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State constitutional voting opens today

Polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at 35 locations

By ASHLYN TUBBS
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech students, faculty and staff can exercise their right to vote alongside Lubbock County citizens during the Lubbock County Constitutional Amendment Election today from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at any of the 35 voting locations.

Those choosing to participate in the election will cast their votes regarding 10 Texas constitutional amendment proposals. The Student Union Building is the only polling location on Tech's campus.

Early voting began Oct. 24 and ended last Friday. In comparison to early voter turnouts in the off-year elections of 2007 and 2009, which respectively had 7,905 and 14,540

voters, this year's total is considerably smaller: 4,826 total votes.

Kim Davis, a public relations official for Nomiss Communication, said the low turnout is because the polls this year are about state constitutional amendments, rather than high-profile issues.

"When you look at 2009, we had a local bond issue," Davis said. "So, when something is involved locally, it's obviously going to have a higher turnout. There is nothing local in these amendments. These are strictly constitutional amendments. They are important, but there is nothing that will locally affect anyone (and there are no controversial (issues) like same-sex marriage."

Davis said 65 to 75 percent of the voter turnout figures are calculated during early voting, so a huge turnout is not anticipated after the final voting day.

"The lines aren't usually long and they usually go through quickly," she said. "I don't encourage people to wait until the last minute, though, just so they can avoid potential lines."

Tim Nokken, an assistant professor of political science at Tech, said voting sometimes is a challenge for college students.

"College students move a lot, and you need to register to vote 30 days prior to the election," he said. "Now, there is a requirement of a proof of residency and photo ID as well, and school

IDs won't be accepted.

"There are a lot of factors that make it difficult for college students to vote, and it's only going to get more difficult. It's going to require some preparation, and that's going to affect voting turnout for college students."

Nokken said the easiest way to register to vote is to contact the county clerk for more information.

He also said he encourages students to participate in local elections because it prepares students for presidential elections like the one occurring in 2012.

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Renovations now underway in new Mass Comm building

Construction set to finish for 2012 moving date

By MORGAN CRUMP
STAFF WRITER

Renovations to the old Rawls College of Business building have begun in preparation for the arrival of the new College of Mass Communications building in 2012.

Michael Molina, vice chancellor of the Department of Facilities Planning and Construction, said the renovations are a four-phase project.

"It is a good move, and I am very pleased with the things that are going on there."

Jerry Hudson
Dean, Mass Comm

It is a complex project in terms of execution, Molina said, because the building is currently occupied. He said he is working with the College of Mass Communications in terms of the building's design and construction.

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PHOTO BY SCOTT MACWATTERS/The Daily Toreador

DEVAN WARD, A sophomore wildlife management major from Fort Worth and a zombie in the game humans vs. zombies, waits around a corner of the Math building Monday for a human to walk by.

Calm before the zombies

Campus-wide game set to take over, 'infect' university

By ARIF KHAN
STAFF WRITER

Once again, the Texas Tech Longboarding Club is bringing the Humans vs. Zombies game back to Tech's campus.

Humans vs. Zombies is, principally, a game of moderated tag. During the week-long game, "human" players must remain vigilant and defend themselves with socks and dart blasters to avoid being tagged by the growing "zombie" horde.

A HUMAN COUNTS off a 15-step safe zone outside the Chemistry building Tuesday as a part of Humans vs. Zombies. Within 15 feet of a door, a human is safe from zombies.



PHOTO BY ANNIE OSTERLUND/The Daily Toreador

At the beginning of the game, participants start out as humans, with the exception of a few individuals who begin the game as zombies. The zombies then try to tag participating humans and convert them to the increasing zombie community.

The game is played exclusively on campus and is limited to Tech students, faculty and staff members. Students wearing green bandanas around their arms are considered "humans," and those wearing bandanas around their heads are "zombies."

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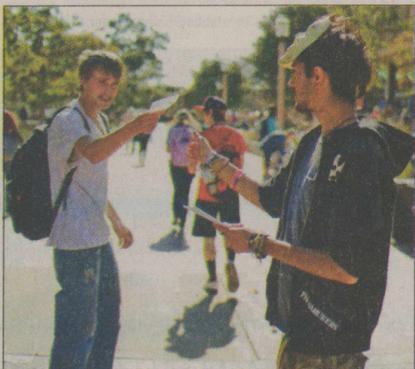


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D.M. TRYPP, A junior university studies major from Houston, hands out an informational sheet to Chris Collins, a freshman finance major from Decatur, outside of the Student Union Building on Monday. See more on Page 2.

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Community Calendar

TODAY

Lecture Well Series with Ethan Schmidt
Time: Noon to 1 p.m.
Where: Teaching, Learning and Technology Center

So, what is it?
The session will focus on strategies and experiences from Schmidt's 11 years in the classroom that have helped him develop strong relationships with students, making the delivery of necessary course materials more effective.

Street Smart: Texting & Driving Awareness Presentation
When: 2-3 p.m.

Where: Student Union Building, Escondido Theatre

So, what is it?
After the death of their daughter, Alex, Johnnie Mac and Jeannie Brown have traveled the country speaking to everyone from students to legislatures about the dangers of texting and driving and the need for awareness and enforcement.

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute presents "Theatre: The Story Behind the Show"
Time: 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Where: McKenzie-Merket Alumni Center

So, what is it?
This fall, Texas Tech's theater department will present the play "Our Town" by Thornton Wilder.

Independent Movie Feature
Time: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Where: Student Union Building, Allen Theatre

So, what is it?
Enjoy Sarah's Key presented by Student Activities Board.

WEDNESDAY

Free Car Clinic and Bike Check
Time: 2-5 p.m.
Where: Commuter West C-17 Parking Lot

So, what is it?
Mechanics from Scott's Complete Car Care will be on hand to check fluids, belts, tires and other car essentials free of charge. Students have the chance to win a free parking ePermit.

"Breaking Bad: Stopping Sketchy Scientists" with Gerald Koocher
Time: 4-5 p.m.

Where: Student Union Building

So, what is it?
Focusing on students' perspectives, this talk will use examples of real cases to illustrate how dishonesty in the laboratory can have severe consequences. Positive roles students can play in ensuring scientific integrity will be discussed along with associated laboratory hazards.

Volleyball: Texas Tech vs. Texas
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Where: United Spirit Arena

So, what is it?
Support the Red Raiders as they compete against the Longhorns.

