

Students use bake sale to protest affirmative action

Tech Young Conservatives set prices based on race, gender



SHELBY BREEN, A junior political science major and a member of the Texas Tech chapter of the Young Conservatives of Texas, participates in an affirmative action bake sale satirizing college admissions processes.

By TOMMY MAGELSSEN **NEWS EDITOR**

Black females wanting to buy cookies Wednesday in the Free Speech Area were greeted by surprisingly low prices — 25 cents per

However, the same could not necessarily be said about their male, Hispanic, Caucasian or Asian counterparts.

The Texas Tech chapter of the Young Conservatives of Texas hosted

its first affirmative action bake sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday between the Student Union Building and library in the Free Speech Area.

The group sold cookies to individuals, with prices of the cookies based on race, gender, ethnicity and sexual orientation.

The chairman of the Tech chapter, Jeramy Kitchen, said the event satirized college admission standards that use affirmative action.

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Departments make efforts to increase sustainability

Efficient light bulbs, reusable trays among campus changes

> By HALLIE DAVIS STAFF WRITER

The table was set with beef bourguignon over a red-skinned mashed potato with sautéed julienne squash, a salad of mixed greens with apple chips and an apple vinaigrette, and homemade apple cobbler for dessert.

This meal, hosted by Texas Tech's Top Tier Catering was entirely "home" made, and displayed Tech's efforts to go green by using all locally grown and farmed foods.

Many departments on campus are making an effort to reduce waste and in-



crease the sustainability of their services. David Deason, the associate director of Hospitality Services, said becoming

sustainable has always been on the menu, but this dinner was especially "People think, 'Lubbock — there's

nothing around here," he said, "but

He said he was able to find the beef and the apples locally, and even some tomatoes, though Hospitality Services has had a shortage overall. He said the dinner was a success and he would look in to some of the sources to supply hospitality on a more regular basis.

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Tech professors share Chernobyl experiences

Professor has studied aftermath for 25 years

By PRESTON REDDEN

On April 26, 1986, Ukraine was rocked by a nuclear accident at the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant. Twenty-five years later, several Texas Tech professors still remember the tragedy.

Carleton Phillips, professor of biological sciences, said Ukraine was a republic in the Soviet Union at the time of the accident. He said the Soviet Union tried to hide the accident from the rest of the world since it was so secretive about everything, including the location of its nuclear power plants.

"The Soviet Union tried to deny that the disaster actually happened," Phillips said. "The public first heard about the disaster after Strontium 90 was detected in milk in Northern Europe."

Ron Chesser, professor of behavioral ecology, population dynamics and evolution of social systems, agrees the Soviet Union tried the hide the disaster from the public. He said he first heard about the disaster on the radio when Sweden detected radioactive elements in the atmosphere that could only have been caused by a nuclear meltdown.

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PHOTO COURTESY OF RON CHESSER REACTOR NUMBER FOUR pictured shortly after the April 26, 1986 meltdown at the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant. The accident is one of only two nuclear accidents considered a level 7 major accident by the International Atomic Energy Agency.

Students' voice

By STEPHEN GIPSON STAFF WRITER

Jill Fadal has been a leader at Texas Tech during her five-year academic career, and now she will be a leading voice for students after being appointed the Texas Tech University System student regent.

Fadal, a dual-degree student in the joint MD/MBA program between Tech's main campus and the Health Sciences Center, is the president of the Orthopedics Club and also is the vice president of the

Texas Tech MD/MBA Association. "I just feel honored to be able to represent the students of the three universities within the system." Fadal, an Austin native, said. "It's a really great opportunity to be the voice of the student population to the board and to hopefully be an integral part of the decision-making process next year."

Jerry Turner, chairman of Tech's Board of Regents, said in an email response, the board is excited to have Fadal representing Tech's University System. He said student regents have a unique responsibility of ensuring the essential communication between the administration and its student population.

He said Fadal's leadership and outstanding commitment to academics will benefit her in her new position.

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PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/ The Daily Toreador

JILL FADAL, A first-year medical student from Austin, was recently appointed by Gov. Rick Perry as the student regent of the Texas Tech University System.

New regent hopes to relay opinions, viewpoints of fellow students to board



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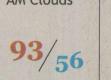
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Community Calendar

TODAY

MFA Exhibit: Grant Billing-Time: All-day event Where: School of Art, Studio Gallery So, what is it?

This display of paintings is on display through Saturday.

U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum Panel Time: 6:30 p.m. Where: TTU Museum So, what is it? A panel presentation by speakers from the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, in conjunction with the exhibition "Deadly Medicine: Creating the

School of Art Speaker Series Time: 7 p.m. Where: Art building, Room

Master Race."

So, what is it? Michael Wilson, associate dean of graduate studies for the School of Arts & Humanities at the University of Texas at Dallas.

Time: 7 p.m. Where: La Diosa Cellars So, what is it? Enjoy tapas, paninis and pizza accompanied by original folk music at this Lubbock winery.

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"Footloose" Time: 8 p.m. Where: TTU Maedgen Theatre So, what is it?

The Texas Tech Department of Theatre and Dance presents "Footloose," by Dean Pitchford and Walter Bobbie. In this adaptation of the 1984 film, a city kid attempts to adapt to life in a conservative backwater midwestern town. Tickets cost \$12 for individuals and \$5 for students with a valid ID. Shows run through Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.

FRIDAY

Arbor Day Time: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Where: Memorial Circle So, what is it? Bamboo handout begins at 11 a.m., and free food and T-shirts will be available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. with student ID. Live music featuring Tech students Justin Robinett and Patric Johnston starts at 11:50 a.m. Ceremony and student organization awards start at 12:50 p.m., and planting begins at 1:20 p.m.

Texas Tech Pom Squad Audition Practice Time: 6 p.m.

Where: United Spirit Arena So, what is it?

Tech Pom Squad will host audition practice to prepare for the 2011-12 auditions. Audition applications and requirements are available online, and auditions will be hosted on Saturday.

Texas Tech Baseball Time: 6:30 p.m. Where: Dan Law Field So, what is it? Come support the Red Raiders as they compete against the Kansas Javhawks.

35th Annual Scholarship Concert

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

The concert will commemorate the 10th anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001. The Lubbock Chorale joins forces with 200 musicians from all of the Tech choirs and the Lubbock Symphony Orchestra.

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

BIKE-A-THON



PHOTO BY PAUL HAILES/The Daily Toreador

BRANDON SCHUELKE, ON left a sophomore exercise sports science major from Flower Mound and Hunter McIntosh, a sophomore criminology major from Fredericksburg, participate in the Pi Kappa Phi bike-a-thon on Wednesday outside the Student Union Building. Pi Kappa Phi is raising money to support Push America, a non-profit group that helps people with disabilities.

