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Events aim to educate about transportation safety, dangers

Mayor declares Distracted Driving Awareness Week

By **MORGAN CRUMP**
STAFF WRITER

The Be Street Smart safety campaign began its events Wednesday in order to address the importance of motion awareness, and Lubbock Mayor Tom Martin declared Nov. 2-9 as "Distracted Driving Awareness Week" in Lubbock.

Heather Medley, marketing and training coordinator for Texas Tech University Parking Services, said the campaign has many events aiming to educate students about the dangers of inattentive driving, walking and biking.

Texting and driving is a huge problem because it causes people to not pay attention while at the wheel, she said. Texting while driving is even worse than drunk driving, Medley said, and the average length of a text message when people take their eyes off the road is five seconds.

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Student org. hosts fasting event to raise hunger awareness



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ANNA LORENZI, A senior exercise and sport sciences major from The Woodlands, and **Amal Soormo**, a sophomore psychology major from Houston, fill their plates during the Muslim Student Associations' Fast-A-Thon on Wednesday in the Islamic Center of the South Plains.

Event invites students to refrain from food, drink, cursing for day

By **DESTINY BEZRUTCZYK**
STAFF WRITER

The Muslim Student Association hosted an event Wednesday to raise awareness about world hunger in a unique way: They fasted.

The 10th anniversary for the Muslim Student Association Fast-a-Thon invited students to fast for one day by abstaining from eating, drinking and cursing.

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Reaching Out



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AUSTIN MCMABB, A sophomore journalism major from Irving, scoops some homemade chicken noodle soup into a bowl in the basement of the Wesley Foundation during a free lunch event Wednesday.

Student group seeks to develop Christian leaders

By **PAIGE SKINNER**
STAFF WRITER

Since Texas Tech is a public university, it does not offer a seminary program for students interested in going into the ministry field or in becoming preachers and pastors.

However, the Wesley Foundation looks to address this de-

mand as a campus ministry devoted to raising Christian leaders.

The Wesley Foundation was established in 1935 and has been educating Tech students on becoming leaders in the church ever since.

Zack Esgar, an intern at the foundation, said there are leadership training programs students can go through if they are looking to go into the ministry field.

"All of our programs are really geared toward leadership," he said. "So, what we do is a program called 'Saltshaker.' Saltshaker is our leadership training (program) and it's just an amazing course of just going through spiritual gifting. It's a very hands-on challenge-type thing."

Esgar said the Wesley Foundation has given him a chance to become a better leader.

"That's the cool thing that makes Wesley Foundation a little bit different," he said. "I originally wanted to go to a Christian school because I wanted to be a youth pastor, and then God brought me here. And then, why I sort of went to the (foundation) my freshman year was because I was like, 'Wow. Over half the people here are going into the ministry field full time.' And that's just so cool to see."

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Hance talks on TV show of improvements to athletics

Chancellor to discuss Tech improvements

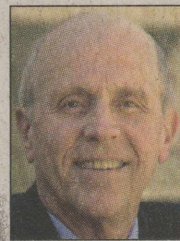
By **MIKE GUTIERREZ**
STAFF WRITER

A distinguishing factor in where a young person attends college and competes in intercollegiate sports are the athletic facilities a campus has, Texas Tech athletic director Kirby Hocutt said.

The second episode of "Inside Texas Tech," hosted by Chancellor

Kent Hance, will air tonight at 8 p.m. on KTXT-TV's Channel 5 and will address the proposed improvements the university is in the process of carrying out for the athletic program.

John Kirby, general manager at KTXT-TV Channel 5, said Tech is one of the biggest employers in the Lubbock area and this show gives people in the Lubbock community a chance to get an



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inside look at the university.

He said this particular episode will be of interest to anyone concerned with Tech as a member of the Big 12 Conference.

"Everybody in this town talks about sports," Kirby said. "Everyone in this town is a (sports) fan and I think this episode gives people a chance to see the direction Tech is going in the Big 12. I think people will get a lot out of it."

"Inside Texas Tech" is co-hosted by Robert Giovannetti, director of communications and the Office of Communications and Marketing at Tech.

Giovannetti said he thinks a lot

of people are concerned with the Big 12 and thinks this show will answer possible questions people may have about Tech.

"Although this episode may not give specifics, I think it gives people an idea of what the decision makers go through in the process of making things happen for this university," he said. "This show will demonstrate how academics, athletics and facilities are important to the athletic program and the university."

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Landscape architecture students showcase designs for historic African-American Museum and Center

By **GLORIA LERMA**
STAFF WRITER

Landscape architecture students were able to showcase their talents while incorporating history at the same time. Graduate and fourth-year students of the Texas Tech Department of Landscape Architecture were assigned a project to help design the African-American Museum and Cultural Center of Lubbock. They showcased their work Wednesday evening at the Plant Sciences building.

The center will include a museum and an area for community activities and events such as weddings. The center will be located on the historic landmark of Caviel's Pharmacy, which is located at 17th Street and Avenue A. Alfred and Billie Caviel are believed to be the first African-American husband-and-wife pharmacy team in the United States. The Caviels donated the pharmacy in order to provide Lubbock with its first African-American history center.

"We received a \$70,000 grant to



PHOTO BY EMILY DE SANTOS/The Daily Toreador
TUGCE ULVAN, A graduate student studying architecture from Turkey, explains her site plan for the African American Museum and Cultural Center in the Plant Sciences building Wednesday.

renovate Caviel's Pharmacy," said Eric Strong, director of the Roots Historical Art Council. "The pharmacy was owned by the first African-American couple pharmacy team during the Jim Crow era."

Strong, a retired staff member of Tech, contacted Tech's Department of Landscape Architecture so they could work together to develop possible designs for the center.

"Melissa Currie, an honors graduate of Cornell University, is the professor that I worked with in developing this project," Strong said.

Currie has conducted research on ways of incorporating civil rights awareness into urban design and guided 15 of her students in the project. Students were required to research the civil rights movement and find ways to incorporate it in their work.

