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City council to decide fate of health deal

Members to vote on whether to approve HSC-Health dept. STD clinic collaboration

By CAITLAN OSBORN
NEWS EDITOR

The Lubbock City Council will determine today whether to approve the request made by members of Texas Tech's University Health

Sciences Center to give infectious disease fellows the opportunity to work with the Lubbock Health Department's STD clinic.

Bridget Faulkenberry, director of the health department, said if the proposal is approved, HSC students will be able to shadow nurses at the department while learning how to test for STDs and treat them.

"We're very excited for this opportunity because the more people are educated about STDs, the better," Faulkenberry said.

Steven Presley, an associate professor with the Institute of Environmental and Human Health at Tech, said a group at the HSC Department of Internal Medicine's residency program had proposed a letter of agreement with the City of Lubbock. Afterward, Lubbock Mayor Tom Martin asked the Board of Health to review the letter and make a recommendation.

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TechBriefly

Tech professor, student win marketing award

Debra Laverie, associate dean at the Rawls College of Business, and William Humphrey, a marketing doctoral student, were collectively named the 2011 Mobile Marketing Association's Academic of the Year.

The two were honored for their work, "Brand Community and Location Service Social & Mobile Research."

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Landmark Arts to open exhibit on social protest

Landmark Arts at the Texas Tech School of Art will host "Up Against the Wall: Posters of Social Protest" from 5-7 p.m. Friday. The exhibit will be open through Jan. 29, 2012.

The exhibition was organized by the Stanlee and Gerald Rubin Center for the Visual Arts at the University of Texas at El Paso. The college's graphic design faculty curated the exhibit.

The exhibit will feature more than 70 posters by internationally recognized designers from the United States, Mexico and Europe. The posters are meant to use the power of design to raise awareness about global issues and to foster social and political change. It was also organized in part to celebrate the 2010 bicentennial of Mexico's independence and the centennial of the Mexican Revolution.

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Let's Talk About Sex



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DAN SAVAGE, a sex and love columnist, and Lauren Hutchinson, a co-host, talk Tuesday at the Free Speech Area to Texas Tech students about sex and love as it pertains to college students for an episode of "Savage U." The episode is expected to air in Spring 2012 on MTV. The Q&A session of the episode was filmed Wednesday — media members were not permitted to attend.

Wash St. hires Leach as coach

Cougars have 9 wins in 4 years

By NICHOLAS K. GERANIOS
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



LEACH

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Mike Leach is bringing his high-powered passing offense — and swashbuckling style — to long-dormant Washington State.

The school said Wednesday that the pirate-loving former Texas Tech coach agreed in principle to a five-year contract. He will be introduced Tuesday at a news conference in Pullman.

Leach will be paid a base annual salary of \$2 million, with supplemental income of \$250,000 a year, plus performance incentives, Athletic Director Bill Moos said.

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SGA officers spend \$91K on bike pad

Some senators unhappy with lack of communication

By STEVIE DOUGLAS
STAFF WRITER

The Student Government Association's executive officers initiated what was supposed to be a month-long project to centralize bike racks in the Engineering Key, said SGA president Tyler Patton.

The bike pad is a project that was presented to SGA during the previous summer break, said external vice president Mike Uryasz. The purpose of the project is to consolidate all of the bike racks on the Engineering Key into one centralized location to accommodate the engineering buildings and Holden Hall.

However, the bike pad is still currently under construction.

"Enrollment is growing. One thing that Texas Tech has done a really good job at is providing a good transportation infrastructure for cyclists," Patton said. "We have been able to expand our shared-use paths, but I would say storage is something that we have really needed to improve on."

According to Accessible Sidewalks and Street Crossings, an information guide, it is a violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act to chain a bicycle to anything other than a bike rack within 20 feet of a building's entrance.

"If you chain your bike to a random object, it is going to be ticketed, clipped off of the object it is tied to and impounded," Patton said. "You have to put your bike in a bike rack, and, really, this is an issue of ADA requirements, as far as I'm concerned."



PATTON

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"The executive branch didn't break any of the SGA's laws, but our frustration is how \$91,000 of our constituency's money was used on a project that we knew nothing about."

Colin Davis
Senator
Arts & Sciences

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Community Calendar

TODAY

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute presents "Hidden Lubbock"
Time: 10 a.m. to noon
Where: McKenzie-Merket Alumni Center
So, what is it?
 Enjoy OLLI's presentation of "Hidden Lubbock-Advanced Cotton Products and Manufacturing" by Seshadri Ramkumar.

Free Movie Matinee
Time: 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Where: Student Union Building, Escondido Theatre
So, what is it?
 Enjoy Tech Activities Board's presentation of "The Help."

"Our Town"
Time: 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Where: Charles E. Maedgen Jr. Theatre
So, what is it?
 Enjoy the Department of Theatre and Dance's presentation of Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize winning play, "Our Town," set in Grover's Corner, N.H., circa 1900, and celebrates the "significance in the trivial acts of life."

Concert Band Concert
Time: 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Where: Hemmle Recital Hall
So, what is it?
 Enjoy this concert band performance.

FRIDAY

Free Preview: New All-Digital Moody Planetarium
Time: 3:30, 4:30, 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.
Where: Museum of Texas Tech
So, what is it?
 The museum is hosting a free preview of the Moody Planetarium's new full-dome, all-digital projection system.

Piano Recital
Time: 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Where: School of Music
So, what is it?
 Enjoy a performance from these piano students.

Lubbock Chorale and the Lubbock Symphony Orchestra
Time: 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Where: Broadway Church of Christ
So, what is it?
 Enjoy this Holiday Pops concert featuring Bach Cantata 140.

To make a calendar submission email dailytoreador@ttu.edu.

Events will be published either the day or the day before they take place. Submissions must be sent in by 4 p.m. on the preceding publication date.

Correction

In Tuesday's issue of *The Daily Toreador*, the article "SGA-hosted town hall meeting meant to educate draws few" should have said the \$145 in mandatory student fees is divided among all organizations that offer services to Tech students, not just the legislative and judicial

branches of the SGA. The \$145 is divided among groups that include student judicial programs, student government and other organizations in the Division of Undergraduate Education and Student Affairs, as well as the SGA. The DT regrets this error.

Clarification

In Wednesday's issue of *The Daily Toreador*, a paragraph in "Student voice not heard in Tech-Raider Park deal" should have stated Steinmetz said Vista Bank

no longer finances the property and that he was not a part of the original negotiations with the Isom entity as they pertained to Raider Park.

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Heads vs. Feds debate questions legalization of recreational drugs

By **MORGAN CRUMP**
 STAFF WRITER

Guests Steve Hager, editor emeritus of *High Times*, a magazine that advocates the legalization of marijuana, and Bob Stutman, a U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration veteran, discussed their opinions regarding the legalization of marijuana at a debate Wednesday evening in Texas Tech's Student Union Building.

Stutman and Hager have been good friends for 10 years, but they disagree on a number of issues pertaining to the plant's legalization.

Hager began the debate and was given 15 minutes to explain why he is in favor of legalization.

