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WVU files lawsuit against Big East

Aims to join Big 12 before '12 season

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (AP) — West Virginia University filed a lawsuit Monday seeking an immediate divorce from the Big East so it can become a member of the Big 12 before the 2012 football season.

The Big 12 announced West Virginia's acceptance on Friday, but the Big East said it would hold the Mountaineers to a provision in the conference bylaws that requires notice of 27 months before a school can withdraw.

The lawsuit asks the Monongalia County Circuit Court to declare the bylaws invalid, claiming that the Big East breached its fiduciary duty to West Virginia by failing to maintain a balance between football-playing and non-football members.

The complaint, which asks for a jury trial, also alleges that the Big East agreed to West Virginia's immediate withdrawal by accepting a \$2.5 million down payment on its \$5 million exit fee.

"Absent a Court order permanently enjoining the Big East from enforcing the 27-month notice provision against WVU, WVU has no adequate remedy at law to protect its interests and will suffer continuing and irreparable damages and injury," the lawsuit says.

Big East Commissioner John Marinatto has said West Virginia is not eligible to join the Big 12 until July 1, 2014.



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PHOTO BY LAUREN PAPE/The Daily Toreador

LOGAN LAMBERTH, A senior exercise sports science major from Batson, is legally blind.

Helping Hand

Blind student uses experience to aid others

By MICHAEL DUPONT II
STAFF WRITER

Logan Lamberth has been progressively losing his vision over the years and is legally blind. He doesn't use his impairment as a crutch, but

instead looks to reach out to those like him and help them through the same struggles he has dealt with.

Lamberth, a senior exercise and sports sciences major from Batson, said his visual impairment wasn't easily manageable in his first few years of college.

"I struggled a lot my freshman and sophomore years, just with the transition and routine and trying to hold myself accountable," he said.

Lamberth works for the Student Disability Services office in West Hall, where he deals primarily with giving advice to other students from a perspective they can relate with, namely another student's.

"Some people aren't brave enough to approach and ask questions themselves, so you kind of have

to get out there and give out your information of your own free will," he said. "I have no problem doing that."

This week is Disability Awareness Week and there will be a student panel Thursday at 12 p.m. in West Hall. Lamberth will be a panelist there and answer any questions students may have.

Lamberth said Tamara Mancini and Shelley Ducatt have helped him grow as a person and a student.

"Shelley Ducatt and Tamara Mancini are two of our counselors. Whenever I started working here last summer in 2010, just being with them on a daily basis really helped," he said. "They teach you a lot about how to get through the classroom and how to talk to your professors and really use them to your advantage. It makes class easier."

"I struggled a lot my freshman and sophomore years, just with the transition and routine and trying to hold myself accountable."

Logan Lamberth
Tech student

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FROM LEFT, VICTORIA Martinez, a freshman architecture major from Carrizo Springs, and Pearl Cruz, a freshman psychology major from Carrizo Springs, hand out candy to Karrsen, 9, and Camden Sebesta, 8, during Safe Treat inside Wall/Gates residence hall Monday.

A safe way to treat

The Residence Halls Association hosted its annual Safe Treat event Monday evening, inviting local children to come for a night of free candy and events.



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Kenia Ontiveros, a sophomore political science major from Terrell, runs a booth in the Chitwood lobby during Safe Treat on Monday. The color of the duck determined how much candy each child would receive.

STORMI SMITH, A freshman history and exercise sports sciences major from Big Spring, makes cotton candy for children during Safe Treat at Chitwood Weymouth residence hall Monday. Safe Treat is an opportunity for children to safely go trick-or-treating inside of the residence halls on Halloween.

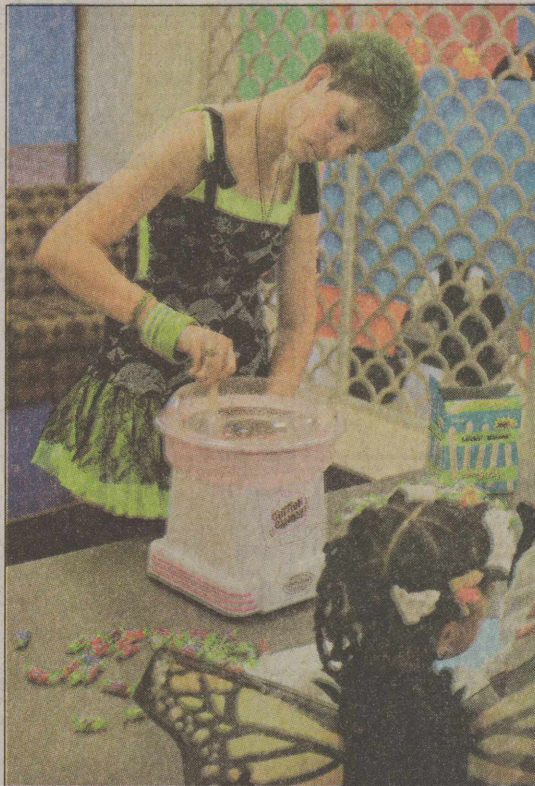


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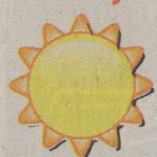
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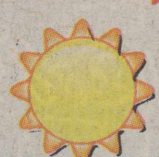
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Community Calendar

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Osher Lifelong Learning Institute
Time: 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Where: McKenzie-Merket Alumni Center

So, what is it?
Enjoy "Theatre: The Story Behind the Show," presented by James Bush.

Art History Lecture

Time: 7 p.m.
Where: English building,
So, what is it?
John Paul Ricco, an associate professor of contemporary art, media theory and criticism from the University of Toronto at Mississauga, will lead a lecture titled "Hides, Knots and Other Frayed Edges: On Felix Gonzalez-Torres, queer video, and sex and ethics in the classroom."

Symphonic Wind Ensemble Concert

Time: 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Where: Hemmle Recital Hall
So, what is it?
Enjoy this symphonic wind ensemble concert.

Spencer West

Time: 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Where: Student Union Ballroom
So, what is it?
Enjoy Spencer West's inspirational story with Tech Activities Board partnership with Student Disability Services as part of Student Disability Awareness Week.

WEDNESDAY

Monumental Ideas in Miniature Books II

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Where: Landmark Arts at the Texas Tech School of Art
So, what is it?
Enjoy an exhibit featuring 106 small artist books from a group of international artists, which will remain on display through Nov. 20.

