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STATE

Federal judge indicted on sex abuse charges

HOUSTON (AP) — A federal judge accused of sexual harassment by his fomer case manager has been indicted on charges of abusive sexual contact and attempted aggravated sexual abuse.

U.S. District Judge Samuel Kent was indicted on two counts of abusive sexual contact and one count of attempted aggravated sexual abuse.

An agreement with prosecutors will allow Kent to surrender Wednesday for an initial court appearance, the Houston Chronicle reported in its online edition.

NATION

Jury acquits former Marine in killing of Iragis

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (AP) — A former Marine accused of killing unarmed Iraqi detainees was acquitted of voluntary manslaughter Thursday in a first-of-its-kind federal trial.

The jury took six hours to find Jose Luis Nazario Jr. not guilty of charges that he killed or caused others to kill four unarmed detainees on Nov. 9, 2004, in Fallujah, Iraq, during some of the fiercest fighting of the war.

The verdict left the 28-year-old defendant in tears. His mother, family and friends cried so loud the judge smacked his gavel in a call for order.

WORLD

Mexican Supreme Court upholds legal abortion

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Mexico's Supreme Court has upheld legal abortion in the capital.

Mexico City is one of only a handful of places in Latin America that allow abortion without limitations in the first trimester.

Thursday's 8-3 vote supporting the Mexico City law opens the possibility that similar measures could be adopted elsewhere in Mexico. It might also inspire other leftist Latin American cities to follow suit.

The Roman Catholic church has declared itself in mourning over the expected ruling and says church leaders will redouble their efforts to

fight abortion in Mexico. Conservative President Felipe Calderon's administration had appealed the law to the Supreme

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Obama greeted by screaming crowd

By DAVID ESPO AND ROBERT FURLOW ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER (AP) — Before an enormous, adoring crowd, Barack Obama promised a clean break from the "broken politics in Washington and the failed presidency of George W. Bush" Thursday night as he embarked on the final lap of his audablack president.

plans," the 47-year-old Illinois senator told an estimated 84,000 people packed into Invesco Field, a huge football stadium in the shadow of the Rocky Mountains.

He vowed to cut taxes for nearly all working-class families, end the war in Iraq and break America's dependence on Mideast oil within

Obama called Sen. John Mccious bid to become the nation's first Cain, his Republican rival, a good man who "just doesn't get it"- a

favor the rich and a senator who suggested the White House, and the move of his own, hoping to steal "stands alone in his stubborn refusal to end a misguided war."

"John McCain has voted with George Bush 90 percent of the time," he said, attempting to pre-empt his rival's claim that he is a maverick who breaks with the administration on key issues.

Obama's formal acceptance speech was delivered in a dramatic setting, the filled stadium, the camera flashes in the night, the "Now is not the time for small backer of economic policies that made-for-television backdrop that

thousands of convention delegates seated around the podium in an enormous semicircle.

Obama and his running mate, Sen. Joseph Biden. of Delaware, leave their convention city on Friday for Pennsylvania, first stop on an eight-week sprint to Election Day.

Polls indicate a close race between Obama and McCain, the Arizona senator who stands between him and a place in history.

McCain countered with a bold in Washington.

some of the political spotlight by spreading word that he had settled on a vice presidential running mate. Minnesota Gov. Tim Pawlenty canceled all scheduled appearances for the next two days, stoking speculation that he was the one.

By happenstance, Obama's big evening coincided with the 45th anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I have a Dream Speech" on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial



PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON

The Daily Toredor created "Gearing Up" as a showcase of Texas Tech traditions and preparations before the kickoff of a highly-anticipated football season Saturday. Tech's football team — ranked No. 12 in the Associated Press poll and No. 14 in the USA Today Coach's Poll — is beginning the 2008 season with its highest rankings since 1977. From the Saddle Tramps to parking, tailgating to security, there are many elements of opening weekend. The passion of fans often leads to excitement and sometimes to chaos before the first game of the year, and this section aims to help inform those who may not be acquainted with the intricacies of the Tech football season.

Texas Tech band goin' out in style with addition of new uniforms

By HANNAH BOEN STAFF WRITER

Almost one year ago, the Goin' Band from Raiderland began a campaign to raise money to replace its 12-year-old uniforms. Saturday, more than 400 students from almost every college on campus will step into Jones AT&T Stadium in new uniforms thanks to the support of fans and Texas Tech organizations.

"Once people see the new uniform, their first comment is almost exclusively 'I can't believe how white the uniform is," said Christopher Anderson, director of the band.

The Goin' Band, which got its name for being one of the first cally on the university," Anderson said. "Both in seeing what the the same uniform four years longer than most major university of how Texas Tech treats the arts and its students." bands, Anderson said.

The cost to outfit a band member is approximately \$550, he said. However, in order to have enough uniforms that fit everyone, the band must carry more uniforms than they have band members.

For Anderson, the group's uniforms are much more than terms of our first impression with prospective students." just something the band throws on for games.

"The quality of the look of the ensemble reflects dramati-

large university bands to travel with the football team, has used standard is for a major university and also seeing the importance

The uniform includes pants, a jacket, a cap and hat as well as rain gear and other items, said Carol Edwards, dean of the College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Today, 440 members of the Goin' Band wear the uniform that, Anderson said, allows the band to put their "best foot forward in

Although the band has primarily raised uniform funds through endowments, Anderson said the ensemble received major support university organizations, including the Stu-Government Association.



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In 1925, 21 members of The Goin' Band donned traditional matador uniforms to perform at Texas Tech's first football game. Tomorrow, the 440 member band will perform in an updated version of the traditional Matador look, according to Ensemle Assistant Debbie Holt.

The uniform features a two-sided breastplate that will be displayed on the field on Saturday. The Double T design will be seen on the "bright white uniforms," Holt said.



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Local researchers consider diversification to save water

STAFF WRITER

soon convert some of their farmland from cotton to cattle to save

Texas Alliance for Water Conser- strategies used in agriculture." vation suggests that by using farmwith their crops, farmers could conserve water from the Ogallala Aguifer and increase profits in the

This research was performed in three years of an eight-year study, water with these methods. and then examining their affects on the aguifer.

is the amount of water a crop uses for growth, said Clifford Fedler, associate dean in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

This new technique would consist of several parts, including a possible growing cycle of diversified products, including bluestem grass and cattle, according to a news release from the organiza-

Vivien Allen, a Texas Tech Thornton Distinguished Professor and Horn Professor of Forages, has been spearheading the research at the university's research farm in New Deal.

"It's not just the flip of a switch," Allen said. "By combining various pieces, you can conserve water, depending on the elements chosen.'

Allen said research farms in New Deal utilizing this technique have seen a 25 percent decrease in water leaving the aquifer. But all combinations, however, don't always yield the same results.

Jim Cronkwright, general manager of the High Plains Water District, said Allen's motives are

appreciated and that her hard work to the next. And in terms of is acknowledged.

'The key," he said, "is to for-Lubbock County farmers may mulate a plan that allows you to many factors to make a blanket stretch water resources over a longer period of time. This could include different cropping patterns A new study conducted by the and basically going back to past tion District No.1 Web site,

land to graze cattle in combination potential for success, but might not states. It is the most intensely work for everyone.

> Fedler said the change "has potential to save water, depending on the situation."

He said he believes the research-Floyd and Hale County by moni- ers need to be careful when making toring several farms during the first general claims about conserving

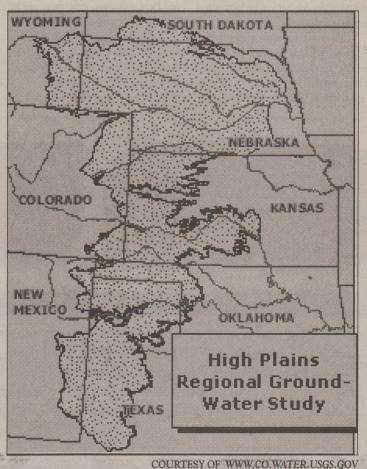
use more water than a typical aquifer per day. Of this, only 10 The theory is based on an idea crop," Fedler said. "Cotton doesn't percent of the groundwater will called evapotranspiration, which use a lot of water. Alfalfa does. be restored by rainfall.

profitability, the cattle market is so tight. (There are) too statement."

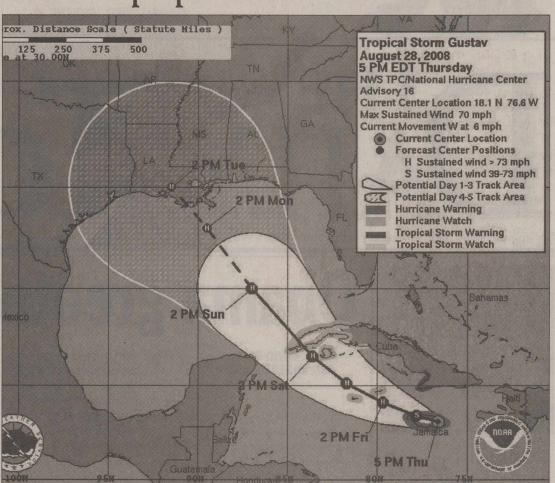
According to the High Plains Underground Water Conservathe Ogallala Aquifer underlies He stressed the plan has the 174,000 square miles under eight pumped aquifer in the United States. Of all this pumped water, agriculture represents the dominant land and water use in the region, with 90 percent of the withdrawals per day solely

All in all, 332 million gallons "Some of those row crops will of water are pumped out of the

(It) varies so much from one crop >>> kelsey.fletcher@ttu.edu



Lubbock prepares for Hurricane Gustav



By MATT COBB STAFF WRITER

As Hurricane Gustav contin- Memorial Civic Center. ues to head toward the Gulf of Mexico, several organizations in done by the Red Cross, a group and we need to analyze the storm, Lubbock are already preparing of Texas Tech wind scientists for the worst.

