# SGA heads Tech Day

#### Statewide budget cuts amongst top priorities

By STEPHEN GIPSON STAFF WRITER

With budget cuts in higher education looming, members of Texas Tech's Student Government Association, along with Tech students, will be in Austin today with a message for state representatives: 'Young Texans can't afford cuts to tion. Higher higher education.'

SGA vice president Tyler Patton said the trip's goal is to make state representatives aware of the importance of higher education.

"It should not be a scapegoat for finding another way to balance your budget," Patton said.

Students on the trip will have economy in a fact sheet to present to state the future. He representatives. Patton said the fact sheet is meant to inform state representatives about budget cuts in higher educahigher education in Texas and how tion, \$8 is restudents perceive them.

Drew Graham, president of SGA, said he understands all state ter jobs, and there are more jobs for gencies are going to have to take them to get "Graham said budget cuts but doesn't understand why higher education has to take the largest cut.

According to the fact sheet students will use on the trip, 41

the 5-percent reduction demanded by Texas' leadership for all state agencies came out of higher educa-

education's share of the state budget is 12.5 percent.

Graham said he wants to inform

state representatives that cutting higher education will hurt Texas' said for every \$1 invested in



turned to the state. "This is because people get bet-

SGA received more than 100 applications from students interested in going on the trip.

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# Large cold front sweeps to Austin for into West Texas region

Tech Police Dept. urges students to take caution

By BRIAN HOWARD

A harsh cold front was predicted to hit West Texas late Monday evening and continue early today, dropping Lubbock temperatures to an extreme yet to be seen in what has been a relatively warm winter for the city.

According to the National Weather Service, lows were predicted to reach 9 degrees Monday night, with snow and sleet accumulations of two to three inches predicted for the Lubbock area. With high temperatures of 19 degrees predicted for today, along with a 70-percent chance of snow, it is likely severe winter weather will greatly impact the city and its residents.

Kenny Evans, the assistant chief with the Texas Tech Police Department, said the department has been and will continue to be in contact with the National Weather Service

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-Drive defensively

throughout the evening and early on into the morning.

"We will monitor the weather through the day and night, stay updated on street conditions and notify the president's office on what is going on," he said. "They will make the ultimate determination on what to do as far as university operations go."

When there is any sort of inclement weather, Evans said, being wary of road conditions and planning ahead is a must

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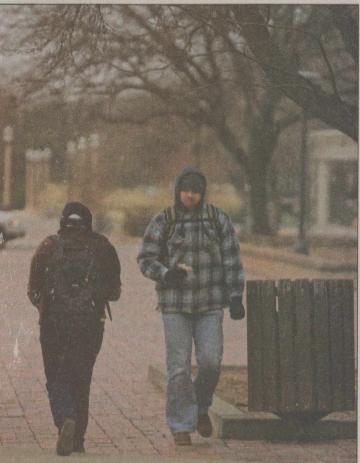


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STUDENTS WALK OUTSIDE between classes in the below freezing weather after a cold front blew in Monday afternoon.

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Country music star Jason Aldean rocked out the United Spirit Arena on Sunday. The DT's electronic media editor, Brett Winegarner, was on hand for the show. LA VIDA, Page 5

#### 2011 Dean's Cup keeps new tradition alive

Architecture competition crowns second ever winner

> **By CAITLAN OSBORN** STAFF WRITER

The second annual Dean's Cup, created by the College of Architecture, took place Friday and ended with Celeste Martinez being declared the overall winner out of 65 entrants.

Visiting professors Josh Nason and Jeff Nesbit began organizing the competition in December after the success of last year's cup. This year, they challenged the students to create a site-less landscape, going against architecture's norm

of a structure being built on regular terrain.

Nason, of Cornell University, said while most students are used to the standard site/building relationship, he hoped this theme would open their minds to a broader spectrum of architecture techniques.

"That's actually part of the point, to be confused," he said. "It's not easily definable, and it's misinterpreted by all the students. The main importance of this is that it's an ideas competition, so we're really just trying to give a topic that is vague enough, yet inspiring enough, to really drive creativity out of the students.'

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#### Music school elaborates on new degree

Musical theater major forthcoming

> **By SYDNEY HOLMES** STAFF WRITER

Talk of a new degree program for the Texas Tech School of Music is buzzing, and as the spring semester kicks into high gear, the murmur of change within the college becomes louder.

One of the major degrees that almost all other Big 12 Conference schools have that Tech lacks is a musical theater degree. This degree is in the works of being implemented at Tech, possibly within the next few years.

Gerald Dolter, director of the Tech music theater program and associate professor of music, is the man behind the formulation of this degree.

"We're always looking to recruit new students," Dolter said. "We've seen a trend in recent years with those students who audition for us are interested in a musical theater degree program."

Dolter explained the changes that would be made to the school to implement this degree.

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# Catching up with ... Tech basketball coach Pat Knight

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#### Community Calendar

#### **TODAY**

Men's Basketball Time: 8 p.m. Where: United Spirit Arena So, what is it? Cheer on the Red Raiders as they battle the Kansas Jayhawks for Tech's fourth consecutive Big 12 Conference win.

Irish Set-Dancing Time: 7 p.m. Where: School of Music, Room M259

So, what is it? Learn and participate in the Irish social dances called set-dances with students learning and teaching from Ireland. The Tech Set-Dancers invite students, staff, faculty and community members who are interested in learning, teaching, and sharing the traditional participatory set-dances of Ireland.

Bill Douglas Time: 8 p.m. Where: Hemmle Recital Hall So, what is it?

Bill Douglas, guest pianist and composer from Boulder, Colo., conducts two days of concerts and workshops. Performances showcase Douglas music and piano artistry, one being more about bassoons and marimba and the other featuring his woodwind chamber music with faculty members.

John Sprott Time: 8:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. So, what is it?

Enjoy acoustic guitar and vocals, R&B, Rock and your requests with this local

#### TUESDAY

Whitacre College of Engineering Job

Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Where: Lubbock Civic Center So, what is it?

Have your résumés ready ahead of time and research the companies. Know who you want to talk to and have a game plan. This is your moment to show what you know! A free shuttle service will run to and from the Civic Center. Look for the Job Fair Shuttle outside the Frazier Alumni Pavilion. Students will also be served a free lunch from Noon to 1:30 p.m.

Country Waltz Class Time: 8 p.m. Where: Dance With Me Ballroom Studio

So, what is it? Learn this traditional dance in a group setting with Don Hunnicutt.

Live Music Wednesday Time: 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Where: Blue Light So, what is it? Come out and enjoy some of the best live music and get over the hump day.

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#### Texan cited as world's oldest person dies

JACKSONVILLE (AP) — A spond to a message Monday. Texas woman cited as the world's oldest person has died at the age

Funeral Home of Jacksonville says Eunice G. Sanborn of Jacksonville died Monday morning at her home.

Sanborn's caretaker, David French, did not immediately refive months old.

University

The Los Angeles-based Gerontology Research Group in Los Angeles listed Sanborn as the world's Patricia Ellis of Boren-Conner oldest person, based on data from the 1900 census. Robert Young of the group said the title now passes to 114-year-old Besse Cooper of Monroe, Ga., who is 114 years and

#### **BIRTHDAY BESTS**



PHOTO BY PAUL HAILES/The Daily Toreador

EMILY CLIFTON, A sophomore biochemistry major from Fort Worth, signs a banner Monday in the Student Union Building in celebration of Texas Tech's 88th birthday.