In Memory Of... Remembering with Art

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Where: Landmark Arts at the Texas Tech School of Art
So, what is it?
Enjoy the artwork of 40 students as they honor loved ones for the annual Day of the Dead exhibit.

Movie Feature

Time: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Where: Student Union Building, Allen Theatre
So, what is it?
Enjoy TAB's presentation of The Change-Up.

Fast-a-thon

Time: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Where: South Plains Islamic Center
So, what is it?
Join the Muslim Student Association as they work to create awareness about the issue of world hunger, the Islamic way of life and Muslims.

To make a calendar submission email dailytoreador@ttu.edu.

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

Texas shooting Mexican donkeys, stirring backlash

PRESIDIO (AP) — Unofficially, the state of Texas celebrates donkeys and their historical and cultural significance in shaping the American West.

Officially? The policy on wild burros out here is shoot to kill.

Texas park rangers are trying to wipe out hundreds of free-roaming donkeys in Big Bend State Park, killing nearly 130 to date with .308-caliber bolt-action rifles on this side of the Rio Grande. But in the process, the shootings are stirring a whole new kind of cross-border controversy, pitting state officials against burro-lovers who believe the animal holds a special place in history and deserves protection.

The state's stance: wild donkeys wandering over from Mexico simply don't belong. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department considers an estimated 300 burros in Big Bend to be destructive intruders, hogging forage and lapping up precious water in the drought-starved mountains — thereby threatening the survival of hundreds of native species.

Outraged locals, however, claim there's only one animal the state really cares about — bighorn sheep.

"They say we're doing this just so four rich white guys can hunt bighorn sheep out here," said David Riskind, director of natural resources for the parks agency. "That's just not true."

SCARY SYMPHONY



PHOTO BY SCOTT MACWATTERS/The Daily Toreador

CONDUCTOR NATHAN MADSEN, dressed as the Greek god Zeus, directs the University Symphony Orchestra in "Thunderstorm" on Sunday in Hemmle Recital Hall during the Halloween Hauncert.

Cain denies report of sexual harassment

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican presidential candidate Herman Cain's campaign denied allegations Sunday that he was twice accused of sexual harassment while he was the head of the National Restaurant Association in the 1990s.

In a statement to The Associated Press, his campaign disputed a Politico report that said Cain had been accused of sexually suggestive behavior toward at least two female employees.

The report said the women signed agreements with the restaurant group that gave them five-figure financial payouts to leave the association and barred them from discussing their departures. Neither woman was identified.

The report was based on anonymous sources and, in one case, what the publication said was a

review of documentation that described the allegations and the resolution.

Cain's campaign told the AP that the allegations were not true, and amounted to unfair attacks.

"Inside-the-Beltway media have begun to launch unsubstantiated personal attacks on Cain," spokesman J.D. Gordon said in a written statement. "Dredging up thinly sourced allegations stemming from Mr. Cain's tenure as the Chief Executive Officer at the National Restaurant Association in the 1990s, political trade press are now casting aspersions on his character and spreading rumors that never stood up to the facts."

Asked if Cain's campaign was denying the report, Gordon said, "Yes."

"These are baseless allega-

tions," Gordon said in a second interview later Sunday evening. "To my knowledge, this is not an accurate story."

Cain plans to continue with several planned appearances in Washington on Monday. He is slated to discuss his tax plan at the American Enterprise Institute, appear at the National Press Club and hold a healthcare briefing on Capitol Hill.

Cain — a self-styled outsider relatively new to the national stage — is facing a new level of scrutiny after a burst of momentum in the race for the GOP presidential nomination. He's been steadily at or near the top of national surveys and polls in early presidential nominating states, competitive with former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney.

The former pizza company executive has been pointing to

his long record in business to argue that he has the credentials needed to be president during a time of economic strife.

In its report, Politico said it confronted Cain early Sunday outside of the CBS News Washington bureau, where he had just been interviewed on "Face the Nation."

"I am not going to comment on that," he told Politico when asked specifically about one of the woman's claims.

When asked if he had ever been accused of harassment by a woman, he responded, Politico said, by asking the reporter, "Have you ever been accused of sexual harassment?"

A message seeking comment from Peter Kilgore, listed on the National Restaurant Association website as its chief legal counsel, was not immediately returned.

Skeptic finds he now agrees global warming is real

WASHINGTON (AP) — A prominent physicist and skeptic of global warming spent two years trying to find out if mainstream climate scientists were wrong. In the end, he determined they were right: Temperatures really are rising rapidly.

The study of the world's surface temperatures by Richard Muller was partially bankrolled by a foundation connected to global warming deniers. He pursued long-held skeptic theories in analyzing the data. He was spurred to action because of "Climategate," a British scandal involving hacked emails of scientists.

Yet he found that the land is 1.6 degrees warmer than in the 1950s. Those numbers from Muller, who works at the University of California, Berkeley and Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, match those by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and NASA.

He said he went even further back, studying readings from Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Jefferson. His ultimate finding of a warming world, to be presented at a conference Monday, is no different from what mainstream climate scientists have been saying for decades.

What's different, and why everyone from opinion columnists to "The Daily Show" is paying attention is who is behind the study.

One-quarter of the \$600,000 to do the research came from the Charles Koch Foundation, whose founder is a major funder of skeptic groups and the tea party. The Koch brothers, Charles and David, run a large privately held company involved in oil and other industries, producing sizable greenhouse gas emissions.

Muller's research team carefully examined two chief criticisms by

skeptics. One is that weather stations are unreliable; the other is that cities, which create heat islands, were skewing the temperature analysis.

"The skeptics raised valid points and everybody should have been a skeptic two years ago," Muller said in a telephone interview. "And now we have confidence that the temperature rise that had previously been reported had been done without bias."

Muller said that he came into the study "with a proper skepticism," something scientists "should always have. I was somewhat bothered by the fact that there was not enough skepticism" before.

There is no reason now to be a skeptic about steadily increasing temperatures, Muller wrote recently in The Wall Street Journal's editorial pages, a place friendly to skeptics. Muller did not address in his research

the cause of global warming. The overwhelming majority of climate scientists say it's man-made from the burning of fossil fuels such as coal and oil. Nor did his study look at ocean warming, future warming and how much of a threat to mankind climate change might be.

Still, Muller said it makes sense to reduce the carbon dioxide created by fossil fuels.

"Greenhouse gases could have a disastrous impact on the world," he said. Still, he contends that threat is not as proven as the Nobel Prize-winning Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change says it is.

