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TABC declines to rule on protests

By JON VANDERLAAN
 News Editor

Less than two weeks after releasing a gloomy outlook for the speedy sale of alcohol in Lubbock County, the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission reversed its position Wednesday and dismissed filed protests claiming the sale of alcohol in the county was illegal.

According to a release from the TABC, Alan Steen, an administrator with the commission, decided the protest process to de-

termine the status of the county as a wet or dry county was beyond the TABC's authority.

"The legislature's intent was for local communities to determine wet/dry status," he said in the statement. "It was not their intent to have this state agency second-guess or overturn the wet/dry determination of the city or county officials."

John Grace, an assistant criminal district attorney in the civil division of the Lubbock DA's office, said the main point of the TABC's release was the determi-

nation of wet/dry status should come from the local level and not from the state level.

The county clerk and city secretary must sign a permit application saying the county and the city have authorized the sale of alcohol, he said, and from there the application will go to the TABC. Because the agency refused to rule on the subject, it is up to the county clerk and the city secretary to certify their locality is wet.

Grace said the county and the city most likely will respect each

other's opinion in each of the nine cities in Lubbock County, and the Lubbock County clerk already has certified Lubbock as a wet county.

According to the release from the TABC, the agency may begin issuing permits in as soon as a few days for authorized applicants and locations.

Although the statement mentioned other legal recourse for protesters in the form of an injunction to halt the issuance of permits, Grace said, the filing of an injunction is afforded to

anyone by law and was more of a basic statement of law than a suggestion of action.

In the event an injunction appears in front of a court, Grace said, the office is unwilling to comment on the possibility at this time, as the county likely would be on the receiving end of such action.

Don Workman, one of the protesters who filed a complaint with the TABC, said he was displeased with the decision and is sympathetic to the smaller towns.

"I think it's unfortunate," Workman said.

While he said he is not the spokesman for the other protesters, he has no plans to pursue the issue further and does not see himself in the near future as the leader of this particular cause.

Workman, a former member of the Texas Tech Board of Regents from 1975 to 1981, said he believes the TABC was put under political pressure to turn away the protests.

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Rick Perry comes to Lubbock



PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador

Texas governor discusses term in office at local 'grassroot' rally

By ALLYSON SCHELL
 Staff Writer

The dining room at a local grocery store was filled with people and flashing cameras as Gov. Rick Perry made an appearance Wednesday to rile up support for political endeavors.

"I went for personal awareness and to know what candidate to support," said Kendall Rice, a Texas Tech senior public relations major from Brady. "I heard about this from my friends and the College Republicans had it on Facebook."

Perry would not say if he was running for re-election but said Texas has the most powerful economy in the nation.

"Texas is the No. 1 state, and not just because we have great barbecue," he said. "We are home to more Fortune 500 companies and more jobs than the other 49 states combined. I promise you, (California Gov.) Arnold Schwarzenegger would love to be saying this right now."

The room was entrenched with state pride, and the tone of Perry's speech correlated accordingly.

"The atmosphere of the rally was very supportive, and everyone loved Texas," said Megan Myers, a senior public relations major from Houston. "I came to get more education about what each candidate wants to do for the best state."

When a person in the crowd yelled to Perry "let's become a nation," clapping engulfed the room to the idea of a pos-

sible secession.

Not agreeing or disagreeing, Perry said Texas needs to show the rest of the country how to function and touched on his past opinion of the idea.

"I went to the tea parties because of the importance of the 10th Amendment," Perry said. "Washington does not have the authority to take it away. We need to be freed up from faceless bureaucrats in Washington — no one size fits all model. I don't want to look like Connecticut or Rhode Island."

Although not technically a re-election rally, Perry touched on things he has accomplished during his time in office.

"We cut \$10 billion out of our budget so that we didn't have to increase taxes," he said. "We left our rainy day fund intact and it is going towards \$9 billion. We have a great legislature who make principled decisions."

Tech student Alexis Stellas, a senior political science major from Houston who is interning to help out Perry's possible campaign in Lubbock, was encouraging rally attendees to sign up for the Home Headquarters Program.

"My political science teacher, Dr. Murray, sent out an e-mail to check out an internship to get the word out for the campaign in Lubbock," Stellas said. "It was my first day, so I'm trying to get used to it."

The program is for committed supporters to sign up on the Internet or at



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TEXAS GOV. RICK PERRY delivers a speech Wednesday during a rally at United Market Street at 50th Street and Indiana Avenue.

the rally. The supporter then recruits 11 other people to vote in the early votings in February.

Perry said this is the most important and powerful path to take right now.

At the end of Perry's speech, the crowd stood up as he left the room.

"I'm excited to get out campaigning and go to these grassroots meetings," Perry said.

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Research funding to be matched up to \$21.5M

By JON VANDERLAAN
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More than \$45 million in potential research funding for Texas Tech was announced Wednesday, about half coming from private donations and the other half coming from a state matching program.

The university received \$24.3 million in private gifts, \$21.5 million of which was eligible to be matched through the Texas Research Incentive Program.

The TRIP program was part of House Bill 51, which passed through the Texas Legislature during the summer. The bill also established a National Research University Fund and gave criteria for what an emerging research university must achieve to become a national research university.

Tech President Guy Bailey said the private donations are important to the university because it is rare to see a university have such strong private support.

He also said the program allows the university to make progress more quickly than before.

"I think what it offers is not incrementalism, but quantum leaps forward," Bailey said.

According to a news release from the university, final award amounts for FY 2010 will be determined by the end of October, and any funds not matched for FY 2010 will roll over to FY 2011 to be matched.

Tech Chancellor Kent Hance said the money Tech received from the program pushed the university ahead of other universities in the hunt for national research university status.

"The research we are going to do with this is going to help us become a tier one university," he said. "I think this shows we want and need more money and are willing to do whatever it takes to move forward."

The main piece of the puzzle Tech has been missing, he said, is

the research funding.

Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, who helped author the bill, said the TRIP program is separate from the National Research University Fund, which will replace the Higher Education Assistance Fund.

The TRIP program gives out \$25 million each year for the next two years, he said, and will be one of the tools for Texas universities to reach national research university status.

"We want these institutions to be nationally relevant and prominent," Duncan said.

Other universities nationwide have been cutting research funding, he said, and this extra push from the program should give Tech and other major Texas universities a better chance to be more competitive nationally.

Bailey said the increase in research funding was 50 percent more for Tech than for competitors, and the majority of the money announced will go toward restricted research expenditures.

After HB 51 was passed, the new benchmark for national research university status became \$45 million in restricted research expenditures, which are those expenditures not tied to education.

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Tech receives grant to advance outreach programs

By STEVEN SCHWARTZ
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Texas Tech recently received a grant from the National Science Foundation that will aid the advancement of student outreach programs.

The \$978,000 grant is to be used by the STEM Educational Outreach program at Tech, said Lawrence Schovanec, interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. The STEM program is designed as an outreach program directed towards students who are planning to study in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics in their future college career.

Schovanec, the interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said the grant is being used to aid the administrative aspect of the program.

"One of the primary objectives is to provide administrative support for the recruitment and mentoring of students into the STEM program," Schovanec said.

The program has garnered an estimated \$16 million in the past three years, Schovanec said. This money has been used for student scholarships at the graduate and undergraduate level and support for in-service teachers. Schovanec said the grant money will be used to hire a new coordinator for the program.

"The most recent grant money will enable us to hire a recruitment specialist and outreach coordinator," Schovanec said.

Jerry Dwyer, an associate professor in the mathematics department, said

the acquisition of the award, which was received Aug. 17, was helped by the combined efforts from all those involved with the program.

"The grant was a tribute to all of the people that work in all of our programs," Dwyer said.

"It's a recognition of the outreach as well, the math department has supported several outreach programs."

