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## College of Media and Communication host building dedication

By **EFRAIN DUARTE**  
STAFF WRITER

Alumni, current students, faculty and staff of Texas Tech gathered at 5:30 p.m. Friday at the College of Media and Communication for its building's dedication ceremony.

Those in attendance gathered on the second floor of the building and were provided hors d'oeuvres prior to the dedication ceremony.

"I hope (the alumni) enjoy the milestone we have reached," Memory Bennett, director of development for the College of Media and Communication said.

While alumni mingled with one another, the Dean's Student Council of the College of Media and Communication were on hand to assist alumni.

"I hope (the alumni) are proud of where the college is at and seeing the new building and facilities," said Sara Krueger, senior public relations major from Fort Worth and Dean's Student Council member.

Levi Ham, unit coordinator for academic support and facilities resources, said he hopes the alumni are able to see Tech and the College of Media and Communication is on the right track as far as advancing in education and technology.

Bill Dean, media and communication associate professor, said it is very gratifying to see the success the alumni have had in their careers and to see them wanting to support the program.

At 6 p.m., those in attendance gathered into a lecture hall and began the ceremony.

Dean Jerry Hudson gave the opening remarks of the ceremony.

"This structure houses hopes, dreams, knowledge and skills," he said.

Hudson went on to recognize alumni, Dean's Student Council and the National Professional Advisory Board.

Ron Askew, National Professional Advisory Board member, said it is very exciting to see the resources being pulled together to give students of the next generation so much more to work with.

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## Versatile Veteran



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador

ROCKY BLEIER, A Vietnam veteran and four-time Super Bowl champion, talks about his experiences in the Vietnam Conflict during an interview Friday in the Southwest/Special Collections Library.

## Honors College offers students more courses

By **ALSTON TRBULA**  
STAFF WRITER

Any Texas Tech student who has earned a GPA of 3.0 or higher is allowed to enroll in almost any course administered by the Honors College.

Heather Medley, director of admissions for the Honors College, said there are many reasons students should consider taking an honors class.

Honors classes allow for a more intimate learning environment between students and the professor.

Most courses have fewer than 25 students, which makes it easier for professors to get to know students personally.

"It's a fantastic opportunity for students to just try out an honors class and see how it might fit," she said. "The classes are smaller and they are discussion based. They also have world-class professors, and they're fun."

Many students have misconceptions regarding the difficulty level of honors classes, Medley said.

She encourages any students who are interested in taking an honors course not to let their fear of difficulty be the reason they decide not to enroll.

"Lots of students actually say

that honors classes are easier because you learn so much in the class by engaging in more discussion," she said. "You're able to go broader and deeper into the topic, but it's not death by homework like honors classes might've been for some in high school."

The list of courses available for non-Honors students is available on the Honors College website, she said.

Some of the courses available in the spring include the History of Mathematics and Criminal Law.

Carl Seaquist, associate professor of mathematics and statistics, said he teaches History of Mathematics, calculus and Creative Mathematics.

History of Mathematics is one of his favorite courses to teach, and also is one of the courses available to both Honors students and non-Honors students.

He enjoys teaching honors courses because students tend to be more engaged in the class.

"Students are often more interested in learning," he said. "They are more interested in going that extra mile and are more self-motivated."

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## Rocky Bleier: the story of an inspiring veteran

By **ASHLYN TUBBS**  
STAFF WRITER

For Rocky Bleier, his perseverance and many accomplishments are evident through the four Super Bowl rings he acquired playing for the Pittsburgh Steelers during the 1970s.

His awards extend past diamond-studded treasures, though. Bleier also received the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star, in which he suited up in a rather different uniform to defend his country rather than a football.

Bleier's football career started in his hometown of Appleton, Wis. He grew up living above a bar his parents opened in 1945 after their marriage. Bleier said new high schools were being built to accommodate the Baby Boomers. Ergo, he got to attend Xavier High School, a brand-new private Catholic school at the time, and be a part of the first class to experience the new program.

Bleier said the best part of attending Xavier was competing in its athletic program. He said during his four years, the football team never lost a game and the basketball team only lost four games. Bleier and his teammates were part of the number one-ranked football team in the state of Wisconsin in 1962.

"Because of the success of the team and the program, I always tell people as the team does well you get recognized for your contribution," he said, "and then you go get a scholarship to go play for the University of Notre Dame."

In 1966, Bleier's junior year playing football for Notre Dame, he and his teammates won the National Championship, which brought even more attention to him. After his graduation in 1968, the Steelers drafted him. He said he made the team that year and began playing primarily for special teams.

"I was the 417th person picked in the draft," he said. "They don't even go that high anymore, they only go to seven rounds and I was the 16th round draft choice at the time. As I tell people, there were

17 rounds, so at least I wasn't the last guy picked. No one wants to be the last guy picked."

That same year, Bleier was drafted again — this time to serve in the military. He was 22 years old at the time and said he was taken aback when he received his notification because his thought process was most professional football players had alternative ways of serving, such as in the National Guard or reserve units, not actually called to fight in a national war.

"But it was 1968, the height of the war, so I fell through the cracks," he said. "I think we had played 11 games out of 14 at the time I received my notification."

Bleier said all he could think after he was drafted was, "I'm doing what?"

"You have to think about what was taking place at the time," he said. "It was not a popular conflict, obviously."

Bleier said he chose to serve for two years, so he could get it over with as fast as possible. He said he took his chances, and went to basic training. He would serve in the infantry.

"Who knew what the future held," he said, "or what was going to happen."

He describes that point of his life as a numbing period.

"You kind of put it on hold. Actually, you didn't think about it because it was depressing," he said. "So you just kind of repressed that feeling and dealt with the here and now."

Bleier eventually found himself in Vietnam in

1969 confused. He said he remembers thinking the soldiers, and his sergeant in particular, looked like they walked straight out of a war movie.

Bleier said ultimately to survive, the soldiers had to find a reason why they were there. He said the military did not try to prepare the soldiers mentally, that their motto was, "Yours is not to reason why, yours is but to do or die." He said some soldiers turned to drugs or warm beer, but he found his strength in a different manner. One day while he was on patrol, he encountered a Vietnamese family, the mother boiling a mere buffalo hoof over an open fire for her children.

"For them, this war was an inconvenience," he said. "All they wanted to do is live, to exist. I thought if I being there can help them take a step forward, then maybe two steps back within society, maybe it's worthwhile to be here. As simple as it is, it was a reason."

Bleier said one day an enemy regiment was discovered funneling its way down into his area of operation north. The Marines north of them became a pinching force, making Bleier and his fellow soldiers the retaining force. They went on 24-hour alert, and after their sister company got hit in the field by enemy soldiers, they were taken by helicopter back into the valley, where they were instructed to get their men out.

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*"When I see individuals such as Rocky Bleier give up everything to answer his nation's call, I can only ask myself why I shouldn't do the same."*

**BENJAMIN BRYCE**  
JUNIOR  
AIR FORCE ROTC

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# Community Calendar

## Today

**Jazz Ensemble I Concert**  
Time: 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Where: Hemmle Recital Hall  
**So, what is it?**  
Come out and enjoy a free concert by the Jazz Ensemble I.

**Operation Christmas Child National Collection Week**  
Time: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Where: Southcrest Baptist Church  
**So, what is it?**  
Donate a shoe box filled with school supplies, toys and any other necessity items to a child overseas suffering from disease, war, famine, poverty or something else.

**Memphis May Fire with End Ocean, Sixgun Serenade and Scott No!**  
Time: 6:30 p.m.  
Where: Jake's  
**So, what is it?**  
Come out and enjoy music from these bands. \$15 advance, \$20 at the door.

**"All Originals" Songwriter Contest**  
Time: 8 p.m.  
Where: Blue Light Live  
**So, what is it?**

Come out and compete in this original contest.

## Tuesday

**Toddler Tuesday: Thanksgiving and Traditions**  
Time: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.  
Where: Museum of Texas Tech  
**So, what is it?**  
For ages 2 to 5 with accompanying adults, \$1.

**A Celebration of Excellence**  
Time: 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
Where: Frazier Pavilion  
**So, what is it?**  
Come out and show appreciation for the effort from students, faculty and staff with surpassing the criteria required for the National Research University Fund.

**PreLaw November Roundtable: Advice from 1L Law Students**  
Time: 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.  
Where: Education building  
**So, what is it?**  
Come out and get first-hand insight on what's expected from a law school student.

**New Music Ensemble Concert**  
Time: 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Where: Hemmle Recital Hall  
**So, what is it?**  
Come out and enjoy this free concert.

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## Indy residents describe blast, fire that killed 2

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A massive explosion sparked a huge fire and killed two people in an Indianapolis neighborhood where about three dozen homes were damaged or destroyed, authorities said Sunday. The powerful nighttime blast shattered windows, crumpled walls and could be felt at least three miles away.

