## Hospitality Services hosts southwest collection texas Tech Lubbock, TEXAS Tech Lubbock, TEXAS 79409 Food Day, introduces new items to Tech's menu

By ALSTON TRBULA STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech Hospitality Ser-Wednesday at the Wiggins Complex Courtyard by Sam's Place West.

Alan Cushman, an administrator for Hospitality Services, said Food Day is celebrated nationally. The purpose of the event is to promote sustainable and affordable food in the United States.

do here on the Texas Tech cam-We are trying to pus is show students that get people to we do carry local proeat healthier duce when we can," he on campus ... so said. "A lot of this stuff we are trying to is available on campus bring awareness. already. This is just kind **ALI POHLMEIER** of a way for us to get to-DIETITIAN

our dietitian and our chef and then some of the other great people in our department."

gether with

Wednesday was the first time Hospitality Services celsaid. The next one will most likely be sometime in October

"So far we've gotten a great response from students coming out," he said. "I think it's really going well."

Ali Pohlmeier, a dietitian, said students could taste free samples of Pumpkin Chai Latte and Harvest Pizza, which are now served on campus. Students also could buy local produce, which came from Apple Country Orchards located 15 minutes from Lubbock in

Idalou. Hospitality Services accepted dining bucks for any purchases made.

The Harvest Pizza had vices celebrated Food Day on apples, pecans, turkey and cranberry sauce on it, she said. They also make the crust thin to lower the amount of refined carbs, and therefore the amount of calories. Both the Pumpkin Chai Latte and Harvest Pizza will be available on campus until Thanksgiving.

Staff from the College of Human Sciences also was at "What we are trying to the event to promote the Smart

Choices Program, Pohlmeier said. It provides students with educational information on making healthier choices regarding nutrition. The Smart Choices website offers nutritional facts for everything on

campus. It also has nutritional calculators that help students count

"We are trying to get people to eat healthier on campus," ebrated Food Day, Cushman she said. "Over the past three years, I've done the nutrition facts for everything on campus. Everything is on there, it's been there for a year, but we realize nobody knows it's there, so we are trying to bring awareness."

There are gluten-free and vegetarian options available on campus, Pohlmeier said. One way students can make their meals healthier is to use less sauce, which can add extra calories.

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# Raising Red Cross



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador

DANYELLE TREWIN, A junior electronic media and communications major from Gainesville, and Jay Martinez-Garcia, a junior biology major from El Paso, promote their club, the American Red Cross Club at Texas Tech during a fundraiser Wednesday at Raising Cane's on University Avenue. The organization received 15 percent of sales between 6 and 10 p.m. Wednesday.

## Tech's American Red Cross strives to give back

By ASHLYN TUBBS STAFF WRITER

"Chicken, chicken! Which combo

you pickin'?" For students who know and love this Raising Cane's phrase as much as their chicken tenders, dining in store during 6 to 10 p.m. Wednesday helped raise funds for a student organization, Texas Tech's Red Cross Club. This event is among many the club

"The fundraiser will help people who are suffering tough economic times," club treasurer Steven Lara said. "It has been a real strap for them, so

will have during this academic year.

Tech's Red Cross Club provides American Red Cross services to students as well as the Lubbock community that is recognized by the local South Plains Regional chapter.

"To me, the mission of the club is twofold: Our

first mission is to bring the Red Cross message to there is no membership fee. He said the club conthe students, faculty and staff here at Texas Tech, and the other is to provide service opportunities for students who would otherwise not be able to volunteer," Lara said. "We try to make opportunities available to people so they can give back to their community."

Lara, a political science major from Tahoka, said the club started in 2010 through the Rawls College of Business Administration. The club provides opportunities for students to volunteer.

"Giving as a whole is something that helps you grow personally and professionally and helps the community around you grow, especially through the American Red Cross," he said. "We have so many opportunities for that growth to happen and to give back to the people you love or the people who have helped you in the past."

Lara said the club is open to any student because there are no specific qualifications required, and sists of about 35 to 40 members, but is constantly growing. They meet bimonthly at 6 p.m. every other Wednesday in the Student Union Building.

"We're open to anyone that wants to give any of their time," Lara said. "We understand that it's really hard to volunteer with everything that's going on in a student's life, so we're never going to close membership to anyone. It would be great to have more members and faces for the many opportunities

that we're going to have during this academic year." The more hours members volunteer, the more prizes they get from the club.

"If you get 10 hours for example, you'll get a Tshirt and a certification showing that you've done that service." Lara said, "and it just excels from that. Hours are very easy to rack up. Last year, one of our officers had 35 hours."

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## Constitutional expert speaks to Tech, Lubbock community

By KATIE MCKEE

STAFF WRITER

Teaching others about the U.S. Constitution and the roots of liberty was the goal of the speech given at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Union Building, said attorney, teacher and author KrisAnne Hall. Hall was invited to speak by Txploration Capital

Inc. owner, Gary Bennett, as well as other members of the Republican Party, Tea Party and John Birch Society. Hall, a Florida native, said she travels approximately women's groups, schools and interested parties.

Before traveling across the country to give educational speeches, she said she earned an undergraduate degree in biochemistry and judicial degree from the University of Florida.

Hall said she also has worked as a professor, attorney and Russian linguist for the military.

Her interest in the Constitution began when she received the Constitutional Law Scholarship at the University of Florida and began reading books about

6,000 miles monthly to speak about the Constitution to the Revolutionary era and what the Founding Fathers wrote, she said.

"It's important for us to understand the foundation of the Constitution, so we can really understand what it means, what the founders intended when they wrote it and how it's to be applied today," Hall said. "Not only that, but if we don't understand what it took to write it, then we can believe anything about it and we can maybe believe that we need to rewrite it."

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PHOTO BY WILLIAM ROBIN/The Daily Toreador KRISANNE HALL, AN attorney, teacher and author, talks to members of the Republican Party and the John Birch Society about the importance of the Constitution and its origins Wednesday in the Mesa room of the

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# Community Calendar

#### day

Teaching Diversity: GLBT Awareness in School Time: 12:30 p.m. to 1:50 p.m. Where: Student Union Building, Red Raider Lounge

So, what is it? Come out for this presentation of highlighting feminist research and debates about the meanings of

Undergraduate Research Information Session Time: 3:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Where: TLPD, Library So, what is it? Come out for this information session. First 10 students with a Tech ID receive an iPhone case.

Cynthia Cooper presents "The Courage to Act Ethically" Time: 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Where: College of Media and Communication

So, what is it? Cooper uncovered the largest corporate fraud in history in 2002 at WorldCom.

Administration Program Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Where: Holden Hall So, what is it? Come out and acquire new skills and earn credit toward a master's Come out for this free event where degree

Sexual Assault Talk Show for **GLBTQ** awareness month Time: 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Where: English building Rm. 001

So, what is it? Come out for an interactive talk show aimed at helping students identify and challenge rape myths that exist in our culture

Women's Chorale/Matador Singers/ University Singers Concert Time: 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Where: Hemmle Recital Hall So, what is it? Come out and enjoy this free con-

Humans vs. Zombies Undead Run preceding publication date.

cert.

Time: 10 p.m. Where: Urbanovsky Park So, what is it? Come out for this late-night run at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center.

