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## Education grant to help autistic students in the workforce

Burkhart Autism Center helps high students in Lubbock school districts

By EMILY REYES  
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Burkhart Autism Center received a Wagner Peyser grant benefiting employers and autistic employees, ages 14 to 24, in the Lubbock area and to fund training to help improve job placement and success of autistic employees in the workplace.

Robin Lock, associate professor in the College of Education, recently directed the Wagner Peyser Grant for the Burkhart Autism Center. The grant funded a three-year project to help autistic students excel in the workplace. She said the project also educates employers on how to tailor the working atmosphere to autistic individuals.

"We worked directly with Lubbock Cooper Independent School District and the Lubbock Independent School District to enhance their vocational training for individuals with autism spectrum disorders, intellectual disability and other types of developmental disabilities," Lock said.

LISD created the Vocational Training Center, she said, where high school students can receive one-on-one training. Once the student is ready, he or she can go to a place of employment and receive pay for work. Employ-

ers also have the opportunity to learn about what they need to do to work with individuals with autism spectrum disorders, intellectual or developmental disabilities.

The VTC allows students to do different types of tasks during their visit, which can last from two hours to an entire morning, depending on their high school's schedule.

Lock said the three-year project has included about 150 to 175 students and has involved an estimated \$1.5 million in federal funding.

Tech was granted a new Workforce Development Fund in January, she said, which funds Project Launch in the Lubbock area.

Lock said she is currently working with Project Launch, which deals with local partners including the foster care system in Lubbock, Baptist Children and Family Services, Bukner's Children and Family Services, Children's Home of Lubbock and the Texas Boys Ranch.

Shelby Anderson, evaluation coordinator for the workforce development grant, also worked closely with the Wagner Peyser Grant. She helps employees prepare for the workforce.

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## Closse named Mountain Region Women's Field Athlete of the Year

After having an exceptional indoor season this year, senior Kelly Closse has been named the 2012 Mountain Region Women's Field Athlete of the Year by the United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association.

Closse transferred to Texas Tech from South Plains College, where she was a five-time National Junior College Athletic Association Champion and six-time NJCAA All-American selection. During her time at SPC she was also the recipient of the Betty Jo Graber Award, which recognizes the top female student-athlete of the year.

Tech track and field head coach Wes Kittley said this is a great honor for Closse.

"She has broken our school re-

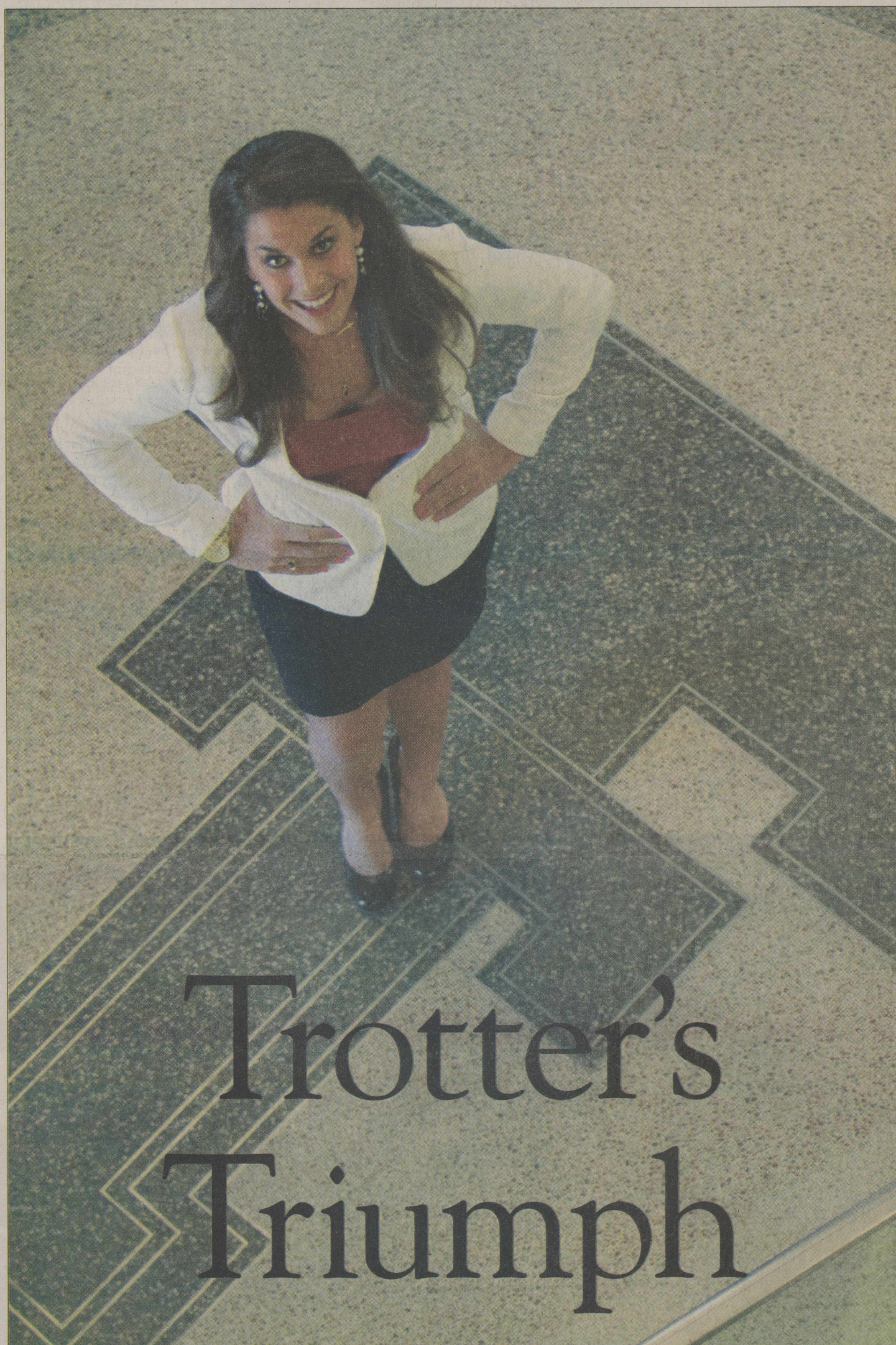
cord in almost every meet and now she is the Big 12 championship meet record holder," Kittley said in a news release. "She is very deserving."

As Closse prepares for the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships, she ranks No. 3 nationally in the weight throw and No. 13 nationally in the shot put. She owns each of the top-five marks in school history in the weight throw — four of which she set this year.

Closse automatically qualified for the 2012 NCAA Indoor Championships on Feb. 4 with a throw of 70-9 at the Red Raider Open meet.

The 2012 NCAA Indoor Championships will be Friday and Saturday in Nampa, Idaho.

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# Trotter's Triumph

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NOELLE TROTTER, A junior mechanical engineering major from Odessa, was recently elected the internal vice president of the Student Government Association. Trotter is a member of the Raiders United coalition.

## Noelle Trotter elected as new SGA internal vice president

By HALLIE DAVIS  
STAFF WRITER

Noelle Trotter said she believes her journey to becoming the new Texas Tech internal vice president started in her DNA.

For as long as she can remember, everyone in her family has been competitive, looking for a challenge. Trotter said even her major, mechanical engineering, was

not of the ordinary.

"It sounds like more of a man's role, but I like it," she said. "It's a tough challenge. It is, but that's how I am."

After spending a year as a senator, Trotter said she was ready to challenge herself within the Student Government Association.

"I liked senate. I thought it was very interesting, but I also knew it wasn't

enough," the junior from Odessa said. "I thought, 'I would really like to step up.'"

So when the chance came for her to join with Raiders United as an executive candidate, she said she jumped on the chance.

"(I said to Reed Young) 'Y'all have great ideas and plans for Texas Tech and the students; I'd love to be a part of it,'" she said.

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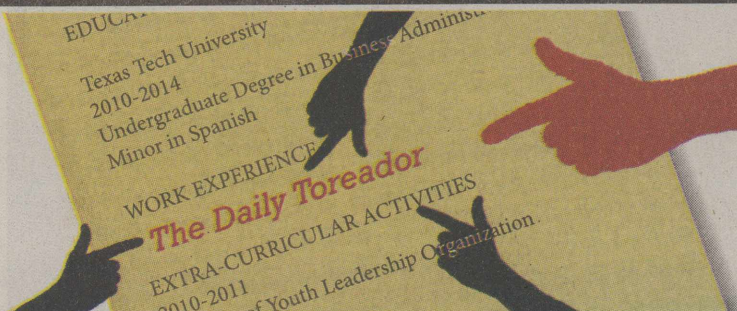
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## Community Calendar

### TODAY

**Senior Studio BFA Group Exhibition**  
Time: All day  
Where: School of Art  
So, what is it?  
Enjoy the artwork from 34 graduating art majors.

**Graduation Fairs**  
Time: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Where: Frazier Alumni Pavilion  
So, what is it?  
Texas Tech students can shop for class rings, caps, gowns and hoods, announcements, invitations and diploma frames hosted by the Texas Tech Alumni Association, in conjunction with the University Bookstore, University Career Services and the Graduate School for the Spring 2012 Graduation Fair. The fair will last through Friday.

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute**  
Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
Where: McKenzie-Merket Alumni Center  
So, what is it?  
OLLI presents "Unleash Your Creativity!" Create a set of note cards and gift tags for yourself, friends and family.

