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STATE Immigrant's plea offer for killing officer rejected

HOUSTON (AP) — An illegal immigrant accused of killing a Houston police officer may still face the death penalty after prosecutors rejected his offer to plead guilty in exchange for a life sentence without parole.

Juan Leonardo Quintero-Perez, 34, is set to begin his capital murder trial Monday in the death of Officer Rodney Johnson during a traffic stop in 2006. He is accused of shooting Johnson four times in the head after being arrested for driving without a license.

NATION

Sharpton vows to 'close this city' after acquittals

NEW YORK (AP) — Hundreds of angry people marched through Harlem on Saturday after the Rev. Al Sharpton promised to "close this city down" to protest the acquittals of three police detectives in the 50-shot barrage that killed a groom on his wedding day and wounded two friends.

Sharpton was joined by the family of 23-year-old Sean Bell — a black man — and a friend of Bell who was wounded in the 2006 shooting outside a Queens strip club. Two of the three officers charged were also black.

WORLD

Factory fire in Morocco kills 55

CASABLANCA, Morocco (AP) — Morocco's official news agency says 55 people have been killed in a fire at a mattress factory in Casablanca.

About a dozen others were injured, according to a statement by the city government.

The MAP news agency says the blaze broke out on the ground floor of the factory.

Up to 100 firefighters went to work to put out the blaze Saturday morning in Morocco's biggest city.

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Iraqi leaders discuss unity government

By **SINAN SALAHEDDIN**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD (AP) — Iraq's prime minister met Sunday with the Sunni Arab vice president to discuss reintegrating Sunni political parties into the Shiite-dominated government as militants fired a salvo of rockets or motars at the heavily guarded Green Zone.

At least eight rounds slammed into the section of Baghdad that houses the Iraqi government and U.S. Embassy, said a police official who asked not to be named because

he was not authorized to speak to the media.

Sirens could be heard from the area and loudspeakers warned residents to take cover. There was no immediate word on casualties or damage.

The militants apparently were taking advantage of a sandstorm that blanketed the Iraqi capital Sunday and grounded U.S. helicopters and drones that normally track their activities.

Meanwhile, the meeting between Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki and Tariq al-Hashemi came a day after

the Sunni leader said the return of his boycotting political bloc to the Cabinet was a priority.

The two men discussed "the future of the political process and the rebuilding of a national and unified government," according to a statement from the presidency office.

On Saturday, al-Hashemi said the government needs to reconcile quickly to "save Iraq."

His comments were the latest to signal readiness by the Sunni National Accordance Front to rejoin the government after an absence of nearly nine months. The group

quit the government in protest over what they described as its anti-Sunni bias.

But Sunni officials have said internal power struggles within the Front over who should be appointed to which posts have delayed a formal decision.

Al-Hashemi has been one of al-Maliki's most bitter critics, accusing him of sectarian favoritism, while the prime minister has complained that the vice president is blocking key legislation.

But al-Hashemi and other Sunni leaders apparently have been swayed

by al-Maliki's crackdown against Shiite militias that began late last month and focused on the feared Mahdi Army of anti-U.S. cleric Muqtada al-Sadr. Al-Maliki also has threatened to politically isolate al-Sadr if the Mahdi Army is not disbanded.

Sporadic clashes continued Sunday in the Mahdi Army stronghold of Sadr City, a sprawling district in northeastern Baghdad with 2.5 million people. Fighting in the district has been ongoing since al-Maliki first launched his campaign a month ago against militias in the southern city of Basra.

fashion forward

Tech seniors design their futures

By **ANN LUU**
STAFF WRITER



Jill Sawyer models a champagne dress designed by Stephanie Helms.



Sharon Helms models a blouse designed by Lorrina Roume.



M. Krimley models a peach self-hand batik dress designed by Stephanie Helms.

Many Texas Tech apparel designers had the opportunity to show off their work for the first time Friday.

"It's a crowning achievement," said Chantilly Satterfield, a senior apparel design and manufacturing major from Midland. "As a designer, there's nothing more you could possibly want than to present your work."

Satterfield, along with 82 other seniors in the Department of Design, showcased four years of work Friday in TechStyle, an evening of design.

Rachel Anderson, program coordinator for apparel design and manufacturing, said all interior design and apparel design and manufacturing graduating seniors of 2008 were eligible to be a part of TechStyle.

Supportive family and friends crowded the lobby of the Lubbock Civic Center, wanting to catch a glimpse of the round tables and tall panels that featured senior portfolios of apparel design and manufacturing and interior design and awaiting the fashion show that would follow.

As Satterfield said, a fashion designer's goal is to see his or her work strutted down the runway, and this was the moment. In the center's theater, small white lights illuminated the catwalk and a large Double T projected in the background.

Don Collier, assistant professor in the Department of Design, introduced the evening while the song "I'm too sexy," by the band Right Said Fred, played in the background. Then the lights dimmed as applause from the audience rose, filling the air with enthusiasm and anticipation.

The runway show is the highlight of a student designer's education because it takes a lot of time and effort to prepare for the show.

"The College of Human Sciences, (apparel design and manufacturing) and (interior design) faculty and staff, student assistants and graduating seniors in ADM and interior design work on this show for for six months," Anderson said. "Graduating seniors work on garments for this show their entire length of their bachelor's program."

Satterfield said it was exciting finally to reach this point.

"As a senior show, it takes all of your college career to prepare for it," she said. "Some

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BRITTANY SMITH MODELS a champagne and creme ruffle silk dress designed by Ashley Sides Thursday evening in the Lubbock Civic Center for the TECHstyle '08 Evening of Design sponsored by the College of Human Sciences Department of Design.

Reading, writing deficiency restricts careers, limits income

By **MATT MCGOWAN**
STAFF WRITER

Few college students are eager to read an entire 1,621-word article about reading in their college newspaper, granted, but one wonders what kind of material students would read in its entirety — and why.

According to a report compiled by the National Endowment for the Arts, "To Read or Not to Read," Americans — including college students — read very little, and they are reading less as time goes on. The 99-page report, released in November, 2007, is a compilation of various studies conducted during the last 20 years.

"To Read or Not To Read" gathered data from numerous surveys conducted by various agencies and institutions, said Sunil Iyengar, director of research and analysis at the National Endowment for the Arts.

Initially, the National Endowment for the Arts conducted its own surveys and research to assess how much Americans are participating in the arts, he said.

"It got to the point where, in 2002, we found that less than half of all Americans had read a

work of literature in the last year," he said. "That was kind of an indicator, so we put out a report in 2004 called 'Reading at Risk,' and that generated a tremendous amount of inquiry, and comments and debate about the state of literature in American life."

After the release of "Reading at Risk" during 2004, Iyengar said, the NEA's director wanted to delve further into the state of American literacy, which eventually led to "To Read or Not to Read," which collected research and statistics from "all the studies we could get our hands on, but they had to be large, nationally-representative entities."

During 2005, 35 percent of responding college seniors read nothing for pleasure during any given week, according to the 2007 report. During that same year, however, more college freshmen, 39 percent, read nothing for pleasure each week.

Also, according to the report, one year earlier, during 2004, 21 percent of polled college freshman reported reading nothing for pleasure during any given week, meaning the average college freshman was more likely to have read for pleasure in a one-week time

span in 2004 than he or she was in 2005.

Not only do college students read less for pleasure as time goes on, they also read less for classes, said Mellinee Lesley, a Texas Tech assistant professor of secondary reading.

"I haven't seen a change in attitude," she said, recalling her experiences as a professor and as a reading expert. "You know, most college students don't read. They don't read. They don't read their textbooks. They rely on their professor's lecture, the notes they take in class, and this is not to demonize college students. It's just a phenomenon."

If an individual has a difficult time reading, he or she surely will have a hard time writing, too, Lesley said. Reading provides an example of how to write and is a "mentoring" process for students.

But for college students, she said, writing carries with it a stigma, so many students do not like to write, either.

"People become better at any kind of skill through practice," Lesley said. "If you're not reading and you're not writing, then you're

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PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Toreador
A RECENT STUDY indicates college graduates are becoming less proficient in reading.

Administrators, students analyze Tech's exclusive contracts with companies

By LILIANA GONZALEZ
STAFF WRITER

Coca-Cola, Sprite, Dr. Pepper, Fanta, Dasani and Minute Maid are some of the beverages sold at Texas Tech as part of the university's exclusive contract with Coca-Cola that ends in 2011.

Tech has only Coca-Cola vending machines, and the sodas are sold on-campus from Tech's Hospitality Services in the Student Union Building and Residence Halls.

It is common for universities across the country to have contracts with vending companies, the primary ones being Coca-Cola and Pepsi, said Mike Gunn, student assistant director.

Gunn said the university's contract with Coca-Cola covers all athletic events as part of the exclusive contract.

"Coca-Cola is a large company, and it has a lot of variances," he said. "You have Vitamin Water, Fuse drinks, Minute Maid; those are all Coke products."

Though Coca-Cola has an exclusive contract with the university, Gunn said he does not believe this constitutes a monopoly.

A monopoly is a single seller, said Amlan Datta, an economics graduate student.

"Monopolies have a product or service for which they don't have a substitute," Datta said, "because the moment you have another product, you don't have a monopoly anymore."

Gunn said people can buy other products off-campus and bring them on campus.

"I personally prefer Pepsi; I came from a Pepsi environment," he said. "I drink Pepsi when I am on campus; I bring Pepsi with me."

Alexis Stellas, a sophomore politi-

cal science major from Houston, said she was not aware only Coca-Cola soft drinks are sold at Tech.

"It doesn't bother me if Coke is the only distributor; I have no problem with it," Stellas said. "I like Diet Coke, and I hardly ever drink any other soft drink. I buy my water off-campus."

Coca-Cola does not have a monopoly on sodas at Tech because a monopoly suggests there never will be another vendor, Gunn said. This is not the case because contracts can change at any time "depending on who gives us the best offer. Monopolies are illegal; that's another aspect of it."

