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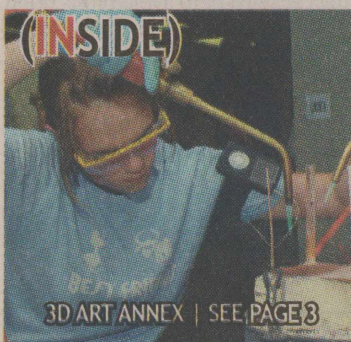
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STATE

Agent testifies in suit in fatal shooting of migrant

EL PASO (AP) — A U.S. Border Patrol agent who shot and killed an illegal immigrant four years ago testified in a civil suit Tuesday that he had no choice when he fired twice on the 19-year-old man.

"He charged at me with deadly force," Agent Vernon N. Billings said in the second day of testimony on the lawsuit filed by Juan Patricio Peraza Quijada's parents.

Cesar Peraza Barraza and Ramona Irene Quijada-Soto, both Mexican nationals, filed the federal lawsuit in 2005.

NATION

Security high as Olympic torch arrives in US

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Olympic torch arrived for its only North American stop amid heavy security Tuesday, a day after its visit to Paris descended into chaos and activists here scaled the Golden Gate Bridge to protest China's human rights record.

Meanwhile, International Olympic Committee president Jacques Rogge said the body's executive board would discuss Friday whether to end the international leg of the Beijing Olympic torch relay because of widespread protests.

WORLD

Militants kill 17 road workers in Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Militants killed 17 road workers in Afghanistan's lawless south Tuesday, part of a spike in violence that left 40 people dead over two days.

Sixteen other construction workers were wounded in the attack in Zabal's Shinkay district, said Interior Ministry spokesman Zemer Bashary. Afghan and international security forces responding to the ambush killed seven militants and wounded 12, he said.

DEATH TOLL

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U.S. military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

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Petraeus: Iraq too fragile for troop pullouts

By ROBERT BURNS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The top U.S. commander in Iraq told Congress Tuesday that hard-won gains in the war zone are too fragile to promise any troop pullouts beyond this summer, holding his ground against impatient Democrats and refusing to commit to more withdrawals before President Bush leaves office in January.

Army Gen. David Petraeus painted a picture of a nation struggling to suppress violence among its own people and to move toward the political reconciliation that Bush said

a year ago was the ultimate aim of his new Iraq strategy, which included sending more than 20,000 extra combat troops.

Security is getting better, and Iraq's own forces are becoming more able, Petraeus said. But he also ticked off a list of reasons for worry, including the threat of a resurgence of Sunni or Shiite extremist violence. He highlighted Iran as a special concern, for its training and equipping of extremists.

In back-to-back appearances before two Senate committees, Petraeus was told by a parade of Democrats that, after five years of war, it was past time to turn over much more of the war burden to the Iraqis. Those sena-

tors said Iraq will not attain stability until the United States makes the decision to begin withdrawing in large numbers and forces the Iraqis to settle their differences.

Petraeus didn't budge. He said he had recommended to Bush that he complete, by the end of July, the withdrawal of the 20,000 extra troops. Beyond that, the general proposed a 45-day period of "consolidation and evaluation," to be followed by an indefinite period of assessment before he would recommend any further pullouts.

The Petraeus plan, which Bush is expected to embrace, reflects a conservative approach that leaves open the

possibility that roughly 140,000 U.S. troops could remain in Iraq when the president leaves office next year.

On Thursday Bush will make a speech about the war, now in its sixth year, and his decision about troop levels.

In exchanges with several senators, Petraeus refused to say when he thought it would be safe to resume troop reductions beyond July without risking "fragile and reversible" security gains.

Asked Sen. Carl Levin, chairman of the Armed Services Committee: "Could that be a month, could that be two months?"

Petraeus began to respond: "Sir,

it could be less than that. It could be ..."

Levin: "Could it be more than that?"

Petraeus: "It could be more than that. Again, it's when the conditions are met that we can make a recommendation for further reductions."

Levin: "Could it be three months?"

Petraeus: "Sir, again, at the end of the period of consolidation and evaluation. ..."

On they went in the same vein, even after a demonstrator — "Bring them home! Bring them home!" — interrupted the hearing and was escorted out.



PHOTO BY COLEMAN MOREFIELD/The Daily Toreador

TRADITIONAL HISPANIC DANCES are performed by a dance group from the University of Texas Permian Basin Tuesday afternoon outside the Student Union Building.

By JORDAN EICHER
STAFF WRITER

iBailamos!

Some consider an expression of culture to be one of the most liberating acts attainable.

Tuesday afternoon, the Student Union Building was surrounded by people intrigued with the sounds and sights of Hispanic culture during the "Los Bailes" performance sponsored by the Hispanic Student Society.

"Los Bailes" consisted of Ballet Folklorico and Mariachi performances that showcased traditional forms of dance from different Hispanic cultures. The people involved said the experience allowed them not only to reconnect with their own culture, but also to help others become more familiar with the culture as well.

Julia Balderrama, a senior math and science education major from Lovington, N.M., said because she is a member of the Hispanic Student Society, she felt a personal obligation to give her support, and she was impressed by the individuals performing.

"It shows how important their culture is to them, that they express it through music," she said, explaining that this act of cultural diversity was diverse within itself because it detailed particular provincial customs.

"It's not just that it expresses Hispanic culture," she said. "It highlights different types of Folklorico from different regions of Mexico."

Observers said the event taught them something about the melting pot within their own borders that they would not otherwise

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Shiite cleric threatens to end his militia's formal cease-fire

By ROBERT H. REID
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD (AP) — Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr raised the stakes Tuesday in his showdown with government, threatening to end formally a seven-month cease-fire unless authorities stop attacks on his followers in Baghdad.

