

Fort Hood Memorial Service



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(Top left) President Barack Obama speaks at Fort Hood Tuesday, following the mass shooting that killed 13 and left 31 injured last Thursday. (Bottom left) Specialist Brian Hill, 25, kneels in silence during the memorial service Tuesday. Hill walks with a cane after being injured by an IED in Iraq during his 2005 deployment. (Right) Soldiers try to stay lighthearted as they sit next to a tank waiting for President Barack Obama to deliver his speech to soldiers and their families Tuesday.

Memorial renews spirits, gives hope

“I’ll be honest with you, I am angry. I’m very angry. It was senseless and it shouldn’t have happened.”

Brian Hill
Specialist

By **LIZ FOREMAN**
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KILLEEN — President Barack Obama and other dignitaries addressed an estimated 5,000 people Tuesday as they gathered on the vast lawn in front of Fort Hood’s III Corps building to remember the fallen soldiers and victims of the Thursday shooting.

Among those joining Obama were first lady, Michelle Obama, Army chief of staff Gen. George W. Casey Jr., Defense Secretary Robert Gates, Gov. Rick Perry and Fort Hood commander Lt. Gen. Robert Cone.

Families of the victims entered the service to the sounds of The First Calvary Division

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Band playing a prelude to the ceremony around 2 p.m. Guest speakers followed in soon after.

After describing the aftermath of Thursday’s events, Obama lingered on each of the 13 fallen soldiers, addressing them by name and giving the audience vignettes of their lives.

One such story was that of Staff Sgt. Amy Krueger.

“Staff Sergeant Amy Krueger was an athlete in high school, joined the Army shortly after 9/11, and had since returned home to speak to students about her experience,” Obama said. “When her mother told her she

couldn’t take on Osama bin Laden by herself, Amy replied, ‘Watch me.’”

He also spoke of their differences and the bond of service that tied them together.

“These men and women came from all parts of the country,” Obama said. “Some had long careers in the military. Some had signed up to serve in the shadow of 9/11. Their lives speak to the strength, the dignity and the decency of those who serve, and that is how they will be remembered.”

The violence was unimaginable, Casey said. “It was a kick in the gut.”

Faith was brought into the service through the words of Chaplain Col. Michael Lembke, along with a message of hope.

“Lord God Almighty, we

commend ourselves to you this day and ask for your eternal wisdom and divine strength, to empower us individually and as a nation to face this tragedy with confident hope and a willingness to carry on,” Lembke said. “We call to mind those who we honor in this sacred time and space.”

Casey opened his speech by quoting a Bible verse from the book of Isaiah, which he said is a eulogy tradition for one of his special operations units.

The passage he read said: “then I heard the voice of the Lord say ‘Whom shall I send and who will go for us.’ Then I said, here am I, send me,” symbolizes the willingness of every soldier to do his or her duty, Casey said.

“This passage conveys a sen-

timent that applies to every soldier in our Army,” Casey said. “It gives voice to a spirit of service that lives in every soldier.”

Casey said the men and women who were killed had more than a century of service and that the dead left behind 19 children.

In the face of great loss, the speakers gave a resounding message of bravery regarding those who stepped forward to help victims.

“One young soldier, Amber Bahr, was so intent on helping others that she did not realize for some time that she, herself, had been shot in the back,” Obama said. “Two police officers – Mark Todd and Kim Munley – saved countless lives

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Telling soldiers’ untold stories

Service allows sharing of shootings’ effects on everyday life

By **LAURA REMSON**
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KILLEEN — While the scene at Tuesday’s Fort Hood memorial was a far cry from the panic of last Thursday, emotions were running just as high. Under the Texas sun, many told their stories to other soldiers, wives, children, friends and the media.

Spc. Brian Hill from Nashville, Tenn., said the shooting had a major impact on his future. Hill, who was injured in 2005 during an improvised explosive device blast in Baghdad, is leaving Fort Hood on Nov. 21 and heading home with his medical discharge.

