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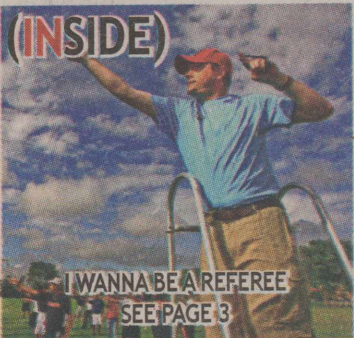
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STATE

Billions to be shared by Enron shareholders

HOUSTON (AP) — Enron Corp. shareholders and investors will split more than \$7.2 billion from financial institutions accused of participating in the fraud that caused the once-mighty energy giant to collapse.

The settlement plan, approved late Monday by U.S. District Judge Melinda Harmon, includes \$688 million plus interest in attorneys fees.

The \$7.2 billion and the attorneys fees are the largest ever in a securities fraud case.

NATION

Iowa files child labor charges against plant

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — The owner and managers of the nation's largest kosher meatpacking plant were charged Tuesday with more than 9,000 misdemeanors alleging they hired minors and in some cases had children younger than 16 handle dangerous equipment such as circular saws, meat grinders and power shears.

They are the first criminal charges against operators of the Agriprocessors plant in Postville, where nearly 400 illegal immigrants working at the facility were arrested in May in one of the largest single-site immigration raids in U.S. history.

WORLD

Off-target NATO bomb kills 2 Afghan civilians

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — A NATO bomb mistakenly hit a house 1 1/2 miles off target Tuesday, killing two civilians and wounding 10 even as Afghanistan's president was saying that terrorism cannot be defeated if innocents are killed in coalition operations.

Meanwhile, a roadside bomb killed an Afghan contract worker and three soldiers in the U.S.-led coalition elsewhere in eastern Afghanistan, the coalition said. No other details were released.

A NATO statement said the bomb was aimed at a spot used by insurgents to fire rockets in eastern Khost province but the weapon malfunctioned and hit a civilian house.

DEATH TOLL

4155

U.S. military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

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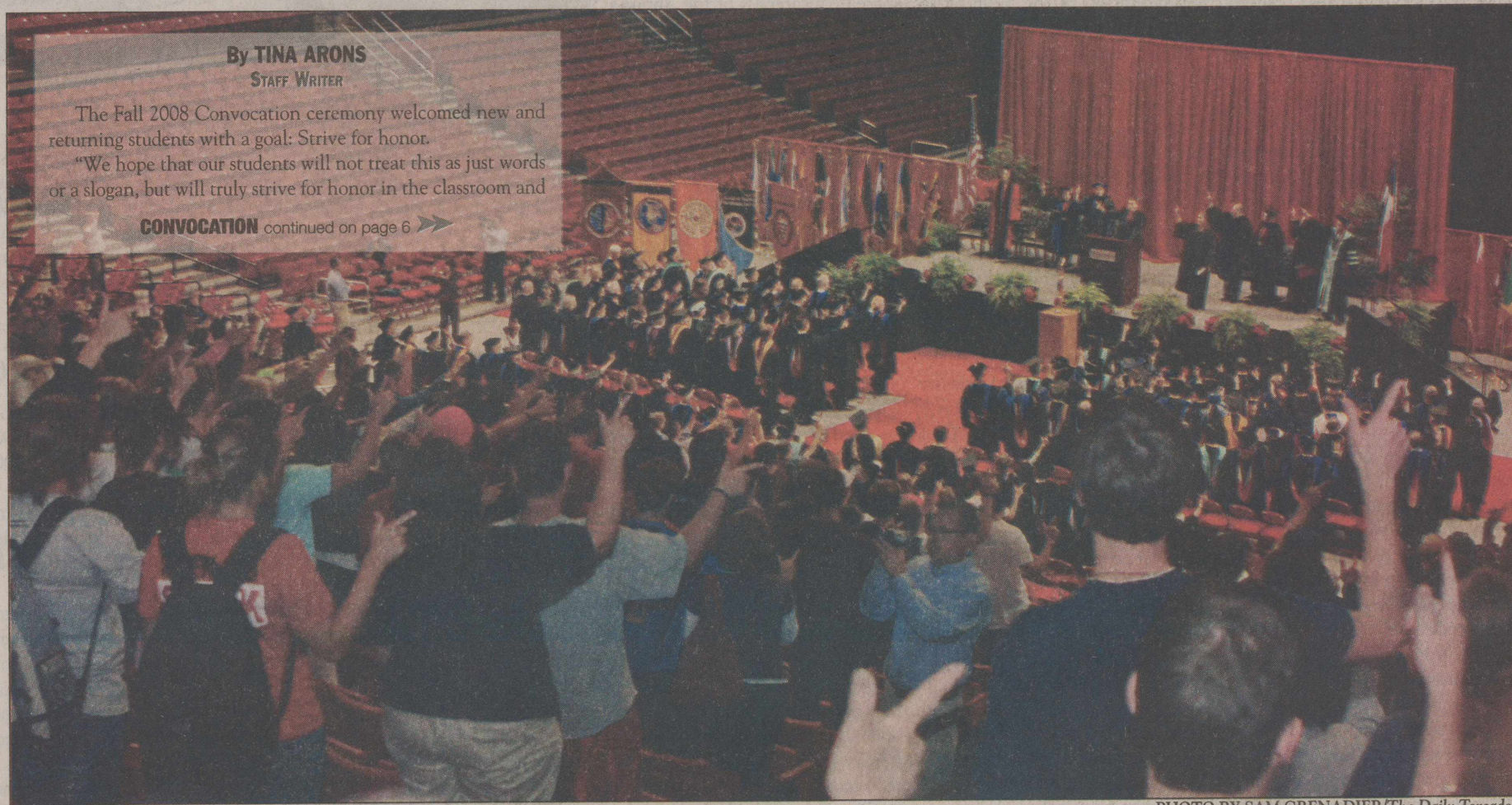


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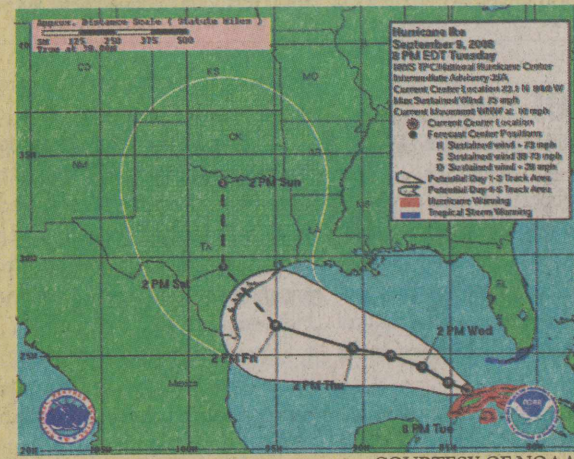
STUDENTS AND FACULTY sing the school song during the 2008 University Convocation Tuesday afternoon in the United Spirit Arena.

By TINA ARONS
STAFF WRITER

The Fall 2008 Convocation ceremony welcomed new and returning students with a goal: Strive for honor. "We hope that our students will not treat this as just words or a slogan, but will truly strive for honor in the classroom and

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Ike predicted to hit Texas, Lubbock prepares for evacuees



COURTESY OF NOAA

By MATT COBB
STAFF WRITER

With Hurricane Ike steaming into the Gulf of Mexico, Texas emergency officials Tuesday stood ready to evacuate 1 million people from the impoverished Rio Grande Valley.

They put Lubbock on standby to provide refuge to what could be as many as 1,000 evacuees.

The Lubbock City Council appropriated \$500,000 for emergency items to provide assistance and care to the evacuees, according to a statement

made by the city. The state will reimburse all of the city's expenditures.

The Lubbock-based American Red Cross South Plains Regional Chapter is waiting to be notified by its national chapter before it begins to provide aid in response to the storm, said Megan Graham, fund development director of the chapter.

The chapter already is preparing to help with the evacuees and is waiting for proper notification, Graham said. It is planning to provide assistance both in Lubbock and wherever the storm makes landfall.

"We have a possibility of sending out an emergency response vehicle down to the coastline," Graham said. "It can feed up to 500 people at one time and could be down there for up to two weeks."

The City Bank Auditorium and Coliseum is set up to hold evacuees, Graham said, including 500 cots that were set up for evacuees expected to arrive after Hurricane Gustav. Necessary supplies also are in place.

The Texas Tech Police Department

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Russia to keep troops in 2 Georgia regions

By STEVE GUTTERMAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TBILISI, Georgia (AP) — Russia announced Tuesday it would keep 7,600 troops in Abkhazia and South Ossetia for the foreseeable future, asserting power in the breakaway regions even as it began a pullout from positions deeper in Georgia.

The Kremlin's plans for a heavy military footprint in the enclaves mock Georgia's hopes that a revised peace agreement will lead to a complete Russian withdrawal from the fractured country at the heart of a bitter fray between Moscow and the West.

The deal that emerged from a day of frantic French diplomacy Monday may defuse tension by removing Russian forces from positions they hold in Georgia weeks after last month's war. But it left serious questions unanswered.

After hours of talks with French President Nicolas Sarkozy, Russian President Dmitry Medvedev promised to withdraw all Russian forces

from positions outside Abkhazia and South Ossetia within about a month.

