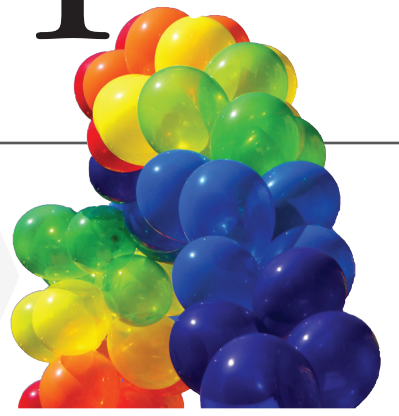


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TCU Swimming and Diving is set to face off against the women of North Texas.

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The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life is currently accepting applications for a new director. Tomorrow



NEWS

Local charity event Mayfest returns after health concerns lead to its cancellation last year. Tomorrow

ENVIRONMENT

GREEN SCREEN



The National Wildlife Federation is hosting an online video competition called Chill Out: Campus Solution to Global Warming to spread awareness of environmental issues.

Contest profiles campus initiatives

By Wyatt Kanyer
Staff Reporter

College students nationwide will have the opportunity to win grant money and prizes for their on-campus environmental sustainability efforts by participating in the National Wildlife Federation's Chill Out: Campus Solutions to Global Warming video competition.

Jen Fournelle, campus programs director for the National Wildlife Federation, said the competition is meant to demonstrate a comprehensive campus view of environmental issues. She said the NWF is looking for "different ways to look at sustainability and engage students and faculty." It's also using the competition to encourage college-age people to take initiative against global warming, she said.

"Youths are going to see the effects of global warming in their lifetime," Fournelle said. "(Chill Out) is a great way to engage on a personal

level, but also on a local scale within the college."

Tom Calvert-Rosenberger, a sophomore environmental science major and president of the TCU Environmental Club, said the club will probably not participate in Chill Out this year, but he said it might be something that happens in the future.

"One of our main goals is to give awareness of what TCU is doing," Calvert-Rosenberger said. "If somebody is making a video, they're trying to spread the word, not only for campus, but for a group, and when you have a group effort, there's a lot of solidarity."

Unlike other video competitions, Chill Out does not just focus on individual skills, Fournelle said. She said the video contest isn't about flashy production values, but rather about what campuses are doing to be more environmentally friendly.

Keith Whitworth, professor of sociology and adviser of the TCU

For more information on the Chill Out contest, including how to enter and what prizes are offered, visit nwf.org/campus ecology.



Society of Sustainability, said events like Chill Out are important because sustainability is a pressing topic across the board.

"(Sustainability) is a topic that we have to address in higher education because (students) are the future," he said.

According to the competition's Web site, submissions could range "from clean energy to habitat restoration to awareness campaigns." The deadline for video submissions is Jan. 31.

Winners will be featured on the

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BRITE

Lack of funding delays building

By Andrea Bolt
Opinion Editor

Brite Divinity School has delayed breaking ground on a new academic building because of financial constraints, Brite's president said.

Newell Williams, Brite president and professor of modern and American church history, said Brite is in the fifth year of a five-year capital campaign to raise funds for the construction of the Nell A. and W. Oliver Harrison building.

Brite has already raised more than \$12 million in its capital campaign for the construction of the building, but Williams said the final cost of the building will be closer to \$16 million.

Ground breaking for the building is slated for some time in 2010, Williams said, but that will only occur if Brite can raise the rest of the money necessary to construct the building.

"When we open the door to that building, we not only want it to be paid for, by gifts, not tuition... We want the operation of that building to be paid for," Williams said.

Brite is funded solely by gifts and endowment, Williams said. It does not use students' tuition payments for its funding because all of Brite's students are graduate students and already probably owe college debt,

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H1N1 VACCINE

Number of doses exceeds demand

By Catherine Paris
Staff Reporter

The university administered about 42 percent of the 2,900 H1N1 vaccine doses it received in December and returned the rest, according to the Brown-Lupton Health Center. Stacey Simpson, administrative assistant at the Brown-Lupton Health Center, wrote in an e-mail that the health center received the 2,900 doses from the Tarrant County Public Health Department and administered 1,211 to students and faculty before returning 1,600 to the health department. The health center began offering the vaccine to all enrolled students Dec. 11.

Dr. Jane Torgerson, health center medical director, said that although college students are within the high-risk age range, 6 months to 24 years, students may have declined the vaccine because they had never caught the flu previously and thought they were not at risk. The levels of influenza have subsided, and the health center does not expect as many people to come in with flu-like symptoms, she said.

"It's still a good idea to continue washing your hands (and to) sneeze into arms to prevent all kinds of infectious diseases, not just H1N1," Torgerson said.

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Small steps, but progress nonetheless, are made during Copenhagen Climate Change Conference.