“This has really changed my life and touched me,” Hill said. “I’ve now decided once I exit the military, I’m going to dedi-



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A young boy adjusts his father’s hat during Tuesday’s memorial service honoring the victims of the Fort Hood shooting.

cate my life. I want a social work degree now and want to dedicate my life to help wounded veterans and people in my situation.”

Moreover, Hill wants to help people who have been in similar situations.

“I want to be a part of that,” Hill said.

Hill said one of the hardest things for him is that the attack came from within the military.

“It’s just sad that it had to be

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Speech evokes varying reactions

Many sound off on Obama’s talk at Fort Hood memorial service

By **LIZ FOREMAN**
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

KILLEEN — President Barack Obama’s address at the Fort Hood memorial service Tuesday evoked a range of reactions from those in attendance to honor the 13 fallen soldiers and 31 wounded.

Some of the approximately 5,000 soldiers, family members and friends present at the service held back tears, as others let them fall while listening to the addresses of dignitaries.

“This is a time of war,” Obama said in his speech. “Yet these Americans did not die on a foreign field of battle. They were killed here, on American soil, in the heart of this great state and the heart of this great American community. This is the fact that makes the tragedy even more painful, even more incomprehensible.”

Prior to the service, Spc.

Brian Hill expressed concerns about the publicity of the President’s address overshadowing those 13 who lost their lives Thursday.

“I just hope that people recognize that this isn’t about the dignitaries that show up,” Hill said. “It’s about the fallen. This is about the people who are injured and I just hope they’re honored today and they get the recognition they deserve.”

Following the service, 31st District Congressman John Carter, said that he believed Obama’s speech was just what the post needed.

“It was outstanding,” Carter said. “He did an excellent job. I was extremely proud of him.”

Obama spoke of how the U.S. is working to bring the war to an end.

“As we face these challenges, the stories of those at Fort Hood reaffirm the core values that we are fighting for, and

the strength that we must draw upon,” Obama said.

Service attendee Shannon Scacewater, a Killeen resident, said she felt Obama’s address lacked clarity and abounded with politics.

“I was confused about what he said,” Scacewater said. “It sounded political and like he was talking out of both sides of his mouth. I hope that was not it, because right now we need to hear something that unites us.”

Scacewater said she felt Obama shied away from speaking openly about God.

“I know that we embrace other religions,” Scacewater said. “It’s good that we do that because I think that’s the only way you win people to God, but it’s disheartening. I needed him to say something more

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Top chefs from Baylor teach green cooking

By LAURA REMSON
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The Environmental Concern Organization will join forces with three campus chefs Thursday night to present their first fall cooking class that will use only organic and sustainable foods.

"This past month was [a focus on] sustainable food and organic food. And so to tie in everything that we've learned, we decided to have a cooking class," said Derek Rascon, Lewisville graduate student and co-president of ECO. "We wanted to connect with our club members, but also educate the greater community too. This is a fun way of doing it. It's better than inviting someone to speak. Here we can show them foods they normally wouldn't see and they'll

hopefully prepare some of it as well."

Rascon said this cooking class falls into ECO's mission and provides an interesting and creative outlet for the organization's concerns. ECO hopes the cooking class will become an annual event.

"It will be three chefs actually—Chef Ben Hernandez, Chef Anthony Gamino and Chef Steven Berns—and all three of them will be preparing the courses and the dishes and actually talking to the students about how to prepare the dishes," said Sarah Garza, San Antonio senior and ECO vice president.

Katie Barney, Denver junior and co-president of ECO, explained that this cooking class is more than just cooking and eating.

"We love food and we also

wanted to promote the sustainability idea," Barney said. "We've been trying to work with the dorms to get them to recycle a little bit more, and we thought that this would be a really fun, kind of creative way to promote sustainability by eating local foods and lower down trophic levels."

Trophic levels describe the position of organism on the food chain.

ECO explained that a big part of cooking and eating sustainably is using local produce. Thursday's class will try to maintain the highest levels of sustainability.