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The other members of the board all come from diverse backgrounds and different industries, Fadal said. Her job is to remind them of what it was like to be a student.

She is familiar with the issues students face at Tech, Fadal said, because she has been a student at Tech since she was a freshman.

When she visited Tech, she knew it was the place she would be spending her academic

"My dad brought me out here my senior year of high school, and I fell in love with it," Fadal said. "I said, 'This is the place, this is what I've always envisioned college to look like.' I love the atmosphere, I love the people."

She said her freshman year was a learning curve. She only knew a few people, and she did not see them very often, so she met a lot of new people while living in Tech's residence halls.

Fadal was accepted to the Honors College before her freshman year at Tech, she said. Science has always been something that interests her and is what inspired her to pursue an MD degree at Tech's Health Sciences Center.

She said orthopedic surgery is what interests her the most.

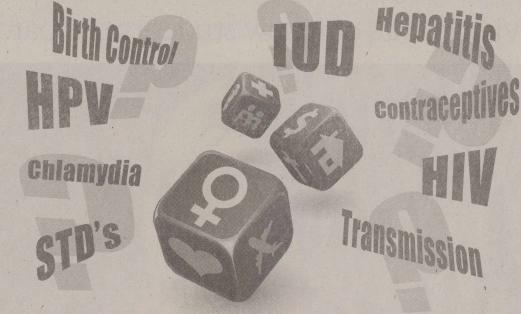
"I really love the technical aspect of it," Fadal said. "I'm a very hands-on type of person. So I love that in addition to having the knowledge base of being a doctor, surgeons get to use their hands, and they get to use physical medicine in addition to knowing a disease and being able to treat it."

Being a surgeon also appeals to her because she is a resultsoriented person, and surgeons often see results quickly, she said.

Fadal said her role as student regent is to take students' opinions and viewpoints to the board of regents to get results. The student regent has all the responsibilities of a member of the board but does not have a vote, she said.

"The way that I'm going to impact decisions is to state my case as best I can," Fadal said. "And really, my case is the case of all the students."

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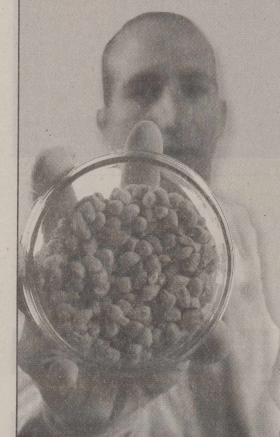
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Phillips said Ukraine has years since the accident, and the former Soviet republic now has a good relationship with the United States since the Soviet Union collapsed in 1991.

Phillips said some Tech students might be interested in Chernobyl because of its similarities to the recent events occurring in Japan. He also said some students were not born until after the Soviet Union disbanded and might

Brenda Rodgers, assistant prosimilarities between Chernobyl and the recent disaster in Japan. Rodgers said she informally polled her students about Chernobyl's anniversary.

"Many of my students were not alive when Chernobyl happened," Rodgers said. "However, many of them will be able to say exactly where they were when they heard about the Fukushima disaster."

Phillips said he, Chesser and

be less interested in Chernobyl Rodgers all have been using and Ukraine's relationship with Chernobyl as a location to train the United States during the Iraqis to safely dismantle Saddam's old nuclear weapons facilities. Chesser, who was the first American scientist allowed into the exclusion zone in 1992, said he has been working at Chernobyl for 20 of the past 25 years.

"It is sad that we haven't learned as much as we should have during these past years," Chesser said. "The public still has many misconceptions about radiation effects, and we haven't done enough to educate the public about these effects."

Phillips said many Ukrainians are still very worried about the contamination near the reactor. He said many residents of Ukraine were harmed or know someone who has harmed by the accident. He also said the incident happened on the border of Ukraine and Belarus, and many Belarusians are upset at Ukraine for the harm they have suffered because of the

Chesser said Tech students often have misconceptions about the effects of the Chernobyl disaster. He said many students believe hundreds of thousands of people have died because of the disaster. This is not the case, and only about 4,000 people will die earlier than expected because of radiation exposure, Chesser said.

Phillips said Ukraine is completely different now than it was before the Chernobyl disaster. He said Ukraine is now a free and open country compared to the closed republic it was during its time as part of the Soviet Union.

Chesser said he has made many friends in Ukraine during the past 20 years while he has been working with Chernobyl. He said Ukraine is trying to downplay the disaster and move beyond the stigma of the meltdown. He said Ukraine currently offers its extensive knowledge of radiation exposure to assist Japan after the release from the Fukushima Nuclear Complex. Chesser said Ukraine is looking toward the future but recognizes the tragedy of the disaster.

"The May 14, 1986, issue of Time Magazine predicted that Chernobyl would be the worst environmental disaster the world would ever face," Chesser said. "This has not been the case."

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BIG AIR



PHOTO BY LESLEY LASTUFKA/The Daily Toreador MATT 'SLICK' TARANGO, a Lubbock resident performs a boneless 180 on his skateboard near the Mass Communications building Tuesday.

Marketing professor receives grant to study trade between US, Canada

By CAITLAN OSBORN STAFF WRITER

Donna Davis, associate professor of marketing, has been awarded a grant by the Canadian Studies Faculty, a government agency for a cross-border research project under the direction of the Rawls College of Business.

The project focuses on global supply chain management, or how goods and services are processed, Davis said, and her primary focus at the moment is understanding border transactions and business relations between the United States and Canada.

"I thought about the idea that some countries are just easier to do business with than other countries in terms of importing and exporting," Davis said. "There are going to be some countries that it's easier to cross the borders than others, and it's just easier to export to because of the regulations and maybe even cultural differences. It's easier to understand the ways of doing business in North America compared to (other continents)."

Currently, Davis is wrapping up her research of the trade relationship between the U.S. and Canada. She said she will travel to the borders of Canada and Mexico during the summer to gather data on how business is conducted by other countries and the U.S.

Davis said she specifically will travel through the Ports-to-Plains Trade Corridor, a highway running from the Texas/Mexico border at Laredo, through nine states to Alberta, Canada. What is unique about this, Davis said, is the Ports-to-Plains Alliance headquarters is in Lubbock.

Davis said one of the benefits of her project is the collaboration it builds between different colleges at Texas Tech. Davis is a member of research team housed primarily in the College of Engineering called The Center for Multidisciplinary Research in

Transportation, or TechMRT.

Most of the research that has of engineers, who look at what is known as hard infrastructure — like roads and bridges — of a border crossing, Davis said. Davis researches what she calls "soft infrastructure," which focus on more business-like aspects, such as border regulations, culture and happiness of workers.

Davis believes The TechMRT collaboration is very important for not only the College of Engineering and the Rawls College of Business, but for the university as a whole.