Medvedev's pledge seemed like a startling concession from Moscow, which had adamantly claimed to have met its obligations under the cease-fire brokered by Sarkozy last month. As recently as Sunday, Georgia said Russia was reinforcing its positions around a key port.

But even as it promises to pull back from positions outside South Ossetia and Abkhazia, Russia is strengthening its grip on the separatist regions themselves. That runs counter to Western demands that they remain a part of Georgia and casts a shadow over President Mikhail Saakashvili's hopes of uniting the nation.

On Tuesday, Russian forces pulled out of a position near Abkhazia, officials and residents said. Georgia's Rustavi-2 television showed residents of the Black Sea coastal town of Ganmkhuri rejoicing at the Russian departure.

"We have regained our freedom," said one woman.

TTUHSC announces new cancer center, arrival of nationally recognized researchers

By JON VANDERLAAN
STAFF WRITER

As one example of Texas Tech Health Sciences Center's dedication to research, the university announced Tuesday the formation of a new cancer center and the arrival of a 17-person team of cancer researchers.

The new cancer center will focus on the creation of cancer-fighting drugs for children and adults, and in the future will build a Hope Lodge. Hope Lodges are places where cancer patients and their families can stay temporarily while they receive treatment in another city, according to the American Cancer Society Hope Lodge Web site.

Dr. C. Patrick Reynolds, former director of developmental therapies for the University of Southern California-Children's Hospital Los Angeles, said he was attracted to Lubbock because the HSC is a good medical school focused on education and because it is expanding its research capabilities.

Reynolds said the Health Sciences Center has been interested in translational research, taking cancer



PHOTO BY KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Toreador

DR. JOHN BALDWIN (right), President of the Health Sciences Center, speaks with Dr. C. Patrick Reynolds, the head of the researchers team, and Dr. Cynthia Jumper Tuesday afternoon at the announcement of a new cancer center at the TTUHSC and the arrival of a new team of cancer research scientists.

research from laboratories and using it in clinics. He said in recent years there has been a strong push for this type of research from the National Institute of Health.

"There was not a whole lot of translational research here, but there was a great infrastructure of

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Library spends \$142,000 on Wi-Fi upgrades

By MIKE GRAHAM
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech University Library spent approximately \$142,000 to increase the wireless Internet capabilities and coverage inside the building this past summer.

The increased capacity comes at a good time, said Justin Daniel, director of Library Technology and Management Services Staff Operations at the library. More and more students and members of the Tech community are opting to use portable devices in the library.

"We still have a very high utilization rate of our public workstations, but we have seen a lot of students bringing in laptops, PDA's and other portable devices with Wi-Fi capabilities," Daniel said. "Last year, for the first time ever, laptop sales exceeded desktop sales. We figured it would be money well spent to expand our wireless services."

Daniel said the library increased its wireless access points, or routers, from nine Wireless B routers to 100 faster Cisco Systems Wireless G routers. The new routers are capable of working with earlier model

Wi-Fi systems that use "Wireless A" and "Wireless B" protocols.

The routers are located in the ceilings of every level in the library and concentrated in areas where students tend to do their work. The routers' wireless signals overlap each other to ensure there are no spots in the library where patrons and employees can not obtain a Wi-Fi signal.

Daniel said each router is capable of handling approximately 30 Wi-Fi ready devices and are distributed to provide adequate coverage throughout the library.

"There were many locations within the library that had no wireless access at all," Daniel said. "The reason we expanded to 100 access points was to get total wireless saturation of the building so someone with a portable device could access the wireless Internet anywhere in the library from the basement to the stacks."

Daniel said although the wireless access points are supposed to cover the entire building, most of the wireless routers were placed in areas where students would be located as opposed to library staff members. Staff members have ac-

cess the wireless network but will have a weaker signal in their offices than students will have in study areas because staff members have desktop computers with wired connections to the Internet.

Students can access the wireless network TTUnet on their portable, Wi-Fi ready device using their eRaider user name and password, he said.

Daniel said library visitors who are not Tech students or faculty can access the wireless network by creating a guest account.

The University Library is undertaking the "Forget what you think you know. Rediscover the Library" awareness campaign during this 2008-09 school year to increase awareness of the library's services, including increased wireless capacity.

"It's our way of letting the public know this isn't a stereotypical library," said Kaley Daniel, the assistant director communications and development at the University Library. "Our library is much more technologically savvy than most colleges. You can check out DVDs here, have mass study-group

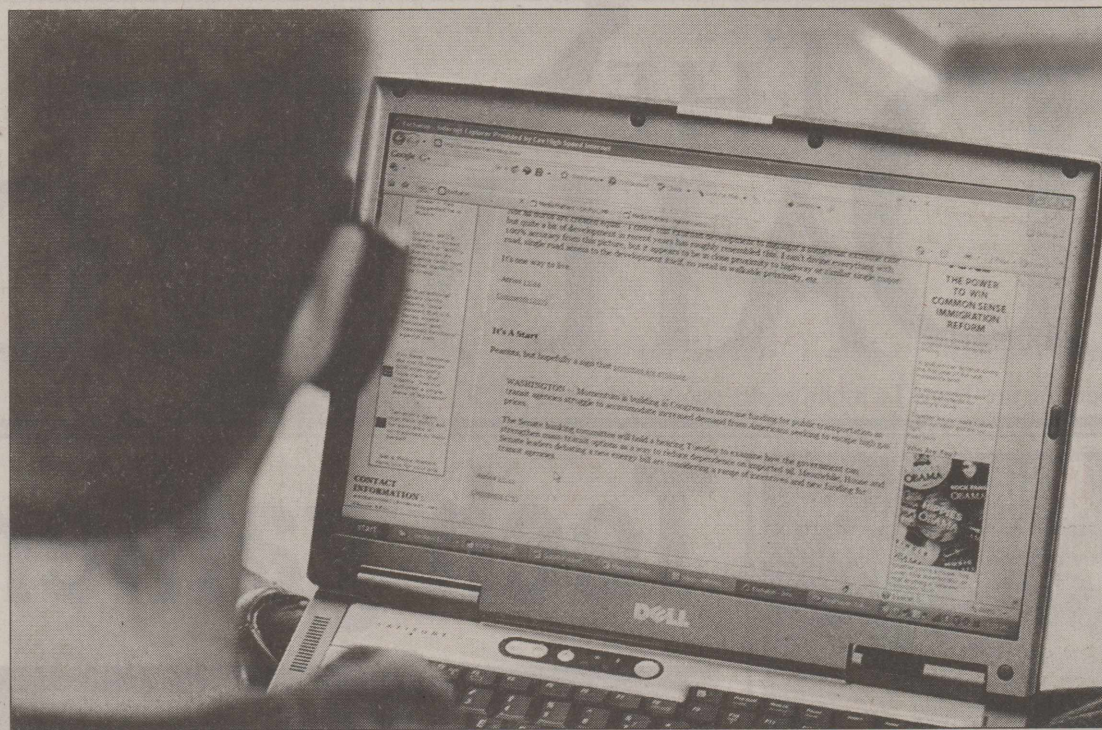


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JUSTIN HART, Assistant professor of history, uses the Wi-Fi in the library lounge to surf the Internet on Tuesday afternoon.

sessions anywhere in the library. There's higher end software that may not be in a student's budget, but we have it on our machines and we're open later than any other building on campus."

In addition to the increased wireless network capacity, Justin Daniel said, the library plans to add Liquid Crystal Display televisions for digital signage inform students of library programs and activities

via a grant for digital signage, install six new scanning machines, replace all printers and put a printer at the end of each row of public desktop computers.

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Ike

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is preparing to provide security support to evacuees, said Gordon Hoffman, deputy chief of the department. They are planning to provide security to the coliseum and to aid with possible parking issues in any way they can if evacuees are brought to Lubbock.

"The word I've been given is that the city may get up to 1,000 evacuees," Hoffman said. "They could start arriving as soon as tomorrow, so we're preparing right now."

Emergency planning officials met all day Tuesday to decide if and when to announce a mandatory evacuation for coastal counties close to the Mexican border, according to the Associated Press.

With forecasts showing Hurricane Ike blowing ashore this weekend, authorities lined up nearly 1,000 buses in the region in case they are needed to move out the many poor and elderly people who have no cars.

Federal authorities gave assurances they would not check evacuees' immigration status at evacuation loading zones or inland checkpoints.

But residents were skeptical, according to the AP, and there were worries that many illegal immigrants would refuse to board buses and go to shelters for fear of getting arrested and deported.

"People are nervous," said the Rev. Michael Seifert, a Roman Catholic priest and immigrant advocate, according to the AP. "The message that was given to me was that it's going to be a real problem."

One reason for the skepticism: Back in May, Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff said the U.S. Border Patrol would do nothing to impede an evacuation in the event of a hurricane. But when Hurricane Dolly struck the Rio Grande Valley in late July, no mandatory evacuation was ordered, and as a result the U.S. Border Patrol kept its checkpoints open. Agents soon caught a vanload

of illegal immigrants.

It would be the first mandatory large-scale evacuation in South Texas history. State and county officials let people decide for themselves whether to leave a hurricane area until just before Hurricane Rita struck the Gulf Coast in 2005. Now county officials can order people out of harm's way.