Schovanec said Tech President Guy Bailey was a critical part of the collaborative effort.

"Dr. Bailey's involvement was critical in demonstrating institutional commitment to these programs," Schovanec said.

The investigative efforts of Jaelyn Cañas, an assistant professor in the Institution of Environmental and Human Health, and Juan Muñoz, the vice president for institutional diversity, played an important role as well, Schovanec said.

Cañas, a co-principal investigator for the grant, said the grant money will be used by her department to help coordinate the mentoring efforts in the STEM program, as well as assist the program in using the grant money more efficiently.

"Mentoring is the key thing that happens in the STEM programs," Cañas said. "We're interested and dedicated to getting funding that



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will help our students and increase the participation in the STEM program."

Grant money such as this, Cañas said, is also important because it helps students in the nation become more interested in the sciences.

"The U.S. needs to find a way to get students interested in science," Cañas said.

Muñoz, another co-principal investigator for the grant, said one of the program's goals is to create incen-

tive for future college students through internships, mentoring and research opportunities.

"We tend to have a variety of incentives that are meaningful, and that's the key," Muñoz said.

The program also will create supplemental activities, made possible through the additional coordinator position, which will include special training and seminars for the students, Muñoz said. The program's

purpose is to draw in students from backgrounds that are normally underrepresented. The grant money will aid the program in accomplishing this goal by producing promotional, marketing and communication opportunities.

"There are populations that are obviously underrepresented," Muñoz said, "such as women in the sciences and certain minorities, as well as transfer students from other universities."

There has been a recent shortage in students within the STEM program, Schovanec said. However, grants such as this will help keep Tech in its position as one of the top STEM programs.

"Texas Tech is already a major player in the STEM initiatives," Schovanec said. "This award was provided because of the faculty working in these areas and because of the institutional commitment that supports these programs."

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LAWRENCE SCHOVANEK
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IN BRIEF

STATE

Schools ponder showing Obama speech to students

DALLAS (AP) — School districts across Texas are pondering whether they'll have their students watch a national address by President Barack Obama next week.

The speech on the importance of education is aimed directly at the nation's school children at 11 a.m.

Tuesday.

In the Wylie school district in suburban Dallas, spokeswoman Susan Dacus says officials are leaving the decision to individual teachers. She says parents who don't want their children to see it can opt out. In Houston, each school will decide.

NATION

Kerry positions self as Kennedy's political heir

BOSTON (AP) — Sen. John Kerry is positioning himself as the political heir to Edward Kennedy, pledging to thousands of people attending his town hall meeting in Massachusetts that he would fight

for the health care overhaul championed by his colleague.

More than 2,000 people turned up Wednesday night for Kerry's first public meeting since Kennedy's Aug. 25 death from brain cancer.

WORLD

Israelis, Palestinians resume high-level talks

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel and the Palestinians on Wednesday held their first high-level talks since Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu took office in March, pledging to step up economic cooperation despite the absence

of peace negotiations.

The meeting came as experts said the West Bank economy could be on the brink of improvement at a time when most countries are treading water at best — if Israel eases restrictions.

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Alcohol

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Those who still oppose the sale of alcohol may file an injunction to stop the TABC from issuing permits until the issue is heard in court, Steen said in the statement, and protestors still will have the ability to fight the sale of alcohol in Lubbock.

Lubbock County voters approved the sale of alcohol in a May 9 election in which Proposition 1 and Proposition 2 were approved

with a 64 percent and 69 percent approval, respectively.

After the measures were approved, lawsuits were brought against the city of Lubbock because of improper zoning ordinances. When the zoning ordinances were fixed and the lawsuits dropped, several protests came forward questioning the legitimacy of alcohol sales in various places throughout the county.

The protests claimed previous city elections voting against the sale of alcohol in several of the cities within Lubbock County over-

ruled the county-wide election.

The agency released a statement Aug. 20 warning the process of reviewing the protests and scheduling public hearings to determine whether the protests were valid could take up to several months, and permits would not be issued until the protests were resolved.

The city of Lubbock also granted variances last week to five convenience stores within 300 feet of the Tech campus in anticipation of the sale of alcohol.

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Research

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When numbers are calculated for FY 2010, Bailey said he expects Tech's total research expenditures and restricted research expenditures to go up several million dollars each.

The money from the program will be used to fund several research projects in the works as well as funding to start other projects and purchase equipment. According to the release, the 28 gifts came from 20 individuals and eight corporations and foundations.

The program will provide \$25 million for each of the next two years to universities that qualify under the emerging research university status.

Seven universities determined emerging research universities were eligible to participate in the program, which required submissions to be entered by Tuesday, including Tech, the University of Texas at Arlington, the University of Texas at Dallas, the University of Texas at El Paso, the University of Texas at San Antonio, the University of Houston and the University of North Texas.

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Southwest adds charge to board plane sooner

DALLAS (AP) — Your bags still fly for free on Southwest Airlines, but if you want a better chance at a window or aisle seat it's going to cost \$10 each way.

Southwest announced Wednesday that customers can pay extra to reserve a spot in the boarding line right behind elite fliers and ahead of families and other travelers. Unlike other airlines, Southwest doesn't offer assigned seats.

The new offering comes after Southwest introduced new fees for minors traveling alone and for bringing a small pet on board. Southwest still doesn't charge to check the first two bags, but experts and regular passengers are starting to wonder if that's next.

Southwest, like other airlines, is desperately looking for revenue to offset a slump in traffic, especially among business travelers who usually pay higher fares for last-minute or refundable tickets.

The Dallas-based discount airline lost \$37 million in the first six months of this year, and analysts expect that 2009 will be its first unprofitable year since the early 1970s.

Many analysts believe Southwest is passing up hundreds of millions of dollars a year by not charging passengers for all checked bags. CEO Gary Kelly has said bag fees drive customers away, and he has ruled them out at least through the end of 2009. No promises beyond that.

Southwest officials say they're just charging for extra services that customers want.

"The big difference between (the check-in service) and a bag fee is this is strictly optional," said Kevin Krone, Southwest's vice president of marketing.

Southwest is considering other amenities with charges, including in-flight Internet service.

"We'll continue to tinker and develop and launch," Krone said. "We're not done yet."

The airline believes the early check-in charge can raise about \$75 million a year, on par with Business Select tickets, which cost more but come with extras such as early boarding and a free drink. "We'd be thrilled if it became in the hundreds of millions," Krone said.

Bob McAdoo, an analyst for Avondale Partners, is more bullish. He believes the boarding charge could raise \$250 million a year. It could bring in enough money for the rest of 2009 to salvage a profitable year, he said.

McAdoo estimates that one-fourth of Southwest passengers could pay the check-in fee. Southwest declined to give an estimate.

The new \$10 fee is called EarlyBird Check-in, and it was made available Wednesday for trips beginning Thursday and beyond.

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JUDITH WILMINGTON, LEFT, research assistant and manager of the horticultural facility, speaks about pruning with Nathan Brockington, a junior horticulture major from Southlake, while pruning a Bayberry Wednesday in the horticultural garden.

Research study focuses on binge drinking's affects on smoking

By ZACH QUIÑONES
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Department of Psychology is researching the effects of binge drinking to identify reasons why college students relapse back into smoking and whether it impacts a person's urge to smoke.

The originator of the study is Joe VanderVeen, a Ph.D. student in clinical psychology.

The motivation behind the study stemmed from VanderVeen's master's degree project, which focused on impulsivity influencing relapse.

Researchers are looking for participants to take part in the study.

Associate professor and Director of Clinical Training Lee Cohen considered the study appropriately timed and necessary.

The research involves an area that's been understudied, he said, because most impulsivity studies focus primarily on alcohol and not necessarily with smoking.

Tully Brown, a senior history major

from Rule, also considered the study valuable.

"People always say, 'I only smoke when I drink,'" he said. "So it sounds like a good study."

