

Weather Service issues red flag alert

NWS: Fire weather conditions continue to be major threat

By BRIAN HOWARD

Fire continues to be a major threat across the South Plains because of near record-high temperatures, strong winds and low relative humidity.

The National Weather Service has issued a red flag warning in effect from noon until 9 p.m. today.

The red flag warning is because of critical fire conditions redeveloping area-wide, including near record-high temperatures in the 90s in the Caprock and just over 100 degrees in the Rolling Plains. These temperatures, coupled with breezy winds and low relative humidity, bring with them significant threats for spreading wildfires.

Lewis Treadwell, the training chief with the Lubbock

Fire Department, said the fire department takes numerous precautions when a red flag warning has been issued.

"Typically what we do, any time there is a red flag warning, is to increase staffing in the city," he said. "We have two brush trucks and two engines that are not generally manned, but in situations like this, we will man those."

Brush trucks have an advantage over regularly used fire engines, Treadwell said.

"Unlike a regular fire engine, brush trucks can move and pump water at the same time, which is critical when dealing with a moving grass fire," he said. "If the threat of wildfire becomes extremely critical, we will put into action our two reserve engines that are usually only used when another engine breaks down." The emergency operating center will also be activated during dangerous fire weather conditions, Treadwell said.

"When this system is activated, we'll contact the police department and use a reverse 911 system to get people evacuated in the event that the fire spreads and poses immediate danger," he said. "We will also activate the EMS system with the National Weather Service to send out warnings."

While the current weather and climate in West Texas certainly pose a threat of wildfires, other Texas cities that generally do not experience the climate suitable for weather fires have been warned of spreading brush and grass fires as well.

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Oldest college bar celebrates 25 years here

Employees have seen Tech students change



PHOTO BY BRENT SORELLE/The Daily Toreador BRITTLEY WHITE, BARTENDER, shows off Bash's bar on Main Street. Bash's is the oldest college bar in Lubbock.

By LISA HYNDMAN STAFF WRITER

From football to basketball games, new building constructions to destructions, Bash Riprock's Sports Bar has seen 25 years of Texas Tech and the surrounding community pass by

Mike Fuqua, owner of Bash's, said the bar started as a franchise out of New Jersey in 1986 and was originally owned by Henry "Pete" Koffman. Fuqua bought Bash's as an investment on July 23, 1993.

"When times are good, what do people do? When times are bad, what do people do?" Fuqua said. "A bar is recession proof."

Fuqua said people like to go a bar that has good service and cold beer at a decent price, so he wanted to make Bash's a warm, inviting, inexpensive place for students to hang out after

Over the years, Fuqua said, he has seen Tech football grow into what it is today. He said it started with Spike Dykes as the head coach of the football team.

"He was known to always run the ball," Fugua said.

In 2000, Mike Leach became the head football coach. Fuqua said the Leach era helped Bash's because more alumni came to see the football games and then visited Bash's, the bar they used to go to after classes.

The most memorable time for Tech football at Bash's was the Texas game in 2008, when receiver Michael Crabtree caught the game's winning touchdown pass in the final seconds.

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AT&T Stadium.

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On Sunday, the team gave back to the loyal fan and sup-

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ABOVE: TEAM GIDRY

walks around in Jones

AT&T Stadium at the Bur-

khart Center for Autism

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Annual Walk for Autism

LEFT: THE WALK for Au-

tism was staffed entirely by

volunteers from Tech and

the Lubbock community.

Awareness on Sunday.

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Community Calendar

TODAY

Lori Hepner: "Status Symbols: A Study in Tweets" Time: All-day event Where: School of Art, SRO Photo Gallery

So, what is it?

A series of virtual portraits that are studies of identity in a digital age, showcasing the identity created that differs from physical looks. Abstract portraits are created with spinning LEDs that translate words into flashing bursts of light. The exhibit will be displayed. through May 8.

Llano Estacado: An Island in the Sky Time: All-day event Where: School of Art, Landmark Gallery

So, where is it?

Landmark Arts exhibits selections of photographs from the Llano Project, which was organized by Bill Tydeman and Steve Bogener in 2004-05 for the Southwest Collection/Special Collections Library with a special grant from The CH Foundation. Six photographers were commissioned to photograph the Llano Estacado as artists rather than as surveyors. The exhibit is on display through June 24.

David Collins Exhibit Time: All-day event Where: School of Art, Studio Gallery So, what is it?

This MFA exhibit featuring paintings is on display through

South Plains College at the Cactus Time: 7:30 p.m. Where: Cactus Theater So, what is it?

The Creative Arts Department has bands performing this week. All shows start at 7:30 p.m., and admission is free. Tuesday is "AlternaTV Rock Night," and Wednesday is "Country Night."

John Sprott Time: 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Where: Triple J Chophouse & Brew

So, what is it? Kick back and enjoy barbecue, burgers or steak along with the acoustic sounds of classic favorites.

Manny Rodriguez Time: 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Where: Stella's So, what is it? Indulge in the tastes of New York-style Italian cuisine while listening to the smooth sounds of jazz at this upscale,

WEDNESDAY

Landscape as Knowledge Series Time: 7 p.m.

locally owned restaurant.

Where: English Building, Room 108 So, what is it?

Lucy Lippard, internationally known writer, activist and curator who lives in Galisteo, N.M., will present a talk based on her recently published book, "Down Country: The Tano of the Galisteo Basin, 1250 – 1752." Lippard is presented with funding from the art history area of the School of Art.

To make a calendar submission email dailytoreador@ttu.edu.

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.

Clarification

In Monday's issue of The Daily Toreador, the article titled "New students wield Raider Red's guns," should have stated that before the 1971 football season, the Southwest Conference passed a rule which

restricted the bringing of live animal mascots to out of town games. Thus, the Masked Rider, Tech's official mascot, was not able to travel representing the university.

Fire ← **CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1**

from Austin, said he was shocked when a brush fire broke out near his home in the southwest area of the city.

"The fire was massive, spanning over 50 acres, just north of Highway 290 and near the Austin Community College campus Pinnacle," he said. "The fire was only three to five miles away from my home, but luckily it was contained before it reached us."

According to the KVUE-TV, the flames sparked at about 2 p.m. Sunday afternoon in Oak Hill and grew so large it demanded the attention of more than 100 firefighters.

There was a mass of police sirens and fire trucks that passed our neighborhood on their way to the fire," Jauregui said. "The Scenic Brook was evacuated by the help fight the fire."