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South-Central Conference on Mesoamerica

Time: All day Where: College of Human Sci-

So, what is it? Come out for this multidisciplinary event that is geared to present research of Mesoamerica.

Presentation by Stephanie Lindquist

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Where: Student Union Building So, what is it?

Come out to discuss the job market and the University of Texas Law School, Stephanie Lindquist, associate dean at the University of Texas School of Law, will be here to discuss the current admissions climate and more

Open House for Master of Public Heritage Halloween at the National Ranching Heritage Center Time: 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Where: National Ranching Heritage Center

> So, what is it? children can trick-or-treat.

Texas Tech Soccer vs. Oklahoma State

Time: 7 p.m. Where: John B. Walker Soccer Complex

So, what is it? Come out and support the Red Raiders compete against Oklahoma State.

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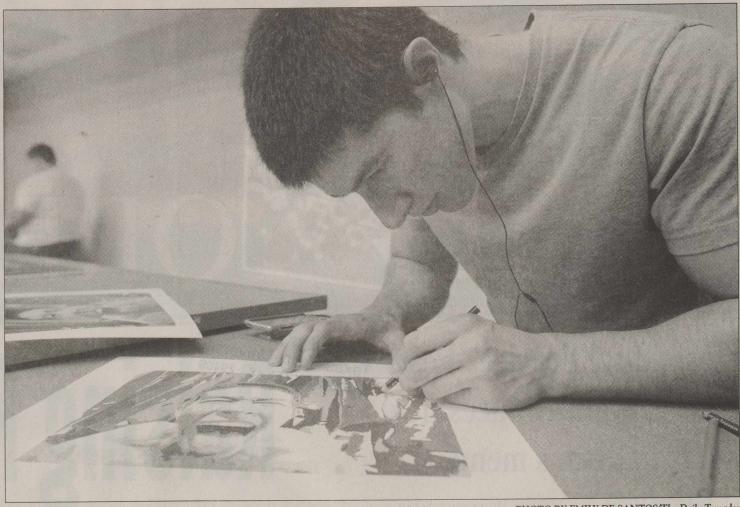


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STEVEN LOUTHERBACK, A freshman architecture major from Dripping Springs, colors in a self portrait during a freehand drawing class Wednesday in the Architecture building. Loutherback created the self portrait in photoshop and duplicated it with a drawing of his own.

#### Food ← **CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1**

Dewey McMurray, executive

chef of operations at Tech, said he made the Harvest Pizza. The pizza is relatively low in calories and has a lot of fiber.

He recommends students who

missed Food Day to check out the the South Plains Food Bank," next one. Staff members from Hospitality Services are working on trying to conduct more events similar to this. The event also had a canned food drive. If students donated two cans of food, they were given a free Food Day T-shirt.

"The canned food drive is for

Julie Jun, a freshman nutrition and dietetics major from Plano, said she tried the Pumpkin Chai Latte and thought it was amazing.

Living a healthy lifestyle is very important to her, she said. Her parents taught her how to eat healthily at an early age.

"It's my passion, and I really want to help others live a healthy lifestyle," she said. "I think it's really important that they are bringing healthy options to campus. I really like the idea that we're doing this, like Food Day, and bringing the dietitians here to help educate everyone." » atrbula@dailytoreador.com

## Texas executes convicted killer for 1991 slaying

HUNTSVILLE (AP)—Convicted killer Bobby Lee Hines was executed Wednesday for strangling and repeatedly stabbing a suburban Dallas woman at her apartment 21 years ago.

Hines, 40, was 19 and on probation for burglary when he stabbed 26-yearold Michelle Wendy Haupt 18 times and strangled her with a cord. Haupt had moved from the Pittsburgh area to Carrollton to work at a computer company in Dallas, and Hines was staying next door with a maintenance man for her apartment complex.

Asked by a warden to make a final statement, Hines repeatedly asked for

"I know that I took somebody special from y'all," he said as Haupt's father stood a few feet away, watching through a window. "I know it wasn't right, it was wrong. I wish I could give it back, but I know I can't.

"I wish there was something I could do.

He said he loved his family, believed life in prison would be a worse punishment, and then declared that he was "going home."

As the lethal dose of pentobarbital was administered, he said he could feel it and was stopped in midsentence. He snored once, then slipped into uncon-

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sciousness. Twelve minutes later, at 6:28 p.m., he was pronounced dead.

"It's like a backache, it never goes away," Harold Haupt said afterward about the pain of losing his daughter. "It's always there.

"On the upside of this, Bobby Hines paid the ultimate price, a life for a life, and that's the good news. The bad news is it took 21 years, a lot of taxpayer money and all he did was go to sleep. He didn't suffer like my daughter did. He got like a forever sleeping pill." In the pre-dawn hours of Oct. 20,

1991, a neighbor heard screaming and called police, but officers were unable to find the source. When other residents told the apartment manager later that day about screams and loud noises that sounded like a bowling ball being dropped repeatedly, they persuaded him to open Haupt's door and found her dead.

Hines was arrested that day. Hines' older brother, a manager at the complex, told police he suspected his brother was involved, according to court records. And witnesses said Hines had bragged about having a passkey that allowed him to enter anyone's apartment.

Police interviewed Hines, noticed he had scratches on his face and neck, and got consent from his roommate to search the apartment. Detectives found Haupt's blood on Hines' clothing and several things that had belonged to her, including a distinctive gold charm she wore on a necklace.

Hines was tried and convicted in March 1992.

He initially was scheduled to die in 2003, but his execution was delayed for eight years until the courts resolved claims that he was mentally impaired and, thus, ineligible for capital punishment. He was scheduled to die in May and the U.S. Supreme Court refused to review his case, but the Dallas County district attorney's office again delayed the execution so that new DNA testing could be conducted. Those tests confirmed Hines' guilt, and the punishment was reset.

Relatives and friends of Hines filed a federal civil rights lawsuit Tuesday against the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, top agency officials and prison wardens and "all persons involved" in Hines' execution, contending their rights had been violated because Hines had been on death row more than two decades and that his lawyers had been misleading. A federal judge in Houston dismissed the suit Wednesday.

Last week, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals rejected an appeal from Hines, whose lawyer argued previous attorneys failed to investigate and show how Hines had been abused by his father.

