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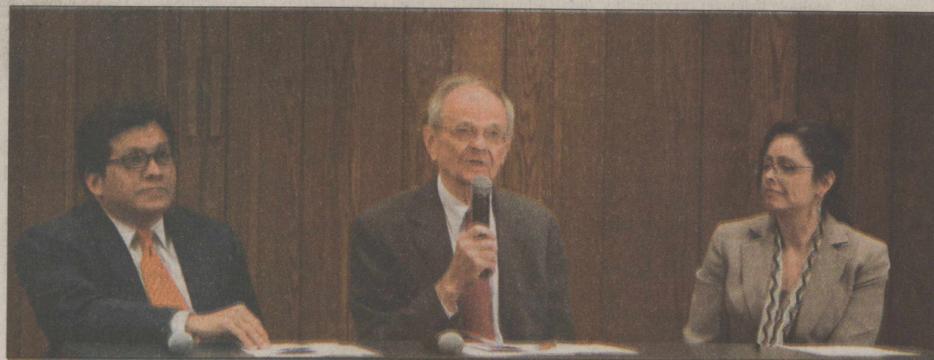


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ALBERTO GONZALES, FROM left, former U.S. attorney general, the Rev. Ted Dotts and associate professor Zenaída Aguirre-Munoz discuss immigration Thursday night in the Human Sciences auditorium.

Discussion focuses on Texas House legislation

By KASSIDY KETRON
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A panel discussion was hosted at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Health Sciences Auditorium to discuss immigration legislation.

17 bills proposed in the House related to immigration are pending in the Texas House of Representatives.

Thursday's panel included former U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales, a visiting professor in the office of Institutional Diversity; Zenaída Aguirre-Munoz, an associate professor in bilingual education and diversity studies; and the Rev. Ted Dotts, a United Methodist clergyman.

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SGA discusses KTXT, parking

Hudson meets with senators

By STEPHEN GIPSON
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Jerry Hudson, dean of the College of Mass Communications at Texas Tech, met with Tech's student government association Thursday to receive feedback on having student involvement within Tech's student radio station, KTXT-FM.

In December 2008, after more than 40 years of being on-air, KTXT-FM was shut down, Hudson said. KTXT-FM reopened in 2009 with a revamped format. He said KTXT-FM currently is totally automated and is contained in a single desktop computer.

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PREHISTORIC PLAINS

Exhibit offers visitors animal history of region

By PRESTON REDDEN
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A new exhibit at the Lubbock Lake Landmark traces the history of animals in the Lubbock area. From prehistoric times to modern day, these animals all are represented.

The exhibit is called "From Mammoth to Mouse: Animals of the Southern High Plains" and runs through March 31. Lubbock Lake Landmark is celebrating its 75th anniversary with four different exhibits this year.

This display was chosen for the winter on purpose. Eileen Johnson, director, said the exhibit deals with the ice age and seemed appropriate to run during this season.

"We thought talking about the ice age during cold weather seemed appropriate," Johnson said. "Little did we know this winter would be so bitterly cold."

There is an exhibit similar to this one at the Museum of Texas Tech, said Susan Rowe, education program manager, but the exhibit at Lubbock Lake Landmark goes further in depth.

"The one we have here focuses on all of the different types of animals that have ever lived in Lubbock," Rowe said. "The one at the museum focuses more on just the mammoth."

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LUBBOCK LAKE LANDMARK recently opened a new exhibit called "From Mammoth to Mouse Exhibit."

Student contributes interviews with WWI vet to SW Collection

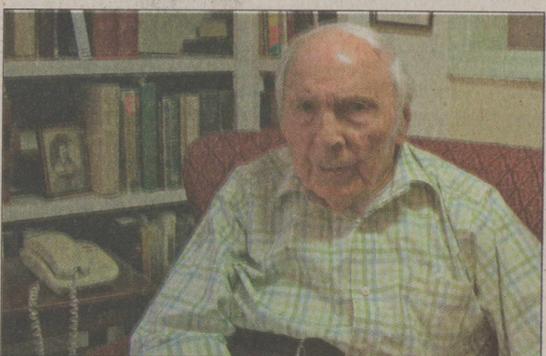


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110-YEAR-OLD FRANK BUCKLES is the last known living American WWI veteran.

By CARRIE THORNTON
STAFF WRITER

Frank Buckles' age may have reached triple digits, but that doesn't mean he has slowed down.

America's last surviving World War I veteran still completes a routine of 50 sit-ups a day and quit driving just eight years ago.

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Time: 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Where: The Overton Hotel
So, what is it?
Enjoy live music at this classy, West Texas-themed bar.

Comedy Karaoke
Time: 7 p.m.
Where: Skooner's Grill and Bar
So, what is it?
Bring your friends for a fun-filled night of karaoke and open mic hosted by David Trout.

SPIVEY
Time: 10 p.m.
Where: Bar PM
So, what is it?
Enjoy a game of football or just sit back and enjoy live music with this experimental rock group from Dallas.

Texas A&M Aggies.

International Talent Show
Time: 7 p.m.
Where: Allen Theater, SUB
So, what is it?
Come and travel the world in one evening. The talent show, organized by the Students for Global Connections and the Office of International Affairs, includes 17 international student associations, representing more than 70 countries.

Lubbock Chorale Valentine Concert
Time: 7 p.m.
Where: Lubbock Country Club
So, what is it?
Bring your sweetheart to this "Love is in the Air"-themed annual dinner concert.

Sounds of West Texas
Time: 7 p.m.
Where: Lubbock Memorial Civic Center Theatre
So, what is it?
A night of classic love songs performed by some of Lubbock's finest musicians. The show is a benefit for 25-year-old Keith Hayes who has Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma and needs a bone marrow stem cell transplant.