Monopolies are illegal because they are harmful to the consumer, Datta said. In the United States, there are no legal monopolies because the Antitrust laws kick in.

To prevent trusts from creating restraints or preventing competition on trade or commerce, Congress passed the Sherman Antitrust Act in 1890, according to the Cornell University Law School Web site, www.lawschool.cornell.edu.

According to the Web site, monopolies are concentrations of wealth in the hands of a few, and such conglomerations of economic resources are thought to be injurious to the public and individuals because such traits minimize, if not obliterate, marketplace competition and yield undesirable price controls.

But other companies also have exclusive contracts with the university, Gunn said, including Barnes & Noble, AT&T and American State Bank.

"The Coke contract and Barnes & Noble are the most prevalent on-campus," he said.

Coca-Cola gives the university reduced rates on its products, Gunn said, and supports different aspects

of the school.

At least three to four times a year, Coca-Cola comes to Tech and distributes new products, Gunn said, not just to market the new stuff, but to treat students.

"Particularly in my area, they allow so much money a year for me to help support student organizations' activities," he said. "We have a Coke fund, and students that have events on campus and if they need some augmentation, they can get up to \$400 a year from us to help them with their events from Coca-Cola."

Like Stellas, Laree Perkins, a sophomore business-marketing major from Midland, said she had not noticed only Coca-Cola products are sold at Tech.

She said Coke is her favorite, probably because she does not need to look for it because it is everywhere including the Market, Student Union and Sam's Place.

"It definitely limits your choices as a consumer because of what is available," Perkins said. "In certain cases, you can be charged more or less depending on what is available. It can be good, it can be bad."

The prices of the Coca-Cola products have increased about 25 cents during the last 10 years, Gunn said.

"I think we are in a good market there, but that is part of the contract," he said. "The prices don't need to go up regardless of how much the products are off-campus, because it is an exclusive contract here on campus."

Perkins said she buys her books off-campus because Barnes & Noble charges more for books and school apparel because of its convenience and name recognition.

"I personally think Barnes & Noble is always more expensive than other bookstores," Perkins said, "and you are getting the same product just



PHOTO BY COLEMAN MOREFIELD/The Daily Toreador

A COCA-COLA TRUCK makes a delivery stop in front of the Student Union Building Thursday afternoon.

because of convenience of the location and name."

Barnes & Noble is an adjunct to the campus, Gunn said. It is not necessarily subject to exclusive rights deals with the university, meaning it does not have to sell Coca-Cola products, and it is the only place where books can be sold at Tech.

"The closest thing to a monopoly that we have on campus would be Barnes & Noble bookstore," he said. "But we do have three bookstores just right across the street."

Fast food places such as Taco Bell and KFC can establish themselves on campus even though they tend to

sell Pepsi products, Gunn said, but they are required to sell Coca-Cola products because of the exclusive contract.

"Usually the people who vend on campus will use whatever product is available to them," he said. "So you can go to a college campus and see Taco Bell, and they will be serving Coke products, even though it is a Pepsi company. I don't think Pepsi will be willing to do that with all its vendors, but it is possible from time to time to slip those things there."

All the food in the Student Union and in the residence halls are under Hospitality Services because the

department maintains a certain level of expertise in the area, Gunn said, so the quality of food produced needs to be at a consistent level.

"If McDonald's wanted to go on campus," he said, "they would actually fall under their hospitality area."

Tech also has a contract with AT&T, but other competing products can be used on campus, Gunn said.

American State Bank has an exclusive contract to be in the Student Union Building, but there are ATMs for competing banks on campus, as well as the Texas Tech Credit Union. mk3red@hotmail.com

Obama says no debates to take place with Clinton between now and Indiana primary

WASHINGTON (AP)—Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama on Sunday brushed aside a challenge from Hillary Rodham Clinton to debate before the May

6 primaries in Indiana and North Carolina.

On Saturday, Clinton said she wants Obama to face off with her in a debate without a moderator, Lincoln-

Douglas style.

"I'm not ducking. We've had 21" debates, Obama said on "Fox News Sunday."

"For two weeks, two big states, we

want to make sure we're talking to as many voters on the ground, taking questions from voters," he said. "We're not going to have debates between now and Indiana."

The more open style of debating where each side presents an argument gets its name from the famed debates that took place during the 1858 U.S. Senate race in Illinois between Republican Abraham Lincoln and

Democrat Stephen Douglas.

Trailing in delegates and the popular vote, Clinton has been stepping up the pressure on Obama for more debates in advance of primaries on May 6 in Indiana and North Carolina.

Obama was planning to return to his home in Chicago on Sunday and had no public events scheduled. Clinton was spending the day cam-

paing in North Carolina.

Democratic National Committee Chairman Howard Dean said superdelegates should make known their choices on the Democratic nominee for president by the end of June. Ultimately, he said he believes their decisions will be based on who is more electable, rather than necessarily who has the most pledged delegates, because that is what party rules stipulate.

"This is essentially pretty close to a tie here," Dean said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

"What's going to happen in the last nine primaries is there's going to be some feeling at some point that one of these candidates is more likely to win than the other and that person will get the nomination. I can't tell you who that is, I have no idea who that is, but that's what's going to happen," Dean said.

Dean also said he expected the party to heal from the bitter primary race if superdelegates make their decisions in June and that he believes Michigan and Florida delegates will be "seated in some way."

"If you go into the convention divided, it's pretty likely you'll come out of the convention divided," he said.

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Reading

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not getting that sort of practice that's going to make you better."

While students read many different types of writing for many different reasons, she said, rarely do these different types of literacy help individuals to read or write professional communication.

For instance, Lesley said, the sort of literacy one might find on the Internet does require comprehension, but it altogether is a different sort of literacy from academic, disciplined reading — the type most required in the professional sphere.

These alternative types of reading and writing are not without value or merit, but they fail to equip participants with the skills required in the workforce, she said. Professional e-mails and memorandums, for instance, require a much more coherent and focused practice of written language rarely found in informal writing.

Few students consider the "metacognitive" processes of reading, Lesley said, meaning they ignore the aspects that affect one's ability to comprehend as one reads.

"They need to become aware of

what happens when they read," she said. "You know, what is their thinking when they read? What do they do when they read five paragraphs or five pages and they say, 'Oh, I don't remember anything I've read. I've been thinking about what I have to do later or the game this weekend, or whatever.' A lot of their development as a reader has to do with that process."

During 1992, 40 percent of those who earned a bachelor's degree were deemed "proficient in reading prose," according to the report. Eleven years later, in 2003, that number decreased to 31 percent, a 9-percent decrease in reading proficiency among those with a bachelor's degree.

The necessity of reading in education drastically has changed in the last 40 years, said Bill Marcy, Tech's provost. With the advent of the Internet and computers, students no longer acquire information strictly through reading.

"I would say that, for most students today, probably more than half of their learning involves something other than reading," he said. "I don't know that it would be all that surprising that you have more ways of learning, and reading would be a less-developed skill, and yet, critical thinking and under-

standing require the ability to do critical reading."

The educational system in the United States, ranging from elementary school to college, Lesley said, fails to encourage reading and writing because, among other things, it is so adamantly oriented toward basic acquisition for standardized tests, not creativity and empowerment.

"In colleges, we need to take some of the responsibility as well," she said. "You think about the classes you're taking and how easy it is for you not to read a book, how easy it is to go to these large lectures. We haven't done a great job, either. We give a lot of Scantron tests, and our students need to be doing more of writing."

According to the report, during 2006, employers reported writing in English as the second-most prevalent basic skill deficiency for four-year college graduates, second to foreign languages.

While 26 percent of these employers reported writing in English as a basic skill deficiency among four-year college graduates, according to the report, 28 percent reported written communication as the applied skill college graduates most frequently lacked — written communication is the most commonly

reported applied skill deficiency.

"People want to know, 'What does this mean for me? What does this mean for me as the individual?'" Iyengar said. "Certainly, I think, in college, people are casting around for opportunities and thinking about where they'll be in five, 10 years — or even two years. It is important, I think, that everyone know that reading and writing remain skills that are highly in demand, which they've reiterated in the various product and service workforce."

Throughout their careers, he said, college graduates constantly will encounter situations in which they are expected to write and read proficiently. Those who cannot read or write proficiently tend to make less money.

When asked if their reading skills limited their job opportunities during 2003, according to the report, 2 percent of proficient-reader adults reported "a little," 1 percent reported "some," and 1 percent reported "a lot."

Furthermore, according to the report, of those adults ranked below basic in reading proficiency, 14 percent said their reading skills limited their job opportunities "a little," and 35 percent of below-

basic proficiency adult readers said their reading skills limited their job opportunities "a lot."

"Apparently, those who read well — and reading well here is defined as reading proficiently, which the Department of Education defined as being able to read a newspaper article or a magazine article — that means that people who can read at that level tend to make much more financially," Iyengar said. "They tend to be imported to higher paying jobs, on average, than people who are reading at the basic level or even below that, at the below-basic level."

According to the report, in 2003, 58 percent of proficient readers earned more than \$850 per week, while 23 percent of basic-proficiency readers and 13 percent of below-basic proficiency readers reported earning at least that amount each week.

While reading and writing proficiency often helps career-oriented employees succeed, it also greatly will increase the quality of employment for a new college graduate, Lesley said. Academic and professional literacy is a "gatekeeper" for students. High school and college graduates often compete with each other for jobs, and, for them to com-

pete, reading and writing proficiency is essential.

"(Reading and writing) is very important for employees," said Beverly Riley, human resources manager at the Lubbock branch of X-FAB, a semiconductor manufacturing company. "There is nothing worse — from my side, HR side — than to get resumes that have misspelled words, that don't have grammatical sentences. They want to convince you, 'I've had this education and I have this very knowledgeable and competent young person, but I can't even write a sentence that makes sense.' It's very important."

