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STATE

Tier One Bill money for hurricane repairs

AUSTIN (AP) — A Dallas lawmaker won applause and praise in the Texas House for putting his legislation in danger to help a peer find \$150 million for the hurricane-ravaged University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston.

Now the proposal is headed to Gov. Rick Perry.

The House vote came late Sunday, a day before the Legislature must adjourn. The Senate approved the measure earlier.

NATION

NASA shuttle ferried on 747 to Florida

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AP) — Space shuttle Atlantis has begun its ferry flight home from California to Florida.

A NASA Boeing 747 carrying the shuttle took off from Edwards Air Force Base at 8:07 a.m. PDT Monday.

NASA spokeswoman Leslie Williams said the first stop will be at Biggs Army Airfield in El Paso, Texas.

Weather will determine how long it takes to reach Florida.

Atlantis landed in California on May 24 after a 13-day mission to repair and enhance the Hubble Space Telescope.

WORLD

Pakistan works to return student hostages

ISLAMABAD (AP) — A Pakistani government official says police are negotiating with the Taliban to release hundreds of people abducted in a northwest tribal region.

Mirza Mohammad Jihadi advises the prime minister on the tribal regions.

He says around 500 students and staff from the Razmak Cadet College and their relatives were being held captive Monday. Other officials estimated around 400 people were abducted.

Jihadi says they are in Bakka Khel in North Waziristan. The area is a militant stronghold.

DEATH TOLL

4306

U.S. military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

SOURCE: Associated Press, confirmed by the Department of Defense

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Legendary concert hits Lubbock in August

Dylan, Mellencamp and Nelson will perform at Jones AT&T Stadium

By HANNAH BOEN
STAFF WRITER

Three hall-of-fame musicians will be performing in Lubbock August 8 at Jones AT&T Stadium.

Tickets go on sale June 13 for "The Bob Dylan Show", starring Bob Dylan, John Mellencamp and Willie Nelson.

Llano Estacado Music president, Gary Boren, said a large turnout for this event could bring more talent to the area.

"Heck, we can compete with any major city in America and I think we have the fan base here," he said. "If we have a successful turnout on this concert, I've been told we have major groups that will be looking to play in Lubbock."

Also, he said, using Texas Tech's facilities for entertainment purposes could have a positive outcome for the university.

"We compete academically and athletically," he said, "and now we're providing entertainment on campus."

According to a press release, the concert is the second music event held at the stadium. Willie Nelson performed at the venue in 1988.

Nick Hamilton, senior electrical engineering major, said he is a fan of the artists and is excited for the upcoming performance.

"That's a (expletive) all star lineup," he said.

He wished the university would play a larger role in attracting talent, he said, and felt the performance would draw attention to 4Tech.

Like many students, the Dallas native said he wished more

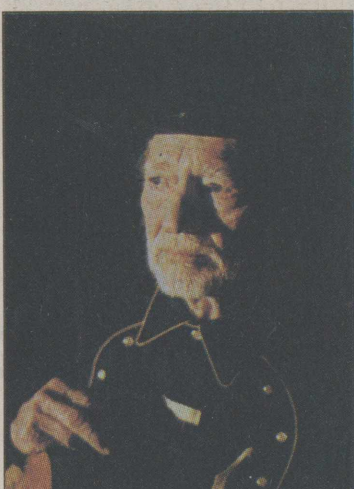


PHOTO BY DAVID McCLISTER

WILLIE NELSON WAS inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in 1993.

big-name performers would play in the city.

Allison Atwood, Llano Estacado Music vice president, said she expects the event to be popular because the amount of talent gathered in one location.

"These are two artists in the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame," she said, "and one in the country hall of fame. I think it's one amazing combination."

Although she is unsure if the artists will ever perform in the Lubbock area again, she said she is certain the group will never be on stage together in the city again.

Three musical legends in one venue in Lubbock is a great reason to attend, she said.

Boren said it was an exciting opportunity for the university.

