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## Tech Young Conservatives display national debt for students, faculty, staff

By **MATT DOTRAY**  
STAFF WRITER

If Texas Tech students did not know the total amount of debt the national government has accumulated, they may know now.

The Tech Young Conservatives stood between the Library and the Student Union Building on Wednesday, displaying a sign that showed the \$16 trillion the United States government has borrowed.

Molly Pattillo, a sophomore from Alamogordo, N.M., and the chairman of the Tech Young Conservatives, said the organization's goal was to show students how much \$16 trillion actually looks like when written out and to make students aware of the total amount of debt.

"We've had so many people go by and say, 'Wow,'" Pattillo said. "That's the whole reason we're even doing this. It's for that 'Wow' face. It's like, yeah, we need to do something about this."

Pattillo said they are a non-partisan organization and do not believe the debt is the fault of a single party.

In fact, she said, members of the Tech Young Conservatives were disgusted at the previous presidential debate because of the lack of candidates that were able to participate in the debate.

Pattillo said another factor of why the debt is so large is because voters do not have enough choices.

She said the national debt was about \$10 trillion before President Barack Obama took office, and if he's elected for a second term in November, he has estimated to raise the debt another \$4 trillion.

"They are expecting us," she said, "as American taxpayers, to balance our budget, balance our checkbooks, and work two jobs and go to college, while they are spending our money that we worked hard for."

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## End of Days



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

THE MASKED RIDER, Ashley Wenzel, rides Midnight Matador ahead of the football team onto the field before the Red Raiders' 41-20 loss against Oklahoma on Oct. 6 at Jones AT&T Stadium. This was Midnight Matador's last pregame ride before being retired Wednesday.

## Masked Rider's horse, Midnight Matador, to retire after 11 years

By **EMILY GARDNER and MEGAN KETTERER**  
STAFF WRITERS

Midnight Matador is retiring after serving as the Masked Rider's horse for 11 years.

"Midnight Matador is truly a one-of-a-kind horse," said Stacy Moncibiaz, marketing coordinator of Texas Tech Transportation and Parking Services and the Masked Rider for the 2004-2005 season. "Just nothing upsets him, he's so fearless. He's just an amazing horse to ride and an amazing horse to work with."

According to a Tech news release, Midnight Matador will be honored in an official ceremony at Tech's home football game against Kansas on Nov. 10.

The release also stated Midnight Matador was the longest serving mascot in the Masked Rider's program history.

Stephanie Rhode, the spirit program director and chair of the Masked Rider advisory committee, said the decision to retire Midnight Matador was made Monday after the veterinarian evaluated him and his leg.

The veterinarian advised the Masked Rider and staff it would be safer not to have the horse run, said

Ashley Wenzel, current Masked Rider and a junior education major from Friendswood.

"He is going to be very tough to replace," Rhode said. "He is perfect for his job and we are all going to miss him."

Moncibiaz said there is a search process to finding the next horse the Masked Rider will ride.

The horse the committee will look for must be black and either a quarter horse or a thoroughbred, Wenzel said.

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## Muslim Student Association hosts annual Fast-A-Thon

By **KATIE MCKEE**  
STAFF WRITERS

At sunset Wednesday the Muslim Student Association ended the Fast-A-Thon, which began at sunrise.

The MSA began the yearly Fast-a-thon 10 years ago, said MSA president and senior political science major from Tyler, Mohammad Abderrahman.

The Fast-A-Thon supports South Plains Food Bank by encouraging members to donate food as well as money. For every dollar given to the food bank, MSA matched it by \$1, Abderrahman said.

Dr. Jane Colmer-Hamood Fatima, associate professor in the School of Medicine, spoke before the dinner that ended the fast.

"The reason we're fasting today is so we can essentially feel how the needy feel whenever they do not have food," Abderrahman said. "So our goal today was to fast for a day and donate food or money to the South Plains Food Bank, so we go hungry for a day so a child doesn't have to."

Along with donating to the needy, the fast was assembled

to introduce Muslims and students of various religions to the importance of fasting, he said.

The fast also was a preview for the coming year's Ramadan, the Islamic month of fasting from food, water, sex and profanity.

Ramadan is based on the lunar calendar and occurred this year from mid-July to mid-August, Abderrahman said.

The fast also acted as an awareness event, he said, so students will be more educated about the Islamic faith.

"We're trying to get our name out there so people can learn about us," Abderrahman said. "What the media portrays is not exactly how everybody should be seen as. We're trying to give back as much as possible."

Fasting also is important to Muslims because it allows them to reap the full reward of Allah or God, Colmer-Hamood Fatima said.

Colmer-Hamood Fatima, an American Muslim, converted to the Islamic faith in 1997 and said students should not believe stereotypes.

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## Tech transportation, parking services host bike clinic

By **EFRAIN DUARTE**  
STAFF WRITERS

Bicyclists and bike enthusiasts came out to the Bike Clinic on Wednesday hosted by Texas Tech Transportation and Parking Services from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Student Union Building gazebo.

Organizations such as Citibus, Clif Bar, Lubbock Bike Coalition, Outdoor Pursuits Center and Tech Cycling Club came out in support of the clinic.

Tech Cycling Club competes competitively in road and mountain biking, said Kyle Walker, a sophomore accounting major from Aledo, and the Tech Cycling Club president. "Lubbock is a very bike friendly commu-

nity," Walker said.

Walker said he and other members of the cycling club were at the clinic to recruit cyclists.

Velocity Bike Shop was at the Bike Clinic to administer free bicycle diagnostic exams. Visitors to the bike clinic were taught basic bike repair skills. OPC student staff members conducted the bike repair skills workshop every 30 minutes.

Jakeb Stunz, a sophomore international business major from Houston, said OPC does Bike Tech, the climbing wall and outdoor adventure trips.

He said Bike Tech helps fix bikes at the OPC shop, and people who come into the shop can fix their own bike.

"Go into the OPC shop and use tools to fix bikes, tubes and tire replacements," Stunz said.

Lubbock Bicycle Coalition had pamphlets on how to get healthy in Lubbock, such as the Get Fit program.

Veronica Molinar-Lopez, a member of Lubbock Bicycle Coalition, said the coalition was recently formed.

"We are trying to create awareness of bicycling in Lubbock," Molinar-Lopez said.

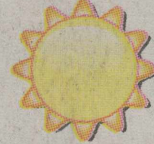
Citibus city access supervisor, Christopher Quigley, said Citibus wanted to show students the services offered to them both on and off campus.

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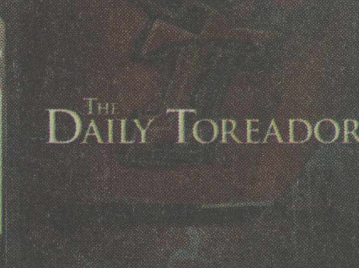
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## Today

### How to Manage Your Online Reputation

**Time:** Noon to 1 p.m.  
**Where:** Student Union Building  
**So, what is it?**  
Come out and join the IT division professionals to learn what and what not to do online to protect your reputation.

### Concert Band Concert

**Time:** 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Hemmle Recital Hall  
**So, what is it?**  
Come out and enjoy this free concert given by the concert band.

### LGBTQ Allies Training for Students

**Time:** 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
**Where:** Student Wellness Center, Rm. 100  
**So, what is it?**  
Come out and learn how to be more supportive for the LGBTQ community. This training is hosted by the Student Counseling Center.

### How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying

**Time:** 8 p.m.  
**Where:** Charles E. Maedgen Jr. Theatre  
**So, what is it?**  
Come out and enjoy this play based off the hit Broadway musical. Tickets are \$18 for non-students and \$5 for students with a Tech ID.

## Friday

### LGBTQ Allies Training for Faculty/Staff

**Time:** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
**Where:** Student Wellness Center, Rm. 100  
**So, what is it?**  
Come out and learn how to be more supportive for the LGBTQ community. This training is hosted by the Student Counseling Center.

**Global Vision Award Ceremony**  
**Time:** 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
**Where:** International Cultural Center, Hall of Nations  
**So, what is it?**  
Interim President Lawrence Shovane and Provost Bob Smith will present awards to faculty and staff for their efforts in developing international awareness at Tech.

**University Choir Opera Scenes Concert**  
**Time:** 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Hemmle Recital Hall  
**So, what is it?**  
Come out and enjoy a free concert by the university choir and opera scenes.