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute**  
Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
Where: McKenzie-Merket Alumni Center  
So, what is it?  
OLLI presents "OLLI Film Series — 'Waltzes in Vienna' (1934) by Alfred Hitchcock," which was Hitchcock's only musical based loosely on the lives of Johann Strauss Sr. and Jr.

**Symphonic Band Concert**  
Time: 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Where: Hemmle Recital Hall  
So, what is it?  
Enjoy this symphonic band concert presented by the School of Music.

### WEDNESDAY

**The Magnificent Peutinger Map: Roman Cartography at its Most Creative**  
Time: 5:35 p.m.  
Where: English and Philosophy building, room 001

**So, what is it?**  
Enjoy the Joukowski Lecture featuring Richard Talbert and William Rand Kenan Jr., a history professor at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute**  
Time: 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
Where: McKenzie-Merket Alumni Center  
So, what is it?  
OLLI presents "Historic Preservation and Documentation," which will cover the history of the preservation movement and selected projects documented with measured drawings led by John P. White, a professor of architecture at Tech.

**Celtic Ensemble and World Music Ensemble Concert**  
Time: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
Where: Legacy Great Hall  
So, what is it?  
Enjoy "Gypsies, Tinkers and Travelers: Song of the Wandering Tribes" from the Celtic Ensemble and World Music Ensemble.

**Love Game Show**  
Time: 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Where: Student Union Building, Senate Room  
So, what is it?  
Enjoy the Love Game Show and participate in games like "The Dating Game," "Battle of the Sexes" and "Family Feud Men vs. Women." Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$5 and proceeds go toward a mentor program for Estacado High School.

**Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble Concert**  
Time: 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Where: Hemmle Recital Hall  
So, what is it?  
Enjoy this tuba-euphonium ensemble concert, presented by the School of Music.

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

## POLICE BLOTTER

# Small chemical reaction occurs in Chemistry building

**Wednesday**  
1:11 p.m. — A Texas Tech officer investigated damaged property in the C1 parking lot. A vehicle window was broken.  
2:20 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated theft at the Science building. An unsecured European road bike was taken.  
2:13 p.m. — A Tech officer documented information in reference to a student receiving unwanted phone texts.  
4:39 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated damaged property in the C11 parking lot. The vehicle had a small dent to the back driver's side door.  
7:21 p.m. — A Tech officer documented a medical emergency at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center. A student injured his finger while playing basketball. The student was transported to University Medical Center Emergency Room by Emergency Medical Services.

**Thursday**  
10:21 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated an assault of domestic violence on the west side of Holden Hall. A male student grabbed his student girlfriend's arms. The male student was released pending the filing of charges for assault. The female student was transported to the University Medical Center Emergency Room by her request.

**Friday**  
8:19 a.m. — A Tech officer

with no visible injuries.  
10:23 a.m. — Tech officer investigated a traffic accident, without injuries, under the canopy of the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center.  
10:52 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated a traffic accident, without injuries, in the C1 parking lot.  
3:55 p.m. — A Tech Officer documented a medical emergency at the Rec Center. A student dislocated his shoulder and was transported to University Medical Center Emergency Room by Emergency Medical Services.  
4:37 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated theft at the Rec Center. An unsecured Apple iPhone was taken.  
5:32 p.m. — A Tech officer arrested a non-student for possession of marijuana, following a traffic stop in the 700 block of Indiana Ave. The non-student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail. The vehicle was impounded by Lubbock Wrecker Service.  
8:15 p.m. — A Tech officer documented a medical emergency at the Texas Tech Softball Complex. A student dislocated a knee. The student was transported to the Covenant Hospital Emergency Room by Emergency Medical Services.

**Saturday**  
12:03 a.m. — A Tech officer issued a student a Lubbock County citation for open container in a motor vehicle and possession of

alcohol by a minor, in the 1300 block of Flint Avenue following a traffic stop.  
2:50 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated criminal mischief in the Z-4 R parking lot. A vehicle's hood was damaged.  
5:12 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated a traffic accident, without injuries, in the Zone 2B parking lot.  
5:55 p.m. — A Tech officer documented information on a fire alarm in the Chemistry building. Several chemical compounds were mixed together and caused a minor chemical reaction in a trashcan. The Lubbock Fire Department arrived and cleared the scene.  
**Sunday**  
2:21 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated a traffic accident, without injuries, in the 2500 block of Main Street.  
7:53 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated criminal mischief in Bledsoe Residence Hall. Several ceiling tiles were damaged.  
11:20 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated burglary of a motor vehicle in the R-27 parking lot. A plastic window was cut to gain entry.  
*Information provided by B.J. Watson of the Texas Tech Police Department.*

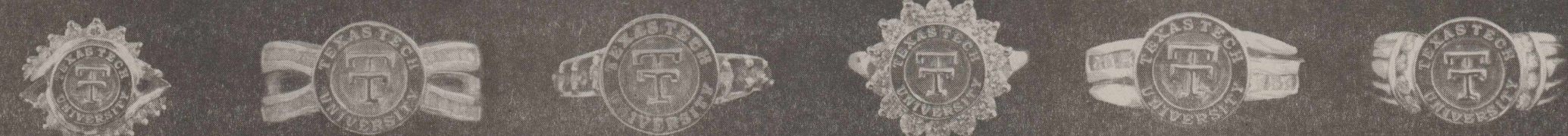
# Texas nurse's bleach injection deaths trial begins

LUFKIN (AP) — An East Texas nurse violated the trust of a noble profession when she injected kidney dialysis patients with toxic bleach, killing five of them and injuring five others, a prosecutor said as the woman's murder trial began Monday.  
Kimberly Saenz, 38, faces a possible death sentence if convicted of capital murder in the April 2008 deaths.  
Saenz stood in court holding her hands behind her back as Angelina County District Attorney Clyde Herrington read the six-count indictment against her. Her lawyer,

Ryan Deaton, answered "Not guilty, your honor," on her behalf when the judge asked for a plea after each count.  
Herrington told jurors in his opening remarks that evidence would show there was bleach in the IV dialysis lines of victims who were being treated at a DaVita dialysis clinic in Lufkin, about 125 miles northeast of Houston.  
"The defendant in this case is the one that put it there," he said.  
He said investigators also found Internet searches on Saenz's computer about bleach poisoning in

blood and whether bleach could be detected in dialysis lines.  
"The profession of nursing is one of the most respected," Herrington told jurors. "Health care providers devote their career to those who are sick and ill ... But involves a great deal of trust. And if that trust is violated, very serious things can happen."  
Saenz was charged a year after the Lufkin clinic closed for about two months following a rash of illnesses and deaths.  
Emergency crews had been called to the clinic many as 30 times that


April, including seven for cardiac problems, and made at least 19 runs. Four people had died.  
There had been only two calls during the previous 15 months, according to the Texas Department of Health Services.  
Denver-based health care giant DaVita Inc. investigated along with local, state and federal agencies.  
Inspectors were present on April 28, 2008, when two dialysis patients said they suddenly didn't feel well and two others reported that they saw Saenz inject bleach into tubing used by two fellow patients.



# VARSITY JEWELERS

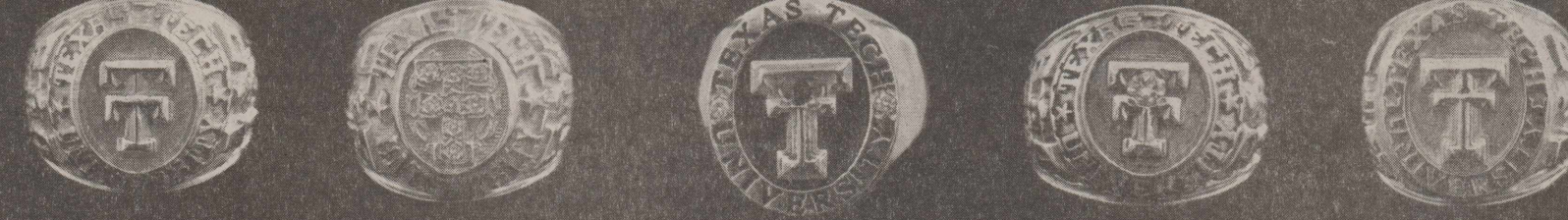
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Anderson said the new grant is not an extension of the Wagner Peyser grant. It is a similar grant, but a little revamped, she said.

"Wagner Peyser worked specifically with students with disabilities," Anderson said. "In the new grant, we have added the population of students who have been in the foster care system. So that is the main difference between the two grants."

Anderson said, like the Wagner Peyser grant, the new project benefits both employers and

employees. "We offer students six hours of pre-employment training and then we help find them a job, and then we continue to give them technical assistance and on the job support once they are employed, in hopes that they will retain their job," she said.

In the first grant, training was on-going for the students, she said. In the second grant, instructors had a shorter period for teaching pre-job skill training including how to build resumes, how to interview, what the expectations of a job are and other skills.

The program also works to get autistic students placed in a job as

quickly as possible. The Bukner's Children and Family Services provides a center for employees to do their pre-job training at the Making a Change Center.

Lock said there are roughly 90 employers in the Lubbock County area who have gone through the training during the three-year period. More than half have employed students during 2011, she said.

Lock said many places of business do not cater to the needs of autistic individuals as well as others.

