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Focus groups discuss rec center growth



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DANIEL MALHOTRA, A senior business management major from Dallas, lifts weights at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center. Because of increasing enrollment, administration is forming focus groups to discuss expansion or the possibility of a satellite rec center.

Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center directors prepare for increasing enrollment

By JORDYN ANDERS
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The directors of the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center are preparing to make changes in accordance with increasing student enrollment within the next five to 10 years.

Last month, the directors held two master planning focus groups with students, faculty and staff to get feedback and ideas for some possible changes to the rec center in the future.

Jay Killough, director of University Career Services, was present for one of the focus groups. He said the steps taken in hiring the master planning architects signals a need for changes.

"With the increasing enrollment of Tech students, we need to also keep a tap on the pulse of our facilities, and the rec center is one of those," he said. "As far as being able to accommodate the number of students that we're going to be bringing in, in the next five to 10 years, will the current facility hold and be able to serve all those students in a positive way?"

PeeWee Roberson, director of recreational sports, said parking and overcrowding are two of the major issues raised in the focus groups.

Killough said parking has been an issue since day one.

Many students who participated in the focus group, such as Dan Crownover, a freshman animal business major from Italy, Texas,

agreed parking is one of the largest challenges facing the rec center's growth.

Roberson said at the moment, rec center leadership has no control over parking. Among other ideas, he said his staff is looking at building a satellite facility that could open a lot of doors and help out in the aforementioned problem areas.

"A satellite facility will probably take some relief off of this building. For one, parking," he said. "But at the same time, a satellite facility will assist more the commuter student who lives off campus, so hopefully we can build it in a location that has plenty of parking."

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Tech Museum exhibit illustrates ethical dilemma

History of Holocaust, forced sterilization laws on display



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LYNNE FALLWELL, AN assistant history professor, speaks during a news conference announcing the Deadly Medicine exhibit that will be featured at the Museum of Texas Tech University through Aug. 7.

By ROCIO RODRIGUEZ
STAFF WRITER

With voices echoing through the presentation from videos of victims and physicians, the Texas Tech Museum exhibit "Deadly Medicine: Creating the Master Race" gives an in-depth view on the ethics of genetic manipulation.

"The Deadly Medicine' exhibit ends with the story of the Holocaust but begins much earlier with a move-

ment called eugenics, which was a movement from the end of the 19th century," said Lynne Fallwell, assistant professor of history.

Several countries, including England, France, Germany and the United States, supported the eugenics movement, Fallwell said.

The exhibition includes the United States' role with eugenics.

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CATCH YOU ON THE FLIP SIDE



PHOTO BY LAUREN PAPE/The Daily Toreador

ZACH PORTO, A Lubbock resident, skateboards outside the Student Union Building on Monday.

Dean Sacco kicks off engineering week's events

Former astronaut delivers speech

By TRAVIS BURKETT
STAFF WRITER

"Never let your fears get in the way of your dreams," Al Sacco said.

Sacco, a former astronaut and the current Texas Tech dean of engineering, said he applied to the NASA astronaut corps three times before he was finally accepted, and the perseverance he built up early in life helped him to get to stay with it.

"I just didn't quit," he said. "I just kept plugging away and plugging away until I got in."

Innovation, improvisation, perseverance and risk-taking are skills greatly helping students realize their full potentials, he said.

Sacco gave a speech at 5 p.m. Monday in the Livermore Center to kick off Engineering Week at Tech. Tech's Engineering Week highlights the college's accomplishments and includes several events surrounding engineering.

Sacco said he believes the courage to take risks is one of the most important characteristics of successful people.

"To reap great rewards, you must first risk," he said.

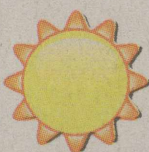
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Community Calendar

TODAY

StrengthsQuest in the Classroom Seminar

Time: Noon
Where: SUB, Lubbock Room
So, what is it?
 Faculty and staff can bring a lunch and explore ways to use StrengthsQuest in the classroom. Another discussion will be hosted at noon Wednesday.

Let the Music Move You: Try Zumba

Time: 2 p.m.
Where: SUB, Matador Room
So, what is it?
 Participate in a free introductory class in Zumba, a Latin-inspired dance fitness program that combines Latin and international music to provide a workout for every major muscle group in the body. The class is part of the annual Feed Your Body and Soul Week.

StrengthsQuest Small Group Discussions

Time: 3 p.m.

Where: SUB, Playa Room
So, what is it?
 Each small group discussion will focus on eight to nine of the 34 strengths and how to use them to achieve success in personal, professional and classroom environments.

“Good Hair”
Time: 6 p.m.
Where: Human Sciences, Room 169
So, what is it?
 In this Sundance Film Festival winning movie, Chris Rock visits beauty salons and hairstyling battles, scientific laboratories and Indian temples to explore the way hairstyles impact the activities, pocketbooks, relationships and self-esteem of the black community. A panel discussion will follow the film.

No Dry Country
Time: 10 p.m.
Where: Blue Light
So, what is it?
 Relax while listening to country music at this Depot District venue.

WEDNESDAY

Lubbock Symphony Orchestra

Time: 6:15 p.m.
Where: The Legacy
So, what is it?
 Enjoy a memorable evening with food, wine and music with hors d'ouvres at 6:15 p.m. followed by the orchestra's winter chamber concert at 7:30 p.m.

StrengthsQuest in Your Job Search Seminar

Time: 3:30 p.m.
Where: Wiggins Complex, Career Services Presentation Room
So, what is it?
 Come learn how to use strengths in professional development. Interviewing, networking and job search strategies using strengths will be discussed.

Appreciate Your Curves: Try Belly Dancing
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Where: Rec Center, Room 114

So, what is it?
 The class is one of the activities hosted during the annual Feed Your Body and Soul Week. Belly-dancing provides a great cardio-vascular workout and improves flexibility and strength. The movements in belly-dancing target specific areas of the body in order to work and tone a variety of muscle groups.

Men's Basketball

Time: 6:30 p.m.
Where: United Spirit Arena
So, what is it?
 Cheer on the Red Raiders as they take on the Colorado Buffaloes

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Fibertect inventor honored at conference

By BRIAN HOWARD
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The city of Lubbock has historically been known as a major cotton producer, and one professor has spent years and countless hours researching different applications of Texas cotton going far beyond what anyone could have foreseen.

Seshadri Ramkumar, an associate professor in Texas Tech's Institute of Environmental and Human Health, finally is seeing his hard work come to fruition.

After being invited to give a presentation at the 66th annual conference of the Textile Association in India, Ramkumar's paper titled "Technical Textiles: Opportunities" received the best technical paper award.

"My paper was judged to be the best by a set of juries," he said. "I was able to showcase how Texas Tech's nonwovens lab has created a technology that is being used by the Army and various oil companies."

The new innovative technology, known as Fibertect, now is being commercially marketed around the globe as an environmentally friendly and bio-degradable decontamination tool, Ramkumar said.

"After I presented Fibertect to show all it can do, people were so amazed to see how our cotton product can absorb oil," he said.

Value-added textiles, such as Fibertect, can help bring money into the struggling U.S. economy, Ramkumar said.

"In the global marketplace, our volume is 127 billion U.S. dollars, and demand is expected to grow 9 to 13 percent in developing countries," he said. "Even in countries such as the United States and Europe, where GDP growth is

expected to be very low, we are expecting volume to grow around 2 to 3 percent."

As far as technical textiles are concerned, Ramkumar said the conference is of the highest level, inviting select people from around the globe to submit papers and present ideas.

"They chose the best people from around the world, including participants from India, USA, China, Switzerland and Germany," he said. "Out of the 23 invited papers, I am proud that mine was ranked the best — they don't call just anyone to do a presentation."

While presenting at the conference, Ramkumar said, a video created by the university was shown to highlight the versatility and various uses of Fibertect.

"I showed a video created by Texas Tech to emphasize the many applications of Fibertect," he said. "It can be seen by anyone on YouTube and has now been viewed over 5,500 times."

Because of the presentation and the impact it had at the conference, Ramkumar said he has been invited back to India in May to make another presentation at an international business conference.

"They have called me specifically to make another presentation during a huge international business conference where global business leaders and textile leaders will meet to bring it all together," he said. "We will discuss how to grow the textile business around the world."