The Ultimate Survivor Tool
Time: 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Where: Student Union Building, Allen Theatre

So, what is it?
Ethan Zohn, a professional soccer player and winner of the third season of CBS's Survivor: Africa, will give his testimony about how he played the survival game twice, created his own international foundation and survived Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

To make a calendar submission e-mail dailytoreador@ttu.edu.

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

Texas doctor pleads guilty in retaliation case, jailed

LUBBOCK (AP) — A doctor who pleaded guilty Monday to retaliating against two nurses who reported him to state medical regulators will spend two months in jail and be on probation for five years.

Prosecutor David Glickler said Dr. Rolando G. Arafiles Jr., 59, pleaded guilty in a Kermit courtroom to retaliation and misuse of official information as part of a plea agreement that also includes surrendering his medical license.

Arafiles, who had been charged with two counts each of felony misuse of official information and retaliation in Winkler County, did not return a call seeking comment afterward.

His plea is among the final steps in a case that outraged nursing associations nationwide and led to convictions against the West Texas sheriff and prosecutor who investigated the nurses.

Nurses Anne Mitchell and



PHOTO BY SCOTT MACWATTERS/The Daily Toreador

ANDREW MCMILLAN, A senior marketing major from Brownsville wears a Guy Fawkes mask, popularized by the movie "V for Vendetta," in the courtyard between the Student Union Building and the library Monday after giving a speech through a megaphone about Occupy Lubbock.

Two top officials step down amid Penn St sex scandal

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — Two top Penn State officials charged with covering up allegations of an explosive child-sex abuse scandal related to former defensive coordinator Jerry Sandusky stepped down late Sunday after an emergency meeting of the university's Board of Trustees.

Penn State Athletic Director Tim Curley requested to be placed on administrative leave so he could devote the time needed to defend himself against perjury and other charges, university President Graham Spanier said. Gary Schultz, vice president for finance and business, will step down and go back into retirement, Spanier said. He declined to comment to reporters after the meeting.

Resignations of famed football coach Joe Paterno and Spanier weren't discussed at the meeting, which was arranged Sunday and lasted two hours, university spokesman Bill Mahon said.

Curley and Schultz were charged Saturday after a grand jury investigation of Sandusky. He's been charged with sexually abusing eight boys over 15 years. Lawyers for all three men have said they're innocent.

Sandusky, once considered Paterno's heir apparent, retired in 1999

but continued to use the school's facilities for his work with The Second Mile, a foundation he established to help at-risk kids. Curley and Schultz were accused of failing to alert police — as required by state law — of their investigation of the allegations.

"This is a case about a sexual predator who used his position within the university and community to repeatedly prey on young boys," state Attorney General Linda Kelly said Saturday.

Paterno, who last week became the coach with the most wins in Division I football history, wasn't charged, and the grand jury report didn't appear to implicate him in wrongdoing.

In a statement issued Sunday night, Paterno said he was shocked, saddened and as surprised as everyone else to hear of the charges.

"If this is true we were all fooled, along with scores of professionals trained in such things, and we grieve for the victims and their families. They are in our prayers," Paterno said in a statement issued by his son, Scott.

Under Paterno's four-decades-and-counting stewardship, the Nittany Lions became a bedrock in the college game, and fans packed the

stadium in State College, a campus town routinely ranked among America's best places to live and nicknamed Happy Valley. Paterno's teams were revered both for winning games — including two national championships — and largely steering clear of trouble. Sandusky, whose defenses were usually anchored by tough-guy linebackers — hence the moniker "Linebacker U" — spent three decades at the school. The charges against him cover the period from 1994 to 2009.

Sandusky, 67, was arrested Saturday and released on \$100,000 bail after being arraigned on 40 criminal counts. Curley, 57, and Schultz, 62, are expected to turn themselves in on Monday in Harrisburg.

Curley was named athletic director on Dec. 30, 1993. Senior Associate Athletic Director Mark Sherburne will serve as interim athletic director until Curley's legal situation is resolved, board Chairman Steve Garban said.

Schultz served as senior vice president and treasurer from 1993 to 2009. He returned to the job this year to fill in until someone else could be found. The Board of Trustees named a child care center on campus after

him in January 2010.

The allegations against Sandusky, who started The Second Mile in 1977, range from sexual advances to touching to oral and anal sex. The young men testified before a state grand jury that they were in their early teens when some of the abuse occurred; there is evidence even younger children may have been victimized. Sandusky's attorney Joe Amendola said his client has been aware of the accusations for about three years and has maintained his innocence.

"He's shaky, as you can expect," Amendola told WJAC-TV after Sandusky was arraigned. "Being 67 years old, never having faced criminal charges in his life and having the distinguished career that he's had, these are very serious allegations."

A preliminary hearing scheduled for Wednesday would likely be delayed, Amendola said. Sandusky is charged with multiple counts of involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, corruption of minors, endangering the welfare of a child, indecent assault and unlawful contact with a minor, as well as single counts of aggravated indecent assault and attempted indecent assault.

Voting

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"I think the importance of voting lies primarily in potentially getting issues of importance to younger voters," he said. "A lot of this is because of nonvoting among younger Americans."

Alan Arismendez, a senior biology major from Mission and a member of the executive board of the Tech Student

Democrats, encourages students to vote for Proposition 3, or the Texas Education Loans Finance Amendment.

According to Votexas.org, Proposition 3 is the "constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Texas to finance educational loans to students."

Proposition 3 would authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance the Hinson-Hazlewood College

Student Loan Program. The program provides low-interest loans to students who are unable to finance the full costs of college through other means. Since the Texas Constitution prohibits the state from taking on debt without a constitutional amendment, voters must approve additional bond authorization if the program is to continue offering loans.

"This is a proposition that would directly affect our demographics," Arismendez said.

"Things like these 10 amendments are brought in year-in and year-out, but ultimately those who go out and vote are going to have the final say."

Arismendez said it is important for people to comprehend the impact voting can have.

"If you just go out and vote, your concerns are more likely to be addressed," he said. "A lot of people take voting for granted. I encourage students to go out and vote."

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Zombies

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Paul Evans, a senior civil engineering major from Tomball and one of the founders of HvZ at Tech, said introducing this event to Tech during its early years was tough.