"The first reason I think marijuana should be legalized is because it is good medicine," Hager said. "It's good for AIDS, cancer, glaucoma, multiple sclerosis, epilepsy, asthma, injuries, strokes, eating disorders, insomnia—I could keep going and going because there are more diseases and disorders for which this is a more useful treatment than any other substance under the sun."

According to the United States government, marijuana has no medical use. Hager said this statement is equivalent to standing in a raging hurricane while the government tells its citizens the wind is not blowing.

The system the United States has created funnels billions of dollars into insurance companies and pharmaceutical companies, he said. These are the most profit-intensive industries in America.

"They don't care if you get high. Just go to the Student Health Center and

tell them you're not feeling well," Hager said. "They have all sorts of mind-altering addictive chemicals that they end up handing out like M&M's to any person in America who wants them."

Hager said most children today take substances for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder or depression. He said he thinks the United States will see major devastation because of the over-prescription of pharmaceutical drugs.

"You know, we never had school shootings in America until we started putting our kids on medications," he said. "Look at the suicide rates in America. Teen suicides have spiked at the same rate we have been putting kids on drugs. So, prescribing these drugs to kids probably isn't a good idea, but that's what we're doing."

These pharmaceutical companies do not care about anyone's health, Hager said, but only their profits. He also said these companies are happy when people are dependent on their drugs, but they have a big problem with marijuana.

Another reason marijuana should be legalized is because hemp is good for the environment, Hager said.

"They were making 20,000 different things out of this plant when they made it illegal," he said. "Today they are using petrochemicals, which are the leading cause of world pollution, cancer, Alzheimer's, the greenhouse effect and autism."

The amount of paper that can be made from one acre of hemp is four times more than the amount of paper that can be made from one acre of trees. Hager said paper mills are the leading cause of river pollution in America.

As Hager concluded his remarks, Stutman stood up and began to express his views. He said Hager does not know the difference between wishes and reality and fact and fiction.

There are 5,432 medicines prescribed in the United States and Hager wants marijuana to be one of them, Stutman said. There are zero medications that the government allows to be grown.

"Most people in favor of legalization don't give a damn about hemp, and they aren't medical marijuana people," he said. "They want legalization because marijuana is their drug of choice and they don't want to hassle with cops when they get stoned."

America will not accept another recreational drug of choice on top of the calamity it already has with alcohol, Stutman said. Even California, the most liberal state in the country, lost the legalization movement by 13 points.

"There are 435 chemicals in the cannabis plant and two of them are good medicines for a number of diseases," he said. "With other medications, we extract the things that are helpful. Steve would have you use 433 extraneous chemicals at the same time you use the two good ones."

The number of marijuana users will increase if it is legalized, he said. A group accepted by both sides of the debate did a study that said if cannabis were legalized as a recreational drug, its use would go up by 200-300 percent.

"The problem is marijuana will not replace alcohol," Stutman said. "It would be in addition to alcohol. So, we would be adding another 200 percent on top of the problems we already have."

There are now eight peer-reviewed studies that say cannabis contributes to several different types of cancer, especially smoking cannabis, Stutman said. There is a justification period of about 25 years.

"If these studies are correct, and if in 25 years some of you come down with diseases," he said, "it just might be because you were doing something at the age of 20 that wasn't good for you."

Jaelyn Fleury, a sophomore early childhood education major from Flower Mound, attended the debate Wednesday and said she felt indifferent about the issue.

"My opinion is not one-sided because I have mixed emotions regarding the facts I've been presented with about the benefits and harmful effects of legalization," Fleury said. "News, debates and family matters have all shaped my opinion."

There would be both negative and positive effects if legalization were passed, Fleury said.

"Marijuana would bring in revenue for our deep-in-debt country, the medicinal aspect could bring new cures for the medical world and it could reduce the number of people in jail, which would help save our country money," she said.

One problem of legalization is determining how to monitor and regulate marijuana use, Fleury said.

"At the same time, the legalization of marijuana could cause more controversy and hurt our society due to its misuse and issues on how to regulate it," she said.

"Any type of smoking is unhealthy, and to provide our youths with legal options to smoke weed or cigarettes could damage their health as well."

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POLICE BLOTTER

Officers investigate forgery

Tuesday

11:08 a.m. – A Texas Tech police officer investigated an incident of debit card abuse that occurred at the Student Union Building.

11:30 a.m. – A Tech police officer documented a medical emergency that occurred at the Texas Tech Police Department. A student stated that she ingested an excessive amount of medication. She was transported to the emergency room at University Medical Center.

1:15 p.m. – A Tech police officer documented information on a student who was receiving unwanted text messages from a non-student.

2:37 p.m. – A Tech police officer investigated a forgery that occurred at West Hall. A Texas Tech account was being used to ship packages through FedEx.

6:48 p.m. – A Tech police officer investigated a traffic accident that

occurred in the R7 parking lot. No injuries were reported.

8:27 p.m. – A Tech police officer documented a medical emergency that occurred at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreational Center. A student was playing volleyball and injured his or her knee. The student was transported to the emergency room at University Medical Center.

Wednesday

4:04 a.m. – A Tech police officer arrested a student for possession of marijuana and for possession of drug paraphernalia in the Z4P parking lot. Another student was issued a Lubbock County citation for possession of drug paraphernalia and was then released.

Information provided by B.J. Watson of the Texas Tech Police Department.

Council

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Presley, also a chairman on the Board of Health, said the board approved the agreement on Monday despite some initial confusion concerning rumors about the role of the department and its STD clinic.

"All of the controversy and confusion was really a product of misinformation and bad communication," he said. "The Health Department was never going to shut it down. They were just trying to (make it more efficient)."

Presley also said some members of the Board of Health thought the agreement was for the approval of a grant and not a program, but this did not affect the overall outcome of the proposal.

"Whether it is a program or a grant, it doesn't make a difference," he said. "An agreement is an agreement."

Steven Berk, dean of the HSC School of Medicine, said the program will involve experienced students who have already completed basic medical training.

"They have graduated from medical school, have gone through three years of residency and need to go through two years of fellowship, which we are hoping part of which will be at the STD clinic,"

he said. "They are very well-trained physicians."

To the medical school, the request to the city was pretty straightforward, Berk said, and the fellowship would be mutually beneficial for Texas Tech and the City of Lubbock.

He said the city currently allows the school's dermatology program to work at the STD clinic, so hopefully infectious disease personnel can be allowed as well.

Berk also mentioned how there is no request for funding and that the fellows would be unpaid.

"If the city doesn't want to approve it, (our fellows) will just get the experience some other way, whether it's in Dallas or Austin," Berk said, "but we'd rather get approved by the city (because) it will have very positive benefits. There are no negative benefits to the city whatsoever."

Presley said the city's approval would provide members of the HSC with great experiences.


"I think it will be an opportunity for infectious disease fellows — whether they graduated from Texas Tech or somewhere else — to actually experience what it is like in a sexually transmitted disease clinic," he said.

"The classroom is always different from real life, no matter how real they try to make it. It's a chance for the students to expand their horizons while experiencing real-world issues."

