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James hearing in Collin County postponed by judge

Both sides say they are ready

By CAROLINE COURTNEY
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An attorney for United States Senate candidate and former ESPN analyst Craig James asked to postpone a hearing requesting to take the depositions of the authors and publishers of Mike Leach's book, "Swing Your Sword," and Michael Lee Lanning's book, "Double T - Double Cross."

One of James' attorneys, Mike

O'Brien, argued in a court petition filed in December that both books contained falsities. O'Brien said he wanted the truth to come out in a deposition.

Lawyers for James, authors Leach and Lanning, and publishers Diversion Books in New York and Scottsdale Book Publishing in Arizona convened at the preliminary hearing 9 a.m. Tuesday in Collin County to determine whether or not depositions could be taken.

However, at the hearing, one of

James' attorneys, Michael Farris, asked to postpone the hearing after Monica Latin, an attorney representing Scottsdale Book Publishing, filed a brief pointing out alleged flaws in James' petition.

Latin's brief claimed James' petition was not only filed in the wrong court, but that it was asking to review information that was proven true by court documents.

"I think they don't have a case," Latin said. "Their petition has technical flaws and substantive flaws, so I don't think they can overcome them, but the court allowed them to try."

Latin submitted the motion 44 minutes before the hearing. The motion can be found on *The Daily Toreador's* website.

"We had to postpone the hearing because of a last-minute sand-bagging technique from the publishers' lawyer," O'Brien said. "They waited until 8:16 in the morning to file their response. I had no opportunity to respond to it, so the whole thing had to get reset."

Latin said she filed the "garden-variety" motion out of professional courtesy for the other party to demonstrate why James' petition lacks any merit, even though she said she could have argued

the same points at the hearing. The court rescheduled the hearing for March 7.

Leach's representative at the hearing, Ted Liggett, said the law states the petitioner, James, must file his petition in the witness' home county, so the petition should have been filed in New York for Diversion Books and in Arizona for Scottsdale Book Publishing.

"I'm disappointed that James' lawyers turned tail and ran, because I wanted there to be a record of what a joke this whole proceeding is and that we've already released all that data that proves everything is true," Liggett said. "This is

nothing more than James bringing bad attention to his Senatorial race."

But James' attorneys did not see it that way. In the original petition, O'Brien wrote both books portrayed former head football coach Mike Leach as protecting James' son Adam from a concussion, when according to court documents, O'Brien said Leach was punishing him.

"We're prepared," O'Brien said, "but we needed time to respond to their allegations. Now we just have to wait until March."

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Intoxicated manslaughter charges pending for driver

Crash victim in accident was architecture major at Tech

By CAITLAN OSBORN
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University officials confirmed Arturo Almaguer, 23, was enrolled at Texas Tech as a junior architecture major when he died Sunday morning after a collision on University Avenue and Glenna Goodacre Boulevard.

Representatives could not confirm if the driver, Brian Cody Hawthorne, 26, and the other deceased passenger, Kendrick Johnson, 27, were or have been students at Tech.

"The university is always saddened by the loss of one of our students, or the loss of anyone's life," said Chris Cook, managing director of communications and marketing at Tech. "We send our sympathies and prayers to their families and friends during this troubled time, and to the people who were involved in the accident."

Hawthorne — the driver in a crash that killed three people — is still a patient at University Medical Center and has been upgraded to satisfactory condition, said Lance Lunsford, director of marketing at UMC.

While Hawthorne was arrested on possible charges of intoxicated man-

slaughter, he was released so his injuries could be treated.

An official with the Lubbock Police Department said Hawthorne was traveling south toward Tech campus in a 2001 Toyota Tacoma and tried to avoid hitting 68-year-old cyclist Courtland Whitmore as he was crossing the street.

Hawthorne's truck hit Whitmore and flipped on its side. The truck then ran into a fire hydrant, the officer said.

Whitmore and truck passengers Almaguer and Johnson were declared dead at the scene. An LPD official said Almaguer was the only one wearing a seatbelt at the time of impact.

Whitmore, an employee of Overton Hotel, was hired through the Ready Labor Temp agency.

"The banquet and kitchen staff, as well as all of our employees, are upset at this loss," said Kurt Metcalf, the Overton Hotel's general manager, in a statement. "Courtland worked with us often and our deepest condolences go out to his family."

Members of the Lubbock Police Department would not release information about the status of autopsy reports or Hawthorne's arrest.