"The cooperative spirit of Texas

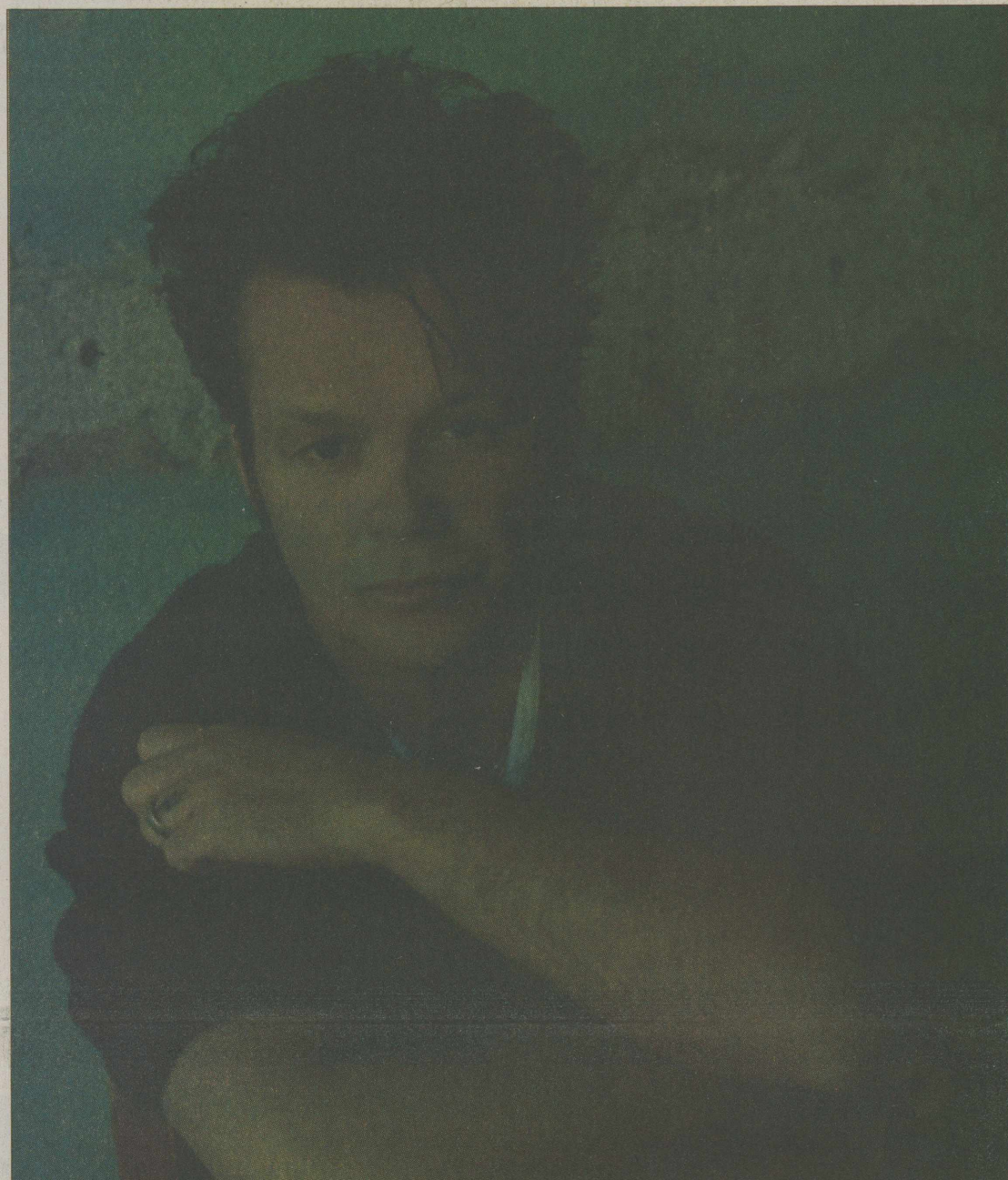


PHOTO BY ELAINE MELLENCAMP

JOHN MELLENCAMP WILL be making his first concert appearance in Lubbock when he performs August 8 at Jones AT&T Stadium.

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Water conservation efforts successful on campus

By HANNAH BOEN
STAFF WRITER

In the fall 2008 semester, Texas Tech administrators eliminated meal trays in the Hulen/Clement Dining Hall in an attempt to conserve water and cut down on chemical use.

Almost a year later, James Kainer, hospitality services unit manager, said the university saved thousands of gallons of water and hundreds of liters of chemicals by discontinuing use of the trays.

"Speaking for hospitality, specifically," he said, "we've done a lot of work toward water conservation. That's something of importance to West Texas because it's something we don't have a lot of."

Inside the Hulen/Clement Dining Hall, he said, the effort yielded a decrease in resources used, logging in 300 fewer bottles of chemicals and 8,000 fewer gallons of water from August to February, compared to past rates.

The university plans to eliminate meal trays at The Fresh Plate Food Emporium in the Bledsoe/Gordon Residence Hall next fall, he said, which potentially could double the amount of savings.

The university conserves water in other areas, as well.

Mark McVay, associate director for housing facilities, said the hot water circulating loops installed in residence hall showers conserve water by bringing hot water out of the shower head sooner, decreasing the amount of wait time.



PHOTO ILLUSTRATION/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH'S ATTEMPT to conserve water and cut down on chemical use has saved thousands of gallons of water and hundreds of liters of chemicals.

McVay said while member of the administration carry out efforts in residence and dining halls to cut down on water consumption, students also find ways to conserve.

"As far as students go," McVay said, "I think they're doing pretty good. It looks like they're using their own conservation measures."

In February 2009, 18.4 million gallons of water were used on campus, he said, and 7.4 of them were used in housing.

He said that amount of usage cost the university \$22,500 for the month, and although the number sounded high, 6,100 students using a combined 1,000 gallons of water per day proves conservation efforts.

According to the City of Lubbock

Water Department Web site, students living on campus use less water than Lubbock citizens, on average. Total annual consumption in 2008 was 6 billion gallons, according to the Web site, with the average Lubbock customer using approximately 157 gallons per day.

"Most water is probably used in showers," McVay said, "so it appears students on campus are taking quicker showers to institute water saving."

Sandra Offutt, technical programs and education coordinator for City of Lubbock Water Department, said Tech students set a good example for the rest of Lubbock when it comes to water conservation efforts.