Hidalgo County Judge J.D. Salinas said to the AP if an evacuation is ordered this time, county officials will visit immigrant neighborhoods and forcefully urge people to clear out.

After Hurricanes Katrina and Gustav, "There were a lot of immigrants who said, 'I'm not going to go,'" said Salinas, the county's top elected official. "It's going to be hard."

In Washington D.C., Rear Adm. W. Craig Vanderwagen, assistant U.S. health secretary for preparedness and

along the Texas coast, with the most likely spot close to the Corpus Christi area.

Areas from Matagorda Bay to Corpus Christi and south to Brownsville — about 250 miles of coastline — were told to prepare for possible mandatory evacuation.

On Tuesday, Ike roared across Cuba, ravaging homes, killing at least four people and forcing 1.2 million to evacuate.

The Rio Grande Valley is still soggy from Dolly, which flooded the region, damaging hundreds of homes but killing no one. Many homes still have blue tarps on their roofs.

The Rio Grande Valley's residents are among those least equipped to handle hurricane flooding. It is one of the poorest parts of the country, with one-third of all families living below the poverty line, compared with 10 percent nationally.

Colonias, or ramshackle communities often lacking sewer systems and paved streets, dot the Valley. Even an ordinary rainstorm can fill yards with disease-ridden sewage from flooded septic tanks. Many of the poor lack health insurance.

Mexican officials said more than a dozen dams in the northern state of Chihuahua were at capacity or spilling over, heightening fears of flooding on the American side of the border.

Gov. Rick Perry declared 88 coastal counties disaster areas Monday to start the flow of state aid, and began preparing for an evacuation, lining up "buses rather than body bags."

The Dallas-Fort Worth area sheltered about 3,000 Hurricane Gustav evacuees last week and is prepared for up to about 20,000 people this time, said Steve Griggs, a county official, according to the AP. The downtown convention center would again serve as the main shelter.

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"We will do what we need to do to evacuate the people who need to be evacuated."

CRAIG VANDERWAGEN
ASSISTANT U.S. HEALTH SECRETARY FOR PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

response, told reporters: "In storm events, if people are trapped it doesn't particularly matter to those of us in the humanitarian assistance world which side of that border they come from. We will do what we need to do to evacuate the people who need to be evacuated."

At 5 p.m. EDT, Ike was about 90 miles southwest of Havana, Cuba, moving northwest at 10 mph with sustained winds near 75 mph. It was expected to cross the Gulf of Mexico, strengthening to a Category 3 with winds of up to 130 mph.

Forecasters said that it could hit on Saturday morning almost anywhere

Students and faculty urge equal rights for transgender people

By MEGAN DEPPNER

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN (KANSAS STATE U.)

The term "transgender" can cause confusion among some people in a culture with so many lifestyle identifiers.

Several people at Kansas State University, including associate professor Alley Stoughton and clinical psychologist Joyce Woodford, are willing to speak about this subject and bring clarity to a topic that is often misunderstood.

Stoughton is an associate professor in the computing and information sciences department as well as a transgender woman. She said she hopes current Kansas legislation combined with affirmative action on campus will give transgender individuals at K-State a place where they can feel comfortable with themselves.

Transgender people are those whose behavior, expressions or gender identity diverge from their assigned birth sex, as well as the traditional role in their soci-

ety. According to the American Psychological Association, about one in 10,000 biological males and one in 30,000 biological females is transgender.

While the subject of transgender individuals is nothing new, Stoughton said the availability of information today is why people are talking about it more.

The media have also contributed to more recent discussions of transgender issues. Stoughton said transgender people are often stereotyped in the media as having wild and bizarre lifestyles, in contrast with the mainstream lives led by many transgender people.

"I think that it doesn't have to be an earth-shattering thing," Stoughton said. "We are part of the fabric of humanity."

Stoughton described transgender individuals as one part of the great diversity of students and faculty on the K-State campus.

Clinical psychologist Joyce Woodford, a student counselor at K-State,

said she provides "workshops and training to share information and heighten awareness of transgender issues, such as through KSU's SafeZone program."

Woodford's counseling program offers a place for students to speak openly to her in a confidential, safe and informed setting.

Both Woodford and Stoughton said they wanted to see action taken to provide equal rights for transgender people.

"No one should have to fight for basic rights," Woodford said, "including having accurate gender reflected on legal papers, or to have equal rights and protection in employment, housing, marriage, child custody and access to medical care."

Gov. Kathleen Sebelius recently issued Executive Order 07-24 that strives for equal employment and protects Kansas employees against harassment and discrimination in the workplace.

Cancer

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this medical school that would permit it," said Reynolds, who also serves as a committee member of the pediatric oncology advisory panel at the Food and Drug Administration and oversees several national reference laboratories for pediatric cancer research.

Although his primary research has dealt with cancer in children, Reynolds said he and his team have done more trials on adult cancer patients for two reasons: There are more adult cancer patients and it is easier to do trials on adults than children.

He said one of his goals was to bring new cancer treatments to West Texas, because there have not been any new cancer-treating drugs to come out of the region in recent years.

"Right now the only chance they have if they want to go on to these early phase trials is to go somewhere else," Reynolds said. "We really want to bring the new stuff home."

Along with bringing new drugs to the region, he said his team would like to further develop their drugs and bring them to the next level.

Reynolds also said he hopes to bring a branch of the National Cancer Institute to West Texas, foster interaction between the pediatric and adult cancer communi-

ties and recruit other researchers to the university.

Also part of the research team are Dr. Barry Maurer, Min Hee Kang and more than 10 post-doctoral fellows, graduate students and technicians. They will bring with them more than \$1 million in federal and private research funds, according to a HSC news release.

Kent Hance, chancellor of the TTU system, said the HSC had an excellent cancer research program before bringing the team in, but now has the potential to become nationally recognized.

"If you look at the amount of funding that (Reynolds) has gotten from outside sources," Hance said, "it exemplifies the type of research and the success he's had."

The HSC will be one of the universities in Texas to receive the most additional funds, he said, because of the research Reynolds and his team will bring.

"(Cancer research) has been a top priority for me, and Dr. Baldwin agreed with that when I hired him," Hance said, "and he's been aggressively seeking out researchers, so I think we're right on track."

Dr. John Baldwin, president of the HSC, said adding Reynolds and his team is an integral part of the plan to increase research.

He said the Health Sciences Center is not only here to provide patient care, but also to provide future technologies for treatments.

"If we're not involved in that kind of bench-to-bedside service, we wind up just being followers of the trends," Baldwin said, "and this really provides us the opportunity to be leaders in discovering new ways of treating cancer."

Dr. Steven Berk, dean of the School of Medicine, said Reynolds and his team would be teaming with current researchers at the HSC, including Dr. Everardo Cobos, to help Tech become a "major player" in cancer research.

Proposition 15 — a recently passed Texas state constitutional amendment that established the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas and will give up to \$3 billion over 10 years for research programs — is another thing Berk said the HSC had going for it as they will be one of nine universities vying for the funds.

"We believe that this group will be very competitive, will be cutting edge, to get some of that grant money to Texas Tech," Berk said. "They also bring us prestige in that they already come with National Institute of Health and National Cancer Institute funding."

More than 4,000 people in West Texas will be diagnosed with cancer in 2008. About 2,500 patients will travel more than 50 miles and 400 patients will travel farther than 200 miles to receive cancer treatments at the HSC, according to information provided by the HSC.

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ODDBALL DAILY

Iowa school shucks ban on corn-eating contest

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — The University of Iowa has shucked its ban on an annual corn eating contest after removing the glutinous.

Phillip Jones, the school's vice president for student services, said many people asked what he had against corn — the state's hallmark

crop — after he canceled the all-you-can-eat contest last year.

"I got a lot of complaints from around the state," he said. "Why do you have something against corn? It's not the corn; it's the concept."

The contest, part of a week's celebration leading up the annual

football game against Iowa State, will be allowed this year — but students will compete to see who can eat a single ear of corn the fastest, not who can eat the most.

"They are doing it in a short and fun way and promoting the state's major product," Jones said.

Pilfered primate outstanding in Vt. cornfield

EAST MACHIAS, Maine (AP) — An 8-foot-tall mechanical gorilla that was swiped in broad daylight from its longtime location outside a store has turned up several hundred miles away — with an apologetic ransom demand.

The arm-waving primate disappeared during the Labor Day weekend and store owner Lowell Miller and his wife, Sandy, marveled at how such a big ape on a heavy base could have been taken without attracting attention.

The gorilla's creator, Ken Booth of the Gorilla Robot Factory in Akron, Ohio, helped out by posting a YouTube video seeking the gorilla's return and offering a reward.

Then another video turned up on YouTube, showing a hooded person demanding a \$1 million ransom — apologizing for causing a flap. "I didn't know it'd be such a big deal," the hooded abductor said.

Now the gorilla — named "Seemore," as in "See More at Sandy's Sales" — has turned up in a

cornfield at Swanton, Vt.

Sandy Miller intends to press charges.

"What really upset me was the YouTube video. He was so nonchalant," she said Tuesday. "You don't steal other people's property and take it out of state."