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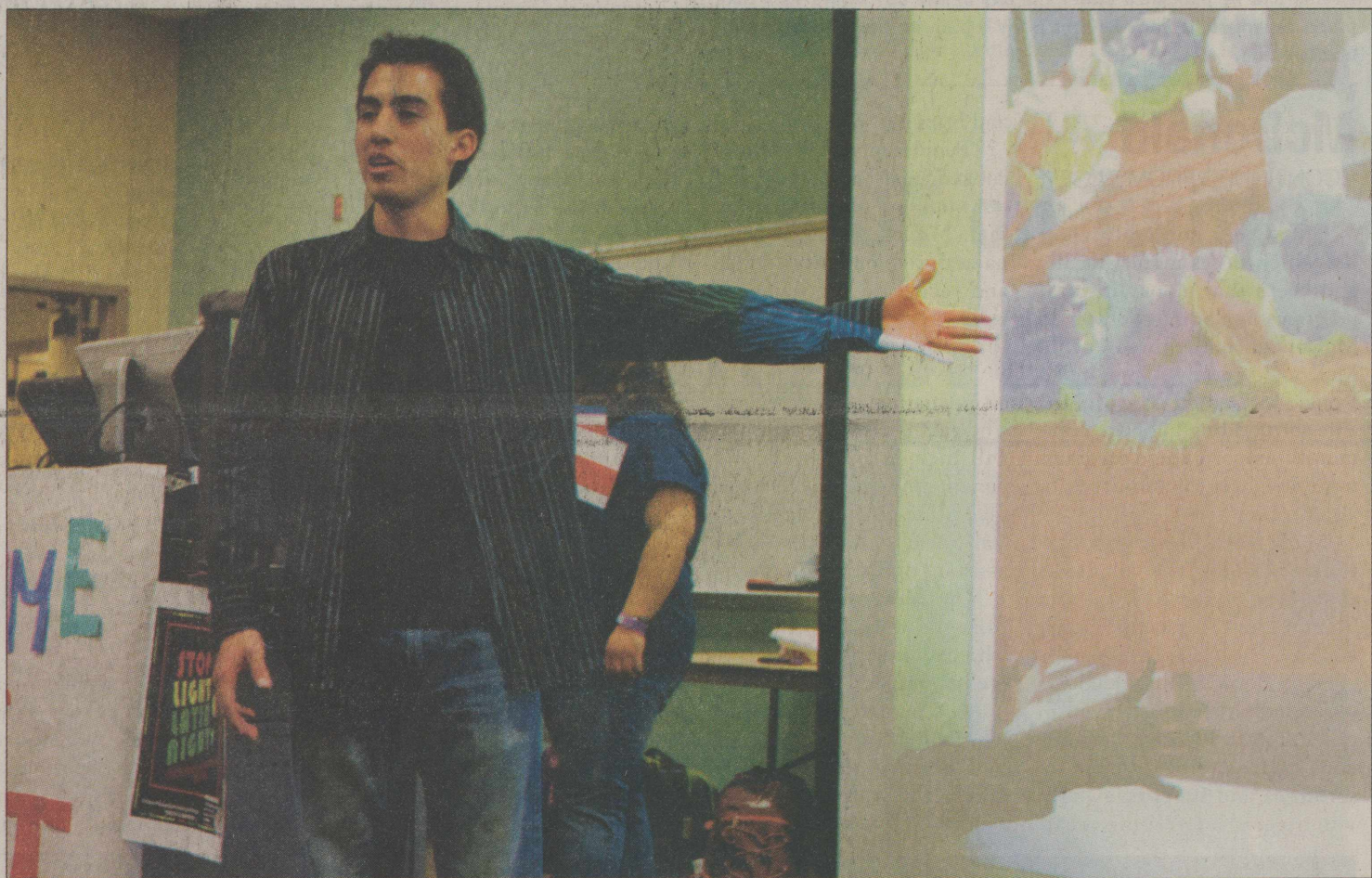


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DIEGO TORRES, A senior mechanical engineering major from Lima, Peru, speaks to members of Unidos por un Mismo Idioma, "United by the same language" in the Livermore Center on Friday.

Student organization united by same voice

By MICHAEL DUPONT II
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One week out of the month, the members of Unidos por un Mismo Idioma gather in the Livermore Center to their native culture.

Unidos por un Mismo Idioma translates to "united by the same voice" in English.

Francisco Debaran, staff adviser of UMI, said the awards UMI has won have helped the organization remain focused on the goals they

set each semester.

"We really define ourselves not only through our weekly meetings by speaking primarily in Spanish, but also by all the activities we plan and execute," he said.

UMI was awarded most improved organization for the last three years. They also were awarded best adviser two years in a row and best multicultural organization.

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SGA prepares for founding Graduate Student Council elections

By STEVIE DOUGLAS
STAFF WRITER

Elections for the Texas Tech Student Government Association sub-committee, the Graduate School Association Council will take place Feb. 8.

"This group of officers will be the founding board," said Peggy Miller, dean of the Tech Graduate School. "We didn't want to just hand them a constitution, we wanted to elect a representative group and let them work through the rest together."

The primary goal of the GSAC is to reach out to the graduate community by focusing on issues such as busing and childcare that affect them more than undergraduate

students, Miller said.

"The graduate students didn't really have a voice on their particular issues," she said, "and there are a lot of issues that need to be settled, like does the bus go to all of the places that you actually live?"

One of the main roles of GSAC will be to provide representation of graduate student interests to the university administration, according to the SGA website. Graduate student representatives will work with Miller on resolving issues that heavily affect graduate students. GSAC representatives will serve on university-wide committees to alert other campus entities to areas of concern to graduate students.

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Lovin' it: Dillard's makes donation to Ronald McDonald House Charities

By NICOLE MOLTER
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A check presentation of \$24,545 was made to the Ronald McDonald House on Tuesday.

Clara Ellison, store manager for Dillard's Lubbock, presented the donation to Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Southwest.

"Dillard's has had a close partner-

ship with the Ronald McDonald House," said Dina Jeffries, executive director at RMHC. "Since 2000, they have raised over \$99,000 in Lubbock. For the past four years, Dillard's has sold an exclusive edition of the Southern Living Christmas Cookbook to raise money for the RMHC."

The donation was made possible by the sales of this special edition of the Southern Living Christmas

Cookbook.

"The book was filled with recipes, entertaining ideas and decorating tips for the holidays," said Vicki Shires, assistant store manager at Dillard's Lubbock. "The book was a fresh idea that offers special ideas for a special time."

The Dillard's cookbook is a reflection of how a good meal can do wonders in healing and bring families

together, Jeffries said.

"This generous donation will go to support our Ronald McDonald House program, which provides families a home away from home while their child is receiving treatment in the local hospitals allowing families to focus on what is most important — their child," Jeffries said in a news release.