"We encourage all of our citizens

Tips to save water

Repair leaking toilets, faucets and hoses.

Shorten the length of showers.

Avoid running the water while brushing your teeth, shaving or washing your face.

Completely load dishwashers and clothes washers prior to operation.

Dry clothes on a line installed in the garage or outside.

Avoid using garbage disposal.

Water your lawn, shrubs and perennial plants in the morning and only when necessary.

Avoid washing your car.

Source: www.water.ky.gov

and all businesses to conserve water," she said.

Tech administrators have been good stewards of water, she said, however, there is always room for improvement.

"We all have to continue to become educated and we can always do better," she said. "We

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Routine testing no longer needed for H1N1 cases in Lubbock County

By ALEX YBARRA
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

With three swine flu cases, or the H1N1 virus, confirmed in the South Plains and one in Lubbock County during the past week, city health officials said routine testing is no longer recommended.

Nancy Haney, executive director of health for the City of Lubbock, said the state changed the testing criteria for H1N1, acknowledging that since the regular, seasonal flu has essentially died off, any person with flu-like symptoms should be treated as if he or she has H1N1 flu.

"The doctor is then to decide what treatment they want to do or how they want to handle on it," she said, "based on the doctor's choices."

"It's the flu, you're gonna treat it the same way you do any flu. The primary recommendations are stay home, get plenty of bed rest, drink fluids and take Tylenol or some other kind of pain reliever for temperature until it's over."

Haney said the Lubbock Health Department will test a few more possible cases in the next day or so before cutting back on testing.

"I think most physicians would

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LCU baseball to use Jones stadium lights

By ALEX YBARRA
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Lubbock Christian University's baseball team, which just won the NAIA National Championship, should take part in more night games at Hays Field next season thanks to Texas Tech.

With the east-side expansion project at Jones AT&T Stadium under way, LCU's Hays Field will receive the stadium lights taken down from that side, which immediately will upgrade what the Chaps baseball program normally uses.

"We try to avoid night games; we have had to have some," said Paul Hise, LCU's athletic director. "The lighting that we have is just not ad-

equate, it's pretty dark out there. By eventually getting these lights from Tech, we're gonna be able to have a lot more night games, we hope.

"It's just a nice atmosphere when you go out there and have a night game and hopefully get more crowds and it's a little cooler at night, that kind of thing."

A representative from Tech was unavailable for comment.

Hise was not sure, but he estimated that the lights at Hays Field went up some time in the late 1970s, putting them somewhere around the age of 30.

Getting the lights is not free though, he said, with costs of concrete bases, wiring and different electric specifications needed to

make the transition.

"There's just some engineering that has to be done for us to make these work for baseball instead of football," he said. "There's quite a bit of work still to be done."

Hise said with Tech getting lighting upgrades of its own, finding a way to easily dispense of the older lights is a valuable commodity in itself.

"You gotta take them down and either throw them away or do something with them," he said. "The advantage to them is just getting them off the property where they can get back to work over there, finish their project."

The lights will compliment another expansion project of the field, which involves replacing the infield

AstroTurf with RealGrass, an artificial field turf similar to Tech's playing field at Dan Law Field, and upgrading the dugouts and net system.

Hise said the dugout, field and net renovation will cost about \$60,000 to \$70,000, while the cost of construction for the lights is still in the works.

In the mean time though, LCU has a national championship to celebrate.

"You gotta have a good team, but you gotta have some breaks too," Hise said. "We just feel pretty fortunate that we were able to get it done. We're just excited for the coaches and the kids and everybody that's involved. It's just a lot of fun."

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PHOTO BY KEN MUIR/The Daily Toreador
LIGHTS THAT USED to sit at the east side of Jones AT&T Stadium rest on the asphalt in the North parking lot at LCU. The lights will go to Hays Field.

H1N1 flu

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say at this point, unless there's medical reasons, they're recommending people to follow the normal course they would with flu," she said, "which is not necessarily even come to the doctor's office."

Haney said the latest confirmed case of H1N1 flu in Lubbock County was a school-aged female, who was later reported as attending Lubbock High School. Class is no longer in session there, and Haney said the student did not attend classes whenever symptoms began to arise. The other three cases were reported Thursday, Haney said. A 35- to 50-year-old female from Bailey County, a school-aged female from Dawson County and a school-aged male from Arizona who was visiting relatives in Lubbock were diagnosed with H1N1 flu.

According to the Centers for Disease Control Web site, there have been a total of 10,053 H1N1 flu cases

and 17 deaths, with 1,403 cases and five deaths in Texas.

Jake Laufer, a junior chemistry major from Midland, said he actually may have battled through swine flu in April, but nothing was confirmed.

He said it basically was a mild case of the flu.

"I think I actually had it a while ago, but I turned out OK," he said. "I guess it was before it all kind of started around or whatever. I ended up going to the emergency room because I had a real high fever and a bad headache, but nothing seemed to cause it. I really don't think it's that big of a deal."

Neither does Haney, but that doesn't mean confirmed and potential cases suddenly will disappear.

"I would think we'll see some more," she said. "We were having a meeting this morning and discussing it. It's just possible that we're just now getting enough flu in the area so that you're beginning to see it, so we may see more cases of flu over the next week or two."

