

Tech museum names executive direct professors we have at Texas Tech. community," Johnson said. "It has been really great working

Johnson is 39-year tenured faculty member, has served 1 year as interim

By KASSIDY KETRON STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech officials named a 39-year tenured faculty member the newest director of the Museum of Texas Tech University on Thursday.

Eileen Johnson, a Horn professor in museum science and senior curator, was named the executive director after serving as the interim director for the past year.

Provost Bob Smith said the committee to determine the new

executive director was composed of staff from the museum, faculty members from the university and members of the museum association. Out of the dozen applications and the final three candidates, Smith and President Guy Bailey agreed on Johnson.

Smith said what set Johnson apart from the other candidates was not only her time working with the museum and the Lubbock Lake Landmark, but also her ability to keep the museum integrated with the mission of the university and encouraging input from the community.

"She's a Horn professor, so she's one of the most distinguished

She's an outstanding scholar, she's a very fine manager and she's a very, very good person in terms of her ability to interact with a wide array of constituents," Smith said.

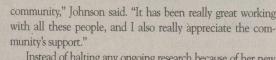
Johnson said she has worked in the museum since she came to Tech in 1972.

Johnson said she believes her

long-term experience in the museum, her administrative experience in directing Lubbock Lake Landmark and her strong research background may have all been factors in being chosen for the job.

JOHNSON

"I greatly appreciate all the support that I have received from the staff and the museum throughout campus and the



Instead of halting any ongoing research because of her new position, Johnson said as a Horn professor her research is not anything she has put on hold and it has increased within the last year.

Johnson said her current research pertains to the quaternary period, the last geologic era. Her research spans from as recently as the 1880s to as old as 2.6 million years ago.

"I work with a team, and I work here and on the Southern Plains, but I also work in Mexico and Argentina," Johnson said.

Johnson said her hopes for the accredited museum are to continue to set standards and push boundaries because it is a teaching institution.

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Body, soul week deals with eating disorders at Tech **Student Counseling Center** to sponsor events next week

By TRAVIS BURKETT STAFF WRITER

activities to promote a healthy body image.

Eating disorders may not be as preciatrare as Tech students might think. A recent study conducted by Tech graduate student Kristin Goodheart shows approximately one in seven women and one in healthy, ac

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a lot of social pressures for both men and women. A big



STAFF WRITER

When Alex Ewers sat down for dinner, he didn't expect to find shards of glass in his hamburger helper.

It turns out there was a very good chance he was consuming road kill. Ewers, a sophomore civil engineering major from Tomball, was traveling in

20 men at Texas Tech have an eating disorder.

So to combat eating disorders and help correct inaccurate body perceptions, the Student Counseling Center is sponsoring Feed Your Body and Soul Week, which takes place Monday through Feb. 25.

Lynda Silva, a psychology intern at the counseling center who is helping with the weeklong event coinciding with National Eating Disorders Awareness Week, said the week features many

part of being a tive lifestyle because it woman is being feels good attractive, and instead being attractive of a way in our culture is to reach a certain being thin. body size Kathryn Brown are ways Staff Psychologist, to work **Counseling Center** towards a realistic body image," Silva said.

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Univ. releases third volume of web-based Tech journal

1st issue of 'All Things Tech' published

By BRIAN HOWARD STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech officials recently released the first issue of the third volume of the journal of higher education at Texas Tech, or "All Things Texas Tech," a web-based, multimedia communication vehicle found on the Tech website.

The journal serves as a communication tool for the Tech community, allowing students, teachers and whomever else it may concern to read about what actions are being taken to promote higher education

specifically at Tech, according to the website.

"President Bailey and I have conceived of ATTT, which offers a vehicle for reasoned and welldeveloped essays and article, along with multimedia contribution, all with the intent of illuminating the higher education and Texas Tech worlds we live in and serve," he said.

The first issue addresses areas of higher education, including undergraduate student learning and research.

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Colorado and staying with a family he met through CouchSurfing.com, a site that aims to build connections between cultures and continents.

It allows a medium for travelers to open their homes, or more specifically couches, to others on the road for free. In Ewers' case, he and his friend were looking for a couch during a ski trip in Wolf Creek.

"We stayed for two nights, and it was really fun getting to know them," he said. "Goat was like the local mountain man, and whenever the sheriff would find a deer hit on the side of the road, he would call Goat first to see if he wanted it."

Goat and his wife, Liz, whose last name Ewers preferred to withhold, provided dinner for the two skiers every night as well as insight into local entertainment.

"They (also) have this horse sleighriding business on the side and offered to take us on a ride," Ewers said. "They ended up being really nice people."

CouchSurfing.org, founded in 2003 according to the website, currently has more than one million users with 99 registered

Lubbockites ranging from middle-aged couples to Texas Tech students.

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at 10 a.m. during which the

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African-American spirituals

and similarities to world music

and their effect on classical and

contemporary music, and they

will have a question and answer

session open to all Tech faculty

At 11 a.m., they will be part

The Lecture and Performance

Series is planned two years in

advance, and Moore said even

then there was a lot of support

from the School of Music to bring

performances in the series as

Dix said she attended as many

"They keep bringing great

and students.

she said. "It of a master class with the Tech

woodwind quintet.

Imani Winds to Tech.

Community Calendar

TODAY

Texas Tech Softball Time: 1 p.m., 3 p.m. Where: Rocky Johnson Field So, what is it? Come out and watch the Lady Raiders' season opener against the Utah Valley State Wolverines at 1 p.m., and stick around as they take on the Bryant University Bulldogs at 3 p.m.

