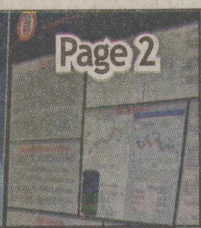




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Tech athletes set records in season's final home outdoor meet

Men, women's teams set for Big 12 Championships in Manhattan, Kan.

By ANTHONY CAMPISE
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Texas Tech's track and field teams finished the year exactly the way they wanted — dominating the Red Raider Open on Saturday at the Terry and Linda Fuller Track and Field Complex.

With this being the final out-

door meet before conference championships and the last home meet for 21 seniors, Taylor Evans felt the need to step up.

Evans and the Lady Raiders 4x100 relay team did just that, setting a new school record with a time of 43.53 seconds — breaking the previous mark of 43.97 set in 2005.

Following the meet, Evans said she could not help but feel honored, especially since the team had the same relay group for three years.

"Conference is one of the biggest meets of our season and we know it is," she said. "Knowing this is the last comfortable meet before conference, this is the atmosphere we wanted to get it (the record) in."

Junior pole vaulter Shade Weygandt also broke a school

record, clearing 4.50 meters (14'9.00"). The record also was a Fuller Track and Field Complex record. Weygandt is the women's top pole vaulter in the Big 12 Conference.

After the event, Tech coach Wes Kittley talked about how happy he was for Weygandt.

"I'm so thrilled for her because she has been struggling a little bit with health," he said. "To see her come out today, set a personal best and look so good at this time of the year, is really good for her."

The Lady Raiders were led by Ifeatu Okafor, a junior, in both the discus and shot put events. Okafor, the two-time All-American, won both events and set a personal

record in the shot put at 16.98 meters (55'8.50"). The victory was Okafor's second in as many weeks.

Junior Bryce Lamb continued to impress as well, winning the triple jump event and setting a new personal record with a mark of 16.56 meters (54'4.00"). The jump moved the first-team indoor All-American to third nationally for this season and No. 1 in the Big 12.

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Health, Wellness Symposium discusses worksite wellness programs, nutrition

Event hosted by Garrison Institute, to promote healthy living at work

By NICOLE MOLTER
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Garrison Institute on Aging hosted Tech's first Health and Wellness Symposium at the Academic Classroom Building on Friday.

"There has been studies shown that if you're more fit you have less sick days and you're more productive than people who don't exercise and aren't as healthy," said Tyson Carter, a strength and conditioning coach for Tech tennis and men and women's track.

Worksite wellness methods and results, environmental policy change and the ethics of employee wellness were the main topics discussed at the event. Vendors offered information, as well as guest speakers.

"What we're trying to emphasize and encourage is employers to understand and learn what an employee worksite wellness plan is," said Annette Boles, director of the Garrison Institute on Aging and organizer of the Health and Wellness Symposium. "What we had today were different methods of implementation because every employer and every work site — it's different."

Dr. Tedd Mitchell, president of HSC; David Atkinson, of Cooper Corporate Solutions; Jennifer Bard, of the Tech School of Law; Christina Thi, of the Texas Department of State Health Services; Tim Siegel, Tech men's head tennis coach; and Shane Haas, a physical therapist — were all speakers at the event.

"I thought David Atkinson's talk was really interesting," said Lauren Buck, a senior exercise sports science major from Sulphur Springs. "He spoke on worksite wellness methods and results, and he just talked about the things you can do to start a

program and how it can benefit your company and their health and their well-being in the future years."

Siegel said he was asked to speak about motivation and leadership involved with wellness in the workforce.

"What I did was I talked a little bit about my team and the things that we're looking for in our athletes, from strong work ethic to motivated tennis players to players that have passion and also that have leadership qualities," he said. "I think those are worries that can apply to any line of work."

The administrators, coaches and supportive atmosphere at Tech make coming to the campus every day enjoyable, Siegel said. A positive environment and spending time with family also helps to deal with pressure and stress.

"I never understood why people say 'I just wish I had more time to spend with my kids or more time to spend with my wife,'" he said. "Make the time, because when you're around your children, you're happier, and when you're happier, then you will become better in your job."

Physical fitness is linked to mental fitness, Siegel said. Six of the men's tennis players are Academic All-Big 12. Tyson Carter keeps the team in shape, but also strengthens the team's mental toughness and betters concentration levels.

Carter discussed fitness, nutrition, how to stay active, importance of sleep and keeping the mind active.

Keeping metabolism going is important, he said. Fat is the energy source for metabolism; eating five to seven meals a day, instead of three, can increase metabolism.

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Streaking Streak



PHOTO BY EMILY DE SANTOS/The Daily Toreador

STUDENTS DANCE BEFORE the Undie Run on Friday at Urbanovsky Park.

Students race in underwear for good cause

By PAIGE SKINNER
STAFF WRITER

It earned its name as people stripped down to their underwear to race around Urbanovsky Park — all for a good cause.

Texas Tech's second annual Undie Run was 5:30 p.m. Friday.

Race participants donated clothes to a local organization, which is why the racers ran in their underwear.

Joey Delprincipe, the organizer of the Undie Run, said he had wanted to make it an annual event.

"We're just getting people to come here, donate clothes and they go to a local organiza-

tion," said the junior architecture and business major from Arlington. "That local organization we chose is Lubbock Impact because, unlike Goodwill, they give their clothes directly back to the community."

Tech Undie Run became an official student organization after the event's one-year hiatus. The first Undie Run was in 2010 with about 300 people present.

Before the actual race began, a DJ played music while the participants hung out and socialized.

"It's more than just a race," Delprincipe said. "It's a celebration to blow off steam. It's the end of the year, end of the semester, you want to come out here and have a good time."

The wardrobe — or lack thereof — consisted of everything from sports bras, boxers, boxer-briefs, underwear and even cowboy boots.

Tomas Zenteno, a junior mechanical engineering major from Midland, said he was disappointed in the turnout of the race, calling it an "epic fail."

He explained how the date of the event was moved several times.

"Everybody still thinks it's next week," he said.

Zenteno and his friend donated an entire cardboard box of clothes and won first place for the biggest donation.