"It's kind of as close as possible as we can get to being sustainable," Barney said. "We chose all organic foods. All of them are in season right now, which means that they don't have to be transported or im-

ported from other countries."

ECO purchased their fresh vegetables from the World Hunger Relief Farm, located just north of Waco. In addition, it purchased some of their items at H-E-B and some from a farm in Austin.

"Part of the idea is that we're looking at vegetables that aren't normally as well used or as exposed to students," Rascon said.

"Like we have turnips and butternut squash – and literally last week, we went to these farmers markets and asked them what's available. Then we went and talked to the chefs and they created the menu. So that menu is what we went to buy in groceries."

A chicken entrée, turnips as a starch and two side dishes will be on the menu.

"The entrée course is going to

be something they [the chefs] are going to prepare ahead of time," Garza said. "It's a little bit more complicated than the students can handle."

While it takes work to eat this way, Rascon said, it's worth it.

"You're limited [in] what you can find, but it makes things exciting," Rascon said. "It keeps things interesting."

A big concern for college students may be their budget, but Garza said this can often be a non-issue. In fact, fresh foods are often priced lower than foods processed before entering the store.

"The World Hunger Farm charges per pound, but it wasn't anything more expensive than I saw at the grocery store," Garza said. "But these things that we bought at the store – nobody buys

turnips, so they were very marked down. But other things might be a little bit more. Organics do tend to be a little bit more expensive."

Barney said everyone in the class will receive a recipe card so the recipes can be made at home.

Those interested in attending should contact Rascon or Barney. The class will be from 5-6:30 p.m. on Thursdays and will be held in Family Consumer Sciences room 11. The class costs \$10.

More than anything Garza hopes participants will better understand the need to use sustainable food sources.

"Learning about sustainability in that perhaps eating vegetables and locally grown and in season food, which is very promotional for sustainability, is not all that bad," Garza said. "It's actually quite nice,

Faculty Senate discusses Baylor Alumni Association

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Faculty Senate passed two motions concerning the Baylor Alumni Association at Tuesday's meeting.

Dr. Dennis Myers, chairman of the faculty senate, confirmed the two motions were passed at the meeting but declined to further comment, saying that official minutes must be approved before information regarding actions taken by the senate can be released.

Faculty senate also congratulated the BAA for its 150th anniversary.

"We wanted to express our appreciation for 150 long years of service to the university," Myers said.

Lori Fogleman, director of marketing and communications and university spokesperson,

said Dr. David Garland, interim president, was present at the meeting to answer any questions faculty members had.

Of these concerns, faculty members voiced questions about the controversy surrounding Baylor and the Baylor Alumni Association; however, Myers said these conversations were held in confidence and could not be publicly disclosed.

Also addressed to the president were concerns about the current financial situation of the university, Myers said.

According to Myers, Garland assured senators that the university has been doing well in the economic climate, so much so that the university is considering faculty raises in the new year.

Myers said Mark Dunn, faculty representative of the athletic council, gave a report on the status of student athletes.

Dunn reported impressive academic success by athletes, according to Myers.

Dunn said he would like to see more interaction between athletes and non-athlete students, Myers said.

Myers also reported that there is a resolution in the works that will change the procedure of evaluating departmental chairs.

Later in the agenda, the staff council encouraged senators to donate to a new endowed scholarship fund for students.

Gifts can be made to give memorials, staff tributes, birthday and Christmas gifts in honor and recognition of staff, according to the staff council.

"Baylor staff does so much and it is a way to honor them. It's a way to say thank you and help a student at the same time, accomplish two things at once," Myers said.



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School of Music takes it ‘From the Top’

By ASH ANDERSON
ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

The School of Music will welcome the National Public Radio program “From the Top” tonight in Jones Concert Hall.

Started in 2000 as a nationally syndicated program, “From the Top” focuses on a group of talented children playing classical music. Pianist Christopher O’Riley has been the host of the program since the first episode premiered on more than 100 radio stations.

