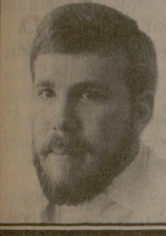


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# Kenon to stay with the Spurs



## viewpoint

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### Losing isn't everything

*Patience is the best remedy for every trouble.*  
— Titus Maccius Plautus

There is a warped attitude prevailing on this campus vented towards the Texas A&M football team. It's time for someone to come to the aid of this year's Aggie team.

Cease the grumbling among the masses. The general feeling among those who attended the A&M-Brigham Young game in Houston this past weekend was one of bitter disappointment. And justly so. It was a tough loss to witness.

But for most, the basis for the bitterness was unfounded. Most, who witnessed the loss to BYU, felt they had seen the Aggies lose a game that should have been won and won easily. That's not the case.

BYU has a good football team, with an athletic program that ranks among the best in the nation. The coaches who vote on the teams in the top 20 considered BYU the 20th best team in the country this week. The Aggies have been beaten by worse.

The Cougars came into the season opener as bearers of the Western Athletic Conference's championship banner, an award they've captured or shared four of the past five years. Last season, after winning the WAC, BYU played in the inaugural Holiday Bowl against Navy.

The season opener Saturday proved to be a good test for the Aggies; starting point on their way up or down the national football ladder. A one-point loss is no reason to punt away the season.

But Monday morning, after the loss, students were berating the Aggie team and coaching staff. One "fan" voiced his opinion, calling for Wilson's resignation.

Thoughts like that prove the ignorance that most fans at this school show towards football. In recent years, if the Aggies have been outscored in a game, the game has been a waste; a disappointment.

But the football played at Rice Stadium Saturday was quality football, no matter which team won or lost. For the fans in attendance, the game was exciting, strategic and, most importantly, entertaining. And that's the way football was meant to be played.

Coach Wilson had some things he wanted to accomplish in the 60 minutes he had to work with Saturday. He had to see how his defensive secondary would react against a pass-oriented offense; he did.

He had to see how the player position changes made during the spring and fall practices would work out; he did.

And he had to see how his crop of freshmen would perform in their first college contest; he did.

All he didn't do was give Aggie fans their first win of the season in a game that meant nothing in the Southwest Conference title chase. Wilson was willing to sacrifice a little now to gain a lot in the future.

"The mistakes we made Saturday night weren't physical," the Wilson said. "Most were just mental breakdowns."

"If we were dominated or physically beaten, I would have been disappointed. But I saw a lot of good out there. They didn't fly off in 18 different directions when we got behind late in the game."

The coach has put the game behind him. Now Wilson and the team are looking forward to this week's game with the hope of continued good football this season.

And it's time for the rest of this university to do the same.

### NCAA investigating Baylor recruiting

United Press International  
WACO — Baylor University athletic director Jack Patterson said Tuesday the NCAA had begun an inquiry on the recruitment of a football player, but coach Grant Teaff said the school had done nothing wrong.

Teaff said he took almost a full day in preparation for Baylor's Saturday game against Texas A&M to look at the NCAA's questions.

"I spent the better part of a day, a very important day, studying this matter," said Teaff. "There is nothing to it."

Patterson declined comment other than to say the NCAA had made an inquiry. But it was reported the probe involved NCAA regulations concerning the number of visits the Baylor coaching staff made to a certain player.

"We have been asked by the NCAA to supply answers to questions concerning the recruitment of a student athlete," Patterson said. "We are complying with their request to the best of our ability and in the most expedient manner."

"We are not at liberty to give the names of the parties involved. Coach Grant Teaff is moving in all haste to clear up this matter and proceed with his primary goal of preparing his team for Saturday night's game with Texas A&M."

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SAN ANTONIO — All-star forward Larry Kenon ended months of speculation on his future with the San Antonio Spurs Wednesday, signing a one-year contract for a reported \$350,000, considerably less than the \$800,000 he sought from other teams.