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Student organization provides water to tribe in Panama

By **ASHLYN TUBBS**
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Engineers Without Borders is taking on a task many people will never have the opportunity to do in their lifetime.

This international and local non-profit organization is working on a water filtration project in Solong, Panama for a tribe of 380 people.

"These people have a current water system installed, but there's so many flaws with it," treasurer Svante Rocabado said. "There's two reasons why we're going — to give them clean water and (to) teach them the importance of clean water, keeping up with it and taking care of it so they understand that they have a sense of responsibility."

"We are a very dedicated and passionate group of people with good intentions who are interested and passionate about Engineering Without Borders."

ZACH GRUBBS
ENGINEERS WITHOUT BORDERS PRESIDENT

The organization, which is completely student-run, has been on two assessment trips to Panama in 2009 and will take the third one this summer. The implementation trip is set for next summer or fall.

"We're trying to figure out as much information as possible because all they speak is Spanish, so there's communication barriers," Rocabado said. "We try our hardest though, and we take surveys of the land, measurements and samples of the water."

Up to eight members will get the chance to travel to Panama for this unique service opportunity. "We're mainly taking Spanish speakers, but also motivated, well-invested people," said Wesley Tait, project manager.

Two major fundraising events,

each projected to raise \$10,000, are already planned to help the organization achieve its goal of clean drinking water in Panama. The EWB 5K Run for Solong will be hosted March 3, and the EWB First Annual Golf Scramble will be hosted April 21 in the Rawls Course.

During the 5K run, those participating will have the option to run the last mile with a gallon of water.

"It's to kind of simulate the people we're trying to help because they live in a village in a very rural area and it's hard for them to get a hold of clean water," Tait said. "They have to travel a long way from the village to get access to that water and then bring it back, so this is a way to get people to realize the hardships they have to go through and to appreciate what we have. We want to familiarize ourselves with the people we're helping."

The organization is open to students of all majors. There are currently 45 members, who belong to design, fundraising, marketing and recruiting teams.

"We are a very dedicated and passionate group of people with good intentions who are interested and passionate about Engineering Without Borders," President Zach Grubbs said. "We are all very good people, and I admire each and everyone of one us because of that."

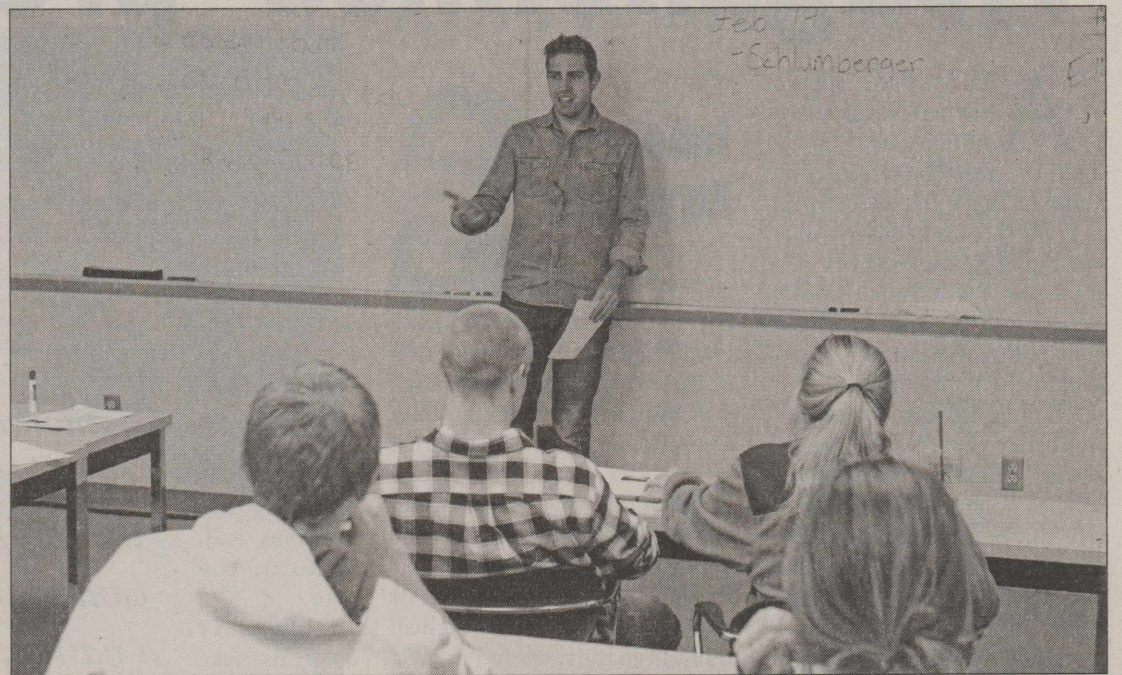


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WESLEY TAIT, A senior environmental engineering major from Southlake, discusses plans for the Engineers Without Borders trip to Panama in May during their meeting Tuesday in the Civil Engineering building. The group is designing and building a water filtration and distribution system for the community of Solong, Panama.

Members of Engineers Without Borders have the opportunity to work with professionals, listen to guest speakers and gain experience in the field.

"It's really got me to understand how to go about designing," Internal Vice President Elliott Hita said. "Being able to get involved in this has really opened my eyes up, seeing how it will be in the real world. There's not very many times you can be in a group like this and

help people in the community. It's very unique."

Students are encouraged to join Engineering Without Borders regardless of their major.

"Honestly, it has really developed me as a person," said Edward Zhang, external vice president. "I feel like it has made me more responsible and more on task. I would encourage anyone who wants a future in any field to be a professional to get involved."

Those interested in joining can attend the meetings hosted at 7 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday in the Civil Engineering building in room 211.