"Most people think of HvZ as people chasing other people with Nerf blasters, but in our very first year, the Tech administration wouldn't let us use blasters at all," Evans said. "Recently, they have become much more lenient and allowed us to properly play the game the way it was meant to be played."

Humans vs. Zombies has attracted more than 550 participants at Tech this year, he said.

"It's incredible for us," Evans said. "It means we have the largest game of HvZ in the entire nation, which makes this all the more exciting."

Evans said he is happy with the diversity of people who have chosen to sign up.

"We have one lady who is playing in a power chair and she was one of the first people to sign up," he said. "Her fighting strategies are going to be incredibly creative and convincing."

Jacob Landrum, a junior education major from Hereford and a member of Tech's longboarding

club, said there is a lot to gain from participating in HvZ.

"By playing, you really get a taste of the Tech community," Landrum said. "You get to actively play with all different manners of people and have the opportunity to meet new groups of people throughout the week."

Landrum said there is no losing in HvZ because once a person is "bitten," they start playing on the opposite side.

Ryan Gardner, a junior mathematics major from Paradise, Calif., said he is "pumped" for the week-long event.

"The fact that the entire campus is participating should make it even more fun," Gardner said. "I'll have to be alert at all times since the zombie horde will be looking for all unsuspecting humans."

Going between classes should be scary and thrilling, he said, as zombies can attack from anywhere at any moment.

Landrum said he believes HvZ is a unique event everyone should experience at least once.

"I think everyone should participate because there's no other sport like this anywhere else on campus," he said. "It's the most fun you're going to have this semester: getting the rare chance to kill zombies on campus."

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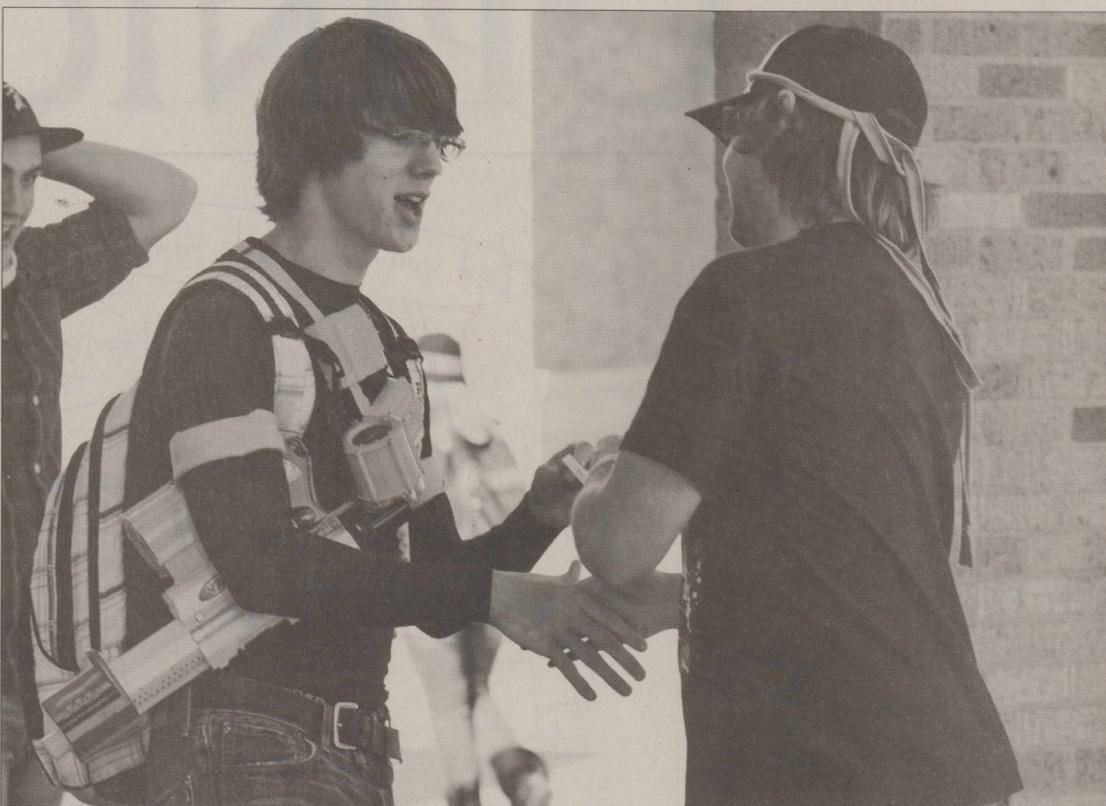


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PATRICK HAILE, A senior history major from Hamilton, shakes hands with Austin Penner, a sophomore mechanical engineering major from Gunter, after tagging him while playing Humans vs. Zombies near the Math building Monday.

Texas court puts off execution due to legal change

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas' highest criminal court gave a reprieve Monday to a convicted murderer who had been scheduled to be executed this week, saying it needs time to review changes to a state law that his attorneys contend clear the way for new DNA testing in his case.

Henry Watkins Skinner, 49, was scheduled to die on Wednesday for the New Year's Eve, 1993 slayings of his girlfriend and her two adult sons at their home in Pampa, a Texas Panhandle town about 55 miles northeast of Amarillo.

"We find that it would be prudent for this court to take the time to fully review the changes in the statute as they pertain to this case," the state's Court of Criminal Appeals said in a four-paragraph ruling.

Skinner, his legal team and capital punishment opponents had insisted prosecutors' opposition to additional DNA testing could lead to the execution of an innocent man. Skinner would have been the 13th inmate given lethal injection this year in Texas, which is the nation's busiest death penalty state.

"The Court of Criminal Appeals, with its decision today, has ensured that Mr. Skinner's request for DNA testing will receive the thorough and serious consideration it deserves," Rob Owen, Skinner's lead appeals attorney, said in a statement emailed by his office. "We are grateful for the Court's action and look forward to the opportunity to make Mr. Skinner's case for DNA testing in that forum."

Owen had asked the court to not rule "on the fly."

Prosecutors say Skinner's appeals are ploys to stall his punishment, and that his claims about the evidence aren't new and that the courts have already decided the issue.

The Texas attorney general's office, which has been fighting Skinner's appeals, had no comment on Monday's ruling.

Skinner came within an hour of execution last year before the U.S. Supreme Court stopped his scheduled injection to consider his federal civil rights suit in which he contends that prosecutors improperly were withholding evidence he wants tested. The high court eventually ruled he could sue to seek the evidence but never addressed whether prosecutors had to hand it over. Two weeks ago, a federal magistrate recommended any action on that suit be put on hold until the state courts rule in his case.

