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Boston Avenue Residence Hall temporarily stops construction Thursday



PHOTO BY SCOTT MACWATTERS/The Daily Toreador ON MONDAY, A crane's boom bent on the construction site of the new residence hall and dining facility on Boston Avenue. Police blocked off the area.

At 1 p.m. Monday, at the in a new one. construction site of the new residence hall on Boston Avenue, the boom of a crane bent in half, temporarily halting construction.

Chris Cook, the managing director of the Office of Communications and Marketing said although there were no injuries or damages to the building, 15th Street and Akron Avenue, and 18th Street crews were able to dismantle to code."

Construction on the north side of the building where the crane's boom bent was put on hold until the machinery could be removed and replaced, he

"I don't have any details on the crane itself," Cook said. "I know someone was looking into that, but I don't have any details on the condition of the equipment, but typically and Boston Avenue, would be when we contract with folks, temporarily blocked off until we insure that everything is up

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Agent testifies about chemicals found in Saudi man's apartment

Texas apartment of a Saudi man accused of gathering materials to make a bomb found sulfuric acid and nitric acid, among other things, an FBI agent testified

During the first day of testimony in the trial of Khalid Ali-M Aldawsari, Special Agent Aaron Covey walked jurors through the 22-year-old former chemical engineering student's apartment in West Texas using photos taken hours after Aldawsari's Feb. 23, 2011, arrest. Prosecutors contend Aldawsari gathered bomb components with the goal of targeting sites across the U.S.

Prosecutors presented more than 80 exhibits Friday, many of them photos that gave jurors a first look at Aldawsari's sparsely furnished apartment near Texas Tech University. In addition to the bottles of sulfuric and nitric acids, prosecutors showed photos of cellphones, Christmas

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) - lights, journals and notebooks, Federal agents who searched the a laptop computer, wiring, a stun gun, a hazmat suit and a baby scale.

> Aldawsari faces up to life in prison and a \$250,000 fine if convicted of attempted use of a weapon of mass destruction. Investigators say the targets he researched included the Dallas home of former President George W. Bush, dams and nuclear plants.

Defense attorney Dan Cogdell argued that though Aldawsari had intent, he never took a "substantial step" to make or use a bomb. Under cross-examination, Covey confirmed that none of the bottles of sulfuric and nitric acid had been opened.

Cogdell also asked Covey about a third chemical Aldawsari allegedly had tried to

obtain to make a bomb. "In that time did you find any phenol?" Cogdell asked.

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Triathlon Triumph





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TOP: JOHN PAUL Barranday and Lauren Myers, members of the Texas Tech Triathlon Team, lift their hands together as they make the final rush to the finish line during the Ironman 70.3 at Buffalo Springs Lake on Sunday. The event consisted of a 1.2-mile swim, a 56-mile bike ride, and a 13.1-mile run. Above: A flood of participants rush to begin the Ironman 70.3 with a 1.2-mile swim in the Buffalo Springs Lake on Sunday morning just before sunrise.

By SCOTT MACWATTERS PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

Minutes before sunrise on Sunday morning, nearly 1,200 triathletes from around the world, including many members of the Texas Tech triathlon team, dove into a cold 75.9-degree-Fahrenheit lake to begin their journey to complete the 23rd annual Buffalo Springs Lake Ironman 70.3.

Buffalo Springs Lake hosts its 23rd annual Ironman 70.3

participants were running in 98 degree heat.

Mike Greer, the owner and founder of the Buffalo Springs Ironman 70.3, said the event is a half triathlon where competitors swim 1.2 miles, bike 56 miles and run 13.1 miles.

"This is considered, what used to be called a half-Ironman, and

By the end of the race, many now it's just an Ironman 70.3, which is the distance of a half," Greer said. "The distance of a full Ironman is 140.6."

> Mike Greer teamed up with his wife, Marti Greer, and works to plan the event all year long.

"(Marti) and I are the main staff," Mike Greer said. "We spend 12 months planning it, then the week of — we pick up

Throughout the 23 years the event has taken place, Mike Greer said growth has been pretty consistent, except for last year where the temperature and a new event, called Ironman Texas - hosted in The Woodlands took away some competitors.

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"Last year, we had an off year because of the intense heat and also because of Ironman Texas," Mike Greer said. "Being a new event, it took entries away from us."

During last year's event, the temperature at Ransom Canyon neared the 110-degree mark.

Other than the drop in competitors last year, Mike Greer said the weather has never really been a big part of the event.

"The athletes are conditioned for any type of weather, " Mike Greer said, "so a lot of them said: 'Bring it on."