Reading not only helps one professionally, Iyengar said, but reading also provides an individual with a deeper means of entertainment. When one reads a book, that person gains much more value from it than he or she would by watching television.

"After all, it's fun," he said. "It should be fun, and children should be read to at an early age. I think that when you look at kids being read to — you know, 'Tell me a story' — they love that. A lot of times, when you first start to read, it's a fun thing when it's done, because they're in a house full of books."

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3 killed in militant attack on Afghan president at ceremony in Kabul

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Militants firing rockets and automatic rifles attacked the Afghan president at a ceremony in Kabul on Sunday, missing their target but killing three and wounding eight others.

The Taliban claimed responsibility for the assault that sent President Hamid Karzai and foreign ambassadors scurrying for cover, underscoring the fragile grip of his U.S.-backed government.

Gunmen opened fire as a 21-gun salute echoed over the capital at an anniversary ceremony to mark the mujahedeen victory over the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan.

Hundreds of people, including army and police that had formed an honor guard inspected by Karzai minutes earlier, fled in chaos as shots rang out. The president was hustled away, surrounded by bodyguards, and left in a convoy of four black SUVs.

The gunfire apparently came from a three-story guesthouse, popular with migrant laborers, about 300 yards from the stands where Karzai was seated alongside Cabinet ministers and senior diplomats, who all escaped unharmed. A U.S. Embassy official confirmed U.S. Ambassador William Wood was also not hurt.

A lawmaker who was about 30 yards from the president was killed in the attack.

Residents reported that a 30-minute gunbattle broke out between security forces and gunmen holed up in the guesthouse, located in a neighborhood of ruined mud brick buildings.

Defense Minister Gen. Abdul Rahim Wardak said three attackers were killed by security forces, and assault rifles and machine guns were confiscated.

Taliban spokesman Zabiullah

Mujaheed said six militants were deployed to target the president, and three of those militants died in the attack. He said they were armed with guns, rockets and suicide vests although no suicide bombings were reported.

The initial moments of the attack, which came as a marching band played the finale of the national anthem, were broadcast live until TV transmissions were cut. Hundreds of dignitaries could be seen diving for cover. Two lawmakers were hit by the gunfire. One of the men slumped back in his seat, while the other lay on the ground.

Less than two hours later, Karzai appeared on state-run TV and said "everything is OK."

Appearing calm, Karzai said "the enemy of Afghanistan" tried to disrupt the ceremony but was thwarted by security forces. He said several

suspects were arrested and smiled as he signed off his brief recorded statement.

About 100 people were rounded up for questioning, an Afghan intelligence official said on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to media.

Associated Press reporters saw a half dozen people, who appeared to be migrant laborers from northern Afghanistan, sitting in the back of a police van outside the guesthouse, which was pocked with bullet holes. Windows were smashed, and police barred the reporters from entering.

The militant attack, the first in the capital since mid-March, came despite unprecedented tight security for Sunday's celebrations. In January, three Taliban suicide attackers hit Kabul's upscale Serena Hotel, killing eight people, including an American.

For days Kabul was ringed by checkpoints with security forces and plainclothes intelligence officials searching vehicles.

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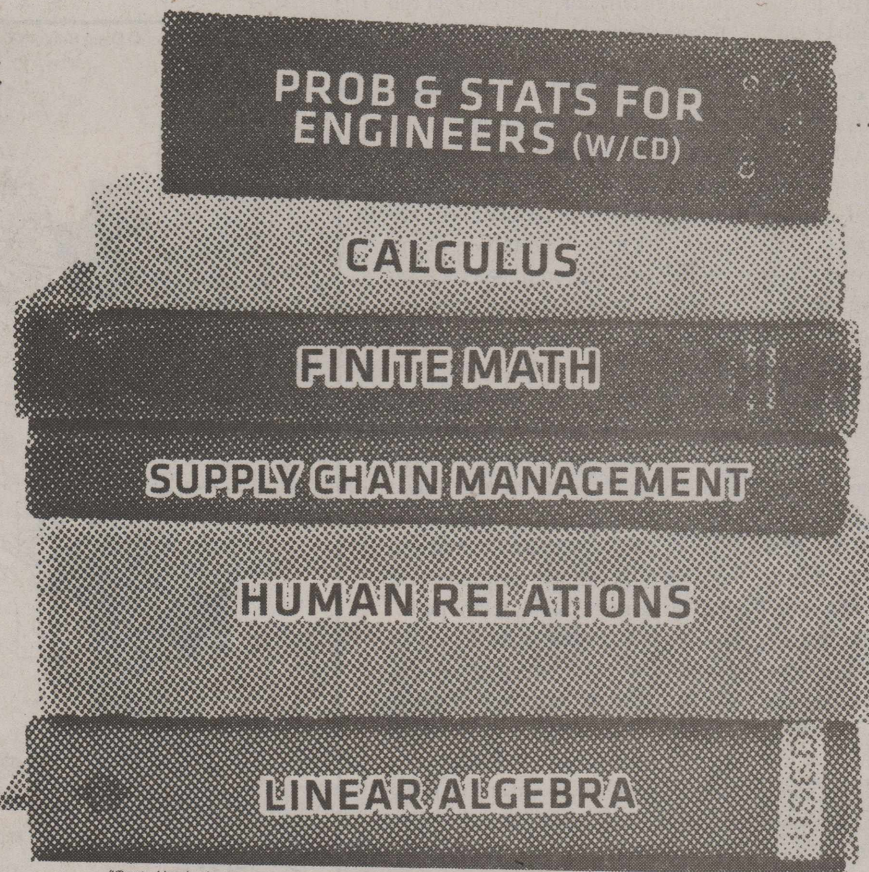
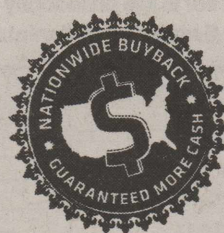


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What is it about alcohol that makes some people lose all cognitive function? After being dressed up as the ethanol scarecrow that would fight farm overproduction, oil dependence and global warming — despite much evidence to the contrary — a vocal minority in several states including Wisconsin has once again turned to alcohol to solve their problems.

Seemingly as a half-hearted recompense to young soldiers fighting a war in Iraq most Americans no longer support, some want to lower the drinking age to 18 — for military personnel only.

The most bizarre proposal, however, is a bill introduced in Minnesota that would allow 18-year-olds to drink in bars and restaurants, but not to buy liquor in stores. Presumably supporters are afraid of uninhibited binge drinking at teen house parties, but wasn't the whole point of the federal government strong-arming states into raising the drinking age to 21 to stop drunken driving?

Overwhelming evidence shows raising the drinking age lowers fatal automobile accidents, which is why Ronald Reagan, who made big government public enemy No. 1, signed a constitutionally questionable 1984 law that ties 10 percent of federal highway funds to setting the drink-

ing age at 21. A 2003 review by the Center for Disease Control showed increasing the drinking age lowered fatal accidents by 16 percent, and the National Traffic Highway Administration estimates 900 lives each year have been saved by the switch. While that might not seem like a huge number, it's hard to argue against a proven safety measure.

Students can moan and groan all they like, but proposals to change the drinking age are doomed to failure as long as one out of six of adult motorists nationwide report driving under the influence, as found by the National Survey on Drug Use and Health.

According to a 2007 Gallup poll, 77 percent of Americans oppose lowering the drinking age. Until it's no longer a given that someone at a party will drive home drunk, the visceral images of deadly car accidents will continue to stir outrage, even as we decide it's OK to drive intoxicated ourselves.

Wisconsin tops the list of drunken drivers, with more than a quarter of

motorists saying they have driven while intoxicated in the past year. Of course, analysts immediately hit on the obvious cultural factors at play here, with both Nina J. Emerson, director of the Resource Center on Impaired Driving at the University of Wisconsin Law School, and Paul Moberg, senior scientist at UW's

Population Health Institute, pointing to Wisconsin's general acceptance of drinking being higher than many other states, according to an April 22 Milwaukee Journal Sentinel article.

But this ignores the fact that even in Utah, a state where a majority of residents belong to a religion that prohibits the consumption of alcohol, one in 10 people reported drinking and driving. Clearly, the problem is Americans love their cars as much they love their booze.

The United Kingdom — with the same .08 blood-alcohol concentration legal limit as all 50 U.S. states — had only 560 alcohol-related deaths in 2004 among its 60 mil-

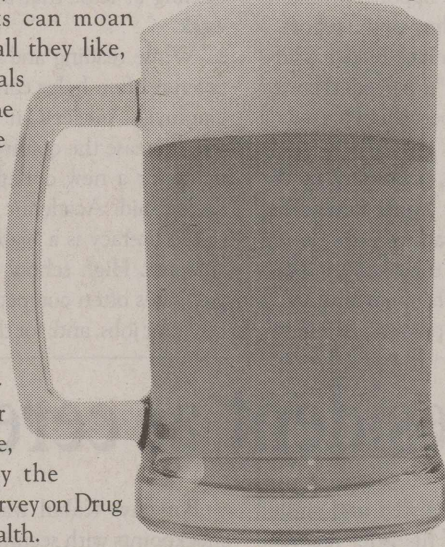
lion people, according to the British Medical Association. While the U.S. has five times the population, it had more than 20 times the alcohol-related deaths.

One oft-cited explanation for high U.S. traffic fatalities is that most international drivers first receive permits after they reach the legal drinking age. This makes little to no sense, however. The difference, if any, is usually less than a year, and traffic fatalities, sober and not, remain high for young people well after they turn 21, as any insurance or rental car agent will tell you.

The only reason the drinking age won't raise to 25 is the uproar would be even louder than if it were lowered to 18. It's certainly true Europeans are less car-dependent, but the move to public transportation in this country has been slow and painful.

No, what Wisconsin needs is to correct its two-faced attitude toward drunken driving with harsh penalties even for first-time offenses — this is the only state where a first drunken driving incident is not criminal.