"I would definitely encourage others to join because there are billions of people around the world who are out of drinking water, and you as a student are helping a small community," Hita said. "To have that on your back is a great feeling."

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UMI

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"It's definitely something we're proud of," Debaran said.

Membership for UMI, an official Tech student organization, is open and encouraged by the group to all students interested.

Diego Torres, a senior mechanical engineering major from Lima, Peru, said one of the many activities UMI is planning this semester is a kermes.

"It's an outdoor event that is celebrated each year," he said. "This would be the first year and we'd like to make it a tradition for our school and our organization."

Torres also said he plans on inviting any local bands to play at the event, and it will be hosted sometime in March.

Debaran said UMI is for

everyone on campus that has interest in anything that involves the Spanish way of life.

"One of the goals of the organization is to promote a culture and atmosphere on the Tech campus that is inviting to other groups who are interested in learning the Spanish culture," he said.

Debaran said he would like to see UMI pair up with other organizations to plan events together.

Torres said promoting the Spanish culture is what remains most important to him.

"Our purpose is to promote the Spanish language and culture throughout the Tech campus and the community," he said.

Torres said he hopes people that face the same difficult adjustments he faced can come to a meeting and hear stories about

other people that have dealt with the same issues.

"We're here for anybody with an appreciation for Latin culture," he said. "We come here and we feel a little out of place. The culture is a little different, the language is new so, for those people, we offer a little piece of home."

Debaran said students who come for the first time usually came back for another visit.

Heriberto Jasso Jr., a freshman mechanical engineering major from Killeen, said UMI is a great place to be overall.

"UMI is an organization based on Spanish-speaking students enjoying the culture and making friends," he said. "You don't necessarily have to speak Spanish. A lot of students come just to work on their Spanish and make new friends."

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Panhellenic hosts spring recruitment information session select sororities

By **PAIGE SKINNER**
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The sorority spring recruitment information session will begin at 6 p.m. today in the Student Union Building's Matador Room. During the information session, the panhellenic council will describe the spring recruitment process as well as announce the sororities participating in spring recruitment.

If a sorority is under the chapter total of 192 women, it is eligible to participate in spring recruitment.

Caitlin Moore, recruitment chair of the panhellenic council, said not every sorority will participate in spring recruitment.

"We'll give a list of the sororities that are eligible to take women, but just because they are eligible doesn't mean they have to," said the junior marketing and apparel design major from Garland. "It's kind of their prerogative whether or not they want to invite women for spring recruitment."

Moore said any woman interested in spring recruitment is allowed to go to the information session, but then the sororities invite the women to its recruitment.

"It's by invitation from the sororities," she said. "At the information session, we will get the contact information of the women that are there, and the chapters can use that as a resource if they want or they can take recommendations from within the chapter, but they invite the women."

For each sorority, the recruitment process begins and ends at different times, unlike fall recruitment, which

is formal.

"Fall is a formal process," Moore said. "During the fall, you'll get a chance to visit every chapter. It's based on a mutual selection process, so it's very formal. In the spring, not every chapter is eligible to take women, but the chapters who are — it's their prerogative whether or not they want to, and so the women might not get a chance to meet every chapter. We really kind of recommend going through in the fall, but the spring is a good option."

For spring recruitment, chapters are allowed to recruit members throughout the spring semester as long as school is in session. Spring recruitment officially started Jan. 19th.

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'Reaganomics' proved failure for US

Amidst all the rabble of the republican nomination race, you can count the nostalgic references to Ronald Reagan like clockwork.

Frankly, I find conservatives' worship of Reagan and his ideas disgusting. I also think the GOP lacking the second coming of their political messiah is a godsend to the United States.

The biggest parts of Reagan's presidency conservatives like to tout as "genius" are the economic policies he promoted. Colloquially dubbed "Reaganomics," these economic policies are credited with bringing the United States out of one of the deepest economic downturns since the Great Depression.

With his advocacy of reducing government spending, regulations and taxes, Reagan's purpose was to restore the country back to the "free-market" ideals of the pre-World War II era.

There were several inherent flaws with this system none of its proponents seem to be willing to admit. First, supporters

Jakob Reynolds



don't seem to realize it was a lack of government regulation of the stock market that caused the crash, which made the Great Depression possible in the first place.

Secondly, what conservatives conveniently forget to tell you about the economy under the Reagan administration is that its recovery was, in fact, a cyclical result from the recession in 1982 created by the Fed to break the price-wage spiral and end the stagflation crisis of the 1970s. This classic Keynesian remedy for high inflation brought the inflation rate in the U.S. down from its peak of 13.5 percent in 1981 to 3.2 percent in 1983.

This means the factors underlying economic growth we experienced in the 1980s were

in place before Reagan even sat down in the Oval Office.

Moreover, the whole idea of "trickle-down" economics is ridiculous (unless, of course, you are in the top tax brackets). The basic idea of Reaganomics is to lower taxes on the upper classes, who control the vast majority of the nation's wealth, in hopes that they will spend more, thus boosting the economy and, in turn, the poor.

Not only does this make the wealthy and severe income gap in the United States even more so, it actually harms the lower tax brackets. In fact, tax reforms instituted by Reagan actually increased the tax burden on the middle and lower classes by essentially eliminating

deductions for those who owned homes, had children or lived in states with high income taxes.

Lowering taxes on the upper class also left the federal government with less revenue to pay off the national debt. The Reagan years saw a three-fold increase in national debt — \$712 billion in 1980 to \$2,052 billion in 1988, according to the Congressional Budget Office — and one of the largest expansions of peacetime military spending in our country's history.