"When I was approached with this idea, I was very excited," Currie said. "I believe we should take every opportunity like this because it is important for students to give back to the community."

Ten fourth-year undergraduates and five graduate students presented their projects to the Roots of Historical Art Council. Each group of students had over five large sketches of their project,

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Giovannetti said he thinks people will enjoy watching this show because viewers will get a chance to see a different side of Hance.

"What people don't realize sometimes is just how great a guy (Hance) is," he said. "He's a regular person like everyone else and the thing that gets me the most about him is that he probably loves Texas Tech more than anybody. I think that comes out in this show."

Hance's sense of humor is something people will enjoy about viewing this telecast, Kirby said.

"In a setting like this, I think his humor really comes through," he said. "I think people will get a big kick out of that."

Hance said this show gives him a chance to explain some of the things the general public usually doesn't get to know about.

"(In future episodes), we'll talk about recruiting students and we're going to talk about research, among other various subjects we think are of interest to people," he said. "I think it'll be a good information-type show. People can write us questions and send us emails, and we'll answer any of their questions (on the air)."

Hance also said he hopes more students will become interested in the telecast, especially since the subject concerns many important issues which could affect their experiences at Tech.

"We're trying to give people a behind-the-scenes look at how decisions are made and what are some of our top priorities going forward," Hance said. "Maybe somebody other than my wife and sister will watch."

New episodes of "Inside Texas Tech" will air the first Thursday of each month at 8 p.m., with reruns airing the remaining three Thursdays of the month at the same time.

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Safety

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"People don't run into houses and trees for no reason, and there are often other factors involved there," Medley said. "A lot of times, accidents like these easily could have been avoided with a little bit of planning and thought. It's all about choices."

Texting and walking is also an issue because pedestrians are not paying attention to their surroundings, she said.

"Two weeks ago, we had three vehicle-pedestrian incidents," Medley said. "One guy was texting and walked into the side of a stopped bus. Another was in the middle of the street not paying attention and was hit by the mirror of a bus. It's just ridiculous. All you have to do is pay attention."

She said there is also a rumor going around campus about free tuition for students if a bus hits them, which is absolutely false.

"If you're hit by a bus, all you get is hurt," Medley said. "A Citibus bus weighs 27,500 pounds, and if you add to that an average weight of one driver and 40 students that weigh 150 pounds each, that adds another 6,150 pounds."

Statistics show that an empty bus has to stop from 20 mph in 31 feet or less, she said, and this is something students should take into consideration when thinking about stepping out in front of a bus.

Some bicyclists do not know they are supposed to operate like motor vehicles, Medley said, which is another issue.

"Most people were given a bike and told not to ride it in the street, and if they can't see the house anymore, they have gone too far," Medley said. "Now when you ride it on campus, you're expected to know the hand signals and operate like a motor vehicle. A lot of people do not know this."

The fact some of these incidents have happened so much recently is a cause for concern. She said any time she asks students if they have almost been run over by someone not paying attention, the vast majority of them say yes.

Sara Herren, a junior biochemistry major from Arlington, said she was involved in an accident where someone was not paying attention at the wheel.

"The accident was on Dec. 4, 2009, at the intersection of University Avenue and Mac Davis Lane," she said. "A 19-year-old drunk driver ran a stop sign at 40 mph and T-boned my car. My friend had to go to the hospital and was hurt

pretty bad."

The drunk driver who ran the stop sign did not get arrested or receive a conviction for driving while intoxicated, Herren said, and she sued the drunk driver during the summer of 2010.

"I have been suffering from muscle spasms in my right shoulder and on-and-off back pain. (I have also been) taking pain medication since last year," she said. "I was diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder in February."

Herren said she was a gymnast for eight years, but she can no longer do gymnastics because of the wreck.

"The wreck definitely changed my perspective on motor awareness," she said. "I never thought it would happen to me, and then it did. I realized how much it can affect your life and those who care about you."

Herron said she hopes the events of this week will show students how important motion awareness is.

"I don't think students realize how serious this is," she said. "If they were to understand it could happen to them, it may give them a better sense of the reality."

Herron said she hopes students will take the initiative to stop their friends from drinking and driving, as it could

prevent serious accidents and injuries.

Craig Kuehnert, unit manager for University Student Housing at Tech, said he thinks the week will serve as a great opportunity to address conflicts between different populations on campus.

"I have heard of pedestrians complaining about bicyclists almost hitting them on sidewalks and drivers complaining about students who step out in front of them," he said. "This week, we can address those things people are already complaining about and show them appropriate ways to engage in these behaviors."

It is a common thing for people to complain about inconveniences, he said, as human beings are frequently inconvenienced by each other's habits and often do not realize the choices they make affect others.

"It all revolves around helping each other and making Texas Tech a safe environment," Kuehnert said. "If everyone was responsible, it would eliminate a lot of accidents and those types of things."

This week offers a lot of different opportunities, he said, including hands-on experience and public speakers. Kuehnert said he hopes students will make an effort to get involved with these upcoming events.

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Fast

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The event, which was hosted at the Islamic Center of the South Plains, also set out to teach non-Muslims about Islamic culture.

"If we're going to advance as a culture or society, we need to be knowledgeable about other people," said Mohammed Abderrahman, the public relations officer for the MSA and a junior political science major from Tyler.

Last year's Fast-a-Thon donations were sent to Pakistan, but, according to Abderrahman, the group wanted to give back to people closer to home. The MSA encouraged attendees to bring non-perishable food items or donations on behalf of the South Plains Food Bank.

Students who opted to join the fast refrained from eating and drinking during the daytime for one day. Traditionally, cursing, drinking alcohol or engaging in sexual activity would void a fast.

"Walking around the university makes it hard," said Haseeb Danawala, webmaster for the MSA and a junior petroleum engineer major from Dallas. "You still get through it and you get used to it."