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RAMKUMAR

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SESHADRI RAMKUMAR
 ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Growth

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Crownover said the satellite location is a good strategy to break up the population and reduce crowding during the busiest times of the day.

No plans have been set in stone yet, and Roberson said a lot of things are still up in the air as far as space and funding.

"There's a lot of stuff that they have to plan, a lot of stuff they have to look at and design on that same note," Roberson

said, "but it gives us feedback from students to see what we need to do overall to, one, keep the facilities up as much as possible; two, to plan for the future; and three, know that it could be five years down the road before anything could happen."

He said the master plans should be finished sometime after spring break, and the architects will hopefully present four or five options to the rec staff in April.

Right now, Roberson said, the center is simply planning for the future, and fees are unlikely to increase within the next few years.

"Currently, we are doing what we can with the current budget we have," he said. "We're not trying to overspend. We are trying to do the things that can make a difference today or tomorrow."

He said he does not want to see a fee hike, but in the future, fees could rise because if the students want more, they will have to agree to increase fees.

Betty Blanton, associate director for the rec center, said there cannot be a raise in fees without a student referendum.

"Students will have a choice," she said, "and obviously they will be choosing for future students."

Roberson said major changes, such as the expansion in 1996 and the recent introduction of the leisure pool, have all been requested from students in the past who came to the directors asking for more. He said these new plans will only happen when students start asking for more and agree to provide the funding.

"The students in the past have made what we have today," he said, "and the students today will have to make what's for the future."

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Sacco said while students should always assess a risk before taking it, sometimes over thinking can be just as much of a problem and "paralysis by analysis" sets in.

The presentation was helpful in showing students what can happen if they never give up on their dreams, said George Tan, a junior electrical engineering and math major.

Sacco took over as dean of the Edward E. Whitacre College of Engineering at the beginning of this semester. He said he has discovered new conflicts to deal with.

Sacco said he plans to greatly improve the quality of the engineering school, and only the best and the brightest should be doing the teaching there.

Frank Kresse, a junior mechanical engineering major, said he believes Sacco will bring a lot to both the university and the engineering program.

"It's good to know that I'm going to become an alumni from such an innovatively-minded program," he said.

Sacco also said he believes Tech needs to come together as a whole to be the innovative leaders he knows they can be.

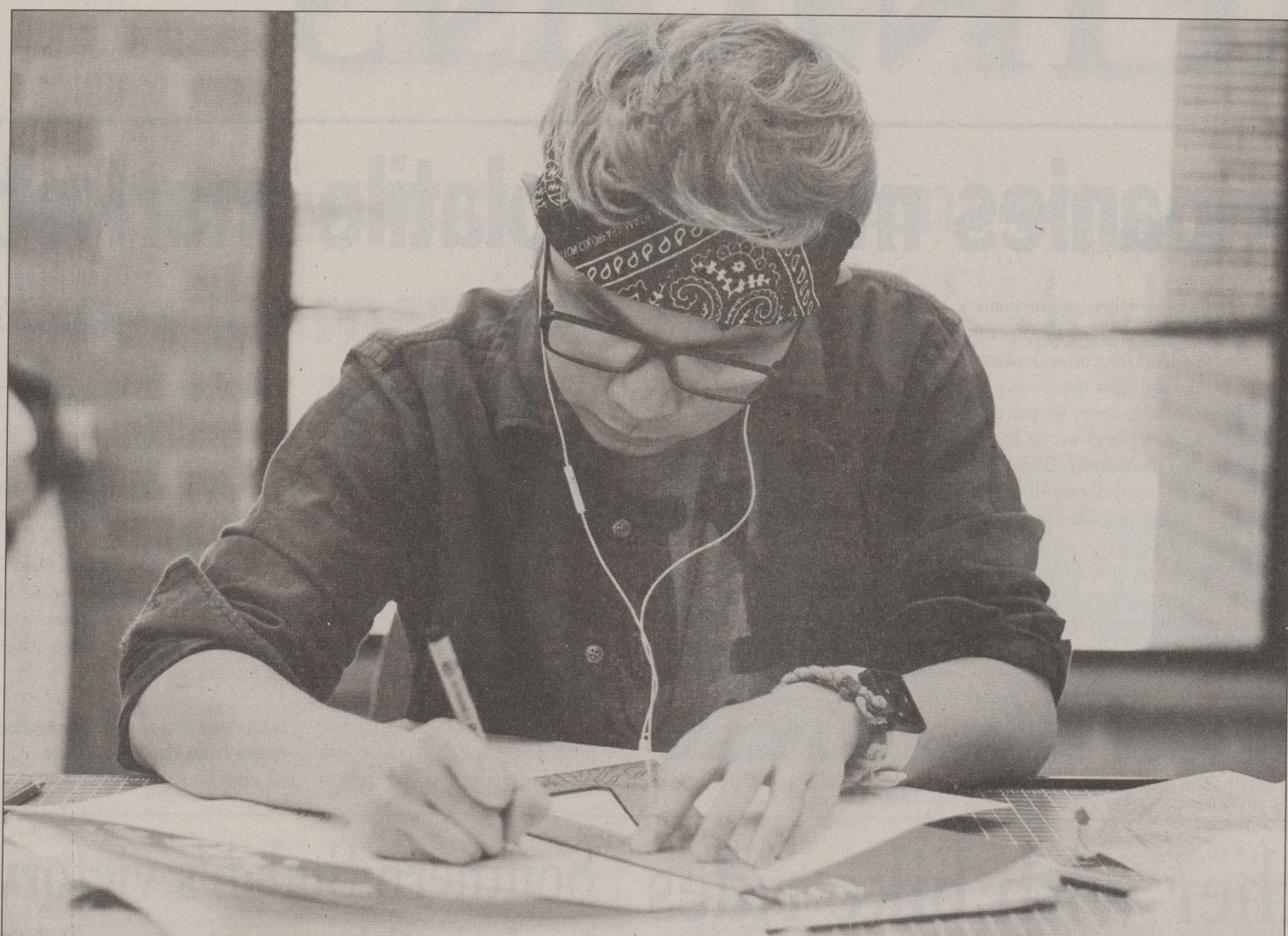
"We need to be a community of scholars rather than a group of individuals," he said.

Sacco said his experience as an astronaut taught him the power a bond between people working together can hold.

"My most memorable moment was not a moment, it was moments. Working with a group of people with a common vision," he said. "It made you feel like you were a part of a dream."

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PAINTING PROGNOSIS



KEVIN NGUYEN, A freshman fashion design major from Vietnam, paints during a class in the Architecture building Monday. PHOTO BY LAUREN PAPE/The Daily Toreador

Tech professor researches language patterns in bilingual children

By **CAITLAN OSBORN**
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center's speech-language pathology graduate program is ranked among the top 25 percent in the nation, but Texas Tech — along with a majority of the nation — lacks access to proper bilingual speech therapy.

Assistant professor Sue Ann Lee hopes to change this with her ongoing research on speech development in Korean-English bilingual children.

Lee, who earned her Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Austin, began her work with a \$148,500 grant from the National Institute of Health. However, Lee's interest began while she was a doctoral student at Texas, when she realized how few bilingual children

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RAJ KOUL
CHAIR OF THE SPEECH-LANGUAGE-HEARING SCIENCES DEPARTMENT

receive treatment in both English and their native language in the United States.

“If a bilingual child has a language or speech problem, it is likely that the child has problems in both languages,” she said. “In order to maximize treatment effectiveness, we have to treat both languages, not just the primary language. A common problem is that only a small number of bilingual children in the United States receive therapy in

both languages.”

Raj Koul, associate dean of research for the School of Allied Health Sciences and chair of the speech-language-hearing sciences department, said Lee's research is important and critical to the field because it helps speech-language pathologists understand how speech is developed in bilingual children.

“Once we know the normal development of speech and language acquisition in bilingual children, we'll be able to provide better treatment services,” Koul said.

Koul also said a common misconception with bilingual children is many therapists do not consider a child may have a speech disorder in their native language, not just in English.

“It is very important to know what is typical in speech development so that we can know what

is atypical and be able to develop new treatment strategies,” he said.

Currently, Lee's focus is on Korean-English bilingual children. Lee, who is a fluent Korean-English bilingual, said she chose these languages because Korean-English bilinguals are the seventh-largest bilingual group in the U.S., and these languages have contrasting sound properties.