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PECULIAR FACT

BOULDER, Colo. — A Boulder woman says she discovered a fish in her aquarium had been beheaded and \$10 was missing from her wallet after she shooed an intruder from her apartment.

—The Associated Press

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NEIGHBORHOOD

McDonald's to replace local eatery

By Sarah Fleischer
Staff Reporter

Hamburgers will soon be sizzling on the grill at another fast food restaurant opening near campus.

McDonald's will replace the Boston Market that closed down at the intersection of West Berry Street and Rogers Avenue, according to the City of Fort Worth Planning and Development department.

Boston Market closed its doors in December.

McDonald's and Boston Market representatives did not return several calls requesting comment.

Cheryl Strange, a registered nurse at the Brown-Lupton Health Center, said students will likely go to McDonald's often because they grew up with the fast food restaurant.

Strange also said fast food chains are among the main culprits of obesity, but McDonald's offers some healthier options that students can take advantage of, such as replacing fries with a fruit cup

or salad.

"(With) all of these ... franchise(s), if you are educated and knowledgeable about healthy choices, then you are going to choose (healthier) things," Strange said. "If you don't care about it, then it doesn't make any difference where you go."

Strange said the Health Center has not seen a significant increase in obesity cases during the past few years, which may be attributed to

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LIBRARY

Official: Clutter gone with new site

By Madison Pelletier
Staff Reporter

The library's revamped Web site reflects the simplicity that people in today's Google world have become accustomed to, a library official said.

Tracy Hull, associate dean of the Mary Coats Burnett Library, said a main feature of the new Web site is organization, which is now cleaner and features increased accuracy and little repetitiveness. The site design includes three main tabs designed for different types of us-

ers from beginner to expert.

Hull said students may notice some features that look new; however, most features were on the old Web site but have been redesigned for easier use.

"The chat room feature has been in place for about a year," Hull said. "The difference is now it is (at) a much more obvious place, at the top right-hand side of every page."

Hull, who is also the co-chairwoman for the library's Web site redesign committee, said the committee, which consists of Hull and eight others, was formed a year ago.

The committee conducted usability studies in order to determine which items on the site troubled users most, Hull said. The studies showed that students were irritated by finding conflicting information in different areas of the site.

Dana Thomsen, a senior nursing major, said she was familiar with the old Web site and used it for multiple research projects. She said the old site was difficult to navigate, especially when trying to figure out what database to use for a

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NEWS



ASHLEY FREEL / Staff Photographer

Construction crew work on the boarded-up Boston Market close to campus on Berry Street on Wednesday.

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particular research topic. Molly Knox, an English graduate student, said the site now looks less cluttered.

"The old Web site wasn't as aesthetically pleasing as it is now," Knox said.

Hull began working for the university two and a half years ago with the idea to redo the cluttered site and make it more accessible for students. She said the old Web site had a lot of good information on it but was a little overwhelming.

"One of our goals was to make navigating information easier, with not too many

clicks," Hull said.

Even though the Web site launched this month, Hull said, the committee's work is not done, and it plans on adding more to the "how-to" and online tutorials sections.

"The online tutorials would be short and to-the-point instructional videos," Hull said.

Knox said she is still having trouble finding information on the search engine, which she said is making it difficult to locate articles.

Hull said she plans on looking at student comments, and if there is a common complaint, the Web site committee will work to fix the problem.

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The university originally requested 10,000 doses but did not receive the full amount because priority was given to high-risk patients, like pregnant women and nurses who tend to sick people every day, said Carrie Williams, spokesperson for the Texas Department of State Health Services. Fewer than 100 doses remain at the health center for distribution this semester. The university no longer tests students for H1N1 because of the high cost of the test, said Don Mills, vice chancellor for

NUMBERS

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tioning hand sanitizer dispensers around campus and encouraging people to self-isolate if they have the flu are among precautions that will still be in place, even if H1N1 is no longer a concern, Mills said.

KinderFrogs also planned to continue taking precautions to prevent H1N1 from spreading to students there, even though no diagnosed cases have been reported, said Marilyn Tolbert, director of laboratory schools at KinderFrogs.

"We're checking to see if people look ill and asking them to wash their hands before coming in," Tolbert said. "We encourage (vaccination), but don't require it."

KinderFrogs kept parents informed about H1N1 by sending out links to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site as well as information about where they could obtain vaccines in the area.

For a list of local clinics offering the vaccine, visit the Tarrant County Public Health Web site.

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Marilyn Tolbert
director of laboratory schools at KinderFrogs

Student Affairs. The testing procedure for H1N1 costs several hundred dollars per person, he said.

"We will test to see if people have the flu, but the treatment for seasonal and swine flu (Tamiflu) is the same," Mills said.

University officials plan to continue taking precautions to prevent the spread of H1N1, Mills said. Sta-

"We may need to raise another \$4 million (to reach the \$16 million target), and we need to do that before that building is up."

