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Arts, sciences combine forces for lab safety training

Theater students perform examples of good, bad lab safety procedures

By CAITLAN OSBORN
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech theater students are a chemistry lab instructor's worst nightmare.

They break glass, burn their hands, won't put their goggles on and cause fires. These were just some of many scenarios

the Department of Theatre and Dance demonstrated as part of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry's September safety workshop for its teaching assistants.

Theater students acted out various scenarios for the chemistry students, who had to decide on the best response for that situation.

"I must have played my part well because I had several of the (teaching assistants) tell me that I was scary and they would never want me as a student," said Page Petrucka, a doctoral student in playwriting, acting and directing from Orem, Utah.

Before exploring the possibility of real-life dangers in the lab, the chemistry

TAs discovered their inner actors.

"We break this up into two parts, really," Linda Donahue, an associate professor of performing arts, said. "The first part involves four different workshops working on four different theater activities: theater games, movement, voice and status transactions. We work on each of those for an hour to an hour-and-a-half. Then we go to the chemistry labs and then we put all of this into practical use."

The chemistry theater workshop was first applied last spring, Donahue said, where the lessons occurred during the course of six weeks. However, this time it was decided the workshop would be an all-day activity to create an easier learning environment.

"In any kind of emergency situation there's a certain sense of the unexpected, so the TAs were put into a very authentic kind of situation with-

out the real emergency," Dominick Casadonte, a Minnie Stevens Piper professor of chemistry, said. "So, they had to figure out how to react. And our hope is that if there should be a true emergency that happens, that they will be able then to, based on the training that they received, be able to manage those much more effectively."

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Energy commerce students bring light to Peruvian communities

By ALSTON TRBULA
STAFF WRITER

During the summer, energy commerce students from the Rawls College of Business Administration helped install solar lighting systems for poverty-stricken communities in Peru.

Terry McInturff, director of the energy commerce program and professor of practice for the college, coordinates the World Energy Project in Peru. The World Energy Project gives students a chance to see what energy and financial poverty can do to communities. The project is similar to a class, students get internship credit for being involved in the project.

"I thought, you know, we could do something good here. We could help some people," he said. "We could give students some chances to do community service and give back, and give them a chance to see how important their chosen career path is."

Two employees from an organization called Light Up The World, a Canadian non-profit organization, helped students learn how to install the systems, McInturff said. The two employees are Ada Yee, the operations manager, and Rod McIntosh, the technical director.

"They supply the technical know-how, the logistics and they identify the villages," he said.

According to the Light Up The World website, the organization currently has projects in countries such as Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala and Papua New Guinea.

"Light Up The World was the first international development

organization dedicated to illuminating the lives of the world's poor by providing affordable, safe, healthy, efficient and environmentally responsible lighting," according to the website.

There were two World Energy Project-related trips during the summer, McInturff said. Both were in Peru. The first trip was to the Amazon basin and the second was to the Andean region of the country. Nine students went to the Amazon basin and 11 went to the Andean region.

During the Andean trip, students got to interact with the locals of the region. They are called the Quechuas and are descendants from the original Incas, he said. They don't speak any English and most of them don't speak Spanish either, they speak Quechua. The two employees from the Light Up the World organization who are based in Peru helped students communicate with the locals.

The locals were appreciative of the work performed by the students, McInturff said. To show their appreciation, they conducted a celebration. They cooked potatoes, lima beans and alpaca.

McInturff said one of the locals told them the Rawls group not only brought light into the locals' homes, but into their hearts, as well.

People take better care of things they work and pay for, so the solar lighting systems were not free, he said. However, they were sold at prices the Quechuas could afford. The Quechuas are paying monthly for the systems.

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LAB LEARNING



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MAEGHAN BRUNDRETT, A doctoral teaching assistant, points to the water samples showing her students the process of rapid mixing in the environmental engineering lab in the Civil Engineering building on Monday. The lab checked the turbidity of the water and observed the coagulated solids settling at the bottom of the beaker.

Choc'late Mousse Pie Bar expands to new location

After being open for a year and a half, The Choc'late Mousse Pie Bar is opening a second location on the south side of Lubbock in the Kingsgate shopping center.

Carson McCabe, owner of the pie bar and Texas Tech alumnus, said choosing to open the new location on the south side of

town was a no-brainer.

"You know, because I get so much clientele over here on 50th Street from the south side of town," McCabe said, "that's just been the number one thing over the year and a half we've been open is people going, 'Well, when are you going to open one on the south side, when are you

going to open one on the south side?'"

South side customers' wishes of a second pie bar will become reality Nov. 1 when the new location opens its doors to reveal a new look.

Even though both locations will have characteristics that thread together the pie bars'

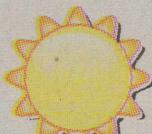

overall theme, like the 1940's jazz music and dim track lighting, the new location will feature more of a Colorado-lodge look with a stone fireplace and wood panels, while the 50th Street location could be described as upscale New York, McCabe said.

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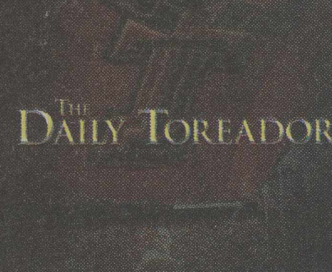
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BARN BEAUTIFICATION



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ADAM RODRIQUEZ, A Tech Physical Plant employee, stands on a ladder and uses a paint roller to repaint an area of the Dairy Barn. Exterior renovations to the barn began earlier this semester.

Energy

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"They used candles and batteries, which are very expensive," McInturff said. "They could spend up to 40 percent of their monthly income on illumination. What they do with us, they spend about 25 percent of their monthly income for 18 months, and then they own the system."

Austin Adkins, a senior energy commerce and business management major from Lubbock, said some parts of the trip were physically challenging. They had to walk a great deal, and they were 16,000 feet above sea level, so the oxygen was thin. During August, it is winter in Peru and at night, temperatures can get as low as 15 degrees.

"It was kind of rough," he said. "The oxygen up there is real thin. I think there's 60 percent less oxygen when you're up that high."

The students mainly did physical labor, Adkins said. Each morning they would get into groups and go to areas where work needed to be done, where leaders in each area would help and give tasks to students.

"We were literally the hands. We were doing everything — we were installing the solar panels and hanging the light bulbs and running the wires," he said.

The trip helped him to see how important energy is, Adkins said. Some

of the locals wanted to operate their radios, but they couldn't because of a lack of energy resources.

"A lot of these people have radios and batteries, but they only have enough money to play their radios once a year, and they would usually do it on their birthday," he said. "They just couldn't afford the batteries. They love listening to soccer over there, so when we got there and hooked up some of the radios, after we turned them on, one guy started dancing, he was probably like a 60-year-old guy."

As far as traveling to Peru went, the students flew in an airplane for six hours, rode in a two-story bus along bumpy roads for 10 hours, and did miles of walking. The whole experience was worth it, Adkins said.

"We're not really going to change their lives, but we're easing the burdens of their lives," he said. "One reason why people are poor in these third world countries is because of energy poverty. By establishing a means of helping them get a little bit of energy, we can kind of help them out financially. It can start a process of them digging themselves out of a financial hole."