In order to qualify, participants must meet certain requirements: He or she must be a daily smoker who smokes more than 12 cigarettes every day, has had five or more drinks in less than two hours, three or more in the last month or has not done this in the last year. And he or she must be between the ages of 18 and 25.

Selected participants will be asked to come to an initial screening session and asked questions about personality, substance use history — including current use — and mood. Following the questions, there will be two one-hour experimental sessions to measure emotional

responses to photographic pictures.

Participants will receive up to \$100 after completing the study.

"The goal is to come up with a smoking prevention program to help smokers quit or not further their behavior," VanderVeen said.

"People always say, 'I only smoke when I drink.'"

JOE VANDERVEEN
CLINICAL
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He said this is the time when college students between the ages of 18 and 24, who have the highest prevalence rates, either pick up smoking or become binge drinkers.

For more information or to apply to participate in the study, e-mail a name, a phone number and best times to be contacted to SR_study09@yahoo.com.

The Protection of Human Subjects Committee at Tech approved the study.

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Tech chess team hosts first meeting of year, discusses recruiting methods

By CAITLAN OSBORN
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The Knight Raiders chess team gathered for its first meeting of the year Wednesday and discussed the formation of the women's team and recruitment of international students through the Susan Polgar Institute of Chess Excellence.

Texas Tech's first academic chess institute, created by world grand master and former Women's World Champion Susan Polgar, has formed a women's team, which has brought an increase of female team members to the institute.

Lilia Doibani, a first-year law student, said she transferred to Tech primarily for the promotion of women's chess through SPICE.

"I think it is a great idea," she said, "because not many women play chess, and it is a great way to attracting more women to chess."

Doibani also said she likes that the Knight Raiders are working to involve everyone in the chess institute.

"They work to promote chess throughout the community, and now they have their first women's team," she said. "They are doing a great job with recruiting."

Hal Karlsson, a Knight Raiders faculty adviser, said the SPICE institute is one of the main reasons why chess players are transferring to Tech from other universities and has been a cause for an influx of international students among the Knight Raiders. Three out of four members on the A team are transfer students from European countries: Gerbely Antac, Davorin Kuwasevic and Gabir Popp.

Tech also has been increasing chess scholarships in hope of recruiting more international members to the institution.

"Davorin is actually our first graduate student we support all the way, which we have never done before," Karlsson said. "This is a new angle to recruiting stu-

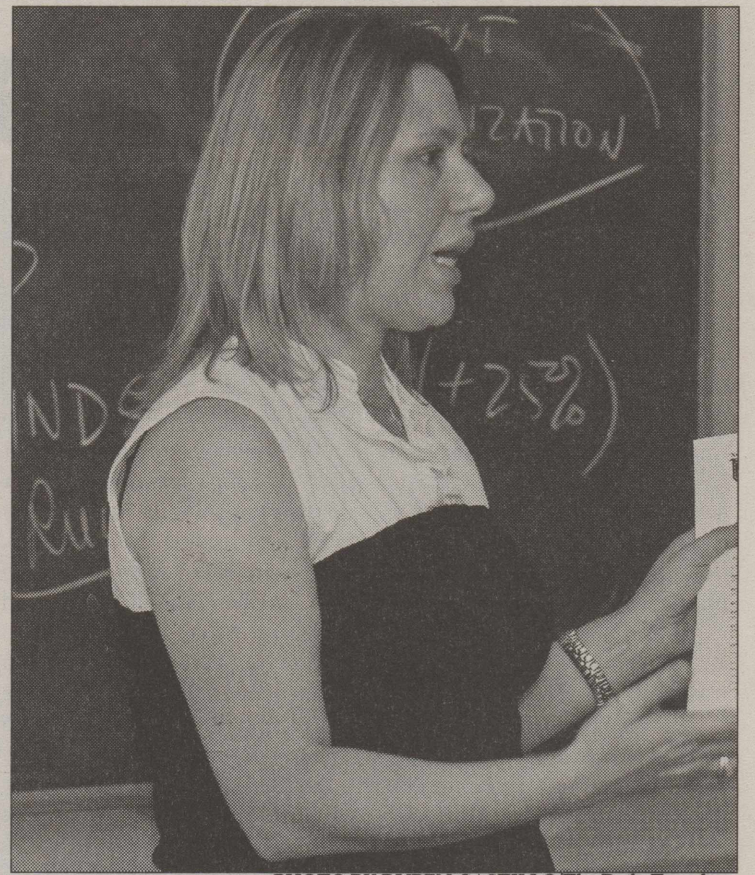


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SUSAN POLGAR, EXECUTIVE director of the Susan Polgar Institute for Chess Excellence, talks to members of Knight Raiders, Texas Tech's chess club, at their first meeting of the year Thursday in the English building.

dents."

Karlsson also said international students are a large asset to the Knight Raiders team.

"They are our star players," he said. "They have the ratings and will help the team become (more successful)."

The institute also has attempted to recruit students who play chess

at competing schools around Texas in hopes of earning a higher ranking.

"We have been responsible for bringing chess members from UT Dallas, the number one ranked chess

school in the nation, by giving their students more scholarships to come to Texas Tech to play chess," Karlsson said.

Doibani said she is proud of what has been achieved by the Knight Raiders in a short period of time and hopes the new strategies will increase its achievements as the year continues.

"They are doing a great job with recruiting."

LILIA DOIBANI
MEMBER
WOMEN'S CHESS TEAM

"The greatest thing is what has been achieved in so few years by Tech and how far the team has come compared to other universities," she said.

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Homosexuals deserve protection by law

I would hate to live in Utah right now. If I did I would be really scared of Gov. Gary Herbert's view of law's place in protecting citizens.

"We don't have to have a rule for everybody to do the right thing. We ought to just do the right thing because it's the right thing to do, and we don't have to have a law that punishes us if we don't," Herbert said when talking about homosexual discrimination at a press conference last week.

I want you to stop reading this and re-read that statement and let it sink in. It's OK. I'll wait.

Yes, if we could all just get along and just hold hands and sing "Kumbaya," there would be no need for law. If that is how you view society and law, move to Utah (but not without a bullet-proof vest).

Paul Williamson



Is this guy for real? We do not need law to punish us if we don't do the right thing? It just blew my mind away reading that statement. As I write this I keep re-reading that statement and shake my head in disgust.

But this shows a real problem in this country. Putting marriage equality aside, discrimination against homosexuals in this country is a major issue. It is legal in many states, like Utah, to fire someone just for being gay. Only 21 states ban this practice and only 12 ex-

tend it to gender identity, this according to The Associated Press.

Herbert then advances the common conservative slippery slope argument. If we extend protection to gays, then it could mean anyone could be protected. He claims, "Pretty soon we're going to have a special law for blue-eyed blondes... or people who are losing their hair a little bit."

Yes, if people start getting fired just for being blond with blue eyes, then yes we should protect them. But I doubt significantly that it would be an issue.

The governor just doesn't understand the issue. The Salt Lake City Human Rights Commission stated discrimination is rampant in Utah. Blue-eyed blondes are not being evicted or fired on that basis, but gay people are.

Discrimination is treating others as less than human. These employers and landlords treat homosexuals as people not worth having that job or living in that home. They treat them as their subordinate. This is especially true knowing that homosexuality is not a choice. (I did not choose to be straight just as much as gay people did not choose to be gay.)

According to the Journal of Applied Psychology, "those who reported more fear of the negative consequences of full disclosure had less positive job and career attitudes, received fewer promotions and reported more physical stress-related symptoms than those who reported less fear."

Not only is discrimination wrong but it is worse for the work place. It creates distrust between

the employers and the employees. People start to fear their employer.

"Employees who are not afraid of being fired or held back from promotion because of their same-sex orientations are psychologically freer to put their full creative energies into work. This, in turn, saves employers' time and money. It is a win-win for all concerned." This is from the previously cited journal.