Newell Williams
Brite president

\$16 million target), and we need to do that before that building is up," he said.

It is misleading to consider Brite short on funding thus far, Williams said.

However, the economic recession has hurt Brite as it relates to its financial goals for the building's construction.

"We would've gotten to our goal faster if not for the economic downturn," he said.

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Williams said.

Brite's goal is keep the price of attending as low as possible, Williams said. The normal load for a full-time student at the school is 9 to 12 credit hours per semester, according to the school's catalog. A 12-hour course load in the 2009-2010 academic year costs \$8,700, or \$725 per credit hour, according to the catalog.

The maintenance of the building, possibly costing several hundred thousand dollars per year, is to be paid using Brite's endowment, Williams said. The catch is having enough endowment to pay for the cost of continually operating the building, he added.

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the level of physical activity on campus. The campus has become more pedestrian-friendly, with many students walking, riding bikes or skateboarding to class, she said.

Kate Syme, a sophomore early childhood education major, said she likes McDonald's because it's fast,

easy and cheap. Syme said she would be more likely to eat at McDonald's than at Boston Market.

But Cynthia Munoz, a freshman nursing major, said she is not excited about McDonald's replacing Boston Market.

"I actually don't like McDonald's," Munoz said. "I don't think it is a great or a healthy source (of food) for people on campus."

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The Skiff View

Brite deserves praise for responsibility

Brite Divinity School should be commended for showing restraint during the economic downturn.

Brite President Newell Williams said the school is holding off on beginning construction of a new academic building because it is still about \$4 million short of its financial goal. The divinity school is not only budgeting for the building's construction but also looking ahead and planning for its maintenance.

It is not uncommon to drive through an urban area and pass by an abandoned construction site. Just down South University Drive sits the desolated framework of a commercial real estate development. According to the developer, construction was temporarily halted because of the recession.

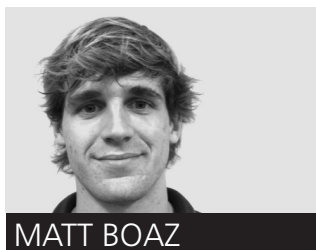
To green light construction now and expect to raise the funds later would be fiscally irresponsible, especially considering the country's financial woes.

Brite's reserve must be emulated. While administrators may have tolerated some risk in more prosperous times, the current economic landscape warrants utmost prudence.

Editor-in-chief Julieta Chiquillo for the editorial board.

The Skiff View represents the collective opinion of the editorial board.

Accord's goals not met



MATT BOAZ

The 2009 Copenhagen Climate Change Conference took place in December and ended in what many considered to be, if not an utter failure, a near disaster. Pressure from the European Union, the United States and China resulted in an inability to agree on a pact for limiting future carbon emissions. President Barack Obama's pleas to the Chinese Prime Minister resulted in a skimpy five-page document.

The positive result is that an accord was agreed upon. Efforts are being made to lower the impact of carbon fuel emissions by industrialized countries, but a consensus is far from being reached on what policy measures should be instituted. China claims that it will soon be the largest contributor to carbon emissions on the per capita level, but aligned with economic growth, it is actually diminishing its impact by a significant percentage. According to the U.S. and the European Union, which currently account for one-third of total output, China's carbon emissions reduction is the only way to achieve their goal of preventing a global rise in temperature.

Within the U.S., businesses worry that newer technologies will have a negative effect on their profit margin. As countries industrialize, they use the cheapest, most cost-efficient technology, which at the moment happens to also be harmful to the environment. These issues have resulted in a stagnant effort by the leading economic powers to impose restrictions

in an effort to "improve" the climate change issue.

The U.S.' refusal to participate in the Kyoto Protocol left a bad taste in the mouths of many diplomatic representatives. Its abstention from this policy stems from a variety of reasons, but perhaps the most important was the fact that other countries would not be signing.

As Obama puts this issue at the forefront of his policy initiatives, he must take these issues into consideration. The U.S. is a dominant economic power. By instituting a system of cap and trade, in which large businesses can buy their way to more legal carbon output, such future agreements jeopardize the potential of smaller, developing nations. If the U.S. is going to abstain from one policy and embrace another, it must be done without regard to self-interest. Leading a convention on climate change is an ambitious goal, but the foreign perception is that the U.S. is once again trying to create a positive situation for itself and continuing to increase its global influence.

If Obama is serious about promoting this issue, he must take the necessary steps to reform even if an agreement cannot be reached on the global level. By instating national changes on carbon output, the U.S. would set an example not only for developing nations, but also distrusting larger countries that we are competing with economically.