"We won't be necessarily working through the school this time, but more importantly we're working with kids who will be getting ready to age out of the foster care systems," she said. "Either they're underemployed or they're working in a job that is not interesting to them, or they have on-the-job problems that they need help getting straightened out. Once employers are more aware of what their needs are, they can be very successful employees."

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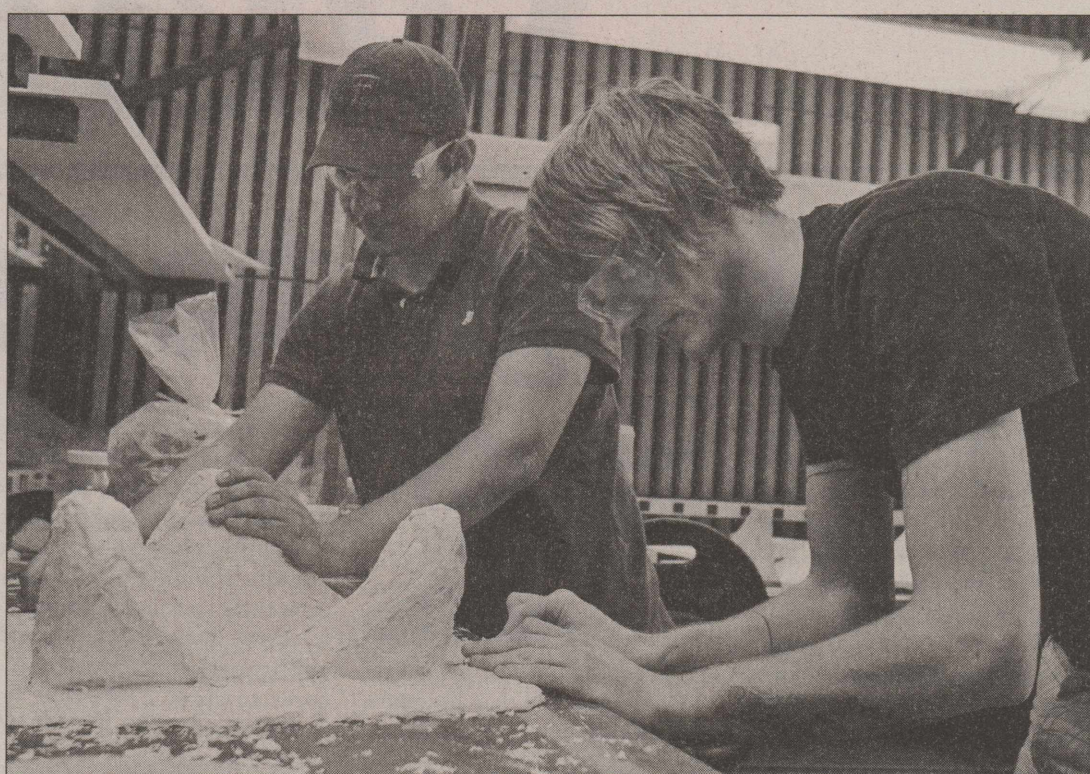


PHOTO BY EMILY DE SANTOS/The Daily Treador  
DANIEL NUNEZ, AN architecture graduate student from El Paso, and Sven Nevlida, a architecture graduate student from Prague, build a cast of a rubber mold Monday in the Architecture building. The cast is being made for a digital design and fabrics class.

# Syrian refugees in Lebanon recount terror

QAA, Lebanon (AP) — Syrian refugees fleeing to neighboring Lebanon on Monday said they feared they would be slaughtered in their own homes as government forces hunted down opponents in a brutal offensive against the opposition stronghold of Homs.

With world pressure at a peak in the boiling crisis, U.S. Sen. John McCain called for airstrikes against Syria. He said the United States has a moral and strategic obligation to force out Assad and his loyalists.

"The only realistic way to do so is with foreign airpower," McCain said from the Senate floor. "The United States should lead an international effort to protect key population centers in Syria, especially in the north, through airstrikes on Assad's forces."

The U.N. refugee agency said

Monday that as many as 2,000 Syrians crossed into Lebanon over the last two days to flee the violence in their country. In the Lebanese border village of Qaa, families with women and small children came carrying only plastic bags filled with a few belongings.

"We fled the shelling and the strikes," said Hassana Abu Firas. She came with two families who had fled government shelling of their town al-Qusair, about 14 miles (22 kilometers) away, on the Syrian side.

The town is in Homs province, where the government has been waging a brutal offensive for the past month.

"What are we supposed to do? People are sitting in their homes and they are hitting us with tanks," Firas told The Associated Press. "Those who can flee, do. Those

who can't will die sitting down." Lebanese security officials say more than 10,000 Syrians are believed to be in the country. One official said as many as 3,000 are believed to have crossed in recent days because of violence in Homs, though it is unclear how many have returned to Syria.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity under government protocol.

Inside Lebanon, many Syrians fear agents from their own country's security services. Stories have circulated of kidnappings and collaboration between Lebanese and Syrian security forces. Syria controlled Lebanon for decades and Hezbollah, the party which now dominates Lebanon's government, is closely allied with Syria and Iran.

Turkey says it hosts more than 11,000 Syrians in camps along the

border with Syria, including more than 1,000 who crossed in the last month. About 100 have entered in the last two days.

Jordan has more than 80,000 Syrian refugees, according to the government.

As international condemnation mounts, the Syrian regime agreed to allow in two prominent international emissaries it had previously rebuffed — former U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, the new special envoy to Syria, and U.N. humanitarian chief Valerie Amos.

Annan goes to Damascus on Saturday and Amos said she will arrive in the capital on Wednesday and leave on Friday. Amos said the aim of the visit is "to urge all sides to allow unhindered access for humanitarian relief workers so they can evacuate the wounded and deliver essential supplies."

The Obama administration added Syrian state television and radio to a U.S. sanctions list — part of an effort to block Syrian government assets within the U.S. The Treasury Department's sanctions chief, Adam Szubin, said the Syrian General Organization of Radio and TV has "served as an arm of the Syrian regime as it mounts increasingly barbaric attacks on its own population and seeks both to mask and legitimize its violence."

He said any institutions supporting President Bashar Assad government's "abhorrent behavior will be targeted and cut off from the international financial system."

Activists have accused the regime of trying to hide its crimes from the world as the military cracks down on an anti-government uprising that has raged for

nearly a year.

The hardest-hit district of Homs is Baba Amr, an area that had been held by rebels for several months before regime forces drove them out on Thursday after nearly four straight weeks of relentless shelling.

Although the government promised to let the Red Cross enter Baba Amr immediately, regime forces refused to let the humanitarian teams inside, citing security concerns.

Concerns were mounting over the humanitarian situation in Baba Amr. Activists alleged that after the Syrian forces seized control of Baba Amr, they killed dozens of residents execution-style and burned homes in revenge attacks against those believed to be supporting the rebels. Civilians also were facing severe cold and hunger.

**Navy to step up  
Breathalyzer tests**

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — The Navy soon will begin giving Breathalyzer tests to many of its sailors before they report to work aboard a ship under a new program that eventually will spread to the Marine Corps as well.

Navy Secretary Ray Mabus announced the plan Monday during a rare "all hands" call from aboard the amphibious USS Bataan at Naval Station Norfolk.

Mabus' comments were broadcast to sailors and Marines worldwide, who were able to submit questions to him via each service's Facebook page. Not one sailor or Marine asked Mabus about the Breathalyzer tests, which are already in use aboard submarines in the Pacific Northwest.

Details of the program are still being worked out, but not every sailor who walks onto a ship will be given a Breathalyzer test. Navy officials estimate that between one sixth and one eighth of a ship's crew will be given the test, which will target those standing watch and overseeing important aspects of a ship, such as its nuclear reactors. Other sailors may be tested at random.

The Navy is setting aside \$8 million to begin the program and anticipates spending \$2 million to keep it going.

Mabus said sailors who are found to have been using alcohol before reporting to work won't necessarily be punished, but the tests will be used as a way to help identify sailors in need of treatment.

"We're not telling you not to drink if you're old enough," Mabus said.

The tests are part of Mabus' 21st Century Sailor and Marine Initiative, an expansive program intended to improve the well-being of sailors and Marines after more than a decade at war.

With the Pentagon shifting its focus toward the Pacific, there's no sign of the operational pace for either service slowing down. Mabus says service members need to be able to handle the physical and emotional rigors of military service.

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## Lurch right bodes poorly for GOP

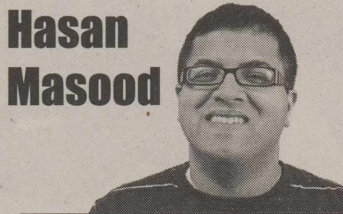
Olympia Snowe, a Republican senator from Maine, abruptly announced her retirement from Congress last week in the midst of her re-election campaign.

Snowe's resignation was unusual because she was all but assured of winning her bid for re-election. In reality, she resigned because she felt that as a moderate, pro-choice Republican, there was no room for her in the GOP of 2012.

Snowe was also sickened by the heightened level of partisanship in Congress in recent years, stating, "an atmosphere of polarization and 'my way or the highway' ideologies has become pervasive in campaigns and in our governing institutions."

Snowe's resignation is a signal from the disappearing centrists of Congress. With the slow but seemingly sure extinction of the centrists, complete and utter deadlock has taken its place.

