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Gillispie hospitalized at UMC, allegedly over practiced players

ESPN reports current basketball players met with AD Hocutt

By ZACH DISCHIANO
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech men's basketball coach Billy Gillispie was admitted to the University Medical Center for undisclosed reasons Friday morning, just after an ESPN report was released claiming anonymous Tech players have been unhappy with his coaching tactics and behavior.

No significant evidence links the players' complaints with the hospitalization of Gillispie, but

the coincidence is being looked into by both local and national news outlets.

The players upset with the situation spoke with Tech athletic director Kirby Hocutt in a meeting earlier this week, discussing issues they had with Gillispie. One player, who wished to remain anonymous in an interview with ESPN, said the compliance department initiated the meeting.

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FIREWORKS EXPLODE IN the north end zone after kicker Ryan Bustin made a 37-yard field goal kick in the fourth quarter of the Red Raiders' 44-6 victory against Northwestern State on Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

Red Raiders stifle Demons, 44-6, en route to season-opening win

By MICHAEL DUPONT II
STAFF WRITER

A season ago, Texas Tech (1-0, 0-0) began its season with a slow start in the first half against Texas State. This year, the Red Raiders wasted little time getting out to a quick lead

against Northwestern State and never looked back, defeating the Demons 44-6.

In their season opener, the Red Raiders early offensive surge was led by contributions from both the running and passing attack.

Senior running back Eric Stephens scampered for a touchdown late in the first quarter,

which allowed him to pass Danny Amendola for 7th all-time in career yardage.

Stephens said this group of running backs has the potential to be the most potent backfield in the country.

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FUN FELLOWSHIP



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DAN RAY, A senior mathematics major from Grapevine, grabs a free burger at the Intersarsity Christian Fellowship: Fun in the Sun event, Monday outside of the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center.

Offensive woes plague Northwestern State in defeat

By ZACH DISCHIANO
STAFF WRITER

An already lengthy bus ride home was made even longer for the Northwestern State Demons, who gave up 44 points and failed to score a touchdown of their own in Saturday's season opening 44-6 loss to Texas Tech.

Rushing for only 13 yards, the Demons struggled on offense throughout the game. Senior quarterback Brad Henderson failed to get anything going through the air, completing just 10 passes for 71 yards, while also getting sacked three times.

"I thought he did some good things at times, but we took some sacks I thought we shouldn't have taken and got to get rid of the ball there," Northwestern State coach Bradley Dale Paveto said. "He's better than that and he's got to be better than that for us to do the things we want to do this football season."

This was the first game in which the Northwestern State offense primarily ran the option, and with a 0.5 yard per carry average, Paveto said the Demons could have done much better.



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador
TECH SAFETY CODY Davis tackles wide receiver Phillip Harvey during the Tech's 44-6 victory at Jones AT&T Stadium.

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Community Calendar

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Linda Adele Goodine: Gibson Lemon

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Where: Landmark Arts at the School of Art
So, what is it?
Come enjoy Linda Adele Goodine's photography as she renovates the material world through her pictures.

Tuesdays at the Art Factory

Time: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Where: Lubbock Municipal Garden and Arts Center
So, what is it?
Come out every Tuesday this fall for a new fine arts project.

Ballroom Dance Social Every Tuesday

Time: 7 p.m.
Where: Dance With Me
So, what is it?
Everyone is welcome to enjoy a ballroom dance social every Tuesday night.

Tuesday Night Group Class

Time: 7 p.m.

Where: Dance With Me
So, what is it?
Come out and learn a group dance lesson at Dance With Me studio. Only \$10 per person.

Wednesday

Study Abroad Fair
Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Where: Student Union Building
So, what is it?
Come out and learn about different study abroad programs around the world.

Scrabble Club
Time: 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Where: Market Street
So, what is it?
Come join Lubbock's local Scrabble Club. All levels of competition are welcome.

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

Website ranks Texas Tech's online special education master's degree program No. 11

By **ALSTON TRBULA**
STAFF WRITER

According to GetEducated.com, the online master's degree in special education offered by Texas Tech has recently been ranked No. 11 in the country as a best buy.

Robin Lock, a professor in special education at Tech, said GetEducated.com looks at online programs in many different areas.

She said the website ranks programs based off two criteria, affordability and credibility.

"Credibility is where we really like to hang our hat because that is what's most important to us," Lock said.

Although the online program is affordable, she said she does not want the recognition of affordability to detract from the quality of the program.

"We want it to be afford-

able," she said. "We want it to be accessible, but we really want to produce quality educators who go out and actually make a difference in their classroom tomorrow."

Scott Ridley, dean of the College of Education, said the website does not get paid by the schools it ranks.

Lock said the special education masters program offers many different areas of specialization.

The areas of specialization are split in two different branches, she said. There is a sensory impairment and low incidence branch, and there is a generic special education branch.

Within the special education branch, Lock said they prepare students for many different career paths.

She said a few options for students are to specialize as educational diagnosticians,

transition specialists or specialists in autism.

"On the sensory side we have visual impairment, we have orientation and mobility and that is where you see somebody using some sort of assistance technology like a cane," Lock said.

The sensory side also has a deaf and blind program, and a deaf and hard-of-hearing program, she said.

According to the website, the only other Texas school ranked higher than Tech, is the University of Texas Online Consortium.

Lock said the hiring rate is not as high at this particular point in time, but out of all the types of educators, special education is still one of the highly needed areas.

She said although not everyone receives employment, most people are able to obtain a position within the first year of

seeking a job.

"I will tell you that in terms of our specialization areas, like a diagnostician, if you're looking for something that's not in a teaching field, but rather these other fields, I would say 99 percent of everyone is getting a job," Lock said.

Schools need people who specialize in autism and educational diagnosticians, she said.

Students are required to do more than just sit in front of a computer and answer questions, Lock said. They are required to go out and perform tasks in actual work settings.

"A (Board Certified Behavior Analyst), for example, has to take our 36-hour masters program, then they have to go in on their own and complete 1,500 clinical hours, 1,500 of them, then they have to go and take a national board exam," she said.

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Construction starts on 50th, University on Wednesday

Road crews are scheduled to resurface University Avenue and 50th Street beginning Wednesday.

Kevin Lair, street and utilities superintendent for the city of Lubbock, said construction is scheduled to take place between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m.

"The work will be on 50th

Street from Avenue Q to University," he said, "and then on University from 19th to 34th street."

Lair said the estimated schedule is going to have crews alternating days between working on 50th Street and University Avenue.

On Wednesday crews are

supposed to start construction on 50th Street, and Thursday crews will begin on University. He said there will be no work on Friday or Saturday.

"They should finish 50th Street on (Sept.) 11 and then on (Sept.) 12 they should finish University," Lair said. "It should take three nights on each

street."

Workers are going to do what is called micro-surfacing. Once the work is completed, the roads will be smoother and quieter, he said.