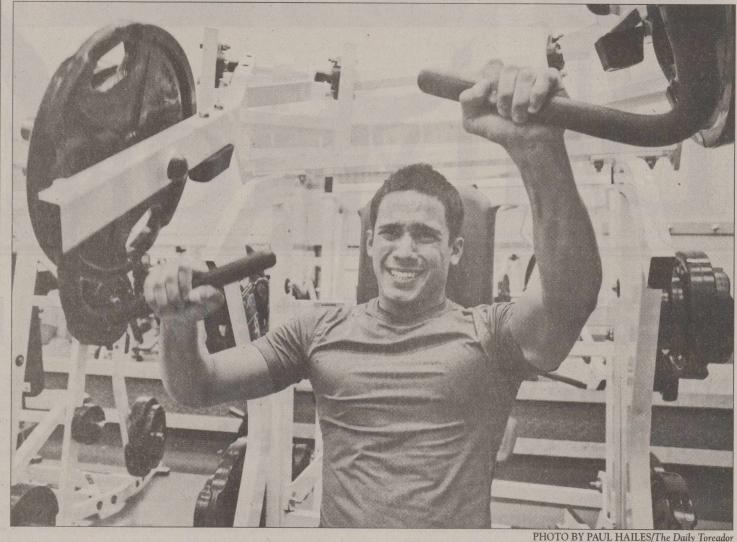
Cameron Moreland, the bass player for the William Clarke Green Band, said he witnessed the range and extent of damage of these fires while heading to Mark Jauregui, a real estate agent Fort Worth on Saturday to play a show with the band that night

> "We were traveling east on Highway 114 approaching Sweetwater when I noticed smoke in the distance," he said. "For the next 200 miles or so, while our highway driving visibility wasn't reduced, we couldn't see anything but smoke on each side of us, about 60 yards away from the van. It was eerie."

> The actual fires producing the surrounding smoke were a ways off, Moreland said, but in certain areas, damage from previous fires could be seen.

"At one point we could actually see a fire in the distance, but what was really chilling was seeing the damage that fires had already done in certain areas," he said. "There were massive areas that had been hit by fires that were basically flattened Austin Fire Department just after 3 p.m., and burnt to the ground. It felt almost like and helicopters were flying water in to some sort of post-apocalyptic nightmare." >>> bhoward@dailytoreador.com

LOAD LIFTING



ART QUEZADA, A junior public relations major from El Paso, lifts weights Monday in the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center.

BLOTTER

Blotter: Five vehicles found battered

April 12

9:46 a.m. - A Texas Tech police officer responded to a medical emergency at the Health Sciences Center Medical Pavilion. A non-student fell and hit her head. The non-student was transported to the University Medical Center emergency room.

10:12 a.m. - A Tech officer arrested a non-student for three outstanding warrants after a traffic stop on University Avenue. The non-student was

transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

Wednesday

9:27 p.m. - A Tech officer detained two students at Coleman Residence Hall. Both students were issued a citation for possession of drug paraphernalia and then released.

10:06 p.m. - A Tech officer detained seven students at Wall Residence Hall. One student was issued a citation for possession of drug paraphernalia, and then all of the students were released.

Thursday

6:48 a.m. - A Tech officer investigated criminal mischief A student called the police and in the Z-3 parking lot. Five ve-said there had been marijuana hicles were egged and had flour use in the room. poured on them.

Friday

12:47 p.m. - A Tech ofconcerning two students in a relationship. The male student was violent and made threats to the female student.

Saturday 11:03 p.m. – A Tech officer

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to other fields

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investigated possession of marijuana at Hulen Residence Hall.

Sunday

5:01 p.m. - A Tech officer responded to a medical emergency ficer documented information at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center. A student broke his nose while playing soccer and was transported to the University Medical Center emergency room.

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"It means a lot to me," said Isaiah's father, Mark Tijerina. "He's always out there supporting them. For them to take the time out means a lot to me and his whole family."

Team Isaiah wore bright yellow shirts with orange stenciling and Isaiah's handprint on the back as they walked around the stadium to raise awareness.

The day began with free shirts for the first 500 walkers, and those ran out quickly. At 2 p.m., Gerald Myers, Kirby Hocutt and Billy Gillispie spoke briefly to kick off the walk, and then the Masked Rider led the group around the stadium.

The event also included numerous booths, some raising awareness and others raising money.

We have so many in this area and region who are recently diagnosed, and they are looking for resources," said Janice Magness,

director of the Burkhart Center Transition Academy.

The event offered support and education to the community, as well as a place to meet others and just hang out informally. David Richman, for a new building that would house

chairman of the Burkhart Center, said autistic individuals often are pressured to learn or do things, and Sunday's event gave them a time to simply relax with their families and

"It's fun for the families," he said. "It's an opportunity for the community

friends.

atmosphere."

There was no registration fee for the walk, Richman said, as the event

JANICE MAGNESS BURKHART CENTER TRANSITION ACADEMY

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> The people to whom this is most important, like Isaiah's family, turned out in force to socialize, raise awareness and tell their stories.

"The hope is that people will find

a lot of support and know they are not alone," Magness said.

One important stereotype to break is there is no stereotype, said Brenna ing on funding a \$10 million budget Price, a special undergraduate in speech, language and hearing sciences from Farmington, N.M.

"If you know one person with autism, you know one person with autism," she said. "They're all unique."

Understanding was the first step,

she said, as well as learning patience and tolerance.

Price walked with the team from the Texas Tech Health Sciences

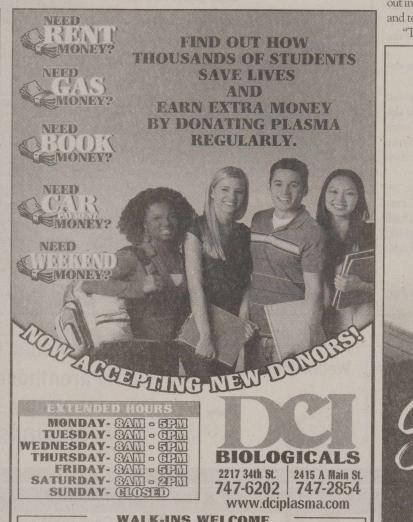
The event was worked entirely by volunteers from Tech and the community, including local Boy Scout Troop 157, members of the Burkhart Center, and Richman's wife, Dawn Richman, who has worked with autistic children for five years.

She also stressed the importance of understanding and avoiding stereotypes.

"Understand they're just people like us," she said. "These kids have the same dreams, and they want the same opportunities.'