While there are concerns ignition locks may not yet hold the answer, as a California Motor Vehicles Department study found they did not deter first-time offenders, we should look to innovations like these to keep alcohol-impaired drivers off the street. If we can do that, then maybe college students young and old can legally have a beer together.



STRIVE FOR HONOR Discussion on Ethics

Closing Comments

'THINKING ABOUT ETHICS'

During the last few weeks, readers of *The Daily Toreador* have seen a series of columns presenting ethical dilemmas. The dilemmas, presented and discussed by faculty in various disciplines, were aimed at stimulating thought and encouraging a campus conversation about ethics.

For example, in "Just Say When," a hypothetical engineer faced a conflict between loyalty to a friend, obligations as an employee and obligations regarding public safety. In addressing the moral questions here, the author pointed out that morality sometimes demands more of us than the law does — in this case, the law does not obligate the engineer one way or another, but morality certainly seems to.

In "Security Payments," a business faced conflicting obligations to protect employees, obey the law and maximize profit. There the protection of employees seemed to require both violating the law and subsidizing the murder of other innocents through the support of a paramilitary group. The dramatic dilemma here was that saving some innocent people could require the deaths of others. And the issue of legal obligation gets raised here as well, with a company director asserting that ethics sometimes requires disobeying the law.

Indeed, in reflecting on ethical choices, one quickly realizes that moral and legal obligations are not coextensive. Not every right action is required by law — consider promise-keeping — and not everything dictated by law is morally right — consider South African apartheid or our own Jim Crow laws.

One reader responded with a complaint about the use of hypothetical cases at all, claiming such cases had little relation to real life. Abstracted dilemmas like these, the reader commented, never provide enough information and contain too many variables to allow us to make a decision.

But I am inclined to think that it is precisely the moral tensions and uncertainties that dilemmas represent that make them especially useful for ethical reflection. After

Daniel Nathan



all, life itself is often morally messy, and rarely do we have the luxury of acting on the basis of complete information or the luxury of kicking the moral decision upstairs to a supervisor, like the subject of the third scenario might.

Hypotheticals, when they work, are abstract enough and complex enough to force us away from relying on reassuringly intuitive bromides, like "First break no law" or "First do no harm." Because our intuitions conflict in these cases, we are pushed to reason through moral problems and not just rationalize some preconceived conclusion. The dilemmas can force us to dig more deeply and see the limits of relying on our conventional assumptions of right and wrong. We have to think about an issue from multiple perspectives and then start to think about how to weigh these considerations reasonably against one another. And that is what real life ethical reflection ought to be about.

After all, something one can say with certainty is that some moral view we currently take for granted likely will be overturned radically in the not-too-distant future. Some of today's conventional moral assumptions will seem silly or even morally repugnant to more enlightened future generations, just as today we look back with disdain or indignation on popular morality of a century ago. Our reason has helped us progress from some of the worst expressions of racism and sexism of previous generations, but we are clearly far from being fully morally enlightened.

So here is an intellectual challenge to take up after finals are over: Let's search our own beliefs to find some mistaken, but comfortable, moral position we carry within us today. Then let's try to find a way to fix it.

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Green fatigue hinders movement's success

By **AMY BAACK**
DAILY TROJAN (USC)

I admit it. I'm getting a little tired of the whole "Go Green" campaign. There are signs screaming at us from every street corner, in every supermarket and on trendy graphic T-shirts, and the call to improve our lifestyles to rescue the planet is simply getting exasperating.

After a while, all the well-meaning activists' cries begin to sound like unintelligible noise growing perpetually louder as it reverberates off the Earth's ozone layer, which continues to be thickened by our unsustainable practices. Yes, I get it.

My plastic bags and my car and my nonorganic apples are killing the planet. I know it's bad. But do we really have to make being responsible earthy citizens a high-profile, pop-culture trend, promoted by the likes of Leonardo Di Caprio and Kate Winslet and featured on "E! News" live?

Becoming environmentally conscious is indisputably important for every person living on our little blue-and-green home. We cannot sit idly by and watch the Earth become the inhabitable compact-waste landscape featured in Pixar's upcoming animated film, "Wall-E." But ever since Al Gore released "An Inconvenient Truth," the documentary has been cited ad nauseam to the point that Gore's well-meaning message about the realities of global warming has become more of a pop-culture reference than a serious text.

Indeed, in the last year or so, practically everyone has jumped on the green bandwagon, especially those with a motive to make money: Companies ranging from high-end fashion designers to Wal-Mart are encouraging consumers to buy sustainable products and live a more environmentally conscious lifestyle.

During the week starting April 16, and ending April 22, the hype has been raised to an almost deafening level in order to celebrate Earth Day and its accompanying week, a period that in the past sailed by almost completely ignored. Marketing efforts by practically every corporation in existence has sucked the holiday dry of any integrity it initially had.

Thanks to companies' eagerness to make sales by promoting their products as green — last year Revolymer unveiled "clean gum," which supposedly removes pollution by being easily scrapped from sidewalks — consumers have begun to tune out the bombardment of green-promoting messages.

The fact that the campaign for going green is being shoved down Americans' throats is resulting in a nationwide "green fatigue" effect, as the sensation has been dubbed by consumer research firm, the Shelton Group. The Shelton Group performed a study that found the number of people willing to choose one house over another based on energy efficiency fell more than 16 percent from 2006 to 2007.

People are beginning to just not care anymore, because caring has been blown seriously out of proportion. We are ignoring a message that needs to be heard simply because it has fallen into the wrong controlling hands.

Despite the media and conglomerates' grand effort to twist going green into the next big thing, the ultimate idea behind working towards sustainability is not one we should ignore. In order to fully correct the damage humans have selfishly inflicted on our home planet, we would each need to plant 20 trees a day and revert to traditional technological marvels such as candles and horse-drawn carriages.

Iraque theme park could fuel more anti-U.S. beliefs

STAFF EDITORIAL
THE MIAMI STUDENT (MIAMI U.)

It was announced April 23 that C3, a Los Angeles based company, was developing a \$500 million amusement park overseas that was designed by the firm that developed Disneyland. International cities that instantly came to mind to play host to the new park would be Paris, London, Hong Kong or Madrid. All of those cities seem like logical choices, but the amusement park will be built in Baghdad. Wait... what? Is there another Baghdad overseas that I'm thinking of? Well, no — amazingly this 50-acre park is scheduled to be built in a war-ravaged Iraqi city.

When I first read the article, I had to double check the date of the article, expecting to see April 1st. It had to be an April Fools joke and a pretty unbelievable one at that. But somehow it was not a joke — they were investing hundreds of millions of dollars in an amusement park in a city where terrorist attacks are nearly a part of everyday life. You didn't see theme parks built outside of unstable and devastated Berlin after World War II, did you?

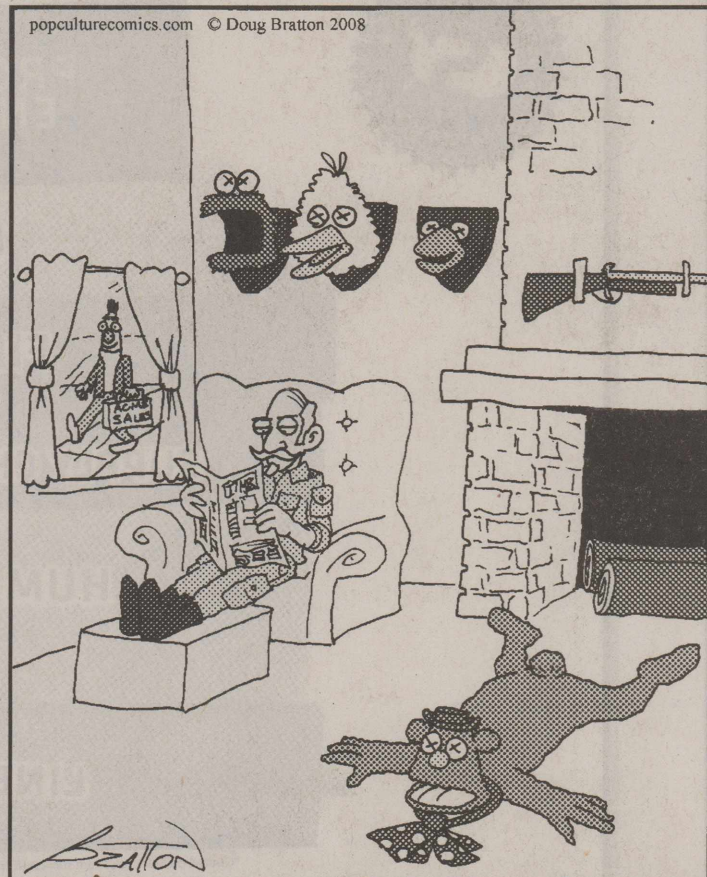
They are planning on building the park over the Baghdad Zoo which hasn't exactly had the most success lately. Since the United States invasion, the zoo has lost 665 of its 700 animals and has been the occasional target of insurgent attacks. Sounds like a great place to take the family out and feel right at home.

I'm trying to think of a worse place to put this park and I just can't. I think we would be better off putting this park in North Korea or Iran. This park will shoot to the top of a

prestigious list — the most likely terrorist target in the world. Hundred-foot-tall roller coasters, Splash Mountain and Dumbo rides built by the United States? I don't see how this could go wrong. They really might as well put neon signs around the park saying, "Please attack right here." One of my biggest questions is how are they going to keep this place safe? To stop this park from being attacked they are going to have to put more security around it than the Pentagon.

Llewellyn Werner, the chairman of C3, told the London Times that this park would be "enormously profitable." I mean, unless he expects the U.S. government to pay for everyone's admissions, how is this park going to make a profit? A cheap amusement park charges 20 dollars for admission. Many Iraqis are struggling to make enough money to get by, let alone pay to go to a state-of-the-art amusement park. Do they expect to get tourists to fly in and visit the park? I'm sorry, but a vacation to Baghdad isn't at the top of my list — they'd have to pay me to go to this park and a lot of money at that.