On Monday, Muller was taking his results — four separate papers that are not yet published or peer-reviewed, but will be, he says — to a conference in Santa Fe, N.M., expected to include many prominent skeptics as well as mainstream scientists.

"Of course he'll be welcome," said Petr Chylek of Los Alamos National Lab, a noted skeptic and the conference organizer. "The purpose of our conference is to bring people with different views on climate together, so they can talk and clarify things."

Shawn Lawrence Otto, author of the book "Fool Me Twice" that criticizes science skeptics, said Muller should expect to be harshly treated by global warming deniers. "Now he's considered a traitor. For the skeptic community, this isn't about data or fact. It's about team sports. He's been traded to the Indians. He's playing for the wrong team now."

And that started on Sunday, when a British newspaper said one of Muller's co-authors, Georgia Tech climate scientist Judith Curry, accused Muller of another Climategate-like scandal and trying to "hide the decline" of recent global temperatures.

The Associated Press contacted Curry on Sunday afternoon and she said in an email that Muller and colleagues "are not hiding any data or otherwise engaging in any scientifically questionable practice."

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Puzzles by PageFeller

In Sudoku, all the numbers 1 to 9 must be in every row, column and 3 x 3 box. Use logic to define the answers.

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Candidates' Twitter usage varies widely

NEW YORK (AP) — Twitter is abuzz with presidential candidates this year, though not all in the Twittersphere are equal.

Rick Santorum tweets a lot more than Rick Perry, Herman Cain is the Republican most likely to be retweeted, and their Twitter followers are dwarfed by President Barack Obama's.

That's according to an Associated Press analysis of the presidential candidates' use of Twitter that found widely different levels of engagement, despite the site's emergence as a go-to hub for political communication.

The AP analyzed each candidate's Twitter stream beginning the day he or she joined the presidential contest through Monday, Oct. 24. The data, available from Twitter's website, highlights every message posted by candidates, as well as how many times their messages were "retweeted," or reposted, by other users on the site.

No one believes the campaign will be won or lost on Twitter — it's just one slice of an enormous communication effort each campaign wages in cyberspace. But with a well-timed 140 character blast, candidates can make news, respond to charges or reinforce talking points in a matter of seconds.

"Candidates are living in a new media ecology that rewards speed, and there is no faster way to distribute your message intact than over Twitter," said Andrew Rasiej, the founder of Personal Democracy Media which tracks the intersection of media and politics. "If TV ads were the rifles of campaign battles in the past, Twitter is the machine gun used to distribute a message or annihilate an opponent."

And unlike pricy television and Web advertising, tweeting is free. That's one reason some of the financially struggling candidates have relied on Twitter

as a way to promote themselves away from the media filter.

To that end, the AP found the Newt Gingrich campaign, which trails many other rivals in fundraising and is more than \$1 million in debt, to be one of the most active on Twitter. The former House speaker has Tweeted more than 470 times as of last Monday.

Rick Santorum, the former Pennsylvania senator, had tweeted 326 times to more than 35,000 followers.

Perry, the well-funded Texas governor, is at the other end of the Twitter spectrum. His campaign has sent 42 tweets to more than 99,000 followers under his Twitter handle, (@)GovernorPerry, since he launched his presidential campaign in August.

"20% Flat Tax is the way to go! Cut, Balance and Grow plan," Perry's campaign tweeted after delivering a speech announcing his flat tax plan Tuesday.

Over the weekend, Perry tweeted that he was enjoying "a picture perfect Sunday at home with the greatest woman in the world..."

A candidate's Twitter feed is often a reflection of his or her persona.

Former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney's campaign has tweeted 233 times under the Twitter handle (@)MittRomney to more than 150,000 followers, almost all directly from Twitter's website. Most of his messages have been relatively safe, largely reflecting the campaign's orderly nature.

"Excited & honored to officially be on the NH ballot-great being there yesterday with Gov. Sununu," Romney tweeted after receiving the endorsement of New Hampshire's former governor.

Recovery continues after Bastrop County wildfires

BASTROP, Texas (AP) — First came the men with the pickup trucks and the fliers, soliciting homeowners who were sifting through the rubble.

On their heels came the scrapers, hunting for salvage metal. Then came the demolition crews, the tree crews, the dump trucks piled with concrete and brick, filling the blackened forest with the sounds of diesel engines and chain saws.

The spooky, post-wildfire quiet of the Lost Pines has been replaced with the buzz of a nascent recovery, as drifts of rubble and charred vehicles are scraped off lots to make way for new homes, or perhaps "for sale" signs.

Businesses are flocking to Bastrop County to get a piece of the action, creating expectations for a boost during a sluggish economy — and some tension between homegrown businesses and the out-of-towners who are plopping temporary trailer-offices onto parking lots all over the community.

"There is stuff going on everywhere. Every grocery store is like the day before Christmas — the parking lots are full," said Susan Wendel, president and CEO of the Bastrop Chamber of Commerce. "There are going to be lots of opportunities for people to work here."

The local hotels are full of fire victims and tree-cutting crews and contractors. Builders said they're preparing drawings and site plans for residents who want to rebuild. In turn, they're calling their subcontractors to line up crews of concrete finishers and framers and drywall installers for what they said could be a year or more of new construction jobs.

The big question remains: How many people will rebuild, and how many will leave their charred lots to move elsewhere?

Vince Kaiser of Prestige Custom Homes in Smithville said he has at least 18 new homes under contract already and figures he'll double his usual pace of one new home a month.

"It's going to be a boom for the next year; I'm booking things for nine months out," said Kaiser, adding that about half of his customers

are rebuilding in the burn zone and the rest are buying land elsewhere in Bastrop County. "We're all working seven days a week now. There's going to be a lot of jobs created. It's a good thing from a bad situation."

Builder D.R. Horton said it has sold eight already-finished homes to Bastrop fire victims, most of them in the Hunters Crossing development outside of the burn zone — and the company has started construction on 20 more new homes to meet the extra demand.

Another builder, Stan Voelker, said he's talked to eight Bastrop County couples about building new homes. Three of them want to stay in the county, he said, "three are on the fence," and two plan to build elsewhere.