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## Debt

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Pattillo said she believes spending cuts need to happen on defense spending and other governmental programs. Although cutting spending would result in government jobs, she said the private sector would absorb those jobs.

"I think it's absolutely ridiculous," Patillo said. "They are getting upset, saying we need to tax people with higher incomes more. One-third of Americans pay taxes, and a third of that third pay the majority of those taxes. So, what happens when these people have lost their incentive to make so much money?"

Tochukwu Imoh, a sophomore international economics major from Houston, said he disagrees with the message the Tech Young Conservatives are trying to make and thought it was comical.

Imoh said one of the topics he discussed to the conservative organization was Pell grants.

He said he disagrees with the conservative view to cut governmental Pell grants because he utilizes those grants and they are the reason he can afford college.

Imoh said a non-partisan tax organization did research over Mitt Romney's tax plan and concluded his plan would raise the debt by \$5 trillion, and Romney wants to spend an extra \$2 tril-

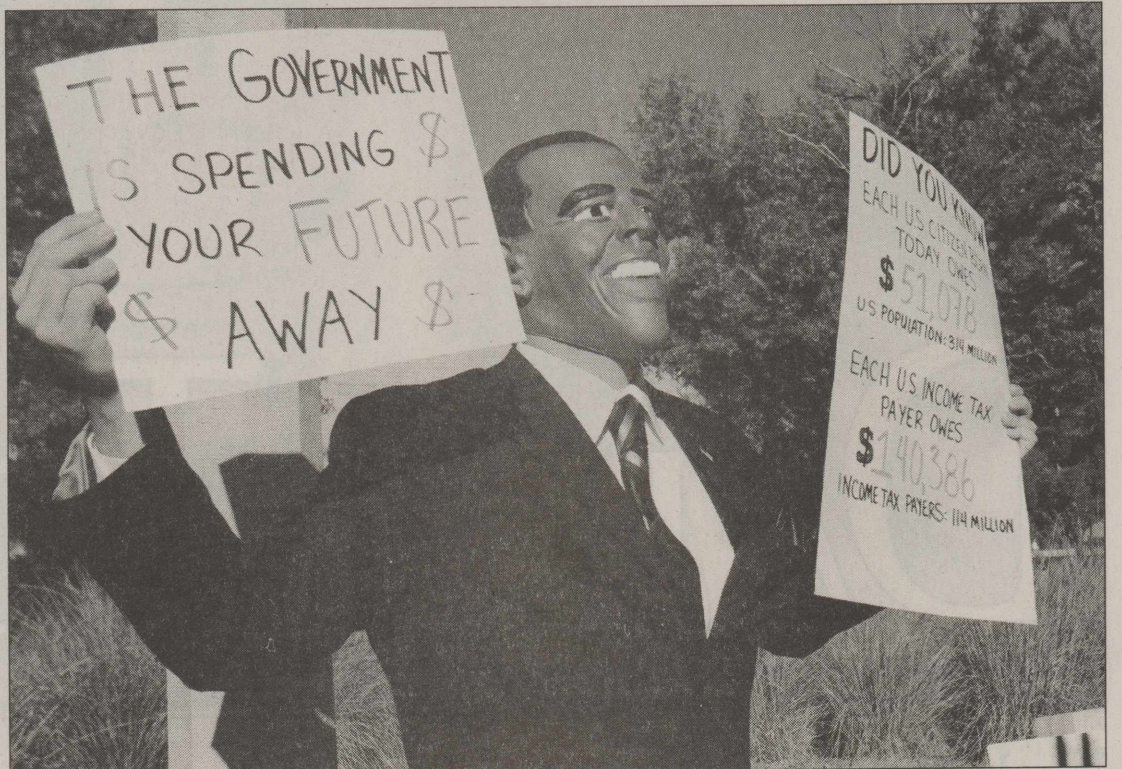


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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF the Texas Tech Young Conservatives of Texas Jeremy Kitchen, a senior political science major from Meadows Place, holds up signs to better educate students on campus about the growing national debt Wednesday in the Free Speech Area.

lion on the military, although they aren't asking for help.

"If you want a president that says he's going to cut the deficit," he said, "but is going to start off by increasing it by \$7 trillion, that just makes no mathematical sense to me. Of course, clown Obama, a member of YCT, did not agree with numbers." During periods of recession

and high unemployment, Imoh said, the government has to spend more money and give more tax cuts to stimulate the economy.

Although the debt is increasing, he said, voters need to understand that not all loans are international and are vital to an economic recovery.

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## Fast-A-Thon

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"You have Muslim neighbors who care as much about this country as you do," she said. "I think that the more you know about a faith, the less likely you are to believe wild postings." The Fast-A-Thon meeting was

a first for Abdrizack Ali, a junior pharmacy major from Kenya.

Ali said he fasted and attended the meeting to learn more about MSA.

Fasting is very important, he said, because it is one of the five requirements to be a Muslim.

Muslims, Colmer-Hamood Fatima said, are people who practice the Islamic faith.

The five requirements include accepting Mohammed as the messenger, Allah as God, praying five times daily, fasting for 30 days, making a pilgrimage to Mecca and giving money to charity, Ali said.

However, Abderrahman said, members of all religions are welcome to fast with the MSA and partake of the dinner ending the fast.

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## Bikes

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"We are giving information about our fixed routes and Tech services," Quigley said.

Tech student Austin Davidson, a sophomore psychology major from Dallas, said he heard about the bike

clinic through a sign in the SUB.

"(The bike clinic) is a big part of being educated and informed about what people are trying to accomplish," Davidson said.

Clif Bar representatives were handing out merchandise such as Clif bars and hats. Another group at the bike clinic was the Graduate School and Graduate Student

Advisory Council.

Peyton Craig, a sophomore political science major from Spring, said he has a lot of friends who bike a lot.

Craig said it was nice seeing more road bikes on Tech campus.

"(The bike clinic) is a good way for (riders) to bond," Craig said.

The clinic was open to Tech >>> [eduarte@dailytoreador.com](mailto:eduarte@dailytoreador.com)

students, faculty and staff.

Students and employees who attended the event had the opportunity to register their bicycles with Transportation and Parking Services. While most of the activities at the bike clinic were for bicyclists, there were also activities for non-cyclists.

The MSA hosts Quran studies at 7 p.m. every Wednesday at the Islamic Cultural Center. >>> [kmckee@dailytoreador.com](mailto:kmckee@dailytoreador.com)

# Violent crimes rose 18 percent in 2011

WASHINGTON (AP) — Violent crimes unexpectedly jumped 18 percent last year, the first rise in nearly 20 years, and property crimes rose for first time in a decade. But academic experts said the new government data fall short of signaling a reversal of the long decline in crime.

The U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics reported Wednesday that the increase in the number of violent crimes was the result of an upward swing in simple assaults, which rose 22 percent, from 4 mil-

lion in 2010 to 5 million last year. The incidence of rape, sexual assault and robbery remained largely unchanged, as did serious violent crime involving weapons or injury.

Property crimes were up 11 percent in 2011, from 15.4 million in 2010 to 17 million, according to the bureau's annual national crime victimization survey. Household burglaries rose 14 percent, from 3.2 million to 3.6 million. The number of thefts jumped by 10 percent, from 11.6 million to 12.8 million.

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# Supreme Court views not 'liberal or conservative'

HOUSTON (AP) — U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts said Wednesday that people shouldn't think the high court's justices make decisions in terms of a liberal or conservative agenda.

Roberts told a crowd of nearly 4,800 people at Rice University in Houston that many of the court's close votes have had nothing to do with politics.

"We look at these cases and resolve them ... not in terms of a particular liberal or conservative agenda," he said. "It's just easier for reporters to say that justice is liberal and that justice is conservative."

From reading some of the court's opinions, Roberts added, people may think that justices are "at each other's throats." But he said all the justices are "extremely close."

Roberts, taking a break from the high court's current term in Washington, talked in general about his work leading the nation's highest court. But he didn't discuss some of the court's more recent high-profile cases — including voting to uphold much of President Barack Obama's health care overhaul.

Roberts, who was appointed by President George W. Bush, made headlines when he voted with the liberal justices in that 5-4 landmark decision. After that ruling, Roberts became the focus of criticism from some of the nation's leading conservatives while liberals applauded his statesmanship.

Despite being in Texas, Roberts also didn't discuss a case currently before the court involving the University of Texas at Austin and the

use of race in college admissions that could lead to new limits on affirmative action. Roberts and the other justices heard arguments in the case last week. A decision is expected by late June.