"Then again, with (high) school being out, it will be harder for that school-age population to transmit it to each other, so we may not see more cases. We'll just have to wait and see how this runs its course."

The Lubbock Health Department and Center for Disease Control advise people to adhere to the following precautions to prevent spreading or catching any illness:

- * Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- * Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- * Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.
- * Stay home if you get sick. Stay home from work or school and limit contact with others to keep from infecting them.

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Water

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want everyone to find creative ways to save water."

Tech is being proactive, Orfurr said, which not only saves resources, but also encourages Lubbock community members to be environmentally responsible.

The city of Lubbock is under a stage-one drought contingency plan, she said, which means mild water shortage conditions.

In order to continue to conserve water, Kainer said university officials have altered several practices on campus, including installing motion detected water faucets.

Also, filtered water machines have been installed to reduce

bottled water consumption, he said, and 600,000 gallons of water have been saved annually by converting to more efficient ice machines.

"I've seen the campus as a whole become concerned with water conservation," he said. "It's on the forefront of everyone's

mind because we do have some control over."

The university will continue to implement water conservation efforts, Kainer said, by eliminating meal trays in the Bledsoe/Gordon dining hall in the fall and finding more creative ways to be environmentally responsible.

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JAMES KAINER
Hospitality services unit manager

Concert

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Tech," he said, "and their desire to open up their facilities to world class entertainers speaks volumes."

In hosting the event on campus, Boren said he hopes to draw attention to the university and to Lubbock as a music venue.

"We want these groups to start looking at Lubbock when they pass through," he said. "That's our goal."

Tickets are priced from \$39.50 to \$69.50, according to a press release.

Tickets for the event can be purchased at http://www.ticketsage.com/_lubbock/ or at all Select-A-Seat locations.

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General Motors files for bankruptcy

NEW YORK (AP) — General Motors filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection Monday as part of the Obama administration's plan to shrink the automaker to a sustainable size and give a majority ownership stake to the federal government.

GM's bankruptcy filing is the fourth-largest in U.S. history and the largest for an industrial company. The company said it has \$172.81 billion in debt and \$82.29 billion in assets.

As it reorganizes, the fallen icon of American industrial might will rely on \$30 billion of additional financial assistance from the Treasury Department and \$9.5 billion from Canada. That's on top of about \$20 billion in taxpayer money GM already has received in the form of low-interest loans.

GM will follow a similar course taken by smaller rival Chrysler LLC, which filed for Chapter 11 protection in April. A judge gave Chrysler approval to sell most of its assets to Italy's Fiat, moving the U.S. automaker closer to a quick exit from court protection, possibly this week.

The plan is for the federal government to take a 60 percent ownership stake in the new GM. The Canadian government would take 12.5 percent, with the United Auto

Workers getting a 17.5 percent share and unsecured bondholders receiving 10 percent. Existing GM shareholders are expected to be wiped out.

The administration expects the new GM could emerge from bankruptcy in as little as 60 to 90 days.

President Barack Obama is scheduled to address the nation about GM's future at midday from Washington, and GM CEO Fritz Henderson is to follow him with a news conference in New York.

Beyond the bankruptcy announcement Monday, GM is expected to reveal 14 plants it intends to close. One of those plants, however, will be retrofitted to build a small car.

GM's filing comes 32 days after a Chapter 11 filing by Chrysler, which also was hobbled by plunging sales of cars and trucks as the worst recession since the Great Depression intensified.

The third of the one-time Big Three, Ford Motor Co., has also been stung hard by the sales slump, but it avoided bankruptcy by mortgaging all of its assets in 2006 to borrow roughly \$25 billion, giving it a financial cushion GM and Chrysler lacked.

The downsized GM's brands will be limited to Chevrolet, Cadillac, GMC and Buick. Its Pontiac, Saturn, Hummer and Saab operations will be either sold or closed. GM said it was finalizing a deal to sell Hummer, and plans for Saturn are expected to be announced within weeks.

GM, whose headquarters tower over downtown Detroit, said it believed the filing was not an acknowledgment of failure, but a necessary way to cleanse itself in an orderly fashion of problems and costs that have dogged it for decades.

Trading of GM shares was halted early Monday after they plunged Friday as low as 74 cents, the lowest price in the company's 100-year history. GM will be kicked out of the Dow Jones industrial average because rules established by the News Corp. unit that oversees the index prohibit it from including companies that have filed for bankruptcy.

GM first sought help from the Bush administration and Congress last year as it was in the midst of being staggered by \$30.9 billion in losses and seeing its cash resources shrink by more than \$19 billion.

Consumers, worried about the economy and the future of GM, shielded away from the company's cars and trucks this year even after President George W. Bush promised loans and Obama followed through with billions more in assistance —

plus a stiff set of new requirements GM was ordered to meet.

When GM failed to do so by a March 31 deadline, Obama forced out CEO Rick Wagoner and replaced him with Henderson.

Wagoner served at the helm since 2000 and was the face of GM when he first flew on the company jet to ask Congress for aid. After a firestorm of negative publicity, Wagoner rode in a hybrid Chevrolet Malibu from Detroit to Washington for a second set of withering questions before lawmakers.