Aerial photographs of the once-tidy neighborhood of one- and two-story homes showed at least two had been reduced to blackened pits of debris. Other homes had sections gutted by fire or holes in their roofs or exterior walls. Siding dangled from the outside of other homes, and crumpled garage doors hung from houses nearby. Pieces of wood and other building materials littered the

street and surrounding properties. It wasn't clear what caused the blast about 11 p.m. Saturday. Firefighters responding to a call about a single house fire were surprised by a much bigger blaze. The fire centered on four homes, two that were leveled and two others that only had the frames standing by the time the flames were extinguished, Deputy Chief Kenny Bacon said.

The damage extended two blocks in every direction, he said, and fire officials didn't initially realize the extent of it in the darkness. City and fire officials said Sunday afternoon that about two dozen homes were uninhabitable and would have to be torn down. Several more had severe damage but could be fixed.

## TURKISH DELIGHT



PHOTO BY ISAAC VILLALOBOS/The Daily Toreador

FILIPPO RISTOLDO, A senior history major from Bergamo, Italy, purchases a gyro from Idris Varici, a visiting professor, and Fatih Arslan, a senior mechanical engineering major from Istanbul, Turkey, during the Turkish Student Association sale of gyros and baklava outside of the Student Union Building on Friday. The Turkish Student Association donated all of the profits, and donations went to charities to support superstorm Sandy funds.

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After the opening statements, Hudson then introduced Chancellor Kent Hance, who spoke, and then President Lawrence Schovanec, who spoke about the culture of the college. "I have always been impressed by the culture of the College of Media and Communication," Schovanec said.

The next speaker was Billy I. Ross, who formed the department of Mass Communication in 1970.

Ross spoke about his time at the college before leaving Tech in 1987.

Wendell Mayes gave the dedication speech. Mayes previously gave the dedication speech at the old building's dedication ceremony.

Before Provost Bob Smith gave a toast to the new build-

ing, Dean's Student Council president Ben Jarvis, a junior electronic media and communications major from McKinney, and vice-president Zachary Haber, a senior media strategies major from Frisco, unveiled a portrait of Hudson.

Those in attendance were provided champagne, and Smith began his toast to the building. "A toast to this new beginning," Smith said.

Hudson gave the closing

remarks of the dedication ceremony and dismissed the crowd to the Dean's Student Council members, who gave tours of the building.

The College of Media and Communication is slightly more than 200,000 sq. ft. and 13,000 sq. ft. is used for research.

Other speakers at the dedication ceremony included C.R. "Choc" Hutcheson, who was the first news director of KCBD-TV.

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## Honors

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History of Mathematics is one of his favorite classes to teach because of the mix of students in the class, Seaquist said. He not only has math students in the class, but also has students from other disciplines, such as humanities.

Sarah Timmons, lead adviser

for the Honors College, said the college offers a great deal of core-curriculum classes, such as history and political science courses. Regular sections of these courses may have as many as 300 or more students.

Although many core classes are offered to non-Honors students, most science courses, such as Principles of Chemistry and Organic Chemistry, are not available, she said. However,

classes from other disciplines are mostly available.

Many non-Honors students who try honors classes end up enjoying them, Timmons said.

"They see how much more enjoyable they can be compared to regular classes," she said. "Once they decide they like it, they are encouraged to go ahead and apply, and then pretty soon they end up becoming an Honors student."

Neil Hester, a Tech alumnus, said the Honors College not only offers core classes, but also offers a variety of unique classes. Students can receive core credit for taking these unique classes.

"If you want to take a class on zombies or super heroes, you're not going to find it outside of the Honors College," he said. "The only way to take classes as cool as these is through Honors."

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## Delays in power restoration after storm anger some

NEW YORK (AP) — New Yorkers railed Sunday against a utility that has lagged behind others in restoring power two weeks after the superstorm that socked the region, criticizing its slow pace as well as a dearth of information.

At least 150,000 people in New York and New Jersey remained without power Sunday, including tens of thousands of homes and businesses that were too damaged to receive power at all. More than 8 million lost power during the storm, and some during a later nor'easter.

The lack of power restoration for a relative few in the densely populated region at the heart of the storm reinforced Sandy's fractured effect on the area: tragic and vicious to some, merely a nuisance to others.

Perhaps none of the utilities have drawn criticism as widespread, or as harsh, as the Long Island Power Authority. More than 60,000 of the homes and businesses it serves were still without power Sunday, and another 55,000 couldn't safely connect even though their local grid was back online because their wiring and other equipment had been flooded. It would need to be repaired or inspected before those homes

could regain power, LIPA said.

Customers told of calling LIPA multiple times a day for updates and getting no answer, or contradictory advice.

"I was so disgusted the other night," said Carrie Baram of Baldwin Harbor, who said she calls the utility three times a day. "I was up till midnight but nobody bothered to answer the telephone."

Baram, 56, said she and her husband, Bob, go to the mall to charge their cellphones and for Bob, a sales manager, to work. They trekked to her parents' house to shower. At night, they huddle under a pile of blankets and listen to the sound of fire engines, which Baram assumes are blaring because people have been accidentally setting blazes with their generators.

"It's dark," said an audibly exasperated Baram, "it's frightening, and it's freezing."

LIPA has said it knows that customers aren't getting the information they need, partly because of an outdated information technology system that it's updating.

"They're working on it, they're working on it" — that would be their common response, Nassau County

Executive Ed Mangano said Sunday, describing LIPA's interaction with his office.

He said LIPA had failed to answer even simple questions from its customers and that Sandy's magnitude wasn't an excuse.

"How could a utility of that size, with the financial support that it receives, fail to communicate with its residents?" he said. "Its basic logistics seem to have failed."

Mangano and other lawmakers have called for the federal government to step in and assist with restoring power to Long Island, saying LIPA could not be trusted to get the job done.

On Sunday, LIPA said it had restored power to 95 percent of homes and businesses where it was safe to receive power and that that figure would be 99 percent by the end of Tuesday. It scheduled a news conference for later Sunday to update its progress.

Phillip Jones, 43, a parole officer in Uniondale, said he had called LIPA about 10 times a day before his power was turned on Saturday and usually just got a busy signal. A few times he got a recording saying the company was aware of the

problems and would call if it needed to speak to him.

"Which was kind of strange," Jones said, "because most of the phones were not working that well."

Jones also criticized LIPA's failure to find a way to tell people how long to expect to be without electricity.

"If they had said the lights won't be on until two weeks from now, I could have made a two-week plan," he said. Instead, he and his wife and two children had been sleeping in one bed to try to stay warm, and he missed two weeks of work. "All you could do was hope that today would be the day."

In New York City, the mayor's office said about 6,000 residents of low-income housing were still without power in 30 buildings. Ahead of a Veterans Day wreath-laying ceremony, Mayor Michael Bloomberg said the city was "getting more generators in" and added, "It's a question of how quickly the electricians can set things up."

He said heating is "a more complex problem, but that's coming along as well."

Police raised the city's death toll from the storm to 43, after the death of a 77-year-old retired custodian who apparently fell down the stairs of his apartment building in the Rockaways, when it was dark and without power. Family members found him on Oct. 31; he died at a hospital Saturday.

Though New York and New Jersey bore the brunt of the destruction, at its peak, the storm reached 1,000 miles across, killed more than 100 people in 10 states, knocked out power to 8.5 million and canceled nearly 20,000 flights. More than 12 inches of rain fell in Easton, Md., and 34 inches of snow fell in Gatlinburg, Tenn. Damage has been estimated \$50 billion, making Sandy the second most expensive storm in U.S. history, behind Katrina.

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## First freshmen tailgate attracts 250-plus students

By LIANA SOLIS  
STAFF WRITER

Long lines of freshmen students waited their turns to receive free food and enter for a chance to win a new Samsung phone.

The first freshmen tailgate was hosted after the football game Saturday at the Raider Gate parking lot.

The freshmen tailgate was the brainchild of Mark Khan, a freshman business marketing major from Round Rock and president of Freshman Leadership Association.

"For FLA, we have to come up with two initiatives for the year to be in a leadership position," Khan said. "So that was one of the reasons behind putting this on."

The FLA and the Freshmen Council decided to help organize this event to give the freshmen on campus a chance to come together, meet new people and to receive free food and prizes, Khan said.

"(Texas Tech doesn't) really have a tailgate area that's just for freshmen," he said. "That's why I thought it'd be a good idea to put on something to bring them all together and give them the kind of chance that upperclassmen get."

Companies such as AT&T, Chick-fil-A and One Guy From Italy sponsored the tailgate and were giving away free treats, coupons and other small gifts.

"When we pitched the idea to a few of the local business, they were really excited to jump in and help," Khan said. "I think they liked the idea we were going for and wanted to do what they could to help us out."

Members from both the organizations were present at the event to help make sure everything ran smoothly and to support the event.

Andrew Miller, a freshman English education major from Boston, Mass., is a member of FLA and thought the tailgate idea was great from the start.

"The cool thing was that it wasn't just freshmen who showed up," Miller said. "That was perfectly fine, though, considering we just wanted to put on something that would be a reliable place for students to go and have fun together where they wouldn't be pressured to drink or anything."