But Roberts didn't tease the crowd, saying he wouldn't be discussing any past, present or future cases. "So my remarks will be brief," he said, eliciting laughter from the audience.

Roberts interjected humor throughout the hour-long event, in which he had a conversation with Rice University President David Leebron on a stage at the campus basketball arena before answering questions submitted on note cards from the audience. The discussion was part of events marking the school's centennial.

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# 22nd annual SEJ Conference comes to Lubbock Wednesday

By **CAITLAN OSBORN**  
STAFF WRITER

More than 500 journalists and environmental experts from across the globe have gathered in Lubbock for the 22nd Annual Society of Environmental Journalists Conference.

Journalists working for a variety of media platforms, including print, radio and broadcasting will represent institutions such as National Geographic Magazine, *The New York Times*, *The Chicago Tribune*, BBC, NPR, ProPublica, the National Academy of Sciences and the National Library of Medicine.

The conference began Wednesday with an all-day workshop, "The Craft and Commerce of Successful Freelancing," and ends Sunday. Events are primarily hosted at the Overton Hotel.

Ron Kendall, a professor in the Department of Environmental Toxicology, said he first learned of the Society for Environmental Journalists Conference when it was hosted at his alma mater, Virginia Tech.

He said he became interested in having the conference take place at Texas Tech, which has been a process in the making for years.

"I received materials about how exciting it was to have the world press come to the university," he said. "I did a little research and places they had their meetings were like Stanford and University of Wisconsin at Madison — these premier universities. They decided they would have their meeting in 2012 here in Lubbock, so we basically have the world press coming here this week."

The theme for this year's conference is "Big Land, Big Sky, Big Issues," Kendall said, and will cover topics unique to Lubbock and the South Plains region, including the production of cotton, the livestock industry, wind energy, the production of oil and gas and water use

in an arid environment.

Wednesday evening, producer Jamie Redford shared his film "Watershed," a movie about a climate-changed west that is narrated and executive produced by his father, Robert Redford.

Graduate students from Tech also had the chance to present research posters about a variety of issues Wednesday.

Today participants will have a chance to tour landmark sites, including Carlsbad Caverns National Park in New Mexico, the American Wind Power Center in Lubbock and Palo Duro Canyon State Park.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday there will be lectures, workshops and breakout sessions, which include topics such as climate change, environmental journalism practices, new media, health and conserving natural resources.

Friday there is a pre-screening of "The Dust Bowl," a documentary by Ken Burns and co-produced by Dayton Duncan, who will discuss the film.

Kelly Kaufhold, an assistant professor in the College of Media and Communication said the conference provides great exposure for Lubbock and the surrounding areas.

"It's a huge conference, and we're really excited because it's the first time they've come to town," he said. "One of the reasons they wanted to come here was part of this conference is always field trips to surrounding areas, and they're going to some places that are really only accessible in a very unique way from West Texas."

"They're covering a lot of issues that are huge in the environment right now, and they're all within reach of Lubbock. Because of the issues that are in the news this year, this is a uniquely good location."

As the university works to achieve tier-one status, Kendall said it is important for Tech to represent itself well to other parts of the nation and the world.

"This is a neat opportunity when we have so many research projects and ideas going on here," he said. "It's a great opportunity to communicate who we are and what we do and how we can help you as potential sponsors, like industry and so on, solve environmental issues, and that's where the future is."

"From our perspective of being an emerging national research university, this couldn't have come at a better time, as we are gaining momentum in research and development."

Jay Letto, the conference director, said it isn't the job of journalists to care about the environment, necessarily, but to ensure the topic is thoroughly covered in the media.

"It's more like a beat. It's just what we write about," he said. "For the Society of Environmental Journalists, what's important for us is to try and elevate the environment beat in mainstream media. For our group we feel environmental issues are important to people and that's kind of our main thing, is to try to elevate the quality and visibility of environmental reporting."

The conference is a good opportunity for Lubbock to advertise itself to journalists from across the U.S., Europe and Latin America, Letto said.

"It's really great to be here in Lubbock," he said. "It's an opportunity for Lubbock to showcase all you've got going here to a national and global audience."

This event is a unique way to ensure Tech is recognized by others for its environmental work and research, Kendall said.

"There's no telling who's walking across this campus that can tell the Texas Tech story to other parts of the world," he said.

For a full list of events and information, visit <http://www.sej.org/initiatives/sej-annual-conferences/AC2012-main>.  
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# Decades late, FDR memorial park dedicated in New York

NEW YORK (AP) — Dignitaries on Wednesday dedicated a new memorial state park overlooking the United Nations to former President Franklin Roosevelt.

The Franklin D. Roosevelt Four Freedoms Park, on an island in the East River, "will stand forever as a monument to the man who brought us through the Great Depression and brought us victory over great evil," Mayor Michael Bloomberg told several hundred people at the dedication ceremony, celebrating a design 40 years in the making.

Former President Bill Clinton said Roosevelt's dream for a better world "is still the right dream for America" and the park should remind the nation his lofty goals are worth pursuing.

The triangular park is named after Roosevelt's 1941 State of the Union address, known as the Four Freedoms Speech, given before America got involved in World War II. Roosevelt said the way to justify the enormous sacrifice of war was to create a world centered on four essential human freedoms: freedom of speech and expression, freedom of worship, freedom from want and freedom from fear. The words were later incorporated into the charter of the United Nations.

The park sits on Roosevelt Island, a 2-mile slice of land between Manhattan and Queens. The 4-acre expanse of green is flanked by 120 trees leading to a colossal bronze bust of Roosevelt at the threshold of a white

granite open-air plaza.

The statue is an enlargement of a 28-inch bust of Roosevelt, also a New York governor, created by American sculptor Jo Davidson. It sits in a stone niche on the back of which a passage from the Four Freedoms speech is carved. The statue sits a mere 300 yards across the river from the headquarters of the United Nations, which Roosevelt helped found.

The park will open to the public on Oct. 24.

Former U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. William vanden Heuvel, chairman of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Four Freedoms Park LLC, said, "We hope visitors of different ages will understand that the four freedoms are the core values of democracy and that each generation has to be sure to protect them."

Gov. Nelson Rockefeller and Mayor John Lindsay first announced creation of the memorial park and appointed Louis Kahn as its architect in 1973. Vanden Heuvel, who was there that day, said Kahn completed the drawings a year later. That year, Rockefeller became vice president, and the city verged on bankruptcy. With no money, the park was shelved.

The project was revived by vanden Heuvel in 2005 after an Oscar-nominated documentary about Kahn, "My Architect," brought renewed interest.

Over the next seven years, \$53 million was raised, \$34 million from private donors. The rest came from the city

and the state.

The park had been embroiled in a legal dispute with two of its major donors over how prominently their names would be displayed. The Alaphwood Foundation, which donated \$10.8 million, reached an undisclosed settlement, while the Reed Foundation, which gave \$2.9 million, won a court judgment for its name to be engraved in an area near the memorial bust as spelled out in a contract. The park had argued that such a placement would dishonor Roosevelt and defile Kahn's work.

Roosevelt was stricken with polio at age 39 and needed a wheelchair for the rest of his life, and a sculpture highlighting his disability is planned. The statue, by sculptor Meredith Bergmann, will depict him seated in a wheelchair, reaching for the hand of a young girl on crutches.

Seventy-year-old Nancy Brown, who got polio at age 7 and attended the ceremony in a wheelchair, said the sculpture will be "an inspiration to people who are disabled, especially children."

In the next several years, the park hopes to transform a nearby abandoned hospital into a visitor's center. About 15,000 people live on the northern end of the island, which is reachable by tram or subway. The park plans to work closely with Cornell University, which is planning a graduate center on the island, on a nearby dock to transport people via water taxi and ferry.

# Vice provost awarded American Council on Education Fellowship

By **KATIE MCKEE**  
STAFF WRITER

The reorganization within the Office of the Provost began with Vice Provost Valerie Paton's "prestigious" opportunity.

"It's really an extraordinary opportunity for her," Provost Bob Smith said. "Many people in countries who have aspired to be provosts or presidents have used the ACE Fellowship as a stepping stone to those expanded opportunities."

Paton was awarded the American Council on Education Fellowship in April. Although Paton said she began doing homework for the Fellowship immediately after receiving it, the Fellowship officially began in August.