Formally ending the cease-fire could trigger renewed fighting throughout southern Iraq, nine days after a deal brokered in Iran calmed the region.

But there was no letup in the clashes in the capital Tuesday, as American and Iraqi soldiers stepped up the pressure against Shiite militants in their Sadr City stronghold of northeast Baghdad. U.S. troops fired missiles at three mortar positions, killing 12 militants, the American command said. Iraqi police and hospitals said 14 people were

killed and 37 wounded in Sadr City.

Two more U.S. troops were killed in the Baghdad fighting, the U.S. command announced. At least 12 American service members have died in Iraq since Sunday. Also Tuesday, rockets or mortar shells also slammed into the U.S.-protected Green Zone, but the U.S. Embassy said there were no casualties.

The bloodshed served as stark reminders of Iraq's continuing instability five years after U.S. troops swept into Baghdad and toppled Saddam Hussein's regime on April 9, 2003. The euphoria of victory was soon dissipated — first by a Sunni insurgency, then Sunni-Shiite slaughter and now battles against Shiite militiamen.

In Washington, top U.S. commander Gen. David Petraeus called Tuesday for an open-ended suspension of U.S. troop withdrawals this summer because of concern over the renewed fighting.

Sect married girls at puberty, officials say in documents

By MICHELLE ROBERTS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ELDORADO (AP) — A polygamist compound with hundreds of children was rife with sexual abuse, child welfare officials allege in court documents, with girls spiritually married to much older men as soon as they reached puberty and boys groomed to perpetuate the cycle.

The documents released Tuesday also gave details about the hushed phone calls that broke open the case, by a 16-year-old girl at the West Texas ranch who said her 50-year-old husband beat and raped her. Days after raiding the compound, officials still aren't sure where the girl is.

Officials have completed removing all 416 children from the ranch and have won

custody of all of them, Child Protective Services spokeswoman Marleigh Meisner told reporters in San Angelo, about 40 miles from the compound in Eldorado.

Court documents said a number of teen girls at the 1,700-acre compound were pregnant, and that all the children were removed on the grounds that they were in danger of "emotional, physical, and/or sexual abuse." Another 136 women left on their own.

"Investigators determined that there is a widespread pattern and practice of the (Yearm for Zion) Ranch in which young, minor female residents are conditioned to expect and accept sexual activity with adult men at the ranch upon being spiritually married to them," read the affidavit signed by Lynn McFadden, a Department of Family and Protective Services investigative supervisor.

Phi Beta Kappa members to be inducted and visited by president of society

By JON VANDERLAAN
STAFF WRITER

W.E.B. Du Bois Institute at Harvard University.

The newest members of the Texas Tech Phi Beta Kappa chapter will be inducted in a ceremony at 4 p.m. today in the Student Union Building Allen Theatre.

Allison Blakely, national Phi Beta Kappa president, will speak at the ceremony, according to a university news release. Blakely is a professor of European and comparative history and the professor of African American studies at Boston University. He also is a visiting scholar at the

Health Sciences Center President John Baldwin, a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and Tech Chancellor Kent Hance also will speak briefly at the induction, which will be followed by a ceremony in the Student Union Ballroom, according to the release.

Mary Jane Hurst, president of the Tech chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, said she expects long-term success from the inductees.

"In general, we look for students who challenge themselves," she said. The organization looks not only for the best GPAs when selecting members, Hurst said, but also for students who work outside of their comfort zone—such as taking honors classes or studying abroad—and still succeed.

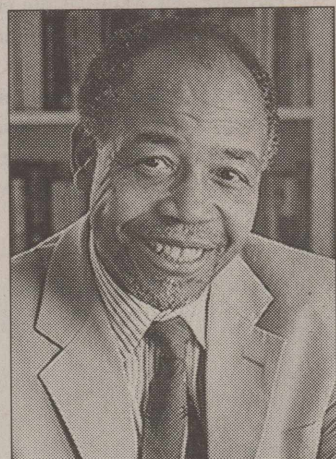
Hurst said all students and faculty are welcomed and encouraged to attend the event.

Phi Beta Kappa, the oldest undergraduate honors organization in the United States, was established in 1776, according to the release. The Tech chapter, established in 2006, is one of three chapters granted to a public university in Texas.

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TECH CHAPTER OF PHI BETA KAPPA PRESIDENT



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Dangers of Facebook and MySpace, how universities can work with technology explained

By JON VANDERLAAN
STAFF WRITER

The freedoms some students see Facebook and MySpace offering in the Internet world may not translate to real life.

Tomas Gonzalez, the assistant dean of the law school at Syracuse University, presented several topics universities should know about social networking Web sites such as MySpace and Facebook during an audio conference hosted by Texas Tech's Division of Student Affairs Tuesday in the Student Union Building Lubbock Room.

During his presentation, Gonzalez outlined four major points for using technology to one's advantage: embracing technology, using it ap-

propriately, keeping current policies up-to-date and using the technology to teach students.

Gonzalez also talked about the dangers facing students through these social networking Web sites. Pictures that include people doing illegal actions or possessing stolen materials could be used in the prosecution of the individuals. Even if they occur online, cases of harassment could be prosecuted as if they occurred in person.

Though students can remove pictures and information they do not want to share, data still is available publicly and cached, Gonzalez said. If a student does not want someone to see a picture or information, the best way to keep it personal is to not post it in the first place.

Zane Reif, associate director of Student Union and Activities, said the university probably will not change anything, but the conference was intended to help administrators become aware of how social networking Web sites are being used around campus.

"We'll react to things as they happen," Reif said. "For example, if a student is harassed on Facebook or MySpace, we'll handle that just like as if they were harassed in person or in their residence hall."

