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# Hurricane Research Team deploys probes along East Coast for Sandy

Sandy downgrades from hurricane to post-tropical cyclone

**By KATIE MCKEE** STAFF WRITER

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Staying inland and safe was all the Texas Tech Hurricane Research Team could do Monday night while waiting for Hurricane Sandy to make landfall.

What began as a Category 1 hur-

ricane with wind speeds of up to 90 mph transformed into a post-tropical cyclone at 6 p.m. Monday.

At 7 p.m. Monday the storm made landfall near Atlantic City, N.J., with sustained wind speeds of 80 mph.

According to the National Hurricane Center within the National Weather Service, "a tropical cyclone is a rotating, organized system of clouds and thunderstorms that originates over tropical or subtropical waters and has a closed low-level circulation."

The reason for the change from hurricane to post-tropical cyclone, the NHC said, is Sandy lost the tropi-

cal cyclone status and characteristics. Despite losing the title, post tropical cyclone Sandy is expected to have the same impact as a hurricane or tropical cyclone, including "significant wind, surge, rainfall and inland flooding hazards over an extremely large area, and snowfall to more limited areas," the NHC said.

The TTUHRT left Lubbock on

Thursday and arrived in Maryland on Saturday. The team began deploying portable weather stations called Stick-Net probes early Saturday morning.

The team deployed 10 of its 12 probes from Maryland to New Jersey, finding locations with the best marine exposure keeping safety and accessibility in mind, said research associate Scott Gunter.

to follow the storm, Krupar said the TTUHRT did not have enough time to deploy all 24 of its weather stations.

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During the drive to the East coast, Gunter said the team scouted possible StickNet probe locations on Google Earth.

Because of the last-minute decision

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# Students gear up to camp out at Raiderville

#### **By EFRAIN DUARTE** STAFF WRITER

At 5 p.m. Monday in the grassy area between Dan Law Field and the Frazier Alumni Pavilion, students set up tents for the start of Raiderville.

The students are gearing up for the 2:30 p.m. football game against Texas on Saturday.

Corey Smyth, a senior finance and accounting major from Lubbock and co-mayor of Raiderville, said the event has been going on since 2006, but Raiderville

The former location of Raiderville, Smyth said, had a cap of 2,000 people.

Cody Lima, a sophomore mechanical engineering major from Plano, said it was his first time at Raiderville.

"Hopefully, (Raidervillé) will build up to the game and make it that much more fun," he said. Devyn

Tone, a junior exercise and I like (the new sport sciences major from location), it is Taylor, said it was her third more in the middle year at Raiderville. of things and less "I continue out of the way.

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perience," she



2008, which was the last home game between Texas, got the event started.

The loca-

tion of Raiderville this year is different from the location from past years

Chase Porter, a junior finance major from Frisco, said the former area was between the Mechanical and Civil Engineering buildings.

"The location of Raiderville used to be further from the stadium, but now is centrally located," Smyth said.

**CHRIS ROOT** SENIOR BUSINESS

said. There are check-ins to Raiderville,

once in the morning and once at night, Smyth said.

"I just want everybody to be out here as much as they can," he said.

Many, such as Leslie Ramirez, a freshman psychology major from Hereford, came for the close relationship with the students at Raiderville.

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PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador

PEDIE MONTA, A senior energy commerce major from Juneau, Alaska, was diagnosed with West Nile on Oct. 18. Monta discovered it after visiting the doctor for a rapid heart beat.

# Tech student learns of past West Nile infection

#### **By EMILY GARDNER** STAFF WRITER

An irregular heartbeat, trips to the Student Wellness Center and many tests eventually led to senior energy commerce major from Juneau, Alaska, Pedie Monta, finding out he had a past infection of West Nile virus.

Monta said he suspects he contracted the virus this summer, while he was completing an internship in Midland, but did not realize he had West Nile until his lab results came back Oct. 18.

"About a month ago, I was just laying down and I felt my heart beat a little faster than normal while I was resting," Monta said. "So, I went to the doctor and I told them about it. They did all these tests, (electrocardiogram) tests and some random heart monitoring tests."

Monta said the tests the wellness center ran were unable to provide an answer, and he was sent to see a cardiologist where they monitored his heart for 21 days, gave stress tests, measured blood cholesterol levels and

completed a blood lab.

"They told me that they had bad news for me," Monta said. "So, I was figuring it was like a heart disease or something, but they told me I had a past infection of West Nile.'

Monta experienced no symptoms or fatigue, he said, but the doctor said had he not been taking care of his body, he would have been to the hospital or in worse shape than he was.

The doctors put him on a prescription steroid for a month to see if the irregular heartbeat was caused by West Nile.

"I was really shocked," Monta said. "I laughed about it for a minute because it didn't really hit me. Essentially, I didn't know how to take it because it was a past infection, but at the same time I was relieved it was a past infection of West Nile and that I had no symptoms. I was glad that it was actually West Nile because there's still a possibility that might be the cause of my irregular heartbeat that's been happening the last few weeks. But the fact that it was West Nile, I'm shocked."

The last case of West Nile reported in Lubbock was Oct. 12, said public health nurse for the City of Lubbock Health Department, Mary McConnell. The number of reported cases is slowing down.

Glenn Heinrich, the vector control coordinator for the City of Lubbock, said they monitor the mosquitoes by setting up 26 traps throughout the county, and they collect the traps every Monday.

"Our last catch last week was 450 mosquitoes, which is about the amount that we had during the peak of the summer," Heinrich said. "It dropped off a little bit a couple weeks ago, but then last week it came back up. I think it was because of the rains that we had. And then we had some unseasonably warmer weather, and that helped the mosquitoes complete the cycle and start a new generation.

"But I'm thinking that with this week's cold spell coming in, if it drops below 30 degrees, it'll really put a big dent in the population."

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TAYLOR PARKER, A junior community family and addictive services major from Dexter, N.M., and Holly Dane, a junior biology major from Franktown, Colo., slide poles through their tent during Raiderville on Monday.

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How to Manage Your Online ists play an acoustic set. Reputation

Time: Noon to 1 p.m. Where: Student Union Building So, what is it? Come out and learn how to protect your online reputation and make a good impression online.

Wellness Classes Time: 7:30 p.m. Where: UMC Activities Center So, what is it? Come out and get healthy at several wellness classes.

16th Annual Greek Treat Time: 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Where: Greek Circle So, what is it? The Lubbock community is invited to dress in costume and come out and trick-or-treat at Tech's sorority and fraternity houses.

Haunted Lubbock Time: 6:30 p.m Where: St. Paul of Plains Chapel So, what is it? Come out and learn about the haunted buildings of Lubbock. The #1348 event is free and open to the public.

Silly Science Carnival Time: 10 a.m. to noon Where: Science Spectrum Mu-

#### So, what is it?

Come out for this exciting minicarnival for preschoolers. Some of the activities include a mini-maze, crafts, critter zoo and more.

William Clark Green and John **David Kent** 

Time: 10 p.m. Where: Blue Light Live So, what is it? Come out and listen to these art-

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Dia de los Muertos Celebration Time: 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Where: McKenzie-Merket Alumni Center

#### So, what is it?

Come out and celebrate Cross-Cultural Academic Advancement Center's eighth annual Dia de los Muerto Celebration. The event will consist of La Cena and La Fiesta de los Muertos.