Although about 100 students were expected to show up, nearly 250 students had stopped by the event by the time the event was half over, Khan said.

Chandler Raimond, a freshman mechanical engineering major from Kyle, said the tailgate was more fun than he expected it to be.

"I thought it was going to be really dumb at first, honestly," Raimond said. "But they had games set up and were giving out free food and stuff, so it was way better than I thought."

Anyone who attended the event was given a ticket to be automatically entered into a drawing to win a new Samsung Galaxy cellphone, Khan said.

"I liked all the free gadgets they were giving out and that they had something as big as an expensive phone to randomly give away," Raimond said. "It was just organized really well, and I enjoyed meeting new people and just hanging out."

FLA and FC plan to make this a tradition for Texas Tech and host a tailgate such as this one every year for freshmen and other students on campus, Khan said.

"FLA represents the whole freshman class, not just the 'popular kids,'" Miller said. "This tailgate was put on to bring us all together in a safe environment where we could just relax and have fun."

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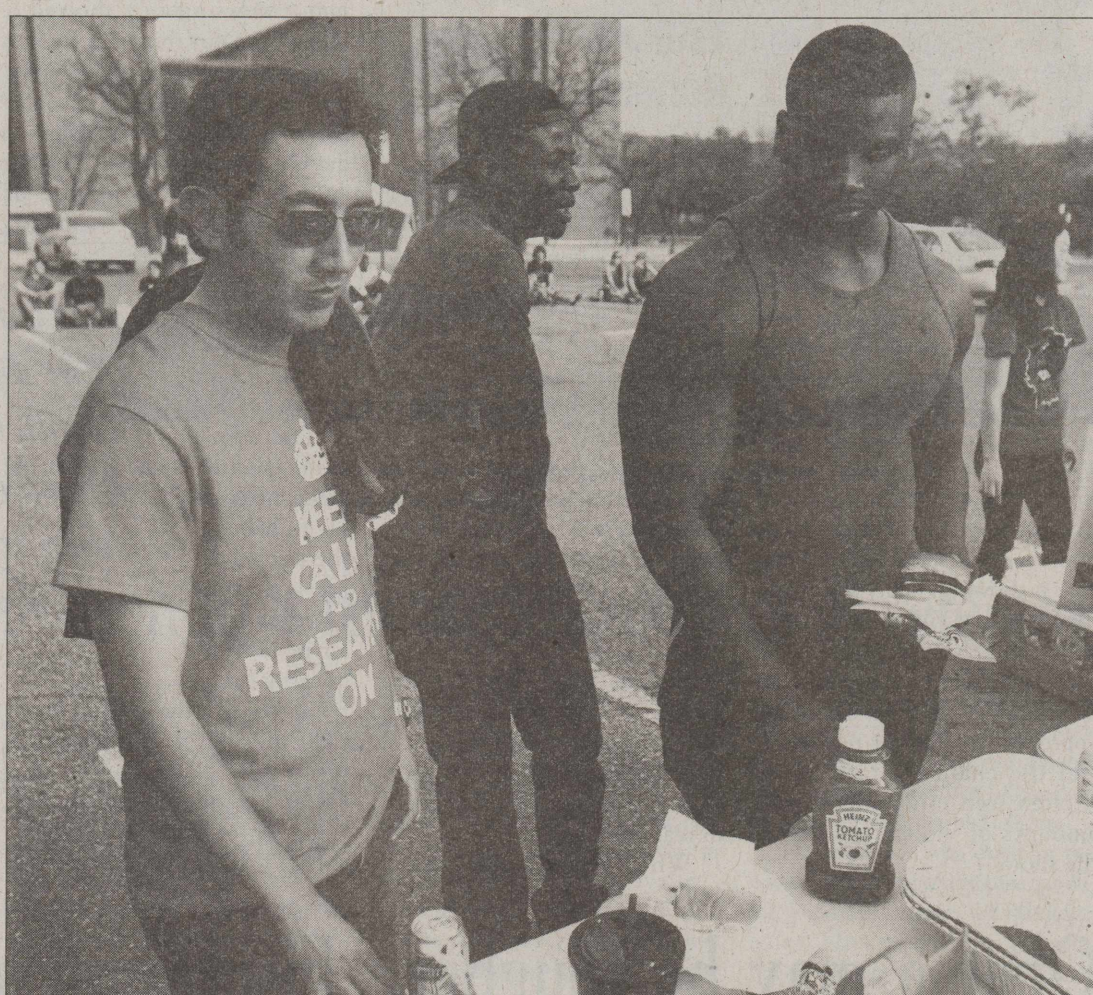


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JESUS RAMIREZ, A first year romance languages graduate student from San Luis Potosi, Mexico, and Donald Ohakam, a senior electronic media and communications major from Arlington, enjoy food, music and giveaways from Samsung at the first freshmen tailgate on Saturday in the Mathematics building parking lot.

## 'Walking in Memphis' singer Marc Cohn performs in Allen Theatre

By KATELIN KELLY  
STAFF WRITER

When Marc Cohn was a struggling singer-songwriter in the 90s, he read an interview with one of his idols, James Taylor, that changed his music career forever.

Cohn said Taylor's words encouraged him to buy a plane ticket to some of the most musically rich cities in America, including Memphis, Tenn. Being unmarried and having no kids at the time made it easy for Cohn to travel, he said. Now, he considers the plane ticket one of the best purchases he's ever made.

While in Memphis, Cohn said he saw Rev. Al Green preach and sing in his church.

"As a Jewish kid from Cleveland, Ohio, I began to doubt my people," Cohn said to the crowd regarding the immense effect Green had on him. Cohn's memories from his trip to Tennessee can be recognized in his signature song, "Walking In Memphis," which led him to a Grammy for Best New Artist in 1991.

After that trip, Cohn said, all of his music began to feel authentic and accurately portrayed the messages he wanted to convey in his music. Cohn performed at 7 p.m. Friday at the Student Union Allen Theatre for a crowd of about 500 people.

The concert, titled An Evening with Marc Cohn, was a part of Texas Tech's College of Visual and Performing Arts Presidential Lecture and Performance Series.

The band's trio was made up by lead vocalist, pianist and guitarist, Cohn; guitarist and lap steel player, Kevin Barry; and on keyboards and vocals, Glen Patscha.

Haley Hutchens, a sophomore dance major from Lubbock, worked the event as an ambassador for Visual and Performing Arts.

"I liked it a lot," Hutchens said, regarding the concert, "I liked hearing his stories behind all his songs. Before he played them he would explain, so that was really cool getting to see his heart behind it and the struggle he had to write, and then just how he was inspired by another artist, so I thought that was really interesting."

Before performing each song,

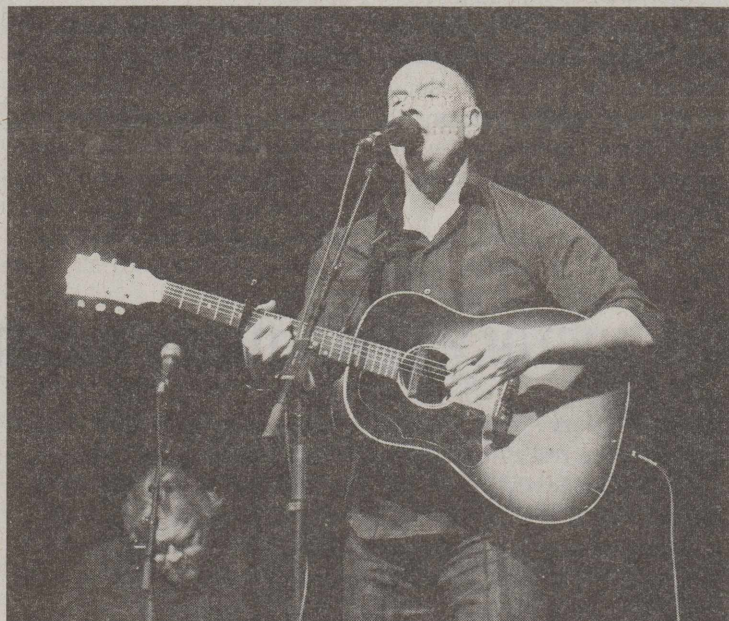


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SINGER MARC COHN sings a song about following bliss and finding muse called "The Calling," along with his band member Kevin Perry, during his concert Friday in the Student Union Allen Theater.

Cohn would introduce the story behind it. Cohn dedicated his song "Perfect Love," which is loosely based about his brother, to those affected by superstorm Sandy.

While introducing "The Calling," from Cohn's 2007 CD, "Join the Parade," the crowd cheered with anticipation.

"They told me three or four people from Lubbock bought the CD," Cohn said, "I'm glad y'all are here."

Cohn shared his memories from when a U.S. military veteran came up to him after his show with tears in his eyes and thanked him for playing, "The

Letter," a song listened to by soldiers for courage and inspiration to fight.

Chandler Payne, a Coronado High School student, said he was influenced to go to the concert by his parents, who knew he would enjoy Cohn's music since he was a fan of James Taylor.