Imani Winds

Time: 7 p.m. Where: Allen Theatre, SUB So, what is it? The Presidential Lecture and Performance Series presents this Grammy-nominated quintet known for jazzing up the traditional wind quintet repertoire by bridging European, American, African and Latin American traditions Saturday

Women's Basketball Time: 12:30 p.m. Where: United Spirit Arena So, what is it? The Lady Raiders take on the No. 1 team in the nation — the Brittney Griner-led Baylor Bears.

Texas Tech Softball Time: 1 p.m., 3 p.m. Where: Rocky Johnson Field So, what is it? Watch the Red Raiders in a doubleheader against the Bryant University Bulldogs at 1 p.m. and the Utah Valley State Wolverines at 3 p.m.

Texas Tech Baseball Time: 2:30 p.m., 6 p.m. Where: Dan Law Field So, what is it? Join the Red Raiders for a doubleheader against the Northwestern Wildcats at 2:30 p.m. and the Utah

Valley Wolverines at 6 p.m. Chinese Rabbit New Year and Lantern Festival Time: 6:10 p.m. Where: SUB Allen Theatre So, what is it? The Chinese Student Association hosts an event of music, dance, skits, games and the teaching of traditional paper cutting. A Kindle, iPod, digital photo frame and a cash prize will be raffled. Chinese and Taiwanese-style light refreshments will be served.

Jazz Ensemble 1- Black History Month Celebration Time: 8 p.m. Where: Hemmle Recital Hall So, what is it? Directed by Stephen Jones, the Texas Tech Jazz Ensemble 1 presents a concert in celebration of Black History Month featuring music of great African American bandleaders and composers of the twentieth century, highlighting Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Thad Jones and Charles Mingus, who together more than over 60 years of great American big band tradition.

SATURDAY

Texas Tech Softball Time: Noon, 2 p.m. Where: Rocky Johnson Field So, what is it? Join the Red Raiders as they take on the Utah Valley State Wolverines at noon and the Bryant University Bulldogs at 2 p.m. **Texas Tech Baseball** Time: 2:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. Where: Dan Law Field

So, what is it? The Red Raiders host Northwestern and Utah Valley State.

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Events will be published either the day or the day before they take place. Submissions must be sent in by 4 p.m. on the preceding publication date..

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Johnson said she expects to see challenges the rest of the university faces concerning budget cuts. Fundraising will be a priority for her in the next few years came to work at Tech.

cause we are very much family," Johnson said. "We are very supportive of each other, and we're a team.'

Robert Baker, a Horn professor of biological sciences and director of natural sciences research laboratory at the museum, said he's known Johnson since she

Grammy-nominated quintet to perform

By HALLIE DAVIS STAFF WRITER

Imani Winds, a Grammynominated quintet, performs at 7 p.m. Friday in the Allen Theatre to open the Presidential Lecture and Performance Series for the spring.

Since 1997, the ensemble has played in Carnegie Hall, was featured on NPR's "All Things Considered" and "BBC the World," and has received coverage in many music magazines and The New York Times.

The group has performed alongside artists like Yo-Yo Ma and Wayne Shorter. Their music is called "chamber music," though the administrator of the Lecture and Performance Series, Jo Moore, said the group can easily be considered all types of music, from classical to Latin.

"Imani Winds brings an excitement to the genre," she said via e-mail. "Frankly, they are genre-breaking in their versatility and interest in expanding the traditional woodwind reper-

Surf ← **CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1**

Once an individual signs up, they must answer a series of questions about their couch if they have one for travelers to sleep on, or if they are just open to meeting up with travelers to show them the West Texas sites.

To ensure safety for its users, the site offers a verification process that includes a small fee to have the site verify users' identities through mail. References also are posted on profile pages from travelers who have interacted with the user. These can be used to gauge whether or not they have an environment that is exactly what a particular traveler is looking for.

"I found out about it from my old roommate who was a couch surfer here at the house, so we would have couch surfers here a lot," said Daniel Knox, a junior mechanical engineering major from Mesa.

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> Anyone who appreciates the passion of jazz, Latin and world music will find an evening spent with Imani Winds extraordinary.)

> > **JO MOORE**

SERIES ADMINISTRATOR

flute, oboe, clarinet, French horn and bassoon — would sound like.

"This is going to be something new and interesting," said Dix, who is working on an interdisciplinary master's degree. "I was immediately like, 'I'm going.""

some creepers might try to get into our house, but after getting on the site and using it, you see it's really legit."

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places around town where

"My favorite part it getting to

Apart from the music, she said the group also was inspiraof fame they

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country. It's just cool getting to know a lot of interesting and different people."

The CouchSurfing.com Knox quickly dismissed any team acknowledges its appeal to travelers

much more individual level. "When you're traveling abroad and staying at someone's home, it's a much more cultural-

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enriching experience than it would be if you where staying on a budget, at a hotel." especially col-Aside from opening up free lege students. accommodations, the website promotes community as well as Not paying

> just moved to a new city. "It's a really good way to get situated in a new area," said Wes Anderson, a graduate student studying wildlife science from Lancaster, Pa. "Not only is it a good way to travel around, but the (couch surfers) in Lubbock have started getting together since last semester."

welcomes individuals who have

Any couch surfer will agree travel is an important part of their life, and Anderson said all students should give it a go.

