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# THE BAYLOR LARIAT

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## Waco preps for Hurricane Ike's arrival

### What Students Should Do:

- On-campus students should park in the parking garages
- Stay away from areas/roads prone to flooding
- Minimize traveling, as roads are likely to be congested

### Directions for Evacuees:

- First go to: Church of The Open Door, where you'll be registered and screened then sent to the Green Family Center.
- Church of The Open Door  
900 N Loop 340  
Waco, TX 76705  
(254) 799-2656
- Green Family Center  
1192 Smith Lane  
Bruceville, Texas 76630  
(254) 859-5411

### How to Volunteer:

- 7th and James Church:** Volunteers for the weekend and donations of children's goods needed.
- Go to the Melton Building or call Betty Oxford at 722-2907
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Contact Angie McFarland at 776-8754  
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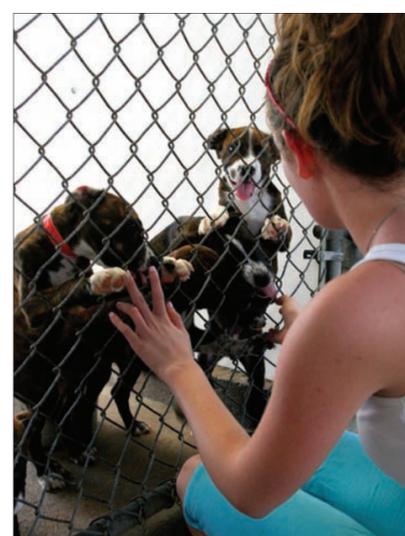
Hurricane Ike evacuees (left) are assisted with check in by a volunteer (right) at The Church of the Open Door Thursday in Bellmead. Red Cross is working in conjunction with the church to direct evacuees to a shelter Bruceville, Texas, located approximately 20 miles south of Waco.

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**Top:** Pastor Ronnie Holmes help evacuees from Aransas Pass off the bus at the Church of Open Door after six hours on the road. The church served as a way-station and registration facility for people running from Ike on Thursday. **Right:** San Antonio sophomore Kathryn Smith volunteers at a local animal shelter. Pets who evacuated with their owners were placed in shelters.

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## Volunteers step up to aid those dodging hurricane

By Jade Ortego  
Staff Writer

Evacuees fleeing from Hurricane Ike were still arriving Thursday from various coastal counties by bus and by car, but not in the thousands, as originally predicted Wednesday.

Hurricane Ike shifted to aim for land farther north, and is expected to blow forcefully into the Texas Gulf Coast nearly on top of Galveston Bay. It will miss San Patricio County, which is not ordering an evacuation.

"This is a very large storm and we can expect quite a lot of rain-fall, probably about two or three inches," said Matt Hines, meteorologist with Channel 25. Waco is also under a tropical wind-gust watch, and may receive sustained winds between 39 and 73 miles per hour, he said.

City officials stress that Wacoans should prepare for strong winds, rain and power outages.

"Water is not a problem, but people should stock up on batteries and food that can be eaten without being cooked, if they don't have a gas stove," said Larry Holze, Waco public information officer. "We need to take cover and be wary."

Tired-looking evacuees arrived at The Church of the Open Door by car and bus, along with young children and pets. A school bus from San Patricio County, with 21 passengers, arrived at 6 p.m. at the Bellmead church. Officials ask that all evacuees go to the church first to be properly placed.

As of Thursday evening,

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## Inclement weather forces athletic events to reschedule

By Brian Bateman  
Sports Editor

The strengthening forces of Hurricane Ike have forced Baylor to move several athletic events, including the football game against Washington State University.

Originally scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Saturday, the contest has been moved to 7:30 p.m. tonight.

"We made a decision in consultation with Washington State University to move the game from Saturday to Friday, in order to avoid the potential ramifications of Hurricane Ike," athletic director Ian McCaw said.

That's particularly tough for the Washington State football team, which left Pullman, Wash., this morning at 8:30 a.m. Their expected arrival time is 1:30 p.m. — leaving just six hours before the game begins.