South Plains Regional Chapter to analyze the storm. plans to open evacuation shelters for those affected by the hurri- down tomorrow or Saturday as cane, said Robin Raney, the CEO of the chapter.

cruiting volunteers to help out at at Tech. the shelters, she said. Two trainbe hosted this weekend at the dents, he said. chapter's headquarters.

as client casework and shelter StickNet at a location where according to an American Red operations.

hub and can accommodate up to record a variety of information should call 765-8534. 800 evacuees, she said. If evacu- from the amount of rainfall to matthew.t.cobb@ttu.edu

stay at the City Bank Auditorium the storm. and Coliseum and the Lubbock

are planning on providing their

"We'll be sending a team long as the forecast holds," said

The four-person team going Louisiana coastline. ing classes for anyone interested to the storm site consists of in aiding potential evacuees will Schroeder and three Ph.D. stu- unteering, the Red Cross will

Classes will cover issues such surface observation system called chapter's offices at 2201 19th St., Lubbock is an area evacuation Schroeder said. This system will ing is free and anyone interested

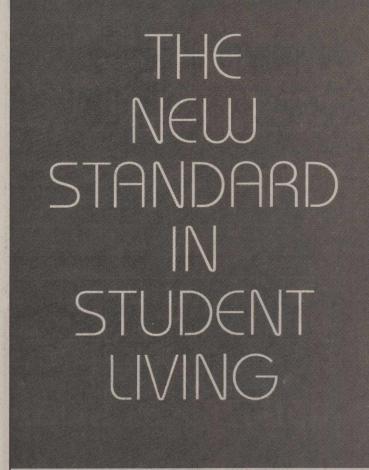
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ees are sent to the city, they will the wind speed and direction of

"This will give us a chance to monitor the storm," he said. "If In addition to work being something catastrophic happens we'll have a starting point."

Hurricane Gustav is predicted The American Red Cross assistance by going to Louisiana to enter the gulf by the weekend, and hit the coastline on Labor Day, according to the National Hurricane Center's Web site. The hurricane could make land-John Schroeder, an associate fall anywhere from south Texas The Red Cross is currently re- professor of atmospheric science to the Florida panhandle, but it is currently on path toward the

> For those interested in volhave training classes from 2 to 5 The team plans to deploy a p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the the storm will make landfall, Cross media release. The train-



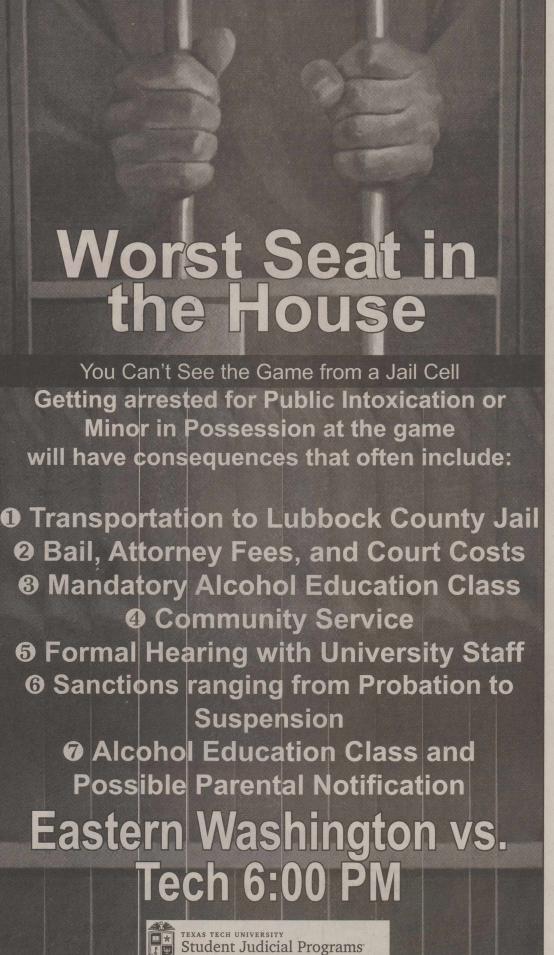






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Wrapping, ringing, rousing part of being a Saddle Tramp

By BRIDGET DE STEFANO STAFF WRITER

If spectator's ears are ringing after Texas Tech football games, the Saddle

Tramps are doing their job. The 72-year-old spirit organization, Saddle Tramps, is gearing up for the first football game of the season with traditional pre-game festivities to get students in the spirit.

View a related video at www.dailytoreador.com

Wrapping the Will Rogers statue, parts of the Jerry S. Rawls College of Business Administration building, and the coach's bridge at Jones AT&T Stadium in red streamers on Thursdays before every home game is a tradition that Red Raiders have

come to know

and love over

A long-

standing

the years.

Saddle Tramps is ringing the victory bells when Tech scores on the field at men's home football games and in basketball and baseball games as well as during an opposing team's kickoff. Casey Amis, assistant treasurer and

a sophomore from Arlington, said he describes Saddle Tramps as a "spirit organization dedicated to the betterment of Texas Tech."

Amis joined the all-male organization in fall 2007, his freshman year, because he wanted to be involved in college athletics and bring more school spirit to sporting events.

With some similarities to a fraternity, Amis said, Saddle Tramps has a nual rush for 40 prospective members to get a spot. The three

days of

and widely recognized tradition of the starting Sept. 2-4 requires that students be in good standing with the university and have at least a 2.5 grade point average.

Amis said Saddle Tramps also participate in community service activities such as a diabetes walk, Special Olympics, Carol of Lights and a Fajita Fest for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

One thing Amis and Brentus Perea, a senior exercise sports and sciences major from Lovington, N.M., said sets the Saddle Tramps apart from other fraternal organizations is their "zero tolerance for hazing of any kind."

This clarification comes after a hazing incident in spring 2006, when Saddle Tramps president Jonathan Merritt said active members gave bids to the pledges and made them dress in "stupid outfits" as they stood outside the Administration building bell tower on

police officers drove up to the scene and reported the incident. Saddle Tramps were later suspended, said Merritt, a senior personal financial

planning major from Corpus Christi. Perea was a pledge during the hazing event described and

The members were caught when ation as "blown out of proportion," and it was "all in good fun."

The reason Merritt said it was blown out of proportion: the word hazing was attached to it.

"Hazing is so broad — you don't

know how to take it," Merritt said. The Saddle Tramps, he said, are now a more focused group with new goals and dedication to its original purpose of spirit and service.

"It was a blessing in a way," Merritt said, "and I am more proud to be a part of this organization than I ever was before."

As the newly oriented group of guys prepare for football season and rush, the question lingers whether girls should be allowed to be Saddle Tramps.

"There has been talk about opening it up to girls," Merritt said.

Although, he said Saddle Tramps is exempt from Title IX, the federal law prohibiting sex discrimination under any education program because it is a gender-specific organiza-

"The advisers say they see it happening in the near future," Merritt said. "I'm sure it will at some point in time."

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Saddle Tramps quick facts

Fredericksburg, wrap the Will Rogers Statue with fellow Saddle Tramps Thursday.

• Created by Arch Lamb, a head

cheerleader at Tech in 1936. • The term "Saddle Tramp" came from early Texas ranchers who needed a saddle tramp to tackle any assignment and do everything they could to improve the

• In 1971, the organization created Raider Red, one of Tech's mascots.

ranch.

• Today, Saddle Tramps has 35 acallowed is 100.

> nization does a University of Texas/Texas A&M Watch where members

camp out on campus to protect Tech's landmark spots from opponents.

• Saddle Tramp sponsors include tive members. The maximum Mass Communication professor Bill number of members Dean, news director at KJTV-TV Jeff Klotzman and Chris Snead, Tech • The orga- Alumni Association associate vice

> Information provided by the Saddle Tramps Web site, www. saddletramps.org

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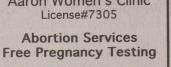
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Artificial intelligence won't happen (yet)

* This article contains spoilers for the movie "Wall-E".

e all remember the end of Pixar's recent masterpiece "Wall-E" (if you haven't seen it, shame on you). Just as our damaged, "dying" hero makes answer: No ... not yet. it back to Earth, his companion of the memories and personal- robots. Almost everyone is faity that made him who he was. miliar with Isaac Asimov's Then, after a sad, solemn "kiss," robot novels (or at Wall-E miraculously grips his least his "Three pearly lover's hand and intones a Laws of Robotics" touchingly familiar, "Eve...?"

history: can we transform a col- will one day live alongside - or, cal form (i.e. anlection of circuits, wires and in the more pessimistic scenarios, gels, ghosts, other assorted elements into an live under the iron fists of intelli- etc.) intelligent, sentient, even lov- gent machines. Is this an accurate ing being? Thankfully, I have the expectation, though?