**Hasan Masood**



Every single bill, no matter how big or small, has become a divisive issue. Instead of compromising, Congress has devolved into bitter and vitriolic partisanship. As a result, Congress's job approval rating has hit an all-time low of around 10 percent. If I was working a job where 10 percent of my superiors approved of my work, I would be shown the door.

Sen. Snowe's resignation is emblematic of the changing face of not only Congress, but the Republican party as a whole. Gone are the pragmatists such as Snowe who worked for compromises and gaining bipartisan support for legislation.

Taking their place are the Tea Party Republicans who do not seem to believe in compromise, but believe instead in sticking to their principles to the point of allowing absolutely no deviation from their stated platforms.

Any Republican that dares to stray from toeing the party line and compromise with the Democrats are punished by the tea partiers and others within the more socially conservative wing of the party. This same group is taking the Republican Party further to the right.

This move to the far right has been clearly evident in the Republican presidential prima-

ries. Normally a candidate such as Jon Huntsman would be the darling of the campaign. One would think a candidate with his foreign policy credentials, gained from serving as an ambassador to China, and pragmatic approach

to divisive issues, such as environmentalism, would garner a large amount of support.

Instead, he was one of the first candidates to drop out of the presidential primaries due to a lack of support. The pragmatic candi-

dates who would normally carry an election have been replaced by social-conservative ideologues, namely Rick Santorum and Newt Gingrich.

Even Mitt Romney, a historically moderate Republican, has taken a turn further to the right in his presidential campaign. As the governor of Massachusetts, Romney was known for his moderate policies.

One of these moderate policies was the institution of state-mandated health care, which is more similar to Obama's health care reforms than Romney would like you to believe. Instead of playing on his former moderate credentials, Romney engaged in the same demagoguery and pandering that has characterized the Republican presidential primaries.

The move to the far right for the Republican Party is a ribbon-wrapped gift for Democrats. The increasingly more inclusive Democratic Party may seem to be a much more attractive option for independents and moderate Republicans. Jennifer Granholm, Democratic former

governor of Michigan, recently stated in a response to Republicans, "anti-gay, anti-woman, anti-immigrant, anti-Latino, anti-Muslim, anti-Europe, anti-labor, anti-poor, anti-99 percent and now anti-college graduate rhetoric enables us to eagerly welcome your castoffs into the Democratic Party."

At this juncture, it is of course too early to tell how this election year will turn out. Any election can turn on a single event or issue. But as the Republican Party's policies drift further to the right and in the opposite direction of a changing nation on issues such as gay-marriage and immigration, the GOP of 2012 may eventually be forgotten by history.

As the saying goes, history is written by the victors.

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## No shame in students napping

By ERIN LENGAS  
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Sleep is a college student's best friend.

However, as often as we neglect it, it abandons us. Between classes, schoolwork, intramural sports, socializing and procrastinating that ends in an all-night cram session, college students seriously lack the sleep they need.

The U.S. is becoming significantly more sleep deprived as a nation, according to Psychology Today. It's probably safe to say that college students only add to this problem.

But like the convergent thinkers we were taught to be, give us a problem and we'll find a solution. The solution for our sleep deprivation takes us back to the 1990s and the floors of our kindergarten classrooms. I'm talking about the classic midday nap.

Everyone has probably heard from some source or another that naps are good for you. Or they just assume a quick snooze is beneficial because they feel better afterward. But is this really true?

According to the Mayo Clinic's website, naps can increase relaxation and alertness, improve mood and cognitive performance and reduce fatigue. That's quite

the list of accolades for 10 to 30 minutes of shut-eye.

Sleeping does more than just rest our bodies and minds; it also clears out a region of the brain called the hippocampus, making room for the formation of new memories. The hippocampus is responsible for temporarily

storing fact-based memories before other regions of the brain can process the information, according to Psychology Today.

Getting enough sleep can also positively affect the immune system and metabolic rates that help keep you healthy.

Experts agree, though, that while napping has its benefits, it can't make up for a sleep deficit. One doctor, JoAnn Manson of Boston's Brigham and Women's Hospital, never recommends naps for healthy young adults.

Manson told Glamour Magazine that most studies which

suggest benefits of naps are performed on sleep-deprived subjects like astronauts. Instead, Manson encourages healthy, young subjects to refresh by taking a walk or simply getting more sleep each night.

When I read this article, I was actually upset: Here's a profes-

sional doctor telling me that naps are not the answer. That's like telling young children not to ask "why." Naps are just a part of my lifestyle.

I represent the tiny fraction of college students who go to bed before midnight and wake up before 9 a.m.

But still, every day I crave a nap. Most mornings, the only thing that gets me out of bed is telling myself that I can get back in later.

College students nap for many different reasons. I'm going to

go ahead and assume most of us don't lay our heads down thinking, "I better sleep so my hippocampus can empty."

No, we nap because we were up all hours of the morning the night before studying. (Or most likely doing anything but studying.)

We also nap to procrastinate on school work. Convincing yourself that you're doing something beneficial for your learning while simultaneously not studying is like the golden ticket.

Finally, we nap as a form of luxury and self-indulgence. Better yet, it's free — if you don't count the time you spend doing it.

Do what works best for you. Maybe naps make you drowsy (try cutting it down to less than half an hour, before you get into the deep, rapid eye movement cycle). Or maybe exercising and caffeine does the trick.

To be honest, it doesn't matter how many doctors tell me taking a 20-minute walk would have more rejuvenating benefits than 20 minutes of sleep. We work hard, and we deserve to nap.

“... naps can increase relaxation and alertness, improve mood and cognitive performance and reduce fatigue.”

## Romney triumphs in Washington primary

By DYLAN HOFF  
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The four remaining GOP candidates looked to our state on Saturday to determine who will carry momentum going into Super Tuesday. The answer, to no one's surprise, was Mitt Romney.

Romney won the Washington caucus with 38 percent of the vote, while Ron Paul finished second with 25 percent, narrowly edging out Rick Santorum's 24 percent. So it is that Romney continues his inexorable march toward the nomination.

Paul had been hoping for a boost in support from Washington, spending \$40,000 on political ads, according to The Seattle Times, making him one of only two candidates to purchase advertising space in the state. Despite this spending, he remains the only candidate not to score a victory. The best Paul has managed is three different second place finishes.

Newt Gingrich, meanwhile, has faded fast since his upset in South Carolina. His fourth place finish in Washington is just the latest setback. I fully expect both he and Paul to concede defeat following this week's Super Tuesday, when 10 states will hold primaries or caucuses.

Santorum remains the only candidate posing a threat to Romney, but even he trailed Romney by 101 delegates prior to the Washington caucus. Now the count is 185 to 90 in favor of Romney, according to the Associated Press. So despite the victory for Romney, Santorum has closed the gap just a bit.

Furthermore, Santorum

still appears to be the favorite amongst really conservative voters. CNN reports Ohio, arguably the most important of Super Tuesday's states, currently favors Santorum. No Republican candidate has won the presidency without taking Ohio.

Unfortunately, MSNBC reports a campaign filing mistake may cost Santorum delegates from Ohio and Virginia. As many as 55 delegates may be unavailable for Santorum regardless of who wins those two states. This error could cost Santorum his chances at the presidency.

I know a lot of my fellow WSU students were hoping Paul would win Washington, but it was not to be.

Paul's libertarian policies play well with west side moderates and college students, but Romney's history in business makes him an attractive candidate to our state's business powerhouses — they are more likely to side with the establishment frontrunner than take a chance on an eccentric Texas doctor.

The same can be said for most voters, judging by the disparity in delegates Romney and Paul have won thus far.

Now Romney is rolling once again. So far in this primary election, every time Romney gains momentum he stumbles and temporarily loses it only to rise again later. I think this time he may have finally hit his stride. With three straight victories, including a surprise in Michigan, Romney should have what it takes to dominate most of Super Tuesday and finally come close to wrapping up the GOP primary.

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## Series of foreign films premiere at Tech

By PAIGE SKINNER  
STAFF WRITER

Foreign films are something many students are not exposed to on a regular basis.

Global Lens 2012 is hoping to change that for Texas Tech students and the Lubbock community.

The College of Mass Communications is hosting Global Lens 2012, which is a series of films from around the world.

Robert Peaslee, assistant professor of electronic media and communications, said he had the idea to bring the Global Lens films to Tech.

"Global Lens is an annual series of films that is curated by an organization called the Global Film Initiative," Peaslee said. "They're a nonprofit and they're based out of San Francisco and their mission is to promote intercultural understanding through the medium of film."

Each year, the Global Film Initiative hosts an open competition for filmmakers from around the world. Peaslee said they generally exclude filmmakers from developed parts of the world like Western Europe and North America.

"It tends to be from parts of the world where not a lot of film gets seen by the rest of the world," he said. "Some places like Iran, Peru, Serbia, India; I mean, this is the list from 2010. This year's list is not wildly dissimilar from that, a few different countries."

From there, Peaslee said, the nonprofit organization picks 10 films from the competition and packages them to make them

available to cultural and educational institutions like Tech.

He said the films are about any number of things.

"They're generally for adult audiences," he said, "not in a sort of egregious sort of way, but they're not imagined as a general audience. They're like any foreign film or independent film that would expect to see in an art house theater — that you might see nominated for awards at the Oscars or something along those lines."