"You know, it's all how you handle it," Washington State head coach Paul Wulff said. "Some people would perceive it (as a disadvantage). We're not really going to worry about it. Adversity is what we talk about here, and we're going to learn to get it ingrained into these guys."

Other Baylor sports are affected as well. The cross country squad was scheduled to run the Texas A&M University Invitation Saturday in College Station, but that event has been moved to Sept. 19.

Baylor's soccer matches, scheduled for 7 p.m. today and 1 p.m. Sunday, will both be played. However, the Sunday afternoon start time has been changed to 5 p.m.

The Baylor campus will remain open, officials said.

Local high-school sports have received their share of

havoc, too.

Waco Independent School District has two local high schools which will compete in football this weekend. University High School is traveling to Red Oak, a town 79 miles north of Waco, while Waco High School will play host to Round Rock-Stoney Point at 6 p.m. today, at Waco ISD stadium.

"Our concerns are not the weather," WISD athletic director Johanna Denson said. "Rather, our decision was predicated on travel."

With thousands of coastal citizens traveling northbound

on Interstate 35, travel considerations for athletic contests might be nixed.

"Not sending the band or drill team is an option," she said.

In the event of cancellation, the games likely won't be rescheduled.

"We would not have an opportunity to make that up," she said. "Our first goal is the student's safety."

Keep updated at the Baylor Lariat's Web site, www.baylor.edu/lariat for up-to-the-minute news. You can also access the university's Hurricane Ike Web site at www.baylor.edu/ike.

### CANCELLED EVENTS

- The women's soccer game has been rescheduled for 5 p.m. Sunday.

- The cross country meet at Texas A&M has been rescheduled for Sept. 19. Men run at 6:30 p.m. and 7:10 p.m.

-The Rock the Vote concert has been rescheduled for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17, in the Bill Daniel Student Center union bowl.

- The Puppy Plunge Day at the Waco Water Park will be rescheduled. The new date will be announced next week.

## Board of Regents approve 7 percent tuition hike for next year

By Ashley Corinne Killough  
Staff Writer

The Baylor Board of Regents voted to increase tuition for the 2009-2010 academic year, according to an e-mail sent to faculty and staff Thursday from the president's office.

Starting next year, undergraduate tuition for 12 hours or more will amount to \$25,320, representing a 7 percent increase from \$23,664. The general student fee

will increase to \$2,590, up 7.02 percent from \$2,420. Room and board rates will increase 6 percent and 4.77 percent, respectively.

Graduate students will also see a 7 percent rise in tuition next year, as will George W. Truett Theological Seminary students by 6.57 percent and Baylor Law School students by 6.45 percent.

According to a news release, the change in tuition is set to

help generate resources needed to support current operations in the coming year, as well as provide funding for new faculty and staff hires.

"This is a responsible adjustment in Baylor's tuition, which will allow the university to continue its progress achieving the bold vision embodied in Baylor 2012," said Howard K. Batson, chair of Baylor's Board of Regents, in a news release.

Baylor's tuition has climbed

steadily the last few years, including a 6.5 percent increase for the current year, an 8 percent increase in 2006-2007, a 6.4 percent increase in 2005-2006 and 9.1 percent increase in 2004-2005.

Highland, Calif. junior Brianna Bunnell said she understands the need for tuition increases but wishes they were more modest.

"I agree that tuition should be raised every year, but I think seven percent is a little much

when you count for inflation," Bunnell said.

As an alternative to paying for tuition increases, Baylor offers the Guaranteed Tuition Option to freshman. The plan allows students to establish a same tuition rate over a four-year period at a slightly higher price than the tuition set at their freshman year.

For example, freshmen who choose the guaranteed tuition this year will pay \$26,100 instead

of the regular price of \$23,664. However, students will continue to pay the guaranteed rate until they graduate and will not have to account for tuition increases.

Dori Tran, a senior from Missouri City, Texas, said she regrets not choosing this option.