Stephen

We have a cultural expectafrantically searches through some tion that AI is not only possible, spare parts and inserts a new but inevitable. Films from almost motherboard into Wall-E's well- the beginning of Hollywood's ex- death worn casing. At first, he wakes istence have featured humanoid of the up as a brand new unit, devoid and semi-humanoid intelligent physor surely the "I, Robot" movie At this moment and through- with Will Smith). Popular culture out the film, Pixar deals with a is inundated with AI, to the point fundamental question of recent where it seems a given that we ings with no physi-

Philosophically, the nature of mind is one of the trickiest issues of modern thought. For centuries, René Descartes' position — that mind and brain are separate "substances" that interact mysteriously — was widely accepted. His. "dualism" allows for belief in a "soul" that persists after the

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Because of many logical inad- theories state that mind and equacies, dualism has since fallen brain are both physical — they computer just as complicated ttu.edu.

centers on tains that while mind and brain the correct way (whatever that might both be physical, the mind is), or even uncomplicated in the has different properties that correct way (if flies, sheep or Paris cannot be reduced to a purely Hilton are any indication). Also, physical explanation. Reductive cute and humanoid looking as memories, etc. that it houses, papers for you anytime soon. thereby allowing for artificial, intelligent minds.

reductive and

The human brain is a fasciers" by Chris Chatham (Google is your friend). In short, computers machines, whereas brains are ana- for this opinionated columnist. log, massively parallel, non-linear

belief, it would not be enough

for humans to simply build a

from prominence. are made of the same stuff as as the human brain in order to Modern philoso- everything else in the world. create a mind. An artificial mind phy of mind Anti-reductive physicalism main- would have to be complicated in physicalism argues that mind is ASIMO is, don't expect his sucbrain, along with all thoughts, cessors to be doing your English

> So, there you have it. Al is philosophically and theoretically possible, but not with the type of nating piece of machinery, but technology we currently possess. it is vastly unlike any comput- For now, we'll just have to settle er in existence. I encourage for friends who aren't fluent in everyone to read the article over six million forms of com-"10 Important Differences munication, can't turn off their Between Brains and Comput- emotions with a switch, and can't learn a new skill in seconds via FireWire. And as for love, well... are digital, massively serial, linear the human kind is good enough

> machines. Contrary to popular Torrence is a physics and philosophy major from Georgetown. E-mail him at stephen.torrence@

Great sexpectations

STAFF EDITORIAL FSVIEW & FLORIDA FLAMBEAU (FLORIDA STATE U.)

hen it comes to casual sex, I have heard morning trumps a lonely night every have believed anything he told me time. That seems a clever thing to say, but I feel it's a feeble attempt to

When it comes to one-night stands, I have two rules of thumb: men will say anything and women will believe or do their best to believe

answer the wrong question.

To look at one-nighters as mere conquest or antidote to the disease of romantic solitude is to ask why these short term romps occur. Even if there is a qualified reason, it will almost always be chalked up to intoxication and eventually dismissed. I feel that his voice, almost sadness. a far more interesting question is how we pull off these sex-and-run encounters.

When it comes to one-night sterling. stands, I have two rules of thumb: men will say anything and women known symbols that seemed almost will believe or do their best to like crop circles to my untrained believe it.

This isn't to say that our dishonest male counterparts are get laid by a hot foreigner with an really pulling the wool over our interesting job, money and a promise eyes if their exaggerations end in of no-strings-attached fun: I asked my pulling our shirts over our heads; friend who speaks a bit of German women are not so easily fooled. how to say "I think you're sexy" in his On the whole, I'd like to say ladies native tongue. choose to believe such obvious untruths because they see the effort Try not to be taken aback by the leap and creativity as an alternative in time, dear reader, you know what to flattery, and let's be honest compliments are seductive.

and a woman at a bar or party to the small of my back while he ordered the banter of two actors running me a drink, and I agreed to follow him an improv exercise.

A biology major once told me was just across the street. he had non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and death was constantly loom- room. Somehow his shirt ended up in ing over him, dogging his every my purse and my bra is hanging from step. Now, he said, he is no longer the light fixture. afraid to talk to a pretty girl.

terrible cancer would be downing jagerbombs on the strip, but I get to play the sympathetic nurse and say, "You poor thing."

Another guy told me he was single. And I believed him.

when I looked in the mirror and said, "I'm getting laid tonight."

Being a woman of my word, I complete stranger. But as I said, the my affections) isn't so interesting. man/English hybrid. Let's focus on the how.

I met him at Pockets Pool. He much sexier than my wife."

was German, a cinematographer and only in town for the principle shooting of "Recount," the film about the 2000 Gore/Bush election blunder.

He was older, interesting and it said an awkward devastatingly handsome. I would just so I could stare at the beautiful half moon his mouth made when he talked.

He swirled scotch in hand as he told me, just between us, that Kevin Spacey might have hit on him. Normally, I would have found this story fascinating: how the actor led with his oversized belt buckle, standing too close, suggesting the two of them go for a stogey, but I was fixated on the second to last finger on his left hand, the "ring finger."

"You married?" I hiccoughed. He furrowed his brow with dis-

"In my country," he explained coolly, "we wear the wedding band on the other hand. I am only 27 (lie, 33). Just because I am in a country with backwards customs, doesn't mean I want to feel married everytime I get dressed in the morning."

I am, of course, skeptical. "Why wear the ring then?"

"This was my father's ring," he said. There was a note of finality in

It didn't really look like a wedding band, after all. It didn't appear to be made of gold or platinum, but

It was embroidered with un-

So I did what any girl looking to

Fast forward to the hotel room. happened.

I mumbled the mispronounced pick I liken the exchange of a man up line into his ear. He put his hand on back to his hotel, which, conveniently,

So anyway, we are now in his hotel

He's mumbling half English, half Now, I doubt anyone with this German, which by the way isn't sexy at all. I felt like he didn't know which language he was speaking half the time. His mouth had become unstuck from his brain.

We wrap things up. I am lying there with half-lidded eyes, It was one of those nights sloppy with drunkenness and post-orgasmic lull.

Older men are always so affectionate afterwards, I think, as he ended up going to a hotel with a clasps my hand in his and strokes the fuzz of my cheek. Then, he why (a boy I had a thing for shunned says something else in his Ger-

"By God," he said, "you are so

New defenses not safe

STAFF EDITORIAL DAILY EASTERN NEWS (EASTERN ILLINOIS

seriously. Two major university shootings in two years at Virginia Tech and Northern Illinois University have opened

to keep its students safe.

picking up steam is the fight back approach.

The Associated Press reported this week that some colleges are asking students and faculty to fight back against a shooter.

The new training suggests students and faculty use improvised weapons, such as a backpack or a laptop computer, to fight back.

The training teaches people to have a survival mindset. It discourages cowering in a corner or huddling with others.

Over 500 schools have participated in this training, which was produced by the Center for Personal Protection and Safety safety is a great idea.

New ways to communicate with students through text messaging, e-mail and even Facebook give students notice of emergencies on campus.

The most common safety tip given to students if there was a shooter on campus is to stay put and barricade the room.

Trying to attack a gunman could lead to injury and possible death. Attacking a gunman while he is reloading is an open opportunity to "fight back," but what if the shooter has another unfortunately, no such thing as gun or a knife?

These are scenarios colleges and universities must consider before offering such training.

the most severe of options that their teacher is packing heat.

schools have taken.

The AP also reported this week that in Harrold, Texas, t is not hard to say that students are returning to schools campus security is taken with teachers who may have a concealed handgun.

physicalism. In essence, these

Approved by the school board last October, teachers can carry a concealed weapon during school hours upon approval, after receiv-Schools seem to use anything ing a concealed weapons test and completion of training in A method that seems to be crisis intervention and hostage

> There is a time and place for guns, but a school is not one of those.

The kindergarten through 12th grade school is a 30-minute drive from the local sheriff's office and there are no security guards.

While some argue that many from Spokane, Wash. Bringing shootings across the country could new ideas to the mix of campus | have been prevented if someone was armed, what happens if one of these teachers has a breakdown? Obviously, the chance of that happening is extremely low, but so is the chance that someone starts shooting in school. Simply having Asking faculty and students guns in the building is dangerous to attack a gunman is another because students or unauthorized community members may stumble across them.

There is a time and place for guns, but a school is not one of those. Unless the teacher is a police officer, there is no need for guns in the classroom. Schools should expect security guards and police officers to stop a shooter in a school or on campus and there's, 100 percent coverage.

Everyone just needs to be vigilant and aware of his or her surroundings. They shouldn't However, this training is not need to be a hero or wondering if

McCain going after former Hillary Clinton supporters?

s the McCain camp continues to crank out ads featuring pseudoendorsements by Hillary Clinton, the campaign could potentially be risking the vote of the Republican

A recent ad features a former booths Nov. 4. Clinton delegate, Debra Barto-Hillary backers?

the Republican nomination even a few crucial states. quibbled with each other over who nomination.

Cain courts the voters of the very candidate he positioned himself against in the primaries. If McCain him, trying to distance himself enough is now positioning himself to disgruntled Democrats as an acceptable alternative to Hillary Clinton, what kind of message is that sending to the Republican base?

becomes all the more important as one such as Joe Lieberman. Obama continues to integrate faith as a central part of his campaign. before locking up the base seems like a dangerous roll of the dice.

just a push to sow seeds of discord remains to be seen. amongst Democrats while picking up enough votes to put McCain Massiri is a junior electronic over the top. Or maybe they are media and communication mahoping to create enough Obamaphobia to scare people into voting shane.nassiri@ttu.edu.