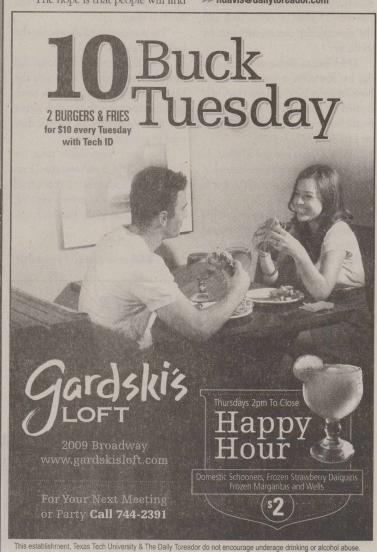
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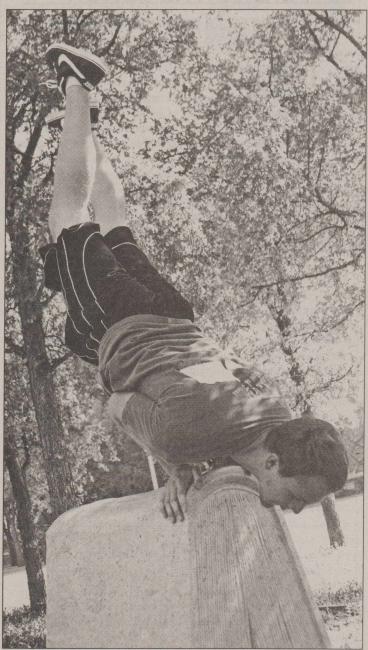


PHOTO BY LAUREN PAPE/The Daily Toreador

GRANT GOODWIN, A sophomore mechanical engineering major from Sugar Land, balances himself on the statues in the English/Philosophy courtyard on Monday.

Opera presents array of songs

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it up on the

fly, and it's so

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they are definitely

professionals.

RICK ST. PETER

THEATER GRADUATE

STUDENT

By HALLIE DAVIS STAFF WRITER

In one night, Alan Dunbar was both the Devil and Frank Sinatra, and Ashley Logan was both a water nymph in love with a prince and a small-town girl returning home from a square dance.

The Santa Fe Opera performed various songs and arias on Sunday in Hemmle Hall as part of Texas Tech's Presidential Lecture and Performance

Performers on the tour included bass-baritone Dunbar, soprano Logan and pianist Kirt Pavitt, who performed arias and selections from various

Lubbock is the only Texas town on the tour, and it is the eighth year the Santa Fe Opera has stopped here. Last year, the first half of the show was a short opera called "Words and Music." Pavitt said to keep from being repetitive, Lubbock would get to see a special set that was not performed anywhere else on the tour.

said theater graduate student Rick St. nity to sample it." Peter, "and it's so interesting to see; they are definitely professionals."

Dunbar and Logan sang a song from "Words and Music," along with pieces from operas like "Faust" and Frank Sinatra's "One for My Baby, and One for the

St. Peter, from Newport News, Va., attended with his daughter. He said he was fascinated by opera, and believed the event was good

for people who weren't otherwise fans. "It's an opportunity for people who

don't go to the opera, or might not feel comfortable going, it's a great opportunity

"They're changing it up on the fly," to try it," he said, "and it's a free opportu-

Many in the audience had been fans of opera for a long time, like Cathy

Pope and Doreen Hutton, who said they attended the Santa Fe Opera as often as possible.

"It's fabulous; the pianist is one of the best," Hutton said. "It's as fine as you'll see anywhere." Though col-

lege students were in the minority of the audience, she said it was a great event for the university's age group.

"The appren-

tice series appeals to college students because they're young," Hutton said. "Tech has a great vocal department, so it's a perfect fit."

Senior Jordan Berta, an architecture major from Dallas, said he believed the opera was "gorgeous," and more students should give it a chance.

"It's really unfortunate most students don't connect," he said. "It's not familiar

For those like Berta who did attend, he said, it was a wonderful experience and lived up to what he had heard about it.

The show began with "The Marriage of Figaro." The performers explained each scene and the character they would be performing, and then acted along with their singing. For one song, Logan took off her shoes to be more in character.

Pavitt also performed solos in between some of the songs.

The show ended with a piece called "Banjo," an opera tune with two folk songs written to it. Logan invited the audience to sing along as she began "Camptown Races."

The opera was the final event in this year's series. The series will begin again in the fall with author and speaker Michael Pollan on Oct. 28.

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'Great Gatsby' mansion being razed

SANDS POINT, N.Y. (AP) — A 25-room Long Island mansion that some believe inspired F. Scott Fitzgerald's portrayal of lavish lifestyles in his Jazz Age classic "The Great Gatsby" is being razed, the latest in a long cadence of estates disappearing from what's known as the Gold Coast.

Known as "Land's End" and sitting on romantic era," said Alexandra Wolfe, War II, the region once boasted about a 13-acre lot on Long Island Sound, the 24,000-square foot house is being torn down to accommodate five \$10 million custom homes.

"It's really a sad thing. The Gold Coast social country life is part of Long Island's legacy, a reminder of a grand and director of preservation services for the Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities.

"It's such a shame that people find it difficult to honor that, to preserve that." Real estate broker Paul Mateyunas estimates that through the end of World 1,400 estates inhabited by a Who's Who of the nation's financial titans. Now, only about 400 remain.

The trend in recent decades has moved away from mega-mansions, he said, largely because even for millionaires, they are very expensive to maintain.

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"The bar was filled with alumni and students screaming and cheering their heads off," Fugua said.

John Tsyitee, a bartender at Bash's who has worked there for 10 years, said bar life in Lubbock has changed significantly. He said as soon as class was over, students would go to the bar.

"A bar used to be your second home,"

Tsyitee said the reason why Bash's has lasted for 25 years is the combination of

blind luck, good staff and good regulars. "It started as one of the few college bars and developed a nice tradition with families," he said.

The bar also might have helped to spur a romance or two. Tsyitee said a lady came in and said she used to come to Bash's while she was a Tech student and she met her husband at the bar. She said she hopes when her children come to Tech, they will be able to come to Bash's.

Tsyitee said there is little turnover with the bartenders at Bash's, so when alumni visit Bash's, they can have the same bartender or a bartender who knows their old one well.

Bash's has had several musicians, such as Pat Green and Cory Morrow, play on stage before they were household names.

"It's neat to watch local musicians rise, like Brandon Adams and Thrift Store Cowboys, in the bar," Tsyitee said, "and then see them move on to other cities.

Fuqua said he enjoys having musicians play at Bash's.

"We are fortunate and lucky enough to have them perform at Bash's before they became famous," he said.

Fuqua said he never remodeled the original building other than making a few repairs. The original Bash's consisted of what is now the front bar, and over time the game room was added, which used to be a dry cleaners, as well as the back bar, which used to be Main Street Saloon.

Tsyitee said the building on Main Street was built in the 1930s and always surprises them, such as when the power went out on a Monday during Bash's Penny Pints Night and when it floods during a storm.

"Bash's has its own charm just due to its falling-down nature," Tsyitee said. "It's kind of like an old, beat-up truck."

Allie Payne, a senior criminology and forensic science major from Round Rock and a bartender at Bash's, said Bash's is a very large hole in the wall but in its own way is unique.

"It has a 'Cheer's' atmosphere," Payne said. "It's a tight-knit group, and we make our customers feel like they're at home."