SUNDAY

C&W Valentine's Dance
Time: 6 p.m.
Where: Dance with Me
So, what is it?
Bring your valentine for a night of dancing and fun. Dinner from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. accompanied by the musical

SATURDAY

Men's Basketball
Time: 12:30 p.m.
Where: United Spirit Arena
So, what is it?
Join the Red Raiders as they host the

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Egypt: Mubarak refuses to step down

CAIRO (AP) — Egypt's Hosni Mubarak refused to step down or leave the country and instead handed most of his powers to his vice president Thursday, enraging protesters who warned the country could explode in violence and pleaded for the military to take action to push him out.

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Johnson said the display at Lubbock Lake Landmark focuses on a broader spectrum of animals and animals recurring through time.

The exhibit features research collected by Johnson. She also has been involved with research at the Museum of Texas Tech, where she is the interim director.

"We have been conducting excavation at the landmark since 1972," Johnson said. "All of the animals represented in the exhibit mirrors our research."

The exhibit includes surprising animals once living in Lubbock. The Hub City once was home to many exotic animals no longer found anywhere near Lubbock.

"Short-faced bears, sloths and camels all lived in Lubbock at one time or another," Rowe said. "Many visitors are very surprised about camels once living in our area."

Johnson said Tech students would be interested in seeing the history of Lubbock in animal form at the

exhibit.

"Students have chosen to live here for their college career," Johnson said. "They might care about how the city they live in has evolved over thousands of years. Residents also might be interested to learn the history of animals in the area where they have chosen to live."

Students might be hesitant to visit the landmark because they don't think Lubbock has any decent museums. Secretary Claudia Cory said this is not true. "Lubbock has great museums," Cory said. "Many visitors are surprised at how extensive our museums are."

Johnson said the exhibit could be beneficial to students in a variety of majors. Many topics covered in various science classes are featured in the exhibit. "Students studying geology, biology or anthropology would all be interested in this exhibit," Johnson said. "Even a student studying meat science would be interested because the exhibit shows some animal butchering."

Johnson also said the exhibit offers multiple volunteer opportunities and visiting the center is a great way for students to learn whether or not they would like to get involved at the Lubbock Lake Landmark.

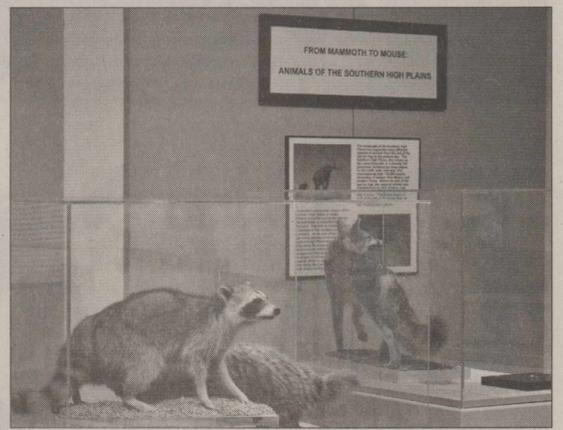


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LUBBOCK LAKE LANDMARK recently opened a new exhibit called "From Mammoth to Mouse Exhibit."

"Students can come out here and learn about our exhibits," Johnson said. "They can then decide if they are interested in any of the exhibits we feature and if they want to get involved with any of our numerous volunteer opportunities."

Johnson said the exhibit will have a one-day companion exhibit Feb. 20. The

companion exhibit is called "Discover Paleolindians" and will discuss the first human inhabitants of Lubbock.

"The exhibit will be translating the rock samples we have into human behavior," Johnson said. "The exhibit will be very informative, and we invite everyone out who is interested."

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Debate

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The discussion was moderated by law professor David N. Strange, who also teaches immigration law.

"The very essence of a sovereign nation is having the power and authority to determine citizenship and the presence of its individuals," Gonzales said.

Gonzales said he is not in favor of most of what is proposed in the bills.

Gonzales said people should be focused on encouraging leadership in Washington D.C. to address the issues surrounding immigration because these policies will affect the economy, national security and foreign policy.

"The truth of the matter is that the state shouldn't be involved in this," Gonzales said. "This is a federal responsibility. I think the states are motivated to do this because the federal government has failed, quite frankly."

When Strange opened the discussion he said prior to the 1800s immigration laws were regulated by the state in contrast to being regulated by the federal government.

Dotts said he preferred to look at the proposed legislation by asking himself what the benefits and burdens would be.

Dotts said if he were an immigrant and went to a country that had laws like that of the U.S. he would ask himself "where is the golden rule?"

"Immigrants help immigrants, and that makes a much stronger nation," he said.

Aguirre-Munoz said that in researching for the discussion, specifically the legislation's fear of job loss and its citizens' safety, she found border towns are among the safest

cities across the nation.

She used San Diego as an example of a safe city and said directly along the border there are high-end retail stores remaining safe and profitable.

"In terms of a high influence of immigrants, several demographers show that there's a positive correlation between the proportion of immigrants and the reduction of crime rates," Aguirre-Munoz said.

One of the bills debated was House Bill 623, which states an institution of higher education holds the right to require students to present documentation verifying they are legally present in the U.S. The bill also would make English the official language of Texas.

Spencer Key, a graduate student studying Spanish from Jourdan, said she chose to attend the discussion not only because it related to her course of study, but also because it related to her personal life.

She said if her boyfriend's mother, who cannot speak English, were in a situation in which she couldn't communicate to authorities that she couldn't get to her green card, she could be arrested.

"In Texas the original language was the Native American languages and Spanish," Key said. "That's where we come from. So it makes no sense to me."

She said she also disagreed with the bill, stating peace officers with probable cause can arrest a person they believe is not lawfully present in the U.S.

Key said she couldn't think of a single law giving the right to arrest someone without a warrant and only a probable cause.

"It's not the American way," she said. "It's taking away our rights."