"I spent a semester abroad when I was an undergrad, and just really think every student should study abroad and use CouchSurfing(.com) while they're there because it just brings a whole other dimension

welcoming strangers into his home and in the past year has hosted about eight travelers. He said for each surfer, he and his five roommates take

DANIEL KNOX

they're up for it and show them the

students like to hang out.

meet and get to know different people," Knox said. "We had a guy (once) who was walking across America, as well as people

the show.

is five African American musicians, which Dix, who also

she could and had enjoyed all of them, so she is sure tonight's performance will be no different. works full-time in the Texas

Tech library, said was yet another reason she was so interested in

ing schedule coincided with the

acts," she said. "I've never been disappointed." Tickets are free with a Tech Moore said the group's tour-ID or \$12 at the Student Union Building ticket booth. >>> hdavis@dailytoreador.com

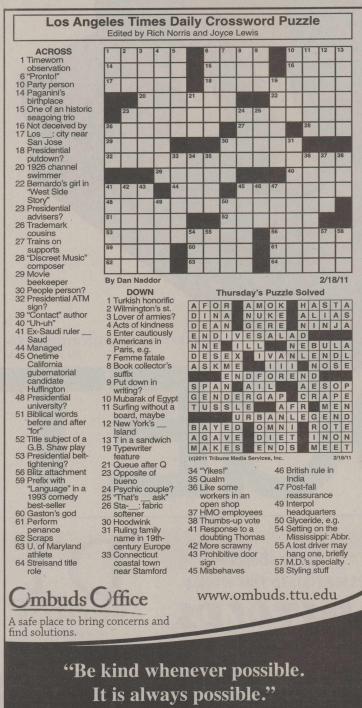
in order to work on solving the budget issues, she said.

Johnson said although she provides the leadership of the museum, she cannot imagine doing the job as executive director on her own because it takes a team effort.

"I know the staff quite well, and they know me quite well, and I think that is probably one of the things I do enjoy be-

Baker said he encouraged Johnson to apply for the position of executive director because he believed the museum needed someone with her skills and talents.

"I think she will continue to build on our strengths, and I think she's willing to make hard decisions even though they may not be popular," Baker said. »»kketron@dailytoreador.com



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SUB Suite 024 East Basement 806•742•SAFE Ariz. "At first, I wasn't really sure about it because I thought



Kathryn Brown, a Ph.D. staff psychologist at the counseling center, said social pressure contributes to the unrealistic body images people convey.

"There are a lot of social pressures for both men and women. A big part of being a woman is being attractive, and being attractive in our culture is being thin," she said.

Brown said many people incorrectly blame vanity for others' eating problems.

"Eating disorders are extremely complex. They have a genetic element. they have a cultural element and they have family elements," she said.

Sometimes eating disorders even start out being well intended, and Brown said men who fear having a heart attack or getting diabetes might

just doing little road trips. One guy was also biking across the

develop harmful eating patterns trying to prevent those outcomes.

The National Eating Disorder Association reported around 10 million females and one million males in the United States have an eating disorder such as anorexia or bulimia.

Brown said while most people do not think of binge eating as an eating disorder, it can also be quite serious, with risks including diabetes, heart attack, high blood pressure and high cholesterol.

Silva said there is a need to raise awareness that eating disorders are serious illnesses, and Feed Your Body and Soul Week will help to do that by bringing understanding and insight into eating disorders and the people they affect.

"Trying to reach an ideal body size or type that has been determined by cultural messages can lead to unhealthy dieting practices, poor body image and decreased self-esteem," she said.

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media team. "One of those would

be that like college broadens

your horizons, so does Couch-

Surfing.com. The big difference

between the two would be that

Tech President Guy Bailey and Smith co-authored the first addition to volume three of the journal, a paper titled "Undergraduate Research: A Core Element of Texas Tech's Movement to tier one.'

The main issue addressed in the paper is the president's and provost's belief Tech has not integrated its undergraduate research resources and services as effectively as it might to take full advantage of opportunities and ensure expanded responsiveness as our undergraduate population grows during the current decade.

The paper lays out the framework for the future of undergraduate research at Tech, which is divided into three sections, including building on the past, affirming the power of undergraduate research and the last section, going forward, which offers audio broadcasts from Taylor Eighmy, vice president for research.

Another paper written by Smith

with couch surfing you're going to travel." >>> cthornton@dailytoreador.com

> and Valerie Paton, the vice provost for planning and assessment, addresses the dilemma of assessing student learning across broad categories such as critical thinking, complex reasoning and communication skills.

> Smith and Paton discuss the standardization of student assessment across all three of the previously mentioned

> Noted in the paper are assessment tests already available and widely used, including the Collegiate Learning Assessment (CLA), the Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP) and the Measure of Academic Proficiency and Progress (MAPP).

> Other notable papers in the first issue include "Are Students Customers? Many Factors Should Inform our Judgment" by Smith, "Inside ATTT: Illuminating Academic Life at Texas Tech" by Smith and Katie Allen and "Commencement December '10: Dream Big, but Have a Back Up Plan" by Ginger Kerrick.

> Anyone interested can read all of these papers at http://www.depts.ttu.edu/ provost/attt/.

