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Red Raiders knock off Golden Eagles 86-82



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TEXAS TECH GUARD Mike Davis defends against Oral Roberts guard Roderick Pearson during the Red Raiders' 86-82 victory against the Golden Eagles on Tuesday in the United Spirit Arena.

Mike Singletary scores 29, grabs 13 boards to help snap two-game skid

By TOMMY MAGELSEN
STAFF WRITER

Oral Roberts coach Scott Sutton wanted Texas Tech forward Mike Singletary to wait one more to go off.

Unfortunately for the Golden Eagles, Singletary did not oblige.

The senior forward scored 29 points, snagged 13 rebounds and notched six assists, leading the Red Raiders to an 86-

82 victory Tuesday night in the United Spirit Arena.

"The biggest difference of the game, though, and the biggest reason we loss was Mike Singletary," Oral Roberts coach Scott Sutton. "I'm sure Pat's been waiting for him to step up and start playing like the guy like he played like most of the year last year.

"He just put them on his back, and we couldn't stop him, couldn't block

him out, couldn't stop him, and give him credit -- he's a great player and I was hoping he would wait one more game to get back on track, but he didn't oblige."

Singletary's 29 points are the most any Red Raider has scored this season, and the highest total for the Tech forward since he scored 42 against Texas A&M during the Big 12 Conference tournament two seasons ago.

"I just took what was given to me,"

Singletary said. "I've just been playing my role, trying to do the little things pretty much to make this team as successful as we can be, and tonight it just happened that I had a big-time game."

A back-and-forth game for much of the contest, neither team was able to gain separation. Tech's biggest lead, seven points, came with three minutes and 15 seconds remaining in the first half. The Golden Eagles (2-4), however, scraped back to within a point at halftime, trailing 39-38.

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Win lays out blueprint for Red Raiders' success

It wasn't a great win for Pat Knight's Texas Tech basketball squad, but Tuesday night's 86-82 win against Oral Roberts was one the Red Raiders badly needed.

The game illustrated plenty of Tech's weaknesses, but in the end the team came through to draw a blueprint for what Tech needs to keep doing to win more games.

Mike Singletary has to be consistent, the Red Raiders must sink their free throws and they have to grab rebounds, especially on the defensive end.

Singletary ended the night with

Jon Arnold



29 points and 13 rebounds. He provided the boost the Red Raiders needed when they fell into lulls down the stretch.

This is Singletary's first double-double of the season, and while it's unrealistic to expect the senior forward to match Tuesday's produc-

tion every game, the Red Raiders simply need him to show up in every single game.

"I don't think I'm going to have 29 every game, for sure, but just doing the little things like offensive rebounds and stuff like that," Singletary said during the postgame news conference. "I had 13 rebounds tonight and I haven't had (that) in a while, and I think I can get that almost every game."

So far this season, that just hasn't been the case. Entering Tuesday, his game highs were 13 points and nine rebounds. He was averaging 10.3 points

and just five rebounds per game.

Singletary made six of nine free throws Tuesday night and the Red Raiders were 82.4 percent from the line as a team. This mark is far better than what the Red Raiders have been shooting from the line, carrying a mark just less than 70 percent into the game with the Golden Eagles.

"Free throws have been a problem for us," Knight said after the victory. "We still just need to get better at free throws."

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Tech students for CASA to host Kids for Kids Toy Drive

Gifts to be donated to children in foster care

By BRIAN HOWARD
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech-affiliated Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) student organization will host a toy drive today in an attempt to help bring gifts to underprivileged children in the foster care system.

According to the CASA for Children website, the organization's volunteers are adults from every walk of life who step up to fill this role. A CASA volunteer watches over and advocates for a child until the child is placed in a safe, permanent home.

Maria Sanchez, president of Tech Students for CASA, said it's important that children in the foster care system are not neglected, especially during the holiday season.

"This is the fifth annual Kids for Kids Toy Drive that CASA has put on nationwide to bring thousands of toys to many children in the foster care system," she said. "In 2009, CASA of the South Plains provided 954 children with a gift; this year CASA is looking to exceed this number."

The student organization tries to help out CASA with various events, Sanchez said, in an attempt to get more students

and community members involved. "Our organization's main goal is to help CASA with all events and fundraisers," she said, "and also to bring awareness to campus."

All college students who bring their student identification and a toy or gift for a CASA child will receive a free pizza

at Mr. Gatti's, located at the intersection of 50th Street and Slide Road.

"For this toy drive, we teamed up with Mr. Gatti's on 50th Street to persuade Tech students to help out," Sanchez said. "Any Tech student who takes their student ID and a new, unwrapped toy will receive a free buffet be-

tween the hours of 11 a.m. to 9 p.m."

The holiday season, and especially Christmas, is a time for giving, she said, and it's important that less fortunate children are thought of during this time of year.

"We are hoping that many students and other organizations will come out tomorrow to help increase the number of toys CASA can give to the kids for Christmas," Sanchez said. "It is CASA's goal to provide a Christmas gift for every CASA child in the South Plains foster care system."

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MARIA SANCHEZ
PRESIDENT

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The Texas Tech Theater Department is showing the play "Anton in Show Business" through Sunday. LA VIDA, Page 3

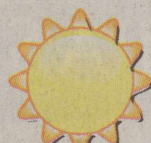
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Community Calendar

TODAY

Tech Women's Basketball vs. UTSA
Time: 7 p.m.
Were: United Spirit Arena

Joel Kotkin

Time: 7 p.m.
Where: Allen Theatre
So, what is it?
The Presidential Lecture and Performance Series continue with Joel Kotkin who is an internationally recognized authority on global

economic, political, social and technological trends.

THURSDAY

Gamma Beta Phi Silent Auction
Time: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Were: Traditions Room, Student Union Building
So, what is it?
Come bid at the service organization's silent auction. Bidding ends Friday at 5 p.m. Raffle tickets will also be sold.

To make a calendar submission e-mail features@dailytoreador.com.

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.

Student gunman dies from self-inflicted gunshot wound

MARINETTE, Wis. (AP) — A 15-year-old student who held about two dozen students and a teacher hostage for several hours in a classroom at a Wisconsin high school died Tuesday at a hospital from a self-inflicted gunshot wound, authorities said.

Sophomore Samuel Hengel shot himself after police stormed a classroom at Marinette High School on Monday night, said police chief Jeff Skorik. Hengel, of Porterfield, had been holding most of the students and their social studies teacher hostage for several hours. No one else was wounded.

The teenager allowed one of his hostages free a short time after he took over the classroom after the girl's mother tried to call her daughter and couldn't reach her, said Principal Cory Lambie. Five more of his hostages were let out after about six and a half hours, and finally the other students and their teacher Valerie Burd emerged unharmed.

The terrified high schoolers trapped in the classroom worked desperately to keep their captor calm by chatting and laughing with him about hunting and fishing. Student hostage Zach Campbell said the gunman seemed depressed, but

he didn't think he meant his classmates any harm.

"I didn't know really what to think. I was just hoping to get out alive," Campbell said Tuesday on CBS' "Early Show." "He didn't want to shoot any of us."

Campbell told The Associated Press that six of the gunman's close friends were in that class.

Authorities also said they did not know what might have motivated the boy who made no demands or requests during the standoff.

"As far as what caused this, it seems to be a mystery," Skorik said. "We have not been able to identify anything that precipitated this incident."