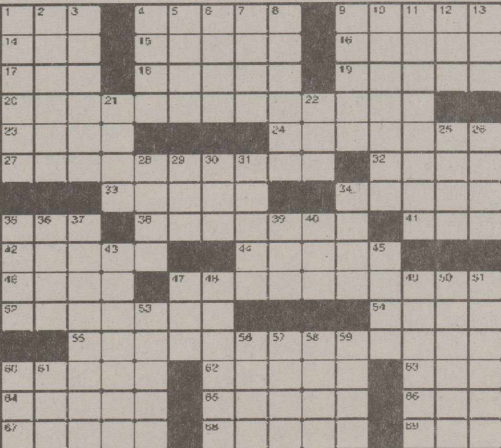
Roads need resurfacing work about every five to seven years, Lair said.

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

- ACROSS**
- Banned chem. contaminant
 - Confess
 - Plea-in-the-face sound
 - Na Na
 - "One of ___ days"
 - Break-down over time
 - '60s-'80s Bosox star
 - Talk big
 - Cattle breed named for an English county
 - Socioeconomic tension
 - Get well
 - Dawdler who prefers to remain horizontal
 - Skinny guy's nickname
 - Modern recording device
 - Take exception
 - Toast starter
 - Spot for a peel
 - Wages sans overtime
 - Grammy-winning Dr.
 - Big name in trading cards
 - YouTube shorts
 - Dalmatian's dinner, perhaps
 - Informative stroll through the forest
 - Auto racing safety device
 - Pulitzer-winning author James
 - "Same here," and what might be said about the start of 20-, 27-, 38- or 47-Across
 - Stimulate
 - Bankers
 - Colony member
 - Like intense pain
 - Change one's pants?
 - Cardinals' home: Abbr.
 - Young cardinal's call
 - Warehouse supply
 - Digit with a ring, maybe



By Gail Grabowski and Bruce Venzke 9/4/12

Friday's Puzzle Solved

- DOWN**
- Intimidates, with "out"
 - Swiss Alps abode
 - Mideast market
 - Wagering venues, briefly
 - "Afraid of Virginia Woolf?"
 - Uncluttered
 - Pre-1991 atlas abbr.
 - "Downtown" singer Clark
 - Swamp plant
 - Church dignitary
 - One of an amorous pair
 - Big fuss
 - Decimal base
 - Tried to avoid a tag
 - Martini liquor
 - Always
 - Two capsules, say
 - Cardinals' beaks
 - Show for early risers, briefly
 - Urban transport
 - Build
 - Overblown publicity
 - Stovetop pot
 - Censor's sound
 - Religious sect
 - Film director
 - Preminger
 - Fraction of a min.
 - Geeky sort
 - NCAA's ___-12 conference
 - Bin ein Berliner
 - Texas's flag
 - Sewn-on ornamentation
 - Not sing.
 - Hair dryer?
 - Contaminate
 - Do in, as a fly
 - "Stilmatic" rapper
 - Big game venues
 - Horrified

2012 shaping up as deadly year for Texas prisons

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — With four months still remaining, 2012 is already the deadliest year in more than a decade in Texas prisons.

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice has reported 10 homicides this year, up from only three in 2011. There were five in 2010 and just one in 2009, according to agency figures.

"It's definitely jumped out at us," Bruce Toney, the agency's inspector general, said of the increase. "It definitely has not been an average year."

The homicides don't appear to be connected and have been scattered throughout the 111-prison system. The reason for the surge, the highest number in 15 years, is uncertain, Toney said.

He described the nature of the deaths in most cases as the result of "hands and feet kicking" and not a question of inmates armed with contraband weapons. More than half of the fatal attacks were committed in cells and involved altercations between cellmates, making it difficult to prevent.

"It's a situation where they have some kind of disagreement and it results in a death," he said.

"Inside a prison cell, everything is metal so that leaves the potential for injuries if someone gets knocked down."

"Unfortunately, offenders serving prison sentences can become aggressive and act out violently against not only staff but also other offenders," prison department spokesman Jason Clark said. "The agency is committed to the safety of all offenders incarcerated within TDCJ."

This year's homicide total is a far cry from the wave of violence that swept a much smaller Texas corrections department in the 1980s.

In 1985, 27 inmates were killed and hundreds of others hurt in attacks at a time when Texas

prisons housed only about one-fourth of the more than 150,000 convicts now incarcerated. Since then, Texas spent more than \$1 billion in prison construction and now has the nation's largest state prison system.

A classification system implemented in the late 1980s to pair inmates with similar backgrounds eased the violence and some of the same procedures are still used today. For example, the difference in age of inmates sharing a two-person cell

must be within nine years, their weight within 40 pounds. Medical restrictions are considered as well as any past incidents involving the pair. Race or ethnic origin is not a factor.

Still, the slayings count for 2012 is the highest since 10 were reported in 1997.

"One thing we look at in housing assignments is did we put a bad guy in with a white-collar criminal or whatever," Toney said. "The housing appears right, the classification appears right. ... They've just been bad individuals locked up together in a cell."

As a result, none of the cases "has really been a 'whodunit,'" he said. "Almost in all of them, they've told corrections officers or us that they've done it. The instances we've had, there hasn't been any doubt."

A prisoner accused in a slaying could face a capital murder charge if he's already serving a life term or 99 years. The decision on charges rests with the district attorney in the county where the death occurred or with the prison agency's special prosecution unit.

In the most recent slaying, Elasko Thomas, an East Texas man sentenced two years ago to life in prison for kidnapping and aggravated sexual assault, was killed Aug. 7 at the Robertson Unit northeast of Abilene. Cellmate Michael Deloach is accused of killing him during an altercation, and is a year into a 40-year term for robbery.

None of the deaths has occurred in units where the agency is experiencing chronic difficulties filling corrections officer vacancies.

Only the Middleton Unit, a transfer unit also near Abilene, has been the scene of more than one homicide. Authorities said an inmate died of injuries suffered in a fight with another prisoner in a dayroom, and the other slaying was the result of a fight in a dormitory area.

Corrections

In Friday's issue of *The Daily Toreador*, in the article, "HSC hosts Little Black Dress event," Tedd Mitchell's name was spelled wrong.

In Friday's issue in *The Daily Toreador*, the article "Rawls Course cuts ribbon to open new clubhouse facility" should have read vice chancellor Michael Molina. *The DT* regrets these errors.

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Schovanec serves food at annual picnic

By ASHLYN TUBBS
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech Interim President Lawrence Schovanec recently bonded with many Tech students using a well-known tactic: Their love of free food.

Schovanec hosted the third annual President's Welcome Picnic from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday at the North Plaza of the Student Union Building.

"It's a pleasure to do this," Schovanec said. "I think we should do it every week."

Schovanec, as well as other administrators, served hot dogs and chili to lines of hungry students.

"Faculty choose academic careers because it gives them the opportunity to interact with students," Schovanec said. "I am so impressed by the wonderful students we have at Tech. They are so polite."

Jessica Carrillo, President's Select adviser and the president's assistant, said former president Guy Bailey started the picnic and Schovanec is continuing the tradition.

"It's a great opportunity to welcome the students back to meet administration

and see how the beginning of the semester is starting out," Carrillo said.

Sarah Barron, coordinator of presidential services and communication, said 1,750 students were expected to attend the event. 1,500 hot dogs were prepared, 10 kosher dogs were available upon request, Dion's Pizza donated pizzas, 1,250 bags of chips were available, 600 servings of chili were prepared, 60 gallons of lemonade were made and water was available.