Spooky Science Carnival Time: 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Where: Science Spectrum Mu-

#### seum So, what is it?

Come out for this free event. Activities include trick-or-treating, carnival-style games and more.

Halloween Carnival Time: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Where: Lubbock Elks Lodge

#### So, what is it?

Come out and celebrate Halloween with a carnival for children. Games, prizes and food will be available

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## A week to go: Sandy disrupts 2012 presidential campaign

WASHINGTON (AP) — Eight days before the election, President Barack Obama switched from campaigner to hands-on commander of the federal response to Superstorm Sandy as it barreled across the Eastern Seaboard. Republican Mitt Romney scaled back his appearances and urged supporters to

past 15 million in scattered states. With the race in its final full week, most national polls showed the two presidential rivals separated by a statistically insignificant point or two, although others said Romney had a narrow lead for the overall popular vote.

But the election will be won or

# Latin Sorority raises awareness for anti-bullying campaign Monday



THE INTERESTED LADIES of Lambda Theta Alpha release balloons Monday outside the Student Union Building to honor people who have lost their lives because of bullying. The organization also spoke to students and asked them to sign a pledge as a part of their anti-bullying campaign.

#### **By ALSTON TRBULA** STAFF WRITER

The Interested Ladies of Lambda Theta Alpha, Latin Sorority, Inc. raised awareness for their antibullying campaign Monday between the Student Union Building and the Library.

Marialuisa Sanchez, a graduate psychology student from Levelland, said October is National Anti-Bullying Awareness Month. They passed out blue ribbons, the color that represents the month, and tried to get students to pledge and take a stand against bullying. This is the first year the sorority has publicly promoted its campaign. They plan to continue to do so and are hoping it will grow in the future.

"We will also be at a high school tomorrow doing a presentation for high school students," she said. "We just want to bring awareness and get people rallied up to take a stand against bullying.'

problem on college campuses as it is on high school and middle school campuses, Sanchez said. College students tend to be affected more by cyber-bullying than by face-to-face bullying. However, in some cases there are exceptions.

"We kind of wanted to do it this week because the UT game is this weekend," she said. "Bullying does kind of tie into it whenever a different team comes to campus because sometimes people will start talking this and that.'

According to the Bullying Stops With Me website, bullying occurs when someone keeps doing or saying things to have power over another person. It can cause young people to feel isolated and depressed, and also can cause them to fear going to school. Up to nearly 282,000 students are physically assaulted in secondary schools each month.

"As many as 160,000 students

Bullying is not as serious of a they're afraid of being bullied," according to the website.

> Gloria Lerma, a senior communication studies major from Houston, said she thinks the best way to make changes regarding bullying is to start in the community. Her interests in the anti-bullying campaign began after she watched a video about an overweight newscaster who was bullied by one of the channel's viewers. The viewer of the channel sent the newscaster a letter, saying her weight served as a negative image and influence to voung women.

> "After watching that video I texted all the girls," she said. "I was like, 'I think we should do something about this,' and everybody had ideas at that moment. They were like, 'Yes, we need to do something about this.""

According to the bullying statistics website, victims of bullying are two to nine times more likely to Bully-related suicides can be related to any types of bullying. Cyber, emotional and physical bullying are some examples.

"Suicide is the third-leading cause of death among young people, resulting in about 4,400 deaths per year," according to the website. "A study in Britain found that at least half of suicides among young people are related to bullying.'

There are many steps people can take to prevent bullying, Sanchez said. To prevent bullying, students can first learn what the definition of bullying is. Then, they can educate themselves on the signs of bullving and how to recognize them, what is and isn't appropriate behavior, and openly talk about the concept.

"If you see someone who is lonely, just go up to them and tell them hi," she said. "That is a form of bullying, like not being nice to people and not inviting them to hang out and things like that.

"do your very best" in donating to relief efforts.

The political pace quickened on Monday even without the customary clash of rallies and rhetoric. Romney's allies put down \$1.2 million for a last-minute television ad campaign designed to make Pennsylvania competitive — or at least appear so - and the roll of early voters swelled

Today's

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lost in the nine most competitive states. Republicans claimed momentum there, but the president's high command projected confidence. And Romney's increasingly narrow focus on Iowa, Wisconsin and Ohio suggested he still searched for a breakthrough in the Midwest to deny Obama the 270 electoral votes needed for victory.

stay home on any given day because consider suicide than non-victims.

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# **POLICE BLOTTER** Several accounts of theft reported at Tech Library

#### Friday

12:01 p.m. — A Texas Tech officer investigated a traffic accident without injuries in the C14 parking lot.

8:55 p.m. - A Tech officer arrested a student for possession of marijuana and issued another student a Lubbock County citation for possession of drug paraphernalia in Wall Residence Hall. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail. The other student was released after signing a citation.

#### Saturday

1:53 a.m. - A Tech officer investigated a false alarm or report at Chitwood Residence Hall. A fire alarm pull station was activated.

2:33 a.m. — A Tech officer documented damaged property in the 200 block of Texas Tech Parkway. A vehicle drove through a barbed wire fence and damaged it. A Lubbock Police Department officer witnessed

the accident and investigated it. 2:39 a.m. - A Tech officer arrested a student for public intoxication in Murray Residence Hall. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

3:40 a.m. - A Tech officer responded to a fire alarm at the Institute for Forensic Science at 4434 South Loop 289. The Lubbock Fire Department and a building representative responded to the scene and determined there was no fire in the building.

5:54 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated a domestic violence assault in Clement Residence Hall. A male struck his girlfriend on the side of her head, causing pain.

7:27 p.m. — A Tech officer arrested a non-student for public intoxication near the southwest corner of the Civil Engineering building. The non-student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

11:46 p.m. — A Tech officer

responded to a medical emergency at Bledsoe Residence Hall. A student ingested an unknown number of melatonin pills. The student was transported to the University Medical Center Emergency Room by Emergency Medical Services.

#### Sunday

12:25 a.m. — A Tech officer documented damaged property in the Z5C parking lot. A stop sign and pole were damaged.

2:02 a.m. — A Tech officer issued two students Lubbock County citations for consumption of alcohol by a minor in Weymouth Residence Hall. Both students signed the citations and were released.

2:39 a.m. — A Tech officer issued a student one Lubbock County citation for consumption of alcohol by a minor in the Z4M parking lot. The student signed the citation and was released.

3:32 a.m. — A Tech officer documented a female student that was inappropriately touched at an offcampus location. The student was transported to the University Medical Center Emergency Room by Emergency Medical Services.

1:12 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated a theft at the Tech Library. An unsecured iPhone was taken.

4:40 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated a theft at the Tech Library. An Apple laptop computer, black computer bag, textbook and four flash drives were taken.

11:35 p.m. — A Tech officer arrested a student in the C16 parking lot for possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of alcohol by minor. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

Information provided by B.J. Watson with the Texas Tech Police Department

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# Cancer survivor gets dream come true

#### **By CAROLYN HECK** STAFF WRITER

A Texas Tech football quarterback had the opportunity to make a dream come true for a 10-year-old Shallowater boy with leukemia Monday.

Tech Physicians Cancer Center with the Health Sciences Center, said he was able to spend the day with his hero, quarterback Seth Doege, a senior exercise and sports management major from Wolfforth.

The meeting was arranged by Tech Physicians and

Sandy

ard Krupar said.

probes.