Shane



Still, voters do not like being shevich, throwing her support taken for granted, and McCain behind John McCain and assur- seems to be wielding a doubleing other Democrats that it is edged sword. A CNN/Opinion OK to vote Republican. What Research Corporation poll reshould a core Republican make leased Sunday shows 27 percent of this push to attract former of Clinton supporters backing McCain. With 18 million voters The name Hillary Clinton having turned out in the primaries does not exactly elicit feelings for Clinton, McCain could pick of affection amongst GOP vot- up as many as 5 million additional ers. The primary contenders for votes, enough to potentially swing

That is what the campaign would be the better candidate to seems to be betting on, at least, go up against the New York sena- but the question raised is how tor should she have received the many conservative votes do they stand to lose by going this route? Now the party-faithful are Enough people may end up stayexpected to wait in line while Mc- ing home to throw some states back toward Obama.

McCain has no easy task before from President Bush to attract the middle while still appealing to Bush

With McCain set to announce his running mate today, it is like-Many conservatives have not ly that his pick will help shore up fully embraced the idea of a Mc- some of the base if he goes for Cain presidency, and it has been someone such as Mitt Romney, noted that the evangelical vote is but he risks further compounding still largely up for grabs too, which his dilemma if he opts for some-

For now, it is an interesting dance to watch, and only helps McCain gunning for Clinton voters to reinforce McCain's status as a "maverick" candidate. Whether or not that style can appeal to Maybe the campaign is counting a broad enough segment of the on the base to realize these ads are population to claim a victory

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Tech, Lubbock officials ask for rowdy, law-abiding fans

By JON VANDERLAAN STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech Athletics department released to a responsible party. urges fans to follow the rules while being good fans.

media relations for Tech athletics, security presence at the games. said the athletic department encourive as possible — within reason.

actions, Beal said it is important for month preparing, Hoffman said. fans to stay "classy" and take sportsmanship seriously.

ment hopes to keep it that way, but the ordinary. fans should learn to cheer for their other team.

chief of the Tech Police Depart- last year. ment, said the department will have Washington University — in addibasis." tion to the officers provided by the Lubbock County Sheriff's office.

common disruptions at games in- said the office sends veteran officers, volve alcohol, but the department especially those who have experience also handles disruptive fans, lost on the street and interacting with and found property and traffic as- people on a daily basis. signments.

considerably due in part to changes inside the stadium, he said. in society — especially from events such as the Sept. 11 attacks.

students and non-students arrested at a single football game, Hoffman said the department arrested fewer Although Jones AT&T Stadium than 12 people each game last year. can be intimidating at times, the However, that does not include those

He said the decrease in arrests could partially be attributed to Blayne Beal, associate director of students' awareness of a significant

The department spends a week ages fans to be as rowdy and support- or longer preparing for each home football game, and for the first game In addition to avoiding illegal of the year, they can spend up to a

Along with keeping students in line, he said officers are attuned to Beal said the "Jones" is a tough the overall security of the stadium stadium to play at, and the depart- and patrol to catch anything out of

Cpt. Antonio Menchaca, law home team and not against the enforcement captain in the sheriff's office, said the office became of-Col. Gordon Hoffman, deputy ficially involved with football games

"I enjoy interacting with the between 30 and 40 officers at the students," Menchaca said. "That isn't Aug. 30 football game against Eastern something that we do on a regular

He said the office provides a "sup-Department of Public Safety and the port role" to Tech police who lead operations at the games. Although their Hoffman said one of the most role is mainly support, Menchaca

The support role will include pro-In the last 10 years, he said se-viding security at entrance gates and curity forces have been increased other tasks so Tech police can work

Tech police and the Lubbock County Sheriff's office have worked While he has seen as many as 50 together before on several occa-



IN THE PAST, some Red Raiders have broken the bleachers in the student section of Jones AT&T Stadium. These students are sought out by security officers and given a warning or removed from the stands for disorderly conduct.

sions, and Menchaca said the two football games was part of a natural

partnering with Tech police at the tween the organizations.

Tech police are enlisting in the Safety and possibly the District Atforces have trained together. He said progression of the relationship be- help of the Lubbock County Sheriff's torney's office, Hoffman said. office, Lubbock Department of Public »jon.vanderlaan@ttu.edu

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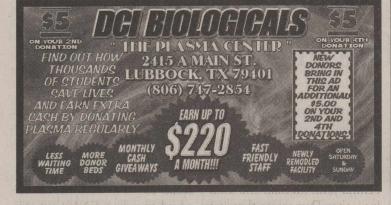
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RaiderGATE gives students venue for pre-game festivities

By MATT MCGOWAN FEATURES EDITOR

Texas Tech, nestled in West Texas, is home to many of the nation's premier academic programs - wind engineering, petroleum engineering and agricultural sciences to name a few, but despite its book smarts, the university knows how to enjoy some good old-fashioned home football

RaiderGATE, a universitysponsored tailgating event that began in 2001, is considered by many to be the largest studentrun tailgating event in the na-

This season's five Raider-GATEs — with \$82,000 in total funding that comes mostly from the Tech Activities Board — will kick off Sept. 13 with a performance by Bleu Edmondson.

"As far I know, it's still the largest student-run tailgate in the nation," said James Baumgartner, Tech's Student Government Association internal vice president and a member of the Raider-GATE committee. "There have modeled their school's tailgating RaiderGATE festivities. after ours. It's pretty unique to Texas Tech."

This weekend's season opener against Eastern Washington, our budget thin over six events," with Labor Day weekend, he said. events than six decent ones." A lot of students tend to return home during Labor Day and R1 parking lot east of the Biology an event, individuals are entitled it this year than we have in the derGATE events always deliver students together in one parking would not be able to attend the building, provides student organi- to two spots in the designated past." event. Spreading the budget too zations with a prime opportunity lot.



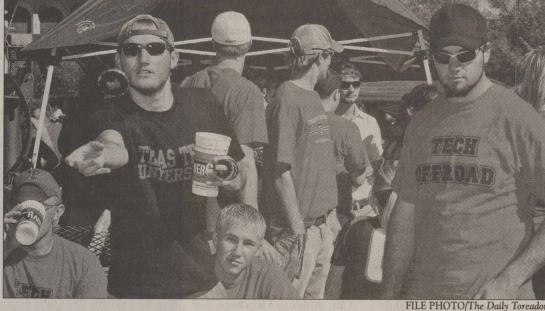
been other schools that have SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS CHOOSE to cook food during the

thin also was a concern.

however, will not follow a Raider- Baumgartner said. "We would tional costs — like those incurred GATE event because it coincides rather have five really awesome by T-shirts and banners.

to recruit, he said. In fact, the "We didn't want to spread university even offers to pay for half of an organization's promo-

The tailgating, hosted in the serve up to six parking spaces for



WASHERS, FRISBEE AND football are all popular games participants play at RaiderGATE.

serve basis, Baumgartner said.

People are really friendly and of-sophomore public relations major fer you cooking if you want to try. from Abilene. Walking around is the best part, getting ready for the game."

the event, rarely has the policy been obeyed in the past.

While organizations may re- in the past," Baumgartner said. "We're hoping to be stricter on

Even if alcohol does man-

"My favorite part is always of fun and celebration, said Jenny the cook-off that they have," he Wheat, a member of the Stusaid. "I guess it's kind of corny, dent Government Association's but they do a brisket cook-off. RaiderGATE committee and a over to the game together."

just seeing everyone enjoying and out of it," she said. "It's just a fun way to get together. I think premises."

fun, Baumgartner said.

"It is one of the most festive >> matthew.mcgowan@ttu.edu

"I think, based on the excitement

associated with

this year, that we

percent sold out

all donations for

parking passes

Tailgaters reserve spots the age to find its way into the things about being a Tech stu-Monday before a home game, free event during this season's Rai- dent," he said. "We have about of charge on a first-come, first- derGATEs, responsibility still 5,000 people attend usually. It would pervade the atmosphere brings everyone together right before game time. If everyone was separated throughout campus, it wouldn't be as much fun to walk

> At Tech, Wheat said, tailgating is a tradition, and this year's "I don't think any harm comes RaiderGATE could not come soon enough.

"It's going to be great," she While alcohol is prohibited at that Tech students will be pretty said. "It's like a student unity type respectful of that. I think, if of thing. It's just to get everyone there is a lot of drinking, it's together to get excited for sports "There's been alcohol there after the game. It's not on Tech and excited for Tech. We want to get a great crowd draw. I'm Alcohol-driven or not, Rai- excited about getting all of the lot to have a blast."

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Cost of parking increases, fans still tailgating en masse

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By MIKE GRAHAM STAFF WRITER

Hot dog buns, \$3 per package. Ballpark Franks, \$4. Relish, ketchup and mustard, \$5. Texas Tech tailgating, \$1,500... minimum.

Though fans seeking to tailgate near two or more spots. Jones AT&T Stadium paid more for Although this is parking and tailgating passes this year, nothing new, the all spaces around the stadium are com- escalation in parkpletely sold out for the 2008 season.