The Fast-a-Thon began at dusk with the azan, or call for prayer, and the sunset prayer was recited in Arabic

with men in their prayer room and women in another. Then, the two groups and non-Muslim attendees joined in the main hall to enjoy foods from every corner of Islamic culture.

Students in the MSA and members of the Muslim faith spoke about their religion and tried to educate non-Muslim attendees about Islamic countries and the culture of those who practice it.

Alina Dngalenko, a sophomore chemistry major from Tomsk, Russia, currently is studying Arabic at Tech. She cited her unfamiliarity with the culture as her inspiration for attending.

"I thought it was cool," Dngalenko said. "The whole Arab and Islamic cultures are foreign to me and I'm trying to understand them as best as I can."

Though members of the MSA often participate in other fastings for Ramadan and Arafat, Abderrahman believes the event is one in which everyone can participate and learn something. The MSA urges students from other organizations and faiths to fast to show their support for ending world hunger.

Abderrahman said the organization's objective for the Fast-a-Thon was to place themselves in the position of the poor and homeless who continue to starve.

"These kinds of events help create bonds between different types of people," Danawala said.

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Leaders

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"So, that's really why I think God led me to the Wesley Foundation. (It's) because I just realized they use people that are setting themselves aside for full-time ministry and that's what I want to do."

The Wesley Foundation has grown since Esgar's freshman year, he said. Currently, 50 students are going through leadership training and there are 10 interns on staff.

As well as training future Christian leaders, the foundation ministers to several hundred people with free lunches, mission trips all over the world during spring and summer break, a worship service once a week and what Esgar said the Wesley Foundation is best known for: dances.

The Wesley Foundation "slacked" on hosting dances for a couple of years, Esgar said, but they recently started them back up.

"We started up Wild Wesley two years ago," he said. "Wild Wesley is the first Thursday of every month and we just put on a big dance. It's really cool because after all the college churches meet on Thursday nights, everyone starts flooding in. It packs out. There

will be 400-plus people in the basement dancing."

Wild Wesley is a nice alternative to the typical bar scene, Esgar said, because everyone is sober.

"It's really just a fun place to go because there aren't drunk people all over you the entire night," he said. "There isn't smoke and we do a lot of two-stepping."

The Wesley Foundation also works with the homeless community in Lubbock.

David Coutts, the student president of the foundation, said the campus ministry has "adopted" two families to help them get out of their homeless states.

The families they adopted both had children being raised by single mothers who were going through a program at the homeless shelter, Family Promise.

After they completed the program, the foundation asked if they could help in any way.

The campus ministry began fundraising efforts and asked for donations of clothes and furniture.

"God has been really good and it's by His will alone that they are now fully self-supported and off the streets," said Coutts, a senior human development and family studies major from Fort Worth. "They have a roof

over their heads. They have beds for everyone. They are now well-fed."

As well as providing for homeless families, the foundation serves free lunches to about 600 people every Wednesday and Sunday in the basement of the Wesley building on 15th Street and University Avenue, Esgar said.

Even though the Wesley Foundation is not a church, it does host a worship service on Thursday nights called "Underground," he said.

Al Martin, director of the Wesley Foundation, preaches at Underground most of the time, but said he likes to give others the opportunity to preach.

"I let some of my interns and other people on staff preach and sometimes we let students preach," Martin said. "We exist to raise up a generation of Christians (who) lead. That's our mission statement. So, ... a big part of that is if I see a student, staff member or intern that might be called into full-time ministry where they'll be teaching and preaching, I take it pretty seriously that I need to give them the opportunity to preach here."

Esgar said he is excited to see Underground continue to grow.

"It's just really cool to see it growing," Esgar said. "We don't have enough room downstairs sometimes during Underground. A lot of times

it is standing room only, so that's pretty cool."

No matter what ministry a student wants to get involved with, Coutts said the Wesley Foundation provides opportunities for everyone.

"What the Wesley Foundation does is it provides opportunities," he said. "For me and for students, there are different levels to get involved (in). You can get involved with whatever. We have kids who just come in to the free lunch, kids who go to Underground and kids who cannot get enough of the Wesley."

Coutts said the Wesley Foundation has changed him and helped him get through a tough time in his life.

"For me, the Wesley helped me find my passion and purpose in life," Coutts said. "God used the people in the Wesley to help me deal with, I guess, just brokenness and hurt that I had from my family. Coming out of high school, my parents had just gotten divorced. I was just kind of in a bad place. There were people who really cared about me at the Wesley. God has used them to really help me through some tough times."

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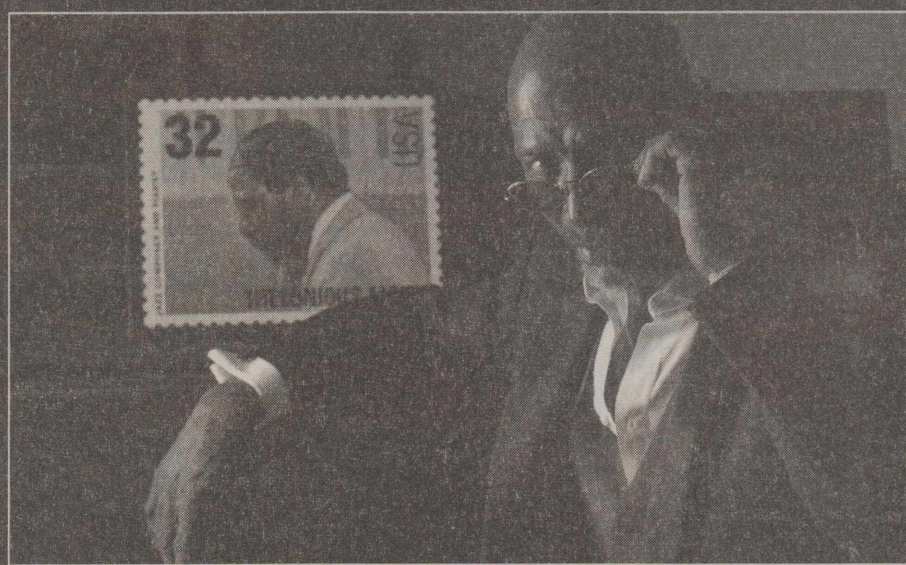
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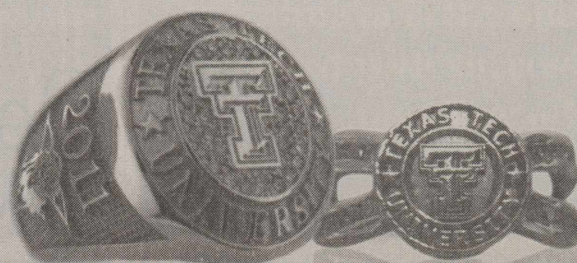
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Leach issue still remains