Skorik said the suspect fired three shots immediately before police entered the room, but he had also fired at least two or three shots before that. He shot into a wall, a desk and equipment in the room, but he was not aiming at any students, Skorik said. The shooter was carrying a 9 mm semi-automatic and a .22 caliber semi-automatic, and he had additional ammunition in his pocket and a duffel bag with more bullets was found at the scene, the chief said. A knife was also found in the room, he said.

HOT SHOT



SARAH PETERS, A junior marketing major from Lake Jackson, throws a mini basketball over a "D-MAN" defender in the Student Union Building on Tuesday. The set-up is promoting the Lady Raiders' and Red Raiders' basketball games.

Wary meeting: Obama, GOP leaders pledge tax talks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Heralding a new era of divided government, President Barack Obama and congressional Republicans pledged warily to seek common ground on tax cuts and reduced spending Tuesday in their first meeting since tumultuous midterm elections.

Obama also made a strong

plea to Senate Republicans to permit ratification of a new arms control treaty with Russia by year's end, raising the issue first in a session in the White House's Roosevelt Room and then in a follow-up meeting without aides present, officials said.

No substantive agreements on essential year-end legislation

emerged from the session, and none had been expected. Instead, the meeting was a classic capital blend of substance and style, offering a chance for Obama, House Speaker-in-waiting John Boehner and Senate GOP leader Mitch McConnell to become more comfortable in one another's presence despite their obvious policy

differences and history of mutual distrust.

"The American people did not vote for gridlock. They didn't vote for unyielding partisanship. They're demanding cooperation and they're demanding progress," the president told reporters, referring to elections that gave the GOP control of the House and a stronger say in the Senate.



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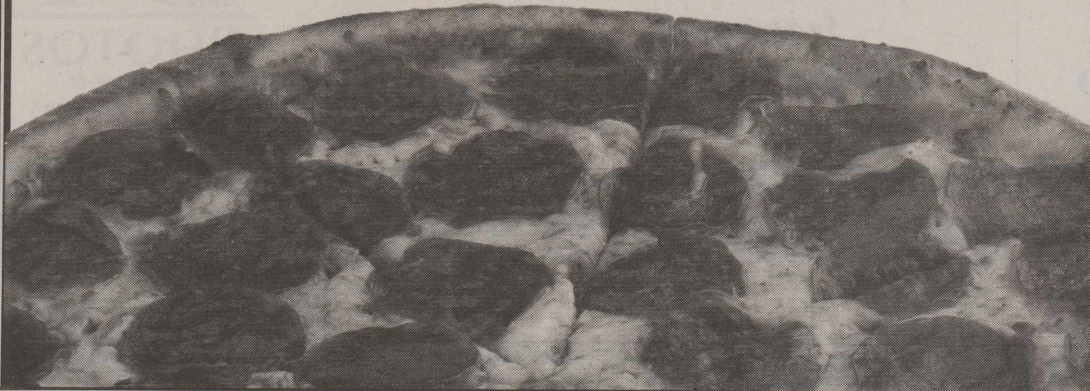
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AN AMERICAN CAMPUS COMMUNITY



City's first professional dance company to debut

By BRITTANY HOOVER
STAFF WRITER

Flatlands Dance Theatre, Lubbock's first professional contemporary dance company, will make its official debut at the Firehouse Theatre in downtown Lubbock this weekend.

Created last summer by Texas Tech assistant professor of dance Ali Duffy and Tech alumna Katie Liston, the company, along with guest artist Posy Knight, will perform eight dances in the premiere concert, artistic director Duffy said.

The first formal presentation to the community will display various genres of dance and will appeal to a broad audience, Duffy said.

"You'll see a little bit of classical ballet, you'll see a little bit of jazz, a little bit of lyrical-y. It's very accessible, and there's a lot of music that we use that is familiar music," she said. "I feel like people who aren't exposed to dance might shy away from something like this, but I really encourage them to branch out and expose themselves to something like this because I think they will become supporters, enthusiasts."

Duffy, who choreographed a trio and a quartet and will perform in her pieces as well as two others, said encouraging people to become supporters of contemporary dance is important in the South Plains.

"We don't really see a lot of (support) in the Lubbock community yet, and I think this is a great opportunity to provide more for Lubbockites and hopefully be a reason for students to stay in Lubbock and dance with the company later," she said. "There currently is not a professional company. We have Ballet Lubbock, but they're pre-professional and it's ballet, and we want to be a little different than that and add to the art scene here."

Yvonne Racz-Key, the artistic director of Ballet Lubbock serves as a choreographer and performer with the company. The artist, who has taught dance classes at Tech as an adjunct professor and has choreographed musicals for the Tech theater department, also hopes the company will provide an opportunity for local dancers.

"My personal hope is for it to grow so it can provide a place for students from Ballet Lubbock who want to continue to dance and remain in Lubbock," Racz-Key said in an e-mail response.

Racz-Key choreographed a challenging contemporary piece on pointe set to the music of Medeski, Martin and Wood's "Free Go Lily." She is also performing in Duffy's piece "Stomping Grounds," a piece inspired by Duffy's own travels that takes the viewer on a road trip back in time through the American South.

Racz-Key is looking forward to seeing the audience's reactions to the company's first formal performance, she said.

Douglas optimistic about recovery

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Michael Douglas is already looking forward to his next film role.

The 66-year-old actor, who has been battling throat cancer since August, tells the weekly Hollywood Reporter that he'll play the title part in Steven Soderbergh's "Liberace," which is set to begin shooting in May or June.

Douglas says he will learn in January if his cancer has been eliminated. Doctors have told him there is an 80-percent cure rate.

He says his cancer diagnosis has brought him closer to his 93-year-old father, Kirk Douglas. The two had a strained relationship for many years, but "he really made an effort" after the diagnosis, Douglas says. "He was back here almost 10 days. He came over everyday. He was great."

Douglas says that when he was growing up, his father was angry and often absent.

"In those key years, when Kirk was doing five movies a year, if we saw him it was only out of his guilt," Douglas says.

He also acknowledges that he may have repeated that pattern with his own son, Cameron Douglas, 31, who was recently jailed on drug-related charges.

"I'm sure it's not easy, either, being a third generation," Douglas says. "Kirk was all-consuming, was overworked. Probably like myself at a certain time in my life."

Play satirizes entertainment industry

By BRITTANY HOOVER
STAFF WRITER

"The American theater is in a shitload of trouble."

That is the opening line of the semester's final main stage theater performance.

"Anton in Show Business," which shows throughout the week in the Texas Tech Maedgen Theatre, depicts the decline of theater as the world knows it, theater graduate student Alexandra Moore said.

"It's degenerating into people doing the same shows over and over," Moore, who plays Holly, said. "All anyone wants to see is the musical, and they say, 'I want to see it on Broadway because this Hollywood star is in it.' They won't see the regional theater, the community theater at home, because they find it beneath them."

The play, set in contemporary America, tells the story of three actresses who go to New York to audition for a play by Anton Chekov called "Three Sisters," associate professor and director of the play Linda Donahue said.

"Their characters are very interesting," Moore, from Corpus Christi, said. "One is a soap star who wants to do a classical play to break into films. One is drama major straight out of the SMU drama department, and one is veteran New York actress who has done 200 plays off-off-Broadway and has never gotten paid."

The cast consists of seven females who play both female and male characters, Donahue said, and even the production team, including the stage manager, lighting director, set director and sound director, is all women.