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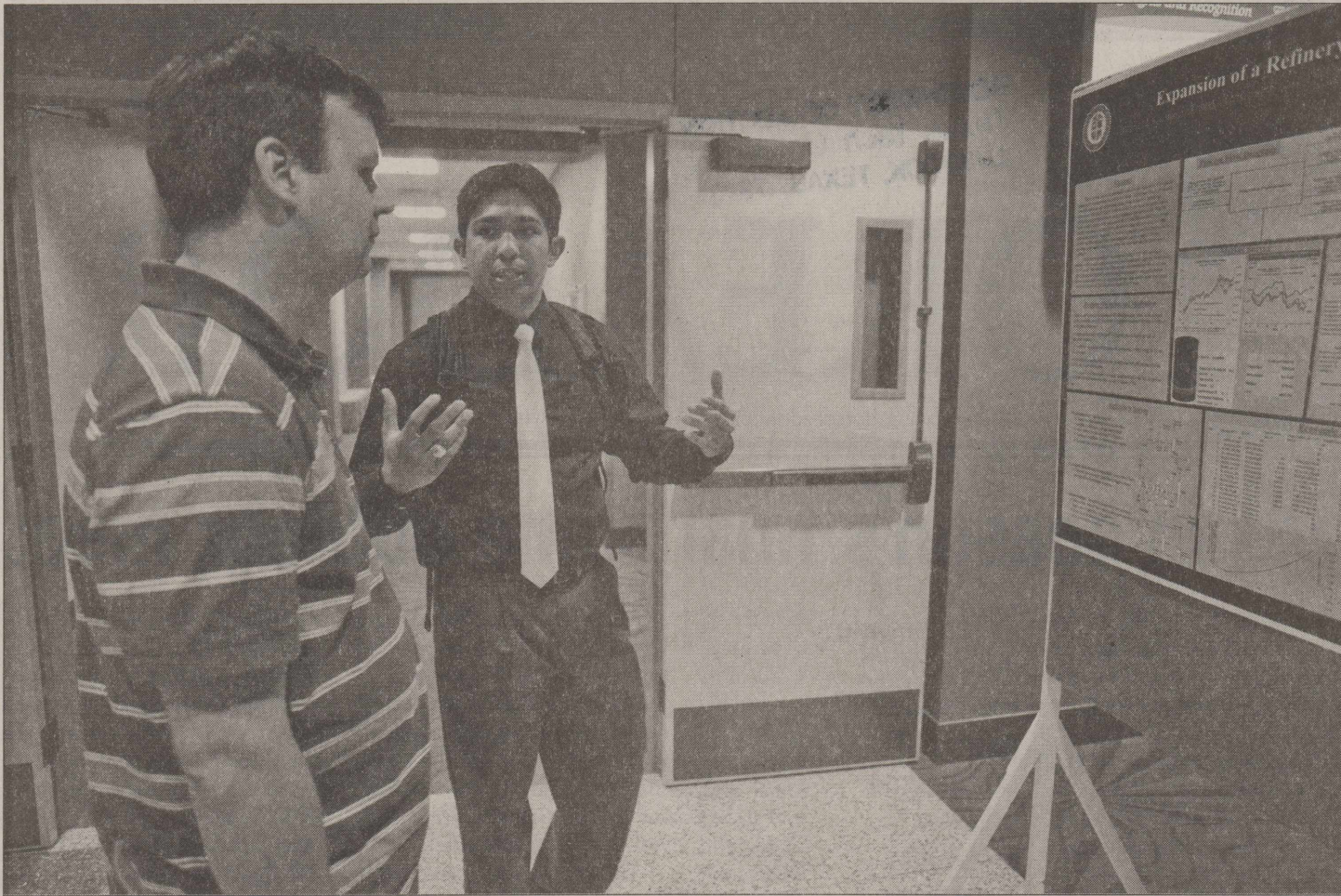


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GABRIEL PALOMINO, A senior chemical engineering major from El Paso, explains his senior design project on naphtha expansion trains to chemical engineering professor Ronald Hedden in the Livermore Engineering Center on Friday.

Community Calendar

- TODAY**
- Concert Band Concert**
 Time: 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
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 Come out and enjoy this free concert presented by the School of Music.
- TUESDAY**
- Toddler Tuesdays at the Museum**
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- Department of Communication Studies: SpeakUp! Contest Final Round**
 Time: 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Where:** Allen Theatre
So, what is it?
 The eight finalists of the Speak-Up! Contest will try and persuade a panel of judges with their persuasive speeches. A first, second and third place winner will be named.
- Clarinet Studio Recital**
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Debate Ala girl's death plays out on Facebook

GADSDEN, Ala. (AP) — Relatives and friends of the grandmother and stepmother charged with running a 9-year-old girl to death as a punishment have been defending and attacking the women on Facebook and in at least one case nearly divulging what could be considered evidence.

A judge has warned prosecutors and defense lawyers not to discuss the murder case, and so far they have obeyed. But experts say the hundreds of messages posted online since Savannah Hardin died in February show the legal system has yet to catch up with the social media explosion. They say it highlights the difficulty of making sure witnesses and jurors aren't swayed by outside influences.

Most posts are fairly innocuous, either supporting the women or honoring Savannah's memory. Others get to the heart of the case, including a few discussing how the child died. Many high-profile cases are discussed by thousands or even millions of people online, though in most cases those people aren't directly connected to the case. For instance, the Casey Anthony and Trayvon Martin cases generated immense worldwide attention on Facebook and Twitter.

Because of that, judges routinely admonish jurors not to read about a particular case online. And in Idaho, the Prosecuting Attorneys Association has advised prosecutors to avoid social media relationships that could create ethical problems — including being Facebook friends with judges — and never to talk about their cases online.

The grandmother of Savannah Hardin, Joyce Hardin Garrard, is charged with capital murder for allegedly making the child run and carry yard debris for hours as punishment for a lie about candy. The girl's stepmother, Jessica Mae Hardin, is charged with failing to intervene in the punishment until it was too late.

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"Your body can only metabolize so much nutrients at one point in time and the rest is stored as fat," Carter said, "so, if you eat three meals in a day and then you have a lot of time of fasting in between, your metabolism isn't going, so therefore you're storing more fat."

Adding color to an everyday diet is also important, Carter said. When choosing between red sauce and alfredo sauce, choose the red because of the tomato base. Stay away from fried foods, ranch dressings, sweets and diet and regular sodas.

Splurging is OK if a person is smart about when they splurge, he said. Activity level is usually greater during the workweek rather than the weekend, so having a splurge at the beginning of the workweek is smarter because, throughout the week, those extra calories can easily be burned.

"It keeps you sane, if you splurge," Carter said.

The weekend is also a good time to take advantage of cooking healthier food, he said. People have more time to find healthy foods and cook on the weekend. During the workweek, there is not much time to cook on a lunch break.

The main part of fitness is to find a physical activity that is enjoyable and to do that activity for at least 30 minutes a day, Carter

said. Motivation can be found in a spouse, pet, or other partner to help maintain a regular schedule of activity.

