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## Students looking for jobs after graduation have options

### Graduate unemployment steadily decreasing

By CAROLYN HECK  
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech students who are graduating in May and moving on to the "real world" may not have to stress out as much about the current job market as they once thought.

Peggy Miller, dean of the university's graduate school, said

the job market still looks good for college graduates, despite the recession.

"I think that in any recession there are fewer opportunities than when there is no recession," she said. "On the other hand, the numbers have held for many years and this report that just came out indicates that they're still going to hold."

Miller said according to a report out from Washington, D.C., there are an estimated 2.6 million new replacement jobs that will require an advanced degree to fill.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics website, unemployment rates in Texas went down from 8 percent to 7 percent between March 2011 and March 2012. More than 245,000 new jobs were created

in that time.

The website also reported the national unemployment rate for citizens 25 years of age or older, who have a bachelor's degree or higher, is at 4 percent as of April 2012, which is 0.5 percent lower than April 2011.

Whether a student will find a job could rely heavily on the market saturation, said Jay Killough, the director of University Career Services.

Market saturation, in terms of employment, is how many people are in a particular field versus the number of jobs in that field, he said.

"There are some programs that if the market is saturated in that area, it's a little harder to get a job," Killough said.

Jobs in market areas like biosecurity, chemistry, mathematics and healthcare are very abundant as of late, Miller said.

Nurses also are in great demand right now, Killough said, but architecture students, for example, may find themselves pressed to find employment.

In the past, Tech's architecture career fair has had anywhere from 25 to 30 firms looking to recruit students, he said. However, that number has been declining over the past couple of years.

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## Studies department offers apocalyptic theories course

### Communication studies to offer class in fall

By PAIGE SKINNER  
STAFF WRITER

On December 21, 2012, the Mayan calendar ends.

This and other apocalyptic theories have inspired a new communication studies course at Texas Tech.

Chip Miller, an instructor in the Department of Communication Studies, will instruct the course for Fall 2012.

"The inspiration for this course is sort of drawn from the, I guess you could call it hysteria surrounding the upcoming 2012 prophecies regarding the Mayan calendar," he said. "Throughout history, we've had some interesting apocalyptic predictions made."

Not only will the students study different apocalyptic theories, but they also will study how the theories affect society.

"In this course, we're going to explore the different ways we talk about the apocalypse and how that has implications for what we call the public sphere," Miller said. "That is where we debate about things including our capacity to make change in society or the world around us. I think these two things are definitely related."

Miller's research does not involve the apocalypse, he said, but he has always been personally interested in apocalyptic ideas and

theories.

"There has always been an apocalyptic narrative or story in our culture and there always will be one," he said. "Just because we survive 2012 — if we do — there will be something else that comes along. So, what is interesting to me, each story that comes along frames or positions our society a little bit differently."

Zombies, the Mayans, the book of Revelation, and even the Y2K phenomenon and the transitioning of clocks are all end-of-time theories, Miller said.

While he is not sure if world-ending theories originated from the Bible, the course will study some of the book.

"I don't know if I could speak to whether it originated there," he said. "I think our culture, civilization, has always been fascinated with stories of origin and stories of ending. We're just as fascinated with stories of Genesis as we are Revelation. The two kind of go hand-in-hand. I think there's certainly a strong element of theology that informs our culture."

With all the theories about the world ending, Miller saw this course as an opportunity. He even joked that if the Mayans have it right, this will be his last chance to teach the course.

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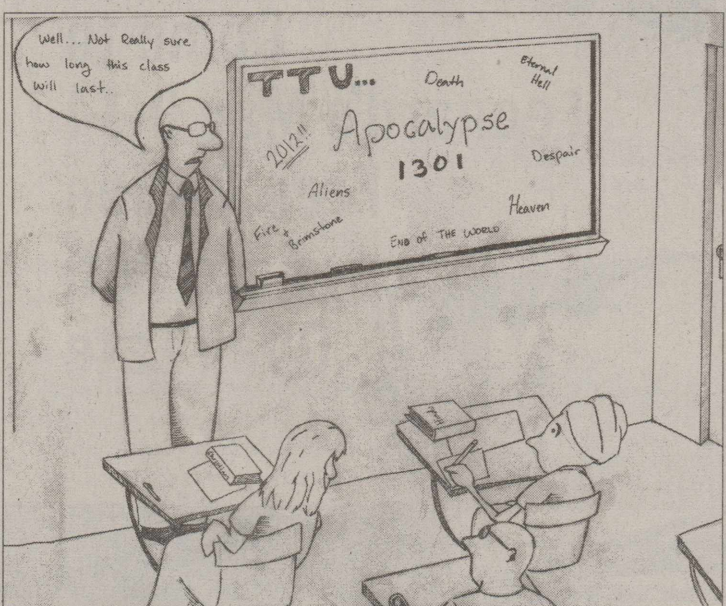


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## Survivor Support

### Network created to aid those with cancer, survivors

By ASHLYN TUBBS  
STAFF WRITER

For those who have been diagnosed with cancer, that fought and conquered the sickness, the tough journey to remain healthy is never-ending.

Kathy Chauncey recognizes this from first-hand experience. Four years ago, she was diagnosed with breast cancer, and then colon cancer a few weeks later.

Her colon cancer was cured through surgery, but her breast cancer required chemotherapy and radiation before it was terminated.

She said she lives today to share her testimony.

In order to help those who are cancer survivors like herself, Chauncey became the director of the West Texas Cancer Survivors Network, a network that provides information about cancer nutrition, healthy habits and survivorship in order to enhance a cancer survivor's quality of life.

"I'm a cancer survivor and that's why I'm so passionate about cancer survivors," Chauncey said. "Many times I've had opportunities to talk to individuals who call in, and I always share the fact with them that I'm a cancer survivor too. I think that puts us on a different level, so I can encourage that individual because I have gone through the same things they've gone through and have had similar experiences."

WTCSN is a partnership between the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Department of Family Medicine and The Cancer Prevention Research Institute of Texas grant. Its mission is connecting cancer survivors for better health.

The WTCSN finds cancer



PHOTO COURTESY OF JANET BASOM  
KATHY CHAUNCEY, A cancer survivor, is the director of the West Texas Can Survivors Network, which helps cancer patients with their recovery.

survivors in the West Texas area and covers Lubbock and the South Plains region, as well as Amarillo and the panhandle region. In all, this area, which is considered rural, contains 41 counties, many of which are low population. Rural cancer survivors would have to travel at least 20 miles in some cases to attend a cancer support

system. "We wanted to assess what is available in the rural area," Chauncey said, "because we think they deserve just as much as anyone else in the state."

So far, WTCSN has more than 400 survivors enrolled in the network, and Chauncey said this is because it is still in the early stages

and they plan to expand the area they serve. She said the network serves cancer survivors of all ages, but is primarily concerned with adults. The average age of the cancer survivors in the network is from 50 to 60 years old, but the age range is 21 to 94 years old.

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## Community Calendar

### TODAY

**Toddler Tuesdays at the Museum**  
Time: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.  
Where: Museum of Texas Tech So, what is it?  
Enjoy a morning of family time at the Museum of Texas Tech.

**Department of Communication Studies: SpeakUp! Contest Final Round**  
Time: 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
Where: Allen Theatre So, what is it?  
The eight finalists of the SpeakUp! Contest will try to persuade a panel of judges with their persuasive speeches. A first, second and third place winner will be named.

**Clarinet Studio Recital**  
Time: 8 p.m.  
Where: Hemmle Recital Hall So, what is it?  
Come and enjoy this clarinet recital presented by the School of Music.

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### WEDNESDAY

**Steve Reynolds: Serial Investigations in Sculpture**  
Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Where: Landmark Arts at the School of Art So, what is it?  
Come check out the exhibit of Steve Reynolds' sculptures and ceramics.

**Andrzej Maciejewski: Weather Report**  
Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Where: Landmark Arts at the School of Art So, what is it?  
Enjoy and view Andrzej Maciejewski's photographs from his Weather Report series. The photographs were taken during a one-year span.

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## Graduates

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"There have been less firms over the past two years because not a lot of people are spending money on design," he said. "But it's all cyclical because next year people are going to have money to spend on design and they're going to want more architects and the field is going to come up again."

This has been a recurring pattern at Tech, he said, as fewer companies are making recruiting efforts.

"A few years ago, lots of employers were coming onto campus for recruiting students," Killough said. "They're not doing that as much, but it doesn't mean they're not hiring. Students might have to do a little more work in finding those jobs and applying for them."