He recommends any energy commerce student to go on the next trip. The prices are affordable, Adkins said. Students can get a college credit in two weeks and can experience a completely different way of life.

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Syrian minister accuses US of stoking 'terrorism'

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Syria's foreign minister brought his regime's case before the world Monday, accusing the U.S. and its allies of promoting "terrorism" and blaming everyone from neighbors and extremists to the media for escalating the war — except the Syrian government.

Addressing ministers and diplomats from the United Nation's 193 member states as fighting spread in the historic Old City of Aleppo, Foreign Minister Walid al-Moallem lashed out at calls in Washington and in Arab and European capitals for Assad to step down as interference in Syria's domestic affairs.

Al-Moallem accused extremists of prolonging the crisis and

denounced countries such as the U.S., Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Turkey for supporting the opposition's "terrorism."

"This terrorism which is externally supported is accompanied by unprecedented media provocation based on igniting religious extremism sponsored by well-known states in the region," he told the U.N. General Assembly.

Members of the opposition said it was common knowledge that these neighboring Arab countries were supporting and financing the rebels, but said the Assad government had brought it upon itself after cracking down on protests that began peacefully 18 months ago.

"It is the regime's mindless, brutal and criminal, military crackdown that pushed the Syrian people to ask for help from the international community, from NATO and from the devil himself if necessary to protect them," Haitham Manna, a Paris-based veteran Syrian dissident who heads the external branch of the National Coordination Body opposition group, told The Associated Press.

Al-Moallem's speech followed his meeting with Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon in which the U.N. chief "raised in the strongest terms the continued killings, massive de-

struction, human rights abuses, and aerial and artillery attacks committed by the government," according to a statement by his press office. "He stressed that it was the Syrian people who were being killed every day, and appealed to the Government of Syria to show compassion to its own people."

The Syrian foreign minister in his address invited the opposition to "work together to stop the shedding of Syrian blood" and said that a Syrian-led dialogue could produce a "more pluralistic and democratic" country.

The opposition called the speech a classic case of regime "propaganda," and dismissed his calls for dialogue as not genuine.

"While the brutal and delusional Syrian regime continues to pay lip service to diplomacy, its actions over the past 18 months have demonstrated beyond any doubt that they have no interest in meaningful reform or dialogue" Radwan Ziadeh, a U.S.-based spokesman for the chief opposition group, the Syrian National Council, said in a statement.

Underscoring how deeply the Syrian foreign minister felt that conspiratorial hands were playing in the war-ridden country, he said that armed groups were inciting civilians in border areas to flee to neighbor-

ing countries "to fabricate a refugee crisis."

Up to 3,000 Syrians are leaving the country every day, said Vincent Cochetel of the U.N. refugee agency. Some 300,000 Syrians are registered, or waiting to register with the U.N. in Turkey, Jordan, Iraq and Lebanon and the agency expects the number to grow to 700,000 by the year's end.

Some regional and international parties, al-Moallem said, are seeking to exploit the conflict and create "a state of instability to ensure the need for foreign interference."

Al-Moallem called for a Syrian-led dialogue to agree on a roadmap to "a more pluralistic and democratic Syria."

His call, similar to other overtures made by Assad's regime, is unlikely to be heeded by the opposition.

Most opposition factions have repeatedly dismissed the government's purported peace initiatives as propaganda intended to buy time. They say they will accept nothing less than Assad stepping down as a precondition for talks.

But on many other points, the Syrian opposition's political factions and the rebel groups fighting on the ground are deeply divided.

Mokhtar Lamani, the Damascus representative of the new U.N.-Arab League peace envoy to Syria, said Monday that the large number of rival rebel and opposition groups is one of the main obstacles to Lakhdar Brahimi's goal, which is to broker an end to the Syrian crisis.

A vast array of such groups inside and outside the country has been dogged by infighting and mutual accusations of treachery. The rebels include army defectors and gunmen who work under the rag-tag Free Syrian Army.

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Puzzles by PageFiller

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

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Solution to yesterday's puzzle

Pie

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Along with a new look, the new location will include additional recipes such as hot pies and breakfast pies, McCabe said. The breakfast menu will include four different types of quiche and an oatmeal casserole, which can be enjoyed at the new hours of 7 a.m.

"It's kind of been fun," he said, "you know, to get away from this one, to kind of regroup a little bit and remember how to come up with different stuff."

McCabe said the new pie bar has been a project kept within the family, and he only had to hire outside help from a mason to do the stonework on the fireplace.

"That's the fun thing about us working together over at the new one," he said. "It brings us together even closer than we were, and things are easier and smoother when you're working together with family more so than it is when you hire people in. You're just more connected emotionally to the work that you've put in."

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The key, Donahue said, is to learn by doing.

"I'm sure in all chemistry departments there are lab manuals, and there are operating procedures and policies, but they're actually on their feet doing it and using critical thinking skills," she said. "Some of the scenarios really take them off guard because they never

thought that that could happen and it really is a safety situation, like if somebody faints."

During the theater-half of the workshop, the chemistry TAs learned how changes in their voice and body could improve their performance.

"In movement we did some techniques that allowed the chemistry students to find where their bodies are in space and how we use our body, and how that says something about us," Donahue said. "We may not be changing how

people move, but we're making them aware that they're sending certain signals through their body.

"The vocal workshop was similar in how we use our voice says something about us. This was really all about communication and how does a chemistry lab instructor communicate about safety issues with an undergraduate student."

Status transactions, Donahue said, also was an important lesson.

"The idea of status is throughout our day, every day, we're

changing our status at different times depending on who we're talking to," she said. "So, probably, a TA in chemistry will have to appear to have high status and when an emergency situation happens, you might want to lower your status, or not — depending on your situation — to be more empathetic, (like if a student is hurt)."

Elizabeth Parks, a master's student in fine arts in performance and pedagogy from Denver, said it was good for students to get out of their comfort zones.

"I think it's great for both parties because you kind of get to step outside your discipline and get to know more of the campus and (get) to experience the culture of the chemistry life," she said. "It's not only valuable and directly applicable to these TAs, but it's kind of life skills as well."

The workshop was a good way to teach chemistry students how to manage an emergency situation efficiently.

"Graduate students are often tied together because they're

creating new things — they're generating new knowledge, and that happens whether you're in a theater context or a scientific context," he said. "Also, it's been a lot of fun. I think both the theater graduate students and the chemistry graduate students gained a greater appreciation of what each group does and so we're looking hopefully that this will be the beginning of an increase and a greater interaction between the arts and sciences."

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Romney presses foreign policy criticism

BURLINGTON, Mass. (AP) — Amid violent flare-ups in the Middle East, Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney is trying to prove his own readiness to be commander in chief and force President Barack Obama to answer for turmoil in places like Libya, where terrorists killed the U.S. ambassador on the anniversary of 9/11.

Romney advisers argue that the stepped-up foreign policy criticism dovetails with a key piece of his central argument: Obama is in over his head, and the country will be worse off if he gets a second term.