"I wish I had signed that contract my freshman year," Tran said. "By 2012, Baylor's tuition could look more like Ivy League tuition, and I don't think that will attract many students."

# Seven years later, American way of life not defeated

Seven years ago, we witnessed the dawn of a new era. As the World Trade Center came crashing down on Sept. 11, 2001, so did the walls of our own little worlds. We were exposed to something much bigger, much more important than ourselves. And no matter how isolated from or closely linked with the event we were, each one of us felt an impact. Planes were no longer just forms of transportation — they were potential weapons. Security was no longer just walking through a metal detector — it was going through a lengthy, intimidating process. Terrorists were no longer just characters

you read about in books — they were real, live people with a heavy influence and a mission to destruct the American way of life. During that first year after 9/11, people were on guard every single day for another strike. The imminent threat of a more devastating act of destruction seemed to linger in the air like heavy moisture on a thick, humid day. The hottest question was, "When will they attack next? And where?" Our country was fired up. No one had done this to America, and someone had to pay. Whether you agree with how



BY ASHLEY KILLOUGH

we handled the situation thereafter or not, one fact remains solid: we have yet to see another terrorist attack on American soil, a fate no one would have predicted seven years ago. And to that, we owe a huge thanks to the government, the military and our president. With an approval rating hov-

ering around 30 percent, President Bush may not be the most trusted man in America. But there's no denying that this single fact — the absence of another attack — will go down in the books as his greatest legacy. Faced with unprecedented decisions during only his ninth month in the White House, Bush and his cabinet truly put the safety of this country first. Gas prices have gone up, yes. Brave soldiers have lost their lives, yes. The economy's not like it was a decade ago, true. But has our country's No. 1 interest — security against outside forces — been protected since that grave September

morning? From sea to shining sea, the homeland resounds with a grateful and indebted "yes." This summer, like many Americans, I visited Ground Zero during a trip to New York. What a mixture of emotions. When you're there, you can't help but close your eyes and recall the horrible images you saw on T.V. that day. You can't help but put your feet in those peoples' shoes while walking down those narrow streets, imagining yourself running for your life in the choking dust. You can't help but wonder how anyone survived, how anyone could have escaped such a massive disaster.

Then you open your eyes, and you see the booming, clear blue sky emerge from the enormous hole in the skyline. You see remodeled buildings in the surrounding area and monuments dedicated to those who perished on that dreadful day. You see progress, but you also see remembrance. You see, and you feel, the overcoming of evil — pure, unimaginable evil. It's humanity at its best, rising above its worst. It's the American way of life that was undefeated seven years ago. Ashley Killough is a senior international studies and journalism major from Plano and a staff writer for The Baylor Lariat.

## Editorial

# Gender should not be a factor

Sarah Palin's ability (or, arguably, inability) to lead the nation as John McCain's vice president has been overshadowed by the her family struggles, which seem more like the script of a teen drama on the WB than the home life of someone picked to become vice president.

Her family's saga may turn out to be what "7th Heaven" was ten years ago: mostly family-friendly entertainment about a conservative household, complete with several children who are always managing to get into some type of pickle. Only this time, the home will be the vice-presidential mansion in D.C., not a pastor's home in suburbia, and the leading lady won't be a stay-at-home mom.

One focus of debate about Palin's ability to lead is this: with five kids, the youngest of whom has Down syndrome, should she be taking on the added stress of becoming vice president? But the media and voters shouldn't judge Palin on her family issues but on her actions as mayor and governor and on her ability to lead.

By choosing Palin, McCain introduced a strong conservative voice to his campaign. Palin, who recently has been compared to George Bush, opposes stem-cell research and abortion. Palin also supports abstinence-only sex education, an approach that obviously didn't work in the case of her pregnant and unwed 17-year-old daughter.

