free tour and wine tasting at McPherson Cellars. As the weekend progressed, family members were able to get involved in many activities that everyone could enjoy.

On Friday, parents were able to take a tour of the campus, Robert H. Ewalt Recreation Center and also check out the student wellness center. After, most of the events were mainly held in the Student Union Building where parents could check in and partake in the remainder of the activities until game time. At the Friday night family dinner, families were able to enjoy their dinner Texas Tech style with school spirit from the Saddle Tramps and Raider Red as they ate.

Elizabeth Massengale, director of parent and family relations, had much success in putting together family weekend with the big turn-

"Lots of people are here," Massengale said. "People drove from New York, Pennsylvania and Alabama all the way to Lubbock, Texas."

Once parents were done with their meal, they could walk next door and have a cup of coffee while talking to representatives from the different colleges that the school has to offer.

Karla Cantu, a junior human development and family studies major from Arlington, was a part of the Coffee with the Colleges in which she was able to set up for the College of Human Sciences.

"Each college is represented here, so in a sense we are recruiting," Cantu said. "We're providing resources for our students to facilitate their major decision process."

Professional hypnotist Keith Karkut put on a comedic show to round out Friday night. Tech parents and students participated in the show where they were able to undergo hypnosis on stage as well as in the audience.

Saturday morning was filled with excitement for the OSU game. Families were able to eat at the Red Raider breakfast before they could set up for the parent and family tailgate in the parking lot. As parents waited for kick-off to the game, many of them were able to mingle with other family members attending parent weekend.

Tech parent Cassie Coon showed her school spirit this weekend as she visited and attended the game with her freshman daughter.

"I attended Tech in the early '80s," Coon said. "Going to the football game brought back a smile to my face with the excitement that I experienced years ago."

Another Tech parent also expressed his feeling of school spirit during the OSU game.

"I only went to the game, but I loved seeing my team (Tech) play," Michael Widner said.

As family weekend came to a close, Tech students had to say goodbye to their parents and siblings as they returned back home. This weekend allowed parents to catch up with their kids and see what it felt to be a Tech student during game weekends. Not only were they able to attend activities, but they were also able to reconnect with their sons and daughters during a funfilled weekend.

"I loved being able to spend time with my daughter," Widner said. "Family weekend is a great way to spend time with your child." >>> jasmine.bradford@ttu.edu

White Cane Day honors blind Red Raiders

By DEVIN SANCHEZ STAFF WRITER

Imagine not being able to see a beautiful sunset, watch a movie or look at the faces of your loved ones. Visually impaired individuals live every day without those luxuries.

The sense of sight is one many take for granted. People may not realize just how dependent they are on that particular sense. This is why the College of Education's Virgina Murray Sowell Center for Research and Education in Visual Impairment hosted White Cane Safety Day this past Friday.

White Cane Safety Day first began in 1964 at the urging of the National Federation of the Blind to Congress. Congress then signed a resolution proclaiming Oct. 15 to be the designated White Cane Safety Day.

The Sowell Center participates in White Cane Day by blindfolding students, visitors and staff and walking with them around the education building, treating them as if they were visually impaired. Nora Griffin-Shirley, a professor in certified orientation and mobility specialist, is the director of the Sowell center and participated in taking the blindfolded participants around campus. Griffin-Shirley said the mission of the Sowell center is to educate.

"Our mission is to enhance the quality of education for the visually impaired," she said. "And we do this by preparing students and research.

Virginia Sowell, a former vice provost at Texas Tech who taught students with visual impairments, started the center. The center offers the orientation and mobility program and helps prepare teachers of students with visual and hearing impairments, Griffin-Shirley said.

"Texas Tech was one of the first universities to offer a program like this," she said. "We are one out of 19 schools with this program in the United States."

This program has drawn in many students who hope to educate those with hearing and/ or visual impairments. Leigh Rackley is a doctoral student at the center. Rackley was a teacher for more than 25 years prior to coming to Tech. Rackley said growing up with an autistic brother sparked her desire to work in special education.