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 Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

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 6 Runner's woe
 11 "Very funny" TV station
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 15 Panting, perhaps
 16 Art, now
 17 1-Down follower
 19 Ad ____
 20 "Public distribution
 21 Subject to debate
 22 "2011 NBA finals runner-up
 25 Mao follower?
 26 Garden purchases
 27 A pop
 28 "Golly!"
 31 "Loose
 32 Routes for two-wheeled
 36 1962 NASA launch
 38 Hairstyle with an appendage of sorts
 40 Modern information sources
 42 "Java" jazzman
 43 "Bond, for one
 44 Scratched (out)
 45 Highfalls it
 48 Stephen of "Citizen X"
 51 Causes of grins and groans
 52 "Champagne, e.g.
 53 Walk-mounted safety device
 56 Baby carrier
 57 Prevailing tendencies
 61 72, at Augusta National
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Professor recounts his experience uncovering WWII POW artifacts

By ASHLYN TUBBS
STAFF WRITER

Christopher Witmore, an associate professor at Texas Tech's College of Arts and Sciences, gave his 51st public lecture Wednesday as part of Lubbock's chapter of the Archaeological Institute of America.

Witmore presented "Sværholt: Recovered memories of a World War II Prisoner-of-War camp in Arctic Norway."

Bjornar Olsen, a professor of archaeology from the University of Tromsø, could not accompany Witmore for the presentation from his location Norway. Witmore delivered the full lecture himself, which discussed recovering remnants from a German World War II POW camp last July.

"I thought the presentation was really informative," said Alex Simpson, a first-year classical studies master's student from Fayetteville, Ark. "It's not something I've thought a lot about. I don't know very much about World War II — especially not World War II archaeology."

During his slideshow presentation, Witmore provided several maps and photographs from the campsite, varying from historical photos to pictures from last summer. He also provided historical background on the camp and showed contrast-

ing pictures comparing how the site appeared then to how it does currently.

"I thought this presentation was good because we don't get interactive engagement with professors who do work beyond Texas or even the United States, and this professor worked in Norway," said Jay Karri, a senior biology major from Lufkin. "It's interesting to see how he's brought a global perspective to Texas."

Several things Witmore helped recover from the POW camp, which held mainly Soviet Russian prisoners, included a stove, pipe cleaners, bullets, medicine bottles, animal bones, parts of shoes, food cans and game pieces.

"There were also things we found in the POW camp that you wouldn't expect to find at all," Witmore told the audience. "We found alcohol bottles. Now, a large number of the fragmented bottles mostly contained hard liquor, but, most likely, they were there for the guards who watched the camp."

Witmore said his archaeological work with the POW camp is far from over.

"This coming season, we will return to continue with our questioning and our engagement with these memories that this land and these things hold," he said.

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NASA satellites find Texas aquifers at lowest since '48

HOUSTON (AP) — A historic drought has depleted Texas aquifers to lows rarely seen since 1948, and it could take months — or even years — for the groundwater supplies to fully recharge, scientists who study NASA satellite data said Wednesday.

Climatologists, hydrologists and even local residents had suspected the drought that has parched Texas for 14 months was significantly hurting the precious aquifers that course beneath the Lone Star State. Data compiled by NASA satellites combined with information from the University of Nebraska's National Drought Mitigation Center confirm those fears.

"We can say with more confidence that yes, the groundwater storage is being reduced," said drought center climatologist Brian Fuchs.

Texas has received a little more than 12 inches of rain this year, which is 15.5 inches below normal, said Texas State Climatologist John Nielsen-Gammon.

He noted that despite some recent rain, the deficit has actually grown since last month by about an inch.

NASA's Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment, or GRACE, satellites are unique because rather than measuring light on wavelengths, they measure gravity based on mass variations, making them sensitive to changes in water on or below the Earth's surface, no matter how deep, explained NASA hydrologist Matthew Rodell. Scientists took that data and combined it with other information to create a numerical model that simulates the water redistribution after it rains. They were then able to conclude that the aquifers are at lows seen only 2 percent of the time since 1948, when mapping began.

"People rely on groundwater, especially in times like this when it's dry, because groundwater provides a reserve of water when it doesn't rain," Rodell said. "But we're in a deficit now. We're drawing down our bank account."

SGA

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The SGA funded the approximately \$91,000 project from unused resources in the current fiscal year's transportation and parking budget, Uryasz said. The budget is essentially derived from mandatory student fees.

"We sent out a number of bids to find the best price, and \$91,000 was the price," Patton said. "We made a judgment call and said that was a worthwhile use of the funds available at the time."

In 2010, the SGA purchased a pipe vendor so Tech could manually manufacture bike racks at a fraction of what it would otherwise cost the university.

"The bike pad on the engineering key is just the first step in our strategic plan," Uryasz said. "Eventually, we will add three to four more bike pads across the campus, but this first one will be the biggest and the most costly."

Colin Davis, a senator for the College of Arts and Sciences, said the student senate was not involved in the decision to allocate funds to this project.

"It is not customary for the SGA's president to request the senate's approval on projects such as this," Davis said. "The executive branch didn't break any of the SGA's laws, ▶▶sdouglas@dailytoreador.com

STUDIO STUDY



PHOTO BY ANDRE REVILLA/The Daily Toreador
MORIA BERING, A sophomore landscape architecture major from Austin, works on her design in the art studio at the Agricultural Pavilion on Wednesday.

After raids, Wall Street protesters shift tactics

NEW YORK (AP) — The overnight police raids in Philadelphia and Los Angeles that dismantled two of the nation's biggest Occupy Wall Street encampments leave just a few major "occupations" still going on around the U.S. But activists are already changing tactics and warning of a winter of discontent, with rallies and marches every week.

The camps may bloom again in the spring, organizers said, and next summer could bring huge demonstrations at the Republican and Democratic conventions, when the whole world is watching. But for now they are promoting dozens of smaller actions, such as picketing the president in New York and staging sit-ins at homes marked for foreclosure.

"We intend to use this for what it is — basically six months to get our feet underneath us, to get strong," said Phil Striegel, a community activist in San Francisco.

On Wednesday, masked sanitation workers hauled away 25 tons of debris from the lawns around Los Angeles City Hall after police raided the protesters' camp in the middle of the night and arrested more than 300 people. In Philadelphia, dozens of police patrolled a plaza outside City Hall after sweeping it of demonstrators and arresting 50.

In the past few weeks, police broke up encampments in such cities as Portland, Ore., Oakland, Calif., and New York, where the sit-down protests against social inequality and corporate excesses began in mid-September.

Demonstrators are still at it in places like Boston and Washington, which each had encampments of about 100 tents Wednesday. Dozens of protesters are fighting eviction from a community college campus in Seattle.

While some observers wondered whether the movement would wither without ground on which to make

its stand, many protesters refused to concede defeat.

Protesters in Philadelphia marched from the city's well-to-do Rittenhouse Square to police headquarters Wednesday afternoon and also called for a "victory march" for Friday or Saturday.

"Occupy Philly is alive and well," said Katonya Mosley, a member of the group's legal collective. She said members have been communicating via list serves, text messages and email and planned to continue meeting in cafes and other spaces. Local groups have also offered to donate space for the protesters to continue meeting, Mosley said.

While one faction received a permit for a scaled-down protest across the street, she said, Occupy Philadelphia as a whole hasn't decided whether to go that route. The city has said any new permit would include a ban on camping.