This is not the first time that “From the Top” has chosen to perform at the School of Music — they last visited in 2002. Richard Veit, concert and promotion manager for the School of Music, said it is the foremost classical music program in the country that showcases young musicians.

“The goal is to promote the love of classical music among the younger generation,” Veit said. “Really, there are two ways of doing that. Of course, one of the ways is the exposure that some of these really talented musicians

get on the air and there is also a big following through the listening audience.”

After having a successful first visit, persuading “From the Top” to return was as simple as asking them if they wanted to come back, said KWBU FM station manager Brodie Bashaw.

Watching how effectively O’Riley interacts with performers brings another level of entertainment, Bashaw.

“I can say that when ‘From the Top’ was here in 2002, people still talked about it,” Bashaw said. “It’s just a really good show, very hard to describe. It’s very interesting to see how Chris interacted with the kids. Yes, they’re extremely talented, but they’re still kids.”

As for the taping of the show itself, nothing will seem out of the ordinary for the performers.

The setup is the same; only the scenery has changed. While most of the performers are from around the country, one student calls Waco his home.

This is a testament to the broad spectrum of performers that help

make “From the Top” such a successful program.

Dr. William May, dean of the School of Music, said music students who watch the program will inevitably find themselves comparing abilities.

“As a music student here, you couldn’t help but measure yourself against the prowess of some of these younger musical students,” May said. “If you’re a violinist here at Baylor and you hear a 16-year-old violinist tonight, comparison is inevitable. It’s sort of a natural phenomenal to compare. It’s also exciting for us all to be around young, skilled, talented musicians and to know that the future of classical music in our country is very bright given the caliber and the number of students that are being showcased on ‘From the Top.’”

Texas has proven to be a popular location for many tapings of “From the Top.” According to May, 19 of the program’s roughly 200 shows have been recorded in Texas.

“‘From the Top’ is celebrating their 10-year anniversary,” May said. “They’ve done a little over 200 shows and I was talking to their road manger today, David Bolsom. He was saying that there is a very large talent pool and a very large interest pool in Texas. They particularly like being in Jones Hall because of the organ

that’s available. They can diversify their music by having an organist on the program.”

As the leader of the program, O’Riley has drawn much praise from his peers not only because of his musical prowess but also because of his comedic ability.

“[O’Riley] is a terrific pianist — he makes the show really fun. They not only have the serious performances, which are wonderful. O’Riley is not only a world-class pianist but also a world class comedian. He’s gone through many of the experiences that these young musicians have and can ask many probing questions from the young artists during interviews.”

Although the School of Music is holding the event, many of the professors are just attending out of love for music.

“I hosted a radio interview with Chris O’Riley,” May said. “It’s always fun to talk music with people that are out there in the music business. Otherwise we’re just going to be enjoying the program just like everyone else.”

Tickets are \$15 for Baylor faculty, staff and students and \$20 for guests. Regular tickets are available online at baylor.edu/music while discounted tickets must be bought in person from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Jones Concert Hall foyer of the McCrary Music Building. The taping will start at 7 p.m. in the same location.