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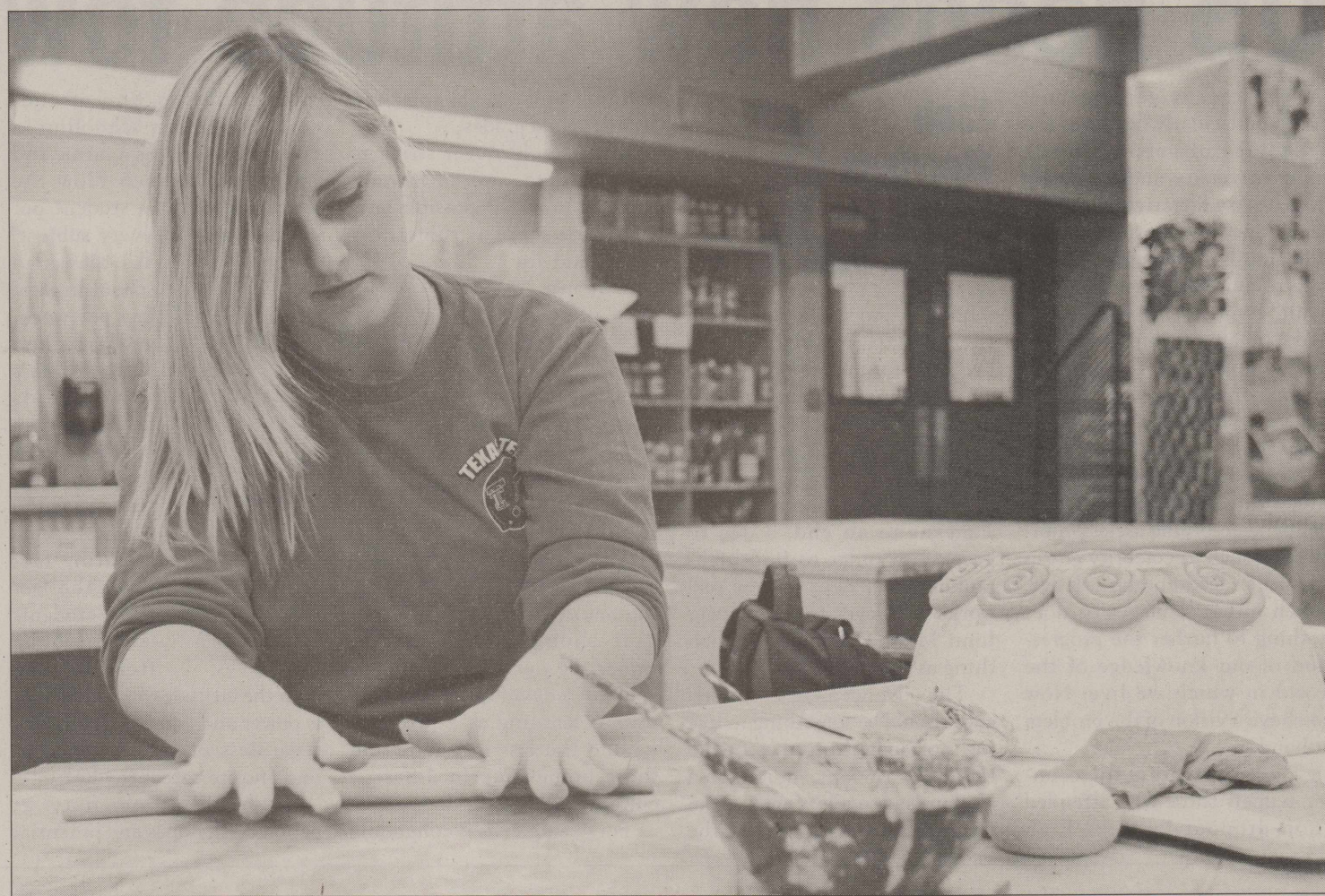


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KATHLEEN MOOR, A junior early childhood-education major from Abilene, rolls clay to make a fruit bowl in the Art building Monday.

Jackson's doctor didn't follow protocol

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Dr. Conrad Murray heard his own expert witness testify Monday that he wouldn't have accepted payment to do what Murray did for Michael Jackson — administering a hospital anesthetic in the star's bedroom.

"I wouldn't even consider it," Dr. Paul White said. "It's something no amount of money could convince me to take on."

The use of the drug propofol to treat Jackson's insomnia was "a complete off-label use of the drug," he said. White also acknowledged that the drug should never be given outside a medical facility because of the need for proper lifesaving equipment.

White, a highly regarded and now-retired anesthesiologist, is sometimes referred to as "the father

of propofol" for his early research on the drug. But on Monday he was a less than respected figure, drawing criticism from the prosecutor and censure from the judge who threatened to fine him \$1,000 for contempt of court.

White came under a bruising cross-examination by prosecutor David Walgren who attacked the expert's recent claim that Jackson caused his own death. Walgren questioned White's scientific calculations and noted he once led the defense to think Jackson drank an extra dose of propofol.

White acknowledged he had done no research on that theory when he posed it. A study later showed the theory to be unsupportable, he said.

While stopping short of blaming

Murray for the singer's death, White blurted out during cross-examination that he believed Murray had loaded a syringe with the drug propofol and left it where Jackson could have gained access to it.

That scenario had not been offered before and it could explain how a groggy Jackson could have awakened from sedation, grabbed the syringe and injected the drug into his IV line.

Superior Court Judge Michael Pastor told White outside the jury's presence to stop trying to sneak in references to private conversations he had with Murray. The witness had suggested his opinions were partially based on what Murray told him, but those talks are not in evidence.

At one point Monday, White said he had been told by Murray that

Jackson had his own stash of propofol beyond the hundreds of bottles of the drug that Murray had purchased and shipped to his girlfriend's apartment. Pastor warned White not to try to bring up the conversations or other excluded information again.

"It's deliberate and I don't like it," Pastor said. "It's not going to happen again."

But by the end of the morning the judge said White had violated his order. Outside the jury's presence, he chastised the witness for telling the jurors at one point: "I'd like to talk to you about this but the judge told me I couldn't."

He said he considered that remark direct contempt of court but would allow White to explain at a contempt hearing on Nov. 16 before he imposes the \$1,000 fine.

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Although Lamberth has found himself in what he considers to be a great environment, he said he still has problems every now and then, and he gives credit to some of his fellow Tech students for helping him through.

"I do struggle," Lamberth said. "I have my moments where my visual impairments do take hold and make things a lot more difficult than (for) the normal student. But, just having my classmates that I can rely on has been a big help and I love it."

Mancini, assistant director

of Student Disability Services, said Lamberth has no problems handling things on his own.

"He's very independent so that he only asks for help when he really can't do something," she said.

It's better having someone who can connect with the students because they've been through many of the same things themselves, Mancini said.

"We appreciate both of our student workers because they are our students as well," she said.

"They connect with the students that come in so much better than having a random student worker that is just here for a job."

