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Tech library source for information at TAB Volunteer Fair

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The Texas Tech Library has resources available for any student interest, including information on volunteer work at Tech and the surrounding community.

Tech Activities Board hosted the Volunteer Fair in the Croslin Room in the Library on Wednesday.

"The Volunteer Fair is a great opportunity for students to come out and just kind of see all of the different volunteer opportunities that Lubbock has and meet up with other students interested in volunteering as well," said Tyler Ray, a senior finance and accounting major from Austin, and TAB event coordinator. "There are so many different agencies and people to participate with here."

Tech's chapter of Habitat for Humanity, Lubbock State Supported Living Center, The Haven Animal Care Shelter and The Lub-

bock Memorial Arboretum were among the 19 agencies attending the event.

The Volunteer Fair is an opportunity for organizations to recruit students interested in volunteering and provide unfamiliar opportunities, such as building a resume, said Kristy Moore, a senior advertising major from Jackson, Miss.

"A lot of people think you have to join a sorority or something to volunteer, go through them, but you don't," Moore said. "You come out on your own. You don't need other groups to get involved and volunteer."

Tech students can be found at the Lubbock State Supported Living Center at least once a month, said Lark Cooper, of Volunteer Services at Lubbock State Supported Living Center. About 200 individuals live at the center and need 24-hour care.

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Lubbock, Tech on display for parents during upcoming Family Weekend

By DEVIN GARZA
STAFF WRITER

Family Weekend is one of the biggest weekends for Texas Tech in the fall semester besides Homecoming and the major home football games, said Ken Gassiot, the associate director of Texas Tech's Family Relations.

A tradition dating back to 1956, Family Weekend has grown each year as Tech continues to expand. More people are expected to come into Lubbock this year more than any year since, which is reflected in ticket sales across the different activities offered to families Saturday and Sunday. With about 3,000 extra football tickets sold and about 1,000 pre-registered attendees for

the Red Raider Pancake Breakfast to be hosted in the Student Union Building Ballroom on Saturday morning, Gassiot said, he expects anywhere from 3,500 to 5,000 visitors this weekend.

Gassiot said he sees Family Weekend as an opportunity to showcase the finer points of Lubbock to parents and family members, many of whom will be visiting Lubbock for the first time.

"Many are going to be impressed," Gassiot said, "that Lubbock is larger than they thought, that it's a well laid-out city, that there are many amenities for their students. They'll feel that their students are safe, not only on campus, but in the Lubbock community as well."

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Fabric Festival

Denim Day kicks off jeans drive

By HALLIE DAVIS
STAFF WRITER

With a wave of pants, the runners took off. Of course, with their legs tied together by a pair of jeans, no one made it very far very fast.

The Tech Retail Association hosted KCBD's "I Beat Pete" segment to kick off the organization's community service project: A denim collection drive sponsored by Cotton Incorporated.

Associate professor Deborah Fowler, the group's adviser, said she found out about the program, called Cotton From Blue to Green, from a friend at the University of Kentucky.

"It really relates to our major, as well as to cotton and our community," she said.

The drive will last until the end of October and will accept any denim in any condition.

TRA president Laura Swart, a senior retail management major from Southlake, said the denim could be new or old, ripped and stained, or even bedazzled.

At the finale event, Fowler said, she hoped to display the most unusual items collected along with hosting other activities to commemorate the project.

All of the items donated will be shredded and reprocessed into environmentally friendly insulation to be used in Habitat for Humanity homes across the nation, said senior Emily Thompson, a retail management major from Seagraves.

"The sooner [this generation] learns about sustainability as well as helping others, the greater the USA will be," Fowler said.

Tech will compete against six other campuses, Thompson said, and has a goal of 12,500 denim pieces. Fowler said she thinks Tech



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ALI JARED, A freshman retail management major from Sugar Land, races with her partner, Jordyn Kotzur, a freshman retail management major from La Vernia, compete in a three-legged race the "Drop Your Jeans for a Good Cause" denim drive hosted by the Tech Retail Association on Wednesday at Urbanovsky Park.

can do even better, especially when it comes to competition.

"It's a friendly rivalry," she said, "but we want to beat Kentucky."

TRA already has a few wins under its belt: Various group members three-legged-raced Christie and his team Wednesday in Urbanovsky Park, refereed by Raider Red. After winning two of the three races, the group got to officially say "I Beat Pete!" for the news channel.

The challenge will air Sept. 19 on KCBD, channel 11.

Fowler said publicity is necessary to achieve the TRA's high goals and this was a great way to get the word out.

"We are very glad they participated in our kick off," Swart said.

TRA also will have a booth at the upcoming South Plains Fair, Swart said, to accept donations and talk about the project, which they think will be a hit with the community.

"Since we're in Lubbock, our number one thing is cotton," Thompson said.

Earlier in the year, Fowler said she received a grant from Cotton Incorporated

to help integrate cotton into the curriculum of her retail management classes.

In every way, Swart said, cotton is a big part of West Texas and students' lives.

"The school is so big and everyone has jeans," she said.

Donations will be accepted through the end of October at various locations around campus and the community. These stations can be found on the group's Facebook page and website.

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An Interdisciplinary Symposium on Environment and Evolution

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Where: McKenzie-Merket Alumni Center

So, what is it?
Scholars in the humanities and the arts will discuss literature and philosophy in connection with the Earth-system sciences.

New Student Convocation

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Where: Memorial Circle
So, what is it?
Come out and join the official welcome and celebration of freshmen and transfer students.

Friday

Family Weekend

Time: All day, all weekend
Where: Several places
So, what is it?
Come out and join an entire

weekend of fun with your family. Friday night, enjoy the Taste of Lubbock event hosted by the Texas Tech Parents Association.

ATO GatorFest

Time: 6 p.m.
Where: Main Street and University Avenue
So, what is it?
Come out and join Alpha Tau Omega for its annual GatorFest. Performers include Marshall Vines, Brandon Ryder and Charlie Robinson.

Pat Green

Time: 10 p.m.
Where: Wild West
So, what is it?
Come out and enjoy the music of Pat Green. \$15 for tickets in advance.

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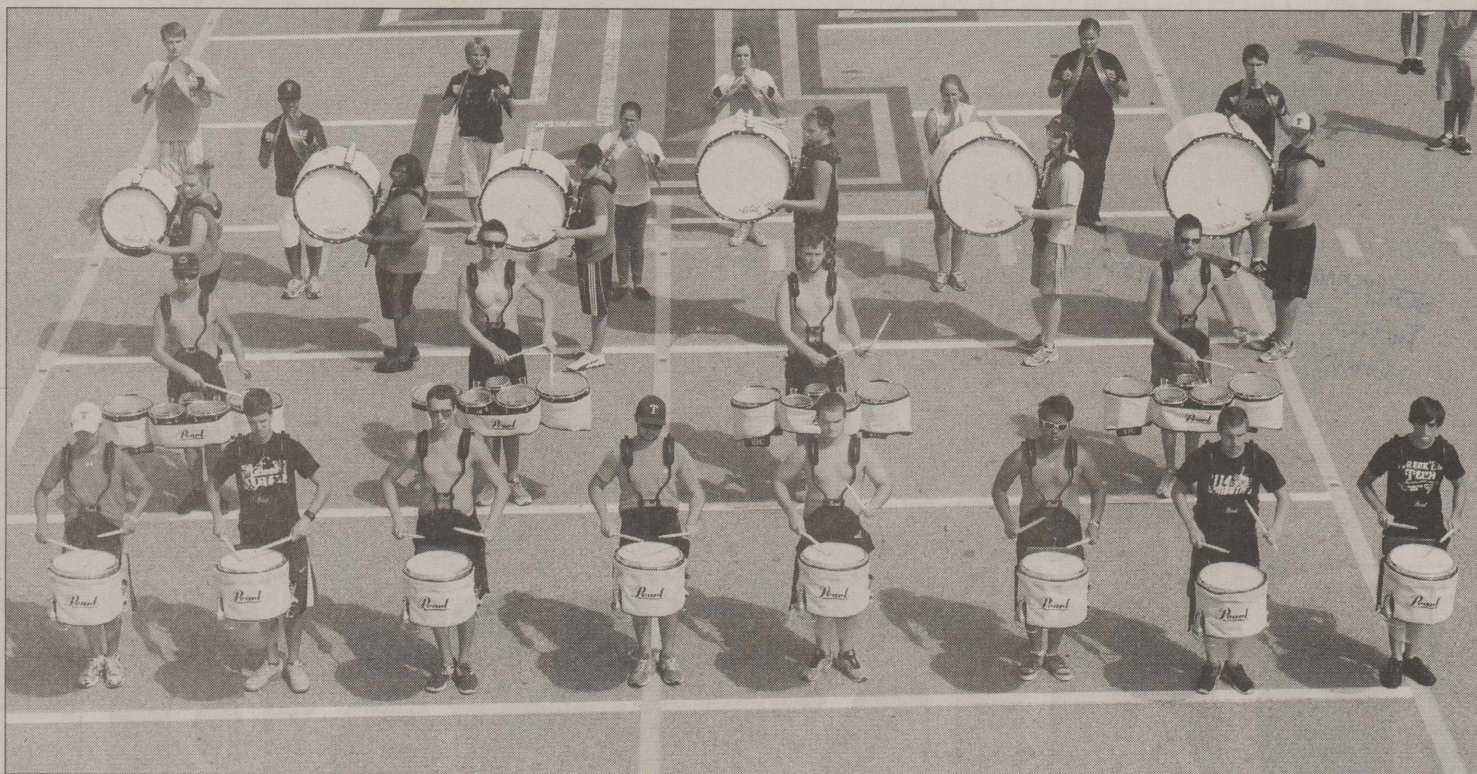


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THE GOIN' BAND from Raiderland Drumline practices its traditional marching show Wednesday on the band practice parking lot.

Lubbock County up to 10 cases of West Nile

Lubbock County confirmed its 10th case of West Nile virus Tuesday, but no new cases have been reported as of Wednesday.

The City of Lubbock Health Department confirmed six cases in the city as of Wednesday, Mary McConnell, registered nurse for the health department, said.

Tuesday, two cases of neuro-invasive West Nile were confirmed in two females older than the age of 50, neither of who traveled outside the county, McConnell said.

Monday one case of neuro-invasive was reported in a female older than the age of 50, but she did travel outside the county in the two weeks before she had symptoms.

Five of the six cases reported in the city have been the neuro-invasive virus and one has been West Nile fever, McConnell said.