Students also need to know judicial officers and potential employers are looking at the Web sites, Reif said, and they need to be careful about what they post.

"Just be responsible with it, more than anything," he said.

Gonzalez also mentioned that many students feel comfortable posting personal information such as addresses and phone numbers, and that those students need to be aware of possible identity theft.

It also is beneficial to read the terms of use to social networking sites, Gonzalez said, as they can contain important information one may need to know to prevent an account from being canceled or to avoid prosecution.

For example, he said, the Facebook terms of use require the user to agree that any change in the terms are the responsibility of the user to read, and any violation can result in the cancellation of the account. Facebook also restricts the publication of copyrighted material.

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Bill Clinton backs Colombia trade deal his wife opposes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The presidential campaign of Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton said Tuesday that her husband, the former president, supports a free trade agreement with Colombia that his wife strenuously opposes.

The acknowledgment adds new hurdles to the New York senator's bid to woo Democratic voters in Pennsylvania and elsewhere who believe free trade agreements have eliminated thousands of U.S. jobs. On Sunday, she demoted her chief campaign strategist for his role in promoting the Colombia pact.

Hillary Clinton told union activists Tuesday she would do everything in her power to defeat the Colombia Free Trade Agreement now before Congress.

Her campaign spokesman, Jay Carson, said in response to a query from The Associated Press that the senator's opposition is "clear and firm." He added: "Like other married couples who disagree on issues from time to time, she disagrees with her husband on this issue. President Clinton has been public about his support

for Colombia's request for U.S. trade preferences since 2000."

Bill Clinton has been his wife's most prominent campaign surrogate and advocate for months.

A high point of his presidency was passage of the North America Free Trade Agreement, which his wife now criticizes at virtually every campaign stop. White House records show that Hillary Clinton, as first lady, attended several meetings designed to build congressional support for NAFTA in the early 1990s.

She says she had reservations about the pact at the time, and made her feelings known in such gatherings.

Speaking about the Colombia trade deal Tuesday to a Washington meeting of the Communication Workers of America, she said: "As I have said for months, I oppose the deal, I have spoken out against the deal, I will vote

against the deal and I will do everything I can to urge the Congress to reject the Colombia free trade agreement."

On Sunday, Mark Penn left his post as top strategist for Clinton's presidential campaign after it was reported he had met with Colombia's

ambassador to the United States to discuss passage of the agreement. Colombia was a client of Penn's large public relations firm, Burson-Marsteller.

Many labor unions, including the CWA, oppose such trade deals, saying they dis-

place U.S. jobs and encourage abuses of workers and the environment in other countries. Clinton's Democratic rival, Sen. Barack Obama of Illinois, also noted his opposition to the Colombia deal when he spoke to the CWA group moments after Clinton left the stage. He said he opposes the treaty "be-

cause when organizing workers puts an organizer's life at risk, as it does in Colombia, it makes a mockery of our labor protections."

President Bush on Monday sent the proposed Colombia deal to Congress, which has 90 days to ratify or reject it. The administration says it would help the United States by eliminating high barriers for U.S. exports to Colombia. Most Colombian products enter the United States duty-free under existing trade preference laws, the administration says.

Obama did not mention Penn in his 25-minute speech to CWA activists. But in a conference call arranged by Obama's campaign, Teamsters president James Hoffa called on Clinton to cut all ties with Penn, who continues to advise her campaign.

"This latest issue with Mark Penn really hurts her credibility," especially on trade issues, said Hoffa, who supports Obama.

In a separate conference call, Clinton spokesman Howard Wolfson likened Penn to a newspaper editor who "plays an important role but isn't in charge" of the paper.

"This latest issue with Mark Penn really hurts her credibility."

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3-D Annex is safe haven for jewelry, metalsmithing students

By LILIANNA GONZALEZ
STAFF WRITER

The School of Art's 3-D Annex building provides a safe and healthy environment and accommodates jewelry and metalsmithing students at Texas Tech with the facilities they need to accomplish their work.

Rob Glover, a professor of art at Tech, said the jewelry and metalsmithing classes moved from the Art building to the 3-D Annex building in 2005 because of health and safety concerns and space limitations in its previous facility.

"It is much safer and more professional, basically a state of the art facility," he said. "There is probably no other studio in the Southwest that is as technologically advanced."

Before the move, students were limited to a 4-foot by 4-foot soldering table and a 1-foot by 6-inch sink. Now, they have nine larger sinks and jewelry metal students have individual work spaces, Glover said.

The building has unique ventilation that filters fumes and heat so it does not get lost in the atmosphere, where it could be harmful to the environment, he said.

All jewelry and metal classes are in the 3-D annex building, Glover said, and ceramics classes will start in the facility in the fall.

There has been a dramatic jump in enrollment, Glover said, which he credits to alumni working from coast to coast in all areas of the jewelry design and metalsmithing field, tenure track