But that amounted to only a sideshow as the automaker's financial position worsened. Its revenues plunged almost 50 percent in the quarter ended March 30 and it racked up another \$6 billion in losses.

The Henderson-led GM faced a government-imposed June 1 deadline to restructure, slash costs and modify contracts with its union and dealers. But meeting most of those demands, plus a late agreement by many bondholders to swap portions of the \$27 billion in debt they are owed for shares in a new GM, were not enough to prevent the court filing.

In fact, it was an all-out sprint to Monday's filing, as GM quickly sought to nail down deals with its union, bondholders and sell off brands and along with most of its Opel operations in Europe in an effort to appear in court with a near-complete plan to quickly emerge as a leaner company with a chance to become profitable.

In Germany on Sunday, the government agreed to lend GM's Opel unit \$2.1 billion, a move necessary for Magna International Inc. to acquire the company. The Canadian auto parts supplier will take a 20 percent stake in Opel and Russian-owned Sberbank will take a 35 percent, giving the two businesses a majority. GM retains 35 percent of Opel, with the remaining 10 percent going to employees.

In the U.S., the United Auto Workers' ratification of concessions, announced Friday, will save GM \$1.3 billion per year and bring its labor costs close to those of its Japanese competitors. The new UAW deal freezes wages, ends bonuses and eliminates some non-competitive work rules.

It also moves billions in retiree health care costs off GM's books. In exchange for its ownership stake, \$6.5 billion of interest-bearing preferred shares, and a \$2.5 billion note, the trust will take on responsibility for all health care costs for retirees starting next year. Higher health care costs alone accounted for a \$1,500-per-car cost gap between GM and Japanese vehicles.

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

ACROSS

- 1 Begins energetically
- 8 Went up
- 14 "Be right there!"
- 16 Boom
- 17 "Maybe I can help?"
- 19 Philippine bread
- 20 Common opening
- 21 French possessive
- 22 Add more brown to, say
- 23 Cat's pajamas?
- 24 Where the "eart" is?
- 28 Reckon, rurally
- 31 Removed, in a way
- 36 Jobs for underwriters, briefly
- 37 "Now we're getting somewhere"
- 39 Farm drier
- 40 Soft drink order
- 41 "Bath!"
- 43 Caesar's tax form?
- 44 Solution: Abbr.
- 45 Lewis' Christ
- 46 Stopped at ...
- 48 Suffix with amy!
- 50 Try to get in the running
- 54 "Thanks, ...": "Are you hungry?" response
- 56 Statement of intolerance
- 60 Decide is best
- 61 Commonly reading boundary
- 62 Chant
- 63 Words from one closing a door, perhaps

DOWN

- 1 Internet abbr.
- 2 "That's the spot!"
- 3 More frequent changes reduce its likelihood
- 4 Major followers?
- 5 Lip
- 6 Comparison words
- 7 Book before Esth.
- 8 Prospective adoptee
- 9 Tasks
- 10 Wall St. hedgers
- 11 1953 Caron film
- 12 Of all time
- 13 Party people: Abbr.
- 15 Give up
- 18 Walker, briefly
- 21 For example
- 22 Electron transfer process, often briefly
- 23 Photo setting
- 24 Photo finishes?
- 25 Kid's enthusiastic "I do!"
- 27 Burrowing rabbitlike mammal
- 28 Style of Mozart's "Idomeneo"
- 29 Elegantly done
- 30 Colorado's ___ Park
- 32 Kofi ___ Annan
- 33 Boxer's scrap
- 34 Atom-splitting Nobelist
- 35 Linen source
- 38 Bugged?
- 42 Entered
- 46 Moist
- 47 Six-time N.L. home run champ
- 48 Wife of Jacob
- 49 Lagoon border
- 50 Not final, in law
- 51 "Closer" Oscar nominee Clive ___
- 52 Bubbly brand
- 53 Dope
- 54 Personal: Prof.
- 55 Do to pick
- 57 Washington MLBer
- 58 Money pd. for use of money
- 59 Athletic supporter?

By Robert H. Wolfe

Friday's Puzzle Solved

FIASCO OPAH MIT
UPROAR BALI YMA
JUNGLEBELLS LPS
ITO LOUSETIERS
MUSTERCOFFEE
APSIS PRATS
BLTS SOMALI FAY
BOACONSTRUCTORS
AWN PAUSES SOIE
SLEEK BATOR
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How many of stadium's new seats will fill up?

The Texas Tech Board of Regents approved a \$6-million, 6,000-seat addition to Jones AT&T Stadium on May 8, which pushes the stadium capacity to nearly 60,000 seats, placing it in the middle of the Big 12 Conference.

However, in order for the move to work, Tech must be careful with both pricing and scheduling.

Last season was a record year for Tech football attendance. For the first time in program history, Tech sold out all of its season ticket allotment and had the first-, third- and seventh-largest crowds ever for the stadium — Texas, Oklahoma State, and Nebraska, respectively — and sold out all but two games. The attendance figures seem to beg for a stadium expansion, but upon further inspection, is it really worth it?