"Once I received the opportunity to pursue this, I took it," she said. "And the more I studied it, the more intriguing it became to me, and having a she said. "These grants are from little brother who is autistic, it

The center is funded by grants from the College of Education and recently received \$489,000 from the Texas School for the Blind through region 17, Griffin-Shirley said.

"We receive grant funding,"

the Office of Special Education, through the United States Department of Education."

Other than White Cane Safety Day, the center also provides other services to educate, including lectures for family members and teachers of the visually impaired.

"We do community outreach for families and professionals," Griffin-Shirley said. "We have annual distinguished lecture series. Getting out information is what we really focus on."

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Coat drive collects for Saudi Day immerses various local charities culture, religion

By HALLIE DAVIS STAFF WRITER

The Share the Warmth Coat Drive has ended on campus but will continue collecting jackets around Lubbock until Oct. 22.

Erin Rinderknecht, the Tech Activities Board outreach coordinator, said the on-campus efforts were very successful for the first year of the program.

"We had a very positive response and a great turnout," said Rinderknecht, a junior speech, language and hearing sciences major from Thrall.

The coats were collected after some from home, Rinderknecht said. The drop-off boxes were located in the Student Union Build-Recreation Center.

The program is a joint effort between Mission Lubbock, Tech Activities Board, KCBD, the Lubbock Apartment Association and Student Union & Activities. Rinderknecht enue." said it was a good way for students to help the community and get involved.

"Our whole goal is to build a relationship with Lubbock,"

Rinderknecht said.

Though there will be no more collecting from the Texas Tech campus, Emily Brown, a member of the board of directors for Mission Lubbock, said Tech was still a big part of the project.

'Texas Tech has always been great," Brown said. "We get a lot of student volunteers; we've really been blessed by that."

Volunteers were on hand Saturday to help with the official collection day at Sutherlands, though there will still be many locations available to donate coats at, Brown

The coats will go to different fall break so students could bring charities to distribute them for free to anyone who needs them, Brown

Though the drive was considered ing and the Robert H. Ewalt Student to be off to a good start, Brown said there is still a great need for children's coats, though she was sure the community would be ready to help.

> "Lubbock people want to give," she said. "They just need an av-

> Donations are still being collected at the Citibank at Slide and Marsha Sharp, Live Oak at 10710 Frankfurt.

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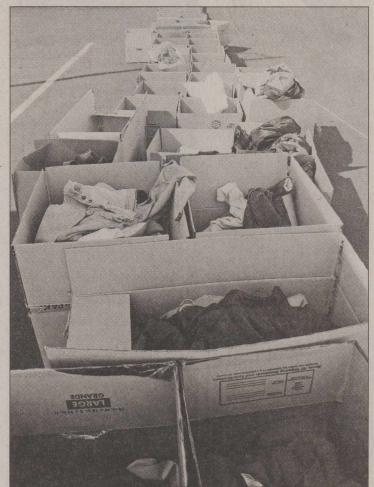


PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador COATS WERE DONATED for a community wide coat drive Saturday at Sutherland's.

students in Arabian

By DEVIN SANCHEZ STAFF WRITER

Platters of Loogemat and Saudi Samboosak placed on the dining table, Arabic coffee being served, Arabic music playing and people greeting each other merrily was the scene Friday night at the Saudi Student Association's Saudi Day.

The event was the first of its kind for the organization and had a lot of information on all things Saudi, including food, information on Saudi economics, culture, dress and religion.

Badr Bin Rabba, a junior industrial engineering major from Saudi Arabia, is the treasurer for the association and has been a part of the group for two years. Rabba said one of the reasons for the association hosting Saudi Day was to clear up any misconceptions about the culture.

'Sometimes there are a lot of misunderstandings about our culture," he said. "We thought doing something like this would give people a different view of our culture. It's very positive."

The event featured different jewelry, prayer rugs, incense burners and scented oils, all from Saudi Arabia and all important features of the Saudi Culture. There was even a booth with Saudi women giving henna tat-

Another big theme at the culture event was traditions. A table at the event had information on manners in the Saudi world. The pamphlet on etiquette gave tips, such as "Meeting Etiquette" and "Concepts of Trust and Hospitality." Hospitality is definitely a theme in the Saudi culture. Everyone at the event exchanged warm embraces and kisses on the cheeks, a common sign of

Sabrina Laroussi, a doctoral student from Algeria, attended Saudi Day because of her Arab roots and her many Saudi friends.