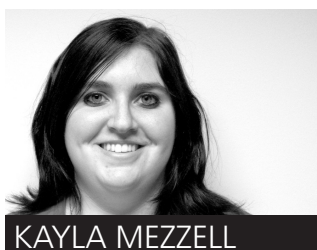
A treaty certainly looks nice on the wall, but if the larger issue is change, then the most effective results will be achieved through domestic efforts. From there, decrying the U.S. as hypocritical will be a null point, and the remaining nations will have to look to themselves for change.

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Infidelity can cost you in court



KAYLA MEZZELL

Finally, there is a way for scorned spouses to make the person who broke up their marriage pay. Literally.

Laws in seven states, including Utah, North Carolina, South Dakota, Hawaii, Mississippi, Illinois and New Mexico, now allow spouses of adulterous mates to sue their partner's lover, according to CNN.com.

These "alienation of affection" lawsuits might be the best way for spurned spouses to keep their wan-

dering partners in check. If their adulterous mates cannot find lovers, they cannot cheat. These lovers are as responsible for the adultery as their married partners and should face the consequences for violating a legally binding agreement.

However, a person who was unaware that his or her new lover was married should not pay for his or her bad judgment.

Of course, there are issues with these lawsuits. There's the possibility that married couples could dupe a wealthy person into sleeping with either of them in order to collect damages. Fortunately, the legal system is designed to prevent these dishonest people from collecting damages they are not owed.

But those who are legitimately filing suits deserve compensation. A man who has just discovered

his wife's infidelity might be mentally devastated, and monetary retribution, while it will not speed the healing process, will give him some sense of satisfaction that the person who destroyed his marriage is not walking away unscathed.

These lawsuits will most likely be more helpful than harmful for those who have been wronged. As with all laws, a person has nothing to fear if he or she obeys them. The guilty parties should face the penalty for taking wedding vows lightly — the spouse gets a divorce and the no-longer-secret lover gets a lawsuit.

The lesson here is simple: Be careful who you sleep with. His spouse might sue.

Kayla Mezzell is a junior geography and journalism major from Mesquite.

Despite loss, Dalton critics unnecessary



BRUNO BRUELHART

It was a good run. Twelve victories in one season, a nationally recognized team and a magnificent coach that ended the year and the decade with a bang. Sadly, the Horned Frog football team was bested by Boise State in the Fiesta Bowl.

One measly touchdown made possible by a fake punt in the fourth quarter gave Boise the lead, and the game was done.

Like most TCU students, I hopped on the fan wagon as soon as we were whoopin' teams east and west. I have never been much of a football fan, nor possessed ample supplies of team spirit, but even I was moved as our team clobbered every opponent it faced.

But come time for the Fiesta Bowl and our subsequent loss, it seemed the fan wagon had fallen apart. A quick read at your friendly Facebook News Feed would have shown you just how horrid some folks could get when "their" team lost the big game.

Most of the angry rants have been laid at the feet of Andy Dalton for throwing the game-ending interception. Some blamed the once stellar defense for giving up so many points and yardage to the underestimated Broncos. Some blamed it on receiver Antoine Hicks' fourth-quarter dropped pass on a sure-to-be touchdown that could have evened the score. And some typed out, in all caps, just how angry they truly felt.

Now, I'm nowhere near athletic enough to play college ball and survive a round, but when folks who can neither run, jump nor swim start insulting another's athletic prowess, their ability to properly judge things comes into question.

TCU is notorious for the bandwagon effect. One game the stadium is empty; several victories

later we're at maximum capacity. And it is to be expected that plenty of people would get upset when we lost the Fiesta Bowl. But personal attacks and inflammatory comments are really uncalled for when judging how the team fared.

I don't know anyone on the team, nor will I go out and meet them. But when lazy slobbers start attacking a team that smashed several previously-held TCU records, even a slacker like myself feels the need to defend the dead horse.

We had a great season. We went undefeated in the regular season and watched as Gary Patterson earned his Coach of the Year award, and this is how we repay our team? By ranting and raving about how it should have happened? By offering such sage advice as "throw the ball"?

Get off of your high horse and either shut up or get on the field and do them one better. You can at least give the Frogs that much.

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QUICK NEWS

Bank CEOs: Sorry for risky behavior, bad decisions

WASHINGTON (AP) — Wall Street executives said Wednesday they underestimated the severity of the 2008 financial crisis and apologized for risky behavior and poor decisions. They also defended their bonus and compensation practices to a skeptical commission investigating what caused the collapse.

Americans are furious and "have a right to be" about the hefty bonuses banks paid out after getting billions of dollars in federal help, the commission's chairman told chief executives of four major banks, all survivors of the deepest and longest recession since the Depression.

As the hearings opened before the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission, chairman Phil Angelides pledged "a full and fair inquiry into what brought our financial system to its knees."

Google to end China censorship after e-mail breach

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Google Inc. will stop censoring its search results in China and may pull out of the country completely after discovering that computer hackers had tricked human-rights activists into exposing their e-mail accounts to outsiders.