Last year, it took a \$3,000 donation hitting the pockto the Red Raider Club to park in the etbook harder. western parking lot adjacent to the home stands, said Steve Uryasz, Tech lot of complaints," senior associate athletic director. It said Bill Dean, cost \$4,000 to purchase the same spot the executive

On the east side of the stadium, and CEO of the parking will cost a \$1,500 minimum Tech Alumni Aswhen a \$600 minimum donation and a increase the price of anything you hear athletes on scholarship. point system determined whether or not complaints." tailgaters got their own spot, he said.

Bringing your own grill or large-scale ball's increased publicity is attracting entertainment system? Double the price. fans to the stadium. Because some tailgating items are too big

to fit in a parking space along with a vehicle, some tailgaters purchase ing pass prices is

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complaints.

Raider Scholar-

donation per spot as opposed to last year sociation. "It's just normal. When you pays tuition and fees for Tech's student-

Uryasz said, tailgating generally starts early in the morning on game days and suites inside the stadium and some of and there's Raider Alley too."

Tomorrow, students may be disappointed to learn that a traditional tailgating venue, RaiderGATE in the R1 parking lot, is not scheduled for the our football team first game of the season.

In a joint decision, the Student will have more Government Association and the Tech Activities Board decided to have only tailgaters around five RaiderGATE's for six home games campus than ever before," he this season, said James Baumgartner, said. "We are 100 internal vice president of the SGA.

"We decided, because it's Labor of parking spots Day weekend and a lot of students go around the sta- home, that we would rather have five Kaider GAI Es with bigger budgets than Uryasz said asixth one," he said. "We also wanted all the new Tech students to experience the first RaiderGATE of the year because it's always one of the most fun."

benefit the Red Uryasz said there are other tailgating ship Fund, which options for students. Miller Light will sponsor a tailgating event near Dan Law Field. Students age 21 and older will be While fans with RVs may park in allowed to drink in a designated "red Uryasz said he believes Tech foot- the stadium lots late Friday afternoon, zone" and tailgating is welcome in any general parking lot.

> "We allow tailgating in every parktailgaters consist mostly of Tech alumni ing lot on campus," Uryasz said. "It's free and major local corporations who own to park in the United Spirit Arena lots

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U. Alabama joins new trend, goes trayless in dining halls

By DAVE FOLK THE CRIMSON WHITE (U. ALABAMA)

One of the first things hungry students noticed when they came back to the University of Alabama this fall was that a dining hall staple was missing: in almost all the dining halls, the trays

The University decided to go "trayless" students experiencing the new system over the summer.

"This is in no way something we want to do to disrupt service or upset customers. It's a much bigger picture than that. I think the benefit outweighs the incon-

for Bama Dining. about includes not only environmental positives, but also money saving for the

"Honestly, there are so many benefits," Hopton-Jones said. "Each tray requires a gallon of water to wash. We've seen a decreased amount of waste by 25 percent

According to a news release from Bama Dining and the SGA, the Uni-

SGA President Cason Kirby said he that's what it means." plans to continue to work with Bama Dining for cost-saving techniques.

last spring and had most Bama Bound Bama Dining for some time to develop policies that encourage sustainability and recycling on our campus," he said. "Trayare working toward a greener campus."

While the loss of trays may mean some veniences," said Kristina Hopton-Jones, students will have to make multiple trips hope to continue to work with the SGA the food service contract administrator during lunch or dinner, Matt Mackey, the and expand their scope to more energy marketing manager for Bama Dining, said and cost-saving programs. The benefit Hopton-Jones speaks the inconvenience caused by losing trays is just a small price to pay.

> when I looked at the energy savings we to biodiesel," she said. could have by going trayless the benefits far

outweighed the cost," Mackey said. Students like Kyle Carey, a freshman

majoring in journalism, said it was not as big of a transition for some.

"We didn't have trays in our high versity will save nearly 552,000 gallons school for the last two years I was there, so of water a year, along with 270,000 fewer it's really not that different for me," Carey said. "If it means two trips [to get food],

Bama Dining has said the students they have heard back from have had "We [SGA] have been working with nothing but good things to say about the

"The response from the students has been fabulous — this summer with all the less dining saves huge amounts of water orientations and all the returning students and energy costs, and is yet another way we there was really very little concern," Hopton-Jones said.

In the future, Hopton-Jones said, they

"[There are] things we've been knocking around, and it takes funding and "Trays are something that is not that governmental policies, but we would love difficult to learn how to live without, and to be able to use our frying oil to convert

> Mackey, on the other hand, feels eventhis program could be huge nationwide. "It's a relatively small thing that, if



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THURSDAY AFTERNOON, SOPHOMORE Jared Cooper, a music performance major from Broken Arrow, Okla. practices Schubert's Trout Quintett inside a practice room.

Nevada Supreme Court won't delay Simpson trial

CARSON CITY, Nev. (AP) — A request from O.J. Simpson's last remaining co-defendant to delay the Sept. 8 start of the pair's armed robbery and kidnapping trial was rejected Thursday by a divided Nevada Supreme Court panel.

In a 2-1 decision, Justices Bill Maupin and Ron Parraguirre refused to stay Simpson and Clarence "C.J." Stewart's upcoming trial, and rejected Stewart's petition for a separate trial.

justices "are not satisfied that this in a civil case. court's intervention by way of extraordinary writ is warranted at this in a Sept. 13, 2007, confrontation

Justice Michael Cherry dissented, saying he would have granted the stay. He called for an answer from prosecutors to the petition for separate trials.

Lucherini, did not return calls seeking comment on whether he would ask the high court to reconsider.

District Judge Jackie Glass refused to would mean mandatory prison halt proceedings. Glass delayed the time. start of the trial once in April and vowed not to postpone it again.

possible for Stewart to get a fair trial sitting next to Simpson, the NFL Hall of Fame player, actor and advertising pitchman who was acquitted in 1995 in Los Angeles of criminal charges that he murdered his ex-wife and her friend. Simpson in prison with the possibility of pa-The brief majority order said was later found liable for the deaths role, and a robbery conviction would

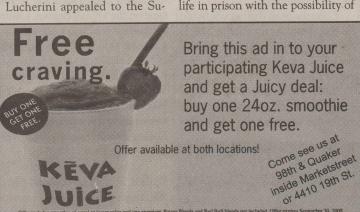
> Simpson and Stewart are charged with two sports memorabilia dealers at a casino hotel room in Las Vegas. Four men who accompanied Simpson and Stewart have accepted plea deals and agreed to testify.

Simpson and Stewart each face Stewart's attorney, Robert 12 charges, including felony kidnapping, armed robbery and assault with a deadly weapon. A kidnapping conviction carries the possibility of life in prison with the possibility of

preme Court after Clark County parole, and a robbery conviction

Simpson maintains that he went to the hotel room to retrieve items Lucherini argued it will be im- stolen that had been from him, that he didn't ask anyone to bring guns and that he didn't know anyone in the room was armed.

The trial is expected to take at least five weeks. A kidnapping conviction carries the possibility of life mean mandatory prison time.



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Illinois school bans illegal peer-to-peer file sharing

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BY JOANNA PELLETIER THE DAILY VIDETTE (ILLINOIS STATE U.)

Despite the repercussions of downloadlived on-campus during the 2007-2008 budget school year used P2P software.

on-campus networks.

vice president of Academic Informa- list of legal alternatives for students. tion Technology, 42 percent of the file

sharing that occurred throughout campus last year was used for movies, while the remaining 58 percent was used for games and music. "We receive 130 DMCA [Digital Millennium Copyright Act] complaints per month...if we get a DMCA compliant, it means you were infringing someone's copy-

right," Walbert said. the Digital Citizens Project and bandwidth management to monitor its on-campus network and educate students about visit birdtrax.ilstu.edu. violating copyright laws.

"I wouldn't do it [share files illegally]

if the charges were more reasonable," said Erik Christiansen, a junior, when referring to Amazon, iTunes and Napster.

Christiansen went on to say that he ing media via illegal peer-to-peer applica- would be interested in using a legal ISU tions, over 90 percent of ISU students who service if its prices catered to a student's

In response to the Higher Education The high volume of file sharing in the Authorization Act, and in an effort to residence halls has led to a recent restric- limit the number of DMCA complaints tion of P2P applications on all of ISU's placed against ISU students, the University has launched a comprehensive According to Mark Walbert, associate Website called BirdTrax, which provides a

According to David Greenfield,

director of Student Technology Support, ISU is the first university to come out with such a comprehensive list, making ISU a national leader in the effort to reduce illegal P2P file sharing on-campus.

"There are so many groups that this affects," Greenfield said. "We want stu-

dents to give us feedback. We want people ISU has also enacted other efforts like to tell us what their favorite site is so that we can continue in our evaluation.'

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THE TREK TO TECH



JON HARPER, A senior mechanical engineering major from Amarillo and Tam Pham, a senior chemical engineering major also from Amarillo, make their way down Fourth Street to the commuter north parking lot Thursday. Harper and Pham commute to Texas Tech from off-campus housing north of Fourth Street. Harper agrees it is harder to cross Fourth Street with the construction but thinks it will be easier when the bridge is completed.

U. Colorado conservatives find themselves in a liberal frenzy

BY HANNA JOHNSON CAMPUS PRESS (U. COLORADO)

Across the University of Colorado campus, Barack Obama posters suggestively colored in shades of red and blue windows and are being sold alongside the timeless likenesses of Jimi Hendrix election." and the Beatles.

much political awareness on campus, publican, said he doesn't like to talk especially in the face of those who call students apathetic. But, one may ask, where have all the Republicans classroom and tells his students what gone?

scarce on the CU campus as it may McGuire said. "I am (a Republican); seem. It just takes a bit of effort to I just don't tell anybody."

any angst toward the Democratic crats and liberals on campus.