Maybe Werner's main goal is to make people overseas hate us even more. That would make more sense than trying to bring Mickey Mouse into Iraq. Millions of people already think we are just in Iraq for money and building an amusement park and saying that you are there "mostly for the profit" is only going to make things look a lot worse. If democracy is struggling in Iraq, why would an amusement park work? If Disney Magic Kingdom is known as the most magical place on Earth, then a Disney in Baghdad could end up being the most treacherous place on Earth. Somewhere, Walt Disney is rolling over in his grave.



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Sandstorm Picnic, Lubbock showcases music in Austin

At 7 p.m. Friday, the torch officially was passed.

Legendary Lubbock musicians paid tribute to the new wave of Lubbock music sweeping across West Texas at the "Sandstorm Picnic," which was hosted at the Moose Lodge on E.M. Franklin Avenue in Austin.

Innovative artists Tommy X Hancock — the godfather of Lubbock music, Joe Ely, Terry Allen, Natalie Maines and, of course, Buddy Holly all originated from Lubbock, the city of sandstorms and firewater, and they once reigned as royalty. Though their influence still holds strong in this city, these giants now gracefully and willingly have been pushed aside.

A new regime has taken over Lubbock, and Friday night, it showed Austin why the best music comes from the west. Only out here would you find a mandolin, a trumpet and an accordion — along with guitars of all sorts and drums — on stage at the same time. Not just that, but only at a party celebrating West Texas music could you find Tommy X Hancock — dressed head to toe in a slick white suit and hat — still getting down and more funky on the dance floor with his wife than people half their ages.

And only here could they manage to make the stage full of talent not sound cluttered or like the musicians were competing for attention.

Instead, it only turned them on more. The opportunity to play with people they not only loved like brothers but respected like authority was something no one wanted to miss out on. They were feeding off each other's energy and driving the sound harder and like never before. During the set for Lubbock's newly elected king — Doug "Dr. Skoob" Haines — the dance floor finally began hopping as the residents of Austin who came out to catch the Lubbock showcase became

Chelsea Roe



enthralled.

In fact, Austin has been so enthralled with the idea of a Lubbock showcase down south that radio stations played selections from the headlining artists all day prior to the show. Representatives from all sorts of media outlets were present to cover the event.

The bill for the show was comprised of what many have argued are the most interesting musicians you can find here. Artists like Doug Haines, Andy Eppler, Nic Schute, Joel Smith, Mike Bernal, The Texas Belairs, Lesley Sawyer, Brian McRae, Kim Townsend, Jake Kellen, Curtis Peoples, John Chambers, Kendra Elliot and Hayden Huse represented the Hub City with pride.

The event cost \$10 — an awfully small amount to pay for such a large amount of talent. It was well worth it. The almost seven-hour drive was well worth the trip, too. It was even worth the power outages resulting from the large storm, and the lack of the sand was the icing on the cake.

All in all, Austin got a taste of the crazy weekends spent in Lubbock listening to great music and dancing with great friends, but one never fully can recreate the atmosphere of West Texas — no matter how hard you try. You literally have to be here to see it before you ever really can appreciate it for what it is. Watching the raging storm roll in on the back porch as the music sounded in harmony with the rain, however, came pretty damn close. **Chelsea Roe The DT's music critic. Email her at chelsea.l.roe@ttu.edu.**

Fashion

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pieces we make the week before the show; others we've worked on throughout college."

Even though most student designers have worked the past four years on their fashion lines, Satterfield said not everyone gets to see each other's works until the fashion show.

"We have been so busy worrying about our own garments, we never even looked at the others in our class," she said. "So, it was a nice surprise to see some of the pieces that others had made."

Model after model strutted down the runway, showing off one-of-a-kind fashion pieces, ranging from summer and evening dresses to swimwear.

One by one, unique outfits were modeled, many with creative materials such as paint tubes, pencils, photographs and neckties.

Satterfield said the models were her favorite part, as it was a personal touch for her.

"My models were amazing in beauty and in personality. My little brother and his friend got to model for me and were a hit," she said. "That's a memory I'll never be able to forget. They made it that much more special for me."

Even though this is a time of celebration for graduating seniors, they know how important having a successful show is. Melissa Hall, a senior apparel design and manufacturing major from Garland, said the show is important to seniors.

"I think this is a critical process as a senior since it prepares you to be confident in what you design, since this is a very critical industry," she said. "You need to be comfortable letting it be seen by the world."

As a graduating senior in the design program, Hall said she knows to keep her head on straight.

"Always work hard and make sure you are doing this because you love it," she said. "During the show, I was just waiting in antici-

pation for my collection to be seen on stage. Although I was nervous since this was the first time my designs would be seen in a public venue and on stage, I was relieved after the show to receive such a great response."

Anderson said the show is beneficial for graduating seniors.

"This show benefits the seniors by providing them a high quality show with a growing number of attendance and exposure," she said. "It pretty much is a huge party just for them as they should be very grateful to the department and faculty of the Department of Design. We are very proud of them and proud of what they accomplished under the very diverse and knowledgeable faculty here at Texas Tech."

The exhibition shows the community that design involves dedication and is more than meets the eye.

"It's not all about shopping, as some suspect," Satterfield said. "(Apparel designers and manufacturers) and interior designers work hard at our art work, and it's nice to know that our hard work was understood and appreciated."

In addition to the fashion show by the apparel designers, the exhibition displayed on tall panels the final works by the interior designers. The illustrations were also four years in the making, said Collier, the assistant professor.

"I was a little nervous before going into the show just because it was so long awaited," said Stephanie Hill, a senior interior design major from Waxahachie, "but once we were in, it was great to see how everyone's panels came together. My favorite part was getting to see everyone's best work on display. We see each other every day and we forget to appreciate the creativity of our colleagues."

Collier showed true pride in the works of his students.

"The business of design is only partly creativity and production of a design, the other half is sales. Any chance a designer has an opportunity to show their work is a great opportunity," he said. "We created the show specifically for this purpose. In addition we wanted an opportunity to say to the seniors, 'Great job and

congratulations for the finish of your college career, and we wish you all the very best in your future endeavors.' This is truly a night of celebration of four years of hard work."

Hill agrees with her fellow designers about the advantages of the senior show. She said it honors the dedication of the designers, and it is perfect because what designers do in their college careers goes beyond learning.

"We get to create," she said. "That makes us very unique, and to have an event that celebrates our achieve-

ments and growth through design processes is critical to entering the next chapter of our lives."

Hill said TechStyle was the epitome of her college career, and its importance ranks higher than a diploma.

"We have been putting our hearts and souls into our work for four years, and we finally have a chance to show our friends, families and the community what we love," Hill said. "To the designers, this is more important than graduation."

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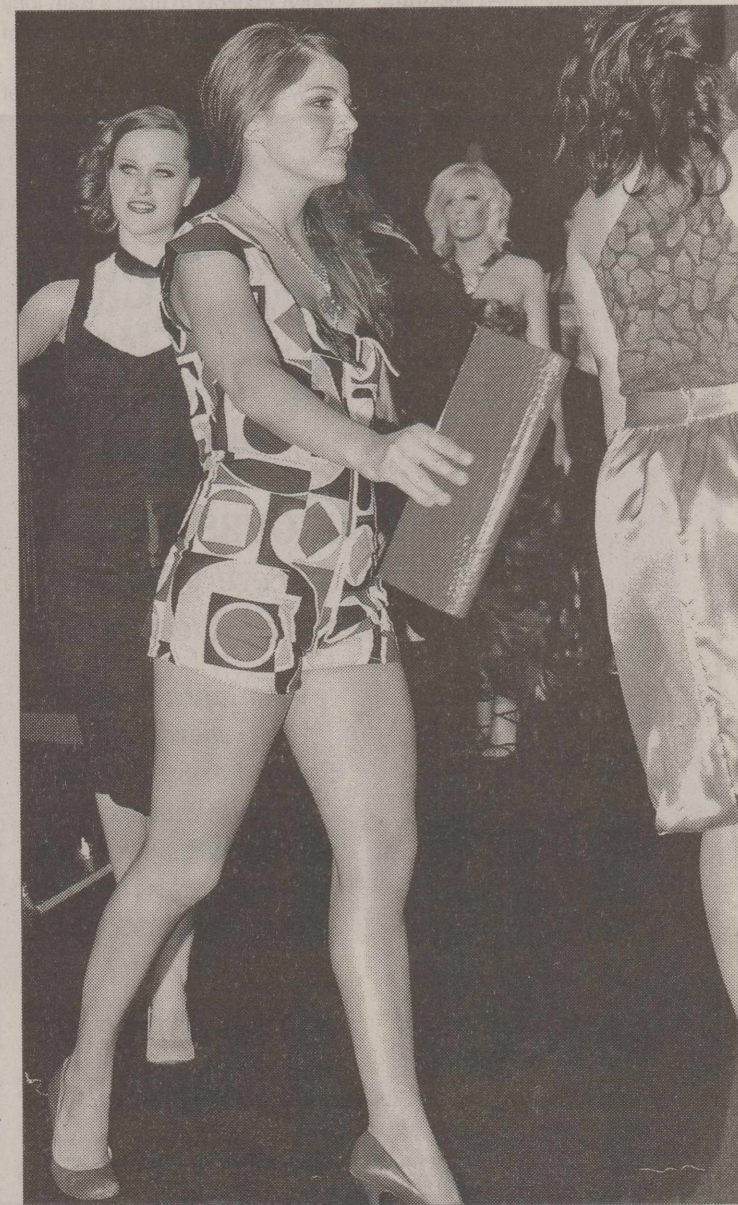