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Anne Frank playwright to host probert Lance auditions for 'My Dear Kitty'

By ROCIO RODRIGUEZ STAFF WRITER

Charles Moster, a Lubbock attorney, is hosting auditions for his

play, "My Dear Kitty," a musical spin on "Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl" on Wednes-

The call is from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 4920 South Loop 289 on the second floor. Those in-

terested can audition for both singing and speaking parts. It is also an open-script audition and does not require memorization from

the players or prior experience. Moster said he became inter-

Chlamydia

GRACE

It's something

different ... at least in the time I've been here. and it's something suitable for all ages, probably fifth grade and up.

JILL HOFFMAN

CURATOR OF EDUCATION TEXAS TECH MUSEUM

The exhibit is on loan from

States Holocaust Memorial Museum and displays the eugenics movement during Nazi Germany's Third Reich regime.

"I just went to see the exhibit, and two hours later I came out and I was drained," Moster said. "At the end of it, it occurred to me, 'Wouldn't it be a good project in

tandem with that exhibit to see if they might be interested in presenting my one-act

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ested in showing his play when musical about Anne Frank's life behe visited the "Deadly Medicine: cause it acts like a personal face and Creating the Master Race" exhibit message to all the photography in in the Texas Tech Museum. the exhibit about the Holocaust?"

> The play will run June 3 through June 5 and will have free admission for the public as part of Moster's nonprofit organization, the Texas Triad Project, which presents original one-act plays for the public, Moster said.

> Jill Hoffman, the Texas Tech Museum curator of education, said the goal of the museum is to offer different activities for people, which include scholarly lectures,

films, seminars and workshops. "It's something different, something we haven't offered before, at least in the time I've been here. and it's something suitable for all ages, probably fifth grade and up," Hoffman said. "It provides another way to reach out to others in the community, to help share the information that is related to the exhibit and done in an interesting way."

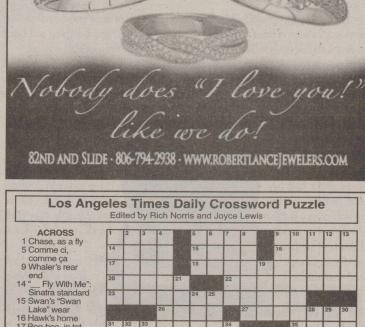
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OPINIONS

Planned Parenthood much more than abortion clinic

mentioned in my previous column, "Congressional budget battle embarrassing," the biggest obstacle Congress encountered during the debate over the federal budget was the moral conflict about funding for Planned Parenthood.

Knowing myself, I couldn't let a perfectly good topic such as funding for Planned Parenthood go to waste.

A federally subsidized agency, Planned Parenthood provides, as the name suggests, family planning and (sometimes) abortions to the poor. This debate, though it had little to do with the nation's fiscal policy, certainly brought to light the desire for social conservatives to have another attempt at getting their agenda added to U.S. social policy.

As a result of their obstinate behavior on the floor of the budget negotiations, they secured a time for debate later this week.

I'm sure we can all wait patiently for the results of the debate and vote to be released. In the meantime, why not consider a couple of facts about the issue at hand?

First, however, I would like to clear up some misinformation given to the American people by one of the senators who was heavily involved in the budget debate. Minority Whip Jon Kyl, a Republican senator from Arizona, said in a speech given on the floor against funding for Planned Parenthood, "You don't

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have to go to Planned Parenthood to get your cholesterol or your blood pressure checked. If you want an abortion, you go to Planned Parenthood, and that's well over 90 percent of what Planned Parenthood does.'

Planned Parenthood reported on its website that abortions, which are not funded by the federal government, account for 3 percent of agency's rendered services. In case

you didn't know, it is

illegal to use federal funding to subsidize abortions. So, going off of common sense, I would think an agency as controversial as Planned Parenthood would be under strict oversight to keep federal money from paying

for abortions. I find it ironic the social conservatives in Congress focus a lot of attention on family values and yet are quick to block funds going to an organization whose specific goal is to help Americans with family planning. Planned Parenthood has pages of information on healthy relationships, be they family-oriented or

The problem is, of course, that Planned Parenthood offers abortion services, which conservatives seem to confuse with "contraception services." The Merriam-Webster Dictionary definition of "contraception" is "deliberate prevention of conception or impregnation." It defines "abortion" as "the termination of a pregnancy after, accompanied by, resulting in, or closely followed by the death of the embryo or fetus."

Though Planned Parenthood offers both of these services, congressional social conservatives don't seem to see it that way. Sen. Kyl mentioned several other of the non-abortion services offered by Planned Parenthood, but

(FI) DO Program "contraception" was not despite its obvious association with family planning.

for some reason

The reason for this is because many anti-abortionists are also anti-contraception. Jim Sedlak, vice president of the American Life League, said in an interview with the New York Times, "The fact is that 95 percent of the contraceptives on the market kill the baby in the womb."

Sen. Pat Murray, one of the leaders of the pro-Planned Parenthood side of the budget debate, recalled in an interview with the NY Times that none of the lawmakers trying to remove funding from the agency mentioned supporting

The "when life begins" debate aside, publicly subsidized contraception is very beneficial from an economic standpoint. In a study performed by the Guttmacher Institute, a non-profit organization working to advance global reproductive health, for every \$1 spent on family planning, taxpayers were saved \$3.74.

Publicly financed contraception essentially pays for itself by reducing the money used by Medicaid and Medicare for childbirth and childcare.

Planned Parenthood offers a plethora of health services to its clients, including education on reproductive health, pap testing, breast cancer screenings, procedures to prevent cervical cancer, testing for STDs in both men and women, and abortion services. The agency runs more than 800 health centers around the country. They do all of this with private donations and a mere \$330 million of the multi-trillion-dollar national budget.

I hope lawmakers will realize giving this minuscule of an amount of funding to this important and beneficial of an organization will save taxpayers money in the long run.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cutting social programs good idea

The author of "Social programs too important to cut down" believes cutting spending could have negative consequences. He mentions Republicans want to cut spending, when in reality an even better solution would be to end certain programs.

The federal government spends money on departments that should be ended. For instance, why do we need the Federal Housing Administration? People can go to a bank and get loans. If people can't afford a house, they shouldn't buy one.

Why do we need Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to offer "affordable housing"? To suggest people were not able to get loans or housing before these programs were established would be utter nonsense.

If the author cared to do any research, he would have seen the Bush tax cuts lowered tax rates for everyone and not just the rich. In fact, the largest tax cut in percentage terms went to people with below-average incomes.

If 10 percent is good enough for most religious groups, why isn't it enough for the government? When Presidents Coolidge, Kenney, Reagan and George W. Bush cut tax rates, it led to an increase in revenue. There is never any amount of money the government can't outspend. The government collects money from people who work hard and redistributes it to someone who never worked for that money.