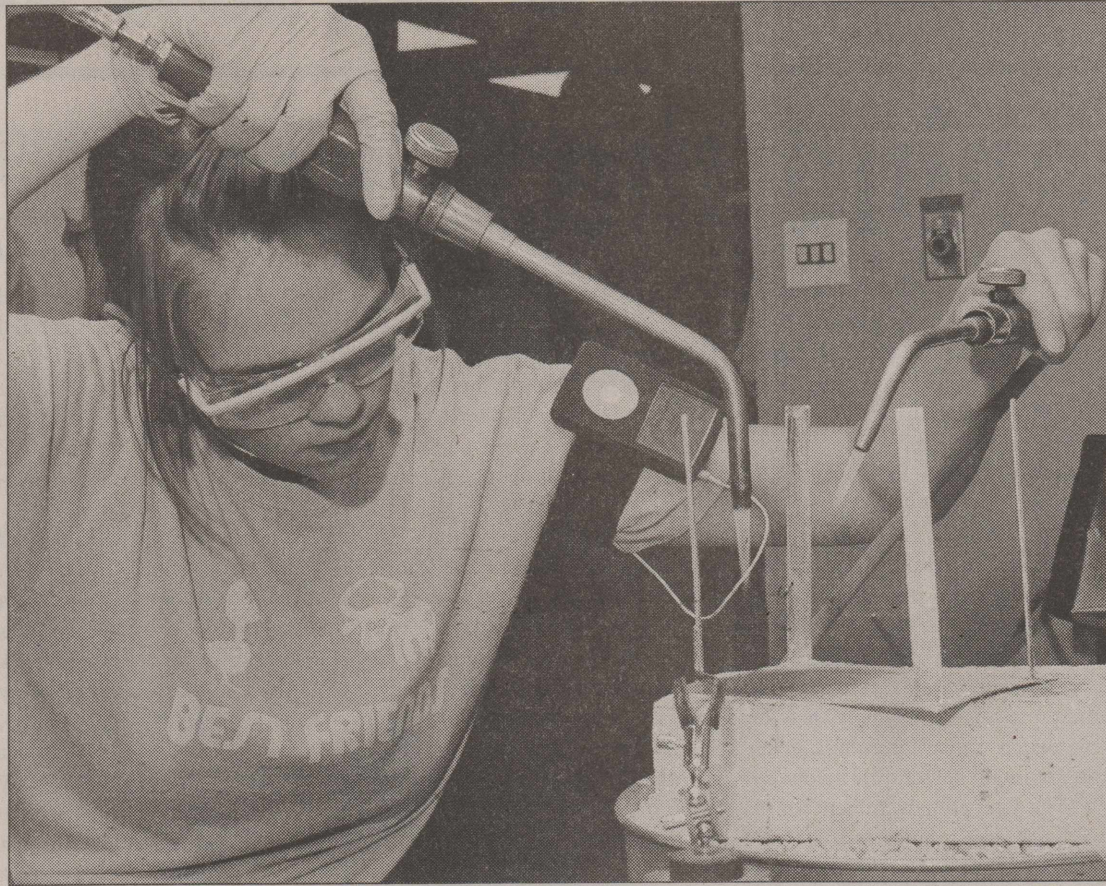


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CHERRY HAGENS, A senior studio art major from Plano with an emphasis on paint solders a leg to a copper table at the new 3-D art annex building Tuesday afternoon.

professors, designers and former students who work with historical restoration of metal objects.

"Most importantly," he said, "we have individuals who have started their own successful business."

Leslie Lewis, a graduate student from New Braunfels in jewelry and metalsmithing, said she was a high school teacher for 18 years, teaching a variety of subjects.

"I'm glad they took a chance with me, because I'm older, and

I already had a career," she said. "Being an older student, they let me step out of the box."

As she was casting for ceramic pieces, Lewis said she has been working on a jewelry piece made out of metal that was weaved together, creating the illusion of it being delicate, but in reality it is strong.

"I just enjoy the whole process of working with the metals — They have intrinsic value, longevity, and they are small and intimate," Lewis said. "I love the

complexity of the craft; I like the challenge to working in a difficult medium."

She has competed for three years in the NICHE awards competition, where the excellence and motivation in American and Canadian craft is celebrated and is open to any professional craft artist older than 21 who is actively involved in the design and production of work supplied to galleries and craft stores.

The NICHE competition has both a professional and a student



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PALOMA LIDZY, A junior studio art major from Mexico, hammers a copper piece to add to her copper necklace at the new 3-D art annex building Tuesday afternoon.

component, according to the competition's Web site, www.americancraft.com

Lewis has won once in the ceramics competition and twice in the metal competition.

She said the competition narrows entries from an original

1,300 to 1,500 entries in all categories into a mere five per category.

"If we were an athletic team," Glover said, "people would be coming to the airport to greet us for our competitions."

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Bush awards Medal of Honor to Navy SEAL who threw himself on grenade in Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — Navy SEAL Michael A. Monsoor had fast thinking to do when a live grenade came out of nowhere to bounce off his chest: Take the clear path to safety that he had but his comrades didn't, try to toss it safely away, or throw himself on top of it.

With barely an instant's hesitation on that Iraqi rooftop, Monsoor took the last course, sacrificing his life to save the men around him. For that, President Bush on Tuesday awarded him the Medal of Honor.

In an East Room ceremony, Bush presented the nation's highest military honor to Monsoor's still-grieving parents, Sally and George Monsoor. About 250 guests, including his sister and two brothers, fellow SEALs, other Medal winners, many friends and GOP Sen. John McCain and other members of Congress, looked on quietly.

"The Medal of Honor is awarded for an act of such courage that no one could rightly be expected to undertake it," Bush said. "Yet those who knew Michael Monsoor were

not surprised when he did."

Bush has awarded the medals to 10 people during his presidency. Monsoor is only the third from the Iraq war, and Bush's lip trembled and tears streamed down his cheeks as the official citation was read with the details of his bravery.

The emotional proceedings at the White House came as the top U.S. general and diplomat in Iraq opened two days of testimony across town on Capitol Hill on the status of the war, which has killed more than 4,020 U.S. military personnel.

Gen. David Petraeus said security in Iraq is still too fragile to allow announcements of troop levels going

below 140,000 before September. Bush is giving a speech on Thursday to announce whether he accepts Petraeus' recommendation to suspend troop withdrawals for 45 days after the current round completes in July. He is expected to do so.

In brief remarks, Bush told the story of Monsoor's service-oriented upbringing and determined youth.

Monsoor became a Navy SEAL, the military's most elite fighting force, in 2004.

