



Storm Report

Issue 1

Aug. 22nd - Aug. 26th

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FOOTBALL GAME!

"START" WEEK

STOMPLEX
SEPTEMBER
SECOND

Homecoming

Are you a
freshman????

EXCITING EVENTS COMING UP

August 29-September 2: Club Rush

September 2: STOMPLEX

September 5: No School - Labor Day

September 7: Senior Barbeque

September 19 - 24: Homecoming week.

September 21: Powder Puff Game

September 23: Homecoming Carnival & Game

September 24: Homecoming



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Westlake vs Cottonwood

Friday night our Westlake Thunder faced the number ten ranked team in the state, the Cottonwood Colts. Though Westlake was missing 3 starters and the special teams coach, they put up a good fight!

A few stand out players from Friday night were, Daniel Nudgent (interception), Austin Morgan (touchdown), Derek Parker, Caden Dortch, and Spencer Brown.

Players and coaches are optimistic for a great regular season and a long run through the play-offs, despite Fridays loss.

Win or lose we love our amazing football team!

COME SUPPORT YOUR TEAM
FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 2ND!



DRILL TEAM and CHEERLEADING!

Drill:

Coach- Stowell **Captain-** Kaylee Rose

Our drill team won Westlake's first Region title. Now with an almost entirely new team many people have been wondering how they will pull it out this year.

Interview with McKenzie Stowell

Q: How do you think The Storm will do this year?

A: They will do really good because they have come together as a team and work really hard and they all want to improve.

Q: What competition is The Storm most excited about?

A: Probably all of them! Unlike other sports who have like 20 we only have 5 so they look forward to each one.

Q: What are you most excited about?

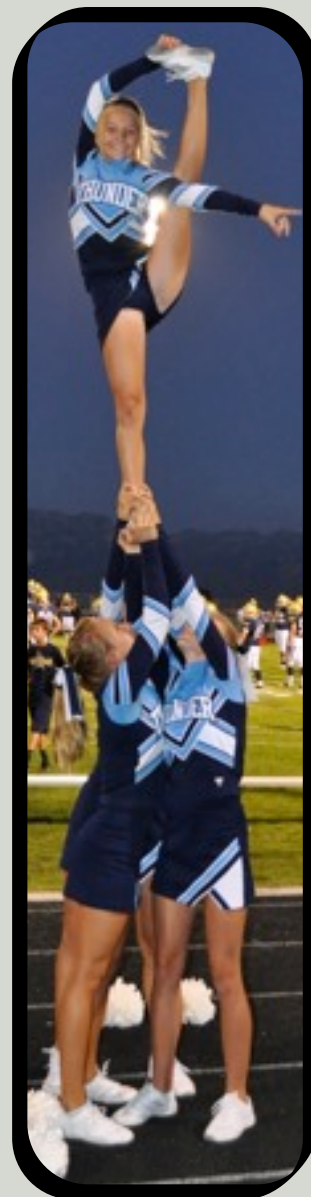
A: To be able to see the difference in the dancers to the beginning when we started in May to February when we finish our competitions season because the improvement is immense.

Q: What is one thing your going to try improve on this year?

A: To not burn out as a dancer. We talk about nutrition, sleep, as well as the physical aspects. So when we finish up our season the girls aren't burned out.

Q: What are you nervous about for this year?

A: Nothing.



Cheer:

Coach- Adkinson/Byrd

Captains- Burgandy Van Wagenen/Chelsea Cornaby

Last year our cheerleaders went to their first competition in Las Vegas. It was a new experience for everyone. It was the first co-ed competition team in Westlake's young history. You could probably guess they were extremely nervous.

"Find your swag" was all they needed to hear from their head coach Christian Adkinson to perform well. They sure did find their swag, winning first place at the Jamz National Competition!

Can they do it again? This year they will be competing in a more advanced category. They are definitely on the same level as last year and are improving. With 15 seniors returning, this should be an outstanding team!

FRESHMEN



Westlake is very excited to welcome the new freshmen to high school!! Aubrey Landvatter, Sophomore, has some advice for incoming freshmen, "Do your homework, go to dances, and have fun!"

Our freshmen football team won there first game of the season against Springville, 27 to 8! Keep up the good work!