For example, Lee said, one of the letters in the English alphabet is ‘e.’

Korean also has an ‘e’ sound. Lee said perceptually the sounds are similar but are acoustically different. Her objective is to determine whether or not bilingual children differentiate the precise acoustic difference when they speak both languages without realizing it.

“It is difficult because we cannot easily perceive the differences by ear,” Lee said, “but using specialized acoustic software, we can look at the acoustic details and find out whether bilingual children really differentiate between Korean sounds and English sounds at a young age.”

Another key element in Lee's research is determining how bilingual children develop speech compared to children who learn English or Korean only. If speech language pathologists want to identify a speech or language problem with a bilingual child, Lee said, then they would like to know what the development milestone is in bilingual children without any speech and language impairments, and use the information as a guideline when they determine eligibility for speech or language services and goals for intervention.

“My research is very important in terms of correct diagnosis and appropriate treatment,” she said, “because when we assess children who have a speech or language problem, we usually use the normally developing child's speech and language milestones as a guideline for determining eligibility for speech language services.”

“If the child has a speech or language problem, then the therapy goal is also based on the normally developing child's development milestone.”

Lee said her next goal is to use her findings to determine whether the findings with Korean-English speaking children are similar or different in comparison to other bilingual children. She wants to compare her findings with Spanish-English, Hindi-English and Chinese-English bilingual children in the near future.

“I want to see what the characteristics are among these different groups of bilingual children,” she said. “If we could identify similarities and differences among these bilingual groups, then we can generalize our findings to other types of bilingual children.”

Once she has an idea about the speech acquisition patterns in various types of bilingual children, Lee said speech language pathologists could use the data for assessing and treating bilingual children more effectively.

Lee hopes her research will facilitate speech therapy for bilingual children at the Health Sciences Center and across the nation.

“My long-term goal is that my department at Health Sciences Center offers a track with emphasis on bilingual speech-language pathology to graduate students enrolled in speech-language pathology program.”

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Tech professor, librarian pen articles for Holocaust encyclopedia

By **PRESTON REDDEN**
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A Texas Tech professor and a Tech librarian co-authored two articles for a Holocaust encyclopedia.

The encyclopedia, “The Routledge History of the Holocaust,” was published Feb. 1. Rob Weiner, associate humanities librarian, wrote an article about comics, otherwise known as sequential art, during the Holocaust. Lynn Fallwell, assistant professor of history, wrote an article about documentaries during the Holocaust. Both authors contributed to both pieces.

“I was the documentaries person, and Rob Weiner was the sequential art person,” Fallwell said. “We both have our own strengths; however, we both contributed to both articles.”

Weiner and Fallwell collaborated with each other previously, working on an article Fallwell wrote for the book “Cinema Inferno: Celluloid Explosions from the Cultural Margins” about transgressive film. They have also worked with each other on film series.

“These two articles are our second time in print together,” Fallwell said. “We have worked together four times in all.”

One of the documentaries the duo studied was called “Night and Fog.” Rabbi Vicki Hollander viewed the documentary because of Weiner.

“Mr. Weiner is a member of our congregation at Temple Shaareth Israel,” Hollander said. “He brought this film in, and I viewed it around three years ago. It is a moving film.”

Fallwell discussed the current trends

of Holocaust documentaries in the documentary article. These trends are changing with survivors passing away.

“One of the former trends of Holocaust documentaries was recording the voices of survivors of the Holocaust,” Fallwell said. “With more and more survivors passing away daily, a current trend is for the children of survivors to travel to former internment camps sites and film their experience at the places where their parents suffered.”

Weiner discussed American comics during World War II in the article he wrote about sequential art. He said sequential art during the war was America's first involvement in the war. American comics were predictive of America's involvement in the war, he said.

“Even before America got involved in the war, we had characters like Captain America fighting the Nazis,” Weiner said. “This was before Pearl Harbor and was America's first experience in the war. Many of these writers were Jewish, and they might have had an idea about what was going on in Europe before the rest of America had any clue.”

Fallwell said there was one aspect of Holocaust documentaries he and Weiner tried to stay away from. Fallwell called these documentaries denial films.

Their inclusion of the articles in the collection caught Weiner and Fallwell by surprise.

“It is a huge honor to have an article in this book,” Weiner said. “We had no idea until after the fact.”

Weiner said a Tech professor and librarian working together and writing two articles for the encyclopedia looks great for tier-one status.

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle
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5 Go badly together
10 Stylish
14 Instant, in product names
15 Madio's milk
16 Bride's ride
17 Busy, busy, busy
18 Time ___ time: repeatedly
19 “The Wizard ___”: comic strip
20 Arborist's handiwork
22 All there
23 Development developments
24 Jazz guitarist
25 Shocking swimmer
26 Windshield nuisance
31 Average guys
34 H.S. elite
35 Older woman's young lover, facetiously
36 Place to make deposits, briefly
37 Bouquet delivery letters
38 Dream letters
39 Novelist Fleming
40 Alabama's only seaport
42 Monopoly token
43 Chip in a pot, maybe
44 Result of an errant brushback pitch
47 HiTV brand
48 Out of use, as words: Abbr.
49 Chip in a bowl
53 World dodo population
55 Deli sandwich filler
57 Blue book filler
58 Dust Bowl refugees
59 Pier gp.
60 Religious recess
61 Center
62 Amber brews
63 Dieter's goal

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1 Boardroom diagram
2 Fashionably dated
3 Intense dislike
4 One sitting on the stand
5 Attired
6 How liberals lean
7 Helen Hunt or Holly Hunter, e.g.
8 “Jeez, Louise!”
9 Not there
10 Quite near
11 Pretentious, informally
12 Chip-tossing declaration
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21 ABA member's title
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27 You, in Yucatan
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Social media companies making volatile market

I'm "Farmville." You know, that annoying game on Facebook that you have probably received a million game requests for. While I am not Mayhem from Allstate, I am just as annoying, frustrating and addicting to watch.

I am the best online social network game out there, and you have to have me. Those crops won't harvest themselves, now, so giddy up or I'll send you another special delivery until you finally give in to my needy, self-assuring personality.

Sometimes it's hard to tell, but game applications like "Farmville" and "Cityville" are actu-



Colleen Gartner

ally owned by social media companies like Zynga, not Facebook. Estimated to be worth twice as much as Twitter and more than Electronic Arts, Zynga and other companies like it have been raising capital — and quickly, might I add. Rumors have it that Zynga could

actually buy out other gaming companies or even go public. Even non-gaming sites like Groupon are looking to go public, and soon, too.

In our social culture, we put our friends and ourselves down for being glued to the computer and playing these short, unproductive online games. Yet, these games bring us together and allow us to collaborate on a simple project just about anyone can play. To see games like these go public on such a massive scale, though, is shuttering.

We tend to think that platform giants like Facebook or MySpace would be reaping in the long-term juices, not the little fad games we find ourselves playing with our acquaintances.

So, why the sudden rush to the New York bell by these short-term technology companies? I mean, realistically, Zynga's steam won't last forever, so it's all about timing. Just

like we used to all use MySpace "back then" and later switched to Facebook, gaming companies will fade away over a period of years as the "hot new game" comes around the corner, perhaps on yet another platform we cannot fathom at this time.

You see, it's all been a big bubble from the start, but Zynga's ability to keep bringing out new games

like "Cityville" kicks the can just a little bit farther each time, luring investors into their trap.

So all of this is just a continual cycle. We get bored of websites, meander onto other sites, stay there for a while and eventually get bored again. Yet, with this cycle is some serious opportunity for greed, and I refuse to support just any technology company wanting to have an IPO.

The whole motion to go public is just so the key shareholders can get their money out and make a

quick buck at the same time, not so they can raise capital. Why should we let "hot shot" technology companies that have the revenue to compete with stable technology companies publicly trade when other technology companies with less revenue provide a more stable trading environment? We cannot treat them the same, in terms of valuation or risk.

So watch out, world. A flood is coming your way, and it would be wise to think about how mature each company coming down the technology pipeline really is.

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Enjoy warmer weather with bike rides

Exposed skin is a liability no more, and the threat of frostbite is hopefully gone for the year. Spring (and spring break) is rapidly approaching, and it's time to clean the rust off your bicycle.