"We don't try to hide fact that they're female," Donahue said. "It's a comment on American theater and how the best parts go to males."

Moore's character Holly is the television actress from Los Angeles auditioning for "Three Sisters," she said.

"She is very shallow, very powerful and very bossy," Moore said. "She thinks, 'I can do it because I said so, and that's how it will be in the end.' She's very self-centered and worried about herself in the play. She doesn't care about the art; she just wants



PHOTO BY PAUL HAILES/The Daily Toreador

KAYLA FIELDS AND Alex Moore preform in a rehearsal of "Anton in Show Business," which will be the semester's final main-stage performance. It will be shown Thursday through Sunday at the Maedgen Theatre. The performance starts at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday.

the credit so she can do film." Moore, who has performed in the play before as a male character, said the play gives a non-theater audience an inside look into theater and the work that goes into making a production.

"It would hopefully make an audience appreciate our work a little bit more, so they can say, 'This is hard, it's not a hobby. It's a life, it's a career,'" she said. "Some people spend their lives doing it, and for very little pay out."

The play takes place in San Antonio and contains some jokes about Texas, Moore said.

"I guess to the theater elite, like New York City and stuff, people will be like, 'Where's San Antonio? Oh, it's in Texas. It must be a Podunk hick town.'"

Christina Jones, a senior theater major from Midland, plays Casey, a veteran theater actress who is looking for the play to jump start her career. She said the play makes fun of how Texas is not as involved with the arts as other states.

"There's certain characters in the show who are very Texan, and it pokes fun at the fact that Texas ... there's a lot of people who don't appreciate (theater)

as much," she said. "In the show, it pokes fun at old-money Texans who donate just to get a tax return."

The play includes the trials and tribulations all actors, producers and directors go through to put on a show, Jones said. For the actress, the situations hit close to home.

"(It shows what) a lot of theater people have done and been through, the audition process, dealing with crazy directors," she said. "As an actor, it's fun to see and laugh at, but it's neat insight for people who are not involved in theater process, to see behind the scenes and the crazy antics and what actors have to put up with to put on a show."

"Anton in Show Business" shows at the Maedgen Main-stage Theatre at 8 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. Tickets are \$10 for individuals and \$5 for students.

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CHRISTINA JONES
SENIOR THEATER MAJOR
TECH STUDENT

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

ACROSS

- 1 Chews the fat
- 5 "Here's to ..." tribute
- 10 Lingerie size
- 14 Inuit word for "house"
- 15 Like bighorns
- 16 Obsessed fictional captain
- 17 Modeler's aid
- 18 More inclined to butt in
- 19 Comes together
- 20 Viral illness associated with a rash
- 23 Paint base
- 24 A major, e.g.
- 25 Healthful resort
- 28 911 responder, for short
- 29 Lanchester of "Witness for the Prosecution"
- 33 Like Fran Drescher's voice
- 35 List that comes from the top
- 36 Cuba or Mallorca
- 41 Trumpet's friend
- 42 Agenda listing
- 43 Possible response to "Gotcha!"
- 46 Like some waves
- 47 Have to have
- 48 Fond du ... Wisconsin
- 51 "School's out" response
- 52 "Eeeuuw"
- 55 Bloodsucker
- 57 Pie with a fluffly topping
- 62 Tight
- 64 Sister's daughter
- 65 Humorist Bombeck
- 66 "Going ... going ..."
- 67 On the wrong side (of)
- 68 Track competition
- 69 Stir-fry cookers
- 70 Full of juicy tidbits
- 71 Longings

DOWN

- 1 Embarrassed reaction, maybe
- 2 Shining brightly
- 3 Exclaims suddenly, with "our"
- 4 "Do something about it! I dare you!"
- 5 Setwix and between
- 6 Egg, to Ovid
- 7 Right-hand man
- 8 Tipoe
- 9 Succinct
- 10 Place with bars
- 11 Where to find four knights
- 12 "Friendly skies" co.
- 13 "Masterpiece" airt
- 21 Hatched man
- 22 "Coal Miner's Daughter" subject Loretta
- 26 Glass section
- 27 Former senior, for short
- 30 "Rio ...": John Wayne film
- 31 Wingspread, say
- 32 Madison Ave. figures
- 34 Dijon honey
- 35 Statistical input
- 36 Reed instrument
- 37 Red, white or Blue Nun
- 38 Bitty start?
- 39 Islamic branch
- 40 Gambler's favorite woman?
- 44 Svelte
- 45 1551, on monuments
- 48 "Uncle Tom's Cabin" villain
- 49 Keen judgment
- 50 Marked deck
- 53 Movie barbarian
- 54 Swiss Army ...
- 56 Foe hiding, in a way, in the puzzle's four longest answers
- 58 Hot times in the city
- 59 Catty remark
- 60 Old gold coins of France
- 61 Bank (on)
- 62 Auto club service
- 63 Year, in Yucatán

By Ed Sessa 12/1/10

Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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Foreign leaders make our president look like a drag

No matter who you are, you probably have an opinion on our president, Barack Obama.

Good president, bad president or whatever, compared to other leaders around the world Obama is a pretty boring guy.

Oh sure, he has some charisma. Recently he took an elbow in a basketball game, which appears to be a more serious but less abnormal injury than one sustained while choking on a pretzel.

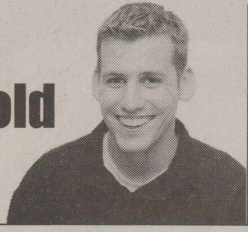
But take a look at other foreign heads of state and Obama seems about as intriguing as a Suddenlink ad.

Take, for example, Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi.

He's been the on-again, off-again prime minister, serving three different terms. Berlusconi is one of the world's richest men, but he hasn't been able to use his wallet to stay out of trouble.

Berlusconi owns numerous Italian media outlets and has been

Jon Arnold



accused by numerous reporters and NGOs of attempting to limit press freedom. He also frequently makes jokes that make your dad sound like Dave Chappelle, including a running

fascination with referring to Obama as 'tan.' Last month, he used public money to make sure a statue from the second century was — ahem — equipped.

This is emblematic of the source of most of his troubles.

There have long been rumblings of the Italian leader rendezvousing with prostitutes, his second wife left him because she claimed the 74-year-old was "frequenting minors," but these latest allegations might top them all.

Newspapers in Italy reported that a then-17-year-old belly dancer was the recipient of thousands of Euros in cash and jewelry. Also, the belly dancer told of opulent parties that turned into "bunga-bunga" sessions, leading millions around the world to wonder what exactly "bunga-bunga" is and perhaps what they've been missing out on, exactly. The rumor is that eccentric Libyan leader Muammar al-Gaddafi let Berlusconi in on the "bunga-bunga" secret.

Later on, according to the New York Times' news blog, Berlusconi joked that it's "better to be fond of beautiful girls than gay."

Clearly, Obama is much less interesting than Berlusconi, and I think we can all agree that's a good thing. This isn't even going into Gaddafi, who makes nearly anyone seem incredibly normal.

Another of Berlusconi's European counterparts recently had a bit of a flare-up with the media, one you can hardly imagine Obama getting into.

Last week, the French president was responding to accusations of taking money to fund a political campaign in 1995. Apparently tiring of the accusations, he decided to compare the allegations he was fielding with other allegations.