Tech football players as a celebration to mark Myles' victory after his three-year battle with leukemia.

Myles met with Doege at the Football Training Facility on Monday morning and took a tour of the locker room, ate lunch with his hero and sat in a football

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"It's a small victory to be able

to get as many probes down as we

did in the area that we scouted,

given how populated they are,"

student field coordinator Rich-

The team's last deployment

was to Louisiana, following

Hurricane Isaac in late August.

While there, the team faced dif-

ficulty in retrieving the stranded

ful this time about where we

put (the probes)," Gunter said.

learning experience for me."

"(Hurricane) Isaac was a huge

"We were a lot more care-

Doege said.

When he got the call asking him to be a part of Myles' big day, the quarterback said he was more than willing to do it.

"I was jacked up. I couldn't wait," he said. "I'm glad I met Myles Galvan, a patient at the him. He seems like a really cool kid. I know he's

> battled through a lot, so that He's been through shows me a lot about his chara lot more than acter, his heart, so I'm very mo-I've been through, tivated to play well for him." so I just told him Myles said he that I looked up to

never thought he would get to meet his hero, and when he heard that he could, he was very excited.

**SETH DOEGE** QUARTERBACK wants to be TEXAS TECH FOOTBALL just like Doege when he gets

him, just like he

looked up to me.

older, and cannot wait to tell his friends about the unique experience.

Doege and the rest of the football players gave the boy a jersey and an autographed football to take home as a gift.

Myles said he was planning to take the gifts home to show to all his friends. Also present to experi-

of the physicians that oversaw his a dream come true for him. treatment, Dr. Ihsan Al-Khalil and nurse practitioner Mercedes Day. His grandfather also was in

attendance. Myles has been a patient undergoing treatment at the Cancer Center since his diagnosis in April 2009, said Al-Khalil. The path to beating the disease was tough, he said, but Myles stuck through it.

"He had up and downs," he said. "He was sick at times, but he made it well. He's been treated by the best pediatric oncology protocol, with the same treatment all over the U.S.A."

The Cancer Center is part of the national Children's Oncology Group, which is made up of more than 600 pediatric oncologists, and focuses on disseminating the same level of care to cancer patients across the nation, he said.

The medicine today is far bet-He said he ter than in decades past, he said, bringing the cure rate up from 31 percent in 1991 to its current. significantly higher cure rate.

Myles is officially done with his chemotherapy treatments as of this month, Day said.

"He's done an excellent job on his treatment and recovery," she said. "He really hasn't had any complications, no side effects. He's just done really great."

After getting to know Myles for two-and-a-half years, Day said she

conference and media luncheon, ence Myles' celebration were two believes getting to meet Doege is

"I think it means a lot to him," she said. "He's just a great kid. He does well in school, everything. And this is just a great opportunity for him to meet his idol, Seth (Doege). I think he's really enjoying it."

Doege said he did not offer any advice to Myles during their time together because he felt that he had nothing to offer that Myles had not already learned.

"He's been through a lot more than I've been through," he said, "so I just told him that I looked up to him, just like he looked up to me. And I think he's doing a really good job battling through adversity. It shows a lot about who he is, his character and how big his heart is."

It was not long ago that Doege said he remembers being Myles' age and star struck by meeting the Tech athletes, so being able to make Myles' celebration special was an honor.

"It's still surreal, I mean, just because it seems like yesterday, I was Myles," he said, "just hoping that I could get an autograph from one of the Texas Tech football players. It's still very surreal to me. I'm honored. I feel blessed that I have the opportunity to where I'm in the position to make kids'

dreams come true." >>> check@dailytoreador.com

> Getting the chance to deploy probes and research the storm,

"The unprecedented part is really the location," he said. "This area hasn't seen anything like this in a long time. It is a pretty rare opportunity for us to get up here and see how it was and kind of investigate it."

The TTUHRT stayed in alumni while the storm made landfall.

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"It feels like we are united," she said.

The grass space at the new location is smaller than the grass space at the older location, Smyth said.

"I like (the new location), it is more in the middle of things and less out of the way," Chris Root, a senior business major from Austin, said.

Smyth said Monday night there were more people than there usually are on the first nights of Raiderville.

"Our biggest night of growth is usually Wednesday night," he said.

"I am getting excited for the game, which is a week away," Abbie Arroyos, a sophomore journalism major from Hereford, said.

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TREAT BLAXEM

QUARTERBACK SETH DOEGE spent Monday with 10-year-old Myles

Galvan, who received his last chemotherapy treatment for leukemia this

month. Doege said he looks up to Galvan just like Galvan looks up to him.

According to the guidelines and rules of Raiderville, tents should be placed on grass and may not obstruct sidewalks, driving lanes or walkways. Other guidelines are no rainout location is provided, so in the case of inclement weather, Raiderville will close.

To be ensured early entrance into the stadium, students must arrive at the designated lineup location with wristband and their Tech ID by 11 a.m. and lineup in order of wristband number.

Derek Correa, a freshman agriculture economics major into the game earlier than some from Lyford, said he wants to get to know the tradition of Raiderville and meet a lot of people.

probes was fairly easy, retrieving them in the aftermath of the

are hoping the storm passes quickly so the TTUHRT can begin traveling south to pick up the instruments and head back to Lubbock on Wednesday.

hybrid nature of the storm, the effects are expected to last for a few days.

Gunter said the team might have to wait to get to the Stick-Net probes because of natural debris, flooding and closed roads.

The goal of deploying the instruments, he said, is to obtain marine exposure, which gives

He said while deploying the

storm likely will prove difficult. Krupar said he and the team

However, because of the

the team data on wind with no obstructions, such as trees or

buildings. This information will allow the team to determine the characteristics of wind before it hits

> the coast, he said. Wind data, Gunter said, is important because it can be used for construction planning and emergency management decisions.

"I guess that's probably the other biggest implication of what we're doing," he said. "The stuff that we get isn't just for research, but it also goes to people who make decisions about emergency management, the hurricane officials, (people) like that."

a surface perspective.

Gunter said it is interesting from

The TTUHRT, Krupar said, will try to return to Lubbock on Wednesday, depending on how accessible the StickNet probes are when retrieving Tuesday. Newark, Del. with two Tech

# Schools need \$8 billion in extra funding per year

need to spend at least an additional \$8 billion per year to ensure its students meet the tough new academic standards imposed by state lawmakers, a top school finance expert testified Monday.

Lynn Moak, a leading education analyst in Texas for nearly 5 decades, told state District Judge John Dietz that nearly half of Texas' ninthgraders — about 150,000 — aren't on track to graduate because they failed at least one of the state's new, more rigorous standardized tests, known as STAAR, last school year.

Moak said paying for programs to help students catch up and ensure others pass - thus meeting the state's existing college and career-readiness goals - would require restoring the two-year, \$5.4 billion in cuts to public schools and grant programs passed by the Texas Legislature in 2011. But it would also mean state funding for publiceducation should increase overall by about another \$6 billion annually.

That's a staggering \$8.7 billion per year in additional funding, though it wasn't clear if Moak was

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AUSTIN (AP) — Texas will including restoring all cuts to grant programs in his estimates. In 2010-11, Moak said that total spending on school operations in Texas was \$43 billion

> When asked about the figure af-"I contend we can't do it without more money.'

"We are in a current crisis," he added. "The crisis gets worse in the future but it is significantly bad now.'