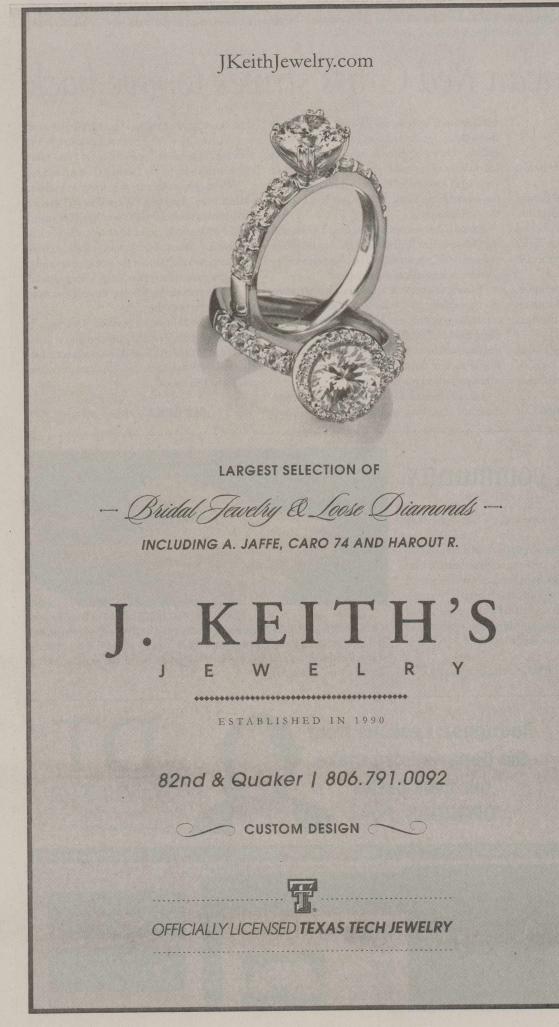
William Hughey, who was one of Hines' trial lawyers and is now a state district judge in East Texas, recalled Hines' case as one "where it was clear his childhood had significant impact as to who he was and how he ended up."

Hines, who had declined to speak with reporters, first was arrested at age 12 for auto theft and had other arrests for assault and burglary. He was on 10 years' probation when the slaying occurred.

Hines' execution was the 11th this year in Texas. Another is set for next week.

### Correction

In Tuesday's issue of The Daily Toreador in the article, "Tech students, faculty, staff can participate in early voting at Rec Center," it should have read those interested in voting can vote from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. The DT regrets this error.





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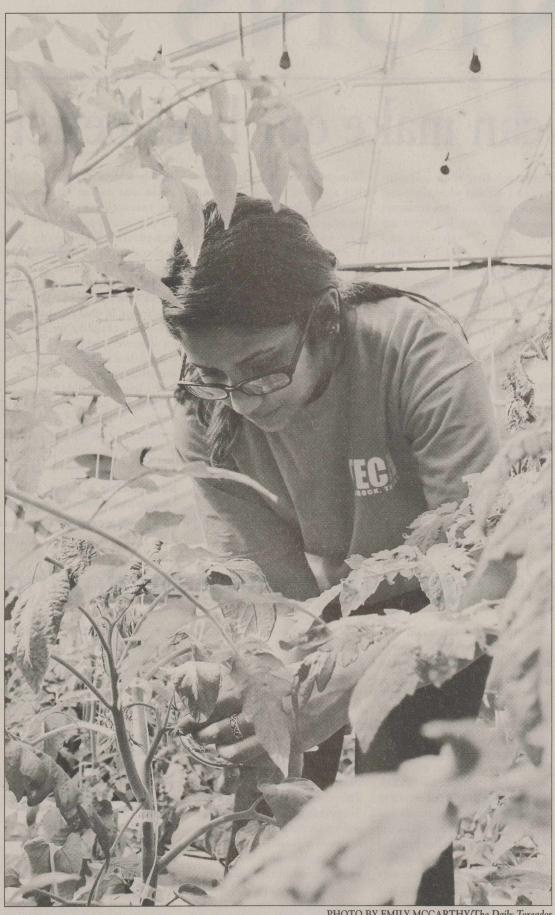


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TIA ANGADICHERIL, A freshman international business and management major from Arlington, pollinates a tomato plant that cannot be pollinated naturally Wednesday in the Horticultural Greenhouse.

### Gazans fire rockets at Israel, bringing airstrikes

ens of rockets and mortar shells into southern Israel on Wednesday in the heaviest bombardment on the area in months, drawing ominous Israeli threats of retaliation and dangers of escalation.

The violence came a day after a landmark visit to Gaza by the emir of Qatar. Israeli officials suggested the visit, the first by a head of state to the Hamas-ruled territory, emboldened

the militant group. The rocket fire began shortly after the emir left Gaza late Tuesday and continued through the night. Israeli officials said more than 80 projectiles were fired, and Hamas claimed responsibility for many of

the attacks. Israel responded with a series of airstrikes on rocket launchers, killing two Palestinian militants, according to Gaza medical officials. Two other Palestinians were killed Tuesday.

Three Thai laborers working on an Israeli farm were wounded, two seriously, when a rocket hit a chicken coop. Other rockets badly damaged five houses and broke car windows. Schools in the area were

Many people spent the day indoors, while others stayed in close proximity to the makeshift cement shelters found in the streets of southern Israeli towns. In one farming community, shrapnel covered trees and a children's playhouse in a backyard.

"Sometimes it feels like a scene out of the movie 'Platoon,' something out of the Vietnam war. We can stay at home and just hear the noise of the war," said Tamara Cohen, a resident of the border community of Ein Habesor whose children, ages 9 and 5, spent the night in a fortified "safe room" in their home.

A video issued by Hamas' military wing showed six rockets peeling off in rapid succession, then later, from what appears to be a different location, eight rockets shoot off, leaving plumes of black smoke behind them. Hamas said the video was made earlier in the day, though it provided no proof.

Hamas officials shuttered schools in border areas. Residents said they

JERUSALEM (AP) — Hamas worried an escalation of fighting system intercepted at least eight militants in the Gaza Strip fired doz- would ruin the upcoming Muslim rockets. celebration of Eid al-Adha, when Gaza residents feast, visit families, dress their children in new clothes and take them out to play.

Despite the violence, streets in Gaza City were crowded with residents snapping up clothes and food ahead of Friday's start of the holiday. Traffic jams blocked main roads, and prayer leaders chanted songs for the feast.

Israeli leaders threatened tougher action against the rocket fire.

and didn't initiate it," Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said after touring a missile defense battery. "But if it continues, we are prepared to embark on a far more extensive and penetrating operation." The army said the "Iron Dome" defense

Defense Minister Ehud Barak told Israel Radio that "if we need a ground operation, there will be a ground operation. We will do whatever necessary to stop this wave" of

Israel's U.N. Ambassador, Ron Prosor, wrote to the U.N. Security Council warning members that if they don't condemn the rocket attacks, "there could be tragic consequences" because Hamas and other militants will interpret the 'We didn't ask for this escalation silence "as a green light for terror and provocation."

Israel carried out a broad military offensive in Gaza nearly four years ago in response to years of rocket fire. Salvos from Gaza have largely subsided since then, though sporadic violence persists.



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## White House told of Libyan attack claim September 11

hours after the U.S. Consulate came under attack in Benghazi, Libya, the White House was told that a militant group was claiming responsibility for the violence that killed the U.S. ambassador and three other Americans.

A State Department email sent to intelligence officials and the White House situation room said the Islamist group Ansar al-Sharia claimed responsibility on Facebook and Twitter, and also called for an attack on the U.S. Embassy in Tripoli.

The document may fuel Republican efforts to show that the White House knew it was a terrorist attack, even as the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations was saying — five days afterward — that it appeared to be a protest gone awry.

The Obama administration's account of the Benghazi events has become a campaign issue, with Republican challenger Mitt Romney and GOP lawmakers accusing the White House of misleading Americans about the nature of the attack. But militant groups often surface after such attacks claiming responsibility and it's difficult to immediately verify such claims.

The Associated Press and other news organizations obtained the

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two unclassified email and two related emails from government officials who requested anonymity because they were not authorized to speak about them publicly.