"A lot of my friends are Saudi, and they are so welcoming," she said. "Plus, the food is really

Another display at the event was the abaya. The abaya is the traditional dress for women in Saudi Arabia and is a longsleeved, floor-length garment worn over a woman's clothing. The abava is worn when the woman leaves her house and is accompanied by the hijab (headscarf) and sometimes the niqab (veil). Sondos Bashlouh, a doctoral student from Saudi Arabia, was displaying the abayat, and explained their role in Saudi culture.

"Girls begin wearing the abaya's once they hit puberty," she said. "Women do wear their 'regular' clothes in their homes amongst other women and close family members."

Bashlouh also said not all women wear the veil; it is up to the individual woman.

With more than 7,000 miles separating the United States from Saudi Arabia, it would be easy to feel alone, but Rabba sees the Saudis at Texas Tech coming together.

"When I first became a part of the group, we had maybe 10 members," he said. "Now we have around 40; it's been amaz-

And, according to Rabba, the group doesn't plan on slowing down anytime soon.

"The turn-out has been so much more than I could expect," he said. "This is the first time we have done something like this, and it's been really good."

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Ga. mom sues Tyra Banks after teen appears on show

woman is suing Tyra Banks for \$3 million after she said her 15-year-old daughter appeared without her permission on an episode of Banks' talk show about teen sex addicts.

In a lawsuit filed Oct. 8 in federal court in Atlanta, Beverly McClendon claims the show contacted the teen on her cell phone after she responded to a request on the show's website

ATLANTA (AP) — A Georgia seeking "sex addicts." The girl was then picked up from her home in ner Bros. Entertainment and the Georgia in a limo and flown to New York, where she was put up in a hotel, all without her mother's knowledge, the lawsuit says.

McClendon filed a missing person report with local police when she realized her daughter was gone. The teen has never been diagnosed as a sex addict, the lawsuit says.

executive producers of the show as defendants.

McClendon says her daughter suffered damages because the 2009 show "was undoubtedly watched by sexual deviants, perverts and pedophiles."

The lawsuit seeks a jury trial and asks for \$1 million in compensatory damages and \$2 million in punitive

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The lawsuit also names War- damages. It also asks the court to bar the episode from ever being aired again on television or online.

> Warner Bros. Television Group spokesman Scott Rowe said Sunday that the company had no comment. Banks' publicist, agent and lawyer did not immediately return calls Sunday seeking comment.

> The show violated McClendon's right to privacy by putting her daughter, who was a minor, on television without McClendon's permission, the lawsuit claims.

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"This population feels that they are otherwise healthy," she said, "but there may be things they do not know about to prevent health problems in the future."

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"There is a shortage of primary care and preventive medicine in certain Lubbock areas," she said. "We want to tell them how they can prevent things before having to go to clinics and hospitals and pay money they don't have."

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ed the project two years ago to help out the local community.

"We are targeting barbershops in low income areas around Lubbock, as well as older clientele with medical needs," he said.

Numerous places such as Wal-Mart and the YMCA were considered before barbershops were ultimately chosen, Hazel

"Barbershops seem like a place where people are more comfortable," he said. "It's different than a hospital or clinic in that barbershops are closer to people's homes and they have more of a community-like atmosphere."

The history behind medical care along with barbershops was a big reason why they were chosen as the location for health checks, Hazel said.

"Doctors sort of evolved from barbers, so that's why we decided to do it there," he said.

Esha Lukose, a first-year medical student and co-coordinator of the project, said she became involved shortly after beginning her education in the HSC medical school.

"I just recently got involved with the program," she said. "We are targeting areas on the east side of Lubbock, basically areas that are more underdeveloped."

It takes little time out of someone's day if they can get their health checked while getting a haircut to learn if they have any health risks, Lukose

"It is better for them to learn if there is anything they can prevent by checking for certain things that are easily preventable before they become serious health problems later on down the line," she said.

Being able to do these health checks at local barbershops makes it more accessible for people, Lukose said.