After last year's budget cuts, six lawsuits were filed on behalf of more than 600 school districts, which educate about three-quarters of Texas' more than 5 million students. All contended that the way Texas funds its public schools is inefficient and unfair and violates the state Constitution's promise to provide "a general diffusion of knowledge."

Moak will remain on the stand Tuesday and face cross-examination. The state argues that while there are some flaws in the school finance system, it doesn't mean the whole thing is broken.

Legal battles over school finance are nothing new in Texas: Moak's

patagonia

such appearance in a major school funding case.

Dietz will rule on the case, but it will almost certainly be appealed to the state Supreme Court. If the ter the hearing, Moak told reporters, plaintiffs prevail, it will be up to the Legislature to overhaul Texas' school finance system — but that may not happen during next year's session and could require a special session in 2014.

Moak also testified that the 2011 cuts forced districts to cut about 11,500 teaching positions statewide and eliminate 15,000 other staff members.

He said Legislature-imposed structural changes to the schoolfunding formulas have meant sharp decreases in the amount the state spends per student over time.

But he also noted that, in 2009, Texas used federal stimulus money to bolster funding to schools and soften the blow of state public education cuts. That year, per student funding including state, federal and local funds was \$7,415. Last year's cuts came when the stimulus money had run out - and saw per-student

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testimony Monday marked his sixth funding fall about \$1,120 to \$6,293 for 2013.

> Still, Moak said, giving schools more money is only part of the solution.

When asked which has greater impact, reduced state funding or stricter academic standards, Moak replied, "the changes on the academic side are the most significant changes in a substantially large amount of time."

He said that of current ninthgraders, only 53 percent are on track to graduate. That means 47 percent have failed one or more of the new standardized tests. Among lowincome students, nearly 60 percent now aren't on track to graduate, Moak said.

Texas' booming population has translated to a growth in enrollment by an average of 80,000 students per year - the majority of which are from low-income families.

"As standards increase over time," Moak told the court, "you're going to see — without major increases in performance - many more students not on track for graduation.'

The incentive of getting people is a reason why Austin Koonce, a junior plant and soil sciences major from DeLeon, said he was at Raiderville.

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## Nevada town named state's 'most bearded community'

CARSON CITY, Nev. (AP) — Virginia City has emerged as Nevada's "most bearded community" following a weekend contest.

The Nevada Appeal reports (http://bit.ly/Rpg7ni) Virginia City won by bringing 57 whiskered faces to the competition held Saturday after the annual Nevada Day Parade in Carson City, the state's capital.

The home team of Carson City

had 46 bearded faces at the event.

Nevada Supreme Court Justices Mark Gibbons and Nancy Saitta served as judges of the hairy competition, along with Miss Nevada Outstanding Teen Ellie Smith of Las Vegas

They chose winners in the community contest as well as eight other categories, including blackest beard and best salt-and-pepper beard.



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Benghazi should be Obama's Watergate

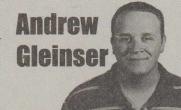
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We've all heard of the Watergate scandal at some point in our lives. The short version of the story is people in President Richard Nixon's administration ordered a break-in and wiretapping of the Democratic National Committee's headquarters at the Watergate complex. President Nixon unsuccessfully attempted to cover up his administration's involvement in the incident.

The scandal was the downfall of Nixon's presidency, though there were other effects as well, such as a strong increase in the number of Americans who were distrustful of the government. This was a result of not only Nixon's attempted cover-up, but also of the fact that he directly lied to the American people in a television. address, saying that no one in the administration was involved.

Fast forward to 2012, and we see another scandal brewing. Last month's attack on the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya left four Americans dead, including a United States ambassador. Recent reports have insisted that Americans at the CIA annex in Benghazi requested military assistance and were denied it.



According to reports, the team at the annex, which included former Navy SEAL Tyrone Woods, heard the shots at the consulate and immediately requested military assistance, which is estimated to have been approximately one hour away. These requests were denied and the CIA team was told to stand down.

Some, including Woods, ignored the orders and went to evacuate the consulate, though they were unable to find Ambassador Chris Stevens. After returning to the CIA annex, they came under attack, and again requested military assistance. Again, they were denied.

Woods, along with one or two others, were killed by mortar fire on the annex nearly seven hours after the attack on the consulate began. This report follows others which have stated that more security was requested in the months

and weeks leading up to the attack, while Ambassador Stevens himself expressed concern about the security of the consulate on the very day of the attack.

Obviously, there are a number of questions that need answers. Firstly, of course, why were the requests for assistance denied? If the American consulate was under attack, why

were these men ignored? A refusal to send If it was in the name of peace or political correctness, then the goals and strategies directly from the of the Obama administration president or not, need to be reassessed. The second

question: Who was responsible for this? Of course, this means finding

which terrorist group or groups planned and carried out the attack. Instead of simply bringing them to justice, they need to be wiped out. But this question is also aimed

toward officials in the United

States government. Who knew about the ongoing attack and refused to send reinforcements? This is where it gets really hairy for President Obama.

It started with the failure of the Obama administration to initially acknowledge this as a terrorist attack. Remember when the line from the White House was

the attack on the consulate was an angry mob protesting that stupid anti-Islamic video? Anywhether coming one who still believes that needs to pull their heads out of their rear ends. should be considered Then,

when Obama dereliction of duty. finally admitted the truth and was asked why it took so

> long for him to do so, his response was that the intelligence his administration had at the time suggested it was a mob responding to the video. These recent reports, however, directly contradict that

story.

Now, Obama is trying to wash his hands of this scandal by saying he was "not personally aware" of requests for more security. It's a classic excuse: "I didn't know."

And do not delude yourself, Mr. President, into thinking that it is anything but a worthless cop-out. As president of the United States, it is your responsibility to know. It is your job to know. As the head of the executive branch, you are directly responsible for everything that goes on beneath you. Saying that you didn't know demonstrates that you're not doing your job correctly.

Not knowing what was going on means you either turned a negligent eve to Benghazi or someone in your administration screwed up. Neither scenario is acceptable. A refusal to send reinforcements, whether coming directly from the president or not, should be considered dereliction of duty, which in this case cost the lives of four Americans and is grounds for dismissal.

Another issue with this is the unwillingness of the mass media to ask the tough questions. Part of what made Watergate so important was the fact that the news outlets

reported on the story constantly and reporters worked hard to get to the bottom of it. For some, it made their careers.

I'm issuing a challenge to the mainstream media to do the same thing: Ask tough questions and do some genuine investigative reporting. Part of the media's job is to keep people - most notably politicians - honest. Whether the politician is male or female, Democrat or Republican, president or city councilman, the media should always ask tough questions and demand the truth. Sadly, that practice is becoming a lost art.

The bottom line here is that the actions of the Obama administration led to the deaths of four Americans last month in Libya. Instead of admitting a mistake, President Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton have tried to cover their tracks. These lies need to be exposed, just as Nixon's lies were exposed during the Watergate scandal. Nixon's lies brought him down. So should Obama's.

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# Candidates should focus on Internet's economic role

#### **By JOSHUA MADDEN** KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN (KANSAS STATE U.)

As I write this column, I still have not decided who I will be voting for in this year's presidential election. However, I will be demanding that whichever candidate is elected president, whether it's Romney or Obama, has a more coherent Internet policy than we have cast too far to the side. had under previous administrations.

and used, finally finding a real place in the business world and showing viable revenue structures, the Internet is more important to the economy than ever.