Last year Tech sold out five of its seven home games, suggesting an increasing market of fans desperate to catch Mike Leach's entertaining act, eventually even-ually rose to a No. 2 national ranking in one of the best seasons in school history.

According to the Tech ticket office, however, two of the five games sold out within three days of the game itself (UMass and SMU) and one sold out just a week before (Nebraska). The Texas game — an annual sellout — was billed as the biggest

Ben Jones



game in program history, while the Oklahoma State game was just a week later, after Tech defeated then-No. 1 Texas.

This is not to say Oklahoma State usually doesn't bring a large crowd, but in any other year the hype surrounding such a matchup would be far less.

Thus, out of these five games, only two — Texas and Oklahoma State — could have benefited greatly from another 6,000 seats.

While the UMass, SMU and Nebraska games probably would have sold additional seats had they been available, these seats could easily have been provided with temporary seating similar to the Texas and Oklahoma State games.

Let's say for example, the UMass and SMU games each brought in an additional 2,000 fans, the Nebraska game brought in 3,000 more and the Texas and Oklahoma State games brought in 6,000 more. The Eastern Washington and Baylor games were short of selling out by 3,000 seats for

each game. This in addition to the 6,000 seats in the addition would make 12,000 empty seats between the two games.

— Add these together, and Tech would have had 29,000 empty seats, addition seats included, throughout the year, an average of 4,100 seats per game.

And this mind you, is in Tech's best season ever.

Looking toward 2009, similar projections can be made. Currently, only the Texas A&M and Oklahoma games definitely can be assumed to sell out. The Kansas and Kansas State games should be close to sellouts while the Rice and New Mexico games should bring around 50,000 tickets each. Assuming the season opener against North Dakota brings a less-than-capacity crowd, Tech would still have more than 4,000 empty seats at every game, and this is assuming the demand for Tech football is at its peak.

Certainly the football team's recent success, along with an increasing student population, would lead to an increase in the demand for Tech football tickets. But, if in Tech's best year ever, with a top-5 ranking and high profile matchups every week, the team only generated a demand of 2,000 additional seats, then why build 6,000?

This is not to say Tech football isn't an elite or national power, rather Lubbock and the surrounding community simply isn't large enough to provide 60,000-80,000 fans like other national powers.

Nor is it a bad thing, as Tech has proved time and time again, Jones AT&T Stadium is one of the toughest places to play in the Big 12. The Red Raiders went undefeated at home in 2008.

The move also makes sense from a financial standpoint. An additional 6,000 seats sold at the Texas A&M and Oklahoma games would bring in more than \$1.2 million in revenue.

Despite these figures, the move centers on the assumption that Tech can maintain its national prominence for years to come.

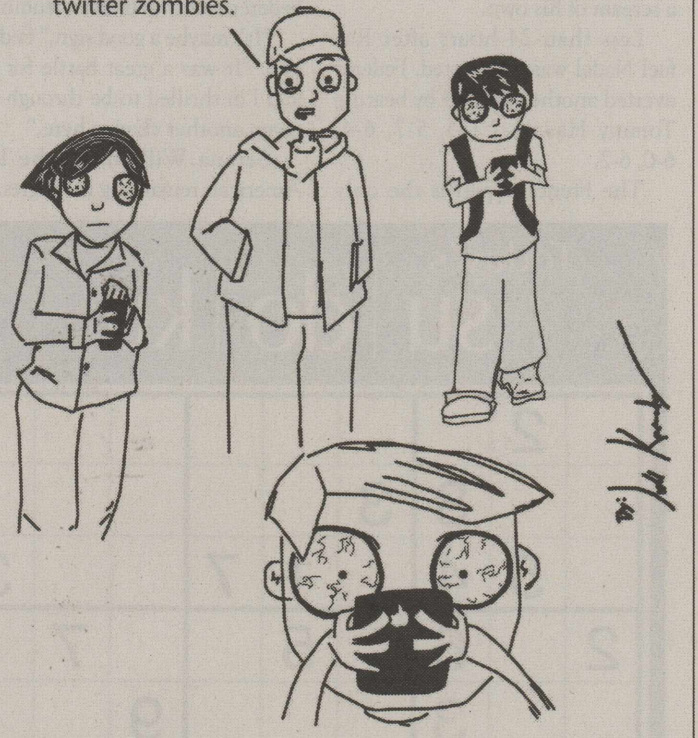
If for some reason the football program falls from the ranks of the country's elites, the university may find itself with increasing construction and interest costs to top the \$25 million East Side Stadium Expansion Project.

But if Tech were to rise to even greater heights, 6,000 seats may not be enough.

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TWITTER TAKES OVER

after all the movies and video games, I was prepared for everything....except twitter zombies.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Texas Tech has taken a swift course of action regarding its spending with the intent of recruitment. The new \$8.25 million leisure pool is an exuberant example of such spending. With this type of spending, questions begin to arise: What type of return on investment does Tech expect to see from such expenditures? How can this be measured?

In order to justify any type of spending, one must look into what is gained from the expense. At first thought, I would classify the leisure pool as an expenditure with the intent to increase enrollment.

After reading *The Daily Toreador's* May 27 article about the leisure pool, which explained the vast features and size, this made perfect sense. If Tech wants to increase enrollment, why not build the biggest and best leisure pool of any universities in the nation? It could become a major attraction.