She said her husband's old truck is in no shape to make the 750-mile roundtrip to St. Albans, Vt., where the gorilla is being held by state police. But she said offers were pouring in from people willing to assist.

Son's dorm room brings back memories for dad

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Following in your father's footsteps by attending the same university is one thing. But moving into the same dorm room as your dad?

Mike Robell has found himself in B310 in Emmons Hall at Michigan State University — the very same room occupied by his father in 1978.

What are the odds? The East Lansing university has about 8,000 rooms.

The freshman's father, Rich Robell, 50, said he suspected it was his old room. It has the same floor and same wall color. The phone number is the same, too. The same broken window latch offered some key evidence.

The proof came from a university archivist, who located a 1978 student directory.

Housing complex manager Tim Knight says it's the first time in his 37-year tenure that he's aware of a parent and child having the same room by chance.

"I guess it was meant to be," said Rich Robell.

Sheep living life in Mass. highway fast lane

MANSFIELD, Mass. (AP) — A solitary sheep is living life in the fast lane.

An animal shelter worker spotted the sheep last week grazing just feet from traffic on a wooded highway median near Mansfield.

How it got there is a mystery but police first received reports of the animal about a year ago at the junction of Interstates 495 and 95. A number of rescue efforts have failed because the animal is

afraid of people, and authorities are wary of using tranquilizers because a drugged animal could wander onto the road.

North Attleboro shelter volunteer Linda Faber contacted a sanctuary in New York that offered some suggestions for catching the sheep. One idea is to set up a pen with another sheep to take advantage of the flock instinct.

"The longer that the sheep is

there, the more likely he or she will be too wild to approach, and the most likely problem of course is that the sheep will be injured by a motorist," said Susie Coston, national shelter director for the Farm Sanctuary in Watkins Glen, N.Y.

Faber said she has three farms willing to take the sheep if it can be captured.

"A sheep doesn't belong in the middle of the highway," she said.

Pakistan's Zardari sworn in as new president

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Repeatedly paying homage to his assassinated wife, new President Asif Ali Zardari declared Tuesday that he has a comprehensive plan to fight terrorism and said Pakistan's people are behind him.

Zardari, elected by legislators Saturday, was long on platitudes but short on specifics while meeting with media after taking the oath of office in a short ceremony at the presidential palace. He was chosen to replace Pervez Musharraf, a U.S. ally who resigned under pressure last month.

With President Hamid Karzai of neighboring Afghanistan by his side for a news conference, the widower of former two-time Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto said he hoped to turn Pakistan's negatives into positives.

"As far as America is concerned, the fact that we are on the globe and we are in the eye of the storm, I consider that an opportunity," Zardari said, noting that most countries welcome foreign investment.

"I intend to take that and make it our strength. We intend to take the world with us in developing the future of Pakistan and changing the future of our neighbors," he said.

Karzai said he found common ground with Zardari.

"For each step that you take in the war against terrorism for bringing peace to two countries, for bringing stability to two countries, Afghanistan will take many, many steps with you," he said.

Private talks between Zardari and Karzai were likely a bit more contentious. Afghanistan has accused Pakistan of failing to take action against Taliban militants based around the countries' common border.

Asked about allegations that Pakistan's intelligence agency had collaborated with militants waging war on Afghanistan's U.S.-backed government, Zardari said the neighbors would work together on any "weaknesses."

The United States came to depend heavily on Musharraf for cooperation to capture or kill al-Qaida leaders who plotted the 9/11 attacks on America and fled Afghanistan after the U.S.-led invasion in 2001 toppled the Taliban regime.

However, the Taliban revived on Musharraf's watch, and al-Qaida chiefs Osama bin Laden and Ayman al-Zawahri remain on the run, probably

somewhere in Pakistan's tribal areas.

Washington has increasingly taken matters into its own hands in recent weeks, with controversy erupting every time civilians become casualties. Missile strikes in Pakistan's northwest have killed dozens, and U.S.-led forces last week took part in a helicopter-backed ground assault that killed at least 15.

"Regrettably, there will be times when our pursuit of the enemy will result in accidental civilian deaths," President Bush, who spoke by phone Tuesday with Zardari, said in a speech.

He did not specifically mention Washington's more aggressive moves of late in Pakistan — portraying the U.S. intentions as only to "help the government of Pakistan defeat Taliban and al-Qaida fighters hiding in remote border regions."

The unilateral actions have sparked a public backlash, including official protests, although it appears that Pakistan, the Islamic world's only nuclear power, is too dependent on the billions of dollars in U.S. aid to do much more than complain.

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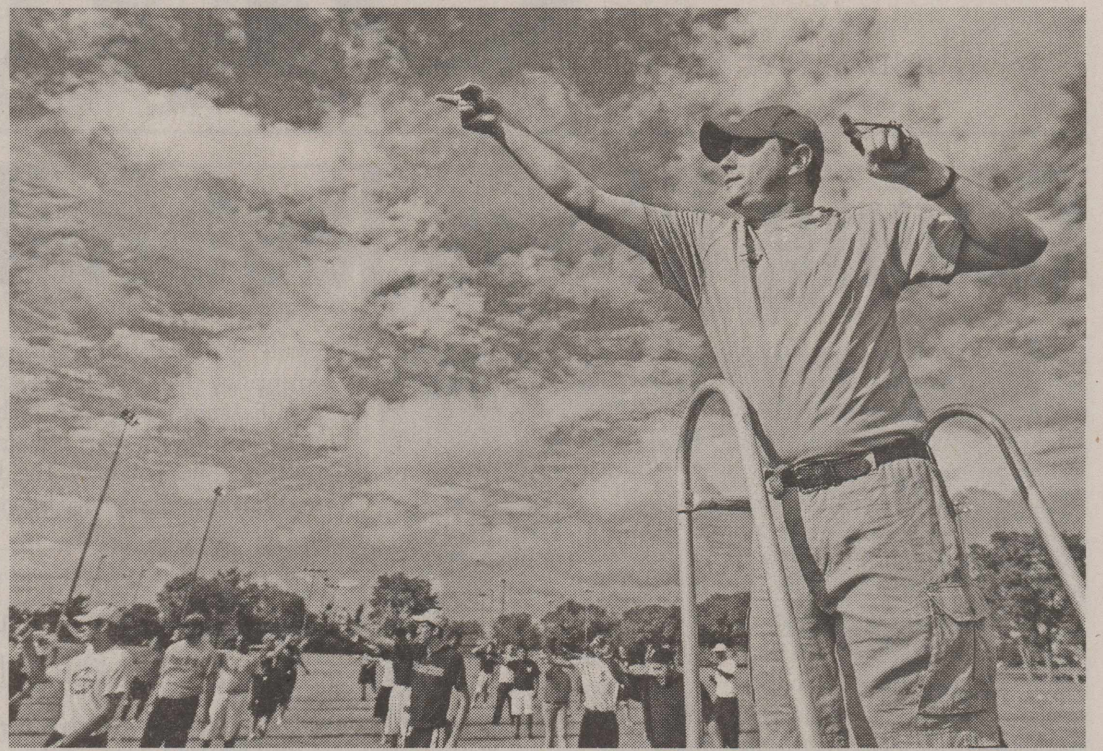


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JARED MCCAULEY, ASSISTANT director of rec sports, teaches a class on mechanics to 71 flag football referees on the intramural field Monday. The referees are preparing for the upcoming flag football season, which already has over 400 teams signed up.

Paul: Reject the major parties

WASHINGTON (AP) — Libertarian-leaning congressman Ron Paul is urging voters to reject John McCain and Barack Obama and support one of the third-party candidates for president.

Paul, a Texas Republican who abandoned his White House bid earlier this year, is gathering some of the candidates, independent Ralph Nader among them, on Wednesday to make his plea.

"The strongest message can be sent by rejecting the two party system," Paul said in prepared remarks obtained by AP. "This can be accomplished by voting for one of the non-establishment, principled candidates."

He recommended Chuck Baldwin of the Constitution Party, former Georgia Republican Rep. Bob Barr of the Libertarian Party and former Georgia Democratic Rep. Cynthia McKinney of the Green Party. He invited them to his news conference Wednesday.

Paul won no primaries in the

Republican nomination contest but developed a strong following on the Internet and set a single-day record for raising money online. Thousands attended his protest last week near the GOP convention in St. Paul, Minn.

Some Republicans have been concerned Paul could siphon votes from the party in the same way Democrats accused Nader of doing in 2000 when he ran under the Green Party banner.

But when Nader ran in 2004 as an independent, he garnered just 0.3 percent of the vote from 34 states. The Constitution, Green and Libertarian candidates received even fewer votes. Nader claims he has enough

signatures to get on the ballot in 45 states this year.

Nader predicted the gathering of third-party candidates would "raise the eyebrows" of political pundits who skeptical of the viability of independent presidential campaigns. The candidates will agree on several common issues they believe are being ignored by the major parties.

"This is the beginning of the realignment of American politics," Nader said.

Paul espouses limited government and individual responsibility. He is a critic of election laws that he says are designed to prevent third-party candidates from getting on ballots and participating in debates.

"The strongest message can be sent by rejecting the two party system."