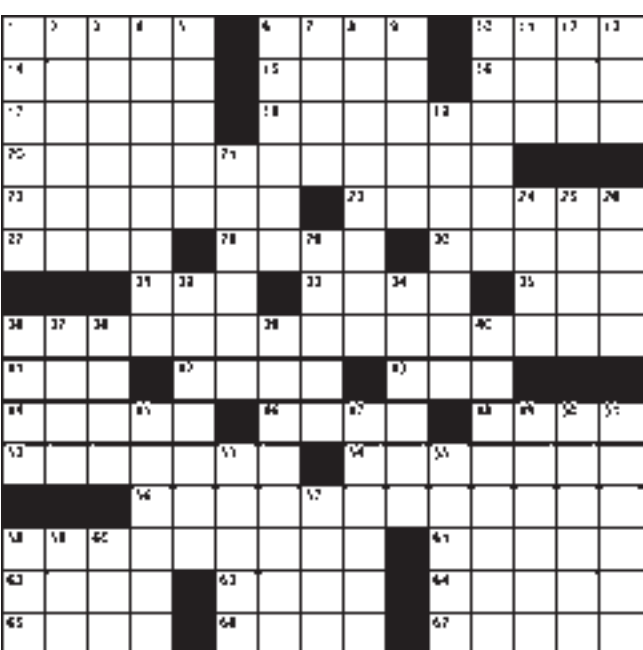


COURTESY OF THE SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Christopher O’Riley, host of “From the Top,” will perform with other young musicians tonight in Jones Concert Hall. O’Riley, in addition to his abilities on the piano, is known for the comedy he adds to the program.

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By ASH ANDERSON
ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

As the holiday season approaches, many of Waco’s premier entertainment venues are holding a variety of events as the month draws to a close. All of the events are either free.

Art Ambush
3523 Franklin Ave.

6 p.m. Friday — Dignan, Dead Sea Choir, Judas Feet, Uneducated Sons (\$8 advance, \$10 at the door)

6 p.m. Sunday — Cute As A Button, Speak Now Against the Day, No Such Thing, Hello Eternal / Silence The Tempest (\$8 advance, \$10 at the door)

School of Music

4 p.m. Thursday — Baylor Trombone Choir at Jones Concert Hall.

6 p.m. Thursday — Baylor Piano Trio at Roxy Grove Hall.

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3 p.m. Sunday — “A Musical Tribute to Doyce Edwards” at Roxy Grove Hall.

Common Grounds
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7201 North River Crossing Road
China Spring, Texas 76633

7 p.m. Friday — “Alice in Wonderland” (\$2 children, \$4 adults)

Waco Hippodrome
724 Austin Ave.

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Tamer's 12

By KEVIN TAMER
SPORTS WRITER

1. Texas

Colt McCoy threw for a career-high 470 yards and two touchdowns as the Longhorns rolled past UCF. Wide receiver Jordan Shipley accounted for 273 of those yards and had 11 catches, including an 88-yard touchdown reception. The Longhorns continue to prove it is the best team in the Big 12 and don't plan on slowing down next week at Baylor.

2. Oklahoma State

The Cowboys were able to bounce back after being blown out by the Longhorns last week as Keith Toston ran for a career-high 206 yards and three touchdowns against Iowa State. The defense showed some improvement as it only gave up 54 rushing yards and picked off the ball three times.

3. Texas Tech

Texas Tech took the week off in order to prepare for a tough challenge at Oklahoma State this Saturday. Last time out, Texas Tech's defense held Kansas to just 258 yards and recorded six sacks for a total loss of 45 yards. The Red Raiders' pass-rush defense will be key in slowing down Zac Robinson and the fast-paced Cowboys' offense.

4. Kansas State

The Wildcats continue to prove why they belongs at the top of the Big 12 North after taking down Kansas 17-10 at home last week. Quarterback Grant Gregory threw for only 66 yards, but Daniel Thomas picked up the slack on offense, as he ran for 185 yards and a touchdown. The defense looked promising as it forced Kansas quarterback Todd Reesing to turn the ball over three times. The Wildcats will look to separate themselves from the pack with a win over a struggling Missouri team this week.

5. Nebraska

The Cornhuskers recorded only 39 passing yards but were still able to upset Oklahoma. The defense picked off Landry Jones five times and held the Sooners to only a field goal. Roy Helu Jr. took control of the offensive production as he rushed for 138 yards, but Nebraska must find an answer to its nonexistent passing



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Members of the football team trot off the field following the Bears' upset victory against the University of Missouri. Baylor is two wins shy of becoming bowl eligible this season.

6. Oklahoma

Just when the Sooners showed signs of salvaging their season, Landry Jones threw five interceptions, and the offense failed score a touchdown for the first time in 11 years. The Sooners were able to hold Nebraska to only 39 passing yards but could not get anything going on offense as it recorded its fourth loss of the season. Oklahoma looks to bounce back as it takes on a bitter Texas A&M this week at home.