Skinner's lawyers argued to his trial court that another man, a now-deceased relative of the victims, or some unknown intruder "might well have been the real murderer" and questions about the evidence "raises the level of doubt to full-scale alarm that the jury's verdict may very well have been wrong."

The trial court last week rejected the arguments and his attorneys took their case to the Court of Criminal Appeals, which has twice turned down similar requests for additional DNA tests.

Mass Comm

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"We have operations in order and are juggling our work in different spaces," Molina said. "Working around people who are using the building is a challenge as are the renovations themselves and gaining access to those locations."

Historically, Molina said there have been no areas for students to lounge, wait for classes or study in the old Rawls College of Business building. He said they will be adding rooms on each floor that can hold up to 100 people so students will have an area to communicate and wait for their classes to begin.

"These rooms will eliminate the problem of students sitting in the halls with their legs in the walkways," Molina said. "This has always been an issue and we hope to resolve it."

There will be high-tech communication solutions in terms of Wi-Fi and other electronic means of facilitating presentations. He said there will also be wireless printers in the building.

All materials and finishes will be upgraded in color and texture, and new furniture and equipment will be added as well, Molina said.

"One percent of every budget for projects on Tech's campus goes toward the enhancement of public art," he said. "This goes for sculptures as well as interior and exterior things."

The Department of Facilities Planning and Construction is currently on schedule to finish the project by its desired date. Molina said they will continue working with the college to execute the plan.

Jerry Hudson, dean of the College of Mass Communications, said he was against the idea to move to the building at first.

"I wanted this whole building," Hudson said. "Communication Studies probably needed more space, so I thought they would move to the B.A. and we would get this whole building."

He said Grace Hernandez, chief of staff for the Office of the President and assistant vice president for human resources, was the one who approached Hudson about the move.

"After she explained some of the benefits, I realized it really was an outstanding opportunity for us," Hudson said. "I think the decision for us to move turned out to be the best decision."

According to enrollment documents, the official 2011 enrollment numbers for the College of Mass Communications reported 1,405 undergraduates and 71 graduate students. This was a slight change from the 2010 enrollment numbers of 1,454 undergraduates and 66 graduate students.

Hudson said the slight decrease in enrollment for undergraduate students did not constitute a huge concern for him.

"The decline has been, like, 50 students one year and then 30 students one year, so it hasn't been a drastic decline," he said. "But on the other hand, the enrollment in the graduate program has grown from 30 students to more than 70 students now, so we're also generating more student credit hours."

There has been a 6 to 7 percent increase in student credit hours each year, Hudson said, and larger classes are being offered in larger classrooms so fewer sections have to be offered for some courses.

Regarding the current Mass Communications facilities, Hudson said the laboratories being used were not originally designed to be laboratories.

"What we now call the 'Lab 05' and the 'Lab 02' are basically television studios that we

have modified to make facilities for labs," he said. "We have a lot of research equipment that is in a former photography darkroom. All of the small rooms in the basement were formerly darkrooms, and now they are serving as doctoral and graduate student offices."

A number of other research laboratories were also photography-related rooms but are now research facilities, he said.

"While we may still have adequate space to do what we need to do," Hudson said, "these rooms were modified and not intended to be used in the manner in which we are using them."

The current Mass Communications building has 78,000 square feet, and the Business Administration building has 192,000 square feet. He said the College of Mass Communications will be sharing the old Business Administration building with the Army ROTC, Texas Tech University Press, the Department of Communications Studies, atmospheric sciences and student media.

"I think the decision to move is a win-win situation," Hudson said. "They are putting about \$25 million into the renovation of the building and will be accommodating more academic units. It is a good move, and I am very pleased with the things that are going on there."

Josh Grimm, an assistant professor in the College of Mass Communications, said he also thinks the decision to move is a good thing.

"I can only speak for the journalism side of mass communications, but we will have large, converged newsrooms," Grimm said. "We have been looking forward to these for a long time, and they are something the industry calls for."

He said he is also looking forward to keycard-entry laboratories, which will allow

students to study and work on news stories there rather than having to go to the library.

"I think it will be ultimately good because it gives students more space," Grimm said. "One thing about the current building is if you're not in class, there isn't a lot of space to meet with others and hang out in groups."

Regarding the reduction in enrollment numbers, Grimm said part of the reason for this is the recession.

"Students tend to go for recession-proof jobs — like nursing — in times like this," he said. "But, the university is growing. I think the move is certainly a good thing for the short term. In the long run, it will serve as good forward-thinking."

Grimm said he sees Tech as a large university and understands why some may see the new location as an issue.

"It will be a longer walk to Subway, certainly," he said, "but I think the tradeoff for a larger building will pay off in the long run. We may be moving away

from some things, but, at the same time, we are moving closer to others."

Natalie Wilson, a junior communication studies major from Round Rock, said she thinks the move is necessary and considers mass communications students as well as those in communication studies.

"If the university wants to give these departments more square feet to work with, I think it is a positive change," Wilson said.

This move will take effect during Wilson's last semester at Tech, and she said it seems unusual she will be taking classes in another building.

Wilson said she knows the move will benefit others, so she is not worried about it.

"I have always liked that side of campus, and I think it will be a great change for the mass communications and communications studies students," she said. "It may not be in the center of campus, but walking never hurt anyone."

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TUESDAY, NOV. 8, 2011

Cultural, earth-based education is needed

Prior to coming to college for most of us, there was K-12. During this time, we all learned the basics like reading, writing and rudimentary mathematics.

Zach Morrison



Then, it got a little harder, and each year we progressed further toward what was — and is still — considered the ideal and balanced education for making us capable of thriving in college and the real world.

The problem isn't that we aren't prepared from an academic standpoint. The bigger problem, however, is when we were progressing through grade school, we learned a few main subjects and not much more.

We stacked knowledge on top of knowledge in those few narrow categories and probably had a few blow-off electives thrown into the pot as well. We emerged educated, but we certainly did not emerge worldly.

At least, we did not emerge not as worldly as we should have, considering we are the students soon to become the professionals running this country, and thus we are also the ones with the power to greatly influence the world. There is nothing wrong with someone picking a field of study they are good at and committing to it since it's perhaps the best way for anyone to do his or her part.