The Texas Tech campus, where bicycle lanes and nice bike racks abound, makes for an ideal cycling experience. Yes, cycling is an excellent activity to achieve your fitness goals, and taking a bicycle tour is a great way to achieve travel goals at the same time.

As bicycle friendly as the Tech campus is, be mindful of the other riders lost in the glory of floating on four balloons of rubber.

The biggest mystery is where the owners of the bicycles that have been on the bike racks since the beginning of last semester went and when will those bicycles be liberated and given a new lease on life? Perhaps it's time to launch a university-approved adoption process for orphaned bicycles?

What if you live off campus? How do you safely get to this paradise of cycling on the high plains? Follow the city-designated bike lanes, which are safer and faster than the main arteries.

The city of Lubbock is set up in a grid system, one of the easiest cities to navigate, on bike, car or otherwise. The main roads are



Adam Martin

spaced out every mile but are not very bicycle friendly. However, the smaller collector roads, positioned every half mile between these main roads, are made extra wide to accommodate bicycles. These lanes are great and really only require a detour around the places they intersect the loop.

What about the rest of Lubbock, the state of Texas or even the United States? Is there good cycling outside the cocoon of university life? Taking a bicycle tour is a way to satiate your wanderlust while checking off your fitness goals.

Exactly one year ago, my best friend and I were three weeks into a six-week ride from San Diego to Austin. We had just crossed into Texas, taken a rest day in El Paso and eaten at the State Line BBQ. Check out adamanddwight.blogspot.com for a full account of

that journey.

A bicycle tour doesn't have to be an epic journey; it can be a weekend loop, driving out to a favorite area and exploring the back roads and unknown attractions the area has to offer. You don't have to be in good shape when you start either, but you most likely will get there.

One method is to sleep under the stars, camping most nights; you can also stop at a local motel towards the end of the day to catch a shower and get out of the elements for a few hours. Either way, you will most likely meet some

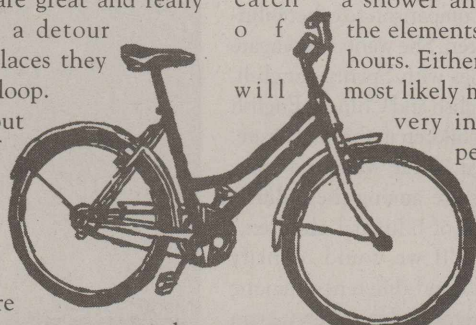
very interesting people and have a great time.

Some suggestions for those who choose to pursue this journey:

Record it. You may not see the same sights again, but you can always return when you look back on those images.

Bring many extra tubes; it's not if you get a flat, it's when you get that next flat.

Carry as little as you can on your back; that extra weight will beat you down.



Southern Sudan's victory is shared by entire world

By **STEFANIE DOUCETTE**
VERMONT CYNIC (U. VERMONT)

In a time when the news is so often disheartening, it is rejuvenating to hear of the recent Sudanese success story.

The people of Southern Sudan have been jubilant since the Independence Referendum of January 2011, where, as expected, citizens voted to secede from Sudan, which lies directly to the north. The final results, released Feb 7, affirmed that a 98.83 percent of South Sudanese voted for independence, as well as raised the hopes of the Sudanese people.

Such a show of overwhelming political unity, though rare, is possibly a sign of future political and social stability.

Southern Sudan has been fighting domination from the north since 1955, at the onset of one of the longest periods of civil strife in African history.

Although the Comprehensive Peace Agreement ending the conflict in 2005 declared them an autonomous region, the Sudan People's Liberation Movement was not satisfied with such incomplete liberation from the oppressive rule of President Omar al Bashir, who has only propagated political, ethnic and religious tensions in the country while in power.

Although the thought of producing a properly functioning country is daunting, Southern Sudan is boding well. It shows promise of being built around standards for respect of diversity and the assurance of basic rights and freedoms for all citizens.

There is also due cause to hope that further dealings between the new south and its former northern partner will be cooperative and friendly. Acceptance of the referendum, as well as proceeding negotiations over the details of the split, have all been diplomatic thus far, and there is no foreseeable cause to believe that this should not continue.

The Sudanese people might finally be on the verge of the peace they have been denied for decades. Optimism for the Southern Sudan would not be unwarranted, especially once its new status is made official in July.

The rest of Africa, if not the rest of the world, should be celebrating alongside the people of Sudan. Many speculate that these new political arrangements will set a precedent of self-determination and inspire more of such reforms against ethnic oppression in surrounding areas.

The region of Darfur, especially, could be influenced by such changes, due to its similar struggle with religious persecution and the Sudanese government.

Overall, the emerging Republic of South Sudan is set to become an example of better days to come.

Surviving phoneless in world of technology

By **SARAH CREEDICAN**
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This week, my cell phone broke. Needless to say, the coping process has been rather interesting.

At this point in life nearly everyone has experienced cell phone loss for some period of time, whether due to broken parts, dropping it in some sort of liquid or simply losing track of it.

Like most college students, and Americans in general, my cell phone serves as an inflatable yellow raft that keeps me afloat on the rough white-water rapids of life. Not only does it give access to connect with people conveniently, at any time, but also to other useful applications.

So much of daily life has become tied to our cellular devices, and I found myself feeling rather lost in the choppy waters, wishing for my figurative new life raft to come in the mail ASAP.

However, as I sit here writing this, still phoneless at the mercy of the postal service, I begin to realize that, 1.) I am not alone in the ridiculous attachment to my cellular device. And 2.) so far, I have learned several important lessons concerning surviving in 2011 with no phone.

To most people, phones are so much more than just phones now.

On the average weekday, the first sound many people hear is the alarm on their cell phone. This serves as a catalyst for the following daytime

onslaught of texting, calling, checking Facebook, taking pictures, watching YouTube, using the bottomless supply of apps, etc.

For college students, this process often doesn't stop until late at night or early the next morning, and just like clockwork, the following day the process starts over again.

Besides these obvious uses of the device, cell phones also serve more specific needs of the college population.

For instance, many people don't own watches and instead use their phone to check the time, while others no longer have planners and are instead putting appointments into their phones with reminder alarms beforehand. Once in a while, it is even handy to use the simple calculator that is included on even the most basic phones.

I was feeling lost without my figurative life raft as the weekend approached, and was curious to see how well I would survive it. Throughout the course of the weekend, I learned several interesting things.

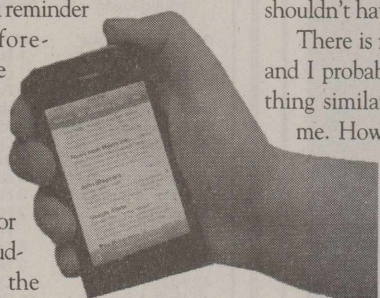
Firstly, whenever awkward silences fall upon a group of people (which they inevitably always do) everyone

quickly whips out their phone and starts to text (or at least pretends to). This is done so that the awkward silence hanging in the air doesn't manifest into a suffocating blanket of awkward that makes it difficult to breathe at ease.

Being completely present and living in the moment is something that is easily forgotten with the phone keyboard at one's fingertips. While people hunch over their devices, texting people elsewhere, they have become completely oblivious to events happening around them. Rather than enjoying where they were and meeting people around them, they were preoccupied with somewhere they probably shouldn't have been.

There is nothing wrong with this, and I probably would've done something similar if I had a phone with me. However, seeing it from the outside-in made it seem a little different. It almost made me a little sad that people couldn't be content wherever they were without worrying about what everyone else was up to.

While I am still looking forward to receiving my phone in the mail sometime this week, not having it has taught me a few valuable lessons. My goal for the future is to become less dependent on my phone and to make it less of a figurative life raft in the rough waters of life to help keep me afloat.



Oil companies must be responsible for their actions

By **LYDIA HARVEY**
THE ORACLE (U. SOUTH FLORIDA)

The National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill recommended this month that Congress raise the current \$75 million liability cap for oil companies, but did not offer a specific proposal or dollar amount.

The liability cap limits the amount oil companies are legally obligated to pay those who file claims against them after environmental disasters. Once the cost exceeds the cap, taxpayer dollars fund the recovery.

A bill that aimed to remove the \$75 million cap passed in the House of Representatives last summer, but negotiations regarding a new cap killed the bill in the Senate. Industry allies have argued that removing the cap would make it impossible for smaller companies to afford the insurance required to drill offshore.