"His teammates liked to laugh about the way his shiny Corvette would leave everybody in the dust," Bush said. "But deep down, they always knew Mike would never leave

anybody behind when it counted."

By spring 2006, Monsoor was deployed to Ramadi in Iraq's dangerous, then-al-Qaida dominated Anbar Province, as an automatic weapons gunner and communications operator — a double assignment that often

landed him more than 100 pounds of gear to carry in the hot desert.

In May, Monsoor ran through heavy enemy fire to pull a wounded SEAL to safety. He earned a Silver Star, the third-highest award for combat valor, for that action.

It was only four months later, on Sept. 29, 2006, that Monsoor and his two American teammates, plus members of the Iraqi Army, were on a rooftop in a Ramadi residential area known as a stronghold for the Sunni insurgency.

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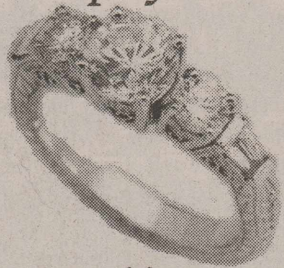
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Joe and Lefty present unique art through everyday means

By JORDAN EICHER
STAFF WRITER

A little woozy from the aerosol fumes, students left the Student Union Building Tuesday pretty psyched with their brand-new Joe and Lefty custom pieces of spray painted artwork, sponsored by Tech Activities Board.

Joe and Lefty are two artists who put on a show of unique art, called "Spray Can Art."

The two, who because of consistent lines were unable to comment, managed to crank out 5-inch by 7-inch paintings at the rate of one painting every three to five minutes.

Everyone here has a fascination with how fast they are able to accomplish this.

— MARSHALL WATSON
FRESHMAN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING MAJOR

The artwork was presented to any and all students willing to wait in line for their own marvel — free of charge.

Completed on a poster board with a spray can, the artists used plastic bags, paper, bottle lids, razor blades and a putty knife to create scenes of space, the ocean, woods, city views and mountains. The students also had the choice of a daytime, nighttime or sunset setting.

Those who left the Joe and Lefty set-up said they were amazed at the skill and speed in which their artwork was created.

"Everyone here has a fascination with how fast they are able

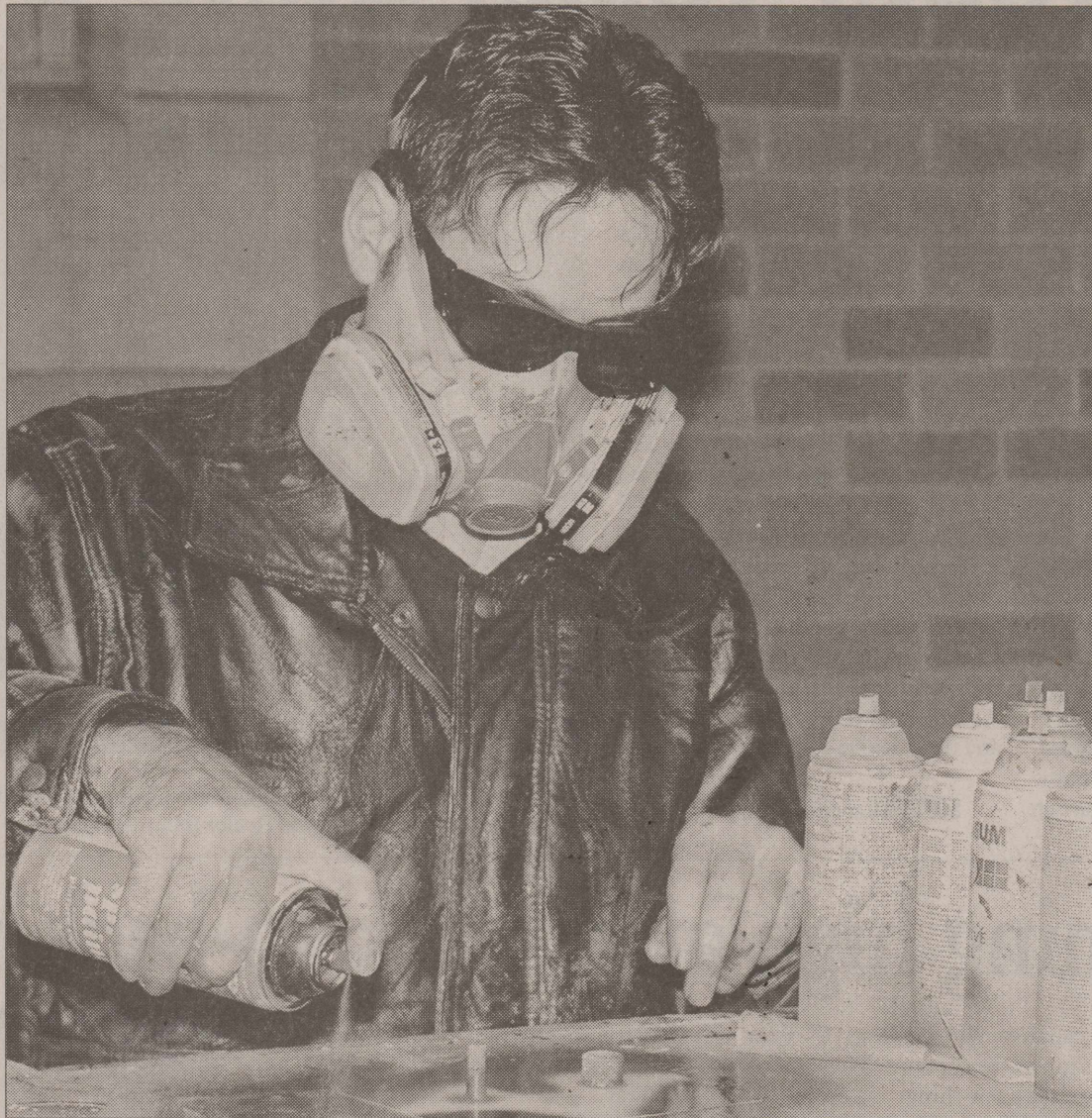


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ARTIST JOE WATSON, of Joe and Lefty, creates unique works of spray can art outside of the Student Union Building Tuesday morning.

to accomplish this," said Marshall Watson, a freshman mechanical engineering major from Midland. "Plus, it's fun because it's got a lot of energy and there is a lot to watch, because it's just so entertaining."