The change of heart announced Tuesday heralds a major shift for the Internet's search leader, which has repeatedly said it will obey Chinese laws requiring some politically and socially sensitive issues to be blocked from search results available in other countries. The acquiescence had outraged free-speech advocates and even some shareholders, who argued Google's cooperation with China violated the company's "don't be evil" motto.

Don't bank on weekend to make up for sleep loss

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sleeping in on Saturday after a few weeks of too little shuteye may feel refreshing, but it can give a false sense of security.

New research shows chronic sleep loss cannot be cured that easily. Scientists teased apart the effects of short- and long-term sleep loss and found that the chronically sleep-deprived may function normally soon after waking up, but experience steadily slower reaction times as the day wears on, even if they had tried to catch up the previous night.

The research shows important implications in an increasingly busy society, not just for shift-workers but for the roughly one in six Americans who regularly get six hours or less of sleep a night.

GM says Woods doesn't get free cars anymore

NEW YORK (AP) — General Motors Co. says an agreement with Tiger Woods that allowed the fallen golf star to have free access to its vehicles is over.

Woods' endorsement contract with GM's Buick brand ended in 2008, but an arrangement remained in place that allowed him to keep several GM loaner vehicles. A spokesman says the arrangement ended on Dec. 31.

Woods has lost a host of endorsement contracts since the Nov. 27 car crash outside his Florida home. The accident triggered allegations of marital infidelity that led him to take a break from professional golf, though the GM spokesman says the vehicle arrangement had been previously scheduled to end on Dec. 31.

United Airlines matches baggage fee increases

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — United Airlines joined the latest round of baggage-fee increases on Wednesday.

The move follows hikes by Delta and Continental.

United said it will now charge \$25 to check the first bag and \$35 for the second. That's \$5 more than it charged previously. It takes effect on tickets bought beginning Thursday for travel after Jan. 21.

The new fees are the same at Continental and Delta. Airlines discount the fees by a few dollars for travelers who pay online in advance instead of at the airport.

The Delta fee began on Tuesday for tickets purchased starting Jan. 5. Continental's higher fee takes effect for tickets purchased Jan. 9 for travel beginning on Saturday.

—The Associated Press

NEWS

Progress Report

Sustainability

 Student Involvement

"TCU received a C- on the green report card. One of the ways that Chill Out could benefit the green report card score is accessible video online."

Tom Calvert-Rosenberger, sophomore environmental science major

 Green Building

"The new administration building will be LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified, and Scharbauer Hall is LEED certified."

Keith Whitworth, instructor of sociology

 Transportation

"The Purple Bike Program has received national coverage from the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Education."

Whitworth

 Administration

"Part of TCU's climate commitment is to get students involved in extracurricular ways."

Calvert-Rosenberger

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Chill Out national webcast.

Wood Turner, executive director of Climate Counts, a nonprofit organization that scores companies on their sustainability efforts and sponsors the event, said high school students are beginning to choose colleges based on the school's environmental awareness.

"We hear from sustainability coordinators from across the country," he said. "There's strong and steady impact in this kind of activism."

Turner said Chill Out is also an opportunity for college students to realize how much they can affect big business. He said students can change the minds of large corporations if they are active in the compa-

nies' efforts toward climate change awareness.

"Students on college campuses don't realize enough that they are coveted consumers by companies," Turner said. "One of the biggest things (students) can do is come together as consumers and say it's not a good idea to be involved with companies that are not focused on climate change."

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MILITARY

Public unfit to serve

By Rick Montgomery
McClatchy Newspapers (MCT)

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Chalk up another national-security threat – this one looming with each excess pound, failing grade and drug bust affecting young adults.

An alarming 75 percent of Americans ages 17 to 24 would not qualify for military service today because they are physically unfit, failed to finish high school or have criminal records, according to a report from an organization of education and military leaders calling for immediate action on the early-education front.

While some experts voiced doubt that obesity and other societal ills would keep three out of four young adults out of the ranks, the report titled "Ready, Willing and Unable to Serve" was endorsed by U.S. Education Secretary Arne Duncan, former NATO commander Gen. Wesley Clark and top retired admirals and generals.

"The armed services are meeting recruitment targets in 2009, but those of us who have served in command roles are worried about the trends we see," retired Rear Adm. James Barnett said. "Our national security in the

year 2030 is absolutely dependent on what's going on in kindergarten today."

Military recruiters in Kansas City report turning away prospective recruits "in every office, every hour, every day" for reasons including girths too large and credit ratings too low.

"Our national security in the year 2030 is absolutely dependent on what's going on in kindergarten today."

James Barnett
retired rear admiral

Increasingly, applicants are disqualified for having asthma or for taking pills for depression or attention disorders. Nearly one-third of all young adults have health issues other than weight that could keep them from serving, according to the report of the group Mission: Readiness.