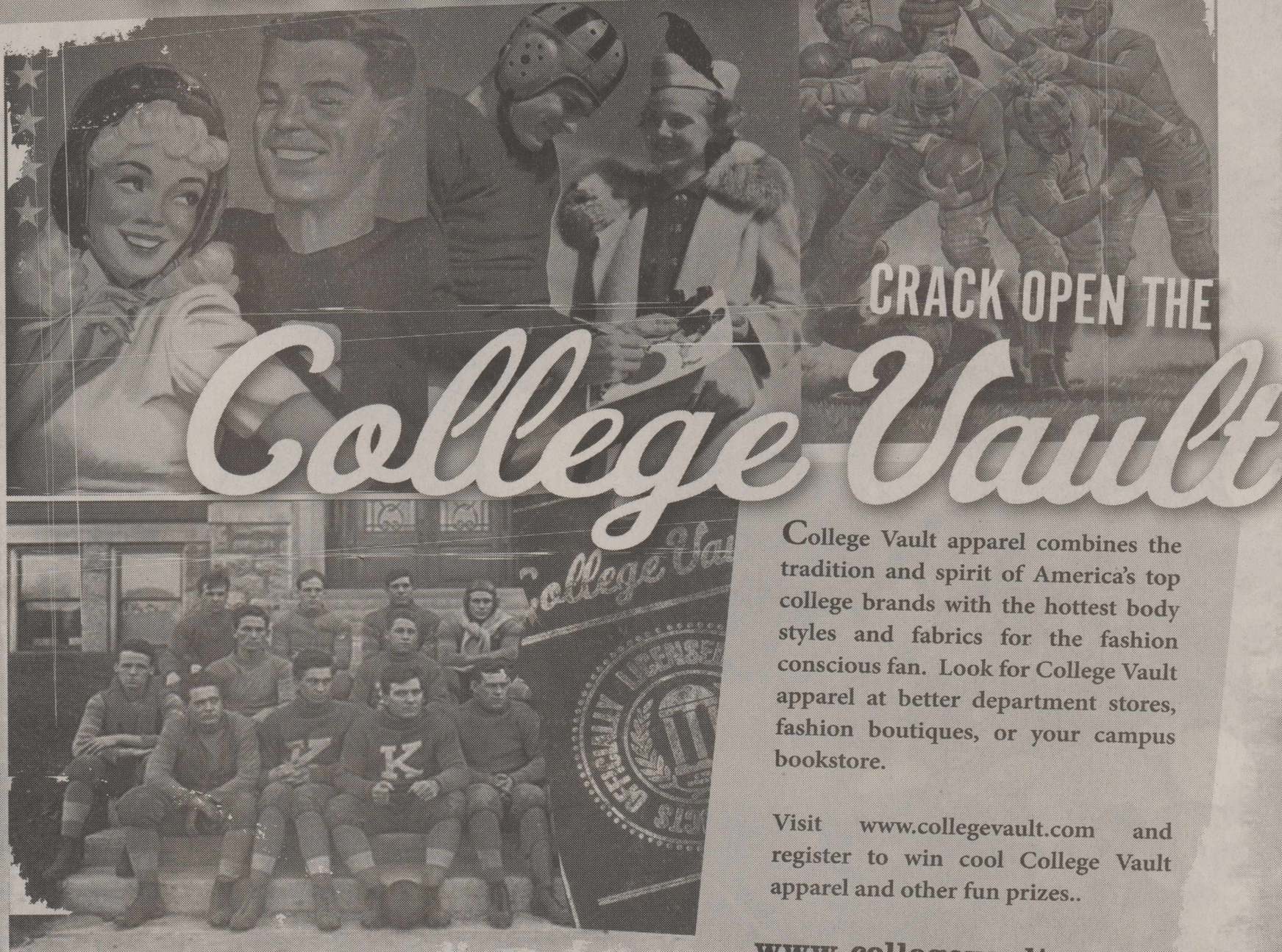
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BONNIE OHLIG MODELS a black and white jumpsuit designed by Johnna Sheppard Thursday evening in the Lubbock Civic Center for the TECHstyle '08 Evening of Design sponsored by the College of Human Sciences Department of Design.

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Notre Dame students 'spoon' in effort to break world record

STAFF REPORTS
THE OBSERVER (NOTRE DAME)

A group of 127 Notre Dame students broke the record for the World's Longest Spoon Train in the middle of South Quad Thursday afternoon.

Junior Charlie Mahoney originally proposed the idea to his friends as a joke, but the scheme slowly gained credence until finally he and fellow ski team member Joel Sharbrough decided to make the biggest spoon train ever.

"We obviously loved spooning in the first place, so we just thought why don't we be the best spooners we can be? And it just spiraled into

something huge," event coordinator Sharbrough said.

As ski team spoon co-captain with Kerry McGuire, he planned and advanced the idea for the event.

Spooning occurs when two people lay on their sides facing the same direction so that they fit snugly together.

"It's not immoral at all," ski team junior Katie Rehberger said. "It's a way to unite the campus."

Students began to accumulate on South Quad around 4:30 p.m., though it took about thirty minutes for enough students to make a train long enough to beat the previous record of 98 people.

"We are still in the process of

contacting the Guinness Book of World Records," Sharbrough said. "We expect that it will take at least six more weeks."

Most of Thursday's participants learned of the record-breaking train through their friends or the massive Facebook group. While many spooners were part of the online group, a number of them were recruited to join as they walked past on the quad.

"It's fun to be outside, having a good time and doing something a little crazy," sophomore Kelly Rice said. "And if I had to be a utensil, I would definitely be a spoon."

Other students echoed Rice's enthusiasm for the event.

"It's definitely the biggest event in my four years here," senior Kyle Bocinsky said.

Coordinators said plans for the event grew since the idea's inception about a month and a half ago, and included a Facebook event, an order of 80 T-shirts and an attempt to be on an official AnTostal event.

The bright blue T-shirt, designed by junior Liz Keedy, sports the word "little" on the front and "Big" on the back, with spoons on both sides.

Though some students present accused the Student Activities Office (SAO) of refusing to sponsor the event as the result of too much physical contact, SAO coordinator for the Student Union Board (SUB) Amy Geist stated that it actually was in the original draft of the program.

Pranksters herd zebra into Atlanta college classroom building

By **NINA DUTTON**
EMORY WHEEL (EMORY U.)

Pranksters barricaded a zebra inside Seney Hall at Oxford College on Tuesday night. The animal was discovered early Wednesday morning on the third floor of the building and was not removed from campus for several hours, resulting in displaced classes, amused students and a media frenzy.

The zebra, named Barcode, was stolen from Curtis Jackson, a local resident who lives about a mile from campus and also keeps other equines on his property.

The culprit has not yet been identified, but someone called "John Emory" wrote to the Atlanta Journal-Constitution on Wednesday claiming credit for the prank, describing Tuesday night's activities in detail. "Emory" wrote that he and his "cohorts" cut the chain around the gate guarding the zebra and a donkey and "transported" the zebra down streets and through a forest.

A friend opened Seney Hall from the inside and the zebra was taken to the third floor, where the large windows were blocked by chairs and tables to prevent the zebra from attempting to jump through the glass. Second- and third-floor doors were locked, duct-taped, bolted and tied shut, and "Emory" disabled Seney Hall's elevator before leaving the building in the early hours of the morning.

Public safety workers were met with these locked doors, chair-

shielded windows and disabled elevator when they came to open the building at around 7 a.m. on Wednesday, according to the AJC.

After elevator repairs were made, animal control officers were able to retrieve the zebra and lead it into a trailer around 11 a.m. to be returned to Jackson, Oxford sophomore Surabhi Agrawal said.

Students gathered on the quad outside Seney Hall to see the zebra, which was clearly visible through the windows, and later attended displaced classes.

"As I was on my way to a French class in another building I saw a huge group of students looking up at the third floor," Oxford sophomore Amanda Butterworth wrote in an e-mail to the Wheel. "Classes in Seney were moved to the quad for the morning."

The zebra and Seney Hall both emerged from the incident largely unscathed, though students and administrators were concerned about the animal's welfare.

"Damage included the predictable biological consequences of confinement and damage to the doors and the elevator. A preliminary estimate is that the cost will be less than \$10,000," Dean of Oxford Stephen Bowen and Professor of Biology William R. Kenan, Jr. wrote in an e-mail sent to all Oxford students on Wednesday.

The zebra "chewed a couple of books and nibbled on some furniture," Agrawal said, adding that students generally found the event to be "hilarious."

"I was upset when I first heard about it; I was afraid the zebra was in danger," Butterworth wrote. But her worries were put to rest when she heard that the pranksters had "taken precautionary measures" by blocking the windows.

These measures were not enough for Bowen.

The tradition of "leading large quadrupeds to the upper floors of Seney Hall" dates back to the 1930s to 1950s and has been suspended

since then, Bowen wrote.

The most recent prank similar to this week's debacle involved a cow on the third floor of Seney Hall in the 1960s, according to students and the AJC.

Back when pranks with livestock were more common, the pranksters were mainly experienced "farm kids," Bowen said. But now, "we have no professional zebra handlers at Emory."

If the zebra had jumped toward freedom and death through a third-story window, Bowen said, the outcome of the prank would have been very different and not regarded with the current levity.

"A zebra looking out the third floor windows of Seney Hall is admittedly funny. But viewed more carefully, it is an indefensible theft of personal property that put an animal at risk of serious injury, cost dozens of dedicated Oxford staff a morning's productive work, and added unnecessary costs that will have to be covered by budgets that otherwise would have supported the College mission," Bowen wrote, adding that no food or water had been left for the zebra.

Oxford sophomore Adnan Rashid is planning to try to both recoup these costs and commemorate the prank with the sale of T-shirts. The shirts are black, with a zebra and "Oxford College," "Emory University" on the front, and "I was there when the zebra took over Seney Hall" on the back, above Wednesday's date.

Shirts will sell for \$15 each, and \$5 from each purchase will go toward paying for the prank's damages, Agrawal said.

The prank attracted attention from numerous local and national media outlets.