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Iran asks for warships to pass Suez Canal

CAIRO (AP) — Two Iranian naval vessels have submitted a request to transit the Suez Canal, Egypt's Foreign Ministry said Thursday. Israel has expressed



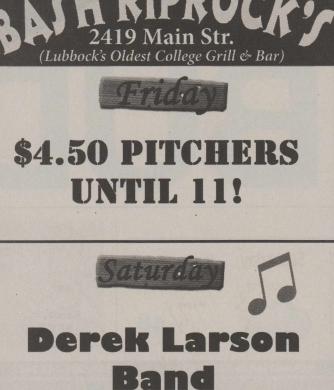
concerns over the plans, labeling them a "provocation."

Ministry spokesman Hossam Zaki said Egyptian authorities have received the request to grant the vessels passage, while a Suez Canal official said the Defense Ministry would process the application.

In Tehran, Iran's official Englishlanguage Press TV cited an Iranian naval official saying the two warships are to pass through the canal. The official said Tehran was in contact with Egypt about the ships.

Earlier, a canal official had said the Iranians had withdrawn a request to transit the waterway, without giving an explanation for the application's withdrawal. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to brief the media.

It was not immediately clear why there were contradictory reports over the transit request.



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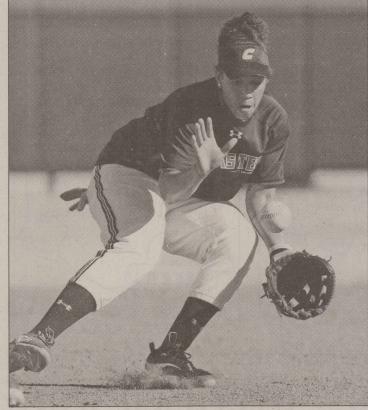


PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador RAVEN RICHARDSON FIELDS a ball during practice Tuesday at Rocky Johnson Field.

By THORN COMPTON STAFF WRITER

The No. 21 Red Raider Softball team starts its school-record 25-game home stretch today at 1p.m. at Rocky Johnson Field.

Coming off their best start in program history, the Red Raiders are confident they will continue their winning ways in front of their home fans this weekend.

Outfielder Mikey Kenney said she is of friendly fans.

"I am excited to start playing at home," Kenney said. "We are ready to start playing other teams on our field, not just against ourselves."

The Texas Tech invitational this weekend features Bryant and Utah Valley. Kenney said it is fun to bring in other teams outside of their conference, and it helps the team in the long run.

Pitching coach Aly Sartini said the team has a good chance at being successful this weekend. She said one of the big differences between this team and last year's NCAA tournament squad is the depth in their pitching.

"We don't have a big stud to throw out there and intimidate people," Sartini

ready to play," Talley said, "we can't underestimate a team just because they have a worse record than us."

Earlier this week, the Red Raiders were honored to be ranked in the top 25 in both the Associated Press and ESPN. com softball polls after a 5-0 start last weekend. The ESPN.com ranking of 21st is the highest in program history and it is the first time the team has been ranked nationally since the 1999 campaign.

Pitching coach Sartini said the excited to play at home, especially in front ranking is well deserved and, people are starting to pay more attention to the program.

> "I think we kind of turned a lot of heads last year," Sartini said of last year's NCAA tournament run. "We just need to stay where we are, and hopefully move up into the top 20 sometime this season."

> Talley said the team is deserving of the ranking because of the hard work they have put in. She said that their line-up is great, and their pitching staff is solid enough to earn the ranking.

> The Red Raiders kickoff their home stand at 1 p.m. today against Utah Valley, followed with a 3 p.m. game against Bryant.

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Tech softball starts Tech basketball looks to avoid another Big 12 losing season

By TOMMY MAGELSSEN NEWS EDITOR

Texas Tech basketball is only guaranteed six more games this season. Barring a complete 180 turnaround to end Big 12 Conference play and a deep run in the conference tournament, guard John Roberson may be playing in his last six games for the Scarlet and Black.

"Every game I'm trying to play like it's my last and I want to hopefully get some more wins before its all said and done with — so that's what I'm fighting for right now."

After a rocky start to the nonconference schedule, the Red Raiders opened Big 12 play against Baylor with hopes of turning the season around.

Unfortunately for Tech, the Bears made sure to spoil the Red Raiders' conference opener by upending them 71-59. Tech then dropped its next three games, starting conference play in a 0-4 hole.

Although the Red Raiders battled back to 3-4, showing signs of progress and maturity for the senior-laden team, they now are on the tail end of another four-game skid following a 92-84 loss at Missouri.

With hopes of advancing to the NCAA tournament as an at-large selection quickly fading, Tech will try to reinvigorate its season against the same Bears that made sure Tech would not start 2011 with a winning-record in Big 12 play.

The Red Raiders (11-15, 3-8 in Big 12 play) take on Baylor (17-8,6-5) at 7 p.m. Saturday in Waco.

Despite the four-game losing streak, the Red Raiders have shown flashes of the way many expected them to play all season — Tech was picked to finish seventh in the Big 12 but currently rests in 11th.



TECH COACH PAT Knight talks with Jaye Crockett during Tech's 70-67 loss against the Aggies last Saturday in United Spirit Arena.

"We're playing better, but at the same time we're not into moral victories," Tech assistant coach Chris Beard said. "The name of the game is to try to get the win, and we're looking forward to another opportunity Saturday."

Tech's single-digit losses to Texas A&M and Missouri in the last two games came without having leading scorer Mike Singletary at 100 percent. Against the Aggies, Singletary played only four minutes and notched zero points. Against the Tigers, he logged four points in nine

minutes.

Beard said he believes the senior forward will play Saturday, but it depends on how Singletary feels running up and down the court on game day.