"It's a little bit slower than normal because it's the Friday before Labor Day and some students have already taken off," Barron said. "It's still been a really great turnout, though. It's been a lot nicer this year because we've been in the shade and last year we weren't and it was so hot."

Barron said the administrators try to make the picnic a relaxed environment so students can get to know the administration.

"We try to make it as unofficial as possible so they can just talk to the administration in line," she said.

Schovanec said he did not think many students in the line recognized him.

"Most are just hungry," he said.

Sarah Makanjuola, a junior marketing and management major from Queens, N.Y., and a member of President's Select, said the picnic was a good way to show students the transition to a new president.

"Dr. Schovanec is a very nice guy who is continuing Dr. Bailey's open door policy, so it's been really good," she said. "It's not a huge change at all."

Michael Bolton, a junior civil engineering major from Bulverde, said he respected that Schovanec served the hot dogs himself.

"I was walking to get Chick-Fil-A, but I stopped here instead," he said. "I really liked the way he served me this hot dog."

Barron said the picnic is a tradition they would like to continue in years to come.

"We want to keep doing it so students can come connect a name with a face," she said. "It's something we like to do to give back to the student body."

Schovanec said the picnic is indicative of how the students are valued at Tech.

"We want them to have a valuable experience," he said.

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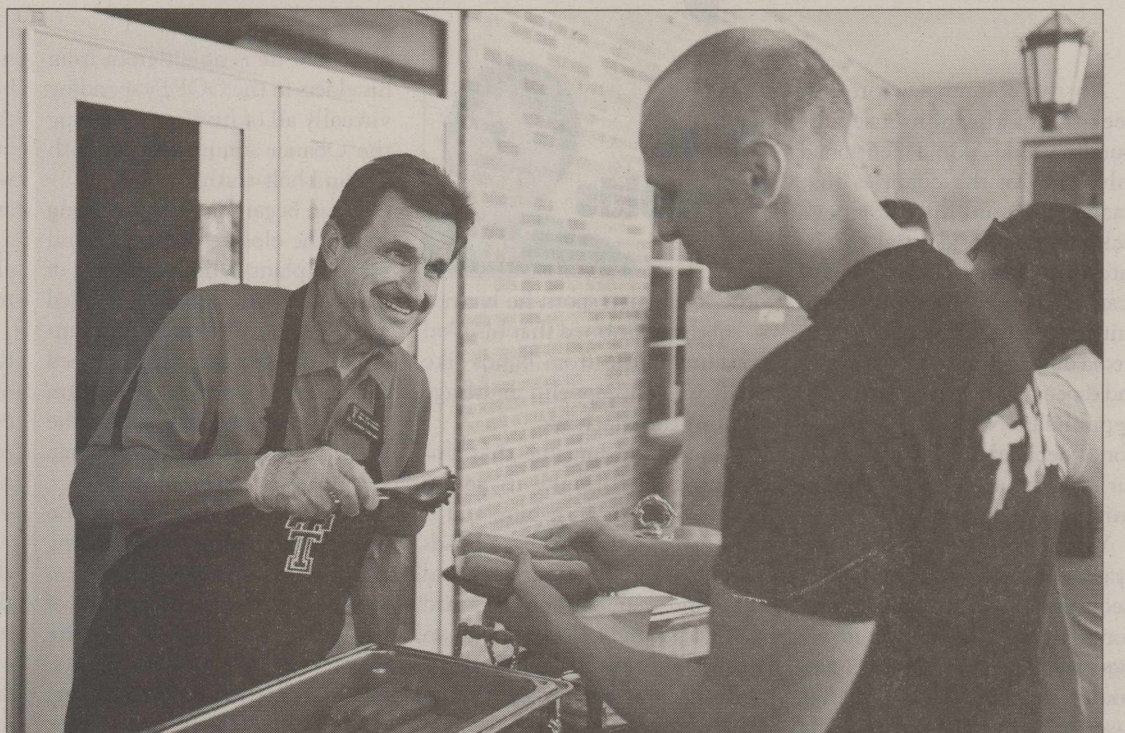


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LAWRENCE SCHOVANEC, INTERIM president at Texas Tech, hands out a free hot dog to Marko Davinic, a plant and solar science graduate student from Leskovac, Serbia, during the President's Welcome Picnic outside of the SUB on Friday.

'Raindrops' lyricist David dies at 91

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hal David was a man of simple words.

A writer by trade — and a journalist by education — David had a knack for encapsulating love, earnestness and a wry sense of humor into a melody that was just a few minutes long. "Wishin' and Hopin'," the 1960s earworm he wrote with Burt Bacharach, was a rhyming how-to for gals looking to snag a man. With a wink, it snagged a new generation of fans when it opened the 1997 Julia Roberts film "My Best Friend's Wedding."

Through theater, film and TV, David's songs transcended the time they were written to become classics. With Bacharach, he was one of the most successful songwriting teams in modern history.

The 91-year-old, who died Saturday of complications from a stroke four days earlier in Los Angeles, "always had a song in his head," said his wife, Eunice David. Even at the end, "he was always writing notes, or asking me to take a note down, so he wouldn't forget a lyric."

Bacharach and David's hits included "Raindrops Keep Fallin' On My Head" and "(They Long to Be) Close to You." Many of the top acts of their time, from Barbra Streisand to Frank Sinatra and Aretha Franklin, recorded their music.

But the collaboration for which they were best known came in 1962, when they began writing for a young singer named Dionne Warwick.

Warwick's versatile voice could convey the emotion of David's lyrics and handle the changing patterns of Bacharach's melodies. Together the trio created a chain of hits: "Don't Make Me Over," "Walk On By," "I Say a Little Prayer," "Do You Know the Way to San Jose," "Always Something There to Remind Me" (which later was a hit for the 1980s synth pop band Naked Eyes), among others.

They were a "triangle marriage that worked," Warwick wrote in her memoir, "My Life, As I See It." Bacharach was "the handsome one," and David was level-headed — a "thoughtful, gentle, sincere" man — Warwick wrote.

Ever the writer (he studied journalism at New York University), David said in a 1999 interview that he thought of songwriting as telling a narrative.

"The songs should be like a little film, told in three or four minutes. Try to say things as simply as possible, which is probably the most difficult thing to do," he said.

The New York-based writer often flew to Los Angeles, where he and Bacharach holed up for weeks of intense songwriting. They also conferred by telephone, a method that birthed "I Say a Little Prayer."

When a song went nowhere, they stuck it in a desk drawer and left it there for months.

In a brief essay on his website, David recalled having an idea for a song for "at least two years before showing it to Burt."

"I was stuck," he wrote. "I kept thinking of lines like, 'Lord, we don't need planes that fly higher or faster ...' and they all seemed wrong. Why,

I didn't know. But the idea stayed with me.

"Then, one day, I thought of, 'Lord, we don't need another mountain,' and all at once I knew how the lyric should be written. Things like planes and trains and cars are manmade, and things like mountains and rivers and valleys are created by someone or something we call God. There was now a oneness of idea and language instead of a conflict. It had taken me two years to put my finger on it."

And so they had another smash: "What the World Needs Now is Love."