The Occupy movement is beginning to follow a familiar pattern, said Todd Gitlin, a sociologist at Columbia University and an authority on social movements. He noted that the 1960s anti-war movement grew gradually for

years until bursting onto the world stage during the election year of 1968.

He predicted big rallies around the 2012 Republican National Convention in Tampa, Fla., and the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte, N.C.

Until then, "I think there will be some kinds of occupations, but I don't think they'll be as big and as central," Gitlin said.

Protesters themselves were trying to draw lessons from history. On Thursday a group of protesters from Occupy Washington planned to set out on a march from the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial on the National Mall to King's gravesite in Atlanta. Thursday is the anniversary of Rosa Parks' refusal to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Ala., bus in 1955. That led to the yearlong Montgomery bus boycott.

The long fight for civil rights shows "how long these things take," said Kevin Zeese, an organizer of the Washington occupation.

In New York, protesters have continued to meet in Zuccotti Park, where the Occupy movement began, even

though police cleared out their tents on Nov. 15. They planned to protest outside a fundraising dinner by President Barack Obama on Wednesday night and a conference of aerospace executives Thursday that they branded a meeting of "war profiteers."

On Monday, Occupy protesters disrupted a session of the Washington state Legislature in Olympia. State troopers used stun guns against at least three people and issued 30 trespassing citations. In Bloomington, Ind., police arrested five protesters who tried to block the entrance to a recruiting event by JPMorgan Chase Bank at Indiana University's business school Tuesday night.

In St. Louis, protesters whose camp was broken up by police on Nov. 12 planned to march to the Federal Reserve Bank office on Thursday. John Mills, a technical writer, called the dissolution of the camp a minor setback.

"It's dampened some spirits, but I think people are just as passionate, just as excited and just as ready for change as they were before," Mills said.

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Nuclear arms treaties useless agreements

Last year, the United States and Russia signed the newest installment of the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty.

As a follow-up to the original treaty signed in 1991, the new START requires both nations to cut their numbers of strategic nuclear missile launchers in half, as well as to reduce their numbers of deployed nuclear warheads. It sounds like a way to help safeguard the world from nuclear weapons, but when examining the situation more closely, one can see it's actually quite dangerous.

According to data released by the U.S. Department of State in late October, the United States has decreased its number of deployed warheads by 10 since February, which is when the treaty came into effect. The total number of deployed American warheads, according to the report, sits at 1,790.

However, throughout the same timeframe, Russia has actually increased its number of

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deployed warheads by 29, bringing its total to 1,556. According to the terms of the treaty, both nations must have no more than 1,550 active warheads by February 2018.

At first glance, this may not seem like a huge deal. We still have more than 200 more active nukes than the Russians do, and, at this point, such a difference means very little when each nation could easily blow up the entire world many times over.

What is truly alarming is how the Russians have actually increased their total number of active warheads. In doing so, they have surpassed the threshold set by the treaty.

Furthermore, the United States has removed 60 warhead delivery systems from deploy-

ment since February, shrinking the total to 822. That's a 6.8 percent decrease in the number of American deployed systems.

In the same timeframe, Russia has only removed five of their deployed delivery systems, bringing their total to 516. This is just a 0.96 percent decrease in the country's total.

Obviously, Russia is not approaching the treaty with the same sense of urgency the United States is, to say the least. The fact that Russia has actually increased its amount of deployed warheads and has essentially only paid lip service to reducing its delivery systems says quite a lot about the effectiveness of the treaty.

This is why such agreements can potentially do more harm than good. A gentleman's hand-

shake agreement means very little in today's world. Trusting another nation — and a former adversary at that — to honor such an agreement could easily spell disaster.

What consequences would Russia face if it failed to reach the terms of the treaty? A threat of force would amount to another Cold War, as a nuclear attack by the United States would quickly prompt a retaliatory response from the Russians.

The principle of mutually assured destruction is the idea that if one nation were to attempt to destroy the other with nuclear weapons, then the belligerent nation would also be destroyed through retaliation. No one would win in a nuclear war because both sides would be

decimated. This is why neither the United States nor the Soviet Union attacked the other during the Cold War.

Economic sanctions typically do not achieve very much, and since the use of force is out of the question, there is virtually no way to ensure that Russia honors START.

Besides, if the world powers were to eliminate nuclear weapons, which is their eventual goal, then they would be defenseless against rogue nations and groups such as Iran and al-Qaida that could potentially get nukes of their own.

This is why eradicating nuclear weapons is a waste of time. If there were no nukes, then the principle of mutually assured destruction would vanish, leaving greater potential for war. I find no coincidence in the fact that since the end of the Second World War, which was when the first nuclear bomb was dropped, there have been no major wars between world powers.

Nations with nuclear ca-

pabilities have refrained from fighting each other for fear of annihilation.

So, instead of trying to get rid of the weapons, world leaders should look to strengthen diplomatic relations so no one would have to worry about two powers using nuclear weapons to destroy each other. Averting war altogether is much less costly than using force.

In other words, leaders should keep nuclear weapons as a deterrent to armed conflict while also working to ensure that no situation will arise in which the thought of using those weapons would occur.

Make every possible stride for peace while keeping your guards up in case peace no longer becomes an option. It's the best way to conduct foreign policy while ensuring the safety of the nation.

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Be considerate of retail employees

A couple of weeks ago, I wrote a column to those of you desperately seeking employment where I described the most efficient way to go about it. This week, I'd like to branch off of that column.

I think there are two types of jobs everyone should have before going out into the "real world" realm, namely one in food service or retail.

I work in retail and, at times, the way my colleagues and I are treated by our customers is mind-blowing. Of course, we have some nice and cooperative customers who come in to ask for help. Sometimes, however, the people who come into the store where I work show absolutely no regard for the work I, and my fellow employees, do.

I guess I think everyone should work these types of jobs so those customers who think they rule the world when they walk into a retail store can finally understand what it is like to pick up not only after the people shopping, but for their snot-nosed children as well.

Don't get me wrong. I love my job, but there are certain scenarios that occur throughout the day involving these rude customers that make me want to tear out my

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own hair.

For instance, the simplest greeting of saying hello to customers and asking how they are sometimes seemingly sends them into tailspins. A conversation with one of these hostile customers goes something like this:

"Hi, ma'am, how are you doing?"

"I'm just looking. I don't need any help from you. Thanks."

I would just like to say that if I ask you how you're doing, all I need back is something along the lines of, "I'm fine. Thank you. How are you?"

So, to all the people who respond like this, please stop acting like I'm trying to be your best friend. It's not like I asked you to shoot up heroin — it's just a simple greeting.

I'd also like to address all the unruly children who run around the store like uncivilized banshees.

I'm pretty sure there is no need

to howl at the top of your lungs, especially when it's about nothing important. There is literally nothing in the world that merits wailing like a cow being branded.

And, of course, I understand how children have their moments when they are completely uncontrollable. But when your child is running around ripping things off racks and stabbing holes in dresses and perfumes, chances are you may need a leash for him or her.

There's no shame in putting your child on a leash, by the way. We did it to my sister because she was so crazy. Her leash was retractable, too, which kept me occupied at the mall for multiple hours.

Also, there is a certain age when your child no longer needs to be in a stroller. I work in the mall and, swearing on everything that is holy, I've seen 13-year-olds in strollers.