Global Lens generally depicts personal stories and has character-driven stories, Peaslee said.

"Often, the way the film is put together is in it of itself different and new and challenging," he said. "So, I would say they're different from what you would normally see in American movie theatres, beyond the fact that they're just in a different language."

"But, at the same time, they're really just about people and the problems people face. I think one of the overall messages that the series tries to communicate is that we, as humans, we all share different kinds of problems and desires and dreams and heartbreaks and tragedies. I think that common humanity is sort of at the core of what the series is all about. Especially when you get films from places you don't normally hear much about other than what you see on the news, which is usually a pretty one-dimensional portrait."

Gary Elbow, a panelist for Global Lens, said he has learned from teaching his Latin American film class that a majority of

students have not been exposed to foreign films.

"A lot of students really had never seen a foreign film, or at least not one that's in a foreign language," said the associate vice provost for academic affairs. "It provides a lot of insights into foreign culture and a lot of those foreign films, especially the ones from Global Lens, are pretty careful about what they pick and they're generally very good films and very thought-provoking."

"They're much different from American films. The films that

are popular in the United States tend to be action films with a lot of stuff going on, but they aren't terribly thought provoking. What Global Lens films do is they get people thinking and I think that's really important. One of the points of art is to provoke thought and get an emotional reaction and those films really do that."

Global Lens is a free event open to anyone. Peaslee said the films are not rated, so parents may want to review the films before bringing their children.

The first film premiered Mon-

day and the last film of the series will be May 1. Each film begins at 6 p.m. in room 101 of the Mass Communications building.

After each film, a panel of experts will be there to answer questions.

The question and answer portion is "really what the whole thing is about, creating dialogue," Peaslee said.

Elbow said Global Lens has been fun and the series of films help him with his own teaching. Because the College of Mass Communications hosts Global

Lens, Peaslee said, he believes the films are helpful for students.

"A big mission in our college is to train storytellers of various kinds," he said, "whether those are advertising folks, journalists, filmmakers, etc. who profession in storytelling, but who are also global citizens who have an understanding of the vast multitude of various audiences that are out there for them. So, this is one tool that we use to promote that globularity and that global sensibility in our students."

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## Limbaugh advertisers heading for the exits

(AP) — Rush Limbaugh's mouth is taking a bite out of his wallet.

Nine advertisers and a radio station in Hawaii dropped his show after he called a law student a "slut" and a "prostitute."

One of the most popular radio shows in the country on Monday lost advertisers including AOL Inc. and Tax Resolution Services Co.

The tax firm helps people who have disputes with the IRS. It spends some \$9 million a year on radio advertising, according to ratings firm Nielsen, and its website carries endorsement from conservative talk radio personalities Glenn Beck, Sean Hannity, as well as Limbaugh himself.

"You don't need to fight this fight alone," Limbaugh is quoted as saying on the Tax Resolution site. His endorsement was still up on Tax Resolution's site on Monday afternoon.

CEO Michael Rozbruch said the statement about dropping Limbaugh was easily issued—but changing the website will require a meeting later in the week.

Limbaugh apologized over the weekend for his comments about Georgetown law student Sandra Fluke after she testified to congressional Democrats that her Jesuit college's health plan should cover her birth control.

KPUA, an AM station in Hilo, Hawaii, said it is dropping Limbaugh's show immediately.

The statement by station owner New West said the Limbaugh incident "crossed a line of decency" and didn't live up to the station's standards.

"We are strong believers in the First Amendment and have recognized Mr. Limbaugh's right to express opinions that often times differ from our own, but it has never been our goal to allow our station to be used for personal attacks and intolerance," station owner New West said.

Limbaugh joked on Monday that he got a busy signal when he called his show because of the advertisers who are abandoning it.

Clear Channel's Premiere Radio Networks Inc. hosts Limbaugh's show. His on-air contract runs through 2016.

Premiere Radio said in a statement Monday that it respects Limbaugh's right to express his opinions. It said that, "in an attempt at absurd humor

to illustrate his political point, Mr. Limbaugh used words that unfortunately distracted from the message he was trying to convey."

The company said Limbaugh did the right thing by "expressing regret for his choice of words and offering his sincere and heartfelt apology to Ms. Fluke."

Fluke said Monday that Limbaugh's apology changes nothing and that Americans have to decide whether to support companies that continue to advertise on his program.

The advertisers that have backed away from Limbaugh's program represent a broad range of industries, from technology to financial services to retailers.

AOL, an Internet portal that runs the TechCrunch blog and the Huffington Post, said Monday that Limbaugh's comments "are not in line with our values."

Other companies that say they have left the show include flower delivery service ProFlowers, mortgage lender Quicken Loans, the maker of Sleep Number beds, mattress retailer Sleep Train, software maker Citrix Systems Inc., online data backup service provider Carbonite and online legal document services company LegalZoom.

Allstate Corp. said it bought ads on Limbaugh's show by accident.

The insurer at first told people who asked on Monday that it didn't buy ads on Limbaugh's show. But it said on Facebook that it learned during the day that its ads actually were running with the program. It said an advertising vendor had bought the ads in error and its advertising strategy never included ads on Limbaugh's show.

Allstate said on Facebook that it regretted "providing mistaken information" about its ads and has asked the media buying firm to stop advertising on Limbaugh's show "in keeping with our original advertising plans and strategies."

Clear Channel Media and Entertainment operates more than 850 radio stations in the U.S., and Premiere says it's the largest radio content provider in the country, syndicating programs to more than 5,000 affiliate stations.

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# 'Project X' literally one big, entertaining party

“Project X” is a comedy directed by first-time director Nima Nourizadeh, starring relatively unknown actors Thomas Mann (Thomas), Oliver Cooper (Costa) and Jonathan Daniel Brown (JB) as three, unpopular high school friends who throw a party for Thomas' birthday in order to gain notoriety.

As the night unfolds, more people show up to the party and chaos ensues. It is not long before the whole street turns into a crazy

## London Weldon



riot of parties running amuck. Producer Todd Phillips, who is famous for “The Hangover,” decided to go with unknown actors as the leads, a

the film would appear more realistic and relatable to everyone.

People may have gone into this movie expecting a solid plotline — that is where their assumption would be wrong. As with any good party movie, there is not too much of a plot. However, this film took partying to a whole new level. It truly is a party that could only be imagined in your wildest of dreams. The party included two DJs, overzealous security guards, a person popping out of the oven, a

moon bounce and much more.

One could argue that this movie is completely unrealistic, but I would say the opposite to an extent.

Whether you love to party or not, there is a small ounce of hope in everyone that one day in their lifetime, they will attend something of this magnitude. In a way, the film provided an all access pass into the party to give the viewer the feeling they were right there with the actors the whole time. It was shot entirely

from a point-of-view perspective, which added to the experience. Of course, there were the cheesy sex jokes every now and then — and it is definitely not a movie for children or the easily offended — but otherwise it is pure fun. Put together a funny cast, solid writing and out of this world party scenes, and this movie delivers.

With that being said, I would give this movie three-and-a-half out of five stars. If you want to watch in-

spiring, Oscar-worthy performances, go see another movie. Otherwise, just sit back and enjoy being entertained for an hour and a half. There is no need to meticulously analyze the story line and inconsistencies.

Plain and simple, it is another party movie that someday may or may not join cult classic status.

**Weldon is The DT's movie reviewer.**

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## Comic impressionist Steve Bridges dies in LA home

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Impressionist Steve Bridges, who used prosthetics and wigs to turn into presidents and laughs to make a living, was found dead at his home, his manager said Monday. He was 48.

Bridges returned from China on Feb. 23 and complained to friends of “super jet lag,” manager Randy Nolen said.

Bridges' maid found the comic dead about 9:30 a.m. Saturday in his Los Angeles home, Nolen said.

It appeared that he died of natural causes, but an autopsy will be conducted, said Craig Harvey, chief of operations for the Los Angeles County coroner's office.

Bridges' George W. Bush impression made him a regular on “The Tonight Show With Jay Leno” and earned him an invitation to the White House in 2003.

In 2006, Bridges joined Bush

in a comic routine at the 2006 White House Correspondents' Association dinner in Washington, D.C., and at a Ford's Theatre benefit.

Nolen said Bush called Bridges' brother, Phillip, on Monday and offered condolences.

“Steve was not only a funny man, but a kind and decent human being. My heartfelt sympathies go out to his parents, his siblings, and his entire family,” Bush told The Associated Press through spokesman Freddy Ford.

“We had a great 10-year run,” Nolen said. “He went to the White House, the Oval Office, toured with Barbra Streisand and was a regular on the ‘Tonight Show’ for almost eight years.”

Bridges became Barack Obama, Bill Clinton or Bush for his most popular shows.

## Trotter

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When she announced her candidacy, Trotter said, she had to tell far more people than just SGA. Trotter is in a social sorority, Delta Delta Delta, as well as two honor societies and she is active in many engineering organizations.

She still plans to be involved with all of the groups, she said, but she knows her new position will take up most of her time.

Trotter's older brother, Sean, graduated from Tech in 2010 and said he knows his sister is ready for the job.

“It's another good way for her to get involved,” he said. “It's a good way to make an impact.”

Though many might see her busy schedule as another challenge, Noelle Trotter's roommate and best friend, Haley Fowler, said it added to her abilities as

internal vice president.