David and Bacharach met when both worked in the Brill Building, New York's legendary Tin Pan Alley song factory where writers cranked out songs to sell to music publishers. They scored their first big hit with "Magic Moments," a million-selling record for Perry Como.

Their success transferred to film and theater, where they won an Oscar for "Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head" (from the movie "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid"), and Grammys and Tonys for the songs from the hit Broadway musical "Promises, Promises."

But the hit-making team broke up after the 1973 musical remake of "Lost Horizon." The pair and Warwick had devoted two years to the movie, which was scorned by critics and audiences.

Bacharach then sequestered himself in his vacation home and refused to work.

Bacharach and David sued each other, and Warwick sued them both. The cases were settled out of court in 1979 and the three went their separate ways. They reconciled in 1992 for Warwick's recording of "Sunny Weather Lover."

David went on to collaborate successfully with other composers: John Barry with the title song of the James Bond film "Moonraker," Albert Hammond with "To All the Girls I've Loved Before," which Julio Iglesias and Willie Nelson sang as a duet; and Henry Mancini with "The Greatest Gift" in "The Return of the Pink Panther."

David joined the board of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers in 1974 and served as president 1980 to 1986. He was head of the Songwriters Hall of Fame from 2001 to 2011, and was chairman emeritus at his death.

"As a lyric writer, Hal was simple, concise and poetic — conveying volumes of meaning in fewest possible words and always in service to the music," ASCAP president, the songwriter Paul Williams, said in a statement. "It is no wonder that so many of his lyrics have become part of our everyday vocabulary and his songs... the backdrop of our lives."

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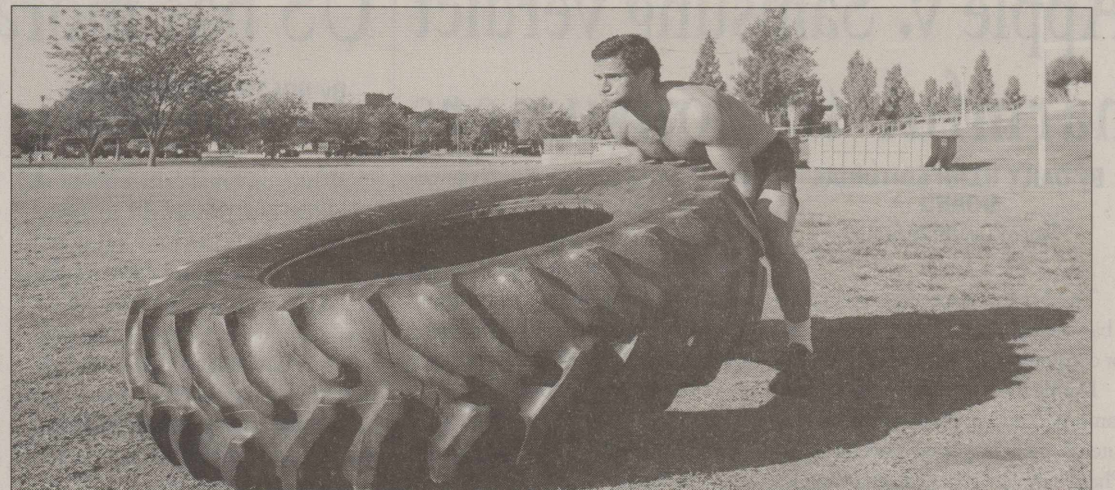


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GEORGE GIANITSOS, A senior psychology major from Flower Mound, attempts to flip a tire while working out Monday at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreational fields.

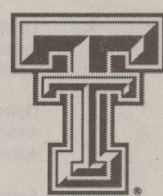
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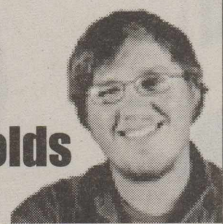
Paul Ryan a new face for old ideas

In the column I wrote last week about the nonsense surrounding Todd Akin, I mentioned only a few of the qualities that made Paul Ryan, Mitt Romney's pick as vice presidential candidate, just like every other Republican in Congress. Since he's made quite a splash in the mainstream media during Romney's campaign and especially in his speech at the Republican National Convention, I decided an elaboration on our Ayn Rand-idolizing Wisconsinite was in order.

When Romney announced Ryan as his vice presidential pick, media pundits hailed the nomination as a "bold" maneuver, rather than a safe one, and that Ryan would energize the conservative base and connect with young voters.

Indeed, Ryan has tried to emphasize that he's not just like any other old white guy in the GOP. In his speech at the RNC and in

Jakob Reynolds



other campaign spots, he has not so subtly mentioned that his iPod contains music from bands like AC/DC, Led Zeppelin and Rage Against the Machine.

One would imagine that this is supposed to make us young people connect with him, and it might work if two of those bands weren't well before our time and the band members of the third hadn't publicly skewered Ryan Rush-style, citing him and his colleagues as the very machine they were raging against.

Don't be fooled by Paul Ryan's youthful charm and good looks. In the address Ryan gave at the RNC accepting nomination as vice presidential candidate, he made it

clear that he is no different from his elders in the GOP by spending virtually all of his time attacking the Obama administration with lies and half-truths.

Ryan began his speech talking about the closure of the General Motors' plant in his hometown of Janesville, Wis., which he implied was the fault of Obama's economic policies. He apparently hoped that everybody at the convention had amnesia and forgot that the plant closed before the Obama administration ever took office.

Ryan spent the rest of the first part of his speech knocking the Obama administration on Obamacare. Ryan repeated one of the Romney campaign's favorite fear-mongering talking points, saying that to pay for Obamacare, "\$716 billion [were] funneled out of Medicare by President Obama."

He conveniently forgot to include that those \$716 billion were actually taken from Medicare Advantage, which is a private in-

surance plan that most Medicare beneficiaries are not enrolled in. According to a *Washington Post* fact checker, these savings are wrung from healthcare providers and Medicare beneficiaries, and as a result of Obamacare, will actually end up with new benefits for preventive care.

In his Obamacare bash-fest, Ryan also left out the fact that his own plan for healthcare reform cuts the exact same Medicare programs to pay for his voucher as President Obama's healthcare law would. Oops.

In his speech, Ryan blamed the Obama administration for the downgraded American credit rating. Standard & Poor's, however, said in their explanation for downgrading American credit after the debt ceiling debate, that "the majority of Republicans in Congress continue to resist any measure that would raise revenues, a position we believe Congress reinforced by passing

the act."

In fact, Ryan alluded several times throughout his speech that the Obama administration has been unproductive and indifferent when it came to solving the nation's economic woes. He omitted the fact that Republicans in Congress, himself included, made it very clear before the Obama administration ever took office that, as Senate minority leader Mitch McConnell put it right off the bat in 2008, "The single most important thing we want to achieve is for President Obama to be a one-term president." Since then, they've done everything in their power to block almost every bill the administration has put forth.

Ryan cited an example of this as the Simpson-Bowles Committee that Obama put together prior to the Congressional Super-Committee, saying "he thanked them, sent them on their way and then did exactly nothing." What

he left out was the fact that he actually voted with the rest of the Republicans on the committee against the final proposal, which many budget policy experts have said was a major reason for it being dropped.