Ducatt, an associate director with Student Disability Services, has dedicated her time to Lamberth and students like him to help guide them through college.

"I've worked with Logan through good times and bad, and some students struggle more and they have to figure out college," she said. "We had to figure out something he was passion-

ate about that would also work to his strengths rather than his weaknesses."

The advice Ducatt had for Lamberth and students in general is to avoid limitations, to dream big and to go after those dreams.

"You can do anything you want to do," she said. "Figure out how to make it work for yourself. Don't be afraid to go after the dream that you have for yourself and the life you want. You can have that life."

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US needs new attitude toward education

In recent generations, particularly our own, the idea of getting into a good university and following through to a lucrative career has been nailed into our heads from ridiculously young ages.

I remember presentations being given to my fifth grade class in an attempt to scare us by contrasting the average income of a college graduate to someone with only a high school education.

Combine this enforced attitude with the amount of time we spend absorbing useless information, such as celebrity gossip and other dead-end knowledge, which either damages or does nothing to further the progression of our knowledge of the world in which we live. Now you have a vision of the problem at hand.

Those fortunate in this country, namely those who attended "non-dropout-factory" high

Zach Morrison



schools — to use a term from the education documentary "Waiting for Superman" — and are attending a university, have developed attitudes of constant negativity toward productive learning.

Education has become merely a means to an end, a due to be paid in order to find high-ranking placement in "the real world." However, to quote singer John Mayer, "There's no such thing as the real world."

The advancement of knowledge should be something to live for, not something to struggle through. In fact, much of a student's struggle comes from trying to cut corners to avoid the

learning process, yet somehow still get good grades.

One should never strive to stop learning, and, ultimately, this feat proves impossible anyway. Yes, there is something to be said for choosing a field of study and sticking to it in order to be employable in a competitive economy, but this doesn't mean we should think of knowledge as a key to the "money door."

It should, rather, be our goal to redevelop an attitude toward learning as a privilege — one the less fortunate and those brought up in different cultures relish.

For example, as is commonly

cited, students who attended most of their schooling in countries such as China and Japan pretty much blow the average American student out of the water in every subject.

Yes, they go to school an extra day per week, and, yes, their school day's structure is far busier than ours. However, I would venture to say the biggest contributing factor is the fact these students are brought up from day one

with the attitude that knowledge is power and a privilege to gain, regardless of its relevance to one's future career field(s).

It should be our duty, as people with hopes and potential

to solve the world's innumerable problems, to gain a strong foundation of general knowledge.

We should be opening some doors, not just walking down the hallway to a career. It may sound hokey and a little bit overreaching, but it shouldn't. When did it become OK to have an apathetic attitude toward other people, places and ideas just because we don't live there or because it's not "our problem?"

A statistic displayed in "Waiting for Superman" indicated that out of the 30 First World countries on Earth, American students have some of the lowest scores in nearly every category except one. That category, ironically, is confidence. So, we are the least interested students in the world around us and yet we feel we are the most ready to take our generation's turn at facing the problems of the world.

In many other countries, primarily in eastern European

countries such as Ukraine and Russia, it wouldn't be unusual to meet a bus driver with a degree in biology or an accountant with a second degree in chemistry. These people got these degrees to attain knowledge about the world and their societies have developed an overall attitude of absolute respect for knowledge itself, regardless of people's actual employment situations.

There are reasons the world is so segregated right now on many levels. Students like us will soon be the generation running a country with the influence to change this. However, we won't be able to do so without learning beyond our borders and respective specialized career paths.

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Parking spaces are privilege not right

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Most Americans will tell you that they support free markets. When it comes to parking policy, however, even many of the most conservative free marketeers suddenly transform into ardent communists.

They treat the right to park one's car as an entitlement and behave as though it is the government's solemn duty to ensure an ample supply of parking spaces wherever they may wish to travel.

Drivers complain bitterly whenever the government fails to fulfill this obligation, and the government responds by either increasing the supply of parking directly, or by passing laws that force private developers to do so.

The parking industry is thus essentially run by the principles of command economics. Government officials, rather than markets, dictate how much parking needs to be supplied. In most cases, they strive to ensure a large enough supply of parking so that it will be available for free; one nation-wide transportation survey found that 99 percent of all car trips in the United States begin and end in free parking spaces.

Free parking may seem to be a good thing at first glance, but the problem with this approach is the same problem that beleaguered the Soviet Union: Command economies are woefully inefficient at distributing resources.

In the book "The High Cost of Free Parking," Donald Shoup, a professor of urban affairs at U. California, Los Angeles, dedicates more than 700 pages to explaining just how harmful our nation's parking policies are. Shoup calculates that the size of the total parking subsidy amounts to between \$127 billion and \$374 billion per year. Of this, drivers only end up paying \$3 billion per year.

Parking subsidies work in two ways. First, governments provide a large quantity of parking directly with curbside spaces and government-owned parking garages. Second, the government passes regulations that require developers to build a minimum number of parking spaces when they construct a new building.

When the government provides parking, it sets the price — which is usually zero. Furthermore, even when they charge for it, they usually charge less than what it costs to build and maintain and far less than what they're worth if they were sold at market value.

On top of this, the federal government gives tax incentives to employers that provide parking to their employees. They may deduct \$180 from their income taxes for each parking space they provide their employees. A few years ago, policymakers tried to even this by giving a \$100 deduction to public transit, but that will go away in a few years.

Government also subsidizes park-

ing with regulations. In 2009, at the very same time that the Central Corridor light rail was in its final stages of planning, the Minneapolis City Council voted to impose a parking overlay on the University District. This overlay mandates that developers must provide a minimum of one parking space for every two bedrooms that they build.

A four bedroom apartment would have previously required one parking spot, but now requires two. Perhaps this doesn't strike you as too onerous. But it is a substantially higher supply than the market will bear. The cost of having to provide these extra parking spaces is one of the factors that has driven the development of luxury property in the area. And students who don't drive are forced to subsidize those who do.

Regulations forcing builders to provide parking simply make no sense. Imagine what would happen if the government passed a law that required all restaurants to include free desserts along with meals. The price of meals would increase to accommodate the price of desserts, and people would consume far more dessert than they do now. Obesity, heart disease and diabetes would all get worse.

In the same way, when people buy a house, or when a business buys a building, they are forced to buy parking along with it. This increases the cost of housing and employment, and increases the consumption of parking.