Here's a rule of thumb. If his or her feet can touch the ground, they should probably be out of their strollers.

I'm pretty sure my tubes tie themselves every time I go to work.

The last really irritating thing

at my job is the blatant disregard for any organization on the selling floor. Sometimes I wonder who in their right mind would take out a piece of clothing, look at it, decide they didn't like it and just throw it on the nearest thing they can find, which usually is either a mannequin or simply the floor.

Who raises these people? The other day a woman wanted to smell a fragrance but couldn't find a tester, so instead of asking me where it was when I greeted her, she just proceeded to rip a perfume bottle out of a gift set and spray copious amounts of it on herself. It's totally logical.

Basically, there is no need to be rude or disrespectful toward employees who have seemingly "less important" jobs than your own. Try to at least be kind to them, especially during this holiday season. It makes one less butthead for people like myself to have to deal with.

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Facebook finally pays for privacy problems

By CHASE DOERR
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It took long enough for Facebook to finally pay for all the ways they mistreat their users.

The Federal Trade Commission slapped Facebook with a sentence of 20-years-of-privacy-audits requiring the social networking site to get user approval before sharing their information. This news came after two years of investigation by the FTC for Facebook's "unfair and deceptive business practices."

It's not a new phenomenon that Facebook seems to change itself on a weekly basis. The social networking site is simply trying to squash the competition.

However, through the years Facebook has made many mistakes in the privacy department, doing a very poor job in respecting its users' privacy. Now, the company is finally paying for their wrongdoings.

I remember many times being frustrated with the way Facebook has told us one thing, but had done another.

Back in December 2009, Facebook didn't warn us that information we had designated as private — like our Friends List — would be made public.

Facebook also said that after users deleted their accounts, all their photos and information would be taken down. However, this information could still be found.

Lastly, Facebook said that it

wouldn't share our personal information with advertisers, but it did. Facebook taunted us with this last lie; posting advertisements for different things that related to the information we shared.

There are still a handful more of privacy issues than the ones I listed above and the FTC wants Facebook to address all of them or face paying a \$16,000 fine for each violation. However, these fines Facebook is facing will only be a slap on the wrist to the multi-billion dollar company.

Founder of Facebook, Mark Zuckerberg, did show some remorse for the way he and his company had handled privacy on their website in the past. Zuckerberg said in a blog post,

"Facebook will win over its users trust once the privacy issues start being cleared up ..."

"Overall, I think we have a good history of providing transparency and control over who can see your information. That said, I'm the first to admit that we've made a bunch of mistakes."

I'm glad that

Facebook is finally owning up to their mistakes, but an apology and watching them pay some fines is not going to be enough to sway the public trust in the company. Facebook will win over its users trust once the privacy issues start being cleared up, something that may take a few days or weeks depending on how serious Facebook takes this sentencing.

It will be interesting to see how Facebook fixes all its mistakes and sees the public's reactions to these changes. I'm predicting at first we will all be upset — as we will with every Facebook update — but we soon realize this is a move that Facebook made to boost our privacy, I'm sure we will all be satisfied.

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Oscar nominee speaks at diversity scholarship dinner

By PAIGE SKINNER
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Oscar-nominated actor Terrence Howard mixed and mingled with Texas Tech students Wednesday night.

The Texas Tech Division of Institutional Diversity hosted its Celebrate Diversity Scholarship Dinner at 7 p.m. in the McKenzie-Merkel Alumni Center.

Before the dinner, there were two receptions in the Student Union Building's Red Raider Lounge and Llano Estacado Room.

Student organization leaders were invited to the reception at 5 p.m., where Howard spoke about overcoming adversity.

"Well, you have to think that a successful species is based upon its ability to adapt, and the greater your intelligence, the more information you're taking in," he said. "That, or you can be prepared to deal with whatever circumstances come up."

His advice to college students and young adults is to push forward in overcoming any obstacles.

"If you've gotten here as a result of winning a race against a half billion of your own brothers and sisters, and now you're in a world where there's seven billion people who are running a race against a half billion people, then the challenges are extremely high," Howard said. "So, you have to continue pushing for greater excellence if you want to win amongst winners."

As well as offering advice, he also spoke with students about his movie career.

Rosie Owusu-Hemeng of the Black Student Association said she has been a fan of Howard for a while.

"I asked if there was going to be a 'Best Man 2' because 'The Best Man' is one of my favorite



PHOTO BY LEXI PETREE/The Daily Toreador

TERRENCE HOWARD, AN Oscar nominee, talks to student organization leaders about overcoming adversity during a reception before the Celebrate Diversity Scholarship Dinner on Wednesday in the Llano Estacado room of the Student Union Building.

movies," said the senior electronic media and communications major from Arlington. "I heard they were making a sequel, and they are."

She asked Howard if she could be an extra in the upcoming film, to which he replied, "Why are you aiming so low?"

"So, that made me feel good about myself because I don't have to be an extra," Owusu-Hemeng said. "I could be in a starring role or something. I was just asking him about the movie and stuff."

The other reception at 6 p.m. in the Red Raider Lounge was filled with community advocates.

Howard opened the reception with a few words about Lubbock.

He said when he told people he was coming to Lubbock, no one

knew where it was. The audience laughed, and he said he had been greeted warmly since arriving in Lubbock.

To the adults in the room, he also said, "As long as we're alive, we're students in life."

Jobi Martinez, director of the Cross-Cultural Academic Advancement Center, said she enjoyed what Howard had to say.

"I think it was really impressive and I think it was very sort of time-fitting because really we are at a place at our institution where we almost want to launch off to a lot of new initiatives," she said.

Martinez said she hopes students and community advocates learn from these receptions about

how Lubbock and Tech are great places to be. She said there are plenty of opportunities to take advantage of.

"I liked his comments about how we're all students of life," she said. "This particular reception is for our community advocates and they are students of life because they don't just give back to our students. They also help us plow new ground with the work we do. So, without their support, it wouldn't be possible."

The dinner was opened with the singing of Tech's Visions of Light Gospel Choir, which was followed by Howard's speech and the presentation of awards and scholarships.

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Audio helped sway judge to give Jackson doc jail

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The voice of Michael Jackson helped put the man who killed him behind bars.

It wasn't the familiar voice of hits such as "Billie Jean" and "Thriller," but the slow, slurring recording of the singer that was found on his physician's cell phone that helped convince a judge to sentence the doctor to jail for four years.

The four-minute recording was one of the blockbuster revelations of Dr. Conrad Murray's involuntary manslaughter trial, a previously unknown piece of evidence that revealed an impaired Jackson describing his ambitions and aspirations as his personal physician listened.

It was also one of the trial's most haunting moments, and stuck in the

mind of Superior Court Judge Michael Pastor as he considered in recent days how to sentence Murray for causing Jackson's unexpected death in June 2009. It wasn't the only thing the judge considered — he unwaveringly assailed the cardiologist's decisions and ethics for nearly 30 minutes on Tuesday — but helped convince Pastor to give Murray the maximum sentence.

Jurors unanimously convicted Murray on Nov. 7, but it was up to Pastor on Tuesday to sentence the doctor and explain his punishment.