An article from the Associated Press said one in two college graduates find themselves unemployed or in lower-wage jobs after graduation, such as waitressing or bartending.

However, those numbers may not be accurate, Killough said. Some of those students might be waiting for that perfect job for various reasons.

"I know some students who are very hesitant to take that first job offer," he said. "They want to wait and so they might appear in a survey to be 'jobless.'" Some students may be waiting for the right offer, he said, some may be afraid of the real world and some students just start late.

"They might be graduating next week, and Monday after graduation come in and say, 'Hey, I need a job, I graduated Saturday,'" he said. "And we'll still help them, we'll definitely provide

the service."

While some students may not be able to land that dream job right off the bat, Killough said, Career Services members will often urge them to take a job related to that field until the one they are after opens up.

"Last year, there was a real drop in hiring for teachers in the state of Texas," he said, "and we're not going to advise a teacher, necessarily, to just go get a job waiting tables, because they need to use their certification. They need to use their education and so we would recommend to them to substitute teach."

A student may have to think outside the box, he said, but finding a job after college is something that requires effort.

"Be patient," he said. "Give yourself time. I would tell them that finding a full-time job is a full-time job. They need to put in the time and effort. They need

to make sure their documents, like their resume and their cover letter, are perfect."

Miller advises students keep an open mind while job searching.

"Be willing to relocate and be willing to take something that's close — but not perhaps the most wanted — to get started, to get some experience," she said. "That will be valuable. Just keep making yourself available for the best jobs that are there."

Networking is also one of the greatest resources for a student to develop, Killough said.

"You know the old adage, 'It's not about what you know, it's about who you know,'" he said. "It still applies. It's very important to network with people and to relate to people in your field, because they can be your greatest allies in helping you get a job."

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## POLICE BLOTTER

### Student arrested in parking garage on multiple charges

#### Friday

7:32 a.m. — A Texas Tech officer investigated criminal mischief in Clement Residence Hall. Two exit signs were damaged.

11:50 a.m. — A Tech officer detained a student following a welfare check in the 1900 block of Flint Avenue. The student was transported to Covenant Emergency Room for an emergency detention.

2:48 p.m. — A Tech officer detained a non-student following suspicious behavior at 800 University Avenue. The non-student was issued a criminal trespass and released.

4:22 p.m. — A Tech officer documented information on damaged property in the R31 parking lot. A rear window of a vehicle was shattered by members of grounds maintenance.

4:36 p.m. — A Tech officer documented information on damaged property in the Z3E parking lot. Both side mirrors of a vehicle were broken off.

5:14 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated criminal mischief in the Z3L parking lot. A vehicle's taillights were damaged.

#### Saturday

2:37 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated criminal mischief in Weymouth Residence Hall. Several emergency exit signs were damaged.

2:39 a.m. — A Tech officer arrested a non-student for driving while intoxicated following a traffic violation in the 1400 block of University Avenue. The non-student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail. The vehicle was impounded by Lubbock Wrecker Services.

9:09 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated criminal mischief in Weymouth Residence Hall. Several exit signs and fire extinguishers cabinets were damaged.

10:16 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated criminal mischief to a statue in the Student Union Building courtyard. The statue was damaged.

3:06 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated theft in the Main Library. An unsecured Toshiba laptop was taken.

3:49 p.m. — A Tech officer arrested a student for one Lubbock County Sheriff Department warrant after a traffic stop in the 3300 block of 19th Street. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail. The vehicle was released to the registered owner.

#### Sunday

12:19 a.m. — A Tech officer arrested a student for public lewdness, resisting arrest, possession of more than one valid driver license, consumption of alcohol by a minor and failure to identify, after observing suspicious activity on the fourth

floor of the Flint Avenue Parking Garage. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail. A second student was released pending the filing of charges for public lewdness and failure to identify.

3:57 a.m. — A Tech officer documented damage to the southwest card reader door in Gates Residence Hall. The glass window to a door was damaged.

4:22 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated a traffic accident without injuries in the 3600 block of 4th Street.

8:59 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated theft in the Z1B parking lot. A set of golf clubs was taken from a secured vehicle.

9:35 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated criminal mischief on the second and third floor of Bledsoe Residence Hall. Numerous shower curtains, ceiling tiles and light bulbs were damaged.

10:21 a.m. — A Tech officer arrested a student and a non-student for possession of a controlled substance (cocaine) following an observed traffic violation at 15th Street and Boston Avenue. The non-student was also arrested for an outstanding Lubbock County Sheriff's Department warrant. Both individuals were transported to the Lubbock County Jail. The vehicle was impounded by Lubbock Wrecker Service.

3:13 p.m. — A Tech officer arrested a

student for possession of marijuana following a traffic stop in the 1600 block of Flint Avenue. The student was also issued a Lubbock County citation for possession of alcohol by a minor and possession of drug paraphernalia. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail. The vehicle was impounded by Lubbock Wrecker Service.

6:10 p.m. — A Tech officer investigated theft at the north bike racks of Gates Residence Hall. A Trek mountain bike was taken.

#### Monday

12:59 a.m. — A Tech officer detained four non-students for attempted burglary of a motor vehicle in the Z4R parking lot. The non-students were criminally trespassed from all Texas Tech University property and released pending the filing of charges.

3:05 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated graffiti in Gordon Residence Hall. Words were written on the wall with permanent marker.

3:28 a.m. — A Tech officer investigated criminal mischief in Bledsoe Residence Hall. A pool table and walls were damaged.

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

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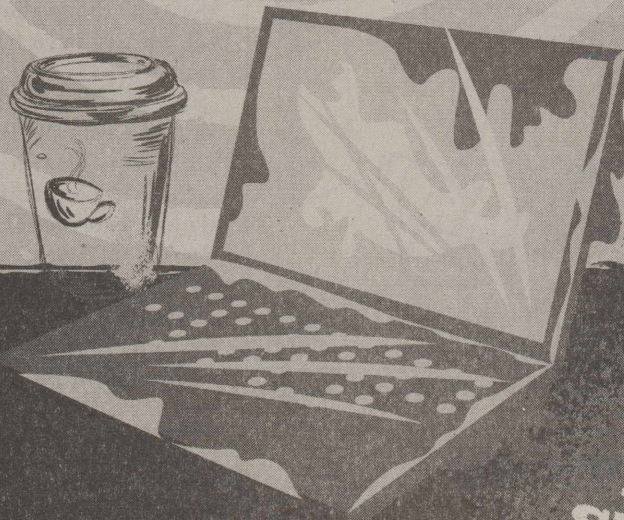
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# CIA thwarts 'undetectable' al-Qaida airline bomb plot

WASHINGTON (AP) — The CIA thwarted an ambitious plot by al-Qaida's affiliate in Yemen to destroy a U.S.-bound airliner using a bomb with a sophisticated new design around the one-year anniversary of the killing of Osama bin Laden, U.S. officials said Monday.

The plot involved an upgrade of the underwear bomb that failed to detonate aboard a jetliner over Detroit on Christmas 2009. This new bomb was also designed to be used in a passenger's underwear, but this time al-Qaida developed a more refined detonation system, U.S. officials said.

The FBI is examining the latest bomb to see whether it could have passed through airport security and brought down an airplane, officials said. They said the device did not contain metal, meaning it probably could have passed through an airport metal detector. But it was not clear whether new body scanners used in many airports would have detected it.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., who heads the Senate Intelligence Committee, told reporters Monday that she had been briefed about an "undetectable" device that was "going to be on a U.S.-bound airliner."

There were no immediate plans to change security procedures at U.S. airports.

The would-be suicide bomber, based in Yemen, had not yet picked a target or bought a plane ticket when the CIA stepped in and seized the bomb, officials said. It's not immediately clear what happened to the alleged bomber.

White House spokeswoman Cairlin Hayden said President Barack Obama learned about the plot in April and was assured the device posed no threat to the public.

"The president thanks all intelligence and counterterrorism professionals involved for their outstanding work and for serving with the extraordinary skill and commitment that their enormous responsibilities demand," Hayden said.

The operation unfolded even as the White House and Department of Homeland Security assured the American public that they knew of no al-Qaida plots against the U.S. around the anniversary of bin Laden's death. The operation was carried out over the past few weeks, officials said.

"We have no credible information

that terrorist organizations, including al-Qaida, are plotting attacks in the U.S. to coincide with the anniversary of bin Laden's death," White House press secretary Jay Carney said on April 26.