In short, Paul Ryan, despite the aura of youthful energy that has been created around him, is no more than a young face plastered on the same old, hypocritical, self-seeking politics that the Republican Party brought this country down with in the first place.

Sorry, Paul, but I'm going to level with you: It's true we don't have much time to get this country back on track, but being serious and smart about our leadership means keeping you and your Rand-ian ideas as far away from the White House and Congress as possible.

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Apple v. Samsung verdict harmful to consumers

By DAILY ILLINI EDITORIAL BOARD
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The Apple v. Samsung verdict was a big win for Apple, but it was a loss for consumers.

During the trial, Apple argued that Samsung had violated several of its patents, including those covering the iPhone's design, rounded-square icons and "pinch to zoom" technology.

In his closing arguments, Apple attorney Harold McElhinny pointed to documents he said showed Samsung's panic after the iPhone came out, according to *The Verge*. McElhinny said Samsung officials met with Google officials, who said Samsung phones were too similar in design to Apple's, but Samsung officials did not change the design.

Lawyers for Samsung disagreed and said design for Samsung phones predated the release of the iPhone.

Samsung attorney Charles Verhoeven said: "Your (the judge's) decision, if you go Apple's way, could change the way competition works in this country... Rather than competing in the marketplace, Apple is seeking a competitive edge in the courtroom," according to CNET.

The jury agreed with Apple and said Samsung violated six patents. Samsung said it would appeal and criticized the decision, saying it would decrease competition in the market and be worse for the average consumer.

According to *Businessweek*, Apple on Monday listed eight Samsung smartphones it wants banned in the United States: Galaxy S4G, Galaxy S2 AT&T, Galaxy S2, Galaxy S2 T-Mobile, Galaxy S2 Epic 4G, Galaxy S Showcase, Droid Charge and Galaxy Prevail. U.S. District Judge Lucy Koh had already banned the Galaxy Tab 10.1 and said it violated a design patent.

The patents violated by Samsung, according to the jury from the case, ranged from software, to aesthetics, to outer shell design. Apple's double-tap-to-zoom function when viewing documents worked similarly to Samsung

models. Additionally, the "bounce-back" feature that happens when users scroll beyond the edge of a page was mimicked. The third feature copied from Apple by Samsung, was the ability of Apple products to read multi-finger touches; previously devices could only read single-touch commands.

The icons on several Samsung phones, most notably the phone and clock buttons, were both similar in shape and design.

Apple had patented the overall shape of earlier generations of the iPhone, most notably the rounded back of the white iPhone. Lastly, the iPhone's black colored, rounded-edged, square design had protection under Apple's patents.

The consequences of this landmark verdict are numerous and many future innovations in the way of smart phones, not to mention consumer choices, are sure to be affected by this decision.

Though not the explicit point, the most immediate and literal translation of the trial will mean that smart phones and tablet computers will need to start looking different to avoid backlash from Apple. But thinking honestly and practically, how many ways can a phone look?

A rectangular phone with rounded edges is ergonomic and utilitarian. It fits into hands and slips into pockets. Any other shape would be senseless and any other edge seems to be going backward. True, as simple as the design protected may be, it is the property of Apple. But because Apple was able to win out as it did, consumers will probably see less product design crossover, meaning fewer cheaper models of products.

The other five patent violations, which are slightly more understandable, still point to a regression in smartphone technology.

Although we don't understand several of the intricacies of patent law involved in the case, we do know it's bad news for consumers. When Apple has a legal monopoly over intrinsic aspects of smartphone design and technology, consumers lose.

US has moral responsibility to intervene in Syria

By NOLAN KRASZKIEWICZ
OKLAHOMA DAILY (U. OKLAHOMA)

While on break, students tend to block out the world in favor of more malaise and relaxing realities. Fortunately for nearly all Americans, the fear of an artillery strike on a hospital, mechanized assaults on suburban neighborhoods and the loss of an entire generation in a family is a distant and abstract notion.

However, this does not and should not abdicate the American public's conscience from the atrocities taking place in Syria. The millennial generation — those who range in age from 16 to 25 — is by far the most electronically connected in terms of global communication. Now is the time for us to put this vehicle into action.

Last semester, I wrote a column imploring students to take action so we can keep Syria off of a macabre list that includes the likes of Rwanda, Sarajevo, Srebrenica and the Democratic

Republic of Congo. With a death toll in excess of 20,000 and evidence suggesting the brutal regime of Bashar Al-Assad has committed atrocities amounting to war crimes, the window for the possibility of avoiding mass atrocity crimes has now passed. What remains is the opportunity for swift cessation and resolution. But the current geopolitical climate would suggest that this secondary follow-up objective may fall out of reach as well.

Here is where we must take a stand.

The case for intervention in Syria would be first and foremost humanitarian. In contrast with how the U.S. handled Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom, justification for an intervention could be mounted solely on humanitarian grounds, without needing a weapons of mass destruction goose-chase.

Thanks to the proliferation of online tools, such as blogs, YouTube and Twitter, first hand looks at the violence and depravity in

Syria are easily accessible.

Those who claim a non-interventionist policy no longer can stand by the sidelines. The U.S. and other allies already have intervened. Now there is only a question of to what extent we will continue to intervene. Non-lethal aid, medical supplies and diplomatic measures are all forms of external intervention into the Syrian crisis.

And to the fiscal conservatives, even if our president seems to you to be a radical socialist, and no matter how bad our own fiscal crisis may seem, we never will face anything like indiscriminate air strikes on civilian targets. To those who say the risk of your grandchild having to pay an extra 5 percent in taxes in 50 years to pay off a national debt means we must not help people half a world away who are truly suffering, remember this: At the very least you can still talk that way about your progenies' future. Hundreds of families in Syria have lost that ability through

the loss of an entire generation.

I said it before: If we remain comatose and act complacent, we will become morally culpable. We still have time to right the course of history. This reinvigorated call for action is not a call for war or invasion, but rather to help the Syrians suffering at the hands of their own brutal government.

You should be outraged and angry at such senseless slaughter and the subsequent lack of committed action. By understanding the daily hell Syrian children are experiencing, you will see how strong the justification is for continued intervention. Your calls should become stronger and more passionate, the more you learn of their suffering.

And if our peaceful intervention tactics fail and the need for direct military intervention becomes a potential reality, the mere fact that steps were taken to understand the issue before the onset of war will make for a more honest and intelligent discussion.

Amazon will seize control of 3D printing

By SAM FINEGOLD
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3D printing is going to revolutionize online shopping. Amazon CEO and founder Jeff Bezos realizes that and probably envisions Amazon orchestrating the revolution. As a testament to how seriously Bezos takes 3D printing, Bezos, along with two other venture capital groups, helped MakerBot, a seller of consumer 3D printers and the accompanying necessary materials, raise \$10 million.

3D printing operates like a 2D printer but adds another dimension out of the plane of the paper. It does so through repeated deposition of layers of a liquid plastic or melted metal ink. The technology has followed Moore's Law, rap-

idly decreasing in cost. Major companies, including General Electric, have proposed using 3D printing in manufacturing processes. Additionally, smaller companies use 3D printing to produce niche products. Bespoke Innovations 3D prints artistic, custom prosthetics. It is even possible to print cell phone circuitry.