Another problem subsidizing parking causes is increased congestion. Sixteen studies conducted between 1927 and 2001 found that, on average, 30 percent of the cars in congested urban areas were cruising for parking. Reflect on that for a moment: If we could provide and price parking more sensibly, we could reduce traffic congestion in central cities by almost a third.

There are a few steps we can take to fix the problem of the inefficient allocation of parking. For the parking that governments own directly, they should try to mimic free market policies as closely as possible.

They should follow the lead of San Francisco, which this year implemented a program that prices parking spaces according to demand at different times of day. The city installs sensors on each parking space that can detect whether the spot is occupied or not and uses the information to properly price these parking spots.

Governments should also eliminate parking minimums. If developers feel that there is a need to supply free parking for their buildings, let them do so, but don't force them. If they believe that free parking is good for their business, let them give it away, but also give them the freedom to sell their parking if they so choose.

Taking these steps will more efficiently allocate parking, eliminate waste, free up money to deal with budget problems and reduce the incidence of other problems that are a byproduct of parking subsidies.

Israel shortsighted in prisoner exchange

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Very rarely in Israel's history could its political actions be described as truly, absolutely and blindly self-destructive.

When one prisoner is exchanged for more than a thousand prisoners, of almost infinite greater political and economic value, any objective bystander with two brain cells and a synapse should recognize such a society. But even worse than prior Israeli blunders, somehow this exchange occurred under the watch, and even the broad support, of Israeli civil society.

One thousand and twenty seven. The number is almost so large that it loses its meaning, but it was the number of Palestinian prisoners exchanged for Gilad Shalit. Hamas selected 479 of the prisoners and Israel selected the remainder. Of Hamas's 479, 315 were serving life sentences and most were serving sentences longer than 20 years. One can assume that the remainder selected by Israel committed lesser crimes and are not expected to threaten Israel.

Four hundred and seventy nine. Still, the number is too large to grasp its full scope. The mass majority of the 479 either planned or participated directly in attacks against Israel or indirectly through leadership in a violent organization.

To be exact, 569 Israelis were killed by those being released and many more were injured. Of course, as is the case anywhere, dozens of the 479 were probably victims of circumstances beyond their control. The point remains that Israel released many

hundreds who have intended and continue to intend the deaths of Israelis.

Even those who bemoan the likely loss of future lives—almost always within a justification for the prisoner exchange—still do not comprehend the full cost of the 1027.

The operations of gathering intelligence, capturing, interrogating, and keeping in prison of a high-profile prisoner carry very high economic and political costs, not to mention the deaths and injuries of soldiers and intelligence operators. No doubt the repetition of these operations is already underway for many of the 479.

One. That is a number anybody can grasp and, more importantly, it is a number that anyone can humanize. In Israel, posters of Gilad Shalit decorated city streets, his picture hung from taxi mirrors, and his image stalked television programs.

In a state with mandatory military service, every soldier is a symbol for a loved one. Gilad Shalit's family impressively energized Israeli society to their cause. They protested outside Netanyahu's house and when they made pilgrimage to Jerusalem, over 200,000 joined them. Of course, the hysteria of Israel's civil society could not have served Hamas's interests more if it was orchestrating the Gilad Shalit events itself.

Every state needs its symbols and every civil society needs its heroes. Gilad Shalit united a deeply diverse and politically fragmented state. However, the danger with symbols mirrors the danger of a civil society strong enough to bully political leadership—they are not rational.

Seventy-nine percent of Israelis supported the prisoner exchange.

Functioning democracy requires not only checks and balances between branches of the government, but also between civil society and political leadership. Netanyahu and his administration failed to protect Israel's people and interests. Netanyahu is as responsible for this debacle as much as an irrational and emotional civil society.

Moreover, the precedent set by the prisoner exchange has created at least two moral hazards. First of all, now that the going rate between Israeli and Palestinian prisoners is established at 1000:1, Hamas and other anti-Israeli groups are incentivized to capture more Israeli soldiers or civilians.

According to an AP report, thousands in Gaza chanted, "The people want a new Gilad Shalit" and some of Hamas's leadership have already hinted at fresh plans. The second moral hazard is the risk that Israeli families of victims will exploit the gullibility of Israel's civil society to rescue their loved ones to detriment of countless others.

Even worse than the shocking shortsightedness of Israeli civil society were domestic and international analysts' gullible somersaults to dig their heads deeper in the ground with more desperate justi-

fications for the exchange.

Haaretz laughably lauded Israel's "stubbornness and steadfastness," saving their highest plaudits for Netanyahu for "know[ing] how to draw lines in the sand." The typically conservative Jerusalem Post shrugged off the steep cost and moral hazards because "right now an IDF soldier's life is being saved."

Some, including Gilad Shalit, hope that the prisoner exchange will precipitate future talks, possibly with Egypt in a mediating role once again. Unless those future talks are also about prisoner exchanges, those talks are very difficult to imagine.

Hamas and others who wish Israel to disappear have now had their violence rewarded and they will only view Israel as a weaker target, rather than as a future peace partner. The exchange may have set many precedents, but peace negotiations are not among them.

Israel does not make small decisions. It is one of the world's few states whose existence is not accepted by many of its neighbors. Israel's flourishing civil society is the foundation of its strength. It is also a potential Achilles Heel. Proponents of Israel should hope the country rediscovers its backbone and foresight.

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Texas won't name Ash No. 1 QB outright

AUSTIN (AP) — Everything about the play on the field says freshman David Ash is Texas' clear No. 1 quarterback.

Ash started the last two games, took every snap in a loss to Oklahoma State and every meaningful one in last week's 43-0 win over Kansas.

So how come the depth chart for the game this week against Texas Tech lists quarterback as either David Ash or former starter Case McCoy?

Most coaches try to kill quarterback controversies before they start. Longhorns coach Mack Brown seems to refuse to let this one die.

"We're developing both guys because neither one of them have played enough to say 'It's your deal,'" Brown said Monday. "If we played today, we'd probably start David because he played well, but if he comes out and has a horrible week of practice and Case looks great We're not in position we're ready to anoint anybody"

All signs on the field say Texas (5-2, 2-2 Big 12) has decided Ash has taken control of the offense.

Ash got his second career start against Kansas and led

Texas to a touchdown on the opening drive — something the Longhorns hadn't done since 2009 — and didn't leave the game until leading 33-0 late in the third quarter.

Ash was an efficient 14 of 18 passing for 145 yards and also ran for Texas' second touchdown.

But there are signs Ash still has a long way to go.