However, grade school education in the United States seems to lack a broad enough curriculum sufficient for showing students bigger pictures of the world they are about to inherit.

Particularly, I'm talking about the need for our education process to incorporate more of the world's cultures.

Being able to paint a picture of the world outside of our own American culture — and, furthermore, one reaching beyond the shelter of the First World — is essential to developing new generations with higher levels of social intelligence.

Indeed, when children are young, it's the norm to not graphically expose them to some of life's harsher realities, but this doesn't entail that it's a bad idea to show them different things they can do with their lives. Although these things may be off the beaten path, so to speak, we are going to need the careers resulting from these paths more and more as time goes on.

For example, we should take some time in classrooms to discuss how the population of the world is growing and how having more sick people means more doctors are going to be needed. Or, we should spend more time explaining not only the contemporary problems with world poverty, but also its causes. In short, we should show children the careers of those making differences in the world.

When we are children, we are all asked what we want to be when we grow up.

We probably said we wanted to be firemen, teachers, astronauts and so forth. I doubt many children have said they wanted to become geographic information systems analysts or petroleum engineers.

My point is children have these ambitions from day one. It seems unjust to wait until they are older to develop their cultural sensitivities or their ambitions for preserving a world that is, indeed, worth preserving.

Simple changes, however, can correct this situation. Perhaps we could set aside some time and space during every year of grade school for the development of cultural knowledge. This could include a more extensive study of geography, perhaps, or even anthropological discussions about how children live in distant places and what they each want to grow up to become in their respective societies.

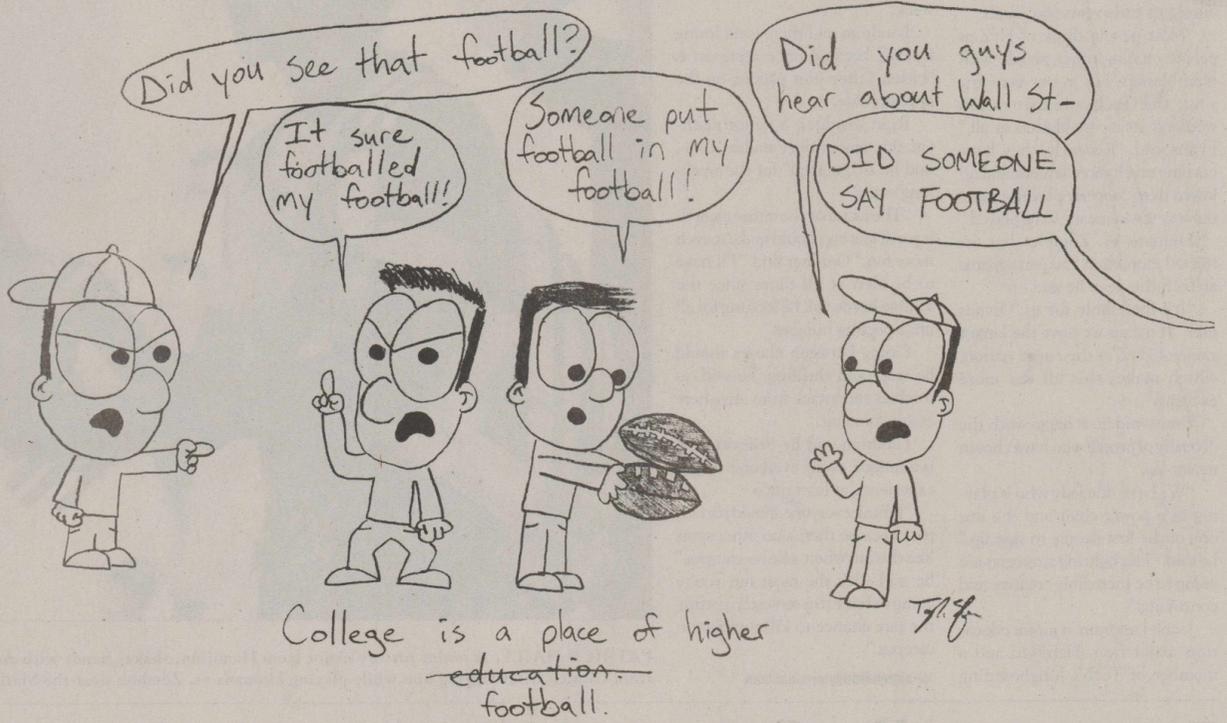
On a more fundamental level, I find it nothing short of ridiculous how children aren't mandated to receive training in second languages from young ages.

We have career days in elementary school and advising sessions for our college futures in high school, but all these things lack a certain degree of application to the real world lying beyond our sheltered boundaries and ourselves.

There are endless fruitful career paths, and children lack the opportunity to even catch glimpses of them until they grow into their late teens or early 20s. Those paths introduced by the education system remain just a few doors in what is, in reality, a very long hallway of doors.

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Rate rise in HPV-related oral cancer is cause for concern among males

By GABIE BACQUES
THE DAILY REVEILLE (LOUISIANA STATE U.)

Men... are you ready for a Pap smear?

Human papillomavirus (HPV) is the leading cause of cervical cancer among young women, in case you haven't heard. This virus, however, is also responsible for anal cancer and oral cancer in the throat and head. Oral sex has led to an increase in oral cancer which has now surpassed the rate of smokers. I swear I didn't make this up.

With increased awareness and preventative, cervical cancer rates are declining, but HPV-related oral cancers continue to rise. Unlike cervical cancer, however, oral cancer caused by this virus is most common in men. This raises new concern for HPV prevention in males, which was previously overlooked by the widespread cervical cancer cases.

Strains HPV-16 and HPV-18 of the virus are known to cause 95 percent of cervical cancers. HPV vaccines, such as Gardasil, protect against these but do not protect against all strains.

Research at Ohio State's Comprehensive Cancer Research Center found that HPV-related oral cancer rates have risen 225 percent since the 1980s. As more research surfaced about this virus and its relation to cervical cancer, vaccinations for young women became almost protocol in the United States, and mandatory in countries like Mexico.

Young women are urged to get vaccinated, but these preventative are also approved for young men to protect against harmful strains, particularly for anal cancers.

Although the vaccinations have not been proven to protect against oral cancer, it wouldn't

hurt. If you're sexually active, these precautions should be taken for both you and your partner's health and safety. This virus often shows few or no signs as it continues to spread. You or your partner, whether committed or not, may have this potentially deadly virus and not even know it.