How is this process any different then legalized theft? Draconian cuts are needed when we are spending what we can't afford.

Politicians from both sides are too hesitant to cut or end programs like Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid and continue not to deal with the hard issues.

As economist Milton Friedman said, "Nobody spends somebody else's money as wisely as he spends his own."

■ Peter Parlapiano is an MBA student from Houston.

Evolutionary thought

On April 13, The Daily Toreador had a front-page article about the Secular Student Society hosting Dr. Michael Dini discussing creationism and evolution. I feel the article needs some clarification.

There are five ideas most people in America use to describe the origin of our species.

First, Young Earth creationism is the idea that Earth is less than 10,000 years old and all life you see today was created by God at that time.

Old Earth creationists suggest humans were still created by God, and they accept the common age of the earth (4.5 billion years) and universe (13.7 billion years) but deny most evolutionary theory.

Proponents of theistic evolution believe evolution took place as scientists agree upon but is God's mechanism for creation.

Next, non-theistic evolutionists accept the evidence for evolution and don't make any reference

Lastly, atheistic evolution proposes the evidence for evolution is evidence enough to prove God's nonexistence.

The author stated Dini claimed atheistic evolution as the least radical and young Earth creationism as the most radical. I think it's clear that both are the most radical and non-theistic evolution is the least radical.

Dini discussed an idea presented by Stephen Gould in 1997: non-overlapping magesteria. It suggests each magisterium (i.e. biology, theology, philosophy) has its own questions to answer and these questions should not

Gould's concept is squarely in agreement with the position of non-theistic evolution. In public schools, it is this "neutral" version that should be taught.

■ Drew Ayling is a senior electrical engineering major from Lewisville.

Pack wisely, sparingly for vacations

acking for a trip can be a stressful experience, especially when there are a wide variety of expected activities. Some people's solution is to pack everything they could possibly need into as many bags as they want, sometimes more than they can carry themselves.

ways sends a wave of relief at not having to deal with that struggle. Bringing more stuff than is possible to carry is a major additional stress that is unwelcome while

In the movie "Up In the Air,"

George Clooney's character analyzes the packing of a new coworker. He throws away about half her stuff and instructs her to only carry what she can fit in a carry-on. I packed for five weeks in Europe and Tanzania and carried everything in a midsize backpack. This does

take practice to ensure bringing the essential items.

Follow this rule for carrying bags on an airplane: one for essential items (snacks, computer, medicines, small toiletry bag with toothbrush, toothpaste and deodorant and books), typically





Seeing these people at the airport ala backpack or large purse, and one for non-essential items (clothing and extra shoes), typically a rolling carry-on.

With airlines charging for checked bags, more and more people carry on more and more bags. The overhead space fills quickly, and this can make

> boarding a plane an ordeal. Stow bags quickly and sit. The flight attendant will deal with problems. Have common courtesy. and help shorter, older or weaker people stow their

A big rule of travel is to look good while flying. This doesn't mean a suit; nice jeans and a polo shirt will suffice.

People who look like bums in their pajamas or sweats and carrying pillows typically disgust most other travelers.

Plus, passengers who dress well are treated better by gate agents, flight attendants, cab drivers, hotel desk clerks and just about anyone in the hospitality

industry. Stereotypes exist for a reason, limit should be four. and most people make instant judgments based on appearance alone.

When packing for any kind of trip, utilizing items with multiple uses is the easiest way to reduce the weight. Unless you're a fashion model going to Milan, a hat or bag. nobody needs a different set of clothes

A major space saver is reducing shoes. A decent pair of running or light hiking shoes is appropriate for many situations. They are easy to remove going through airport security, stay comfortable after miles of walking and won't get frowned upon too much at a

Wear these while traveling and pack a pair of sandals. In cold weather, replace the shoes with a good pair of cowboy boots and the sandals with the shoes.

There is a reason many outdoor clothing companies offer hiking pants with removable lower legs: This feature allows for pants and shorts without

Shorts that can double as a swimsuit are also smart for packing on trips. Finding ones that are quick drying are even better. Rain is unpredictable, and swimming is a lot of fun.

Underwear and socks are essential items for any trip, but taking one pair per day is unnecessary. These are both easily washed and dried. Men can get away with two pairs of each, while women's

Two items that are rarely discussed in travel packing lists are earplugs and sleeping masks or eye pillows. Earplugs can be easily kept in the small change pocket in jeans or safety pinned inside

They make any flight much more pleasant, reducing sounds from engine noise to crying babies. They also can be a good indicator to a neighbor that conversation is unwanted. The eye pillow makes sleeping easier and makes rest better for similar reasons.

Lavering is essential for upper body comfort and warmth. A longsleeve shirt is recommended for every destination and for cold, bug or sun protection. Do not neglect to bring a light jacket and a waterproof layer to round out this protection. Even on safari in Tanzania in July, jackets are essential (it is winter and at a 4,500foot elevation).

Try these tips and see how they work. Tweak them to fit a particular situation, but try to minimize the load. Once the habit is set, vacation stress will be greatly reduced and vacations will become even more relaxing and

■ Martin is a hospitality from Austin.

thought an effective option would

be to see more University students

it," Farkas said. "I think it would

be great to have college students

We need to know more about

Ratey said he thought the event

was well-organized and was im-

pressed by the campus and commu-

nity attendance, despite it landing

nice to get," Ratey said. "I think

(Healthy Campus Initiative) is a

great idea — to put health in the

minds of all students and faculty."

"A standing ovation is always

helping in the local schools.

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'Carbon Nation' expresses environmental waste concerns

By ABIGAIL GEIGER THE MANEATER (U. MISSOURI)

Every year, people consume 16 terawatts of energy a year around the world. One terawatt is one trillion watts. An average American household goes through 11,000 kilowatts of this energy by itself.

"Carbon Nation" is a film addressing energy waste and encourages audience members to examine whether their lifestyles are sustainable.

City of Columbia Sustainability Manager Barbara Buffaloe, along with other environmentally-concerned colleagues, presented the movie, which was followed by a panel of academic leaders and students.

Buffaloe has been devoted to reducing the community's carbon footprint and wanted to use this film to bring the issue of sustainability to light in Columbia.

The film, directed by Peter Byck, was a portrayal of the status of the climate, what society is doing to help it and what the world needs to do to make the environment a cleaner

The film emphasized the effects of America's reliance on foreign oil and dwindling fossil fuels. "When I lived in Florida, I would

say drill, drill, "Sabot6 Inc. CEO Daniel Nolan said. "If oil's the problem, then maybe it's not the answer. We have to release ourselves from the tether of oil."

The film outlined several alternative fuel sources that could help the process of sustainability, including wind power, biofuel, geothermal fuel (heating water for energy), electric transportation and algae fuel.