# World Food Prize winner gives lecture

By JORGE CRUZ STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech's Department of Plant and Soil Science hosted a guest lecture from Purdue University's Gebisa Ejete on Monday.

In his presentation, "Feeding More With Less: Humanity's Grand Challenge of the 21st Century," he discussed the need to invest in agriculture and research that will create an effective food production system in a manner that does not degrade our natural resources.

In 2009, Ejeta received the World Food Prize, an annual international award recogniz-

ing individuals who advance human development by improving the quality, quantity or availability of food in the world.

Ejeta won the award for his research in sorghum, one of the world's top cereal grains and the U.S.'s second highest feed crop, which lead to the increase in availability of sorghum in Africa. The sorghum production creates drought tolerance, disease resistance and nutritional quality crops.

Ejeta's main lecture point addressed the growing world population and what actions people need to take to deal with the issues accompanying a growing population. Innovations and research need to provide the growing population clean water and food, he said.

He discussed the importance of utilizing available resources to meet the demand of the growing global population, which he believes will reach more than nine billion by the year 2050.

of drought tolerance and Ejeta's research in sorghum, a seed that prevents crops from drying up and ultimately leads to more efficient food production to help feed the growing population.

Ejeta said his research is addressing the global hunger problem in developing countries, where the significant portion of the population growth is taking place, by providing more food to eat through his innovative research in sorghum and drought prevention.

Ejeta said hopefully he can set an example that scientific solutions help, resulting in more investment in science and technology research that eases the burden of the growing population and increasing energy demand that, he says, is increasing 2 percent each year.

Ejeta was born in rural Ethiopia and has been at Purdue since 1984. He has done research in plant breeding and improvement of crops, especially sorghum. His work and research has He also has worked on drought been credited for two types of tolerance, disease resistance and

contributions: the development nutritional quality improvement to address the problems both in the United States and developing countries.

> Ejeta said he came to Tech in an effort to encourage and inspire young people to serve humanity with the education and the science they do both here and abroad.

> Ying Hu, a graduate student studying agronomy from Lańzhou, China, said the lecture from Professor Ejeta was extremely beneficial, and she attended the lecture to hear from him personally and because of his extraordinary research in plant breeding.

> Hu discussed how Professor Ejeta, in his research, has helped address the starvation issue in China with his work on plant breeding and drought tolerance. Overall, she said, he was impressive, and it was good for the Tech students and faculty to hear from him and learn what Red Raiders can do to contribute

to his cause. >>> jcruz@dailytoreador.com



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"With any sort of inclement weather, it's important to drive defensively, safely and plan ahead to give yourself plenty of time to make it from point A to point

B," he said. "Also, with extreme drop in temperatures and belowfreezing wind chills, it is important to dress appropriately."

One of the biggest concerns with the weather predictions during the next few days is the substantially large drop in temperatures, Evans said.

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"Temperatures nearing 0 degrees can be very dangerous," he said, "not to mention possible wind chills of negative-10 degrees."

The effect of the approaching winter storm on city and university operations cannot ultimately be determined until there is some sort of precipitation, Evans said.

"It depends on the type of moisture we get," he said. "If it is mostly snow and powder, conditions may be OK, but if we get wet precipitation, then there is a good chance there will be icy and dangerous roadway conditions."

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#### Egypt's army promises no force against protesters

pledged not to fire on protesters in a sign that army support for President Hosni Mubarak may be unraveling on the eve of a major escalation — a push for a million people to take to the streets Tuesday to demand the authoritarian leader's ouster.

More than 10,000 people beat drums, played music and chanted slogans in Tahrir Square, which has become the epicenter of a week of protests demanding an end to Mubarak's three decades in power.

With the organizers' calling for a "march of a million people," the vibe in the sprawling plaza — whose name in Arabic means "Liberation" — was of an intensifying feeling that the uprising was nearing a decisive

"He only needs a push!" was one of the most frequent chants, and a leaflet circulated by some protesters said it was time for the military to choose between Mubarak and the people.

The latest gesture by Mubarak aimed at defusing the crisis fell flat. His top ally, the United States, roundly rejected his announcement of a new government Monday that dropped his highly unpopular interior minister, who heads police forces and has been widely denounced by the protesters.

The crowds in the streets were equally unimpressed.

"It's almost the same government, as if we are not here, as if we are sheep," sneered one protester, Khaled Bassyouny, a 30-year-old Internet entrepreneur. He said it was time to escalate the marches. "It has elections.

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developed, certainly," he said. "We have

quite a bit of the coursework in place

already to make such a degree happen,

but there would certainly have to be new

coursework that would need to be offered

frame for the degree but said a musical

with having a plan in place," Dolter said.

"Whatever work we're doing right now

the degree in place, but also plenty of

musical theater program may happen in a school like ours," Dolter said.

program in place would be all the differ-

ent types of students recruited to Tech. "If we had such a degree program here, we'd be recruiting a whole different market of students to Texas Tech

Dolter said not only does he want

"I've had graduate students put

For Dolter, the most important and exciting result of having a musical theater

Dolter's high hopes for this degree and his department stretch far past the

"I think certainly we could have a program that's on par with any that's in the Big 12," he said. "It would take a

Arielle Murphy, a senior vocal performance major from Kingwood, was surprised when she heard about the possible

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theater major is necessary for Tech.

Dolter was reluctant to give a time-

'There's definitely nothing wrong

"The curriculum would need to be

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and new faculty hired.'

is purely exploratory.

University," he said.

while to get there, though."

Tech campus.

students have shown interest.

CAIRO (AP) — Egypt's military to burn. It has to become ugly. We have to take it to the presidential

> Another concession came late Monday, when Vice President Omar Suleiman — appointed by Mubarak only two days earlier - went on state TV to announce the offer of a dialogue with "political forces" for constitutional and legislative

Suleiman did not say what the changes would entail or which groups the government would speak with. Opposition forces have long demanded the lifting of restrictions on who is eligible to run for president to allow a real challenge to the ruling party, as well as measures to ensure elections are fair. A presidential election is scheduled for September.

In Washington, White House spokesman Robert Gibbs dismissed the naming of the new government, saying the situation in Egypt calls for action, not appointments.

Publicly, the Obama administration has declined to discuss the subject of Mubarak's future. However, administration officials said Monday that Washington prefers Mubarak not contest the upcoming vote. They spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of diplomacy.

The State Department said that a retired senior diplomat — former ambassador to Egypt Frank Wisner — was now on the ground in Cairo and will meet Egyptian officials to urge them to embrace broad economic and political changes that can pave the way for free and fair

She said the musical theater degree would be a great add-on to the school because it would bring more diversity and showcase different types of performances.

"What people don't know is that if musical theater is the path you want to go into, you have to have classical training anyway. If musical theater came to Tech, we could kind of have the best of both worlds," Murphy said.