The United States has reported a total of 2,636 cases and 118 deaths reported in 48 states as of Tuesday, according to the Center for Disease Control. Of the 2,636

cases reported, 1,405 cases have been classified as neuro-invasive and 1,231 were classified as non-neuroinvasive. This year, two-thirds of the West Nile cases have been reported in Louisiana, Mississippi, Michigan, Oklahoma, South Dakota and Texas with almost 40 percent of the cases being reported in Texas.

According to the Texas Department of State Health Services website, 1,182 cases of West Nile virus have been confirmed in Texas, resulting in 53 deaths in 2012 as of Wednesday.

Out of the 53 deaths, Andrews, Bexar, Cass, Cherokee, Collin, Concho, Cooke, Fayette, Gregg, Harrison, Hood, Lamar, McLennan, Midland, Montague, Nueces, Panola, Victoria, Wharton and Williamson counties have one death each. Bell, Denton, Ellis and El Paso counties each have two deaths, Harris and Travis counties each have three deaths, Tarrant County has four deaths and Dallas

County has 14 deaths according to the Texas Department of State Health Services on Wednesday.

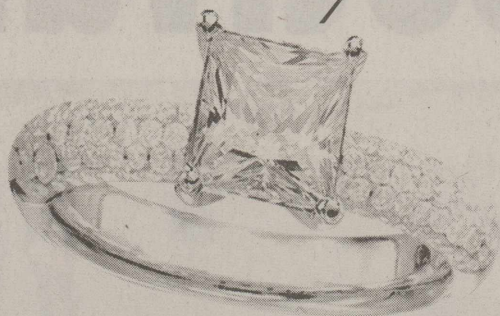
By publication time Wednesday, Dallas County reported a total of 305 cases. Tarrant County reported a total of 231 cases.

West Nile virus is a mosquito-borne disease that has two phases of illness: West Nile fever and West Nile neuro-invasive disease. Once the mosquito eggs mature, the mosquitoes feed on infected birds and then pass the disease on to the humans and horses, said Dr. Ronald D. Warner, associate professor in Family and Community Medicine.

According to the Texas Department of State Health Services website, citizens should follow the 4Ds: Use DEET, Dress in long sleeves and pants while outside, stay indoors during dusk and dawn and drain standing water in order to prevent contracting the West Nile virus.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Five students detained for consumption of alcohol by minors

Monday
 9:39 a.m. — A Texas Tech officer issued two non-students, homeless individuals, a criminal trespass warning for all of Texas Tech University property, which occurred in the Z3K parking lot.
 12:11 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated a theft, which occurred at the southeast bike racks of Holden Hall. A secured Trek bicycle was taken.
 2:22 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated credit card abuse, which occurred at Sam's Place in Chitwood Residence Hall.

10:22 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated a theft, which occurred in the Agriculture Science building. An unsecured lab notebook was taken.
 1:07 a.m. — A Tech officer detained five students, which occurred in Weymouth Residence Hall following an investigation of a loud party. The students were issued a Lubbock County citation for consumption of alcohol by a minor and then released.
Tuesday
 8:37 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated a theft, which occurred in the Art building. A set of clippers were taken from an unsecured mailbox.
 8:58 a.m. — A Tech officer documented a medical emergency, which occurred at Boston Avenue Residence Hall. A staff member was having chest pains and was transported to University Medical Center Emergency Room by Emergency Medical Services.
 1:15 p.m. — A Tech officer issued a non-student a criminal trespass warning for all of Tech property, after a report of a suspicious person in the Student Union Courtyard.
 7:51 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated a traffic accident, without injuries, which occurred in the 2600 block of 15th St.
 11:00 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated a theft, which occurred in the basement laundry room of Clement Residence Hall. A black Texas Tech fleece jacket was taken from an unsecured dryer.
Information provided by B.J. Watson with the Texas Tech Police Department

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"When groups here do things — we can even have individuals do things with them some times. It enriches their lives tremendously," she said.

Volunteer service benefits organizations, but also can benefit the volunteers through positive experiences, Dakota Raggio, from The Haven, said.

The Haven has about 60 dogs and 70 cats for four employees to care for, she said. Volunteers help with upkeep and jobs around the animal shelter and also to socialize new dogs and cats, so the animals are more adoptable.

"Dogs are really good therapeutic tools," Raggio said. "Everybody that I work with loves going to work. It's not one of those jobs where you dread going there. All our volunteers love going out there. The dogs make their days better. Cats are really good, too."

Jim Graves, a 1998 retiree from the agriculture department at Tech, continues to be involved with the Lubbock community and Tech students at The Lubbock Memorial Arboretum.

Volunteers help keep the gardens at the arboretum weeded, Graves said. Pruning, cleaning

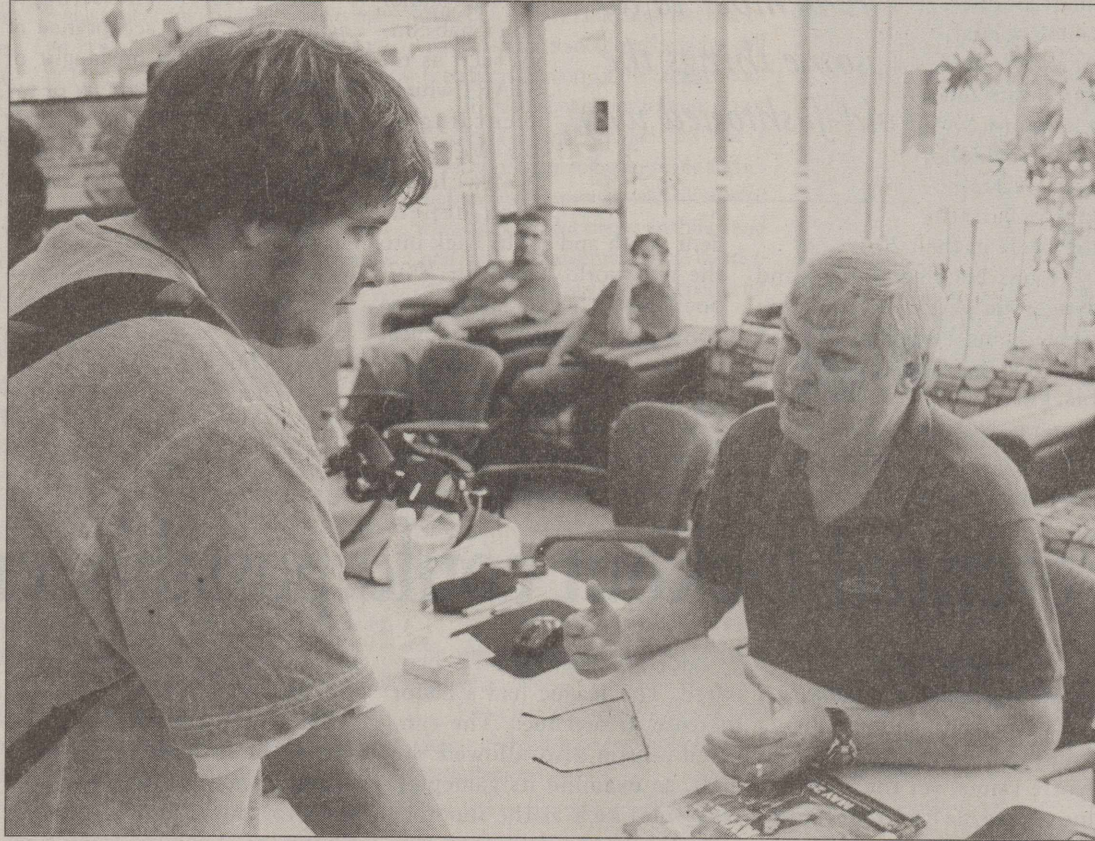


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 AARON IPSEER, A freshman mechanical engineering major from Fort Worth, talks to Gary Johnson, a representative of Caprock Ambucs, on Thursday at the Volunteer Fair in the Library. Caprock Ambucs is an organization that provides therapeutic bicycles to injured or disabled people.

the gardens and watering the new trees are other ways volunteers help. Even people in wheelchairs can work in raised beds.

"The arboretum has actually been organized for more than

50 years and we're trying to get volunteers all the time," he said.

Service Week is a first-year TAB event coming up, Ray said. Each day of the week will have a different area of service to target. Saturday will have a closing ser-

vice project all volunteers will work together to complete.

"Everyone that wants to come here and enjoy (the Volunteer Fair) would love Service Week," he said.

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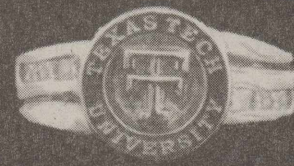
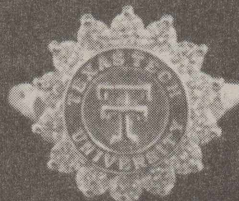
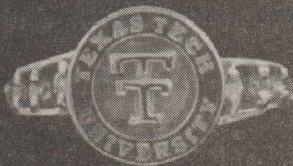
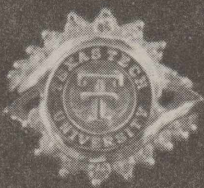
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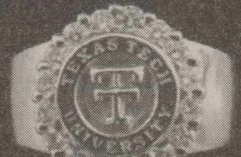
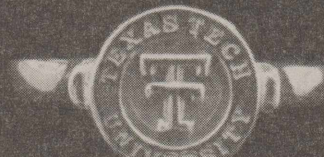
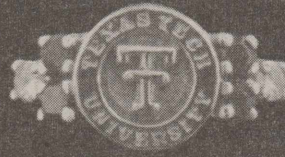
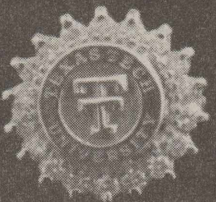
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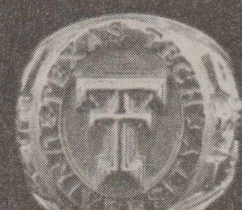
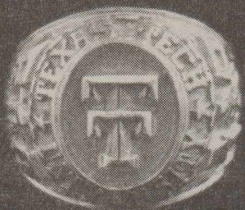
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THURSDAY, SEPT. 13, 2012

Technology important, but sometimes too important

The 90s was the last full decade of the second millennium. It was also the era of the Internet, cellphones and mp3. It was my childhood, filled with fond memories of floppy disks, dial-up Internet, boom boxes and 97-cent-per-gallon gasoline. Yes, we did think we were fabulous with our flare and white wash jeans.

This 10-year span provided me the best of two worlds – In one, eternal patience after surviving at least 10 years of insufferable, grating dial-up sounds, and quality time with my family and friends when text and Skype weren't options; and in the other, Bluetooth.