However, Christopher Shulman, a junior marketing management and business major from Austin and the treasurer of the Tech Triathlon Team, seemed to think differently after he finished the race.

"The run was like running in a damn oven," Shulman said about the 13.1-mile run, which capped off the triathlon.

The event on Sunday was Shulman's first Ironman 70.3 event. Overall, he said, he was happy to finish.

"I had a great swim," Shulman said. "There were a lot of bikes in transition still and a lot of people behind me in the water, so that made me happy. I'm not a super strong cyclist, but I was happy with my average."

"Then, the run was terrible," he said. "I know it took me way too long."

Shulman said about 14 or 15 ****smacwatters@dailytoreador.com**

members of the Tech triathlon team competed in the Ironman 70.3, and about three members participated in other events that weekend.

"In this race, because we are sponsored by Buffalo Springs Lake Triathlon, all of our members who are competing are competing for free," Shulman said. "Usually when we go on races, we'll take 20 people or so. We only have so many people coming out because it is summertime and it is a longer distance race."

Jessica Mier, a junior undeclared major from Dallas and member of the Tech triathlon team, competed in the Tri-Raider Sprint on Saturday.

According to the Buffalo Springs Lake Triathlon website, the Tri-Raider Sprint consisted of a 500 meter swim, a 17.6 mile bike ride, and a 3.1 mile run.

Going into the Tri-Raider Sprint, Mier said she had some things she wanted to improve on.

"I just wanted to improve my swim time because I had done the exact same race a month ago," she said. "And the bike. The hills are killer so the goal was just to get up them a little bit faster than last time."

Mier said the Greers have always done well when they put on these events.

* "Marti and her husband always do a really great job," she said. "Since they've been doing it so long, you know, they have it down to the 'T.' There's always a lot of staff and volunteers to help, and the transition area is always usually set up pretty well."







PHOTO BY SCOTT MACWATTERS/The Daily Toreador

ABOVE: CHRIS TOELLE throws a water bottle away after drinking some and pouring some over himself to keep cool during the 56 mile bike race as part of the Ironman 70.3 at Buffalo Springs Lake on Sunday.

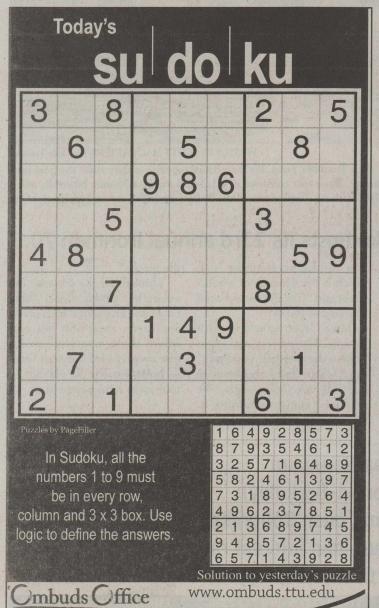


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TOP: ELLEN HART, from Denver, Colo., removes her wetsuit as she exits the water on her way to grab her bike for the next leg of the Ironman 70.3 at Buffalo Springs Lake on Sunday. The water temperature at the time of the race was 75.9 degrees, so competitors were allowed to wear wetsuits for the 1.2 mile swim. Hart placed first in the division for women between the ages 50 to 54 and 12th among all the female competitors. Above: A contestant in the Ironman 70.3 lifts his arm over his head as he breaths and moves toward the end of a 1.2 mile swim at

Buffalo Springs Lake on Sunday.





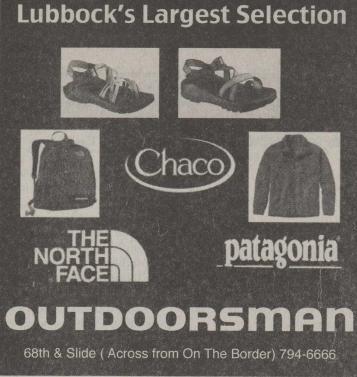
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TOP: JEFF DUPRE, a member of the Tech Triathlon Team, peddles ahead during the 56-mile bike race as part of the Ironman 70.3 at Buffalo Springs Lake on Sunday. Above: Isaac Chang, a member of the Tech Triathlon Team, looks ahead at a steep hill during the beginning of the 56 mile bike race as part of the Ironman 70.3 at Buffalo Springs Lake on Sunday. Chang was still wet from the 1.2 mile swim in the Buffalo Springs Lake. It was Buffalo Springs Lake's 23rd year to host the Ironman 70.3 Triathlon.