7. Iowa State

Quarterback Austen Arnaud threw three interceptions in his return to the field after missing two games with a bruised throwing hand. Arnaud didn't get any help from his running game, as the Cyclones only produced 54 rushing yards in their loss to Oklahoma State. Iowa State will look to snap their two-game losing streak, as they take on Colorado this week at home.

8. Colorado

Despite being sacked eight times, quarterback Tyler Hansen was able to throw for 242 yards and a critical touchdown pass with 2:04 left in the game as Colorado squeaked by Texas A&M 35-34. The offense also got some help from running back Rodney Stewart, who ran 20 times for 118 yards and two touchdowns.

9. Baylor

Nick Florence threw for a school-record 427 yards and three touchdowns, while running for a fourth as Baylor got its first Big 12 win of the season. Florence hooked up with wide receiver

Kendall Wright 10 times for 149 yards and two touchdowns, as the Bears' offense rolled over Missouri 40-32. The defense showed it's second-half resilience, as it held the Tigers to only a field goal, but it must play a complete game if Baylor has any chance of stopping the Colt McCoy and the Longhorns this week.

10. Texas A&M

Cyrus Gray returned a 99-yard kickoff return and Jerrod Johnson ran for a touchdown to put the Aggies up 21-10 at half over Colorado. However, despite recording eight sacks on the day, the defense could not put the game away as the Buffaloes orchestrated a comeback to steal the game from the Aggies with minutes left in the game.

11. Kansas

After starting the season 5-0, the Jayhawks have dropped their last four games, including last week against in-state rival Kansas State. Todd Reesing continues to struggle, as he turned the ball over three times and the offense has yet to establish a productive running game. The biggest concern is the run defense, which allowed 266 rushing yards in the Jayhawks' losing effort.

12. Missouri

Despite throwing for 468 yards and two touchdowns, Blaine Gabbert and the Tigers could not get anything going in the second half as they fell to Baylor 42-30 at home. The defense was unable to stop Baylor's offense from accumulating 465 total yards and scoring five touchdowns. It won't get much easier for the Tigers as it hits the road to take on division-leading Kansas State.

Cowboys driving into Green Bay showdown

By JAMIE ARON
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The last time the Dallas Cowboys felt this good, Tony Romo and friends went to Mexico to celebrate.

It's been a wild ride for the quarterback and the club since that pre-playoff siesta two years ago, but look at them now: 6-2, winners of four straight and in first place in the NFC East.

Better still, the Cowboys are fresh off a 20-16 victory at Philadelphia that was satisfying in many ways. Exorcising the bad mojo from a 44-6 loss in last season's finale, which kept Dallas out of the playoffs, was part of the fun. Another key is that this win validates the changes since then were the right moves.

"That's definitely another step up the ladder because it gives you confidence," linebacker Bradie James said Monday. "With it being the midpoint of the season, you really want to know. You want to know as players what you can count on and who you can rely on when the funk hits the fan, and we know that we can definitely rely on each other."

The more the Cowboys win, the more everyone talks about camaraderie. There's no telling which causes the other, but Dallas is getting contributions from a lot of players and all three units.

"If you want to talk chemistry or whatever, I think we have that with this team," coach Wade Phillips said.

Next up is a trip to Green Bay (4-4). For Romo, it's a visit to his home state. For DeMarcus Ware and Jay Ratliff, it could be a chance to pad their stats because Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers already has been sacked 37 times, easily the most in the NFL. James insists the Cowboys aren't looking beyond Sunday, but he knows fans are. And they like what they see: Washington (2-6) and Oakland (2-6) after the Packers.

If Dallas can win them all, it would have nine wins before it



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Tony Romo (left) and Donovan McNabb greet each other following the Cowboys' 20-16 victory Sunday night in Philadelphia. The Cowboys are atop the NFC East standings with a 6-2 record.

even gets to "that December cloud over our head," as James called it Monday. Poor final months are a big reason the Cowboys haven't won a playoff game since 1996.