Though there is no set date for the degree to be put into effect, Dolter said it wouldn't be for at least a year. It may be a long way off, but the excitement Dolter exhibited for the potential degree is obvi-

ous. Dolter's goals are clear and simple. "I would just like to build something that we could all be very proud of here,'

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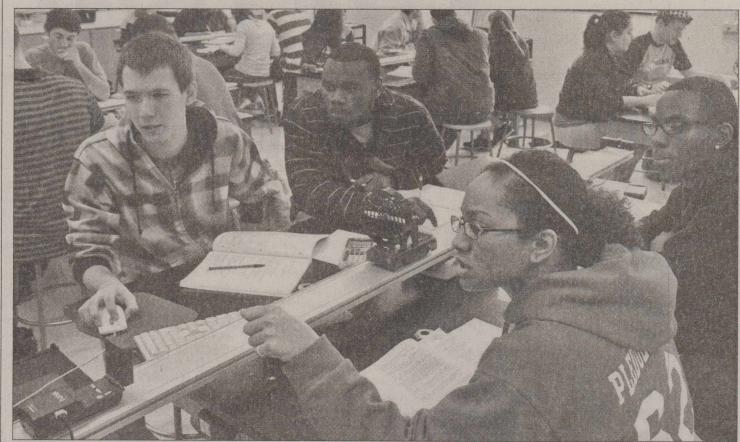


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TEXAS TECH STUDENTS work together to achieve a solution in their 1403 physics lab on Monday.

#### Dean's

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Andrew Vernooy, dean of architecture, said the goal was to have students think conceptually, allowing them to get over their stereotypes of what they think a site is.

"Most people think of a site for a work of architecture as being a place that is defined on the ground," he said. "Similarly, one thinks of a landscape as attached to that place on the ground and that it has trees and grass. But if you actually think a little broader about what a landscape could be, you realize it can indeed be site-less."

Contestants had one week to work on their proposal. Both graduates and undergraduates could participate and had the option to work individually or in teams of up to five members.

Vernooy, who also was on the judging board for the event, said architecture is unlike any other form of education on campus because there are endless ways to answer questions.

"To make an example comparison," he said, "in engineering, the projects or problems are given and the solution is known. In architecture, we are

given problems in which we

don't know the solution. It's up though all of us have invested to the individual to generate a solution, and each solution can be thought processes because of our very different.

Nesbit, of the University of Pennsylvania, said they chose such a broad topic to give students a chance to be inspired and use the competition as a creative outlet.

"Actually, what ends up happening is that instead of us providproduce, they get the chance to develop their own idea and run with it," he said.

The submissions ranged from satellite construction in space, to a cultural analysis about nomadic living, to a landscape based on the ideas of Niccolo Machiavelli.

Nason said he was inspired by the way that each entry was drastically unique from another, reflecting the individuals' personal experiences and interests. Not only are the entries different, but so are the ways they can be interpreted by the viewer.

"One of the enticing aspects of this competition is that even

interest in this and have similar experiences in architecture, we all read these entirely different," Nason said. "It's great that there's actually very different, multivalent ways to approach this, and you can still come to a quality end result."

Martinez's winning entry was ing the idea in what they have to based on the idea of a seismoearthquakes. Site is a very important thing to take into consideration, she said. Since the challenge took landscape out of the equation, Martinez wondered what it would look like if she took every aspect of normal design and instead based it on a natural

> 'An earthquake is something that occurs naturally and isn't defined by a certain site," Martinez said. "So I took the idea of how it not only diagrams itself, but it comes up with its own design. It basically creates itself."

Martinez said she was hon-

ored and surprised when she was declared the Dean's Cup winner.

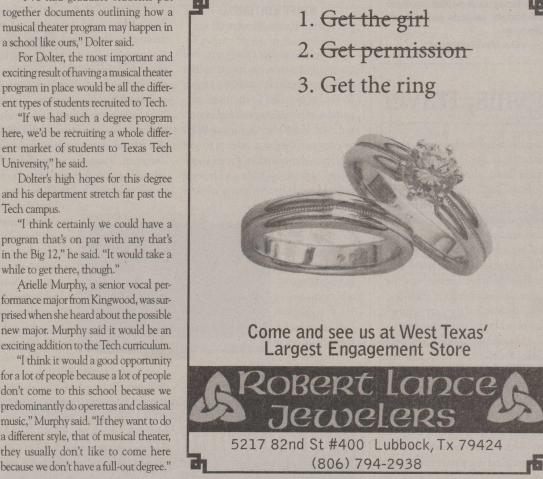
"I submitted my name and didn't think anything of it," she said during the awards ceremony. "I thought I would maybe make honorable mention at most. It's pretty awesome."

As the grand-prize winner, Martinez was awarded architecture books, which she said are something students in the college graph, which is used to detect cherish, since most of their school money goes toward supplies rather than textbooks.

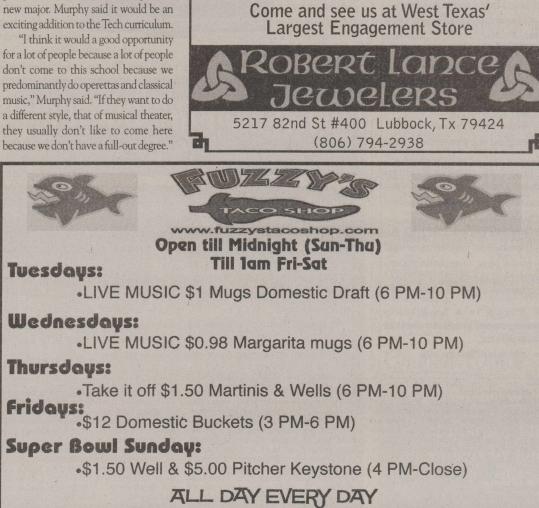
Nason and Nesbit said they both were glad to be a part of such a valuable competition and they hope the tradition will continue to be a defining part of the College of Architecture.

"We have many goals," Nason said, "but one of our goals is to get the word out to the student body that this will be happening again next year, so those that weren't able to participate this year will look forward to next time and help to build our tradition."

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# OPINIONS

# America should stay out of Egypt's affairs

This week marked the end for totalitarian regimes across the Middle East. The people of Tunisia decided their government was not doing enough to help solve the nation's problems with unemployment and rising food problems.

Within a month, the government had been overthrown by citizen protesters, with the help of the military, who sympathized with them, and a new one was being set up.

Many other countries throughout the Middle East, such as Jordan, Yemen and Egypt, have now followed Tunisia's example, with millions of people taking to the streets to protest their governments' lack of action on national problems such as rising food and oil prices, widespread unemployment, and economic stagnation.

After the overthrow of the Tunisian government, it appears the second-largest protest has taken place in Egypt. With violent protests in the nation's capital of Cairo, the

Jakob Reynolds

major port city of Alexandria and the city of Suez, to name a few, it's safe to say a significant portion of the country has taken up the cry for Pres. Hosni Mubarak's resignation.

Mubarak, who has been in power for the past 29 years, has run what many would call an oppressive regime. During his time in power, he has had his government incarcerate political prisoners and activists without a trial, as well as suspend the constitutional rights of the Egyptian people, placing particularly heavy restrictions and censorship on not only the freedoms of speech and assembly of the people of Egypt, but on the media as well. This oppression has garnered a massive amount of derground opposition group known as the "Muslim Brotherhood."

However, he also signed a peace treaty with Israel in 1979 that made him popular with the western world, particularly the United States.

On Jan. 29, Barack Obama decided, for now, to hold back on calling for Hosni Mubarak's resignation. This was, according to the article run in The New York Times, on account of

the Obama administration's fears the United States was once again that they would "lose all leverage with the Egyptian president" and create somewhat of a power vacuum

for deciding to stay out of Egypt's

predicament for the time being. After all, the The United States United States doesn't exactly does not exactly have a reputahave a good track tion for letting the people of record when it other nations deal with their comes to "helping" own issues, especially in the Middle Eastern Middle East. governments that According to The New York work out to be Times, Obama was "acutely cooperative with us. conscious of avoiding any

> perception that quietly engineering the ouster of a major Middle East leader."