He has six turnovers in the last three games and threw a second-quarter interception into double coverage against Kansas. On several third downs, Texas co-offensive coordinator Bryan Harsin took the ball out of Ash's hands by calling plays with a direct snap to senior tailback Fozzy Whittaker to run the option.

Texas beat the Jayhawks into submission with 441 yards rushing and rarely required Ash to throw downfield. His longest completion of 27 yards came when he scrambled to his left and found Marquise Goodwin, who had slipped into a hole in the coverage.

"I'm learning to get the ball out quick and take what they give you without forcing anything," Ash said after the game.

"I struggled with that early on, trying to force things when they aren't there."

Ash and McCoy have not been made available to reporters this season at the team's regularly scheduled interviews.

Earlier this season it looked as if the younger brother of former Texas quarterback Colt McCoy was ready to take over the Longhorns.

Case McCoy relieved former starter Garrett Gilbert in the second quarter of the second game against BYU and led a Texas rally in a 17-16 win. Then he started road wins over UCLA and Iowa State.

McCoy also started a 55-17 blowout loss to Oklahoma, then was forced to step aside when Ash played the entire game in a 38-26 home loss to Oklahoma State.

McCoy threw just two passes against Kansas and completed them both, but hasn't played a meaningful snap for the Longhorns in almost a month.

"Case is doing great," Brown said. "He's been upbeat and worked hard in practice. He's a lot more ready to play now than he was even earlier in the year."

Brown may simply be trying

to protect player feelings at a position that is painfully thin on the depth chart. Texas began training camp with four scholarship quarterbacks, but freshman Connor Wood transferred and Gilbert had season-ending shoulder surgery after he was benched and announced that he also will transfer.

If Ash or McCoy gets hurt, the only other quarterback on the roster is walk-on John Paul Floyd, whose nickname is "The Pope" but who hasn't thrown a pass.

Should Ash continue to be given charge of the offense, he may not have to throw much. Texas' last two games have seen the emergence of a solid running game that can relieve pressure on the young quarterback.

The Longhorns rushed for 672 yards the last two games and averaged 34 points in those games without throwing a touchdown pass. Texas Tech (5-3, 2-3) gave up 368 yards rushing last week in a 41-7 loss to Iowa State.

"If we need to rare back and throw it we can," Texas senior offensive lineman David Snow said. "David Ash has a great arm."

WVU

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"We are disappointed that West Virginia has adopted this strategy and cannot imagine why it believes it does not have to respect and honor the bylaws it agreed to as a member of the Big East. Based on an initial review of the lawsuit, it is clear that the allegations and claims in it are false and inaccurate. Certainly there is nothing in it that would justify WVU's not fulfilling its obligations. To put it simply, a contract is a contract," Marinatto said in a statement.

"Once we have reviewed the filing, we will explore all our legal options and will act vigorously to ensure that WVU lives up to all its obligations to our conference. In the meantime, this lawsuit will not interfere in any way with our ongoing efforts to strengthen and expand the Big East."

West Virginia University spokesman John Bolt declined to comment, saying "the lawsuit speaks for itself."

The lawsuit is the latest development in a flurry of conference realignment activity this fall. Syracuse and Pittsburgh withdrew from the Big East in September to join the Atlantic Coast Conference.

TCU accepted an invitation to join the Big East in September but switched to the Big 12 in October and was not required to honor the

27-month notice requirement. "That's basically because they never started with the Big East," Big East spokesman Chuck Sullivan said of the Horned Frogs. "Because they had not formally joined the conference, which would have been July 1, 2012, they were subject only to the financial component."

West Virginia's lawsuit says other Big East football members — Connecticut, Louisville, Rutgers and Cincinnati — "have been engaged in discussions with other sports conferences," so when the Big 12 extended its invitation Friday the Mountaineers accepted.

"As the Big East, in less than two months, had denigrated into a non-major football conference whose continued existence is in serious jeopardy, WVU had no choice but to accept the Big XII's offer," the lawsuit says.

The complaint says the departures of Pitt and Syracuse left the Big East with only six football members and eight non-football members — an imbalance not contemplated by the bylaws, which therefore should be declared null and void.

The complaint also alleges that the Big East and its commissioner ignored recommendations by football members to maintain the league's level of competitiveness in that sport and advanced the interests of the non-football members.

Coaster

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Leach never owned up to a loss like Tuberville did after Iowa State. The blame always fell to "fat little girlfriends" or his players. Tuberville protects his players and the program. He doesn't take to the media to deflect the blame.

Don't say Leach didn't have these sorts of losses either. Remember losing to Colorado by 24 points? Most people don't because success is the quickest way to forget failure.

A former teacher of mine told me Monday that I was quick to anoint Tuberville after the Okla-

homa game.

Indeed, I was. I will be quick to defend where I stand. In full belief, I can say that a game like Iowa State will never happen again. This team will only remember that this was a loss, which is essentially all it is: one loss on the schedule. We always say it doesn't matter how you win.

Well, it sure doesn't matter how you lose.

There are no moral victories. Those are myths. No moral victories mean there are no moral defeats either. This team will head to Austin ready to give the Longhorns — also a young team — a run for their money.

This team is performing above where realistic expectations

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should place it. Just look at the injury list alone. Plenty of starters and key back-ups spend more time with trainers than on the field. Injuries are a part of football, but at some point you end up playing guys before you would like to see them on the field.

This rollercoaster ride of a season is still going. Don't hit the emergency stop button yet. I know for a fact there is a moment where you will sit there and realize this team can still surprise you. The ride might make you sick sometimes, but

keep your hands and feet inside the ride, and enjoy. If December rolls around and you are still disappointed, well then find another ride.

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Stop. Let me off the rollercoaster. I don't want to ride on this ride anymore. I can't deal with the ups and downs of this emotional rollercoaster.

OK, let's ride it again.

Tommy Tuberville and his Texas Tech Red Raiders sure are a fun bunch to watch. You never know what to expect from them. I feel like a little kid riding the big rollercoasters at an amusement park. I wasn't expecting a lot of what happened, and it sure is fun. I definitely want to keep riding.

Last week, Seth Doege said if the Red Raiders don't beat Iowa State, then the Oklahoma game won't mean anything.

I disagree.

We will always have the Oklahoma game. Each Red Raider fan will talk about where they were when our Red Raiders went to Norman, Okla., and ended Oklahoma's at-home winning streak. No one can take away what those players did, and no one will take those memories from us — not even Iowa State.

The Iowa State game was not indicative of what this program can do. There will be more games like Oklahoma under Tuberville than games like Iowa State. This will not be a regular occurrence.