On May 1, the Department of Homeland Security said, "We have no indication of any specific, credible threats or plots against the U.S. tied to the one-year anniversary of bin Laden's death."

The White House did not explain those statements Monday.

The AP learned about the thwarted plot last week but agreed to White House and CIA requests not to publish it immediately because the sensitive intelligence operation was still under way. Once officials said those concerns were allayed, the AP decided to disclose the plot Monday despite requests from the Obama administration to wait for an official announcement Tuesday.

The FBI and Department of Homeland Security acknowledged the existence of the bomb late Monday, but there were no immediate plans to adjust security procedures at airports. Other officials, who were briefed on the operation, insisted on anonymity to discuss details of the plot, many of which the U.S. has not officially acknowledged.

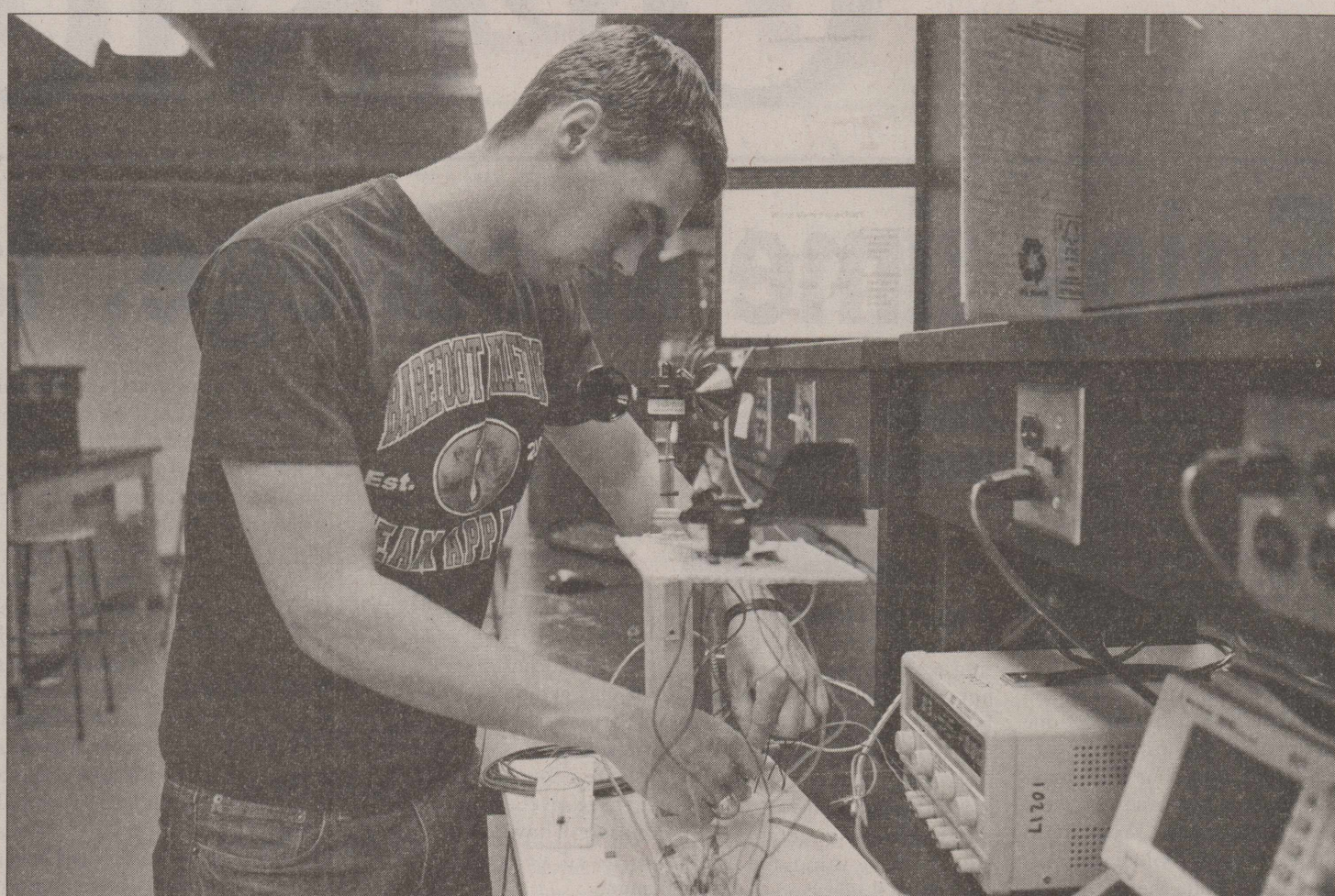
"The device never presented a threat to public safety, and the U.S. government is working closely with international partners to address associated concerns with the device," the FBI said in a statement.

It's not clear who built the bomb, but, because of its sophistication and its similarity to the Christmas bomb, counterterrorism officials suspected it was the work of master bomb maker Ibrahim Hassan al-Asiri or one of his protégés. Al-Asiri constructed the first underwear bomb and two others that al-Qaida built into printer cartridges and shipped to the U.S. on cargo planes in 2010.

Both of those bombs used a powerful industrial explosive. Both were nearly successful.

The operation is an intelligence victory for the United States and a reminder of al-Qaida's ambitions, despite the death of bin Laden and other senior leaders. Because of instability in the Yemeni government, the terrorist group's branch there has gained territory and strength. It has set up terrorist camps and, in some areas, even operates as a de facto government.

## AMP ACTION



NICK MALONE, A senior computer engineering major from Stephenville, adjusts an amplifier he is using in a wind form simulation device in the Electrical Engineering building Monday.

# Accidental president rides anti-Sarkozy wave

PARIS (AP) — Just one year ago, the idea that Francois Hollande would become France's next president would have been laughed at — even by some of his political allies.

Hollande had long been sidelined from France's national affairs. Long-time friends and colleagues compared him to a jiggly pudding, or the captain of a pedal boat — a way to suggest he had no political spine. He led the Socialist Party through 11 years — years fraught with divisions and two consecutive presidential defeats.

That was before the "Affaire DSK," the New York sex scandal that engulfed Dominique Strauss-Kahn, the man France's Socialists were counting on to be their champion in the election battle with incumbent Nicolas Sarkozy.

Now, Hollande will have to show the French, and the world, that he brings the talents of a statesman to the table, not just the fact that he's not Sarkozy.

Hollande, 57, won the presidency in a campaign that reflected his personality — slow and steady. Like the tortoise in Aesop's fable, he managed to overtake the hyperactive hare in front of him and win the race without ever igniting passions.

And after a strong performance in his only debate with the tough-tongued Sarkozy, Hollande's looking ready to slip right into his new role as head of state. "The change ... starts now," he said in his victory speech.

After a bitter campaign and five years under the often-divisive Sarkozy, Hollande promised to be the "president of everyone" and not just those who voted for him.

"There is just one France ... one single nation, united in the same destiny," Hollande said.

He promised to reduce the budget deficit and preserve the French social model, and said youth and justice are his two top commitments.

Affable, soft-spoken and witty, the president-elect has built his reputation as a manager and consensus-builder rather than as a visionary. He's never held high government office, despite a 30-year career in French politics. An image makeover during the campaign — slimming down and donning more fashionable suits and eyeglasses — was a bid for greater presidential gravitas.

A high point in this transformation came during the televised debate May 2. Hollande teed off on a presenter's question about what kind of president he'd be, tipping back in his chair, folding his arms, and launching into a litany of points starting with the phrase: "As

president of the Republic, I ..."

The gutsy performance was one of the most talked about moments of the rough-and-tumble debate, and went a long way to making Hollande look presidential in the eyes of the French.

His girlfriend, Valerie Trierweiler, a well-dressed and impeccably coiffed political journalist, is also seen as an asset to the presidential ticket.

Hollande promises to be a "normal" president, signaling a dramatic change of tone both at home and abroad for the French president after five years in which Sarkozy ruffled feathers with his aggressive, brash personality.

Sarkozy tried to turn this claim against Hollande, saying his "normality" was insufficient to take on the broad economic, political and social challenges facing France.

## BPI closing three plants, blaming 'pink slime' uproar

DAKOTA DUNES, S.D. (AP) — Beef Products Inc. will close its processing plants in three states this month because of the controversy surrounding its meat product that critics have dubbed "pink slime," company officials said Monday.