I sympathize and even admire

civil unrest, spearheaded by the uninside the already divided country. the protesters in Egypt for so ar-I must say, I don't blame Obama dently fighting for their cause and railing against their government. The Egyptians, of all people, should expect more from their government. When I read about those living under an oppressive regime, I feel privileged to live in a country where I am free to openly express my views on the way things are being run without worrying about being

> censored or arrested. However, despite my sympathies and admiration of the Egyptian protesters, I must say that I agree with Obama's decision to not involve America in Egypt's affairs. The United States does not exactly have a good track record when it comes to "helping" Middle Eastern governments that work out to be cooperative with us.

> See, in the 1970s, Iran underwent a revolution in which the pro-American Shah Pahlavi of Iran was ousted and subsequently replaced by the anti-American supreme leader

Ayatollah Khomeini. The reason the Shah was unpopular with the Iranian people was because he was seen by Iranians as a puppet of western governments. Therefore, the post-revolution Iran has since been leery of the United States.

So now Washington finds itself again allied with a corrupt and very unpopular head of state in the Middle East, whose constituents, for lack of a better word, resent America's support of the dictator running their country. However, if the U.S. does support the protesters, our previous relations with Mubarak and history of aiding in Middle Eastern revolutions may very well end up in yet another uncooperative government in the region. I think that, because of this, the United States should stay out of Egypt's affairs.

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## GOP slip-ups encourage distrust of right

eople might think I don't like the Republican Party because of its stance on taxes or health care.

Although this may be true, I also find too many situations of questionable logic where I have to wonder, "What were they thinking?"

Here are some of those moments from this week:

The House GOP recently released a bill called the "No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act." The point of the bill is to restrict the use of government funds being used for abortion.

Currently, there are exemptions for cases of rape and incest or any pregnancy that could endanger the life of the mother. Here is where it gets really messed up: This legislation proposes that the rape exemption is only limited to "forcible rape." So that means it would not cover statutory rape or any type of rape that did not include force.

This means that a 12-year-old impregnated by a 40-year-old man would no longer qualify to have Medicaid pay for the abortion.



This bill could also exclude anyone who is drugged and raped because there was no "force" involved. Seriously? Even if they end up changing the words used in the bill, who thought that was a good idea?

It seems like someone wanted to limit the amount of abortion coverage on rape victims. This is what happens when some rich old men make laws for low-income women. They could at least ban all government funding for abortion, but no, they had to change the definition of rape to include only a select few that can be covered. That is pretty

In other news, Rep. Jack Kingston of Georgia was on Bill Maher's show Friday night. When Maher asked him if he believes in evolution, he responded, "I believe I came from God, not from a monkey, so the

What a wonderful argument. If only Rep. Kingston took Dr. Dini's biology course, he would've known that we didn't come from monkeys but from an ancestor of the Great Ape. Silly Kingston, monkeys are on Earth now. Evolving from a current animal is impossible.

The massive amount of evolution denial in the GOP tells me one thing: These people are not afraid to make a policy without understanding the basics of how it works. If a person denies a widely accepted scientific opinion, who's to say their opinion should be trusted in any other situation? It's easy to remove evolution from school textbooks when you have no idea how it actually works or don't care to know how it works. If this is the case, why should they be trusted on making other policies?

To me, denying a basic theory like evolution represents a major fault in logical thinking skills. I cannot trust anyone with this view because the logic they used on evolution is the same they use for public policy.

Last week, Rep. Michele Bachmann of Minnesota showed us how to dupe some Tea Partiers:

Bring up American history. She told a group of Tea Partiers that the founding fathers "worked tirelessly until slavery was no more in the United States.'

Tell that to Washington and Jefferson, who owned slaves themselves, or tell that to the writers of the Constitution, who added the three-fifths clause.

Whatever you do, don't tell that to fellow Tea Partier Christine O'Donnell. She didn't even know separation of church and state existed in the Constitution. Looks like Rep. Bachmann forgot about Lincoln and the Civil War.

How can we expect someone to understand economics or government when they can't understand third-grade American

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#### Courtesy, lack of agression go long way in gyms, travel

Then you are exercising and traveling, there are several rules of common courtesy that will make everyone's experience more productive and pleasant. Nothing sours a workout or a vacation like rude people and not understanding local customs.

Customs in a gym include considerate sharing of equipment and cleaning up after yourself. If you see people working out near the machine you want to use, politely ask if they are using that machine or are finished before preparing it for your workout. And if that person says, "Excuse me, I'm not done yet," ask how much they have left and if you can work in. But if the people already there say, "No" then you need to figure

out something

else to do or just wait. If someone comes

up shortly after you start your workout and says she was in the middle of her workout on that particular piece of equipment, politely apologize and work together, or move on to something else.

Especially at our own Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center, aggressiveness will not stand. The

Brittany Hoover

Adam Martin

management at the rec center has safety as its No. 1 priority and creating a positive workout environment close to the top. When individuals are aggressive and create a negative workout environment, they are keeping other people from achieving their fitness goals and possibly discouraging people from coming to the gym at all.

In my boot camp class, I have three rules: Always do your best, always encourage your classmates and always follow in any situation in which you find yourself.

Your best should include cleaning up after yourself. You never know who will use

equipment next, so take a minute to put your weights away. The redshirt employees at the gym are not there to clean up after you. They are there for safety and do a great job reminding people to follow safe exercise habits in a friendly manner. They also spray equipment down for sanitation and inspect and service the gym equipment on a regular basis.

Unfortunately, there are enough inconsiderate and selfish people in the gym that they do have to pick up and organize weights on a regular basis. If you see people leaving their equipment out, I encourage you to remind them to be considerate of others and put their equipment away. One day, you may be tired from a hard workout and will appreciate a friendly reminder as well. Remember, if you're strong enough to lift the weights, you're strong enough to put them back on

While traveling, you may encounter people who you think are very aggressive, especially in many Asian countries where aggressive sales tactics are the norm and small children will follow you for blocks asking for change be on time. These are good rules to or food. You cannot be aggressive back to these people, as they often have a well-armed support network observing them to ensure their safety.

The Tuk-Tuk (small, threewheeled motorcab) drivers in Thailand, the Philippines and China can be relentless and are numerous, enough so that T-shirts are sold mocking their sales pitches. If you do desire their services, you should negotiate, but always be courteous and always be prepared to pay or walk away.

A great way to learn local customs and avoid being the "Ugly American" (if you don't know this book and have any desire to travel overseas, check it out from the library) is to learn some basic phrases like "hello," "please" and "thank you." Often, these three phrases will make your experience much richer and can lead to great adventure. Just asking a friendly local how to say these phrases often starts a good conversation because they are often interested in practicing their English, especially if they are regularly involved in the tourism industry.

Magandang Umaga, Jambo, Ni Hao, Privyet, Buenos Dias, Bon Jour, Dobro, Guten Tag, Konichiwa, As Salam Alaykum, Sawat Dee Kab and Howdy are several ways to say hello that come to mind quickly. Forgive me if my spelling is off.

This type of interactive learning exchange is one part of the tenants of sustainable tourism. Learning the local customs, phrases and cultures while in a country will help you remain courteous with the people of your host country.