"They don't have to go out of their way to a clinic or hospital," she said, "and it provides a more comfortable and relaxed environment."

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Loss ←

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"That was a good win for our football team," Oklahoma State head coach Mike Gundy said afterwards. "I thought it was the most complete that we have played in all three phases ... basically, it came down to forcing turnovers and being able to run the ball in the second half. It was a really good win for us."

Additionally, the No. 20 Cowboys (6-0, 2-0 in Big 12 play) ended a losing skid in Lubbock that dated back to Oct. 7, 1944. Oklahoma State had lost every game on the road against the Red Raiders since the formation of the Big 12, a streak that consisted of six straight losses at Jones AT&T Stadium and a neutral-site meeting at Texas Stadium in Irving - the first Big 12 game between the two programs.

The loss also gave Tech its first set of back-to-back losses against Oklahoma State since losing to the Cowboys in 1975 and 1988.

Saturday's result was the product of a rapid start from Oklahoma State's offense and a flat first quarter from the Tech attack that put things in the Cowboys' court.

The Cowboys, led by 27-year-old quarterback Brandon Weeden, struck first via running back Kendall Hunter's 15-yard scamper early in the opening quarter to go up 7-0.

Tech's offense sputtered, responding with a three and out, giving possession back the Cowboys' offense; the No. 4 offense in the country.

It would only take Oklahoma State a minute and six seconds to prove its billing, and put more points on the

Joining the scoring fray was another Cowboy running back, Joseph Randle, punching the ball in from four yards out to give the Cowboys a two-score advantage, 14-0, in the first period.

By quarter's end, Oklahoma State was up 21-0.

"We got beat by a good football team today," Tech head coach Tommy Tuberville said. "As I told our team, we had no answer early. Probably started playing defense in the second quarter. They had us confused."

The defense's inability to contain the Cowboy attack was only magnified by the offense's early woes. Oklahoma State had 215 total offensive yards after the first quarter; Tech had only mustered 38.

But as Tuberville said, the second quarter was an improvement for his Red Raiders.

The Red Raiders tapped into the running game to get the offense rolling. Tech capitalized on its first drive of the second quarter, capping off a 15 play, 80-yard drive with a Baron Batch one-yard rushing touchdown.

Tech quarterback Taylor Potts »jose.l.rodriguez@ttu.edu

would find Cornelius Douglas for a 28yard touchdown — the first of Douglas' career — on their next series to bring the Red Raiders within a score, 21-14. Oklahoma State eventually entered halftime with a 24-14 advantage.

Tech running back Eric Stephens said efficiency and lack of a ground game held the team back early on in the contest.

"Definitely execution," Stephens said. "We had a couple of dropped passes on the first couple of drives. We (didn't) run the ball too much on the first couple of drives. Once we started running the ball and getting it going, it started opening up for us. Whatever it is, we've got to find a way to get started faster."

Tech's defense held its ground early in the second half, forcing Weeden to throw an interception on the Cowboys' opening third-quarter drive. Tech linebacker Bront Bird intercepted the pass — the first interception of his career — giving the Red Raider offense an opportunity to narrow the deficit to

Oklahoma State had scored on its first possession of the second half in every game this season up until that point.

But the turnover wouldn't result in a Tech score. Batch fumbled the ball on the following drive, which was recovered by Oklahoma State's Jamie Blatnick. The Cowboy offense would do what Tech's couldn't - capitalize on the turnover.

Weeden to receiver Justin Blackmon, a common connection to those who follow Oklahoma State, produced the score with a 62-yard hookup.

Oklahoma State, after going up 31-14, would stay out in front by at least two possessions the remainder of

Weeden finished with 356 yards passing and one score along with two interceptions, with 207 of those yards belonging to Blackmon. Hunter and Randle combined for 225 yards rushing, falling one yard short of Potts' 226-yard passing total. Stephens' rushing total of 99 yards is a career-high.

Aside from the loss, injuries surfaced throughout and after the game, causing concerns. Defensive end Kerry Hyder went down in the first series of the game and is going to be out for a month, Tuberville said. Receiver Austin Zouzalik also suffered an injury, and Potts was sent to the hospital after the game to be evaluated for a concussion.