“Noelle is one of the most universal people I have ever met,” said Fowler, a junior mechanical engineering major from Odessa. “Honestly, she's very well fit for the job.”

Working on a diverse campus will not be a problem for Trotter, Fowler said. Because Trotter is so involved, she knows people from many different aspects of Tech, which Fowler thinks will help her relate to many students she may work with or need to represent.

Announcing her candidacy to Fowler was a bit of a shock, though, she said.

“I was a little surprised when she took on such a large endeavor,” Fowler said. “But, she put her whole heart into the election.”

SGA has taught Trotter all sorts of life skills, from public speaking to professionalism, but the campaign was still a strain. She said it involved a lot of work, and a few sleepless nights.

“The campaign process is rough,” she said. “It's a long month. Finding out you put in all that work and you hear your name get called, it's the best feeling.”

The minute her name was called, Trotter said, she felt a wave of relief and then was immediately ready to get to work.

Trotter said she is already working toward the campus calendar, which she plans to work on all the way into the summer.

However, she said, her primary duty is with the senators. She is looking forward to planning the upcoming senate retreat and she is beginning to schedule senators' office hours.

The role of the IVP is to be a direct liaison between the executive branch and the legislative branch, Trotter said.

Ultimately, she said, she wants to reunite SGA — not just between the senators and the president, but with the rest of the student body.

Fowler called the change “making SGA more user-friendly.”

“I hope students really are excited about the new elections and the new officers,” Trotter said. “We have so many good ideas and so many things we want to do for Tech. We are looking to really do a complete 180 and really change SGA, so more students are aware of what we do and more students want to be involved and respect what we are doing for them.”

Her life is quickly becoming more and more of a balancing act, she said, but she knows she can handle it.

Sean Trotter said he was there when his sister first started college. He helped her out in her freshman year and has followed her progress ever since.

When he found out she had won the election, he said, he recognized how perfect she was for the job.

“Obviously,” he said, “I was proud of her.”

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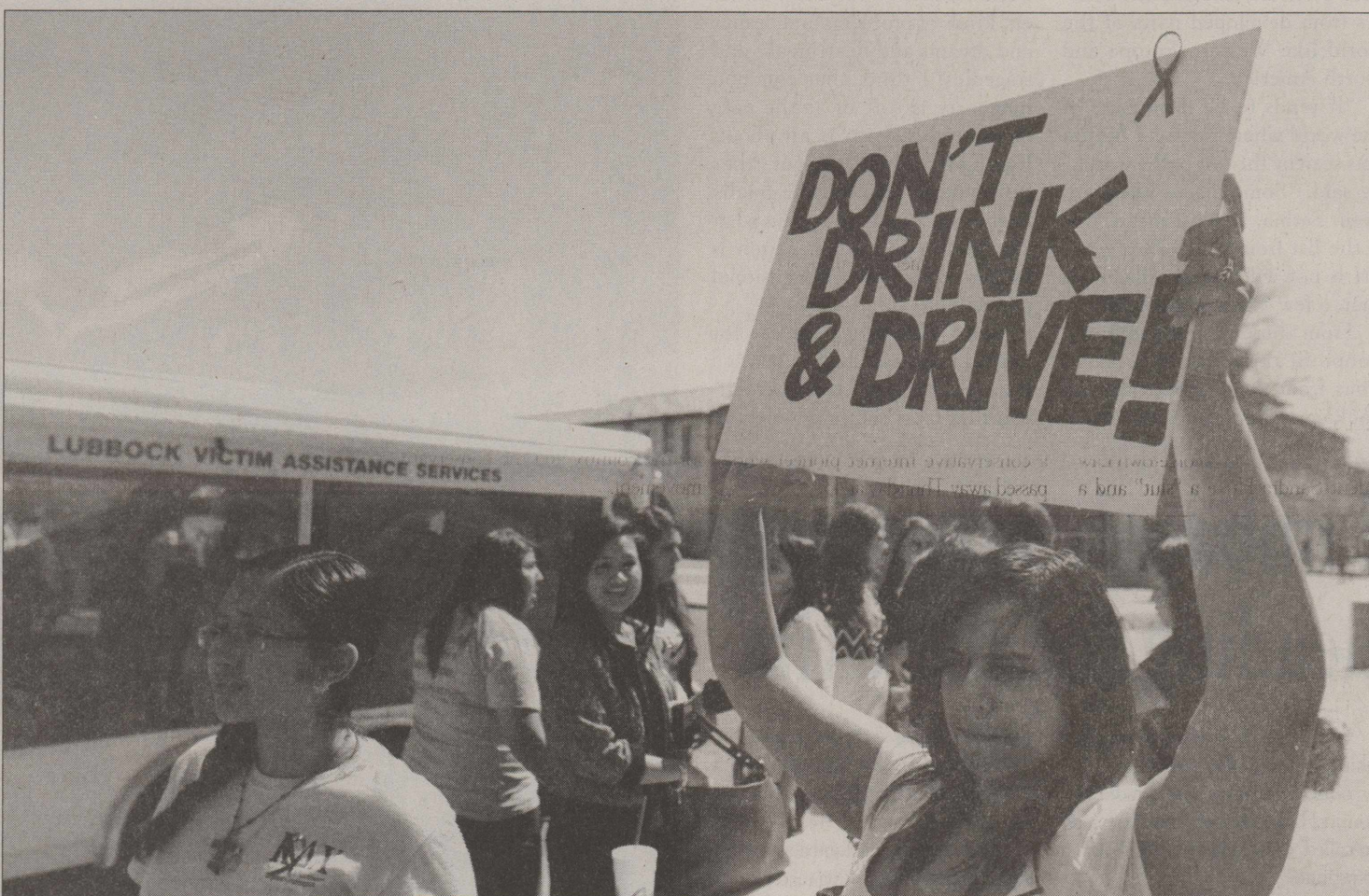


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AMALA CHACKO, A sophomore political science major from Houston, holds a sign telling students to not drink and drive as a part of Kappa Delta Chi's program promoting safe driving set up Monday outside the Student Union Building. The sorority also displayed a smashed car that had been hit by a drunk driver, which was provided by Lubbock Victim Assistance Services.

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# Limbaugh, GOP: The media stars and politics

NEW YORK (AP) — The uproar over Rush Limbaugh's derisive comments about a young woman's sex life is serving as a vivid reminder of the outside role conservative media stars play in Republican politics.

With a Democratic president in the White House and no leading GOP elected official setting the party's agenda, Limbaugh and other media personalities like the late Andrew Breitbart and even Donald Trump have filled a vacuum for many conservatives seeking a full-throated political advocate. The popularity of such figures among Republican core voters has made party leaders reluctant to cross them, even when their comments or tactics steer well out of bounds.

Democrats have plenty of left-leaning media figures in their corner, too — some of whom have made comments that have embarrassed the party and its candidates. Bill Maher, who gave \$1 million to a super PAC that supports President Barack Obama, was widely criticized recently for mocking NFL quarterback Tim Tebow's religious beliefs on Twitter.

But no liberal media figure has an audience the size of Limbaugh's, estimated as high as 20 million listeners — mostly men — per week. And no one suggests Maher or any other commentator has displaced Obama as the voice of the Democratic Party.

"The voices you hear on the conservative side have an audience of people who are very skeptical of traditional mainstream media and power," said Stephen Farnsworth, a political science professor at the University of Mary Washington who studies media in politics. "If you're a Republican candidate you don't want to offend those people. They are the most hard-core Republican voters and the most likely to turn out in a primary."

Such was the case last week, when the top GOP presidential candidates distanced themselves from Limbaugh but did not directly criticize him after he called 30-year old Georgetown Law student Sandra Fluke a "slut" and a

"prostitute" on his radio show. Fluke had testified to Democratic members of Congress in support of a requirement that health care companies provide coverage for contraception. That requirement would compel her Jesuit college's health plan to cover her birth control.

Limbaugh offered an apology to Fluke on his website Saturday after sponsors began suspending advertising on his show, which is carried by 600 stations and is by far the most popular talk radio program in the U.S. He voiced regret on the air on Monday, too, but also said he was the victim of a double standard. He said, "Rappers can say anything they want about women. It's called art. And they win awards."

The controversy has been an inopportune tempest for Republican hopeful Mitt Romney, who has tried to focus on jobs and the economy but has found himself dealing with questions about social issues in recent weeks.

Romney said he wouldn't have used the language Limbaugh chose, but he refrained from directly criticizing him. The former Massachusetts governor has struggled in his efforts to cement his status as the front-runner in the field, in part because of the reluctance of many conservative voters to get behind his candidacy.

Rick Santorum called Limbaugh an "entertainer" who had license to be "absurd" sometimes, while Newt Gingrich dismissed the matter as a media distraction. Only Ron Paul took Limbaugh to task, telling CBS' "Face the Nation" that the commentator's language went over the top at times.

Republicans have paid a price for offending Limbaugh in the past. Former Republican National Committee Chairman Michael Steele was forced to walk back comments he made suggesting Limbaugh had been "incendiary" and "ugly" for saying early in Obama's term that he hoped Obama would fail.

The GOP presidential contenders and other Republicans joined in paying tribute last week to Andrew Breitbart, a conservative Internet pioneer who passed away Thursday at 43.