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"We haven't utilized our campus media and broadcast media very well to provide opportunities for students and to provide the programming that students would enjoy," Hudson said.

Hudson said Derrick Ginter, general manager of KTXB-FM and Tech's classical music station, KOHM-FM, has requested both stations be moved administratively back to the College of Mass Communications.

He said both KTXB-FM and KOHM-FM would be relocated from their present location in the bank building at 19th Street and University Avenue to the newly renovated Business Administration building that will become the Mass Communication building.

Possible broadcast programs being considered are SGA meetings, faculty senate meetings and board of regents meetings.

Sports coverage of intramural or athletic programs is possible as well. Hudson said it would provide students interested in sports broadcasting an opportunity to announce play-by-play of soccer and softball.

Hudson said if space is open in the current Mass Communications building, broadcasting could begin as early as September. He said a student fee will most likely be added to fund the station. He did not specify how much the fee would be.

Michael Shonrock, vice president of student affairs and enrollment management, addressed SGA for feedback on Tech's parking situation.

He said Tech is looking at adding another parking garage on campus to deal with the increased enrollment.

Shonrock said he is looking for suggestions on where such garage should be placed.

"We all think that going up is a good idea, and we also realize that there's a cost to building a parking structure and it's not cheap," Shonrock said.

A bill proposing University Parking Services allowing dismissal of one paid-parking ticket each academic year in exchange for three hours of community service was passed. The bill states the dismissal of a parking citation through community service can be granted during the same academic year of the free dismissal currently granted.

Zachary West, an SGA senator, said he believes University Parking Services is not being "student-friendly."

"Basically the managing director of parking services flat out told us over the phone that they're looking for students to park illegally just because they're hoping for an increase in revenue," West said. "I feel that as a student government association we do not need to let things like this happen on this university."

A bill proposing Red Box kiosks be placed on campus was also passed. Matt Pippen, an SGA senator, said the Red Box kiosks would not cost Tech any money to install. Tech would only have to agree to lease the space for the kiosk.

Pippen said many students have requested Red Box kiosks because of their lack of transportation to go off-campus.

He said the Student Union Building and the Student Recreation Center are both ideal locations for the kiosk.

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Nick Heil, middle, author of "Dark Summit", speaks to an English class on the journalistic writing process and challenges he faces as a writer.



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WWI

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Now 110, Buckles has been interviewed by history buffs around the world, one of the latest including Texas Tech graduate student John McCullough.

McCullough, who also works for the Health Sciences Center as an electronic data interchange programmer and analyst III, visited Buckles at his home in Charles Town, W.V., in August 2007 as well as August 2008.

"On Veterans Day in 2005, I saw an article in the paper about the last three surviving World War I veterans, and one was Lloyd Brown," said McCullough, a Lubbock native working for a master's degree in history. "I looked him up on whitepages.com ... and finally got the nerve to call him and sent him a letter in 2006.

"When I didn't get a response, I called him and asked him if he got my letter, and he said, 'Yes, and no, I'm not interested,' then hung up."

From there McCullough discovered Buckles from the small list of survivors and contacted him via mail and soon after was contacted by Buckles' daughter, who manages her father's interview requests.

After receiving interview confirmation, McCullough made arrangements to visit the Northeast to speak with living history.

The first time he visited Buckles at Gap View Farm, they spoke mostly of his war experiences and such, McCullough said. In 2008, the questions strayed more into era-specific issues.

"I have always been interested in the '20s; 'The Great Gatsby' is my favorite book, and I asked him if the way we portrayed the decade, with speakeasies and such, was accurate," he said with a laugh. "Buckles paused for a moment, then said that when he wasn't working, he spent his time at 5th Avenue Baptist Church, and looked up at me with a twinkle in his eye.

"I laughed and said, 'OK,' and knew I had asked the wrong person about the Roaring '20s."

Both interviews are recorded, and McCullough has donated them, along with his trip receipts,

newspaper clips and "A Night to Remember," signed by both the author Walter Lord and Buckles, to the Southwest Collection and Special Collections Library.

There's a reason McCullough was especially interested in having Buckles sign the book, which attempts to retell the fate of the infamous Titanic. McCullough discovered that four years after the disaster, the veteran traveled across the Atlantic in the Carpathia, the ship that rose to fame for rescuing the desperate Titanic survivors.

"He had the chance to talk to several people who were there that night and hear their stories," McCullough said.

Three years after McCullough's second interview, Buckles' official biographer announced on his website the veteran will not be participating in any future interviews even though his mind is still sharp.

"It's really amazing. Especially the contextual information he can give about the war is a treasure because he's it — he's the last survivor."

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Therefore, the audio materials McCullough obtained became even more valuable for the collections as well as the Tech community.

"They make everyone aware that we still have a WWI veteran with us, and that's something people are shocked by," McCullough said. "It also shows a drive by a graduate student doing research can uncover many great aspects of history."

Tai Kreidler, deputy director of the special collections library, said the donations enrich the facility's exiting WWI materials.

"It's really amazing," he said. "Especially the contextual information he can give about the war is a treasure because he's it — he's the last survivor."

From his interview, Kreidler said the Tech community can utilize the unique historical information to benefit their education. It expands education from the classroom and provides a firsthand source, something many do not have.

"These narrative memories can be used as bull's-eyes in a classroom," he said. "Yes, you can talk about trench warfare and how brutal it was, but the audio can be used to augment a PowerPoint — to give a firsthand account of the dirt and how it felt to watch those around you die."

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Musical comic causes frenzy

By SYDNEY HOLMES
STAFF WRITER

He's rude, crude, crass and cloddish. His comedy is not for the thin-skinned or easily offended. Internet sensation Bo Burnham encompasses all these things and, finally, has brought them to Texas Tech.