"We are seeking to bring in more grant funding, which is very important to Texas Tech University as we're trying to develop ourselves as a tier-one research institution," she said. "From the standpoint of Texas Tech University, it raises our visibility with other companies across the United States and Canada, which

can help bring jobs to students."

As the research continues, been done on border crossings has Davis said she wants to look at been done from the standpoints other countries around the world and compare how they do business with North America.

"It's kind of taking business research and moving it to a different level," she said. "So instead of looking at something like, how does Wal-Mart compete with Target, I'm looking at how does Costa Rica compete with China, for example."

The way you conduct business matters, Davis said, and she wants her research to change the way people think about global

"I'm hoping that in some small way that this piece of research will help in communities, all the way up to countries and regions of the world," she said, "to understand what they should develop and how, so they can ultimately raise their economic development and quality of life."

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Efforts ←

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"(The local food movement) is starting to get more important," he said. "As availability, price and quality improves, we're going to see more and more of it."

Already, all of the apples on campus are grown locally, and the eggs come from cage-free chickens.

Hospitality is more than just food, though. Hospitality Services unit supervisor Cyndie Buckle said the organization has made many other efforts to become sustainable.

The ice machines were switched from water-cooled to air-cooled, saving 600,000 gallons of water per year, she said. The all-you-can-eat dining halls stopped using disposable trays.

Recently, Coca-Cola donated recycling receptacles, which aid in hospitality's recycling efforts. After a remodel of the offices, all the carpet was recycled.

Across the department, Buckle said, all light bulbs were switched to be more energy-efficient.

Even the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center is getting in on going green. In October, assistant director for facilities Steve Waden had two water filtration systems installed, he said. These systems are specially designed to refill water bottles.

Since their installation, Waden said, the fountains have filled more than 60,000 bottles each.

He said the use was a testament to students' commitment to conservation. He said it was the student staff that led the way, especially with the center's recycling efforts.

However, the amount of plastic recycled has decreased dramatically with the new systems, he said, as students were encouraged to refill and reuse bottles rather than throwing them away or recycling them.

'Students have a pretty good handle on conservation and sustainability," he said. "It's important to them; it's their future.'

The future looks like it will be much more eco-friendly. Senior Shay Hlavaty, an environmental conservation of natural resources major from Lubbock, said she knew Tech could do better in the years

One aspect she said she is excited about is Parking Services' effort to make campus more bike-

"It's awesome because it doesn't only increase sustainability," said Hlavaty, a member of the Tech chapter of the United States Green Building Council, "but even with an increase in students, we could see a decrease in traffic, there will be less need for parking."

Overall, she said Tech is slowly making steps in the right direction.

Deason said currently, sustainability choices are limited, and so it often comes down to cost.

"Once there's more buy-in in the city, there will be more options," he said.

As Tech and Lubbock progress toward that goal, Waden said sometimes the price of making more sustainable choices could be an investment.

'We have to consider cost," he said. "But it's not always about money, it's, 'What is the better thing to do?"

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Redistricting causes heated debate in Texas House

AUSTIN (AP) — The GOPled Texas House was locked in a passionate debate about its own political future Wednesday, heading toward a vote on a redistricting plan that could pit several Republican lawmakers against one another.

Some Republican members and activists want to make the map a bolder grab for conservative seats and limit the number of losses. But House leaders say they can only do so much given the constraints of federal antidiscrimination laws and shifts in population away from conservative rural areas and toward the

and diverse population growth.

"I recognize that some members are not going to be pleased with the results of the map," said Rep. Burt Solomons, the north Texas Republican who is leading the redistricting effort. "It's very personal ... to

The Republicans have a lopsided 101-49 majority in the 150-member House, a supermajority so big that they can conduct business even if Democrats don't show up for work. That didn't stop Democratic lawmakers from trying to derail the map Wednesday on procedural grounds. Both sides were gearing up for a long and heated debate, potentially spillsuburbs that have seen explosive ing over into the wee hours Thursday.



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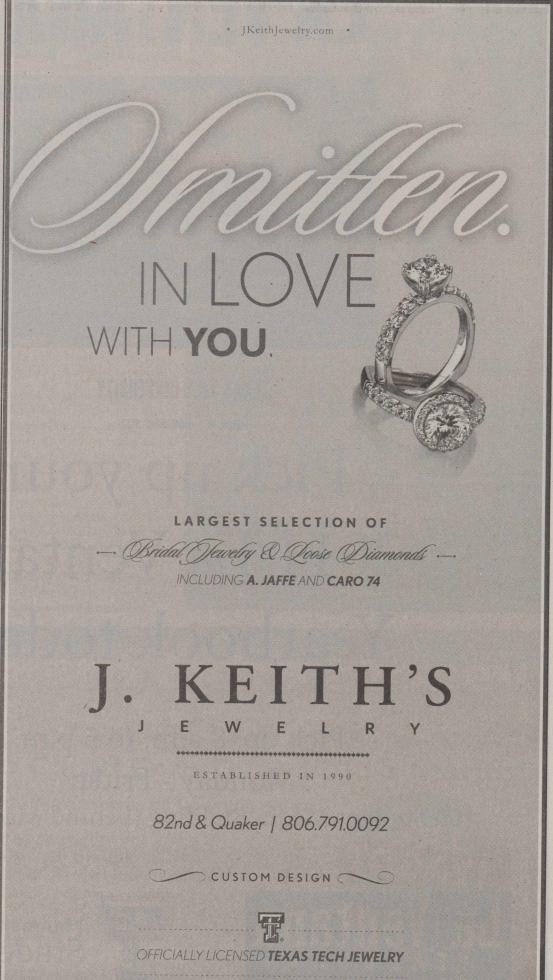
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'Age of America' could end by 2016

arlier this week, the International Monetary Fund is-✓ sued a very sobering analysis that was seemingly passed over by every major media outlet. Its conclusion: The Chinese economy will be larger than the U.S. economy by 2016 — just one presidential cycle away.

The forecast was not based off of nominal Gross Domestic Product and current exchange rates, as more popular forecasts are, which would place the Chinese economy overtaking ours in 15 to 20 years.

Instead, this forecast adjusts GDP in terms of Purchasing Power Parities, an economic term measuring the relative purchasing power between two currencies on an absolute scale. This is a more appropriate method of comparison, since it takes into account volatile and manipulative exchange rates as well as differing price levels.

In terms of PPP, the United States economy is projected to grow from \$15.2 trillion to \$18.8 trillion by 2016. The Chinese economy is expected to grow from \$11.2 trillion to \$19 trillion in the same time frame.

This occurrence is so profound. Not in a xenophobic or a nationalist sentiment, but economic dominance is necessary to beget military and political dominance. And if the economy goes, so will the others,

The United States' ability to become a role model and international hegemony would never be possible if our economy was not the largest and most vibrant the world has seen to Chris

date. And no doubt the world will surely be a different place with a new economic leader.