Normally, I refrain from writing sports columns simply because it's the job of my colleagues in the sports section. However, this is an issue transcending sports and I feel a great need to say a few things.

I've been hearing a lot of chatter lately about the Red Raider football team and its many shortcomings this season, most notably regarding last Saturday's embarrassing loss against Iowa State. There are those, including myself, who bring up how Mike Leach likely would not have lost that game, while there are those who seem to be offended by this point.

What made my blood boil on this issue, however, is how a column appeared in Tuesday's edition of *The Daily Toreador* in which the author demanded everyone who thought Leach would have won Saturday's game to write a letter of apology to the athletic department.

Why on earth would I ever apologize for acknowledging the failures of the athletic department? Why should I be remorseful for disapproving of the decisions made by the university's power-hungry administration?

Beyond opinion, it reasonably has been proven that Leach was wrongfully terminated in 2009. In his recent book, "Swing Your Sword," Leach not only explains the details of his firing, but provides evidence in the forms of emails, phone messages and depositions involving notable people such as Chancellor Kent Hance, Regents Larry Anders and Jerry Turner, booster and former regent Jim Sowell and ESPN analyst Craig James.

I won't go into detail about the circumstances of Leach's firing, as I would just be summarizing parts of the book. But, those who deny the fact that Leach was unfairly fired either have their heads in the sand or simply do not want to know.

It's been almost two years since Leach was fired and the issue still remains in the minds of many fans. There are two reasons for this. First, the issue remains unresolved. Secondly, the current Red Raider football team looks inferior to the one Leach ran.

I almost can guarantee that the Red Raiders would have won at least 10 games last year had Leach still been their coach. The program was built by him and therefore was perfectly suitable to his style.

But, now that a coach has been brought in with a completely different style, rebuilding must be done. Even though Tommy Tuberville has been hailed as a defensive coach, the defense has shown no improvement after the Leach years.

Andrew Gleinser



Also, the offense under Tuberville is simply not as potent as it was under Leach, as evidenced by the Iowa State game. Leach is easily one of the greatest offensive minds in college football, while Tuberville and offensive coordinator Neal Brown, whose short-yardage playbook seems to contain only one play, simply are not.

Tuberville also seems to have a knack for blowing games. Some of his decisions played an important role in the losses to Texas A&M and Kansas State while he nearly blew the Oklahoma game. The team is obviously poorly coached, which is why Tuberville needs better players to beat the big teams than Leach did. There is no substitute for good coaching. Until Tuberville can prove he is an upgrade over Leach, the comparison will always be there.

With this being said, I fully realize Leach never will coach the Red Raiders again. Sadly, his

ship has sailed. Tuberville is the coach now and I hope and pray he and the Red Raiders will succeed in the near future. I know Tuberville has the ability to take the football program a long way.

With this argument out of the way, the remaining issue is that Leach's termination has not been resolved. Lawsuits still are pending and Leach keeps fighting.

What the Red Raider nation desperately needs is for Leach to win his lawsuits and be paid all of the money and damages owed to him by Texas Tech and ESPN.

The truth about the firing needs to come out as well. Those responsible for conspiring to get rid of Leach should be held accountable. Many of Tech's faithful, including myself, will not be satisfied until the aforementioned notable people are run out of Lubbock for good or, in the case of James, fired from ESPN.

So, don't write this issue off as a bunch of drunken pirates waving their flags around. This is going to remain in the background until the issue is resolved, as I have explained.

Leach must be paid, conspirators must be punished and Tuberville must start winning more games. Until then, Leach's name is going to keep coming up as a reminder of better times gone by.

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'Wrong' marriages not always bad

I would briefly like to touch on the idea of the "insta-marriage." This is a new and incredibly clever term I made up for referring to those who get married to fix a problem, which characterizes most of today's marriages.

Considering the new Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries 72-day marriage debacle, I feel like this topic is relatively poignant.

Since I received the news that my lady crush and her gargantuan version of Taylor Lautner were splitting, people have been blowing up Facebook, Twitter and the blogosphere about it, starting a whole new wave of faux-disbelief.

I, along with many others, saw this one coming.

The Kardashian wedding was absolutely ridiculous, considering the lavish amount of money spent on a short-lived marriage that could have been used for other more important things—like paying my tuition. However, the idea of marrying for money, sex or an attempt to stay even the tiniest bit relevant is not a new concept.

Moreover, insta-marriage is not even shameful as long as you own it.

Sydney Holmes



In my opinion, marrying so you can have hot offspring, loads of cash or great sex forever is not wrong. It's strategic. If you own it, you're golden. And not just in marriages, but in dating, too.

If you're crazy in relationships like I am, own it. Don't pretend it's cool with you if your boyfriend has 67 supermodel girlfriends when it's not. If you're a player, own it. If you're straight up with your intentions, you may get labeled as a jerk, but it's better to be upfront than to be something you're not.

If you're going to marry someone because your visa is about to expire, then there shouldn't be any shame in your game, as long as you don't pretend to be madly in love with your clearly homosexual ice-skating spouse.