Originally discovered on YouTube, Bo Burnham is a singing comedian with a knack for political incorrectness, and his fans love it. Tech students lined up for hours before his show hoping they would be in the front row and have Burnham make fun of them personally.

Whether students were new or old fans, the common consensus was that he was hilarious.

Jordan Hoech, a freshman restaurant, hotel and institution management major from Houston, said she loved the performance. She explained she first came to know about Bo Burnham through the Internet.

"I found him on YouTube a long time ago. Like, a couple years ago when he came out," she explained. "I had friends in Houston who had seen him live, so when I found out he was coming here, I thought I would come."

Burnham's comedy style is very different from the run-of-the-mill comics seen today, Hoech said.

"He's offensive, but it's funny," Hoech said. "You just have to keep an open mind about what he does and what he says, and it's always going to be funny."

Rebecca Robinson, a freshman music education major from Allen, also said she enjoyed the show.

joyed the show.

"I thought (the show) was hysterical," Robinson said. "It was awesome. I can't even pick a favorite part. It was all hilarious."

Standing in line to meet Bo Burnham turned out to be about an hour-long wait for Robinson.

"I'm willing to wait forever and a day for him," she joked.

Katie Farmer is the nightlife coordinator for the Tech Activities Board and is credited with getting Burnham to Tech.

"When it comes to determining which artists to bring to campus, we usually go through a pretty extensive process, which is one reason why we plan our events at least a semester in advance," she said. "We got pretty lucky with Bo and were able to book him around the same time period with other campuses across the state, which made the process of actually getting him here a little easier."

Though Farmer is not a long time fan of Burnham's, she said she enjoyed his humor.

"Being part of the planning process means a lot of behind-the-scenes work. One of the perks of that is getting to personally work with Bo. It's always really exciting," she said. "It was really cool to meet a person my age that is experiencing a completely different way of life."

As far as future plans, Farmer says no more comedians will visit campus this semester, but Tech students should expect some new and exciting events.

"In general, the nightlife committee usually tries to bring in at least two comedians a semester," she explained. "That being said, we still do have some exciting events to come this spring."

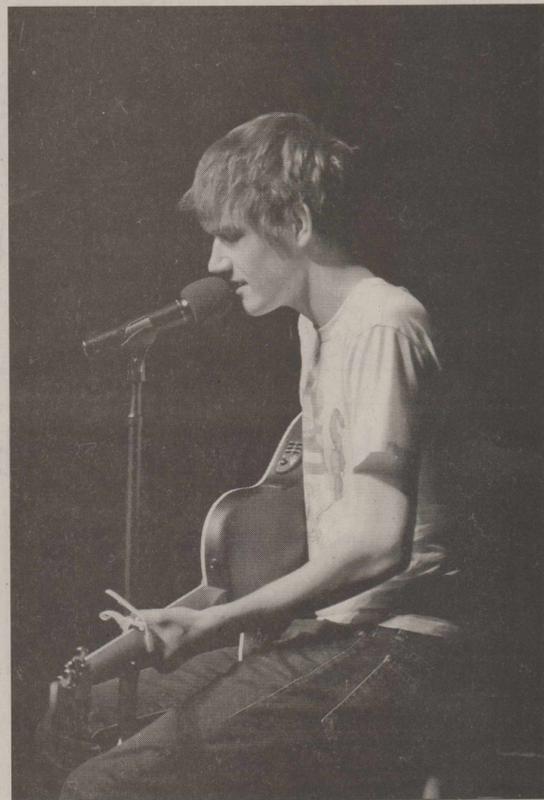


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COMEDIAN BO BURNHAM performs in a TAB-hosted event Wednesday night in the Allen Theatre in the the Student Union Building.

The turnout for Burnham's show, Farmer said, was larger than expected.

"The Allen Theatre seats approximately 968, and it was a sold-out show. We even had a line of people who didn't receive a ticket, waiting for a chance to be let in," she said. "You get a real sense of accomplishment when you see how much the students and the community

enjoyed the event."

Whether Bo Burnham was making fun of Los Angeles agents or actual audience members, Tech students were blown away by his charisma and his unassuming demeanor.

Even Bo recognized the unique energy on Tech campus when he said, "Well, looks like I've been 'Raidered.'"

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Shop within your budget when it comes to relationships

Valentine's Day is quickly approaching, and many of you don't have a valentine. I am not saying that having a valentine is the most important thing nor am I saying that all of you even want one. That day just tends to highlight any current relationship or lack thereof.

While having my nightly conversation with my parents, we discussed why it is easier for some people to find relationships than for others. They began to tell me that everyone couldn't expect all things from a potential mate when they are on the market. I thought this idea made plenty of sense.

Women are always looking for "Mr. Perfect," when in actuality they are not perfect themselves. The same goes for men. That is pure insanity. You know, the idea of repeating the same behavior and expecting different results. Clearly it just isn't working. Maybe you should try something new.

This is just sheer statistics. If you perform a certain behavior, and you typically get the same response, chances are that every time you perform that act you will get the same result. In this case, the result is a lack of a relationship or intimacy. When I say intimacy, I don't mean sex. I mean having closeness with another individual.

Dating is a lot like shopping. Individuals who go shopping typically

Jaira Keys



search for the best quality of item that is also within their budget. For example, if someone wants a new computer, they will probably shop around before making a decision. While shopping, an individual must take into account the amount of money they have.

For example, a woman who is shoe shopping may like the Christian Louboutin pumps but only have money for the Steve Madden pumps. Not saying she doesn't like the Steve Madden shoes, but she would definitely purchase the other if she had the money.

Instead, they buy the Steve Maddens. The only other option would be to leave the store empty-handed and possibly without any potential shoes to wear to whatever event they were planning on attending.