Imagine how much we influence other countries, and then imagine a new economic leader that doesn't care as much about personal freedoms and human rights as we do.

Now, though these are just forecasts, barring some major turning point, they are very likely to become a reality. China is currently growing so fast their government is working to try and slow it down. Here in the U.S., we couldn't be more opposite. Even with multi-billion-dollar stimulus programs, we're lucky to eke out a few percentage points of GDP growth.

Is the United States doomed to be the next British Empire, or Roman Empire or Spanish Empire?

I would love to respond to that with a resounding, "No," but I'm sure the Britons, Romans and Spanish of the time would have said the

Our politicians in Washington are too busy fighting each other to realize we're all on the same team. We're too busy spending trillions of dollars invading countries and "nation building," when it's our own country that needs to be rebuilt.

As China grows, our economy is only likely to grow more tumultuous. Imagine what all that new and growing Chinese demand for oil will continue to do to gasoline prices. Imagine what the same growing demand will continue to do to food and commodity prices.

Should we keep spending trillions on foreign wars and tax cuts? Or should we start empowering our society with quality education? Should we continue to subsidize oil companies with taxpayer funds while they make record profits? Or should we use that money elsewhere to increase our nation's economic independence?

Political parties, and their constituents, are so programmed to be either "more tax" or "less tax," but how much is each person willing to give to ensure our nation maintains its excellence? And though how well we fund our government definitely plays a part in our success, how we choose to invest these funds back into our country is equally important.

We have so much history in front of us to learn from, yet we still succumb to the same mistakes of bygone superpowers. How the United States handles this situation will undoubtedly be our nation's defining moment.

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Think before you feel offended

ecently, I noticed several people in my newsfeed make people in my how status updates about how they were offended about something totally arbitrary and stupid. "I hate it when people do [offensive action]. IT'S SOOO ANNOYING!" or "I'm offended that people think [semi-offensive thought]" are just a few abridged examples of some of the complaints I saw.

Needless to say, they were taken off my "friends" list because I got tired of reading complaints. However, it still made me wonder what kind of hypersensitive society we've become that we are offended about things that don't really matter.

Whether it's on Facebook or in real life, it seems people have become a little too easy to offend.

After my column "Beck should ac-



cept Stewart's invitation to 'The Daily Show" ran on Jan. 24, I received an email in response from a very taken-aback individual. The sender seemed to have had taken my attacks on Mr. Beck as a personal offense.

People have committed suicide over acts of "cyber-bullying." I've personally seen other Internet users threaten to track others down and kill them over "trolling" (Internet slang for posting inflammatory or off-topic messages on websites with the intent to disrupt conversation).

I admit, I get a little offended when people make fun of me sometimes, but not to the point of making threats of bodily harm or death, especially not when it's on the Internet.

Simply put, people have become far too sensitive to the things others do, and I'm getting tired of hearing and reading about it.

So, readers, I'm writing to ask you to do one thing: Whether it's on the Internet or in real life, if you are insulted or offended about something, ponder whether or not it's really worth your time and energy before you complain or take action against it.

■ Reynolds is a freshman history major from Lubbock.

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Don't blame animals for their behavior, blame humans

it bulls are one of the world's most notorious breeds with a reputation that far precedes them. However, I don't think we should be labeling them as criminals.

Apartment buildings have banned these pets for a long time, labeling them as aggressive breeds. Texas legislature has jumped on the bandwagon by considering banning them from the state altogether.

Every dog, whether it is a fivepound Chihuahua or an 80-pound Lab, has the potential to take a human life. The difference between each breed is its potential for harm and its natural instincts.

Boston terriers, bulldogs, and Shar Peis come from the same background, yet you are much more likely to see them drooling than plastered on the news to be banned.

What is the difference with pit



bulls? I think it comes down to abuse. Because of their extreme muscular build, overpopulation and fighting instincts, pit bulls are widely abused

for entertainment. Humans are responsible for domesticating dogs, and we should be responsible for protecting them. However, pit bulls have been at the mercy of abusive people for years.

I am not trying to downplay the issues that arise from dog attacks or the extreme trauma that can result. I am just trying to refocus where we place the blame and how we fix the problem.

The entire population of dogs cannot be blamed for the actions of a portion of them. Those that have attacked people cannot be helped, and humane euthanization is the only option.

As for the rest of pit bull population, we cannot allow them to suffer because people are uninformed and want to take out their form of justice on the wrong animals.

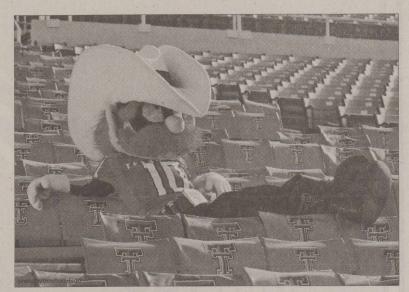
Outlawing peaceful animals in the hopes of getting rid of the aggressive ones as well is a poor way of trying to make change. It is also ineffective. Those who break the law by fighting dogs in the first place will not all of a sudden start to obey the law by shutting down their fighting rings.

Instead, those who are responsible for creating violent animals should be criminalized and treated as the real villains here. Punishment for these men and women should be much stricter and more effective. If we eliminate the people who

destroy what could be loving and loyal animals, we can eliminate the result of dog attacks and hopefully reverse the unfair reputation these dogs have had pinned to them.

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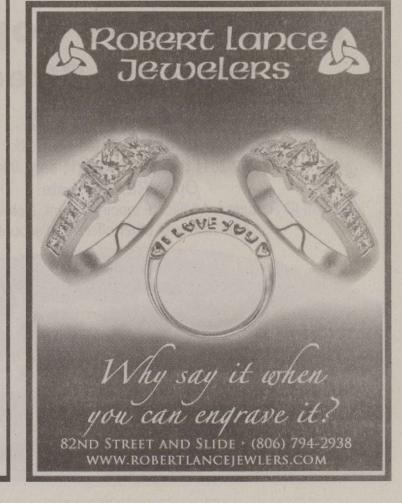
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sponsored by the Robert H. Ewalt racquetball, rock-wall climbing Student Recreation Center, provides fun sports activities for children.

old children, and there is a limit it's not about skill development of 120 participants per session, according to Jonathan Elliot, assistant director of sports clubs and special events.

According to the Rec Sports website, the camps costs \$130 per child.

The three, two-week sessions start June 6, June 20 and July 11.

Registration continues until the first week of the first session, Elliot said.

The registration form can be found on the website, and each child needs their own form.

register their child by mailing in the form

Parents can

found on the website with a check or register in person at the Rec Center in Room 202.