Yet, there's a disconnect between what Romney and his team are talking about nationally and what he is running on in the states, where his TV advertising is largely focused on the economy and jobs — voters' No. 1 issue — ahead of Wednesday's presidential debate. All that's leaving Romney open to criticism that his campaign is searching for a winning pitch just one month before the election and with voting under way in many states.

"Our country seems to be at the mercy of events rather than shaping them. We're not moving them in a direction that protects our people or our allies. And that's dangerous," Romney wrote in a column published Monday in *The Wall Street Journal*.

The Obama campaign reacted forcefully, calling Romney's foreign policy stances "incoherent" and "reckless, erratic and irresponsible." Romney running mate Paul Ryan

piled on, telling radio host Laura Ingraham that Obama's administration hasn't given the public the full story on the circumstances that led to the death of U.S. Ambassador Chris Stevens in Benghazi, Libya.

"It's really indicative of a broader failure of this administration's foreign policy and the crisis that is taking place across the Middle East," Ryan said. "It is clear the administration's policy unraveled."

Romney's intense focus on foreign policy is intended to undercut what the Obama campaign has seen as the president's ironclad international affairs credentials — and send a message to voters that they can trust the Republican on foreign policy despite limited experience. To that end, Romney's advisers said he's planning a major foreign policy speech, to be delivered sometime after Wednesday's debate.

Obama campaign spokeswoman Jen Psaki was dismissive of the argument.

"There is no op-ed or no speech which we've heard he may or may not give at some point that is going to change the view of the American people that he has been reckless, erratic and irresponsible on foreign policy issues every time he has had an opportunity to speak to them," Psaki told reporters in Henderson, Nev., where Obama is preparing for the debate.

White House press secretary Jay Carney said Romney's op-ed "contains no specifics or an alternative," adding that most of the positions

Romney was advocating "are no different from what the president is actually doing."

One possible exception is Iran, Carney said, where Romney appears to oppose U.S. policy of economic sanctions and diplomatic isolation.

"The alternative is war," Carney said. "As the president has said, if Gov. Romney and other critics are advocating that position (war against Iran), they ought to say so clearly."

Foreign policy is the latest in a series of political openings that Romney has tried to exploit in recent weeks, as he has fallen behind the president in polls in key battleground states and in national surveys. In recent weeks, Romney also has castigated Obama on the coal industry, defense cuts, wealth redistribution and the president's comment that it's not possible to change Washington from the inside.

But unlike some of those issues, Romney's campaign hasn't put serious money behind the foreign policy line of criticism.

Paid TV ads in key states don't largely mention international affairs. The third-party group American Crossroads has produced a Web video assailing Obama's foreign policy, but it's not on the air. Polls show foreign policy far down on the list of voters' concerns and Obama leads Romney on the issue.

Romney's campaign had spent much of the year focusing its argument against Obama's handling of the economy.

Then came Sept. 11, and as unrest flared in the Middle East, Romney issued a late-night statement assailing Obama before it was clear that Stevens and three other Americans had been killed in the terrorist attack on the consulate in Benghazi. The timing of Romney's initial response prompted heartburn within the GOP. Yet, Romney pressed ahead with his criticism that Obama was a weak leader whose posture abroad was hurting U.S. interests, and congressional Republicans have piled on about the administration's changing statements on the Libya attack.

Romney campaign aides said internal polls showed the criticism of Obama's foreign policy resonating with voters in the days after Stevens' death. But any traction Romney was getting on that front was stunted when a video surfaced of Romney telling donors that 47 percent of Americans believe they are victims entitled to government assistance. Obama has highlighted that comment repeatedly in TV ads and at campaign rallies, building on his post-convention momentum.

Since then, the administration's statements on Libya have evolved, with officials struggling to explain just what happened in Benghazi.

White House adviser David Plouffe seemed to struggle Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press" when pressed on the matter.

"This was an event obviously, a complex event. We're only talking about a matter of weeks here," Plouffe said. "So as information

American Airlines inspecting loose seats after two incidents

DALLAS (AP) — The federal government is examining two separate incidents in which passenger seats came loose midflight on American Airlines planes in the last three days.

American said Monday that it would inspect those and six other Boeing 757 jets overnight.

The Federal Aviation Administration said both planes had recently undergone maintenance work that required seats to be removed and reinstalled. American spokeswoman Andrea Huguely said an initial review found that there could be a problem with the way the seats fit into tracks on the floor.

"Out of an abundance of caution, American has decided to proactively re-inspect eight 757s today that could possibly have this same issue," Huguely said. The FAA said it is looking into the incidents but didn't provide many more details.

Boeing Co. declined to comment other than to say it had nothing to do with the recent maintenance work involving seats.

On Saturday, a flight from Boston to Miami made an emergency landing in New York after three passenger seats came loose shortly after takeoff. The airline said there were no injuries, and passengers were put on another plane to Miami.

On Monday, an American flight from New York to Miami returned to John F. Kennedy International Airport after loose seats were discovered.

The incidents involved separate

repair facilities and groups of American Airlines and contract workers, Huguely said. American flew engineers, crew chiefs and inspectors from its maintenance base in Tulsa, Okla., to New York to examine the planes, she said.

American had 124 Boeing 757s as of December. The eight being inspected use a similar seat assembly, officials said.

The 757s that American operates in the United States have 22 first-class seats and 166 in economy.

Airline and government officials discouraged speculation that the incidents could be related to labor-management tension at American, which is cutting labor costs and laying off maintenance workers as it tries to turn around under bankruptcy protection.

Last week American accused some pilots of conducting an illegal work slowdown that has led to a spike in delayed and canceled flights. The airline threatened to take the pilots' union to court.

On Monday, American continued to have more cancellations and delays than its rivals, according to tracking service FlightStats.com. But American's 17 cancellations and 61 percent on-time rating for arrivals were better than many of the airline's performances in September.

The delays and cancellations have annoyed passengers, but even the hint of mechanical issues could frighten them away and even threaten American's existence, experts said.

Perry calls for 4-year tuition freeze for freshmen

DALLAS (AP) — Texas Gov. Rick Perry on Monday proposed a four-year tuition freeze for incoming college freshmen and suggested that some of the money the state spends on schools should be tied to the number of students they graduate.

Perry, who announced his education priorities during a news conference at a Dallas high school, also called on schools to give families a better understanding of the amount of money they'll spend on college, depending on how long it takes the student to graduate.

"More and more young Texans of all backgrounds are thinking of college as this vital component of their personal success, they're taking the active steps to get themselves to that point," Perry said. "As state officials, we have to do everything that we can to remove the roadblocks."

The Republican governor also renewed his call for universities to create bachelor's degree options for \$10,000 or less. Perry challenged universities last year to come up with \$10,000 or less bachelor's

degrees and he said that so far, nine institutions in Texas currently offer or have announced plans for such degrees.

Perry said that a four-year tuition freeze for incoming freshmen not only gives them certainty about the amount they'll be paying each year but also provides incentive for them to finish their degrees on time.

He said less than 30 percent of students at Texas' four-year institutions graduate in four years and only 58 percent have a degree in six years.

"That is a system that can be and must be improved. That's why we also need to link a portion of each university's funding to state outcomes," he said.