Palin got her start as a public servant in 1992, when she was elected to the Wasilla City Council. In 1996, she was elected mayor of Wasilla. She shook up

the rural town, cutting property taxes and fostering rapid growth. From 1992 to 2005, the town's population grew by about 65 percent; Palin served as mayor for six of those years after four years on the city council. She was appointed to the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission in 2003. On the commission, she investigated fellow commissioner and republican Randy Ruedrich on grounds of a conflict of interest. The Anchorage Daily News reported in September 2004 that Palin, by request of the state's assistant attorney general, uncovered e-mails that showed Ruedrich was too cozy with an oil company he was supposed to be regulating.

As governor, Palin slashed the state construction budget and sold the governor's jet. Palin steered clear of the "Alaska political corruption probe," which resulted in the indictment of 11 Alaskan lawmakers for improper dealings with the oil and fishing industries, both of which are major economic forces in the area.

Despite cutting the construction budget, Palin initially favored the construction of the Gravina Island Bridge, the infamous "bridge to nowhere" that gathered flack in the senate in 2005 before being stripped of its funding. Palin maintains that she didn't support the construction of the bridge, which is a textbook example of pork barrel spending.

Democrats have mocked the McCain camp's claim that she gained foreign policy experience as governor of Alaska, being just a strait away from Russia. They've



also raised questions about the story of how she sold the jet.

These are the kinds of issues voters should examine when considering if Palin is fit to help lead our nation. The fact that she has five children shouldn't deter people from supporting McCain's campaign, and it certainly doesn't mean she shouldn't have jumped at the chance to become vice president.

Those who think Palin's role should be solely in the home, forget the fact that millions of Americans leave their children in daycare for 40 hours or more each week. Furthermore, Palin is probably better equipped to pay for quality childcare than most Americans.

And what about Mr. Palin? Why aren't the naysayers suggesting that Todd Palin man-up and do more of the domestic

duties? After all, the Leave-it-to-Beaver-esque images of the housewife looking impeccable as she vacuums the rug and makes dinner are now artifacts of a by-gone era.

According to rebeldad.com, a site that catalogs information about stay-at-home dads, there are about 159,000 stay-at-home dads in the United States. "The numbers are so small as to be useless when looking for trends, and the only conclusion that can be safely drawn is that at-home dad numbers are rising," wrote a commenter on the site. Maybe Mr. Palin can join in the movement.

The Democratic vice presidential candidate, Sen. Joe Biden, drew praise in 1973 when, after his wife and year-old child died in an auto accident, he decided to take his elected position in the

Senate, despite needing to take care of his two physically and emotionally broken sons. For five years, Biden juggled being a senator and a single dad, and many affectionately thought of him as an upstanding parent.

And what about Barack Obama? Sure, he only has two children compared to Palin's five, but his children are young and his time with them undoubtedly will be abridged if he becomes president.

Traditional gender roles should be something we're past, but obviously, we haven't made as grand of strides as we thought we had.

The decision about whether Palin should take on a high-stress job is a private matter that only Palin, her husband and their children should have a voice in.

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## Corrections

The Sept 10 article "Scholar given national grant award" switched the first and middle name of James William Fulbright. In addition, the official grant category for Dr. Gawrych is Fulbright Scholar, not Fulbright Senior Researcher Scholar.

The Sept. 11 article "Jazz ensemble to bring swing beat to student concert" incorrectly stated that admission is free. Admission is \$5 but free for people over age 65.

The Sept. 11 article "You conservatives to reconvene" incorrectly identified Norman, Okla. junior Josh Hosler as Channelview freshman Tyler Landers.

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# Detroit citizens play the race card in demise of mayor

If Kwame Kilpatrick were white, don't you think he'd have been thrown out of office a long time ago? Heck, he'd be out of jail by now and shopping his memoirs.

Instead, it was just last week that Detroit's mayor surrendered his office and copped a plea: 120 days in jail, five years probation, and a \$1 million fine. Because, you see, Kilpatrick is not white, he is black in a city that is itself over 80 percent black. And that complicated things.

For instance, it led to underserved support from the local black paper.

And to black people blaming the media for "bringing down" a

gifted black man. And to a political consultant calling the case, "Jim Crow justice."

And to Kilpatrick repeatedly portraying himself as a victim of racial politics and a "lynch mob mentality."