According to various French

publications, Sarkozy illustrated the treatment he felt he was being subject to by calling one of the journalists a pedophile and joked that he had evidence and sources but wouldn't name them.

The point Sarkozy is making isn't a bad one, but Obama would be absolutely skewered were he to make a similar comparison.

Perhaps the most bizarre foreign leader is North Korea's Kim Jong-Il. Kim hasn't done anything too outlandish lately, save for launching some missiles at his neighbors to the south. The main reason I wanted to write about him is to direct you to the excellent blog "Kim Jong-Il looking at things," which can be found at kimjongillookingatthings.tumblr.com. The blog largely repurposes photos of the leader originally published for propaganda purposes. The result is, well, a bunch of photos of him looking at things.

So, love him or hate him, count your lucky stars that Obama isn't quite as interesting as some of his counterparts around the world.

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North Korea proves war is far from over

North Korea perturbs me. It's not just their strong sense of nationalism, but also their abhorrent distaste for the outside world, particularly toward those who do not hold the same views as themselves.

This enclosure, albeit eerily familiar to the western world, is incredibly harmful to the Korean peninsula's future, especially during this century when there are more weapons in existence than ever before.

Referred to as the "last Stalinist dictatorship" by the *New York Times*, North Korea has always been a rebel. Between its border disputes and uranium enrichment programs, North Korea has pushed the boundaries, routinely frolicking around United Nations sanctions for decades.

A fierce leader, as I'm sure he would like to think himself, Kim Jong Il is much like a small dog. He waits to be cuddled in the laps of China and Russia, and when the treats do not come his way, a ferocious bite comes your way.

However, at the end of the day, he is a small dog with small teeth in a world full of big dogs; he is harmful enough to hurt but never cause significant, permanent damage without receiving serious consequences. It has always been that way, even after the 2006 intro-

Colleen Gartner



strength, much like stretching before a workout.

South Korea and the United States have, no doubt, begun "war games" — a term quickly overused by news networks — which is just a fancy name for computer simulations and positioning strategies. Considering we've been there and have conquered once before, I hope to expect a cleaner outcome if we do end up sending our brave military there for that purpose again.

It is hard to believe how many times we have all come back to the table hoping North Korea will finally be desperate enough to bend over and welcome even a slight change in its rough communist practices. Yet, despite the North Koreans'

poor quality of life, ranging from starvation to its low-valued currency, North Korea survives, and the million-dollar question has always been and still remains, "How long can they last?"

After all, the conditions there are no secret, as much as they try to convince us

“North Korea survives and the million dollar question has always been and still remains: ‘How long can they last?’”

otherwise through its state-run television broadcasts. It's safe to say the people there are suppressed, but do they know any other life? Is life only greener on the other side of the fence once you have seen past the fence?

I both await and welcome the day of an economic upheaval there, a revolution, even if it is only short-lived.

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Delayed START could be costly for all involved

By **KEVIN BUNKLEY**
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I will refrain from any Cold War clichés as best I can, but talking about the United States, Russia and arms control is going to make that harder than hiding missiles in Cuba.

The Senate is currently threatening to stall debate on the New Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START) legislation, which poses some enormous diplomatic problems. If they fail to ratify such an important treaty before the end of the year, Congress risks not only disappointing Russia, but also lowering American credibility around the world, because they will have inadvertently cast a spotlight onto how partisan and gridlocked our political system has become.

The first START evolved from the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty (SALT) and SALT II; treaties that Presidents Ford and Carter signed with the Soviet Union. Over the years, arms control has been one of the few issues that American and Russian leaders have found common ground on.

In 1980, presidential candidate Ronald Reagan was privately against arms

control in fear that it would weaken the United States' ability to respond to nuclear war, so he campaigned on missile defense expansion as an alternative to nuclear weapons.

Instead of signing treaties that controlled how much the two sides could build up, Reagan wanted to be the one who rid the world of nuclear weapons altogether. In 1987, he signed a treaty with the USSR banning intermediate-range ballistic and nuclear missiles; Republicans hailed him for it, and his successor, Bush Sr., rode that momentum to get START approved in 1991.

It is because of these agreements that the United States and Russia have reduced their missile count by 17,000 over the last 40 years. The GOP, who hold arms control so dear because of the patronage of Reagan and Bush Sr. cannot and

should not let it expire because of partisan politics. Senator John Kyl (R-Ariz.) said last year, "For the first time in 15 years, an extensive set of verification, notification [and] elimination ... measures will expire. The United States will lose ... its ability to understand Russian strategic nuclear forces."

Sen. Kyl is now leading the Republican obstruction to reaching an agreement; it is perplexing as to why they are abandoning their conservative icon Ronald Reagan when a chance to do something he would do is staring them in the face.

Republicans are so afraid of appearing on the same piece of paper with President Obama that they have concluded doing nothing is the best option.

If Congress does not do its duty, Russia won't even entertain the idea of such a deal again for a long time. President Dmitri Medvedev risked a lot to get his government to support the treaty and won't be

happy if Obama fails on his promise. Republicans should realize hurting their own president comes at the risk of undermining a powerful international diplomatic ally. Is that worth having the satisfaction that they defeated an Obama policy goal?

Furthermore, failure to renew this deal will discredit the United States' dedication to future negotiations with other nations; if we couldn't deliver on this, will next time be any different?

This is an opportunity for Republicans to come out against the status quo of petty partisanship in Washington, but it's as if they have selective amnesia that causes them to forget everything they've previously said about the Obama administration.

It's far better for a few Democrats to lose their seats in Congress in 2012 because they did the right thing than have the whole Russian Parliament, along with the rest of Europe, laughing at our dysfunctional domestic politics. Democrats are trying to draw just one positive achievement from the empty, all-consuming petty void that our politics have become, and it's about time the GOP lend a hand.



The problem with fixing today without regard for tomorrow

By **MICHAEL STUBEL**
THE EAGLE (AMERICAN U.)

The majority of the Democrats and Republicans that populate Washington's institutions are career professionals and public servants. For the most part, their expertise has served us well. Yet my worry is that maybe, somewhere, there is another Abraham Lincoln. Someone we would mock, someone who didn't go to an Ivy League school, someone who made it on his or her own.

Realistically, even Lincoln couldn't make it today, and that saddens me deeply. There will be no more Lincolns because our political system punishes those who are willing to speak the truth and make the tough decisions. Who's brave enough to put tomorrow before today?

Families across the country have spent the past two years altering their

spending habits. Some have taken on another job, others have downsized to smaller homes. There's a growing feeling that the same sort of waist trimming should be applied here in Washington.

To close the annual budget deficit and reduce the national debt, shared sacrifice is a necessity. It's ludicrous to think that we could have continued our tired tradition of more spending, more borrowing and less taxes without paying a price. The cruelty of making promises we can't keep is immeasurable.

The co-chairs of President Barack Obama's National Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform recently released their proposal for addressing our fiscal mess. Their blueprint, which is separate from the commission's larger report due out Dec. 1, calls for spending caps on major domestic and defense programs.

They want a simplified tax code that reduces overall rates and closes loopholes.

On health care, they emphasize malpractice reform and long-term cost containment. Retirement pensions for federal workers would be slashed and the Social Security age would be raised to achieve the program's solvency. Everybody would take a hit.

Although predictable, partisan reaction to the proposal was distressing. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi declared the terms "unacceptable." AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka said that the co-chairs had essentially told working Americans to "drop dead."