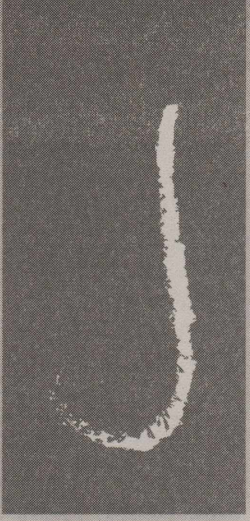
About 650 jobs will be lost when plants are closed in Amarillo, Texas; Garden City, Kansas; and Waterloo Iowa, company spokesman Rich Jochum said. The closures will take effect May 25. A plant in South Sioux City, Neb., will remain open but run at reduced capacity.

The South Dakota-based company blamed the closures on what it said were unfounded attacks over its lean, finely textured beef. In the process, bits of beef are heated and treated with a small amount of ammonia to kill bacteria.

The company suspended operations last month at the three plants. Company officials hoped to recover, but have since realized that doing so wasn't possible in the near future, Jochum said. The company continued to pay workers during the suspension.

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## Cancer

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"We don't exclude anyone from our network," she said. "It's not like you have to survive for five years. Once you receive a diagnosis, from that day you are a cancer survivor."

The network serves all cancer types, but Chauncey said the most common type of cancer is prostate for men and breast for women.

She said the term "cancer survivor" used to not even be in a person's lingo, but that is different today. The number of cancer survivors continues to grow at a fast rate.

Chauncey said when people enroll in the network online, they will go through a project where their quality of life will be assessed, as well as their self-habits studied.

"Cancer survivors, as a group, have a higher risk of earlier death and developing a second type of cancer," she said. "Through this project, they can lower these chances."

The lifestyle changes that are encouraged in the network are in the areas of diet, exercise and nutrition. For example, supplements are not recommended; rather, whole foods are encouraged, as well as a decrease in carbohydrate intake. The program's director also encourages stress management and adequate sleep.

"Exercise is key in improving quality of life," Chauncey said.

Janet Basom, coordinator and edi-

tor of the network, previously worked at a clinical outpatient cancer center and recognized the need for nutrition information among cancer survivors.

"When cancer patients finished their treatment, they don't really have a lot of support after that," she said.

Basom said through the program, cancer survivors are provided the latest valid information. She said it is important because in this region, cancer survivors do not have access to these services.

"When the cancer patient is finished with treatment, they really need to perceive themselves, not only as a survivor, but also change their lifestyle methods to reduce the risk of recurrence," she said. "They need to be in a prevention mode to reduce their risks of getting diagnosed with cancer a second time."

Once the survivors enroll online, they are provided with a cancer-nutrition tool kit. There is a toll-free number that can be called, as well as mailed materials and newsletters that encourage lifestyle changes sent to them as well as emails and telephone contacts.

"We're hoping to build a community among these survivors by getting them in contact with other cancer survivors," Chauncey said.

There is also a quality of life survey survivors can take and Chauncey said this shows if the network is helping improve their health. So far, she said results reveal the network as beneficial.

Chauncey said a woman from

Amarillo took the quality of life survey, and sent an email saying how she enjoyed being a part of the network and reading the newsletters and then passing them on to other cancer survivors. She thanked the network for doing the project with her, and said by taking the survey she realizes she came a long way and her health habits improved.

"That's all we're asking for," Chauncey said. "That these individuals become healthier by being in our network."

Melinda Marek, a sophomore human development and family studies major from Mesquite, said she believes this program is highly beneficial for cancer survivors struggling to obtain healthiness.

"This program helps people understand more," she said, "and helps them cope knowing other people have dealt with cancer."

As of now, word of the WTCSN is spread largely through advertising and word-of-mouth. Nurse navigators in the cancer centers will send patients to the network as well, so they can have nutrition information.

Chauncey urges cancer survivors interested in joining the network to visit the WTCSN website at [www.ttuhs.edu/cnnt](http://www.ttuhs.edu/cnnt) to register for the network or for more information.

"If you're a cancer survivor or know of a cancer survivor," she said, "encourage that person to visit our website and join our network."

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## "Crab" chips, fruity Oreos? They're big overseas

NEW YORK (AP) — Russians prefer their Lay's potato chips dusted in caviar and crab flavors. The Chinese like their Oreos stuffed with mango and orange cream. And in Spain, Kellogg's All-Bran cereal is served floating in hot coffee instead of cold milk.

Americans might get squeamish at the thought of their favorite snacks being tweaked. But what works in the U.S. doesn't always work everywhere.

In other words, Lee Linthicum, a market researcher, says: "It can't be some generic mix of spices that might fool an American."

Food makers long have tinkered with their products to appeal to regional tastes, but getting the recipe just right is becoming more important than ever. That's partly because people in developing nations such as China and India are gaining more of an appetite for American-style "on-the-go" foods as they work longer hours and have less time to cook. But it's mostly because snack makers increasingly are looking for growth in other parts of the world as sales slow at home.

Growth in the snack food industry has been virtually flat in the U.S. for the past two years, according to market research firm Euromonitor. Meanwhile, combined sales in China, Brazil and Russia — three major developing markets — rose 15 percent in 2010 and 11 percent last year to \$17 billion. That's half the size of the U.S. market but it's growing.

SNACKS IN A DIFFERENT LAND

The challenge for snack makers is that people in other countries have different tastes. Consider the Oreo, which Kraft Food Inc. introduced in China in 1996. Sales of the vanilla cream-filled chocolate cookie sandwich were respectable there, but the Chinese didn't completely take to it.

So Kraft decided to tweak the Oreo. But executives of the North-

field, Ill.-based company knew that they had to proceed with caution. "When you have a brand that's 100 years old, you don't mess with the recipe thoughtlessly," says Lorna Davis, head of the company's global biscuit and cookies business.

In 2006, Kraft began offering the Oreo as a wafer, a popular cookie throughout Asia. It is made up of cream sandwiched between crispy wafers. The plan was to help familiarize more Chinese customers with the brand. Three years later, the company decided to go a step further.

Kraft worked with a panel of consumer taste experts from around the world to identify the characteristics of the Oreo — including color, crunchiness, bitterness, color — that were likely to appeal to Chinese tastes. Executives learned through research that the Chinese don't like their treats as big or as sweet as Americans do. So the company rejiggered the recipe to create a cookie that was a tad smaller and a touch less sweet.

To test the new recipe, hundreds of Chinese consumers tasted the new Oreo. It was a hit. "It made us realize the smallest of details make a big difference," Davis says.

But the company wasn't finished. After noticing sales of Oreos were lagging in China during the summer, Kraft added a green tea ice cream flavor. The cookie combined a popular local flavor with the cooling imagery of ice cream. The green tea version sold well, and a year later, Kraft rolled out Oreos in flavors that are popular in Asian desserts — raspberry-and-blueberry and mango-and-orange.

The result? Over the past five years, Kraft said sales have grown an average of 60 percent a year, although it declined to give revenue amounts. The Oreo now is the top-selling cookie in China with a market share of 13 percent. The previous top cookie was a biscuit by a Chinese company.

Kraft, which operates in more than 80 countries, is taking a similar approach with other snacks. In Saudi Arabia, Kraft offers its Tang powder drink in a lemon-pepper flavor. In Mexico, it comes in tropical fruit flavors like tamarind and mandarin, and a hibiscus version fashioned after the flower. Sales have nearly doubled to \$1 billion worldwide since Kraft rolled out the localized versions in 2006.

Kraft's ability to adapt to local tastes is increasingly important as it looks for growth overseas. The rise in international revenue at Kraft was more than double the increase in North America last year.

Kraft also plans to split into two separate units by the end of the year. The largest will be a global snacks company called Mondelez International, pronounced "mohn-dah-leez," to sell its Trident gum and Cadbury chocolates in fast-growing countries worldwide.

CAFFEINE WITH YOUR CEREAL?

Kellogg Co., the world's largest cereal maker, also has intensified its focus on catering to local tastes as it attempts to grow its snack business overseas.

Last year, the company's revenue in Latin America topped \$1 billion for the first time. And in February, Kellogg said it agreed to buy Pringles chip brand from Procter & Gamble for \$2.7 billion. The deal will nearly triple its international snack business, making it the world's second-largest snack maker behind PepsiCo Inc.

The company, based in Battle Creek, Mich., already sells products in more than 180 countries. It's learning that on-the-ground insights can pay off. In Europe, for instance, Kellogg for many years had marketed its cereals there just as it did in the U.S. But it failed to take into account that many in the region don't drink cold milk in the morning.