If you're the single parent of a dependent child without a support network, you're out. If you're carrying too much debt, you're out. The military doesn't want recruits who will be hounded by creditors and lawsuits.

Some applicants without a high-school diploma can get a waiver to serve if they earn a GED or score high on the military's entrance exam. But such waivers are granted to fewer than 2 percent of applicants.

"What we allow waivers for, and for whom, is like an opening and closing gate depending on our needs. We can adjust our policies if we have to," said Douglas Smith of the U.S. Army Recruiting Command.

As a slumping economy increases interest in military service, more people with obvious deficiencies are contacting recruiters.

"We're no longer so much saying, 'Try back in 60, 90 days and see if you can qualify,'" Smith said. "It's more like 'We're sorry ... and don't come back.'"

Even after signing up, 7 to 15 percent of enlistees return home for not meeting all that basic training demands.

Obesity alone disqualifies 27 percent of all young Americans from serving. About one in four in the 17-to-24 age group lacks a high school diploma.

Delaware, Florida, Georgia and Texas posted unusually high rates of obesity, juvenile crime and dropout rates.

NATURAL DISASTER

Foreign aid en route to Haiti

By Bradley S. Klapper & Frank Jordans

Associated Press Writers

GENEVA (AP) — Sniffer dogs, high-energy biscuits and tons of emergency medical aid were heading to Haiti on Wednesday as governments and aid groups launched a massive relief effort for the estimated 3 million people reeling from a devastating earthquake.

Aid officials in the impoverished Caribbean nation worked to clear rubble from roads, build makeshift hospitals and remove bodies from the rubble despite transportation problems and broken phone lines.

Wintry weather in Europe added to the challenge, with snow temporarily delaying a British aid flight with 64 firefighters and rescue dogs at Gatwick airport.

As it struggled to gauge the full scale of the catastrophe, the United Nations said it was rushing food, personnel and medical supplies to alleviate the "major humanitarian emergency." It also confirmed at least 140 members of its own staff were missing under flattened roofs in the Haitian capital, Port-au-Prince.

"We'll be using whatever roads are passable to get aid to Port-au-Prince, and if possible we'll bring helicopters in," said Emilia Casella, a spokeswoman for the U.N. food agency. Its 200 staff in Haiti were trying to deliver high-energy biscuits and other supplies, despite looting and the



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An earthquake survivor is tended to on the outskirts of Port au Prince, after the strongest earthquake to hit Haiti in more than 200 years crushed thousands of structures.

threat of violence in a nation long plagued by lawlessness.

Humanitarian officials said the proximity of the quake's epicenter, only 10 miles from Port-au-Prince's sprawling slums and hilltop villas, as well as Haiti's crumbling infrastructure, meant it was difficult to estimate how many people might be dead or injured.

But the sheer number of dead bodies was expected to pose a problem. The World Health Organization said it has sent specialists to help clear the city of corpses and prevent the spread of disease, and the Red Cross was sending a plane Thursday loaded mainly with body bags.

The Red Cross estimated that 3 million people will require aid, ranging from shelter to food and clean water, and said many Hai-

tians could need relief for a full year.

"There are many, many people trapped in the rubble," said Paul Conneally, spokesman for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent societies. "We're not optimistic at the moment."

U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton said the United States was offering full assistance — civilian and military.

Ships, helicopters, transport planes and a 2,000-member Marine unit are either on the way or likely to begin moving soon, U.S. officials said.

Dozens of other countries pledged rescue teams, doctors, cash and supplies.

The Red Cross said Haiti's own disaster relief teams were "completely overwhelmed."

EDUCATION

Perry jilts federal grant

By Juan A. Lozano
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas won't compete for up to \$700 million in federal stimulus money for education because the program "smacks of a federal takeover of our public schools," Republican Gov. Rick Perry said Wednesday.

The funding is from the U.S. Department of Education's "Race to the Top" program, a \$5 billion competitive fund that will award grants to states to improve education quality and results. The program, created in the economic stimulus law, is part of Democratic President Barack Obama's efforts to overhaul the nation's schools.

Perry has been critical of the federal stimulus program and the federal bailout of the nation's financial institutions. He previously turned down \$555 million in federal stimulus money for the state's unemployment fund because it would have required Texas to expand its unemployment benefits.

However, the state did accept billions of dollars of federal stimulus money to help balance its two-year budget in 2009.

Perry stood next to Texas Education Commissioner Robert Scott and representatives of teachers' unions and said taking the money would force the state to adopt national education and testing standards and result in Texas losing its autonomy in educating children.

Leaders in states such as Michigan and Wisconsin have been pushing hard for lawmakers to overhaul their education systems so they have a better chance at qualifying for the money. At least 10 states have changed laws banning the use of student test scores to judge teachers, eased charter school restrictions or backed off budget cuts to boost their chances.