Here's a timeless rule to help you cut through the political haze: Any idea, policy, or proposal that conservatives and liberals bash is probably the best course of action.

Selling a plan in Congress that lays out nearly \$4 trillion in deficit reduction through 2020 will be infinitely difficult. The co-chairs knew that they were asking

so much of legislators who, for so long, had done so little. The purpose was to start a discussion, to get people, as New York Times columnist David Brooks put it, "to look beyond their short-term financial interest to see the long-term national threat."

Right now, politicians have no incentives to make the hard bargains. They are elected to produce immediate results, so few find supporting unpopular cuts or tax hikes very worthwhile.

In the current environment, I don't have much hope for the recommendations of the president's commission. I do believe that the group's report, coupled with emerging plans from other fiscal commissions in the policy realm, will successfully raise the tenor of the debate over how we want to leave the world to our children and grandchildren.

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North Texas hires Dan McCarney as new coach

DENTON (AP) — Dan McCarney was a young assistant at Iowa when Hayden Fry left North Texas to become the Hawkeyes' new head coach.

Now more than three decades later, McCarney has been hired as the new coach at North Texas, giving the Mean Green a leader with plenty of college experience to rebuild a struggling program.

"It's amazing how this thing goes full circle," McCarney said during his introduction Tuesday. "When (coach Fry) came to Iowa in 1979 ... for the first few days, first few weeks, first few months, all we watched was North Texas football tape, to learn and to see and to watch, this is the system, this is what we're going to do."

The Mean Green had become a Top 20 team during Fry's six seasons (1973-78).

North Texas hasn't been ranked since, is coming off six consecutive losing seasons and will now turn to McCarney, the Florida assistant and former Iowa State head coach, to help recapture some of that glory.

McCarney's arrival came six weeks after former standout high school coach Todd Dodge was fired following a failed 3 1/2-season experiment on the NCAA FBS level.

McCarney has been in college coaching for 34 years, the last three as defensive line coach at Florida. He was head coach at Iowa State from 1995-2006, where he took over a dismal program that he took to five bowl games over a six-season span from 2000-05.

"When I got to Iowa State, they were winless," McCarney said. "The difference we had, the facilities weren't in place. ... Going through those situations, it helps prepare you when you get into the next one."

The news conference at UNT was held in the athletic department building next to where a \$78 million, 30,000-seat stadium is being built and will open

next fall.

North Texas was 3-9 this season, its sixth consecutive losing record since winning four Sun Belt Conference titles in a row and going to the New Orleans Bowl each of those seasons. The Mean Green were 1-6 when Dodge was fired.

Dodge finished with a 6-37 record. He was hired before the 2007 season after going 79-1 and winning four state championships in his final five years at nearby Southlake Carroll High School, making North Texas the first upper-division school to elevate a head coach straight from high school since Notre Dame with Gerry Faust in 1981.

"That process made me really assess the decision, how we made it and what we were looking for at this particular time," athletic director Rick Villarreal said. "In this particular hire, we were able to devote more resources. That changed the pool."

Offensive coordinator Mike Canales took over as interim head coach and went 2-3, his last game as interim head coach a 49-41 loss to Kansas State last Saturday.

McCarney said he has hired Canales as his associate head coach, offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach. Canales was offensive coordinator at South Florida for three seasons before coming to North Texas this year. McCarney was the assistant head coach/defensive line coach at South Florida for one season, 2007, which was Canales' first year there.

Villarreal said there were some "pretty definitive standards" he had when he set out to hire a new coach.

"If we could get someone with head college experience, that was going to be a great plus," Villarreal said.

Among the other candidates for the job were former TCU, Alabama and Texas A&M coach Dennis Franchione and former Tulsa and Louisville coach Steve Kragthorpe.

Lady Raiders host UTSA, serving as final tune-up before Penn State

By JOSE RODRIGUEZ
SPORTS EDITOR

Seven wins to zero losses, a tournament title on hand and an average margin of victory of 27.3 points over the last four games seems worthy of praise or a degree of satisfaction, at the very least.

But Texas Tech head coach Kristy Curry would probably disagree for the most part, aware of the challenges her Lady Raiders (7-0) will come across this week.

Tech puts its seven-game winning streak on the line against the University of Texas at San Antonio (3-3), while the Lady Raiders' biggest challenge of the season, a game against Penn State in State College, Penn., looms near.

But Curry had made sure her players don't make the mistake of looking past their game against the Roadrunners at 7 p.m. today in the United Spirit Arena.

"UTSA's been to the NCAA tournament two out of the past three years," Curry said following Tech's 65-52 win against Sam Houston State on Sunday. "And I just explained to our team — perception of reality isn't this weekend, and we're not going to beat anybody else on the schedule playing the way we did today and they know that."

Most who follow Tech probably marked the Lady Raiders' date with the Nittany Lions as the first real test of the 2010-11 season, but standing in the way of that meeting is a Roadrunner squad that is no stranger to success.

UTSA, aside from making the NCAA Tournament two out of the last three years, also has won the Southland Conference tournament two out of the last three seasons.

And the Roadrunners may not feel too out of place in Lubbock either.

During the 2008-09 season, UTSA, a No. 15 seed, was sent to the United Spirit Arena to play a game against No. 2-seeded Baylor in the first round of the NCAA tournament. Baylor just managed to sneak by UTSA, winning 87-82 in overtime and avoiding the major upset.

UTSA will join the Western Athletic Conference in all sports starting in 2012 along with Texas State and



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH FORWARD Ebony Walker tries to block Bengal forward Ashleigh Vella during Tech's 64-52 victory against Idaho State on Sunday in the United Spirit Arena.

the University of Denver, boosting the program's credibility.

"They're so well coached, they obviously have a lot of Texas kids," Curry said. "They're a lot bigger than they've been in the past. With them heading to the WAC, they've done a nice job recruiting. They just lost to Davidson at home in their tournament (last) weekend."

Pacing the Roadrunner attack is a trio of double-digit scorers, led by Amber Gregg's 13.5 points per game. Ashley Gardner and Alyse Davis round out the trio, scoring 12.3 and 10.3 points per game, respectively.

Gardner is the team's leading rebounder, pulling down an average of 8.3 boards per game. UTSA, however, limps into Lubbock having lost three of its last four games. Those losses include an 83-59 defeat at the hands of TCU and its last loss, a nine-point defeat to Davidson in its final game of the UTSA Thanksgiving Classic.

The road to conference play doesn't

get any easier for the Roadrunners, either. Following Wednesday's game against the Lady Raiders, UTSA plays on the road against Houston on Dec. 7 and against LSU on Dec. 16 in Baton Rouge, La.

The same goes for Curry and the Lady Raiders.

Tech plays at Penn State on Sunday and against Pittsburgh and California in Las Vegas just two weeks later.

But the Lady Raiders have discovered an offensive balance the team lacked most of last season. Kierra Mallard, Casey Morris and Teena Wickett all average double figures in scoring, with Mallard's 15.1 per game leading the group. Mallard is coming off her first double-double of the year, scoring 15 points and hauling in 11 rebounds to become the first Tech player to earn a double-double this season.

Mallard's confidence may also be at a high following her showing at the Basketball Travelers World Vision Classic in the United Spirit Arena last week,

which was capped off with tournament MVP honors going to the junior 6-foot-3 center from Dallas.