This brings me to my next point. The only people who really have a right to be even remotely pissed about this

are those of the gay community, namely the homosexuals who are, presumably, in love and still can't get married. Meanwhile, Kim Kardashian can spend gazillions of dollars on a wedding and get her own special on E! Network, only to get divorced 20 minutes later.

If it's cool for Rush Limbaugh to be on his fourth wife, how is two guys getting married somehow an abomination against the institution? What a likely story, Fox News.

I don't know that anyone has thought about gay divorce and what it's going to be like when two queens are fighting over a "Fiddler on the Roof" poster autographed by Bette Midler and the original 1964 Broadway cast, but this is beyond my point.

My point is if you're marrying for something like health benefits — gay and straight couples alike — that's totally fine. But, I'm so tired of people pretending to be in love on their wedding days when, in reality, the girlfriend probably gave some kind of "marry me or I'll show these incriminating pictures to our Bible study group" ultimatum.

So, don't be surprised by the Kardashian craziness, for this kind of stuff happens all the time. Even though that

money and airtime could have been used for something much more useful to the American people, marriage for all the "wrong" reasons isn't necessarily wrong. New concepts like being "un-divorced" — being married on paper but only staying together for the sake of the children and to avoid the costs of divorce — are not incredibly terrible ideas as long as no one's kidding themselves about being in love.

In this case, Kimmy K wanted to stay relevant and, after this divorce, she'll more than likely drop off the face of the earth. But, if she had tried to own the fact she wasn't in love and looking to start a beautiful family with Andre the Giant, but rather had gotten married openly for the career benefits, people would be a lot less annoyed.

The moral of the story is to own what it is you do. It may be easier to pretend you're something you're not, but people are going to think you're a lot more ridiculous when the real you comes out.

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Going to class sick disruptive, ill-advised

By THE VOLANTE EDITORIAL BOARD
THE VOLANTE (U. SOUTH DAKOTA)

Welcome to cold and flu season. This is the time of year when health becomes an issue for universities. Students and professors have daily contact with hundreds of other people,

and if one person is sick, it is possible for dozens to catch whatever germ the sick person has.

Widespread illness makes people miserable, can threaten their lives and makes going to class and doing homework even harder.

Everyone can take steps to

help stay healthy and prevent the spread of illness, should they get sick.

Make sure you practice good hygiene. You don't know who was sitting at your desk before you were, so wash your hands after you touch surfaces that might be contaminated with germs.

If you're feeling sick, don't go

to class. Coming to class sick doesn't do any favors for the people around you, and you probably won't learn much if you're hacking and coughing the entire hour.

Don't take this as an excuse to skip class and tell the professor you're sick. If you think you're sick, go to student health. Office visits are free for all students, and most professors will allow you to make up work you miss due to illness if you don't give them reason to believe you're faking it. Email your professors in advance, tell

them you're sick and tell them you're going to student health to make sure you don't have the flu.

The Centers for Disease Control recommends everyone over the age of six months get a flu vaccination. Students can receive a flu vaccination from Student Health.

With the dense population of students in the dormitories and close proximity to students in classrooms, a flu outbreak on campus would significantly damage the learning environment.

There's no reason for widespread illness. Vaccinations and good hygiene can prevent the majority of illnesses. Some people are going to get sick no matter what precautions are taken, but it is those people's responsibility to make sure the rest of campus doesn't share in their suffering.

“Don't take this as an excuse to skip class and tell the professor you're sick.”

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Longhorns' balanced attack ready for Tech

By EVAN JANSA
STAFF WRITER

In his five years in the Texas football program, there have been multiple monikers attached to Foswhitt Whittaker.

But, after seeing fellow running backs Malcolm Brown and Joe Bergeron slash through the Kansas defense last week for a combined 255 yards and four touchdowns, there is a new moniker attached to the senior.

"I felt like a proud father I guess, just seeing the way they ran the ball," Whittaker said.

Whittaker slid through the porous Kansas defense for 68 yards of his own. The Pearl and native turned out to be a border piece in the Longhorns' rushing puzzle that rampaged for 441 yards in the 43-0 wrenching of the Jayhawks.

The commitment to the ground game has been embraced by Texas (5-2, 2-2 in Big 12 Conference play), a team plagued by signal-caller uncertainty after having shuffled between three quarterbacks this season.

"It's just a hard-nosed offense," tight end Blaine Irby said. "You have to really just bite down on your mouthpiece and just get after it. You've got to expect, going into the game, that you're going to hit them at the end."

Against Kansas, the Longhorns weren't dependent on the aerial attack and used the ground game, allowing them to convert on 11-of-16 third downs and 7-of-7 on what head coach Mack Brown called third down and shorts.

Chewing up yards on first and second down has been a priority for Texas. The shorter distances on third down have prevented young quarterbacks David Ash and Case McCoy from having to make difficult decisions down the field.

"I won't tell you the particular number that we're looking for," Whittaker said. "I just feel like just running the ball effectively, getting us in manageable down and distance to be able to convert on third downs (are) our main (goals) and what we look forward to doing."

The offensive line has cleared holes, but it hasn't been just the underclassmen at running back who have taken advantage. In the tilt with the Jayhawks, an eight-player cavalcade cascaded for positive rushing yards.

"It's obviously not (the case that) every play we blocked was perfect, and they fought for what they got," offensive lineman Mason Walters said. "I just think that gives us more opportunities throughout the game to be able to run the ball."

There's a degree of confidence to be expected from the Longhorns in facing a Texas Tech (5-3, 2-3 in Big 12 play)

defense that doled out 368 yards rushing to Iowa State last week, but this not the case. Texas knows they'll see a different, re-invigorated Red Raider defense Saturday.

"We know that's not the team we're going to face this coming weekend," Whittaker said. "We have to be ready for everything that they're going to provide and try to do to disrupt our offense."

As hapless as Tech was in the 41-7 drubbing against the Cyclones, it's still a team that knocked off Oklahoma on the road Oct. 22.