"Of everything I heard and saw during the course of the trial, one aspect of the evidence stands out the most, and that is the surreptitious recording of Michael Jackson by his trusted doctor," Pastor said.

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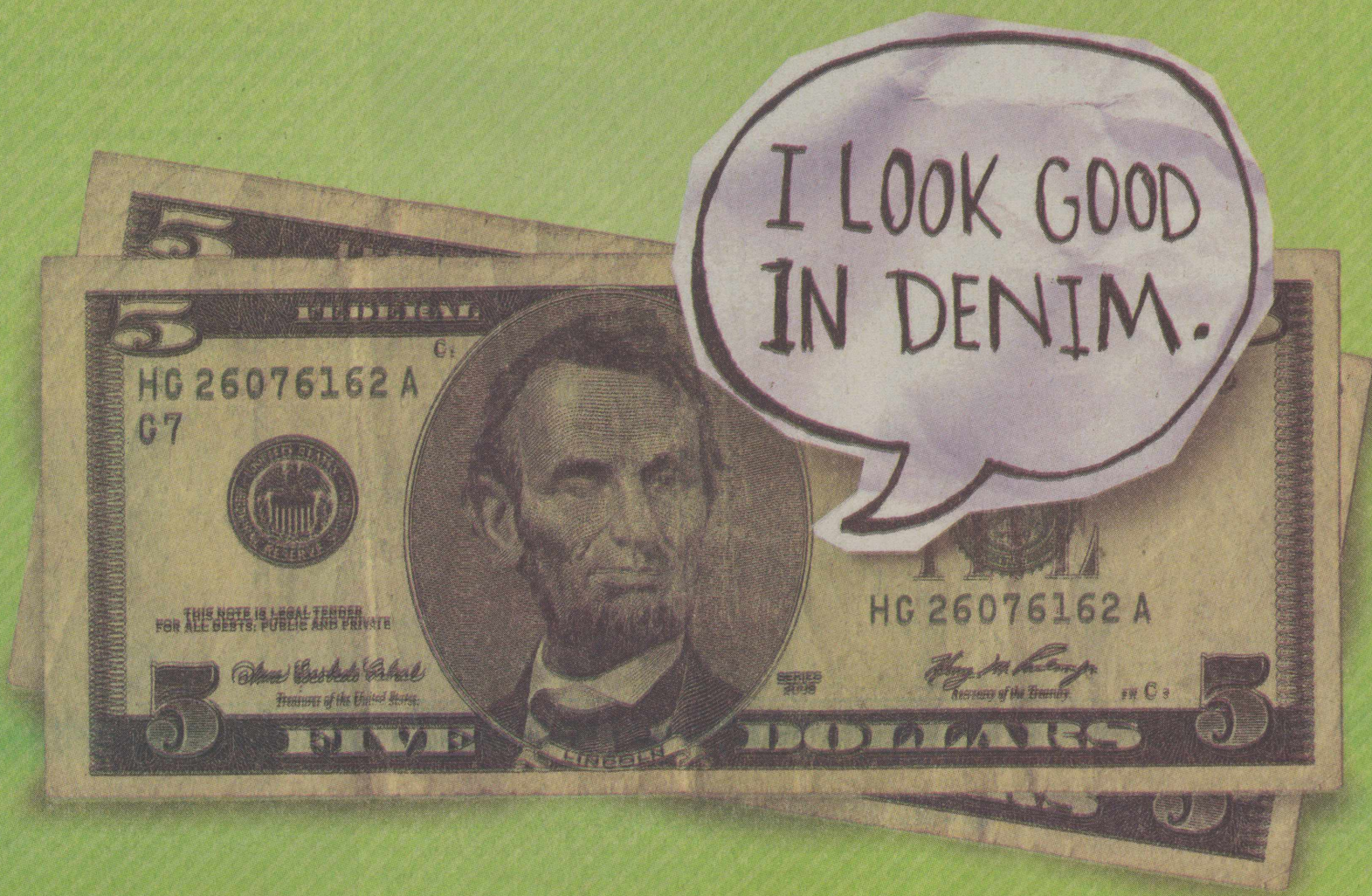
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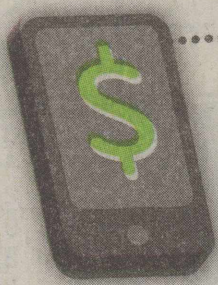
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McCready talks to police; must return son Thursday

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Country singer Mindy McCready, who had been reported missing, spoke with Florida authorities Wednesday and is aware of a court order to return her 5-year-old son by Thursday afternoon, police said.

Cape Coral Police Lt. Tony Sizemore said McCready and her son are not in the Lee County, Fla., area, and that she is "currently outside of the terms of her family court stipulation." She knows that she is supposed to bring her son back to Lee County by 5 p.m. Thursday, he said.

"The million dollar question is whether she will comply," said Sizemore.

The state Department of Children and Families said a missing person report was filed with Cape Coral police Tuesday night after McCready took her son Zander from her father's home.

McCready doesn't have custody of her son — her mother does — and the singer was allowed to visit the boy at her father's home, according to a department spokesman. On Tuesday, DCF discovered that McCready and the boy were not at her father's home.

DCF spokesman Terry Field told The Associated Press the agency asked a Lee County judge for an emergency pickup order, and the judge ruled McCready must return the boy voluntarily by 5 p.m. Thursday or risk an arrest warrant.

Meanwhile, McCready said on Facebook that she is not missing.

"I have been fighting the Florida court system to protect my son, and bring him home," she posted, adding that she spoke with Cape Coral Police via Skype — something that the agency confirmed.

The singer's brother, Josh McCready, told The Associated Press in a private Facebook message that his sister was "fine."

"Mindy is fine and so is Zan-

der. There is nothing to worry about," he wrote.

Kat Atwood, McCready's publicist, issued a statement Wednesday saying McCready and her son are "safe, healthy and comfortable," and denies that she has done anything wrong. The statement says McCready has been awaiting a court order on whether she would be awarded custody of her son.

"No Amber Alert has been issued; this is not a missing child case," Atwood said in the statement.

According to Aimee McLaughlin of the Children's Network of Southwest Florida, a case manager filed a missing person report with the Cape Coral Police on Tuesday. The DCF spokesman said Children's Network of Southwest Florida is the Community-Based Care agency for the area.

Since topping the country charts in the mid-1990s with her music, the troubled 36-year-old singer's life has been filled with domestic abuse, drug and DUI arrests and a suicide attempt. In August, she filed a libel suit in Palm Beach County against her own mother and the National Enquirer's parent company, American Media Inc., over a story published in the tabloid newspaper that quoted her mother.

In 2010, she spoke with The Associated Press about her life.

"It is a giant whirlwind of chaos all the time," she said. "I call my life a beautiful mess and organized chaos. It's just always been like that. My entire life, things have been attracted to me and vice versa that turn into chaotic nightmares or I create the chaos myself. I think that's really the life of a celebrity, of a big, huge, giant personality."

Students make plans to redesign Dairy Barn

By PAIGE SKINNER
STAFF WRITER

As of right now, the Dairy Barn on Texas Tech's campus is used for nothing other than a historical structure.

The College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources is looking to change this.