## Course

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The course is one section with about 15 open slots, Miller said.

The course description stated about 50 million Americans believe the world will end during their lifetime.

Miller said he does not have an exact reasoning for why this might be, but most people want to escape the everyday.

"I do think that right now people

have a disaffection with the world around them," he said. "You see movies like 'Fight Club.'"

"It is certainly not an apocalyptic movie; it's about the escape of the mundane and the everyday, and what better story to talk about the escape of the mundane and the everyday, then to talk about the apocalypse. I think that, in a lot of ways, is driving this trend in our culture."

During the course, students can expect to learn about different apocalyptic theories throughout history.

"I would expect to come away with a much better understanding of the role of apocalyptic fantasies throughout our history and the roles they've played in understanding of our relationship with the world around us," Miller said, "like nature and where we fit with that, and also within religion."

"There's a lot of different things that they'll come away with — a better understanding where this whole apocalyptic thing fits into our society."

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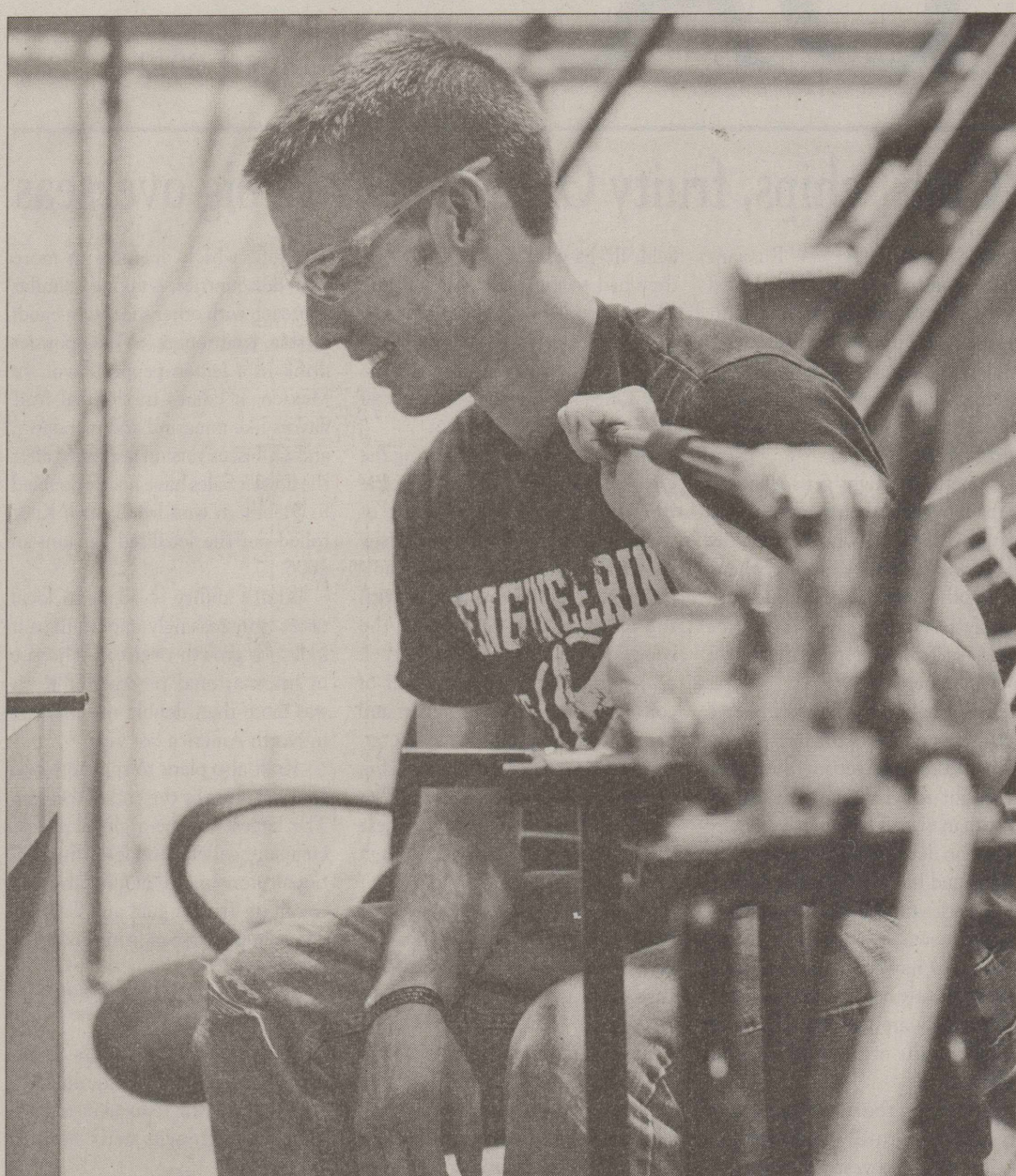


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EARNEST TERRELL, A senior civil engineering major from Odessa, uses a hydraulic pump to add pressure to a portion of a mechanically stabilized earth research experiment in the Civil Engineering building Monday.

# Obama's vague gay marriage stance under public scrutiny

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama's election-year vagueness on gay marriage is coming under fresh scrutiny.

Education Secretary Arne Duncan broke ranks with the White House on Monday, stating his unequivocal support for same-sex marriage one day after Vice President Joe Biden suggested that he supported gay marriage as well.

Obama aides worked to manage any political fallout. They said the back-to-back remarks by two top administration officials represented personal viewpoints and were not part of a coordinated effort to lay groundwork for a shift in the president's position. Obama aides also tried to use the latest flare-up in the gay-marriage debate to shine a light on GOP rival Mitt Romney's history of equivocating on some gay-rights issues, an attempt to turn a potential political problem into an opportunity.

Obama, who supports most gay rights, has stopped short of backing gay marriage. Without clarification, he's said for the past year and a half that his personal views on the matter are "evolving."

The White House held firm on Monday to that position, which polls show puts the president increasingly at odds with his party and the majority of Americans on gay marriage. But with Biden and

Duncan's comments reinvigorating the debate, Obama is likely to face renewed pressure to clarify his views ahead of the November election.

Throughout his first term, he has sought to walk a fine line on same-sex marriage. He's trying to satisfy rank-and-file Democrats by supporting a range of gay rights issues without alienating crucial independent voters who could be turned off by the emotional social issue.

The president's aides acknowledge that his position can be confusing. In states where gay marriage already is legal, the president says married gay couples should have the same rights as married straight couples. But he does not publically support the right of gay couples to enter into a marriage in the first place.

Duncan, a longtime friend of the president as well as a member of his Cabinet, made clear Monday that his position on gay marriage was not in lockstep with the White House. Asked in a television interview whether he believed gay couples should legally be allowed to marry, Duncan said simply, "Yes, I do."

His comments followed Biden's assertion Sunday that he was "absolutely comfortable with the fact that men marrying men, women marrying women and heterosexual

men and women marrying one another are entitled to the same exact rights, all the civil rights, all the civil liberties."

Obama aides said Duncan was speaking about his personal views on the issue and was not under orders from the White House or the campaign to take his position.

As for Biden, White House and campaign officials said the vice president's remarks were no different from what he and Obama have said in the past.

"They were entirely consistent with the president's position, which is that couples who are married, whether they are gay or heterosexual couples are entitled to the very same rights and very same liberties," said David Axelrod, a senior adviser to the Obama campaign. "When people are married, we ought to recognize those marriages."

The latest political dust-up over gay marriage came just before North Carolina voters were to weigh in on a ballot initiative that would ban gay marriage in that state. Obama opposes the ban, as does former President Bill Clinton, who has recorded automated phone calls ahead of the vote. Obama was heading on Tuesday for Albany, N.Y., where lawmakers voted last year to approve gay marriage in that state.

## Cities seek more money from tax-exempt colleges

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Wary of tax increases, weary of layoffs and determined to avoid bankruptcy, Providence Mayor Angel Taveras had only to gaze up at his city's Ivy League campus to see a way out of the morass.

On College Hill sits Brown University, with a \$2.5 billion endowment and property worth an estimated \$1 billion. Brown would pay the city \$38 million in property taxes each year —

more than enough to solve the city's budget problems — if only it wasn't tax exempt.

And so city officials and state lawmakers applied some pressure to the university, and last week Brown agreed to contribute \$31.5 million to Providence over the next 11 years. The money comes on top of nearly \$4 million that Brown already voluntarily gives the city every year.