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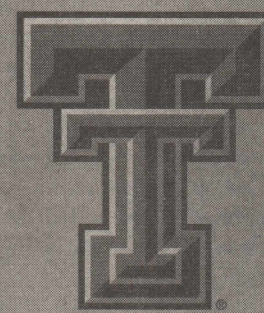


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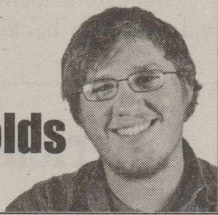
In an interview with the Texas Tribune last week, Texas Governor Rick Perry clarified his views on the separation of church and state.

According to Governor Goodhair, the separation of church and state is not the founding fathers' method of preventing the nation they crafted from turning into the theocratic state they had just won their freedom from. Instead, as Mr. Perry frankly stated, the separation of church and state is the work of Satan, who uses liberals and secularists to keep "people of the faith" out of the public arena.

Now, if what Mr. Perry said is true, he has left Christian liberals like me asking if we can have a side of mustard with the moral pretzel we've twisted ourselves into.

However, the number of Chris-

Jakob Reynolds



tian conservatives in Congress who have made their beliefs well known to the public and who have repeatedly tried to legislate those views should tell you one of two things. Either Perry is right and us liberal minions from the hot place have epically failed in our nefarious task, or he's full of it and has publicly shown that the founding fathers failed at keeping hyper-religious basket cases out of our government.

The Dark Lord will be disappointed regardless.

As a matter of fact, Governor Perry should be happy to know

that according to a report from the Pew Research Center, in the 112th Congress, 460 of 535 legislators identify themselves as being Christian.

However absurd it may be, the "healthy discussion" on the notion that the separation of church and state was invented to keep Christians out of the public arena may actually be an important one to have, though probably not for the same reasons Governor Perry had in mind.

First, the separation of church

and state is important because theoretically, it would keep any one religious institution from pressing its views and values on those citizens who don't agree with it.

Moreover, the idea of separation of church and state may not have been invented to keep Christians out of Congress, but it may have been invented to keep out — or at least keep restrained — those who would sacrifice the good of their constituents in order to promote their own values in legislation

that affects everyone.

If that were the case, people like Oklahoma Senator Jim Inhofe, who justifies disregarding the consensus of the entire scientific community on a given environmental issue as a hoax with his religious beliefs, might not even be in Congress, much less be placed on the Senate Committee on Environmental and Public Works.

Come to think of it, Rick Perry's statements on separation of church and state should bring to light the lack of logical and statistical reasoning in government. Perhaps if all members of federal, state and local governments made legislative decisions based on scientific and statistical evidence rather than on emotion and ideology alone, they would be much more productive and efficient instead of coming to the

brink of government shutdown on account of debates over abortion or civil rights during a budget meeting.

Of course, that is not to say religious government leaders are solely to blame for inefficient government. However, the idea that there is what Governor Perry called an "iron curtain" separating church from state and keeping Christians from being active in public affairs is completely untrue.

If anything, this "iron curtain" between the church and state these days is more of a square of cheap toilet paper, and you know just how effective that stuff is at... well, use your imagination.

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Univision interviews affect both Obama and Romney

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Last week, presidential candidates Barack Obama and Mitt Romney spoke separately on the Spanish-language television channel Univision to address issues regarding the Latino community and, of course, to attempt to woo Latino voters.

Obama's failure to follow through on plans for immigration reform during his first term was highlighted in the Univision forum. Moderator Jorge Ramos accused Obama of going back on his word, saying, "A promise is a promise and with all due respect, you didn't keep that promise."

Obama openly acknowledged this failed promise, thus directly damaging his re-election campaign and relationship with a key voter base that has consistently supported him since 2008. Mitt Romney, however, has not been in a position to affect change for the last four years, nor has he made unfulfilled promises.

The Univision forum will not have a huge impact on Latino voters' opinions of Romney, whose potential for election relies on other voter demographics' support. Obama, on the other hand, might need the support of this voting bloc now more than ever and will now have to come up with some concrete immigration policies if he is to hold onto the Latino vote.

Rewind to 2008, with Ramos again interviewing Obama, but when he was still a presidential candidate. Ramos asked if he would commit to immigration reform.

Obama's response: "I cannot guarantee that it's going to be in the first 100 days. But what I can guarantee is that we will have in the first year an immigration bill that I strongly support and that I'm promoting and that I want to move that forward as quickly as possible."

This bill did not happen in his first year. A major 2008 campaign

promise to provide a path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants materialized in the form of the DREAM Act, but it failed to pass in the Senate. If he was truly committed to making that promise a reality, wouldn't he have pushed harder for its passage by now?

Obama had four years to tackle immigration policy. Though there certainly have been other pertinent problems to deal with, there is no excuse for failing to deal with such an important and relevant issue when the administration assured voters on the campaign trail in 2008 that immigration reform would occur during Obama's first term.

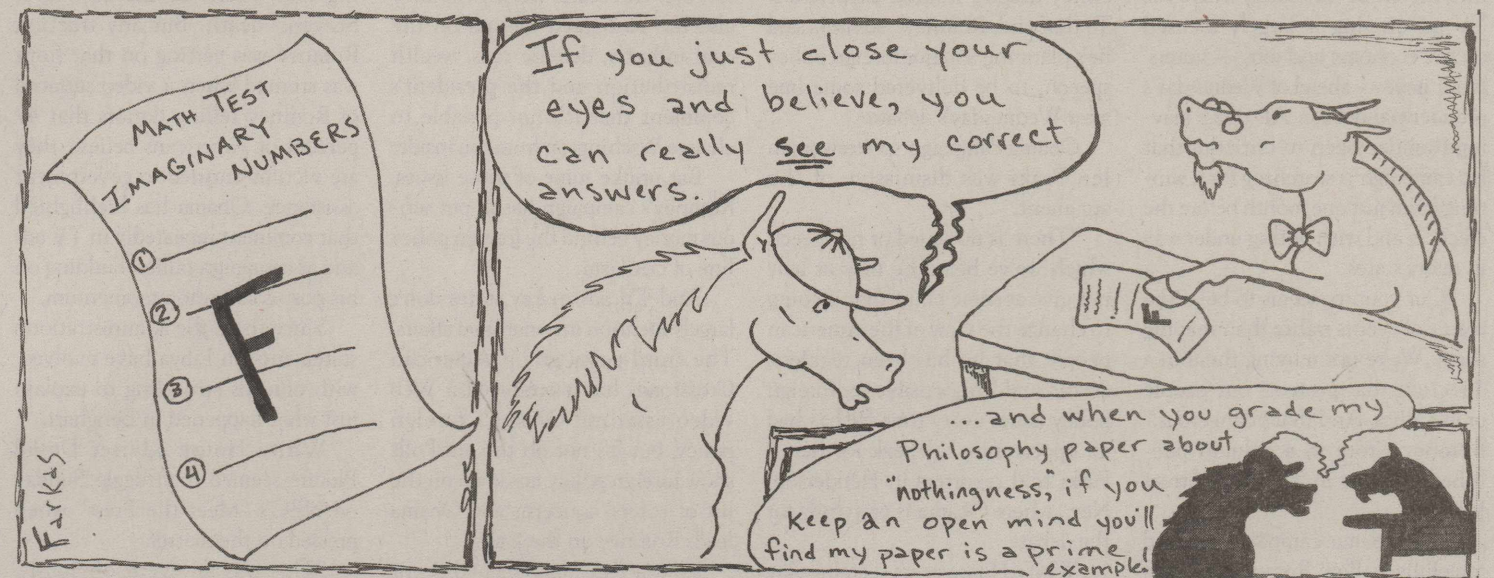
And he did not only fail to keep a promise to Latino voters, his administration had the highest number of deportations in any American presidency. He used bipartisanship in Congress and the rule of law as a scapegoat for the high deportation rate and his lack of action on immigration reform.