There are also other opportunities throughout the day for extra exercise, he said. Parking farther out in a parking lot to walk more before work or taking the stairs instead of the elevator are some examples.

Keeping the mind stimulated with daily mind teasers is just as important as exercising the

body, Carter said. Sleep is also important to allow both the mind and body to recover from work.

The Tech athletic department has a Let's Get Fit program for employees, he said, to keep them healthy and active.

"What that does is we have a sign-in sheet during lunchtime," Carter said, "and they come and they sign in and we give them a program — whether it's a walking program, or we find stuff that's good for them to do that they enjoy — and we try to give them a progression plan on it. It just allows them to be active."

American State Bank, Lubbock Independent School District and PICO Industries are other places in Lubbock that offer incentive programs for worksite wellness, Boles said.

About 75 people attended the Health and Wellness Symposium, Buck said, and HSC is hoping for next year's attendance to grow with its second symposium.

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TYSON CARTER
STRENGTH COACH
TEXAS TECH TENNIS

POLICE BLOTTER

Fire alarm pulled at Health Sciences Center

Thursday

8:59 a.m. — A Texas Tech officer arrested a non-student for an outstanding Lubbock County Sheriff Department warrant in the 1500 block of Flint Avenue, following a traffic stop. The non-student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail. The vehicle was left properly parked.

9:35 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated a traffic accident, without injuries, at 15th Street and Boston Avenue. A vehicle struck a street sign.

2:14 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated a traffic accident without injuries which in the 3700 block of 5th Street.

3:18 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated a false alarm or report at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center Medical Pavilion. A fire alarm pull station was activated.

4:42 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated a burglary of a vehicle in the Flint Avenue Parking Garage. A Garmin GPS was taken from an unsecured

vehicle.

5:22 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated theft at Weymouth Residence Hall. Several items of clothes were taken from a dryer.

8:27 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated possession of alcohol by a minor in Murdough Residence Hall.

11:23 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated a traffic accident at the intersection of 19th Street and Indiana Avenue.

Friday

2:42 a.m. — A Tech officer

arrested a student for driving while intoxicated and possessing more than one valid driver license, following a traffic violation at 19th Street and Indiana Avenue. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail. The vehicle was impounded by Lubbock Wrecker Services.

4:13 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated criminal mischief at Knapp Residence Hall. A windowpane in a door and part of the wooden door was damaged.

Turkish premier: Syrian regime weaker every day

BEIRUT (AP)—President Bashar Assad's grip on Syria is getting weaker by the day and "victory is close," Turkey's prime minister said Sunday in an address to thousands of cheering Syrians who fled a brutal crackdown on an anti-regime uprising.

Recep Tayyip Erdogan's cross-border taunt during a rare visit to a refugee camp, delivered while standing atop a bus and protected by snipers on rooftops, came a day before Syria was to hold parliament elections.

The regime has portrayed the vote for a 250-member parliament as a sign of its willingness to carry out democratic reforms. Syria's opposition dismissed the election Sunday as a cynical attempt to salvage Assad's tattered legitimacy and asked voters to stay away.

Assad's opponents say elections cannot be held under the threat of gunfire. Activists said at least five people were killed by army gunfire Sunday. In late March, the U.N. said 9,000 people have been killed during the conflict, now in its 14th month.

"We think the elections have no credibility at all in the middle of a situation where the regime is killing the population," said Bassma Kodmani, a spokeswoman for the Syrian National Council, the main opposition group in exile. "It is an insult to the democratic process."

An April 12 truce that was part of

a peace plan for Syria by special envoy Kofi Annan has failed to take hold. Even so, the international community has not declared Annan's plan a failure, perhaps in part because it can't agree on an alternative.

U.N. officials hope a wider deployment of up to 300 international truce monitors will gradually calm the situation. About 40 observers are currently in Syria.

U.N. observers visited the towns of Zabadani and Dael on Sunday, and regime forces fired randomly into Dael after they left, wounding three people, said Adel, a local activist.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, an activist group, said four people were killed by regime gunfire in the city of Homs and a fifth in an arrest raid in the capital of Damascus.

Western powers and their allies in the region, including Turkey, want Assad to step down, but are for now unwilling to use force against him. Assad allies Russia and China are expected to shield the regime from harsher diplomatic sanctions.

Despite the deadlock, Erdogan delivered a hopeful speech Sunday to thousands of Syrian refugees being sheltered by Turkey.

"Bashar is losing blood day by day," Erdogan told a crowd at a camp near the town of Kilis, just across from Syria. "Sooner or later, those who have

oppressed our Syrian brothers will be accounted for before their nation. Your victory is close."

Turkey hosts around 23,000 Syrian refugees, who live in several tent camps along the border.

The camp Erdogan visited houses more than 9,500 refugees. Two were killed there by cross-border fire from Syria last month. It is the most organized of the camps and looks like a small town with wide streets, soup kitchens, a health clinic and even a makeshift barber shop.

Back across the border, the regime was preparing for parliamentary voting despite the boycott calls from the opposition.

Monday's elections come three months after the adoption of a new constitution that allows the formation of political parties to compete with Assad's ruling Baath party and limits a president to two seven-year terms. Assad succeeded his father, and the two have been in power for a total of 42 years.

Opposition leaders said any reforms without their input are a farce.

"We are against these elections because they don't have any of the characteristics of free elections," said Haytham Manna, head of the National Coordination Body for Democratic Change in Syria, a group that represents activists in Syria and in exile. Manna spoke from Brussels.

In Syria, anti-regime activists also said they rejected the vote and had seen little government preparation for elections in some opposition areas.

In Dael, a southern town, residents prevented anyone from putting up election posters and instead posted photos of the 20 people from the city who have been killed in the uprising.

"They are our candidates for parliament," said Adel, the local activist, referring to the dead. He declined to give his full name for fear of retribution.

Another activist, Fares Mohammed in the town of Zabadani northwest of Damascus, said residents there would hold a general strike to protest the elections.