The ACE Fellowship provides an opportunity for those who are already involved in higher education leadership to visit other campuses and their leaders to learn about higher education policy, she said.

This works out well, Paton said, because higher education policy is her primary field of study.

Along with visiting other campuses, Paton said she will attend leadership development

training and complete projects assigned to her by ACE.

Fellowship recipients are required to choose a school with which to collaborate and work on projects with. That school can be either the recipient's home school or another school of their choice, Paton said.

Paton will complete her fellowship at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center in El Paso, she said, working with HSC president Ted Mitchell and El Paso HSC Vice President Jose Manuel de

la Rosa.

Choosing the HSC in El Paso was logical for Paton, she said, because it will benefit the Texas Tech University System as well as her.

In May, the Board of Regents approved the separation of HSC in El Paso from the HSC in Lubbock, enabling it to function as its own institution.

Many of the projects Paton will work on at HSC El Paso will be in an effort to complete that separation, she said.

"The project that (de la Rosa) asked me to do is to develop the different components of project management to bring what is now the School of Nursing and the medical school and then the biomedical sciences programs into full university status," she said.

While most fellows choose to do their fellowships within block periods of time, such as six months to a year, Paton said she chose to do hers periodically to have more time for her duties as vice provost at Tech while com-

pleting the tasks required from the fellowship.

These tasks, she said, are presented to fellows through Blackboard and have specific due dates.

Paton is required to complete 12 weeks at her host institution, HSC in El Paso, and six weeks worth of leadership academies,

workshops and university visits.

While Paton focuses on completing her fellowship by August, Peggy Miller, interim dean of the Graduate School, has been promoted by Smith to fulfill aspects of Paton's duties as vice provost.

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## Tech must improve, enforce lab safety requirements

Two years after a chemistry experiment explosion at Texas Tech injured a student, there are still inadequacies in lab safety within the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry.

Though I do have a thorough knowledge of biology lab safety, what helps most in keeping me alive is simple common sense.

The department stresses on us the importance of lab safety by showing us mandatory 20-year old lab safety videos which cover important concepts such as wearing natural-fibered clothing that fits well, safety goggles and aprons, handling dangerous chemicals and proper equipment management. Now, I am stressing the importance of lab safety to the ones who show us these videos.

An example from last week that really set me off was a par-

**Rocio Rodriguez**



ticular experiment that called for the use of hydrochloric acid. According to the Principles of Chemistry II-Chemistry 1108 Laboratory chemistry manual, this strong acid is toxic and corrosive. The manual warns us to wear the mandatory apron and goggles to prevent any eye, skin or clothing contact.

Yes, we are university students, but most of us are inexperienced within a lab setting. These classes are not just for a grade or to teach us formulas and practical equipment use. They are also supposed to teach us the true basics of lab presence: safety.

But when the teaching assistant is sitting back, watching us pour ten milliliters of hydrochloric acid from a gallon bottle into a tiny graduated cylinder, it is obvious the chemistry department is inadequately training its scientific leaders on lab safety.

This TA's irresponsibility is not the only thing that gets to me. How about the fact that we are handling these huge bottles of chemicals without the protection of gloves? Recently, there has been a new policy that all

students are required to wear shoes that completely cover the foot, as opposed to the previous policy of shoes that just cover the toes.

That's great, but what about the protection of the fingers that are actually touching these corrosive and toxic chemicals?

The adjustment from having us wear toe-covering shoes to having us wear foot-covering shoes will not protect us from losing our fingers. And if we are to be quite thorough, the stated policy also

bans canvas shoes, which I see frequently.

The U.S. Chemical Safety Board did a review of the chemistry department and released its statement Oct. 14, 2011 over the Jan. 7, 2010 explosion.

The case study identified oversights and "systemic deficiencies in safety accountability" by the "principal investigators, the chemistry department, and the university administration at Texas Tech." Come on, Tech, prospective tier-one research institute. We must not focus on ethics alone, but also the safety of our researchers and students.

The CSB stresses a "strong safety culture," and Tech needs to push this just as much as research participation and ethics. So far, in spite of Tech's released statement, efforts to improve TA performance in the lab through a teaching experiment between

the Department of Theatre and Dance and the Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry is not shown to prevent short-term problems. A large group of students huddled at a three-foot wide hood, wrestling for the chemicals needed for an experiment is definitely an accident waiting to happen.

Tech's self-imposed recommendations show a desperate lack of quality in the labs. Though this accident happened the year I entered Tech, I want to see every single self-imposed recommendation completed as soon as possible. Get to it, Tech. Your students' safety is at stake, and as a recruiter, I refuse to bring students to a school that only talks the talk.

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*"It's not only ethics we must focus on, but also the safety of our graduate and undergraduate researchers and students."*

## Tax cuts helpful, but not sole cause of prosperity

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Recently mentioned in the debates were the "Bush Tax Cuts," a set of laws passed in 2001 and 2003 that lowered marginal tax rates for almost all taxpayers. Although the laws were set to expire in 2010, President Obama renewed them until 2012. Now the debate begins a third time as Democrats and Republicans again argue about the cuts' proposed expiration.

Most Americans support a progressive tax system — a system where the wealthier pay a higher proportion of their income in taxes than the poor. The Bush tax cuts actually made the system more progressive.

Wait, how is that possible? Didn't Democrats argue that the wealthier receive a higher proportion of the Bush tax cuts? How could the cuts also have made the system more progressive?

Well, in the words of Aristotle, "There are things which seem incredible to most men who have not studied mathematics."

Let's look at a hypothetical example to see how this is mathematically possible, relying on statistics from Deloitte and Touche's analysis as cited by David Rosenbaum of the New York Times in 2001.

Imagine there are two families in America. According to Deloitte, in 2001, one that currently made \$20,000 paid \$990 (4.95 percent) in taxes. The other family made \$1,000,000 and paid \$306,842 (30.7 percent) in taxes. Thanks to the Bush tax cuts, the poor family saw their taxes reduced to \$580, a reduction of \$410 or 41 percent. The rich family saw their taxes reduced to \$259,728, a change of \$47,114 or 15 percent.

If we then added the two tax cut numbers together to find the total dollar amount cut, \$580 + \$47,114 = \$47,694, we could see

the statistic often cited by Democrats that the "rich received a higher percentage of the tax cut."

In a large-scale society, there are obviously more than two families. However, not only did poor families see a higher tax cut than the rich in terms of percentage of income, but according to multiple calculations, the share of total taxes paid by the rich increased by a full percentage point, facts often cited by Republicans.

Both facts are true at the same time. Now the numbers are obviously going to be different today — but feel free to apply the same calculations.

My point is that, historically, the Bush tax cuts made the tax system more progressive. In addition, the law basically wiped away the tax bill for many low-income taxpayers.

Perhaps one of the biggest problems is that letting the cuts expire could cost trillions in lost revenues.

This is certainly distressing, considering the state of our national debt. The Obama administration has recently been arguing to extend the Bush tax cuts for all families making under \$250,000 a year, while letting the other tax cuts expire. This "soak the rich" compromise may sound appealing to some, but it does not come close to eliminating the effect on the national debt. Additionally, raising taxes in this economy could cause even slower growth.

Peter J. Wallison, the Arthur F. Burns fellow in financial policy studies at the American Enterprise Institute, argues that tax cuts do not stimulate much growth without reducing regulation at the same time. He says:

"Tax cuts are powerful economic stimulants, as the Kennedy, Reagan, and Bush experiences show, but reducing regulation provides the space in which a private sector — incentivized by tax cuts — can find room to pursue the innovation and risk-taking that ultimately creates jobs."

## Pixar products have declined since purchase by Disney

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Remember the Pixar films of yore? Those sweet, innocent, simple productions free of convoluted plots and overly elaborate settings? Those feel-good movies you could watch again and again and again? Those movies made first and foremost for kids and their imagination? The first two "Toy Story" films, "A Bug's Life," "Monster's Inc.," "Finding Nemo" and "The Incredibles" were all films released before Disney purchased Pixar for \$7.4 billion in 2006. You'd be hard-pressed to find a single person who honestly dislikes any one of these films. However, Pixar movies produced after the acquisition do not share the same unanimous respect that the earlier movies inspire.