"It's definitely going to be closer to the team that everybody saw on TV a few weeks ago in Norman," safety Blake Gideon said. "They're going to come out here and they're going to expect to win. You know, that's the thing about Tech. They go into every game expecting to win and expecting to be successful."

Gideon is no stranger to the Red Raiders. The senior is a four-year starter, and as many recall, he couldn't haul in a tipped fourth quarter Graham Harrell pass in 2008. On the ensuing play, Harrell found Michael Crabtree for the game-clinching touchdown.

The Leander native is the backbone of a Longhorns' defense, allowing 192 yards passing per game. He also has notched an interception and 36 tackles this season.

One thing is for sure: The secondary is not afraid of the Tech passing attack that has racked up 2,877 yards and put the team at fifth in the nation.

"No, they like this," head coach Mack Brown said. "If you're a defensive back and

you're scared, you don't stay out there long. (The scared ones) disappear fast."

As the leader of the Red Raiders' offense, quarterback Seth Doege has launched 374 passes this season. Doege struggled last week, however, as he only completed 50 percent of his passes with two interceptions and zero touchdowns.

The numerous pass plays expected from Tech gives the Texas defense plenty of chances to build on the 10 sacks amassed thus far.

"This bunch will have plenty of opportunities," Brown said. "We have got to get pressure on Seth. We cannot let him stand back there and throw the ball."

When given adequate time, the junior has been speedy about getting the ball out, proving he could compete against top-tier defenses against Oklahoma with a 441-yard, four-touchdown performance.

"He's a heck of a leader," linebacker Emmanuel Acho said. "I got to watch the OU game — just the TV copy. I got to see some of the throws he made in that game, and, man, he was hot. He was on fire and he's a heck of a player. He's leading his team well, and so I am looking forward to the challenge."

It's still unknown which Doege and Tech squad the Longhorns will see Saturday, but Brown has an inkling after the Red Raiders' undoing against Iowa State.

"Usually athletes are competitive and they respond," Brown said. "So, the worst thing that could have happened to us was Iowa State beating Tech because (we'll) really have their attention this weekend."

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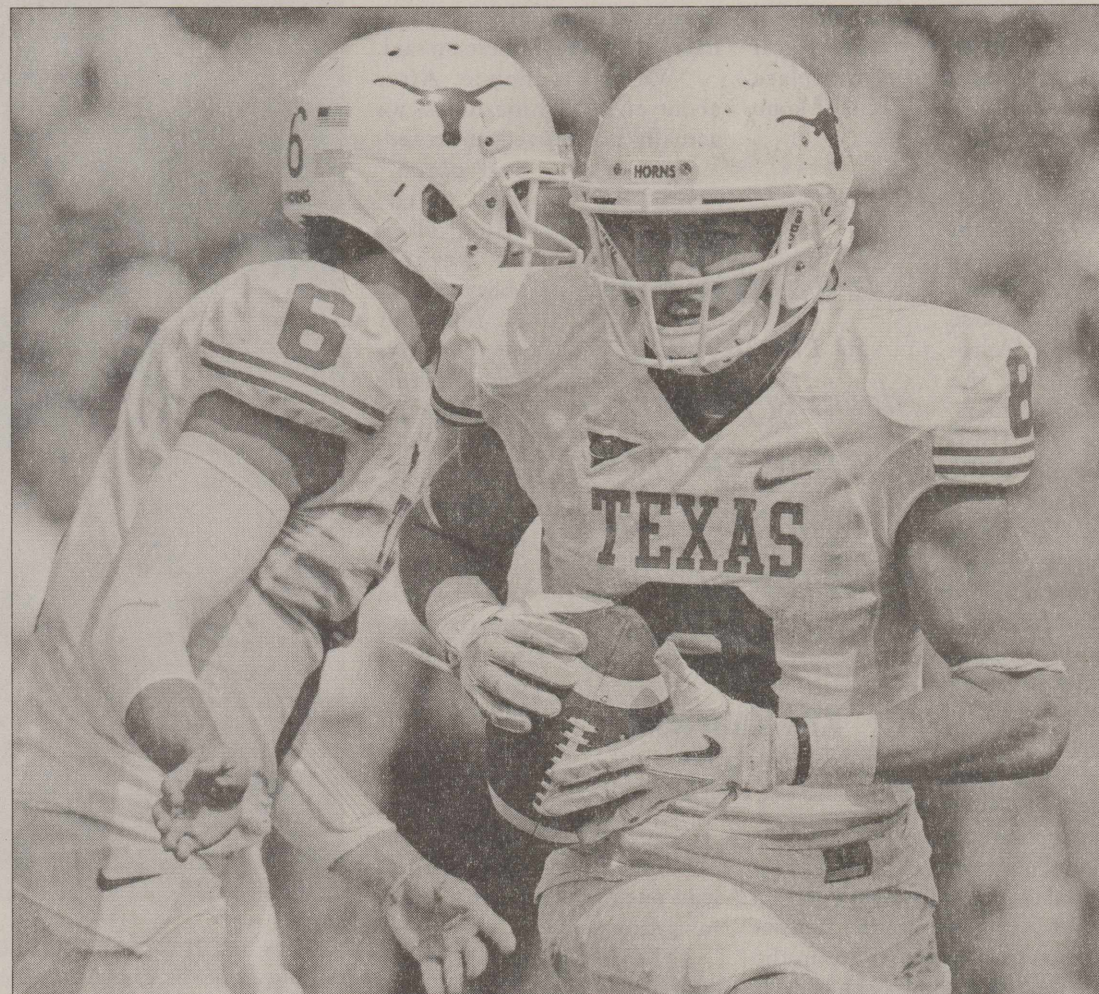


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CASE MCCOY HANDS the ball off to Jaxon Shipley during a game earlier this season. The Longhorns will take on Texas Tech on Saturday at Darrell K Royal - Texas Memorial Stadium.