Despite the loss of Singletary, some younger faces started to emerge as the future leaders of Tech basketball once seven seniors depart in May.

"It's good for those younger guys to get minutes in this type of competition," Beard said. "Not only are they playing well in games, they're playing better in practice — that's why they've been able to get the opportunity to get more minutes as of late."

Freshman forward Jaye Crockett was on the court for the most time Tuesday against Mizzou since the Jan. 8 loss to Baylor, scoring his second-highest point total this season, 11.

"I feel I've got a lot better," Crockett said. "I feel I learn every game, I learn something going in and watching film after the game with coach and just learning from my mistakes." >>> tmagelssen@dailytoreador.com



said. "We are definitely going to have to win as a staff, but I also think that will help us later on and into the post season."

Sartini said one of the early surprises of this season is the production the team has gotten out of their two new freshman pitchers. Brittany Talley, in particular, has had a great start to the season, leading Tech to two wins against top 20 teams last week as the starting pitcher.

Sartini said Talley's best quality is her love for the game, and she has worked extremely hard since joining the team in the fall.

"That's a girl who just loves to play," Sartini said with a smile. "When I gave her the ball before the BYU game, she was just ecstatic."

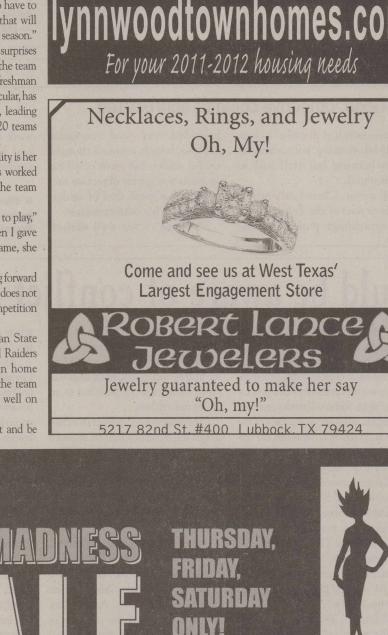
Talley said she also is looking forward to playing at home, though she does not want to underestimate their competition this week.

She said if the Appalachian State game Sunday, a game the Red Raiders won off of a walk-off two-run home run by Emily Bledsoe, taught the team anything it's anyone can play well on any given night.

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Where to begin with immigration debate, policies

The debate about illegal immigration in America never fails to produce passion from all sides, and rightfully so.

Like most debates in modern times, the arguing has been done across so many barriers that participants argue the surface questions rather than discussing the underlying principles upon which their beliefs on the subject of illegal immigration are founded.

Building a baseline from which a cogent and rational debate on immigration can emerge requires the setting aside of ad hominem attacks of "racism" or "socialism." While these may bring personal satisfaction to the accuser, they add nothing to the debate, as they dismiss an argument rather than the United States to control who addressing it head on.

It is essential that the discussion take place from a foundation of logic and reason that respects the opposition enough to hold a conversation that does not degenerate into namecalling.

Any immigration policy, or any policy at all, for that matter, must begin with sovereignty - the right by which a nation declares itself independent of all others and

right to make and form their own



eignty, hold that those who have entered the nation in violation of the laws must be punished accordingly.

This position is often supported by pointing out the dangers of not enforcing the laws already on the books, specifically how those who would enter illegally are attacking the sovereignty of the United States; by disrespecting the immigration laws, they challenge the right of does and does not enter the na-

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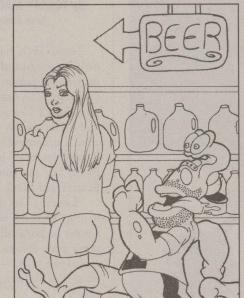
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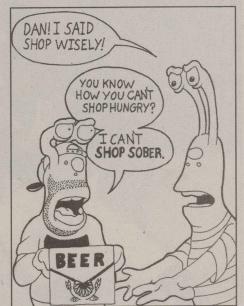
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'Love' more than just overused word

t seems some people jump into relationships before L they can get an adequate chance to know someone.

Just like the swiftness seen with people who rush into relationships, there are also those who fall quickly in what they perceive to be love. I say perceive because this feeling that is being felt is not, in actual-

ity, love. The word love is being overused and in turn seems to be losing its value. When something gets used, it is no longer worth what it originally was. If something is repeated multiple times without purpose or actual reason, does it not lose its significance?

The word love is being used at the wrong time and in the wrong context. We tend to say that we love food, clothing, television shows and even colors. All of those things actually don't mean much to most of us. We may be very fond of these things, but to say we love them would be an overstatement.

Falling in love with someone will probably happen at some point, but is there a time limit? While it is possible to fall in love quickly, it is not common. We sometimes



is what we are feeling is a multitude of emotions.

There is a possibility we are feeling happy, excited and lustful all at the same time. There may also be other feelings that go into giving us the impression

we are in love when in fact we are not. All we know about this unlikely mix of emotions is we have never felt anything like this before.

With this tornado of emotion, we don't know what we are really feeling or how to classify it. While this confusion is going on, we are trying to make sense of the things we are feeling. Because of the lack of understanding of our emotions or even the lack of vocabulary to explain what exactly we are actually feeling, we are left unable to express

because most people are not sure of all the things that word means. A simple four-letter word has the power to do so many things. I have even centered my whole life on this one word. Is this word in fact just a word? Or is this word a symbol of something bigger?