All the claims of racial solidarity and victimization gave Kilpatrick what Eliot Spitzer could never have imagined: a base from which to dig in his heels and declare he would not be moved.

If you didn't know better, you might have thought this was Birmingham in 1963, with strains of "We Shall Overcome" ringing in the air. You'd never know it

## point of view

BY LEONARD PITTS JR.

was Detroit in 2008 where the issue wasn't desegregation or human dignity but, rather, a mayor who had an extramarital affair with his chief of staff, fired police who came too close to discovering it, lied about it under oath, agreed to an \$8.4 million payoff to keep police from releasing explicit text messages proving the affair and, for

good measure, shoved a sheriff's deputy trying to serve a subpoena to someone else in an unrelated matter.

Racial victimization? Jim Crow justice? Give me a break.

In an April column, I eviscerated the mayor for playing upon African America's reflexive tendency to rally in defense of any one of us who gets in trouble. But that's only part of the problem here. It's not just that someone played black folks, but that black folks keep letting themselves be played.

Truth is, we get played like checkers any time any high-profile one of us is caught in scandal or sin. From Michael Jackson to

O.J. Simpson to Tawana Brawley to Mike Tyson to Marion Barry to Kilpatrick, lying his natural backside off in court, we keep proving pathetically susceptible to manipulation by any brother or sister who says white folks have done him or her wrong — especially if they invoke God a few times for good measure.

There's an axiom that goes, fool me once, shame on you, fool me twice, shame on me. But what about fool me 87 times? What about, fool me like the nerdy kid with the "kick me" sign taped to his back?

We should not be unthinking. We should stop falling into the easy trap of believing every

black man in trouble is a victim of racial malfeasance. Sometimes, a black man in trouble is a victim of his own malfeasance. If more black folks in Motown had understood this, the city might not have spent the last year embarrassing itself.

For centuries, African-Americans have struggled to teach white people that black does not mean guilt. Frankly, it's high time we ourselves learned a corresponding truth.

It doesn't mean innocence, either.

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# Third-floor HRC chapel opening today

By Jennifer Sutton  
Reporter

In a mission to create a rounded residential community involving spiritual formation and nourishment, the Honors Residential College will open and dedicate the Memorial chapel in Memorial Residence Hall at 4 p.m. Friday.

The Master's High Tea will follow at 5 p.m. for the faculty, staff and students of the HRC.

The chapel, originally called the Lou White Memorial Chapel, was built as part of Memorial Residence Hall in 1928.

Since the opening of the residence hall, the chapel has had several uses that included housing the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority.

Eventually the room fell into poor condition with moldy carpet and poor lighting.

Though the exact date that the chapel fell into disrepair is unknown, Shushok said he thinks the university stopped using it at least 50 years ago.

Reconstruction for the chapel had been planned for a while, but due to lacking finances, the project had to be put on hold.

"That room was so sad," Kingwood senior and HRC Community Leader Amy Issa said. "I feel very blessed having been able to experience this."

Dr. K. Sarah-Jane Murray, assistant professor of medieval literature and French, and master professor of the Honors Residential College, discovered the space upon arrival at the HRC and wanted to put it into use once again, she said.

"Residence halls are not just places you sleep and eat, but places you live and learn," said Dr. Frank Shushok, dean for

Student Learning and Engagement.

In a discussion that occurred on the stairs of the McLane Student Life Center, Shushok, challenged Murray to acquire the funding for the project. If successful, the chapel reconstruction would be completed.

Within three months Murray had the necessary funding.

"Dr. Murray was one of the champions in making this happen," Shushok said. "She has an extraordinary gift for making people understand a compelling vision."

Two Baylor families, William and Mary Jo Robbins of Houston, and Ted and Sue Getteman of Waco, provided monetary donations to aid the chapel renovations.

"It will be an exciting time for our residents," said Megan Witherspoon, Honors Residen-

tial College resident hall director.

The chapel has been reconstructed to mirror its original state, with the addition of stained glass windows.