Charles Klein, an associate professor of landscape architecture, assigned a project to renovate the surrounding land outside the barn to his 19 students in a site design course.

While designing landscape renovations, the idea was brought up to also update the inside of the barn.

"We have proposed that our department move to the Dairy Barn as a part of the renovation of this (Plant and Soil Sciences) building," Klein said. "And in conjunction with renovation of the inside, they're doing plans for the site around the Dairy Barn, the walkways, pathways, outdoor classroom, laboratory areas and those sorts of things."

DeMera Ollinger, a student in Klein's class, said the space outside of the barn needs to be turned around.

"The assignment is just to make the Dairy Barn a useful space, as far as the traffic," said the junior landscape architecture major from Dumas. "I'm sure you've noticed the brown grass from the trails that everyone leaves. Turning some of this area into sidewalks, making it flow a little bit better and making it a little bit more appealing could show the Dairy Barn in a better light, as I feel like it's a part of campus that shouldn't be in the condition that it is, being that it is a historic landmark."

Klein said the college has proposed to the dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources that the barn be turned into a studio for landscape architecture students.

Currently, the landscape design studio is in a pavilion near the Southwest Collections-Special Collections building. However, Ollinger thinks the move to the barn would benefit the students a lot.

"The Dairy Barn would definitely just be a better place for us," she said. "It would give us more space. We are design students, so having a nice inspirational environment

would definitely help our creativity levels. The pavilion is a really great space that we use and, with the Dairy Barn, we would hope to accomplish the same thing."

The students' presentations are at 9 a.m. today and the dean of the college has been invited to see the students present their ideas for what the barn could be.

John Cree, another landscape design student, said they have been working on the renovation of the exterior of the barn for a couple of weeks.

"This is a good project for drawing more attention to the program, I think," said the junior landscape architecture major from Austin. "Also, that space out there is just really gross looking."

As far as telling people about the renovation ideas, Klein said he has received positive feedback.

"A lot of people would like to have something done to the barn and there have been many proposals over the years," he said. "This has probably been the first proposal where there is actually a need preceding the idea. In other words, other people came up with ideas without really having a need

for anything. We think it's a great idea because it keeps the barn in the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources a part of this college, keeps us close to plant and soil science and keeps us close to natural resources. It's a renovation that would be less costly for us because we can use a big open space concept. The pavilion is wide open and we have three studios going on in there at the same time."

One aspect Klein and his students want to implement in their respective renovation ideas is to recognize Arch Lamb in some way.

Lamb was the founder of the Saddle Tramps at Tech, and Klein said Lamb was instrumental in preserving the barn.

However, everything is still a work in progress, Klein said.

"It's an idea at this point," he said. "We're pursuing it. We're gathering information for cost estimates — that's always the driving factor. They're still raising funds for the addition to this building, but they're well on their ways. And, once we get a cost estimate, or a rough budget, then we'll ask for approval for funding for that part of it."

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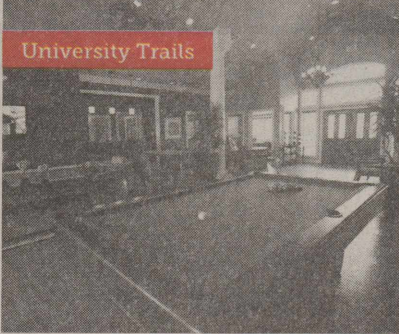
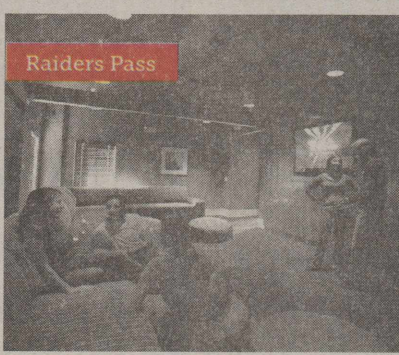
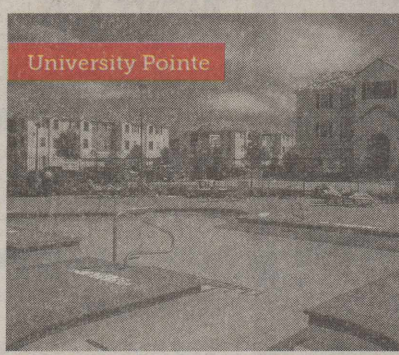

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Check out a video recap of the Lady Raiders' game against Texas State on Wednesday.

By CHOIS WOODMAN
STAFF WRITER

The No. 19 Texas Tech women's basketball team went up early and never looked back as they defeated Texas State 85-40 Wednesday night at United Spirit Arena.

Shauntal Nobles double-double led the Lady Raiders offensive attack. Nobles had 10 points and 12 rebounds, with 10 of the rebounds being on the offensive end of the court.

Nobles was a force at the post and gave the Lady Raiders many second chance opportunities, Tech coach Kristy Curry said.

"You can look at (Noble's) stat line," she said, "anytime you see the offensive rebounding column like that, it shows how hard you're playing. I thought she really gave us a spark off the bench."

Nobles said her hard work in practice is showing on the court.

"It was definitely my focus during the summer," she said. "Just being more aggressive and being more of a presence offensively."

Along with second chance baskets, the Lady Raiders had 41 points off of turnovers. Tech had 21 steals and forced the Bobcats turn the ball over 30 times.

The ability to turn turnovers into

points is what makes this team good, Curry said.

"It's important for us to understand that once it's a change of possession that we want to be aggressive," she said. "To convert — I feel like that's one area of improvement from our team a year ago is that we're converting and we're capitalizing, whether it's scoring a basket or getting to the foul line."

The victory marked the third time Tech held its opponents under 50 points and was the fewest amount of points the Lady Raiders have allowed this season. The win put the Lady Raiders at 6-0 with all six wins coming by a margin of 27 or more points.

All 12 Lady Raiders saw action in the game and four Lady Raiders finished in double figures in scoring. Kierra Mallard led the way with 18 points, Christine Hyde added 12 and the only freshman on the team, Amber Battle, had 10 points.

When Tech is able to get a lot of steals it turns into easy offense, Nobles said.

"It felt really good," the sophomore said. "I just wanted to go out there and do my best and contribute to the team. It wasn't just me tonight, either. It was a complete team effort. Everybody worked really hard on defense, and we were able to get a lot of steals and able to convert."

The Lady Raiders will return to the court 2 p.m. Saturday where they will take on the No. 16 Penn State Lady Lions at United Spirit Arena.

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Bobcat Beatdown

Tech makes quick work of Texas State

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TEXAS TECH FORWARD Kierra Mallard leaps over a Texas State defender to make a shot during the 85-40 victory against the Bobcats on Wednesday in United Spirit Arena.

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Dallas needs to be smart, patient in offseason moves

The NBA is almost back after the lockout has come to an end, and the Dallas Mavericks will get a chance to defend the team's hard-earned championship. Dirk Nowitzki will lead this team again, and it will go as Dirk goes, but the team has a decision to make.

Do the Mavericks make a run now with Dirk, or do they get rid of him and try to make a run without Dirk to set up for the future?

It sounds crazy to think of a Mavericks team without Dirk, but it will happen one day. More importantly, Dirk is getting to the point where he will start to slow down. It may not show on the court right away, but the flashes of greatness will start to come more infrequently, just like what is happening in San Antonio with Tim Duncan.