Just like being in the gym, this will make you feel welcome and help you have a wonderful experience anywhere you go.

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#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### Memorial Circle not place for politics

On Jan. 24, I was shocked to see that Memorial Circle, an homage to soldiers of World War II and current students who have

lost their lives « defending our freedom, turned into a site for cheap politics.

As I walked by, I saw small white crosses

placed in the grass of our memorial, along with a sign reading "Roe v. Wade." I assume the crosses were there to represent graves for aborted fetuses and the sign to signify the anniversary of the case of Roe v. Wade.

As a Texas Tech student and an American, I am proud to attend a university that honors our veterans for their sacrifices. This obvious political stunt is a slap in the face to every single person who has served this country and should not have been allowed to take place.

If this stunt had occurred anywhere else on our campus, I would have no reservations, but with this, the

university has opened a Pandora's box for any Tom, Dick and Harry to deface our beloved memorial however they please. I can only hope the administration uses better judgment in the future.

Zachary Rubiola is a freshman history major from San Antonio.

#### Nation requires better school systems

STAFF EDITORIAL DAILY TARGUM (RUTGERS U.)

Should a mother ever be arrested for trying to provide her children with a good education? Most people would be appalled at the mere suggestion of punishing natural maternal care, but Kelley Williams-Bolar of Akron, Ohio, was subject to just such punishment when she was convicted of lying about her address in order to send her children to a better school district.

While what Williams-Bolar did was, in fact, illegal, arresting her for it seems a bit extreme.

Williams-Bolar should have gone through the

proper channels to get her children into the Copley-Fairlawn would provide them with a better education than the Akron Central District. We won't contest that. But there was no need to arrest her for her conduct. The school merely should have deregistered her children and sent them back to their proper district. Presiding Judge Patricia Cosgrove admitted that Williams-Bolar was sentenced to prison as an example: "I felt that some punishment or deterrent was needed for other individuals who might think to defraud the various school districts."

It is unfair to turn Williams-Bolar into an example, especially when all she was trying to do was

give her children a better life. She never would have resorted to defrauding the school district if she was provided with better public education inside of her legitimate district. If anyone is at fault here, it is the public school system — public education is failing nationwide. Individuals considering defrauding the school districts do not need a deterrent. Instead, they need better schools, so that they would not have to resort to fraud in the first place.

This debacle lends even more support to Gov. Chris Christie's education reforms in New Jersey, especially the proposed Opportunity Scholarship

Act. The act would make it so people like Williams-Bolar, who find themselves School District, which she thought faced with failing public schools, would have the chance to give their children better educations without resorting to criminal activity. Ohio should take notice of what Christie is trying to do in New Jersey and follow suit. In fact, most of America should pay attention to Christie's education reforms. Ohio is not the only place where things like this are happening.

In one way, Cosgrove succeeded in making Williams-Bolar an example - although, not in the way she intended. Williams-Bolar's case now stands as an example of how broken the United States' public school system is and how badly it needs repairs.

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# Irish music tradition



THE TEXAS TECH Celtic Ensemble performs "Céili in the Snow" on Sunday in the Talkington Great Hall at Legacy Events Center.

#### By ROCIO RODRIGUEZ STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech's Celtic Ensemble performed its "Céili in the Snow" concert Sunday, a tradition that has been a part of the Irish culture for centuries.

The theme of the concert is a kind of musical house party, or céili (pronounced KAY-lee), that people might have in Ireland in the middle of winter, said Christopher Smith, associate professor of musicology and director of the Vernacular Music Center at Tech.

"Ireland is very far north in the hemisphere, so in the wintertime the days are very short and the nights are very long," Smith said. "And the wintertime is a favorite time for musical house parties, for céilis, because there's not a lot of daylight and people spend an awful lot of time in musician. the dark.'

Ensemble and featured the Texas Tech Irish Set-Dancers and the Caprock Border Morris Dancers. One of the soloists featured has her roots deeply set in Irish

"My family is incredibly Irish, and my grandmother used to sing me Irish songs sometimes, and I took an Irish class, and when I came to Tech, it was just perfect to join the Celtic Ensemble," said Casev Joiner, a junior music major from Addison.

Joiner also is the harmonium player for the ensemble, a three-octave accordion-like piano the performer pumps.

PHOTO BY RIANNON ROWLEY/The Daily Toreador Abi Rhoades is the administrative

coordinator for the Vernacular Music

Center and also serves as president of the

Tech Set-Dancers. "I've always been interested in Celtic music and dance, but up until college, there really wasn't much of that sort of thing available here in Lubbock," said the doctoral student from Lubbock. "Along with three other students, I traveled this past summer specifically to take part in a music and dance festival located in Ennis, County Clare, in Ireland.'

Roger Landes is a graduate student in musicology from Independence, Mo., and a teacher's assistant for Smith in the Vernacular Music Center. Landes said he was exposed to Irish traditional music 30 years ago and has since then performed, recorded and toured as an Irish traditional

"It's technically demanding, and it's The event was hosted by the Celtic a really old tradition that not only is it fun to play and learn, but also it feels good to be connected to musicians who have played the same music over the past couple of centuries," Landes said.

Ainsley Daschofsky, a freshman with no declared major from Gatesville, attended the concert.

"It was on TechAnnounce, and it said Irish and — Irish," Ainsley said, as she pointed to her red hair. "It makes you realize the Irish culture. The dancing was fascinating, and they use very simple instruments. It was very happy-go-lucky, very Irish."

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# Students engage in Aldean's performance defies stereotype

#### By BRETT WINEGARNER ELECTRONIC MEDIA EDITOR

Non-country music fans often associate the genre with George Strait, twang, Copenhagen and slow love songs. However, that stereotype would be broken if they listened to some of today's country.

This was proven as Jason Aldean's "My Kind of Party" tour made a stop in the United Spirit Arena on Sunday.

For those walking into the building, it was apparent this was a much different atmosphere than the "typical" country concert, as the arena was filled with fog and music performed by a DJ mixing artists like 50 Cent and the Zach Brown Band together.

Taylor Williams, a sophomore agricultural business major from Gruver, said he believes having the event in the arena made the concert more fun.

"It's a lot cooler because of all the lights and stuff; they can do a lot more with the show," Williams said. "At Wild West, it's just like a bar scene,(but in the arena) it's more unique, I would say."

> As people continued making their

arena, two opening acts performed. The first band was the Jane Dear Girls, which is a perfect example of how much country is changing, from their rendition of the rock song "Hit Me With Your Best Shot" to the fact that their band is made up of two female singers, a bass player with an afro and two guitarists and a drummer who look like they should be playing for Fall Out Boy, not a

Next came Eric Church, who gave the concert a rock 'n' roll feel as he came out to a hard rock song titled "Electric Worry," which features guitar solos and screaming lyrics. However, at times during his performance, things slowed down and got back to a more countrystyled performance.

Then came the performer the crowd was there to see: Jason Aldean. The atmosphere in the building was pretty enthused for the opening acts, but when Aldean came out, it became electric. People went from sitting to standing, from swaying in their seats to dancing and from clapping to throwing their hands up in the air.

Amy Gardner, a freshman restaurant, hotel and institution management major from Spring Branch, said she witnessed a certain crowd member who was amped up.

"There was a lady right by the center of the stage, and she was just going all out," Gardner said. "She was everywhere, she was bouncing up and down and singing along to every single song. It was pretty cool."