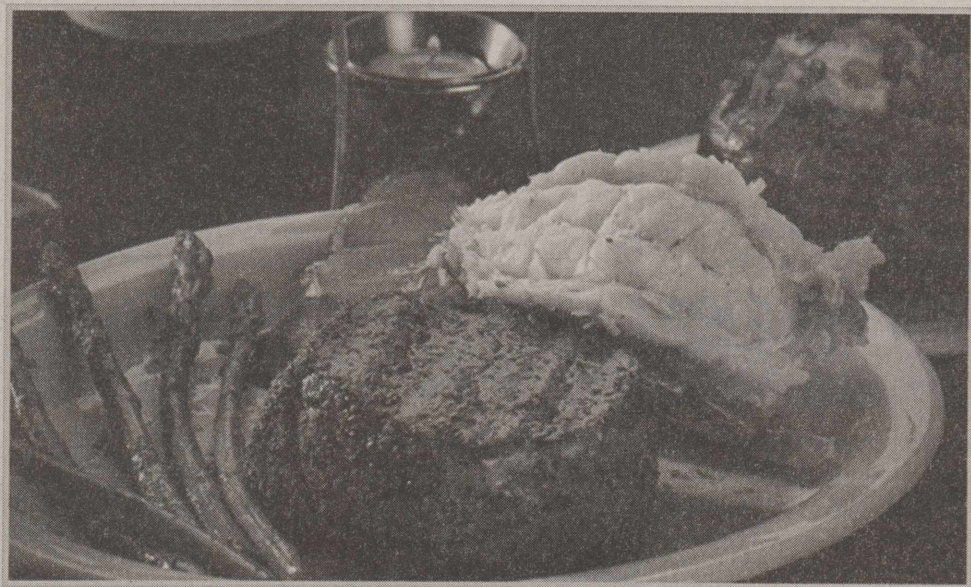
"Everyone here rejects the elections," he said by phone.

In Damascus, where support for the regime still runs strong, some said they hoped the election would lead to promised reforms.

"This parliament will be different from the previous one due to the increase in the number of the participating parties and the new constitution," said Rabea al-Shaallan, a housewife and a mother of three.

In February, state media said 57 percent of nearly 15 million eligible voters turned out for the referendum on the constitution. The figures were impossible to verify, and opposition activists say they believe many participated out of fear.

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College years remembered, some advice

Invariably, some wise, older person will always tell you to enjoy whatever phase of life you are in. "It's the best time of your life," they say.

The high school years, of course, were awesome as a teenager: The freedom to do whatever you wanted with the innocence of not knowing the real world ramifications of your actions. Relationships were, for the most part, friendships on a slightly deeper level. Classes were fairly simple and easy, and the standardized tests were inconsequential wastes of time.

Nobody ever says exactly why college is the best time of our lives. The innocence from high school is no more. The independence that we all yearned for in high school is a lot more work than it seemed. Relationships are complex and interwoven with expectations of proper etiquette and pacing. Every hour in the classroom is vital to not only passing the course, but also getting ready for a full-time job in the real world.

But, I think I've figured out

Tony Cardone



why college is the best time of our lives. It's because during the course of four, five or six years, the façade of knowing who you were in high school gives way to a true understanding of what you want out of life.

During the first three years of college, I daresay I've learned as much outside the classroom as in it. As this is my last column for *The Daily Toreador*, I don't want to go out writing an advice column. Rather, I want to write something closer to a memoir of three years in the life of a middle-class college student.

First and foremost, life isn't even close to fair. Unless you were born to a wealthy family, succeeding in America is an uphill climb. But, when success comes, there is no feeling like it. There's nothing wrong with

complaining about this. Complaining makes it bearable. But remembering that friends and family also have the same problems goes a long way to preventing a feeling of entitlement. One-upping each other in the misery department is a quick way to a miserable existence.

Secondly, the college system in this country badly needs reform. Universities such as Texas Tech require students to spend thousands of dollars on classes that aren't needed so graduates can be "well-rounded."

There are too many faculty members who are poor instructors, but are forced out of their primary role as researchers because of inadequate funding. University administrators and

chancellors don't have to answer to the students, but to state politicians. Also, the athletic departments of schools have way too much power and have lost their focus of serving the academic departments of the school.

Thirdly, most Republicans are fantastic people. They are terrible policy-makers, sorely misguided and slightly self-centered — but they are mostly nice people. They do care about you, as the individual, and will almost certainly do anything to help you out, but they don't particularly care about the abstract "other people" in a society. This is a shame, because, at one point or another, we all need help that friends simply cannot provide.

On the flip side, most Democrats are also fantastic people. I have nothing but compliments and praise for the people I've worked with for three years. However, as a collective group of humans, there is nothing perfect about us. I have seen Democrats act in bad faith, call others racist when they're not and co-opt the message of positive change for personal gain.

During three years, it's become apparent the two schools of thought are more similar than the media portrays it. Individual Democrats and Republicans are good, hard-working Americans who have political and philosophical differences, but have no qualms working together to make this country stronger. They differ from the negatively charged, self-centered political bigwigs who claim to run these parties and who can't agree on which day of the week it is.

For the fourth point, the Dallas Mavericks are a terrible basketball team. I didn't learn that recently, but it bears repeating. Finally, there are never too

many thanks to go around. I'd like to thank you, the Texas Tech community, for your feedback over the last few years — the positive and the negative. I'd like to thank the staff of *The Daily Toreador* for saving column space for me each week. I'd like to thank the two opinions editors at the newspaper for their invaluable help and tips during the past 30 months, Chris Leal and Britton Peele.

I'm not one for profound statements, but in closing, I would like to offer some advice. Helping other people out is undoubtedly the most important thing we can do for one another.

No matter what the media says, no matter what movies say and no matter what other people say, life really isn't a race where only the winners are happy. The success of one person isn't determined by the failure of another.

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“Over the first three years of college ... I've learned as much outside the classroom as in it.”

Congressional budget deficit solutions lacking, necessary

By **A. J. EDELMAN**
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For members of the federal government, when it comes to addressing the issue of deficit spending, it is almost like watching an episode of *Kids Say the Darndest Things*. Line up those in charge of affecting fiscal policy and be prepared for some of the craziest, nonsensical one-liners you can imagine.

Take Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner for instance — how would he address federal deficit spending? "You are right to say ... 'we [don't] have a definitive solution to that long-term problem (deficit spending).' What we do know is, we don't like yours (the Republican budgets)."

Surely there are other members of the government who do have a plan? How about Harry Reid, Senate Majority Leader? "We do not need to bring a budget to the floor this year. It's done. We don't need to do it," he said.

In other words: maybe next year, folks. In fact, as of Sunday,

the U.S. Senate had failed to pass a budget for three straight years. Meanwhile, the House has passed a budget for each of the past two years. Like any prolonged problem, there are long term solutions that can be implemented to ultimately reverse the damage, and create new opportunity.