3D printing will link the virtual and physical world seamlessly. Users will be able to download a Computer Aided Drawing (CAD) file and print the desired product in their home, or maybe print the product at a regional center kitted with more heavy duty printers capable of printing more complicated objects. 3D printing will also diversify suppliers, as it will require less

infrastructure and investment to begin a company if product design is entirely virtual. Therefore, it will be possible for many niche companies to compete with Amazon. Amazon is well positioned to take advantage of 3D printing, but it also stands to lose out if it does not stay ahead of the curve.

But there are several ways Bezos and his company can anticipate and lead the change in 3D printing.

The first step would probably be to buy up companies such as Shapeways which are already allowing users to upload designs and customers to then print these designs. Amazon can also create in-house 3D printing and tools on its site to embellish conventional products using its in-house 3D printing. It is

unlikely that most adults will have the necessary skills, the time, and interest to design complex products. Amazon can offer the easy alternative: offer customizable products. By acquiring companies and hiring in-house designers, Amazon can head off the inevitable diversity of suppliers and instead establish itself as a marketplace for different users to upload their designs, as Shapeways already does.

So my advice: buy stock in Amazon. Not only did its CEO redefine the book industry; he is also heavily involved in the privatized space industry. When it comes to 3D printing, which has been hailed the next trillion dollar industry, I would not be surprised if Bezos has already pounced.

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"I feel like we can be the best backfield, not only in the conference but in the nation," he said. "We have a great tandem of (running) backs back there, and when we get our receiving game going and all of our receivers back it's going to open up the running game that much more."

Tech got three different running backs involved, as they carried the ball more than 40 times collectively for a total of 176 yards and two touchdowns.

This was the first live action for Stephens since early last season when a knee injury kept him sidelined for the second half of the season.

It felt great to be back out on the field with the guys after all the rehab, Stephens said.

"I felt fine," he said. "Our tempo in practice is much faster than what we go in a game. So when you're out there the only time you really get tired is if you break a long run, and unfortunately I didn't have a long run tonight."

Tech offensive coordinator Neal Brown said he believes Stephens will have a better week this week now that he has been hit in game-type situations.

"I thought it was important that he got hit early so he'd trust that knee a little more," he said. "I think you're going to see a big improvement week two just because it's the first time he's been out live in a while."

The Red Raiders were able to find their rhythm offensively in the second quarter.

An early two yard rush by Eric Stephens put the Red Raiders up 14-3. Quarterback Seth Doege ended the following drive with a two-yard touchdown pass to running back Kenny Williams.

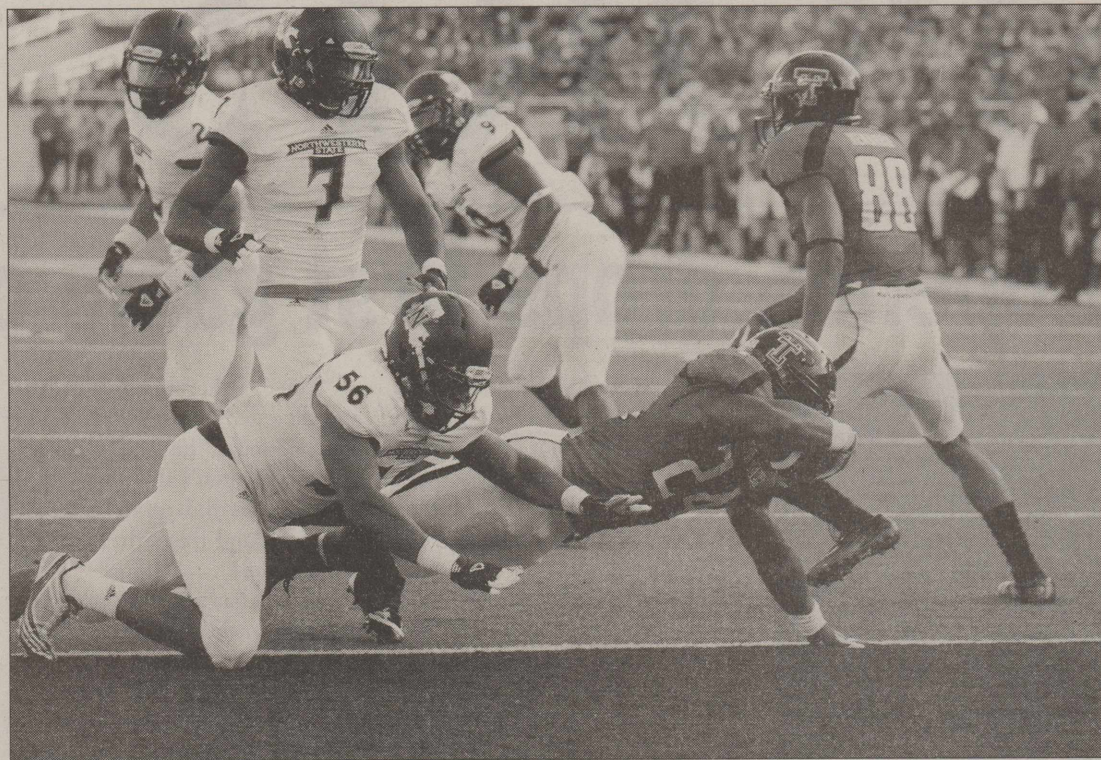


PHOTO BY EMILY DE SANTOS/The Daily Treador
TEXAS TECH RUNNING back Eric Stephens reaches the ball across the goal line for a touchdown during the Red Raiders' 44-6 victory against Northwestern State on Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

Doege started slow out of the gate with an interception on the first drive of the game, but in the second quarter he led the Red Raiders down the field methodically before connecting with Williams for the touchdown.

"I don't think I threw the ball particularly well," Doege said. "I pride myself on being one of the most accurate passers and that's something I really work on. So, I don't think I was as accurate as I wanted to be."

Doege completed 23 of his 34 pass attempts for 199 yards and a touchdown, but he also had that early interception.

"(The interception) was a downer for me," Doege said. "But as a quarterback you can't dwell on mistakes and you have to kind of keep playing."

After a barrage of field goals by

kicker Ryan Bustin, quarterback Michael Brewer gave the offense a spark near the end of the game.

Brewer completed 10 of his 13 passes for a total of 122 yards and a pair of touchdowns — both to wide receiver Marcus Kennard who started in the absence of Darrin Moore.

"Everybody can tell, he can throw the ball," he said. "Obviously, this is Seth's offense, but I think he can even help Seth at times. This is a team sport. We want to get Michael as many snaps in these games as we can to get him ready for the future."

Tech's defense completely shut down the Demons rushing attack, allowing just 13 yards the entire game.

Head coach Tommy Tuberville said the running attack was the focus of this game on both sides of the ball.

"(The) two things we wanted to do was establish the run and stop

the run," he said. "I think we did that well. It was great to see Eric Stephens back getting a couple of touchdowns. But we'll need all three running backs as we go."

Northwestern State (0-1, 0-0) was unable to establish any type of rhythm offensively. The Red Raider defense stymied the Demons to a total of 84 yards.