The crowd's enthusiasm lasted throughout Aldean's performance, as he had a stage presence that seemed to spread to the entire arena. Also, his use of special effects enhanced his performance — he had a giant

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every song.

video screen behind him, which transformed the songs he sang into an almost instantaneous music video. The footage the cameramen were taking had a filter put on them, making the video on the screen turn into a performance all of its own.

The performance also featured giant light beams above

Aldean moving vertically and horizontally. They provided some incredible special effects, from strobe lights to making it look like sparks where shooting out of the sky. Gardner said the ability to have

these special effects at the arena makes for a different experience than at a "They're able to put on a better show because of the size and technol-

gy available," Gardner said. The crowd also erupted when he played some of his popular songs like "Big Green Tractor" and a special version of "Hicktown," where the beginning of the song, which usually has a more country-sounding intro,

was substituted with a rock-sounding

guitar solo. Aldean's performance also made

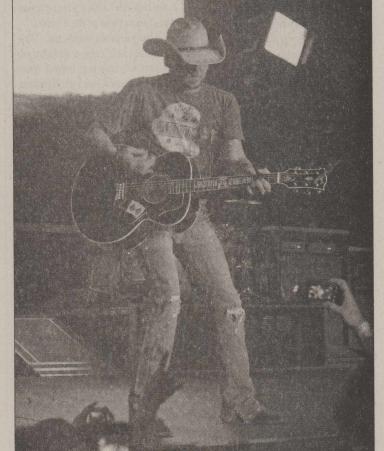


PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador JASON ALDEAN, COUNTRY music star, sings "Amarillo Sky" as a part of his "My Kinda Party" Tour Sunday in the United Spirit Arena.

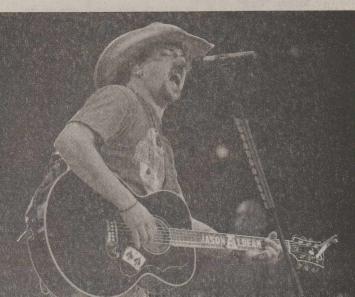


PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador ALDEAN PERFORMED SUNDAY in the United Spirit Arena.

would presume a country concert to be. This was apparent when he sang "Dirt Road Anthem," in which each verse of the song is rapped, and in the encore when he sang the famous Bon Jovi song "Wanted Dead or Alive."

Kim Bergan, a junior psychology major from Spearman, said she has noticed country music's evolution

oncert seem atypical of what one throughout the last few years.

"It's not the twang everyone thinks it is anymore," Bergan said. "It's just like how everyone thinks kids from Texas ride a horse to school; that's not how it is anymore. Country music caters to everyone else now, so you can get people who like other genres of music to come and listen to country music too." >>> bwinegarner@dailytoreador.com

#### SGA 4

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Patton said the point of taking students on the trip is to inform state representatives that regular college students are paying attention to the budget cuts and how it will affect their future.

'Just because this is the largest deficit that the state's faced, we shouldn't just feel OK about short-changing the future of young Texans," Patton said.

The proposed budget cuts would reduce The TEXAS Grant, the largest state financial aid program in Texas, from serving 87,000 students last year to 27,000 students in 2013, Patton said.

"Young people are concerned about our future and the future of our youth," Patton said. "You've

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got to provide us with the necessary funds to give us a good education."

Graham said he also will talk to state representatives about legislation requiring professors to post syllabi for the upcoming semester with information on textbooks required for the course.

He said having access to the textbook requirements of each course before finals of the concluding semester will allow students time to sell back books at the best price

Graham said state representatives also will be informed of the results of the SGA poll regarding concealed carry in campus buildings. Of the 296 responses to the poll on the SGA website, 61 percent said they would feel safer if students had the right to concealed carry in campus buildings.

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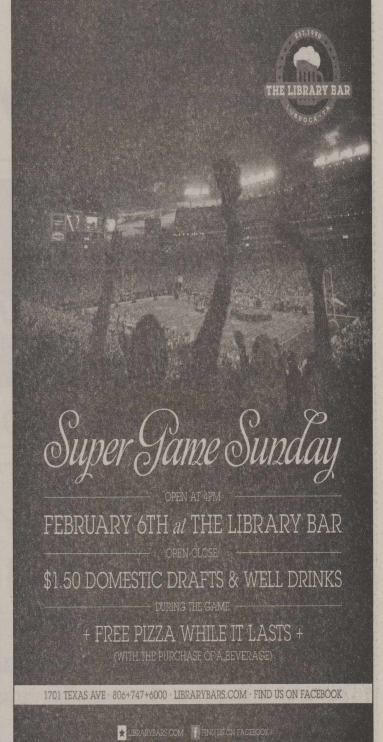
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#### 'King's Speech' rules obvious Oscar choices

Academy Awards season seems all over but the coronation.

"The King's Speech" won top prizes over the weekend from Hollywood actors and directors, securing its standing as the film to beat at the Feb. 27 Oscars, whose winners mostly look like foregone conclusions.

Front-runners coasted to victory at Sunday's Screen Actors Guild Awards — lead performers Colin Firth as Queen Elizabeth II's stuttering dad in "The King's Speech" and Natalie Portman as a ballerina going off her rocker in "Black Swan," plus supporting players Christian Bale as a boxer on the skids and Melissa Leo as his doting but domineering mother in "The Fighter."

"The King's Speech" also won the SAG award for overall acting ensemble. A day earlier, the film was an upset winner at the Directors Guild of America Awards, where its filmmaker Tom Hooper triumphed over David Fincher, who had been considered the favorite for "The Social Network."

While Fincher's Facebook chronicle dominated at the Golden Globes and critics' awards early in the season, momentum abruptly shifted to "The

King's Speech" in barely a week. "I'd like to thank security for let-

LOS ANGELES (AP) — This ting me into the building," Firth said as he accepted his SAG trophy.

His joke points up how quickly "The King's Speech" usurped frontrunner status from "The Social Network," which appeared to have a smooth ride toward a best-picture and director win at the Oscars.

The previous weekend, "The King's Speech" was a surprise recipient for the top award from the Producers Guild of America. Last Tuesday, the film led Oscar contenders with 12 nominations.

The directors and actors guild honors, the last major ceremonies before the Oscars, may have sealed the deal for "The King's Speech" at Hollywood's biggest party.

Only six times in the 62-year history of the Directors Guild awards has the winner there failed to go on to claim the best-director Oscar. And whatever film claims best director at the Oscars usually takes best picture, too.

All four Screen Actors recipients preceded their wins with Golden Globes and are safe bets to pick up Oscars, Firth and Bale have appeared unbeatable almost from the moment their films beganscreening for critics and Hollywood

#### Getting to know fellow Red Raiders

Catching up with basketball coach Pat Knight

What's the most played song on your iPod?

Tumbling Dice by The Rolling Stones

What is your dream destination?

Panama City Beach, Florida

What is your favorite Lubbock restaurant?

Bigham's Smokehouse

What book is currently on your nightstand?

"Vince Lombardi: That First Season," by John Eisenberg

What publications do you subscribe to?

ESPN the Magazine and Sports Illustrated

What is your favorite Texas Tech memory? First win as a head coach (Feb. 13, 2008 against K-State)

Who is your celebrity crush?

MMA fighter Gina Carano

Who is your favorite professional sports team?