One essential step is to have a plan — any plan. And for the federal government that means a budget. Recently, President Obama has been discussing a possible solution to the issue of the national deficit — the proposed Buffett Rule. It seems to be the single most important piece of economic reform the administration is currently touting. This proposed law would raise the minimum amount of taxes paid by individuals making more than one million dollars per year. Sounds like a good plan. After all, the way to pay off credit is by having more money, right?

Finally, a bold solution to a major problem. Running the numbers, the Buffett Rule would result in tax increases on a whopping .15

percent of Americans, and the 5 billion dollars it would raise would allow us to fully pay off our deficit for an impressive 11 hours.

Truth is, on the issue of spending reform, President Obama and the 111th Congress inherited a mess. Deficits and the national debt had been climbing for almost a decade, and government expenditures had increased thanks to two costly wars and increased entitlement spending, the legacy of the Bush administration.

The time was ripe for change, and this was a chance for the new administration to fix the problem before it got too big. Unfortunately though, the administration not only failed to address the problem, it furthered it. The national debt exploded, almost tripling in three years, and as a percent of GDP is projected to hit 90 percent by 2020 (up from 41 percent in 2008).

Meanwhile, the federal government has relied on short-term continuing resolutions to continue operating. Balanced Budget amendments were ridiculed, and pork-spending reform was not even addressed. Medicare reform was out of the question, and K-12 education spending (up 219 percent over the past decade) was off-limits. The president's budgets have been so outlandish that not a single Senator voted for his proposed 2012 budget, and not a single house member voted for his proposed 2013 budget.

This is the essence of leading from behind and ducking responsibility. It is a shame that those in positions of authority who have the ability to put our fiscal house in order have not done so. It is time for the president and the Senate to finally propose real solutions to this very real problem.

NFL should promote improved safety, support for retired players

By **WASHINGTON SQUARE NEWS EDITORIAL BOARD**
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Despite the NBA and NHL playoffs' recent kick off, it was the National Football League that dominated sports headlines yesterday.

In the morning, the league announced the suspensions of four current and former New Orleans Saints' players who took part in the team's bounty program in which injuring opposing players was monetarily incentivized.

The lengths of the suspensions — including an entire season for defensive captain Jonathan Vilma — seem to be primarily concerned with sending a message for future players.

A few hours prior to the suspensions, the NFL announced that 12-time Pro Bowler and future Hall of Fame linebacker Junior Seau was found dead in his home, reportedly from a gunshot wound to the chest in what police are currently calling a suicide.

Although seemingly unrelated, these events are inextricably linked to the league's role in promoting current and former player health and safety. Commissioner Roger Goodell has made statement after statement stressing his desire to prioritize player safety. But Goodell's actions do not match the promise of his words.

Life expectancy among NFL veterans is remarkably lower than the national average. Also Alzheimer's Disease, bipolar disorder and depression are seen in much higher rates among NFL veterans. The health benefits

players receive are not enough to combat the effects of concussions and other brain injuries sustained on the field of play.

Yes, the bounty was disgusting. But trying to get rid of violence in the NFL is like trying to get rid of trans fat in donuts. By its very nature, football is incredibly violent.

If Goodell means the words he speaks, he would invest more in providing retired players the proper welfare that they need. He would not be making a concerted effort to extend the NFL season to an

18-game, rather than 16-game, season. He would accept the correlation between concussions in

players and the sport he oversees and would be attempting to combat it by improving equipment and medical care.

It should not take a bounty program or a former star's tragic suicide for the NFL to wake up and do more to promote player safety because the players, who are the foundation of the NFL's revenue, have deserved it all along.

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Museum of Texas Tech hosts Dino Day

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By **KATHERINE MCBEE**
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As people walked into the Museum of Texas Tech University, they saw a cast replica of a Tyrannosaurus rex and Triceratops, Audra Dyer said.

Dino Day was hosted Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. for the Lubbock community. Dyer said the attendance for Dino Day ranged from 700 to 900 people in a three-hour span and there were 27 volunteers to help with the event.

Audra Dyer, the manager of the Moody Planetarium, said the museum hosts Dino Day every year. The event is for children and their families.

Dino Day consists of different

activities, including decorating field hats, digging for fossils, creating dino works of art with clay, watching movies, and free planetarium and laser shows.

The movies shown were BBC's "Walking with Dinosaurs" and "Journey to the Center of the Earth."

"We try to make it so that the adults have fun as well," Dyer said.

"The purpose of this whole day is to introduce children to dinosaurs," Dyer said. "Most of them have already been introduced to dinosaurs and they know more than the people that come to the museum."

She said the children were able to dig in the dig boxes and take

one fossil home with them. The event also had activities for the children younger than six years old, like a puppet show.

Kristi Barker came to Dino Day with her son, Baize, and daughter, Lainey, and her husband. She said they found out about the event by reading about it in the newspaper and decided to come because fossils fascinate her son.

"He is very interested in digging for fossils," Barker said.

Bill Mueller, the assistant curator for the Paleontology Division, has been working with the museum for 12 years. He helped the children identify fossils from the dig box and had a table of fossils for people to look at.

He said one of the fossils for the children was an amphibian's chest bone. The name of that amphibian is Metoposaurus, and the museum has the largest known Metoposaurus skull fossil.

Mueller said the museum has almost nothing in its collection as far as dinosaurs. Out of 45 cabinets, he said only one has dinosaur fossils.

One of the dinosaur bones the museum has is the skull of a Coelophysis. A cast has been made of the skull so it can be picked up and handled by visitors.

Mueller also had an unnamed new specimen for children to see, he said, which he is in the process of naming.

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

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- Sudden twitch
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- Futurist
- Bear who loves "hunny"
- Most golfers' goals
- Red tag event
- Black-and-white ocean predator
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By David Steinberg 5/7/12

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Undie Run

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Before the mile-long race began at 7:45 p.m., the "Tech Fight Song" played as everyone prepared.

The runners were told to go and run their way around the park's trail.

One participant chose to ride his longboard during the race.

Brandon Bownds, a senior agricultural economics major from Garland, said his fraternity, Tau Kappa Epsilon, donated clothes for the fraternity's philanthropy.

Bownds did not win the race on his longboard, instead the race's first place male winner was Dominic Delprincipe, who ran the mile in about six minutes.

The freshman chemistry major from Arlington said he ran the mile pretty slowly, but has been running all his life.

He donated a pair of pants and a shirt to Lubbock Impact and said the event was awesome.

The race's first place female winner was Sarah Kaiser, a senior dance major from Lubbock.