MICROFLUIDIC MEASUREMENTS



PHOTO BY SCOTT MACWATTERS/The Daily Toreador

NAUREEN SUTERIN, A junior chemical engineering major from Dallas, watches droplets of fluid pass through a microfluidic device using a microscope and camera in the Livermore Engineering Center on Monday. Suterin is using the microfluidic device to test the fluid's resistance.

Trial←

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"No," Covey testified. Testimony was scheduled to resume

Aldawsari came to the U.S. in Oc-

tober 2008 from Rivadh, Saudi Arabia, to study chemical engineering at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. He transferred in early 2011 to nearby South Plains College, where he was studying business. A Saudi industrial company, which was not identified in court docu-

ments, paid his tuition and living expenses.

In his opening statement earlier Friday, Cogdell called his client a failure who never presented a true threat.

"Was he a lone wolf or was he a loser alone?" Cogdell asked. "I think the evidence will show he was a loser alone who failed."

Cogdell said one word came to mind in describing his client: Failure. "He's a failure academically," Cogdell said. "He's a failure at relationships."

Prosecutor Jeffrey Haag described "10 blocks of evidence" he would present to the jury, including emails, writings and recordings of phone conversations in which Aldawsari described his desire to attack Americans.

"Maybe they deserved 9/11 and maybe it should happen again and again because these people actually deserve it," Aldawsari allegedly said, according to Haag.

Aldawsari sat quietly in the courtroom during Friday's testimony, looking up occasionally as photos of his apartment were shown. At one point, he wrote for several minutes on a legal pad, though he never passed anything to his defense team.

Authorities say they were tipped to Aldawsari's online purchases by chemical company Carolina Biological Sup-

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ington, N.C., and shipping Was he a lone wolf company Con-way or was he a loser Freight on Feb. 1, 2011. alone? I think the The chemical company evidence will show reported a \$435 suspihe was a lose alone cious purwho failed. chase to the FBI, while the shipping DAN COGDELL company **DEFENSE ATTORNEY**

> and the FBI because it appeared the order wasn't

> intended for commercial use. Prosecutors played recordings of a frustrated Aldawsari complaining

to the supply company when his order was held up. "They keep asking me why I'm using this product," Aldawsari is heard telling a customer service employee. The employee told Aldawsari that the company couldn't ship hazardous materials on a personal credit card.

Aldawsari became a familiar caller as he grew angrier. One worker is heard telling another, "I have Khalid. He's hotter than a firecracker." Workers were eventually instructed to always transfer Aldawsari's calls directly to a supervisor's voicemail.

Court documents say Aldawsari wrote in Arabic in his journal that he had been planning a terror attack in the U.S. even before he came to the country on a scholarship, and that it was "time for jihad," or holy war. He bemoaned the plight of Muslims and said he was influenced by Osama bin Laden's speeches.

FBI bomb experts have said they believe Aldawsari had sufficient components to produce almost 15 pounds of explosive — about the same amount used per bomb in the London subway attacks that killed scores of people in

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Penn State tries to move focus back to football (AP) — Just days before Jerry San-ment. "Focus on games. Focus on win-

dusky was convicted on multiple counts of child sex abuse, an email was sent to thousands of Penn State alumni with a simple message:

"We are ONE TEAM. Join us." Inside was a link to a website for purchasing tickets to football games.

After seven wrenching months of utter turmoil, shock and sadness, Penn State is looking toward the future and trying to change the subject.

The Nittany Lions open their season on Sept. 1 at 107,000-seat Beaver Stadium against Ohio University. For legions of PSU fans, it can't come fast enough.

"Time is going to have to heal the image and perception," former Penn State quarterback Todd Blackledge said. "That's going to happen sooner for some, later for others. It's going to take time for people to think about Penn State and Penn State football without thinking about the Jerry Sandusky scandal."

How much time will be in large part determined by new coach Bill O'Brien and his team.

O'Brien spent three weeks on the road in May trying to drum up support among alumni and fans still stinging from the loss of Joe Paterno, who was fired in November and died in January.

O'Brien made a name for himself as a New England Patriots assistant coach working with quarterback Tom Brady, but his new job will require far more than the ability to dissect defenses.

"He can play a prominent role in the healing of Penn State," said Lou Holtz. who coached at Notre Dame, Arkansas and South Carolina during a hall of fame career.

In sports, winning and repairing a reputation often go hand in hand.

"A lot of it is getting back to basics and focusing on what you do well," said Jeremy Robinson-Leon of the Gordon Group, a New York-based public relations firm that handles crisis managening. That will help them get past this.

"But it's going to take time. This

Far from it.