Always take the good with the bad. Realize how deep the valleys were so you can appreciate their peaks. Insert something philosophical here. This isn't panic-button time. Everyone calm down.

Cody Stoots



The fans need to take it easy. I saw a lot of ugliness from the fan base this past weekend. A lot of people turned and hid after the game. Plenty of people are beating up the players due to this loss. Trust me when I say they don't need that. They took the loss harder than any of us fans ever will.

The real ugliness is the call to arms for former coach Mike Leach.

I am not going to mince words on this subject. If the thought crossed your mind Saturday night that Leach wouldn't have lost this game, I would like you to write an apology letter to the athletics department. Then, I want you to remember Oklahoma. Then, I want you to put down the Leach Kool-Aid. It has surely spoiled by now.

I can't believe there are still people whispering his name around this fan base. It is disgusting. For those who still fly the goofy pirate flags and call for "Captain" Leach, let me say it one more time.

Leach is not the coach at Tech and will never be the coach here ever again.

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Red Raiders ready to rebound against UT

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Texas Tech was ranked, riding high and ready to remain in the national spotlight this time last week.

Now, the Red Raiders are unranked and scrounging for answers after their harrowing 41-7 loss to Iowa State at Jones AT&T Stadium on Saturday.

"I think that game refocused everybody," quarterback Seth Doege said. "Just knowing that if we're not ready to play, anybody on our schedule can beat us just like we can beat anybody as well."

In the defeat, Tech mustered a measly 290 yards of total offense while the Cyclones racked up 512. There was a palpable void of fervor and fire from the Red Raiders, who punted nine times and dug a 21-0 hole for themselves.

"We're not good enough to go out there and say we can out-execute another team," head coach Tommy Tuberville said. "We're not even close to that. We didn't do it, so we have to get back to the emotion part. (We) won't have any problem this week because of who we're playing."

Tech will look to build on its three-game on-the-road winning streak Saturday in Austin against Texas.

Even though the Red Raiders maintain an undefeated record on the road, they still prefer to play at home despite the disparaging sight of fans leaving in droves long before the final buzzer against Iowa State.

"There is nothing like being at home and around your people," Tuberville said. "Again, a lot of people say, 'Well, the fans weren't into it,' and we didn't give them anything to get into it."

Although the margin of defeat was massive against Iowa State, Tech only lost its other two home games by five points against Texas A&M and seven points against Kansas State.

For senior defensive lineman Donald Langley, a lot of the responsibility to ensure the team is ready to play at home rests on him. There was a team meeting conducted Sunday to discuss some of the mental lapses against the Cyclones.

"I've got to be a leader and get the guys more relaxed and focused on the job because we



PHOTO BY SCOTT MACWATTERS/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH'S QUARTER back Seth Doege jumps over Iowa State's defensive back Durrell Givens during the second quarter to score Texas Tech's only touchdown of Tech's 41-7 loss Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

all want to play for the home crowd," Langley said. "The fans have been great. I mean, when we've been playing all year, they've been coming out and supporting us."

But, there is no question the Red Raiders have enjoyed their time away from Lubbock this season. After beating Oklahoma at Gaylord Family — Oklahoma Memorial Stadium, Tech put itself on the national map.

Accomplishing what they weren't given a chance to do and defying all odds is something the team has reveled in.

"So really, we're a tight-knit group on the road because it's us against the world," Langley said. "We just had that mindset. So, with that mindset, we just are all out for each other."

There will not be anything easy about playing at Darrell K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium on Saturday. The Longhorns like to use a two-quarterback offense and both Case McCoy and David Ash are capable of making plays with their legs.

Dual-threat quarterbacks

have been a bugaboo for the Tech defense this season. It was evident when Iowa State's Jared Barnett knifed his way to 92 yards rushing and a touchdown.

"I wouldn't say it's a real big problem. I'm just saying we have to execute better because, at the end of the day, when we play each and every Saturday, it's not about the other team," Langley said. "It's about us executing and playing Texas Tech football."

Texas saw some changes with its coaching staff during the offseason when Bryan Harsin was hired from Boise State. The Longhorns like to do a variety of things, including occasionally resorting to trickery — something the Broncos were known for under Harsin.

"But, I tell you right now, they do a lot and they do it well," Tuberville said. "They make some mistakes because (their offense is) new, but it's a high-octane offense that does a lot of different things and uses a lot of different weapons. And they've got a lot of weapons."

The Longhorns' defense isn't too shabby either. Last week against Kansas, they allowed a

paltry 46 yards in a 43-0 slamming. "We'll have to go earn this win," Tuberville said. "This is going to have to be won on the road. (It's) one we'll have to go in and match up with and prepare for and play as well as we possibly can to have a chance to win the game."

So far this season, Texas has not looked like the perennial power they were in the last decade, but they are still talented from top to bottom and the Longhorns have only dropped one game at home against No. 3 Oklahoma State.

Regardless of their last road triumph against Oklahoma and the idea that the Longhorns might be susceptible to a home debacle, the Red Raiders are not taking anything for granted.

"I mean, I've only watched the Oklahoma State game on film, so it's hard to say that they're a vulnerable team," Doege said. "I feel like they're a good team. I feel like, defensively, they're really, really talented."

"I just know we need to be ready to play, and we need to have a good week of practices."

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- Bow user
- Homebuyer's request
- "Ball"
- "Great" Russian emperor
- Missing someone special
- Modern recording device
- "Now, listen to me..."
- Start of a fictional sea shanty
- Flair
- "Was forward?"
- Have on
- Enjoys the shallows
- Duke U.'s conference
- Jib or spinnaker
- '80s-'90s ABC drama
- Time workers, briefly
- Topsoil
- Not worth a
- Doorposts
- Male swine
- Poetic black
- Layer between the sclera and retina
- Quick nap
- Interrupt
- Adam's second
- Competitive look
- Black Sea port
- Before, in an ode
- Country south of Iran
- Discrimination based on years
- Damascus is its cap.
- Divisions in 65-Across
- Where one hears the starts of 18-, 23-, 34-, 49- and 54-Across

DOWN

- Cozy tree output
- Italian trio
- Performance
- Inner city area
- Weird entrances
- More than most
- Not so tight
- Expert
- Bygone knife
- Protection against spears
- Gordon of "Oklahoma!" (1955)
- Notes similarities (to)
- Blade cover
- "the loneliest number"; old song lyric
- Italian automaker
- Skin irritation
- Centers of attention
- Unpleasant smell
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