The House and Senate committees that oversee intelligence received a raft of documents from the Office of Director of National Intelligence on Monday, two congressional aides said. Congressional staffers combing through the documents have found a kaleidoscope of sometimes conflicting intelligence, backing up much of what intelligence officials explained over the past several weeks.

But members of both committees are still complaining that the original briefing they were given just after the Tuesday, Sept. 11 attack, differed markedly from the explanation the CIA director David Petraeus gave them by the end of that week. In that first briefing, just 12 hours after consulate was burned down, the intelligence committees received a report that it was a military style assault, but just days later, Petraeus stressed that militants had infiltrated a mob, a U.S. official said.

U.S. intelligence officials have said Petraeus outlined that extremists were believed to be in the crowd, and carried out the attack, and also stressed the picture was still evolving.

A U.S. intelligence official said Wednesday that it was "clear from the outset that a group of people gathered that evening" but that it took until the week after the attack to determine "whether extremists took over a crowd or if the guys who showed up were all militants." The official said the briefing included the analysis that the "attacks that appeared spontaneous," but also mentioned possible links to regional al-Qaida groups.

Meanwhile, the Tunisian government said it has arrested a 28-year-old Tunisian linked to the U.S. Consulate attack. Interior Ministry spokesman Tarrouch Khaled said Wednesday that the suspect, Ali Harzi, was in custody in Tunis. Khaled told the AP "his case is in the hands of justice," but did not elaborate.

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton said Wednesday that the review board she appointed to investigate the attack is "looking at everything," rather than "cherry picking one story here or one document there.'

White House press secretary Jay Carney said the emails represented just one piece of information the administration was receiving at the

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Learning the history of the Constitution, she said, also is necessary to understand liberty.

The genealogy, Hall said, relates back to five historical documents, including the 1100 Charter of Liberties, 1215 Magna Carta, 1628 Petition of Right, 1641 Grand Remonstrance and 1689 English Bill of Rights.

"The main thing that I hope that (people) learn is that the Constitution has its own history," she said. "It is a foundational document, and it is the source of our protection of liberty and that it's our responsibility to

Teaching people about the Constitution, Bennett said, is a nonpartisan effort. This, he said, is because those who work for Constitutional education work for the same cause.

The theme of the speech, he said, the roots of the Constitution brings together the crosssection of all parties.

However, sharing Constitutionalism was the goal of the seminar, Bennett said.

"Sometimes, you have to have tough times for people to go back to their roots and founding about things," he said. "Quite frankly, most of this information is something you may never have

After hearing the lecture, Bennett said, he encourages listeners to read more about the Constitution and verify the information for themselves.

Hall has written four books, two of which are children's books. Following the seminar, the books were available for purchase and signing by Hall.

Bennett said that he, along with Tea Party members, the Republican Party, the John Birch Society and other interested people have invited Hall to return to Texas Tech within the first two weeks of January to speak again, although the time, date and location are to be an-

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# PINIONS

# Lessons from the departed can make our lives better

Earlier this month, a classmate of mine passed away. This isn't a cautionary tale or a regretful story of a night of drinking gone wrong. This is about a spirited young man whose legacy is left to teach us something.

At his memorial, the most distinct characteristic portrayed was his love of life, so contagious that those who knew him or passed by him in life were affected by his charisma and unselfish behavior.

It is always a tragedy when a person passes before his time, especially somebody of so many wonderful qualities. It is amazing to think of what he could have done with his intelligence and life-force. Let his passing be a lesson to the student body to not just appreciate what we do, but



also enjoy it.

Too often, we complain, nag and fail to realize what a joy it is to learn something new and enjoy it. Though college is a stepping stone — really, a resume booster to get us to our professional school of choice, it is still four years of our lives that is spent in an environment unlike any other experience in our lives. We are still in a cozy pocket protected by our university campus, but with more freedom than in high school.

There was another lesson

I learned. He was a passing seen since first their acquaincharacter in my life who told a tances. I wonder what else I can quirky joke and raised his hand learn from these near-strangers in my biology class. I wish, with and what I have lost from my

that I had known him better. All I remember from a short encounter was a casual conversation about our first biology exam and his encouragement that I would do better next

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Though he seemed reluctant at first, and after they decided on a night of movies, they soon heard his yells of "road trip!" from the stairs and took their vacation.

From this, I take a lesson to remember to have fun. School and officer duties are important, but we are young and healthy and should take advantage of these times to explore our unstructured sides.

He was enthusiastic about being a teacher and took time away from his studies to help his friends, pulling all-nighters with them just to make sure they would do well. He wouldn't leave a friend behind, and that is the true meaning of friendship. He That same thought can be roommates at his memorial was can teach us as much in death said for a lot of people who have an example of his spontaneity. as in life, and what we can do as come into my life to whom I have One night, they decided to take a the living is to learn from him

light-hearted visionary.

He also was an undergraduate researcher, and the way his professor spoke about him demonstrated a craving and eagerness for learning. This passion he had for his research was just another example of the genuine person he was. What he teaches us in this regard is the value of a childlike excitement for discovery and applying our school-learned knowledge to something practical.

He lived a fulfilled existence. Despite his youth, he lived an unlimited life and gave 100 percent of his spirit into each of his friendships, family members and lessons.

Rodriguez is a junior microbiology major from Brownsville.

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## Governor Romney makes strong case for repealing, replacing health care law

By THE CRIMSON WHITE **EDITORIAL BOARD** THE CRIMSON WHITE (U. ALABAMA)

"If a mandate was the solution, we could try that to solve homelessness by mandating everybody buy a house," President Obama said in 2008, arguing against legally requiring individuals to buy health insurance.

A little over a year into his presidency, though, Barack Obama signed just such a mandate into law. That mandate became the center of his signature health care reform law, the Affordable Care Act.

Justice John Roberts made clear that, while the Court found the mandate constitutional, it did not and cannot decide whether the mandate is good public policy.

As American citizens, it is our job to consider the consequences that come from the choices we make in elections. One consequence of the choice we make this presidential election year will be the impending enforcement of the ACA, which takes effect in 2014.

The ACA aims to increase health insurance coverage in the United States primarily by shifting health care costs from older Americans to younger Americans and from willing insurance purchasers to taxpayers. It does this by requiring all Americans to purchase a government-approved health plan, regardless of their age or health status, and by raising taxes on everything from medical devices to tanning beds.

To the extent that the health law reduces costs for some, it increases them for others, while rerouting a substantial amount of money through government programs. The law will increase government spending by more than a trillion dollars over the next 10 years.

That cost will be covered by the government, already sinking under the weight of existing entitlements like Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security.

President Obama should have stuck to his original position on the health insurance mandate and pursued reforms to make health care more affordable. As the president went on to say in that same 2008 interview, "The reason they don't have a house is they don't have the money. And so our focus has been on reducing costs."

Mitt Romney has a health The mandate was upheld by care plan that really would the Supreme Court, but Chief focus on reducing costs. He has promised to start by repealing the ACA and then working on smarter reforms to spur choice and competition in the health care market. Those reforms include equalizing the tax treatment of health insurance benefits, creating a national market for health insurance by allowing plans to be sold across state lines, and finally reigning in frivolous lawsuits that are raising costs for every patient.