The people there to offer their support for TAB said they believed events like this really had something new and interesting to offer students.

"It's just so cool that they use spray cans and utensils and just

change the angles for different shadings, and it's just so fun to watch," said Sheeva Chopra, a junior psychology major from Dallas. "They've done about 70 in the last hour, and it's just a free, different activity for students."

Leah Yancey, a sophomore restaurant, hotel and institutional management major from Lubbock, said that she believed the TAB event was supportive of a creative culture.

"I'm in an art appreciation

class, and I just want to support people like this," she said. "Artists just don't have a lot of support here in Lubbock."

Like nearly everyone else in line, Kayla Simpson, a sophomore restaurant, hotel and institutional management major from Johnson City, was mesmerized by the artists' resourcefulness.

"They just do it with household items," she said. "Like, she just made mountains with paper."

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Lucasfilm and designer battle over rights to 'Star Wars' costumes

LONDON (AP) — It's a storm in a Stormtrooper's helmet.

Lawyers for George Lucas' Lucasfilm Ltd. and a British prop designer faced off in London's High Court Tuesday over rights to the molded white Stormtrooper uniforms from the "Star Wars" films.

Standing alongside the bewigged, black-robed lawyers in court was the object of their dispute — a 6-foot tall, helmeted warrior of the evil

Galactic Empire. Lucasfilm attorney Michael Bloch called the menacing figure "one of the most iconic images in modern culture."

Lucasfilm claims violation of copyright and trademarks by prop designer Andrew Ainsworth, who sculpted the Stormtrooper helmets for the first "Star Wars" movie in 1977. London-based Ainsworth sells replicas of the helmets and armor, which he says are made from the original molds, on his Web site.

Los Bailes

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get in a classroom atmosphere.

"I'm taking a class on cultural diversity, but they teach us very little about Hispanic culture, because I guess they think we know something about it already, since we grew up around a lot of it," said Parker Ryan, a junior political science major from Joshua. "There are so many different aspects and differences between different Hispanic cultures that we are given the opportunity to learn the differentiations between, so we would truly be missing out if it weren't for programs like HSS. I think people our age are sometimes so ignorant to the world of people around them. We aren't all just white male landowners anymore; we're a more like a

combination burrito."

The people involved in the performance said the act truly gave them a sense of cultural freedom.

"I wanted to actually be a part of my heritage," said Crystal Marez, a junior accounting major at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, noting this gave her the chance.

Marez was part of a traditional Hispanic dance at "Los Bailes," and said she loved the fact that they got so many observers.

"It makes me feel culturally involved," she said.

More than anything about being culturally involved in her culture, Marez said she just loved performing and that she would continue to do so for as long as people were willing to experience something "a little more diverse."

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SPORTS

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2008

Tech softball routs Texas State 6-2, 8-6

By ALEX YBARRA
STAFF WRITER

Leah Legler has wreaked havoc at the plate and on the base paths for the Texas Tech softball team all season, but lately she has hit another level.

Legler extended her hitting streak to six games, going a combined 5-for-6 with four runs and an RBI to help the Red Raiders sweep a double header against Texas State (26-13), 6-2 and 8-6, Tuesday at Rocky Johnson Field. The wins give Tech (13-27, 3-4 in Big 12 Conference play) a four-game winning streak for the first time this season.

In her last six games, the slapper has gone 11-for-20 with 11 runs scored, and with that kind of consistency at the lead-off spot, Tech has put up 22 runs in its last four contests.

"I think the top of the order is seeing the ball really well and getting on base a lot," Legler said. "The rest of the line up is doing a very nice job of situational hitting

and scoring us."

Tech coach Teresa Wilson said it's Legler's versatility that causes problems for opposing pitchers and helps two-hole hitter Devin Zaragoza advance Legler.

"They cannot defend everything," Wilson said. "They can't defend the power slap, they can't defend a chop, they can't defend a bunt all at the same time. If you read your defense and get the right pitch, which she's been doing, she's been phenomenal."

Legler is not the only Red Raider hitting the ball well.

Against the Bobcats, Montana Patin hit 4-for-6 with five RBIs. Jennifer Bowers hit a two-run bomb to left center in the first game and Zaragoza went 3-for-4.

In the circle, Ashly Jacobs proved why she was named the Big 12 Conference softball pitcher of the week Tuesday.

Jacobs (6-9) gave up only two hits in 6 innings in the first game against the Bobcats, pushing her streak of scoreless innings to 22.2. That streak was snapped in the second game Tuesday, when Jacobs gave up

a home run.

"She has thrown exceptionally well the last few weeks," Wilson said. "Hitting her spots, getting ahead in the count and that's important."

Legler got the first game started with a lead-off single. She advanced to second on a Zaragoza walk and eventually scored when Patin singled to left.

After Jennifer Corkin hit a ground ball for the second out of the inning, Megan Shupp brought in Patin with another single, giving Tech an early 2-0 lead. Bowers sent her second home run of the season over the left field fence, extending Tech's lead to 4-0 on six hits through two innings.