However, this importance is not shown in speeches from Romney and Obama. So much of the discussion is on manufacturing jobs or education, and while both of these are important topics, issues of technology have been

Since Apple, Facebook, Google and Microsoft have found their place



This isn't to say that Obama has done a poor job. In fact, I think the strides he has taken toward keeping the Internet free and supporting transparency in government have actually been fairly positive steps. I think that his historic Aug. 29 Ask Me Anything thread on Reddit, in which the president answered questions on the social media site, showed, if nothing else, that he treats Internet policy as a serious issue even if the dialogue of the two campaigns hasn't emphasized it enough.

There is still a significant amount of work to be done. The freedom of the Internet is precarious, and we must be vigilant in protecting it.

A great deal of focus in the presidential campaign has been on the economy, as is probably necessary, yet, in my opinion, not enough of the dialogue has been about the role that the Internet plays in the economy. If it's not a huge campaign issue, it probably won't be a huge governing issue. That's a problem, because it has to be.

A significant portion of the muchtouted economic success during the Clinton years came as a direct result of the Internet boom. Some have suggested that we may be on the verge of a second great wave of Internet development, one that could carry our economy into the next decade or two. With Web 2.0, a more modern update in the way the Internet is designed as some of the biggest companies in the world, the economy could be significantly hurt or helped depending on how we shape our Internet policy. These companies have business models that rely on relative freedom on the Internet. Any regulations surrounding these models need to be implemented with great care or, better yet, not put into place at all.

Yet, it is the Internet itself — the very nature of how we connect to each other in the modern world — that is frequently under attack from interest groups in Washington under the guise of fighting piracy. Piracy is a serious problem, and it's one that I take very seriously, but that's no excuse to push through poorly-constructed policy.

Our legislators have shown themselves to be woefully inept in terms of understanding how the Internet works and the role that it plays in the economy, and the dialogue in this year's presidential election so far has done very little to convince me that this going to change in the future.

Believe it or not, the Internet is actually more than a series of tubes, no matter what former members of the Senate might say. It's time that our representatives start acting like it. Let's start with the most important issue and demand that the next president, whoever it may be, come up with a coherent and intelligent policy.

# Obama offers sustainable energy policy

#### **By LUCY CHESELDINE** THE CRIMSON WHITE (U. ALABAMA)

In 2009, the Republican Party blocked a proposal for a cap-and-trade approach to carbon emissions.

This would mean that CO2 emissions would be capped, and any company wanting to exceed the cap could buy credit from companies below it. It is this kind of split that separates the party line.

Obama wants to continue drilling but understands such production needs regulation to be carried out on a sustainable level. He rejects the Republican mentality, warning that they would "let oil companies write the country's energy plan" and opts for a cleaner plan for American energy production.

Where we source energy is becoming increasingly political, with civil unrest in the Arab world and rising prices. Obama understands that America needs to address the issue from a point of national security. This means we have to look at protecting ourselves through three angles: secur-

ing American energy independence, climate change and our environment.

Obama's term has already seen a reduction in America's dependence on foreign oil, and American production has increased.

But he has also paved a more responsible path to the production.

After disasters like the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, Obama has learned that oil production can have huge repercussions if not handled carefully. By carefully managing oil production, he has also allowed for increased investment in alternative resources.

He has supported wind farms, solar energy and geothermal projects. Not only are these necessary complements to America's oil and gas usage, but they are innovative. By investing time and research in these processes, America is leading the way in the world of technological development.

Out of these, we have not just made energy; we have created a field of greener advances. From the big to the small, projects such as the plugin, hybrid electric car will change the way we live. This is the forward mentality of an America that is constantly progressing. President Obama has also sought

to increase the energy resources we have available by decreasing the amount of energy we need to use to run our cars. His administration has set in place a policy that will double the fuel efficiency of new cars by Model Year 2025 by raising standards for cars and light-duty trucks to over 54 miles per gallon. Getting more energy from the fuel we already produce is a guaranteed strategy for reducing consumption and costs in the future.

With cleaner ways of making the energy we use, we are also addressing the bigger issue of climate change. If America is seen by the international community as moving toward a more sustainable environmental policy, others will follow, and the global effort to fight climate change will increase.

It's leading by example. That brings it back to our environment. This will benefit directly from Obama's attention to cleaner energy production, but he has already made many positive changes in detail. The president's record speaks for itself.

He has dramatically increased protections for air quality and has been committed to protecting green spaces. One of his most attractive policies has been the conservation of wild spaces. In 2009, he launched a program to protect over 2 million acres of federal wilderness, trails and rivers. It is not only morally important to coexist with the climate we inhabit, but it is also of economic benefit. By protecting our land, we can use the resources it offers at a more sustainable rate that will, in turn, increase economic activity.

President Obama clearly understands how best to balance our competing national security, economic and environmental interests so that we can develop a sustainable and forward-looking energy policy. The alternative could very well be an irresponsible and potentially damaging development that wouldn't meet any of America's vital interests and could actually undermine them.

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# Safe Treat provides candy, games for community children

#### **By LIANA SOLIS** STAFF WRITER

Children of all ages filled the lobbies of the residence halls eager to get as much candy as possible. Texas Tech hosted its annual Safe

Treat event for the children in the Lubbock community from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday in the residence halls.

Morgan Bradford, the graduate hall coordinator, was one of the staff members who helped organize and plan this year's Safe Treat.

"This is my first year as graduate hall coordinator," Bradford said, "so I wasn't exactly sure what to expect."

During Safe Treat, children of various ages walked around the campus and visited the residence halls for different Halloween-themed activities and games, Bradford said.

"Each residence hall has a different theme every year for each of the halls," Bradford said. "They are pretty different for each place, but they all have the similar theme of Halloween, candy or things of that sort."

The event was set up where the

children and their guardians could start at The workers are so one hall and walk the predefriendly and good termined sidewalk path to go with the kids, and to the next hall, Bradford said. all the kids seem to "Depending on the hall, the really enjoy it. kids can either

participate in

games in the

lobbies, or they

can go door-to-

door where the

**JENNIFER NEIL** LUBBOCK RESIDENT

> students are handing out candy," he said.

> > Each hall's events had many student workers, including Complex Council officers, members and other students that live in each residence hall.

> > Nicole Amos, a sophomore psychology major from San Antonio, is a

community adviser for Horn Residence Hall and helped work the event.

"I helped work Safe Treat at Wall/ Gates last year and (had) a lot of fun with it," Amos said.

The different games the halls hosted ranged from candy walks and guessing games to ghost fishing and candy bowling, Amos said.

"Playing games with the little kids has always been my favorite part," Amos said. "I love seeing how excited the kids get when they get to do all of the activities."

The event is popular every year, with usually about 1,000 children and parents showing up from Lubbock and from other surrounding areas, Bradford said.

Jennifer Neil, a Lubbock resident, brought her two children to the event for the second year in a row.

"We tried it last year after we had heard about it from a friend," Neil said. "The kids just absolutely loved all the different fun things they got to do."

The campus has continued to host this event because it has been a continuous success every year, and Amos said the children of the community are excited for it to come around every vear.



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Kristina Batson, a freshman special education major from Houston, watches as a boy feels through spaghetti at the Witches Caldron station during Safe Treat on Monday in Hulen/Clement Residence Hall.