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Frampton admits, however, that CU's campus is not as Republicanfriendly as it is Democrat-friendly.

"[CU] can be a little intolerant," Frampton said. "Conservative ideas definitely don't get put out there with the phrase "hope" are hanging in as much as left ideas. The left side definitely gets out more with the

Political science Professor Vincent It is an inspiring sight to see so McGuire, who labels himself as a Reabout his political affiliation at CU.

"A professor that goes into the to think and who to vote for is com-Turns out, Republicans aren't as mitting intellectual intimidation,"

McGuire added that there are Wyatt Frampton, a junior bio-times when CU Republicans don't chemistry major and a self-described feel confident enough to express their conservative, said he isn't harboring beliefs with the zealous ardor of Demo-

"I've had students come In fact, Frampton said he thinks very upset, sometimes in tears, because having the Democratic National they spoke their mind in class about Convention in Denver has some their beliefs and were made fun of, ridiculed," McGuire said. "College "I think it's a good economic op- should be about overcoming bigotry portunity for Denver," Frampton said. and biases, not perpetuating them."

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UCLA student rapper strives to undo educational inequalities

BY MARYIA KRYVARUCHKA DAILY BRUIN (UCLA)

Whether he's rhyming about math, metaphors or mishaps in dating, Brandon Contreras, a fourth-year applied mathematics student at the University of California Los Angeles, is out to prove that rap can be hard without hard subject matter.

The verses aren't necessarily light and fluffy either, but always true to Contreras' experiences in student life.

"Unlike a lot of the rappers, I've ence, courtesy of Contreras. never been in a gang, sold drugs or shot anyone, and I won't rap about that," Contreras said. "I just try to stay true to myself, and make the lyrics in the most creative way possible."

Inner awareness and creativity evidently paid off in May in the form of unprecedented musical success for Contreras, or BC, as he is known to the UCLA community.

his goal of making it to Spring Sing as Band Entry.

song "Undo," BC shaped his thumb and index finger into an acute angle

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while he rapped the verse that made the book-smart females in the Spring Sing

audience chuckle, if not swoon.

"Your body temperature must be less than 90 degrees / 'cause you're acute girl / at any angle that I look, not to mention / You're the educated type; no stranger to a book / Those are just two of the reasons I can see you with me / I love you - and that's reason No. 3," he rapped.

The seemingly ambiguous group name 3:26 is also a mathematical refer-

"My favorite number is three, and the song 'Undo' was written for a girl whose favorite number is 26," Contreras said. "Since I am a math person, 3:26 is like a ratio: three to 26; me to her. I proposed the idea (to the rest of the group) and they didn't mind. Now here

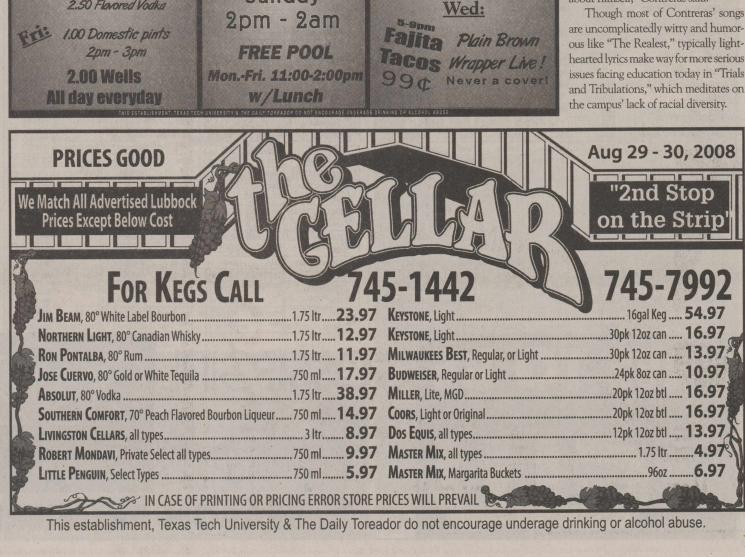
The same month, after receiving the Spring Sing award and gaining Contreras more than accomplished fame on the UCLA campus, Contreras reached another career milestone the rapper for the group 3:26, the win- when he won the prestigious Song ner of the Las Doñas Award for Best of the Year songwriting contest for his song, "The Realest." The contest While performing 3:26's original supports the VH1 Save the Music Foundation, and is judged by Grammy winners as well as representatives from Rolling Stone magazine and ABC, among others.

The award-winning verses of "The Realest" are a more scholastic take on the bragging rights of every rap artist, and even draw inspiration from literary devices quite familiar to many college students.

"I'm a plate of simile, with a cup of metaphor / Side of some hyperbole and innuendos galore / A euphemism, allusion, alliteration dessert / I don't need your little tips, just sit and get served," state the lyrics.

"School is a big part of my life, and every song I make usually has references that all students can relate to, (even) the song in which every rapper brags about himself," Contreras said.

Though most of Contreras' songs are uncomplicatedly witty and humorous like "The Realest," typically lighthearted lyrics make way for more serious issues facing education today in "Trials and Tribulations," which meditates on the campus' lack of racial diversity.



Crabtree cleared of violation, expected to suit up Saturday against Eastern Washington

Texas Tech receiver Michael Crabtree has been cleared of any accused violation according to the NCAA.

According to Rivals.com, a Web site was planned to promote the receiver. Crabtree asked Tech officials if this was permitted, but he was told no. Before being told the Web site could not be created, the company in charge launched the site without permission, threatening Crabtree's eligibility. The company later apologized to Tech athletics, the Web site was taken down, and Tech self-reported the incident to the NCAA.

.based on the information provided by the university, there does not appear to be a violation.

STACY OSBURN NCAA Spokeswoman

Tech athletics representative Robert Baker said the matter has been handled between the NCAA and Tech.

"The university became aware of a possible compliance issue involving a football student-athlete," he said. "We have looked into the matter and communicated with Big 12 and NCAA officials and found that there were no violations."

The violation in question included the NCAA rule that a student-athlete shall not receive any extra benefit. Receipt by a student-athlete of an award, benefit or expense allowance not authorized by NCAA legislation renders the student-athlete ineligible for athletics competition in the sport for which the improper award, benefit or expense was received.

NCAA spokeswoman Stacy Osburn said the information Tech gave about the violation helped clear it.

"To follow up," she said, "the NCAA worked with Texas Tech and based on the information provided by the university, there does not appear to be a violation."

Tech coach Mike Leach said the issue was a miscommunica-

"We had a student-athlete with an issue and that had to do with papers being stacked right and now they're stacked right," he said. "So it was mainly an office deal."

Crabtree never missed a practice and is expected to start in Tech's season opener against Eastern Washington at 6 p.m. Saturday in Jones AT&T Stadium.

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Cross country to use first meet for training

By KAYLA PARHAM STAFF WRITER

Leaving the flat plains of West Texas to run in the scenic mountains of New Mexico, the Texas Tech cross country team will look for training in the form of its first meet of the season.

The Red Raiders are running in a tri-meet against Wayland Baptist and Eastern New Mexico at 4 p.m. at the Lincoln National Forest in Cloudcroft, N.M.

Tech coach Jon Murray said the Cloudcroft meet is great for training because it is over 9,000 feet above sea level and has great weather.

"The number one thing we are going to Cloudcroft for is for training purposes," he said. "We're going to stay up there until Monday. We'll be there two days after the race to be able to train."

country team will team up with Tech after the meet to train on the mountains trails.

Wayland coach Brian Whitlock said it will be an interesting experience and beneficial for his team to train with the Red Raiders.

"Tech's team and then my team are going to stay up there for three or four days and kind of train together," he said. "So it should be a good time or something good and fun for the kids, I believe.'

In the NAIA preseason poll, the Wayland Baptist women are tied at No. 5 and the Wayland men are No. 18.

Whitlock said he is looking to try and compete with Tech, but mainly is using this opportunity for

"I think both teams are pretty much training through this meet,"

The Wayland Baptist cross he said. "So I just want to be competitive, at least give some of their kids some competition and see how close we can get racing against them."

The Tech men are taking returning-letter-winners Silas Kemboi, Gilbert Limo, Logan Culotta, and Eric Ayala, as well as freshman Zach Dawson and transfer-athlete Nathan Milles.

The Tech women are taking most of their team that ran in nationals last year with Gladys Kipsang, Asia Diaz and Michelle Guzman, along with newcomers Lillian Badaru and Brintney Green.

This will be Green and Dawson's first collegiate meet coming straight from high school.

Kipsang said in recent practices the team is looking sound and she expects them to do well in Cloud-

"The team is great," Kipsang said. "The last workout we did, everyone looked good, and we should

The new athletes look strong, Kipsang said, and added that she believes they will do well in their

The women will run three miles,

and the men will run four miles. From this meet Murray said he will be able to gauge the teams performance and build off what

"(We want to) get in there, see where we are," Murray said. "What we came for, what kind of shape we're coming in the season with, just use that as a measuring stick and go from there."

The Red Raiders next meet will be the Red Raider Invitational on Sept. 19. in Lubbock.