"I'm so happy to be back for another year on a good team," Kenon told a news conference.

There had been speculation that Kenon, who calls himself the best all-around forward in the NBA, would bolt to another club when he became a free agent last Spring. But apparently other teams did not meet his asking price because of the added complication of compensating the Spurs.

"Yes, compensation was a problem," Kenon said, "but sometimes things work out for the best."

The one-year contract was significant because this season marks the end of the NBA compensation

rule and next year free agents such as Kenon can sign with another team without fear of compensation. The only stipulation will be that the club losing a player has the right of first refusal to match any other new contract offer by another team.

Kenon now is the second highest paid Spur behind NBA scoring leader George Gervin.

He averaged 22.1 points last year and led the team in rebounding with 9.8 a game.

Spurs officials said all along they wanted Kenon back, but said they would go only so far in meeting his high salary demands.

"We wanted Kenon back very badly," said general manager Bob Mass. "I feel that now we have been made whole in all our free agent dealings."

The Spurs lost Allan Bristow, Coby Dietrick and Louie Dampier in the off season, but replaced them with Paul Griffin, Kevin Restani and Tate Armstrong.

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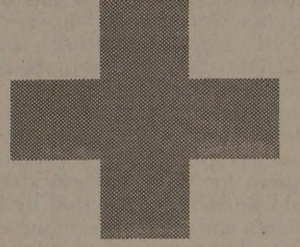
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<b>MONDAY</b>		
Macrame I	October 1-22	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Cake Decorating	October 1-November 19	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Basketry	October 1-29	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Quilting	November 5-26	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Needlepoint	October 1-22	Section A 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Crochet	October 1-22	Section A 7:30-9:00 p.m.
Lapidary	October 1-22	Section A 7:00-9:30 p.m.
Jewelry Casting	October 29-November 26	Section A 7:00-9:30 p.m.
Batik	October 29-December 3	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Woodshop Safety	October 1-8	Section A 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Woodshop Safety	October 15-22	Section B 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Woodshop Safety	October 29-November 5	Section C 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Woodshop Safety	November 12-19	Section D 5:00-7:00 p.m.
<b>TUESDAY</b>		
Knitting	October 9-November 13	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Jewelry Construction	October 2-30	Section A 7:00-10:00 p.m.
Pottery	October 2-November 20	Section A 7:30-9:30 p.m.
China Painting	October 2-November 6	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Framing & Matting	October 2-23	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Framing & Matting	November 6-27	Section B 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Wood Carving	October 2-November 6	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Ukrainian Egg Dyeing	October 9-30	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Stained Glass	October 9-November 13	Section A 7:00-9:30 p.m.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		
Macrame II	October 24-November 14	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Pottery Handbuilding	September 26-November 14	Section A 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Pottery Handbuilding	September 26-November 14	Section B 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Pine Cone Wreaths	October 24-November 7	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Chopping Blocks	October 3-17	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Frame Weaving	October 3-November 7	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Stained Glass	October 3-November 7	Section B 7:00-9:30 p.m.
Sun Catchers	November 14-December 5	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Lathe	October 24-November 14	Section A 7:00-9:30 p.m.
Drawing	October 3-November 14	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Watercolor	October 3-November 14	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Antique Refinishing	October 3-24	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
<b>THURSDAY</b>		
Macrame Hanging Tables	September 27-October 18	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Macrame Hanging Tables	October 25-November 15	Section B 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Basketry	November 1-December 6	Section B 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Silkscreen	October 11-November 15	Section A 7:00-9:30 p.m.
Stained Glass	October 11-November 15	Section C 7:00-9:30 p.m.
Ceramic Wind Chimes	November 29-December 13	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Glass Etching	September 27-October 4	Section A 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Glass Etching	September 27-October 4	Section B 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Pottery	September 27-November 15	Section B 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Pottery	September 27-November 15	Section C 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Calligraphy	October 11-November 15	Section A 7:00-9:00 p.m.