"It's a camp that emphasizes recreation over competition," Elliot said. "We just want to get kids involved, to play, just have a good time, not so much worry about the score or how to develop athletic skills — it's more about fun and positivity."

Activities include swimming

The Summer Youth Sports Camp, and swim lessons, dodge ball, and archery.

"It's kind of like a fun version of The day camp is for 7- to 13-year- P.E.," Elliott said. "Like I said before, just get involved, try it, get out there

> Stephanie Lowery, a junior exercise and sport sciences major from

> > Lubbock, said this will be her second summer working as a counselor for the camp, and she believes the event is a good experience for the

children.

"They're there to have fun, and it's more laidback where they can enjoy themselves and not there to get better (at a specific

sport)," Low-

ery said.

According to the website, children should expect to arrive every day ready for their swim lessons and bring a change of clothes for events after.

"I enjoy it," Lowery said. "It's fun, and it's fun to go and be able to play the games and interact with the kids, and they really enjoy themselves, so I enjoy it." >>> rrodriguez@dailytoreador.com

School of Music breaks up mundane

By SYDNEY HOLMES

As the school year comes to a close, the overwhelming lack of motivation and boredom with conventional classes among students is almost palpable.

The Texas Tech School of Music will offer a number of somewhat unorthodox courses in the fall in order to combat this epidemic.

Mark Morton, assistant professor of double bass within the music school, will offer "The Music of the Beatles," a course for both music majors and non-majors who have a desire to learn more about the iconic British band.

"I've taught it for two semesters now, and it seems like the students really enjoy the course," Morton said. "I think that they're learning a lot, not just about the music of the Beatles, but all music."

Morton said although other, more run-of-the-mill subjects taught at Tech are vital to learning, students' knowledge of music and the arts has a deeper, more influential impact when it comes to personal well-being.

"(Learning about music) is important for our quality of life, I think," he said. "Of course it's important to know math and science and stuff like that, but I believe that in order to enjoy life, and enjoy art and music, we need to know more about it and be exposed to it. Life is not just math and science.'

The class listens to Beatles songs and analyzes them based on both emotional and technical aspects of music. Morton said some students, especially non-music majors, are sometimes deterred from the class because of the technical exploration, which he insisted should not be a deciding factor.

"Many of the non-music majors are actually kind of surprised at how much music theory they understand," he said.



MARK MORTON, A Texas Tech professor and Beatles fan, teaches a course titled Music of the Beatles. The course is one of several unorthodox offerings from Tech's School of Music.

Christopher Smith, associate professor and chair of musicology/ethnomusicology, will teach a course called "Constructs in Ethnomusicology," which, Smith said, examines musical behavior in a cultural context. Ethnomusicology studies the way people interact with music, which is why a diverse blend of music majors and nonmusic majors in the classroom is vital to the course, he said.

"If we have a class with students from different backgrounds, different disciplines, in the classroom, then very often you get these really nice perspectives from people outside the music building," he said.

Not only does Smith have a passion for music, but he also claimed music is a fundamental building block for living. "A life that doesn't have music, a life that doesn't have art, a life that doesn't have poetry or storytelling in it, a life that doesn't contain those things is a life that is somewhat less than human," Smith said. "No one should suffer that. To restrict people from that, I would say, is a human rights violation."

Lisa Henderson, a sophomore exercise and sport sciences major from Midland, participated in Morton's class about The Beatles. She said although it was challenging, she looked forward to going to the class each day.

"It was kind of like an escape. For an hour I could get away from chemistry or whatever class is causing me trouble," Henderson said. "I didn't really have to worry about anything. I could just sit — I was still learning, but it was enjoyable

every single day."

Henderson said taking a different type of class helped her avoid a decrease in motivation at the end of the semester.

"I grew to love it even more as the semester went on," she said. "There was work involved, but showing up to class every day was just so easy. (Morton) made it really interesting and relatable."

To Smith, the music school is the ideal place for any student. He said his main goal is to be as inclusive as possible.

"The School of Music seeks to make courses available to the widest range of students and to encourage all Tech students to look into what the music school has to offer," he said. "There's probably a place for every student here."

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Group encourages men to speak up about violence

By ROCIO RODRIGUEZ

STAFF WRITER

A new group on campus is be active against violence.

'A lot of men think there isn't a place for you to be involved in this issue," said Roy Rios, co-organizer of the Men's Coalition. "There's actually a huge place for them.

Men can be wonderful allies in this mission to eradicate violence.'

The focus of the group is addressing issues on sexual. domestic and dating violence, as well as eradicating social stigmas of what it means to be a man, Rios said.

"We're not living in the western days or in the old days where being a man meant you beat your wife or you're the boss of the household," said Rios, an employee of Lubbock Women's Protective Services. "It's very different nowadays — women have a very much so equal partnership in this world, and we just got to get everybody on board understanding that."

co-organizer, said men are encouraged by society to not express their emotions. He said he hopes the organization can provide an atmosphere for men to feel comfortable enough to break the stereotypical view of males, such as liking sports, drinking beer and degrading women.



PHOTO BY LAUREN PAPE/The Daily Toreador

ANDREW HUSBAND, MICHAEL Iezzi, Roy Rios and Valentin Baca, (left to right) members of the Men's Coalition, explore men's involvement in various activities to create a positive impact in Lubbock community.

have to be the perpetrators in sexual assaults - men don't have to be the guys that get in fights in the bars," said Iezzi, a counseling psychologist in the Student Counseling Center. "We can be the guys who stand up against rape and sexual as-Michael lezzi, the other sault, and we can be the men who talk through our problems instead of solving them through physical fights.'

Iezzi, who is also an athletic and veterans liaison, said the culture of athletes and veterans make it difficult for them to appropriately express themselves.

"Those cultures can sometimes support, 'Just suck it up "We hope to have men as and deal with it," Iezzi said. leaders and show that men don't "Sometimes we get messages like

that from either our family, or stigma of asking men or boys friends or society that encourage men to act a certain way."

Andrew Husband, a graduate student of English and a member of the Men's Coalition, said he has heard jokes and casual references made by his students that are degrading to both men and women.