It connects us in a web of communication that spans international and local premises. I have lost count of how many times I have texted a friend

Rocio Rodriguez



sitting right next to me to pass along a private message or had an ooVoo meeting with friends across the United States, colleagues all over Texas or family all over the world.

The *Daily Toreador* can communicate rapidly with readers via Twitter, which the students can read on their smart phones on their way to class where they take notes on laptops or tablets. Technology has become so ubiquitous that newspapers provide technology sections updating readers on society's newest technological developments – technological developments that are slowly

smothering the very need for a newspaper.

The advancement of technology has helped forge a fast-paced lifestyle where professors email us an assignment and expect results the next morning. We have become slaves to our smart phones, tablets and latest and greatest shoes, cars and televisions. My parents didn't even see a television until they were in their 20s.

It has become a vital and dangerous part of life, an example being President Obama's well-documented love for his BlackBerry at the beginning of his term, with an endless stream of pictures and articles. I have

suffered separation anxiety when my phone – with which, as my father states, I am “joined at the hip” – is gone. I have been victim to “ghost phone” – feeling or hearing my phone vibrate or ring when nobody has contacted me.

There are Internet addiction rehab clinics such as RESTART which, according to its website, “launch[es] tech-dependent youth and adults back into the real world.” Back in 2007, South Korea had to deal with the consequences of being the “most aggressive [country] in embracing the Internet” by sending young Internet- and video game-addicted Koreans to 12-day camps,

said Koh Young-sam, head of the Internet Addiction Counseling Center in Korea.

Technology is such an essential part of life that those who do not utilize it are left at a disadvantage. It is not something to reject, but instead embrace, as it is a fact of life like death and taxes.

However, I still struggle against the total acceptance of the never-ending onslaught of technology. I know many of my friends and I are more willing to text or Facebook a friend rather than call or visit them in person. This, unfortunately, leads to a lack of inter-personal skills because we'd rather face a computer than a person. Expect more from yourself and others than technology.

It is important to remember to do some things the old-fashioned way. Just because we can type out

our notes, color code them and print them on notecards does not mean we should forget how to use our natural born mental capacity to study those notes. Similarly, just because we can print our resume on laser print jet printers on flawless linen paper does not mean we'll get a call back for an interview.

The first day of class, my microbiology professor, Michael San Francisco, told the class, “Unhook yourself from technology for 15 minutes and take a walk.” So, I encourage any readers to take some time off this week to read a paper book, play volleyball, socialize with friends or even have a nice, quiet evening of Dungeons & Dragons or Yu-Gi-Oh.

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DNC fails to put Obama over the top

By DANIEL PIERRO
THE HOYA (GEORGETOWN U.)

With the Republican and Democratic National Conventions completed and the party bases energized, the real campaigning begins as the candidates focus their efforts more aggressively on swing states.

The Democratic Party has demonstrated that it knows how to rally its base and energize support. In light of post-convention polling, the same cannot be said for the GOP.

Gallup reported that Obama leads Romney by about 4 percent in poll conducted over the first week of September. Although this signals a bump for Obama since the DNC, it is far from a large enough cushion to promise re-election.

To ensure that Obama is a one-term president, Romney must put an end to his stale campaign strategy. He needs to brand himself as the best candidate for the job, rather than merely as an acceptable alternative to Obama. Romney must invigorate his campaign by discussing policy before the national debates in October, explaining how his platform will revitalize the economy, help the middle class and ameliorate the

budget deficit.

Despite Obama's recent gains, Romney has plenty of time to exploit the less-than-stellar job report released this week, unfortunately timed on the same day as Obama's acceptance speech. Although the unemployment rate fell by .2 percent, the decrease is in large part due to the fact that fewer Americans are actively searching for work. Only 96,000 jobs were created in the month of August, compared to the 135,000

jobs-per-month average of last year. Despite the energy of Obama's convention speech, the jobs report does little to support his efforts to defend his economic plan.

In response to the new unemployment numbers, the Romney campaign would be wise to target advertising in swing states where unemployment is the highest.

This brings to mind a few key toss-up states: Nevada, Florida and North Carolina. Nevada currently suffers from a 12 percent unemployment rate, while Florida and North Carolina's rates are at 8.8 and 9.6 percent, respectively. These battleground states will provide the best return

“Despite Obama's recent gains, Romney has plenty of time to exploit the less-than-stellar job report released this week.”

Clarification

In Friday's issue of *The Daily Toreador*, in the article, “HSC begins using VitalStim treatment for patients,” the caption for the photo should have clarified that

Cassandra Baker, a graduate speech pathology major from Lubbock, was assisting someone who was certified to administer the VitalStim treatment.

Potential lockout could possibly cripple NHL

By SAM GANS
THE ND OBSERVER (U. NOTRE DAME)

I just started my junior year at Notre Dame, yet the NHL is trying to take me back to seventh grade.

Here we are in 2012, just eight years removed from the last NHL work stoppage that eliminated the 2004-2005 season, and another lockout seems imminent.

On Sept. 15, the NHL collective bargaining agreement (CBA) will expire. Negotiations for a new deal don't seem to be close, at least if you are to believe the owners and the player's union.

The lockout made sense when it happened eight years ago. The league was struggling financially. There was no salary cap in place, and the owners stressed the NHL needed a cap.

The lockout hurt the league badly in the short-term. Besides the obvious cost of a full season of play being canceled, a portion of the casual fan base did not return when the NHL did resume, and a television deal with ESPN was gone.

But over time, the NHL benefited. The league had a major increase in revenues. The canceled season also allowed the NHL to examine its gameplay. New rules such as the shootout (which I despise, but many fans love), less grabbing of players in the offensive zone and delayed offsides increased scoring, pace of play, excitement and, most importantly, ticket sales.

Television ratings for playoff games — if not the Stanley Cup Final this past year — are rising, and according to Pierre LeBrun of ESPN.com, the NHL generated \$3.3 billion in revenues last year. It took some time, but the NHL is in much better shape than it was eight years ago, and a large reason for that was because of the changes made during the lockout.

And the success since the lockout also explains why another long lockout could be catastrophic. Most fans could be fine with one missed season, especially if it quite possibly saved the future of the league. They will not be as willing this time. Not based on the recent revenue numbers. Shame on you if you

fool me once, shame on me if you fool me twice.

Of course, though the league as a whole is stable, many individual franchises are not. This leads to where most of the disagreement is coming from: how to keep those teams in the red afloat.

In extremely basic terms, the owners want to do this by both reducing the players' share of hockey related revenue (HRR) and redefining what exactly HRR is in their favor, while the players want an increase in revenue sharing between teams. For example, a very profitable franchise like Toronto (or a better way to look at it, Toronto's owners) would give some of its profits to help out Phoenix. This has been extremely useful in the NFL and MLB to help those leagues flourish.

I just want hockey, like most fans.

If a deal's not done, it will hurt both owners and players down the road. Seeing a group of millionaires arguing with billionaires over who gets a bigger piece of the pie for the second time in less than a decade will alienate even the biggest fans.

They won't care the reasoning and they won't care which side is “right” and which is “wrong”.

And this time, many of them will stay gone. If that happens, needless to say, business will suffer, and all that bargaining will have been for naught, when revenue for owners — and thus salaries for players — suffers.

I would like to think NHL commissioner Gary Bettman and the player's association leader Donald Fehr realize this, and will each give a little. But then again, both were part of two of the most notorious work stoppages in American sports history — Bettman's the aforementioned NHL lockout and Fehr's the MLB strike in 1994.

Ultimately, I expect a lockout, but not a long one, and only a few games canceled, similar to the NBA's this past year. Though the NHL and NHLPA appear far off, they are still much closer than when negotiations started on a new CBA in 2004. This is good news.

Plus, both the players and owners understand the damage an entirely canceled season could cause ... right?

Chicago teacher strike illuminates education contradiction

By DAILY CAMPUS EDITORIAL BOARD
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If you read the news, you would know that teachers have been striking in Chicago. And if you know anything about Chicago and her school systems, they're both terrible. Chicago has a historically underfunded school system. While it may be a chicken and egg argument, Chicago is also an incredibly violent and dangerous city. So it should be no surprise that the underpaid and underfunded Chicago public school teachers are on strike.

The actual straw that broke the camel's back is a new ordinance declaring that Chicago teachers have to comply with standardized testing scores or be dismissed. Naturally, this is

an unacceptable way to rate the future of our country in one of the biggest cities in the nation. Not only has standardized testing proved to be an unreliable indicator of how well students are learning, but there are too many other factors at play. A particular neighborhood's level of violence, homelessness, health conditions, diet, family connections, along with a whole host of other social factors, is too complicated and too chaotic to be able to rate the one decently stable factor in a Chicago students' life.

Naturally, as a public school and an institution that values the work teachers do (especially in a place where public school teaching can be considered a dangerous occupation) we support the teachers' strike.

It's a well-known fact that

public school teachers are underpaid. It's also well known that children have to be at school, especially when classes start in early September (i.e., now). But, the strike has closed down many schools rather unexpectedly. On the first day of the strike, roughly 350,000 students were not in school. Many schools stayed open to at least give children somewhere to go, but police officers typically reserved for desk jobs were pulled onto street-duty in anticipation of the oncoming onslaught of child-propelled violence.

Many parents responded angrily. Many parents have had to unexpectedly take the day off from work. Some parents simply can't afford to take the day off and have to leave their children unattended at home. Others pub-

licly asked why Chicago teachers had to choose now to strike. Why couldn't they do such a thing in the summer?

Why? Well the answer is clear: the point of a strike is to make an impact on society. When construction workers go on strike, it becomes clear how much we need people to build our buildings to work in. When dockworkers go on strike, it became clear we need them as a stronghold in our nation's commerce. When teachers go on strike, it becomes clear we need them to teach our children.

How often have we been told to “stay in school”? How many times are we told, “knowledge is power”? It is a sad double standard that the American youth is encouraged to get educated, but teachers are treated as the lowest of our public servants.

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Organization brings Jewish students together

By ASHLYN TUBBS
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When transitioning into life as a college student, it is common for students to lose touch with their religious roots and traditions.

That is why Jewish students started Hillel, The Foundation for Jewish Campus Life, at Texas Tech. Hillel is the largest Jewish campus organization in the world and provides opportunities for Jewish students at more than 500 colleges and universities.

"This is my second year of involvement in Hillel and it's been great, especially because it's small," said Torie BenShushan, a senior political science major from Amarillo. "There's not very many Jewish students in Lubbock, so it's very tight-knit."

Ben Shushan, vice president of Hillel, said Hillel is a social organization that celebrates Jewish holidays and lifestyle. She said members have an optional meeting every third week and at least one big event monthly, such as the barbecue the organization recently hosted.