Breitbart was a hero to many conservatives for operating a group of right-leaning websites designed to expose bad behavior by Democrats and liberal groups, even though he sometimes used selective editing and other unorthodox tactics to do so.

Breitbart's biggest success was the resignation of New York Rep. Anthony Weiner, a fiery Democrat forced to step down after Breitbart intercepted and publicized a suggestive photo Weiner had sent of himself to a woman over Twitter.

Breitbart was also involved in a controversial sting against the liberal community organizing group ACORN that helped bring about the group's demise. Two young conservative activists posing as a pimp and prostitute shot video that appeared to show ACORN workers instructing them on how to cheat on taxes and avoid child prostitution laws. Legal investigations in California and New York concluded the tapes had been heavily edited.

Breitbart was also instrumental in the ouster of Shirley Sherrod, an Obama appointee in the Department of Agriculture. Breitbart publicized a video clip of Sherrod, who is black, addressing an NAACP meeting in which she appeared to be condoning anti-white practices by the department. She was immediately fired by Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack, even though her comments had been pulled out of context in the clip and misrepresented. Obama called Sherrod to apologize, and she filed a lawsuit against Breitbart.

That wasn't mentioned as one Republican leader after another weighed in to praise Breitbart.

"Ann and I are deeply saddened by the passing of Andrew Breitbart: brilliant entrepreneur, fearless conservative, loving husband and father," Romney tweeted.

Gingrich called Breitbart "the most innovative pioneer in conservative activist social media in America," while Santorum called his death "a huge loss for the country and the conservative movement."

## WIRE WORKER



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KEVIN MATHEW, A junior electrical engineering major from Mesquite, uses a wire stripper to remove the insulator on a wire on a circuit board in the basement of the Electrical Engineering building Monday. Mathew will use the circuit board in the motor of a robotic tank being built for his electrical engineering project lab class.

## Bushes headline Dallas first ladies conference

DALLAS (AP) — Laura Bush and her mother-in-law, Barbara, talked about life in the White House — from the joys of having their own chefs to making the landmark their home — and briefly dipped into current politics at a conference on first ladies on Monday.

Barbara Bush told about 300 people attending the conference hosted by the George W. Bush Presidential Center that the current campaign is the worst she's seen.

"I hate the fact that people think compromise is a dirty word. It is not a dirty word," she said.

Former President George W. Bush introduced his wife and mother at the event held on the campus of Southern Methodist University, where the presidential center is under construction.

"I have the honor of introducing the best first lady ever," Bush said, pausing as his wife and mother each pointed at the other. Then he continued, "Mom, would you take a tie?"

"Obviously, I don't mind being surrounded by strong women. I was raised by one, I married one, and I believe we're raising two," he said.

The conference featured a discussion with historians on the influence of first

ladies throughout history, a panel on the role of social secretaries to first ladies and a discussion by photographers about documenting the women.

"The thing to me that is so remarkable about the women who have assumed this position is how much guts they have, how much brains they have, stamina that is just beyond imagination and a willingness to rise above it and just do it," said Allida Black, a research professor of history and international affairs at The George Washington University.

The conference was a collaboration between the White House Historical Association, American University and the National Archives, which oversees presidential libraries.

Similar conferences focusing on other first ladies are being planned, including one set for the fall on Lady Bird Johnson at her husband's presidential library in Austin, said Anita McBride, who served as Laura Bush's chief of staff in the White House and chaired the conference. Laura Bush and Barbara Bush were also featured at a similar event last year at the George Bush Presidential Library and Museum in College Station.

"Not every place has a living first lady," said McBride, now an executive

in-residence at the school of public affairs at American University in Washington. "The idea is to take components of the program to match the interests of the libraries."

After Barbara Bush's comments on the current political season, Laura Bush talked about seeing cartoons critical of Abraham Lincoln, and commented, "You realize it is just kind of part of American politics."

"You're much kinder than I am," Barbara Bush said. "I think the rest of the world is looking at us and thinking, 'What are you doing? Why aren't you getting along?'"

The Bushes mainly talked about life in the White House, with Barbara Bush recalling a special fondness for her office.

"I loved my little office because it was — besides being Nancy Reagan's beauty parlor, which she didn't like me to say, but it was — the dogs were born here and you could look out the window at Jackson Place and Lafayette Square and you could see all sorts of wonderful things," Barbara Bush said.

Laura Bush, who restored the Lincoln bedroom, said that while at the White House, she thought a lot about other presidencies.

## MC5's Kramer returns to jail with guitars

LOS ANGELES (AP) — He spent two years in a federal lockup for trying to sell cocaine to undercover agents, and all Wayne Kramer can think about these days is trying to find a way to get back behind bars.

This time, though, the guitar god for rock music's seminal pre-punk band, the MC5, wants to bring his ax with him — and a few dozen others for the inmates to play.

With a little help from friends like the Foo Fighters' Chris Shiflett, former Guns 'N' Roses guitarist Gilby Clarke and others, Kramer has formed Jail Guitar Doors USA.

He runs the nonprofit charitable organization with his wife, Margaret, out of the Hollywood studio where he makes a comfortable living these days composing music for movies and television. Over the past two years, Jail Guitar Doors USA has delivered scores of instruments to prisons and jails in Nevada, California and Texas.

"He's a great man. He's taken his skill, his talent and he's putting it to use, giving back to society," says Deputy David Bates, who has worked with Kramer in bringing guitars to several jails run by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. Bates, who calls music "the universal language," says he's seen the positive impact it has had on inmates.

So, Kramer says, has he. In his case, first hand.

"When I played music in prison, I wasn't in prison anymore," he says, as he sits in his studio over a lunch of vegetarian Thai food.

"And that's what we're trying to accomplish with the instrument donations," he continues. "That this is a way that you can get through this time, that you can go someplace else, you can get involved in your guitar."

Kramer, who is 63, is dressed in blue jeans and a plaid flannel shirt over a white T. Although he still looks about as thin as he did in the days when he was tearing up tunes like "Kick Out the Jams," the huge white-guy Afro that once nearly defined him as much as his guitar has given way to thinning close-cropped hair.

He was still in his 20s when he arrived at the federal prison in Lexington, Ky., in the 1970s, scheduled to do four years for trying to sell \$10,000 worth of cocaine.

The place was bleak and dispiriting, especially for someone who had been

a rock star just a few years before. But Kramer would soon discover there was a music class there. It was taught by the legendary jazz trumpeter Red Rodney, who was doing time himself for a heroin bust.

"He'd been to Lexington three times. ... He was kind of like the mayor of the prison," Kramer recalls, laughing. "He taught music theory."

The guitarist studied with him and,

after he was paroled early, returned to the music business. But he still struggled for years to keep from going back.

The MC5, which had helped define punk rock with its screaming guitar chords and intense lyrics, had long since broken up, and Detroit's music scene had died along with the city's economy. Kramer, meanwhile, was still drinking heavily and associating with drug users, a prescription for violating parole.

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Puzzles by PageFiller

In Sudoku, all the numbers 1 to 9 must be in every row, column and 3 x 3 box. Use logic to define the answers.

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# SPORTS

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## Tech softball continues hot streak, sweeps weekend tourney

By **MATT VILLANUEVA**  
STAFF WRITER

The Red Raiders swept both Binghamton and UT-Arlington this weekend, going 6-0 to win the second annual Jeannine McHaney Memorial Classic.

During the three-day round-robin tournament at Rocky Johnson Field, the Red Raiders outscored their competition by a combined score of 37-9.

Tech started its streak Friday afternoon versus Binghamton by pulling ahead early in the third with three runs to soundly beat the Bearcats, 7-2.

Adriana Perez got the offense started with a two-run homer to left field, making it her fourth of the season.

Randi Tongate followed by hitting a single to left field to bring in Logan Hall.

Mikey Kenney advanced Tech's lead an inning later with a solo home run.

Binghamton responded with two runs in the fifth and sixth inning, but Emily Bledsoe put a



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**TEXAS TECH PITCHER**, Brittany Talley, pitches the ball during the Red Raiders' 9-1 victory against UT-Arlington on Saturday at Rocky Johnson Field.

stop to a potential Bearcat rally in the bottom of the sixth with a three-run blast.

Brittany Talley got the W for the Red Raiders in game one.

The next game against Arlington, Cara Custer pitched her third shutout game of the season in rout to a 2-0 Tech victory.

Playing the entire game, freshman Custer allowed just five hits.

Kenney started the game off with a home run for Tech. She would finish with a game-high three hits.

Hall triggered the team's next, and final, run with a single past second base to bring in pinch runner Emily Cooper.

Saturday afternoon, Tech blew out UT-Arlington, recording a season-high 14 hits, which resulted in Tech cruising to a 9-1 victory against the Mavericks.

The Red Raiders came out swinging in the first with four runs: a Perez double to left field to bring in two runs, a single RBI hit from Hall and a RBI double from freshman Katelyn Williams.

The second inning, Kenney added to the lead with a solo home run deep left field, putting

her in Perez's company as the second player this season to record a home run in three consecutive games.

Tech added on its final three runs in the fourth inning, putting the game well out of reach.

Talley picked up her second win of the tournament, allowing four hits and striking out four batters.

The next game, Tech's bats started like they ended — hot — putting up four runs in the first to gain a firm lead and an 8-2 victory against Binghamton.