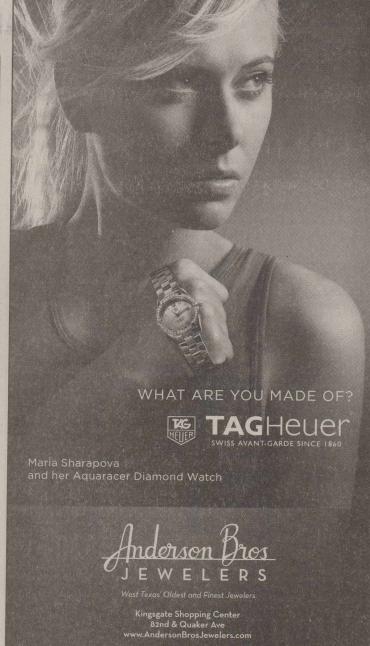
"It's something that is quite problematic," Husband said. "Some things need to be talked

Husband believes there is a

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about how much they know about women's issues or rela-

tions between men and women. "Something like what the Men's Coalition wants to do and similar groups on campus like (The V-Day Coalition) hopes to, not destroy those, but at least better inform students so they realize ... Even the words that you speak or write down can be hurtful to someone in more ways than you can possibly imagine." >>> rrodriguez@dailytoreador.com







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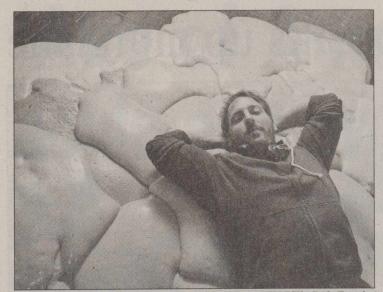


PHOTO BY BRENT SORELLE/The Daily Toreador GRANT BILLINGSLEY, A graduate student in the Master's of Fine Arts program from Plano, showcases his final project in the exhibition

By LAUREN FERGUSON STAFF WRITER

"We're Tired, I'm Going Inside" in the Art building.

Fun is just one word to explain the bright colors and interactive pieces in the MFA exhibition "We're Tired, I'm Going Inside" by Grant Billingsley, a master's student in painting from Plano.

He has displayed bright paintings, foam sculptures and a beach ball piece for students to explore in the Studio Gallery in the School of Art.

"The (exhibit) title is mainly because all the paintings are of indoor spaces," Billingsley said. "The double meaning is that we are tired of going inside, inside like in your head; it's about perception because this isn't an interior at all; it's a panel with paint on it."

Billingsley said he believes. visitors should be able to view the exhibit with their own interpretation and so he chose not to display labels for the works.

"I don't really have titles, and since I am talking about perception, once you look at a piece, I am done," he said. "I don't want to explain to you what it is; I want you to experience this whole (exhibit).'

He has hidden small spots of color throughout the exhibit to see how well people perceive of his exhibit from 5 p.m. to 7 their surroundings and to give them a reason to see areas they would not usually work with.

"How much stuff do we go by and not consider because we don't take the chance to look at it?" Billingslev said.

Ryan De La Garza, a senior

pointed out an area Billingsley has set up for a piece people can take their shoes off and walk on, called "This Wall is Weird."

Billingley described the piece as "active," and that sight is a physical reaction even when you compare it to a physical reaction of standing or jumping on a piece

"I feel like this is a very interesting, conceptual show because you have (one piece in) this folio gallery you can't go in and (then there is a) piece to walk on," De La Garza said.

David Cottingham, a freshman architecture major from Seattle, said he was interested in the materials Billingsley used to create his work, such as the house paint with different texture styles and the foam that expands to 18 times the size of the original drop

"I think that some people don't have an appreciation for art and music, but if you have a major like architecture, you can gain ideas and inspiration from different art forms," Cottingham said.

Another area of the exhibit that adds excitement is a wall set up to create a space filled with beach balls, De La Garza said.

Billingsley is planning to release the balls during the closing n.m. Friday in the Studio Gallery and chose to name the piece "Potential," for the activity the balls will create.

"It's also considering how you can describe the volume of a place. It's a sphere, so it's form, and they are colorful. It's an aceducation major from Houston, »Iferguson@dailytoreador.com

Artist displays bright Tech professors discuss royal wedding

By PRESTON REDDEN STAFF WRITER

It was around 5 a.m. in 1981 when Abigail Swingen, along with hundreds of millions of others across the world, sat down in front of the TV to watch the wedding of Prince Charles and Lady

Thirty years later, the assistant history professor said she plans to watch the wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton,

place on Friday. In November, Swingen, a British history expert, was interviewed on FoxTalk 950

which will take

about the recent engagement of the Prince of Wales.

is interesting that people are intrigued by the tradition and public romance of this wedding, similar to Prince Charles'

Swingen said it

wedding. "The British monarchy is similar to our American celebrities," Swingen said. "The monarchy does not mean much nowadays, but the British public always gets worked up about any event involving the monarchy."

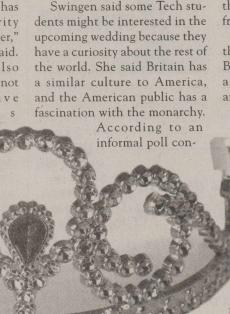
ian, said British weddings are a historical event, so there will be a large audience watching from across the world. However, Weiner said he believes there will not be as many people viewing this wedding as compared to the wedding between Charles and Diana.

"I do not think William has the popularity of his mother," Weiner said. "He also

Rob Weiner, associate librar- 10-minute public appearance as a married couple on the balcony of Buckingham Palace.

One difference of the two weddings is the location, Swingen said. Charles and Diana were married at St. Paul's Cathedral, while William and Kate will be married at the much smaller Westminster Abbey.

Swingen said some Tech students might be interested in the upcoming wedding because they have a curiosity about the rest of the world. She said Britain has a similar culture to America, fascination with the monarchy.



much appeal in

America as he does in Britain." Swingen said the main similarity between the two weddings is the schedule. She said both weddings will follow the traditional British monarchy wedding schedule, which includes a

ducted by Swingen, eight out of 30 students planned on watching the wedding. Swingen said the early time frame might prevent some students from viewing the event. CNN will begin airing coverage Friday at 3 a.m. CBS and TLC will begin coverage starting at 4 a.m.

History professor Gary Bell said the British monarchy is a source of pride for the British people. He said it is the oldest constitutional monarchy in our world, and the attention paid to the monarchy is similar to that paid to movie stars. Bell said many British people follow the monarchy in order to escape from their normal lives.

"The current monarchy is the epitome of grace and style," Bell said. "The wedding will be a celebration of beautiful people and beautiful clothes.

Steve Fritz, interim honors college dean and a modern British historian, said the wedding will be a moment of celebration for the British public. He said the American public has a great affection for the British people and gener-

ally wishes them well.

Fritz said he considers this event important because Prince William will most likely be king someday after his father. w

"America loves Britain," Fritz said. "We have a great appreciation for Britain, and we have a good opinion of the monarchy. Britain is our heritage. Many American people are interested in this wedding because of the bond between America and

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"Our kind of feeling about it is that the system of affirmative action, you're basically saying that, 'OK, we do this so that way some races or groups of people, ethnicities, gender aren't subject to being left out," said Kitchen, a junior political science major from Meadows Place.

The groups were chosen based on the ethnicity and race section of college applications. The Texas Common Application asks applicants to answer "yes" or "no" to a question about being Hispanic, and then lists five ethnicities: White, Black, Asian, American Indian or Alaskan Native, and Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander.