"I thought it was good," Payne said, "I liked his guitar player, he played with Ray LaMontagne, who I like, so that was cool."

The next Presidential Lecture and Performance Series will be 7 p.m. Feb. 8, featuring Emmy award-winning musician, philanthropist and author, Peter Buffett.

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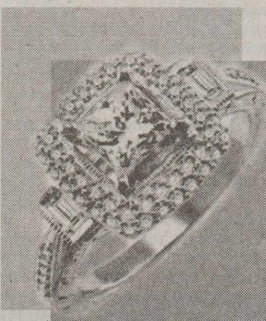


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## Media censorship keeps public from seeing true world

I recently was able to finally see the action-packed film, "The Expendables 2." It had everything I wanted in an action film: gratuitous violence, guns and Jason Statham. I overlooked the dull acting and paid more attention to the explosions.

I understood why it deserved its "R" rating due to the content of the film. It seems appropriate that a movie of such violence and gore would only be available for individuals age 17 and up.

I started to wonder what would happen if they showed this movie on regular television. However, that same violence and gore is shown in many television shows. Any "CSI" episode has to have some type of gore for the show to even have a purpose. The hit series "24" displays a realistic approach to counter-terrorism, and the character Jack Bauer is often seen using unnecessary amounts of violence to drive the show.

**William Dominguez**



Even children's cartoons have violent stylization, be it "Power Rangers" or "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles." It seems easy to find the same level of gore on television that you can find in a movie theatre.

However, there is one area of our television media that I know would not show that type of violence and gore. I've noticed that both our local and national news agencies will not show things of that nature.

Why is that? How can we watch movies and television shows with extreme amounts of violence and not be conditioned to accept the fact that it happens in real life?

When was the last time a

major news agency showed a segment of our troops in Iraq or Afghanistan coming under heavy fire? It still happens on a daily basis, and those news agencies did not have a problem showing it back in 2002. Is footage of our troops being in serious danger too much for the American public to handle?

This censorship has led many people to believe these conflicts are not even happening anymore. It is coming to a point where if the conflict is not right in front of our faces, then it does not exist. The greatest example in our present day that I can see of this media censorship is with the brutal civil war

in Syria.

I have been following the civil war in Syria very closely. It is a violent war where over 30,000 people have already lost their lives. I've noticed many news channels choose not to show some of the raw content from the events on the ground in Syria.

There are places to find this raw content on the Internet, and it is to those I've had to resort. If I want to know what is happening in that country, I want to see it for what it is. Everything I have seen happening in Syria at this point is horrific.

The fighting between the FSA (Free Syrian Army) and the

Assad regime is fierce and utterly destructive. The videos I've seen do not curtail graphic content, whether showing freedom fighters being killed on the front lines or children being murdered by the Assad regime.

Why haven't CNN or Fox shown these videos? As Americans, we are accustomed to violence in our fictional media, such as television shows like "24" and "CSI." American movies are even more violent with cinema like "The Expendables" and the "Saw" franchise. So logically, Americans should be able to handle the violent footage that comes out of the Middle East.

However, many news agencies claim to think the public does not need to see that raw footage, that it is too violent or intense. Why do they get to decide what the public can and cannot see? I think if people were more aware of this violence, fewer of them would be apt to let it happen.

The only difference between

the violence we see on television and what happens in real life is that while the "dead body" on "CSI" will get up and continue his day, the child that is murdered in Syria won't.

How much censorship do we need in our lives? The only way to know what truly goes on in the world is if we see it firsthand. Through media censorship, we are building a generation of individuals that are being trained to accept censored information as reality, becoming complacent with the watered down information that we are fed on a daily basis.

The true happenings of this world should be the only things of which people are accepting. If we allow complacency to control us, Americans can never be truly informed of what goes on in this world.

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## Obama may be tougher, more involved in foreign policy during second term

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President Barack Obama did not win overwhelmingly Tuesday night, but he did win decisively. And while foreign policy was a minor factor for many voters, polls suggest that most favored Obama's foreign policy over former Gov. Mitt Romney's and generally approved of the job the president has been doing abroad.

Historically, second-term presidents become increasingly focused on foreign policy. Former President George W. Bush was an exception because Sept. 11 thrust foreign policy to the forefront right away. Former President Bill Clinton's experience is probably more suggestive. I expect Obama to increase his focus on foreign policy in the years to come.

One issue in particular, mentioned in his acceptance speech but largely ignored over the last couple of years, is climate change. Obama came into office with a strong focus on the climate crisis, but domestic political realities forced, or at least encouraged, a retreat.

Climate change was also almost entirely absent from the campaign. But we may see more attention to it in the next few years, and we should. While Hurricane Sandy cannot be clearly attributed to climate change, it is undeniable that storms like Sandy will become more common as the planet warms. And that is but one aspect of the growing and alarming climate problem.

American leadership on this issue will not solve it. But without American leadership, little can be accomplished.

President Obama may also intensify his "pivot to Asia." For the last 11 years, the Middle East has dominated American foreign policy. While there are many important reasons for the U.S. to remain active

in the region — not least the great turmoil there in the wake of the Arab Spring — there is no question that the world's center of gravity is elsewhere.

Asia is far more economically dynamic, has a huge population and is the home of several great powers — most significantly, the second-largest economy in the world, China.

The U.S. physical and diplomatic presence in Asia is large and meaningful, but many friendly Asian states have felt for years that the U.S. does not devote enough time and energy to Asia. That may change further during Obama's second term.

There are other areas in which Obama may devote more energy. He came into office with strong rhetoric on human rights; his record has been much spottier. But Obama may use his bully pulpit — and his much freer hand on foreign policy — to be more active in the area. That said, Obama is also clearly comfortable deploying American power and is no dove.

Will that mean a more aggressive stance on Syria? That seems unlikely at the moment given geopolitical realities. But in general, he has shown a willingness (see Libya) to override congressional prerogatives and has several top advisers, including his possible new secretary of state, with strong commitments to humanitarian intervention.

As in domestic policy, of course, the president does not hold all the foreign policy cards. But areas such as these are largely in the hands of the president, and we can expect Obama, having completed his last electoral campaign, to be more active, more engaged and perhaps more daring in the four years to come.

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## Fiscal cliff an important issue for America's future

By **THE DAILY ATHENAEUM EDITORIAL BOARD**  
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It's all over — all (well, most) votes have been tallied, every state has chosen its favorite color from a host of options (well, two), and America has chosen the leader of the free world for the next four years.

If it seems like a long time, it is — 1,460 days, to be exact. That's 208 weeks to enact policy, 48 months to interact with foreign diplomats and 34,944 hours to find the time to respond to asinine requests from idle billionaires.

In that time frame, however, is a much smaller one — ap-

proximately 53 days. That is the window of time before the Bush-era tax cuts expire, the Budget Control Act goes into effect, a number of tax cuts end, and taxes related to the Affordable Care Act begin. It's what most political pundits, mainstream media organizations and doomsday prophecies refer to as the "fiscal cliff."

Almost makes you wish the Mayans were right, doesn't it?

The results of the election don't inspire much of a hope for change, either. The U.S. House of Representatives remains in Republican control, while the Senate is now very decidedly Democratic.

While this will ultimately

make for more interesting inter-office softball games, it also means another potential gridlock on the nation's most polarizing issue: the economy.

The fiscal cliff is fast approaching, and lawmakers must compromise quickly to avoid derailing the economy or launching the nation into another recession.

Simply put, we have a few options:

Congress could do nothing, allow the Bush tax cuts and the payroll tax holiday to expire while simultaneously enacting the health care tax and austerity measures. It would cut the current deficit by almost half. What's not to love? Nothing, if

you're a fan of recessions and skyrocketing unemployment. There are two sides to every coin.

Washington could also opt to cancel most, if not all, of the scheduled tax increases while maintaining the cuts. This option will make absolutely no one on The Hill happy and will serve to further burden the national deficit. An attractive option if you're an insatiable masochist.

The third option is, of course, the unthinkable: a compromise that would extend the Bush cuts and cancel the automatic spending cuts, resulting in a modest level of economic growth.

Or we could all move to Canada like we've been threatening to for years. That'll show them.

## Obama's election victory guarantees meaningful change

By **BEN LEVIN**  
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Barack Obama defeated Mitt Romney to retain the presidency of the United States.

Of course, you know this. Everyone knows this. But I want to dwell on it, because although the election in 2008 was in many ways a more dramatic affair, the 2012 election might one day be considered more important. The election of 2008 was an election about hope. The election of 2012 will be about change.

For a law passed by both houses of Congress and signed by the president, Obamacare has had an awfully hard time sticking around. Obama's lawyers had to pass it a second time in front of the Supreme Court. Mitt Romney, with the aid of a stubbornly Republican house, had promised to block its implementation. He was the last roadblock, the one man standing between every American's access to affordable health care.

He has been swept aside. If you are a college student,

congratulations. Your America will join the rest of the world in having a modern health care system.