Cliff Etheredge, partner at Peal Wind LLC in Roscoe, Texas, runs the largest wind farm in the world and was interviewed for the film. Local landowners benefit from the wind turbines by being paid for the electricity produced by the turbines on their land, he said.

The film also described environmental effects that are rooted in American society, like cars and

In the film, Kristina Kershner described her organization, Architecture 2030, which encourages politicians and powerful leaders to employ sustainable building practices.

The film explained that sustainability within the house can trickle down to cracks in windows and poor insulation—families can lose hundreds of dollars a year from these unnoticeable damages.

The film also described how being sustainable can bridge socioeconomic borders, since it is a universal

Harvard professor underlines brain's need for physical activity

By FRANKLIN BAINS OREGON DAILY EMERALD

The Healthy Campus Initiative — a recent push to make Oregon University eat healthier, exercise more and stop smoking — may now be heading in a new direction, focusing on the direct connection between brain and

This new angle has been largely influenced by Harvard University Medical School professor John Ratey, who spoke Friday to a packed room in Columbia 150 about the relation between exercise, nutrition, brain function and education throughout the human life.

Ratey is an assistant clinical professor at Harvard and has authored or co-authored eight books about mental conditions - most notably attentiondeficit hyperactivity disorder.

A common theme during Ratey's lecture was an emphasis on the importance of physical activity as play.

"It's built in ... something we need to do; we need to play," Ratey said. "We're moving out recess and P.E. and ignoring essential components of letting learners be better learners. .. the best recess was the one with the least equipment. That speaks to

But the backbone of Ratey's lecture was about the research he has done into the direct effects of exercise on "The question people always want

to ask is, 'What's the minimum I can do?" Ratey said, spurring laughter from the crowd. "The pre-frontal cortex is sleepy in people with ADD. This is on campuses ... our kids need more the part that's always turned on by exercise. Brain volume increases with

Toward the end, Ratey opened the floor to a short question-and-answer period, and one of the last questions came from Eugene 41 physical education teacher Rachel Farkas.

Farkas said afterward she would like the opportunity to learn more about the community-wellness efforts. She

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on a Friday night.

role models."

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Foo Fighters new CD represents return to '90s

Although the Foo Fighters have faded from relevance in the past few years, their new album "Wasting Light" shows the world the band is back with one of its best albums in the past decade.

Because the Foo Fighters' last few albums were not bad, the band managed to expand its audience. The albums also were not good because those albums were a departure from what made the band relevant — the head-banging sound and nonpolished instrumental music is how the band gained a loyal following in the '90s. Fortunately for these fans, Foo Fighters manage to recreate that sound in the new album.

"Wasting Light" is a true garage album; it was even recorded garage. The album sticks to its guest appearance on the al-

theme well, as it never strays from its original goal of making a great garage album.

The album's sound is composed of different beats, interchangeable rhythms, unique riffs, lead parts, tempo changes and serviceable vocals. This method of combining different ele-

ments is risky and sets songs up for failure, which happens at times. However, a garage album is supposed to take unnecessary risks, and while some songs may fail, for the most part the album succeeds.

"Wasting Light" tries anything and everything the artists could imagine. As the audience turns each track, they eventually get a feeling of immunity because they are continually surprised with completely different sounding songs.

garage rock or the Foo Fighters work from the '90s will want to skip this album, as this is the



reoccurring sound and theme present throughout the album's

The theme is prevalent in the lyrics because they are not especially crafty or creative, but they fit the sound and are presented smoothly. Let's be honest, no one is buying this album for its lyrics — the lyrics and message are treated more as an afterthought to the listener.

Krist Novoselic, famous from in lead vocalist Dave Grohl's his time in Nirvana, makes a

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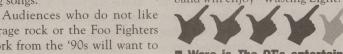
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bum. His distinctive bass and tone attributes to the already tremendous sound. Novoselic plays bass in "I Should Have Known,' which is the best Foo Fighters song in the past decade, as it successfully combines the old with the

Butch Vig, best known

for being the producer of Nirvana's best-selling album "Nevermind," produces this album, and one cannot help but assume he had a major factor in the album's success. Vig brings a great contribution and massive distinction from his Nirvana days.

Overall, "Wasting Light" is a great collection of songs. The songs complement each other as the album sticks to its theme and goal. This album is not for everyone, but early fans of the band will enjoy "Wasting Light."



Getting to know fellow Red Raiders

Catching up with Mark Miller, coach of the Meat Judging Team

What's the most played song on your iPod? "How Great is our God" by Chris Tomlin

What is your favorite Lubbock restaraunt?

La Malinche and Abuelo's for mexican food, Hong Kong for Chinese, my home for Steak's, Harrigan's for lunch and Raider Red's Prime Rib from the TTU Meat Lab.

What is your favorite Texas Tech memory?

All of the students I have had the honor and blessing to teach and work with while at Tech. Also the catch against Texas in 2008 and the interception by Zach Thomas against Texas A&M in 1995.

Where could you be found on the weekend?

The Gordon W. Davis Meat Science Laboratory working with the TTU Meat Judging team or at a Meat Judging Contest, or at one of my son or daughter's games, judging contests stock shows or band events.

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What book is currently on your nightstand? The Bible

What was your worst subject in school?

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What is the last movie you saw? "Life as We Know it"

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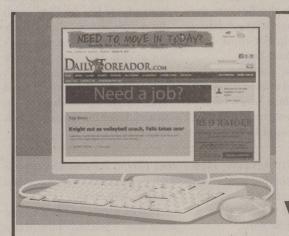
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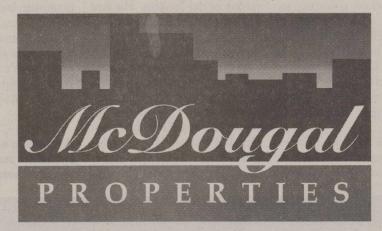
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Tech golf finishes 3rd despite Source: Rick fast start at Aggie Invitational Adelman out as

By CHOIS WOODMAN STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech was in prime position after the first round of play at the Aggie Invitational, only trailing the host team, No. 6 Texas A&M, by one stroke.

However, Tech's strong firstround play was not quite enough against the Aggies' experience on their home course, and the Red Raiders finished the tournament in third place Sunday.

Tech coach Greg Sands said the Red Raiders "hit a wall" on the back half of the second round.

"We played poorly on the last nine holes of the second round," Sands said. "We just picked a bad time to have a bad nine holes."

Sands said the team still has room for improvement going into the Big 12 Conference Championship. The conference tournament begins Monday and ends on April 27 in Hutchinson, Kan.

"We are going to have some rounds that won't be our best," Sands said. "Our bad golf has just got to be better."

Despite not winning, Sands said he was pleased with Tech's performance at the weekend tournament. He said he was particularly happy with the final-round play of the team.