The last time Tech's defense prevented an offense from totaling 125 yards was in 2007. The opponent was Northwestern State. Tech had never allowed less than 100 yards until Saturday.

Next up for the Red Raiders will be Texas State, as the Bobcats come off a 30-13 victory against Houston. The matchup is scheduled for a 6 p.m. kickoff Saturday in San Marcos and will be aired on ESPN3.

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The Demons offensive strategy was no surprise, Tech coach Tommy Tuberville said.

"We knew they were going to come in and run the ball," he said. "They ran the ball quite a bit on most people last year. I thought our guys were more relaxed."

The win for Tech ends a five-game losing streak dating back to last season, while Northwestern State will have to wait another week to try and pick up its first victory of the 2012 season.

The Demons will face Arkansas-Monticello at home, while the Red Raiders will travel to San Marcos to face the Texas State Bobcats, who upset the Houston Cougars 30-13 in their season opener.

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"I thought we got in some negative situations," he said. "I thought we did it out of the pistol, and the center quarterback exchange was very poor two, three, four times, and it cost us to be in 2nd and 15. When you run that offense, you can't get behind the chains like that, and that's what we did tonight."

Allowing a total of 84 yards, this was the first time the Texas Tech defense had given up less than 125 yards since 2007, when the Red Raiders hosted the same opponent, limiting the Demons to 118 yards. It was also the fewest total yards allowed by Tech in school history.

Defensive tackle Kerry Hyder gave the Northwestern State offense problems up front, recording two tackles for a loss, a sack and two pass deflections.

"We went into the game knowing the D-tackles were really trying to set the tone," Hyder said. "So as the D-line, we expected to dominate. We're just glad it turned out that way."

The Demons averaged 1.7 yards per play, with their longest play of the game being a 22-yard pass from Henderson to senior receiver Phil Harvey. The six points allowed by Tech were the fewest since the Red Raiders kept the SMU Mustangs to just one field goal back in 2006.

"I think as the offense speaking from the quarterback point of view, we left a lot of plays out there that

could have been easy and turned into points," Henderson said. "I thought we prepared for them well, as far as knowing where they're going to be. They came out and played good defense, so you have to give credit to a good defense."

Many of the Northwestern State players, including two-time FCS All-American linebacker Derek Rose, said they were aware of the defensive struggles Tech experienced last year, particularly in the latter half of the season when the Red Raiders lost five consecutive games.

"Saying last year they weren't a very good defense," he said. "To come in this year, I thought they looked good. I think we struggled a little bit running the ball. Give credit to the good defensive front they had."

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Royals mowed down by Darvish in loss to Texas

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Yu Darvish did not throw a no-hitter, though there was some concern in the Kansas City dugout that he might.

Darvish retired the first 17 batters. Texas hit five home runs and the Rangers beat the Royals 8-4 Monday in a game that turned testy.

The Royals did not get a baserunner until Johnny Giavotella walked on a close pitch with two outs in the sixth. David Lough, the next batter, ended the no-hitter with a bloop single to center.

"I turned to (bench coach) Chino (Cadahia) in about the fifth inning and said 'Boy, this guy's got a shot,'" Royals manager Ned Yost said. "He had a 97-mile-an-hour fastball, a 95-mile-an-hour cutter, a 92 splitter and he's throwing 68 to 64 on the curve."

"The variation in speeds was tremendous. It was the first time we've seen him. It was our first time seeing him and he was fantastic."

Lough, playing in just his third major league game, hit it just out of the reach of Rangers shortstop Elvis Andrus.

"It takes one hit sometimes and other guys can feed off it," Lough said. "I saw him going back for it and I was hoping it would fall in."

"He was definitely switching it up on us. His off-speed stuff was working well, keeping us off balance."

The only opposing pitcher to throw a no-hitter against the Royals at Kauffman Stadium is Darvish's boss, Rangers president Nolan Ryan on May 15, 1973.

Adrian Beltre and Nelson Cruz homered on consecutive pitches in the sixth inning. Cruz watched his drive sail over the wall, then was hit by Louis Coleman's first pitch leading off the ninth.

Cruz took a few steps to the mound, but was restrained by catcher Brayan Pena. The dugouts and bullpens emptied, but only words were exchanged. Both teams were issued a warning by plate umpire Mike Everitt.

"We were trying to pitch in on him, to keep him from extending his arms," Yost said. "You saw what he did the last at-bat when he got his arms extended. We were just trying to pitch him in."

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Tech wins weekend opener, drops first game of season

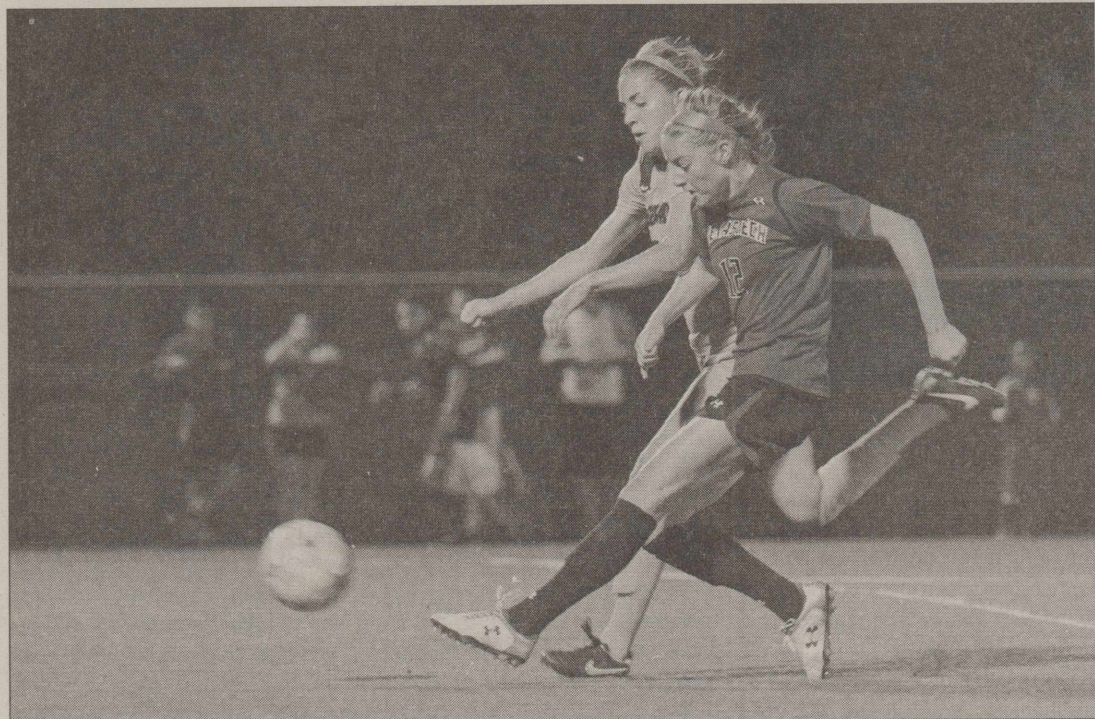


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TEXAS TECH FORWARD Janine Beckie kicks in the game winning goal during the Red Raiders' 1-0 victory against Nevada on Saturday at John B. Walker Soccer Complex.