Kitchen said Asian men wanting to purchase a cookie had to pay the highest price, which was \$1.50. Tech's largest demographic, white males, had to pay \$1 if they wanted one, while Native Americans could have a cookie for free, he said. No Native American students took the group up on their offer.

Asian females were charged \$1.25, while white females were charged 75 cents. Black and Hispanic males were charged 50 cents, while their female counterparts were charged a quarter. Gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students could buy a cookie for a quarter.

Gay, lesbian and transgender students were included on the list because University Housing asks students to identify themselves as such, Kitchen said, even though it is not on Tech's college applications. However, Kitchen said he foresees it becoming an issue on admission applications in the future.

Ethan Logan, managing director of undergraduate admissions at Tech, said a 2003 Supreme Court case upheld the legality of including race and ethnicity when determining student admission.

He said Tech does look at things like race and ethnicity when determining qualified candidates who are not already admitted automatically because of class rank and test scores.

The admissions people look at "things that make a person unique," which includes curriculum, extracurricular activities, family background and social economic status.

"Each individual student brings a unique background, perspective and experiences to the talent pool," Logan said.

Kitchen said the group made about \$20, which went toward the cost of making posters and buying cookies.

The response to the event was positive, Kitchen said, and he was surprised with the amount of feedback the group received from people wanting to discuss

Kitchen said the event likely will not change any policy, but it is an issue he and the Young Conservatives feel strongly about, and they will consider doing the event again in the future to raise awareness.

"The main thing I told the members is on the surface it looks like it really would have no effect," Kitchen said, "but it's one of those things where if you don't do it, you can't really say that your voiced your opinion about it."

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Boeing CEO: Poor work caused hole in Southwest jet

The CEO of Boeing Co. says a "workmanship issue" and not poor design led to a hole ripping open in a plane that the company built for Southwest Airlines Co.



that signs do not point to a problem affecting large numbers of the Boeing 737.

The Southwest jet was built 15 years ago, but Boeing also faces scrutiny of its current manufacturing. Government inspectors went to two Boeing plants this week to study the company's assembly process after Japan Airlines found metal filings in the fuel tanks of a new Boeing

Metal shavings are a byproduct of building planes out of aluminum. The Federal Aviation Administration said it will study Boeing's efforts to keep debris from fouling aircraft systems.

Boeing spokesman Marc Birtel said the inspections in Renton and Everett,

CEO Jim McNerney said Wednesday Wash., were not affecting production. Boeing builds several models at those facilities including the new 787. The FAA inspections were first reported by The Seattle Times.

On April 1, a Boeing 737 operated by Southwest developed a 5-foot rip in the roof while cruising at 34,000 feet above Arizona.

Federal investigators found problems with riveting work done when the plane was built in 1996. The National Transportation Safety Board said in a preliminary report this week that holes drilled in the plane's skin were too big for the rivets and were not properly lined up.

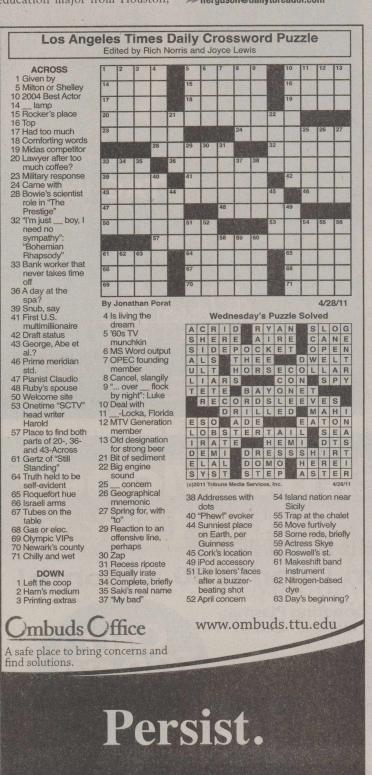
Independent experts said such problems would increase stress on the plane's

aluminum skin panels, leading to metal fatigue.

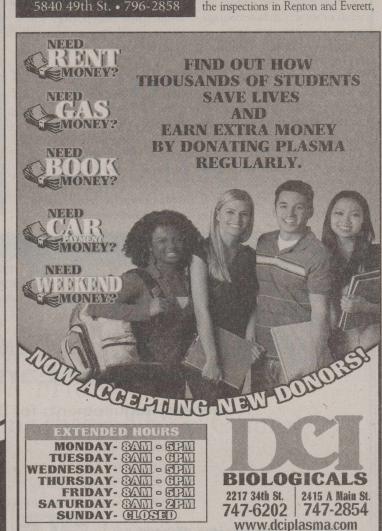
McNerney was asked on a conference call Wednesday what the company had learned about the Southwest jet.

"The initial data that I think we're all seeing is suggesting a possible workmanship issue on an airplane rather than a design issue across a fleet of airplanes," McNerney said. He emphasized the word "an" to downplay any suggestion of a wider problem.

John Goglia, an aircraft maintenance expert and former safety board member, said if the problem were confined to one plane, "that would be good news for the industry, but I don't think we can say that with confidence yet."



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Parten was credited with five earned runs, while the remaining three were not earned by any Tech pitcher.

Reliever Ben Flora pitched two shutout innings for Tech, striking out two batters. Flora was one of six relievers used Wednesday.

Tech begins a three-game set against Kansas at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Dan Law Field.

"It sucks, but, I mean, we all really just gotta come together," Flora said. "We're all brothers here. It's not the hitters versus the pitchers, you know. We're all one team. It's really important for us, especially now, after a tough loss today and a tough weekend. We need to come together as a team and really get back to winning."

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"I'm really pleased with how

Chandler played; for a redshirt freshman to handle that situation the way he did was tremendous," Sands said. "Our seniors have led us lately, so it's great for him to be a leader when a couple of seniors didn't play

Four different Red Raiders have guys are capable of winning the golf had top-10 finishes in the last three tournaments Tech has played in.

Sands said it is essential to have everyone on the team contributing if the Red Raiders are to be successful in the postseason.

'When different people step up, it's great and it gives us confidence," he said. "We feel like at any given moment that anybody can play good. It's a big plus to know that all of our

tournament.'

Senior Will Griffin also said he is turning his game on at the right time of the season.

"I was able to make good chips and get up and down for par," Griffin said. "My scores were very consistent, and I think the way I am playing right now reflects that."

Griffin finished with a 9-over 289 in a tie for seventh place, marking his

second top-10 finish in his last three tournaments.

Griffin said his putting has shown the most improvement and has helped him the most recently.

The team will have good momentum for sure," he said. "Chandler and I both played good. Even though not everyone played at their top level, we have a lot of momentum going towards the NCAA Regionals."