The town-vs.-gown confrontation reflects a trend across the

nation as cities desperate for revenue try to get more money out of tax-exempt institutions such as universities and hospitals.

These institutions argue they already contribute to a city's economy and quality of life through jobs, economic activity and community services. But as cities grapple with deficits and cash-flow crunches, they are succeeding in getting nonprofits to pay up.

"It's about all of us trying to

help the city and the state grow," Taveras said. "If we want to see Rhode Island succeed, we will never get there without Brown."

David Thompson, vice president of public policy at the National Council of Nonprofits, wryly calls such agreements "mandatory volunteerism."

"It's 'We need money, you have money, and we're going to pressure you to do this unless you give us a voluntary payment,'" he said.

Baltimore officials, for example, threatened to tax hospital and university dorm beds before Johns Hopkins University and other tax-exempt institutions agreed to make contributions.

Boston, with one of the biggest concentrations of colleges, universities and research centers in the country, collects significant amounts of money from such institutions. Harvard, Boston University, Massachusetts General Hospital and several other institutions made \$34 million in payments in lieu of taxes in 2010 in what the city says is the biggest such program in the nation.

In Lancaster, Pa., the city sends out letters every year asking nonprofit organizations to pay one-third of what would have been their tax bill. Lancaster General Hospital pays more than \$1 million voluntarily, more than its taxes would have been, Mayor Rick Gray said.

"They said they feel they should be supportive of the community," he said. "We're certainly grateful."

Brown has enjoyed a tax exemption since colonial days but decided to kick in more money because it sees itself as a partner in Providence's economy and because it wants good relations with the city, said Brown University President Ruth Simmons.

"The idea that we have an endowment, a budget that will bear these kinds of costs is not correct," she said. Still, she said, it was obvious that this was "a time that requires we step up."

The use of payment-in-lieu-of-tax deals is on the rise. Such agreements have been carried out in at least 18 states since 2000, mostly in the Northeast, according to a study by the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy.

City leaders say it is a matter of fairness to taxpayers. As universities and other tax-exempt organizations expand, they consume more city services while taking property off the tax rolls.

Syracuse, N.Y., Councilman Patrick Hogan said hospitals in his city have recently embarked on big expansions, as have Syracuse University and another college.

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## Tech softball takes series with game 3 victory

By MATT VILLANUEVA  
STAFF WRITER

The 24th ranked Red Raider softball team closed out its season Monday in a low-scoring rubber match 2-1 victory against Oklahoma State at Rocky Johnson Field.

Cowgirls ace Kat Espinosa once again limited Texas Tech to three hits like she did Saturday afternoon. However, instead of shutting out Tech 5-0, they capitalized on opportunity to score two runs from those hits.

Tech will now play the waiting game until regional seeding is announced at 9 p.m. Sunday night.

"It's huge for our seniors to get a win — their final game here — and to win another Big 12 series and to give us a good seeding in the tournament," head coach Shanon Hays said.

Hays has amassed a 120-49 record in his three year tenure at Tech and has taken the program to back-to-back 40-win seasons. Tech has only won 40 games three times in school history.

Senior Logan Hall came in to score from third base in the third inning off an Adriana Perez sacrifice fly to give Tech an early 1-0 lead.

The following inning, Tech took advantage of two OSU errors and good base running by Kermitria Ward, who scored on a Raven Richardson single to increase the Red Raiders' lead to two.

Both Espinosa and Cara Custer pitched the entire game. Custer picked up the win by allowing a run on five hits while striking out four.

Tech's lone error would help OSU score its only run in the fifth inning, when Shelby Davis reached third base after Logan Hall overthrew to Emily Bledsoe. The next at bat, Chelsea Garcia hit an RBI single to bring Davis in.

The team expected to get to the 40-win mark, Bledsoe said.

"We know the kind of talent that we have on the team," she said, "and I think — 40 games won — I don't want to say underachieved, but I think we



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Treador  
TEXAS TECH FIRST baseman Sandy James catches the ball while trying to tag out Oklahoma State's Chelsea Garcia during the Red Raiders' 2-1 victory against the Cowgirls on Monday at Rocky Johnson Field.

were expecting at least that much."

The win guaranteed a top-five finish in Big 12 Conference standings for the Red Raiders. The four teams above Tech are all nationally ranked no lower than the top 20. Tech's 13-10 conference record also marks the most conference wins in school history. It was the first winning record since 2001, when the Red Raiders went 10-8.

Now, the team will not only be looking toward school finals and the regional announcement, but will also be aiming to keep its momentum and not be affected by the idle time.

"Our layoff every year by not being able to play (during) finals (break) really hurts us," Hays said. "It hurts us physically, mentally, and so it's something here that we just have to overcome. You better have some good practices and try to simulate games in practice, which is hard to do."

Hays said the NCAA committee will probably send Tech westward because of geographic location, meaning the Red Raiders will probably be playing in California, Arizona or Washington in regional play.

Regardless, Hays said the rest of this

week will be more lax compared to years prior because of Tech's high RPI ranking, where Tech currently ranks 21st.

"This week's fun, compared to the way it's been the last two," he said. "Because the last two years, it's kind of new for us, and we weren't exactly sure where our RPI was — if we were going to make it for sure. But this year, since we know that we're going to be in, it's 100 percent about academics and getting ready for finals, and then softball will be a distant second and we'll try to stay in shape and next week we'll get after it hard."

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## Drained Marinatto resigns as Big East commissioner

STORRS, Conn. (AP) — Big East Commissioner John Marinatto resigned Monday after less than three years on the job, admitting he was drained by several high-profile defections and mounting pressure from school presidents upset with the departures.

Pittsburgh and Syracuse made plans to leave for the Atlantic Coast Conference in September, and West Virginia bolted for the Big 12 the following month. The Big East regrouped by adding Central Florida, Houston, Memphis, SMU and Temple for all sports and Boise State, San Diego State and Navy for football only.

Marinatto told The Associated Press on Monday that trying to guide the conference through realignment took a physical and mental toll on him.

He said he began talking to the conference presidents in mid-April about stepping down.

"I've been running a marathon not only for the last eight months but for the last 2½ years," he said. "As fulfilling as it can be, it is equally draining. All the assets are in place right now (in the Big East). It's probably time for a commercialized kind of perspective. Clearly the collegiate model is dead."

Marinatto became the third commissioner of the Big East on July 1, 2009. He had served as the conference's senior associate commissioner since 2002 and spent 14 years as the athletic director at Providence College.

"John helped build the Big East into what it is today, and played a critical role in our successful expansion efforts, and for all of that we thank him," said Judy Genshaft, President of the University of South Florida and the chair of the conference.

But privately, many in the conference were unhappy by the defections of Pitt and Syracuse, and some blamed Marinatto for being caught off guard, having just turned down a television contract offer from ESPN last spring.

Former Commissioner Mike Tranghese, who retired in 2008, said his successor "inherited a very, very difficult situation."

"I said that when I left that's one of the reasons why I did leave," he told The Associated Press on Monday. "The conference was susceptible to being raided."

"When something goes wrong, the person in that chair is the one to take the hit."

Connecticut President Susan Herbst

was asked if the league's presidents had sought Marinatto's resignation.

"It was entirely John's decision," she said in an email to The Associated Press. "Let me add: He did a stellar job this past year, enabling the Big East to move forward. We are strong now, thanks to his efforts and tireless work in a very fluid environment."

The news caught some Big East schools off guard.

"You're never surprised in our business about things, but I would be less than honest to say I saw this coming," said Bill Bradshaw, Temple's athletic director. "Yes, in our business you're never surprised. But John's a first-class individual, straightforward. A good man. High integrity. A nice person. Whenever someone resigns, it's something you reflect."

Connecticut Athletic Director Warde Manuel said the move will not affect his school's affiliation with the Big East.

"Our relationship is with the confer-

ence, and we'll look forward to working with the leadership in the conference to move forward," Manuel said.

Connecticut provided Marinatto with some of the conference's biggest moments during his tenure, winning national championships in men's basketball in 2011 and in women's basketball in 2009 and 2010.

But UConn had been actively exploring the possibility of joining the Atlantic Coast Conference or another conference after the moves by Syracuse and Pittsburgh.

Manuel said Monday that UConn has no current plans to leave. "I'm happy in the Big East," he said. "That's where we're going to stay and compete and do what we do."