By HOLDEN WILEN
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech soccer team's undefeated start came to an end Sunday as Ole Miss came out on top

with a 2-0 victory in Oxford, Miss. The Red Raiders (5-1-0) started the third week of the season by defeating Nevada (1-3-1) at home Friday, 1-0. The shutout was goalkeeper Victoria Esson's ninth in her

career tying her for fourth place in school history with Colleen Pitts. Tech beat the Wolfpack on freshman Janine Beckie's second game-winning goal in the last three games, and her third of the

season overall. The goal was a 15-yard strike to the back post off of Beckie's left foot in the 82nd minute. It came off a pass from freshman midfielder Alli Murphy who slipped the ball right past the defender.

"It just kind of opened for half a second and I knew that right then I had to play it and that it was the right ball to play," Murphy said. "Then Janine Beckie gets right on it and I know she's speedy quick. She took a shot and put it in the back of the net."

Tech head coach Tom Stone said Nevada had a great game plan and frustrated the Red Raiders by slowing them down. However, he said he knew his team would come through in the end.

"When you're in a tie like that you really look for the special players to just do something special," Stone said. "Murphy can pass and Janine Beckie can score and the two of them hooked up on that really magnificent goal."

Despite the team's flare for the dramatic, Stone said he does not like depending on clutch goals when the team outshoots its opponent by such a large margin. Tech outshot Nevada 19-4.

"You'd rather win 4-0 or 5-0 and then get your starters off and rest for Sunday," he said. "Unfortunately we weren't able to do that, although we did rotate a lot of players in and that's the strength of this team."

Against Nevada, Tech struggled to finish in the final third of the pitch. Nine of the team's 19 shots were shots on goal. The Red Raiders also took nine corner kicks.

"We kept getting in line and kept getting down the flank and our serves were right to the goalkeeper," Stone said. "It doesn't give any of your attackers a chance to score and then they start breaking off their runs not expecting a dangerous ball — it just kind of snowballs a little bit and gets real inefficient before you know it, and that's what happened. I'm not surprised we scored on a slip pass on a run, because our crossing and finishing tonight just didn't look that good."

Tech's struggles in the final third continued in Sunday's match.

The Red Raiders outshot Ole Miss (6-0-0) 15-13. Tech also had a 12-5 advantage in corner kicks including 9-0 in the second half. The Rebels took advantage of

Tech's missed opportunities early on when Mandy McCalla scored her sixth goal of the season off a free kick in the 11th minute. They extended the lead to 2-0 in the 78th minute after Olivia Harrison scored her fifth goal of the season off a free kick from midfield by goalkeeper Kelly McCormick.

Tech failed to score in a match for the first time this season, as McCormick made seven saves to preserve the Rebels' fourth consecutive shutout. Tech forward Jessica Fuston, the Big 12 Conference leader in goals scored, was unable to take a shot in the match.

The match against Ole Miss was the beginning of a five game road trip — the longest road trip of the season for Tech, which Janine Beckie said is critical for the team.

"The next four games are so crucial for us," she said after the victory against Nevada. "It's our toughest nonconference competition yet. If we play to the level we can play at, no one can beat us."

The Red Raiders next match is against another Southeastern Conference opponent when they take on the Auburn Tigers at 7 p.m. on Friday in Auburn, Ala.

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"Compliance wanted to know what's going on," the player said in the ESPN report. "(The meeting) was about a lot of stuff that goes on in practice, everything within the program, the way we're being coached, the relationship we've got with our coach, practice hours and stuff like that."

Associate athletics director for Tech, Blayne Beal, released a statement earlier this afternoon regarding the reports on Gillispie's treatment of the players, which reads as follows:

"We are aware and are looking into concerns within the leadership of our men's basketball program. Student-Athlete well-being is our top priority and a matter we take extremely seriously at Texas Tech. Texas Tech is devoting its full resources to look into this matter."

In an interview with CBS Sports, former Tech basketball player Kevin

Wagner said Gillispie forced injured players to remain at team facilities for the remainder of the day.

"If you were hurt, he told you that you had to stay in the training room all day — from 6 or 7 in the morning until 10 at night," Wagner said in the report from CBS Sports. "Stay in there and get treatment over and over and over. We couldn't leave. My mom had to come and bring me food."

Jaron Nash, another former Tech player who transferred after last season, said, according to the report from CBS Sports, that Gillispie would make the team practice more than four hours, a violation of NCAA regulations. Both Nash and Wagner said there was one Saturday in November of 2011 where the team was forced to practice just less than eight hours.

"Basketball wasn't fun anymore. It got to a point where I didn't like playing," Wagner said to CBS Sports.

A total of six players from last year's team transferred out of Tech,



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH HEAD basketball coach Billy Gillispie waves his arms while arguing a call during a game last season. According to an ESPN report Friday, current Tech players met with athletic director Kirby Hocutt to discuss Gillispie's conduct toward players.

but as many as nine new scholarship players will be joining the team in the upcoming season, according to ESPN.

Beal said no players are available for contact at this point and

compliance officer Jennifer Brashear declined to comment. Attempts to reach Gillispie via phone were unsuccessful and no message could be left because his mailbox was full.

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High school ref from West Texas called up to NFL

AMARILLO (AP) — Before he officiated two high school games in West Texas last weekend, Amarillo businessman Wayne Bernier worked an NFL game between the Philadelphia Eagles and New York

Jets. Bernier is a replacement official who was hired by the league while the NFL's regular officials are

locked out.

One of a handful of West Texans who got called up, Bernier said he doesn't see a major difference between the high school football games he typically watches and the pro games, except for the number of fans in the stands, the Amarillo Globe-News reported Monday.

"You have seen it on TV and

see this big field," Bernier told the paper. "But you walk in and it's still a 100-yard field just like out at Dick Bivins Stadium (in Amarillo). There are more people. That's all."

The NFL and its regular referees are mired in a contract standoff, and the league is set to open the new season Wednesday night using replacement officials brought in from several levels of college and other professional leagues.

The replacement officials worked the NFL's preseason games, to mixed reviews. The heavily scrutinized replacements have been criticized for a litany of mistakes, including mistating which down it is, spotting the ball incorrectly and botching calls. Their mistakes have been highlighted by fans and players who want the regular officials back.

Bernier, 42, has been an official for 19 years, beginning when he was a student at Texas Tech. He said he was aware of some of the criticism that has been aimed at the replacements, and that he gets feedback from the league on every

play, as well as a grade.

"The replacements are working their tails off," Bernier said. "They know the game. And I didn't cross a line. I understand what a scab is. But I wasn't a regular who crossed a line to keep going."

Bernier said he was first contacted by the NFL in June, starting an application process that took almost two months. He had to pass a background check and physical tests. He also studied game film. Eventually, he was sent to training sessions at the San Francisco 49ers' training camp.

"Humbling is what I'd first say I experienced because you are in awe, but you are there to do a job," Bernier told the newspaper. "You don't get star struck. I had a lot to learn."

He works as a head linesman, watching the line of scrimmage with the "chain gang," which measures the distance to a first down. His first assignment was at the Georgia Dome for a preseason game between the Atlanta Falcons and Baltimore Ravens.

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