"Here in Texas, we don't have broad consensus on every issue facing our school system."

Rick Perry
Governor of Texas

Perry said Texas' education system is doing well under state and local control — standardized test scores are up, the dropout rate is down and Texas has been recognized as one of only four states that is closing the achievement gap in math. The grant program doesn't remove schools from state and local control but it gives Obama considerable leverage as he pushes education reform.

"Here in Texas, we don't have broad consensus on every issue facing our school system," Perry said. "We do agree we'd rather work those differences out in Texas with solutions that work for Texans instead of accepting a top down mandate from some distant bureaucrats."

Texas Democrats were quick to criticize Perry's decision.

State Rep. Jim Dunnington, D-Waco, said he didn't agree with all of Race to the Top's mandates, but the grants could help the state lower the achievement gap and better prepare Texas children for college.

But several teachers' unions and groups promoting fiscal responsibility supported Perry's decision, saying the state's curriculum serves students well and they have no interest in the federal government dictating teaching practices.

"The dollars being dangled have far too many strings attached and for Texans the price would be far too high," said Jeri Stone, executive director of the Texas Classroom Teachers Association.

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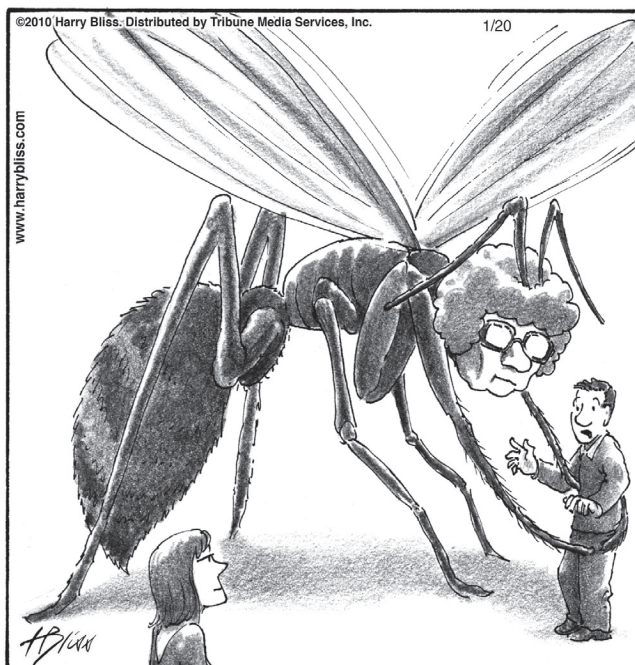
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- Yemen's main port
- Roofed patio
- Guinness of "Star Wars"
- Hackneyed line
- Love, in 1-Across
- Heros
- Male delivery
- Frothy fountain drinks
- Green soldier
- Unwanted kitchen visitor
- Killed, in a way
- River in NW France
- MA and PA
- Bakery worker with a gun
- Sprited equine
- Chowder base
- "moi, le déluge"; Louis XV
- New Rochelle, NY, college
- "Pygmalion" monogram
- 1975 A.L. MVP and Rookie of the Year
- Lynn
- "The evil that men do lives after them" speaker
- Brutally harsh
- stone
- How architects draw
- Rear admiral's rear
- Crimson Tide, briefly
- "Flip This House" network
- Summertime cosmetic mishap
- Hall of Famer Slaughter
- Book from which the film "What's Love Got to Do With It" was adapted
- Netman Nastase
- Posted

DOWN

- Commonwealth off Florida
- Uncompromising
- Rises up
- At a standstill
- Tavern choice
- Kapow cousin
- Singletons
- Come of age
- Like many lobster eaters
- Galoot
- Sense of completeness
- Sandra Bullock role, e.g.
- Like some candles
- Agricultural pests
- Corner PC key
- Numerical prefix
- Pipe part
- Portnoy creator
- Philip
- Move in high circles?
- Patronizes, as an inn
- Hand over

By Ed Sessa 1/14/10

65 Animal family hidden in 17-, 35- and 57-Across

66 Buffaloish

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

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36 Canine anchor never

37 ___ occasion: "Broadway Joe"

38 Popular ski country homes

39 Talking a blue streak?

40 Sits atop

42 Hiker's snack

43 Longline

44 Steiny rival

46 Classic video games

47 "Broadway Joe"

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WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

COMEBACK



The women's swimming and diving team competes against Wyoming in the University Recreation Center on Nov. 21. Courtesy of TCU ATHLETICS MEDIA RELATIONS

Frogs ready for Mean Green

By Kayla Mezzell
Staff Reporter

The women's swim team returns home Friday to face the University of North Texas in the first meet since the Frogs' recent loss to conference rival Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, on Jan. 8.

Senior swimmer Stephanie Futscher stressed the importance of the home pool advantage.