American tax policy has always been at the heart of America's debt crisis. Obama was elected on a promise to lower taxes for most Americans. As president, he has passed tax cuts for middle and low income Americans. But he has also resisted giving those same cuts to the rich — a clear difference from not only Bush-era tax policy but also Gov. Romney's promise to reduce the tax burden even further for the wealthiest among us.

Thus far, Obama's quest to raise rates on the rich has been thwarted. But no longer — at the beginning of next year, the Bush-era tax cuts will expire.

Rates assessed on income above \$250,000 will rise from 35 percent to Clinton's 39.6 percent. Will this tax hike impede our economy? Will our "job creators" just pack up and go home? Or will new revenue prove at last a viable path to ending our government's gaping deficit? For now, answers to

these questions will be shaded by speculation and self-interest. Because of Obama's victory, we will soon know for sure.

Another thing known for sure is that this nation's Supreme Court will soon change. Currently dominated by a 5-4 conservative bloc, the liberals of the court have suffered defeat after defeat on issue after issue, Obamacare being the (notable) exception.

In these next four years, three justices stand a real chance of resigning. From most likely to least: Ruth Bader Ginsberg, Anthony Kennedy and Stephen Breyer. Whereas Romney had promised to nominate justices in the mold of Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas, Obama gives liberals their first chance in a generation at reclaiming our nation's jurisprudence.

The importance of the Supreme Court nominations cannot be overstated. The desegregation of schools, the ability of women to have abortions, the right to sleep with whomever you love — so many rights viewed as fundamental now

were at one point guaranteed, not because of the popular will, but only because the right people at the right time held in their hands the ability to shape the life of our Constitution.

Obstacles will present themselves. John Boehner will remain the implacable opponent of the president's policies. The debt ceiling approaches as the House Republican Conference laments modern-day social welfare spending. The ocean inches ever upward as our politicians look ever elsewhere. The fight to restore civil liberties continues, independent of any victorious night or resurgent presidency.

On a cold day in February 2007, Obama began his first presidential campaign in Springfield, Ill. He told us people who love and work for their country can change it. More than five years later, our country remains besotted by problems. Yet his fundamental point was, and is, correct. His re-election gives Americans a chance to prove it. Let the work continue. Let the results begin.

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# Bleier

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This is when the unexpected happened to Bleier. In an open rice patty field, a machine gun opened fire. He jumped left into a dike, where a bullet later pierced his left thigh. Engaged in a "fire fight", Bleier said he then spotted a grenade rolling toward him. As he jumped out of the way, the grenade exploded underneath him, blowing up through his right foot, knee and thigh.

"I always say it was a cheap grenade," he said. "It blew outward instead of upward like ours do. That saved a lot."

Bleier returned to the states in worse condition than ever before, he said, requiring multiple surgeries. When he asked doctors if he could ever play for the Steelers again, they told him it would be impossible.

But Bleier never shied away from any competition.

With support from Steelers owner Art Rooney, his coach and teammates, Bleier trained and eventually overcame his injuries in two years. He is now known as the star running back during the Steelers' four Super Bowl wins in the 1970's.

"Injuries take time," he said. "There's nothing you can do. You can't rush time and the healing process, but it gave me time to become stronger and work on

speed and conditioning." For Josh Mills, a senior history major from Richmond and a part of the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps, views Bleier as a source of inspiration.

"In my opinion, the perseverance that Mr. Bleier demonstrated truly shows what it means to have personal courage and loyalty, which are both a part of the Army's core values," he said.

"Mr. Bleier never quit his team, even after getting shot while fighting for his country. That is something that should be praised."

Bleier is now a motivational speaker, and during his speeches he encourages people to have faith and never give up on opportunities.

"Ultimately we have to understand what we bring to an organization and to our lives, and we can't be everything we want to be, but we all have a talent," he said, "and we spend the rest of our lives trying to develop that one talent and understand that."

Bleier continues to be a role model as his story and legacy live on.

"When I see individuals such

as Rocky Bleier give up everything to answer his nation's call, I can only ask myself why I shouldn't do the same," said Benjamin Bryce, a junior civil engineering major from San Antonio and a member of Air Force ROTC. "It's men like Bleier and wars like Vietnam that make me proud and honored to serve my country for the foreseeable future, all in the name of protecting our nation's liberties and the ones I love."

Anthony Benitez, a senior biology major from San Antonio who is set to commission as a 2LT in the infantry branch of the United States Army next August, said Bleier's story resonates very deeply to him. He said his story has taught him perseverance.

"Through hard work and dedication he pressed on, so that he wouldn't live with the regret of a 'what if,'" he said. "He's truly an inspiring figure to all our returning servicemen and women, his story of perseverance is what makes this man an example to others — never quit, and don't lose sight of your dreams."

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# WOOD WORK

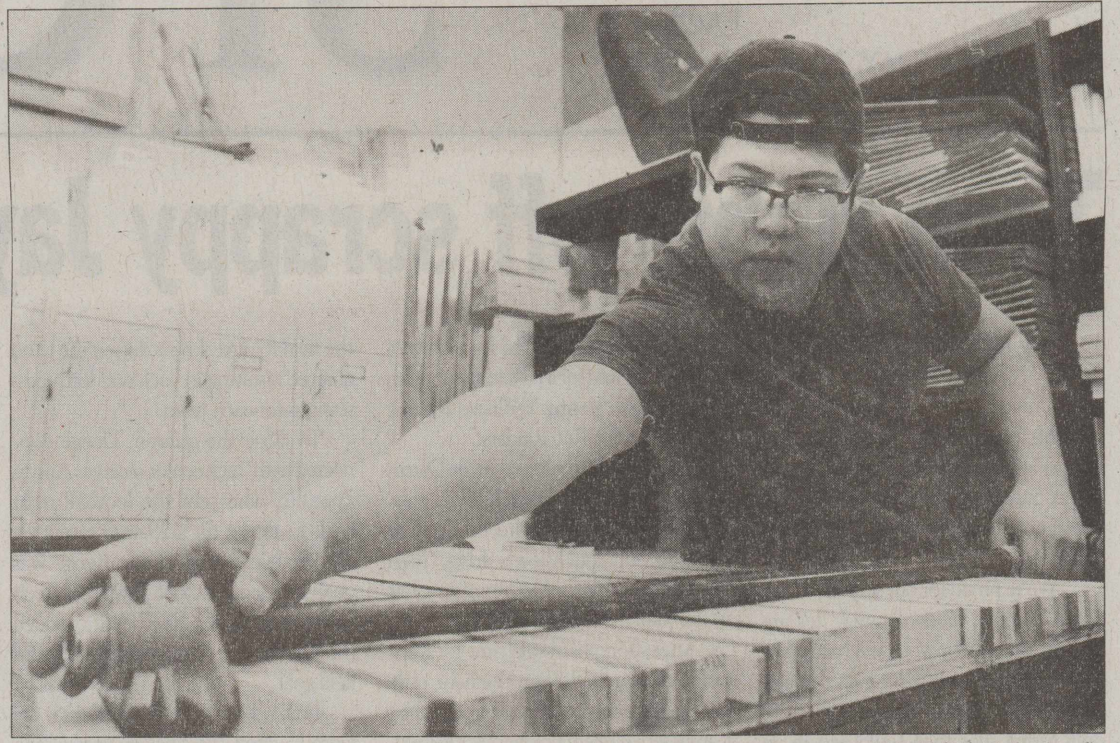


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SERGIO RAMOS, A junior architecture major from El Paso, works on a kitchen table made out of recycled strips of lumber Friday in the Architecture building.

# Nation pays tribute to sacrifices of veterans

LOS ANGELES (AP) — From sea to shining sea, the nation paid tribute to its members of the armed services Sunday, both with somber traditions such as a Virginia wreath-laying ceremony attended by President Barack Obama to honor those who didn't make it back from active duty, and more lighthearted perks including red-carpet treatment at Las Vegas casinos for those who did.

In California, a long legal case drew to a close as a war memorial cross that had been deemed unconstitutional was being resurrected Sunday in the Mojave desert, capping a landmark case for veterans fighting similar battles on public lands.

Sunday marked the official commemoration of Veterans Day, but the federal holiday will be observed Monday.

President Barack Obama laid the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington Memorial Cemetery in Virginia and noted that this is the first Veterans Day in a decade with no American troops in Iraq, and that a decade of war in Afghanistan is coming to a close.

In a speech at the Memorial Amphitheater, he said America will never

forget the sacrifice made by its veterans and their families.

"No ceremony or parade, no hug or handshake is enough to truly honor that service," the president said, adding that the country must commit every day "to serving you as well as you've served us."

He spoke of the Sept. 11 generation, "who stepped forward when the Towers fell, and in the years since have stepped into history, writing one of the greatest chapters in military service our country has ever known."

Over the next few years, he said, more than 1 million service members will make the transition to civilian life. "As they come home, it falls to us, their fellow citizens, to be there for them and their families, not just now but always."