There is no good that comes from not having it in law to protect people from discrimination. Am I saying everyone is a God fearing homophobe that hates gay people? No. But there are those socially backward out there that the law should be designed to stop.

Humans are human. They do wrong things. We can't sit back and do nothing and hope people do that

right thing. That is what causes a real slippery slope we do not want to see happen.

Even if you think homosexuality is not a choice and is a horrible sin, you should be in favor of stopping discrimination. Jesus taught us to love and treat others as we would like to be treated.

The governor is right. People ought to do the right thing. But they don't. That is why we have law. We need law to protect us from the ones that do not do the right thing.

The discrimination faced by homosexuals is real and needs to stop.

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Politically correct war disrespects American history

"The soldier, above all other people, prays for peace, for he must suffer and bear the deepest wounds and scars of war." General Douglas MacArthur, the man who gave that quote, commanded the Southwestern Pacific theater in WWII. His troops were engaged in some of the most brutal fighting of that war.

I am afraid the sacrifice of those men, the sacrifices since then, and those still being given today are in the process of becoming irrelevant.

The present administration has released and enacted some of the most disparaging information as it pertains to our military. In early August we were told the United States is no longer fighting a war on terror. All the bigwigs in the counterterrorism and homeland security departments announced not only that, but that we longer were in conflict with "radical jihadists" or engaged in a "global war." We should all be so lucky as to see our current times as rosy as these men do.

As John Brennan relayed to the press, now our military heads are outlining a "new way of seeing" the fight against terrorism. Pray tell how that would be? Do we try to rationalize with the men strapping bombs to their chests? Or sending women and children in such a state toward American soldiers? Through

Derek Coulson



what convoluted new sight are we envisioning this war?

The same Mr. Brennan also said we are at war with al-Qaeda and "its violent extremist allies who seek to carry out (their) murderous agenda." What exactly is the difference in that conclusion and the decisions of the previous administration? Perhaps instead of war-time reform, what we're really encountering here is presidential double-speak. While seeking to distance himself from the war we are fighting, President Barack Obama is actually reinforcing the same failed policies that he so loves to decry as foolish.

Our president also stated when it comes to the security personnel of this nation, he prefers "to look forward, rather than backward." Interesting then, that he should allow his attorney general free reign in prosecuting members of the CIA for the interrogations they held.

Also interesting is although he released the written reports of

the interrogations (which he first said he would not do), Obama did not release the information that was attained from the interrogations.

If indeed they were as intense as recorded, I would like to also have knowledge, at least in part of what those interrogations deferred from happening. Because for an administration only too willing to hush the labels like "jihadists" and "terror" and "global war," they show no qualms in releasing highly

confidential interrogation records and photos, which according to any rational standard, likely offends our enemy more.

We have effectively, I think, entered into a time where fighting a war is a matter of inconvenience to not only the administration engaged in it, but seemingly the people who receive the benefits from it. Assuming of course inalienable rights are benefits, and in their proper way are accommodating for

this people. In our journey for individual freedom and personal liberties, we have forgotten the cost these things demand of a nation. Perhaps we need to be reminded.

From the Revolution to the Persian Gulf we lost almost 1 million men and women. Whereas so far there have been 4,336 lost in the Iraq War. What totals will suffice to appease minds that demand not solely sacrifice, but the ability to spite that sacrifice when it is expedient? Surely we are not so ignorant to not perceive their struggle and a seminal measure of our enjoyed liberty.

In one of his essays, C.S. Lewis wrote of "Men without Chests," "It is not excess of thought but defect of fertile and generous emotion that marks them out. In a sort of ghastly simplicity we remove the organ and demand the function. We make men without chests and expect of them virtue and enterprise."

Such it seems is the state of the leadership under which we find ourselves. They would seek

to eliminate war, yet enforce a skeletal version of it; eviscerate inherited decisions, yet propose many of the same conclusions; demand of a nation complete subservience, yet of themselves police almost nothing; eliminate freedom in its capitalist forms, yet expect liberty and equality among all people.

If ever a people would stand against such folly, it should be this people, and they should counter this administration. We cannot wait to see eventual outcomes and results. Those things are evident in already present effects. The time for cautious dialogue has ended, because the assault on American tradition has begun.

The things that the soldier stands for: Principle, honor, courage and, above all, a desire for peace, should not be overlooked in seeking to circumvent rational avenues towards liberty. History demands we take heed of its lessons or suffer the consequence of our ignorance.

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Puzzles by PageFiller

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Solution to yesterday's puzzle

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Love bug bites Internet users; evidence at Texas Tech

By HANNAH BOEN
STAFF WRITER

A Pew Research Center study reported 37 percent of single Internet users have used dating Web sites, and 17 percent say they have entered long-term relationships with someone they met online.

Eric Brannigan hopes to be part of that 17 percent. The senior mechanical engineering major from Austin is in a relationship with Samantha Lippard, whom he met online in May.

"Normally, I talk to people online only non-romantically," he said. "I flirted with her though, and she thought I was hot enough to keep talking to."

According to the study, Brannigan and Lippard are not alone. Three out of four single Internet users have done at least one dating-related activity online, ranging from flirting to searching for information about prospective dates.

The couple met on an image board, Brannigan said, and swapped AOL Instant Messenger screen names. From there, the pair became more interested in one another.

The budding romance transformed from Facebook friends to video calls on Skype, and finally, a face-to-face meeting. Technology has allowed the couple to get to know each other, even though the two live almost six hours apart.

"Technology makes it really easy," he said, "but it's also got its pros and cons. Just because you meet someone online doesn't mean you want to meet them in person. A lot can be hidden online."

Surprisingly, Brannigan said, Lippard wasn't keeping anything hidden and was exactly what he was looking for.

"She was better than I had hoped," he said of their first face-to-face encounter. "She's smart, really interesting. She's really pretty and someone I can talk to about anything."

Two weeks after their first meeting, the two are seriously dating, Lippard said, and hoping to trim down the distance between them by the spring semester.

"I was apprehensive before we met," she said of her online love, "but when I saw him in person, I knew instantly I wanted to date."

The Norman, Okla., resident said

she is considering enrolling in classes at Tech in the fall to be closer to her online love.

She was surprised, she said, an innocent swap of screen names has turned into a romantic relationship.

"I generally don't look to meet people on the Internet," she said, "but with Eric, it was different."

Although many college students may not be listed on traditional dating Web sites, hundreds of college-age individuals use the Internet for dating purposes.

Many social networking Web sites encourage individuals to post their relationship status online, and Facebook is home to more than 500 groups with "single and looking" in the group name, each with group members advertising their availability.

Brannigan said although he found a potential mate online, it is rare to find someone who meets the expectations they set on the Internet.

"If you're not being honest about yourself," he said, "odds are the people you're talking to aren't either. My advice would be to expect the worst and be surprised."