"This is my first student organization I've become active in," BenShushan said. "It was so easy because I work and it was easy to become a part of it and feel accepted."

Rachel Steinberg, a senior biochemistry major from Austin and the president of Hillel, said she joined in

order to maintain her Jewish identity and keep it strong.

"Then I started to get involved because the leadership started to diminish a little bit," she said, "and I wanted to make sure that when I left Tech, there would be a place for other Jews to come hang out, be with their friends and have their own little home here."

Michael Fleischer, a sophomore management information systems major from Colleyville and the secretary of Hillel, said joining the organization allowed him to meet friends on a common ground.

"I have met tons of people that I would've had trouble finding since Tech is a huge campus," he said, "and I got to do all the services and holidays I would've missed out on since it would've been difficult to do as a freshman at Tech so far away from home. Last year we got to do Hanukkah as a group and it was really nice."

Steinberg has brought several changes to the Tech Hillel organization to help emphasize Jewish values and lifestyles.

"We've made a lot of the leadership positions a lot more strict," she said, "and we've tried to bring in not only the social aspect, but the religious aspect of Judaism into the organization."

Fleischer said Tech Hillel is small compared to other Hillels nationwide; Tech has about 20 to 25 members in its organization.

"We just get together and go through the basic motions of Jewish services and throw a young Jewish spin on the usual stuff we would be doing," he said.

BenShushan said Hillel hosts can drive for community service and also participates in Relay for Life annually. The members also might hold a silent auction in October.

Last spring semester, Steinberg said, Hillel brought a Holocaust survivor to Tech to speak, something she hopes will become a tradition for the organization.

"It's really important to learn about that kind of stuff," she said. "It's a lot of work bringing in someone so old and it's not very easy, especially with all they've been through. But after everything's said and done, the presentation was wonderful and it was a really good experience for everyone who came."

Fleischer said he and his best friend decided to start a Jewish fraternity together during the end of last spring semester. After researching nationwide Jewish fraternities, they contacted Alpha Epsilon Pi. A member from the fraternity's nationals helped them get the fraternity at Tech. This is the first semester Alpha Epsilon Pi is on campus.

"We only had five guys at the time," he said, "and now we have seven, so it's growing I guess."

Fleischer said Alpha Epsilon Pi helps Hillel bring new faces into the organization.



PHOTO BY WILLIAM ROBIN/The Daily Toreador
RACHEL STEINBERG, A senior biochemistry major from Austin, and Torie BenShushan, a senior political science major from Amarillo, read and discuss passages from the Torah during their Parsha study Wednesday in the Student Union Building.

"We boost everything Hillel does by joining them and bringing enthusiasm and friends who extend the experience at Hillel," he said.

Fleischer said the fraternity will host a car smash as a philanthropic event later this semester.

"That will be awesome," he said.

Steinberg said Hillel is open to students who want to explore Judaism.

"We have a lot of people who are converting to Judaism," she said, "so they have a lot of people they can talk to about the religion and things they might be interested in."

BenShushan encourages any stu-

dents interested to join the organization.

"We would love to have new members," she said. "You don't have to be Jewish to be a member. You can still come experience the Jewish way of life and the lifestyle. We would love to have everyone."

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Hoffman, Letterman among Kennedy Center honorees

WASHINGTON (AP) — Years after playing a Washington newspaper reporter, Dustin Hoffman is returning to the nation's capital to share an honor with David Letterman — who appears surprised at how culturally important his Top 10 lists have been.

The actor and comedian are among seven people who will receive the 2012 Kennedy Center Honors, the performing arts center announced Wednesday. They join Chicago bluesman Buddy Guy, the surviving members of the rock band Led Zeppelin and ballerina Natalia Makarova.

The award is the nation's highest honor for those who have influenced American culture through the arts. It comes with a dinner with Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and a reception hosted by President Barack Obama. The honorees will be saluted by fellow artists Dec. 2 in a show to be broadcast Dec. 26 on CBS.

Hoffman, now 75, said in an interview that he was last in Washington for Obama's inauguration in 2009.

"It's maybe the coldest I've been since I was in Calgary, Canada, when it was 70 below for a film," Hoffman said. "Since I froze my (behind) off watching him be inaugurated, the least he could do is to shake my hand under the circumstances."

While being honored for his long career as an actor, Hoffman said he's most proud of his most recent work directing his first film. The film called "Quartet" stars Maggie Smith and follows aging opera singers and musicians who are reunited at a retirement home.

Hoffman said he may have found a new calling as director.

"God willing, I'm happy to do this from here on out," he said.

Kennedy Center Chairman David Rubenstein called Hoffman "one of the most versatile and iconoclastic actors" of any generation. Hoffman has played lead roles ranging from "All the President's Men" and "Rain Man" to "Tootsie."

Guy, 76, was a "titan of the blues" who has influenced countless electric guitar players over the past 50 years, Rubenstein said. Eric Clapton has called him the best guitar players alive, "without a doubt."

Guy, born into a family of sharecroppers with no electricity or running water in Louisiana, said he's still pinching himself after hearing about the honor. He recalled that as a child, a guitar player would visit his family at Christmas. When all the other kids went to play with their toys, Guy wanted to strum that guitar.

"I just felt like if I could learn to play guitar, like a sore thumb, I would stand out," said Guy, who visited the White House earlier this year and persuaded Obama to sing a few lines of "Sweet Home Chicago" with Mick Jagger.

He pioneered the use of distortion

and feedback with his electric guitar, a sound British musicians would embrace before mainstream American bands were ready to turn up the amplifiers. At the time, Guy said he didn't know what he was doing. He just wanted to turn up the sound so somebody could hear him when he was playing with BB King, Muddy Waters and others.

Family

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But the weekend is also about creating a mutually supportive environment for students and their families at a time of year when both can start to feel the pangs and anxieties of separation from each other.

"Primarily, it's to give parents and family members an opportunity to come to Lubbock and visit with their student to provide encouragement that their family supports them in their college

experience," Gassiot said. "It gives a strong sense of reassurance to parents that 'My student is going to be okay.'"

Besides the family tailgate and football game, in which the Red Raiders will take on the New Mexico Lobos, one of the many activities planned for parents and students this weekend is the Taste of Lubbock at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center Friday night from 6 - 9 p.m.

According to the Tech website, it is "an annual dinner showcasing some of the Hub City's finest restaurants

and introducing students and their parents to Lubbock's diverse eating choices." The event costs \$20 and is all-you-can-eat with a cash bar. Other activities include campus tours and Docs on Display, where parents meet Tech doctors and nurses.

Tickets for Taste of Lubbock or the Pancake Breakfast can be purchased at the Tech Family Weekend website. To attend either event you must buy a ticket ahead of time. The family tailgate will be held in the R1 Parking Lot, west of the Chemistry building.

Parking tickets for the tailgate are sold out, so plan on parking elsewhere and walking.

Additional information about Family Weekend and the event schedule are available on the Family Weekend website.

"I think parents generally feel a strong feeling of welcome from the friendliness of everyone to how accommodating everyone is," Gassiot said, "not just on campus, but in the Lubbock community as well."

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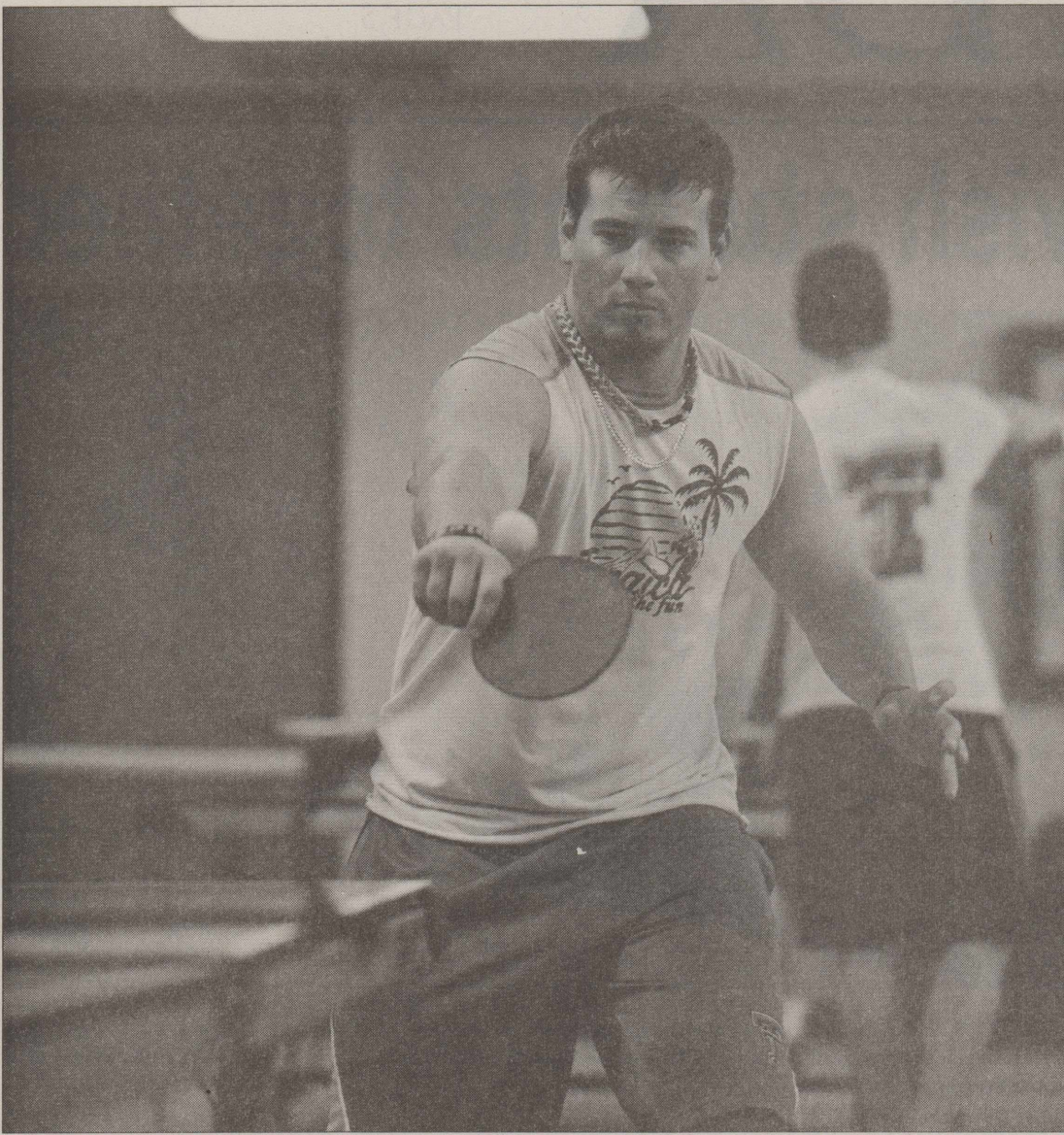


PHOTO BY ISAAC VILLALOBOS/The Daily Toreador
MITCHELL HEMPSTEAD, A senior psychology major from Bandera, reaches to hit a ping pong ball at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center on Wednesday.