In addition, the Lady Raiders have won all 10 previous games played against the Roadrunners. Today's game will be the fourth-straight time the two teams have played in Lubbock. Tech last beat UTSA by the score of 66-58, on Nov. 10, 2006.

But that's all in the past. Despite the Lady Raiders' successful history against the Roadrunner, Curry said her players have to play at their highest level if they want to remain undefeated going into their showdown with Penn State this weekend.

"I think they're picked to win the Southland Conference, and Sam Houston was picked sixth" Curry said. "So if we think we're going to show up and play the way we did (Sunday), we're going to have an awakening Wednesday that we wouldn't like."

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US awaits 2022 World Cup with big hopes for soccer

NEW YORK (AP) — As Americans celebrated the Fourth of July in 1988, a present arrived from Zurich: The World Cup was headed to the United States for the first time.

"The richest land in the world simply cannot be allowed to remain a blank spot on the world map of soccer any longer," Hermann Neuberger, president of West German soccer's governing body, said at the time.

Since that watershed 1994 World Cup the global game is now very much a part of the country's sports landscape. There's a national team that's played in six straight World Cups, three television networks that are pretty much all soccer, constant additional exposure on ESPN2 and a growing league preparing for its 16th season — albeit one still struggling to gain attention in a market dominated by the NFL, Major League Baseball and the NBA.

Bidders promise another burst of explosive growth if FIFA's executive committee awards the 2022 tournament to the United States when it votes Thursday in Zurich. Australia, Japan, Qatar and South Korea are the competition.

"We've got all of the infrastructure in place, and it's extraordinary infrastructure, which allows us to focus on growing the game and using the World Cup to do that in the United States and have the U.S. become an important part of the global community in this," U.S. Soccer

Federation President Sunil Gulati said in an interview with The Associated Press. "I think it changes the economics in a positive way for FIFA and other associations."

The 1994 World Cup transformed FIFA's business side.

Names on the backs of players' jerseys?

It started in the U.S. Corporate tents? First made in America. All-Star teams and relentless promotion?

Ditto.

Much of soccer has never seen anything like Dallas Cowboys Stadium, with its 50-yard-wide video screen hovering above field, 10,000 club seats and 300 luxury suites ringing five levels — the expensive seats alone just about match the 20,224 total capacity of Portsmouth's Fratton Park.

Hard to compare that with those in the original bid presented by the U.S. 22 years ago, which included such antiques as Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium in Annapolis, Md., John F. Kennedy Stadium in Philadelphia and Palmer Stadium in Princeton, N.J.

FIFA's technical report says attendance at a U.S. World Cup could average 76,000, breaking the record of 68,991 set in 1994. It says there is medium legal risk because of a lack of government guarantees, which would require federal legislation after a bid is awarded.

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Army headed to 1st bowl game since '96

DALLAS (AP) — Army is headed to its first bowl game in 14 years.

The Black Knights on Tuesday accepted an invitation to the Armed Forces Bowl in Dallas. Army had an agreement to play in the game if it was bowl eligible before the regular season finale against Navy and either Conference USA or the Mountain West couldn't fill their allotments.

The opening was there because No. 3 TCU qualified for the BCS, leaving the Mountain West with four teams for five bowl slots.

Army (6-5) will play a C-USA team Dec. 30 at SMU's Ford Stadium, the bowl's temporary home while TCU's Amon Carter Stadium in Fort Worth undergoes renovations. The Black Knights won their sixth game Nov. 13 against Kent State.

The last postseason bid for Army was the Independence Bowl in 1996, the last winning season for the Black Knights. They started that year 9-0 and

wound up 10-2 after losing to Auburn 32-29 in Shreveport, La.

The road back to the postseason has been difficult. Army has won more than three games just five times in the past 14 seasons, including both years under coach Rich Ellerson. The Black Knights had a rare 13-loss season in 2003, when they were mired in a 17-game losing streak.

"One of our mantras every time we break a huddle before a practice or after a practice, we talk about staying together and we talk about bringing it back," Ellerson said. "We say bring it back, we're talking about bringing winning football back to West Point. It belongs here."

Before the bowl game, though, is the annual Army-Navy game on Dec. 11 in Philadelphia. The Midshipmen (9-3) are headed to the Poinsettia Bowl on Dec. 23 in San Diego, their eighth straight bowl appearance.

"We have our heads down," Ellerson said. "The focus right now is on Navy."

Oklahoma St's Gundy wins Big 12 coach of the year

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — For Mike Gundy, part of becoming a better coach was learning to let go.

Once he yielded control of his offense and defense to his coordinators, he found himself better able to deal with all the day-to-day decisions that come with being the man in charge of a major college football program.

With first-year offensive coordinator Dana Holgorsen leading what would become the nation's third-highest scoring offense and Bill Young in charge of a defense that created 30 turnovers, Gundy was able to see the big picture and add his influence wherever his inexperienced Cowboys needed it.

The result: the first 10-win regular season in school history and Gundy's selection Tuesday as The Associated Press' Big 12 coach of the year.

"I'm humbled by it and I think that it's an award for our coaching staff," Gundy said in a telephone interview. "They've had a great year."

The 16th-ranked Cowboys (10-2, 6-2 Big 12) were picked to finish fifth in the Big 12 South after losing their starting quarterback, two NFL first-round draft picks and numerous starters but instead shared the division title with Oklahoma and Texas A&M.

Gundy received 12 of 20 first-place votes from the AP panel. Texas A&M's Mike Sherman got seven votes after a turnaround helped the Aggies win their final six games. Art Briles received the remaining vote after leading Baylor to bowl eligibility for the first time since 1994.

Gundy was also named the Big 12 coach of the year in voting by the league's coaches. It's the first time he has received both honors.

In his sixth year as Oklahoma State's head coach, Gundy said he now fits better into the role. A former offensive coordinator, he had previously been heavily involved in the offense and play-calling. But when he brought in Holgorsen, he gave it up — for the better.

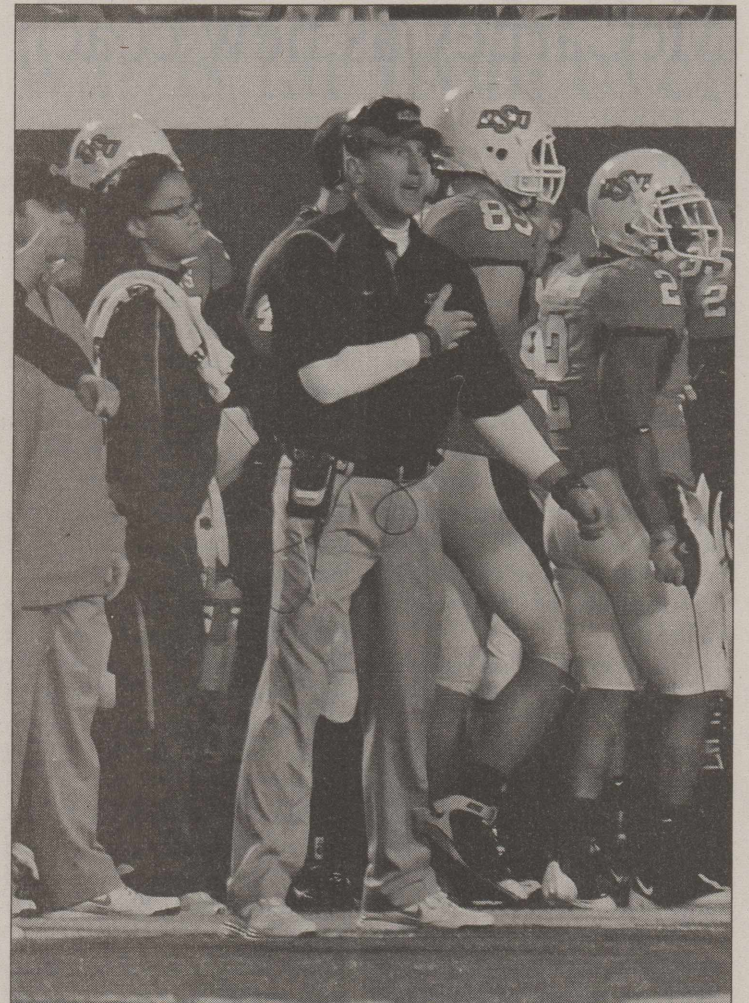
"I think it had a huge role in just me coaching attitude, player development, body language and time management," Gundy said. "I allowed Dana and Bill, of course, to do their jobs and my presence on the sideline was much more calming because I wasn't having to get so involved in the play of an offensive lineman or receivers or quarterbacks and chew on them about something they did wrong."