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Mickelson trying to get back on top of his game

NORTON, Mass. (AP) — Phil

kept at the TPC Boston. He played the pro-am with tournament host Seth Waugh, the CEO of Deutsche Bank Americas; New York mayor Michael Bloomberg and New England Patriots owner Bob Kraft. Such is the VIP treatment typically afforded the highest-ranked player in

FedEx Cup playoff standings aside, that honor still falls to Mickelson.

He is No. 2 in the world ranking, although it's easy to forget that. Because while Tiger Woods has been out of sight for two months after his season-ending knee surgery, Mickelson at times has been MIA.

Some thought he would take advantage of Woods' absence by piling up victories, perhaps another major or two, and giving himself a chance to win the money title or PGA Tour player of the year for the first time in his career.

But it hasn't worked out that way. Mickelson has played four times with only one serious chance at winning, when he had a one-shot lead until bogeys on three of the last four holes at Firestone to tie for fourth. He had to rally to make the weekend at the British Open, was steady but not spectacular in his tie for seventh at the PGA Championship and opened the PGA Tour Playoffs for the FedEx Cup last week with a tie for 19th.

"I've played the same way I've better week." Mickelson's star presence at the played throughout the year," Mickel-Deutsche Bank Championship was son said. "I just haven't been scoring had a good year. He won at Riviera evident Thursday by the company he the way I would like. Even though I and Colonial, and he is third on the feel like I'm playing better, the little money list, a little more than \$1 milshots around the greens have cost me. lion behind Woods. With three more

By most standards, Mickelson has But I'm starting to get that turned \$7 million events, a money title is not around, and I expect to have a much out of reach.

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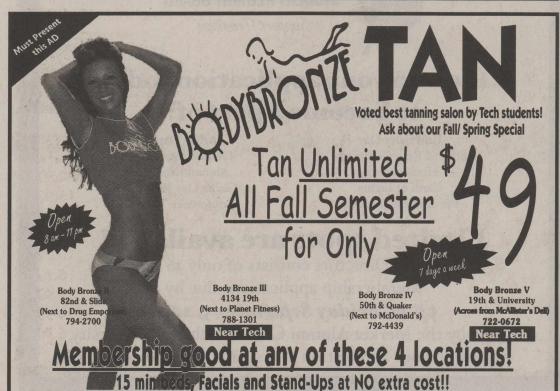
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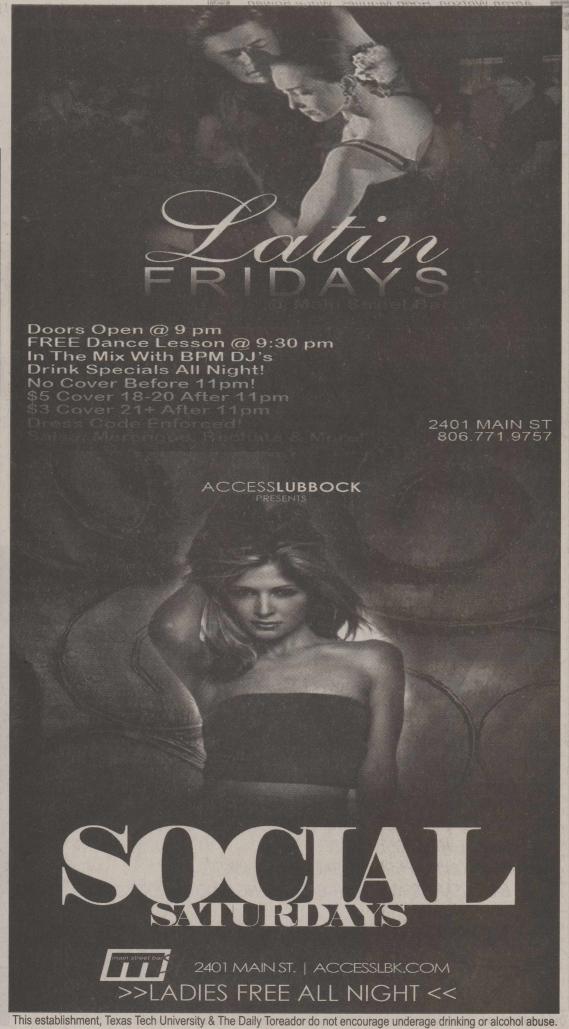
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The Mean Green Classic is the

The Red Raiders also play in the

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Arizona Invitational Sept. 5-6, Red

Raider Roundup Sept. 12 and the

Red Raiders head to Mean Green Volleyball Classic

By KEVIN CULLEN STAFF WRITER

The Red Raiders may not have to worry about its lack of experience Friday.

The Texas Tech volleyball team begins its season against North Texas at 7 p.m. in Denton in the first of three matches in the Mean Green Volleyball Classic.

After a 2007 campaign in which the Red Raiders went 7-22 overall and 1-19 in Big 12 Conference play, Tech is hoping to get off to a strong start in 2008.

· North Texas is coming off a similar season finishing 12-21.

While Tech assistant coach Mike Moffitt said the team's sights are always set on winning every game, the first tournament of the season holds extra value for this year's squad.

"You always go into these tournaments thinking you're gonna go 3-0," he said. "If you had to put a number on it, that's what you are looking for, but really you're looking for how this group with so many newcomers is gonna come together and accomplish what they should. It's gonna be a lot of playing up to expectations for us."

Along with the coaches getting today against North Texas.

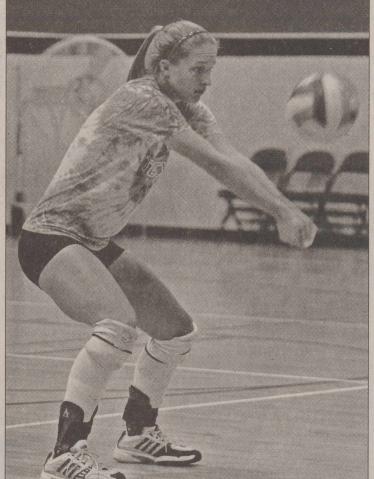


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CAROLINE WITTE WILL aim to push Tech to a season-opening win

how well their team responds to good match, honestly." playing in front of a crowd for the first time this year.

be, you know — you'll have two the match. teams that are from that area, so they'll both have big crowds," he know a whole said. "So we will get to adjust to lot about that. Other than that, a lot of our Tech," Headfocus for this weekend is gonna be rick said. "I'm on our side of the net and our play. sure they prob-In particular, just how we gel as a ably don't know team is what this first weekend is much about gonna be."

Friday will feature the debuts of we are actuseven newcomers to Tech's roster, ally more conincluding new setters Caroline cerned about Witte and Karlyn Meyers, who are what's going attempting to replace last year's on, on our side assists leader, Emily Ziegler.

North Texas coach Cassie Head-right now, and rick also is familiar with new faces, we will make as the Mean Green welcomed 10 new players in the offseason.

She said this adds to the intrigue of Friday's match.

"We have 10 newcomers on our looks like a lot of newcomers as well. I'm hoping for a competitive total blocks in the 2007 season, the year." match on both of our sides. I'm re- and Flores led the team in kills

a first look at how well the team ally excited to be able to host Tech. with 300. plays together, they also will see I'm just hoping that it's gonna be a

Being that this is the first match the season for Tech. of the season for both teams, there 'This weekend, a lot of it will is an element of unfamiliarity for

of the court

those game-

A few of those game-time deci-

"I don't I'm really excited to be able to host Tech. I'm just hoping that it's gonna be a good us. Right now match, honestly. **CASSIE HEADRICK**

NORTH TEXAS VOLLEYBALL COACH

Tech coach Nancy Todd said starting with four tournaments gives the team a chance to work out its kinks before

Lamar Tour-

nament Sept.

opponents. The challenge of starting on the road is some-

facing Big 12

time decisions in terms of what thing Witte said she relishes and they are going to be throwing at hopes to use this tournament as a springboard for the season.

"I'm pumped," she said. "I can't roster ourselves," Headrick said. "I sions will more than likely involve wait. I can't wait to get on the road know Tech is coming off a season two of Tech's returning players, and travel. I feel pretty confident with some injuries last year and it Brandi Hood and Michelle Flores. that we are gonna do well and Hood led the team with 94 hopefully keep it going throughout

Texas Tech soccer opens Big 12 play early with Colorado

By STEVEN RYAN STAFF WRITER

chips and queso, mozzarella sticks or artichoke dip. The Texas Tech women's appetizer for the Big 12 Conference and preseason practice."

taste of Big 12 Conference against Colo-Complex.

"It gives you a little bit of an idea of Oklahoma State. what is ahead," Tech coach Tom Stone said. "No matter what the outcome, we are going to learn a lot about ourselves."

Usually teams play most, if not all Everyone loves appetizers. Most have Red Raiders get their conference opener ence game. in just the second match of the season.

"It's an odd situation," Stone said. "It soccer team will use Colorado as their tests how much you got done in spring

The Red Raiders will get an early the Red Raiders have ever played a conference game in school history. They have

The rest of the Big 12 does not start playing conference games until Sept. they are

non-conference games before getting into in practice a little early this year in order than non-conference games. the conference schedule. This season the to get his team ready for the early confer-

comes around he is really wired," Tech team's conference record. goalkeeper Tina Rincon said. "He has brought the intensity to let us know that The Aug. 29 matchup is the earliest this is conference, and everything we do is going to be harder than before."

rado 7 p.m. at the John Walker Soccer six non-conference matches in between the game is a big test considering how straight year. Colorado and their next Big 12 opponent, young the season is, but she does not

In all the various sports, conference

Stone has tried raising the intensity games usually have a more serious feel

The main goal for most teams is to win a conference championship, and non-Whenever the (conference) season conference games do not count toward a

Sims said the intensity for conference games is always higher because they are the ones that count in regard of reaching the Big 12 Tournament, something that Tech midfielder Shannon Sims said Tech is looking to achieve for the second

Stone said the Big 12 is so competitive think the team is too concerned because from top to bottom that nobody can take Colorado is not anymore prepared then a night off and it's important to get a jump start in the standings.