Romney's goal is to give power back to states and individuals so they can decide on their needs instead of creating comprehensive universal health care without individual considerations. This will allow both state governments and consumers to have more flexibility with their plans.

This election gives voters a distinct choice between the government-driven approach President Obama has taken toward health care reform, embodied by the costly and intrusive ACA, and the patientcentered choice Gov. Romney has proposed.

The results of Romney's health care reform plan will be a system with more choice, more competition and lower

## Armstrong's legacy destroyed by doping

By NICK DANIELS BADGER HERALD (U. WISCONSIN)

Growing up, like many other kids my age, I used to wear the emblematic yellow Livestrong bracelet wherever I went. It was a symbol of what hard work and determination could do in the face of adversity.

While I stopped wearing it long ago, Lance Armstrong always remained a hero of mine for his ability to bounce back from testicular cancer to not only race professionally, but also to be as incredibly successful at it as he was.

It's funny how quickly feelings can change.

In the midst of recent allegations and the verdict that followed. Armstrong can no longer boast the squeaky-clean image that once made him so popular with his fans. In fact, he is quickly being forgotten

After taking a big, pink eraser and removing all of Armstrong's most important accomplishments in the racing world — including seven Tour de France championships between 1999 and 2005 — the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency stripped the former world cycling champion of not only his titles, but also his

When this response is compared to other sports' handling of performance-enhancing drugs, it represents one of the stronger stances taken on performance-enhancing

drugs in sports, which can only have admitted to steroid use, Armhave beneficial repercussions across the sport most affected by rampant drug use.

Just look at the scandal that is Major League Baseball. After Barry Bonds was convicted on an evasive answer to a 2003 jury concerning whether or not he was ever given anything requiring an injection, many called for his stats - including his career home run record of 762 home runs — to be thrown out.

Unlike the International Cycling Union, Commissioner Bud Selig and MLB did not do anything about Barry Bonds. As a result, the Bonds saga dragged on for weeks with nothing being resolved. In the end the case didn't give anyone — fans, coaches or players - any closure on the situation or where steroids-stained records stand in MLB's record books.

The International Cycling Union's ruling handled its crisis much better. By erasing any evidence of Armstrong in cycling's record books quickly after the story broke, UCI has avoided most of the backlash that MLB received for its non-decision on Bonds. By closing the case quickly, the sport of cycling has set the precedent that they would like to move on and let the tainted past be completely forgotten.

But this doesn't mean people haven't disagreed with UCI's decision. They have.

guing that, since many other cyclists characters in the sports world, none

strong's records should still stand. Regardless of whether or not these claims about other cyclists are true, to have maintained Armstrong's records based on this reasoning would be to accept cheating as an acceptable part of competition. As my mother used to tell me growing up, "Fallacies do not cease to be fallacies because they become fashions." The same can be said for the doping. The popularity in sports for the use of performance-enhancing drugs does not mean it should become the very reason for their use.

As I touched on earlier, Armstrong reached his peak in the cycling world while many college-age students, including myself, were still in our early formative years. The bulk of his success took place while we were just young elementary and middle school kids, a time when many young sports fans are just picking out the athletes they will look up to for years to come.

So for us, Armstrong's fall from grace is more than just another famous athlete being outed for his bad decisions — it means the loss

Some might say Tiger Woods' fall was just as hard on the young fans who grew up cheering for him. But there is one major difference between the two.

While Woods might have been Some have even gone as far as ar- known as one of the stronger moral of it was from attention that he brought on himself.

Armstrong was different; he was marketed as a beacon of hope through his Livestrong campaign in the dark world that has been sports in the age of performanceenhancing drugs. An example of a hard-working athlete whose work ethic and drive helped him achieve seemingly impossible tasks. Now I guess we know they were impossible.

His Livestrong Foundation, while still a noble cause to help those battling cancer, suddenly has lost the touching story that made it famous in the first place.

Without Lance Armstrong's resurrection from being diagnosed with cancer to winning the Tour de France, his entire story is tainted, something that he hasn't helped by his remarks since the verdict.

"I know who won those seven Tours, my teammates know who won those seven Tours and everyone I competed against knows who won those seven Tours," Armstrong said in August after the USADA released the initial report.

While a slice of humble pie might have gone a long way to salvage whatever reputation he had left, any chance of restoring his name to its former glory has been

Armstrong may have lost his career and reputation, but his actions have cost millions of fans their childhood idol.

## Popularity not necessarily guarantee of success

By THE DAILY FREE PRESS **EDITORIAL BOARD** THE DAILY FREE PRESS (BOSTON U.)

A recent study conducted by the National Bureau of Economic Research found that students who are popular in high school are more financially successful later in life, according to an article in The Wall Street Journal Tuesday.

Popularity helps because "those who learn to play the game in high school are figuring out what they need to know to succeed when they enter the workplace," according to The Wall Street Journal.

Popular students are typically

strong communicators, which is find attractive. Someone who a skill that would benefit them in the workplace. In order to enter certain fields nowadays, jobseekers must be able to network. Someone with strong interpersonal skills would probably be more successful at forming relationships with experts in his or her field than someone who does not have those skills. Strong communicators might also form better working relationships with their bosses and coworkers. Those relationships could lead to composure or maturity that adult job promotions or simply a better work environment. Popular kids also tend to have high self-esteem, which is another trait employers

is confident in his or her skills comes across as more knowledgeable and professional than someone who lacks confidence. Confident employees would probably be rewarded with better job offers than timid employees.

However, popularity is fleeting. Just because someone was popular among his or her high school peers does not mean he or she will be popular among adults. Perhaps he or she lacks the conversations require. Popularity also depends on factors other than personality - physical appearance and socio-economic status

for instance. How can researchers make a statement about something so variable as popularity? The results of this study seem less convincing because there are so many factors that affect popularity and even more factors that affect

Not everyone who was popular in high school is going to be financially successful, just as not everyone who was unpopular is going to live a life of financial ruin. While it makes sense that someone with strong interpersonal skills would be more successful in or her career, those skills can be possessed by both popular and unpopular high schoolers.

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# Students participate in Massive Game Night

By KATELIN KELLY STAFF WRITER

At about the time of midterms Texas Tech students can usually be found buried in textbooks and notes in the overcrowded Library.

But, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Wall/Gates Residence Hall lobby, a group of students could be found playing massive Jenga, Yahtzee, pick-up sticks and cards.

Andrew White, vice president of programming and public relations for the Residence Hall Association, said he likes to plan nontraditional programs for students to enjoy.

"I was just thinking of ordinary things that you can make unique,' said the sophomore electronic media and communications major from Kerrville. "I've done that with other events I've hosted, as well.'

With the help of his RHA committees, White said all of the game pieces were custom made except for oversized Jenga. White also has hosted a glow-in-the-dark volleyball tournament through RHA.

Freshman exercise and sport sciences major from Houston, Brooke Weidman, said she wanted Massive Game

Night possible. "If you put a lot of effort into making some-

thing, you want

to come see it,"

Weidman said.