Later, the president and his wife, first lady Michelle Obama, and Vice President Joe Biden and his wife, Jill, greeted families in the cemetery's Section 60, home to graves of service members killed in Afghanistan and Iraq.

In California, a war memorial cross that once stood on a rocky hilltop in a national park before being deemed un-

constitutional and ordered removed was being resurrected in the stunningly stark Mojave desert, marking the end of a long-standing legal dispute that had become entangled in patriotism and religion.

Henry Sandoz, who cared for the original cross as part of a promise to a dying World War I veteran, will rededicate a new, 7-foot steel cross on the same hilltop. The site is now in private hands as part of a land swap with the National Park Service that ended the legal battle.

"Judges and lawyers may have played their roles, but it was the veterans who earned this memorial, and it is for them it rises once more," said attorney Hiram Sasser of the Texas-based Liberty Institute, which represented veterans in the legal fight.

The settlement approved by a federal judge in April permitted the Park Service to turn over the acre of land known as Sunrise Rock to a Veteran of Foreign Wars post in Barstow and the Veterans Home of California-Barstow in exchange for five acres of donated property elsewhere in the 1.6 million acre preserve, about a four-hour drive east of Los Angeles.

# Tech comedy group performs with A&M commerce group

By TORI O'HARA  
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On Friday night, Alternative Fuels, Texas Tech's improvisational (improv) comedy group, hosted an event with Texas A&M at Commerce's group Cricket City.

Ashley Conley, from Commerce and a member of Cricket City, said Cricket City is very familiar with Alternative Fuels.

"Matthew Plummer, the current president of Alternative Fuels, was our former president," she said. "He said he was hosting a show and asked if we would like to be a part of it."

Both groups performed games for the audience. One game performed by Cricket City was La Novella.

In La Novella, two group members acted out a scene in response to a prompt from the audience. They are not allowed to break character, and the audience must shout "boo" at them instead of laughing.

The prompt given by the audience was finding gold.

The two members acted out a scene where one man was badly sunburned, and the other man, his lover, had to find the lotion to rub it on his body. After searching through all the bags, under all the imaginary condoms and collapsible dildos, the two men finally found the lotion. The game ended with the two men discussing how to rub the lotion on each other.

Cody Blam, a member of Cricket City from Wills Point and who participate in the La Novella game, said he loves to push the envelope.

"Comedy lies in the unexpectedly offensive," Blam said. "Or, it could lie in the expectedly offensive. Either way, it gets people to laugh."

Alternative Fuels performed a game called Half Time. After being given a prompt by the audience, members had to act out a scene first in one minute, then in 50 seconds, cutting the time in half until it was about 1.5 seconds.

The prompt given to the audience in response to the word "super" was "pimple." The members acted as pus wanting to burst free from their pimple. After breaking free, one pus-member was lost and had no identity while the other embraced his freedom and gave himself a new name, George.

Matthew Plummer, a theater graduate student from Wills Point and president of Alternative Fuels, said he likes the

randomness of improv.

"In theater, everything is so well rehearsed," he said. "But with improv, you just have to go with the flow. You never will play the same game with the same person because the scenes will always change."

Conley said one challenging thing about improv is they have to not just be vocally humorous, but also physically humorous.

"It is one thing if you can say something funny to make an audience laugh," Conley said. "But, if you can put that all together with moving your body and making it work, that's even better."

Blam said no matter how funny they are, sometimes they will get a bad audience.

"There was this one time back in Commerce when Plum-

mer was there," Blam said, "we performed for this awful fraternity, who will go unnamed, and they were an awful audience. So, you know, we had to get revenge. When the director of the fraternity yelled out golden dildo as a prompt, we just ran with it and gave back to those guys what they gave us. That guy's nickname is 'golden dildo.'"

Blam said people who do improv are like prostitutes.

"Think about it," he said. "They are sex whores. They always want more. Well, we are laugh whores. We never stop performing. The only difference between the two, you know, besides the diseases, is that we get paid way less than they do."

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## Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

**ACROSS**

- Actress Jessica
- Uses spurs, say
- Sports squad
- Fortuneteller
- Not yet burning
- Taper off
- Light reddish shade named for a fish
- Tehran's land
- Uganda's Amin
- Drawer projection
- Env. stuffing
- Flows slowly
- Children's imitation game
- Deal, as a blow
- "Then what happened?"
- Govt. "hush-hush" org.
- "Grody to the max"
- Dessert served in triangular slices
- Grub
- Silly breakfast sweets
- Relax in the tub
- Solemn promise
- As directed
- Do some sums
- Crank (up)
- Dormitory, to dirty room
- Grated citrus peel
- Onetime capital of Japan
- Swigs from flasks
- Tiny bit
- Chili came
- Go steady with
- Wilder cause of sniffles and sneezes
- "Deal me a hand"
- Heavenly path
- Golden St. campus
- Kennel guests
- Pre-meal prayer
- Bouquet

**DOWN**

- Birthplace of St. Francis
- Hard to lift
- Religious conviction
- Shirt part
- '50s-'60s TV detective Peter
- Not AWOL
- Perp-to-cop story
- Crowd noise
- Wall St. buy
- Minnesota baseballers
- Auditory passage
- Some therapists
- "Little ...": Alcott novel
- Thumb-and-forefinger gesture
- Finish
- Put (down), as a bet
- Common street name
- What a solo homer produces
- Airline to Copenhagen
- Venezuelan president Hugo
- "Batman" sound effect
- Song of mourning
- Alias for a secret agent
- Words of confession
- "Shake a leg"
- Native of Japan's third most populous city
- Mineo of "Exodus"
- OR staffers
- Like numbers in the periodic table
- Ornate 18th-century style
- Fling-shaped roofs
- Workweek start, or an apt title for this puzzle based on an abbreviation found in its five longest answers
- Starts the show
- "The Lion King" king
- Beach bag
- Salata, e.g.
- Gear tooth
- Hockey immortal Bobby
- Coffee container

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## Tech fights off scrappy Jayhawks, wins in double-OT

By MEGAN KETTERER  
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Red Raiders were blindsided by a vicious Kansas ground attack Saturday, but managed to escape the double-overtime thriller with a 41-34 victory.

"We're proud for our seniors," Tech coach Tommy Tuberville said. "It's important with all the work and hard effort that we put in with these guys through the last three years, these seniors. It's only fitting that they could win in an extra-inning game at home."

The Red Raiders came out ready to play Saturday morning. Senior quarterback Seth Doege hit five different targets on the opening drive to disrupt the Jayhawk defense.

Doege threw a touchdown pass to redshirt freshman receiver Jakeem Grant to put the Red Raiders up 7-0 in with less than four minutes to play in the first quarter.

The Jayhawks battled back with their third-ranked running game in the Big 12. Jayhawk junior halfback Taylor Cox had a 31-yard punt return to set up Kansas with good field position. Junior halfback James Sims rushed six yards for a touchdown to tie the game.

After each touchdown, both teams slowed down in the first quarter, neither team able to move far down the field.

To start the second quarter, Doege found senior receiver Tyson Williams for a 16-yard touchdown pass. The pass marked Doege's 63rd touchdown pass, moving him past previous Tech quarterback Taylor Potts for third place in career touchdown passes in school history.

Tech's defense was able to stop Kansas, resulting in a short punt from Kansas's special teams, allowing for good field position for Tech. Doege passed to

junior receiver Eric Ward for a gain of 31, and followed for a pass to sophomore running back Kenny Williams for first and goal for the Red Raiders.

Doege found senior receiver Darrin Moore for a 6-yard touchdown pass. With the four-play, 47-yard, one minute three second touchdown drive, Tech led Kansas 21-7 with 11 minutes left in the half.

After short possession time for Kansas, Tech marched down the field, only for Doege to have a pass intercepted by Kansas senior safety Bradley McDougald.

"We didn't play the best that we could play, but you've got to give a lot of credit to Kansas," Tuberville said. "They came in and ran some formations on us and got us confused early."

The Tech turnover led to a Kansas touchdown. Jayhawk freshman quarterback Michael Cummings found sophomore halfback Brandon Bourbon for a 10-yard touchdown pass.

Tech's 48-yard punt put Kansas on its own 21 yard line. Jayhawk sophomore halfback Tony Pierson rushed for a gain of 51 yards, putting the team in the red zone. Cummings' pass intended for Kansas freshman receiver Tre Parmalee for a touchdown was broken up by Tech junior defensive back Bruce Jones, holding Kansas to a 22-yard field goal going into the half with a Tech lead 21-17.

Tech opened the second half with defensive energy. Tech junior defensive end Kerry Hyder sacked Cummings, resulting in a punt for Kansas.

"Well, you never want to take Big 12 wins for granted," Hyder said. "But going into the game we knew they were going to come in and play hard. But losing this game would have been a big deal, but I'm just glad we were able to fight through the adversity and come out with a win."

Neither team was able to move down

the field for first downs during the third quarter, resulting in back and forth possessions for each team.