> The Red Raiders also opened their conference season last year against Colorado, winning 1-0 in Boulder.

Despite being outshot 19-10, Tech won the game with a goal in the 76th minute by Meagan Wilber off of a Zhaleh Rezaie free kick. Sims said it was a difficult game for her

because Colorado was very quick and they

used an extra midfielder, which confused her on how to defend them. She said this year they are much more prepared.

"They play a little different system, so record. we need to make sure we are organized defensively," Rincon said. "But we also need All-Big 12 selection, forward Nikki to make sure we do what we're good at. Marshall. Marshall has 26 career goals We can't change too much for them."



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreadon

TECH GOALKEEPER TINA Rinon looks forward to starting Big 12 play early in the season.

The Buffaloes have struggled out of the net this season. of the gate this season with an 0-1-1

The Buffaloes are led by two-time

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Tech is 3-10 all-time in their conference opener and 1-4 when opening the season at home. This also will be the first conference game ever played at the new John Walker Soccer Complex.

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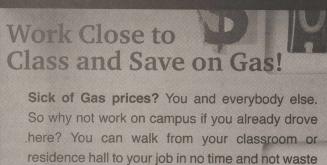
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Eastern Washington looking to stage unlikely upset



DARCEL MCBATH WILL lead the Red Raider defense against Eastern Washington 6 p.m. Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

By ALEX YBARRA STAFF WRITER

Having spent several seasons as a coach with Appalachian State in the 1990s, Texas Tech defensive coordinator Ruffin McNeill understands the mindset of a smaller school trying to prove something to the nation.

It happened to Michigan in 2007, and in order for it not to happen to the Red Raiders — who play Eastern Washington at 6 p.m. Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium — Tech needs to realize that the Eagles will hold nothing back, McNeill said.

"I think they're coaching hard on fundamentals," he said. "I think they'll limit and play their best football players in the game. I think Appalachian played only a handful of numbers against Michigan, I think you'll see that. I think you have to be aware of any kind of trick type stuff on all sides of the ball."

Eastern Washington, a member of the Big-Sky Conference, is no cellar dweller in the Football Championship Subdivision.

In the preseason poll of FCS schools, Eastern Washington is ranked No. 7 in the nation due to a in total offense and was eighth in successful 9-4 campaign in 2007 that ended with a 38-35 loss to three-time defending national champion Appalachian State in the quarterfinals of the FCS playoffs.

Coach Beau Baldwin returned to EWU this season as head coach after a one-year hiatus at Central Washington in 2007 steered him away from his previous position as offensive coordinator of the Eagles from 2003-2006.

Preparing for Tech, whose No. 12 ranking is the highest since the school was No. 8 in 1977, should not be too hard of a task for Baldwin, considering many of the players that are now juniors and seniors were freshman and sophomores when he was offensive coordinator in 2006.

In that season, EWU started with losses to then-No. 6 West Virginia and Oregon State by a combined score of 94-10. However, Baldwin said he believes he has a more mature team in 2008.

The game pits two potent offensive systems that have racked up plenty of yards against opposing defenses. EWU's average of 462.3 yards per game ranked fifth in FCS passing with 295.4 yards.

While Tech plays close to a passonly spread offense. EWU will step away from its passing options to run the ball if necessary, Baldwin said.

EWU running back Dale Morris ran for 930 yards and 12 touchdowns for the Eagles last season.

Tech coach Mike Leach complemented the Eagles' style of play, which might as well be a distant cousin of Leach's offense.

"The similarities, I guess, is everybody is trying to use the whole field," he said, "and get it in a lot of people's hands, but they do a good job there as well. It's not an accident that they've had quite a bit of success in the past."

The question for Baldwin is whether his defense can slow down quarterback Graham Harrell and All-American Michael Crabtree in an offense that averaged 529.6 yards per game a year ago.

"It's gonna be a tremendous challenge, no matter who plays Texas Tech," Baldwin said. "Anyone in the country, it's gonna be a challenge on that defense, and you're never gonna stop those guys. They're too good.

They're too talented."

Eastern Washington quarterback and 2007 Big Sky Conference MVP Matt Nichols - who threw for 3,744 yards and a school-record 34 touchdowns - said Tech is not the only team trying to win a national championship this season.

On the other hand, Nichols said after watching film on Tech's defense for two weeks, he believes safety Darcel McBath and cornerback Jamar Wall headline a defensive secondary that could make it difficult to get the ball into space.

"They're very, very, very fast," Nichols said. "Catching up to the speed of their defense, they're obviously going to be a little faster than what we see everyday in practice with scout teams and everything."

McBath said the Eagles' close loss to Appalachian State in last season's playoff proves the team can play with anybody in the nation if a few things go their way.

"Coach Leach talks about it a lot," McBath said, "and I definitely don't want to make SportsCenter for that. We can't let that hap-

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Experienced Nichols prepared to lead Eagles into hostile territory again

By ALEX YBARRA STAFF WRITER

Most college quarterbacks Eagles 52-3. would like to remember their first Matt Nichols, the game seems like against that caliber team," Nichols one giant blur.

shirt freshman starting against Pat Eagles had played a ranked oppo-White, Steve Slaton and then-No. nent. "I didn't even totally know 6 West Virginia in Morgantown, what the offense was doing; let a 38-35 loss to eventual three-time W.Va., in front of more than alone what the defense was trying defending champion Appalachian said Nichols, who will lead the

55,000 screaming college fans. No wonder it was a blur.

"I had so much adrenaline dursaid of the game, which marked the It was 2006, Nichols was a red-second time in school history the

real thing. I don't even know how ship Subdivision quarterfinals. The Mountaineers routed the to put it in words. I only remember a little bit of the game."

start, but for Eastern Washington's ing that game, being my first start and Nichols is a completely different quarterback.

> He is the experienced, accomplished leader of an Eastern Washington team that finished 9-4 in similar to what Appalachian State how to handle it. I'm just trying to 2007. The Eagles' season ended in accomplished.

> to do to us. It was just kind of a sur- State in the Football Champion- ing larger schools such as Oregon

With that game being close and Appalachian State's monumental Flash forward to this season, upset at Michigan, Nichols said he believes the game against Texas acknowledged that his Eagles need gonna be my third year starting. an absolutely flawless performance, I've been in the situation, I know

> "No penalties or turnovers," Eagles against Tech at 6 p.m. Satof handed them a 21-point lead. Crabtree. It was over after that.'

State, West Virginia and BYU eases the nerves going into Jones AT&T Stadium, where fans can get pretty rambunctious.

"I know what the atmosphere Tech is a "money game," but he is gonna be," he said. "This is prepare some of the younger guys on the team for what it's going to

Nichols and fellow All-Amerurday at Jones AT&T Stadium. ican wide receiver Aaron Boyce, "Not handing the game to them. who caught 85 passes for 1,308 I remember my first year against yards and 10 touchdowns last Oregon State. We came out and season, mirror the familiar duo had a couple fumbles early, kind of Graham Harrell and Michael

Boyce and Crabtree will both Nichols, an All-Big Sky Con- try to match the numbers they put



QUATERBACK MATT NICH-OLS will lead a record-setting Eagles

ference quarterback that threw for up last season, but as is the case on offense into Lubbock 6 p.m. Satura school-record 34 touchdowns and both teams, a variety of weapons day at Jones AT&T Stadium. 3,744 yards last season, said play- and added attention could limit The Service Center on the Strip! PRICES GOOD 08/29 - 08/30 For Kegs: 745-7/66

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Boyce exploded onto the scene when slot receiver Tony Davis went down with an injury during the fourth game of the 2007 season against Portland State. With Davis out for the next four games, Boyce had a total of 40 receptions for 679 yards and four touchdowns nearly half of his final numbers.

"That was kind of a big thing, Tony going down," Nichols said. "Boyce had to step up and make a lot more catches. Aaron knows that he could have an extremely better season without having better numbers. Other teams are going to be too focused on him, and we have a lot of very good athletes that will hurt you if you put your focus on one person."

Eastern Washington coach Beau Baldwin said Boyce and Nichols are an integral part to the Eagles on and off the field, like Harrell and Crabtree are to the Red Raiders.

"They both mean a ton to the program, not only are they great players, they're great leaders," Baldwin said during a teleconference Wednesday. "They do the right stuff in the offseason. They lead by example also. When they're talking to their teammates, they're walking the walk as well, so they're tremendous assets to not just what we do offensively, and what numbers they put up, but just our team in general."

Even though Nichols knows his team has its work cut out, playing Tech does have its perks, he said.

"We're definitely excited about the opportunity," he said. "Me, personally, to play opposite a quarterback like Graham Harrell is kind of something that I always wanted to do. It's going to be a lot of fun. It'll be a good thing to be able to watch him play when I'm not on the field, learn a few things from him."

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