I said all that to say that maybe you are looking for a Christian Louboutin shoe on a Steve Madden budget. To make the analogy clear, the money with which you are shopping are the qualities you bring to the table. What kind of man or woman are you? How much money are you actually shop-

ping with? What would you bring to a relationship?

Guys are looking for the most beautiful, stylish, fit, intelligent and funny women, but are they all of those things? In most cases, they aren't. I hear guys talk about what kind of girls they like all the time, and I am honestly shocked. I often wonder what they think is so great about them that a woman has to be all of these things.

Women are looking for a man who can provide for them, but can they even provide for themselves? If they could, they probably wouldn't be looking for a man to take care of them.

Women are often in search of a man with status. Have they achieved their own status yet? I have noticed that many women are looking for a man who possesses the things they have yet to accomplish for themselves. You should want to equal your mate.

If you encompass everything that you look for in a mate, you are well within your rights to ask for the same things in return. If you don't possess the

qualities that you are in search of from your mate, sorry to tell you, but it's about time you stop living in a fairytale. Stop looking for a princess if you are still a frog. Most people want someone who is their equal.

Some people need to either lower their standards or trick someone else into lowering theirs. In most cases, the woman who has it all together is not going to settle for a man who has no goals and who she will end up dragging through life.

I encourage all of you to take a look in the mirror and be honest with yourselves. Really think about what you bring to the table. Think about your goals and your potential. Potential is worth plenty in a relationship. Then think about what you require from others and see if they match up. Ask yourself, are you shopping within your budget?

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Banning Chick-fil-A violates free speech

Recently, Chick-fil-A has come under a great deal of pressure about their stance on marriage.

A popular choice on college campuses, Chick-fil-A is a Christian-owned company that infuses their business practices with Christian principles, from closing on Sunday to promoting Christian causes with their charitable donations, the latter of which has caused the aforementioned turmoil.

Chick-fil-A's donations to pro-traditional marriage organizations such as the National Organization for Marriage and Focus on the Family, with whom they have held a close relationship for decades, have drawn criticism from gay rights activists who see those donations as assaults on civil rights. As a result, many gay rights groups are seeking to have Chick-fil-A thrown off of campus food courts, claiming that a business that seeks to strip the civil rights from homosexuals has no place on a college campus.

While the debate around gay marriage is a legitimate issue, it is not the fundamental issue at stake in this situation, and those who attempt to make the situation about Chick-fil-A's political stance gloss over the underlying assumptions they seek to imbed into the discussion: the utilization of state power and authority to chill freedom of speech.

The purpose of the state is not to make decisions about which businesses are the most deserving of tax dollars based on their beliefs; the job of the state is to protect and defend the inherent rights of its citizens.

In this case, were Chick-fil-A to begin turning away openly gay customers from their stores, especially at their campus locations, then the school would be well within its constitutional boundaries to cease their relationship with the restraint chain, and may even be legally required to do so under U.S.C §1983.

Since Chick-fil-A has never engaged in such activity, the implication that they are a discriminatory entity relies entirely on the statements made by the company in the form of donations to groups that oppose gay marriage.

Were the colleges in question completely private entities, which received no funds from taxation, then there would be no issue, as private institutions are perfectly free to choose with whom they do business for any reason they so choose. However, the universities in question are all publicly funded, and as such there are constitutional issues involved with any actions taken by their administrations.

When protesters claim that no business that opposes gay marriage should be allowed on campus, what they assume is that the state has the right to ban businesses, and therefore the people who own businesses, from speaking out and voicing their opinions on political

Jeff Frazier



issues when their viewpoints run counter to theirs.

This, then, has the effect of preventing businesses from speaking out with their checkbooks for fear of being blacklisted from being able to do business with the institutions their own tax dollars go towards funding.

This constitutes a clear violation of Chick-fil-A's First Amendment right to freedom of speech, and as such the assumption that the state should be allowed to have such powers must not be allowed to be tossed around so flippantly without a firm response.

This is not to say that those opposed to Chick-fil-A being on their college campus should be silent either. Their voices are just as important and must be allowed to be heard, but there is a proper way to go about achieving their goals without the violation of anyone's constitutional rights.

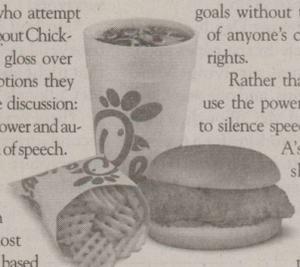
Rather than seeking to use the power of the state to silence speech, Chick-fil-A's opponents should enter the arena of ideas. Instead of telling the public what is good for them and using force to make it so, come out and convince them that they shouldn't lend their support to Chick-fil-A when they go out to lunch. Educate them on the issues and where their money goes when they support Chick-fil-A, and let them make their own decisions.

If enough people are convinced that they do not support Chick-fil-A's values, and are offended by their donations to the extent that they will no longer patronize them, then Chick-fil-A will be forced to close.

Every time a customer makes a purchase at Chick-fil-A on a campus, they are putting in their vote that Chick-fil-A does, in fact, have place on the campus, and so long as the dollar votes keep rolling in, Chick-fil-A will stay right where they are. That is the method by which our society decides winners and losers, not by legislative or administrative fiat.

There are terms for those who would use force in order to silence the viewpoints of those with whom they disagree. When they run schoolyards, we call them bullies; when they run nations, we call them tyrants; and when they run nothing, we call the rest of us free.