Is love an emotion or an action? It is both. We can't just verbalize our feeling without showing it as well. Love shouldn't be a word we loosely say. The act of kindness, forgiveness and empathy are all acts of love.

loving someone Truly is realizing

they have

flaws, and

so do

you, a n d being able to live with that. Loving someone is being able to forgive. This is the most important rule of love. At some point, we all will do things that are less than perfect, but loving

someone allows you to see past the bad and look forward to the great. If you really love someone, you don't stop loving him or her because

they upset you. Love is willing to talk through problems and not

dependant upon the other person doing anything.

If we get mad at out parents, do we cut them out of our lives? Most of us don't. If our parents say or do something we don't like, do we stop loving them? For most of us, the answer is no. For most of us, the love we have for our parents isn't dependent on them behaving the way we want them to.

We should take the same kind of love we have for our parents and apply them to our relationships.

Love doesn't always have reason. Love is often foolish. We love not because someone loves us back but just because we can't help ourselves.

Perhaps the next time you think about telling someone you love them, you should think about what it is they could do to make you stop, and if you can think of anything at all, maybe you don't really love them.

Maybe I am talking about a deeper love than any of you intend to seek, but a love less that of what I have described here is not worth knowing.

Keys is a senior sociology

the discussion take foundation of logic and reason that opposition enough to hold a conversation degenerate into name-calling.

sets of laws and policies.

Being a sovereign nation, the United States is able to claim the ability to establish its own Constitution, Bill of Rights and the various laws, codes and court precedents that make its political system.

Part of that system of laws includes the ability to decide which groups of people make up that nation. In the United States, the 14th Amendment to the Constitution forms the basis for establishing citizenship: "All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside." This states clearly that citizenship in the United States is established by birth and by a naturalization process set up by Congress.

The issue is complicated by another clause in the same amendment: "[No State shall] deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

By granting equal protection under law to all people rather than granting it only to citizens, those rights are conferred onto all people within the jurisdiction of the United States, those who are both in the country in accordance with the laws of the nation and those who are not. It is around these two core principles, both contained within the 14th Amendment, that the debate over illegal immigration circles.

Those who believe strongly in the importance of the laws of the nation, and therefore the exercising and defense of the nation's sover-

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composed of one race being targeted for prosecution as a violation of civil rights as established by that latter clause and the Civil Rights Act of 1968.

By viewing the issue of the people crossing the border in violation of the laws of the United States as minor in comparison to the issue of a group being discriminated against by race, they view those crossing the border as merely "undocumented immigrants."

When groups whose opinions are rooted in such vastly different values sets attempt to debate the facts of the issue, each is using such a drastically different measure against which to judge that evidence that no amount of, "Mexico doesn't allow Americans to cross the border illegally, they imprison illegal immigrants into their nation and then expect us to allow their people to come here freely," or "This policy is massively burdensome on one race," will be able to sway the other side.

This issue strikes much deeper than the facts of the current immigration crisis; it forces Americans to answer the question, "In what do we truly believe?"

If America can finally answer that question, rather than continuing to bicker endlessly about specific policies that arise from opposing fundamental philosophies, then, and only then, the path of action it must take will become clear.

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what our true emotions are. The word love gets tossed around

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Good, objective columns appreciated

This is simply a comment to the author of one of the best columns I have read in The Daily Toreador since attending Tech.

Normally the Opinions section is filled with poorly written political diatribe — normally left-leaning, but sometimes right-leaning but still just as uninformed.

However, Chris Leal's article on page four of the Feb. 17 issue was astoundingly professional and

provided very good economic analysis, which invoked thought in the reader. But most of all his opinion was purely objective and conveyed a great deal of understanding of his subject matter.

It's nice to see well-written

work in my school newspaper and hope to see this author continue in the future.

Christopher Callaway is a junior mathematics major from Howell, Mich.

Students should be aware of conflict in Sudan

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Last week, thousands of Southern Sudanese, eagerly anticipating the final results of January's referendum on South Sudan's secession from its northern counterpart, waited to hear President Omar al-Bashir announce the status of the remaining votes.

Despite the population having generally surmised the overall outcome of the vote to be in favor of the secession, the announcement generated a sense of relief among the anxious crowds since it signaled al Bashir's almost uncharacteristically cooperative acceptance of these results.

In this vote, 98.83 percent of Southern Sudanese, an overwhelming majority, supported an independent South Sudan, which will be formally declared as the world's newest country in July, according to The New York Times.

Though the announcement of the future partition was met with a resounding celebratory reception, there are evident points of discord and matters for hard during the six-month wait until South Sudan is permanently established.

The most obviously basic of these concerns is the creation of a new government. South Sudan will need a president — and he will come in the form of the cowboy hat devotee, Salva Kiir, the current vice president of Sudan and leading proponent of Southern secession.

A second, more dramatic issue relates to the North and South's heavy dependence on oil revenues. However, it is only the South that possesses the majority of the oil fields. The Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) of 2005, that engendered the recent referendum, also calls for equal oil distribution between these two regions.

Noting the aridity of the North and the visibly and comparatively lush greenery of the South, the paucity of oil in the North becomes more apparent and teeters on precariousness.

This friction is demonstrably reflected in the currently contested oilrich area of Abyei. The CPA initially proposed a joint referendum for the vote of Abyei to stay with the North or join the new South. Yet, since voter eligibility in this area is still being disputed, Abyei's referendum is attached to an undetermined date.

The latest wave of violence that challenged the mood of jubilation in South Sudan was in the Jonglei state; clashes between Southern Sudan army and a rebel group has left 211 people dead, many of whom were civilians ensnared in the fighting, according to an Associated Press report.