But if a company can't afford to clean up its own potential mess, it shouldn't be encouraged to make one in the first place. Any liability cap, no matter how high, is an insult to the people who feel the harshest effects of an oil spill.

According to MSNBC, estimates of the total cost

for cleanup and claims in last year's Deepwater Horizon disaster reached \$70 billion. Frank Glaviano, former vice president of Shell Exploration and Production, said to MSNBC that no amount of money will be able to repair the damage that was done by the spill.

According to restorethegulf.gov, the Deepwater Horizon well gushed an estimated 62,000 barrels of oil per day into the Gulf of Mexico at the height of the spill, leaking approximately 4.9 million barrels overall. President Barack Obama described the disaster as the worst the country has faced.

BP set up a \$20 billion claims escrow fund. However, the national commission released a report this month saying that many claimants are dissatisfied with the amounts of their payments. Others received no payments at all after dealing with the messy claims process.

Fishing and tourism bring more than \$120 billion to the area surrounding the Gulf each year, according to MSNBC, and fishing operations were shut down for months during and after the spill. Oil touched 650 miles of coastal land, according to the National Resources Defense Council. The environmental and economic damage is still being tallied.

Additionally, marine toxicologist Riki Ott estimated that

4 to 5 million residents had been exposed to dangerous amounts of oil, according to Bridge the Gulf, a group supporting environmental justice in the Gulf.

When a spill halts business, transforms industries, impacts the environment and alters human health, the oil company at fault should pay every legitimate claim, even if it goes belly up.

The cap discourages companies from investing in safety innovations, which might cost more than the cap itself.

Sure, if the cap were removed, smaller companies may be discouraged. Higher insurance costs might eventually drive up the price of gas or force companies to move out of the Gulf completely for fear of drilling in risky areas.

But the countless animals that suffered from suffocation, hypothermia, pneumonia, drowning, starvation, cancer, chemical burns, ulcers, digestive tract bleeding, infection, diarrhea, kidney damage, liver damage, anemia, intestinal disorders and painful deaths would likely approve of unlimited liability's side effects.

The scary part is that 27,000 wells are currently abandoned and unchecked in the Gulf of Mexico, according to the Associated Press. Many have been abandoned since the '40s, '50s and '60s.

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In the Corner: Tech student reporter blogs journey into Lubbock's shadows

By **CARRIE THORNTON**
STAFF WRITER

Last week, I wrote a story about "Tent City," the collection of tents populated by Lubbock's homeless. And it got me thinking.

What is homelessness? The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development defines a homeless individual as "an individual who lacks a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence; and an individual who has a primary nighttime residence that is—" and it continues to list places like shelters, public buildings and institutions.

In Houston, homelessness is the guy who sleeps under Highway 290 one minute away from my house who holds a cardboard sign with, "I have four hungry kids, no job. Help," written in dried-out Sharpie. To others, it means the beggar in the Wal-Mart parking lot asking for 50 cents, or \$1 if you have it — maybe \$5.

But in Lubbock, on the other hand, you have to do a little work to see its citizens who rely on tolerant public facilities to keep them warm for the night. In fact, in the first three years I lived here the only homeless, or I assumed to be homeless, person I saw was the man at the grocery store

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who lingered by the doors eyeing exiting customers for the perfect victim of his pleas.

Besides the gaping difference between infrastructures, I wondered why the homeless seem easy to turn a blind eye to in Lubbock. Could it be because there just aren't many of them?

Last month, the South Plains Homeless Consortium counted 302 homeless in the area, which is less than half of last year's number. Janice Putteet, community impact director with United Way, said this year's figure drastically fell because certain individuals were omitted from the count, such as those in rehabilitation centers who had not been homeless before.

But even still, I remain skeptical. When speaking to Tent City residents about the figure, many would shake their head in disbelief, usually accompanied by a breathy, "Yeah, right." And I understand it's impossible to truly know the number of homeless in a given city unless you take inventory of persons living in every nook,



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador
TENTS NEAR BROADWAY and Ave. Q form the newly erected "Tent City," an area populated by Lubbock's homeless.

cranny and household.

My biggest concern is the viewing of these individuals as numbers and not fully realizing they are people, just like us, with hardships putting them where they are. Yes, many of them are fully responsible for their current state, but that doesn't make them less deserving of attention and care.

Because in Lubbock, where many people, namely students, do not stray far from a few common Lubbock highlights like campus, Raising Cane's and the mall, it's easy to forget about the seemingly small number of homeless living in the city's corners. And that

troubles me, which is where this blog comes into play.

I've rented a tent, bought a nicer sleeping bag than the \$10 nylon slip I got from Wal-Mart, and will be sleeping and spending time at Tent City for four nights with these people whose stories are at the tips of their tongues just waiting to be told.

I go into this with no expectations, just the hope that I can lend a friendly ear or two and share their stories and experiences with you, who I hope will stick with me this week as I venture into Lubbock's shadows.

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Mexico state congress asks ban of video game

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico (AP) — A shoot-em-up video game set in the border town of Ciudad Juarez has angered local officials who are busy fighting all-too-real violence.

Chihuahua state legislators said Sunday they have asked federal authorities to ban "Call of Juarez: The Cartel," which is based on drug cartel shootouts in Ciudad Juarez.

About 6,000 people died in drug-related violence in Ciudad Juarez in 2009 and 2010, making the city, located across from El

Paso, Texas, one of the deadliest in the world.

The website of game developer Ubisoft Entertainment SA says the title is due for release this summer. Screen shots from the game show three characters armed with a pistol, an assault rifle and a shotgun ready to open fire on a city street.

The game's promotional slogan urges players, "Take justice into your own hands and experience the lawlessness of the modern Wild West." No one answered a message left at the company's San Francisco office.

Hollywood rarely crowns British monarchy at Oscars

LOS ANGELES (AP) — It may seem as though Academy Awards voters would be a bunch of fawning monarchists, considering how often the ceremony has been a love fest for all things English. But British kings and queens generally wind up losers at the Oscars.

If "The King's Speech," a saga about Queen Elizabeth II's dad, makes good on its status as best-picture favorite on Sunday, it would become the first film with a British monarch as its central figure to win the top prize in the 83-year history of the Oscars.

Two films with a British king or queen as a supporting player — 1966's "A Man for All Seasons" and 1998's "Shakespeare

in Love" — did win best picture. Yet past contenders with a monarch in a lead role have always lost: 1933's "The Private Life of Henry VIII," 1946's "Henry V," 1964's "Becket," 1968's "The Lion in Winter," 1969's "Anne of the Thousand Days," 1998's "Elizabeth" (which lost to "Shakespeare in Love") and 2006's "The Queen."

Actors as British monarchs have fared a bit better, with lead-acting wins by Charles Laughton in the title role of "The Private Life of Henry VIII"; Katharine Hepburn as Henry II's captive queen, Eleanor of Aquitaine, in "The Lion in Winter"; and Helen Mirren as Elizabeth II in "The Queen." Judi Dench won a supporting Oscar as

Elizabeth I in "Shakespeare in Love."

Best-actor front-runner Colin Firth as the current queen's father, George VI, is expected to join the winner's list Sunday, though Helena Bonham Carter as his wife, the future Queen Mother Elizabeth, is a longshot for supporting actress.

Losers far outnumber winners: 13 of the 17 actors nominated for playing a British king or queen have lost (there would be one more loser if we throw in Vanessa Redgrave as best actress in 1971's "Mary, Queen of Scots," whose title character schemed but failed to take the English crown from Elizabeth I).

Two actors lost twice for playing the same monarch — Peter O'Toole as Henry II in "Becket" and "The Lion in

Winter" and Cate Blanchett as Elizabeth I in "Elizabeth" and its 2007 sequel, "Elizabeth: The Golden Age."

Laurence Olivier lost twice for playing two different kings in Shakespeare adaptations, 1946's "Henry V" and 1956's "Richard III." Kenneth Branagh also lost for his 1989 version of "Henry V."

Henry VIII has gone one-for-three at the Oscars. After Laughton's win, two other actors lost for playing the same role — Robert Shaw as supporting actor in "A Man for All Seasons" and Richard Burton as best actor for "Anne of the Thousand Days" (the latter film also was a best-actress loser for Genevieve Bujold in the title role, as one of Henry VIII's queens, Anne Boleyn).