Tech's Robyn Wike added another run after she knocked a double over the left fielder's head in the third inning, scoring Lauren Preston, who reached base on an error and stole second.

Wike got her third RBI on the season and tied a season-high with two hits.



PHOTO BY KEN MUIR/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH FIRST baseman Jennifer Corkin, stretches for an out at the top of the third inning against Texas State Tuesday at Rocky Johnson Field.

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Women's tennis aiming high after back-to-back road wins

By KEVIN CULLEN
STAFF WRITER

Sometimes a team's mental state can influence a match more than its talent.

This was a problem Tech had to fix before winning two matches at Kansas State and No. 75 Kansas

5-2 and 4-3, respectively, Friday and Sunday.

After falling to Colorado March 30, Tech coach Cari Groce said she was disappointed with her team's attitude and demeanor on the court.

"We came together after Colorado," she said. "We talked to the

captains. We kinda gave ownership to the captains. They wanted to see a few things as a group with regards to practice."

After addressing the issue, the Red Raiders propelled themselves to No. 4 in the Big 12 with their two wins.

"We had a great weekend," Groce said. "Everything came together and the players were feeling very good and were very determined."

Against Kansas State, Tech swept the doubles matches to give the team momentum that carried through to singles play.

"We played very good doubles against Kansas State," Groce said. "In singles — just very confident when they stepped on the court that they would come together as a team and knock off and win three of the singles."

Another issue the Red Raiders

dealt with in previous matches, was an inability at times to finish off matches.

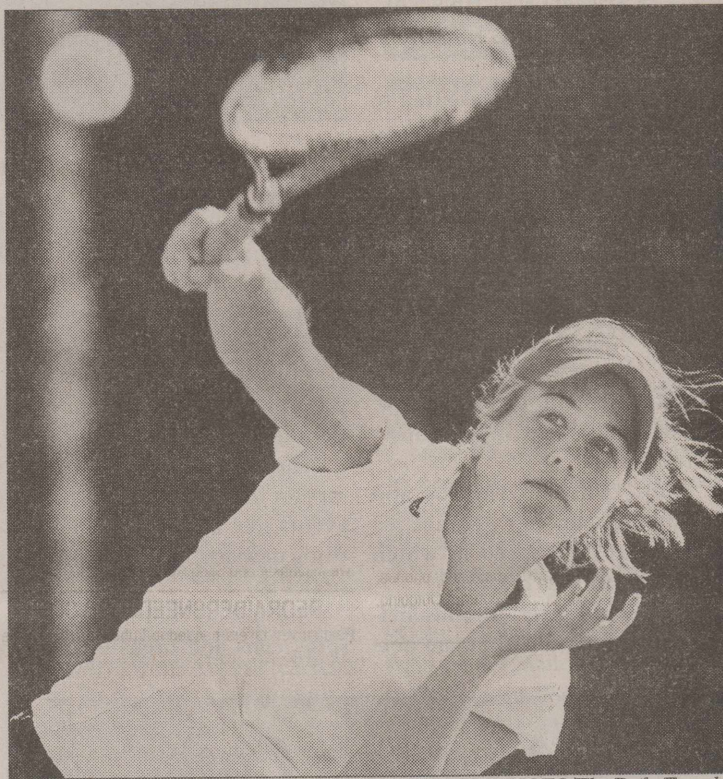
This was not a problem against Kansas.

"We played with so much heart," Groce said. "We were down 3-1 against KU. Our No. 1 doubles team was down 7-0 in doubles and came back to win it 9-7. It was a very, very exciting college match to watch. They just wanted it more. It's all about heart."

The Red Raiders have much-needed momentum at the right time in their season with three matches remaining until the Big 12 Tournament.

"They are determined to finish the duel match season strong and go into the Big 12 Tournament and fight for the title," Groce said.

In addition to the impact in the Big 12, the two matches put Tech in a better position to make a run



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH'S SAMANTHA van der Drift leads the Red Raiders' postseason hopes as the Big 12 Conference Tournament approaches.

at the NCAA Tournament, which is approaching fast.

The Red Raiders have climbed

to No. 64 in the most recent rankings after being unranked the previous week.

Tech next takes on Oklahoma State and Oklahoma at 5 p.m. and noon, Friday and Sunday, respectively, at the McLeod Tennis Complex.

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- Publisher's forte?
- Cash in Iraq
- Earn
- Long, thin fish
- Perspiring
- "Painting" painter
- Notable years
- Ed Norton's "office"
- Decade count
- Bury the hatchet
- Sacred ceremonies
- Prevaricator's forte?
- See's deck
- Flew high
- Owned
- German philosopher
- hide (in bad faith)
- Corrida chants
- Family cars
- "All Things Considered" net.
- Ascends
- Overfills
- Diver's forte?
- Brian of rock
- Major artery
- Bandleader
- Shaw
- Mach's jet
- Ore seeker
- Electrical pioneer

DOWN

- River block
- Supermarket grp.
- Magician of comics
- Pin box
- Astin and Hayes
- San Diego team
- Stout relative
- Cowboy's handle
- Tolkien tree
- Appear (to be)
- Ghost
- Clothing
- Walter in the NFL Hall of Fame
- Jurisprudence
- Sleep state
- Precious stone
- Composer
- Khachaturian
- Infused with oxygen
- Tiny branch
- Abominable snowmen
- Shipped
- Move, in reactor-speak
- Jazz state
- Removes a rind
- Thailand's last name?
- Theater section
- Passages
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- Large crowds
- UFO crew?
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By Phillip J. Anderson
Portland, OR 4/9/08