Two of the original pews were saved, and the new ones were modeled after them. The original light fixtures were also salvageable. Pieces of the original floor have been added to the stage area.

Brett Gibson, resident chaplain for the Honors Residential College, will be leading nightly prayer services at 10 p.m. Monday through Friday in the Memorial Chapel. Prayer services begin Monday.

"We've been able to create a space for the students to create space in their own lives," Gibson said.

The chapel will be equipped with Bibles and have card-swipe



Christina Kruse/Lariat Staff

The glow of stained glass windows illuminate the 18 pews and dark wood floors of the newly reconstructed Memorial chapel in Memorial Residence Hall. The chapel will be dedicated at 4 p.m. today.

access allowing all members of the HRC and their guests access to the space.

"I hope facilities in places like chapels facilitate important life-

changing moments for students while they are here," Shushok said. "We hope it's not the last sacred space we add in our residential communities."

# Student Government allocates funding for BYX Island Party

By Kate Williams  
Reporter

Controversy and disagreement surrounded the student senate meeting last night as concerns over the Brothers Under Christ request for \$10,000 raised senator's eyebrows.

Brothers Under Christ is seeking the money directly from the Student Life Fund in time to finance next Friday's Island Party.

"An allocation for this money to come this early in the year is unusual, but it has happened before," said Bryan Fonville, Garland Senior and student body president.

Island Party is an annual event hosted by Brothers Under Christ for the past eight years.

This year, Chic-fil-A will sell food at the Island Party and will be donating 15 percent of the proceeds to Brothers Under Christ.

Brothers Under Christ plan to donate those proceeds to Mission Waco.

Even with the donated money from Chic-fil-A, Thomas Horton, Houston senior and student senator, said he felt uneasy about \$10,000 coming out of the Student Life Fund so early in the year.

"This event is not very well publicized and it is next week," Horton said. "It's really hard to get stuff done by then."

Senators from the financial committee quickly motioned for a delay in the meeting to question the donated money by Chic-fil-A.

Ultimately, student senate approved the \$10,000 budget but they agreed that 5 percent of the donated proceeds from Chic-fil-A should go back into the Student Life Fund.

"This centered around the 15 percent of revenue that was going to be given to Mission Waco," said Fonville.

Ryan Denison, Dallas senior and current vice president of Brothers Under Christ, sympathized with the decision of student senate.

"They were just making sure they didn't set a precedent they couldn't defend later on," Denison said.

Denison thought Student Senate wanted to make sure the budget was fair, Denison said.

"Senate was working hard to make sure money was given to Mission Waco and still go by the regulations of Baylor," Denison said.

Despite controversy surrounding the event's budget, student senators agreed the Island Party should be an entertaining concert.

Andy Beall, Garland senior and student senator, gave the party a thumbs up.

"Island Party is a great event," Beall said. "It is always well exe-

## Student Senate Decides:

Brothers Under Christ will receive \$10,000 for next week's Island Party.

Chick-fil-A will donate some profits from food sales to Brothers Under Christ.

cutted and well planned."

Justin Farr, Dallas senior and former vice president of Brothers Under Christ, said the party should give a great first impression to fall premiere guests.

"One of the main aspects on top of fall premiere is to share the gospel and give back to Baylor and the Waco community," Farr said.

Island Party kicks off at 5 p.m. next Friday in Fountain Mall.

The party, which is expected to draw 10,000 students and Fall Premiere guests, will host Kutless, a Christian band.

"It's going to be an awesome night," Denison said. "The band is quality and the atmosphere should be really fun. We are on a mission."

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# Schedule change presses Cougars for time

By Mike Baldwin  
The Daily Evergreen

Taking a road trip might alleviate matters for the Washington State University football team. At the very least, it's unlikely things could get any worse.

The Cougars (0-2, 0-1 Pac-10), who are coming off their worst loss in school history in a 63-point defeat to the University of California at Berkeley, hope to capture their first victory of the season Friday night against Baylor (1-1) at Floyd Casey Stadium. The game was originally scheduled for Saturday morning, but has been moved to 5:30 p.m. Friday due to dangers posed by Hurricane Ike on the Texas coast.