I always like to say implementing Reaganomics in a country is like trying to grow a tree by pouring water on the top branches. Sure, some of the water will reach the bottom of the tree, but if you don't water the base of the tree

where the roots are, it will die and come crashing down on you.

Not only were Reagan's economic policies inherently flawed, but also his foreign policies only perpetuated the United States' reputation as a meddling nation. One of the defining characteristics of his presidency was his massive expansion of the military and his repeated use of it to violate international and domestic law.

In fact, the bombing of Libya and the invasion of Grenada — both of which were conducted essentially to quash revolutionary governments independent of the United States influence — were formally condemned by the United Nations.

Moreover, if these incidents weren't enough to sow anti-American sentiments throughout the world, the Reagan administration's complete disregard for domestic and international law was best manifested by the selling of arms to Iranian terrorists in order to fund anti-communist Nicaraguan rebels. The

subsequent conviction of war crimes in an international lawsuit of the U.S. by the Republic of Nicaragua further undermined the credibility of U.S. criticism of terrorism, according to terrorism expert Magnus Ranstorp of the Swedish National Defense College.

Contrary to what conservatives will tell you, Ronald Reagan was not the greatest president in American history. Between his trickle-down economic policies that benefited the rich (and not much else) and his zealously anti-communist, almost imperialistic trigger-happy foreign policies, it's no surprise there is as much anti-American sentiment as there is in the world today.

If another Reagan can't be found in the GOP's pool of candidates, we, as a nation, are better for it.

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School lunch: preventing health risks key

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There is no more primal instinct than the one that drives parents to care for their children. The extraordinary lengths parents will go when the well-being of their children is at risk can be awe-inspiring (and sometimes a little annoying).

So it is not surprising that area parents voiced extreme dissatisfaction upon the revelation that some area elementary schools allocated just 15 minutes for lunch. Opponents argue that short lunch periods lead to unhealthy eating habits.

Though this might be a worthwhile debate for the future, if parents are genuinely concerned with the nutritional well-being of their children, they should focus on the quality of the food their children eat more than how much time they have to eat it. Childhood obesity rates in the United States are alarming, and the country will be certain to pay for it with the world's only two certainties: death and taxes.

Given the projected health-care costs associated with Type 2 diabetes, federal and state govern-

ments should look into investing in higher-quality food supplied to and from the National School Lunch Program.

As The Daily Iowan reported Monday, 21 percent of low-income children in Iowa risk malnutrition. This is especially important when you consider these children are overwhelmingly likely to rely on school-sponsored lunches as a source of nutrition. Moreover, it is important to distinguish between the caloric and the nutritional substance of food. Even though the poor are disproportionately at risk of malnutrition, they are 70 percent more likely to be obese.

This would lead one to believe that school lunches are associated with higher rates of obesity. Several studies over the past decade confirm this suspicion. A 2003 study sponsored by the American Journal of Agricultural Economics found that while school-sponsored lunches were associated with

higher vitamin and mineral levels, they were also associated with higher fat and saturated fat intake. A 2009 study published in the Journal of Human Resources concluded that National School Lunch Program participants were more likely to be obese than non-participants.

A 2009 investigation conducted by USA Today found food standards for many fast-food restaurants, including McDonald's,

Burger King, and KFC, to be higher than those of the lunch program. A different USA Today article reported that the government spent more than \$145 million on spent-hen meat for schools over the last decade.

Campbell's stopped using spent-hen carcasses in its soups well more than a decade ago because of "quality considerations."

As of the last year data were available, nearly 32 percent of America's youth were either overweight or obese, of whom more than half were obese — in 1980, only 5 percent of American children were obese.

In Iowa, that number is 26.5 percent. No Iowan should take pride or solace in that fact. While the obesity rate in Iowa is comparatively low, no one should find comfort in the fact that 26.5 percent of children in the state have become more likely to develop Type II Diabetes, heart disease, high blood pressure, and numerous forms of cancer. And, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 70 percent of obese children exhibit at least one high-risk factor for heart disease.

"... nearly 32 percent of America's youth were either overweight or obese ..."

Take chance to unplug from laptop, cell phone

By MINNESOTA DAILY EDITORIAL BOARD
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In our fast-paced society, it's important to stop for a moment and take a look at what our multi-tasking habits may be doing to us. While the Internet has numerous benefits, it has also changed the way we as humans think and process information. Our changed brains are not necessarily worse, but they are different.

Constant access to the Internet and to others has our society continuously connected. Today, we have to worry about checking Facebook, Twitter, email, Tumblr and text messages. People are hooked to the web, which allows easy access to other people but at the same time creates stress and anxiety — our attention is constantly strained.

Students commonly multitask while studying. If the homework requires a laptop, the access to everyone else through social networking is too tempting to resist. With

Facebook, YouTube, cell phones and TVs distracting students, it creates an extremely difficult atmosphere to concentrate in.

People want information fast and to the point. We want our news quickly. This has changed our calm, focused minds. Nicholas Carr notes in his book "The Shallows" that it's difficult for people to sit down and read a large chunk of a book for class now because of technology. Even Carr himself said he isn't able to concentrate on reading books anymore, and it's because of the fast-paced Internet world.

We now think differently and have different habits because of technological advancements, and we should be wary of its consequences. It's important to live in the real world and experience life outside of the laptop. It's important to have real interactions with other people, without computer mediation.

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OSU hands Tech ninth straight loss

By CHOIS WOODMAN
STAFF WRITER

The Red Raiders notched their ninth straight loss, as Texas Tech lost 80-63 against Oklahoma State on Tuesday night in Lubbock.

Tech is still winless in Big 12 Conference play.