Jauntae Dorton says, "I'm half excited and half scared to be in high school. I think my friends and I will have fun(:" Good Luck Freshmen!!



THUNDERVISION

We in Thundervision are a group of students who are excited to participate in the school and produce what we love: video! Video is our passion and our flag, and we hope to extend that to the rest of the school. we've got a lot of goals this year, one of which is to support all of the great programs, coaches and teachers we have this year by keeping up good advertisements so everyone can know what's going on and get out and support our school. Beyond that we are here for your entertainment, directing and producing videos that we sincerely hope that you will all enjoy. You'll be seeing us around, we are usually pretty hard to miss cause we are almost always have cameras so be sure and say hi!

"Thundervision is dang cool!" - Mr. Dunn

COLOR GUARD

This summer the Westlake Color Guard had the opportunity to attend their week long camp. They learned a lot of things during this week, including: working on flexibility, warm ups, and running their formations, along with other dance skills. The biggest and most important part of their camp was learning this years competition routine, which is called "Paradox". This routine is about a girl who becomes stranded on a deserted island. Trying to find her way off is her quest. This year the Color Guard has a new coach, this promises that our Westlake color guard for the 2011/2012 year will be full of new ideas and talents.

Come watch our Color Guards first competition on September 24 to find out if the stranded girl finds her way off of the island! Also remember to come support them at football pre-games and half times!
GOOD LUCK this year color guard! (:

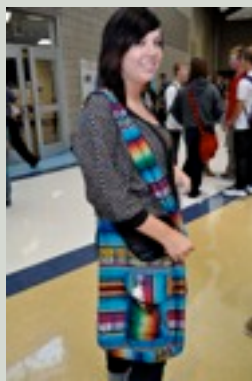
FASHION

Westlake High School hallways can be your runway as you get creative and express your unique style.

We all know that getting your back to school style just right can be a little bit tricky, but we're here to help you out. With classes starting and binders piling up you are going to need a fashionable backpack or bag. Here are some popular ideas to amp up your style!

Crossbody bags are a big hit this school year!

Also, Indie style back packs are quickly making their way to center stage!



Featured Artist of the Week



"Foster The People", are a new and upcoming Indie rock trio who feature a sound mix of old school psychedelic and dance-oriented pop. The band was originally named, "Foster & the People" but was later changed to make it more simple. Many of you may be familiar with their new single "Pumped Up the Kicks!". "Pumped Up the Kicks" recently reached number one on Billboard's Alternative Songs chart. It was also nominated by the 2011 MTV Music Video Awards for Best New Artist and Best Rock Video. Check them out on MTV.com.



Featured Song of the Week



All over the radio you hear, "Last Friday Night (T.G.I.F.)", by Katy Perry. CAUTION; this awesomely addicting song features a fun and catchy phrase that will get stuck in your head! If you compare your Friday night, with Ms. Perry's, you may find that you need to make some new plans for your Friday night. If you haven't heard this song, check it out!



CURRENT EVENTS



LIBYAN CIVIL WAR

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

TRIPOLI, LIBYA - FOR THE PAST SIX MONTHS, REBELLIONS HAVE BEEN RAGING ACROSS THE MIDDLE EAST, NORTH AFRICA, AND EUROPE. ONE REBELLION IN PARTICULAR HAS SPARKED GROWING INTEREST IN WHAT WILL BECOME OF LIBYA. IN 1951, MOAMMAR GADHAFI ABOLISHED THE LIBYAN CONSTITUTION, AND SINCE 1969 RULED AS DICTATOR IN HIS COUNTRY.

ON FEBRUARY 25, 2011, EVERYTHING CHANGED. PROTESTS AGAINST THE GADHAFI REGIME BEGAN TO RISE AND IN RETALIATION, GADHAFI FORCED HIS MILITARY AGAINST THE REBELS TO DESTROY THEIR PROTESTS ONCE AND FOR ALL. IN FACT, THE VERY OPPOSITE HAPPENED. THE PROTESTS ESCALATED INTO AN UPRISING AND ALL OUT CIVIL WAR AGAINST THE LIBYAN GOVERNMENT.