Few people will deny that the two "Cars" films are horrible. "Brave" was met with very mixed reviews. Many people love "Wall-E" and "Up," although some, like myself, found the emotions in these films to be false and the storylines flat. My personal favorite Pixar movie is "Ratatouille," but all too often when I tell this to people, they jeer and ramble about those snobbish French. The only recent movie that

breaks this lackluster trend is "Toy Story 3." I haven't heard a single complaint lodged against it. Why did this happen? What happened to Pixar after Disney took control?

From 1991 to 2006, there was indeed a partnership between Disney and Pixar. Pixar was responsible for the creation and production of films while Disney handled marketing and distribution. This, in effect, kept all creative decisions safely in Pixar's hands. Pixar was a small, independent and self-determining company, at times employing only 42 people. The company made movies with quality over profit in mind.

However, then things became "Disneyfied." With the creation of Disney-Pixar in 2006, Disney took an active role in the production of Pixar films. Movie concepts were to be screened and approved by Disney. Because the budgets of Disney-Pixar movies were higher than they had been without Disney, only sure box-office hits were approved. The films became duller with higher budgets. They feel engineered rather than artistically crafted. The old movies were charming in their naivete and cheerful bliss; the new movies are frustrating in

their overbearing settings, characters and plots.

Perhaps one contributing factor to Pixar's decline is that beginning in 2006, Pixar has released a film every year. Before 2006, films were released two years apart on average. Pixar also suffered the loss of Steve Jobs in 2006. Jobs had been the CEO of Pixar for 11 years before 2006. After the transaction, Jobs abandoned his leading role at Pixar and became the single largest shareholder on Disney's board of directors. In fact, upon his death, the majority of his estate's worth was derived from Disney, not Apple.

I wish for a return to those good ol' simple-minded Pixar masterpieces. Maybe I'm seeing through the lens of nostalgia — if I had spent my childhood years with "Wall-E" or "Up," I might prefer them to "Finding Nemo" or "Monsters Inc." Pixar seems to prefer its old movies, too — what else would explain all these recent sequels? (In addition to "Toy Story 3," Pixar has slated upcoming releases for "Finding Nemo 2" and "Monster's University," a "Monster's Inc." prequel.) Unfortunately, Pixar has lost originality in pursuit of easy money. The sequel is almost always worse than the original. Sequels

exploit the novelty of yesteryear rather than surprising us with further creative originality. Ed Catmull, the current president of Pixar, can learn from his own advice: "We as executives have to resist our natural tendency to avoid or minimize risks, which, of course, is much easier said than done. In the movie business and plenty of others, this instinct leads executives to choose to copy successes rather than try to create something brand-new." Nevertheless, "Monster's University" may prove to be very exciting for the Dartmouth community — the university setting looks like it may even be modeled after our very own Baker Bell Tower and Webster Hall.

I hope Pixar will go on to hire fresh talent and pursue creativity without the necessity of hungering for the big bucks that come from the next predictably formulaic blockbuster. One intriguing prospect scheduled for release in the far future is Pixar's first live-action film, "1906," a historical disaster film based on the 1906 San Francisco earthquake. Directed by Brad Bird, the same man who wrote and directed "The Incredibles," this movie is sure to reintroduce creative risk to Pixar.

## U.S. press should look to examples set by foreign journalists

By **ANDRES DOMINGUEZ**  
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We often think of journalists struggling against oppressive governments while dealing with threats and violence. Some of these countries include Syria, China, Iran, Sudan and most recently, Mexico.

The drug war that has engulfed the border cities for six years brings to mind immigration, drug and human smuggling and cross-border violence. Further down the list is freedom of the press.

This year, the U. Arizona School of Journalism presented the annual John Peter and Anna Catherine Zenger Award to two journalists who stand for freedom of speech: Rocio Gallegos Rodríguez and Sandra Rodríguez Nieto, for their work covering violence against women, drug cartels and related crimes for El Diario de Juárez.

Juárez has been a center for border

violence for years, and Mexico has been labeled "the most dangerous place in the world for journalists."

Since the war on drugs began in 2006, 67 journalists have been killed in Mexico. Many more are threatened, harassed and intimidated.

But Gallegos and Rodríguez represent the struggle for freedom of the press with their struggles through the threats and harassment they receive, as well as a non-responsive government that wages a war in which it ignores its own people.

This should be a standard that journalists should strive for, regardless of how free or oppressed the media is in their home countries, because in the future these roles could be reversed. A perfect example is the U.S., and just beyond the southern border of Mexico.

In the 1970s and 1980s, Latin America was one of the worst places a journalist could be located. With the continent covered by military

dictatorships and oppressive regimes, journalists and other political activists were sometimes "disappeared" at the hands of the government, and often were never seen or heard from again.

Since those governments fell in the late 1980s, freedom of the press has certainly not flourished in Central or South America, but it has taken significant steps toward achieving a system where information flows freely.

Press freedom in the U.S. seems to be trending the other way, unfortunately. This year, the U.S. fell 27 places to 47th in press freedom in rankings by Reporters Without Borders. This is mainly "owing to the many arrests of journalists covering Occupy Wall Street protests," according to the organization.

There are other factors that should worry citizens about the impending fate of free information — increasingly limited access to government documents due to national security issues (perceived or real), increas-

ing self-censorship and the recently developed phenomena of sources expecting to be anonymous instead of anonymity being an agreement under rare circumstances.

To keep journalism from declining in the U.S., reporters should look to figures like Gallegos and Rodríguez. Even though, regrettably, the U.S. government has been less responsive to the press, it is a much easier government to deal with than Mexico's. Reporters should be able to make bold decisions in order to protect the profession, and not worry about arrests, the self-censorship culture, or even governmental niceties ("We respectfully ask you not to print this").

If journalists can follow Gallegos and Rodríguez's examples by being bold and accountable not to the government, but to readers, viewers and citizens, the U.S. press can rise from being one of America's least trusted institutions to one of the highest.

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# LA VIDA

## Anticipation rises among "King of Country" fans

By ASHLYN TUBBS  
STAFF WRITER

When the "King of Country" announced his final tour would kick off in Lubbock, thousands of fans eagerly took the opportunity to assemble his throne.

Cindy Harper, the associate director of marketing and booking at the United Spirit Arena, said when tickets first went on sale at 10 a.m. Oct. 12 for the George Strait concert, the arena sold out in 50 minutes. That is just less than 15,000 tickets.

"Friday was a very busy day," she said. "Once they went pretty quickly, folks knew it was sold out. The anticipation for the concert is certainly very high."

This upcoming concert is Strait's fifth appearance in the arena, in which many of the previous shows have been sold out as well. This may be the reason Strait chose Lubbock specifically as the starting point of the winter 2013 leg of his two-year tour entitled, "The Cowboy Rides Away Tour," with Martina McBride as a special guest.

"We're thrilled that he's coming back to Lubbock," Harper said. "We're excited that he spoke of Lubbock in his press conference, and it was really neat how he elaborated on Lubbock a little bit and didn't really talk much about the other cities other than he was going to end up in his hometown of San

Antonio. We were really excited that Lubbock has marked his memory and is one of the towns that he has felt special at and that he wanted to come and give his appreciation for the support throughout the years."

In his news conference with the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum in Nashville, Strait shared the first 20 markets in his tour, beginning Jan. 18 in Lubbock.

"We start out in Lubbock," Strait said. "We're gonna go up there and play for a bunch of Red Raiders and that's always fun. We always enjoy playing Lubbock."

Harper said the tickets sold out as fast as the previous Taylor

Swift concert tickets did. She said she thinks that one of the reasons Strait has continuously returned to the arena is because of the supportive Lubbock and Texas Tech community.

"I think that's one reason we are fortunate to keep getting those large headliners back to Lubbock," she said, "because it's so apparent through those sellouts how supportive the Lubbock community is and that catches the attention of promoters and agents when they are routing their tours."

Harper said Strait will perform in a round configuration, meaning the stage will be in the middle of the arena which allows more seating.

"He will play to all sides of the audience," she said. "He'll move to each quarter of the stage, and every seat at every angle will be a good view for that."

Kent Meredith, the interim assistant vice president for auxiliary services for the arena, said he hopes Tech students got to purchase tickets for the concert through the student presale. He said a diverse crowd has been present at Strait's previous Lubbock appearances.

"He's one of those entertainers who spans generations," Meredith said. "Young people listen to him, college students all the way up to people George's age, and he is 60.

That's that great thing about George Strait."

Meredith has had the chance to meet Strait several times throughout the years and said he looks forward to another opportunity to shake his hand and welcome him back to Lubbock.