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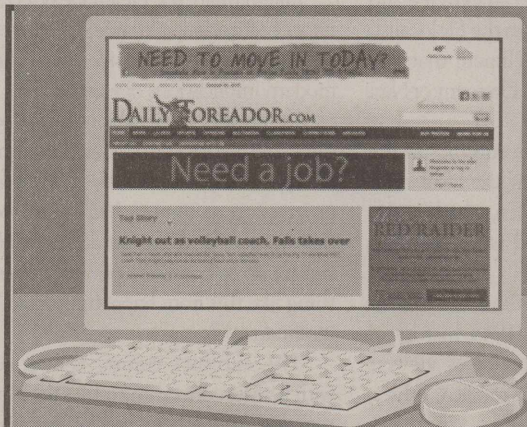
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Getting to know fellow Red Raiders

10 Questions with Bill Dean

What's the most played song on your iPod?

"The Boys of Fall," by Kenny Chesney.

What could we find you on weekends?

My office in the mornings and in the yard or at a ball game in the afternoons and evenings.

What is your dream travel destination?

Hawaii.

What is your favorite Lubbock restaurant?

Chili's.

What's the last movie you saw?

"True Grit"

What is your favorite Texas Tech memory?

The friendships I made in my fraternity.

Who is your celebrity crush?

Ted Williams and Stan Musial

Who is your favorite professional sports team?

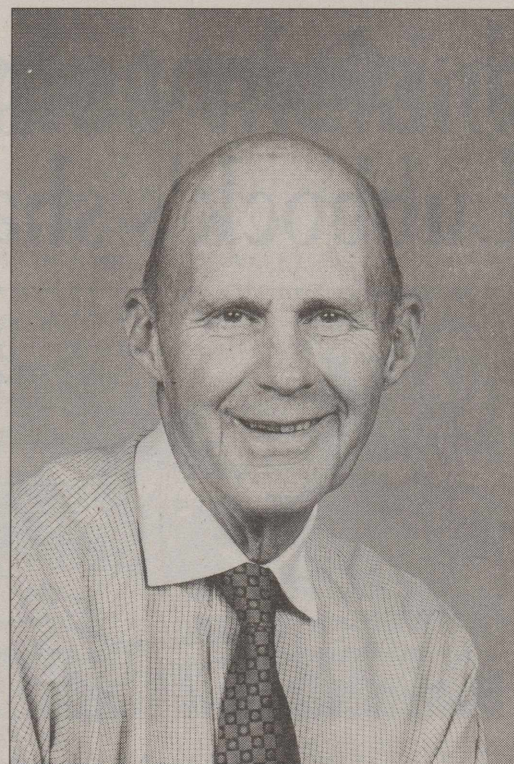
Boston Red Sox

What was your worst subject in school?

Zoology!

Who is your role model?

The first principal I taught under at Lubbock High School, Howard Price.



Bill Dean is the executive vice president of Tech's alumni association and an associate dean in the College of Mass Communications.

Black Greek-lettered groups offer alternate bond for many students

By STACIA SMITH
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Not many organizations at Texas Tech have as rich a history as the seven Greek-letter organizations of the National Pan-Hellenic Council.

According to the NPHC website, the council, in its entirety, consists of nine historically African-American,

international Greek-lettered fraternities and sororities, seven of which are chartered at Tech.

Keidric Wesley, a senior communication studies major from Houston, said his fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma, was founded in 1914 at Howard University.

"We were founded on the principles of brotherhood, scholarship and service," Wesley said. "Our fraternity is real

historical."

Chelsea Kimble, a senior sociology major from Houston and president of Tech's chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha, which was founded in 1908 at Howard University, said the seven organizations at Tech are Alpha Phi Alpha, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Omega Psi Phi, Kappa Alpha Psi, Delta Sigma Theta, Phi Beta Sigma and Zeta Phi Beta.

Wesley, who is also the vice president of the NPHC at Tech, said NPHC organizations and other Greek-lettered organizations on campus have many similarities as well as differences, but he said the main differences lie in how the organizations acquire new members.

Wesley said black Greek-lettered organizations are more secretive with how they coordinate intake because of traditions started when black people did not have the civil liberties they have today.

"Back in the day, master seeing black people together was suspicious," Wesley said, "so they had to meet secretly, and that's why we're so secret — because it's tradition."

Wesley said the strutting and strolling many of the organizations participate in is also a historical form of interaction that evolved from having to come up with alternative ways of communication.

"Stepping is like culture," Wesley said. "We're not just doing it because it sounds good. It's a beat; it's a rhythm. It means something."

Although most NPHC organizations are secretive about intake and other historical observances, Wesley said being more prominent on campus like other well-known Greek organizations is something his fraternity is aiming for.

Felicia Jagers, an alumna of Tech, who worked as the secretary of the Eta Lambda chapter of Delta Sigma Theta at Tech last semester, said she believes it is difficult for black Greek-lettered organizations to grow at Tech because people feel like they are geared only toward black people.

"People try to pay attention to who they're like," Jagers said. "So if it's us and then it's the Thetas, a lot of people who are white are going to pay attention to them, and people who are black are going to pay attention to us."

"So, I guess just being able to break the barrier is all you need."

Trodarius Provo, a biology major from Houston, said his fraternity, Kappa Alpha Psi, was founded in 1911 at Indiana University to enrich the lives of black males at a predominantly white university.

Provo said the Iota Upsilon Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi at Tech is actively trying to break barriers by showing all students the possibilities of success for black males on campus.

"We are working towards re-establishing ourselves as a prominent, positive model on what black undergraduate collegiate men can achieve in life," Provo said, "by providing events, forums and social events for the community to demonstrate these qualities."

Phi Beta Sigma member Wesley said he thinks everyone should look into black Greek-lettered organizations, even if they do not think they could benefit from it.

"A lot of people that you look up to — Bill Clinton, Huey P. Newton, Elaine Locke, Martin Luther King, Barbara Jordan — are all Greek; a lot of people don't know that," Wesley said. "We're rich in culture — rich and full of history and culture that you can go into."

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Multicultural Advocates promote campus diversity

By HALLIE DAVIS
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There are benefits to being Hispanic in the game of Life. For example, if the player lands on the college square, he or she might get an extra Life card — or at least that's how it works in multicultural advocate Greg Byers' version of the game.

As a multicultural advocate, Byers, a sophomore landscape architecture student from Dallas, plans programs like this Life game to encourage, explore and make students aware of diversity.

"It's really about challenging people to step outside their comfort zone and educating them," he said.

The group began in the fall as a part of University Student Housing, said program supervisor Aaron Taliaferro, a graduate student from Madison, Wis.

The idea behind the program is to foster an educational environment for everyone, he said, and to prepare students for a more diverse world.

This idea of globalization is critical to the goals of the multicultural advocate program, Byers said, and the idea that graduates will be in a world that is getting closer together. Scientists will work with people from all over the world, he said, and being able to understand co-workers' lives and cultures is just one example of diversity after college.

"With my job, I learn so much," said multicultural advocate Damilola Ipaye. "When we get out to the real world, it's not going to just be West Texas."

At the same time, though, Ipaye, a junior chemistry major from Dallas, said Tech is much more diverse than most might think, which is where the program can help.

Each of the campus's four multicultural advocates is assigned to

two residence hall complexes, Byers said, and must present programs to each monthly.

These programs are related to every kind of diversity, said multicultural advocate Audrey Petrash, a personal finance major from San Antonio. Topics can include anything from body image to gender identity.

"It's not just ethnicity," she said. "There are a lot of aspects that go into being completely diverse."

She said many students simply are not aware of other cultures or problems with diversity on campus.

Many groups are underrepresented on campus, Taliaferro said, and the program aims to help that. Working with University Student Housing, the multicultural advocates are employed like a community adviser or student assistant, which creates a way for them to connect with students.

Residents should know who their multicultural advocates are, he said, and they can become a valuable resource.

"It creates a more cohesive and positive living and learning environment," Taliaferro said.

The job of a multicultural advocate begins with his or her residents, Byers said. He or she gets to know them and their cultures and then plans programs and events accordingly.