"We are definitely planning on Neil said. "The workers are so friendly seem to really enjoy it." coming to the event again next year," and good with the kids, and all the kids

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# Zombie expert Matt Mogk speaks at Tech Activities Board event Monday

#### **By KATELIN KELLY** STAFF WRITER

A pandemic is coming of relentlessly aggressive reanimated human corpses driven by a biological infection.

Matt Mogk, the founder and head of the Zombie Research Society, said he believes a zombie pandemic is coming, and it is not a matter of if, but when.

Texas Tech Activities Board hosted a free event at 8 p.m. Monday in the Allen Theatre for students featuring Mogk,

and his presentation about zombie basics, zombie science and zombie survival.

"Back when the term zombie only referred to the ancient voodoo zombie," Mogk said, "which is a soulless slave that's brought back from the dead to sort of do the bidding of its master."

Now Mogk said he believes zombies are popular and modernized because of popular shows such as "Talking Dead" and "The Walking Dead."

Mogk conducted his master's thesis researching zombies and how to survive a zombie apocalypse because of his fear of zombies, he said.

"What we do is on a science base, we ask, 'if a zombie were to show up at our door, what would it actually look like, how would it hurt you, how would its brain work', everything you could think of," Mogk said, "and then we try to strategize real world survival strategies."

The Zombie Research Society is made up of 60.000 members worldwide with an advisory board of professional researchers in a variety of fields with the passion to

pursue the study of zombies, Mogk said.

Austin Reiter, a junior finance major from Lindsay and coordinator of the nightlife events for TAB, said more than 200 students were present at the event. "Well lots of people are really, I guess,

interested in zombies," Reiter said, "and the Humans vs. Zombies on campus is getting bigger every year, and so I believe it's something that students are interested in."

Sean Hollingsworth, a business major from Plano, said he attended the event in hopes of gaining a knowledge about

zombies and how to survive a zombie apocalypse.

"I thought (Mogk) was funny," the sophomore said. "I thought he was a good speaker. I liked how he added jokes in there to keep us entertained and our ations are not the people that are more attention on him."

After attending the event and learning about zombies from a knowledgeable source on a theoretical basis, Hollingsworth said he is more convinced zombies could be real.

Mogk addressed the four threats

humans face in a zombie apocalypse and how to properly handle each threat. The four threats are zombies, other people, the system and one's self.

"The people that survive disaster situprepared," Mogk said, "or the people that are the strongest, or toughest or the people who have the coolest zombie-killing T-shirt on. The people that survive are the people who are able to keep their heads strong."

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# Martin: Pitch Perfect is diamond in the rough

( Organized nerd singing? This is great!"

The above quotation was a line pulled from the film. I thought it accurately expressed my initial thoughts of the movie sarcasm and all.

This movie, however, turned out to be a nice reprieve from the usual song and dance (literally) I was expecting. A charming cast full of familiar faces makes this well-written script come to life. Actors Rebel Wilson and Adam DeVine playing Fat Amy and Bumper, respectively, stole the hearts of the fans.

\*\*\* SPOILER ALERT \*\*\*

In the beginning scene of the film we see the Barden Bellas and the Treblemakers, a cappella groups from Barden Universtiy, competing for the national championship.

The Treblemakers finish their set, and it is now the Bellas'



turn to take the stage. Aubrey and Chloe, Bella captains-to-be played by Anna Camp and Brittany Snow, are shown capably attending to their duties. Suddenly, Aubrey vomits, ruining their routine and losing them the competition. We then skip forward six months later to the start of a new semester, where we are introduced to our main character, Beca, played by Anna Kendrick, an aspiring DJ who doesn't really want to be in college.

She is then approached by Aubrey and Chloe about auditioning for the Bellas, but she declines.

She later reconsiders their offer for change in the group in an cappella competition making And if you would have asked my father and Chloe. She also gets a job at a radio station where she works with Jesse - Beca's love interest, played by Skylar Astin — who joined up with their campus a cappella rivals in the Treblemakers.

We then see a few montages depicting the practice routines of the Bellas. This leads up to a couple of competitions for placement in the collegiate a cappella tourna-

ment where the Bellas manage to squeak by on both occasions because of their lack of originality and variety. Beca begins calling

after more prompting from her attempt to attain success, leading to her leaving the group for some time.

> During Beca's absence, the Bellas begin falling apart because of Aubrey's dictatorial leadership of the squad and Beca having been the

glue that held them togeth-A charming cast er. Beca also takes out her full of familiar frustrations on Jesse, causing faces makes this them to have well-written script a bit of a falling out. Beca come to life. rejoins the newly revitalized Bellas and helps them to

> construct a new identity in their musical composition. We then see our protagonists

at the finals of the collegiate a

their final performance of the season in the hopes of finally claiming the gold. The Bellas shock the competition, the judges, and the fans with their surprising change of music and pace to their otherwise dreary and repetitive performances.

They end their set with one of Jesse's favorite songs from the end of "The Breakfast Club," a winking apology to Jesse that lets him know she feels the same way about him as he did her. The Bellas win the championship and all is well with Beca and Jesse. We skip forward again to the next school year, in which the auditioning process is happening all over again and now Beca is in charge of the squad.

\*\*\*OK, YOU'RE GOOD\*\*\* Admittedly, I went into this movie expecting something totally different than what I got.

opinion of the movie before I ever saw it, I would probably say something like, "Pitch Perfect? Yeah, I would see it... if I was suffering from terminal boredom, and had money I deemed worth wasting."

However, the brilliant cast and script of this film proved my initial thoughts premature and inaccurate. And to those involved and affiliated with the film: I apologize. I was wrong about "Pitch Perfect." It was a gem and should definitely be seen. It is one of the year's best comedies, coming in right behind the likes of "21 Jump Street" and "The Campaign." This movie is great and is the next bullet point on my "Must See" list. I give "Pitch Perfect" a final grade of 8 out of 10.

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Josh Abbott Band releases song about Texas Tech

#### **By KATELIN KELLY** STAFF WRITER

Multiple country music stars have written songs attributed to their alma maters.

Texas A&M has Granger Smith's "We Bleed Maroon," and now Texas Tech students have Josh Abbott Band's "Victory Bells."

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Josh Abbott, a Tech alumnus, said he wrote "Victory Bells" on his phone, on his tour bus after feeling the desire to express his love and passion for Tech.

"I wanted to write a song that

was more reflective of the college experience," Abbott said.

The song embodies the college days of a Tech student, Abbott said, from the first day of freshman year, to walking across the stage at graduation.

"That first verse is really about trying to find yourself and figuring out your path when you get to college," Abbott said, "because it's a new start, you know you're not the same person you were in high school, and it's just a fresh start for everybody.'

The second verse continues

with images of studying and seasons changing, while the chorus alludes to excerpts from "The Fight Song" and "Matador Song."

Abbott said he believes the verses were somewhat vague and told a story of a student going to a university.

Even though the verses were relatable, Abbott said he wanted the chorus to be unique to Tech.

"So when I got to the chorus, I decided I wanted to be very specific (about) Texas Tech," Abbott said, "so I just decided what are some of my favorite lines, what are some of

school songs we sing, and I always remember how everyone at the end always sings, 'Long live the matadors,' so that's why it's a part of the song."

After his Twitter followers requested a song about Tech, Abbott said his anticipation was high to debut the song at the Josh Abbott Band Fest on Sept. 22 in Lubbock.