She participated in the race

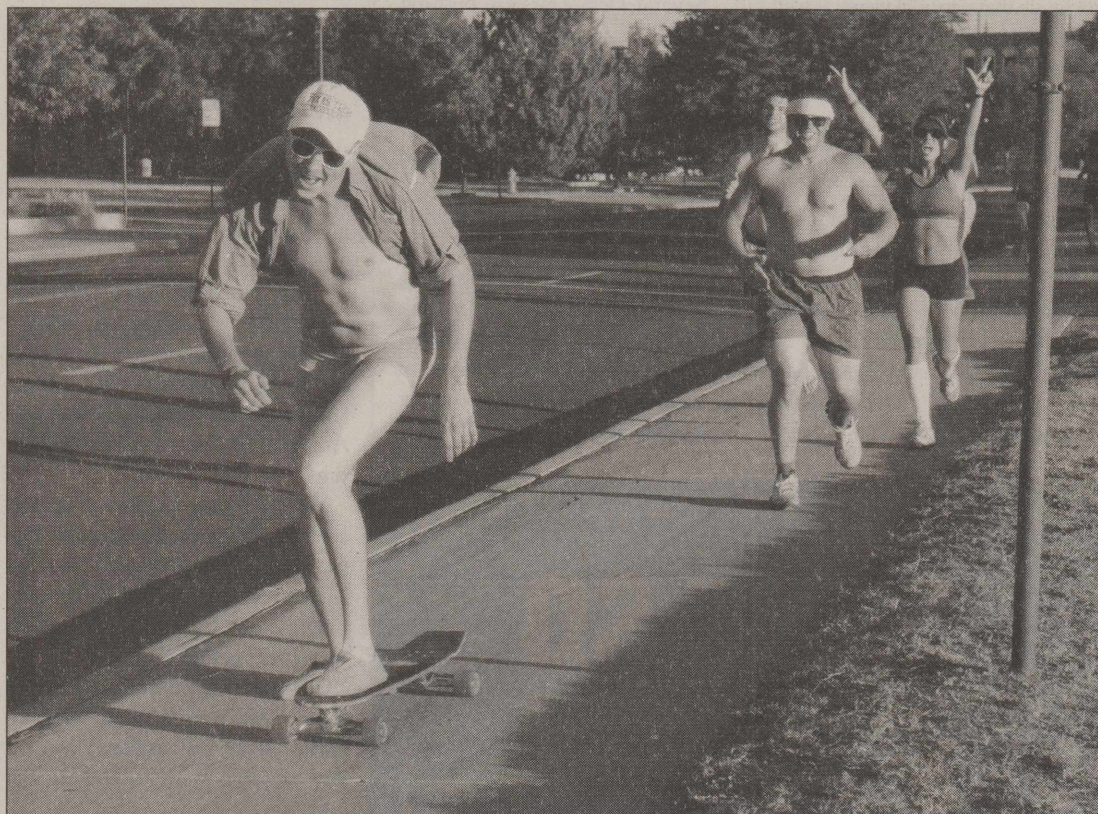


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BRANDON BOWNDS, A senior agricultural economics major from Garland, rides his longboard during the Undie Run race on Friday at Urbanovsky Park.

in 2010 and said she noticed a significant decrease in people this year.

"I loved it (this year)," she said. "I was actually at the first one two years ago and I loved it then. It's a little small of a

turnout, but it's still fun."

When everyone finished the race, "We Are The Champions" by Queen played as everyone congratulated the winners.

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'The Avengers' amazing, entertaining flick

"The Avengers" is an action film directed by Joss Whedon with a cast full of star power, including Robert Downey Jr., Chris Evans, Scarlett Johansson, Samuel L. Jackson, and Chris Hemsworth, just to name a few.

Nick Fury (Jackson) starts an international peacekeeping agency called S.H.I.E.L.D. and recruits Marvel action heroes to the agency. Soon, a worldwide threat is presented and they all must band together

London Weldon



to save the world.

I went into this movie expecting a mediocre action film, as I was not super impressed with any of the previous Marvel movies. Thank-

fully, I was surprised. Though the plot is pretty straightforward, there are many characters in the movie who keep you entertained in their very own signature fashion. They put a lot of effort in the new Hulk to bring him up to par with the rest of the party and it paid off. Iron Man's powers are tested to a new level and, being the most skilled avenger, they had to be. I'm starting to like Captain America more and more because of the way he handles

situations. The time-transitioned character of his adjusts surprisingly quickly to the new scenario. Black Widow (Johansson) and Hawkeye (Jeremy Renner), who had references in previous movies, are full-fledged avengers now. There are a few much needed moments of subtle humor between many fantastically choreographed action scenes.

I am usually against 3D films because they are eye straining and, frankly, a waste of extra money.

However, this film does 3D justice. All of the action is magnified. The cinematography was simply spectacular. The only negative thing was the beginning was a tad bit slow for my liking. Eventually, the speed did pick up. It was obvious a lot of money was put into this film and it paid off visually. The audience was clapping and cheering at the end because it truly was a great show. Do yourself a favor and stay through the credits and watch the alternate

ending also.

With all of this said, I would give this film four out of five stars. It is 2 1/2 hours of pure entertainment. It would not surprise me if this movie gets a few nominations from the Academy. Don't wait until this film comes on video, pay the extra few bucks and see it in theaters to get the full effect.

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Biden OK with equal rights for married gay couples

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Joe Biden says he's "absolutely comfortable" with gay couples who marry getting the same civil rights and liberties as heterosexual couples, a stand that gay rights advocates interpreted as an endorsement of same-sex marriage.

But the White House and President Barack Obama's re-election campaign, eager to avoid a debate on a hot-button social issue in an election year, insisted that Biden was not breaking ranks with Obama, who does not publicly support gay marriage.

Biden told NBC's "Meet the Press" that marriage should be about being loyal to someone you love, whether that marriage is between a man and a woman, two men or two women. "I am absolutely comfortable with the fact that men marrying men, women marrying women and heterosexual

men and women marrying one another are entitled to the same exact rights, all the civil rights, all the civil liberties," Biden said in the interview broadcast Sunday.

Gay rights advocates said Biden's comments signaled unmistakable support for gay marriage, which they said made him the highest-ranking member in the Obama administration to take that position.

"I'm grateful that the vice president of the United States is now publicly supporting marriage equality and I hope very soon the president and the rest of our leaders, Republicans and Democrats in Congress, will fall in line with the vice president," said Chad Griffin, a gay rights supporter and a member of the Obama campaign's national finance committee.

Joe Solmonese, the president of the Human Rights Campaign, said

his group was encouraged by Biden's comments and called on Obama to speak out for "full marriage equality" for same-sex couples.