Nevertheless, nowhere is the conflict more pervasive than in Darfur. The paramount reason for the insurrection in Darfur involves ethnic clashes between the government-backed Arab militia, the Janjaweed, and the rebel forces comprised of Christian and traditional Southern Africans.

Stephanie Sobek, a third-year in political science and Middle Eastern studies and president of the Ohio State chapter of STAND, an anti-genocide coalition, explains that the incumbent president of Sudan, al-Bashir, "hired the Janjaweed

deliberation that will need to be addressed on Southern secession and the decision militia and they systematically killed all the African descendents in Darfur."

> As South Sudan's secession moves forward, a changing paradigm may take hold in Africa. Sudan has redrawn its own borders — the first to do so in a continent encumbered with the arbitrarily defined borders of its colonial past. Countries, such as Niger or those in the Ivory Coast with similar tensions, may look to Sudan as setting a precedent; secession could become the go-to solution. However, partition is no panacea: It does not ensure ethnic homogeneity, fair resource distribution or transparent leadership.

Last week, The UN Security Council met to discuss the ongoing situation in Sudan. In the presidential statement released, the Security Council encouraged "the international community to lend its full support to all Sudanese people as they build a peaceful and prosperous future."

Outlining a primary goal of STAND, Sobek says "we educate ourselves about different areas and spread that education." Though, as Sobek advises, a good starting point for all students "is just becoming aware of the problem."

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gonna have our energy, just play like we division. can normally play.'

their first three Big 12 games.

The team looks a bit different than it last two games.

prior to the Colorado game. After her in the Big 12, so we never question it." 16-point performance against No. 20 »»jkoch@dailytoreador.com

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State is the fact the tournament from the bottom three players in is played indoors. Siegel said the the lineup as well. Buckeyes play indoors "pretty much the whole season."

are guaranteed three matches. performing so well thus far. In the second round, Tech faces play April 10.

At this point in the season, the *mejansa@dailytoreador.com*

Iowa State on Wednesday, she has solidified her spot in the starting five.

This could be an advantage for the Lady Raiders, since Tech has faced the "We just going to play them like a entire Big 12 South without Hyde as regular game," she said Monday. "We're a starter; Tech is 0-5 against its own

Fellow sophomore guard Casey Mor-The Lady Raiders have started to play ris said the team is treating the second similarly to the way they played at the leg against Big 12 South squads as a new start of the conference schedule, winning season and another chance to prove themselves in the Big 12.

"I think it's good to get those games did after the hot start. Curry went with a under our belt and see how good the comnew lineup after dropping six games in a petition is," she said Monday. "I think we row, and it has worked to perfection the knew that from the beginning, how good it would be. We've had some good games Tech sophomore guard Christine and played some tough games. We know Hyde earned a spot in the starting lineup that we're capable of beating everybody

top three players for Tech - Escobar, Carvalho and Garcia — are a combined 17-3. If the Red Raiders want to win against the elite com-Another advantage for Ohio petition, they will need production

But that's something Garcia said he's not concerned about Regardless of the outcome of heading into this weekend, as a today's match, the Red Raiders result of the bottom of the lineup

"They've been playing so well either No. 13 Kentucky or a No. and just putting so much heart 5 Texas squad that could prepare into their matches," Garcia said. "I the scarlet and black for when the think it just shows their hard work. two face off in Big 12 Conference We're all ready to go out there and have some fun."

Baseball **CONTINUED FROM PAGE 6**

"Finally, it's arrived - I'm so glad," McGruder said of the season opener. "I've been waiting on this moment since last year when we lost to Missouri, so I'm pumped, ready to go.'

season is Western Michigan, one of three opponents the Red Raiders take on during this weekend's Red Raider Classic. Northwestern and Utah Valley make up the rest of the field.

is set for 11 a.m. when Utah Valley plays against Northwestern, but the Red Raiders do not take the field until 6 p.m. for their meeting with Western Michigan. Tech has the luxury of playing second opponent.

to rid himself of the memories career at Tech going.

Coulombe, a Scottsdale, spending his sophomore year at in during the fall. South Mountain Community

Tech's first challenge of the

First pitch of the tournament TEXAS TECH CATCHER Bo Altobelli, pitcher Robbie Kilcrease and coach Dan Spencer confer on the mound during a practice in January. against a Broncos team that into production - Coulombe went I'm pretty sure he'll go out there outfield when I'm not pitching,"

doubleheader, Tech being its and pitched just 0.2 innings at While McGruder is anxious logging two strikeouts.

The statistics made no differweek.

"Danny has worked hard all fall

begins the tournament with a 0-1 in four appearances as a Trojan and show what he's (capable of)." Paiz said.

But Coulombe is one of just a SMCC because of injury problems, hand full of Red Raiders to get their Paiz's pitching only during a mid-

from last season's ending, junior ence to Tech coach Dan Spencer, Anderson High School in Austin, bie Kilcrease and Jamen Parten, in left-handed pitcher Daniel Cou- who named Coulombe as the Red will be another new contributor at that order. lombe may just want to get his Raiders' opening-day pitcher last Spencer's disposal. Paiz, though, will have the opportunity to make vet to be determined, but he said Sophomore McGruder said he his impact on the field both as a he is ready to begin his adaptation Ariz., native began his collegiate is pleased to see Coulombe get the pitcher and an outfielder depend- to collegiate baseball. career at Southern Cal before nod, considering the work he put ing on the game and time of the week.