I'm not trying to scare you with STD statistics. It's just common sense. If you're sexually active, you're putting yourself and others at risk whether you want to admit it or not. Unfortunately, some adults don't realize the responsibility this entails.

Many guys tend not to worry about curable sexually transmitted infections, but many more probably aren't even aware they have one.

Yes, guys get HPV. Yes, both men and women spread it. And yes, guys can develop cancer from this virus.

I obviously don't know all there is to know about HPV, but I encourage you to further explore the world of STDs not by experience, but by educating yourself.

If you are sexually active, male or female, look into HPV preventative. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention offer information and statistics and your health provider can answer any crazy questions you could possibly ask. The Student Health Center on campus can also provide information and medical assistance for students interested in such.

Clearly both men and women are responsible for spreading this virus, as is the case for all STDs. Although most HPV strains are cleared by the body naturally, it typically takes two years and often goes unnoticed. During this time it is spread from partner to partner, and if it happens to be one of the high-risk strains, this can become life-threatening.

Even if you aren't having intercourse, oral sex can spread these infections, whether you're giving or receiving. Condoms can be used to

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NICHOLAS HALDER PERFORMS a skit called, "The Revision," during "Standing On Ceremony: The Gay Marriage Plays" hosted by the Tech Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance inside the Human Sciences building Monday.



RICKY WAITE AND Jacie Hood perform the skit "My Husband," during "Standing On Ceremony: The Gay Marriage Plays" hosted by the Tech Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance inside the Human Sciences building Monday.

Standing up nationwide

Simultaneous plays across US support gay marriage

BY DESTINY BEZRUTCZYK
STAFF WRITER

A collection of plays termed "The Gay Marriage Plays" were simultaneously performed in 25 states across the country Monday at 7 p.m. as part of a national movement.

Texas Tech's free performance of "Standing on Ceremony: The Gay Marriage Plays" took place in the Human Sciences building and was sponsored by the Women's Studies Program at Tech, the Cross-Cultural Academic Advancement Center and the Tech

Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance.

Tech students and community members provided the talent for various parts of the plays.

Jeanne Haggard, a doctoral student of fine arts from Ottawa, Kan., and director and producer of "The Gay Marriage Plays," said she was involved in the "Laramie Project," which is a play about the reaction to the 1998 murder of a University of Wyoming student, and that she wanted to participate in this play to promote equal marriage for all.

"I look at it as a social justice issue," Haggard said, "and the need to raise awareness."

The play is a collection of one-act plays centered on the subject of marriage equality and different perspectives regarding it, Haggard said. Some of the plays approach the subject with humor and others are more serious.

At Tech, the event was performed in the style of reader's theatre.

Chelsea Prettymann, a theatre graduate student and actress from Joplin, Mo., described the style as one conducive to promoting the subject matter instead of the set or actors.

"We're inflecting with our voices," Prettymann said, "but we're not acting out the scenes, so you can focus on what's being said."

Most of the actors cited the opportunity

to be involved in the promotion of gay rights as their inspirations for participating.

Jacie Hood, an actress and resident of Lubbock, also enjoyed the variety of characters offered.

"It's really interesting having the opportunity within an hour and a half to play four different characters who could be completely different from one another," Hood said.

"The variety is nice, as far as subject matter," said Nicholas Halder, a theatre and dance doctoral student from Cherokee, Iowa. "Sometimes within the same piece, it starts off very light-hearted and, all of a sudden, it gets to the core of the issue and takes a very serious tone."

Richard Thomas of the New York City cast introduced the play from New York over simulcast.

Patrick Healy, a writer for The New York Times, closed the event by answering questions from Twitter, which were tweeted with the hash tag #asksoc.

At the Tech performance, Devin Saunders, president of the Tech Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance, introduced the play and said she was happy to see an event like "Standing on Ceremony" come to West Texas.

Kary Wazny, a senior anthropology major from Lubbock, attended the play for a class, but also said she supported the cause.

"I think gay marriage should be accepted," Wazny said. "I'm for it."

Alyssa DeHoyos, a senior psychology and sociology major from Lubbock and a member of the GLBT community, learned about the event on online.

"I just saw it on Facebook," DeHoyos said. "It didn't have any details, but I wanted to come."

Producers for the play advised individuals who wanted to support the cause to say, "I do," to equal marriage rights and to visit <http://www.freedomtomy.com>.

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Red Raiders don't look back on losses

By EVAN JANSA
STAFF WRITER

The Red Raiders could be reeling after two consecutive losses, but they have already put those games behind them.

Even though Texas Tech was outscored 93-27 in its defeats against Iowa State and Texas, the team knows what it's capable of.

"We're the same team that beat Oklahoma offensively and defensively," quarterback Seth Doege said. "And the thing is, for some reason these last two weeks, we haven't been that same team, and I don't know if we're pressing or if we're not paying attention to the little details that we did against Oklahoma that helped us win that game."

Doege has been a galvanizing force for Tech, racking up 381 yards passing and two touchdowns Saturday in a 52-20 loss in Austin. The junior said despite the disappointing numbers on the scoreboard, the cohesiveness of the Red Raiders remains undeterred.

"I think we're doing a good job of staying together, and I think that's a big part of what we need to do right now," Doege said. "These last three games are going to be very important."

The first of those three could be the toughest with No. 2 Oklahoma State coming to town for a tilt Saturday morning at Jones AT&T Stadium. There won't be any dwelling on the negative aspects of the last two games either because the Red Raiders are still one win shy of bowl eligibility.

"You have to go forward and beat the next team because in the Big 12 — I think the Big 12 is one of the top conferences right now — there's little room for error," kicker Donnie Carona said. "You can play the best and you can beat the best, but if you don't play good, you could lose to the worst."

In the pair of losses, Tech allowed 1,107 yards, but Doege believes those were aberrations and that the Red Raiders' defense will avenge those efforts against the Cowboys, who are averaging 50 points per game.