"I felt like our final round is how we should always play," Sands said. "We beat Oklahoma State by one stroke in that round, so it's a pretty good accomplishment any time you beat the No. 1 team in the nation, even if it is just for one round."

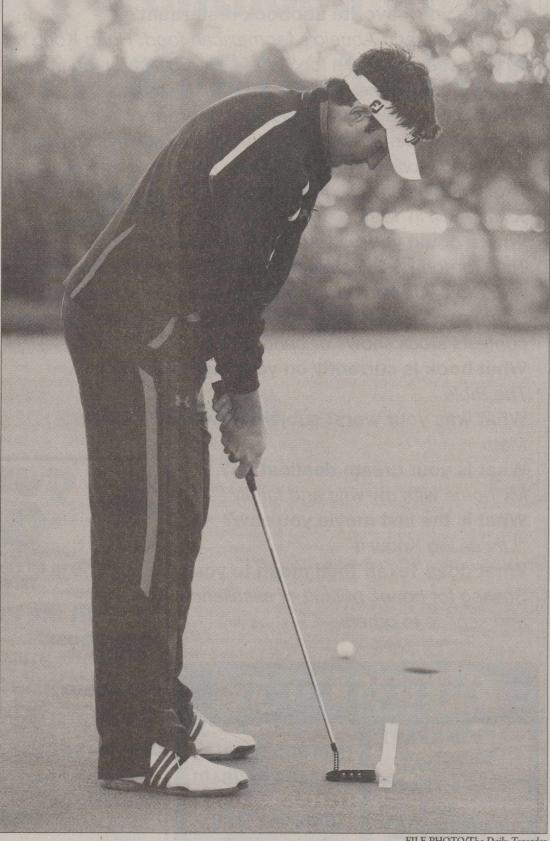
Senior Will Griffin said his illness restricted his level of play in the first two rounds. An illness, however, was not the only factor that played a role in the difficulty of the tournament.

Griffin said the wind played a factor in the difficulty of the course, as has been the case for much of the spring campaign.

Additionally, Griffin said the tall trees blocked the gusty winds, so the players couldn't really feel the wind and gauge how it was blowing above the tree line.

Griffin said the team was disappointed it didn't reach the goal of winning, but beating Oklahoma, Texas and Baylor was something to build off of moving toward the Big 12 Championship.

"We played both A&M and OSU close," Griffin said. "We were right with them for two rounds, but



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador TECH GOLFER MATT Smith lines up a putt during a practice earlier this season. Smith and the Tech golf team finished third at the Aggie Invitational in College Station this past weekend.

they just played better than us for one round.'

Griffin finished tied for 18 with a 7-over par 223.

Senior Matt Smith said the final tournament of the regular season helped the team prepare for the Big 12 Championship and ultimately the NCAA Championships.

"The six-man format will give

evaluate people and find the five guys that are going to give us the best chance to win," Smith said.

Smith said the wind would be the main contributor to the difficulty of the Prairie Dunes Course in Hutchinson, Kan., at the Big 12 Championship.

Smith, who finished in 10 place with a 3-over 219 at the Aggie Invitational, said the Red Raiders are "one of the most prepared teams

the coaches an opportunity to in the country" when playing in windy conditions.

Smith said beating No. 8 Texas was a good accomplishment, but it

is not Tech's main priority. "I feel like we've moved ahead of Texas, but we always expect to beat them," Smith said. "Beating them was never really a big focus of ours because we expect to go in and win every tournament, including the Big 12 Championship."

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Rockets coach

Adelman is out as coach of the Houston Rockets.

The team will not renew Adelman's contract for next season, according to a person familiar with the decision who spoke to The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity Monday because the team had not made an official announcement.

KRIV-TV and the Houston Chronicle first reported the deci-

The 64-year-old Adelman went 193-135 in four seasons with the Rockets and led them to their only playoff series victory since 1997. His career record is 945-616 and ranks eighth in career

Adelman accepted the Houston job in 2007 and envisioned building a championship contender around Yao Ming and Tracy McGrady. By the end of Adelman's first season, both All-Stars had injuries that would require surgery.

With Yao healthy and Mc-Grady still hurting, Houston reached the Western Conference semifinals in 2008-09, snapping a streak of seven consecutive firstround exits for the franchise.

Yao broke his left foot in the playoffs and underwent surgery that would keep him out of the entire 2009-10 season. The Rockets went 42-40 without him and missed the postseason.

The Rockets traded McGrady to New York in February 2010, and Yao played only five games in 2010-11 before he was sidelined again, this time with a stress fracture in his left ankle.

All-Star break and fell short of the playoffs again, despite a 43-39 record.

The Rockets made a flurry of roster moves in Adelman's tenure to ponder his next move. He said and consistently ranked among the in the last week of the Rockets' league's highest-scoring teams. Kev-season that he still has a passion in Martin emerged as the leading for the job. scorer, and the surrounding starters were Luis Scola, Chuck Hayes, Kyle Lowry and Chase Budinger.

Although the Rockets were always competitive, Adelman couldn't help but think about what could have been.

"I look at the team today," Adelman said in late February. "In 3 1/2 years since I came here, we have only two guys left, Luis and Chuck. That's not a lot of stability.

HOUSTON (AP) — Rick I came to coach Yao and Tracy and ended up with Luis and Chuck.

"It is kind of amazing those are the only two guys left," Adelman said. "I told them, 'This is the group we have. What are you going to make of it?" That is the same approach I have to take."

The Rockets will search for their third coach since 2003, when Rudy Tomjanovich stepped down for health reasons. Jeff Van Gundy coached the team from 2003-07, guiding it to three playoff appearances.

Houston's current players uniformly raved about Adelman in their exit meetings with team management and lobbied for the Rockets to bring him back.

Adelman came to the Rockets after guiding Portland to two NBA finals in the early 1990s, missing the playoffs in two disappointing seasons in Golden State, then transforming Sacramento into a perennial contender in the Western Conference in the early 2000s.

His contract was not renewed after the 2005-06, and Adelman sat out a year. He mulled several options in 2007 and decided the Rockets job was the most appealing — under the assumption that Yao and McGrady would stay healthy.

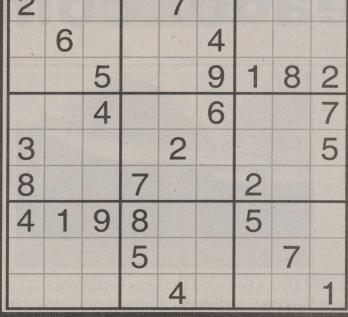
"At the time, I was talking to two or three teams, and this was obviously, the best situation," he said. "Those guys were here. They had won 50-plus games.

"I had three experiences (before Houston)," he said. "At two, I had a lot of talent and at one, I didn't. I won at two places and didn't win at the other. I figured it out that talent is pretty important, especially if you Houston went 17-8 after the have a unique blend of a big guy who's one of the best in the league and a perimeter player who's one of the best in the league."