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Draft ←

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Julio Jones, former star Alabama wide receiver, may not slip all the way down to the Texans' spot, but if he does, he needs to be Houston's selection. Yes, I know the Texans already have a good offense and have the best receiver in football in Andre Johnson, but can you ever have too much offense?

I believe Wade Phillips will help the defense improve. Therefore, I wouldn't put it past the Texans to try an "all-in" type play to move up in the draft. The ideal candidates are LSU cornerback Patrick Peterson and Texas A&M linebacker Von Miller.

Regardless of if your team needs to trade up, like my Texans, or try to get additional value from a trade, like the It would truly be an out-of-character

move for the Texans. I don't care much Cowboys, the draft will be fun. It will for the Aggies, but Miller was extremely impact your team for at least five years. tough to stop in college and is a very Some teams will talk about past drafts smart and savvy person. Go watch any forever; just ask a Chargers fan about interview with the guy. Peterson can flat picking Ryan Leaf and not Peyton out play and would make the Texan's

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Bush, Armstrong join wounded vets for TX bike ride

TERLINGUA (AP) — Kenneth Butler touched the metal end of his prosthetic arm instinctively as he recalled the horrors he witnessed in Iraq.

Four years after losing his limb when his vehicle was hit by a bomb in Baghdad, the retired army staff sergeant got his first chance this week to meet former President George W. Bush during a three-day bike ride in West Texas attended by more than a dozen other wounded veterans and cycling legend Lance Armstrong.

Bush rode in the event for a chance to meet with veterans and thank them for their sacrifice. But for Butler, he holds no ill-will toward the man who sent thousands of Americans to war in 2003.

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TEXAS TECH DAVID Paiz swings at a pitch during the loss against New Mexico on Wednesday at Dan Law Field.

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Red Raiders drop opportunity for out-of-conference sweep of UNM

By JOSE RODRIGUEZ SPORTS EDITOR

The Red Raiders' bats seemed rejuvenated during a six-run, six-hit showing against New Mexico on Tuesday, seemingly ending a tough slide the offense had been in for a better part of April.

Wednesday's four-run outing, however, was not enough to keep Texas Tech's eight-game win streak in midweek games alive, as the Red Raiders (25-19) lost 8-4.

The final score may not be an indication, but Tech coach Dan Spencer said his players were not swinging the bats to the best of their abilities.

"I don't know if it's frustration or (if they feel sorry for themselves) or what," Spencer said. "I thought we swung at some pitches — some fastballs that weren't close, and we were in some good counts and didn't hit the ball very hard in the 1-0 count or 2-1 count."

Today's

pressure on Tech early, getting on the scoreboard first by way of Kyle Stiner's leadoff solo home run. Stiner's shot is the first leadoff homer allowed by Tech since March 24, 2008.

Designated hitter Jacob Nelson, also in the first inning, added an RBI single to give the Lobos a 2-0 edge going into the second inning.

The Red Raiders responded with a run in the first inning, after a passed ball from Lobos pitcher Bobby Mares allowed Tech shortstop Kelby Tomlinson to score from third.

Mares however held Te for four innings before being taken out in the fifth. Mares walked four batters and hit Barrett Barnes with a pitch, making for several scoring errors. Tech's opportunities.

Spencer said the team just mitted three couldn't capitalize on those chances.

"I know we've struggled a little bit at the plate, and today was no real exception," Spencer said. "We hit four

New Mexico (13-29) put the or five balls hard with some men on prevent a run from scoring, but base ... it's disappointing because threw the ball above catcher Mason

> the magnitude of the game." Tech start-

ing pitcher Jamen Parten allowed three more runs in the second inning, providing the Lobos with a large margin of error, which proved beneficial since New mitted two defense com-

The most costly error, arguably, was

committed by

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Tech first baseman Stephen Hagen it ended costing us at the end."

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Rusk leads Tech to 4th place in Big 12 tourney

By CHOIS WOODMAN STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech redshirt freshman Chandler Rusk said confidence was the reason for his consistent play at the Big 12 Conference Championships in Hutchinson, Kan.

"Confidence is one of the most important things in my game," Rusk said. "When I got into trouble, I had the confidence to get out and make a good par or even a good bogey."

Rusk had the highest finish of his young career, finishing in a tie for fourth individually with an 8-over

Rusk said the weather conditions varied in each round of play at Prairie Dunes Country Club.

The scores reflected what the conditions were like for each round. There was more than a five-stroke difference in the scoring average in the third and fourth rounds of the

"The third round was a perfect day, 65 degrees and no wind," Rusk said. "But today, in the final round, was really cold and windy. The wind chill was probably about 35 this morning, and the wind was blowing about 35 mph from the north."

Rusk said the team is looking forward to its NCAA Regional bid and ultimately the NCAA Championships.

"We've all finished in the top five at different tournaments this year," Rusk said. "If we all just peak at the right time, we have the ability to catch some people's attention. I think we are one of the best three teams in college golf if we play to our ability."

Tech coach Greg Sands said Rusk stepping up was exactly what the team had to have at the tournament.

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Cowboys, Texans have numerous draft options

Tinals are right around the corner, so I hope everyone has done their studying. I'am, of course, talking about the

NFL Draft. This is the most important draft in any of the major sports. It is; in essence, "The Draft."

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Every team can be excited about still not locked down to any team, the draft. It doesn't matter if you are there is no telling who could be a Packers fan fresh off a title victory available. or a lowly Panthers fan, anticipating the first selection.

The Texans and the Cowboys, though they draft near each other, should be taking two different approaches.

The Cowboys don't have the best draft history. Jerry Jones often tries too hard to make things happen for his team. Sometimes they work, and sometimes they don't.

The Cowboys have been linked to USC offensive tackle Tyron Smith for weeks. Nine seems a little early for the big guy, and with the top picks

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name I think is intriguing. Although unlikely, I think if he slides to nine, the Cowboys should run their little card up to the podium as quick as

possible. I hate hearing Dallas fans pine for Prince Amukamara from Nebraska. Granted, I don't get the research time or materials Mel Kiper or other draft experts have, but I don't see great things from Amukamara.

If there isn't a knockout player at No. 9, the Cowboys should consider trading back. I don't think there's a huge difference between Tyron Smith and the other tackles in the draft. I don't think the Cowboys should draft for need. Drafting for need makes you the Texans.

The Houston Texans are notorious for always drafting a player out of need. They "needed" a cornerback and picked Kareem Jackson at 20 last year. Well, that sure was a stinker.

This draft technique needs to stop for the Texans. Yes, they need a defensive presence for their new 3-4 defense. Yes, they will probably draft Aldon Smith from Missouri at 11 because he is a safe pick. But let's pretend for a second the Texans don't pick safe.

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