Tech has to play smarter as a team if it wants to win in the Big 12, Tech coach Billy Gillispie said.

"We just made so many dumb plays, I mean just dumb plays," he said. "I'm trying to bite my tongue as much as possible, but man alive so many dumb plays. Fouling at the end of a shot clock, coming out of a time out and missing the ball — I mean those kind of things, it's just, it's just frustrating to make those kind of plays where you don't think enough."

Though Tech did not turn the ball over as much as they have in some games, there were too many turnovers that could have been avoided, Gillispie said.

"You're going to have some turnovers in the game," he said, "but the careless turnovers have to be eliminated and they definitely haven't so far."

The Red Raiders need to work in practice and build bonds between the teammates, Tech senior Robert Lewandowski said.

"It's a constant battle, it's hard too," he said, "but at the same time, we've got to come together as a brotherhood right now and really pick each other up, and get back to working in practice. When we work in practice and we get a bunch of practices in a row where we know we've put in everything



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH CENTER Robert Lewandowski tries to dribble past Oklahoma State guard Brian Williams during the Red Raiders' 80-63 loss against the Cowboys on Tuesday in United Spirit Arena.

we've got into it, then games will be even easier, so we've just got to keep working in practice."

Merkel Brown, who came into the game averaging 9.1 points per game, led the Cowboys' offensive attack with a game-high 30 points.

"We needed players to step up, and I felt like I can do that," Brown said.

Brown also led Oklahoma State on the glass with seven rebounds and was a perfect 13 for 13 from the free-throw line.

One major advantage the Cowboys had against Tech was their free-throw shooting. Oklahoma State shot 33 for 35 from the charity stripe.

Tech did not respond well and get to the foul line enough, Gillispie said.

"When there is 35 shots

taken from the foul line for one team, you have to realize what I need to do is I need to drive it to the basket and make them stop me, and let us get to the foul line," he said.

Jaye Crockett led the Red Raiders with 16 points and 14 rebounds. It was his second-straight game with a double-double and third of the season.

"I got to the line a couple of times — that helped," Crockett said. "(Lewandowski) was doing good in the inside and they were doubling down on him and it was opening up some stuff. I was rebounding pretty good."

Tech lost the battle down low, Lewandowski said.

"We've got to own the paint," he said. "That's where the game is won and lost, and we lost it today. Nine in a

row now. We've got to own the paint. When we own the paint, then we'll win. And it's something we constantly work on every day."

Lewandowski had 14 points in the game.

The team has to learn to play a full game, he said.

"We're better than we played today, and we keep saying that," Lewandowski said. "We play well for 20 minutes, not for 40."

The team is facing adversity this season and has to learn how to handle it, Crockett said.

"You have to be mentally tough when stuff happens like this," he said. "It's a tough situation, you've just got to be tougher as a person than the situation is."

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Solving the Super Bowl: XLVI is Greek to kids

NEW YORK (AP) — Kids LOL and OMG each other all the livelong day, but ask them to decipher the XLVI of this year's Super Bowl and you might as well be talking Greek.

They may know what X means, or V and I, but Roman numerals beyond the basics have largely gone the way of cursive and penmanship as a subject taught in the nation's schools.

Students in high school and junior high get a taste of the Roman system during Latin (where Latin is still taught, anyway). And they learn a few Roman numerals in history class when they study the monarchs of Europe.

But in elementary school, "Roman numerals are a minor topic," said Jeanine Brownell of the early mathematics development program at Erickson Institute, a child-development graduate school in Chicago.

That's not how Joe Horigan remembers it.

"I went to Catholic school. I still have bruised knuckles from not learning them," said the NFL historian and spokesman for the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio.

What's wrong with good ol' 46 to describe this year's Super Bowl between the Giants and the Patriots on Sunday?

"Number 46, it just kind of sounds like an inventory. 'Inspected by Joe,'" said Joe, who is LX years old. "Those Roman numerals, they're almost like trophies."

Any football fan worth his weight in nachos will find a way to figure out the Super Bowl number from one year to the next, but shouldn't kids have some sense of the Romans

as an actual numbering system?

"My son is in first grade and this recently came up when we were clock shopping," said Eileen Wolter of Summit, N.J. "He couldn't believe they were real numbers. They only ever get used for things like copyrights or sporting events, which in my humble opinion harkens even further back to the gladiatorial barbaric nature of things like the Super Bowl."

Gerard Michon isn't much of a football fan, either, but he keeps a close eye on Super Bowls over at Numericana.com, where he dissects math and physics and discusses the Roman system ad nauseam.

Starting with Super Bowl XLI in 2007, he has been getting an abnormal number of game-day visits from football fans with a sudden interest in Roman numerals. On the day of last year's Super Bowl XLV, so many people visited that Michon's little server crashed.

When the dust cleared, he had logged 15,278 hits, more than 90 percent landing on "XLV."

"Last year was total madness," Michon said, in part "because so many people were wondering why VL isn't a correct replacement for XLV." When the Super Bowl started, the games were assigned simple Roman numerals "that everybody knows," he said. Now "it looks kind of mysterious."

The use of Roman numerals to designate Super Bowls began with game V in 1971, won by the Baltimore Colts over the Dallas Cowboys 16-13 on Jim O'Brien's 32-yard field goal with five seconds remaining. Numerals I through IV were added later for the first four Super Bowls.

New owner says he won't change Astros' name

HOUSTON (AP) — New Houston Astros owner Jim Crane says he won't change the team's name.

Crane said last week he was considering a switch. But he emailed a video message to season-ticket holders on Monday saying, "one thing that we are not going to change is the name."