Head coach Paul Wulff is still searching for his first victory as head coach with the Cougars, who have dropped six of their last seven road games dating back to the 2006 season. WSU's only road victory last season came against the Huskies in Seattle.

To make things worse for the last-place Cougars, there is a quarterback controversy fresh off two blowout defeats.

Starter Gary Rogers is off to a lackluster start in his senior season and with reserve quarterback Kevin Lopina waiting in the wings, his position on the depth chart is tenuous at best.

The offense is aware that whoever is on the field during the first drive will need to improve on last week's performance.

"It doesn't really matter to me," WSU wide receiver Brandon Gibson said. "If coach feels like Kevin can go out there and get the job done, then I believe him."

The decision could come as late as game time on Friday, but a preference for Rogers or Lopina is irrelevant for the rest of the offense, which has amassed 16 points this season.

Whether it's Rogers or Lopina, the Cougars will need to jump-start the offense and score early against the Bears.

"It doesn't matter who leads us at quarterback, we're still responsible for putting points on the board," Gibson added.

The Bears will play their third straight home game Friday to start the season. They are riding a momentum from a 51-6 thumping of Northwestern State.

Freshman quarterback Robert Griffin leads the Bears with 419 yards passing this season and five total touchdowns in two games.

"They're a good enough team," Wulff said. "They've won one game and we haven't. It's going to be a challenge for us, but really it's about us doing the things we need to do."

There are plenty of obstacles



Daniel Mitchell/Daily Evergreen

Washington State running back Christopher Ivory struggles to tear away from California defensive lines during Saturday's game at Washington State.

to overcome for WSU to notch their first win of the Wulff era.

The win-less Cougars are ranked No. 117 in total offense and No. 118 in total defense this season. WSU last played the Bears in 2006 at Qwest Field, defeating Baylor 17-15 on

a 17-yard field goal in the final seconds.

Baylor's defense has been somewhat inconsistent, with 47 points allowed this season, most of which was allotted in a 41-13 defeat to Wake Forest in their opener.

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# Big, fat Greek festival invades Waco Convention Center

Janna Quinn and Jennifer Sutton Reporters

Wacoans can savor the taste of Greece at the Greek Food Festival from 5 to 9 p.m. Saturday at the Waco Convention Center.

"It (the festival) exposes native Texans to a culture that is not native to Texas," said Art Tonoyan, Ph.D. student in the J.M. Dawson Institute of Church-State Studies.

The festival will include cultural displays, a boutique with imported Greek jewelry and clothing and a bookstore.

Greek dancing, authentic food and a silent auction, including items donated from local merchants, will be among the cultural festivities.

The festival, originally held on an irregular basis, was established as an annual event in 1989. Since then, attendance has remained consistent, with 700 to 800 people per year.

"This is a way for the church to share their history and cul-

ture with the rest of the community," said Father Deacon Daniel Payne of St. Nicholas Orthodox Church.

"It's a lot of fun, it's a great way to experience the culture," said Payne, who is also a lecturer in the J.M. Dawson Institute of Church-State Studies.

Admission is \$3 at the door. Guests can also purchase a dinner plate for an additional \$12.

"They say a man's heart is through his stomach, and we will take that as it is," said Rev. Theodore Tsitsilianos, of St. Nicholas Orthodox Church.

Dinner includes Greek chicken tenders with rice, Pastitio Greek macaroni, Spanakopita spinach pie, Greek green beans and tea. Items such as shish kebabs, baklava sundaes, pastries and Greek coffee may also be purchased a la carte. The food is all homemade.

"We bake all the goods, we cook all the food," Dr. Payne said.

The parishioners have been preparing the food for the last four to five weeks.

Traditional Greek dancers, from a Greek Orthodox church in Dallas, will perform several times throughout the evening, Mark McNeil, festival chairman, said.

Orthodox Christianity will be represented in the festival, to give attendees the opportunity

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Dr. Timothy S. Heckenlively lecturer in dept. of classics

to have a rounded experience in Greek culture.