THE REBEL FORCES SOON ESTABLISHED THEIR OWN GOVERNMENT BASED IN BENGHAZI, TITLED THE NATION TRANSITIONAL COUNCIL. THEIR ULTIMATE GOAL: OVERTHROW GADHAFI. IN MARCH, GADHAFI FORCES STORMED THE REBELS AND ATTACKED BENGHAZI, PUSHING THE REBELS AWAY, BUT UNABLE TO FULLY SQUASH THEM.

AFTER MONTHS OF WAR AND UNREST, THE REBELS FINALLY GAINED THE UPPER HAND. ON AUGUST 23, REBEL FORCES STORMED GADHAFI'S COMPOUND. THEY SET FIRE TO WHATEVER THEY COULD TOUCH AND STOLE VALUABLE ITEMS FROM THE DICTATOR'S OWN BEDROOM. TUESDAY MARKED A GREAT WIN FOR THE REBELS, BUT MOAMMAR GADHAFI WAS NOWHERE TO BE FOUND.

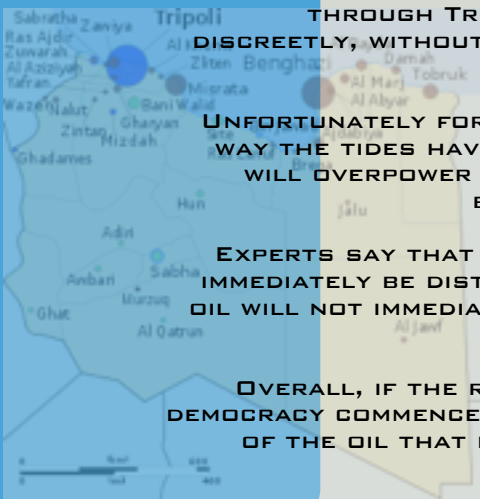
EVEN IN HIDING, GADHAFI ISN'T ABOUT TO GO DOWN. HE RECENTLY RELEASED THIS STATEMENT TO TRY AND STOP THE REBELLION SO THAT HE MIGHT REMAIN IN POWER: "ALL LIBYANS MUST BE PRESENT IN TRIPOLI, YOUNG MEN, TRIBAL MEN AND WOMEN MUST SWEEP THROUGH TRIPOLI AND COMB IT FOR TRAITORS. I HAVE BEEN OUT A BIT IN TRIPOLI DISCREETLY, WITHOUT BEING SEEN BY PEOPLE, AND . . . I DID NOT FEEL THAT TRIPOLI WAS IN DANGER."

UNFORTUNATELY FOR GADHAFI, THE REBELS AREN'T ABOUT TO BACK DOWN AND WITH THE WAY THE TIDES HAVE TURNED IN FAVOR OF THE OPPOSITION TO GADHAFI'S REGIME, THEY WILL OVERPOWER THOSE THAT TRY TO STOP THEM. IT WILL ONLY BE A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE GADHAFI'S RULE COMES TO A TRIUMPHANT, YET BLOODY END.

EXPERTS SAY THAT EVEN IF LIBYA FALLS INTO THE HANDS OF THE REBELS, OIL WILL NOT IMMEDIATELY BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE REST OF THE WORLD. IN COMPLIANCE, THE COST OF OIL WILL NOT IMMEDIATELY FALL. IT COULD TAKE SEVERAL YEARS FOR THE PRICE OF OIL TO RETURN TO ITS LEVELS PRIOR TO THE REBELLION.

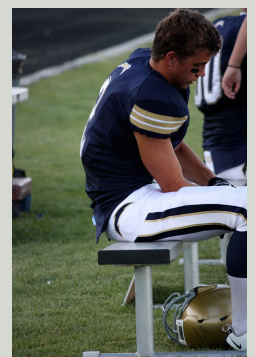
OVERALL, IF THE REBELS BRING THE DOWNFALL OF THEIR FORTY-TWO YEAR RULER, WILL DEMOCRACY COMMENCE OR ANARCHY AND CHAOS ENSUE? WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE PRICE OF THE OIL THAT LIES BETWEEN THE BORDERS OF LIBYA? LASTLY, WHAT WOULD REBEL VICTORY MEAN FOR AMERICA AND THE REST OF THE WORLD?

ONLY TIME WILL TELL.





Happy New School Year!



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