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- Part of the deal
- Little pieces, idiomatically
- Benevolent group
- Great Plains tribe
- "Amazing!"
- House leader during Bill's presidency
- Scoundrel defeated by cheating?
- Henri's health
- Critical
- Lummox
- Maker of the LX 150 scooter
- Gloomy Cuban?
- Photo finish?
- Birthplace of seven presidents
- Drive off
- Ardu
- Grade that describes this puzzle's theme
- James and the Giant Peach" writer
- Iroquois enemies
- Start of a Durante refrain
- Olympics participant since 1992, to the IOC
- Disarming pub competitor?
- Cheerios
- Music store section
- Martyred first bishop of Paris
- Notable early student of Bela
- What loving couples exchange?
- à la feu: French gun
- Carnival dance
- Unite after a break, in a way
- Caring
- Magazine for horse owners
- Sherpa's sighting

DOWN

- Mortar carriers
- Handle for a little shaver?
- Animal, vegetable or mineral
- Unsettled one?
- Head-slapper's cry
- Scoreboard initials
- "How adorable!"
- Big name in dairy
- Sports logo since 1972
- Like carmeos
- Laschivius
- Title river in a 1957 film that won seven Oscars
- Eyeful melody
- Latin lover's declaration
- Stock term
- Saudi royal name
- Talking Heads song "Sax and
- Missed out, maybe
- Met tragedy, perhaps?
- It merged with Piedmont in 1989
- Playful bite
- Swiftly
- Jacket style popular with '60s rockers
- Words that lead to nothing?
- Educated
- Game based on crazy eights
- Card in 38-Down
- Meager
- Words after play or for
- Idle
- Where GOOG is traded
- Canine mascot of the National Fire Protection Association
- Badlands Natl. Park site
- Dustin's "Tootsie" costar
- Denounce
- Wine partner
- Down but not out
- Piedmont wine region
- Bird in the bush?
- Dhabi
- Tafari

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JUNIOR GONZALO ESCOBAR has risen from the No. 3 singles player to No. 1 in Tech's lineup since coming to Lubbock from Ecuador.

Tennis

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Escobar first made his mark this season in the fall when he won the Texas USTA/ITA Regionals, earning him a trip to the USTA/ITA National Intercollegiate Championships in Flushing, N.Y.

At the tournament, Escobar won his first match and then upset the No. 8 seed, Ohio State's Chase Buchanan, in the Round of 16 to advance to the quarterfinals. Even though he fell to Florida's Alexander Lacroix, Escobar solidified himself as the Red Raiders' No. 1 player.

"Gonzalo really improved late in the fall," Siegel said. "To win regionals and then make the quarterfinals at (The National) Indoors, he's carried it over."

Assistant coach Marcelo Ferreira said the experience in Flushing against some of the nation's best competition helped prepare Escobar to play at the top spot.

"That's when he really came out of his shell," Ferreira said. "When he steps on the court, he knows he's going to have to beat good players."

Escobar has done so at a steady

clip this spring, winning four of his six singles matches. The transition has been smooth in part because of his talent, as well as his ability to change his game on the fly.

"He's made a bunch of adjustments in his game," Ferreira said. "He was a player who came in with a great forehand, but he played a lot like most South Americans — from the baseline. We knew the potential he had to become a more aggressive player."

Playing more aggressively and diversifying his repertoire of shots has helped Escobar, along with his already established defensive game.

"He can defend with anyone," Siegel said. "He's one of the best defensive players I've ever seen. He also realizes that he can't just play defensive tennis. He has very good volleys and understands how to play that style as well. That's what's really made him so much better."

Leadership is another quality Escobar has continued to develop. Siegel said Escobar was not called to be leader in his first two seasons, but now it has become a necessity for the team.

"We've got to have leadership," Siegel said. "The fact that he's a better leader is one of the reasons

why we're successful so far because at times last year we didn't have the kind of leadership we have this year already."

As the team's captain, Escobar has embraced the leadership role, but he does have a lighter side. He is able to imitate people — including his coaches — flawlessly, something he has been doing since he was a kid.

"I used to do it a lot more," Escobar said. "It can make coach (Siegel) a little moody sometimes when I do it. Right now, I can pretty much do everyone (on the team)."

Siegel said if tennis does not pan out for Escobar, he could find a career as a stand-up comedian with his impressions.

"It's good comic relief when we need it," Siegel said. "You've got to be careful because you never know when he'll be imitating you. He does me I think better than I do."

Escobar's performance last weekend against No. 8 Stanford was no joke, though. In his match against the 2010 NCAA Singles Champion, Bradley Klahn, Escobar was defeated narrowly, 7-6, 7-5.

Siegel said Escobar had his opportunities, serving for the first set and leading 3-1 in the second set.

Even though he lost the match, he proved he belonged with the top players in the country.

"That match showed me that he can play," Siegel said. "I knew that last fall, but that match confirmed that he can play with anyone in the country."

Nearly upsetting the national champion was a tremendous chance, but Escobar said it just exposed another area he can improve.

"I knew it was a huge opportunity for me," Escobar said. "I should've done some things differently. Now I know a couple things I need to improve, and I need to do that right now; I need to serve better and serve bigger."

Siegel said Escobar's serve could play a factor in the junior's success the rest of the season.

"If he continues to improve his serve, he certainly has a chance to stay in the top 20, if not top 10," Siegel said. "He has an opportunity to not only be an All-American but to go very far in the NCAA tournament."

Considering Escobar is a player that has come as far as anyone Siegel has coached, he's not a bad guy to imitate.

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Even the Red Raiders (11-13, 3-6) have a chance to earn a first-round bye in the Big 12 Championships by finishing fourth or better.

But the Red Raiders are not going to have any layup-type victories the rest of the way — the rest of their games likely will come down to the last few possessions, Knight said.

"You really don't think you're going to win by 10 or nine points," he said. "You think it's going to be a last possession deal or an overtime deal. I wish, I mean I've been on teams before, played on teams where you knew you were going to win, but not this year."

"We pretty much figure it's going to be a tight game and come down to the end."

All three of Tech's conference victories came by less than double digits: two of them coming by a single point. On the other hand, Tech's smallest margin of defeat was nine points to Oklahoma on the road.

Because of the close games, Knight said every possession, even early in the game, becomes more

important.