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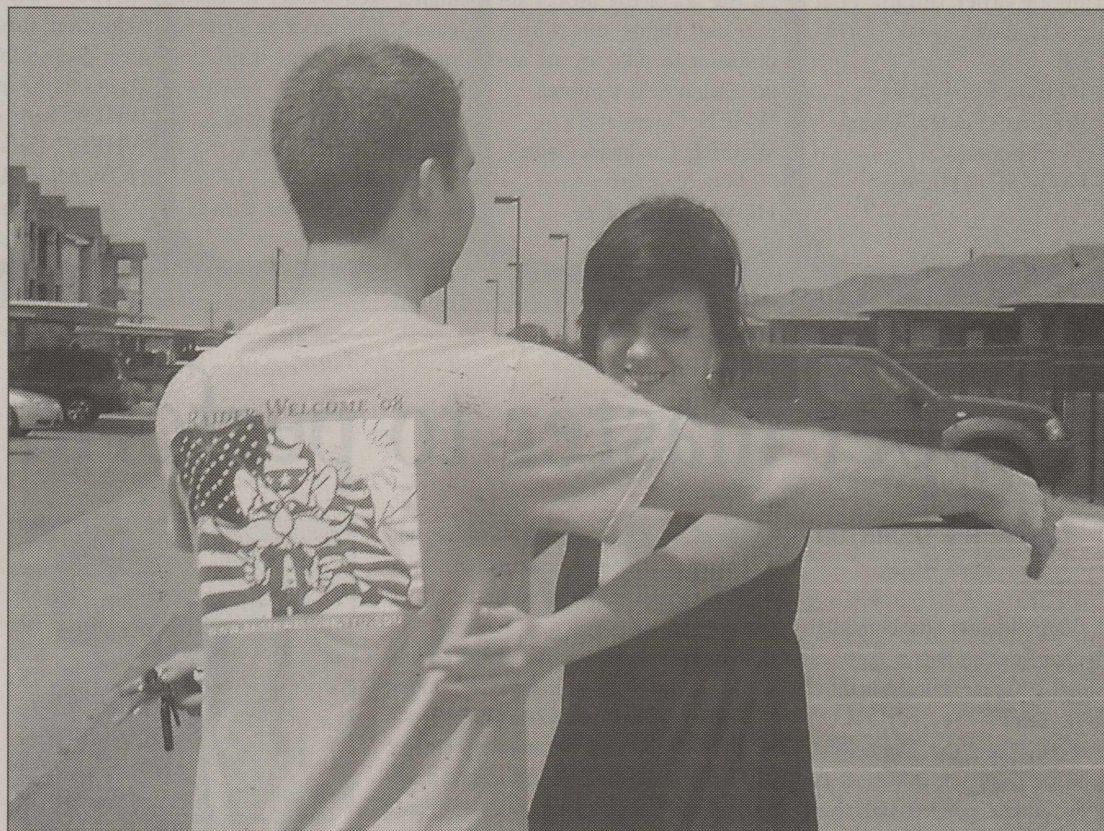


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ERIC BRANNIGAN, A senior mechanical engineering major from Austin, meets Samantha Lippard face-to-face for the first time since meeting on the Internet. Brannigan met Lippard on a Web site and the two are now dating.

SGA hopes to revive good sportsmanship at first Tech pep rally in decade

By CAYLOR BALLINGER
STAFF WRITER

The first Texas Tech pep rally of the decade will be celebrated with flair Thursday as black masks will be given to everyone at the event.

"Free masked rider masks will be given instead of the usual T-shirts," said Suzanne Williams, the Student Government Association president. "It's something unique that we hope will promote school spirit."

The Tech College Game Night Pep

Rally will be from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Jones AT&T Stadium.

Williams said the original idea for the pep rally was to have a themed masquerade. She said although SGA decided change the theme, they plan to keep the original black masks part of the rally.

As SGA president, Williams has been planning the ideas of a pep rally since April, she said. She is excited the rally is open to the community and to the students.

"We wanted to do something to give

students sportsmanship and retention," Williams said. "We will have a short video of peers expressing sportsmanship at the rally."

Williams said the event will be modeled after "ESPN College Game Day" and even will involve the game day desk with several interviews.

"We will interview President Bailey, Pat Knight, Kristy Curry and several members of the football team," she said. "The Goin' Band from Raiderland and Spirit Squads will also be there in full uniform and will kick-off the pep rally at

5:30 p.m. with a Walk of Champions."

The Walk of Champions is open to anyone and consists of the band marching and playing Tech songs from the music building to the stadium, Williams said.

The main aspect people should get from the pep rally, she said, is to have good sportsmanship toward opposing teams.

"For our games, the TV cameras have to cut to commercial before we say the fight song because of a what is said," Williams said. "Our fight song is a great

tradition that we want to do right."

Josh Frost, the SGA chief of staff, said he wanted to become involved in the pep rally to establish and bring back Tech traditions.

"There is excitement for Saturday because it will jump-start the season and convey sportsmanship," Frost said. "Also the masks will be something new and add one more element to the black-out theme."

The interviews will be a large factor of the rally and will discuss the direction of the university for the upcoming year

and interview some Tech coaches, Frost said, as well as spirit in general so come be a part of the tradition.

"We hope that the pep rally takes well its first year," Williams said. "It's something we hope students and alumni can look forward to as a kick-off before the season begins."

The pep rally will not interfere with comedian Jeff Dunham at 7:30 p.m., and a shuttle will be provided to and from both events and satellite and ICC parking.

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DJ AM autopsy finds perscription pills in stomach

NEW YORK (AP) — DJ AM had perscription pills in his stomach and one in his throat when police found him dead in his apartment, a New York City official said Wednesday.

The official told The Associated Press that six pills were found in the celebrity disc jockey's stomach and that the pill in his throat appeared to be the

powerful painkiller OxyContin.

The official didn't know how strong a dose each pill contained and wasn't sure what kind of pills were in DJ AM's stomach.

The official was familiar with the preliminary autopsy report released last week but was not authorized to talk publicly about it and spoke on condition

of anonymity.

The 36-year-old, whose real name was Adam Goldstein, was found Friday evening in his apartment in New York City's trendy SoHo neighborhood after a friend called 911. Paramedics had to break down the door before they found him, shirtless and wearing sweat pants, in his bed around 5:20 p.m.

Sawyer becomes ABC evening news anchor

NEW YORK (AP) — Women will anchor two of the three major network evening newscasts — still considered the premier jobs in the television news business — after ABC said Wednesday that Diane Sawyer will replace Charles Gibson, who is retiring at the end of the year.

Until Katie Couric became "CBS Evening News" anchor in September 2006, no woman had held the job done by broadcast legends like Walter Cronkite, Peter Jennings, Tom Brokaw, Chet Huntley, David Brinkley and Dan Rather alone. Barbara Walters, Connie Chung and Elizabeth Vargas have done it only when teamed with men.

Sawyer's hiring is a "watershed moment," said the Women's Media Center.

"Diane Sawyer's expertise and professionalism are without question," said Carol Jenkins, president of the Women's Media Center. "We look forward to her debut in January, and to the changes in the perceptions of women's capabilities her reign will bring."

Sawyer called the job "an enormous honor." She'll start in January.

"Diane is one of the hardest-working people I know and this new assignment is the latest achievement in an already accomplished and illustrious career," said Couric, who competed against Sawyer as a host of NBC's "Today" show. "And as I did, I'm sure that she'll quickly find that she doesn't miss that early morning alarm clock."

Gibson, 66, who provided a steady hand to a "World News" broadcast reeling from tragedy, said he had been planning to retire at the end of 2007 but events compelled him to stay. He was named anchor following the death of Peter Jennings and the wartime injury of Bob Woodruff in 2006. He's been at ABC News for 35 years and says he plans to continue as an occasional contributor.