However, Potts was diagnosed with a strained jaw and all test results came back negative. The senior is slated to practice this week.

Tech now faces the task of rebounding on the road against Colorado Saturday, something that won't happen if the team produces similar effort like it did against Oklahoma State.

"We didn't play to win (Saturday), and that's the bottom line," Bird said.

Red Raiders begin official practices

By JON ARNOLD MANAGING EDITOR

SPORTS

The sound of shoes squeaking and balls bouncing against the hardwood echoed in the United Spirit Arena during the first formal Texas Tech basketball practice of the season Friday, and it couldn't have come soon enough for Tyson

"I love Tech basketball. I love Pat Knight, what he's doing here, and I'm just excited about the season," said the sophomore accounting major from Tyler. Gleitz was among several hun-

dred fans attending the practice Friday, the first day teams were allowed to practice under NCAA

Many schools mark the day with "Midnight Madness" celebrations. Players entertain the fans with skits, skill competitions and speeches.

At Tech, though, Coach Knight keeps things lower key, opting for a 5 p.m. start time and running a normal practice without any ceremony.

That's just fine with Beverly Bybock who said she tries to attend Red Raiders. the first practice of every season.

than we've seen in the past," she said. "I think it's a pretty good crowd for a Friday afternoon." Other fans agreed that there was

a good turnout and said they hoped the team would be encouraged by the crowd support.

for the players to see that people actually care," said Patrick Kanaby, a senior exercise and sport sciences college transfer, attended the same



PHOTO BY PAUL HAILES/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH'S ROBERT Lewandowski participates in a drill during Tech basketball's first formal practice Friday in the United Spirit Arena. Fans turned out to watch the Red Raiders practice at 5 p.m., marking the beginning of official practices. Tech opens its season against Lousiana-Monroe at 7 p.m. Nov. 12 in Lubbock.

major from Houston.

Fans in attendance got a glimpse rne, a Tech alumna living in Lub- of several players' first practice as

Three freshmen join the team for "It's a pretty good crowd, more the upcoming season: Zach Jones, Jamel Outler and Javarez Willis, and fans also expressed excitement about the arrival of big man Paul Cooper.

Byrne said the additions exemplified the type of players Knight can win with.

"I think they look pretty good. "It's good to see that people He's changed the team since he's actually came out here. It's good been here, getting his guys in here. They're fast," she said.

Cooper, a 6-foot-8-inch junior

Florida community college as senior forward Brad Reese.

Reese came on for the Red Raiders in the second half of the season, with a double-double in one of Tech's NIT wins. He practiced well during Friday's session and looks set to play a big role for the team this season.

Reese is part of a group of returnees that represent five of Tech's six leading scorers from last season, with Nick Okorie the lone departure from that group. Darko Cohadarevic, who averaged five boards and nearly seven points a game last year, is also gone.

Back for the Red Raiders are leading scorer Mike Singletary and point guard John Roberson, as well as David Tairu, Reese and forward D'walyn Roberts, among others.

With so many familiar faces returning, Tech fans are expecting good results from this year's Red Raider team, even with a tough conference slate ahead.

"The Big 12's tough, but I think they have a chance to compete," Byrne said.

Gleitz predicts a good season as

March Madness time, I hope they're in there," he said. "I'm just ready for tip-off 29 days from now." » jon.arnold@ttu.edu

Streak ←

Led by former Tech and the win. Houston offensive coordinator State's offense outgained the excited to be there.' Red Raiders', finishing the game with 587 yards.

Kendall Hunter ran his way to quarter of play. 130 yards.