In Tech's 16-point loss to Texas on Saturday, the Red Raiders managed to whittle a 21-point first-half deficit to only six in the second, but it is the first half hole that did in the Red Raiders.

"Guys don't understand," Knight said. "Not only do you miss an opportunity of scoring yourself, but know you're giving them an extra opportunity to score."

Sophomore guard Mike Davis said the team has to do better at ball movement, resulting in fewer mistakes and better looks.

"In our motion offense, I think the major thing to do is move and always move," he said. "So really just setting screens all the time and cutting through all the time."

Last season the Red Raiders lost their final seven conference games, effectively eliminating them from the NCAA tournament. This year, guard John Roberson said the team is going to come out with a better sense of urgency down the home stretch.

"This go around we have to play every game like it's our last, and I know the seniors are going to do that," Roberson said. "I mean it's our last year so we need to go down fighting."

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Baseball

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The official alumni roster will be announced today, so it has not been determined whether or not Doran will take the mound as the alumni starter.

Spencer has his rotation in place for the most part — not just for Saturday, but for the regular season as well.

"(Daniel) Coulombe will be our opening-day pitcher," Spencer said, "then (Robbie) Kilcrease and (Jamen) Parten, in our doubleheader ... and (Ben) Flora will round out the rotation."

Coulombe, Kilcrease and Flora all are left-handed pitchers, a look completely different from last season's right-handed

duo of Doran and Bettis.

Experience, though, is not lacking — Coulombe, Kilcrease and Flora all are juniors; Parten is a sophomore.

Sophomore catcher Bo Altobelli said the one thing the new crop of starting pitchers provides the most of is a competitive edge.

"The pitchers we got have worked hard; they are going to compete every day."

If Spencer hopes to recreate the 21-1 shellacking the Red Raiders put on the alumni during last year's inaugural game, it may come down to pitching — on both sides — to come through and nab a victory.

Spencer and the Red Raiders kick off their regular season with day one of the Red Raider Classic on Feb. 18 against Western Michigan at 6 p.m. at Dan Law Field.

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Tech has a chance to redeem themselves after a poor performance against the Cowgirls, as the Lady Raiders face another struggling team Saturday.

Tech travels to face Colorado (12-10, 3-6) at 5 p.m. on Saturday in Boulder, Colo.

Despite the identical conference records, Colorado has something on its resume Tech does not — a key victory.

The Buffaloes successfully defended their home court when they defeated No. 22 Iowa State on Jan.

15, 66-60, in overtime.

One of the clutch performances in that game came from Colorado senior forward Brittany Spears, a Pasadena, Calif., native. In the victory, Spears scored 18 points, identical to her points-per-game average.

Containing star players like Spears has been an issue for the Lady Raiders during the six-game skid.

In Tech's last game, Oklahoma State's standout sophomore forward Toni Young dismantled the Lady Raider defense, scoring 30 points.

Lady Raider forward Jordan Barncastle said one of the biggest challenges during the losing streak is taking the next step

forward after a loss.

"It's been having to learn and grow from these experiences," she said Monday, "and just taking them for what they're worth and moving on to the next one."

In the loss to Oklahoma State, Kierra Mallard seemed to come back to life, scoring 20 points before fouling out.

Mallard had been struggling lately, scoring a total of 20 points in the three games before Wednesday's loss.

Chynna Brown also seemed to find her stroke again, scoring 16 against the Cowgirls.

Players scoring has not been the problem but rather, players consistently scoring game after game.

When the Lady Raiders were having success, or at least competing in the games, there were three or four players a night in double digits.

Tech sophomore guard Casey Morris said Monday for this squad to get out of the funk they are in, they have to not get too down on themselves.

"We have to stay positive; we've had some games that we should have won," she said. "But to know that we still have a chance is the good thing. We could start just like it's a fresh start, and if we have the mentality like that then I think everything will be fine."

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SPORTS

Red Raiders seek first win against ranked opponent

By **TOMMY MAGELSEN**
NEWS EDITOR

Texas Tech basketball tried twice last week to knock off a ranked opponent. And, just like the previous three times it tried this season, the Red Raiders suffered double-digit losses.

The Red Raiders have at least one more chance this season to notch a win against a top 25 team at

12:30 p.m. Saturday in United Spirit Arena against No. 22 Texas A&M.

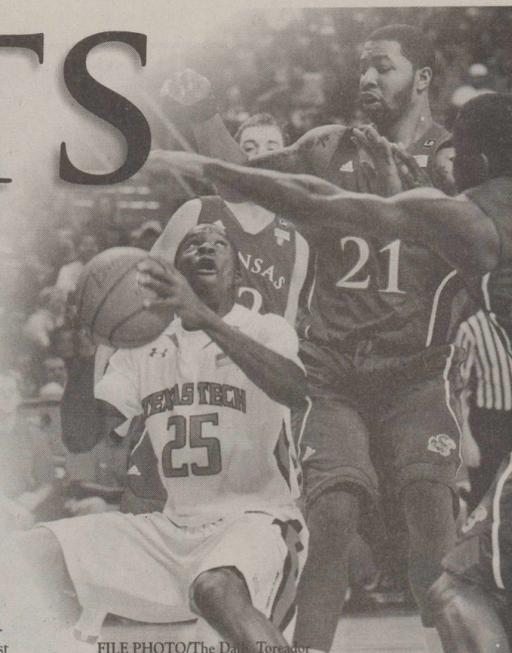
Despite the Aggies' ranking, Texas A&M (17-5, 5-4 in Big 12 Conference play) is fighting for the postseason just as much as the Big 12 11th-place team: Tech.

"Right now I really look at our league as Texas and Kansas up here and the 10 of us down here," Tech coach Pat Knight said, "and whoever can get every-

thing straightened out here in the last three weeks will end up finishing pretty good."