Weidman said she believes Tech students do not have a wide variety of opportunities for wholesome

"I've noticed that since being here," Weidman said. "It's either go-

environment.

ing out and partying or studying, there's not like, not childish fun, but good, clean fun. And I like

Weidman said she believes Massive Game Night offers students a way to hang out with friends, have fun and take a break from the stresses of school in a safe

to come to the event after being · Nick Marler, a sophomore com- to come to the event because he on the publicity and advertising puter science engineering major committee that helped make from Houston, said he is familiar

with the concept of oversized games The most interestafter seeing oversized chess ing part to me is and checkers on a beach. when you blow

He said he things up oversized believes when a game is overit just highlights sized it adds to the fun and how ridiculous excitement of the game. board games are "You get

to be like a

6-year-old

again," Marler

said. "When

you're small

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> and me being 6' 2" it's closer to my size.'

He said he believes the down side of Massive Game Night is being unable to see the entire game at once, and the location of game night not being in a centralized

Taylor Hicklen, a senior agricultural communications major form Ropesville, said he decided is a "sucker" for Jenga and an avid board game player.

"This is a new experience to say the least," Hicklen said. "The most interesting part to me is when you blow things up oversized it just highlights how ridiculous board games are.'

Hicklen said he tries to get his friends together once a week to play board games, but it's been a while since he has played the games offered at the event.

"There's a lot of variety," Hicklen said. "If you don't find a board or card game you like, you're just not trying hard enough."

If the event was not offered for students, Hicklen said he would be writing a sestina poem for his poetry class.

White said if the game pieces hold up, Massive Game Night could become a tradition.

"Really it's just a fun, and kind of silly way for students to relax, just kind of hang out," White said. "Ordinarily, a game night can be fun, but it's not going to draw students in, they aren't going to say, 'Oh that's so much fun.' Again, it's just to get them here to hang out, relax and have a bit of fun." >>> kkelly@dailytoreador.com



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SOPHIE TABE, A freshman from Fort Worth, tests a block in a game of giant Jenga on Wednesday during Massive Game Night in the Wall/ Gates Residence Hall lobby.

## Ex-manager of Britney Spears says he was punched

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Britney Spears' ex-manager described from the witness stand Wednesday a scene of domestic warfare, saying the superstar's father chased him around a kitchen, punched him and threatened his life.

Sam Lutfi, who is suing Spears' parents for defamation, testified while they watched from across the courtroom.

He denied accusations made in a book by Lynne Spears that he was a Svengali who became the gatekeeper of her daughter's world, locking her parents out of her life.

He contends he was a benevolent caretaker who protected Britney during her highly publicized meltdown.

Lutfi's direct testimony concluded in dramatic fashion as he was overcome by tears while describing the aftermath of the publication of the book.

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"After the book came out, there

was a huge spike of death threats that were pretty bad," he testified. "People I know were shunning me. Websites were created to kill me. People wished I was dead. People wished my family ... "

He didn't finish the sentence because he was crying.

"How did it make you feel," asked his attorney, Joseph

"Depressed, anxious and suicidal," Lutfi testified.

Lutfi told of days leading to Britney's hospitalization at a psychiatric unit, and jurors saw a video of the star ordering him around outside her home hours before she was taken away.

She was demanding that he let her drive her car and told him to get in the passenger seat. The scene outside her home was surreal, with TV lights and paparazzi surround- asked. ing her.

Lutfi said Britney feared her

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home when she heard he was coming. Lutfi said the father confronted him twice and punched him on the Lutfi methodically denied every

"Jamie came barging into the house. He lunged at me and chased me around the kitchen island. He was spitting, yelling, shouting at me, and said I had hurt his daughter and he was going to beat the hell out of me and I'd better get out of the house," Lutfi testified.

After 10 minutes, he said, Jamie Spears was escorted out by security ing Britney's cellphones. He also guards. But the next morning, he said he never drugged the superstar. got into the house again and the

battle resumed, Lutfi said. "He cornered me in the kitchen, punched me in the solar plexus and threatened to kill me," Lutfi

"How did it feel?" Schleimer ney made while he was with her.

"It hurt," Lutfi replied.

Asked what he did, he said, "I ran to the game room and locked myself in."

A lawyer for Spears said in opening statements that the father

never physically assaulted Lutfi and

father Jamie Spears and fled her merely touched him on the chest.

With Schleimer reading excerpts from Lynne Spears' book, one of her accusations.

"Were you in complete control of Britney's life?" Schleimer asked. "No," Lutfi said firmly.

"Did you attempt to keep Britney's family away?" he was asked. "To the contrary, sir," Lutfi answered.

He denied cutting wires to phone lines in the house and hid-

Court proceedings ended for the day and were set to resume Thursday.

Lutfi is suing for damages for defamation and for a 15 percent share of the millions of dollars Brit-

The singer remains under the conservatorship of her father and has been told by a judge not to attend or testify in the trial.

She has made a remarkable comeback from her hard times, now acting as a judge on TV's "The X Factor."

#### Red Cross +

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Lara said some of the events in which the club participates include the Bubble Fest at the Science Spectrum, in which the volunteers help children learn at the museum, and some members also painted rooms for the Salvation Army. He said the club is also trying to put together a free CPR certification class on Tech campus through the American Red Cross in the next few months, a

'That's the kind of stuff that we try to get out to Tech students," ever want to experience how a large nonprofit organization works, then it's definitely something you want to go to. Take the opportunity to be a part of something as big as the Red Cross so you can get those opportunities."

One student who joined the club this year is Raechel Davis, a freshman public relations major from The Colony. She said her inspiration to join came from when she had a singleparent house fire when she was in the eighth grade, and the American Red Cross helped her family through its hardship.

"Whenever they came, they did

a lot for us," she said. "They had food packages, and they made it possible for us to go to the grocery store and get whatever we needed. They made sure we had everything from a toothbrush to clothes to wear to school the next day.'

Davis said this opened her eyes to the importance of helping people.

"From then on, I wanted to focus my life on giving back,"-she said, "and being able to support other people when they were in need like other people

Carley Thompson, a senior advertising major from Sugarland and the public relations and communication chair for the club, said she decided to join the club after she became the public he said. "It's pretty amazing. If you relations intern for the American Red Cross South Plains Regional chapter.

> "I thought I should do both," she said. "I really like nonprofits, and it's a really good nonprofit to work for. Plus they're really involved in the military, and I have a lot of family in the military."

> Thompson is striving for students to participate in the club's next event: Holiday Mail for Heroes. This is a holiday card drive in which people throughout the Lubbock community support veterans, military families and active-duty service members by signing cards of appreciation and support. Then Red Cross volunteers will screen the cards and make sure they are delivered to military installations. The deadline for card submissions is Dec. 7.

> "We're trying to get the word out so we can get as many people to make cards for them as possible," she said. "I know my brother is in the Marines, and he definitely gets lonely. Having that support and having people thank them for all they do really means a lot to them."

> Thompson encourages students to join the club to serve and give back to the Lubbock community.

"I think it's a good way to meet new people," she said. "You can put it on your resume, and it is pretty flexible, too, so you can just come when you can."

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## Heisman front-runner Collin Klein leads Kansas State

By MICHAEL DUPONT II STAFF WRITER

outside of Manhattan, Kan., would have ranked the Kansas State Wildcats (7-0, 4-0) as the third-best football team in the country.

However, after an early upset against Oklahoma and a 55-14 drubbing of West Virginia in Morgantown, the Wildcats are

in position to contend for a BCS Cham-

pionship. The Wildcats are led by Heisman front-runner Collin Klein. The senior quarterback accounted for seven touchdowns in the victory against the Mountaineers.