College. The collegiate experi- for his position, and I'm glad that course, pitch a lot, probably in the more pressure, but I'm ready for it." ence, however, has not translated he's got it," McGruder said, "and midweek (game), then play in the playin the playing displaying the said of the sai

Spencer expects to just utilize first taste of action as a Red Raider. week game, while the top of the David Paiz, a freshman from rotation goes with Coulombe, Rob-

FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

Paiz's role in today's game has

"Of course I'm nervous a little. bit — it's going to be different," "(Spencer) expects me to, of Paiz said. "A lot more fans, a little"



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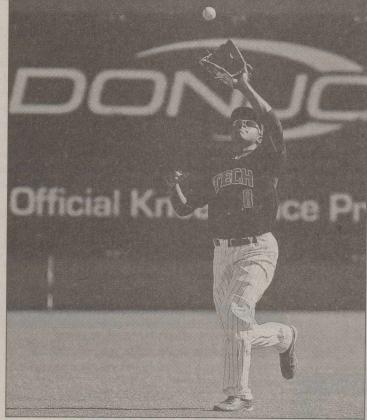


PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador TEXAS TECH CENTERFIELDER Barret Barnes makes a catch during the Texas Tech Alumni Game last Saturday at Dan Law Field.

By JOSE RODRIGUEZ SPORTS EDITOR

Two outs, bottom of the seventh inning — the game is tied, 3-3.

Missouri's Eric Garcia hits what seems like a routine groundball when Texas Tech's Jamodrick Mc-Gruder, then a freshman, commits an error on the throw, resulting in the Tigers' go-ahead run to score

from second base. That sequence began a series of events culminating in a 7-3 win for Mizzou, effectively ending Tech's 2010 campaign.

Today, McGruder and the Red Raiders begin their 2011 season in hopes of taking the next step toward earning an NCAA Tournament bid.

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Griner, No. 1 Baylor head to Lubbock for showdown in USA

By JOSHUA KOCH STAFF WRITER

Notching its first win against a ranked opponent could not have come at a better time for Texas Tech considering its next challenge.

The Lady Raiders (18-7, 5-6 in Big 12 Conference play) can improve their tournament hopes in a big way if they can knock off No. 1 Baylor at 12:30 p.m. Saturday in United Spirit Arena.

"(We're) just proud of the kids, we've got some momentum, there's no question that that (a win) would be a huge resume builder for us," Tech coach Kristy Curry said. "I know we're gonna have a great crowd here. These kids, I really can tell ya that they believe they can win Saturday."

The Lady Bears (24-1, 11-0) have steamrolled the competition this season behind their All-American sophomore Brittney Griner.

The post player leads the team with 22.6 points per game. Wednesday, she was one of 30 players named to the Naismith Midseason list, as a player of the year candidate.

Griner and the Lady Bears defeated the Lady Raiders, 64-51, in the teams' first meeting of the season, but Griner had help.

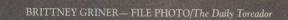
Baylor senior guard Melissa Jones, who averages less than 10 points a contest was key in the dismantling the Lady Raiders on Jan. 22. Jones scored 13 against Tech, including a momentum shifting 3-pointer, which brought an end to a Lady Raider comeback attempt.

Another player to watch from Baylor is freshman Odyssey Sims, who is having a stellar season, but she did not cause too many problems for Tech last time out despite being the squad's leading scorer behind Griner.

Even though the Lady Bears have so many weapons, the Lady Raiders are looking at this game in the same way as they would any other; though with a national television audience on FSN and the top team in a country in town, some fans might expect differently.

Tech junior forward Kierra Mallard said Baylor is just another opponent on the schedule they have to beat.

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The Red Raiders should be able to accurately gauge their progress this season after today.

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tennis team begins play at 5:30 p.m. in the ITA National Team Indoor Championship in Seattle. Coming into the contest, the Red Raiders bring a 6-1 record

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The No. 14 Texas Tech men's in dual match play. Tech will, however, be tested in the opening round of the 16-team tournament against No. 4 Ohio State.

In their only other match against a top 10 team this season, the Red Raiders were defeated, 5-2, by then-No. 8 Stanford. Since the loss, Tech has rebounded, rattling off two consecutive victories against San Diego State and Fresno State.

With 15 of the 16 teams in the draw being ranked in the top 20, this tournament will serve as a litmus test for the Red Raiders on a national scale. Luckily for Tech, it has some experience with Ohio State's top three players.

"We know them pretty well," No. 116 Rafael Garcia said. "They're solid players. Honestly, I don't see any of those guys being better than Ra (Carvalho) or Gonzalo (Escobar)."

Last fall cemented Garcia's notion.

At the USTA/ITA National Intercollegiate Championships, No. 18 Escobar defeated No. 21 Chase Buchanan, 6-3, 6-4.

No. 22 Carvalho said the victory proves even though Ohio State is talented, the Red Raiders can still match up.

'That just shows us that it doesn't matter if they are in the top five and we are No.14," Carvalho said. "They have good players from No. 1 to No. 6, but we also have good players in our whole lineup we are at the same level."

Coach Tim Siegel said other than the Escobar match, the two teams have not played each other recently.

"We've beaten a couple of their guys in doubles three years ago," Siegel said. "I have a lot of respect for their coach, and they have a great program."

Ohio State was ranked in the top five in each of the past five seasons. In 2009, the Buckeyes reached the NCAA Championship match but were defeated by USC.

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