To close the quarter, Doege connected with Tech senior receiver Austin Zouzalik, who sent the football right back to Doege for a 29-yard reception and first-and-goal. The offense was unable to score a touchdown, but Tech sophomore kicker Ryan Bustin added three points to the score with a 29-yard field goal.

Tech's defense held the Kansas offense to open the final quarter of the game. Tech moved down the field in the following possession, but ultimately Doege was unable to connect with any receivers in the red zone, resulting in Bustin kicking another field goal for a two-score lead, 27-17.

"The common goal from last week and this week is we need to finish with touchdowns, not field goals," Doege said. "This league is such a competitive league that it's a small margin for error. So if you leave some opportunities for the other team to get back into it and they get back into it, it's going to be a battle."

The Jayhawks remained poised. Pierson ran down the field for a 69-yard gain, but was tackled at the 3-yard line by senior cornerback Eugene Neboh. Sims contributed with a 3-yard touchdown run to close in on the Red Raider 24-27.

Tech made it back to Kansas's 11-yard line, but could not convert for a score. Tech's running game could not break through the Kansas defense. After going for it on fourth down and not being able to convert, Kansas obtained possession and began to march down the field.

Cummings rushed 44 yards to bring the ball close to Tech's end zone. With 41 seconds left to play, Kansas tied the game 27-27 with a field goal made.



PHOTO BY DAVID VAUGHN/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH RUNNING back Eric Stephens tries to catch the ball in front of Kansas cornerback Tyree Williams in the end zone during the Red Raiders' 41-34 victory against Kansas on Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium. Neither Stephens nor Williams caught the pass.

Junior running back SaDale Foster was able to stop the clock with a 13-yard pass for a first down, stopping the clock for Tech. Doege connected with Zouzalik for a 14-yard gain, and then did the same with a 13-yard pass to Ward.

Doege completed a 15-yard pass to Ward for a first down, once again stopping the clock with five seconds left. Ward finished the game with 12 receptions for 180 yards. Bustin's field goal attempt was no good, forcing Tech into overtime.

Kansas won the toss, and Sims picked up three yards in the opening play of overtime. Pierson rushed 18 yards for a first and goal. Cummings found Sims in the end zone for a Jayhawk 5-yard touchdown pass, putting them

ahead 33-27 — the first lead change of the game.

Doege failed to connect in the opening drive with Ward. He was able to complete a 23-yard pass to Ward for a first down, but the play was reviewed and overturned because Ward was out of bounds. Doege continued to look for Ward and found him for a 24-yard completion, putting Tech on the Kansas one-yard line. Stephens rushed one yard for a touchdown, tying the game at 34-34.

Doege finished the game 45 of 59, totaling 476 passing yards. He threw for an average of 8.1 yards per completion and had three touchdowns and one interception.

"We have a resilient group," Doege

said. "I think we did a really good job sticking together and battling through some adversity and finishing."

Stephens 3-yard pass to Moore was complete for a touchdown, giving Tech the lead. Moore had nine receptions for 74 yards.

"We tend to know how to score from trick plays in overtime," Tuberville said. "That's the second time, I guess, this year, in the second overtime."

Pierson was stopped by Tech sophomore linebacker Blake Dees to bring up fourth down for Kansas. Cummings tried to keep the game going one last time, but could not complete the pass, ending the game with a Tech victory 41-34 against Kansas.

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## Tommy Tuberville shows frustration on sideline

Texas Tech coach Tommy Tuberville has displayed many emotions during the course of a Tech football game, but none quite like the altercation he and one of his staff members were involved in Saturday.

The coach let his emotions get the best of him during Tech's win Saturday against Kansas when an exchange with graduate assistant Kevin Oliver became a moment worthy of national attention. Tuberville knocked the headset and ball cap off Oliver when the Red Raiders were penalized for having too many players on the field.

Tuberville said the physical gesture was an accident and there was not anything meant by the incident.

"I just pulled him off and missed his shoulder and grabbed his — I mean, it wasn't anything to it," Tuberville said. "It was just one of those deals where I missed his shoulder and ended up grabbing the microphone on his

headset and pulled it off."

Tech was trying to get players on and off the field for an attempt at a fourth-and-two conversion.

Tuberville said he was trying to get the graduate assistant off the field.

"I reached and grabbed him," Tuberville said. "He was on the field and I reached to grab him and pull him off. When I pulled, I missed his shirt and I grabbed his headset and his microphone ripped off his head. I was trying to get him off the field."

It appeared Tuberville was upset with penalties that were assessed to the Red Raiders for having too many players on the field.

Tuberville said the back-to-back penalties were the reasons for his outburst.

"We couldn't get the right personnel," he said. "We got two back-to-back penalties. That's what I was hot about."

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## Jayhawks ground-and-pound not enough

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When deciding a grade for the Kansas rushing attack Saturday, all one would have to do is move the decimal on its total rushing yards two spaces over to the left: 390 yards — 3.9: summa cum laude.

The Jayhawks ran the ball 57 times and averaged 6.8 yards per carry. The running back duo of James Sims and Tony Pierson combined for 329 yards and two touchdowns without a single fumble. It is uncommon to see numbers like this in the Big 12 Conference very often.

"They were creating us, and the option game, we weren't picking up the pitch-man, the quarterback was finding the seams when they didn't pitch it," Texas Tech junior defensive end Kerry Hyder said. "That was the biggest part. They found some natural gaps and were able to hit the gaps for big runs."

Despite the profuse number of rushing yards Kansas totaled, the performance itself was not altogether unprecedented. The Jayhawks came into Saturday's game ranked third in the Big 12 in total rushing yards, averaging about 190 yards per contest.

"I thought we'd hold them between 300, 350," Tech coach Tommy Tuberville said. "I didn't think they'd get those two long runs that they got on the option plays, so that's just disappointing a little bit that we didn't tackle as well."

Tech's veteran secondary was challenged throughout the night.

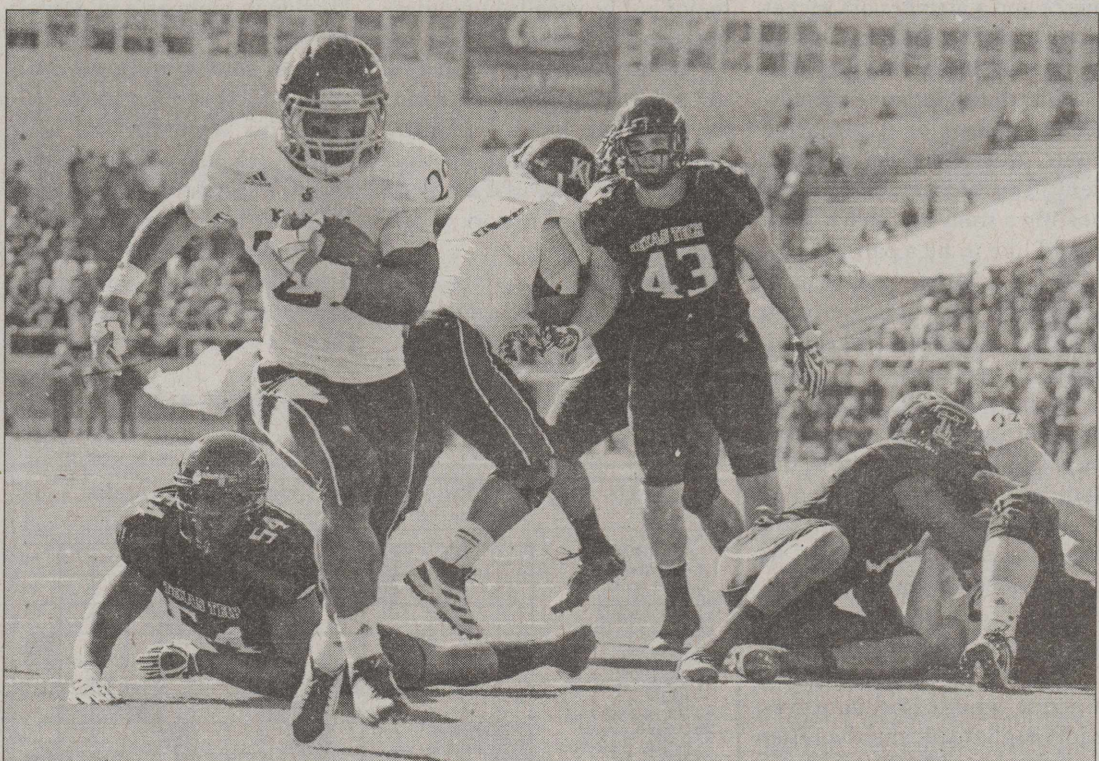


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KANSAS RUNNING BACK James Sims carries the ball into the end zone during Texas Tech's 41-34 victory against the Jayhawks on Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium. Sims ran the ball 30 times for 129 yards and two touchdowns during the loss.

The Kansas running backs seemed to escape the first and second lines of defense at will, leaving seniors Cody Davis and D.J. Johnson as the last two players to make a stop. The veteran defensive backs finished with eight and 10 tackles, respectively.

Kansas coach Charlie Weis said while his rush offense was very successful, it also limited the team's aerial attack.