Klein said the continued success of the team will rely on the Wildcats' ability to keep building on their team chemistry.

"I wouldn't say right now that we are too unified of a group or have reached that point of, 'We've really come together, now," Klein said. "We still need to keep coming even closer together on and off the field. We've made some strides. We have a lot of quality people

to work with on our team. It in the losing effort, marking makes a huge difference."

Klein threw three of his Heading into the college seven touchdowns through football season, not many the air, completing 19 of his 21 passes for 323 yards against the 113th-ranked Mountaineer

> Kansas State coach Bill Snyder said he believes his team has shown vast improvement in terms of playing fundamentally sound football.

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bilities are, and the fundamentals of the game. I think we are getting better at that.'

The Wildcats' defense has not allowed an opponent more than 21 points in any of its first seven games this season.

Former Heisman-candidate Geno Smith was intercepted twice and passed for 143 yards

the first time this season the senior quarterback threw an interception and also the first time he passed for less than 200 yards.

Snyder said he is pleased with the way his defense has performed against Big 12 opponents and he thinks the defense has been steadily improving

"I think it's significant in this day and age," he said. "It just addresses the somewhatcontinued improvement that we have made on that side of the ball. I think we have gradually gotten a little better and a little better, and that's again newer guys fitting in with older guys, becoming a little more acclimated to what we are doing.'

Like the Wildcats, Tech " The also was able to keep the highoctane offense of West Virginia to 14 points.

> In terms of total defense, Tech and Kansas State rank 8th and 23rd, respectively, according to NCAA.com

> Sophomore receiver Curry Sexton said Tech's defense is not the same Tech defense that most are accustomed to.

"What is different with Texas Tech this year compared to the past is that they have a really solid defense," Sexton said. "We are not just up here saying that.

'Their defense leads the Big 12 in most statistical categories, and they have been playing well across the board. Not only do they have a good offense, but they have a good defense to go with it. That is why they have had the success that they have."

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KANSAS STATE QUARTERBACK Collin Klein drops back to pass against the Missouri State during the third quarter Sept. 1, at Bill Snyder Family Stadium in Manhattan, Kan.

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# Red Raider basketball learns new style of play

By MEGAN KETTERER STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech men's basketball team has gotten the ball rolling so far this season with over a week of practices under its belt.

said practices have been going well and the team has done a great job of listening and focusing on learning its new style of play.

The team has been playing hard and that is the most important thing, he said.

"As we move on, as we keep practicing, as we look toward our scrimmage next weekend,

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we're really interested to see the ward, said the team has learned learn," Walker said, "but more importantly the guys who are going to go out there and play as hard as they can every single possession."

The team is looking forward Interim coach Chris Walker to playing Permian Basin next week and trying to get as much in at practices as possible, he

> "It's been a challenge," Walker said, "but it's also been refreshing seeing how quick guys are picking things up, and seeing how much they're willing to learn and how hard they are willing to work."

Jaye Crockett, a junior for-

guys who step up, the guys who a lot in practices, like press and offense, and going over plays.

"Everyone is just trying to catch on right now," Crockett said. "It's not looking as good as it will be once the season starts, but I think everyone is getting a hold of the whole program, as far as our press and our defense."

This team will press every possession, he said, and keep teams unsure of what play is going to happen next.

The goal of the defense is to create turnovers, block passing lanes and get deflections, he said, and it will begin with how active players are and the amount of energy they put into the defense.

On offense, Walker said, he believes the team will be a decent scoring team, and the team is going to have more freedom to shoot the ball, something different from previous teams.

Last year, the team lacked depth in the guard position, he said, and this year the team has quickness from guards who are crafty with the ball and can create trouble for the opposing

'We are going to take advantage of our players' abilities," he said. "We are going to put them in a position to operate from a position of strength."

The goal is to put each player in a position to showcase their strengths, such as shooting off the dribble, like redshirt junior forward Dejan Kravic, Walker

As long as the team is aggressive on defense and try hard, they will have more freedom on offense, he said.

"The freedom that they're going to have, to a degree, is going to allow them to be more confident to shoot the ball,'

FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

SOPHOMORE FORWARD JORDAN Tolbert is coming off of an effective freshman year. He lead the team in scoring and rebounding with 11.5 points and 5.7 rebounds per game.

up and down the ball a little bit. but he feels comfortable with In transition situations, we're always going to push the ball at you."

The team's philosophy is unpredictable actions leading to uncontested shots and offensive rebounding opportunities,

Walker is still unsure of the Walker said. "We're going to get rotation of the team, he said,

other, he said.

Toddrick Gotcher, a redshirt freshman guard, said he was unable to play last season because of a foot injury, but it was a good learning experience watching

"It's going to be better for me all of the players. He looks at and my teammates because now I different line-ups everyday to can relate to my team," Gotcher see who plays well with each said, "which is the right direction to go. I believe it's going to be good for us."

> The Red Raiders face-off at 7 p.m. Nov. 1 against Texas-Permian Basin at the United Spirit Arena.

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## SEC coaches adapt to league's speed, talent

(AP) — College football is col-

Not in the Southeastern Conference, home to six straight national to a seventh this season. The players seem faster, the talent level is higher, the scrutiny hotter than anywhere else.

Take it from the coaches and coordinators — especially the new

if they want to stick around for any

championships and the inside track row," Arkansas coach John L. Smith a faster game." said. "You've got to prepare for the real guys, the guys who look like they should be playing on Sundays."

> Smith has seen college football from just about every angle in his 40 years of coaching. His career began at his alma mater, Weber State, and his 19 years as a head coach has included stops at Louisville and Michigan State.

> The 63-year-old Smith received his first full-time taste of the SEC in 2009 when he was hired at Arkansas by Bobby Petrino as an assistant. Smith coached against SEC teams at his previous stops, including an annual matchup with Kentucky while with the Cardinals, but nothing prepared him for the athleticism he saw in the SEC on a weekly basis leading to fewer running lanes and even fewer open receivers.

> "I'm not downgrading any of the other leagues, but you take a look at some of the other leagues and you say, 'My goodness, that's slow football," Smith said. "From the sideline

Coaches enter the league with reputations as an offensive whiz, only to find they must quickly change plans to counter the oncoming rush of the SEC's defensive linemen.

First-year Florida offensive coordinator Brent Pease, who spent two seasons in the same position at Kentucky in 2001-02, said keeping the quarterback in one place in the pocket simply isn't an option. The undefeated Gators are last in the SEC in passing offense this season, averaging just 137.7 yards per game through the air, but their spreadoption attack has kept defenses off balance and led to 212.7 yards rushing per game.

Florida coach Will Muschamp cut his coaching teeth as a graduate assistant at Auburn before later coaching at LSU and then back to Auburn. Muschamp left the SEC in 2008 for a three-year stint in the pass-happy Big 12 as Texas' defensive coordinator.