Defensive players feel his influence more than ever before, and Gundy said he may have spent more time with defensive players than the offense this season for a change. He also had more time to spend on recruiting and during games, he was even more in tune with clock management and injuries.

During the week, Gundy could pop into any meeting instead of always meeting with quarterbacks.

"I really am OK with it because I think it helped our team and it makes my life much easier and gives me more patience," Gundy said. "I'm not always on edge in dealing with recruits, meeting with administration and just everything that's important."

Gundy also credited the Cowboys' unexpected success to the development of a new batch of playmakers — including Justin Blackmon, Brandon Weeden, Shaun Lewis, Brodrick Brown and Joseph Randle — and strong returns from



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador
OKLAHOMA STATE COACH Mike Gundy was named the Big 12 Conference Coach of the Year after leading the Cowboys to a 10-2 regular season record.

serious injuries by Orie Lemon and Andrew McGee.

"When you tie all that together, you end up with 10 wins and a season that everybody will look back on and say obviously it was the most wins we've ever had here in the regular season," he said.

Under Gundy, the Cowboys have played in four straight bowl games for the first time in school history and will make the postseason again, likely in the Cotton, Alamo or Insight bowls. It's a far better destination than anyone expected in what Gundy called a "rebuilding" year.

Poulter ruling furthers golf rules scrutiny

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — The Rules of Golf are under review, and Ian Poulter has a suggestion.

It involves a player who tries to replace his ball on the putting green, only for it to slip out of his hands just inches above the ground and land on his marker — a lucky coin, in this case — and move it ever so slightly.

There was no intent for the marker to move. There was no advantage to be gained.

But there was a one-stroke penalty.

"It puts the focus on another stupid rule," Poulter said.

No doubt he could find a few other colleagues wanting to tweak the Rules of Golf, which will next be amended for 2012.

Brian Davis was docked two shots in a playoff at Hilton Head when his club ticked a loose reed in a waste area to the left of the 18th. Juli Inkster was penalized for swinging a club with a weight attached to stay loose during a delay. And who will ever forget Dustin Johnson not realizing he was in a bunker at the PGA Championship, going from a playoff to a tie for fifth after his two-shot penalty?

Poulter speaks from an experience he would just as soon forget.

He was on the second hole of a sudden-death playoff with Robert Karlsson at the Dubai World Championship, a great finish to the European Tour season, when they came to the par-5 18th green. Poulter went to replace his ball on a 40-foot birdie putt when it fell from his fingertips, hit the edge of the coin and made it flip over.

"It was literally like this," Poulter said Tuesday, squatting and twirling a golf ball with his fingers before letting it fall to the ground.

First, some perspective.

Poulter knows he was unlikely to win the tournament, for while he had the long birdie putt, Karlsson had pitched to about 4 feet for birdie.

"That softens the blow a little bit," Poulter said.

He will argue, however, that he at least had a chance until one slip of the hand, one flip of the coin. Did it cost him the tournament? Probably not, although it made for some sensational "what if?" stories.

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Knight-Sutton friendship pays off for Tech, ORU programs

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STAFF WRITER

It's strange to see players of a team shake hands and high five with a former head coach of a rival college.

That's exactly what happened Tuesday, though, as the Texas Tech men's basketball team was just moments away from squaring off with Oral Roberts. Standout forward Mike Singletary and guard John Roberson walked up to Oral Roberts executive adviser Sean Sutton — the former head coach of Oklahoma State men's basketball and the older brother of Oral Roberts head coach Scott Sutton.

Tuesday was the latest chapter of a friendly story that dates back decades between the prestigious Knight and Sutton coaching families. Tech head coach Pat Knight and the Sutton brothers are linked by the fact they are all sons of hall-of-fame coaches — Bob Knight and Eddie Sutton.

"Scott and I grew up together," Pat Knight said after the Red Raiders' 86-82 win. "Scott and I actually went to (basketball) camp together. Then my brother was always tight with Sean because Scott and I were the same age and my brother and Sean were the same age. Sean and I became close when I went through some B.S. while I was playing up at Indiana, just being a coach's son.

"Sean dropped me a note just out of the blue about sticking in there because he had to go through the same stuff playing for Kentucky and Oklahoma State (under his father). Then Sean and I started becoming close. I don't have two guys that I'm closer to or respect more."

The friendship between the Sutton brothers and Pat Knight was the main reason Tech and Oral Roberts squared off. The two teams will meet again next season in Oral Roberts' home gym in Tulsa, Okla. Scott Sutton said he is thankful Pat

Knight is giving the Golden Eagles — a Summit Conference team — the opportunity.

"There's not too many Big 12 coaches who are gonna schedule us home-and-home," Scott Sutton said.

Pat Knight said the set of two games just make sense, especially when you trust the heads of the opposing program.

"From a budget standpoint, we don't have the money to sit here and buy a bunch of teams in," Pat Knight said. "I mean there are schools out there paying like \$120,000 for one game... What happens is these smaller schools start bidding. They'll call you up and say, 'Yeah we can play you, we'll get back to you,' and they'll call another big school and be like, 'Tech's offering this, what can you give us?' So then they have us bid against each other.

"So we got creative and said let's play some home-and-home with some guys... (Scott Sutton) thanked me today in shoot-

around. I said, 'Scott, it's a great game for us. From an RPI standpoint, win or lose it helps both of us.' They're a good team that's going to help us get prepared for the (Big 12)."