"This game was kind of like a foreshadowing for me for December," James said. "Now we have to continue to stack up wins."

Phillips is trying to keep everyone from getting too full of themselves by noting they're only 1-1 in division play. He also can use the last four weeks as a reminder of how quickly things can change.

Back then, Dallas was 2-2 and considered in big trouble because it needed overtime to beat winless Kansas City, and the New York Giants were a 5-0 juggernaut. The Giants haven't won since and the Cowboys haven't lost.

Romo is doing a steady job of leading the offense, helping receiver Miles Austin blossom into a star while still spreading the ball around "wherever the defense dictates," as he's fond of saying. The stat sheet shows it's no cliché as the Cowboys got con-

tributions from all sorts of players against the Eagles.

Supposed-to-be No. 1 receiver Roy Williams finally became a factor and No. 5 option Kevin Ogletree made several key plays. The Cowboys also got an early touchdown from backup running back Tashard Choice on their version of the Wildcat (they prefer "Razorback"), and the winning touchdown from Austin.

On defense, Ware and Ratliff continue getting pressure on quarterbacks and sacks, and the secondary is coming up with key plays. On Sunday, Gerald Sensabaugh and Mike Jenkins had interceptions that the offense turned into points and cornerback Terence Newman stoned a much bigger player to force a punt. The biggest play of all, though, was a fourth-and-1 stop that led to Austin's touchdown.

"Right now I just think that we have the momentum going for us," linebacker Keith Brooking said. "We just have to keep things rolling and keep playing well."

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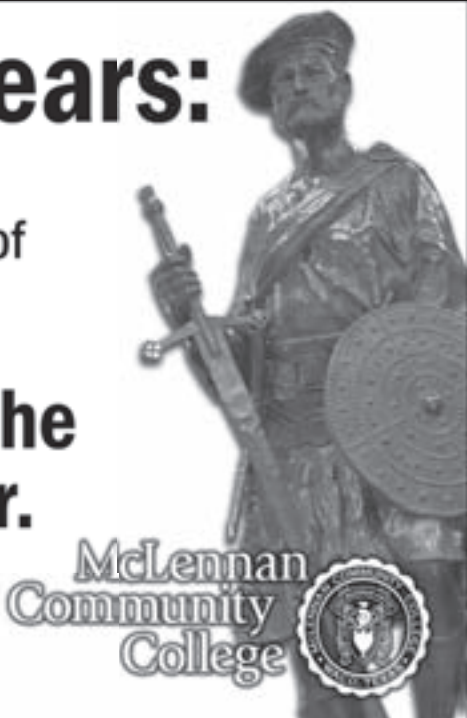
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one of our own to do something this tragic. I mean that's been the hardest part to deal with," Hill said. "It's different here because you think you're safe on an installation like this. You never expect it to come from one of your own. We don't look at each other with bias. We don't look at each other with any kind of negativity. Over there in Iraq you don't know who your enemy is because [it's] not a uniformed enemy. Here you don't expect enemy to be wearing same uniform as you."

While Hill didn't know any of the fallen soldiers, dealing with the deaths is particularly difficult for the Fort Hood community.

"It's different when you deploy," Hill said. "You prepare yourself for these types of tragedies that happen. You prepare yourself for your friends to be killed or murdered but you know when you're at home you don't

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comforting."

Scacewater's daughter is dating soldier Sean Bonser of Fort Hood. Scacewater addressed her fears about trust at the post in the immediate future, but said that she thinks their common bond will prevail.

"They're such a brotherhood," Scacewater said. "In the Army, that's their family first — it has to be."

Kileen resident and Army spouse Christy Becktold shed tears during the memorial and said she was especially moved because of her previous service in the military. "I'm prior service, so roll call and Taps always get me," Becktold said, "Always. I've seen too many funerals,"

Becktold's husband is deployed in Iraq now, making it emotional for the family, she said. "The hardest part was having their father be currently deployed while all of this was going on." Becktold's 13-year-old son, Jakob expressed sadness over his father's deployment in Iraq, saying that it would be a blessing if he could come home

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by risking their own. One medic — Francisco de la Serna — treated both Officer Munley and the gunman who shot her."