"We always do better when we compete at home in our home pool," she said. "I love racing at home."

Futscher, who has won first place in the 200-fly during four meets this season, said she is confident

Friday's meet will go well.

"They have beat us in the past before but we just have to approach this meet as we do any other meet," Futscher said. "Just be as competitive as we can be. I'm not really that worried about it, but that doesn't mean we're going to be overconfident and just assume it's going to be an easy win."

Sophomore swimmer Jenny Oster also said the team should not underestimate the North Texas swimmers.

She said the squad faces stiff competition from the Mean Green's Emily Floyd.

"She gave Maria (Paula Alvarez) a run for her money last year in the 1000

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When: 6 p.m. Friday
Where: University Recreation Center
The meet is open to fans and admission is free.

freestyle," Oster said.

Richard Sybesma, swimming and diving head coach, said Alvarez, Oster and Futscher are among his strongest swimmers.

Oster and Sybesma said they were confident that the team would do well.

"Each meet now is a stepping stone towards the conference championship," Sybesma said.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Kiffin leaves UT high and dry

By Gary Klein
Los Angeles Times (MCT)

LOS ANGELES — Given the giant task of replacing charismatic, championship-winning football coach Pete Carroll, USC on Tuesday surprised no one by turning to one of its own.

But the coach the Trojans chose was a shocker.

Lane Kiffin, a Carroll protégé who had quickly become among the most controversial coaches in college football during his one season at the University of Tennessee, rejoined a program he helped to glory in six seasons as an assistant.

"We are really excited to welcome Lane Kiffin back to USC," athletic director Mike Garrett said in a statement announcing the hiring. "I was able to watch him closely when he was an assistant with us and what I saw was a bright, creative young coach who I thought would make an excellent head coach here if the opportunity ever arose."

Kiffin, 34, was introduced at a news conference at USC's Heritage Hall Wednesday afternoon. He was hired on the day Carroll was introduced in Seattle as the new head coach of the NFL's Seahawks, completing a move that sent shock waves throughout football's highest levels.

USC enjoyed one of the most successful runs in college football history under Carroll, but the coach left behind a Trojans program that is being



Tennessee coach Lane Kiffin during a September home game. A person familiar with the coach's resignation says Lane Kiffin has agreed to become Southern California's new coach after one season at Tennessee. WADE PAYNE / AP Photo

investigated by the NCAA for various rules violations.

At Tennessee, Kiffin had a record of 7-6 and ran afoul of the NCAA with a string of what college football's governing force considers "secondary" violations — mostly having to do with recruiting. His short stay in Knoxville was also marked by tough talk and brash statements predicting a swift rise for his team in the Southeastern Conference, which is generally regarded as the nation's toughest league.

Kiffin said leaving Tennessee "was not an easy decision," in comments shortly after addressing Volunteers players Tuesday night. "I really believe (USC) is the only place I would have left here to go."

That didn't seem to placate

died-in-the-orange-wool Tennessee fans, however.

News of the coach's departure was met with bitterness. Reports from the Tennessee campus said nearly 1,000 students had gathered outside the school's football complex waiting for Kiffin's departure, fans held signs calling him a "traitor" and worse, while others burned Lane Kiffin T-shirts.

Details of Kiffin's contract with USC were not immediately known.

USC players left in shock by Carroll's sudden departure after nine seasons were excited about Kiffin's hiring.

"I think it's really good they got someone who knows Trojans football and the traditions and knows how we rock," quarterback Matt Barkley said.

QUICK SPORTS

TCU: No truth to UT visit rumors

Director of Athletics Media Relations Mark Cohen said Wednesday night there has been no contact between Frogs Head Coach Gary Patterson and University of Tennessee officials seeking a new head football coach.

Cohen commented after ESPN Radio in Dallas

on the Galloway & Company show speculated this afternoon on unconfirmed reports that University of Tennessee officials were "on the ground" in Fort Worth. Tennessee is searching for a head coach after Lane Kiffin resigned Tuesday to take the open coaching position at USC.

"(Patterson) has not been in any contact with

them, nor does he have plans to meet with them tonight, as is being reported," Cohen said. "I can tell you that he has had no contact with Tennessee and has no plans to meet with them."

Athletics Director Chris Del Conte could not be reached for comment.

— Sports editor
Mary Sue Greenleaf

INTRAMURAL SPORTS

Spring intramurals approaching

Campus intramural events boast good attendance records. More than 3,500 students - about 39 percent of the student population - participated in intramural sports through Campus Recreation in the fall, said Mike Hackemack, assistant director of intramural sports. One hundred

teams participated in flag football during the fall, and 63 teams participated in indoor soccer.

Tournament events, like paper football and pillow fights, brought in dozens of participants. Winners of these events received Dallas Cowboys tickets.

As Campus Recreation gears up for the spring semester, here are some highlights to look for in January:

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