"I'm confident, and I feel like they're going to respond back," Doege

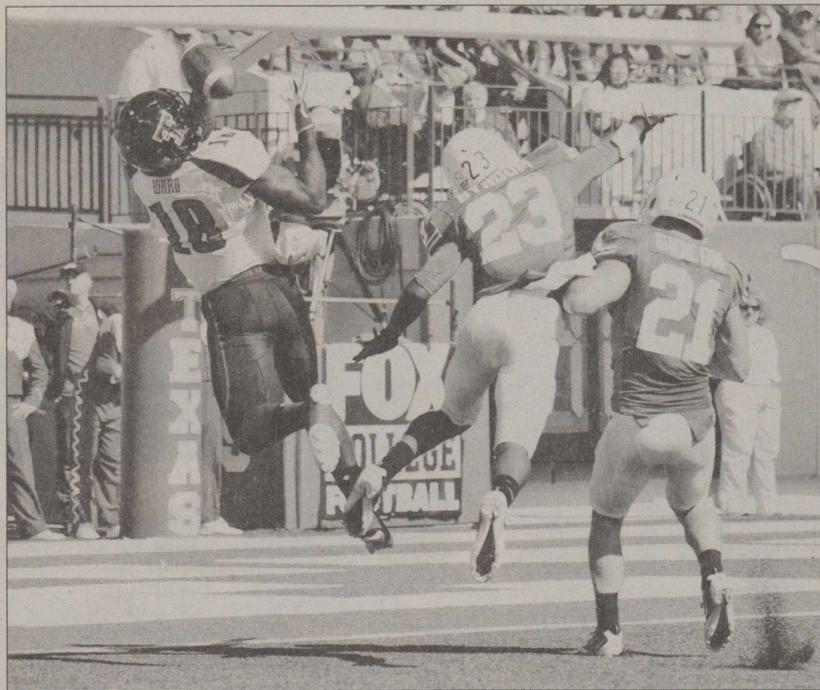


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TEXAS TECH WIDE RECEIVER Eric Ward jumps to catch the ball in the end zone but misses as Texas cornerback Carrington Byndom and safety Blake Gideon attempt to knock the ball down during Tech's 52-20 loss against the Longhorns at Texas Memorial Stadium in Austin.

said. "And, their backs are against the corner. I think they're going to come out swinging and respond and do a good job."

The Tech defense is giving up more than 453 yards per game thus far, but injuries and inexperience have been factors in the team's inadequacy. Head coach Tommy Tuberville is still optimistic Tech will turn it around before the season is over.

"We fail to forget that, sooner or later, this defense is going to come around and things are going to go their way, but we can't wait on them to happen," Tuberville said. "We've got to make it happen. Confidence. These kids got all the confidence in the world."

Prior to the previous two losses, the Red Raiders' offense was able to outscore opponents, but the paltry

showings of late have been too much to overcome.

In an idyllic world, the success of Tech would hinge on the defense.

"That's my goal: to have that type of defense and that type of mentality where one group doesn't control the whole football team," Tuberville said. "Right now, pretty much (the offense) does."

Oklahoma State is explosive on the offensive side of the ball, averaging 557 yards per game. The combination of Brandon Weeden and Justin Blackmon has punished defenses, with Blackmon already eclipsing the 1,000-yard mark in receiving yards and boasting 12 touchdowns as well.

Last year, the Cowboys beat the Red Raiders 34-17 in Lubbock, but they weren't as vaunted nationally as they are this season.

"They've got a much better football team this year," Tuberville said.

"And, they've got players that can make plays and score a lot of points. So, it will be a game plan that will probably be one of the more different game plans that we'll have to make, in terms of what they do and how they do it."

Doege will look to exceed Oklahoma State's exceptional offense, and he has additional motivation after he said Tech was dubbed the "junior varsity version" of the Cowboys.

"Our plan is to go out and prove every practice and be ready for this game to show we're not a (junior varsity) squad and that we're a really good offense and a really good football team," Doege said.

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Scoring runs the rage in open-throttle Big 12

(AP) — It's often said that basketball is a game of runs.

In the Big 12 these days, so is football.

The nation's most explosive offensive league has seen a number of games turn on a big scoring spurt, a trend highlighted by No. 2 Oklahoma State's wild 52-45 win over No. 17 Kansas State on Saturday night.

The Cowboys (9-0, 6-0 Big 12) opened a 14-0 lead, which in a league like the Big Ten might seem insurmountable. The Wildcats (7-2, 4-2) then reeled off 24 points, only to watch Oklahoma State score the next 20. Oh, and all that came before a fourth quarter that saw the two combine for 32 points.

This is not unusual in the Big 12 this season.

"When you put in the personnel, the scheme and the tempo, it's a challenge as a defensive coordinator in the Big 12 to be able to handle all the different things that people didn't handle for a long time," said Texas A&M coach Mike Sherman, whose Aggies gave up 28 points in the third quarter of a 41-25 loss to Oklahoma on Saturday.

In a league as wide open as the Big 12, scoring in bunches isn't just a fun way to light up scoreboards and keep fans entertained.

On many days, it's a necessity.

Oklahoma State's Brandon Weeden threw for a school-record 502 yards against the Wildcats, but Kansas State was still just five yards away from forcing overtime in the closing minute. Baylor (5-3, 2-3) broke its school record with 697 yards of offense against Missouri (4-5, 2-4) and yet only won by three, 42-39.

Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops, who has been on both sides of big runs this season, believes they have as much to do with strong defense as a powerful offense.

"In that run in the third quarter of the last couple of games, the defense has come up with three-and-outs and given the ball back in good field position or come with one play and a turnover, and you've got the ball right back and the offense strikes right back," Stoops said. "I think, in my eyes, it's more the team really complementing one another offensively and defensively."

Texas Tech (5-4, 2-4) has been on the wrong end of runs in each of its last

two games, a big reason why its season has taken a turn for the worse.

The Red Raiders stunned Oklahoma 41-38 on Oct. 22 by reeling off 24 points in less than 15 minutes. It lost its next two: Texas Tech let Iowa State score the first 21 points, and Texas raced out to a 31-6 halftime lead in a 52-20 win. Up next for the Red Raiders is Oklahoma State, which is averaging 50 points a game.

Cowboys coach Mike Gundy credited his staff for keeping his players focused during the Kansas State shootout.

"I thought our assistant coaches did a tremendous job of keeping their composure," Gundy said. "When they handle things well like that game Saturday night — it was roller coaster, big play after big play, four or five or six of them back to back to back — they did a nice job of making adjustments and handling the pressure."

Texas A&M (5-4, 3-3), once considered a contender for the Big 12 title, sits in the middle of the pack partly because its defense let the Cowboys run up 27 straight points, Missouri score 17 points in half a quarter and the Sooners score four straight touchdowns last week. The Aggies play at Kansas State on Saturday.