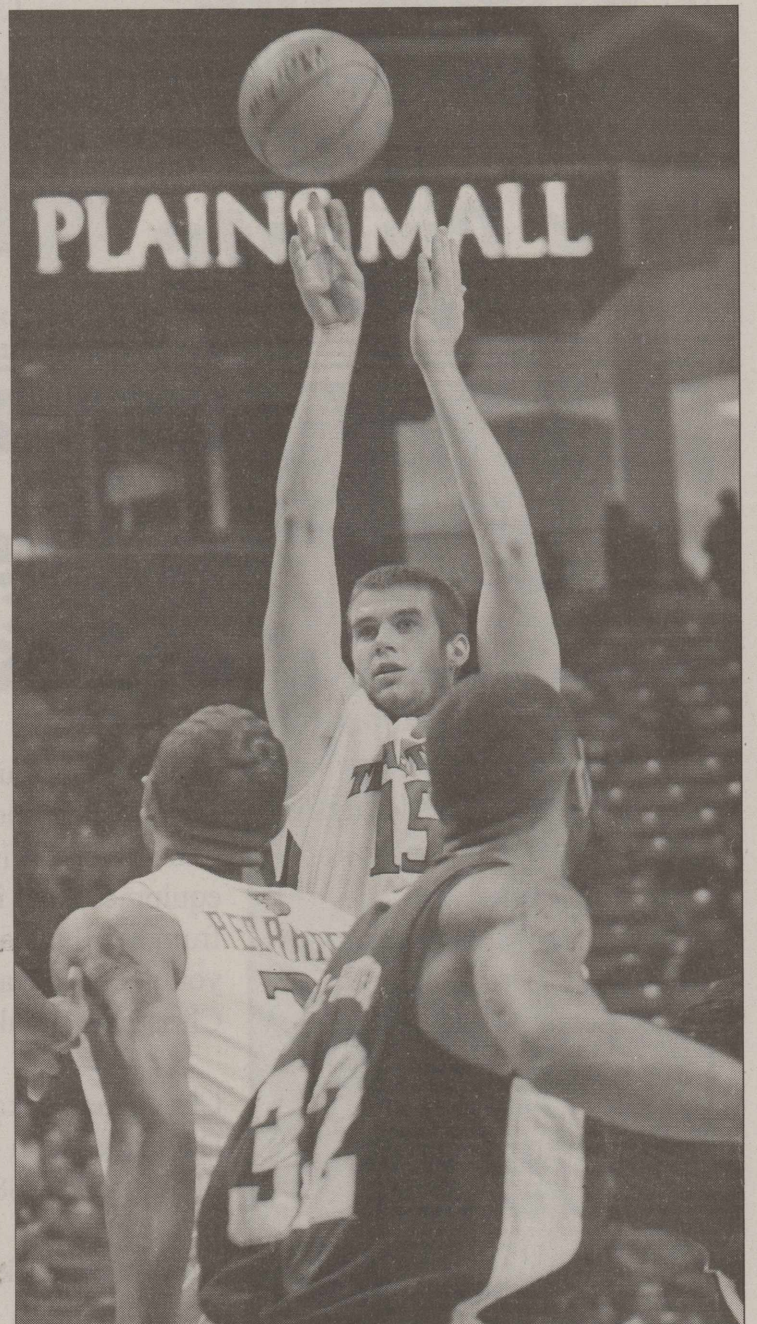
Knight also said some in-state schools refuse to play Tech home-and-home despite logical arguments regarding natural rivalries and cheap travel, another reason he respects Scott Sutton for the home-and-home series.

Unfortunately for the two families, one had to lose Tuesday.

"I'd much rather beat some cheating S.O.B. that cheats his ass off and everyone knows about, but they want to say they're great coaches when all they do is buy players," Pat Knight said. "I'd rather much rather beat a guy like than one of my good friends. That's tough because one of us is going to feel bad.

"If I had my choice I'd rather beat the bad guy than the good guy."

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TEXAS TECH'S ROBERT Lewandowski shoots during Tuesday's game against Oral Roberts University.

Win

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The second half was much of the same game, with both teams unable to gain much of a lead. However, up 69-67 with five minutes left, Mike Singletary scored back-to-back layups after pulling

down offensive rebounds. Singletary rattled off eight consecutive points to keep Oral Roberts at bay, but the Golden Eagles would not go down without a fight.

Trailing by three with 37.5 seconds remaining, Oral Roberts sent Tech guard John Roberson to the free-throw line six times during the final minute. Roberson

made five of them, quashing any comeback attempt the Golden Eagles had to offer.

"Two things that have been killing us this whole year, rebounds and free throws, actually won us this game," Tech center Robert Lewandowski said. "So, we outrebanded them, and we shot better free throws, and that's just a testament to how hard we work, because those are just hustle things."

Lewandowski finished with 17 points and nine rebounds, second on the team in both categories. Roberson added 16, and Brad Reese scored 12 for Tech.

Overall, the Red Raiders (5-3) outrebanded Oral Roberts 41-33 — the first time Tech has pulled down more boards than the opposing team all season. The Red Raiders made 28-of-34 free throw attempts, compared to a 12-22 effort by the Golden Eagles. Tech also scored 18 second-chance points.

Singletary's five offensive rebounds Tuesday night equals his season total coming into the game.

"That's something that I haven't been doing so much over the past couple of games, so I need to get back to it," he said. "The coaches brought that to my

attention, and, from here on out, I should be getting at least two offense boards a game, at least. That's something that will continue to happen, and I think that led to a lot of easy buckets for us."

The Red Raiders also benefited from an 11-man rotation Tuesday night. Although forwards D'Walyn Roberts — playing in his first game since an opening-game win against Louisiana-Monroe — and Paul Cooper — seeing his first action of the season — were not yet at 100 percent, the two showed they will continue to compete for minutes down low.

Tech coach Pat Knight called Cooper a "bull in a china ship" and his physicality was recognized by his teammates and the referees. Cooper was called for two fouls in his four minutes of playing time.

Overall, Tech shot 42.9 percent, committed 22 fouls and had a nearly one-to-one assist to turnover ratio, but Knight said he was just happy with the win.

"I know it wasn't pretty, but sometimes you've got to hug ugly," Knight said. "You know, everyone wants to hug pretty but, heck, I'll hug ugly anytime if it gets us a win. After losing two in a row to get back like that and being in a dog fight like that, it got us better."

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TEXAS TECH FORWARD Mike Singletary shoots over Oral Roberts guard Warren Niles during the Red Raiders 86-82 victory against the Golden Eagles on Tuesday in the United Spirit Arena.

Success

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Free throws were crucial down the stretch (as they nearly always are), and Tech's last seven points came from the free-throw line, including five of six made by point guard John Roberson.

Roberson is another senior leader the Red Raiders are counting on, and he turned in a good performance as well with 16 points in 36 minutes played, though a -3 assist-to-turnover ratio is below his normal standards.

While this ratio was below Roberson's standards, the team ended up plus two in that category. The rebounding margin of plus eight, however, made up for the slim turnover margin. That may not seem like a huge discrepancy, but Tech had yet to outrebound a team this season.

Not only was it the first time the Red Raiders led in rebounds this season, but they also grabbed 15 offensive rebounds

and had 18 second-chance points compared to Oral Roberts' 10 and 10 marks in the same categories.

The tandem of D'Walyn Roberts, who has missed all but one game because of injury this season, and Paul Cooper, who saw his first four minutes Tuesday night, only grabbed one board a piece. The sheer fact that they're back in the lineup, however, is sure to inspire confidence in the Red Raiders that they're on their way to fixing the rebounding problems.

They'll need the boost in confidence, or at the very least in their defense. The next game the Red Raiders play will be against the No. 23 Washington Huskies, who at press time were ranked third in the country in points per game.

But as the Red Raiders showed by beating a scrappy Oral Roberts team, they're at least taking steps in the right direction.

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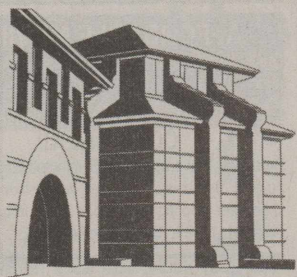
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