This semester, Byers hosted the game of Life. Petrash hosted an Impact Tech lecture about "recreating Barbie." Ipaye offered a day for her residents to make African jewelry and learn about Nigerian Independence Day. Later this semester, she will be holding a discussion on LGBT values, Drag in the Media, and she said she plans to video conference with someone who considers themselves androgynous.

More information on the Multicultural Advocate program can be found on its Facebook page, Multicultural Advocates at Texas Tech University.

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"The first (forced sterilization law), I believe, was passed in Indiana, and by the '20s there were 22 other states in America (that also passed the law)," Fallwell said. "So the exhibit makes clear that while the Nazis took it to an extreme and linked eugenics with the Holocaust, it was done in a climate that was much broader than Germany or Nazi Germany."

Fallwell defines eugenics as the method of breeding the ideal characteristics into a race, which is also known as applied racial biology, she said.

The second half of the exhibit displays the post-1945 history of eugenics and encourages viewers to ponder modern medical ethics, Fallwell said.

"Rafael Levchin, who coined the term 'genocide,' fought tirelessly to get the Genocide Convention passed after we found out what

was happening with the Holocaust, so there are connections to modern-day genocides, to modern-day ethnic cleansing, to modern-day medical ethics," she said.

Fallwell completed a fellowship at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum when they began developing the traveling exhibit of the larger museum exhibit.

Jill Hoffman, the Helen DeVitt curator of education, said the exhibit gives people a chance to consider what the modern implications of eugenics are.

"It presents an opportunity for discussion, introspection, reflection, dialogue, maybe action to check our progression as human beings, to see how we are, how are we doing, what can we do to hopefully prevent something like this from happening again," Hoffman said.

The exhibit's timing is aligned with a series concerning ethics the history department hosts in March called "Tragedy, Trauma and Triumph," said Hoffman.

"This is an opportunity to really question who we are as a world, who are we as a people, who are we as individuals. How do we personally participate in acts of racism, no matter how small?" Hoffman said. "I think the exhibit is very much like a mirror, in it allows anyone and everyone who wants to go through it to ask those hard questions, to take time and reflect on something that isn't very comfortable — it's not pretty to look at; it doesn't necessarily inspire you to consider the best that people could be and have been."

"Deadly Medicine" is a traveling exhibition from the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. Lubbock is its last stop before being moved to New York, and retirement, according to the Tech museum's news release.

David Dean, director of the Tech museum's information services, said the exhibit uses the Holocaust as an example of how far eugenics can go and how it informs the public of the dangers of such extreme thinking.

"The people who were really involved with this needed a forum to pursue their ideals, and the Nazi regime, post-World War I Germany provided that platform for it to be developed," Dean said. "This is a very intense exhibit if you go through it, spend some time in it, see just some-how ideas like it get out of hand — it's a cautionary tale."

"The whole idea of eugenics is still around, people who adhere to that sort of idealism."

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Pens acquire Neal for Goligoski in deal with Stars

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pittsburgh Penguins began addressing their banged-up lineup by acquiring forward James Neal from the Dallas Stars in exchange for offensive defenseman Alex Goligoski on Monday.

As part of the deal, struck prior to Pittsburgh's game against the Washington Capitals, the Penguins also acquired defenseman Matt Niskanen.

Neal is in his third NHL season and ranked third on the Stars with 21 goals and fifth with 39 points in 59 games. Though playing on the Stars top line with Brad Richards and Loui Eriksson, Neal had been slumping of late as his goal in a 5-2 loss at Vancouver on Saturday ended a 10-game goal drought.

Niskanen has six assists in 45 games this season, a considerable drop off 2008-09, when he led all Stars blue-liners with 35 points (six goals, 29 assists). He was the Stars' first-round pick in the 2005 draft, selected 28th overall.

Neal was the key acquisition for the Penguins, who are down nine regulars to injuries, including captain Sidney Crosby, who is out indefinitely with a concussion, and Evgeni Malkin, who will miss the rest of the year with a knee injury.



PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH COACH Kristy Curry coaches her team from the sidelines during the Lady Raiders' 56-45 upset of the then-No. 1 Lady Bears on Saturday in United Spirit Arena.

A&M

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"Definitely after we got the scare of our lives against Oklahoma State, our kids have been really focused the last two days of practice. Now what we got to do is bring it to the court," he said. "Because Tech and us, we always play well, we always play close and I expect nothing to change in this ball game."

A lot of things have changed since the last time these two squads played each other on Feb. 5 in Lubbock.

Against Colorado, one week following the loss to A&M, Curry made the decision to adjust the lineup to try to bring an end to a six-game losing streak.

Since then, the Lady Raiders

defeated three consecutive opponents by double digits. Two of those three were in the confines of United Spirit Arena.

The Lady Raiders now must enter the hostile environment that is Reed Arena, 10 days removed from their last road challenge.

Tech sophomore guard Christine Hyde said taking one from the Aggies in their house may not be the simplest of tasks — but it is not impossible.

"We know A&M is tough. We know that it's not going to be easy to beat them on their home floor," Hyde said, "and we know that we're gonna have to earn it; it's not going to be given to us."

"If we play the same way we played against Baylor, we should be fine."

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Mallard

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This is a big turnaround from the numbers she was putting up a few weeks ago. Against Texas A&M on Feb. 5, Mallard was held to two points in 18 minutes of play.

After the game, A&M coach Gary Blair scrutinized Mallard for not being the leader she should be for her team.

So, Blair said, his team will

see a different Mallard from the one they saw in Lubbock a few weeks ago.

"So she responded; Kristy (Curry) got her attention," he said of Mallard. "But that's good coaching, and that's a player waking up to the situation that she's supposed to be the leader on that basketball team — and I think she is again now."

"So out of the dog house into the penthouse, and she's looking pretty good."

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Carmelo, Nets, Knicks stuck in sticky situation

I would hate to see Carmelo Anthony go to Burger King, where he can have it his way.

The line to order behind him would probably stretch around the block.

Carmelo Anthony wants to be a New York Knick, but he may not have the luxury of safely arriving in New York. The NBA, similar to the NFL, will look to restructure contracts to avoid a lockout this summer.

Anthony can become a free agent after this season, but can he risk leaving guaranteed money on the table? I don't think he can. The lure of the almighty dollar may put him in a less successful basketball position.

Carmelo's realistic options seem to have narrowed down to the New York Knicks and the New Jersey Nets, and there is no secret which one he would prefer.

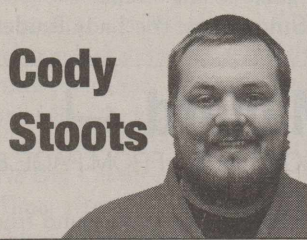
The Nets have the best package to put forward for the Nuggets. They have more draft picks to offer along with younger and cheaper players. The Knicks' advantage comes with the fact that they are Melo's desired destination, and the current talent of the players in the package is higher.

It seems to me the Nets are a real long shot in this discussion but are trying to make it hard for the Knicks. The Nets and their new owner, Mikhail Prokhorov, have done a great job of pushing their offerings higher, which has led to Denver asking more from the Knicks.

I do not think either scenario is awful for the Nets. If they do not get Melo, they move forward with their current roster and hope the draft lottery shakes out their way. If they do get Melo, they may have a less talented supporting cast, but they add one of the better scorers in the league into the Eastern Conference.

The Knicks are in a nightmare situation. If they get Carmelo now, they will have to have gutted some

Cody Stoots



of their better supporting cast to get him there. If they wait until the summer to add him, there could possibly be a tough salary cap to keep them from adding him for the money he wants.

Neither move makes the Knicks championship contenders now, but they would have two of the best scorers in the league going forward. They would become a big destination to add a third superstar, a la the Miami Heat.

Carmelo has dragged this out far too long. Quite a few teams have been linked, but from the start the Knicks have been the destination. I bet Carmelo eventually becomes a Knick.

I do not really see a scenario where he does not end up a Knick before the trade deadline, and Denver would certainly like to get anything they can for their superstar. The Nuggets cannot risk having Anthony walk with no compensation.

The bottom line is this — this is the NBA now. The premier and top-flight players will choose where they want to go in trades now, and not just free agency. The trades are about money and expiring contracts, and not about the best move for both teams. It is a situation the NBA needs to look into fixing this summer.

Now, Mr. Anthony, would you like French fries with your Amar'e Stoudemire?