Now, Adelman will take time

"I don't think I've lost the desire to coach; I think I still can do it," Adelman said. "This team has been a lot of fun. It's been tough during the season. I tell people that, when you go through it, it's not so easy. But when you work with a group of guys who just won't quit, and play above and beyond what people expect them to do, that's a lot of fun when you look back on it."

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But I think we can all agree the Red Sox made a mistake in spending so much money on Daisuke Matsuzaka. He hasn't been nearly the pitcher the Red Sox needed him to be. His career ERA is more than 4, and despite his gem against Toronto on Monday, he doesn't seem to be the pitcher who won 18 games in 2008.

John Lackey has been a bust so far during his time in Boston. Teams are hitting him well, and if it wasn't for a rare offensive explosion from the offense, he would be winless this season. The

other piece of the rotation, Clay Bucholz, is winless and having a tough year, too.

Is it too early to panic about the Red Sox? I would say yes, if it were just the pitching in a slump. The hitting has been pathetic as well.

Carl Crawford is hitting an abysmal .133, with Kevin Youkilis, Jacoby Ellsbury and Mike Cameron all hitting below .215. Even David Ortiz and Adrian Gonzales aren't producing the way they should — but there are a few bright spots for the

There are power numbers peaking through in various hit-

Pedroia is hitting well. New starting shortstop Jed Lowrie has been destroying the baseball since getting regular playing time in place of Marco Scutaro.

The Red Sox have fallen trap to their quest to beat the Yankees, but they have turned into a worse version of the Yankees. The Red Sox seem to spend just to one-up the Yankees or make sure the Yankees do not acquire a certain

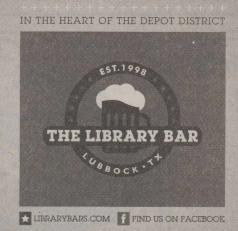
Nonetheless, it is still early in the baseball season. The Red Sox have one of the best lineups money can buy. The adjustment periods for some players are this long. The fact the newer additions ters, and former MVP Dustin are under a microscope is because

they play in Boston. The team is high profile, and a few down days can make the news.

Fifteen games make up a little more than 9 percent of the Major League Baseball season. The Red Sox own a terrible record, and the upcoming schedule does not look promising, but winning three out of four against Toronto could lead to some momentum heading into a nine-game road trip.

Just don't be surprised when you take out the trash if you see some Red Sox gear in the trash pile.

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"It did, it made it a lot special," Taylor Evans said. "Because I don't get to run in front of them that much throughout the season. Being out there and I could hear them cheering for me, it felt really good. I was excited to hear them."

Taylor Evans ran a season best in the 400, posting a time of 53.06 seconds, which puts her in the top 10 in the NCAA. This mark was good enough for second place and was the second-fastest time of her career.

The junior also ran a leg of the 4x400 relay along with Meshawn Graham, Candace Jackson and Kelsey Lloyd. The group crossed the finish line in third with a time of three minutes and 4.66 seconds.

Not only was that good enough for a season best, but it also put them in the top 10 in the nation.

On the men's side, Omo Osaghae kept his already impressive senior campaign going by finishing first in the 110 hurdles with a wind-aided time of 13.27.

Fellow hurdler Bryce Brown broke a school record, running the 400 hurdles in 49.25 seconds. This mark is the best in the United States and NCAA this season.

Bryce Lamb won the long-jump event on his first attempt, leaping 26 feet 6 1/4 inches, and this was after fouling on three consecutive attempts at the Texas Relays earlier this month.



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador TAYLOR EVANS POSTED a season best in the 400-meter run with a time of 53.06 at the Mount SAC Relays

Adding four more titles may have we don't wanna get complacent,"

come at the right time, considering Tech's next meet is in front of a home crowd.

"I think our kids are feeling really

Tech coach Wes Kittley said. "We're going to have our home meet, but we're going to put some people on good about where we are at this point; the shelf; I'm not going to run some

people at this meet ... I'm not worried about the home meet; we're going to have fun. There's going to be good competition.'

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Rangers send struggling Lowe down; Lewis back

ARLINGTON (AP) — Struggling reliever Mark Lowe was optioned Monday to the minor leagues by the Texas Rangers, clearing a roster spot to reinstate Colby Lewis from Major League Baseball's paternity leave list.

Lewis isn't scheduled to start until Tuesday night against the Los Angeles Angels, but had to be reinstated Monday. After his daughter's birth, he became the first player to go on MLB paternity leave, which is a maximum three days.

"I felt like I was gone for a month," Lewis said. "I'll be ready to go."

Lowe was sent to Triple-A Round Rock after allowing four runs in 2.2-3 innings (13.50 ERA) with one strikeout and one walk in four appearances this season, the most previous being last Wednesday. Opposing batters hit .500 (7 for 14) against him.

When Lowe came to Texas from Seattle with Cliff Lee in a trade last July, he was on the disabled list with lower back inflammation. Lowe returned the final week of the regular season and then pitched twice in the World Series, when he gave four hits and five runs in two-thirds of an inning against San Francisco.

"He needs to get some consistent work," manager Ron Washington said. "We certainly know that he can help us at the major league level, but he needs to get some consistent work, and we've never been able to give that to him here. ... It's early. He can go down and get some consistent work."

The 27-year-old Lowe got a \$1.2 million, one-year contract from the Rangers during the offseason to avoid salary arbitration. He had a 3.48 ERA in 11 appearances for Seattle last season before being placed on the DL in May.

Lewis (1-1, 5.25 ERA) was placed on the MLB paternity list Friday, when the Rangers recalled left-hander Michael Kirkman from Round Rock.

Washington said Kirkman could be used in several different roles out the bullpen.

Lewis threw two bullpen sessions last week with the team before going home to Bakersfield, Calif., in time for his daughter's birth Wednesday. Lewis, who also has a 4-year-old son, said he threw two more times while at home.

"I got the work I needed," Lewis said.

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team, are in bad shape, but we all knew they could be this bad. I do the Chicago White Sox

one saw the Boston Red Sox being this bad.

I certainly didn't.
The Red Sox made significant changes to the team in the offseason. They signed away the best player in Tampa Bay Rays history in outfielder Carl Crawford. They traded for, and later signed to a contract

extension, the underrated and very good Adrian alone cannot carry this team out Gonzalez. They tried to give the bullpen a makeover by attempting to sign away Mariano Rivera from

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The Astros, my hometown the New York Yankees, but had to settle for Bobby Jenks, formerly of

There was a thought the Red Sox might have late inning troubles this year, but I don't think anyone expected the starters to struggle as much as they have. Josh Beckett is the only starter with an ERA lower than 3. Jon Lester seems to have righted the ship after a tough start against the Rangers,

but those two of the cellar.

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