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 3
Bongo Ball Mania
 This combines elements of "American Gladiators," Paintball and Nerf wars among other things. That pretty much speaks for itself.
WHEN: 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.
WHERE: Student Union Ballroom
HOW MUCH: Free

FRIDAY, SEPT. 4
Annual Art Faculty Exhibition Opening
 Student exhibits are always nice, but this will show off the art of the pros. Plus, you can figure out which professor to take for art appreciation next semester.
WHEN: Opens at 8 a.m.
WHERE: Landmark Gallery, School of Art
HOW MUCH: Free

SATURDAY, SEPT. 5
Texas Tech Vs. North Dakota
 The annual sacrifice of a lower-division team to the mighty Red Raider football team. It might not be a riveting match-up, but it's Tech football.
WHEN: 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
WHERE: Jones AT&T Stadium
HOW MUCH: Free with ID

SUNDAY, SEPT. 6
Buffalo Lake Thunder in the Canyon Boat Race
 The boat in the publicity poster has fire shooting out of the back. If that's any indication, this should be a great place to have a Labor Day camping trip.
WHEN: Sept. 4-6
WHERE: Buffalo Lake
HOW MUCH: \$15 cooler pass, \$15 camping per night

MONDAY, SEPT. 7
Sleep in and hang out with friends
 Having a "7-day weekend" can take a toll. Use this day to reconnect with some people you haven't seen in a while. OK, so this isn't really an event, sue us (please don't).
WHEN: All day
WHERE: Your choice
HOW MUCH: Up to you

TUESDAY, SEPT. 8
Main Event
 It's the first day back from a long weekend, so take out your frustrations from class with some Laser Tag.
WHEN: Between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.
WHERE: 6010 Marsha Sharp Freeway
HOW MUCH: Beers and wells are \$1 off

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 9
"Up"
 This was one of the better movies of the summer. If you missed it or just want to see it again, it'll be playing at the SUB, and you can't beat the free price tag.
WHEN: 8 p.m.
WHERE: Student Union Building
HOW MUCH: Free

Puppet master to perform

By **CARRIE THORNTON**
 STAFF WRITER

Ventriloquist and comedian Jeff Dunham and his puppet crew will perform at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the United Spirit Arena.

Brian Haner, the "Guitar Man," will open for Dunham, whose act consists of five unique puppets with their own personas.

Cindy Harper, associate director at the United Spirit Arena, said she has been in contact with Barbara Hubbard, a promotional director, for about a year, waiting to see if Dunham would accept a proposal including a performance in Lubbock as well as student involvement.

"We were very pleased to find out (the proposal) was accepted," Harper said.

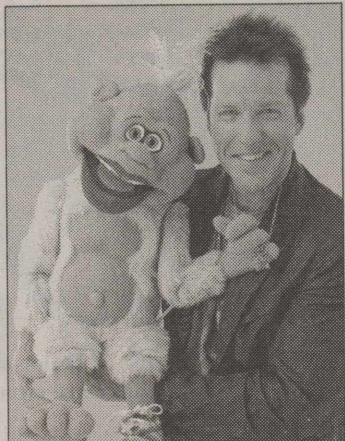
Part of the proposal included the promotional responsibilities to be laid upon the members of the Texas Tech

Marketing Association's shoulders, and in return the organization would receive scholarship money based on the success of the event.

Eighty-two-year-old Barbara Hubbard, known in the industry as "Mother Hubbard," created a scholarship program built off profits from events she promotes, Harper said. She wanted to find a way to incorporate students in the event's promotional activities.

"She was looking for a way to incorporate students into the marketing of this event primarily because the audience is mainly going to be students," Harper said. "The Tech Marketing Association jumped at the opportunity to be involved and gain some hands-on experience."

The association will receive a minimum of \$1,000, and the rest is to be determined upon reviewing final sales. The scholarship created will be utilized for the students within the association.



Courtesy of Personal Publicity

JEFF DUNHAM, a ventriloquist, will perform at the united spirit arena with peanut (shown).

Hubbard has also offered to provide the United Spirit Arena with additional money she will donate from her profits from the show.

"The arena will be establishing a 'Mother Hubbard' event and facility management scholarship endowment," Harper said. "Which will allow us to provide scholarships to students employed by the arena who wish to pursue a career in the industry."

The show will follow a pep-rally getting students excited students or the first football game, which will make it an even better experience, she said.

"Two cool events back-to-back creates a fun experience," Harper said. "I encourage students to come and enjoy both."

Tickets for Jeff Dunham are on sale for \$54, \$40, \$30 and \$20 at several outlets including the Student Union Building.

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New satellite to take pictures of Big Bang

Aug. 27 marked the official end of the First Light Survey and the start of the first all-sky survey for the European Space Agency's (ESA) Planck Satellite, which is planned to be a 15-month uninterrupted survey that will "determine the geometry and contents of the universe, and which theories describing the birth of and evolution of the universe are correct," according to ESA science case Bluebook.

The satellite was launched May 14 and will swathe portions of the sky with a 6 foot by 5 foot telescope that has an aperture of 5 feet. The satellite focuses Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB), light not visible by the eye, onto a high and low-frequency instrument that can detect minuscule variations in temperature. Since CMB is the oldest light in our universe, the Planck satellite will allow us to see what the universe was like about 380,000 years after the Big Bang; This is like having a 13-billion-year-old picture!

The Planck Satellite was named after the German Scientist Max Planck, who was awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics in 1918; nobelprize.org calls Max Planck "One of the father's of quantum physics."

The naming of the satellite

Mark Guerra



after Planck is very fitting considering his most famous work attempted to explain that which defied classical physics. The Planck Satellite will continue the legacy of investigating the unexplained physical phenomena of the universe by trying to determine the origins of dark energy and dark matter, the matter that does not emit or reflect electromagnetic radiation, the basic constituent of light.

Other missions include using the CMB to determine when the first stars were formed, testing current theories of inflation/non-inflation — the theories of how the universe came to its current size considering the Big Bang claims everything started from a single point — mapping the cold dust clusters in the Milky Way's spiral arms, and mapping the 3-D magnetic field of the Milky Way.

The Planck Satellite is not the first attempt at studying the CMB. The Cosmic Background Explorer satellite was launched in 1992 by NASA and showed the CMB had a great deal of fluctuations in temperature all over the sky. Then in 2003, the Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe produced the first picture of the visible universe giving substantial evidence to support or refute any of the numerous theories about the size and shape of the universe.

It will be more than a year before the official results are back, but a year is not so long considering the questions that will be answered once the results are analyzed. With 13 years in the making, chances are the European Space Agency knows exactly what they are doing.

• Visit these Web sites for more information about Planck www.sciops.esa.int, map.gsfc.nasa.gov, www.esa.int

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Boy falls into lion pit at zoo

BOSTON (AP) — A teenage boy visiting a zoo on Wednesday fell into a lion pit that's part of a set for the upcoming Kevin James and Adam Sandler movie "The Zookeeper," but he wasn't badly hurt.

No animals were in the area at the time of the accident at the Franklin Park Zoo, spokeswoman Brooke Wardrop said, and the movie crew wasn't on the set.

The 16-year-old boy tumbled about 25 feet into the pit, where a net broke his fall, and his injuries weren't considered life-threatening, fire department spokesman Steve MacDonald said.

The initial emergency call to firefighters was about a person who had fallen into a zoo's lion pit, MacDonald said.

"You know, you start having these images of animals outside, but once the officials assured us that there were no animals at all, it pretty much became a standard extrication from a hole," he said.

When firefighters showed up, there was a movie set medic with the boy, who was conscious and talking as emergency workers put him on a stretcher before taking him to a hospital.

The boy, MacDonald said, was in an area where he shouldn't have been and wasn't working for the movie, which features James, the former star of the CBS sitcom "The King of Queens," as a zookeeper unlucky at love.

Zoo officials were investigating the afternoon incident, which occurred in an old gorilla exhibit known as the Lion's Den for the movie.

In "The Zookeeper," James' lovelorn character has animal friends that break their code of silence and reveal they can talk in a desperate attempt to help him win the girl of his dreams and prevent him from quitting his job. The movie also features Cher and Sylvester Stallone.

The Franklin Park Zoo, which has hundreds of exotic animal species from around the world in exhibits including a tropical rain forest, the Australian outback and the African savannah, made headlines in July after its operator suggested some animals might have to be destroyed because authorities cut \$4 million in state funding.

Blair hops pond for Letterman

NEW YORK (AP) — Tony Blair is set for his first appearance on David Letterman's "Late Show."

CBS says the former British prime minister will visit the late-night host on Tuesday for his first appearance on the show.

He's likely to talk about his current projects, including pushing for peace with Palestinians and seeking a climate change agreement.