"You know, there was a little anxiety," Abbott said, "because, again, if you're going to make the statement like, 'I'm writing a Tech song,' and you tell people on Twit-

the most memorable lines from the ter, 'You know, I just wrote a song for Tech finally,' people want to hear it."

Abbott said he felt a sense of relief after playing the song at JAB fest.

"When I hit that first chorus like 'Fight Raiders fight,' everybody flipped," Abbott said, "and it was, like, so cool. It was a really cool feeling.'

Half of the proceeds of the song will go toward the Red Raider Scholarship Fund, Abbott said. Abbott is able to start an endowment at \$10,000.

"I'd love to work with the department on who needs it," Abbott said about the profits of the song, "but I'd love to work with athletes in non-revenue sports."

Abbott said he hopes the majority of Tech students and alumni still will appreciate the song as a song they can embrace and relate to, even if they are not country fans.

"I just really hope that everyone really appreciates it and feels my passion for this school when I sing this song and through my lyrics," Abbott said. >>> kkelly@dailytoreador.com

# Supreme court justice weighs closely watched copyright protection case

WASHINGTON (AP) - Supreme Court justices on Monday weighed copyright protections for publishers, creative artists and manufacturers in a global marketplace in a case that has attracted the interest of Costco, eBay and Google. The outcome has important implications for consumers and multibillion dollar annual sales online and in discount stores.

The court was about the only

The court seemed to struggle with whether it matters where the books were produced and first sold.

The justices' answer to those questions is of enormous interest to discount sellers like Costco and online business like eBay and Google that offer good prices on many products that were made abroad.

Publisher John Wiley & Sons won a copyright infringement lawsuit against the student, Supap Kirtsaeng. The high court is considering Kirtsaeng's appeal, which argues that Wiley lost its right to control resale of the books once his relatives bought them legally. Kirtsaeng used eBay to sell \$900,000 worth of books published abroad by Wiley and others and made about \$100,000 in profit. The

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international editions of the textbooks were essentially the same as the more costly American editions. A jury in New York awarded Wiley \$600,000 after deciding Kirtsaeng sold copies of eight Wiley textbooks without permission.

The issue at the Supreme Court concerns what protection the holder of a copyright has after a product made outside the United States is sold for the first time. In this case, the issue is whether U.S. copyright protection applies to items that are made abroad, purchased abroad and then resold in the U.S. without the permission of the manufacturer. The high court split 4-4 when it tried to answer that question in a case in 2010 involving Costco and Swiss watch maker Omega.

Justice Elena Kagan sat out the Costco case, but is taking part in the new dispute. She signed the government's legal brief in the Costco case that took Omega's side. The government is backing the publisher against Kirtsaeng, but it advocates something of a compromise in laying down a rule for other disputes.

The court already has rejected copyright claims over U.S.-made items that were sold abroad and then brought back to the United States for resale.

when he suggested that a ruling for Wiley would allow publishers and other copyright holders control over repeated resale of their products if only they made them abroad.

"So a U.S. manufacturer who wants to sell into the U.S. market has this incentive to go and send jobs overseas. It's an irresistible incentive if this court says the law is what Wiley says," Rosenkranz said. Ginsburg replied, "Has that ever permission, people could resell their foreign cars, libraries could sell or lend books bought from foreign publishers or museums could display paintings by Pablo Picasso. "Those are some of the horribles that they sketch. And if I am looking for the bear in the mouse hole, I look at those horribles, and there I see that bear. So I'm asking you to spend some time telling me why

Olson whether, without seeking

Washington institution open on Monday. The justices and spectators who braved the rain and wind saw a book publisher face off against a Thai graduate student in the U.S. who resold the publisher's copyrighted books on eBay after relatives first bought nearly identical, cheaper versions abroad.

The justices did not appear entirely comfortable with either side's arguments, or the government's middle ground.

E. Joshua Rosenkranz, Kirtsaeng's lawyer, ran into skepticism from Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg

happened?"

Rosenkranz said he is sure it has, but could not come up with any specifics.

On other hand, Theodore Olson, representing Wiley, struggled to satisfy justices who wondered whether Rosenkranz might be right.

Justice Stephen Breyer asked

"I just don't think we can accumu-

Even without a frost, Warner said

"Historically, human West Nile

the eggs are going to take longer to

mature than they would in the sum-

mer from June until the end of August.

cases in this part of Texas peak in

the third or fourth week of August,"

Warner said. "We are well beyond

that. It is my guess we won't have any

more human cases of West Nile that

originated here on the South Plains

late 109 heat units in 10 days around

here these days," Warner said.

concerns with his answer. "I would say that when we talk about all the horribles that might apply in cases other than this, museums, used Toyotas, books and luggage, and that sort of thing, we're not talking about this case."

Olson did not allay Breyer's

I'm wrong."

and Panhandle. It's just not mosquito weather now."

McConnell said residents should continue getting rid of mosquitoes and following the guidelines set out for them.

"Now next spring, don't forget when the mosquitoes come out, start using the repellant," Warner said. "West Nile is with us. It's going to remain with us. We cannot eradicate the mosquitoes. We cannot eradicate birds that are the amplifying hosts." >>> mgardner@dailytoreador.com

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Ronald Warner, associate professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine, said it is not mosquito weather now, but he cannot say for certain whether or not another case of West Nile will be reported.

"It just depends on the mosquitoes," McConnell said. "If there's mosquitoes, there's going to be West Nile, and they are not always frozen out completely in this area."

The weather is starting to get cooler now, Warner said. It takes a certainnumber of heat units for a mosquito to mature into adulthood, and when there is less sunlight, there are less heat units

Warner said heat units are calculated by subtracting the minimum daily temperature from the maximum daily temperature and dividing that answer by two. For a mosquito to mature into adulthood, there must be 109 heat units consecutively for seven to 10 days.

## San Francisco gets ready for Giants' parade after winning World Series

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - For the second time in three years, San Francisco is gearing up for a ticker-tape parade to celebrate a World Series victory for the Giants.

Plans for the Wednesday bash were being made as the city cleaned up after a rowdy celebration Sunday night turned violent in some neighborhoods and police arrested three dozen people.

"I'm not going to let the spirit of this city be destroyed by 36 people," Mayor Ed Lee said. "We're going to move forward with a great parade, a wonderful celebration."

The parade will take a slightly different route from the one that followed the Giants' 2010 championship. Instead of the financial district, it will start at the foot of Market Street.

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# **Basketball player finally 'makes it'**

#### **By MEGAN KETTERER** STAFF WRITER

Through much adversity and a coaching change, freshman point guard Josh Gray has finally made it to Division I basketball.

Gray, standing 6'1" and weighing 175 pounds, said playing Texas Tech basketball makes him feel as if he has finally made it.

The Lake Charles, Louisiana native attended Houston Wheatley High School. While attending, he averaged 24 points, six assists and three steals per game, according to Tech Athletics.

He was rated a three-star recruit by ESPN.com, Scout.com, and Rivals.com, and was rated the 107th best player and the 16th best point guard in the nation, according to Tech Athletics.

He said the transition from high school to college basketball is different, but it has been working out well so far.

"Coming out of high school, I could just have a 40 or 50 point night, but coming to college is different," he said. "It's difficult trying to adjust to this college lifestyle, but Coach Walker and the coaching staff have done a good job."

said the team has talented young players, like Gray.