School of Law to host moot court

In an effort to increase the visibility of Texas Tech's School of Law, the Board of Barristers will have an open moot court competition at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

The final competition will take place inside the Donald Hunt Courtroom, located on the southwest corner of 18th Street and Hartford Avenue.

Andrew Strong, the director of communications for the Board of Barristers, said those participating in the argument will be members from the Board of Barristers, which is comprised of the top 10 percent of School of Law student advocates.

Unlike the previous rounds of the moot court competition, which have been hosted in front of local

attorneys, he said actual sitting judges will be evaluating the teams.

Strong said this is a good resource for all students, especially those interested in law, to see cases that involve both state and federal law.

"It's not every day that a law school in this country gets a full panel of sitting judges," he said. "That's really rare because they're obviously busy. You can't get any better than this."

For law students, moot court competitions provide experience and practice in a court setting. It requires each advocate to give an oral argument before the panel of judges, who analyze and ask questions in response.

The case involves the topic of gay marriage by using real cases under a fake set of circumstances, Strong said. The simulated case involves a gay couple who want to adopt a child, but are unable to do so because they are not married. They will be claiming 14th Amendment violations because Texas' marriage law only recognizes marriages between a man and a woman.

"Even if you don't know the facts of the cases," Strong said, "it still should be pretty interesting. Part of the goal in this is to be able to communicate what the cases mean, how they apply, and what the law is and should be."

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Many questions arise about anti-Islam filmmaker

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The man behind video excerpts from an anti-Muslim movie that provoked mobs in Egypt and Libya said Wednesday that he has gone into hiding. But doubts rose about the man's exact identity amid a flurry of false claims about his background and role in the purported film.

The filmmaker, who identified himself in a telephone interview with The Associated Press as Sam Bacile, said he is an Israeli-born, Jewish writer and director of "In-

nocence of Muslims." Bacile was the name used to publish excerpts of the movie online as early as July 2.

But some key facts about Bacile's background and role in the film crumbled Wednesday as a Christian activist involved in the film project said that Bacile was a pseudonym, that he was not Jewish or Israeli, and that a group of Americans of Mideast origin collaborated on the film. Officials in Israel also said there was no record of Bacile as an Israeli citizen.

Doubts mounted as well about the provenance of the film, "Innocence of Muslims." Several Hollywood and California film industry groups and permit agencies said they had no records of the project. Only an employee at a faded Hollywood movie theater confirmed that an entire version of the film had staged a brief run several months ago.

All that currently exists of the film are about 13 minutes of excerpts on Youtube, in English and Arabic language versions. While the excerpts were still viewable online in the U.S. on Wednesday, they vanished from the Web in Egypt. Cairo residents who tried to view the Youtube site instead got a warning that "this content is not available in your country due to a legal complaint."

Protesters apparently angered over the film burned down the U.S. Consulate Tuesday in the eastern Libyan city of Benghazi. Libyan officials said Wednesday that Ambassador Chris Stevens and three other embassy employees were killed during the mob violence, but U.S. officials now say they are investigating whether the assault was a planned terrorist strike linked to Tuesday's 11-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks.

Lobos fight injuries in pursuit of victory

By ZACH DISCHIANO
STAFF WRITER

The start of the 2012 football season for the New Mexico Lobos may be the most contradictory genesis in recent years.

The Lobos kicked off the year with a dominating performance, a 66-21 beating of the Southern Jaguars.

Amassing an unprecedented 347 yards on the ground, New Mexico scored almost half as many points as they scored all season last year.

Then they played Texas. Two turnovers and only 35 yards through the air prohibited the Lobos from putting up a single point on the Longhorns' stingy defense. Relying primarily on its running game, Texas put up a modest 45 points, 28 of which were scored in the second half.

New Mexico Coach Bob Davie said he felt his team played better than the score showed, despite the obvious lack of offensive production.

"I've always kind of laughed at people or coaches who say that shouldn't have been a 45-0 game, but that shouldn't have been," he said. "Mack Brown will tell you the same thing. But as long as we know, as long as the coaches know and the players know, then we're able to say, 'Listen, here's what we can correct right now. This had nothing to do with those guys in the orange shirts; this had to do with us.'"

Going into the game against Texas Tech, New Mexico will likely be without starting senior quarterback B.R. Holbrook, who was injured and helped off of the field in the Texas game.

Replacing the veteran quarterback will be freshman Cole Gautsche.

Gautsche played a little more than two quarters against the Longhorns, failing to complete a pass on four attempts with an interception.

"He started out pretty good against Texas," Davie said. "I think when the game started sliding a little bit, when they started to impose their will a little bit on us and the magnitude of the situation caught up to him in the third quarter a little bit."

The best and most reliable target for Gautsche is senior receiver Lamaar Thomas, who also will inconveniently be on the sidelines Saturday, according to the *Albuquerque Journal*.

Thomas averaged 17.3 yards per reception last year, despite missing eight games because of injury.

"Lamaar was our most valuable player, most explosive player, in the spring, but B.R. is really the critical, critical part of that," Davie said. "We have some other receivers that can go in there and do some things."

Davie is in his first season as coach of the Lobos, but has a rich background in the college football world.

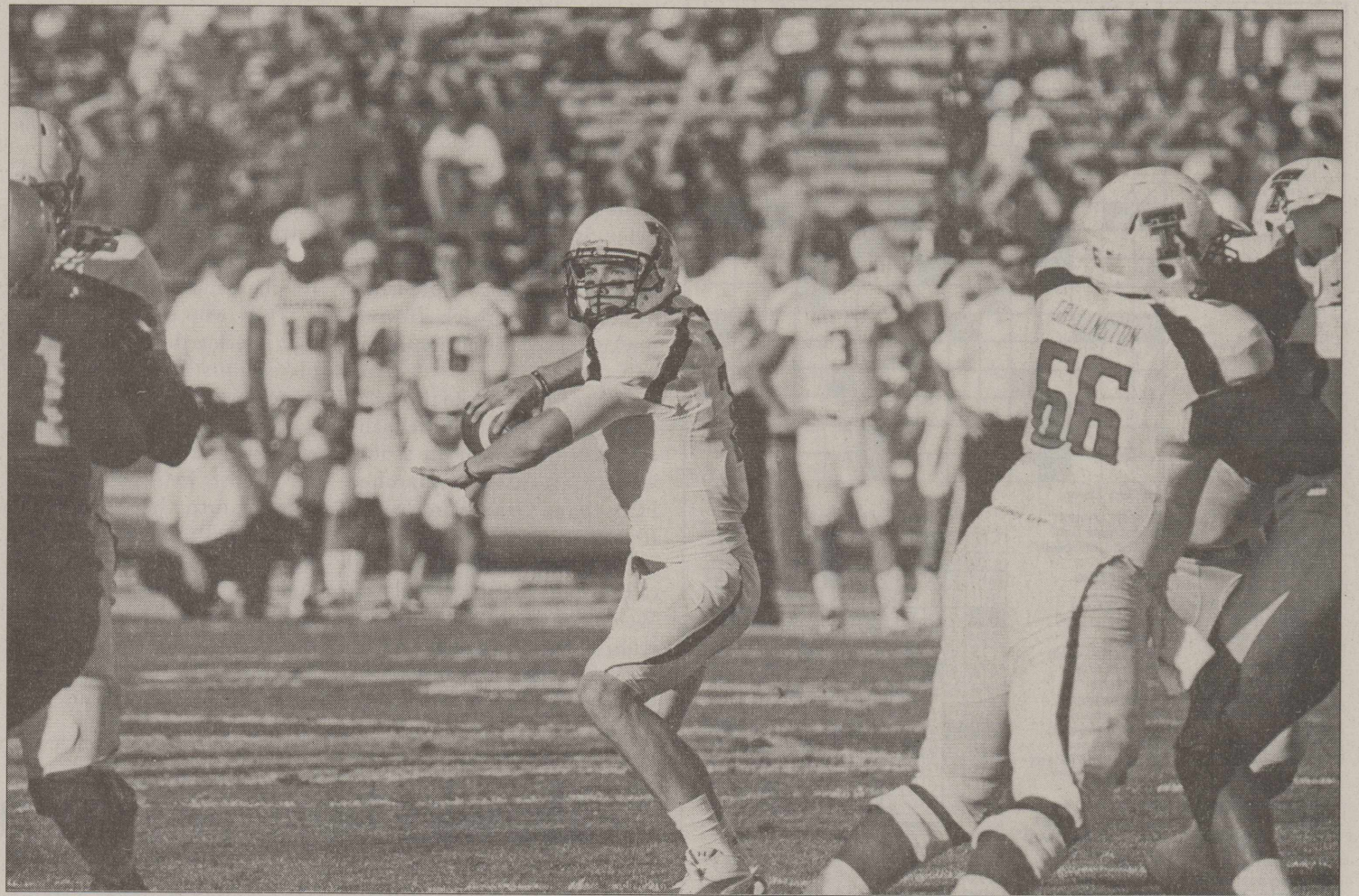
He coached the likes of current and former NFL players such as Justin Tuck, Amaz Battle and Ryan Grant during his tenure at Notre Dame from 1997 to 2001.

Since then, Davie worked on TV as a college football analyst for ABC and ESPN.

"He brings experience," Tech Coach Tommy Tuberville said. "There is nothing like the experience of being a head coach and understanding how to build a program, set a program up, recruit, hire coaches."

A heavy emphasis has been placed on the running game for the Lobos, with Davie's offense already picking up 553 yards on the ground in just two games.

"It's going to be a big test for our run game," Tech senior safety Cody Davis said. "Critical issue last year was run, so this will be another test for our run game. A lot of big personnel, we have to fit up the right gaps and play



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

QUARTERBACK SETH DOEGE winds up for a pass in a game against the New Mexico Lobos in Albuquerque N.M. Doege set an NCAA Division I record for best completion percentage in a game with at least 40 attempts as the Red Raider beat the Lobos 59-13 in 2011.

assignment football."

A big incentive for running the ball is the amount of clock it chews up, which benefits the rushing team's defense by giving them more rest and hurting the opponent by making their defense stay on the field longer and tire out quicker.