While Obama opposes gay marriage, he says his personal views on the matter are "evolving" and has noted that polls show Americans are increasingly supporting same-sex marriage.

Biden, a devout Catholic, has said previously that personal views, as well as the country's, on gay marriage are evolving.

The vice president's office said Sunday after the interview aired that Biden's comments were not an endorsement of gay marriage, but simply a reaffirmation of his belief that same-sex couples deserve the same rights and protections as all Americans.

David Axelrod, a senior adviser to the Obama campaign, chimed in on Twitter, saying Biden and Obama share the view that all married couples should have the same legal rights.

For the Obama campaign, gay marriage has become a vexing election year issue.

Each time the campaign promotes the president's extensive work in advancing gay rights, including ending the military's ban on openly gay service members, it is reminded of the one area where the president has fallen short in the eyes of gay rights advocates.

Several Democrats are pushing for Obama to include support for gay marriage in the party's platform, which will be finalized at the Democratic convention this summer.

Campaign officials have played down the notion that Obama's position on gay marriage will "evolve" before the November election. They say Obama's record in supporting other gay rights issues stands in stark contrast to his Republican challenger Mitt Romney, an ardent opponent of gay marriage and other benefits for same-sex couples.

'The Avengers' smashes box office record: \$200.3 million debut

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hulk, smash.

That's what Captain America tells the Incredible Hulk to do in "The Avengers," and that's what the Marvel Comics superhero mash-up did at the box office, smashing the domestic revenue record with a \$200.3 million debut.

It's by far the biggest opening ever, shooting past the previous record of \$169.2 million for the debut of last year's "Harry Potter" finale.

"The Avengers" added \$151.5 million overseas over the weekend to bring its total to \$441.5 million since it began opening internationally a week earlier.

That raised the film's worldwide haul to \$641.8 million in barely a week and a half, more than its Marvel superhero forerunners "Iron Man," "Iron Man 2," "Thor" and "Captain America" took in during their entire runs.

If distributor Disney's domestic estimate Sunday holds when the final weekend count is released Monday, "The Avengers" would be the first movie ever to haul in \$200 million in a single weekend.

While the number could dip below \$200 million come Monday, Disney spent the weekend revising its forecasts upward as business kept growing.

"There aren't even words, to be honest. I'm running low on double takes. Every time we looked at a number, it just got bigger than what we could have hoped for in the best-case assumption," said Dave Hollis, Disney's head of distribution. "With this film, this weekend, anything is possible."

"The Avengers" started with solid midnight crowds Friday, though nowhere near a record. Then it did \$80.5 million for the full day Friday, second only to the "Harry Potter" finale's \$91.1 million first day.

Revenues held up much better than expected with \$69.7 million Saturday, and Disney estimated that the film would bring in \$50.1 million more on Sunday.

The record weekend was the culmination of years of careful planning by Marvel Studios, which has included teasers for an "Avengers" dream team collaboration in its solo superhero adventures.

Directed by Joss Whedon ("Buffy the Vampire Slayer"), "The Avengers" features Robert Downey Jr. as Iron Man, Chris Evans as Captain America, Chris Hemsworth as Thor, Mark Ruffalo as the Hulk, Scarlett Johansson as Black Widow, Jeremy Renner as Hawkeye and Samuel L. Jackson as Nick Fury.

A \$200 million total for every movie in release is considered a

great weekend for the business as a whole, so "The Avengers" redefines the standards for a blockbuster debut.

"If 'The Avengers' is any indication, we're going to see a leap rather than a gentle little nudge into new territory, and the lineup is there to justify it going forward," said Greg Foster, chairman and president of the huge-screen IMAX cinema chain.

Crowds were so anxious to see the film on IMAX's giant screens that Foster said the company had only one problem: it ran out of seats to sell.

Overall domestic revenues came in at \$248 million, climbing 49 percent compared to the same weekend last year, when "Thor" opened with \$65.7 million, according to box-office tracker Hollywood.com. "The Avengers" accounted for four-fifths of the weekend's domestic receipts.

Hollywood launched a potentially record-shattering summer with a vengeance, "The Avengers" landing as just the first of three huge superhero tales that highlight a lineup filled with other blockbusters in the making.

"The Amazing Spider-Man" follows on July 3 and "The Dark Knight Rises" wraps up the current Batman series on July 20.

Until the "Harry Potter" finale, 2008's "The Dark Knight" had held the revenue record with a \$158.4 million debut. Before that, the record-holder was 2007's "Spider-Man 3" with \$151.1 million.

So anticipation for those two films could rival that of "The Avengers."

As admission prices rise, Hollywood's record-breakers often take in more money but sell fewer tickets than previous blockbusters. But "The Avengers" took in so much money that it's the undisputed champ among debuts.

Based on average admission prices the years they were released, "The Dark Knight" and "Spider-Man 3" had led with about 22 million tickets sold each over opening weekend. Today's average prices put "The Avengers" tally at around 25.6 million tickets sold.

Along with the superhero films, Hollywood's summer lineup includes the action tales "Men in Black 3," "G.I. Joe: Retaliation," "BattleShip," "Total Recall" and "Prometheus," director Ridley Scott's return to the sci-fi territory of his horror hit "Alien."

Big family fare includes the animated adventures "Brave," from "Toy Story" creator Pixar Animation, and the sequels "Ice Age: Continental Drift" and "Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted."

The comedy lineup features Adam Sandler's "That's My Boy," Will Ferrell's "The Campaign" and Sacha Baron Cohen's "The Dictator."

"The Avengers" kicks off what looks to me to be the summer box-office equivalent of the 100-year flood," said Hollywood.com analyst Paul Dergarabedian. "This is perhaps the most perfect summer lineup in box-office history."

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to Hollywood.com. Where available, latest international numbers are also included. Final domestic figures will be released Monday.

1. "The Avengers," \$200.3 million (\$151.5 million international).
2. "Think Like a Man," \$8 million.
3. "The Hunger Games," \$5.7 million.
4. "The Lucky One," \$5.5 million.
5. "The Pirates! Band of Misfits," \$5.4 million (\$2.6 million international).
6. "The Five-Year Engagement," \$5.1 million (\$2.3 million international).
7. "The Raven," \$2.5 million.
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Shanahan says RGIII will start at QB from day one

ASHBURN, Va. (AP)—No sense fooling around with a talent like Robert Griffin III. Barely a week after the draft, the Washington Redskins are already proclaiming the Heisman Trophy winner their No. 1 quarterback.

