



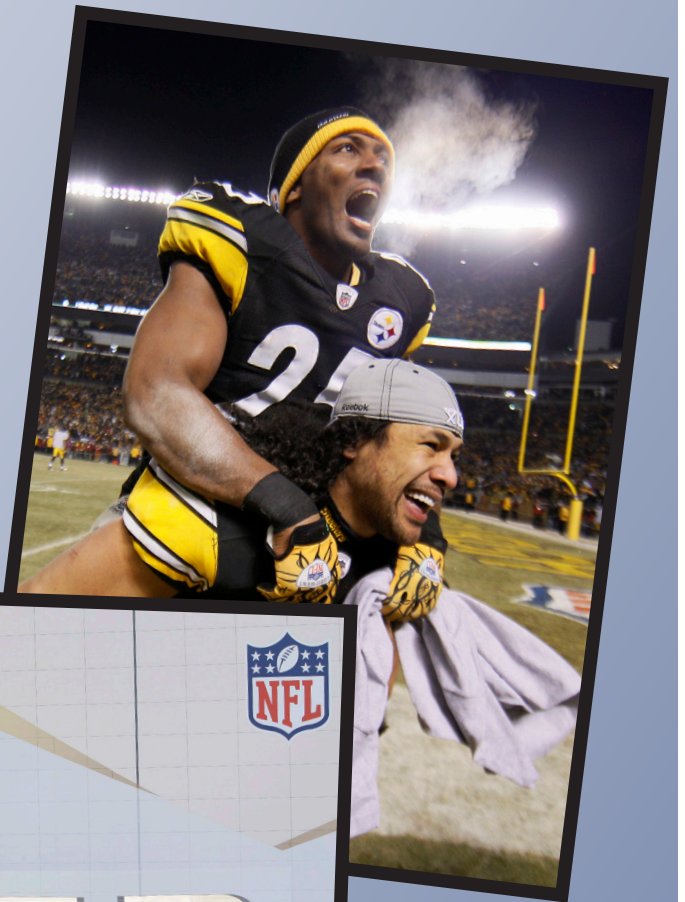
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Student presents Dream Machine, a recycle machine that offers rewards.

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SUPER STEELERS

AFC Champions will prepare for Super Bowl at TCU



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By Chelsea Katz
Staff Reporter

The AFC Champion Pittsburgh Steelers, fresh off their 24-19 victory over the New York Jets on Sunday night, will practice at TCU's campus to prepare for Super Bowl XLV.

T. Ross Bailey, associate athletics director for operations, said he expected the team to be using TCU athletic facilities until Feb. 4, the Friday before the Super Bowl.

The team will use the Sam Baugh Indoor Practice Facility, the Walsh Athletic Complex and the Meyer-

Martin Athletic Complex, Bailey said. Besides these facilities, he said the Athletics Department was unsure what other facilities the Steelers would use.

"We've pretty well given them run of the place as we can work it out," he said. "We can't give them the training room, our sports medicine facility all day. We've still got our athletes to take care of."

He said the public will not be allowed to go to the practices and that even athletics staff members will not be at practices unless specifically asked. He said there will be tight

security around the facilities, most likely from the Fort Worth Police Department and a secondary crowd control company.

"[The Steelers head trainer] and I will come to some kind of agreement on what [the Steelers] need, what they don't need and how much privacy they need," Bailey said.

He said he expected some people with NFL operations and league staff to arrive on campus Tuesday. He said he wasn't sure when the team would arrive on campus but guessed it would be the beginning of next week.

Bailey said, however, he did not think most people would even realize the team was on campus. He added that there would probably not be anything sent out to students about the Steelers being on campus.

"Once [the Steelers] get on site, they'll probably control any correspondence of that type going out," Bailey said.

There will potentially be a press conference at the Daniel-Meyer Coliseum on Wednesday, Feb. 2, and Thursday, Feb. 3, Bailey said, and there could be some bus traffic. He said he did not expect much oth-

er disruption on campus, though.

He said he hoped people would not come to campus to see the team or practices but acknowledged that some might try.

Bailey also said he did not expect problems with media because only one reporter is allowed at practice per day, and an open media event is scheduled for Tuesday at Cowboys Stadium.

He said the Athletics Department did not have many hard answers and much was still vague, but he said the department may get more information by Wednesday.

GUEST SPEAKER 2

Best-selling author advocates education of women in Afghanistan, Pakistan.



SCHOOL SPIRIT 6

A team of four maintains the Frog Horn during offseason.