The 68-year-old Sandusky, Paterno's former longtime defensive coordinator, was convicted Friday of sexually abusing 10 boys over a 15-year period. He will be sentenced in the next three months and likely will spend the rest of his life in jail.

Two former Penn State administrators, including athletic director Tim Curley, are awaiting trial on charges of lying to the grand jury investigating Sandusky and not complying with a state law about reporting suspected child abuse.

Still ongoing is a university trustees' investigation spearheaded by former FBI director Louis Freeh. The findings of that investigation could be released in August and will be shared with the NCA'A and Big Ten. Both want to determine whether Penn State violated any of their rules.

The investigations and legal proceedings could take years to play out, and because the scandal involves one of the most famous college football programs in the country, it is almost guaranteed to do so in the spotlight.

"There is great reputational risk in athletics," said Southern California athletic director Pat Haden, who was hired shortly after the Trojans' football and basketball programs were peppered by NCAA sanctions in 2010.

"Institutions like USC spend more than 100 years building a positive reputation and gaining respect in the community, then athletic shenanigans can impact that perception for a long time. If the chemistry department makes a mistake, it's not going to end up on the front page of the newspaper."

The hiring of O'Brien was at first greeted with skepticism and criticism by some former Penn State players, who wanted someone familiar, someone with ties to the school and Paterno, to

guide the program through some very dark days.

Robinson-Leon, however, said it was wise for Penn State to go outside

the "family." "They needed to bring in somebody who could not be perceived as an in-

sider," he said. By hiring a first-time head coach, Penn State could be signaling that the football program — and its coach — will no longer be an isolated and powerful entity that seems to operate separately from the university, Robinson-Leon said.

"Penn State was criticized publicly for fostering a culture that ultimately allowed these heinous crimes to go unpunished," he said. "The perception was a football program operating with impunity. The football program needs to regain the trust of the community and the public.

"Penn State needs to communicate what they are doing moving forward to make sure these things don't happen again; demonstrate the football program will be held accountable."

O'Brien was clearly trying to do just that during Penn State's 18-city coaches' caravan that stretched from Buffalo, N.Y., to Richmond, Va., and Cleveland to Boston.

"We're one team," O'Brien told The Associated Press in an interview last month before a tour stop in New York City. "This athletic department is a part of this university. This football program is a big part, but just a part of this athletic department.

"We've got a new era of Penn State athletics. A new era of Penn State football. We've got to respect the past. We've got to learn from the past. But we've got to move forward."

That message does seem to be getting through to recruits, said CBS Sports Network recruiting analyst Tom Lemming, who visits with hundreds of highly touted high school football players and their parents.

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Obama, students push Congress to prevent student loan interest rate increase

By ALYSSA NEUMANN DAILY CALIFORNIAN (U. CALIFORNIA-BERKELEY)

With six days left before Congress makes a decision on the doubling of student loan interest rates, President Barack Obama and college students around the country continue to push for congressional action to stop the

According to Obama, a cut in federal Stafford loan interest rates that Congress passed in 2007 is scheduled to expire July 1. If Congress does not pass the

Stop the Rate Hike Act of 2012, from repealing a program from the ning out. You know, in today's which maintains the current 3.4 percent interest rate, by the end of the month, rates will double to 6.8 percent for the more than 7 million students with Stafford

In April, Congress came to a gridlock between two different bills that would generate the \$6 billion in subsidies needed to maintain the reduced interest rates — Democrats favored a bill that would generate money from cutting subsidies for oil companies, while Republicans favored a bill that would generate money

country's new health care plan.

Obama has been visiting college campuses to call on students to email, call and tweet lawmakers into action. He started a #Dont-DoubleMyRate Twitter campaign, through which people have been mobilizing to tell Congress to keep student interest rates re-

Earlier this month while visiting U. Nevada, Obama told students low student loan interest rates should be Congress's priority in maintaining affordable higher

"The number one thing Congress should do for you ... is to stop interest rates on student loans from doubling at the end of the month," Obama said in his speech. "The clock is run-

economy, higher education can't be a luxury. It's an economic necessity. Everybody should be able to afford it."

U. California spokesperson Dianne Klein said in an email that the university is also doing its part to keep the interest rates low.

According to Klein, more than 76,300 UC undergraduates received subsidized Stafford loans in 2010-11, and if the bill is passed, these estimated student borrowers could save approximately \$1,000.

Klein said UC President Mark Yudof has written letters regarding the bill to Obama, Senator Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif. and all 55 members of the California congressional delegation.