Potential students must be sure to visit the leisure pool; surely it will sway their collegiate decision toward Tech. I wonder

how many new recruits come to Tech because of the leisure pool; this could be an accurate measure to justify its cost.

But Tech cannot forget about the operational and maintenance cost of such a brilliant attraction. Factoring in those costs, Tech will have to continually see an increase of enrollment resulting from the leisure pool in order to justify its expense.

This should be no problem, however, when considering the leisure pool's magnificent size and features. Surely when potential recruits see the pool, they will immediately want to attend Tech, therefore its justification should be a no-brainer.

Have we missed the concept here? Of course it would be easy to recruit students to Tech if they thought they would be able to party and play at facilities such as the leisure pool all the time.

Doesn't this deviate from the true reason for students to attend Tech? Something such as the leisure pool is an

investment that may increase enrollment. Tech will probably see short term benefits from such an attraction. Such an expensive investment should be spent with the intent of long-term gain.

If Tech would have invested \$8.25 million to aid in providing a high quality of service or other educational related areas, the long-term benefits surely would outweigh the short-term benefits of something like a leisure pool.

Word of mouth has always been an effective way to advertise. If Tech invested more money in the quality of service and education, alumni would have a lifetime story to tell about how great their college

experience was.

Don't get me wrong, I am sure the leisure pool will be a great experience for students that cannot be matched at any other university in the nation. I am sure that I would enjoy it personally as well.

I simply believe that when intense pressure is put on increasing enrollment, that becomes the major focus, and the goal of the big picture is often lost.

■ David Bateman is a graduate student in systems and engineering management from Jacksonville.

Gitmo legal documents must be public

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal judge says the United States must publicly reveal the unclassified documents filed in the cases against more than 100 terror suspects being held at Guantanamo Bay.

Attorneys for the detainees had objected to the Justice Department's practice of filing unclassified records under seal. The Associated Press, the New York Times and USA Today had

joined the legal fight, arguing that the government was keeping valuable information from the public.

The government said classified information had sometimes slipped out in unclassified versions, so the records needed to be private to protect national security. But U.S. District Judge Thomas Hogan said Monday the public has a right to access the records.

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Mexico remittances plunge in record fall

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Money sent home by Mexicans living abroad plunged in April by more than 18 percent compared to the same period last year, the biggest monthly decline on record, the central bank said Monday.

April remittances fell to \$1.78 billion from \$2.19 billion, according to the bank. It said the U.S. recession has hurt migrants in the United States, while fewer Mexicans are heading north because of a lack of jobs and a crackdown on illegal immigration.

Year-to-year remittance figures started dropping last year for the first time since the bank started tracking the money in 1996.

Mexico's second largest legal source of foreign income after oil, remittances plunged 3.6 percent to \$25 billion in 2008 compared to \$26 billion in 2007.

Remittances for the first four months of 2009 have dropped more than 8 percent to \$7.2 billion from \$7.9 billion for the same period last year.

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Federer moves to French quarterfinals

PARIS (AP) — When Roger Federer finally emerged from that red-clay hole he dug Monday, he celebrated with a leap that sent him into the French Open quarterfinals and joined the roaring crowd with a scream of his own.

Less than 24 hours after Rafael Nadal was eliminated, Federer averted another stunner by beating Tommy Haas 6-7 (4), 5-7, 6-4, 6-0, 6-2.

The French Open is the only

Grand Slam event Federer has yet to win. He has been beaten by Nadal at Roland Garros four years in a row, the past three times in the final. And with the path to the title cleared of his No. 1-ranked nemesis, No. 2 Federer barely avoided a stumble.

"It's maybe a good sign," Federer said. "It was a great battle for me, and I'm thrilled to be through and given another chance here."

Serena Williams is the lone American remaining in singles.