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A momentous OCCASION

Lady Raiders set for No. 5 A&M following win against then-No. 1 Baylor on Saturday

By **JOSHUA KOCH**
STAFF WRITER

Wins against No. 25 Iowa State and No. 3 Baylor were the results of the Lady Raiders' last two games, but their hunger for success has not been satisfied.

As the season comes to a close, Texas Tech coach Kristy Curry knows her players and staff are not ready to call it a day.

"We've got unfinished business; these kids are on a mission; we got business to take care of," she said. "They're approaching it with great energy and great effort. There needs to be no stopness in any form or fashion, and we need to give it all we've got Tuesday night, see what happens."

Tech (19-7, 6-6 in Big 12 Conference play) attempts to extend its winning ways against No. 5 Texas A&M (22-3, 10-2) at 7 p.m. today in College Station.

To be successful against the Aggies, the Lady Raiders must do what they failed to do during the teams' first meeting — shut down Aggie forward Danielle Adams.

Adams is the Big 12's leading scorer, averaging 23.1 points per game. She also is second in the conference in rebounding, averaging 8.5 boards per contest.

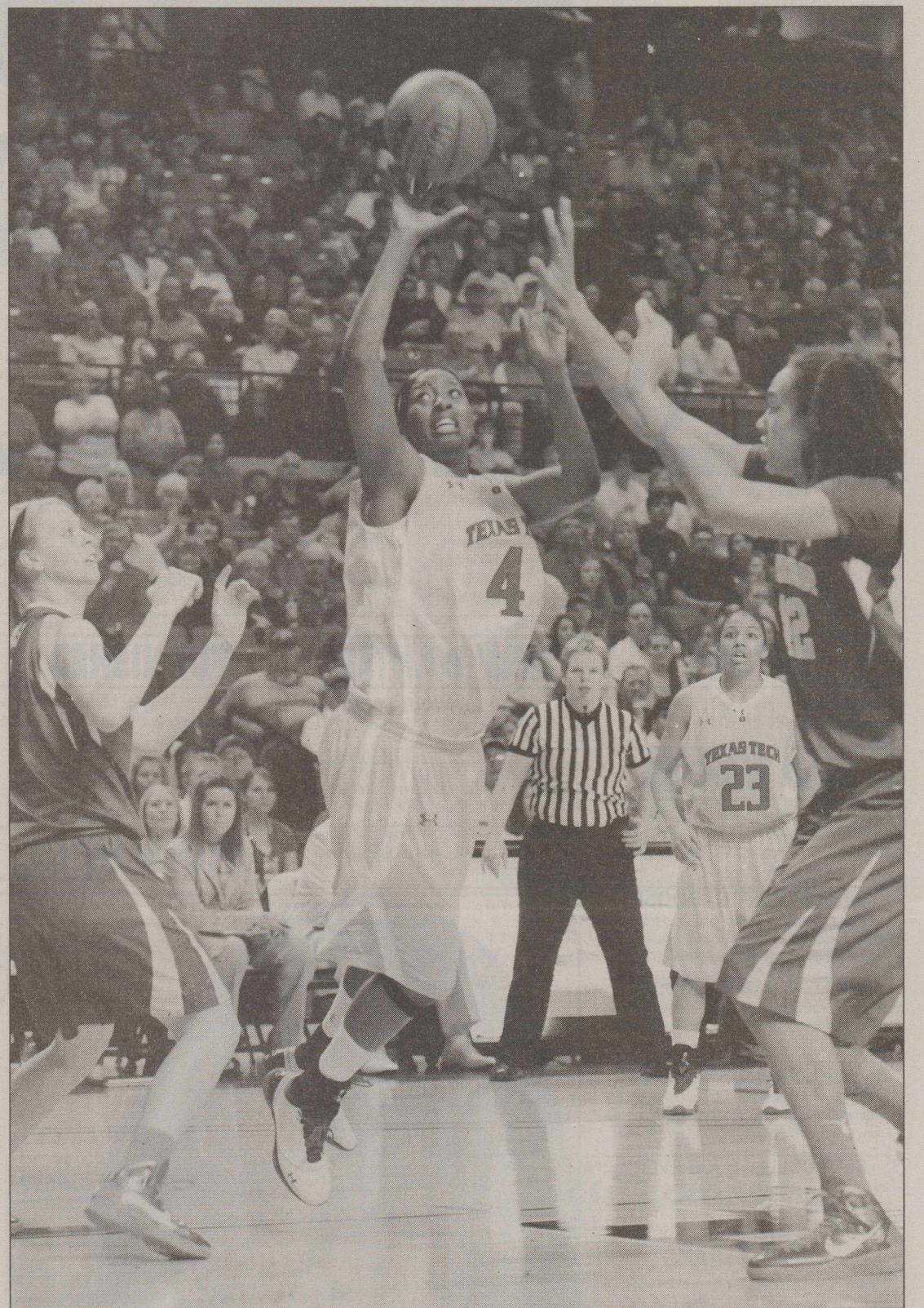
The last time these two squads met, Adams was the difference, scoring 26 points — 22 of those in the second half.

Adams, however, has encountered some struggles since she and the Aggies defeated Tech.

In A&M's loss to Baylor on Feb. 14, Adams was limited to nine points but rediscovered her stroke against Oklahoma State on Saturday, scoring a team-high 24 points. The Aggies beat the Cowgirls 76-67.

Considering the way things have played out in the last week, A&M coach Gary Blair said his squad has to be ready to go because he does not expect the Lady Raiders to let up.

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TEXAS TECH FORWARD Tina Wickett shoots from between two Baylor defenders during the Lady Raiders' 56-45 victory against the Lady Bears on Saturday in United Spirit Arena.

Mallard named co-Big 12 Player of Week

After a successful week on the court, the Big 12 Conference recognized Texas Tech junior forward Kierra Mallard for her contributions in the Lady Raiders' two wins against ranked opponents last week.

Mallard was named the Phillips 66 Big 12 Player of the Week on Monday — sharing the honors with Kansas forward Carolyn Davis — for her performances against No. 25 Iowa State and No. 3 Baylor.

"She struggled a week or two ago, and everybody thought the sun wasn't gonna come up," Curry said after the Iowa State

victory. "But I knew it would because she's just matured too much and fought through a lot of adversity."

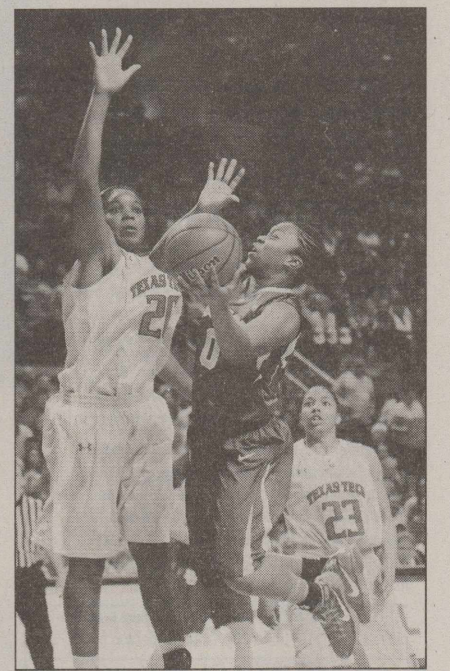
Against the Cyclones on Wednesday, Mallard went for a team-high 19 points and nine boards. In the upset win against Baylor on Saturday, Mallard scored 10 points while grabbing eight rebounds.

Mallard averaged 14.5 points per game last week but made a bigger difference with her defensive presence.

Mallard had 17 rebounds in those two games — 16 of those defensive.

TEXAS TECH FORWARD Kierra Mallard defends Baylor guard Odysseus Sims during the Lady Raiders' 56-45 victory over the Lady Bears on Saturday at the United Spirit Arena. Mallard was named the Big 12 Conference Player of the Week on Monday.

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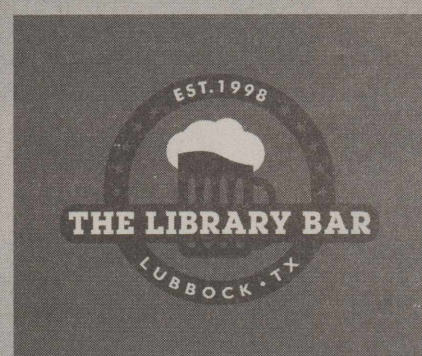
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