He also has a foundation that tries to promote understanding among different religions and is teaching at Yale University.

Also on Letterman that night will be actress Julianna Margulies (MAR'-goo-leez), who is promoting her new series on CBS.

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ACROSS
 1 Savory gelatin
 6 Green gems
 11 Delivery experts, briefly
 14 Irish writer who said "Always forgive your enemies; nothing annoys them so much"
 15 All thumbs
 16 One of the Three Stooges
 17 Where to hear letters recited
 19 Pipe with a bend
 20 Sending to overtime, as a game
 21 Avoided a trial
 23 German "Alas!"
 25 Word sung after a ball drops
 27 Prefix with sci
 28 Oscar Madison, e.g.
 30 Lady Godiva spitter
 34 Arena for MacArthur
 36 Have in the crosshairs
 37 Grammar elements, or what the first three letters of 17, 20, 45- and 62-Across literally are
 42 Wavy design
 43 Tossed course
 45 "anyone lived in a pretty how town" poet
 50 "The Shining" climax setting
 51 Tuber with eyes
 52 Harness the wind, in a way
 54 Dill choice
 55 Colossal
 59 Move with stealth
 61 Miss
 62 Recording studio feature
 66 Like nos. above zero
 67 "Later!"
 68 Take a piece from?
 69 Bilko's rank: Abbr.
 70 throat
 71 Wounds

DOWN
 1 Cribside chorus
 2 Drink slowly
 3 Teaming amount
 4 One way to sit by
 5 Salsa singer
 6 Commercial tune
 7 Director Lee
 8 Balls' belles
 9 Olympics event with swords
 10 Proofer's mark
 11 Denver
 12 Ravel classic
 13 Not often
 16 to one's neck
 22 Wrestling partners
 23 Be inquisitive
 24 Hoof-on-cobblesstones sound
 26 Overwhelms with noise
 29 Hamilton is its capital
 31 Sorority letters
 32 Troublemaker
 33 Some Scottish Parliament votes
 35 Subject for Bohr
 38 City (computer game)
 39 "... quit!"
 40 Candy in a red and blue wrapper
 41 Vague
 44 Actress Sandra
 45 Legally impedes
 46 Novel postscript
 47 Most likely to elicit 1-Down
 48 It's removed at the pump
 49 Follower of Guru Nanak
 53 Maui shindigs leader
 56 Untouchables
 57 Law & Order: SVU actor
 58 Grammy winner for "Believe"
 60 Pre-P queue
 63 Luis's "Listen up!"
 64 Afire
 65 Inn offerings: Abbr.

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New Mexico treasure: Tech soccer finding diamonds in desert

By **MIKE GRAHAM**
STAFF WRITER

New Mexico is not much of a soccer hotbed.

Texas Tech soccer coach Tom Stone believes Texas is budding into an excellent place for youth soccer. With its competitive clubs and high school teams, Texas produces most of the players on Tech's roster.

Still, a state less than 100 miles west of campus is providing the Red Raider program with some of its top talent.

"New Mexico youth soccer is behind Texas," Stone said. "But the nice thing about (New Mexico's soccer) culture is that it makes those special

players have a huge role for their teams to be successful. We've found that a great player on a lesser team is sometimes as equally as attractive because she has to do so much to make her team win."

Sophomore midfielder Taylor Lytle and freshman midfielder Sarah Ellison, both graduates of New Mexico high schools, are proving Stone's point.

Stone said Lytle and Ellison were the best high school soccer prospects in New Mexico during their respective



LYTLE

senior years.

Lytle earned many awards and accolades during her high school career. The midfielder won state titles in 2003 and 2005 and individually earned the titles of New Mexico State Player of the Year, New Mexico's Gatorade Player of the Year and was named first-team All-District and All-State each year in high school. She attended Las Cruces High School in Las Cruces, N.M. — home to New Mexico State University.

Her talents led her elsewhere, however.

"I liked the atmosphere here at Tech," she said. "I really wanted to make an impact on the program and I've loved it here, and we're growing

better and better each year."

Voted MVP as a freshman, Lytle's impact on the Red Raider program is undeniable. She led the team last season in assists, points, shots and shots-on-goal. After just one season, she is already on Tech's top 10 list for most career assists with eight and was third on the team in goals scored with five in 2008.

"I think after I committed here and Karen (De Leon) committed here, it kind of made our coaches go for play-



ELLISON

ers there," she said. "There are good players in New Mexico that don't get recruited."

So Tech went to the well again and recruited Ellison in 2008.

Ellison joined the Red Raider roster from Alamogordo High School in Alamogordo, N.M. The rookie earned first-team All-State honors in 2007 and 2008 and was a finalist for New Mexico's Gatorade Player of the Year in 2007. In addition, Ellison graduated Alamogordo ranked fifth in a graduating class of 414.

Like Lytle did last year, Ellison is already making some impact on the team with one goal and an assist in just collegiate three games.

"They're both really good, amazing

actually," forward Brittney Harrison said. "Just give the ball to Taylor and she'll do whatever she can to get us a score. Sarah's quick and aggressive, and both are just so great for the team."

In addition to Lytle, Ellison and De Leon, Megan Hoffert and Maegan Wilber call New Mexico home. Tech also has Jaclyn Dozier, a freshman defender from Colorado Springs, Colo. Maggie Fete comes to Tech from the farthest state, New Jersey.

"Tech does really well regionally recruiting, not just in soccer," Stone said. "Texas is our mainstay but New Mexico, Colorado, anybody who can drive here. Tech is a huge draw."

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Twins reunited on women's cross country team

By ZANE TURNER
STAFF WRITER

Running is not just sport for twins Caroline and Winrose Karunde.

For these two, who grew up in Nyeri, Kenya, running was a mode of transportation and a way to ensure their success in school and future.

"We would run to school everyday," Caroline said. "If you go to school and you're late, you are given a punishment or you are beaten up. So, you make sure you are there running up and down the hills."

It looks like that attitude was the right one to have.

The maternal twins reunite after leaving the hills of Kenya they roamed together to pursue their futures in the United States, while bolstering a women's cross country roster that needs help after the departure of standout Sally Kipyego.

Caroline spent two years at Wayland Baptist and Winrose spent two years at Abilene Christian. This season, the two are the newest additions to the Texas Tech women's cross country team.

Both made headlines at their respective schools as well. Caroline was a NAIA All-American in track and cross country at

Wayland Baptist and Winrose was an eight-time All-American at Abilene Christian — a school with deep roots in track.

The two originally planned to come to Tech after high school at South Tetu Girls School in Kenya, but had some difficulties with paperwork and academics, stalling the move.

Both sisters are glad to be reunited at Tech as the 2009 season looms.

"It feels at home," Caroline said. "We've been great being together. Together seems good, and we've been the same since we were born because we've been together the whole time."

The sisters have brought their laid-back style to Tech, which is a welcome addition. For them, one of the main differences between competing at home and in the United States is the NCAA. There is no NCAA in Kenya, even though the country has a system to help runners get noticed.

"I think it's kind of different from here the way we have like NCAAAs, but there it's your own choice," Winrose said. "It's not like your forced to, if you don't want to run no one is going to force you. Even if you are talented, you don't have to run."

The Karundes said they found motivation day after day of run-

ning to school to avoid trouble with their teachers. Running was not something that was passed down in the Karunde family, but Caroline and Winrose have inherited it as a way of life.

Having that attitude about the sport has given the twins a chance to compete against some of the of best in the nation this season, and Murray could not be happier.

The Karundes are another product of a country filled with talent in cross country and track. Murray said he makes regular trips to Kenya to recruit and bolster his roster.

Murray said despite the Karundes being twins, they both stand out as individuals. Murray also said the two are great students, great athletes and bring the total package.