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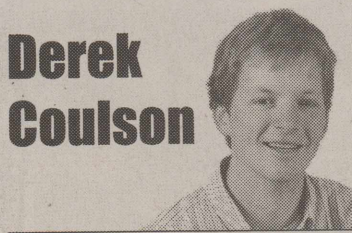
Giving life is last full measure of devotion

I recently saw the movie "Traitor" which stars Don Cheadle as a double agent operating both for the CIA and an Islamic terrorist cell. It's an excellent movie, I think, especially because it confronts many of the conceptions some Americans have of a person of Islam and the War on Terror.

One specific idea brought up is the correlation between Radical Islamic fighters and our American Revolution. Superficially, some would assert that these are the same. The guerilla warfare of our minutemen is strikingly similar to the crafted style of jihadists. There is also the link of religious cause. Our founders came to America for religious tolerance, along with political freedom; Radical Islamists seek a world solely of their faith. A variant, perhaps Patrick Henry used this phrase to rouse an assembly into voting for war. Is it not

Yet, you might say, is that not stretching the truth? Is it? Consider these words from men who devoted everything in their fight for our freedom. "Give me liberty or give me death." Patrick Henry used this phrase to rouse an assembly into voting for war. Is it not

Derek Coulson



an extreme idea to sacrifice one's life for the sake of a cause? Does that sound familiar? John Paul Jones uttered the words "I have not yet begun to fight" while being engaged with ships of the Royal Navy.

At one point, his own ship was outnumbered and sinking, but rather than surrender, Jones ordered his soldiers to fight. Together they not only won but captured the opposing Royal sea craft. His own ship was not salvageable, but Jones was willing to sacrifice everything in order to obtain a victory.

Finally, Nathan Hale, convicted of treason against the British crown for espionage spoke these final words before being hung: "My only regret is that I have but one life to live for my country."

Compare this to the suicide bombers who destroy their own lives for the

'reward' of annihilating others and perpetuating their own ideological cause. Examination shows that the connection between these opposing ideologies is merely cursory. The divergence is located in the foundational principles of this nation, which boil down to two concepts: The sanctity of human life and the freedom of conscience.

Men like Henry, Jones and Hale fought and died to secure these blessings for their own generation and for those to follow.

Our history has not been void of the actions of great men: George Washington was an indispensable figure in the Revolution.

John Adams served irreplaceably in the Revolution and also in executive office for the first twelve years of this country.

The Louisiana Purchase — an action that exponentially opened our

potential — would likely not have been possible without Thomas Jefferson's good relations with the French.

The evil of slavery was removed by the Civil War and the Civil Rights Movement that followed.

Without America's interference in World War II, Europe and more would have been lost to Hitler's Third Reich. And of course, Ronald Reagan stood down the Soviet Empire, and then watched as the communist infrastructure caved in on itself.

Great actions by great men. But not possible without the good will of God. We are a nation founded on those same two principles that each man stood for that speak to characteristics higher than ourselves. These men defended the life and liberty of our country, in some cases to their final breath. Thomas Jefferson said, "The

tree of liberty must from time to time be refreshed with the blood of patriots and tyrants."

Herein lays the vital difference of American fortitude over Radical Islam.

From the founders to our modern volunteer military, the monumental idea of self-sacrifice determines our stability. Whereas with Islamic radicals, the sacrifice makes no one free. The demands of such a life profit no one and leave its practice to perpetuate cyclically with no foreseeable end. The annals of American history don't recognize sacrifice just to incite more sacrifice. Rather, our people have united in a single cause of defending the God-endowed rights that we enjoy as fellow citizens.

Does the Bible not say that "greater love hath no man, than to lay down his life for his friends"? We fight this war, not to destroy the other side, but to preserve the sanctity of what we know is right.

Tomorrow will mark the seven year anniversary of our outrageous attacks, and the fear that clenched us by our hearts that day should not be

forgotten. But neither should we forget where our sovereignty comes from.

America is, irrevocably and without question, "the last best hope of Earth." Our founders bled to create that freedom, and the lives of thousands since have been given to preserve what separates this nation.

We cannot confuse the cause that drives us with the corruption that would seek to annihilate us. To quote a line from the Battle Hymn of the Republic, "As He died to make men holy, let us die to make men free."

Our liberty as citizens of this nation has been handed to us, but not for any sacrifice we have made. Instead it was given from the lifeblood of soldiers who gave everything to preserve us.

This nation was, from its origin, founded on this profound principle and a belief in God. We recognize the former for its gravity because the latter determines we do so. With all sincerity, it is in God that we do indeed trust.

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“ These men defended the life and liberty of our country, in some cases to their final breath. ”

Obama, Biden are match made in heaven

To most, the term "political heaven" is either an oxymoron, or even sacrilegious.

Keeping that in mind, I do not use this term lightly when I say Barack Obama and Joe Biden are a match made in political heaven. Politically speaking, they complete each other. Who knew politics could be so romantic?

Obama is the John Mayer of politics: He has a large fan base consisting mostly of younger people. However, all generations can enjoy him. He has a fresh attitude that — while not making people rock out — appeals to the audience's emotions. Biden, on the other hand, is more like the Rolling Stones. He may have been around a long time, but it doesn't stop him from rocking. His old-school appeal will grab the attention of more "traditional" voters, but it doesn't mean Obama's crowd can't rock out with Biden. Together, they can appeal to most any kind of person of any back-

Mackenzie Maxwell



ground or of any generation.

Biden is a foreign policy guru. In the late 1990s he helped bring peace to the Balkans by writing a piece of legislation that endorsed the air war in Kosovo. Also in the late 1990s, he was a major player in the effort to bring the Czech Republic, Hungary and Poland into NATO. He currently serves as chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and has met with virtually every foreign leader. Unlike a certain other vice presidential pick, Biden knows what he's talking about when he talks foreign policy. Who could be better for Obama than someone with such credibility? Nobody. Obama has faced criticism revolving around his

experience since he entered the race; having Biden on the ticket will give voters some reassurance.

Obama is also often criticized by the far right for his ability to give "flowery" speeches. There is nothing wrong with being able to give powerful speeches that move the audience — look at Martin Luther King Jr. However, with all the criticism of amazing, moving, powerful speeches, it is important that Obama pick a vice presidential candidate that is straightforward in his speaking style. Biden is just the man for that. Biden does more "straight talking" than McCain.

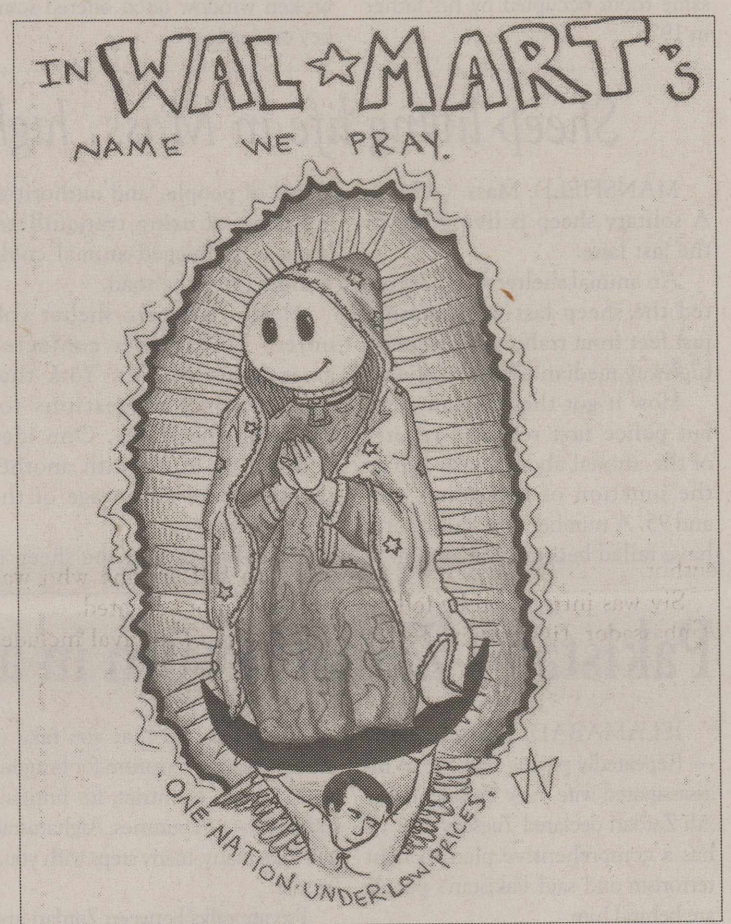
Biden's general speech outline goes something like this: "This is the problem. This is how we should fix it. This is why it will work." That's it. He doesn't add the rhetoric that Obama so gracefully does. While Biden's speaking style is more straightforward, it is still fun to listen to. Let's be honest, McCain is boring. Like Biden, McCain doesn't

add all the fancy rhetoric, but his speeches mean nap time for most people who attempt to listen. While the speeches are full of content, they are difficult to listen to.

Biden, on the other hand, is still exciting, despite his lack of elaborate speaking. With Obama's ability to inspire people and Biden's ability to tell it like it is, the pair say what the American people need to hear in a way that will make them listen.