"We rushed for close to 400, but we only threw for about 30 yards," Weis said. "So now when you're fairly one-dimensional, and you're not getting a lot of production out of your pass-

game. You have to do that just to be competitive."

Although Pierson rushed for more yards, Sims was the primary running back for Weis and his offense.

"James is such a tough runner," Weis said. "A lot of his yards were hard yards. So you have your choice: Do you soften up the defense by pounding it inside or do you try to get speed on the edge by putting both of those guys out there at the same time?"

The Tech rushing defense allowed less than 130 yards per game before facing Kansas, an average that will

surely skyrocket after its less-than-stellar performance Saturday.

"Going into the game, we knew they were going to come in and play hard," Hyder said. "But losing this game would have been a big deal, but I'm just glad we were able to fight through the adversity and come out with a win."

The Red Raiders look to pick up their second consecutive victory at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17 when they travel to Stillwater, Okla., to take on the Oklahoma State Cowboys.

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# Tech overcomes foul trouble for first win, 89-79

By MEGAN KETTERER  
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For the Texas Tech Red Raiders, Friday night was a night of new beginnings as they hosted the Prairie View A&M Panthers in the United Spirit Arena.

The Red Raiders were able to pull off an 89-79 victory against the Panthers, who are predicted to win the Southwestern Athletic Conference this season, Tech coach Chris Walker said.

"What I do like about game one is that we got the win," he said. "We played against a very experienced team. In the second half, we have to limit our turnovers. We got a little careless, but we just need to work on our focus."

Walker started freshman Toddrick Gotcher, freshman guard Josh Gray, junior forward Dejan Kravic, junior guard Jamal Williams, Jr., and sophomore forward Jordan Tolbert. However, Walker changed the lineup many times throughout the game, utilizing a 10-man rotation.

The team returns junior forward Jaye Crockett and senior guard Ty Nurse, both of whom came off the bench during Friday night's game. The team has seven new players and two freshmen.

The Red Raiders appeared as if they were still getting used to playing with one another, but came together for their first win of the season.

This win marked the first win for Walker as a head coach as well.

"It's a great feeling," Walker said. "It is gratifying to be on that journey for such a long time, and then to get that chance and have your first win. It's something you always dream about, and now that it's happened, I want No. 2."

Kravic brought defensive toughness to the start of the game, blocking an easy layup by Prairie View A&M. Kravic finished the game with nine points and five blocks.

Midway through the first half, the Red Raiders were able to get into a rhythm. Williams hit three consecutive 3-point shots and was fouled on the second to give momentum to Tech with 14 minutes left in the first half. His production on offense spread to the team defense, creating blocked shots and steals for the Red Raiders.

Tolbert was aggressive throughout the game, blocking a potential dunk and creating havoc for the Panther offense and defense midway through the half. Tolbert had a perfect shooting night, knocking down seven of seven field goals for a total of 16 points. He added seven total rebounds.

"He did a good job of getting on the glass and running the floor," Walker said. "Obviously, that was one of his better games. It's nice to see Jordan come back

tonight. The good thing for him is that we have guards who can make plays."

Walker said the guards are going to continue to get better and the game will get easier for all of the players on the team.

The closing minutes of the first half were plagued with mistakes by the Red Raiders, but they were able to pull away with a 51-38 lead.

The Red Raiders opened the second half with an assist by Gotcher to Tolbert for another dunk. Despite the Tech's offensive run, Prairie View A&M did not back down. The Panthers proved aggressive and willing to fight against the Red Raiders in an attempt to win.

After Tech's slow start, freshman guard Dusty Hannahs added a 3-point shot to give the team energy. Robinson followed and added another 3-pointer for Tech.

The foul trouble continued though for the Red Raiders, resulting in many lineup changes for the team. Panther guard Ronald Wright and Tolbert both received technical fouls midway through the second half.

"It felt like we had to stick together to overcome that. It was tough playing the game. We came out big," Tolbert said.

The team overcame adversity to get the win, Walker said.

"We are a pressing team, that's the way it's going to be," Walker said. "At the

end of the day, we just have to become smarter. It goes back to being young."

Williams was able to break the ice with a pull-up 3-pointer to help Tech's offense and get the team going once again. Williams had 15 points, six rebounds and two assists to finish the game.

"He's an energy guy," Walker said. "I always call him Bruce Bowen — that's his nickname. Today, he played like that. He had a great game shooting the ball. He was an eye-opener for us."

Williams told players to stay in the game when times get tough, Williams said.

"I just told them not to keep their head down," he said. "When times get hard, we have to come together and pick it up."

Panther Josh Eleby fouled out of the game and was followed by Crockett with two and a half minutes left in the game.

With less than a minute left to play, Gray finished the game with a layup. Gotcher followed suit and finished with a layup for an 89-79 Tech victory against Prairie View A&M. Gray finished the game with 10 points, four assists and four steals, while Gotcher added eight points.

"Coach told us to look forward to the next game," Tolbert said. "It's a win, it's behind us now. We have to get ready for Wednesday."

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TEXAS TECH FORWARD Jordan Tolbert jumps up to dunk the ball during the Red Raiders 89-79 victory against the Panthers on Friday in the United Spirit Arena.

# Tech soccer advances in NCAA Tournament with first-round victory against North Texas

By HOLDEN WILEN  
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech women's soccer team earned its first ever NCAA Tournament victory and will advance to the second round after beating North Texas 2-0 Saturday night at the John B. Walker Soccer Complex.

Senior forward Dawn Ward led the way for the Red Raiders (16-5-1) with two goals to move into a tie with Jessica Fuston and Brittney Harrison for fourth all-time in career goals at Tech with a total of 24. Her total for the season stands at five goals. Tech will face Florida State in the second round in Tallahassee, Fla., with a time and date yet to be announced.

Junior goalkeeper Victoria Esson recorded the shutout, her seventh of the season and 14th of her career, which puts her in sole possession of first atop the list in all-time career shutouts at Tech.

Ward scored her first goal in the 51st minute after freshman forward Janine Beckie sent a long pass into the right side of the penalty box. Ward trapped the ball with her chest, then headed the ball into the back of the net.

"I just saw the ball coming, and I knew I needed to trap it and at least get it on goal," Ward said. "I didn't really have enough time to get it down to my foot, so of course I had to use my head."

Tech coach Tom Stone said the

first goal got the crowd into the match, and relieved the pressure the players were feeling.

Ward's second goal came in the 59th minute after freshman midfielder Hannah Devine sent another long pass into the box. Ward said she was actually trying to pass the ball, but it went off her toe and into the goal.

Tech dominated possession of ball in the match, outshooting North Texas (16-5-2) 19-10, including a 14-4 advantage in shots on goal. Sophomore midfielder Paige Strahan, who played 74 minutes in the match, said Tech's possession-style offense was a major reason for the victory.

"We pass between our backline so much, and we use our defensive (midfielders) so much," Strahan said. "We get their players running around crazy. It's one of our tools. We run the other team into the ground."

Stone said it was easy to feel North Texas' frustration creeping in because they could not hold onto the ball as much as they were used to. Along with preventing them from producing any offense, Stone said maintaining possession also allowed the Tech team to calm down. The players were very nervous during the beginning of the game, he said, but once they started to maintain possession, they began to calm down.

"That was their first NCAA game," Stone said. "Wasn't a great warm-up, weren't very sharp and weren't talking

a whole lot. They were very tight. I was trying to make them laugh before kickoff, and it didn't work. Once they got a hold of the ball and started moving it around, they just settled in and realized it's just like any other game. Just be yourselves."

Along with maintaining possession, another advantage which led to the Red Raiders' victory was the wind. The defensive backline did a great job of cleaning up loose balls in the first half, Stone said, when the wind favored North Texas. By holding North Texas scoreless in the first half, he said it allowed the Red Raiders to take advantage in the second half.

For the season, Tech has now outscored opponents 28-9 in the second half, including 15-2 at home.

Fitness also was a key for the Red Raiders, Ward said. It is one of the team's biggest assets, she said, and the players work on it every week.

"It keeps a level to our game that has to be there," Ward said. "As we go further in the tournament these teams get better and better, and that is a requirement, and we know that. It's gotten better and better for us. It's definitely going to help us in future games."

One last reason for the victory, Stone said, was the team's experience playing in the Big 12. The match was not even close to physical, Stone said, and he actually found himself getting



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TEXAS TECH FORWARD Dawn Ward heads in her first goal during the Red Raiders' 2-0 victory against the Mean Green on Saturday at John B. Walker Soccer Complex. The Red Raiders' will play against Florida State in the second round of the NCAA Tournament this weekend.

upset at the players for fouling too much in the match. During the season, Tech had the fifth-fewest total fouls in the Big 12.

Overall, Ward said she was happy

to have scored two goals and was happier the team won and is moving on to the next round. She was particularly happy to have won in front of the home crowd.

"It's really a blessing," Ward said. "I had more family and friends down here for this game. I can't even describe this feeling. It was awesome."

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