But looking back, that's a pretty big feat. We've had some good CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 football teams come in here and unfortunately not come out with

"It's a big accomplishment for Dana Holgorsen, Oklahoma this team; we're 6-0, and we're

While Oklahoma State wasted just one drive in getting to Oklahoma State quarter- work on the scoreboard, the Red back Brandon Weeden threw Raider offense seemingly forgot for 356 yards - 207 of those to show up for the first quarter passing yards to receiver Justin of Saturday's game and faced a Blackmon – and running back 21-0 deficit to start the second

"That is about the fourth "It was a big win," Weeden week that we hadn't started." said. "There was not a whole lot Tech head coach Tommy Tuberto talk about the 66-year streak ville said. "I told our team we've we had the chance to collapse; got a lot to work on. But the main that wasn't really in our mind. thing we've got to work on is sive coordinator) Bill Young and

coming out and playing the first seven or eight minutes. It's been awhile since we've done that. It's been awhile since we've made any plays early. It's been awhile since we made anything happen. "We just dug ourselves a

During the game, quarterback Taylor Potts, who averaged

slightly better passing numbers than Oklahoma State's Weeden, threw for 226 yards, and the Red Raider rushing game had outgained its passing game by the end of the third quarter. With a still-undefeated re-

cord. Oklahoma State is on pace for a run at the Big 12 South Division title. "I am really proud of (defen-

our staff," Gundy said. "I like this football team ... As I say each week, as we move forward through the season, the talent is going to get better." Tech (3-3, 1-3), on the other

hand, is in uncharted territory.

game, a full four quarters in on the field yet," Tech linebacker Bront Bird said. "I think everybody would agree with that; we're playing two quarters or three quarters, and you just can't do that. You can't beat the talent we play doing that.

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Tech football needs full-team performances

This year, Texas Tech has played games when the defense looked great and the offense suffered. They've had games where the opposite was true. Now, they've had a game in which nobody performed particularly well.

The Red Raiders' 34-17 loss to Oklahoma State left Tommy Tuberville and his team scratching their heads, searching for answers as to what went wrong and why this team can't muster up a complete team performance.

"We got to get where we're playing, as a football team, together at once, and I don't think we've done that all year to be honest," said a visibly frustrated Neil Brown, Tech's offensive coordinator.

Everyone who spoke at the press conference after the game shared Brown's frustration, and one of the most troubling aspects of the loss to the team and coaching staff was another abysmal start.

"I think we played the worst first quarter we could possibly," linebacker Bront Bird said.

Tech punted five times in the opening frame and ended up playing from 21 behind. This is becoming a nasty habit for the Red Raiders.

"The main thing we've got to work on is coming out and playing the first seven or eight minutes," Tuberville said. "It's been awhile since we've done that. It's been awhile since we made any plays early. It's been awhile since we made anything happen."

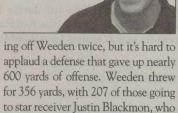
There were a plethora of other issues during Saturday's loss as well.

The defensive line, already down several players due to either suspension or injury, lost Kerry Hyder on the game's first series. The unit left gaping holes for the Cowboys' running backs to dash through and provided virtually no pass rush. Oklahoma State quarterback Brandon Weeden probably could have gone through the line at the DMV (he just turned 27 this week, after all) in the time he had to pick apart the Tech secondary.

The wide receivers dropped several passes, and Taylor Potts was under duress play after play.

The defense was probably the better of the main sides of the ball, pick-





notched a career high. "We didn't play to win today, and that's the bottom line," Bird said.

So much of this comes back to not putting forth a team performance. In their three previous wins, Tech was able to rely on one unit to carry the load. That's no way to win football

"We haven't put a full game, a full four quarters, on the field yet, and I think everyone would agree with that," Bird said. "We're either playing two quarters or three quarters, and you just can't beat the talent we're playing

"And it's not that we're not talented, it's not that we don't have good schemes, we're just, I don't know...'

Tech is now 3-3 and will have to get at least one more win in conference play and beat Weber State and Houston to close the season if it wants to be bowl-eligible.

"We definitely didn't believe we'd be 3-3 at this point," said running back Eric Stephens, whose 99-yard performance was a career high. "A lot of times we shot ourselves in the foot and we'd start slow on offense."

Cornerback D.J. Johnson agreed that his preseason expectations differed greatly from Tech's actual start, and emphasized the need to play as

"I felt like once we came together as a team and special teams, offense, defense, sideline, everything comes together, then that's when we really start clicking."

Unfortunately for Tech, that moment hasn't come vet this season.

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Set pieces pace Tech to victory against Kansas

By TOMMY MAGELSSEN

Texas Tech forward Jessica Fuston notched her team-leading seventh goal of the season in a 2-0 win against Kansas on Friday at the John Walker Soccer Complex, but it was the way she scored that stood out most to Tech coaches.