When most people think of a "match made in heaven," they think of long walks on the beach and dinner by candlelight. However, when the phrase is presented to a political junkie like myself, the idea of a perfect Democratic ticket comes to mind. With that in mind, Obama and Biden are a dream come true.

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Current drinking age is useless

By AARON GADBURY
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If you were wondering why America is the only country in the world that has a drinking age of 21, you can thank former President Ronald Reagan and his war against drugs. Also, Mothers Against Drunk Driving can take some credit. In 1984, Ronald Reagan, along with Congress, threatened to withhold 10 percent of highway funds to those states that did not raise the drinking age to 21. But was this a great idea? I don't believe so.

Restricting the drinking age to 21 and older hasn't prevented underage people from drinking. If anything, it has made alcohol consumption more dangerous. People under 21 are going to drink regardless of its legality. Even the federal government's National Survey on Drug Use and Health discovered in 2005 that 85 percent of 20-year-old Americans reported that they had used alcohol. So instead of making people go behind closed doors where there is not going to be a more experienced responsible adult to make sure everything is running smoothly, states should lower the drinking age back to 18 so people who do choose to drink can do so in a safer environment.

A non-profit organization called Choose Responsibility, brought together by John M. McCardell, former president of Vermont's Middlebury College, holds that the drinking age should be lowered to 18. It is kind of ironic that an organization called Choose Responsibility would believe

that, but this organization believes that people from the age 18 to 21 should take classes to earn a drinking license so that people are better informed of the cause and effects of alcohol consumption. This is a very responsible decision because, instead of being thrown into a drinking environment such as a college university unaware of the consequences of drinking, people will know what they are getting into.

Also, the police force would do a lot more protecting and a lot less enforcing. Instead of having undercover officers trying to catch people they know are drinking, they could

spend more time patrolling the streets to make sure our community is a safer place. And by no means am I promoting drinking and driving; the same laws should be applied to being over the limit no matter what

age. With fewer under-cover officers, there could be more checkpoints to make sure people who are driving are still under the limit.

With a drinking age of 21, alcohol is more desirable to those who may not legally consume it. The simple reason is that people want what they can't have. This leads to binge drinking, or when a person consumes more than five alcoholic beverages in one night. Minors are not always in access to alcohol, so they want to try to enjoy it as much as they can because they are not sure when they will be able to do so again. Lowering the drinking age will also lower the percentage of people binge drinking. People will be able to have access to it freely, so it won't be such a big deal.

“ Restricting the drinking age to 21 and older hasn't prevented underage people from drinking. ”

Unlike Bush, John McCain is maverick no more

By MATS ENGDAHL
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Ah, the heady days of the 2000 Republican primary: the heir-apparent from Texas against the western maverick who caught everyone's attention with a shock New Hampshire primary win. It seems like ages ago, a time before the chaos abroad and at home.

Remember that maverick? The stories of prison camp in Vietnam, the willingness to break with GOP brass and voice an opinion or two, the crusade against shady campaign practice; it was all so romantic. Of course he had no real shot — that didn't matter. But it was a marvelous thought: A no-nonsense guy who was going to save the center from those Machiavellian neo-conservatives. Pragmatism be damned, he told it from his soul and didn't worry about the fallout.

But after its heated love affair with the maverick, the country ended up with George W. Bush cruising to the Republican nomination and, in dubious fashion, victory in the general election, and Maverick's lore only grew. He was tough in the Senate, but at the same time, he compromised. He could definitely do a better job than the fools who botched foreign affairs and the economy for the better part of a decade. As the time drew closer and closer, McCain 2008 sounded like a tantalizing prospect.

But as the 2008 GOP primaries neared, Maverick began to morph and McCain came to the fore. McCain was shrewder than Maverick, quick to keep his statements bland and pleasing to constituents. The mind had begun to speak ahead of the soul, and the original allure was gone.

What people refuse to accept, however, is that the Maverick could have never won the election.

As Bush demonstrated in 2000 and

2004, winning elections is not about being the outsider or winning the adoration of the media. It's about being pragmatic and shrewd, about having a cast of major party players supporting you and about saying the right things about the right issues to the base. This gets a candidate money, which is what ultimately brings in more voters.

Voters should realize that McCain has done the smart thing by transforming. As an outsider, with no obligation to major donors or national players, McCain had no trouble being Maverick. But Maverick's popularity is McCain's doom. Maverick was able to become the 2008 favorite, but McCain was able to attract support by arguing his coronation was inevitable — that Maverick would replace Bush.

But when he becomes the favorite, the Maverick ceases to exist. The favorite is rooted in the national political powers that were of no consequence previously. The Maverick

didn't need national donors nor did he need to play to the whims of the base. Maverick wasn't perceived as part of these mechanisms, but the triumph of McCain depends on them.

Make no mistake about it, if McCain wins this election, it will be because McCain ran a campaign that met the criteria created by Reagan in 1980: stick with the base, say the right things to Christians, stay arrogant on foreign policy and promise to keep taxes down. All of these things are tasks that the Maverick would have found impossible.

So continue to complain. Whine that this iteration of John McCain has lost his flavor. Moan that the things that made him so charming before have evaporated as the 2008 campaign has worn on. Keep asking if it's possible to bring the Maverick back before it's all said and done.

Fact is, though, if Maverick had shown up, he would have been shot down.

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Local musicians perform charity concert

About 300 people began arriving at Bash Riprocks 2 in the depot district as early as 3 p.m. Saturday, all in support of the same cause: raising as much money as possible to help a dear friend.

In July, Judy Adams, mother of local singer/songwriter Brandon Adams, was diagnosed with a brain aneurysm.

"It was a pretty emotional thing for my family," Brandon Adams said.

Soon, word began to get around the community that Brandon Adams and his family needed more than just emotional support. They needed financial help as well.

Almost instantly, his fellow musicians were there.

"Her medical bills quickly started to pile and their insurance doesn't cover all of the cost," Brandon Adams said. "I didn't really know what to do because they don't live here, and nobody really knows her. I really couldn't travel as much as I needed to

Chelsea Roe



be with them because of work, so my friends here in the local scene offered me some inspiration to help in a way we were all pretty familiar with."

"People here have big hearts and love good music and a good cause."

With the lineup of music on stage at Bash's, it was no wonder that the Benefit for Judy Adams was able to raise over \$5,000 since Saturday. Benefit attendees paid a \$10 donation at the door for nearly 12 hours of live music. Kicking off the show was D.G. Flewellyn, followed by Andy Eppler, Heath Tolleson, Andy Mitchell, Wade Parks, Garland Peterson, Dr. Skoob, Sold, Shane Rogers Band, One Wolf, Brandon Adams, Saint Clair and

Thrifstore Cowboys — in that order until the bar closed at 2 a.m.

As an incentive and a thank-you, a guitar was raffled off to the crowd. Originally, Andy Mitchell won the guitar but had to work that night, so he requested the guitar be raffled again. Who better to win it the second time than Lubbock's close friends, Frank and Jesse — owners of the legendary Jesse Jane's, a nightclub south of Lubbock in Justiceburg.

Brandon Adams agreed.

"When Frank won, I was so happy," he said. "I don't know any better people that deserve to win out more than Frank and Jessica. With everything that Jessie Jane's has done for the musician's here, we owe them more than just a guitar."

"They know we all love them. He had every musician sign it and I can say it was one of the biggest highlights for me that night, besides my parents being there to meet everyone."

Judy Adams herself was in attendance Saturday night and clearly

loving every minute of it. Though still having to use a cane to help her around, Adams bravely hugged and thanked the emotionally charged room. All who were there watched her with their hearts swelling.

At the end of it all, Brandon Adams had this to say: "I feel deeply proud to be a songwriter here with the friends that I have. They are the best that Lubbock music will have to offer for a long time."

"They are the ones that made this happen for me and my family; I give them all of my love, respect, and true friendship. Please support them and keep real Lubbock music alive. The people who volunteered all of their time are the best."

"My family gives all of the love we have. Thanks for making this a great benefit, one like we haven't seen for a long time. I had fun."

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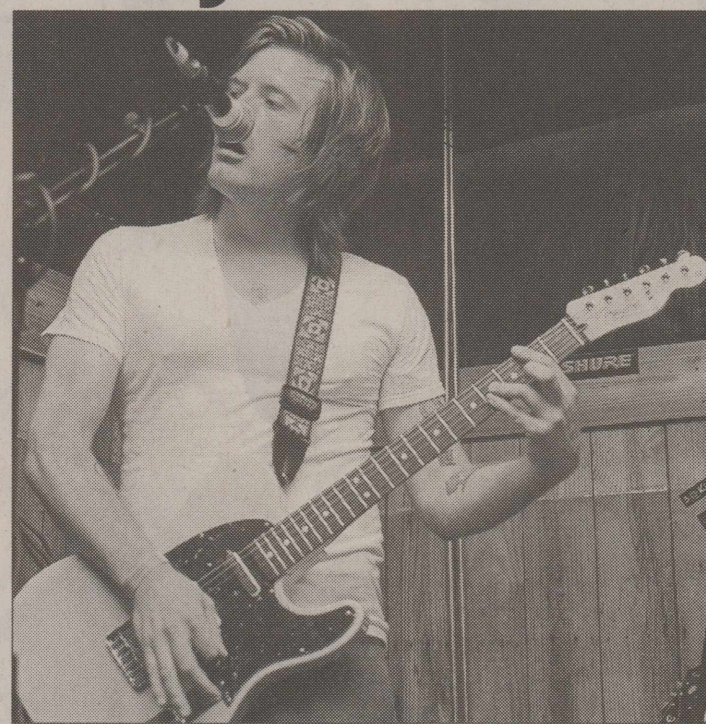


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LOCAL BAND ONE Wolf performs Saturday night for a benefit concert held at Bash Riprocks 2.