"It's not like we went to dinner or anything," he said, "but he's a very down-to-earth person."

Meredith said he hopes Strait will come to Lubbock even after his final tour.

"60 years old is really young," he said. "He's going to have to tour again in a couple of years. He's just too good not to."

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### Midnight

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"It's a compilation of the College of Agriculture, Dr. Jackson, the Masked Rider Committee," Wenzel said. "The horse will basically have to go through a tryout process, make sure it's okay with the band, the sound of the band, the band being so close, the football field, crowds, flags. It will have to go through mainly the Masked Rider committee."

Wenzel said that although she has been with the horse for only six months, her favorite memory of the horse is the first time she rode him at a baseball

game in May.

"It was the first time that I had ever ran him and he had ever heard his song with me as a rider," Wenzel said. "I literally could feel his heart rate underneath me and through the saddle that he got so excited when he heard the song he knew he was supposed to run. It was really just a cool moment knowing that not only is it the fans that get excited, or me that gets excited, but he also gets excited at the sound of his song."

Wenzel said Midnight Matador makes appearances at football games, baseball games, soccer games and events throughout the community.

Midnight Matador will continue to make appearances, Rhode said. He

will just not be able to run out onto the football field:

The release stated Midnight Matador has traveled more than 100,000 miles to more than 1,500 university and community appearances in the 11 years he has been the mascot's horse.

"It's sad to see him go," Wenzel said. "I've definitely bonded with him for the past six months, and I know all the previous riders were also sad to see him go as well. It's also kind of a happy thing that he's going in a good way, that he's not hurt, nothing is forcing him out of the position. We are just retiring him on a good note. He's still got a lot of life in him."

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## Dutch art thieves were no 'Ocean's 11'

AMSTERDAM (AP) — In Hollywood movies, heists usually feature criminals who plan meticulously and use high-tech equipment to avoid detection. But the thieves who snatched seven paintings by Picasso, Matisse and Monet worth millions from a gallery in Rotterdam appear to have taken a less glamorous approach, relying mostly on speed and brute force.

In other words, the theft from the Kunsthal exhibition on avant-garde art was more "smash and grab" than "Ocean's 11."

Dutch police said Wednesday they had no suspects in the case, the largest art heist in the country for more than a decade, though an appeal to witnesses had produced more than a dozen tips for

investigators to follow up.

As questions arose about security at the museum, its director, Emily Ansenk, rejected criticism of the facility's safeguards. Speaking at a news conference Tuesday evening, she defended Kunsthal's security as "state of the art" and noted that insurance companies had agreed to insure it.

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### PLAY PAINTING



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KLAIRE PETRE, A sophomore chemical engineering major from Richardson, stains and paints wooden planks of set pieces for the play "How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" on Wednesday outside the University Theatre. The play begins today in the Charles E. Maedgen Jr. Theatre.

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# Man accused of defrauding Broadway show, others

CENTRAL ISLIP, N.Y. (AP) — Mark Hotton appeared on the high-stakes Broadway theater scene out of nowhere this year, offering to come to the financial rescue of a fledgling Broadway adaptation of the psychological thriller "Rebecca."

Although the musical's producers had never heard of Hotton, he successfully sold himself as a globe-trotting moneymaker with connections to a wealthy Australian named Paul Abrams. That was before Hotton raised suspicions by claiming that Abrams had suddenly dropped dead.

Federal prosecutors charged Hotton on Monday with concocting a tale of phantom investors and an untimely death as imaginative

as the classic Alfred Hitchcock film about a man haunted by the memory of his dead first wife.

Hotton, 46, also was charged in two other swindles — one targeting a Connecticut-based real estate company and another that investigators say involved his wife and sister on Long Island.

A judge in federal court in Long Island ordered Hotton held without bail on Monday after prosecutors argued he was a flight risk.

In court papers, the government accused Hotton of creating a web of shell companies they likened to a Ponzi scheme that victimized people across the country to the tune of \$15 million.

Hotton, a former stockbroker who lost his license last year,

managed to "lull some investors into a temporary sense of security by allowing them to realize small returns on investments, while the remainder funded the Hottons' lifestyle, which included pleasure boats registered to others and waterfront property," the papers say.

He was to appear at another proceeding later in the week to face other charges he "perpetrated stranger-than-fiction frauds both on and off Broadway," Manhattan U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara said in a statement.

In the "Rebecca" case, he "faked lives, faked companies and even staged a fake death," the prosecutor said.

Hotton's attorney declined to comment.

The planned \$12 million production of the 1938 novel by Daphne du Maurier collapsed earlier this month amid questions about its financial backing.

Lead producer Ben Sprecher "is extremely gratified that Mr. Hotton has been taken into custody," said his attorney, Ronald Russo, adding that Sprecher has "cooperated completely with the investigation."

"Mr. Hotton's fraudulent conduct did enormous damage to Broadway and to 'Rebecca,'" Russo said. "Mr. Sprecher is totally committed to bringing 'Rebecca' to New York."

According to a criminal complaint, a "third party" suggested this year that the producers contact

Hotton to see if he could help them with a \$4 million shortfall for the musical's budget. Even though they "had never met Hotton or heard of him," they started an email correspondence that convinced them he had secured the money from four overseas investors, including Paul Abrams, the complaint says.

The producers agreed to pay Hotton \$15,000 in fees and commissions from March to June, the complaint says. He was also paid an additional \$18,000 "advance" against his 8 percent commission, it says.

While pressing for Abrams to wire the funds in July, Hotton wrote that the investor had been hospitalized with malaria following a trip to Africa, the complaint says.

An email later forwarded to the producers — purportedly written by Abrams' secretary — read: "Mr. Hotton, I'm so sorry to relay such terrible news — Mr. Abrams passed away this evening and the family has asked for your attendance at the services ... as you were so close to him."

In the separate Long Island case, federal prosecutors in Brooklyn accused Hotton and his wife of cheating business clients out of \$3.7 million.

An indictment alleges that the couple, while operating three electrical contracting companies, created fake invoices showing money owed by third parties. They then sold the purported debts to other companies, the indictment said.

# Texas Tech celebrates Disability Awareness Week with art show

By LIANA SOLIS  
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Oct. 15 through Oct. 19 is National Disability Awareness Week. The Texas Tech Department of Student Disability Services will hold an art showcase to help celebrate the occasion.

Tamera Mancini, assistant director for the student disability services, has helped organize the exhibit.

"We heard about another school doing this last year and thought it was something interesting that we wanted to do," Mancini said.

According to the Student Disability Services news release, the art will be representative of anyone who has personally struggled with disabilities or has struggled watching the disabled.

"Of course we wanted most of the art to come from people who

have had experience," Mancini said, "but we are accepting art from anyone. The whole purpose is to give people a different outlook on what it's like to live with a disability or be a part of the lives of someone who does struggle."

The art is going to be displayed all week long in the SDS office in West Hall. However, there will

be a special open house art reception hosted Oct. 19.

*"The whole purpose is to give people a different outlook on what it's like to live with a disability or be a part of the lives of someone who does struggle."*

**TAMERA MANCINI**  
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR STUDENT DISABILITY SERVICES

Mariah Tangler, a freshman early education major from Plano, said she has personal experience with disability in the family. "I have an uncle who has been struggling with a physical disability for most of his life," Tangler

everyday tasks can be."

Tangler plans on going to see the artwork and to possibly get a chance to speak with some of the artists.

"The fact that people are able to still express themselves even after dealing with something like that is impressive," she said. "I just want to talk to some of the artists and hear about their stories behind the art or what it's been like for them."

SDS is still accepting artwork to be put in the exhibit through Friday, and the artwork can be turned in at 335 West Hall.

The art reception will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Oct. 19 and is free to anyone wanting to attend.

"We are really excited about the event and the week overall, and we really hope that everyone else is excited to view the art as well," Mancini said.

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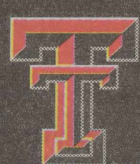
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## Horned Frogs to kick off rivalry with Texas Tech

By MICHAEL DUPONT II  
STAFF WRITER

When Texas A&M left for the Southeastern Conference, a void was left in the Big 12 Conference.

With the Aggies having left for a new conference, Texas Tech was left without a true rival. That void will be filled when No. 17 Tech heads to Fort Worth to take on TCU at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in Amon G. Carter Stadium.

Senior quarterback Seth Doege said he is excited to be part of the group that begins the new rivalry.