New York Jets, Boston Celtics and Chicago Cubs

Who is your role model?

Dad (Bob Knight) and Red Auerbach



Pat Knight is the head coach of the Texas Tech basketball team. He has been head coach since Feb. 4, 2008. His Red Raider squad takes on the No. 2 Kansas Jayhawks tonight in the United Spirit Arena. The Red Raiders are 3-4 in conference pay and 11-11 overall.

#### Art exhibit focuses on five human senses, complements metals symposium

By LAUREN FERGUSON

Most people think about art as stimulating thoughts through visual representations, but Equilibrium: Body as Site, which is displayed through mid-February in the Texas Tech Landmark Gallery, focuses on all five senses and complements the jewelry and metals symposium taking place Friday and Saturday.

Rachel Thiewes and Kate Bonansinga, from the University of Texas-El Paso, co-curated the exhibit, which was created for "Exhibition in Print" for Metalsmiths Magazine in 2008, focusing on a new interpretation of jewelry.

"(Students) can expand their understanding of what jewelry can be and how artists trained as metalsmiths are thinking about and creating artwork for the body," said Bonansinga, director of the Stanlee and Gerald Rubin Center for the Visual Arts at UTEP.

Bonansinga pinpoints one her favorite pieces as "Victims," by Stephanie Hocker, because of the use of technology and materials. The piece is an orange mask covered in spikes that blocks the vision of the wearer while stimulating State, a Tech alum, got her involved. the vision of the onlooker.

Thiews said she could not pinpoint a favorite because so many of the pieces challenge the public's original assumption about jewelry.

'We brought together an international group of jewelers, some quite well known in the art jewelry arena and others not so much," Thiews said. "Importantly, the exhibition featured artworks that had not previously had much exposure in the United States through print media or

Totaling 30 pieces, the exhibit is broken up into four categories: touch, hearing, sight, and smell and taste. Many pieces transcend into more than one category, said David Mondt, preparatory and assistant curator of Landmark Arts.

"Farthingale," by Jesse Mathes, has been a popular piece, Mondt said. Located on a body form in the middle of the exhibit, the piece looks like a belt that has colored rods extending outwards at

Rebecca Beals, a graduate student, is pursuing a master's in fine arts for jewelry design. She became interested in the program after her professor at Tennessee

"I love to make things that I can actu-

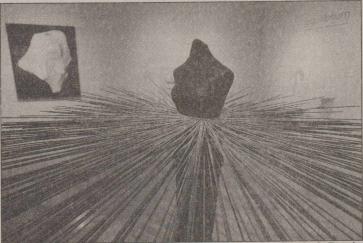


PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador "FARTHINGALE," FOREGROUND, BY Jesse Mathes, is on display at Equilibrium: Body as Site.

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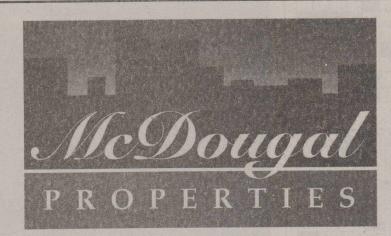
Bonansinga focused on the importance of considering art in relation to the body in her essay about the exhibit.

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## New lineup paying dividends for Tech women's tennis team



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KELSY GARLAND, ABOVE, is the only senior on the Tech women's tennis roster. The Lady Raiders won the UNM Invitatonal last weekend.

#### By JOSHUA KOCH STAFF WRITER

A handful of impact freshmen, experienced sophomores and one senior comprise the 2011 Texas Tech women's ten-

Tech coach Todd Petty, entering his second season as the head of the program, said he can only put five girls on the court, but the squad's talent goes much deeper than that.

'We've got really about eight girls that are just neck and neck, and they can really play anywhere," he said Sunday. "So we really start the season off to see who's going with confidence after the fall. It just happened with some freshmen at the top and some girls that played a little bit lower last year.'

The Lady Raiders (2-0) clinched the New Mexico Invitational title this past weekend in Albuquerque, N.M.

On Saturday, Tech defeated Wichita State, 4-3, behind the singles and doubles play of freshman Samantha Adams. The victory placed the Lady Raiders in the championship match on Sunday against tournament host New Mexico.

ers in the finals.

The Lady Raiders took care of the Lobos rather handily, winning 7-0. Four of the six singles matches ended in straight sets, giving Tech a tournament title.

"I couldn't be happier with the start," Petty said. "We played a very, very solid Wichita State team first, and to get that first 4-3 win out of the way is huge for us to build confidence that we can win the tight matches. And (Sunday) to be able to build that up, I thought we played very well (Sunday) against an improved New Mexico team."

The Lady Raiders continue their road trip this week to face off against a handful of teams from the SEC, including LSU, Alabama and Arkansas.

Tech will not play its first home match until Feb. 19, when the Lady Raiders host North Texas and Cameron in a double-

As a freshman, Adams spends more time away from Lubbock than she would like.

Following the victory, Adams said she is not really worried about the travel itself, but rather the affect it might have on her academics in the end.

"I'm not really sure, being a freshman, how difficult it will be with the school," she said. "I think that's definitely the main concern is keeping up with school, but other than that our team enjoys being with each other. So I think it will be fun."

Tech's next match is against LSU on Wednesday; first serve is scheduled for 3 p.m.

The Lady Raiders' lone se-Earlier Saturday, the Lobos nior, Kelsy Garland, said this defeated UTEP, 6-1, to pair team is different than last year's, themselves with the Lady Raid- especially with the mental approach they are taking to this tough schedule.

> "I think this year our mindset is taking it match by match and not looking too far ahead," she said. "We have to look to LSU on Wednesday. So I think if we just focus on that, then I think this year will be a lot more successful than last year. "

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#### Tennis ←

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On Sunday, Cal presented a greater challenge for the Red Raiders. With Tech leading 3-1, the game-winning point fell on the shoulders of Garcia.

After losing the first set to Carlos Cueto, Garcia battled back to win the second. Then, in the final set, Garcia broke Cueto in the first game.

That's when Garcia had to

bear down. Attempting to hold his serve leading 1-0, Garcia faced six deuces and two break points before winning the

crucial game. "It was probably the most important game of the set," Garcia said. "After I won that game, I could breathe a little."

Vitor Manzini, the No. 4 player, and Gabriel Wanderly, the No. 5 player, were the only other matches still playing alongside Garcia. Both were able to split sets after losing the first sets to

remain on the court.

They continued to play until Garcia defeated Cueto 6-3 in the final set.

Garcia — along with Escobar and Carvalho — undoubtedly put his stamp

Escobar came from down 3-2 in the second set against Pedro Zerbini to win 6-1, 6-3. He said the victory against Cal will help the team moving forward.

"It gives us so much confidence about the whole team," Escobar said. "We can just move every position around. I feel

confident about all of them."

After Garcia's win, he tossed his racket in the air and jubilantly made a victory lap through the crowd, high-fiving the solid contingency of fans. He said advancing to Seattle still hasn't

"I still haven't realized what's going on," Garcia said. "I think it's going to be awesome. By far the best feeling I've had so far at Texas Tech."

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#### Track +

"There is still a long,

season left," Roddick said. do, I just need to keep progressing." When asked how high he

thinks he can jump, Roddick said his goal is 7'-5", but can possibly go higher.

Brown also helped the Big of two weeks ago. 12 men's team out with his win in the 60M hurdles.