"To traditional Greeks, to stop being Christian is to stop being Greek," said Dr. Timothy S. Heckenlively, lecturer in the department of classics. "You can't take the faith out of the Greek festival."

"Greeks have been here since the '40s, and feel this is a wonderful way to share their faith and culture with the Waco community," Payne said.

Tonoyan believes the festival will help others gain a better understanding of the Greek culture.

"Greek culture is very lively, very vivacious and very loud, but in a good sense of the word," he said.

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church is sponsoring the event. "This is one of our major fundraisers for the church and her missions," Tsitsilianos said.

The funds mainly go to operating expenses.

According to Heckenlively, "the main reason to go is to enjoy music, enjoy food and the hospitality of the parish and Greek people there."

"Come, come early and have a great time," he said.

Tsitsilianos has been in contact with the Convention Center and monitoring the weather, and they have decided to go ahead with the festival.



Christina Kruse/Lariat Staff  
Lisa Sheldon prepares for the Greek Food Festival that will be held at the Waco Convention Center Saturday. Sheldon has been volunteering for the Greek Fest for the past 16 years.

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shelters and medical centers held 88 evacuees. Twenty-one were waiting to be sent to Greene Family Camp in Bruceville, where 62 evacuees are stationed until they are told they can return home. Eighteen who needed special medical attention were sent to the Multi Purpose Center next to the YMCA on Elm Street, and one was at a hospital.

Dalia Resandez, who works at an adult daycare in Aransas Pass, showed up on the bus and said she was worried what was going to happen to her. She asked if she and her two sons, ages 23 and 9, were going to stay in a room, and wanted to know what was going on.

"They just told us to come in and eat something," she said. "We didn't do this, get registered or anything, during Hurricane Rita."

She said she was worried about her valuables and furniture that she had to leave home.

Other evacuees seemed less worried. Steven Alvarez, who works at a Sonic Drive-In in Portland, Texas, also brought two children, Ayzha, 5, and Steven Jr., 2. He said that the drive wasn't too bad. "It's like a little getaway, you know?" he said, as his daughter ran and skipped around the church.

American Red Cross volunteers were at the church, registering evacuees.

Natalie Smith of the Waco Humane Society was at the church processing and sending evacuees' pets to the animal shelter, where they will stay while in Waco.

Local stores have seen a flood of people stocking up for the worst this weekend. Wal-Mart on 4320 Franklin Ave. took extra orders of generators, water and canned food and called extra people into work for the next week.

One customer tried to buy 70 gallons of water and "150 pieces of chicken," assistant manager Debra Owens said.

Target is keeping stocked as well.



Alex Song/Lariat Staff photos  
Top: Volunteers look on Thursday as Waco Humane Society staff, Maria Thomas, explains how to properly care for displaced animals. The shelter anticipates approximately 300 animals will seek safety at the shelter. Right: Two volunteers carry donated dog food at the shelter.

"We're keeping an eye on things like bread, water, canned goods, batteries, flashlights, etc.," said employee Joann Morgan.

Gas stations reported higher gas prices, probably due to the closing of refineries, notably including Dow Chemical Inc. in Freeport.

"Depending on the storm surge, if it floods Freeport, it'll flood a good part of Dow," said David Worrell, a process control technician at Dow Chemi-

cal Inc.

Many organizations need volunteers. The Waco Humane Society needs more volunteers to help built temporary shelters, and donations of cat litter, dog, cat, bird and rodent food.

"We have a lot of out-of-state volunteers who really don't know where anything is. We need people to come in and make phone calls," said Waco Red Cross financial development coordinator Angie McFarland. She recommends that evacuees

register at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) to check the location of separated family members, and that local people log on to learn how to prepare for the storm.

Baylor asks that students keep updated on [www.baylor.edu/ike](http://www.baylor.edu/ike), with updates on the status of campus events, as well as safety information. "Campus security, Living and Learning, and ITS are monitoring the situation," said Lori Fogleman, Baylor director of media relations.



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