He says he made the decision after receiving "strong feedback and consensus among season-ticket holders and many fans." He then added that "the Houston Astros are here to stay."

The team was established in 1962 as the Colt .45s and has been called the Astros since 1965 when the name was changed to coincide with the move to the Astrodome.

Crane and his staff have been looking for ways to improve the team, which finished a franchise-worst 56-106 last season, and the fan experience since the sale from Drayton McLane was completed in late November.

Hernandez, Astros agree to contract

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros have agreed to a minor league contract with former World Series MVP Livan Hernandez.

The 36-year-old pitcher was invited to major league spring training. Hernandez was the opening day starter for Washington last season and started 29 games for the Nationals, going 8-13 with a 4.47 ERA.

Hernandez has pitched at least 200 innings in 10 of his 15 major league seasons. He last reached the mark in 2010 when he went 10-12 with a 3.66 ERA for the Nationals.

The two-time All-Star, who led the Marlins to the 1997 championship, is 174-176 with a 4.39 ERA in a career that also includes time with the Giants, Expos, Diamondbacks, Twins, Rockies and Mets.

He has appeared in 12 playoff games with a 7-3 record and 3.97 ERA.

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle
Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

ACROSS
1 Bank heist
4 Bedframe piece
8 Beyond harmful
14 "... by other name ..."
15 Bare bones
16 Billiard ball feature, about half the time
17 Buzz-filled 2007 animated film
19 Brings together
20 Burdensome additional levy
22 Boldly states
23 Birthplace of Hans Christian Andersen
26 Baker's meas.
28 "Behold," to Erutus
29 Ball-shaped frozen dessert
30 Betty White co-star in "The Golden Girls"
32 "Ben-Hur," e.g.
33 Bedrock resident
34 "But then again ..."
35 Bug-bitten?
36 Brown who wrote "The Da Vinci Code"
37 Billion-year period
40 Brother of Judah
42 Bump off
43 Biotin, thiamine et al.
47 Blinked the sleep from one's eyes
48 Bothersome parasites
49 By order of
50 Bigheaded sort
51 Bing Crosby's "You Glad You're You?"
53 Baseball team's list of players
55 Balanced state
57 Behave candidly
61 Black-tie wear
62 Barko's "the same"
63 Breathtaking snake?
64 Began, as a lawn
65 Beachfront property?
66 Buddy

DOWN
1 Boxer's punch
2 Binary digit
3 "Bon voyage!"
4 Better half, so to speak
5 Burgundy book
6 Bickering
7 Box office setting
8 Baton Rouge sch.
9 Blower of Sicilian smoke
10 Buffer between a hot plate and a dinner table
11 Built for NASA, spy
12 Brief summary
13 "Bear," Ursa Minor
18 Broadcaster of "Morning Joe"
21 Blackboard symbols in the locker room
23 Bride's passé promise
24 Birdbrain
25 Belch, say
27 Blissful song
30 Better for enjoying the outdoors, as weather
31 "Belshazzar's Feast" painter Rembrandt van
33 "Black Sunday" airship
35 Biblical prophet: Abbr.

Tuesday's Puzzle Solved
COURT CARP ACME
APNEA OMOO PLOP
MUFFIN PANS EURO
PSA LOST TEXMEX
SPOUT SIS PLY
AFTERNOONNAPS
REEDS VIGIL
MYNA ABETS EEKS
NEVER EAMES
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Family Medicine

We are pleased to announce the latest addition to Covenant Medical Group, **Laura Kyle Baker, M.D.**, Family Medicine.

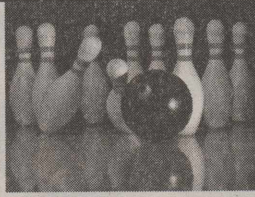
Dr. Baker has 27 years Family Medicine experience that follows her Family Medicine residency at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Lubbock, Texas in 1984. Dr. Baker has been licensed with the state of Texas since 1981 and has been certified with the American Board of Family Medicine since 1984.

Dr. Baker treats the full range of patients seen in primary care - both adults and children. She sees patients for routine preventative care as well as acute injuries and illnesses.

Dr. Baker is now accepting patients at **Covenant Southwest Medical Park**, 9812 Slide Road. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call 806.725.8490.

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 Register for Intramural Team Bowling! Registration ends February 9. Teams of four will be \$24 for shoes and 3 games. Register in the IM Office, Rm. 203 of the Rec.

Heartbeats

A quick look at what is going on in the Rec Sports world

AQUATIC ACTIVITIES
 Aquatics has many activities you can take part in. From Adult Learn to Swim classes to Stroke Mechanics and Long Course Swims find more information at www.recsports.ttu.edu.
MASSAGE THERAPY
 Next Monday is the first Monday of the month and that means it's Discount Monday! Book your massage for anytime in February for only \$35 for an hour! Rec Center Members only. Hot Stone Massage not included in discount.

Aquatics



YOUTH LEARN TO SWIM
 Registration has begun!
 Spring Dates: Mondays & Wednesdays February 13 - March 7 (6:00 - 8:00pm)
 Registration ends on Wednesday, February 8
 Please note that only Parent & Me through Level Three will be taught during the spring semester.

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CLASS STARTS TONIGHT! REGISTER TODAY BEFORE CLASS BEGINS!

Intramurals

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Register by TOMORROW in the IM Office, Rm. 203 of the Rec. Games will start on February 6.



INTRAMURAL DODGEBALL!
 Dodge, dip, duck, dive and.....dodge!
 Register for the Intramural Dodgeball tournament today! This 6 on 6 tournament will start on February 10. Stop up at the IM Office, Rm. 203 of the Rec Center to sign your team up!