Romney's interview — in which he discussed vague plans for a "permanent solution" to immigration and criticized Obama's inaction concerning the issue — did little to boost his campaign. While it would have been a positive step forward for the Romney campaign if he had used the Univision interview as an opportunity to earn more clout with the Latino demographic, his campaign hasn't faced any significant impact.

Voters can blame Romney for failing to articulate a strategy for immigration reform, but they can't blame him for promising to pursue concrete action and not following through. That's on Obama.

Both candidates' Univision interviews were subpar, but it's the current president who is under the most pressure and scrutiny to come up with a solution that speaks to Latino needs. Latino voters are predicted to come out in record numbers this election, and in 2008 they made up 9 percent of the electorate — losing their support would be a critical loss for Obama's re-election.

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BY ANDREA FARKAS

Capitalism vs. socialism debate must be reshaped

By **DEREK OLSON**
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One can hardly think of two more contentious words in the American political lexicon than socialism and capitalism. Neither can I think of two words as highly misused and misunderstood. In the aftermath of the recent financial crisis, just as in the aftermath of every deep recession, there is heightened discussion of these concepts. If these concepts were understood more clearly, perhaps we could have more constructive conversations about the size and scope of government.

There is some confusion surrounding the meaning of socialism. In the economics discipline, these colloquial "isms" are generally not used. Economic systems are described as market economies or command economies, roughly analogous to capitalism and communism, respectively. In the former, prices are determined by markets and capital is privately owned. In the latter, prices are determined by a planning board and capital is publicly owned.

From time to time I hear befuddling discussion about the socialist economies of Europe. Many Americans seem to consider much of Europe, especially Scandinavian countries, as socialist because of their expansive programs for wealth redistribution. However, these are economies with private

capital, successful corporations and prices determined by markets. If Norway, Sweden or Denmark were socialist economies, it would not be a stretch to say the same of the U.S. Among Americans, there is some ambiguity surrounding the term socialism, but for most of the world, and for much of history, the varieties of socialist theory have been recognized as roughly synonymous with communism.

This ambiguity resulting from conceptual discussion points to the second major flaw in the debate between capitalism and socialism. These are theoretical concepts. They do not actually exist in reality.

Since the Constitution was written, the U.S. has operated a publicly financed post office. Milton Friedman even referred to the military as a socialist activity because the capital is owned by the state and proposed that the U.S. is 45 percent socialist. These examples illustrate how the United States' economy has never consisted of complete private ownership of capital. In the 20th century, with the surge of entitlement programs, the economy shifted much further from strict capitalism. We must recognize the inadequacy of simply labeling the U.S. with capitalism.

For real world observations, it is necessary to imagine a spectrum. Consider a pure market economy on one side and a pure command economy on the other,

from complete private ownership to complete public ownership, from markets to collective planning as the sole mechanism to determine prices. Like the U.S., there are no pure market economies among developed nations. At no point in the history of the Soviet Union or any other planned economy was capital ever 100 percent publicly owned or markets completely abolished. What we must recognize is that there are no examples in modern history of an economy at either extreme end of these spectrums. In other words, all developed economies of the world consist of some mix of capitalism and socialism.

Has capitalism failed? Is capitalism in crisis? These are not constructive questions. Pure capitalism is not the economic system of the U.S., or any country for that matter. The real question we need to ask is this: Where is the optimal place on the spectrum between private and public ownership, between free markets and planned controls?

So how do we determine the optimal place? Economics is a relatively young science, and it is still clouded with some theoretical subjectivity. Additionally, scientific experiments are impossible. It is not feasible to instruct two countries into a situation where all but one variable is held constant. However, data collection methods are improving, available data is expanding and every day we have

more history to analyze.

For example, modern empirical evidence supports the incentives argument of neoclassical economics. Edward Prescott, a former University of Minnesota professor and Nobel Prize-winning economist, has done substantive research comparing the tax rates of G-7 nations. Americans now work more than Germans, French and British, when this was not the case in the 1970s. Prescott's findings show that the large disparity in marginal tax rates that has arisen between the U.S. and other G-7 nations since the 1970s accounts for the decreased productivity in Europe, Canada and Japan. Prescott's studies show that even relatively small moves along the spectrum from private to public ownership of capital can have large, disincentive effects on the productivity of workers. Workers are most motivated when they earn the reward for themselves.

While increasing equality is a noble goal, we must not forget the adverse effects of redistribution. When you try to cut the economic pie more evenly, the pie gets smaller, and there's less to share.

Americans need to change the way they talk about capitalism and socialism. The appropriate discussion is not a debate of alternatives. It's a question of balance. The next time you hear someone say capitalism has failed or advocate socialism, remind him or her that those economic systems don't truly exist.

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GARRETT BLACKWELL, A freshman landscape architecture major from Eden, examines the growth of stem cuttings Monday in the Horticulture Greenhouse. The stem cuttings were planted to grow a copy of the plant.

Schwarzenegger kept many secrets from wife Maria

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Arnold Schwarzenegger says his lifelong penchant for secrecy and ability to put his emotions “on deep freeze” led him to keep many secrets from his wife Maria Shriver, eventually causing the dissolution of their marriage when he was forced to admit he fathered a child with the family’s housekeeper years earlier.

Throughout their strained 25-year marriage, Schwarzenegger says he did not want to tell Shriver about crucial life decisions such as major heart surgery and running for California governor because he feared she would overreact and tell her well-connected family and friends.

In his new autobiography, “Total Recall: My Unbelievably True Life Story,” and in an interview airing Sunday on “60 Minutes,” the former California governor acknowledges that his inability to be honest with people has hurt

those closest to him.

“That’s the way I handle things. And it always has worked. But, I mean it does not — it’s not the best thing for people around me because I sometimes — some information I just keep to myself,” Schwarzenegger tells reporter Lesley Stahl on “60 Minutes.”

The former Mr. Universe traces his detachment to his bodybuilding days, where he says emotions make athletes lose.

“So I became an expert in living in denial,” says the Hollywood action star and former governor.

Schwarzenegger praises Shriver throughout the book as a partner and friend who was essential to his success, but also admits to keeping her in the dark about many career decisions. Shriver filed for divorce in July.

Although he had been toying with the idea of running for governor for more than a year, Schwarzenegger waited until just days before the filing deadline for the 2003 recall to discuss it with Shriver, writing in the book that he “didn’t want endless conversation about it at home.”