"With running teams, they try to control the clock, that also just wears down your defense and keeps the offense cold," Davis said. "You can't get in any rhythm. So we have to get off

the field on third down and get as many three and outs as we can."

The ability of the Lobos to dominate the time of possession category will force Tech to take advantage of every time it gets the ball, senior quarterback Seth Doege said.

"It's very important that we get off to a good start and get rolling early," he said, "because in a normal game, we'll get a lot more series than we would against Texas State and New Mexico who might only get 10 or 11 series, and

you need to take advantage of those."

If history says anything, the Lobos will run the ball nearly every play of the game. However, Davie still believes the quarterback play will be important if New Mexico wants a shot at an upset.

The absence of Holbrook could be detrimental to the offense if the Lobos can't find a way to get Gautsche involved in a positive manner, Davie said.

"With (Holbrook) we're fairly balanced, we're pretty good schematically,

he said. "All of a sudden, when it's just (Gautsche), we're not as balanced. So we really have to be creative in ways that Cole can throw the ball and have success."

The Lobos are looking for something special out of their freshman quarterback Saturday to help them pick up their seventh win out of 46 games all-time against Tech.

The game kicks off at 6 p.m. Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

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Ryan Cook quickly in center for Dallas Cowboys

IRVING (AP) — Ryan Cook was playing against the Dallas Cowboys in the preseason finale only a couple of weeks ago.

Now Cook is a center of attention for the Cowboys, preparing to start in the middle of a restructured offensive front in the second game of the season this Sunday at Seattle. He was already snapping to Tony Romo and making line calls only two series into the season opener.

"He's really proven that he can learn things quickly," coach Jason Garrett said Wednesday. "He did a really good job in the Giants game. We hope he just continues to grow in our system."

After starting all 16 games at center for the Cowboys last season, Phil Costa dealt with back issues in training camp while Bill Nagy and Kevin Kowalski, two other candidates for the job, both sustained ankle injuries. Costa's only preseason action was 12 snaps in the preseason finale against Miami,

the same game Cook was playing guard for the Dolphins only two days before being traded to Dallas.

Costa, who won't play against the Seahawks, got through only the first series in the season-opening win at the New York Giants before being sidelined again by his back. In went Cook, who had previously only gotten about 10 snaps with Romo in practice before some quick warmups on the sideline.

"I've been around for a while. I always prepare that way because you never know. You're always one play away," Cook said. "In that instance in the game against the Giants, I was three plays away."

Despite a 24-17 victory in the opener, the Cowboys were far from perfect. Of their 13 penalties, five were false starts and two were for delay of game.

There were plenty of reasons for all the pre-snap miscues. A new center was suddenly thrown into

the mix with two new guards, and it was the first game for Dallas since the starting tackles switched sides. It was also at MetLife Stadium in New Jersey against the defending Super Bowl champions and their standout defensive front.

"There are a lot of different reasons you can say this was a factor, that was a factor," Garrett said. "Obviously, when guys have more experience playing next to each other or playing with each other, your chances of success are certainly greater. But we've just got to get it right."

Their next chance comes against Seattle, 11 days after the opener.

"I was fairly comfortable. I still have a long way to go, a lot to learn. That's my sole focus here at this point, is continue to get better and improve every day," Cook said. "Personally, I have to get better and improve. I have to do better at communication and getting everybody on the same page."

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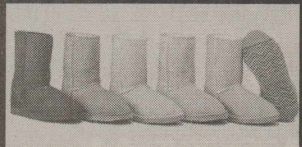
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No. 16 Frogs have to find reality on way to KU

FORT WORTH (AP) — Everything seemed to go so right for No. 16 TCU in its season opener.

Two quarterbacks combined to complete all 17 passes they threw, four for touchdowns, while the Horned Frogs rolled up 531 total yards without a turnover. Their defense even scored a touchdown while allowing only 70 total yards in a lopsided shutout victory to inaugurate their completely redone stadium.

And the Frogs did all of that while playing 12 true freshmen, twice as many as coach Gary Patterson had ever used before in an entire season. Redshirt freshman quarterback Trevone Boykin played the entire second half.

What Patterson did this week was point out on film the many mistakes they made in a 56-0 victory against overmatched FCS team Grambling State (0-2).

"Is it they really played well or the other guy played real bad? We've got to put everything in reality," Patterson said. "For us, we watch film, is that what we see what we coach. Not neces-

sarily was that the case Saturday night, but we'll take it."

Patterson also had another way to get their attention, a fresh reminder of what happened to fellow Big 12 team Oklahoma State. The Cowboys opened their season with an 84-0 victory over Savannah State, then were ranked 18th when they lost by three touchdowns on the road at Arizona.

There was also Louisiana-Monroe's upset victory at then-No. 8 Arkansas.

"We've got to go get ready to play," Patterson said. "You better get better and you better keep everything in perspective. It's plain and simple."

TCU, whose nine-game winning streak is the longest in FBS, plays its first Big 12 conference game Saturday at Kansas (1-1).

"We expect nothing less than what we did last week. That's the mindset we're going to have coming into the game," said quarterback Casey Pachall, who was 9-of-9 passing for 201 yards and three TDs playing only the first half in the opener. "We're not going to lack in focus or anything because we're going to come out with high intensity

and ready to play."

Then again, that kind of attitude can be expected from a second-year starter who was also part of the team when the Horned Frogs completed a 13-0 season two years ago with a victory in the Rose Bowl.

"The challenge is not to lose focus, don't get too hyped up about last week," senior linebacker Kenny Cain said. "Last week was last week."

What about all the youngsters who have never been in this situation?

Along with the true freshmen, Patterson said there were probably another 10 or 11 red-shirt freshmen or sophomores who also played against Grambling.

"Once they got done watching the film, it was very obvious the things we didn't do very well," Patterson said, without elaborating. "There are some guys with great potential, but they all know where we're at. We've always done a pretty good job keeping things in perspective."

This is easily the youngest team for Patterson, who with his 110th victory last weekend

passed Dutch Meyer to become the winningest coach in TCU history.

TCU has also won 24 consecutive conference games, but all of those were in the Mountain West while winning that league's title the last three years.

Deante' Gray, one of the dozen true freshmen, had a 70-yard punt return for a touchdown only 2 minutes into the opener. He set a single-game school record with 160 yards on five punt returns.

Yet, Gray likely won't get a chance to return punts Saturday. Skye Dawson, the speedy senior suspended from the opener for violating school policy over the summer, will be back against the Jayhawks.

Even with his big return game, Gray was far from perfect.

"Young guys make mistakes. He probably would have had 100 yards more if he just went where the return was set up," Patterson said. "We had a middle return and he ran down the sideline, had a sideline return and he ran down the middle. Both of them were open. One was supposed to be a sideline return to our right, and he runs down the left side."

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ACROSS
1 14-time All-Star catcher
4 Rodriguez, familiarity
6 Smarten (up)
11 Data proc.
14 Amer. economic assistance
15 Dermatologist's concern
16 Skill
17 "Karma Chameleon" band
19 Boot part
20 Sutra
21 Dipped in a well, maybe
22 Behold, to Livy
23 Tills
25 "Space traveler"
27 Carrida celebrity
29 Global positioning fig.
30 alai
32 Turner memoir
34 State with a 45-mile Canadian border
38 Notable time
39 With 40-Across, kid's toy ... and a word that can precede the first word of the starred answers
40 See 39-Across ... and a word that can precede the last word of the starred answers
42 White
43 Ministers to
45 Lengthwise
47 "Deadwood" channel
48 Tampa NFLer
50 Learn well
52 "It's not good to meet with it"
56 18-and-overs
59 Programs for 11-Across, briefly
60 Reason
62 Tandy NYC section
63 Hwy.
64 "Used car selling point"
66 D. Potraeus's title
67 Shorthand system

DOWN
1 Kings shoot them
2 Unremarkable
3 Firehouse mascot
4 Jeans brand
5 URL ender
6 WWII weapon
7 Singles out
8 Shoreline recess
9 Middle Aged? channel
10 "Swell"
11 Sewing kit item
12 Spring bloomers
13 Awfully expensive
18 Not back down from, as a challenge
22 Founded: Abbr.
24 Outwits on the stand
26 One invoked during a drought
28 "Live! With Kelly" host
30 Shark attack victim?
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Seahawks hope penalty problems just 1 week issue

RENTON, Wash. (AP) — Pete Carroll spent most of last season dealing with the Seattle Seahawks' inordinate amount of penalties.

There were 138 to be exact, a franchise record and the second most in the NFL last season.

So with the penalty problem being a point of emphasis, what did the Seahawks do in the season opener at Arizona? They committed 13 more infractions, tied for the most in Week 1.

"There were a lot of calls in that game, a bunch of penalties are called, but we do not want to play like that," Carroll said

Wednesday. "So we're working, we've worked like crazy to get this done. We did it all through the preseason, in an improving fashion, not to where we wanted but we improved, but to go out in the first game and go into double digits is wrong. That's not us, not the way we want to be, not what we're intending."

Some of the penalties Seattle committed in the 20-16 loss to Arizona were in the simple, mental category. There was Chris Clemons jumping offside on third down, left tackle Russell Okung moving out of his stance too early and getting called for a false start three times

and rookie QB Russell Wilson failing to get outside the pocket and being flagged for intentional grounding.

Those are simple calls for any official to make. But Seattle was twice flagged for defensive pass interference, had a number of holding calls and saw an interception called back when Marcus Trufant was flagged for being offside — and the extra play helped Arizona convert a field goal in the third quarter.

They were mistakes the Seahawks could not afford to make in what was already going to be a tight game.

"I take it upon myself for

emphasis, take it upon myself to make sure we're pointing out the right things for the guys to avoid them," Carroll said. "There's a number of calls that could have changed that and to wind up with a bunch is way wrong for us. We need to fix it right away."

One area where Seattle is spending preparation time is learning the new replacement officials. While it's not the same as a baseball umpire who is known for having a specific strike zone, there are tendencies that can be garnered from scouting officials.

So with a new set of officials now making the calls, Seattle has gone to the extent of producing scouting reports for the players about what kinds of calls they might see from officials calling their games for the first time.

"We're not breaking them down or anything, but it's just these guys have called these plays, this is the number of penalties they have called and this guy or this crew calls this penalty more than that penalty," Seattle center Max Unger said.

The decision to add that level of scouting to the Seahawks' pregame planning has a twofold effect. Not only do they get a little bit of background on officials they are unfamiliar with, but it also stresses the importance of Seattle's penalty situation.

"It's just come to light for all of the reasons of emphasizing the penalty situation that we need to know more and need to be more aware of what's going on around us, who is calling the penalties, who is watching who and all of that," Carroll said. "That is part of it. It just seems like it gives me more opportunity to be focusing on the issue at hand and it's just kind of coincidental that it's because of the change in the officials."