Other schools, including Providence, Marquette, and even Syracuse issued statements wishing Marinatto well. "We know he tried his best and worked relentlessly," Syracuse Athletic Director Daryl Gross said. "We wish him the best."

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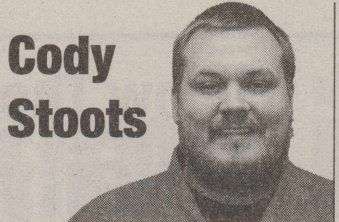
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# So long from your trusted sports columnist

Some players just don't look the same in a different jersey. Peyton Manning is going to look funny donning a Broncos uniform this fall. Albert Pujols doesn't look right wearing an Angels jersey. I never got used to the idea of Kevin Garnett in a Celtics jersey. However, sometimes a new team is a necessity.

I am heading to a new team. My time here at this fine student paper is coming to an end. It isn't a move I can avoid. I hate to use this phrase, but I am moving on for the same reasons he changed teams. I will be looking to make more money and work with people who are looking to a high level a success. I paraphrase Mr. LeBron James.

## Cody Stoots



I am taking my talents to graduation.

Now, I am far from the level of these players I previously mentioned. My time here has been far from elite. I have enjoyed my role as the snarky sports entertainment columnist. Often, I have exhibited characteristics of athletes I am not proud of, but sometimes I surprised myself with how well I handled my role.

I am sure my "coaches" — if you will allow me the term — would tell you sometimes I was more trouble than I was worth. Jon Arnold helped bring me into the fold as an opinion writer. He gave way to my relationship with the very hard working and talented Jose Rodriguez and Brett Winegarner. Without the flexibility from these gentlemen, and the talented editing by them and their staff, my weekly column would not be possible. I owe them many thanks.

I was often given a long leash with my columns. I tried to venture away from John Rocker territory and attempted to refrain from offending anyone too much. I did ruffle some feathers from time to time, even if it

wasn't my main intent. I always tried to write as close to how I felt as I could express.

Often how I felt bordered on "hater" and sometimes I was deemed a "cheerleader" for certain topics. I do know one thing: I had the pleasure of writing in one of the most interesting periods in sports.

In my time at Texas Tech I have seen success and a lack of success in Tech athletics. The Cowboys and Texans have switched spots in professional football supremacy in this state. The Mavericks won a title, Yao Ming retired and the Spurs are still the Spurs. The Texas Rangers have come into their own as a premier team in baseball while my lowly Astros have

started the road to rebuilding.

My parting predictions and thoughts will be much of the same I have always penned.

The Texas Rangers will win a World Series this decade. The Dallas Cowboys will make a Super Bowl this decade, as will the Houston Texans. Neither will win the big one. Dirk Nowitzki will not wear a Dallas Mavericks jersey when he retires.

Tech is entering an exciting time in its sports. Red Raider football will return as a mainstay in bowl games and will continue to be a tough team to beat in Lubbock. There are more Oklahoma-like upsets in this team's future. The Red Raider basketball team will see a vast improvement under

Billy Gillispie. It will be even more fun to be a Tech fan in the coming years.

Thank you all for your attention. I am not an expert, nor have I hopefully ever claimed to be one. What I do is something that can be sometimes difficult to do in our world that makes its opinions on just looking at the score.

Just watch the game. The easiest way to figure out how you think about sports is to watch the game. Sitting down uninterrupted and watching the game will do wonders for how you perceive other's opinions of the game and how you form yours.

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## Athletes and anger: When passion boils over

NEW YORK (AP) — New York Knicks star Amare Stoudemire scored 20 points in an NBA playoff win Sunday, but the bandage on his left hand reminded fans that he'd recently made headlines in quite a different way: smashing the glass of a fire extinguisher case after losing in Miami six days earlier.

Of course, he's hardly the first pro athlete to hurt himself in frustration. Phillies pitcher Ryan Madson broke his toe in 2010 when he kicked a chair after blowing a save, for example. A couple years before, Khalil Greene of the San Diego Padres broke his left hand by punching out a storage chest in the dugout. And New York Yankees fans will recall pitchers Kevin Brown and A.J. Burnett injuring their hands in angry confrontations with a wall and some doors, respectively.

What's with this behavior? How can professionals get so upset they harm themselves? Sports psychologists say it can happen in the high-pressure world of winning and losing, with people who identify themselves with their performance and, frankly, are supposed to be aggressive.

But after all, one expert notes, it can happen to us ordinary mortals, too.

When you get angry, your heart

beats faster and blood pressure rises. In men, testosterone levels can rise. Some research shows heightened activity in the left side of the brain.

With all that going on, things can happen.

Stoudemire cut his hand after the loss last week when he swung his arm backward and hit the glass on the case.

"Everybody gets upset," he explained to reporters. "You're so passionate for the game."

That's certainly true of the pros, says Jack Watson, a professor of sport and exercise psychology at West Virginia University who has studied anger and violence in sports.

Athletes commit a lot of their time, energy and identity to their sport, he said. So when they lose or don't come through in the clutch, "it actually affects their self-perception of who they are," he said. "The anger is an expression of ... extreme frustration, because the way they define themselves has been negatively influenced."

Even when they hit some inanimate object, it might make them feel better by releasing pent-up tension, he said.

"Professional athletes have been trained their whole lives to be physi-

cal, to express themselves in physical ways," Watson said. They're paid to be aggressive while playing, and "being able to turn that switch off and being able to get back to what society expects of you, it's probably difficult at times."

In fact, physical off-the-field expressions of frustration are probably more acceptable in sports than in an ordinary office, said Jonathan F. Katz, a sports psychologist in New York City who works with amateur, collegiate professional athletes and teams. If somebody did in an office what Stoudemire did, "it would probably be looked at much more negatively," he said.

Katz said athletes frequently do things like that, but if they're not stars it rarely gets noticed publicly. And the biggest stars are often cut a bit of slack because "in this world, we tend to tolerate bad behavior on the part of people who excel. That's not uncommon in the sports world," Katz said.

Katz also noted that athletes work in a far more intense environment of win-lose, succeed-fail, than most people do. So that can produce more intense emotions, he said, but "the sign of a great athlete is they don't get too high or too low."

## Government can't use '60 Minutes' clip against Clemens

WASHINGTON (AP) — A short clip from Mike Wallace's "60 Minutes" interview with Roger Clemens in 2008 provided just enough ambiguity for the judge to rule it out, hurting the government's hopes of proving one piece of its case against the 11-time All-Star pitcher.

Lawyers for Clemens also laid down in writing their reasons to strike testimony from Andy Pettitte, while the jury on Monday heard federal agents discuss the handling of physical evidence and the trial entered its fourth week.

The crux of the trial focuses on whether Clemens lied to Congress when he said he had never used human growth hormone and steroids, but the government is also trying to prove numerous other alleged untruths from Clemens during a 2008 congressional hearing and the deposition that preceded it.

Among those other charges: That Clemens obstructed Congress when he said he "no idea" that former Sen. George Mitchell wanted to talk with him while putting together the landmark 2007 Mitchell Report on performance-enhancing drug use in baseball. Clemens is named prominently in the report as having received steroids and HGH injections from his former strength coach, Brian McNamee.

Clemens said on "60 Minutes" that he didn't speak to Mitchell's investigators because his lawyer advised against

it. Prosecutor Courtney Saleski said that contradicts what Clemens told Congress and that it's "just unbelievable" that Clemens didn't know of Mitchell's request.

But U.S. District Judge Reggie Walton said it was possible Clemens was told generally by lawyers not to talk to Mitchell, without actually informing the pitcher that Mitchell wanted to talk to him. The judge also cited the subtle difference between Mitchell's "investigators" and Mitchell himself and then reiterated his overall concern that playing the clip could run afoul of Clemens' attorney-client privilege. The judge ruled the clip couldn't be played.

Meanwhile, the government is fighting against another potential setback regarding Pettitte, Clemens' former teammate and longtime friend. Pettitte conceded on the stand last week that there is a 50-50 chance he misunderstood a conversation 12 years ago when he thought he heard Clemens admit to using HGH.

Clemens' lawyers say that's too tenuous. They want the judge to tell the jury to ignore Pettitte's testimony about the conversation.

"The court should not allow the jury to consider an alleged 'admission' that has all the weight of a coin flip," Clemens' lawyers wrote in a filing. "The government is expected to respond with a filing of its own before the judge rules."