"You've got to handle the tempo. You've got to get your calls in fast enough. You've got to be able to make adjustments to multiple formations that we get," Sherman said. "In a lot of these offenses, there's a lot of movement and things going on, so you have to match up on that. It's tough."

Of course, high-powered offenses are nothing new in the Big 12, whose identity has long been defined by shootouts.

Five Big 12 teams are in the top 20 nationally in scoring offense, led by Oklahoma State in second. TCU, which will join the Big 12 next season, ranks eighth and West Virginia, which hopes to do the same, is 13th with 38.2 points a game.

Only two teams, Iowa State (5-4, 2-4) and Kansas (2-7, 0-6), are averaging less than 30 points in Big 12 games.

"You can't start slow in this league. If you start slow, it's almost impossible to come from behind," Texas Tech coach Tommy Tuberville said. "It's not a necessity to start fast, but if you do start slow, you better be good on offense because it's just so hard to catch up."

Boise St. turns up intensity for showdown with TCU

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Boise State hasn't wasted any time turning up the intensity in advance of Saturday's showdown with TCU.

Defensive lineman Chase Baker noticed it right away when he walked into the Broncos' weight and conditioning facility Sunday afternoon.

Nobody was clowning around. No wisecracking. None of the typical joy or jubilation that follows a convincing victory like the 48-21 beating the No. 5 Broncos handed UNLV the night before.

"It was straight to business. You could hear a pin drop," Baker said. "You can just feel it, it's a different atmosphere right now, and TCU kind of brings that out in us."

"We're a lot more focused this week than we have been in the past weeks," he said.

There are plenty of good reasons for the Boise State mood shift.

The two teams have squared off in a pair of postseason doozies in their climb from small conference wonders to perennial BCS busters.

In 2008, TCU beat the Broncos 17-16 in the Poinsettia Bowl, and in doing so spoiled Boise State's bid to finish 13-0 for the second straight year.

The Broncos returned the favor

in 2010, knocking off TCU 17-10 in the Fiesta Bowl.

But Saturday's tussle is more than just a rubber match between these two short-term conference foes. The game is already being billed in Boise as the equivalent of the Mountain West Conference championship.

Both teams are undefeated in the conference, and considering the remaining games on each of their schedules, the winner will have the inside track in the run for the crown. TCU closes out the season with home games against Colorado State and UNLV, while Boise State (8-0, 3-0) travels to San Diego State before wrapping up at home against Wyoming and New Mexico.

Mike Maddux won't seek Red Sox managerial job

BOSTON (AP) — Texas Rangers pitching coach Mike Maddux has withdrawn from consideration for the manager's job with the Boston Red Sox.

He had been scheduled for an interview Tuesday, but Boston general manager Ben Cherington announced Monday that Maddux had withdrawn. The job opened when Terry Francona left following the team's epic collapse in September, when it went 7-20 and missed the playoffs.

Maddux pitched for nine teams, including the Red Sox, in a 15-year career that ended in 2000. He became pitching coach of the Milwaukee Brewers in 2003, then took the same job with Texas before the 2009 season.

The Red Sox already have interviewed Philadelphia bench coach Pete Mackanin and Mil-

waukee hitting coach Dale Sveum. They plan to interview Cleveland bench coach Sandy Alomar Jr.

Maddux, also a candidate for the Chicago Cubs managerial opening, said in a statement it was a family decision that led him to withdraw from consideration.

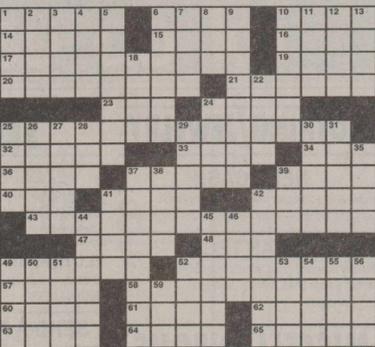
"My wife and two daughters are together in the same state for the first time in three years and words cannot describe my happiness," he said. "The game of baseball has many sacrifices but being apart from family is the toughest. I feel there is too much distance between the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex and Boston to see my family as much as I'd enjoy."

"Again, I thank Ben Cherington and the Boston Red Sox for the flattery, honor, and compliment of considering me for their position."

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

- ACROSS**
- Argentine dance
 - Move a little
 - Peak measurement
 - Abbr.
 - Abraham nearly sacrificed him
 - Right-hand person
 - Curtain material
 - Cocktail party mouthful
 - Unsuited
 - Woo with a tune
 - Fill, as a moving van
 - Swallowed
 - New Mexico art community
 - 1950s kiddie show hosted by "Miss Frances"
 - Bewildered
 - Dundee demurrals
 - Horror film franchise
 - "So Sick" R&B artist
 - Collect compulsively
 - It may begin with "Knock knock"
 - Bird that can hold its coffee?
 - Many Christmas trees
 - Steakhouse order
 - They frequently shoot par or better
 - Word often sighed
 - Big Band
 - Whacks on the bottom
 - On cloud nine
 - Yale Bowl rooters
 - Very last moment
 - List heading
 - Buck suffix
 - Bunsen burner cousin
 - Did laps, perhaps
 - Hair care products
 - Put into effect
- DOWN**
- Eccentric mannerisms
 - 1988 U.S. Open champ Arthur



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Monday's Puzzle Solved

- Solution for a hairy situation?
- Show astonishment
- National anthem in Nunavut
- Depress
- 7 It waits for no man, purportedly
- Dictator Amin
- Stepped in for
- Sun Bowl site
- Praise
- Beigelike shade
- Prez's next-in-line
- Brussels-based defense gp.
- Fireworks reactions
- Title of the first Fabergé egg owner
- Copenhagen native
- Anatomical canals
- "Bye Bye Bye" boy band
- Prefix with thermal
- Grind together, as one's teeth
- "Mio"
- California hoopster
- Dampens
- Flun into trouble
- Warriors in Warcraft games
- The PB in a PB&J, maybe
- Columbo portrayer
- Fixed price
- Kidnapper's demand
- Long-tailed tropical wall climber
- Approximately
- Tennis match parts
- Oxen's burden
- Enslaved princess of opera
- Earth sci.
- Business envelope abbr.
- Turner on stage
- Apple product
- "Magnifique"
- Porter tune
- Anger

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