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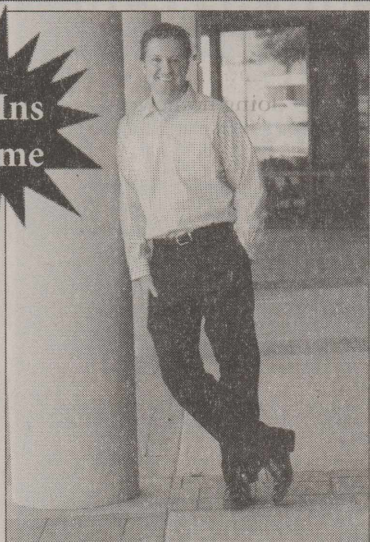
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No. 24 Lady Raiders dropped to eighth in final day of USTA Alamo Invitational

By CHOIS WOODMAN
STAFF WRITER

After shooting its lowest round of the season, the No. 24 Texas Tech women's golf team dropped to eighth place Tuesday at the USTA Alamo Invitational.

The third round 23-over-par 311 at the Briggs Ranch Golf Course in San Antonio was the Red Raiders' worst final round of the season.

The team may have tried too hard in the final round, Tech coach Jo Robertson said.

"The team felt like they were in pretty good position

to play well and actually have a chance of winning the tournament, so I know that was in the back of their minds," she said. "It could have been that they were out there trying too hard and maybe taking some shots that they probably shouldn't have. It just wasn't a good day for us."

Tech posted a 5-under 283 in the second round Monday before struggling in the final

round Tuesday.

The tournament in San Antonio was the first tournament of the fall in which the Red Raiders did not finish with the lowest final round score, Robertson said.

"We had a chance. After about eight or nine holes, we actually had moved up to second place," she said.

"But, then we weren't able to finish it. You can't say that there was one thing in particular that caused it — just a lot of mistakes, I guess."

The team played well in the first two rounds, Robertson said. Elin Arvidsson, Gabby Dominguez and Kim Kaufman finished with at

least one round under par at the invitational.

"The golf course was tough and it was a really good golf course for us to play," Robertson said. "They all put them together in the second day. For us to shoot 5-under as a team was pretty impressive. The first two days were excellent, so we're taking a lot of positive things out of that tournament."



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH GOLFER Katie Grady hits the ball out of a sand trap during practice at Rawls Golf Course.

Kaufman — the No. 15 collegiate golfer in the nation, according to *Golfweek* — finished the tournament with a 3-over 219 and tied for 13th place. The finish was the first outside of the top 10 for Kaufman this fall.

"We played OK. I think we all kind of feel like we left a few shots out there," Kaufman said. "But, we definitely saw some good positives out there."

The team already has its eyes on the next tournament, she said.

"When you feel like you've left things out there, you always want to get back out there," Kaufman said. "We know we can do better, so we will take that

energy into Austin next week."

Tech will compete in its final fall tournament at the Texas State Challenge at Onion Creek in Austin on Monday and Tuesday.

Despite having the best finish for the team, Kaufman said she was not pleased with her play and is ready to redeem herself at the tournament in Austin.

"For me, it was probably one of the worst rounds of the fall, which was also my worst finish," Kaufman said. "It wasn't so good, so I'm definitely looking forward to getting out there next week and hopefully ending on a good note."

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KIM KAUFMAN
GOLFER
LADY RAIDERS

Aggies look to bounce back after upset loss to Missouri

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Texas A&M planned to contend for the national championship when the season began and still had hopes of grabbing the Big 12 conference crown after two early defeats.

An overtime loss to unranked Missouri last weekend makes that goal far less likely. The Aggies are grasping for ways to get back on track and it won't be easy this week on the road against No. 7 Oklahoma.

Texas A&M has lost six straight games at Oklahoma and is 13-2 overall there.

"We can't wallow in our despair, we have to move forward," Texas A&M coach Mike Sherman said. "As disappointing as it was to lose the ball game and as frustrating as it is, the true measure of a team is your ability to bounce back and rise above it all."

Texas A&M entered the season ranked in the top 10, but early losses to No. 3 Oklahoma State and eighth-ranked Arkansas knocked the team out of the national championship hunt.

The Aggies have led by double digits at halftime in each of their losses this season. Some have wondered if the Aggies get into the 'here we go again' mindset when things start going wrong after halftime and can't stop the snowball effect.

"It's certainly something I've considered, but it's not an excuse for us not being able to handle the complexity of the game and how it unfolded," Sherman said. "We have to be better at delivering the knockout punch and we haven't done that in those three games."

A&M's offense is ranked seventh in the nation and is averaging almost 520 yards a game. Quarterback Ryan Tannehill said it's difficult to know the Aggies were in a position to win every game this season.

"It's frustrating, but at the same time it's not how it worked out," he said. "You have to be truthful with yourself and move forward. Do I feel like we should have won those games? Yes. But we didn't. We have to pick up the pieces (and) move forward this week."

Texas A&M managed just three points after halftime in the 38-31 loss to Missouri. The Aggies struggled with dropped passes, missed blocks, penalties and an inability to convert third downs in the second half. Defensive coordinator Tim DeRuyter also said his team had its most missed tackles of the season last Saturday.

"We are still having too many critical errors that we can't have," he said. "Our guys were starting to get some confidence. But we're not responding to adversity the way we need to right now."

Cowboys will have chances to come back in NFC East

IRVING (AP) — There will be plenty of chances for the Dallas Cowboys to recover in the NFC East.

Forget about how bad that last game was and their losing record.

The Cowboys (3-4) are just now reaching the midpoint of their schedule at home against Seattle. They are in a three-way scrum for second place in the NFC East with Washington and Philadelphia, the team that just beat them 34-7.

Dallas still has a game left with each, and plays the division-leading New York Giants (5-2) twice in the final month of the regular season.

"If we do what we have to do, everything will take care of itself," safety Abram Elam said Wednesday.