Beverly Clark, associate director of the Office of University Media Relations, said that 230 stories related to Emory were written or aired yesterday, about 200 of which concerned Oxford and the zebra incident, to a total audience of 20.8 million.



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RAIDERS REVEALED



PHOTO BY KEN MUIR/The Daily Treador
ABBEY STARK, A senior family and consumer sciences major from Gainesville, and Chance McKee, a senior public relations major from Sulphur Springs, officially reveal themselves as being the mascot, Raider Red, for the past two years and give up their guns to the Raider Red for 2008-09.

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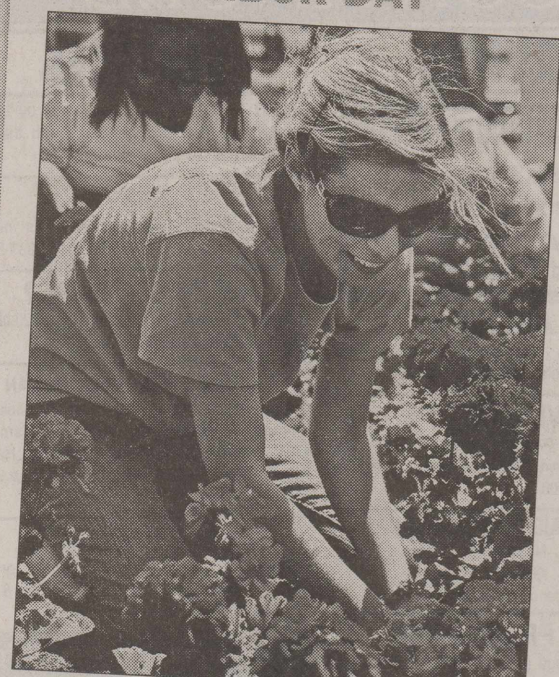


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TAU BETA SIGMA'S Tiffany Blair, a junior business major from San Antonio plants a geranium around the Broadway entrance Friday afternoon for Arbor Day.

COW-WABUNGA



PHOTO BY KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Treador
A BLACK ANGUS cow stands after letting his cow chip fall inside a giant bingo grid outlined in chalk Friday afternoon inside the Livestock arena. The Bangladeshi Students Association hosted a game of Cow Chip Bingo to help fundraise money for cyclone victims in Bangladesh. Each square was bought for \$10 and the winner, Hyejin Kim from South Korean won the prize of \$200 by having the winning square.

Jerry Springer talks politics, berates own show

By MATTHEW STRAUB
BADGER HERALD (U. WISCONSIN)

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Recently ranked No. 32 in Bernard Goldberg's book "100 People Who Are Screwing Up America," Jerry Springer commented, "I should have been in the top 10."

Jerry Springer spoke in a personal interview with The Badger Herald last night before his talk at the Orpheum Theatre, where the Jewish Cultural Collective brought him as part of his "Jerry Springer Goes Back to School" college campus tour and All-

Walking into Springer's dressing room at the Orpheum, the remarkably personable man quickly jumped up to greet the newcomers (he had been laying on an antique couch), even setting up chairs for the interviewers. Any preconceived notions of the 64-year-old talk show host as a crass ploy of the entertainment industry were quickly proved false.

Springer was eager to comment on the presidential race during the interview, candidly expressing concern over the manner in which elections are conducted.

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Amy Winehouse leaves London police station

LONDON (AP) — Amy Winehouse left a London police station Saturday after questioning about reports that she scuffled with two men during a raucous night out. She received a formal police caution for assault.

The caution means the 24-year-old soul diva has not been charged, but the incident will remain on the record and could count against her if she is ever charged with a similar offense in future.

Winehouse spent the night at Holborn Police Station in central London after arriving for questioning Friday afternoon.

Police said a 24-year-old woman had been cautioned for common assault. British police do not identify suspects who have not been charged.

A statement released by Winehouse spokesman Chris Goodman said the singer "admitted to a common assault by slapping a man with an open hand and accepted a caution."

"Amy was fully cooperative with inquiries and apologized for the incident," the statement said. A man was quoted in tabloid newspapers as saying Winehouse hit him when he got in her way while she was playing pool at a bar in the Camden neighborhood of London. He said she also head-butted another man who was trying to hail her a cab in the early hours of Wednesday morning.

Winehouse and her husband, Blake Fielder-Civil, were arrested in the Norwegian city of Bergen in October and held overnight on charges of drug possession. A video of her allegedly smoking crack hit the Internet shortly before she won five Grammys this year for her critically acclaimed album "Back to Black."

She was arrested in London in December on suspicion of attempting to interfere with a court case involving Fielder-Civil, but earlier this year police said prosecutors were no longer pursuing the matter.

Fielder-Civil is in jail awaiting trial on charges of perverting the course of justice stemming from a case in which he is accused of

assaulting a barman. Winehouse's musical career has flourished despite her erratic behavior, missed concerts and stints in drug rehab. The Sunday Times newspaper's annual Rich List this

week estimated her wealth at \$20 million.

Winehouse's spokesman said the singer was "looking forward to continuing her work on new music in the studio."

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Tech track sets four school records at Oklahoma Invitational, Drake Relays

By ADAM COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech track team is giving coach Wes Kitley a reason to be excited about Big 12 Championships.

The Red Raiders broke four school records at the Drake Relays and the Oklahoma Invitational this weekend to go along with 15 NCAA regional marks.

At the Oklahoma Invitational, D'Andrea Carter threw a new collegiate-leading mark and school record in the discus event. Her throw of 189 feet, 5 inches marks the third time she has broken the school record this season.

Another athlete who set a school record for the third time this season was Sandra Iwunze in the women's 400M hurdles. She finished in second place at the Drake Relays with a time of 57.38 seconds, the third fastest collegiate time in the outdoor season.

The women's 4x1,600M relay team of Gladys Kipsang, Asia Diaz, Irene Kimaiyo and Sally Kipyego finished fourth with a time of 19:36.26, good for another school record.

Kimaiyo helped set another school record in the women's 3K steeplechase with a fourth-place finish in 10:19.28. Kimaiyo beat the previous

record, which was 10:25.52.

"When you get this far in the year, those two, three or four things happening good is really good," Kitley said. "We've been competing all year."

Other notable performances include Shawn Harris bringing Tech another title in the 110M hurdles with a time of 13.52. He also ran in the 400M hurdle event, claiming seventh place and an NCAA regional time of 51.23.

Kitley said he is excited about what his athletes are accomplishing as the season is winding down.

"I'm real thrilled with Shawn," he said. "He's been the leader of our team. He's really leading that group of hurdlers. I'm real proud of our hurdlers. I'm real pleased with the steeplechasers. I was real encouraged. I thought we had a great opportunity. With (Carter) up in Oklahoma in discus, (she) just keeps getting better

and better."

Now the Red Raiders only have one meet before the Big 12 Championships starting May 16.

The Red Raiders will head to the Abilene Christian Invitational May 8, hoping the meet will give some athletes a chance to rest and some a chance to refine their skills before facing their conference foes.

Kitley said this week will be about more than preparation on the track, as the athletes first will focus on finishing the school year.

"We're going to come back and get ready for finals," he said. "We'll go down to Abilene. Won't do a whole lot. That'll prepare us for the Big 12. We may rest some kids if we feel like (they) are ready for Big 12 and are ready to compete."

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When you get this far in the year, those two, three or four things happening good is really good.

— WES KITLEY
TEXAS TECH TRACK
TEAM COACH

Cowboys load up on 'big play' guys with RB Jones, CB Jenkins

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys wanted a running back in the first round of the draft, and the guy widely considered the second-best available fell right to them at No. 22.

But Rashard Mendenhall wasn't who Jerry Jones wanted. Felix Jones was.

The Cowboys came away from the first day of the draft Saturday with Felix Jones, cornerback Michael Jenkins, tight end Martellus Bennett — and Adam "Pacman" Jones. Ongoing talks for the suspended cornerback-kick returner finally wrapped up Saturday, pending only the expected league formalization Sunday.

Dallas took Felix Jones at 22 and Jenkins at No. 25, moving up three spots by sending two late-round picks to Seattle. Bennett was selected in the second round, replacing Anthony Fasano as the second tight end behind Jason Witten. Fasano was traded to Miami, along with linebacker Akin Ayodele, for a fourth-round pick.

The Cowboys needed another fourth-rounder because theirs is headed to Tennessee for Pacman. A trade for him has been in the works since Wednesday.

"Big capability jumps up for us with these guys," coach Wade Phillips said.

Jerry Jones also made it clear that none of the additions should be considered backups — even if they aren't always among the 22 starters. Felix Jones will be sharing time with

Barber, Jenkins and Pacman will be part of crucial depth at cornerback and Bennett will be used in a lot of two-tight end formations.

Taking Felix Jones made sense because the speedster complements bruiser Marion Barber. He'll have no ego problems being a backup because he played behind Darren McFadden at Arkansas. Plus, his average of 28.2 yards per kickoff return is among the best in college football history, filling another need for Dallas. He's such a good fit that most mock drafts had him as the team's pick.

Yet Jerry Jones was forced to defend his choice because Mendenhall was available. Asked which running back was listed higher on the team's draft board, Jones said he didn't want to get into that, then added, "You could flip a coin."

He also described Mendenhall as someone who "could be a full-time, 25-carry back, if you wanted him to." But the Cowboys didn't want that. Rather than a straight starter-backup situation with Barber and Mendenhall, the team wanted the 1-2 punch

of Barber and Felix Jones. "Starter is not the word I would look for," Jerry Jones said. "I would think that we're casting our lot in a two-back offense more with Felix Jones than we would be with Mendenhall as we plan ahead. Nothing wrong with that, because we have Barber."

The Cowboys also thought about taking a cornerback at No. 22, but decided to wait until their next pick, at No. 28. Then it looked like the player they wanted wouldn't still be around, so they moved up to No. 25 to take Jenkins. Dallas gave up fifth- and seventh-round picks to scoot up.