Saying that Griffin has the ability to do things no one else has done in the NFL, coach Mike Shanahan wrapped up a rookie minicamp Sunday by putting RGIII squarely atop the depth chart.

"He's the starter. Period," Shanahan said.

Shanahan said Griffin will begin working with the first-teamers when the veterans reconvene for offseason workouts later this month. Fourth-round pick Kirk Cousins and last year's starter Rex Grossman will share snaps to sort out the second- and third-string spots.

Shanahan said the Redskins didn't go through all the trouble to get Griffin — trading three first-round picks and a second-rounder to the St. Louis Rams for the No. 2 overall spot — just to have him play backup. The coach said he made the decision even before the three-day minicamp.

"We're going to adjust our system to what he feels comfortable with," Shanahan said, "and we'll watch him grow and we'll do what we feel like he can do and what he does the best.... One thing the NFL is not used to is a quarterback with his type of speed and his type of throwing ability, so I think we can do some things that people haven't done."

With his announcement, Shanahan managed something that's hard to do — overshadow Griffin himself. Sunday was the first chance for reporters to see Griffin practice in a Redskins uniform,

an event that attracted some 60 members of the media to a 90-minute session consisting mostly of undrafted, unsigned players trying to earn a spot at training camp.

Griffin wore the familiar No. 10 that he wore at Baylor, with the moniker "Griffin III" on the back. His shoes were gold with burgundy laces. He's known more for his colorful collection of socks, but he went with the standard white. As usual, his sound bites were spot on.

"It's been a while since we've been able to do football things," he said. "We've been doing combines and beauty pageants on pro days, so it's time to get to football."

Griffin referenced the challenges he might have as a rookie starting quarterback dealing with veterans. With his disarming smile, he said he even has extra pairs of his shoes, in case the vets want them.



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TEXAS TECH'S SHADE Weygandt runs to hug pole vault coach Brian Porter after breaking the school record during the Red Raider Open on Saturday at the Terry and Linda Fuller Track and Field Complex. Weygandt's jump of 14'-9" set the record and met the Olympic 'A' standard.

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Track

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Perhaps the biggest surprise of the day was senior Gil Roberts. Roberts is the U.S. indoor 400-meter champion, so running fast is nothing new to him.

But, after having to sit out a month because of a recent injury at Texas Relays, it did come as a bit of a surprise when Roberts ran the fastest time in the nation all year.

The four-time All-American ran a 44.93 in his first outdoor race of the season, capturing a first place win and the third fastest 400 recorded in the world this year.

"I had a month off and I came back today and was still able to run a 44," Roberts said. "It's a great indicator to

let me know where I am and the great things to come."

Roberts finished ahead of Belgium's Kevin Borlee, who defeated him at nationals in 2009. At the time, Borlee was a member of Florida State University and later went on to become the 2010 European Champion.

Overall, Kittley said, he was very impressed with the effort of his team.

"I believe this is the best meet we have had all year," he said. "You see this before the Big 12 Championships and it makes us very excited."

Next weekend, the No. 9 Lady Raiders and No. 10 Red Raiders will be in Manhattan, Kan., for the Big 12 Outdoor Championships at Kansas State's R.V. Christian Track Complex.

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Tech, OSU split 1st 2 games of series



PHOTO BY EMILY DE SANTOS/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH left fielder Katelyn Williams dives for the ball during a 5-0 loss against Oklahoma State on Saturday at Rocky Johnson Field.

By **MATT VILLANUEVA**
STAFF WRITER

The winner of Texas Tech's final conference series of the season will come down to the last day, as the Red Raiders split the first two games of the series with Oklahoma State.

In game one it was OSU's Kat Espinosa who would spoil Senior Day for the Red Raiders by tossing a complete game, allowing three hits, and shutting out Tech 5-0.

"It's a bad day for me," head coach Shanon Hays said. "It's a great day for them as far as getting to celebrate and honor them. Great student-athletes, great kids, great teammates. You can't ask for a better group to represent Texas Tech."

With Espinosa hot in the circle, Tech could only do so much at the plate.

Emily Bledsoe had the best performance in the batter's box, as she went 3-for-4.

The game was scoreless until the sixth inning, when Oklahoma State erupted. At the top of the lineup, Shelby Davis nailed a

triple inside the left line off of Cara Custer. She would eventually score off a Kelsey Anchors sacrifice fly to center field.

After Oklahoma State plated its first run, Tech's defense dropped the ball — literally — with a couple of two-out errors that gave the Cowgirls two more runs.

During the sixth inning, Custer was relieved by Kelsey Dennis, but would return back to the circle after Dennis allowed three singles that put the bases loaded. Custer would allow another run because of a walk and another off a fielder's choice.

Custer would receive the loss, giving up four hits and five walks.

Tech responded Sunday afternoon with four total home runs off the bats of Bledsoe, Ashley Hamada and two from Sandy James, which led Tech to tie series with an 8-4 victory.

James took charge at the top of the first with a full-count, solo blast to center field to put Tech up 3-0. She would later record her 11th home run of the season in the third.

Hamada and Bledsoe fueled the fourth inning with back-to-back home runs. They also contributed to a two-run second inning, when Hamada singled and later scored on a Bledsoe double.

In six innings pitched, Brittany Talley allowed six hits, which resulted in three runs. She also tallied five strikeouts.

Ashley Brokeshoulder relieved Talley in the seventh. Brokeshoulder allowed a run in the seventh off a Davis RBI single, but it wouldn't be enough to lead a Cowgirl comeback.

"We didn't play like we know how to yesterday, and we all know that," James said, "so we knew we had to come out here and get a good start today and get a win and hopefully take the series tomorrow."

A win today would guarantee the Red Raiders their first Big 12 Conference winning season since 2001, where they went 10-8.

The rubber match between Tech and OSU will start at 4 p.m. today at Rocky Johnson Field.

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Thunder get time to rest after 1st-round sweep

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Starting the playoffs against the defending NBA champions provided the Oklahoma City Thunder a chance to show how far they've come after losing to the Dallas Mavericks in last year's playoffs.

It didn't take long for the Thunder to finish off that challenge.

Oklahoma City handed the Mavs the first four-game sweep in franchise history, blowing through two games in Dallas to return the favor for last year's postseason heartache — winning one in a blowout and one with a fourth-quarter comeback.

"It was a tough, tough series for

us last year. Obviously we didn't get the outcome we wanted," All-Star point guard Russell Westbrook said. "It taught us a lesson."

"We needed to come back this year with a lot more toughness, and I think we did that this series, and this season, and hopefully we'll continue to do that."

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