Both the Longhorns and Jayhawks are sitting pretty at the top of the Big 12 standings with zero and one conference loss, respectively. However, every other conference team has at least four Big 12 losses, creating a dash for third place.

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GUARD DAVID TAIRU and the Red Raiders host Texas A&M at 12:30 p.m. Saturday seeking their first win this season against a ranked opponent.

Lady Raiders look to end losing ways against Colorado

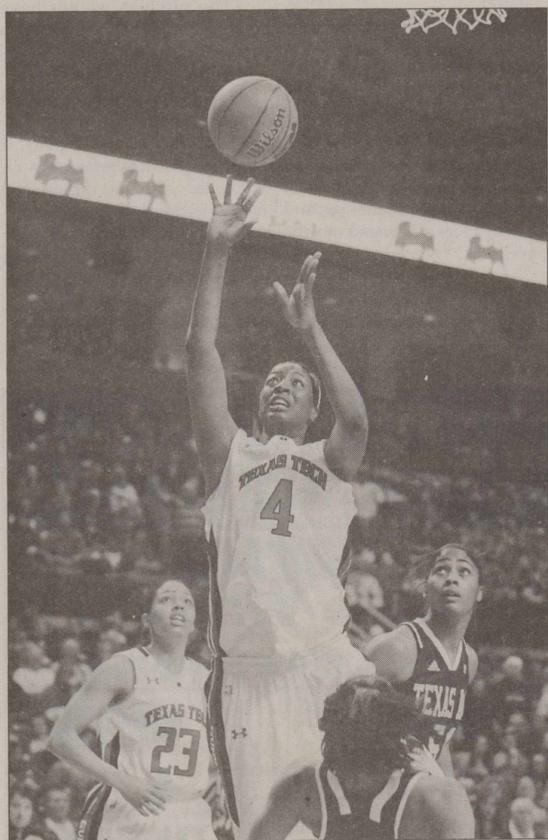


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TEENA WICKETT SHOOTS over Sydney Carter during Tech's 79-65 loss Saturday in United Spirit Arena.

By **JOSHUA KOCH**
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The Lady Raiders' downward spiral this season continued Wednesday with a 62-52 loss at Oklahoma State.

Texas Tech's self-inflicted wounds throughout the game — including a season-high 27 turnovers and having two players foul out in crucial moments — equaled another loss.

On Monday, Tech coach Kristy Curry said her players are the only

ones controlling the final destination of the team.

"The biggest thing is understanding that you got a lot of competitive folks," she said. "Nobody likes what we've been through the past two weeks, and we're the only ones that can do anything about it."

The Lady Raiders (16-7, 3-6 in Big 12 Conference play) now have lost six-straight games, tying last year's team for the longest losing streak in Lady Raider history.

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NO LONGER LOOKING UP



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GONZALO ESCOBAR, A junior from Manta, Ecuador, plays for the Texas Tech tennis team and is ranked No. 20 by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association.

Gonzalo Escobar is Tech's No. 1 singles player, something not many people expected

By **EVAN JANSA**
STAFF WRITER

No one has come as far as Gonzalo Escobar. That is what Texas Tech coach Tim Siegel will tell you about his No. 1 player.

"He's improved as much as anybody I've ever had from his freshman to his junior year," Siegel, now coaching his 19th season, said.

Since arriving in Lubbock two years ago, Escobar — currently ranked No. 20 in the nation — has risen meteorically. Siegel said as a freshman, Escobar spent the majority of his time in the No. 3 spot making his ascension to the top of the Tech lineup rare.

Escobar was recruited by Tech with the help of his friend and current teammate David Gonzalez, who committed to the Red Raiders in part because of his friendship with Raony Carvalho. Not only are Escobar and Gonzalez both from Ecuador, they grew up playing together.

"I've known him since I was 10," Gonzalez said. "We actually started practicing together when we were 16."

Their friendship proved to be pivotal in Escobar's commitment.

"Because of him, I came here," Escobar said. "We are all very close, but it's even better when you have somebody that's been with you since you were really little."

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2nd annual baseball alumni game set for Saturday

By **JOSE RODRIGUEZ**
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It may not be the regular season opener, but Texas Tech

baseball coach Dan Spencer does not want to walk away without a win this weekend.

Tech's second annual alumni game is providing the setup for that potential victory.

The 2011 Red Raiders take on some of the past greats in Tech baseball history at 1 p.m. Saturday at Dan Law Field.

"We are very excited to welcome back our former players for our second alumni game," Spencer said in a news release Tuesday. "Last year was

great, and we are looking forward to another fun event. We will host a dinner for our alumni and their families on Friday and then hit the field Saturday."

The alumni game will be preceded by the "Old Timer's Game," also consisting of current Red Raiders and past members of Tech baseball.

The alumni game is a nine-inning game, with the first pitch set for 1 p.m. Additionally, admission for the events is \$1, proceeds going to the Burkhart Center for Autism

Education and Research.

The games may be helping raise funds for a special cause, but pitcher Robbie Kilcrease is treating Saturday like Feb. 18 — the official start of the regular season.

"We definitely want to win," Kilcrease said before practice Thursday. "It kind of feels like the first (regular season) game of the year."

Some of the talent opposing the Red Raiders will make for a game-like environment.

Creating the makeup of the alumni team are former Red Raiders from last season's group, as well as players that played for Tech more than a quarter of a century ago.

The list of alumni includes Chad Bettis and Bobby Doran, who pitched for the Red Raiders last year, and former All-American Shane Wright, who pitched for Tech from 1997-99.

Bettis, currently pitching in the minor leagues for the Colorado Rockies, served most of last season as Tech's closer, while Doran occupied the first spot in the starting rotation.

"I would rather see Chad (Bettis) and Bobby than have to play against them," Spencer said with a chuckle.

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