SUSTAINABILITY

Dream Machine could make campus recycling more accessible

By Jordan Daigle
Staff Reporter

Sophomore biology major Grecia Garza said she hoped bringing a few Dream Machines to campus would provide students both the method and the incentive to recycle.

Garza gave a recycling lecture to Keith Whitworth's sustainability class about bringing a PepsiCo Dream Machine to campus.

"It is basically a vending machine in reverse," Garza said. "You scan the product with the bar code and place the plastic and/or aluminum in the proper area, and then you would get rewards."

Since last September, Garza said Whitworth, an instructor of sociology, has worked with university administration to get one of the Dream Machines installed on campus. It is completely free to get the machine, she said.

Whitworth said he hoped to know within 30 days where university administration planned to install a Dream Machine.

"Instead of throwing a [bottle] away, you can take it to the Dream Machine, and not only are you helping the environment, but you are also reward-

ed," he said.

Garza said students, faculty and staff could take all recyclables to the machine and in return receive rewards, such as coupons or gift cards. With each bottle recycled in the Dream Machine, PepsiCo will send the profits to Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans with Disabilities.

"Nobody really knows [TCU] has a recycling system," she said. "We have a single stream system, and I don't think it is effective at all."

Grecia Garza
Sophomore Biology Major

Garza said she became interested in recycling after taking Whitworth's sustainability course her freshman year.

"I enjoyed [the course]. I was like, there's got to be something I can do to try and make an impact and try to make a difference, and so this is how I did it," she said.

When she lived in the residence halls her freshman year, Garza said she had no idea

what to do with her recyclables after moving into an apartment.

"Nobody really knows [TCU] has a recycling system," she said. "We have a single stream system, and I don't think it is effective at all."

Now living in an apartment, Garza said she came up with an idea to save her recycled products. She convinced her roommates to help her collect all of their recycling by putting all of it in a main living room closet.

"We started [collecting] in September and finished right after finals week, so [it took] about four months," Garza said.

"I started with one bin, it was a laundry basket," she said. "And then it just overflowed to the point where you couldn't even open the door anymore."

Garza's roommate, Cassie Torrecillas, said she also has become involved in the recycling effort.

"Grecia is pretty passionate about [recycling]," Torrecillas said. "I had never really recycled before, or even thought about it before she came to us with the idea of starting a recycling closet," she said.

Torrecillas said she was all for it.

"By saving all of our recyclables, our main goal is to not



JORDAN DAIGLE / STAFF REPORTER

Sophomore biology major Grecia Garza poses with a pile of recycling after giving a presentation on the benefits of bringing a PepsiCo Dream Machine to TCU.

only get a Dream Machine put on campus, but to also get students aware of where they can recycle," she said.

Whitworth said he felt the students were a great example of those who worked for change.

"When I teach, I not only want my students to take in the information, but act on the information," he said. "That is what teaching is all about, motivating students and them tak-

ing action to make a difference in the world."

He said he felt the machine would be more of an educational tool to make students want to recycle.

"It will not replace anything that we are doing now," he said. "It will just hopefully cause students to begin thinking about the need to recycle, especially since there is an incentive with the rewards system."

Whitworth said the univer-

sity has a contract with Waste Management, the company that picks up recycled materials, and that he has spoken to them about the machines.

"It looks really positive. In fact, the next step is to meet and see if there is a place that we can put the Dream Machines," he said. "Initially, we talked about putting one at the Rec Center or in a dorm or in the University Union or a combination of those three."

CAMPUS

Workshops help students develop better study habits

By Maddie Tasker
Staff Reporter

The six Academic Success Workshops scheduled for this semester will not be your typical study workshops, Billy Dabney, an academic coach, adviser and workshop speaker, said.

Not only are the workshops designed to be entertaining, with door prizes and an energetic speaker, but if students use the strategies taught, Dabney said they should expect to

improve.

Dabney said each workshop would be dedicated to a different topic, all aiming to help students reach their full academic potential. These topics are based on what he called the "four cornerstones of academic success:" effective studying, time management, creating balance and high-stakes performance.

Dabney said he believed that mastering these areas was the key to success in college.

"What's really cool about

this semester's ASWs, not like in the past, is that they really are building upon each other," he said. "So throughout the semester, students really learn how to be the best academic performers they can."

When students begin their college careers, they often implement the same strategies they used in high school without success, he said. The workshops are designed to help students understand the difference between high school and college learning, Dabney said.

The first session for the theme "Beginning Your Major Quest" was held Monday.