"They don't act like twins to me per say," he said. "They don't have a secret code or anything. To me they are two great athletes, and I think they've enjoyed being together, running together. They also bring a great mental framework and attitude when we practice and should help the team with all of their experience."

Caroline and Winrose begin their Tech careers in the Texas Tech Ruidoso Open Friday in Ruidoso, N.M.

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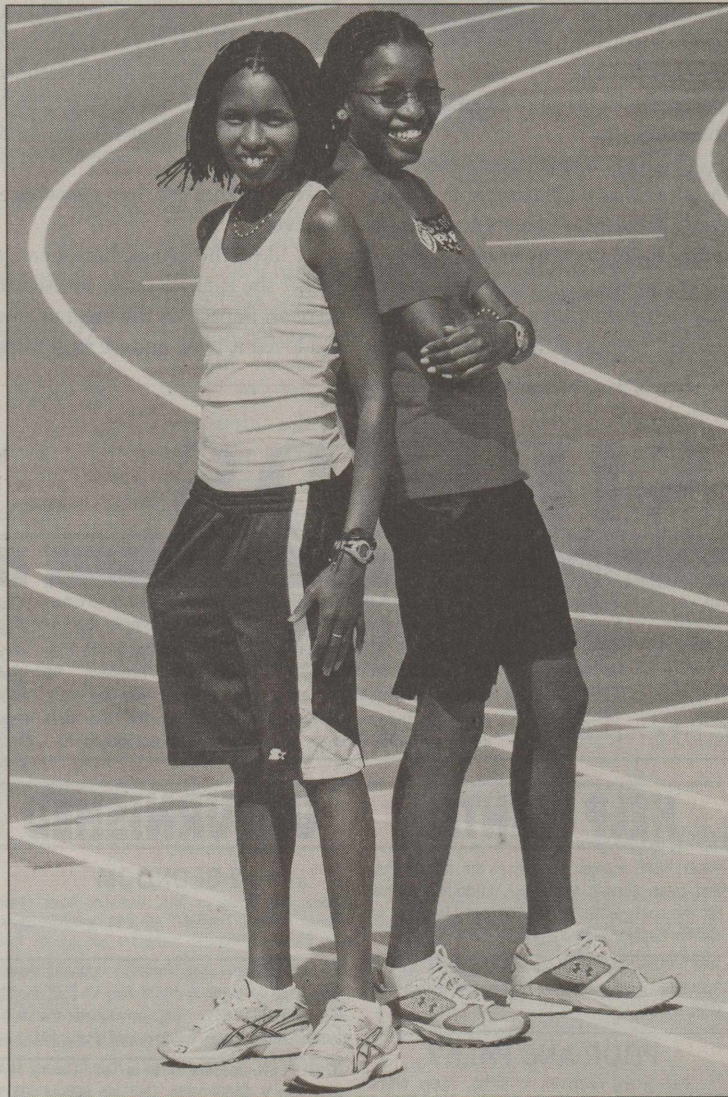


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CAROLINE KARUNDES, LEFT, and her twin sister Winrose, right, are two of the newest additions to the Tech women's cross country team.

Cowboys top value rankings

NEW YORK (AP) — How 'bout them Cowboys? They're No. 1 in something even before the NFL season begins: total value.

The Cowboys are worth \$1.65 billion, the most of any U.S.-based sports franchise, according to Forbes magazine's annual rankings. Only Manchester United of the English Premier League is worth more worldwide, \$1.87 billion.

The Cowboys lead the rankings for the third straight year and are worth \$100 million more than the runner-up Washington Redskins. New England is third at \$1.361 billion, followed by the New York Giants (\$1.183 billion) and Jets (\$1.170 billion).

In all, 19 teams are worth at least \$1 billion, with the biggest gainer in Forbes' rankings the Patriots, Chargers, Bills and Buccaneers, each at 3 percent.

Oakland has the least value, not even reaching half of Dallas' worth. The Raiders are worth \$797 million, down 7 percent from the previous year.

Eight teams saw their value decline in this year's rankings, and six had no change. Along with the Raiders, who had the biggest drop, Detroit, which comes off the first 0-16 season in NFL history, fell 6 percent; Indianapolis went down 5 percent; Miami dropped 3 percent; Seattle and St. Louis each fell 2 percent.

McNair denies NFLPA lawsuit claims

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Texans owner Bob McNair on Wednesday denied allegations that he participated in secret meetings to discuss NFL labor talks.

The allegations were in a wrongful termination lawsuit filed against the NFL Players Association last week by

union employee Mary Moran.

She says she was a confidential informant for the Labor Department and gave investigators evidence that former NFLPA president Troy Vincent and other union members met with NFL commissioner Roger Goodell and McNair. The meet-

ings were allegedly to provide the league access to confidential union information.

Moran also alleges in the lawsuit that NFLPA executive committee member and former Texan Mark Bruner and Texans player representative Kris Brown attended the meetings.

Schilling has interest in Kennedy seat

BOSTON (AP) — Curt Schilling, the former major league pitcher who won the allegiance of Bostonians by leading the Red Sox to the 2004 World Series, said Wednesday that he has "some interest" in running for the seat held for nearly 50 years by Democratic Sen. Edward M. Kennedy.

Schilling, a registered independent and longtime Republican supporter, wrote on his blog that while his family and video game company, 38 Studios, are high priorities, "I do have some interest in the possibility."

"That being said, to get to there, from where I am today, many, many things would have to align themselves for that to truly happen," he added.

Any other comment "would be speculation on top of speculation," Schilling said, adding, "My hope is that whatever happens, and whom ever it happens to, this state makes the decision and chooses the best person — regardless of sex, race, religion or political affiliation — to help get this state back to the place

it deserves to be."

Schilling told New England Cable News that he has been contacted "by people whose opinion I give credence to," but he did not elaborate. He declined to comment when The Associated Press called his office.

The 42-year-old lives in suburban Medfield and campaigned for President George W. Bush in 2004 and Sen. John McCain in 2008.

As a player, he won three World Series, in 2001 with the Arizona Diamondbacks and in 2004 and 2007 with the Red Sox. He became a Sox legend when he won Game 6 of the 2004 American League Championship Series while blood from an injured ankle seeped through his sock. He retired in March.

He and his wife, Shonda, have four children ages 7 to 14.

Reaction among the Red Sox was decidedly jovial Wednesday.

"If he runs, good luck," said first baseman Kevin Youkilis. "I don't know if I'd want to do that job."

Team manager Terry Francona said Schilling should do whatever

makes him happy but noted, "I don't think he'd want me as his campaign manager."

So far, no major Republicans have taken out nomination papers to be a candidate in the Jan. 19 special election. Former Lt. Gov. Kerry Healey and state Sen. Scott Brown are among those considering campaigns.

Democrats said to be considering a campaign include U.S. Reps. Stephen Lynch of Boston, Michael Capuano of Somerville and John Tierney of Salem, as well as Kennedy's nephew, former U.S. Rep. Joseph P. Kennedy II.

So far, only state Attorney General Martha Coakley has taken out papers for a Democratic campaign, though she has refused to make any follow-up comment.

Kennedy died last week at age 77 from a brain tumor. A special election to replace him is scheduled for Jan. 19, although the Massachusetts Legislature is considering a bill that would allow Gov. Deval Patrick to appoint someone to the seat on an interim basis during the campaign.

Texans defense to see changes

HOUSTON (AP) — It's less than two weeks from the regular season opener and the Houston Texans defense is far from set.

At least two starting spots remain up for grabs. Rookie first-round pick Brian Cushing, who was scheduled to start at strongside linebacker, still hasn't played because of a knee injury.

Coach Gary Kubiak said he has no doubt Cushing will be ready to play Sept. 13 against the Jets and he could play Friday against Tampa Bay.

He would like Cushing to start the opener, but knows that starting as a rookie after little or no preseason game experience would be difficult.

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