Shriver opposed the idea, but was persuaded to soften her stance by her mother, Eunice Shriver, who told her to support her husband’s ambitions, or he might resent her for the rest of his life. Despite that struggle, he also didn’t inform her when he decided to seek a second term, writing that she had to read about it in the newspaper.

“Total Recall” will officially be published Monday. The Associated Press purchased an early copy.

But Schwarzenegger’s biggest secret, the child he had with the family’s housekeeper, became tabloid news last year after he left office. Shriver confronted him during a January 2011 counseling

session and he finally acknowledged the boy, Joseph, was his. Schwarzenegger says he kept the secret from his wife for years because he was worried “it would get out.”

He tells Stahl he never even had a conversation with the housekeeper, Mildred Baena, about the son. Instead, after he began noticing the boy’s strong resemblance to him, around age 8, he just began giving Baena extra money.

“I kind of put it away and just said to myself, ‘OK, I’m going to put this away. I’m going to fulfill my responsibilities,’” he tells Stahl.

He declined to say whether he has a relationship with the child, who is now about 15, and he said he didn’t want to go into any more details about his relationship with Baena because he’s already caused Shriver and their four children enough pain.

“I don’t want to reawaken and kind of talk about it because it’s not going to help them. And I just want to protect them as much as I can,” he says.

There were other deceptions, too, including a “hot affair” with actress Brigitte Nielsen while filming the 1985 film “Red Sonja,” when he and Shriver were living together. He admits to other affairs, but tells Stahl they are “something that’s obviously between Maria and me.”

Schwarzenegger says in the interview that his marriage and his family were the most important things in his life, but he caused them tremendous pain.

“So the thing that really meant the most to me kind of fell apart because of my doing,” he says in the “60 Minutes” interview. “That is something that I will always look back and say, ‘How could you have done that?’”

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Football notebook: Big 12 player of the week, Doege, more

By **MICHAEL DUPONT II**
STAFF WRITER

During the course of the next five weeks, the Red Raiders face a grueling schedule that puts them against five nationally ranked teams.

Students will know the true identity of their football team by the end of this stretch, which must first take on the Sooners this week at 6 p.m. Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

Texas Tech (4-0, 1-0) still hasn't been ranked by the Associated Press poll, but according to USA Today the Red Raiders are the 24th best team in the nation.

Oklahoma (2-1, 0-1) has been an interesting case this season. It is no secret that the Sooners rely heavily on the arm of senior quarterback Landry Jones, but this season Jones has not been able to find a receiver he can depend on, mainly because of the departure of Ryan Broyles, to convert third downs.

The Sooners converted merely four of their 10 third down attempts in the 24-19 loss two weeks ago to Kansas State, and five of their 16 third downs in a 24-7 win against University of Texas at El Paso to begin the season.

Big 12 player of the week

For his performance this past week, senior defensive back Cornelius Douglas was named the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week.

Douglas intercepted Iowa State senior quarterback Steele Jantz twice in the winning effort.

The first interception was almost a touchdown but Douglas was stopped inside of the Iowa State 10-yard line.

The mindset was to score, but it was just too difficult, Douglas said.

"I saw it," he said. "It was right there, but I couldn't get to it. It was hard. But it set up for the offense to score, though. That's all that matters, though."

Before being converted to defensive back midway through the season, Douglas played receiver for the Red Raiders.

He said cornerback was the position he had played almost his entire life, so his reaction is more instinctive on the field at that spot.

Doege staying cool under pressure

Senior quarterback Seth Doege showed the ability to persevere which is an important trait for a quarterback, a team leader, to have.

Doege threw two interceptions in

the first half of the Iowa State game and answered back with three touchdowns showing the Red Raiders could handle adversity, which was a question being asked of them heading into its first conference game.

Tech coach Tommy Tuberville said Doege has a better knowledge of what it takes to win games in close situations.

"I think he understands it more," Tuberville said. "It goes back to last year; he knew if we were going to win games. He was going to have to win it. We couldn't stop anybody. We couldn't run the ball because we lost our running backs and he was going to have to have a four or 500-yard game to give us an opportunity."

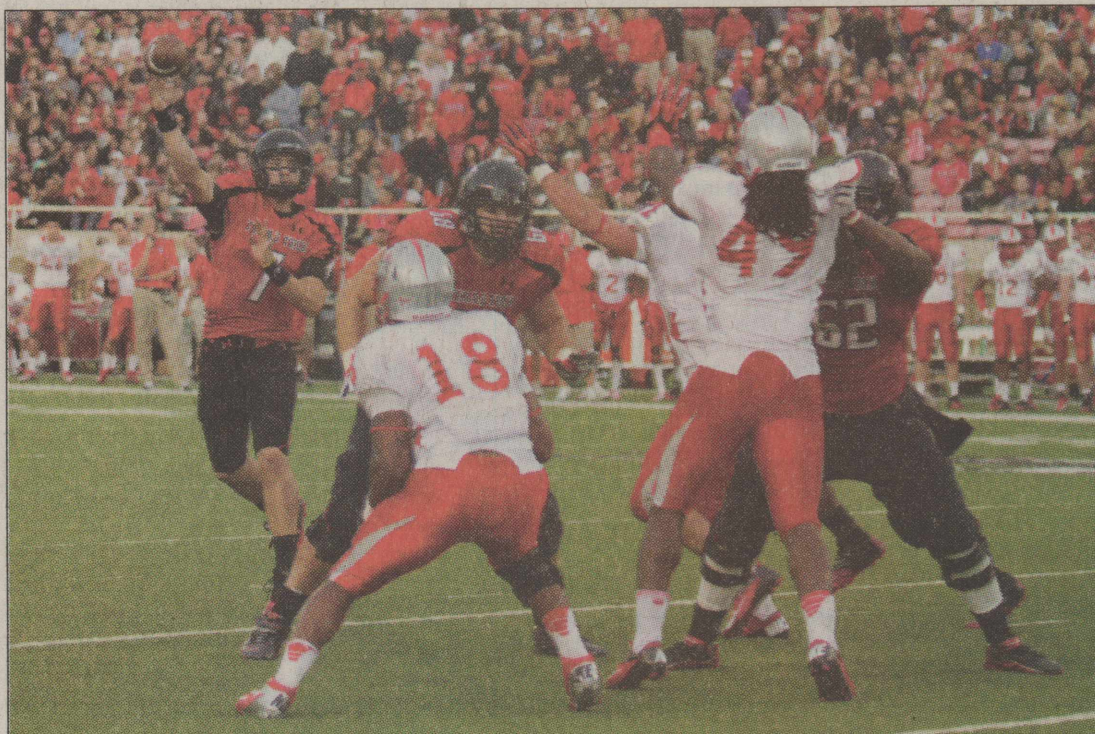
Doege did not have a 400- to 500-yard game this past week, and it was not perfect, but the Red Raiders were still victorious in the outcome.

Senior quarterback Seth Doege lauded Tech's defense and their ability to keep the pressure off Doege and the offense.

"I don't have to press," he said. "If we're not clicking on all cylinders early in the game, it's not going to be an uphill climb. We're still in the game."