"It is critically important that the federal government work

low for students and their families," Yudof said in the letter to Feinstein. "I urge you to take action to ensure that the interest rate on subsidized Stafford student loans does not double from 3.4 to 6.8 percent on July 1, 2012."

Derek Zhou, president of Berkeley College Republicans, said the organization supports the bipartisan effort to extend current loan interest rates and gave his perspective as a UC Berkeley

"On behalf of myself, I think spending in education is certainly a good thing — the question is whether the money is always used effectively," Zhou said.

Campus CALPIRG Treasurer Spencer Pritchard said the organization has been advocating don't want to be in a bind."

together to keep borrowing costs for continued low interest rates

Pritchard said the organization held a campus event on Valentine's Day asking Congress members not to break its heart by doubling student loan interest rates. Since then the organization has sent out hundreds of student petitions and been to press conferences with Congresswoman Barbara Lee, D-Oakland and Senator Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., to put pressure on Congress.

'Personally, I have these loans, and (the increase) will make it harder for me to pay off my loans," Pritchard said. "It could affect my debt and make it harder for me to start other things in the future like buy a house ... I think all students understand that you

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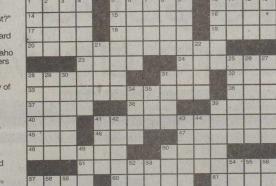
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Recent study on children raised by gay parents disingenuous By TRAVIS KNOLL

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I was raised by a gay, single father. A recent study by U. Texas sociology professor Mark Regnerus found that children raised by gay parents are at a disadvantage. One of the many responses to the study was the assertion by a conservative, Christian group on campus that scientific studies are less important than 'the moral question of homosexuality' when considering same-sex parenting. While I think the group's claim is disingenuous, taken at face value, the assertion is useful.

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I find the assertion disingenuous because it tries to dismiss the scientific consensus of the last decade by shifting the debate from a scientific paradigm to a religious one seemingly more favorable

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The assertion, however, deserves attention because we can reflect on the fact that, as conservatives point out, many times studies have been used to shut out moral questions, close debates and diminish personal experience with the old adage, "The numbers don't lie." The problem for conservative Christians who make this argument is that proponents of gay rights are not the ones who have pushed dated sociological concepts regarding 'the child's best interest.' for years. The other side has, through its claim of gay parenting's 'detriment to the child.' My experience causes me to agree that studies are not the final say but has also caused me to ask a different moral question: What value does individual sacrifice have in this debate?

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class neighborhood in Dallas and attended the Ridgewood Park United Methodist Church there. At church, close friends would all gush with praise about the dedication of 'my single father,' his forbearance of my impulsiveness (ADHD), his generosity, his teaching me to be available to those at the church who needed help cooking luncheons or cleaning up afterward and his insistence that we give our share of prayers, presence and service to the vouth group.

The praise would turn less resounding after our friends in the congregation learned that my father was gay.

Notwithstanding all of his generosity and their previous praise of his parenting skills, my father could never again meet their parenting standards. The sometimes explicit, but mostly unstated, question—"He's amazing, but what would Travis be if he had been raised in a normal family?"—qualified my father's long list of parental accomplishments, which include raising me in every stage of my educational development, from special education in elementary school to the University of Texas, where I am a two-time UT Presidential Scholar.

This 'but' was all the more unjust, ecause along that road it was my father that paid the costs for physical and psychological testing of a child for whom the system had advised 'limited

expectations.' My father searched out and found trusted childcare for the times he taught night classes. My father paid for the piano lessons that led me to attend Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts, a fine arts magnet in Dallas. My father went to the aforementioned Methodist church because of its strong community and youth group when he could have been more at peace at the Cathedral of Hope or the United Church of Christ, both either gay or gay-affirming churches. My father wrote to me every day of my first trip abroad in Argentina and was waiting with hugs upon my return. My father was there to teach me ethics, critical thinking and, yes, religious principles.

My father and I have never insisted that single parenting is always the best, nor is growing up with gay parents always easy due to societal pressures, but we should be given a chance.

As for the concept of 'normal families,' the man who is the very inspiration for those Christians who condemn 'alternative family forms,' was technically conceived out of wedlock, raising suspicion in his community (Mark 6:3), and, according to Matthew, had a genealogy full of heroic 'disreputable' women who sacrificed for their families (Tamar, Rahab, Bathsheba, and Ruth, the foreigner of the group).

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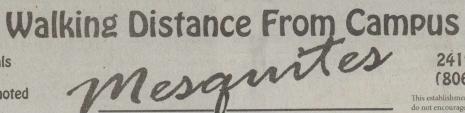
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