In the first inning, James brought in Tech's first run off a RBI single, and an error by the Bearcats right fielder also brought in Bledsoe. Holley Gentsch followed by hitting a double to left to bring in another runner. Gentsch would then come around and score, thanks to Cydney Allen blooming a pinch-hit single.

The Bearcats cut the lead in half the next inning, but Tech would put one run up each inning

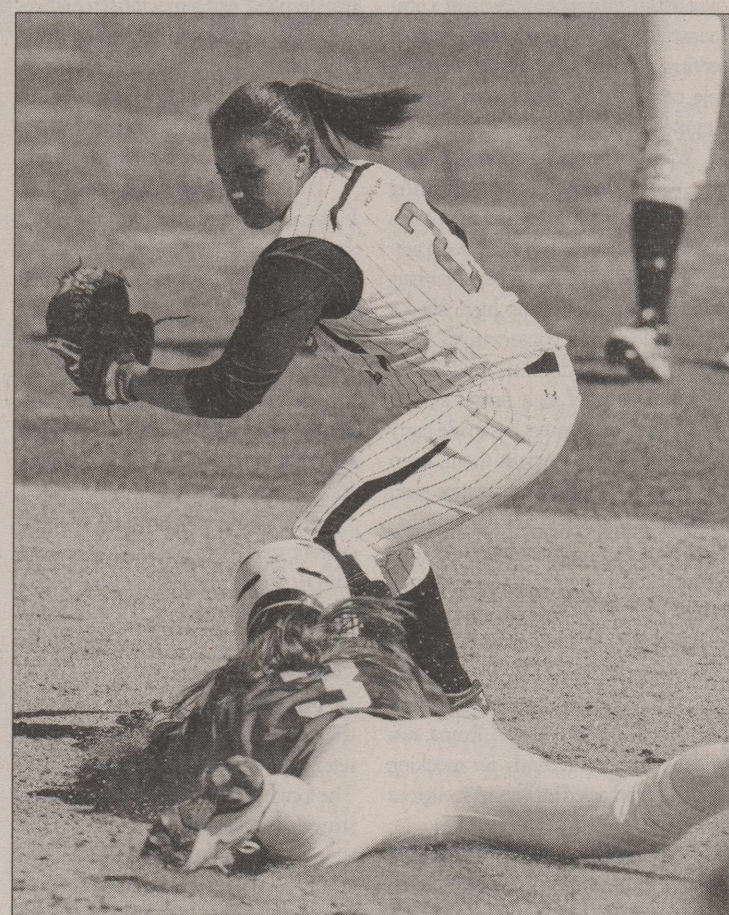


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**TEXAS TECH SECOND** baseman Logan Hall tries to tag out Binghamton's Jessica Bump as she slides into the base during the Red Raiders' 7-2 victory against the Bearcats on Friday at Rocky Johnson Field. The Red Raiders went 6-0 on the weekend.

to maintain its lead throughout.

Custer picked up her ninth win, which made her the current leader of victories in the Big 12 Conference.

Sunday morning, a solo home run by James in the fifth inning broke a 3-3 tie, which was the decisive play in a narrow 4-3 victory against Binghamton.

Ashley Brokesoulder made her first appearance of the season, due to starter Kelsey Dennis being pulled after a lead-off home run in the fourth, and would strike out four batters.

The Red Raiders final game versus UT-Arlington was highlighted by Williams' career-high three RBIs to help Tech wrap up its undefeated weekend with a 7-1 win.

Williams recorded her first two RBIs in the second with a one-out single to get Hall and Richardson across home plate. Her final RBI was the next inning off a grounder down the first base

line to drive Hall from third.

"She's proved this week that if she gets a good pitch to hit, then she can do some damage ... And it's nice to see her get it done right now," head coach Shanon Hays said.

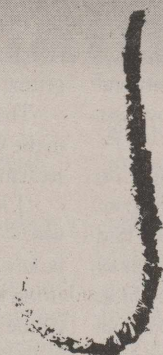
Bledsoe was just as potent at the plate, finishing the game with three hits in the first, second and fourth inning.

Custer won her 10th game of the season, maintaining her place as the wins leader of the Big 12.

Since Tech won't be able to play the No. 6 Texas Longhorns the first week of May because of school finals, the two teams have arranged an early conference meeting that will be played today and Wednesday.

"We can't wait. We know we can beat them," Hall said. "They have a good hitting team and pitching staff, so we just gotta be ready and come out like we did this weekend."

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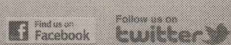
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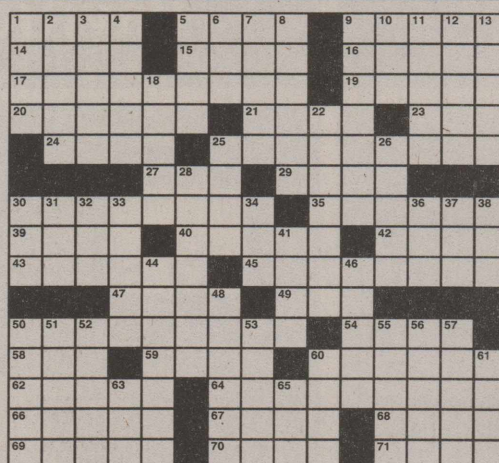


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### Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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- 1 Picket line crosser
  - 5 Arrange, as a vacation
  - 9 Washington neighbor
  - 14 "Splendor in the Grass" director Kazan
  - 15 Gutter site
  - 16 La Scala's city
  - 17 Top banana
  - 19 Mayan corn crop
  - 20 Observation after too many wrong turns
  - 21 "Dirty Harry" composer Schifrin
  - 23 "Don't ... stranger"
  - 24 Like a dog's hind leg
  - 25 A low-flow showerhead will help lower it
  - 27 Enzyme ending in 30
  - 29 Online auction site
  - 30 50 cents, in slang
  - 35 After "get," gain an advantage
  - 39 Attending a Lakers game, say
  - 40 Ski resort named for a tree
  - 42 Longest river entirely in Switzerland
  - 43 Inning half
  - 45 Baker's container
  - 47 Dedicated works
  - 49 Taylor of fashion
  - 50 Hit generating four 71-Across
  - 54 Horizontal punctuator
  - 58 Hold up, as a bank
  - 59 Yogi, for one
  - 60 Wheel cover
  - 62 Hi hello
  - 64 "The Iron Horse," baseball's all-time recordholder
  - 66 Jeopardy
  - 67 Hops kiln
  - 68 Took \_\_\_ loan
  - 69 It has reservations
  - 70 G.I. fare
  - 71 One of them is hidden in 17-, 25-, 30- and 45-Across



By Don Gagliardo and C.C. Burnikel 3/6/12

### DOWN

- 1 Event before finals
- 2 Ascend
- 3 Path between rows
- 4 Conductor's wand
- 5 Cheeky rapper
- 6 Research site
- 7 St. Teresa's city
- 8 Cancel out
- 9 Wicked
- 10 Lutes o martes
- 11 Perp's story
- 12 Eye color
- 13 "Shaq Diesel"
- 16 Pepper
- 18 Founded: Abbr.
- 22 Beirut's country
- 25 Licks, as a stamp
- 26 One way to play
- 28 Cat breed
- 30 White lie
- 31 Dedicatee of Lennon's "Woman"
- 32 Final: Abbr.
- 33 Inform against
- 34 Sunblock letters
- 36 Gift of the gabrius?
- 37 Ocean State sch.
- 38 Pilot product

### Monday's Puzzle Solved

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- 41 Jason with a record 63-yard field goal to his credit
- 44 Weirdo
- 46 Like inappropriate influence
- 48 Picabo Street race
- 50 It's plotted in math class
- 51 Loggers' game
- 52 Scrub the launch
- 53 Like a cheering crowd
- 55 Can't stand
- 56 Use elbow grease on
- 57 Part of Hispaniola, 60 52", 63", etc.: Abbr.
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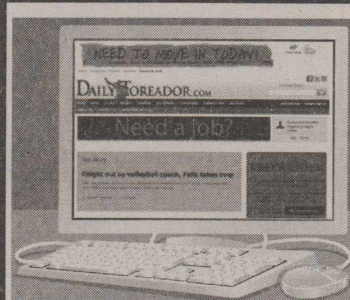
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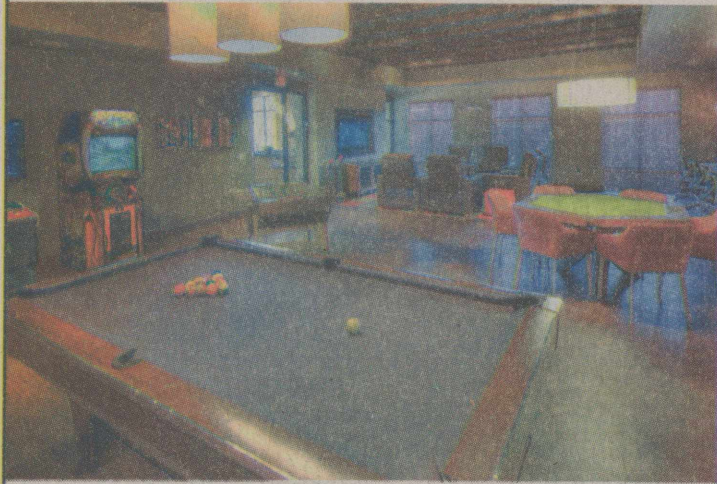


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