NEED A JOB?

Softball Officials Trainings are coming soon! No previous officiating experience in required, but knowledge of baseball or softball is a must. Make \$9 a game having fun! Meetings will take place February 21 and 22.

Outdoor Pursuits Center

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Trip Dates: March
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COLORADO ICE CLIMBING

Trip Dates: February 23 - 26
 Early Deadline: February 8
 Come learn and experience spectacular ice climbing in Colorado's beautiful San Juan Mountains. Enjoy two full days of climbing and evenings indoors to eat and warm up. Determined outdoor enthusiasts encouraged! Our cabin is fully furnished and includes a hot tub to warm back up after having some fun on the ice.

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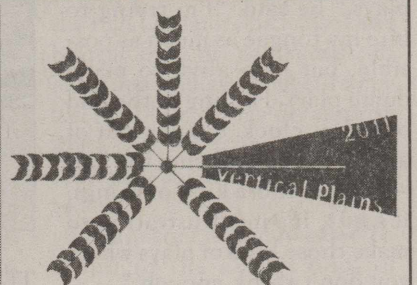
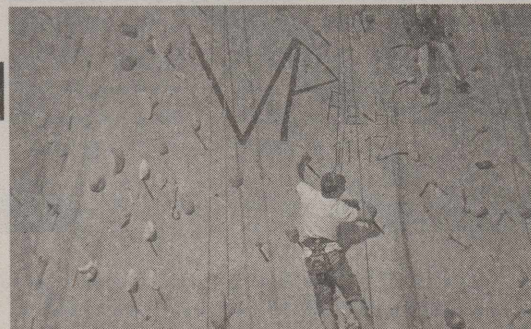


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Scene from Vertical Plains 2011

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Saturday, February 11, 2012
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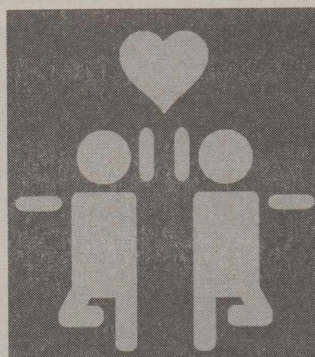
Friday, February 10 7:00pm
 Allen Theatre

Fit/Well

RAIDER X2 CLASSES
 Raider X2 classes have begun, but there are still spots available for you! Register in the Fit/Well today for your favorite class!

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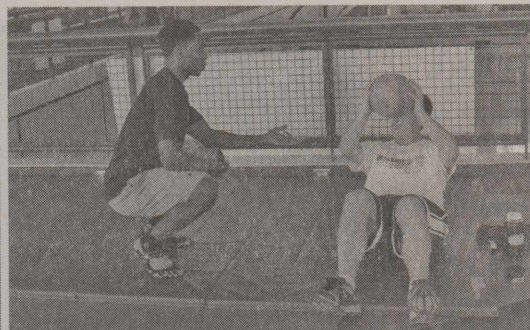
For more information on a class, stop by the Fit/Well or go online to www.recsports.ttu.edu.



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For a healthy Valentine's treat, enjoy a Yoga class made for two.
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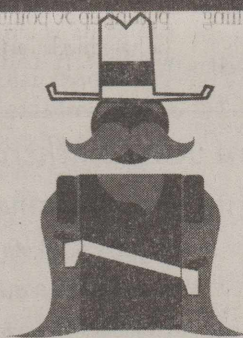
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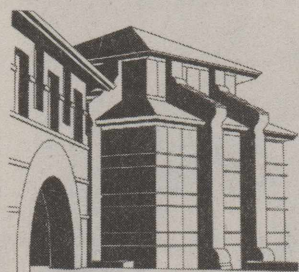
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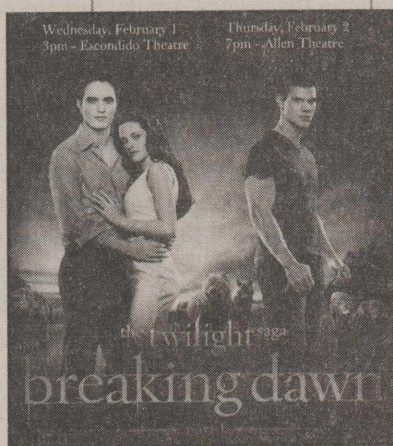
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TUESDAY, 2.7.12

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- 2.9.12 AFTER HOURS: OPEN MIC NIGHT
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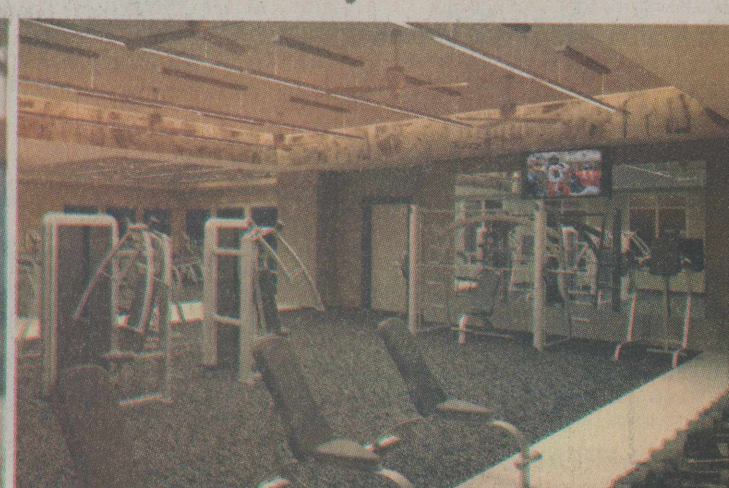
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