The Mavericks will have some important choices to make. The team can set itself up right away for a title run or it can bide its time and set up for a life beyond Dirk.

The Mavericks will be players in the free agent market. Tyson Chandler, Caron Butler, DeShawn Stevenson, J.J. Barea, Brian Cardinal and Peja Stojakovic are all free agents from a team that won the title for Dallas. There is no one who has to come back, but the Mavericks need to approach the situation carefully.

Chandler seems like a no-brainer, but not so fast there. The Mavericks still owe tons of money to Brendan Haywood. The team could use its amnesty clause on Haywood's contract, but this is a big trump card to use to let a perfectly healthy center walk away.

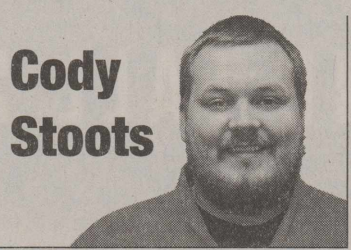
The Mavericks shouldn't re-sign Chandler.

Mark Cuban won't mind paying the luxury tax if he has to. It doesn't matter how much the price went up. Chandler will likely command three or four years and big money, likely similar to Haywood's deal. The money can be better spent. It will hurt to move forward with Haywood starting instead of Chandler, but the Mavericks can use the money better.

Dwight Howard is not a realistic option in a trade, but would Mavericks fans take one down year to possibly have a chance at Howard in free agency? Deron Williams is another interesting name on the market. He likely won't be happy unless New Jersey changes the team greatly and he would work into the equation right as Jason Kidd's contract expires.

The Mavericks can make a move for the future, but it seems likely the core will be retained. Chandler

Cody Stoots



is more likely to be re-signed than walked, but the other free agents are open questions. Cardinal seems to be friendly with Dirk off the court, and this may keep him on the roster. Stevenson and Stojakovic should be allowed to walk.

Barea might get a decent offer to play elsewhere, but I assume he will stay in Dallas. Butler was hurt last year and the Mavericks won without him. Adding him back into the mix would be a good thing, but not if he is looking for big money. That position has since become crowded, however. Butler should be allowed to explore other options. The Mavericks don't need him.

A trade is not out of the question. Jason Terry and Kidd own a highly coveted expiring contract. Andre Iguodala is a name always on the trade block, but he is just pretty good. Danny Granger falls into the same category. Monta Ellis is intriguing, but there is a style clash there.

The Mavericks will not have Dirk forever, but while he is here in Texas, the championship is the goal. A return to the title in the shortened season starts with Chandler being re-signed and hoping to catch lightning in a bottle again. The quest to become a consistent Western Conference favorite starts with patience and the hope that the next big ticket trade involves Dallas.

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Leach

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The 50-year-old Leach was 84-43 at Texas Tech, leading the Red Raiders to 10 bowl appearances in 10 seasons. He was fired in 2009 amid allegations he mistreated a player with a concussion.

He replaces Paul Wulff, who was fired Tuesday after four losing seasons.

"I have always admired the tradition of Washington State," Leach said in a statement. "It's a university on the move that is experiencing growth. I'm excited about what they are doing with the facilities and it's a team that has battled through some hard times and shows great promise in the future."

"I'm proud to be a part of this team."

Moos said he has been talking with Leach since mid-November, and offered him the job Monday.

"A lot of schools wanted him. He wanted us," Moos said. This is the first time that Washington State has been able to hire a man with head coaching experience at a BCS-level school, he said.

Washington State could not have afforded Leach without revenue from the new Pac-12 television contract that will eventually pay each school up to \$20 million per year, Moos said.

Leach was at the top of Moos' list of candidates, in part because Moos wants a high-powered offense at WSU. While at Texas Tech, Leach's Air Raid offense routinely led the nation in passing and set numerous records.

Leach was offensive coordinator at Kentucky and Oklahoma before becoming the Red Raiders head coach in Lubbock in 2000.

In 2009, Texas Tech fired Leach two days after suspending him after it was alleged he mistreated receiver Adam James, who had a concussion. Leach denied the allegations and later sued for wrongful termination.

Leach has said he suspects an \$800,000 bonus he was due the next day was the reason he was fired.



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador
MIKE LEACH ARGUES with an official during Texas Tech's 20-13 victory against Baylor at Cowboys Stadium in Arlington in 2009. Leach was named the Washington State head coach Wednesday after a two-year coaching hiatus.

In a separate case, Leach has also sued ESPN Inc. and a Dallas public relations firm, accusing them of libel and slander after he was fired. James is the son of ESPN analyst Craig James.

Leach has been out of coaching the past two seasons. During that time he has put out two books, worked in television and hosted a satellite radio show.

Wulff was fired after going 9-40 in four years during which he was charged with rebuilding a downtrodden football program. The Cougars finished 4-8 this season, the best record of his tenure.

Moos said Tuesday he was looking for a coach who would lead a high-powered offense that would win games, fill the stands at Martin Stadium and prompt donors to open their checkbooks. Leach would seem to fill all those criteria.

Construction has already started on an \$80 million project to add premium seating, luxury boxes and a new press box. Also on the drawing board is a \$60 million football operations building.

"I asked Athletic Director Bill Moos to select the best head football coach in the country and I am convinced that he has done exactly that," WSU President Elson S. Floyd said in a statement.

Leach was born in Susanville, Calif., and raised in Cody, Wyo.

At Texas Tech, his offense led the nation in passing six times and three times accumulated the most total yards. In 2009, the Red Raiders were second in passing offense and fourth in total offense, with both marks tops among

BCS conference schools. Defensively, Texas Tech held opponents without an offensive touchdown a dozen times under Leach, including seven shutouts.

Leach spent one season as the offensive coordinator at Oklahoma (1999), as the Sooners set six Big 12 Conference records. He spent two seasons in a similar capacity at Kentucky (1997-98), the only two seasons in school history in which it passed for more than 4,000 yards.

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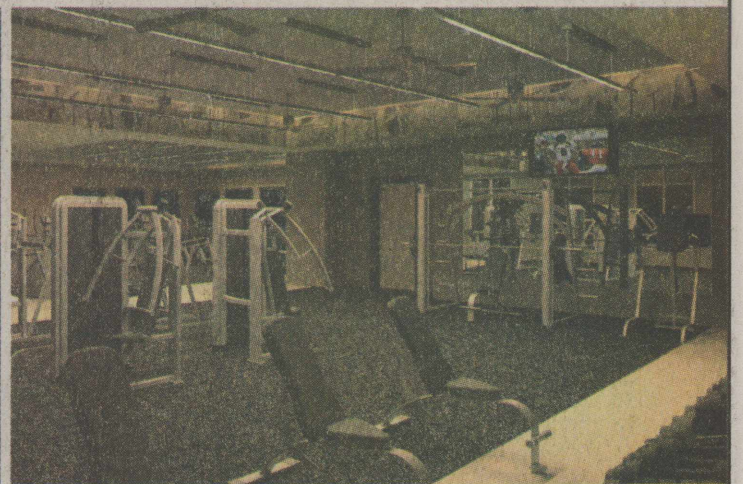


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