Author, ambassador encourages Tech students

By HANNAH BOEN

Every seat appeared to be occupied in the auditorium of Texas Tech's International Cultural Center Tuesday as Ambassador Sichan Siv presented his book, "Golden Bones."

During the presentation he shared his life story with students, faculty and Lubbock community members. "Golden Bones" is a tale of how Siv escaped life in a Cambodian labor camp and later came to the United States, where he became a U.S. Representative to the United Nations and an author.

Siv was introduced by fellow Ambassador Tibor Nagy, Tech's vice president of international affairs who invited Siv to speak at the university.

"The fact that he not only survived, but thrived," Nagy said, "is a testimony to the human spirit."

Ron Milam, the interim director of Center for War & Diplomacy in the Post-Vietnam War Era who teaches military history classes at Tech, offered attendance to Siv's presentation as extra credit for his students.

He said his students do not seem to know much about American involvement in Cambodia during the Vietnam War.

Students can benefit from

hearing Siv's presentation, Milam said.

"We offer this as extra credit because students have their own lives and their own plans," he said. "In the end, the extra credit will be appreciated, and the students will also appreciate having had the experience."

Although most students were present to receive extra credit, a few students were moved enough by Siv's presentation to purchase his book.

The ambassador encouraged students with his story about escaping Pol Pot's rule in the 1970s, where the Khmer Rouge aimed to kill anyone who was intellectual or educated.

His story of survival includes throwing his glasses away because they were a sign of being educated and being severely wounded by a booby trap as he escaped his labor camp. Upon his arrival in Thailand, he was teaching other refugees English. He later was allowed entry into the United States where he flourished as a student and as a Deputy White House Assistant.

Siv said he feels very lucky and blessed to have escaped the killing fields that claimed the lives of many of his family members. Sixteen years after his escape from Pol Pot's power, Siv returned to Cambodia, where he was greeted by awe-struck villag-

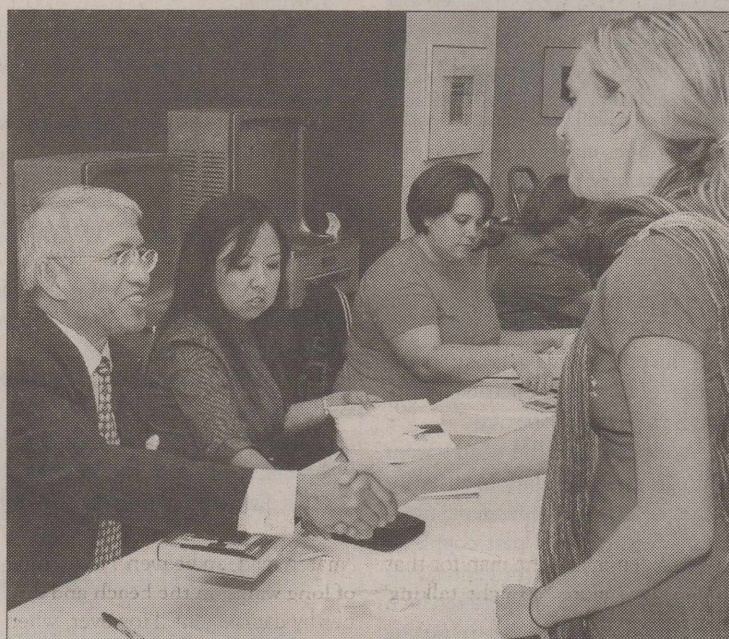


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TUESDAY EVENING, SICHAN Siv, a former US Ambassador to Cambodia gives Rachel Spaugh, a junior dance and global affairs major from Lubbock a signed book after the lecture on his book, "Golden Bones: An Extraordinary Journey from Hell in Cambodia to a New Life in America."

ers who said he was truly a person of "golden bones," a phrase Cambodians use to describe someone with good luck.

Siv said he was proud to share his story at Tech. A chapter of his book is about Texas, not only because his wife is from Pampa, but because he appreciates the beauty of the Panhandle, where "the heaven and Earth hug each other."

After his book presentation, Siv answered audience questions

about foreign policy and war, signed books and spoke with fans and supporters. Siv encouraged Tech students to take advantage of the free flow of information available in the United States and get involved with international affairs.

The ambassador ended his speech with the same words that conclude his book: "This is a beautiful country."

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Montana glaciers affect rising seas

BY DEBORAH BRAE TANNER
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What does the rise in sea level have to do with Montana?

Most Montanans would say nothing, but Professor Joel Harper, a glaciologist at the University of Montana, knows that there is a connection.

According to Harper, the melting glaciers in the Northern Rocky Mountains — like the ones in Glacier National Park — not only provide an enormous amount of water during Montana's dry season, but also affect the level of sea rise, which is inevitable due to climate change.

Harper said Montana's glaciers, part of 300,000 or so glaciers around the world, are responsible for 60 percent of any sea level rise.

Harper said most people don't understand that floating sea ice, like the ice shelves that break off from Antarctica and Greenland, doesn't affect sea level rise.

"That ice is already in the ocean, and the water is already displaced," Harper said. "It's the ice that's sitting on land that changes the sea level."

Water from inland glaciers ultimately winds up in the ocean. Melt water from the surface of glaciers with outlets to the ocean causes ice motion — referred to as "ice dynam-

ics." This lubrication increases the glacial rate of speed to the sea, where they break off — a process called "calving" — and adds to ocean ice, raising the sea level.

The term "ice dynamics" is a "wildcard," Harper said, because the behaviors of the ice sheets are unpredictable.

"Sea level is going to rise. It's going to happen," Harper said.

The question is by how much.

There have been a lot of projections, including one recently from Al Gore's group, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, a group of 600 scientists who projected a sea level rise of 18 to 60 centimeters - 7.2 to 24 inches - by 2100.

Harper's team, which spent the summer in Greenland studying glaciers, returned to publish an article in Science Magazine that contradicts this projection.

"We're saying 80 centimeters is plausible, but two meters will be within the realm of what's possible," Harper said.

Harper, who has been inundated with calls from around the world about his study, said the numbers his team published are higher than the panel's, but that they ruled out a lot of projections that were more outrageous.

"We bracketed the results of current projections by including ice dynamics," Harper said.

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Tech, SMU defenses have same mindsets

By ADAM COLEMAN
SPORTS EDITOR

Sometimes, there is no way to simulate the experience of a game in practice.

However, SMU and the Texas Tech football team's practice may be the closest thing to this Saturday's matchup between the two.

With June Jones taking the helm at SMU, both the Mustang and Red Raider defenses are getting a preview of Saturday's game every day in practice going up against its own offenses.

"(Jones has) an offense just like ours pretty much," Tech defensive end Jake Ratliff said. "He's a good coach everywhere he goes. They win. They're a lot like us."

Known for being an expert on offense, Jones has pushed the Mustangs to a 1-1 start to the 2008 season. Formerly at Hawaii, Jones led the Warriors to 76 wins, two Western

Athletic Conference Championships and six bowl appearances in nine years. His latest accomplishment was leading Hawaii to a Top 10 ranking and an appearance in last year's Nokia Sugar Bowl against Georgia.

Jones knows where the match up could lie in the game against Tech.

Familiar with Tech coach Mike Leach and his offense, Jones used one word to describe the Red Raider offense and its principles over the years: consistent.

"They're offense hasn't changed much," he said. "They've done a great job getting the ball down the field, all different kinds of ways. (Leach is) a master at designing at what he has put together. We're going to have to obviously play a lot better than we played in the last two weeks. Our defense has got to create some ways to hang in there and compete with them."

The SMU defense's goal this

season has been to force the game to fall into its hands, Jones said. He said turnovers have been the key since day one and once again they will matter against Tech.

So far in two games, SMU has seven turnovers credited to its defense.

"We talk about turnovers all the time," Jones said. "You're only going to get so many opportunities to get them each game and we got five last week. That's a pretty good ratio. The biggest change for us, when Rice threw us the ball, it hit us right straight dead in the hands. We didn't get any turnovers. We made the plays this week (against Texas State). That's probably the biggest difference."

Tech defensive coordinator Ruffin McNeill believes the goal in stopping June Jones and any other offense is the same.

McNeill has coached against Jones during his days at Fresno State

in the WAC.

He said going up against the Tech offense has always been used as an advantage to prepare for other teams and this week will be no different.

"That's what he's done," McNeill said. "It's like coach Leach and his system — that's coach Jones' system. (Jones has) done a great job developing it and add on. It's what they believe in, both of those guys."

The Red Raiders have forced five turnovers on defense in two games, including four interceptions on the season.

Although Tech has won 12 consecutive games against SMU, Ratliff said the addition of Jones should make the two teams' latest matchup interesting.