The second-year Florida coach

arrivals who have to adjust quickly sometimes, you're saying 'OK, we've said he believes in doing whatever got a hole and we're going to get it takes to win games, even in that 7-10 (yards).' And you look back means throwing the ball "60 times a "It's like every week is murderer's and you've got 2-3, just because it's game." That said, he echoed Pease's thoughts about the difficulty of trying to do exactly that in the SEC - where four teams (Alabama, LSU, Florida and South Carolina) are in the top 10 nationally in total

> "The defensive lines, that's the difference in playing in this league and these other leagues you watch on TV," Muschamp said. "I know y'all like all these points being scored, but the quarterback won't make it through the game and the season in our league."

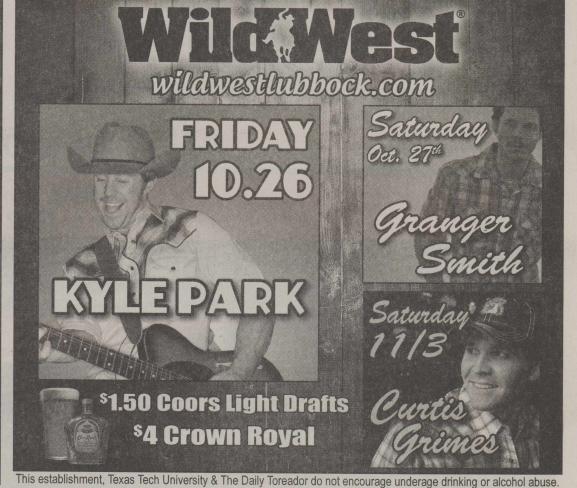
Former Auburn offensive coordinator Gus Malzahn, now in his first season as the head coach at Arkansas State, spent 15 years as a high school coach in Arkansas before earning his first chance as the Razorbacks offensive coordinator in 2006. During his last prep stop at Springdale High School, Malzahn would often times leave Saturday afternoon film sessions and make the 15-minute drive to go watch Arkansas play likely preparing in his own mind for his future as a college coach.



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# Sophomore has become top offensive threat

By HOLDEN WILEN STAFF WRITER

No one predicted Paige Strahan would have the season she has had this year.

Coming into this season, the sophomore midfielder and Odessa native had scored only one career goal, a header against Arizona State on Sept. 16, 2011. Her shooting ability was her biggest weakness.

During the offseason, Strahan took it upon herself to improve and become a better player. Texas Tech soccer coach Tom Stone said he remembers two times in the spring when Strahan came to him asking what she needed to improve on to get more playing time.

"The first time I said, 'You need to understand what college fitness is,' and she completely committed herself to being fit and strong," Stone said. "The second time she came to me I said, 'You need to learn how to shoot, kid, because you don't shoot well.'

Working tirelessly with her coaches, the goalkeepers and other teammates, Strahan improved her shooting ability by fixing bad habits. Correct shooting form does not come naturally, she said. Instead of shooting with her laces, she was turning her foot and hitting the ball incorrectly.

By correcting the problem, Strahan has forced the coaching staff to keep her on the pitch by becoming one of the primary offensive threats for the Red Raiders (13-4-1). Strahan has played in all 18 matches this season, starting in 12 of them.

Coming off the bench in the team's first match of the season against Idaho on Aug. 17, Strahan showed off her improved technique immediately, scoring the gamewinning goal in the 83rd minute in a 2-1 Tech victory. The goal was just the beginning for Strahan in what has turned into a very successful season.

From Sept. 16 to 30, Strahan scored in five consecutive matches, the longest streak by a Red Raider become more of a threat.

since Dawn Ward accomplished the feat in 2009. On Oct. 2, she was named Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week after scoring six times in five matches during her streak.

For the season, Strahan is second on the team with eight goals, tied for third in shots with 24, and tied for third in shots on goal with 14. Additionally, Strahan is tied for the lead in the Big 12 Conference in game-winning goals with five, which also has her tied for fifth in school history.

Strahan's latest game-winner came Sunday in a match with Kansas when she scored from the top of the penalty box in the 70th minute to give Tech the lead in an eventual 3-1 victory. Freshman forward Janine Beckie said the goal was one of the most amazing goals she has ever seen.

"(Strahan) has come up big so many times this year," Beckie said. "She came out of nowhere and just scored that goal and definitely propelled us to the win."

Stone said he does not know if he has ever seen a player make such a dramatic improvement from one season to the next in shooting ability than he has seen with Strahan. The only reason for the improvement, he said, is because of her work ethic.

"It wasn't a magic wand, it wasn't because she's a natural," Stone said. "(Strahan) had to train herself, and she did it all spring, all summer and all fall. She's just reaping the benefits of her hard work."

Even Strahan herself said she did not foresee the success she has had this year. She said she might have only scored eight goals in her whole high school career.

Besides her hard work, Strahan said the biggest change she made which has led to her success has been a change in her mindset. Previously, she had taken a less aggressive mindset and wanted to be a passer. In the offseason, when Stone told her to improve her shooting, she said she took a more aggressive mindset and wanted to

"This season I just came in and said, 'You know, my role is to score, as well,""Strahan said. "That was the kind of mindset that I came in with. Since I have scored, obviously it's paying off, which I'm so thankful for. I just keep trying to think the same way because I don't want to mess anything up."

Having the right mindset, Strahan said, is one of the most important parts of being successful.

"If you're not in the right mental state, and you don't have the confidence and assertiveness that you should, then that is something almost more important than working on your tactics."

On and off the field, Beckie said Strahan is one of the positive and encouraging leaders for the team. She said the whole team will look up to Strahan in the postseason.

"I don't think I ever hear one negative thing come out of her mouth, which is something everyone looks for on a team," Beckie

Ironically, Strahan was not always sure she even wanted to play college soccer. Though she has been playing soccer all her life, Strahan said coming from a small high school like Permian High School and a small club team made her feel insecure. However, she decided to contact Stone, and signed with Tech.

Off the field, Strahan said one of her main role models is her father because he is always supportive and pushing her to be the best.

Strahan's other main role model, she said, is Queen Esther, the queen from the Bible who saved the Jewish people from persecution. Strahan said she looks up to Esther because in the story she defies all odds to accomplish her goals.

"I like (the story of Esther) because she's the underdog, and she came up and did what she was called on to do."

How fitting, considering Strahan defies the odds in an underdog story of her own.

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SOPHOMORE MIDFIELDER PAIGE Strahan looks to attack the goal in a home match. Strahan has become a legitimate scoring threat for the Red Raiders this sesason.

### Cummings in at QB as Kansas looks to future

and the freshman is under center, perhaps the clearest indication yet

the future. Coach Charlie Weis sat Dayne Crist late against Oklahoma State two weeks ago and put Michael Cummings into the game, and he performed well enough to warrant the start last week at Oklahoma.

While it turned out to be a for-

game against lexas.

"I think at this point, when you that Kansas is starting to focus on are 1-6 and things haven't gone real well, you owe it to your team to see what you've got," Weis said.

> So who is this unheralded kid getting the nod over the once-highly touted Crist?

Cummings is a multisport athlete from Killeen, Texas, who was recruited by former coach Turner Gill gettable debut as a starter for the after getting little Division I attention

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — The Jayhawks, Weis is sticking with his because of his size. The 5-foot-10 senior quarterback has taken a seat young quarterback for Saturday's athlete received other offers, but those schools wanted him to play another position, and Cummings' dream was always to play quarterback in the

Kansas seemed like a good place to give it a try.



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