Midfielder Taylor Lytle lined up a corner kick and served the ball into the box, finding Fuston's forehead as the freshman calmly flicked the ball toward the far post and into the back of the net.

"It was just a good cross, a perfect cross from Tay, and I just went up for it and beat my defender and just finished it," Fuston said.

Fuston's 17th-minute goal put Tech (10-5-1, 3-3-1 in Big 12 Conference play) in front 1-0, ending a two-match scoreless streak. The forward now has headed in four goals, the best on the team.

"She heads like nobody we've seen in this program," Tech coach Tom Stone said. "Her offensive heading is spectacular, and she's so strong that even if you are all over her, she finds a way to get a nod on something.

"And we've been wondering when she's going to score with her feet, but I guess we don't care as long as she keeps scoring."

All but one of Fuston's seven goals has come from crosses into the box.

Of those six goals, three have been assisted by Lytle. The attacking midfielder - and preseason all-Big 12 selection earned both of the Red Raiders' assists Friday evening.

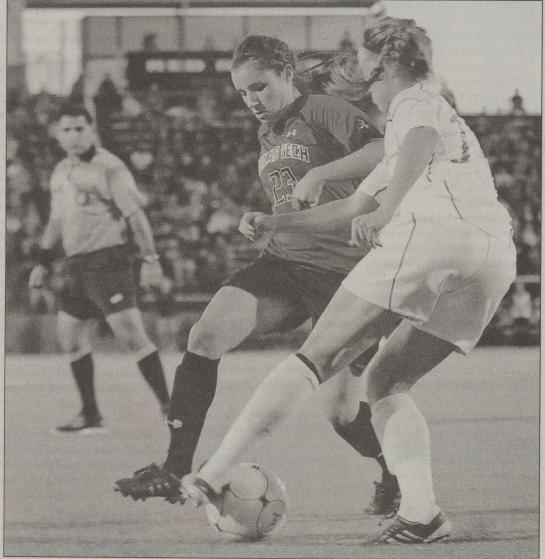
Tech's second goal was the result of Lytle drawing a foul about six yards away from the 18-yard box close to the end line. Lytle served up a ball, finding defender Casey McCall who headed in her second goal of the season.

Stone wants Lytle and the rest of the Raiders to draw fouls as much as they can in and around the 18-yard box because of how good Tech's set pieces have been this year, Lytle said.

"I'm confident that wherever I place the ball that someone is going to be there to head the ball," Lytle said. "Jess, Casey, Haley Fowler - we have so many good headers in on corner kicks and free kicks you know one of them is going to put it in the back of the net."

Lytle started in her first match of the season since a Sept. 26 loss to Oklahoma State where she only played eight minutes. Hampered by an ankle injury suffered Sept. 10 against North Texas, Lytle played her most minutes, 77, since a Sept. 5 loss to Notre Dame.

"You see how much better we are



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TEXAS TECH MIDFIELDER Sarah Ellison battles with Kansas midfielder Caitlin Noble during Texas Tech's 2-0 win Friday at the John Walker Soccer Complex.

when Taylor Lytle is healthy," Stone said. "She makes everyone around her that much better; her energy and mobility around the top is the difference."

After Friday's win, the Red Raiders were in a tie for fourth place in the Big 12 standings. However, because Tech had Sunday off, they could potentially fall to seventh. As of press time, no Sunday Big 12 matches had gone final.

Even if Tech falls to seventh place, Stone said, his team is eager to step up to the challenge, just like it was Friday against Kansas in a "must-win."

"There are certain moments in every season where you feel - and it's not really a pressure, it's a reality-that you have to win," Stone said. "There's just games that surface at certain times where you're like, 'We have to win,' and there's really no alternative.

"And that was just the mentality all week, and I thought we played like that. We were pretty focused for 90 minutes." >>> thomas.magelssen@ttu.edu



TEXAS TECH'S ERIN Wikelius saves a shot by Kansas on Friday at the John Walker Soccer Complex. Tech won 2-0.



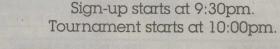


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