Weather, errors factor in golf team loss

By **CHRISTOPHER MARTIN**
STAFF WRITER

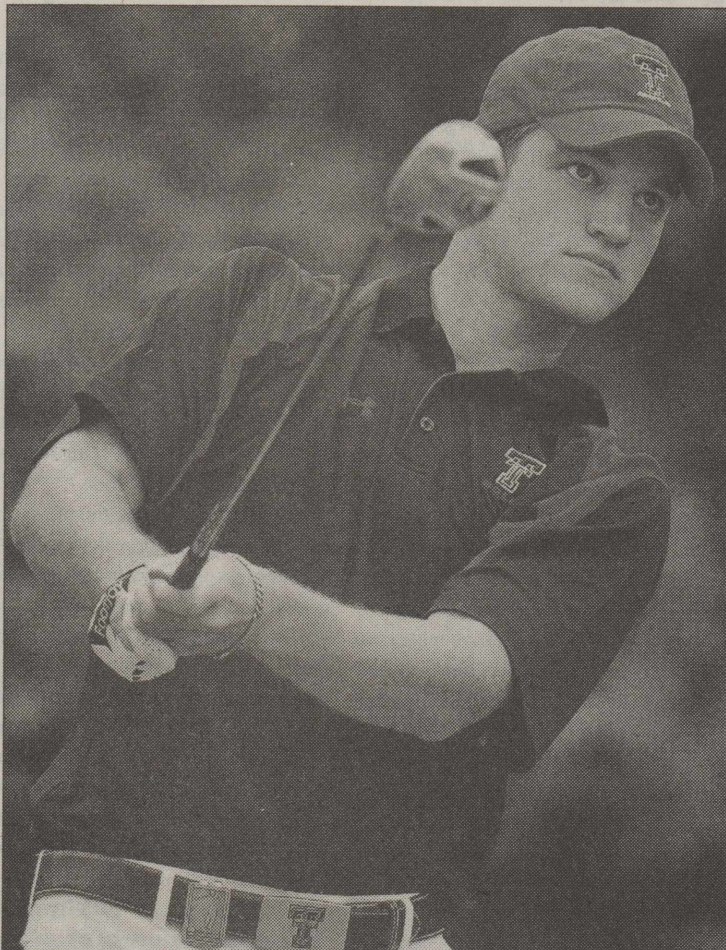


PHOTO BY ANDREW WEBBER
TEXAS TECH GOLF team member Brian Scherer observes his ball after teeing off at the National Golf Tournament in Toledo, Ohio.

The Texas Tech men's golf team played in the National Golf Tournament in Toledo, Ohio this weekend and finished in a tie for 23rd place with UCLA.

The national tournament featured a new format where each team played three days of stroke-play rounds, and the top eight teams advanced to a match play tournament which would decide the national champion.

Tech was unable to advance to the match-play rounds this weekend after shooting 48-over in stroke play. A weather delay on the second day of the tournament caused a bizarre shift in Tech's playing schedule, requiring the players to finish the last round early on the morning the third day.

Tech coach Greg Sands said the weather delay along with a poor start caused the team to slip overall.

"We were disappointed about the results," Sands said. "We got the worst end of the weather this tournament, and on top of that we just didn't play like we had hoped to."

Chris Ward carded the lowest score for Tech at the tournament with an overall score of 9-over. Ward

shot a 1-under 70 on day two, his best round of the tournament.

Even though the team was not able to make it to the match play rounds of the tournament this weekend, Sands said he was pleased about the performance of his team throughout the season.

"I think we had a really successful year," Sands said. "Golf is just a game where you have to play good at the right time, and we didn't play good in the end, but all in all I'm proud of the guys for the overall picture of the season."

Sands and the team will lose seniors Garrett Merrell and Santiago Rivas after this season, and he said even though he will miss them, next year's golf team should make it to the national tournament again.

"We have some guys that red-shirted this year that are going to be playing well and some new signees that should be pushing for playing time right away so I'm expecting us to get better," Sands said, "and I'm expecting big things from next year's team."

Texas A&M was crowned this year's national champion after defeating Arkansas in the match play championship round.

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Track team sends at least 11 members to nationals

By **CHRISTOPHER MARTIN**
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Track and Field team had a successful weekend at the Midwestern Regional Track Meet in Norman, Okla., where the women placed 2nd and the men placed 3rd overall.

Tech will have at least 11 athletes and the men's 4x400-meter relay in the National Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

The 11 competitors, who placed at least 5th in their events, have an automatic invitation, and athletes who were on the bubble will find out if they made the cut sometime Wednesday evening.

Tech coach Wes Kittley said he was happy with his team's performance at the regional meet, especially the underdogs that were able to qualify.

"I thought we had a really good meet overall," Kittley said. "The people that we were expecting to make it to the national meet did and a couple of people really came through that weren't ranked as high."

Among those going to the national meet are Harrison Benjamin, who won the men's shot put with a throw of 64 feet 3.75 inches, breaking his own school record which he set the week before.

D'Andra Carter, who won the women's discus, will be making her fourth straight appearance in the national meet and Gladys Kipsang, who made an appearance at the national meet last year and won the 1500-meter race, also qualified to move forward.

Gil Roberts also qualified for the national meet by both winning the regional meet in the 400-meter

run and qualifying as the anchor leg in the 4x400-meter relay with a 44.3-second split.

Kittley said Roberts possibly is positioned to win the 400-meter run at the national meet after this weekend's performance in both events, and he expects Roberts to continue the success he has had all season.

"He has been leading us all year, and he ran a smooth race to beat everybody else," he said. "I think he is ready to give himself a chance to win at the national championships."

The men's 4x400-meter relay placed 2nd after a photo finish concluded Baylor's Quentin Iglehart-Summers crossed the finish line a mere .03 seconds before Roberts.

Patience Knight qualified for the national meet for the fourth straight year in women's shot put after finishing 5th at the regional

competition. Coach Kittley said he expects Knight to throw well at the national meet despite the dip in her performance.

"She did not have a good meet this weekend, maybe even the worst she has had all year," Kittley said. "But I think being experienced means a lot, and I think she will get her technique back and be back to her old self next week."

Kittley said the most disappointing moment at the regional track meet was when Omo Osaghae was disqualified from the 110 meter hurdles for a false start — Osaghae was ranked 2nd in the country before into the regional meet.

"Coming into this meet, Omo was one of our biggest leaders on this team," Kittley said. "It is a real shame that he didn't move on to the next level."

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