The art of Art

Tech defensive coordinator Art



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador
QUARTERBACK SETH DOEGE passes the ball during the Red Raiders' 49-14 win against The University of New Mexico at Jones AT&T Stadium on Saturday. Doege has thrown for 1,189 yards this season.

Kaufman has turned Tech's defense around in less than a year. The Red Raiders are now in the top 10 for both offensive and defensive statistics. The Red Raiders and Florida State are the only two teams in the Football Bowl Subdivision with a

top 10-ranked offense and defense, according to USA Today.

Douglas said the defense has accepted coach Kaufman's philosophies and the results are paying off on the field.

"They bring a whole new game

plan," he said. "It's all details. I mean, from your feet, to your foot work, to your hand placement. I mean, you're coached to fine detail, and I think that's really changed this team around."

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Houston Texans prepare for matchup against New York Jets with 1st ever 4-0 record

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Texans have answered all their skeptics so far with the first 4-0 start in franchise history.

Now the task is staying focused as the stakes get higher each week and they prepare for a nationally televised game against the Jets on Monday night.

Coach Gary Kubiak isn't worried about his Texans getting caught up

in the hype.

"I just think they're very mature and I've told you all that," he said. "It's a good group of guys. They're really hard on each other."

Although Houston has become a popular pick to challenge for its first Super Bowl this season, Kubiak doesn't want anything to do with questions related to the big game this early.

On Monday when a reporter asked him what the most important quality a team needs to get to the Super Bowl, Kubiak laughed and said: "Don't get so far ahead of yourself."

Houston wrapped up the first quarter of the season with a 38-14 win over AFC South rival Tennessee with the help of 14 points scored by the defense. It forced three turnovers by backup quarterback Matt Hasselbeck

after Jake Locker was injured on a sack in the first quarter.

This season, the nine turnovers Houston has forced have led to 41 points.

"They're feeding off each other," Kubiak said. "They're playing very hard. The best thing we've done as a team is we've protected the ball and taken it away. Those two things together win games in this league."

Kubiak has been particularly impressed with his defense through the first four games. The Wade Phillips-led group is allowing the fewest points in the NFL with 14, and the 273 yards a game the group has yielded are the second fewest in the NFL.

"You score 14 points on defense, four sacks total, three turnovers, when you're doing that type of stuff, it's special," Kubiak said. "We forced

quite a few punts as a defensive football team this year, got to be up there at the top. They're playing well, and they're doing it because they're playing together and playing very hard."

Second year defensive end J.J. Watt has led Houston's dominant defense so far. He had two sacks on Sunday to become the first Texan to have multiple sacks in four straight games and has 7 1/2 for the season.

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Tech freshman fights back from injury

By **HOLDEN WILEN**
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For freshman midfielder Caity Heap, quitting has never been an option.

After tearing her ACL a year ago, Heap, an exercise and sports sciences major from McKinney, persevered by putting in the extra time to rehabilitate from her injury, Texas Tech coach Tom Stone said. She got herself ready for the beginning of the season rather than redshirting her freshman year.

"She missed a lot of two-days, she missed a lot of training, she missed our training of our system, and so she's been playing catch up," Stone said. "She's been doing all the extra work before practice and after and doing extra fitness training. She's put the time in."

The hard work came to fruition when Heap made her season debut Aug. 31 against Nevada, the team's fifth match of the season. Heap recorded her first career shot as the Red Raiders won the match 2-1.

The most exciting moment of the season for Heap, however, came in a match in Sept. 23 against New Mexico State. With Tech leading 4-0 at the 84-minute mark, Heap fired a rocket from the middle of the 18-yard box which ended up in the back of the net for her first career goal.

"(Scoring) was awesome," Heap said. "(Sarah Ellison) looked up and found me. She played a great ball to me, and I was wide open. I just took a touch and faked like I was going to shoot it and cut right by the goal, and then I just smacked it in. Then I ran to Sarah and jumped on her. She's like half the size of me but she helped me up. It was good."

Sophomore midfielder Paige Strahan said she was happy for her teammate. With all the work Heap has put into her recovery, Strahan said she deserved the goal.

"She's worked really, really hard to get back into the game and she's done well getting back," Strahan said. "I know coming back as a freshman, and especially because of her knee, it's easy to

get intimidated, but she's done so well and been so good, so I was excited for her."

Heap has been making strides during the last couple of weeks, Stone said, and he is looking for her to do big things in the future. In her first season of collegiate soccer, Heap has played in six games. She scored her lone goal to go along with five shots, including three shots on goal.

Stone's desire for Heap to be great was one of the main reasons she came to Tech, she said.

The first time Heap met Stone was at a soccer camp when he coached her team and the two clicked, Heap said. When she later made a visit to the Tech campus, she decided within a couple days she wanted to attend Tech.

"(Stone) seemed really nice, and I absolutely loved him" Heap said. "He was great coach. We meshed really well; we kind of have the same personality and same love for the game. I met him then and from then on I always kept in contact with him."

Heap's love for soccer began



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FRESHMAN MIDFIELDER CAITY Heap prepares to kick the ball in a 5-0 win against New Mexico State last Sunday at the John B. Walker Soccer Complex. Heap netted her first career goal in the 84th minute.

when she was about 4 years old when she would play with her father, a former player himself. Born in Florida, Heap said her family moved to Texas about 10 years ago.

At McKinney Boyd High School, Heap led her team to the 2010 5A State Finals. Her senior year, she won the 2011 5A State Championship and was named to the 5A All-State Team.

When she is playing, Heap said she tries to emulate her favorite player, Lionel Messi of FC Barcelona. Heap wears number 10, just like Messi, and she said tries to

mimic the creativity and style he plays with. Stone said creativity is one trait that makes Heap a standout, a style which she displayed with her goal this season.

"When everything looks like she's going to do one thing, she seems to be able to do something different," Stone said. "The whole (New Mexico State) team was trying to collapse on her. She wound up to shoot it, and then she just used that against the defender and cut her and dribbled by her."

Off the pitch, Heap said she loves hanging out with her teammates. The players live at the

Boston Avenue Residence Hall, where she said they spend lots of time together playing music and dancing. The camaraderie between everyone on the team is something she really enjoys, she said.

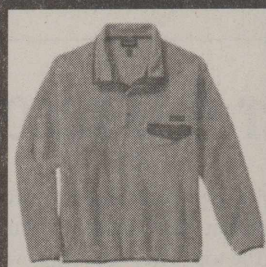
"We usually go eat together," Heap said. "Not just the freshmen, it's everyone. We have a really good chemistry, and we all love each other."

Heap and the Lady Raiders will take on Baylor in their next match 7 p.m. Friday at the John B. Walker Soccer Complex.

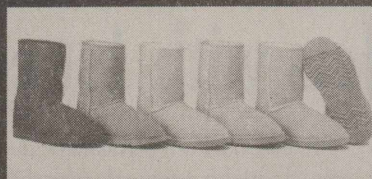
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Texans, Falcons in position for early clinchings

(AP) — By Thanksgiving, maybe even sooner, the Houston Texans and Atlanta Falcons could be division champs.