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Reds to host Angels in 1st interleague opener

NEW YORK (AP) — One of baseball's traditional home openers will have an innovative twist next season.

The Cincinnati Reds will host the Los Angeles Angels on April 1, becoming the first teams to start their seasons with an interleague matchup.

"It's a little strange, but Anaheim has a lot of big-name guys," Reds pitcher Bronson Arroyo said. "It'll be Albert Pujols coming back for the first time. It's a nice mix for us. It's strange, but I'd rather do that than open with Milwaukee or someone in our division we see all the time."

The Reds, the first professional team, celebrate opening day with a parade and have opened all but four seasons at home: 1885, 1888, 1966 and 1990, according to STATS LLC.

"The tradition is still here. We're still opening here," Cincinnati outfielder Jay Bruce said. "We've still got that going for us."

Major League Baseball's 2013 preliminary schedule, announced Wednesday, includes several format changes caused by the shift of the Houston Astros to the American League. A National League fran-

chise for its first 51 seasons, the Astros start AL play on April 2 when they host cross-state rival Texas.

Houston moves from the NL Central to the AL West, creating six divisions of five teams each. Under a move announced last November, the Astros will become only the second team since 1900 to switch leagues, following Milwaukee's entry to the NL for the 1998 season.

Because there will be 15 teams in each major league for the first time, interleague play is necessary nearly every day. Since its inception in 1997, interleague play had been concentrated mostly during periods in late May and June.

Eleven of the 15 series on the final weekend of the regular season, Sept. 27-29, will involve division rivalries. The exceptions have the Yankees at Houston, Milwaukee at the Mets, Detroit at Miami and Washington at Arizona.

MLB is abandoning its two-year experiment with midweek openers, reverting to a Sunday night start in a nationally televised game on ESPN that will be determined later.

In another shift, the New York Yankees and Mets for now are slated

to open at home on the same day for the first time, with Boston visiting the Bronx on April 1 and San Diego playing in Queens. ESPN could move Red Sox-Yankees to the March 31 Sunday night slot.

"I think it's kind of cool," Mets third baseman David Wright said.

In areas with two teams, MLB generally tries to schedule only one club home at any time.

"Great for baseball to have all of New York watching their favorite teams play at home that day," Mets chief operating officer Jeff Wilpon said.

Other AL openers on April 1 have Kansas City at Chicago, Detroit at Minnesota and Seattle at Oakland. NL games that day are St. Louis at Arizona, Philadelphia at Atlanta, San Francisco at Los Angeles, Colorado at Milwaukee, Chicago at Pittsburgh and Miami at Washington.

Tuesday openers include Baltimore at Tampa Bay and Cleveland at Toronto.

Under the new schedule format, a team plays 19 games against each division rival for a total of 76, and six or seven against each league op-

ponent in the other two divisions for a total of 66. Each club will play 20 interleague games over eight series, with rivalry games — such as Cubs-White Sox and Dodgers-Angels — in consecutive two-game series during the week of May 27. That's down from a pair of three-game rivalry series.

"We played the Yankees more than anybody. That could be difficult," Mets manager Terry Collins said. "I think it's starting to even out."

In the old format, teams in the AL East, AL Central, NL East and NL West played division rivals 18 times each, while AL West played in-division opponents 19 times apiece and NL Central teams met 15-18 times. AL interdivision opponents met six to 10 times and NL interdivision opponents six to nine times. While AL teams played 18 interleague games, the total varied from 12-18 in the NL.

In addition to traditional rivals, interleague play next year has the AL East playing the NL West, the NL East facing the AL Central and the AL West meeting the NL Central.

Jaguars' Jones-Drew welcomes expanded role

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — In about a week, Jacksonville Jaguars running back-Maurice Jones-Drew has gone from hold-out to backup to starter.

He's more concerned with adding another adjective: winner.

Jones-Drew will return to his starting role when the Jaguars (0-1) try to bounce back from a gut-wrenching loss in the opener Sunday against AFC South rival Houston (1-0). Despite missing all of training camp and the pre-season, the NFL's leading rusher in 2011 believes he's ready for a bigger workload.

"I was ready for 80 carries last week," Jones-Drew said Wednesday. "We'll see. We'll see how increased it is. I definitely didn't think it was going to be what it was last week, but that's how it happened and we just got to adjust so we'll see how it goes this week."

Rashad Jennings started at Minnesota and carried eight times for 31 yards before injuring his right knee. Coach Mike Mularkey said Jennings' injury is

"not something long term," but added that it's the same knee that caused Jennings to miss all of last season.

Jennings sat out practice Wednesday, but has not been ruled out for the home opener.

Nonetheless, the Jaguars are trying get Jones-Drew up to speed on the playbook and on the practice field.

"He'll see extensive play compared to what we had planned for last week's game," Mularkey said.

Jones-Drew ran 19 times for 77 yards in the 26-23 overtime loss to the Vikings, a game in which Jacksonville led by a field goal before collapsing in the closing seconds of regulation. Jones-Drew's longest run gained 11 yards, but he showed glimpses of his younger days by nearly breaking a few.

"Pretty good is a good description for the first game," Mularkey said. "I think he was sore after the game, which he was probably sorer than he would have been if he would have gone through the camp, some of the hits. I think it's a gradual thing. I don't

know if one week's going to get him into the top where he was last year at his highest level of fitness."

"I think some of those runs may have broken free maybe if he had been here earlier. I was very pleased with the production that he did, and as hard as he ran was unbelievable. I think it's going to get better and better."

Jones-Drew, though, could be running behind a shuffled line.

Left guard Eben Britton and right tackle Cam Bradfield sat out practice Wednesday, both still dealing with ankle injuries sustained in the opener. If they can't play, undrafted rookie Mike Brewster and veteran Guy Whimper would fill in against the Texans.

"Injuries can be a tough situation ... but whoever has come in there has done a great job and we've been able to keep going like nothing's happened," center Brad Meester said. "That's definitely important."

Jones-Drew ran for 1,606 yards last season despite playing at what he calls "80 percent"

because he was coming off knee surgery.

He skipped the team's off-season program in hopes of getting a new contract. The Jaguars refused, not wanting to renegotiate with a player who has two years remaining on a \$31 million deal.

Jones-Drew eventually gave up and arrived in time for the opener. He denied an NFL.com report that he was fined \$800,000 for his 38-day holdout.

"I don't know where that came from," he said. "That's false."

Regardless, Jones-Drew was expected to serve as the third-down back and maybe get a series here or there against Minnesota. But once Jennings left the game, MJD pretty much played the rest of the way.

"I'm not happy, not satisfied," he said. "We didn't win. At the end of the day, that's all you want. That's the thing we want to work on. We want that before us. We want people to say 'winners.' That's what we want to work on, and we're going to continue to do that."

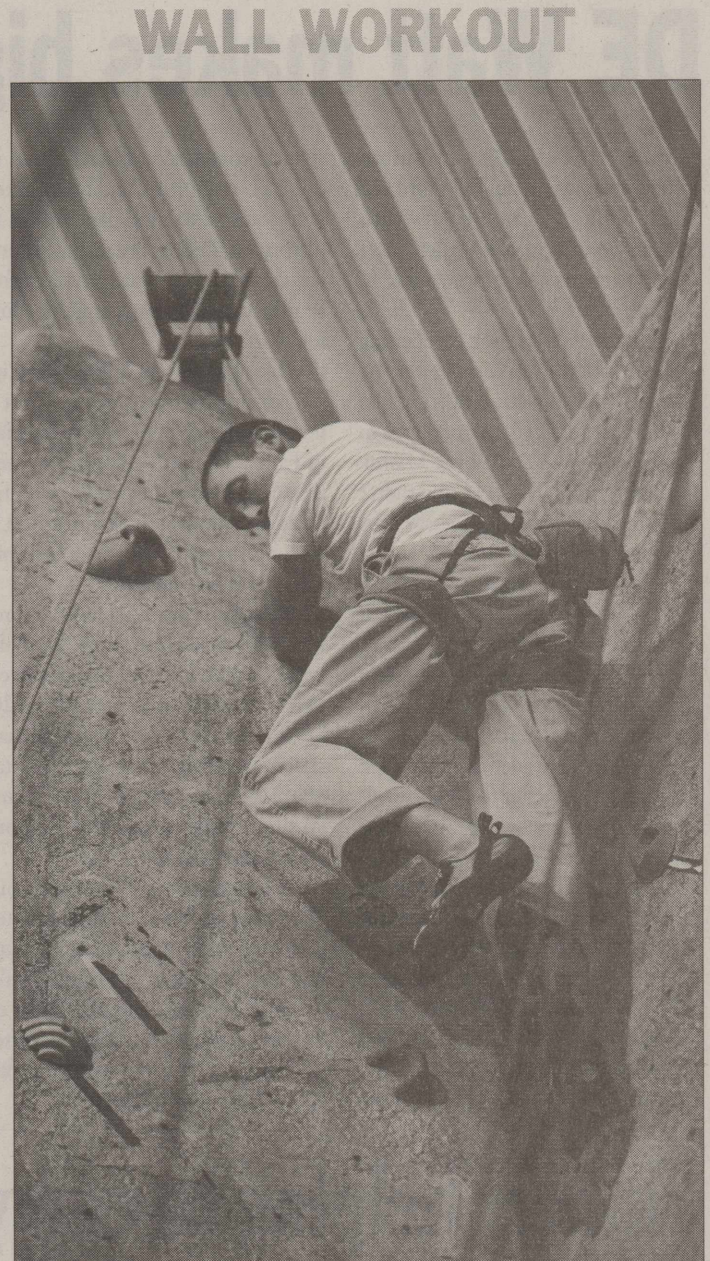


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DE Watt makes big impact for Texans

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Texans defensive end J.J. Watt was simply trying to catch passes with his one good arm a few days after dislocating his left elbow early in training camp.

He vowed to be back by opening day. He not only returned, but he made a major impact, deflecting two passes that produced interceptions in the Texans' 30-10 win over Miami. Watt also had 1 1/2 sacks and didn't miss a beat after missing most of his team's preseason workouts.

"He's been exceptional," Texans coach Gary Kubiak said. "We're not going to change anything he does."

The Texans took the 6-foot-5, 288-pound Watt with the 11th overall pick in the 2011 draft out of Wisconsin. He proved to be a quick study and a perfect fit for Wade Phillips' 3-4 defense, starting every game and finishing the regular season with 5 1/2 sacks and two fumble recoveries.

He also produced the Texans' highlight of the year, making a leaping interception on an Andy Dalton pass and returning it 29 yards for a touchdown in the franchise's first playoff game.