"They're not going to lay down for us just because we know what they're like," he said. "They line up in a few different formations than our offense does, but it's pretty similar."

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THE TEXAS TECH defense aims to continue racking up turnovers against June Jones run-and-shoot offense.

Freshmen playing major roles for Tech soccer team

By STEVEN RYAN
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The young guns have been full of fire power lately for the Texas Tech women's soccer team.

One of the deepest freshman classes in school history has been getting plenty of playing time early in the 2008 season.

"Each game a different freshman gets to do their thing," Tech coach Tom Stone said. "Whether it is 20 minutes or 90 minutes, they all are being asked to contribute."

Of the 27 players on the roster, 12 of them are freshman, making almost half of the players participating in their first season of college soccer.

Together, this group of new players have a combined 20 starts, five goals and six assists.

From the start, Stone said he was going to lean pretty heavily on his freshman this year. Tech played a total of ten freshman in its season opener against Lamar. Three of them — Taylor Lytle, Kendyl Mygatt and Lexi Castellano — received the starting nod against the Cardinals.

Stone said one of the reasons his new players receive so much playing time is because most of them came to Lubbock during the summer and worked out with the team.

"I think we have stepped up a lot," Mygatt said. "We came out here in early July and I think we are contributing to the team."

Stone said all of the freshman have done very well and not one of them could be singled out as the leader of the group.

He said he believes they still look up to the upperclassmen for the leadership.

"They add so much to the team because each of them brings something different," junior Sarabeth Clopton said. "I don't think there is

one (freshman) that has stepped up every game."

Lytle and Mygatt have started in every match this season, while defender Casey McCall had four starts and midfielder Lauren Yelinek had three starts.

Last weekend was a learning experience, as well as a breakthrough, for the freshmen as they took their first multi-game road trip for the Middle Tennessee Soccer Classic.

The Red Raiders came out flat in the first game against Middle Tennessee State and were down 1-0 at halftime.

"It didn't start off well," Mygatt said. "But we learned from each other and I think our attitude and style of play changed throughout the weekend."

With 15 minutes left in the game, the freshmen came up big.

Lytle dribbled the ball into the box and took a shot which deflected off the post. The ball bounced right in front of Mygatt, who kicked it into the goal for Tech's only goal of the night.

That goal turned out to be crucial as the match ended in a 1-1 tie.

On Sunday, the freshmen continued to contribute as they added two goals and two assists in a 5-0 victory over Alabama A&M.

With conference play not far down the road, there are still plenty of challenges lying ahead, but for now, Stone said he is pleased with what he has seen out of his young guns.

Co-captain Shannon Sims said the freshmen classes' growth is something to watch this season.

"It's ridiculous how much they have matured as soccer players," she said. "It's an extremely nerve-racking experience to come from their club team to a college team."

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MYGATT



McCALL

Texans must solve running back woes before gameday

HOUSTON (AP) — New year, same old problem for the Houston Texans — no reliable running back.

It's the third season they've been in this situation, and it doesn't take a football genius to know that a healthy (and talented) back is necessary for NFL success. The Texans don't have that and until they do they'll never be the franchise they hope to be.

Ahman Green's ankle is being evaluated after a whopping five carries on Sunday. This performance comes after the Texans threw all sorts of money at him last year to miss 10 games and finish with less than 300 yards for the season.

He followed that impressive performance by declaring himself healthy and ready to go until the first game when he injured a groin in his opening carry of the pre-season. He didn't see game action until Sunday.

It is irresponsible of a team to put the hopes of its entire running game in the legs of a 31-year-old who has missed 23 games since 2005 with various injuries. The Texans should have moved on from this experiment after Green's

"knee bruise" lingered all season and rendered him useless.

Instead they chose to leave him as their starter and add Chris Brown — another injury-prone and aging back — as his backup. Brown didn't even make it through the first week of training camp before he was felled by a back injury and has subsequently been placed on season-ending injured reserve.

It's unclear how serious Green's ankle injury is. If history holds, though, he won't make a significant contribution anytime soon.

This leaves the Texans with rookie Steve Slaton and Chris Taylor, who they'd prefer to play at fullback, but who didn't get anywhere near the ball on Sunday. Slaton is fast and talented but his size and running style make it unlikely he could be an every down back in the NFL.

He didn't do much in his professional debut Sunday, finishing with 13 carries for 43 yards. Houston's 75 yards rushing on Sunday rank 26th in the NFL.

The Texans running game is such a mess that Houston's passing game couldn't move the ball in the awful 38-17 season-opening loss to Pittsburgh.

Some in jury pool refuse to put aside Simpson's past

LAS VEGAS (AP) — With other prospective jurors listening, a woman lectured O.J. Simpson on his behavior as a celebrity Tuesday and declared, "I felt he got away with murder."

Like others questioned for service in Simpson's robbery-kidnap trial, the woman said she would try to be fair. But she became increasingly adamant, disclosing the disenchantment of someone familiar with Simpson's triumphs and disappointed in his fall from glory.

"I'm very opinionated," said the woman. "I don't have any problem giving my opinion and sticking to it."

The exchanges on the second day of jury selection showed the enduring influence of Simpson's 1995 acquittal on charges of murdering his ex-wife,

Nicole Brown Simpson, and friend Ronald Goldman. Since Monday, 20 of 248 prospective jurors have been dismissed for various reasons.

The 61-year-old former University of Southern California and pro football star is now accused with co-defendant Clarence "C.J." Stewart, 54, of kidnapping, armed robbery and other crimes for allegedly stealing items from two sports memorabilia dealers in a confrontation in a hotel room last year. They have pleaded not guilty.

Under questioning by District Attorney David Roger, the prospective juror recalled Simpson's impact on her life.

"I have seven brothers," she said. "Mr. Simpson has been around my

life. He's always been there. I don't know what team he played for but I know about the Heisman Trophy. I'm from Southern California. My husband loved him."

Looking at Simpson, she said she thinks celebrities need to watch their

behavior in public.

"I think he chose to be a celebrity," she said. "He chose to put himself in the public eye. Everyone is aware of it. He should be a little more self-conscious of his actions. It's different than it would be for me."

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Trips Dates: Sept. 20
Cost: \$25

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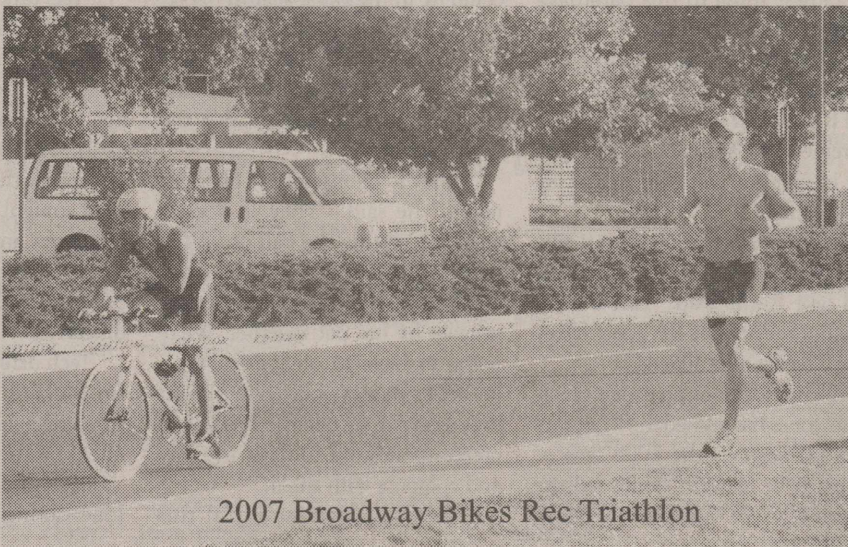
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Stop by the pool at 10:00am on Saturday morning for the weekly special! The Long Course Swim is on Sept. 20, Water Polo and Underwater Hockey are on Sept. 13 and Kayak Polo is on Sept. 27!

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Wellness Blood Screenings

Thursday, Sept. 18

6:30am-8:30am

Register by Noon on Wednesday, Sept. 17th by coming by the Fit/Well Office or by calling 806-742-3828. Screenings are covered by FirstCare but you must bring a copy of your insurance card. Cash, Check and Credit Card are accepted. PayFlex is not accepted. A Rec Center Membership is NOT required for screening! Blood draws are done by Covenant Hospital. For more info, please refer to the Rec Sports website at www.rescsports.ttu.edu

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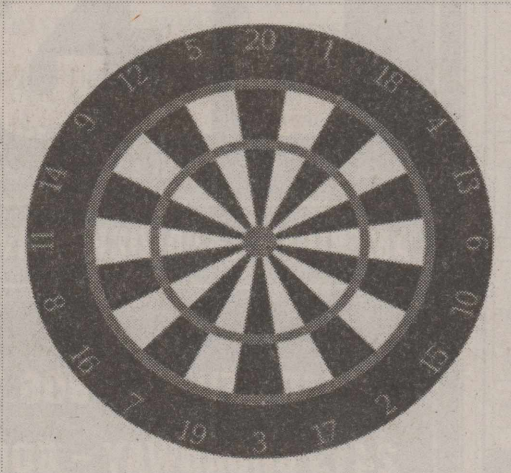


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