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more pole vaulter Shade Weygandt continued her winning ways, jumping

over 14

her consistency in hitting that mark is a good sign for future meets.

"Last year, I jumped 13' 11" there," Weygandt said of her performance in Colfelt good being able to jump surprised it's come as good as it has been."

Track Stadium record with on the bank track of A&M, her jump and came just short opposed to the flat track of jumping 14'-7", which on which they are used to would put her in the lead for the NCAA.

"I just need to get my timing down," Weygandt said. "It will be good having a weekend off; I think I can hit my mark in Arkansas."

Other impressive performances from the Lady Raiders include Caroline and Winrose Karunde fin-

ishing first and second in the 3,000M, moving into CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8 fourth and fifth nationally, respectively.

Kelly Closse won the weight toss and set a person-"I have lots of work left to al best in the shot put, which she finished second in.

Tech coach Wes Kittley said he was pleased with the performance from his teams this week even though it wasn't anything quite like Senior hurdler Bryce the dominating performance

He said it was the toughest meet his teams have gone

> of the athletes handled the heightened pressure better than oth-

had bunch of personal bests this weekend," Kittley said. "Bryce Brown beat the whole field in the

60M, the

for another meet. She said Karunde twins finished in first and second and moved into fourth and fifth nationally, Kelly set a new personal best in the shot put — we had a good meet.'

progressing.

**DARRELL RODDICK** 

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HIGH JUMPER

Kittley said the meet was lege Station last year. "It a good learning experience for his team; they needed over 14 feet consistently. I'm the road experience to be able to do well in nationals. He said it was also good for She tied a Gilliam Indoor his team to get experience

He said his team for the most part looked good, but a few other people need to handle the pressure well.

"As a team, we just need two or three other people to handle the pressure better if we want to be competitive," Kittley said.

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TEXAS TECH FORWARD Robert Lewandowski shoots from beneath Oklahoma State forward Matt Pilgrim during the Red Raiders' 75-74 overtime victory against the Cowboys on Saturday in United Spirit Arena.

#### Kansas +

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Tech definitely will start the potentially brutal four-game stretch with Kansas, but whether or not it can keep up with the Jayhawks is a whole different issue.

Perhaps the Red Raiders' biggest advantage against the second-ranked team in all the land is home-court advantage, said Tech guard John Roberson.

"Home-court advantage," Roberson said with a smile. "We're going to be at home so that's always a good thing — you know that can go a long way, so hopefully we can just use that to our advantage and execute this game plan."

Singletary said Tech's game plan should start with defense, specifically limiting the number of layups and points the Red Raiders allow in the paint. Standing in the way of Tech's poten-

tial tactics are twin brothers Marcus and Markieff Morris, who average a combined 29.7 points and 15.6 rebounds to lead the Singletary calls the duo "beasts," but

the way the Tech forward is playing, teammate John Roberson gave him the same label.

On Monday Singletary was named the Phillips 66 Big 12 Player of the Week for his performances against Iowa State and Oklahoma State.

"He's been playing like a beast," Roberson said of Singletary. "We're going to need him to play just like that against KU. He's been attacking the basket, knocking down shots and he's a hard matchup because he can post up and he can drive the ball."

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# Trio paces Tech to ITA Indoor Championships

RAPHAEL PFISTER HITS the ball during a doubles tennis match against California at the McLeod

By EVAN JANSA STAFF WRITER

It is no secret that the top three players on the No. 15 Texas Tech men's tennis team are good, but last weekend they were able to solidify themselves as a trio to be reckoned with nationally.

The Red Raiders were able to knock off No. 45 LSU. 4-0, and defeat No. 19 Cal, 4-1, at the ITA Kick-Off tournament in Lubbock. With the victory, Tech advances to the ITA National Team Indoor Championships on Feb. 18 in Seattle for the first time in team history.

It started at the top of the lineup for the Red Raiders.

Gonzalo Escobar, Raony Carvalho and Rafael Garcia were a combined 5-0 in singles matches and 3-1 in doubles. Tech coach Tim Siegel said his team is blessed to have such talent at the top of the lineup.

"I wouldn't take in any other top three," Siegel said last weekend. "I think we've proven that we have three of the best players in the country."

On Saturday, Tech dominated LSU, needing just over two hours to win the match. The weather played a factor in the match, with LSU looking perplexed and completely discombobulated at times.

"Playing in Lubbock is a home-field advantage," Siegel said. "The fact that there was a little bit of a breeze ... the

altitude affects our opponents. We took advantage of that."

Tennis Center on Sunday.

Garcia had a superb weekend on the both the doubles and singles courts. He had an impressive 6-0, 6-1 victory over LSU's Mark Bowtell. In the match, Bowtell — who possessed a strong serve — couldn't find the court as a result of the wind and Garcia's sturdy return.

He said breaking Bowtell early helped him gain

"I was really comfortable," Garcia said. "I really thought I could start breaking right away. I was moving my feet really well. It's kind of hard to keep playing well when you get broke in the beginning."

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# Big 12 track wins duel against SEC



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

DARRELL RODDICK, A senior jumper, competes in the triple jump competition at the Texas Tech Invitational in the Athletic Training Center which began on Jan. 21 and ended on Jan. 22.

By THORN COMPTON

The No. 4 Red Raider and No. 13 Lady Raider track teams best 2.22 m (7'-3.25"). His Conference's defeat of the SEC at the Texas A&M Invitational last weekend in College Station.

The meet was the first road test for both teams this year. Senior high jumper Darrell Roddick said he was happy to take his talents on the road.

"I love Lubbock, you know,

Today's

but it's kind of nice to get out of Lubbock," Roddick said.

Roddick helped out his conference by jumping a personal were instrumental in the Big 12 jump vaulted him into the top five in the NCAA, but he said he is trying not to let it get to his head.

Roddick almost broke a school record with his jump, but said that he is nowhere close to being done with his progression.

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NEWS EDITOR

Texas Tech forward Mike Singletary said he couldn't sleep Sunday night because he was so amped up to play Kansas.-

The senior has reason to be pumped: Tech basketball is on its first three-game conference winning streak since 2007 and hosts the No. 2 team in the nation at 8 p.m. today in United Spirit Arena.

But while Singletary can't sleep because of his excitement, perhaps Kansas coach Bill Self is having nightmares about his past three trips to Lubbock.

The Self-led Jayhawks never have won in Lubbock, dropping three straight decisions.

"That happens; everybody has a place where they can't win at, every team across America — pros, college — it's hard to explain," Tech coach Pat Knight said. "It's really pretty much a mental deal, but I wish it meant something, I wish I could count on it for (tonight) but you can't. It's just going to be another game."

Tech has won its last three home games against Kansas by an average of eight points, including a 19-point blowout two years ago.

But what does Tech's home success against Kansas mean for tonight's game?

"I wish I knew. You hope it continues, but, like I said, it's two different teams," Knight said.

The Red Raiders (11-11, 3-4 in Big 12 Conference play) are clicking at the right time — especially with a tough stretch looming beginning with tonight's game.

The Big 12 currently has four teams ranked in the top 25: Kansas, Texas, Missouri and Texas A&M. Guess who the Red Raiders play the next four games?

Bingo.

"They're big-time games," Singletary said, "and if you win a few of those games you're right there, you're right there with one of the top teams in the Big 12 and that's where we wanted to be to start the year. We've got a tough stretch coming up, but we've got to start with Kansas and go from there."

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