Phillips has been either a defen-

sive coordinator or a head coach in the NFL since 1981 and he's worked with some of the top pass rushers in history, including Bruce Smith and Reggie White. If Watt stays healthy, Phillips can envision a similar ceiling for Watt, too.

"He's going to be a bust," Phillips said during training camp. "Not a first-round bust, but a bust in the Hall of Fame. The only players I've seen that can do what he can do, with his intensity, can be found in Canton."

The Texans (1-0) play at Jacksonville (0-1) on Sunday.

Watt was also a disruptive force when Houston played in Jacksonville last year, sacking Blaine Gabbert twice and deflecting a pass in a 20-13 Texans' victory. First-year Jaguars coach Mike Mularkey was Atlanta's offensive coordinator in 2011 and studied Watt when the Falcons played in Houston on Dec. 4.

"I love his motor," Mularkey said. "You can do a lot of things when you play with that relentless-type mindset. You have two things you're in complete control over — your effort and your physical play. And he's talented. So all that together makes him a tough guy to block."

Mularkey, a former NFL tight end, has a simple plan for his offensive linemen to follow to keep Watt from swatting any passes on Sunday.

"You've got to punch his chest in," Mularkey said. "That's the response and that's what you'd like to have happen."

Watt is already accustomed to the tactics.

"Sometimes you get hit in the stomach, sometimes you get hit in the chest," he said. "It hurts, but that's part of the job. We're not in it for a pillow fight, so I understand I might get hit sometimes."

Watt hurt his elbow in the first week of training camp. Trainers popped it back into place, but Watt was sidelined almost three weeks. He only had a handful of practices before Sunday's opener, but the lack of work didn't faze him any more than the brace on his elbow did.

"Certain guys are football players," said linebacker Brian Cushing, who caught one of Watt's deflected passes on Sunday. "It doesn't really matter how much time they miss."

Watt joked after Sunday's game that he developed his pass-swatting skills by playing volleyball twice a

week at a YMCA. At Wisconsin, he swatted 14 passes and intercepted a pass in his final two seasons.

"When you know you're not going to get to the quarterback, you watch his eyes, you watch his arm," Watt said. "You see when he's about to cock his arm, and that's when you put your hands up."

The best part of tipping a pass, Watt said, may be the demoralizing impact it has on opposing quarterbacks.

"It's something that really, I feel, frustrates the offense, and that's a big deal," he said. "He thinks he has a receiver open, the receiver thinks he's open and all of a sudden, you block a pass and the play is over. It's a big play for us."

Notes: RB Arian Foster left practice early with an illness, but Kubiak expects him to play on Sunday. Cornerback Johnathan Joseph became sick in the second half of Sunday's game, and Kubiak says "we've got something a little bit going on with our team." ... Kubiak said Cushing is still dealing with soreness in his ribs, and took another hit there on Sunday. "It's just that time of year," Kubiak said. "Everybody's got something going on."

Lee, Rollins lead surging Phils to 7th win in row

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Jimmy Rollins hit a two-run homer and Cliff Lee pitched seven strong innings to lead the streaking Philadelphia Phillies to their seventh straight win, 3-1 over the Miami Marlins on Wednesday.

The Phillies continued their late push for an NL wild-card spot with a three-game sweep of the Marlins. Up next for the Phillies, four games in Houston against the NL-worst Astros.

Philadelphia came in four games out of a playoff spot in the always-changing wild card standings. The Phillies (72-71) are on a season-high winning streak and have won 15 of 19 to move over .500 for the first time since they were 28-27 on June 3.

Rollins hit a two-run homer off Josh Johnson (8-12) in the seventh for a 3-1 lead.

Phillippe Aumont worked a scoreless eighth and Jonathan Papelbon completed the four-hitter with his 34th save. Papelbon fanned Gorkys Hernandez with two runners on to end it.

The five-time defending NL East champion Phillies have made an amazing run since they seemed out of contention at 37-51 on July 13. Fueled by a rotation that has found its groove, and unexpected contributions from role players, the Phillies have become one of the hottest teams in baseball.

Their 15-4 record since Aug. 23 is the best in the National League and they are 21-8 in their last 29 home games.

Johnson did his best to shut down the Phillies early, taking a no-hitter and a 1-0 lead into the sixth.

Rollins led off the inning with a single, advanced to second on a sacrifice and scored on John Mayberry Jr.'s two-out single to center.

With Ryan Howard and Chase Utley slumping, the Phillies have relied on clutch hits from unheralded players like Mayberry during this recent streak. Mayberry beat Colorado on Sunday with the winning single in the ninth inning.

But it's the stars like Rollins who still need to shine during the stretch drive.

Lee (5-7) seemed headed toward a tough luck no-decision until the offense came through with timely hits in the seventh.

Pinch hitting for Lee, Pete Orr hit a two-out single. Rollins followed with his 19th homer, a two-run shot to right, that sent the late-afternoon crowd into a frenzy and gave the Phillies a 3-1 lead.

Lee struck out the side in the fourth inning and fanned Hernandez to open the fifth. He tossed four-hit ball and struck out six in seven innings to earn only his second home victory of the season.

Lee has regained his Cy Young form after making 13 starts to open the season without a win. He also had a stint on the disabled list and even had a 10-inning scoreless outing wasted against San Francisco when the Giants won 1-0 in the 11th.

"He looks like he's enjoying pitching again," manager Charlie Manuel said before Wednesday's game.

Lee allowed only an unearned run in the sixth after two straight Marlins batters reached on errors.

Rollins, who leads all NL shortstops in fielding percentage, booted Donovan Solo's grounder. Jose Reyes hit a one-hopper that Lee snagged wide of the mound, whirled around and threw wide to second for an error. Carlos Lee followed two batters later with an RBI single to right for the 1-0 lead.

That's the kind of sloppy play that might have done in the Phillies before the All-Star break.

Not this month.

Notes: The Phillies are on their longest winning streak since a nine-game run from July 29-Aug. 6, 2011. ... Philadelphia's starting pitchers are 15-5 over the last 28 games. ... The Marlins head home to start a three-game series with the Reds.

Hubert helping to carry load for No. 16 K-State

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — When John Hubert scored on a 95-yard run in No. 15 Kansas State's season opener, nobody could blame him for cherishing the moment.

He doesn't get there all that often.

The 5-foot-7 running back ran for 970 yards last season, but he rarely reached the end zone — hallowed ground belonging to quarterback Collin Klein, the quarterback-turned-battering ram who racked up 27 touchdowns rushing during the Wildcats' 10-win season.

"We give John a lot of grief," tight end Travis Tannahill said with a laugh. "He always runs the ball and always gets pushed out at the two or the one, and then, oh, let Collin get another QB sneak." He gets quite a bit of grief for that.

Even in postgame news confer-

ences, the scrum of TV cameras usually disbands from Hubert the moment that Klein steps to the podium. Hubert is left with his hands in his pockets, talking to a few reporters straggling behind the rest of the pack.

"I set my goal to get a thousand yards," Hubert said after the Miami game last weekend, never mentioning anything about scoring touchdowns. "That's what I'm going to do."

Kansas State's red-zone scoring formula was on display again Saturday, when Klein scored three touchdowns rushing — two of them from a yard out — in a 52-13 romp over the Hurricanes.

Getting the Wildcats to that point, however, fell on the shoulders of Hubert.

While words like "shifty" and "elusive" tend to describe running backs of

a similar stature, that's not necessarily the case with the Wildcats' junior ball carrier. Many of his yards come after first contact, and it's not uncommon for several defenders to gang up in bringing him down.

Last season, Hubert had three 100-yard rushing games, and he already has two this season: He ran for 152 yards in the opener against Missouri State, highlighted by the second-longest run in school history, and went for 106 yards against the Hurricanes.

He'll try to make it three straight Saturday against North Texas.

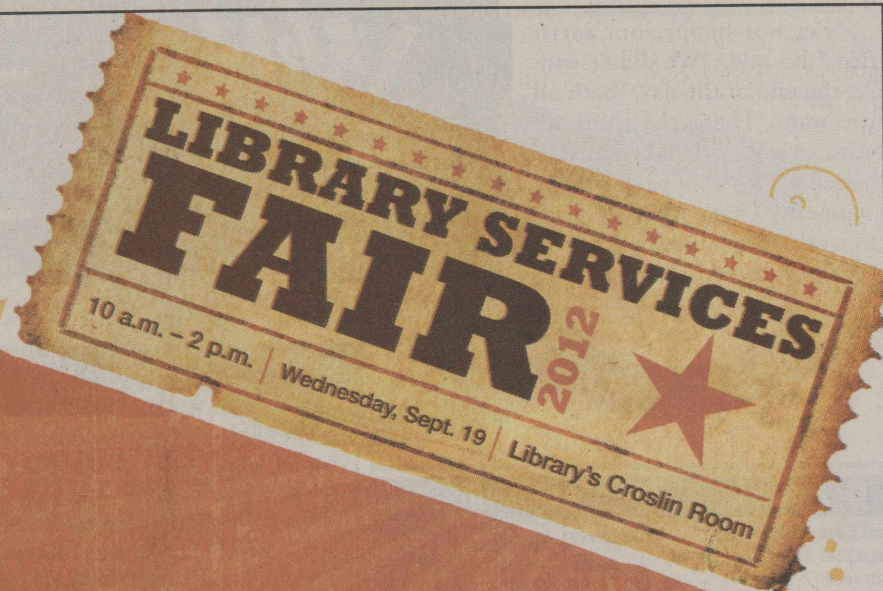
"He never stops," Klein said. "He runs extremely hard. Sometimes he'll bounce off two or three people and just keep motorin' right along. He will punish you."

Sounds a lot like Klein, too. Watching Hubert battle through

much bigger players, powerful legs churning furiously, often inspires his teammates. Wide receiver Curry Sexton compared the momentum generated from Hubert's carries to the adrenaline infusion the team experiences when defensive players get sacks.

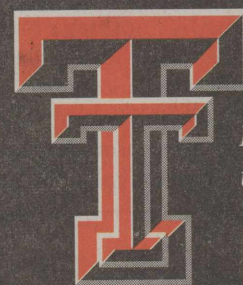
"When you see John out there, running a guy over, stiff-arming a guy, that gets the team going a lot," Sexton said. "John's not a big guy, but he runs big. When you see John run a guy over who's twice his size that kind of gets the team's juices flowing."

Hubert wasn't hotly recruited out of Waco, Texas. He showed up simply trying to make a name for himself, and wound up earning the starting job last season over Bryce Brown, the heavily touted Tennessee transfer who eventually left the program.



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