"When Josh Gray steps on the floor for the first time, other teams will have no idea what they are going to face," he said.

Gray said he initially committed to Mississippi State, but ultimately chose Tech.

"After everything I've been through, and me signing with Mississippi State, and just worrying about everything, now that I'm here on campus, I have no worries at all," he said.

Because he has faced adversity

Interim coach Chris Walker before, he said, he knows how to deal with change, like the recent loss of former Tech coach Billy Gillispie.

"Stuff is going to be thrown at you, and you have to overcome it, and that's what you have to do," he said. "I'm still going to give 110 percent. I am still going to come out and play basketball. Nothing is going to change."

His hardships have prepared him for life and made him able to come to the Big 12 Conference and be able to produce, he said.

"Nothing can get in front of me and stop me," Gray said.

He believes he will have a big impact on the team, he said, and his biggest strength is scoring. Players look up to him, he said, and he feels comfortable with all of his teammates.

"The players — we love each other," Gray said. "We'd take a bullet for each other. We become closer and closer every day."

Jordan Tolbert, a sophomore forward, described Gray as a talented player.

Coach Walker said Gray is maturing every day, and with structure, his talent will be able to flourish.

"Once he matures, he's going to be an extraordinary player to watch," he said.

Gray said he wants to use this season to win and work hard.

"I want to play my heart out for my teammates, and I just want to win," he said. "We can surprise a lot of people. We have a great team."

Gray and the men's basketball team play their first basketball game of the season at 7 p.m. on Nov. 1 in the United Spirit Arena, where they will face UT-Permian Basin.

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# Red Raiders look to unify before season tip-off

#### **By MICHAEL DUPONT II** STAFF WRITER

Before it has even taken the court against an opponent, the Texas Tech men's basketball team has proved they can handle adversity.

During the course of approximately one month, the Red Raiders lost their head coach and also freshman forward Aaron Ross to a torn ACL before the team began fall practices.

Tech will look to rebound from a poor 2011-2012 season in which the Red Raiders secured only a single win in the Big 12 Conference.

The Red Raiders' focus thus far has been not only gelling as a new team with new faces, but also getting used to their new head coach.

"His practices are not very hard," said junior guard Daylen Robinson. "It's more of, like, bringing us together as a team and down the court, really. But our throwing our individual statistics main focus is defense right now,

tice," he said. "We probably have to play more, some guys are going 40 plays, you know — six presses, maybe eight to 10 out of bounds plays. I mean that's so much stuff that they have to absorb, right now they're just being sponges and I tell them all the time, I say, 'Guys, it's not about being perfect. It's about being together. So the bottom line is if you play hard and stay together, we'll figure things out."

The Red Raiders scrimmaged Texas Southern University as a result of an original scrimmage against Rice being canceled.

Tech walked away from the scrimmage feeling optimistic about its adjustments to coach Walker's new system, said junior forward Dejan Kravic.

'We're coming along together really well," said Kravic. "I think the system fits our team really well, guys are liking it right now. It's more so running and gunning. We're just trying to get up and

to play less. But the No. 1 way you earn playing time is how hard you prepare every day for practice. Now we're starting to get into game planning, we're starting to tailor things down a little bit. It's going to be difficult for others, but it's going to be easier for us as a staff now as we start defining who the players are going to be and who the support players are going to be."

Along with not having a starting lineup, the Red Raiders also have not named any official team captains.

Robinson said although the Red Raiders do not have one defined leader, he thinks they all lead each other.

Walker thinks, however, the leadership must come from him first and eventually the role can be passed down to other players.

"At the end of the day right now, I have to be the leader to set the tone for these guys," he said, "and then kind of give a few guys who are capable of doing it a blueprint of how to do it, and then create an environment where it can happen. It'll happen naturally as time goes on. Obviously, we haven't decided who's going to start, who's going to play and sometimes that has something to do with it, so right now we're kind of in a little mixed bag of leadership."

# Cowboys do not want season to slip out of reach

Cowboys now must try to keep their season from slipping out of reach.

They were so close — by the length of Dez Bryant's fingertips — to being within a half-game of the NFC East lead and having a vital tiebreaker with a season sweep of the division-leading New York Giants. But the receiver's touchdown catch in the closing seconds was overturned on a replay review.

Dallas (3-4) hits the halfway mark of its schedule Sunday night at Atlanta (7-0), the NFL's only undefeated team. The Cowboys then go to Philadelphia for the first of two meetings in four weeks against their division foe.

"There is a tremendous amount of urgency," coach Jason Garrett said Monday. "Every game is critical. This is a big game."

The Cowboys overcame an early 23-0 deficit and led going into the fourth quarter Sunday in what would have been the biggest comeback victory in team history.

But New York won 29-24 after regaining the lead with two field goals, the go-ahead points coming after Felix Jones fumbled. The Giants held on after replay showed Bryant's fingers hit out of bounds before he landed on a leaping 37-yard grab with 10 seconds left. Tight end Jason Witten's franchise-record 18 catches and Tony Romo's career-high 437 yards passing on a record 62 attempts (with 36 completions) weren't enough to help the Cowboys overcome six turnovers, including four interceptions.

IRVING (AP) — The Dallas Philadelphia (3-4) and Washington (3-5) both lost Sunday.

"It's to that point in the season where you don't have time," Witten said. "Nobody cares about battling. They don't, they want to see you win. ... The clock's ticking. You have to be able to find a way to get on top here a little bit."

Romo has already thrown an NFL-high 13 interceptions in 283 attempts, after having only 10 picks in 522 throws last season. The Cowboys have 19 total giveaways and a minus-11 turnover margin.

Asked how much turnovers have contributed to the Cowboys' losses, Garrett responded, "I think it's probably been the biggest single factor.'

Dallas keeps turning it over despite a continued emphasis to correct that problem, a fact that led to a rare public admission by Garrett of being frustrated.

"In this particular case, absolutely," Garrett said. "Frustration is not a helpful emotion, but it's something that we just have to continue to focus on and get better at. ... At times, we've done a very good job of it, and I think the results speak for themselves. Other times we haven't, and similarly the results speak for themselves."

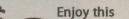
While Bryant almost had a decisive play, and finished with five catches for 110 yards, he contributed to two early turnovers that helped the Giants lead 23-0 only 2 minutes into the second quarter.

Romo was trying to throw deep when Bryant rounded his route instead of flattening out across the middle. Stevie Brown cut in front of him for an interception.

Bryant later fielded a punt over his head. Even though he recov-

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away and being together as a team — as a family.

Interim coach Chris Walker served a year as the associate head coach for Tech before being announced as the interim head coach by director of athletics, Kirby Hocutt, after former head coach Billy Gillispie resigned from his coaching duties.

Walker said he does not expect perfection from the Red Raiders. He anticipates mistakes early on, but what will define this year's team is consistent effort and staying together as a team.

"I think this is our 11th prac-

just getting stops on defense and then with defense comes offense."

Walker said he was impressed with the way the team played as a unit.

Walker plans to use an eight- or nine-man rotation when the season begins. He has not yet, however, set an official starting lineup.

Walker said the main thing he is looking to find before he names any starters are players that are going to dedicate themselves to perfecting practice habits.

"We're actually playing to compete and win games," he said, "and in that, some guys are going

The Red Raiders tip off their season at 8 p.m. on Nov. 9 against Prairie View A&M in the United Spirit Arena.

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