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7 AM	Curious	Today Sched-uled from "Street Kings," actor Keanu Reeves; special diets for losing baby weight; an in-	The Early Show	Copeland	(\$300) Daily Buzz	Good Morning America (HD)	J. Harris
8 AM	Super Why	Dragon	The 700 Club	Robinson	Animal	Eye	Martha Stewart
9 AM	Sesame Street	Caillou	Crosswords	Restless (HD)	Alax	Church	Tyra Banks Show
10 AM	Big World	Word	News	Beautiful	As the World	Jerry Springer	The Morning Show
11 AM	Barney	Caillou	Crosswords	Days of Our Lives	As the World	Jerry Springer	The Morning Show
12 PM	Quilt	Painting	News	Days of Our Lives	As the World	Jerry Springer	The Morning Show
1 PM	Woodroom	Place	Jeopardy	Jeopardy	Jeopardy	Jeopardy	The People's Court
2 PM	Teletub	Betw. Lion	Crosswords	Guiding Light	Paid Programs	All of Us	Judge Mathis
3 PM	Reading	Cyber	Oprah Winfrey	Brown	Maury	Reba	Ellen DeGeneres
4 PM	Clifford	Arthur	Dr. Phil	Judy	Maury	Steve Wilkos	News
5 PM	Maya	Bus. Rpt	News	News	TMZ	Standing	Raymond
6 PM	NewsHour (HD)	Wheel	Million.	Million.	Law Order (HD)	Queens	Family
7 PM	Cousteau (HD)	Deal or No Deal	Big Brother	Global	Global	Global	American Idol
8 PM	American Mas-ters (HD)	Law Order (HD)	Criminal Minds	Masters of Illu-sion	Pussycat	Supernanny	News
9 PM	Global	Law & Order (HD)	CSI: NY (HD)	Jim (HD)	Sex City	Prime. Lecture	News
10 PM	Bus. Rpt	Charlie Rose	The Tonight Show	(11:35) Late Show	Malcolm	Bernie	Seinfeld
11 PM	News	Destinos	(11:35) Late Night	Late Late Show	Wife	Jimmy Kimmel	Scrubs
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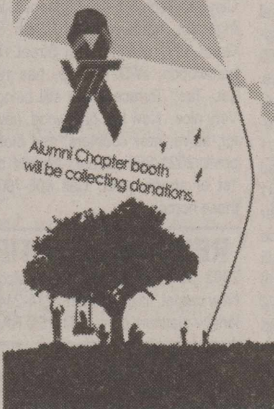
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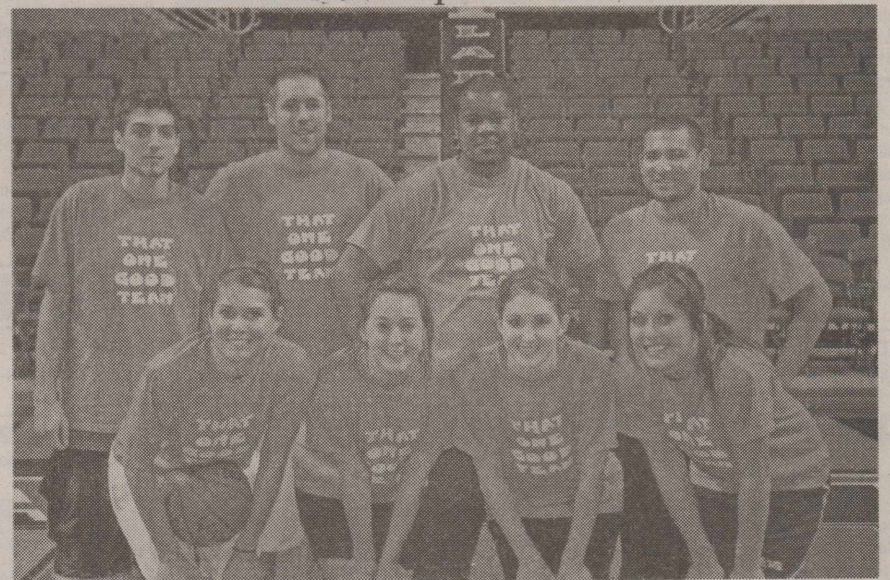


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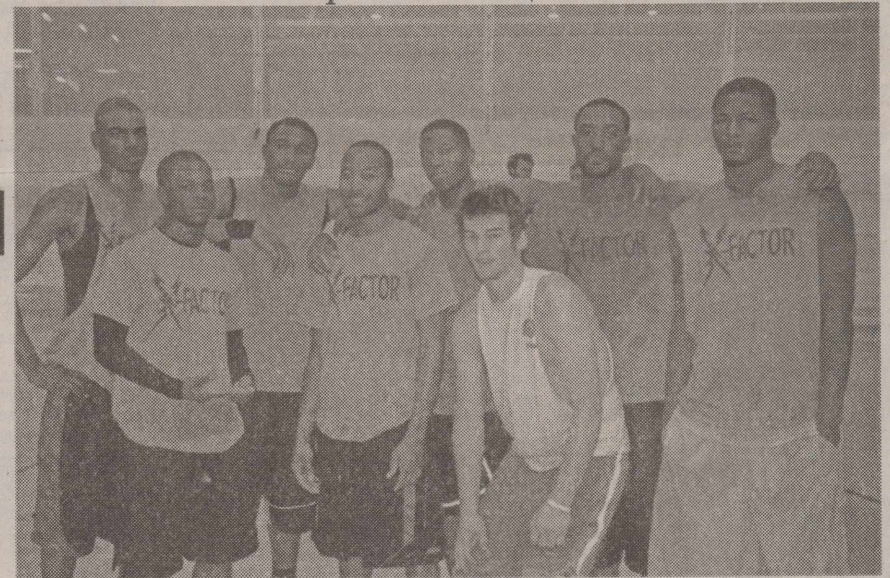
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Thursday, April 17

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