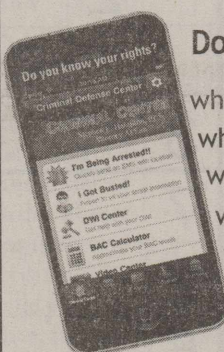
"We're only as good as our next game. If we don't handle our business this Sunday against Seattle, it puts us even further in the hole. All we can do is control what we have in front of us."

That begins Sunday against the Seahawks (2-5), the first of five games Dallas has before facing the Giants for the first time at home Dec. 11.

In that five-game span, Dallas plays AFC East co-leader Buffalo (5-2) and four teams with a combined record of 6-22.

The Cowboys play the Bills at home before going to Washington, which lost 18-16 in Dallas back in September. Their Thanksgiving Day game at home is against Miami (0-7) before a trip to Arizona (1-6).

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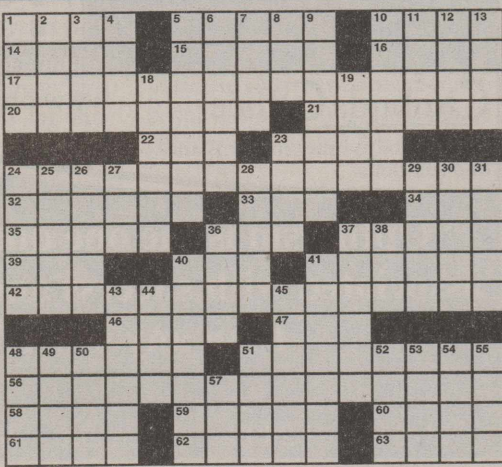


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By Julian Lim

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Neinas says he expects WVU to begin play in '12

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (AP)— Interim Big 12 Commissioner Chuck Neinas said Tuesday he fully expects West Virginia to start play next season despite a hard-line stance from the Big East.

Neinas attended a reception in Morgantown officially welcoming the Mountaineers into the Big 12 on Tuesday, a day after the university filed a lawsuit against the Big East seeking to clear the way for West Virginia to start Big 12 competition next fall.

Neinas, West Virginia athletic director Oliver Luck and university President James Clements were peppered with questions about the lawsuit and the timetable on the Mountaineers' Big 12 debut.

"I'm not concerned because I trust the two gentlemen on each side of me, that's why," Neinas said.

The Big East has said it plans to keep West Virginia from leaving for 27 months under the league's bylaws.

Luck and Clements declined comment on the lawsuit. Filed in Monongalia County Circuit Court, it seeks to declare the Big East bylaws invalid, claiming the conference breached its fiduciary duty to West Virginia by failing to maintain a balance between football-playing and non-football members.

When Neinas was asked what happens if the Big East is successful in delaying West Virginia's quick exit, "then I guess for the first time in college football history, we'll have home and home" schedules, he joked. "Oklahoma State told me they don't want to play Oklahoma twice."

On a serious note, Neinas said: "We fully expect West Virginia will be there."

Neinas, Luck and Clements tried to keep the focus on the Big 12's newest member during the packed reception at the school's football stadium, which included a pep band playing the Mountaineers' fight song. Neinas even wore a striped gold tie and blue shirt in West Virginia's school colors.

Neinas said West Virginia's entrance into the Big 12 was contingent on the university being available next year.

"We needed a 10th member next season to fulfill our TV commitments," Neinas said. "There's an inventory that goes with a contract for TV, so we've got to be able to do that."

He said the immediate availability wasn't a deciding factor in West Vir-

Play through until very end

The bye weeks are almost over. When the bye weeks are over, depth matters less. If you are loaded at one position, make sure to try to swap some of your depth for a good player where you are weak. In the late season, there are plenty of decent options for fantasy defenses, so if you can add a defense to a trade to get another owner to accept to make you better, do it.

Also, if a player is hurt now, he is less valuable in trades, but if you can add him for the playoff run, do so. If the gap in your league is big, don't be afraid to call the people at the bottom and try to get their stars. They have nothing to lose, but they will surely be called by other owners in the league. Move now.

If you are at the bottom, don't make these trades. If you are out of the running for the playoffs, don't quit. The most frustrating thing for owners vying for playoff spots is to see a team not try and a guy in front of you get an easy win. Please, play out the season. You would want the other teams to do so if the situation was reversed.

Don't believe the hype Matt Cassel — Kansas City Chiefs quarterback

I am not buying him as a legitimate option in these bye week games. The memories of the poor first few weeks are still fresh in my mind. He had an OK night against the Chargers, but he still doesn't have weapons outside of Dwayne Bowe. His fantasy play is also hurt because Jackie Battle is emerging in the running game to take away scoring opportunities from Cassel.

Javon Ringer — Tennessee Titans running back

The Titans will probably give Ringer carries, but it will not be easy to sit Chris Johnson on the bench when he makes so much money. Ringer isn't as talented as

Cody Stoots



Johnson and the Titans will still pass the ball.

Risk-rewards Michael Crabtree — San Francisco 49ers wide receiver (former Red Raider alert)

Crabtree is slowly getting more involved in the offense. The injuries slowed him down and it has taken him time to get worked into the receiving rotation. However, now that he is in there, and now that Alex Smith appears to be an acceptable option as a passer, Crabtree is slowly becoming a viable



option at receiver. Take a chance and even if he can — Ogbonaya should see some carries.

Joel Dreesen — Houston Texans tight end

Dreesen has been a vulture of touchdowns from Owen Daniels for a few weeks now. He seems to be a legitimate option with Andre Johnson down and he is surely a target in the red zone. He is a fill-in option only, not a legitimate week-to-week starter.

Risky play of the week

Chris Ogbonaya — Cleveland Browns running back If Peyton Hillis can't go —

"The most frustrating thing for owners vying for playoff spots is to see a team not try and a guy in front of you get an easy win."

The Texans have been stingy on defense, but the Browns will have to run the ball to keep the Texans' offense honest. Ogbonaya used to be on the Texans roster, and he should look to prove how they made a mistake with him. It's a risky pick, but it should see a reward.

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