Casey pointed to what he referred to as courageous acts exhibited on post during the shooting.

"These responses in the aftermath of tragedy have been uplifting if not heroic," Casey said. "Then we saw countless examples of our warrior ethos in action last week. Soldiers and Army civilians lived the warrior ethos that day, just as our soldiers and civilians live it every day in Afghanistan, Iraq and Iran and around the world."

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expect things like these to happen, especially coming from a fellow soldier."

After Obama's speech, Hill detailed his emotions over the last few days.

"At first I would say the mood was shock, which kind of turned into grieving, I guess you could say. People were saddened by the situation," Hill said. "Then after learning some of the details about Maj. Malik Hasan, it turned from sadness to anger. I'll be honest with you, I am angry, I'm very angry. It was senseless and it shouldn't have happened. I'm not blaming anybody, but it was senseless and it shouldn't have happened."

Spc. Peter Kiskern is one of the many servicemen and women who attended the memorial.

"The mood on post is very calm. It's like the after-effect. People are just recovering," Kiskern

said. "It's very quiet around post. I guess [the recovery] is going good. I know when I got out this weekend, I saw some armed guards around some of the major places. I don't know how long it's going to last, but we'll get back to where we were."

Kiskern shared Hill's trauma from the source of the tragedy.

"I'm doing all right. It's just a shock that someone in this uniform would attack someone in this uniform and take their lives," Kiskern said. "I didn't know any of the people that were killed, but it's still a shock."

Kiskern still feels like his home in Fort Hood is a safe place.

"I'm not going to let this put a ripple in how I feel," Kiskern said.

Sgt. Perry Osburn and his wife, Mejan (pronounced Mean) attended the memorial with their two daughters. Perry said

he hoped that after Thursday's events there would be more attention paid to those who sound like they need help. "Especially if they're talking the way [Hasan] was to people, you want to take that seriously," Mejan said. "If he feels like he doesn't want to fight Muslims or Iraqis [and] you have to take that seriously. If they start talking anti-war, you have to listen to people who talk like that."

Mejan hopes her daughters will learn from what happened.

"I want them to know that this tragedy happened," Mejan said. "I just want them to know that the military is a good thing and their father is in the military. We can move on and be better by it and trust each other."

Perry hopes his girls will respect the military and its service to America.

Dr. Dave Kistler, a co-founder and vice president of The Faith

and Freedom Institute, was in attendance at the memorial. Kistler is studying the role of religion in the shooting.

"Personally I believe his faith played the role in this," Kistler said. "Not every Muslim is a terrorist, but so far in the U.S., every terrorist that has attacked us has been Muslim. That's not to say everybody is radical that's of that faith, but there is a radical element to it."

Kistler said the government needs to be more cautious when recruiting and believes that in the future the government needs to take more precautions.

"What I'm hoping is that some form of profiling, which is a dirty word today, takes place," Kistler said. "If it doesn't, what is to prevent someone of Muslim faith who's the pilot of a F35 from taking it on a training run supposedly, then turning it toward

a major city in the U.S.? Military will have to come face to face with this incident and make some tough decisions. They can't be made on political correctness. If they do we're going to have more of what we saw happen here."

Air Force veteran Lester Callegari attended the memorial service with his family.

"The military are special people," Callegari said. "This is what they're trained to do. They're trained to deal with tragedies and things of this nature on another level than most civilians are. As leaders are put in place now, these guys are back to work. They went back to work Monday. Yes, there are special circumstances for some who were directly involved with it, but overall, [they] do what they have to do. They're troopers. They put aside personal feelings to make sure the job gets done."



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Banding Together

Soldiers exchange a cigarette and commune before the ceremony as they wait for President Barack Obama to deliver his speech to soldiers and their families Tuesday.

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