Perfect through one-fourth of the schedule — and in divisions weaker than the economy — both of these perennially underachieving franchises are now conference favorites. Barring major injuries, they soon can start concentrating on having the best record in the AFC and NFC.

Arizona, the other 4-0 team, isn't in quite so comfortable a position. The normally maligned NFC West has turned into a danger zone, with the Cardinals and 49ers boasting powerful defenses and nice balance, and the surprising Seahawks and Rams looking more competitive than expected.

Atlanta has been a consistent winner for the first time in its 46-year existence under team President Rich McKay, general manager Thomas Dimitroff and coach Mike Smith.

Since Dimitroff and Smith came aboard in 2008, the Falcons have resembled a model franchise.

Except in the playoffs. But there is a much different, more positive vibe about this squad now.

"We're a quarter of the way through the season and we're right where we need to be in terms of our record," said Matt Ryan, who in his fifth pro season is beginning to look like an elite, clutch quarterback.

Ryan has all kinds of support on offense, from star receivers Roddy White and Julio Jones to ageless tight end and nonpareil leader Tony Gonzalez to running back Michael Turner to a maturing line. The Falcons also have become staunch defensively when they need to be, and their 12 takeaways lead the NFL.

It is a measure of how confident — and competent — the Falcons are that even when they began their final and ultimately winning drive Sunday against Carolina at their

1-yard line, no one was shaking in his cleats.

"Every time it looked bleak and it didn't look like we had the chance there in the last five minutes, we were able to overcome it and finish it," Smith said.

That bodes well for Atlanta when it gets to even bigger games, especially in the playoffs, where the Falcons are 0-3 under Smith and have barely shown up in those defeats.

"It's very good to know that you'll be able to handle the ebbs and flows of a game," Smith said. "It was just a matter of time that we were going to have to play from behind. We weren't naive enough to think we would play every game with a lead, but I thought it showed the mettle of the guys in that room."

The Texans have had only one close game and generally have been ahead, trailing for only about 19 minutes total. Their defense began

coming of age in 2011, their first playoff season since they joined the league in 2002, and has forced nine turnovers while getting 13 sacks, 7 ½ by end J.J. Watt.

On offense, Arian Foster and Ben Tate form a potent running back tandem, Andre Johnson is one of the game's top receivers, Owen Daniels is a first-rate tight end and QB Matt Schaub is off to a solid start. The scary thing about Houston is that the offense can be a lot more efficient.

Oh, and this: The Texans' remaining schedule hardly is daunting, with two of the toughest games at home, against Green Bay and Baltimore.

Not that it matters to the Texans. "The good teams I've been around," said coach Gary Kubiak, who was with two Super Bowl winners in Denver, "that is the way they focus because they don't get concerned about who they play, where they play. They get concerned about

how they play.

"They know that if they play good football, we're going to have an excellent chance to win, week in and week out, and they're really hard on each other and pushing each other. We'll see over a period of time, but it's a good start."

Arizona's start, built on powerful defense, opportunistic offense and strong special teams, is its best since 1974 when the Cardinals played in St. Louis. They'll need to keep it up to keep pace with the 49ers, who use similar skills and have the added edge of being a good road team.

But who's to doubt these "Cardiac Cardinals," whose knack for winning the close ones, including their last five overtime games, all at home, is a trait every team envies.

"It's an awesome feeling," star receiver Larry Fitzgerald said. "You

go around town and take your kids to school, eat at restaurants, the whole valley is behind us and it's a fun feeling. ... There's nothing better than being 4-0 (except) being 5-0."

And there's nothing worse than 0-4, an ignominious spot shared by the Browns (no surprise) and the Saints (shocking).

Cleveland is young, rebuilding with 15 rookies on the opening-day roster, and undergoing a change in ownership. Patience needs to be the keyword there.

No chance of that in New Orleans, where angst over the bounty scandal and its resulting suspensions has turned to anger at just about everyone in the NFL outside the Big Easy. The Saints come close, but can't make the decisive plays and have more losses this season than in all of 2011.

RG3 gives Redskins hope: 'Nobody can come close'

ASHBURN, Va. (AP) — Just four games into his NFL career, Robert Griffin III is already carrying the Washington Redskins on his back — instead of the other way around.

The rookie from Baylor gives the Redskins hope in a way they haven't experienced in a long time. They might not win many games — or they might surprise and make a playoff push — but at least with Griffin they always feel they have a fighting chance each week, something that can't be said about some among the merry-go-round of quarterbacks the team has employed over the last two decades.

Santana Moss said Monday that he's played with a lot of them, "And the one thing that I'm sure of: That when it comes down to Robert, he just has that ..."

Moss hesitated in mid-sentence, searching for the right words.

"He's born with whatever he has," Moss continued. "It's in him. So you can be sure when something breaks down he's going to make a play in some kind of way, and I haven't played with a lot of those guys."

Griffin now has his first fourth-quarter, hurry-up-offense comeback win, driving the Redskins 56 yards to set up Billy Cundiff's field goal with 3 seconds to play in Sunday's 24-22 win over the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

"He made some plays that you always want a quarterback to make," coach Mike Shanahan said. "A lot of times they can't make those plays this early in their career."

With the headset malfunctioning, Griffin called some of his own plays during the final drive. One of the biggest gains was made with his feet, a 15-yard scramble that put the Redskins (2-2) in field goal range and saved them from a defeat that might have sent them spiraling toward another long, disheartening season.

The schedule is about to get extremely tough — the undefeated Atlanta Falcons are up next — so Sunday's game was essentially a must-win against the struggling Buccaneers (1-3). Yet the Redskins still managed to blow a 21-3 lead, falling behind on a field goal with 1:42 remaining.

Washington's two victories this season have come against opponents with a combined record of 1-7.

"If we had lost, the way it would have gone down would have been especially demoralizing," tight end Logan Paulsen said. "To be up 21-6 at halftime and then to kind of just slowly like give it away, I think that would have been a disaster. Also, being 1-3, that's pretty serious at this point in the season."

Griffin is on pace to throw for 4,000 yards and run for 1,000.

He's completing almost 70 percent of his passes. He's only thrown one interception. And he knows how to light up a room: He quoted the move "The Replacements" in the postgame news conference Sunday.

"I respect all those other quarterbacks," linebacker Lorenzo Alexander said. "But, just athletically, nobody can come close to him. ... It is surprising — I thought he would have more mistakes at this point."

Instead, it's the rest of the team that's making the miscues.

Shanahan's supposedly disciplined team leads the NFL with 356 yards in penalties. The secondary got torched again Sunday and has allowed an NFL-high six completions of 40-plus yards. Only the Buccaneers — the team

the Redskins just beat — are allowing more yards passing per game than the 326.2 that opponents are putting up against Washington.

"At the end of the day, we're fortunate to have that," said Moss, referring again to Griffin's late heroics. "With that said, we can't rely on that all the time."

Helping to keep the Redskins competitive is a ground game that is producing an NFL-best 175.5 yards per game. Sixth-round pick Alfred Morris had his first 100-yard rushing effort Sunday.

But, right now, it all starts and ends with RG3.

"He doesn't play like his age," Moss said. "He don't approach the game that way. He approaches the game like he's been here before."

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