The two witnesses Monday were

a pair of federal agents, Jeff Novitzky of the Food and Drug Administration and John Longmire of the FBI. Novitzky began investigating connections between drugs and sports as an agent with the Internal Revenue Service.

Both talked about the chain of custody of evidence — needles, syringes, gauze and other items — some of which McNamee says were used to inject Clemens with a steroid. Clemens' lawyers focused on the condition of the evidence when it was handed over to authorities by McNamee, emphasizing a photo of the items bunched in a bag with a beer can rather than the photos of the items neatly arranged for classification once they were in the hands of the IRS and later the FBI.

FBI agent Longmire was asked by Clemens lawyer Michael Attanasio about keeping evidence in a beer can.

"I would not," Longmire said. "Why not?"

"That's not what they trained us to do," the FBI agent answered.

The government is expected to show that Clemens' DNA was found among the items. Clemens' lawyers claim the evidence was tainted and/or contaminated.

The start of court Monday marked Day 11 of a trial that was still on its third witness. Walton opened the proceedings by again expressing his concerns about the slow pace and said he might impose time limits if the lawyers persist in what he called "unnecessary questioning."

## Formula One vet Barrichello runs first IndyCar oval laps

FORT WORTH (AP) — Veteran open-wheel driver Rubens Barrichello quickly found out just how much different it is driving fast in circles.

Barrichello, who moved to IndyCar this season after a record 325 races in Formula One the past 19 years, topped 200 mph during his rookie oval test Monday at the high-banked 1½-mile Texas Motor Speedway.

"It was bloody fast, and very, very much different than anything I have ever tried," Barrichello said after his nearly hour-long session when he was the only car on the track. "I've had places that in Formula One that they say, 'Oh, it's almost flat and it's a big corner and it's a big challenge.' But the walls were never so close."

The 39-year-old Brazilian started his test after KV Racing Technology teammate and old friend Tony Kanaan first ran some warm-up laps in the car. "I'm truly excited from what I just had," Barrichello said. "But my mind is still processing everything that has just happened."

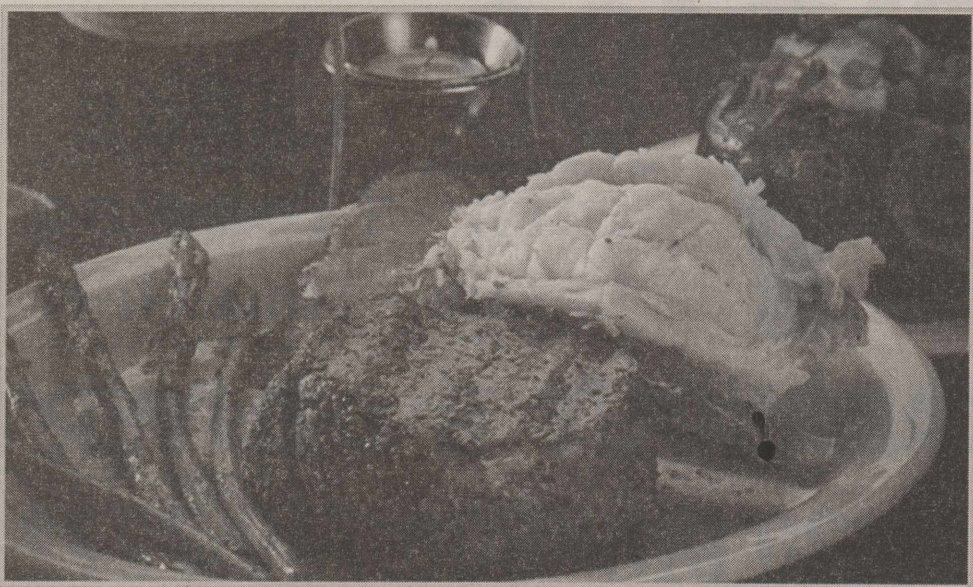
The session for Barrichello came before joining nine other cars in an open test at the track. Only two drivers ran more than Barrichello's 123 laps during which his top speed was 206.845 mph.

"I'm driving well, but I'm not driving my best just yet," he said. "I'm not familiar with everything."

Barrichello is the biggest name to move to an American-based open-wheel series since F1 champion Nigel Mansell joined CART in 1993 and won five races and the series title that season. Barrichello finished second in the F1 drivers' championship in 2002 and 2004, both times behind seventh-time champion Michael Schumacher.

"It was fun for me to see him nervous in a race car. I don't think I've ever seen him like this," Kanaan said. "It was quite exciting to see how excited he got, and how happy he got out of the car saying how awesome it is. ... I'm glad he liked it. Now the real challenge begins, which it will be to learn as much as he can, and try to get faster."

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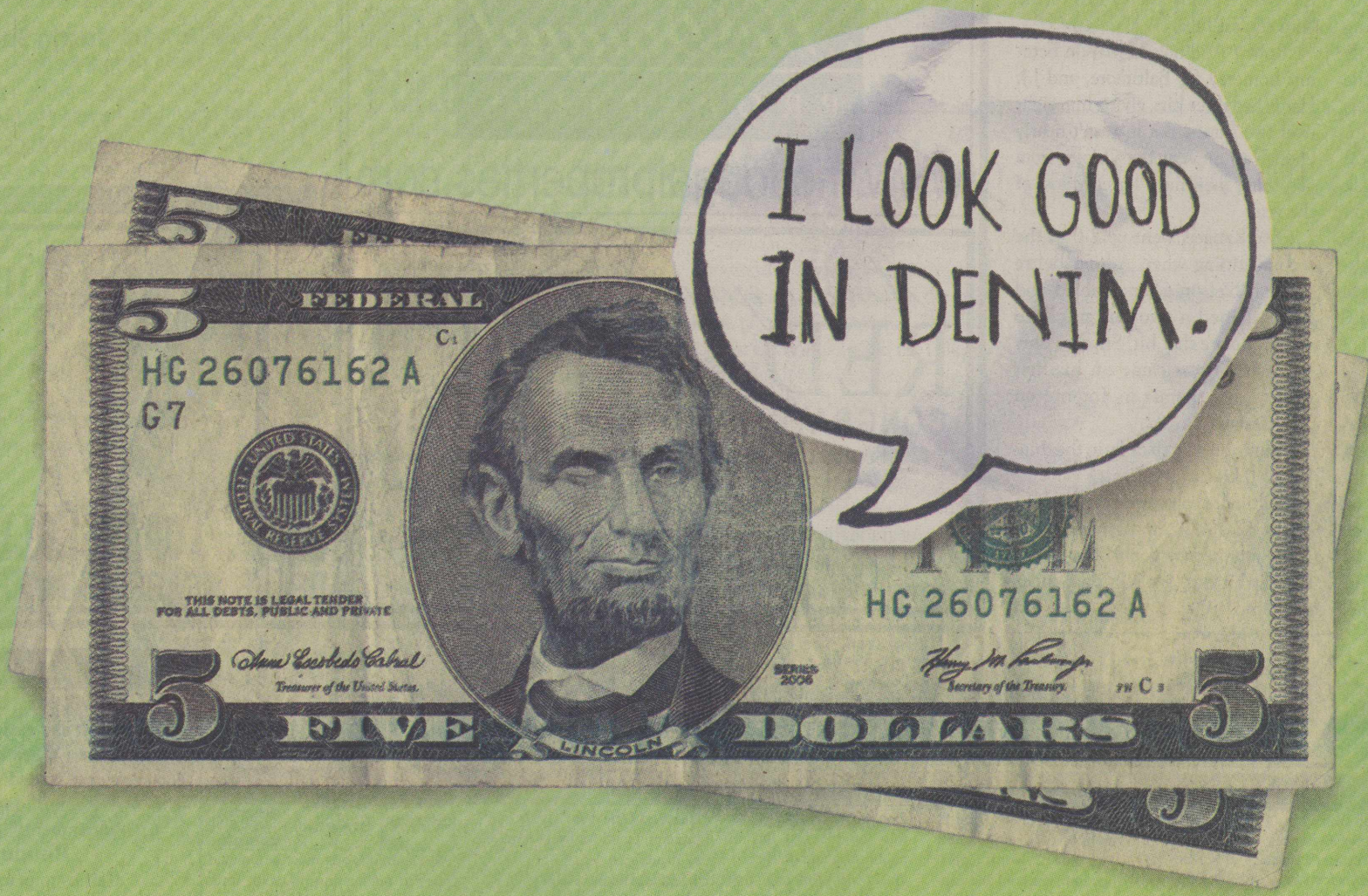
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