"I told Adam if we drafted a corner it shouldn't be interpreted in any way," Jerry Jones said. "When you look at the possibilities we have with Jenkins and Adam, it's pretty exciting."

Phillips was practically giddy about his new personnel. He said Felix Jones reminds him of Thurman Thomas and will be used like Marshall Faulk. He said Bennett, a former basketball player, reminded him another hooper, San Diego's Antonio Gates.

Some well-known names in third round

NEW YORK (AP) — After threatening Barry Sanders' single-season rushing record in college, Kevin Smith now can concentrate — or at least dream about — Sanders' marks with the Detroit Lions.

The Central Florida running back and nation's leading rusher in 2007 was chosen atop the third round of the NFL draft Sunday. Lions even traded up two spots with Miami for the privilege of beginning the second day by grabbing Smith.

Last season, Smith rushed for 2,567 yards and scored 29 touchdowns. Sanders set the single-season record with 2,628 in 1988, when he won the Heisman Trophy. He went on to a Hall of Fame career over the next decade with the Lions.

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SPORTS

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Oklahoma clinches series with 3-2 victory over Tech

By **BEN MAKI**
SPORTS EDITOR

Texas Tech pitcher Brian Cloud allowed one run in the rubber match against Oklahoma Sunday, but that one run made all the difference.

OU's Mike Gosse reached on a single to left-center and was brought around to third after a line drive down the first base line caromed off Tech first baseman Jason Seefeld's glove. Gosse came in for the winning run when OU catcher J.T. Wise singled to left-center in Oklahoma's 3-2 win to clinch the series 2-1 Sunday at Dan Law Field.

Cloud (1-2) picked up the loss after scattering two hits, a walk, a strike out and that one run across three innings of work.

Ryan Duke and Chase Anderson pitched for the Sooners, and they allowed two runs on six hits while walking four and striking out nine with Anderson (4-3) picking up the win.

The Red Raiders (21-25, 6-15 in Big 12 Conference play) had a chance to take the game in the ninth, but Taylor Ashby, pinch running for Monk Kreder,

was picked off at second base and Logan Leslie, who pinch hit for Chris Hall with a 1-1 count, and Joey Kenworthy fled out to end the game.

"The whole game, they pitched really well," Tech coach Larry Hays said. "The guy they had there at the end he did a good job, shut us down. We pitched well enough, (but) we don't make a play that kinda hurt us and then we didn't help ourselves when we made three mistakes that really hurt us."

Bob Homolka, known for his animated gestures when serving as the home plate umpire, got Oklahoma coach Sonny Golloway excited and eventually tossed from the game in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Seefeld hit a grounder to OU third baseman Trey Sperring, whose throw to first base was just far enough off line to seemingly force Aaron Baker off the bag to catch it. First base umpire Randy Wetzel initially called Seefeld out, signaling that Baker had indeed kept his foot on the bag long enough.

After a conference with Homolka, the call was reversed and an angry Golloway got into a heated

argument with Homolka, prompting the ejection. Oklahoma (28-17-1, 6-11-1) was without its coach.

Seefeld eventually scored in the inning, cutting the Sooner lead in half. Tech would tie the game in fifth when Chris Richburg knocked in Doug Thennis.

OU's Mike Gosse went 1-for-4 on the day, extending his hit streak to 13 games and he has a hit in 38 of his last 41 games.

Chad Bettis gave his team a present on his 19th birthday Saturday.

He gave up one run on six hits with three strike-outs and two walks as the only Tech starting pitcher to finish the seventh inning all season in the Red Raiders' 6-2 victory over Oklahoma. Tech gave him offense as an extra present, including an extra insurance run in the eighth off a leadoff home run by Seefeld, his ninth of the season and fourth in the past seven games.

Friday, Tech fell to the Sooners 12-7 after Tech closer-turned-starter Zach Stewart gave up nine runs in the third inning. The Red Raiders tried to climb out of the hole, but fell short.

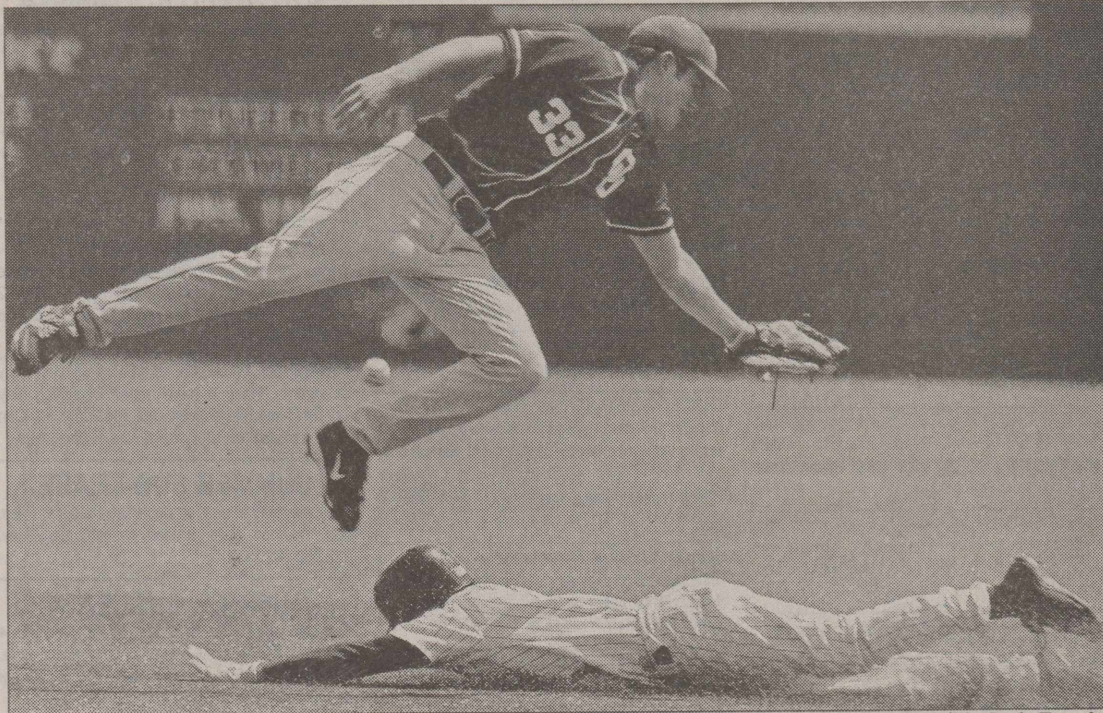


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TEXAS TECH'S WILLIE Rueda slides safe into second and goes on to steal third after an error by Oklahoma at the bottom of the third inning Saturday afternoon at Dan Law Field.

Tech took the early 2-0 lead in the first, but after the third inning, and two more runs by OU in the fifth, Tech only mustered five more runs in the game. benjamin.maki@ttu.edu

Tech softball battles back for sweep over Iowa State in conference play

By **ALEX YBARRA**
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech softball team showed its affinity for pressure situations in an up and down 4-3 victory in extra innings against Iowa State Sunday at Rocky Johnson Field, capping a sweep of the Cyclones.

With the game tied 3-3 in the bottom of the tenth, Tech's Lauren Preston, who was batting .133 on the season in 45 at bats, hit a double to left center that ISU's Courtney Wray mishandled, and Montana Patin rounded third base en route to the winning run.

"Huge day for Lauren Preston

to come up in that situation," Tech coach Teresa Wilson said. "She doesn't see a ton of action, but she had an opportunity to put down a bunt, and did it exactly the way we teach it. It's either a base hit or a foul ball, so you don't put it where anybody can field it. She does exactly what she's told, she hits the ball hard in the hole."

The run ended a hard-fought game in which Tech trailed by one run three different times, but the Red Raiders (20-33, 7-9 in Big 12 Conference play) managed to tie it up each time and finished the game with 13 hits.

Freshman pitcher Tye Coats (7-12) gave up two home runs to

the Cyclones (26-25, 3-12 in Big 12 play) and got the no decision, but she pitched nine innings, only allowing three runs on five hits.

Tech's Whitney Riley went 2-for-4 with an RBI. Patin added two hits and a RBI, while Jennifer Corkin and Devin Zaragoza each had three hits.

With two outs in the bottom of the seventh and Tech trailing 1-0, Riley hit a solo shot over left center to tie the game 1-1. It was Riley's first home run of the season and seventh of her career.

"I think I had a little bit of luck and a little bit of wind," Riley said.

Tech's momentum would not

last long though.

Wray liked the first pitch she saw in the next inning, sending it over the center field wall for her fourth home run of the season, making it 2-1 Cyclones.

After a pair of singles from Zaragoza and Corkin, Iowa State pitcher Rachel Zabriskie hit Elizabeth Eimen with a pitch, loading the bases.

Zabriskie then sent a wild pitch over the catcher's glove, and Zaragoza raced home, beating the tag to tie the game 2-2.

The Cyclones went up 3-2 in the tenth inning after the international tiebreaker rule took effect, which places a runner on second base at the beginning of each remaining inning.

Sarah Losleben (3-3), who picked up the win, relieved Coats in the inning. After a passed ball allowed ISU's Sydni Jones to advance to third, Losleben gave up a RBI single to Amanda Bradberry.

With ISU up 3-2 in the bottom of the tenth and Legler on second base, Patin smacked an RBI double to left center, evening the score for the third time, 3-3.

Wilson said this gut-it-out type of win can go a long way in giving her players confidence in pressure-packed situations, which



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TEXAS TECH'S SHORTSTOP Leah Legler, hits a single to second base in the bottom of the third inning during the Iowa State game Sunday afternoon at Rocky Johnson Field.

this game was filled with.

"I mean, the kids just battled hard," she said. "That should show them that you keep fighting no matter what; you're never out of

it until it's over."

Tech will squeeze in a quick doubleheader against New Mexico at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. today at Rocky Johnson Field.

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