"If you look at it, there are not a lot of people in Lubbock that care too much about TCU people," he said, "and there are not many TCU people that care too much about Tech people."

Doege said the game between the schools will be a battle of

pride to prove who is the best team in Texas.

"Their defense plays really hard," he said. "They're well coached. They're very athletic on the ends. I think it's going to be a dog fight. They'll be excited to play, and whoever is prepared and whoever executes the best is going to win this game."

Tech (5-1, 2-1) is coming off a 49-14 victory in Lubbock against the highly touted, high-powered West Virginia offense led by senior quarterback Geno Smith.

TCU (5-1, 2-1), led by its aggressive defense, intercepted Baylor quarterback Nick Florence four times in a 49-21 victory against the Bears in Waco.

TCU is adjusting to a new quarterback under center.

After the dismissal of Casey Pachall, redshirt freshman Trevone Boykin stepped in as the new leader of the Horned Frogs

offensive attack.

TCU coach Gary Patterson said he expects Boykin to mature in his role more so this week against a resilient Tech defense.

"Texas Tech is very physical," he said. "When you make decisions about throwing or if you have to run with it, you have to be very careful. It will be interesting to see how (Boykin) grows up playing a defense like Tech. It will also be interesting to see how our defense plays against an offense like Tech."

In the winning performance against Baylor, Boykin tossed four touchdowns, completing 22 of his 30 pass attempts for 261 yards without throwing any interceptions.

Patterson said he expected the players to have more energy against Baylor after suffering a home loss to the Robert Griffin-led Bears last season.

"Our football team as a

whole got ready to play again because it was Baylor, and they knew we got embarrassed by them the year before," Patterson said. "This week, we will see how (Boykin) progresses and prepares. You are going to play a lot better defense this week."

According to USA Today, Tech's defense now ranks among the top five total defenses in the Football Bowl Subdivision. The Red Raiders held a Mountaineer offense that averaged 52 points per game entering last week to just 14 points.

Senior safety D.J. Johnson said he expects TCU to come to Lubbock prepared for a clash between the elites of the Big 12.

"I hope they bring their best game," he said. "I'm sure they will. I'm sure they're going to be very prepared. I'm sure they're excited to play us from what I've been told."

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## Texas A&M has won ugly, but here comes LSU

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Texas A&M has won five straight games. The last two wins for the 20th-ranked Aggies have been far from perfect.

They had six turnovers in a 30-27 win over Ole Miss two weeks ago and piled up 19 penalties in a 59-57 victory against Louisiana Tech last Saturday. Winning ugly has worked the past two weeks, but coach Kevin Sumlin knows his team will need to be much better this week when it hosts No. 6 LSU (6-1).

He believes changing that starts well before his team steps on the field.

"How you approach a game and how you approach what you're doing is important," he said. "Our guys are starting to understand that approach to the game doesn't start late in the week, it starts early in the week. The three areas of preparation (are) emotional, mental, physical — you've got to have all three. In games that are close, you're going to get tested in all three areas."

The most upsetting of A&M's mistakes were the four personal fouls in the second half of last week's game. Those are errors that Sumlin told the team were selfish and he wants to make sure they are eliminated as the Aggies (5-1) get into the

heart of their Southeastern Conference schedule.

"We plan on getting that fixed," senior offensive lineman Patrick Lewis said. "We can't be selfish football players and expect to win. Fifteen yards can really hurt us against a team like LSU."

The first-year Texas A&M coach has made it clear that penalties like that will not be tolerated and has implemented things in practice to let the team know he is serious.

"There's a lot of consequences being put out there right now for those type of penalties," Lewis said. "You have to see the strength coaches and do some extra running and some punishment work. Just to get us prepared and make sure we don't make those mistakes again. Because they can cost us a lot of games."

Texas A&M is averaging more than 72 yards of penalties a game, which is tied for 17th most in the country. It's not just the offense that is being reminded about getting that number down. The defense knows double-digit penalties won't be acceptable against LSU.

"If we have 19 penalties against this team and keep their offense on the field and allow them to sustain drives with what we're giving them and not what they've earned, then it will be a very long day for us defensively," linebacker Jonathan Stewart said.

## Tech women's soccer hopes freshman forward can provide late-season boost

By HOLDEN WILEN  
STAFF WRITER

Ashley Casey did not have to do much thinking when she decided to come to Texas Tech to play soccer.

Casey, an 18-year-old freshman forward from Allen, said she came to Tech because of coach Tom Stone. Casey said she had only been recruited by smaller schools, but when she met Stone at a college prep camp, he was impressed by her ability and could not believe she had not been recruited by bigger schools. Stone's energetic coaching style was a big reason why she came to Tech, she said.

"(Stone) started recruiting me and I wanted to come to a school where it was all about spirit," Casey said. "I definitely came here because of him. I love the way he

coaches and the way he teaches us everything. He makes us better players."

As a player, Casey's biggest strengths are her speed and competitiveness, Stone said. Though she has only appeared in six games so far this season, Casey has earned more playing time as the season has progressed because of her improved play. For the season, Casey has one assist and taken three shots, including one shot on goal.

"(Casey) has come here with something to prove and has gotten better each and every week," Stone said. "She's dealt with the frustrations of being a player in transition to the college game very well; all freshmen have to deal with that. She just plays with a lights-out mentality on game day. What we can count on from Ashley is that

she's fearless. She doesn't hold back, and that's why we keep putting her back there."

Casey's love for soccer began when she was a child, she said. She began playing when she was 5 years old, and would kick the ball around with her father outside whenever she got bored.

On the field, her love for the game is obvious. Freshman forward Janine Beckie said Casey is always smiling and laughing. Her happiness is contagious, Beckie said, which makes playing with her fun for everyone.

"When we play together, we feed really well off each other," Beckie said. "We're both really fast players. She can get down the line really well. I don't think I've ever seen her play a bad ball into the box. She's unbelievable; she does things that sometimes I don't think even I could do. She's a great personality and a great player."

Casey's main role model on the field is sophomore midfielder Paige

Strahan because of her work ethic and never-say-die attitude.

Off the field, Casey said she looks up to her best friend, freshman forward Briana Rohmer. When they are not playing soccer, Casey said she is usually either eating or watching movies with Rohmer and Beckie. They particularly enjoy eating at Chipotle and SpoonFull.

Overall, Stone said he is excited to have a player of Casey's ability on the team, and he looks forward to her making key contributions down the stretch for the Red Raiders. With her speed, Casey provides a boost off the bench other teams can't match.

"We're excited because a lot of times late in the season, you see players who haven't done as much early on start to do more at the end, and that can push a team over the top," Stone said. "I think Ashley's one of those players that's going to give us those moments down the stretch."

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## For some SEC teams, coaching seat heating up

(AP) — The Southeastern Conference could be getting another makeover.

This one would have nothing to do with expansion.

The league that has won six consecutive national championships has more coaches on the proverbial "hot seat" than in any recent year, with potential openings at Arkansas, Auburn, Kentucky and Tennessee. The Razorbacks are seemingly in disarray, while the Tigers, Wildcats and Volunteers have had all sorts of on-field problems.

With the season a little past the halfway point, talk about possible replacements is more rampant than speculation about the upcoming recruiting class or even basketball season. Well,

not at Kentucky.

Still, all that conjecture can make a long season feel like it's never going to end.

"There can be outside distractions whether you're doing great or whether you're doing not as well as you certainly would like to be doing," Auburn coach Gene Chizik said. "The great thing about college football is everybody's got an opinion. It's the greatest sport on the planet, and part of what makes it so great in this part of the country is that everybody does have an opinion."

"When you get into this, if you're not strong enough to handle that, then you're in the wrong business — both as a player and as a coach."

The way things have unfolded at Arkansas, Auburn, Kentucky and Tennessee, it could be gut-check time for all four coaches and their assistants.

The Razorbacks fired coach Bobby Petrino in April for hiring his mistress to a position in the athletic department and initially lying about her presence during a motorcycle accident. Athletic director Jeff Long then hired former Michigan State and Louisville head coach John L. Smith to a 10-month contract.

### Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

**ACROSS**

- Brown's org.
- Twins material
- Come-ons
- SS supplement, for some
- Golfer who was #1 when she retired in 2010
- Missouri's mountains
- TUMS target
- Congregational divide
- Modern address starter
- Splintered mount
- Do a hatchet job
- "Inside the NBA" analyst Barkley, familiarly
- Burning rubber sound
- Decorous
- Green hole
- Wings it, musically
- Heavenly bear
- Fix-it guide
- Like many eBay items
- Tuscany city
- Hum attachment?
- Do a hatchet job
- Manually
- Woolly garment
- He voiced Elmer
- Sweathearts maker
- Leap in a tutu
- Office purchase, and in a way, what can be seen in this puzzle's sequence of circles
- Fish lacking pelvic fins
- Aptly named bug spray
- New product div.
- Holiday luber
- Surrogate
- Out of port
- "Strange Magic" rock gp.

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- Soon to happen
- Its name usually has only two or three letters
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- Einstein's "I"
- Complaint about a literary volume?
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- One working on a punch, perhaps
- Dump truck adjunct
- Israeli arms expert — Gal
- Diaper woe
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- Depict unfairly
- Common menu option
- A la mode serving
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- Woodwind instr.
- Franklin's genre
- Furry tussle
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- Magnum, for one
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- Understand
- First family member?
- "Mad Money" channel
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- Apple messaging tool
- Horses with interspersed colored and white hairs
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By Rich Mausser

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# Red Raider volleyball team lose to Sooners 3-0

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The United Spirit Arena was decorated in pink Wednesday for Texas Tech volleyball's annual "Power in Pink" night to recognize the Susan G. Komen Foundation during the match.

The Red Raiders ran onto the court in hot pink jerseys, which were auctioned throughout the game for the foundation.

After the Red Raiders scored a few consecutive points in the first set (25-27), they ultimately fell to Oklahoma's competition.

"I think we fell off a little bit and we lacked a little bit of communication," Tech senior right side hitter Miara Cave said.

The Red Raiders started to lose their energy at the start of the second set (20-25), and the energy they lost was picked up

by the Sooners who continued to play hard throughout the third set (21-25).

"It was really just the start of the second set, it got out to a little lull," Tech coach Don Flora said.

Oklahoma middle back Sallie McLaurin led the game for Oklahoma with 16 of its total 45 digs. While Tech had only 36 digs, Cave again showed her heavy spike with 10 kills against the Sooners.

"We have to keep steady point by point and keep the communication up, and I think we'll be fine," Cave said.

The Sooners brought a tough game to Lubbock and the Red Raiders seemed unprepared for their stamina.

"They are a good defensive team, it is hard to put the ball away against them," Flora said. "I give them credit for playing such great defense, but I think that was the lull

in the start of game two, it hurt us."

While the Sooners kept a few of their players on the court for all three sets, Flora was switching out players frequently throughout the game in hopes to keep energy high on the court and give a variety of players the chance to get out on the court.

"There are athletes that earned that opportunity and when they go out and their numbers show that they are getting better we are going to give them opportunity in the game when we need an energy change," Flora said.

Though the Red Raiders had a tough loss against Oklahoma, Flora is still impressed with his team and he still supports them for their next matchup against Kansas State.

"They got in there, they got their wheels turning, and I'm impressed by that," Flora said. >>echappell@dailystore.com

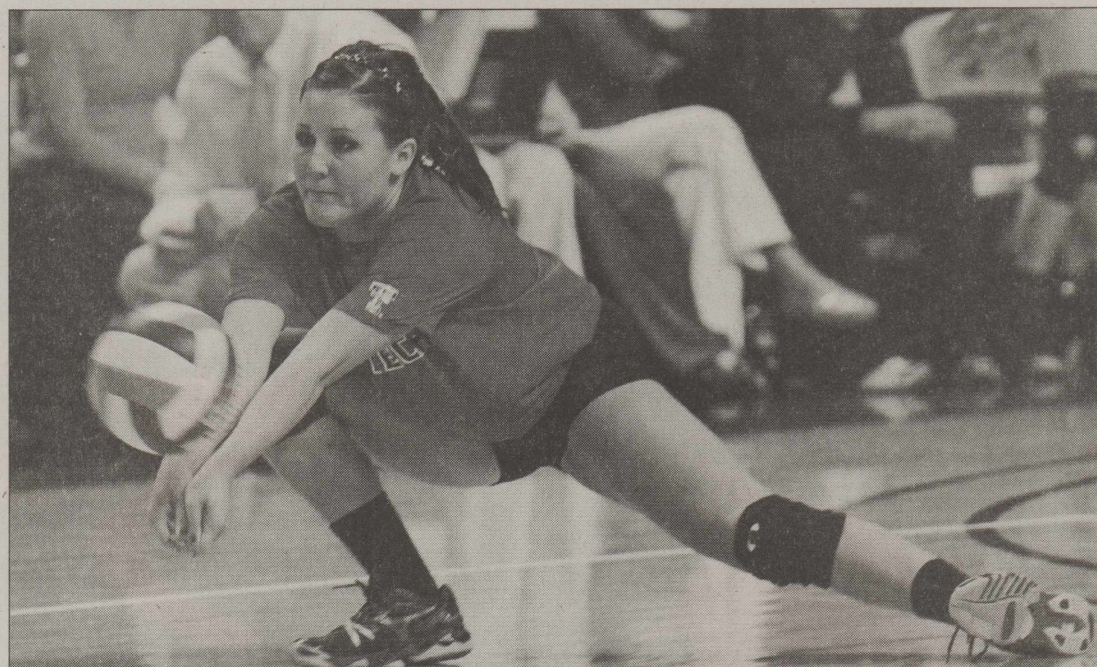


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TEXAS TECH LIBERO Tory Vaughan dives to return a serve during the Red Raiders' 3-0 loss to Oklahoma on Wednesday in United Spirit Arena.

## Texans' offense struggled in 1st loss of 2012 season

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Texans scored at least 27 points in each of their first four games, all impressive victories.

The offense hasn't operated quite as smoothly in the last two games, and looked sloppy in Sunday night's 42-24 loss to Green Bay.

Matt Schaub was sacked three times and threw two interceptions, Arian Foster was held to 29 yards rushing and the Texans (5-1) mustered only 321 yards overall.

"It was just overall frustration that we really didn't get anything going," Schaub said. "We played a good team, and we didn't play up to our standard and our level of expectation that we have for ourselves in this building. We've got to go out there this week and get back to what we do best."

Next up is Baltimore (5-1), which stifled Houston's offense in two wins last season. Schaub was sacked four times in a 29-14 loss to the Ravens during the regular season, and Baltimore intercepted three passes in a 20-13 victory in the playoffs.

"We've played each other a lot over the past couple of years," Schaub said. "There's some familiarity there. You've got to execute the plan, and execute the plays against what they're doing."

Schaub, Foster and Andre Johnson were back healthy at the start of the season, and the offense got rolling again. The running game had some early

issues, but seemed fine when Foster rushed for 152 yards in a 23-17 win over the New York Jets on Oct. 8.

The Texans then finished with only 90 yards rushing against Green Bay. Houston still ranks sixth in rushing (134.2 yards per game) and leads the NFL in average possession time (34 minutes, 54 seconds).

Baltimore's banged-up defense may offer the perfect remedy — the Ravens rank 26th against the run (136.5 yards per game) and in total defense (396.7 yards per game).

"Well, certainly we need to do things better," offensive coordinator Rick Dennison said. "Nobody's in panic mode at this point. Our running game will be fine."

Houston was forced to throw after the Packers jumped to a 14-0 lead in the first quarter and a 21-10 lead at halftime.

"We can do better up front," coach Gary Kubiak said. "We can run better, all of those things, call it better. We got ourselves caught in a different type of football game than we want to play. The end result is we're not running the ball very good at all. It's not going to change how we believe and what we think we have to do to win. We've just got to look

really hard at it and hopefully change it this week."

Schaub, meanwhile, has had two forgettable games after two of the best performances of his career. He threw four touchdown passes in Denver on Sept. 23, then completed 71 percent of his throws with two more TDs in a 38-14 win over Tennessee on Sept. 30.

He completed 14 of 28 passes and threw an interception in the win over the Jets, and was sacked on each of the Texans' first two drives against Green Bay, setting the tone for a humbling home loss.

Kubiak came out of the Green Bay game mostly worried about the hits Schaub took. The right side of the offensive line, with two new starters, has been a concern since training camp and Kubiak says the whole group needs to improve.

"I don't look at the right side and the left side. I'm looking at the offensive line," Kubiak said. "We didn't protect the quarterback good enough across the board. That's up front. That's the running backs. Matt took a lot of shots."

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