Freshman pre-major Re-alene Wang attended the workshop and said she planned to attend the other workshops as well. She said she felt the workshops were a great thing for students looking for direction, especially freshmen.

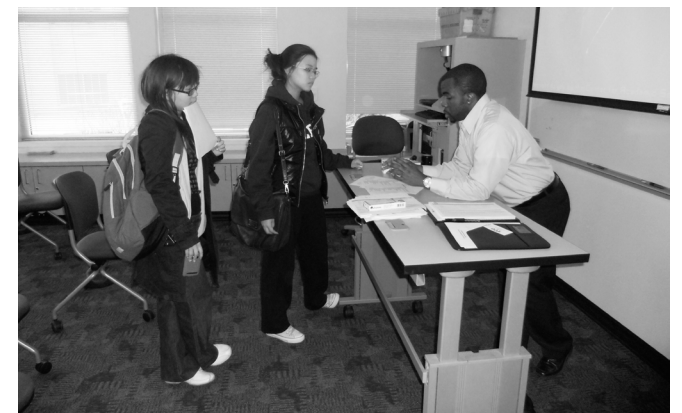
In addition to first- and

second-year students, Dabney recommended the workshops for students with test anxiety and students who believe they are capable of making better grades.

There will be two sessions for all six workshops, so students who missed the first session on Monday will have another opportunity to attend today, he said.

Freshman environmental science major Sally Clark went to the workshop and said she plans to attend the other workshops when her schedule permits. She said she felt the workshop topics planned for the semester would be helpful and that she was particularly interested in the "Effective Study Strategies" workshop that will be held Feb. 7 and 8.

As one of TCU's academic coaches, Dabney will facilitate the workshops that teach academic skills. He said academic adviser Terence Ken-



MADDIE TASKER / STAFF REPORTER

Center for Academic Affairs hosted the first of six Academic Success Workshops, titled "Beginning Your Major Quest," on Monday.

Spring Academic Success Workshops

When: 4-4:50 p.m. in Palko Hall, Room 226

Beginning Your Major Quest— Today
Effective Study Strategies — Feb. 7 and 8
Time Management — Feb. 21 and 22
College Essay Writing 101 — March 7 and 8
Creating Balance — March 28 and 29
Surviving Your Finals — April 18 and 19

nedy will conduct "Beginning Your Major Quest," and Steve Sherwood, from the Writing Center, will teach "College Essay Writing 101."

The workshops are free for all students and no reservations are needed. All workshops will be held in Palko Hall, Room 226, at 4 p.m.

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FROST FOUNDATION LECTURESHIP

Author shares story, spreads message of peace

By Andrea Bolt
Staff Writer

Greg Mortenson wanted to climb Pakistan's K2 mountain in memory and honor of his deceased sister, Christa. He planned to take Christa's amber necklace and place it at the top of the mountain, but he never quite made it.

Thus, the first chapter in Mortenson's book is titled, "Failure." The book, "Three Cups of Tea," has been a New York Times best-seller for more than 170 weeks, sold over four million copies, and been published in 45 countries, even though his publishers told Mortenson to never start a book with the word "failure".

Mortenson, also an internationally known humanitarian and philanthropist, was the keynote speaker at the university's Center for International Studies: TCU Abroad and the 2011 Frost Foundation Lectureship for Global Issues Monday evening.

The event commenced with the announcement that the university's students and the Starpoint School raised \$4,000 for one of Mortenson's nonprofit organizations, Pennies For Peace, which raises awareness for impoverished children. At the beginning of his quest to found a nonprofit, Mortenson enlisted the help of his local librarian and typed 500 letters to various famous athletes, movie stars and politicians, asking for funds to assist his grassroots organization.

He joked about Tom Brokaw sending him a check for \$100 and Brokaw now being embarrassed because Mortenson wrote about it in "Three Cups of Tea." Mortenson's other nonprofit, the Central Asia Institute (CAI), promotes community-based education in remote regions of Afghanistan and Pakistan, especially for girls.

"The reason I do this," Mortenson said, "is to promote peace."

After his failed attempt at scaling K2, Mortenson was descending the mountain when he took a wrong turn and, bewildered, exhausted and unwashed for 84 days, ended up in the tiny village of Korphe. While recovering from his descent, Mortenson was treated warmly and compassionately by the village people.



JESSICA PETERSON / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Greg Mortenson, author of "Three Cups of Tea," spoke for International Studies: TCU Abroad and the 2011 Frost Foundation Lectureship for Global Issues Monday evening. Mortenson's book has been on the New York Times best selling list for 170 weeks now and has sold over 4 million copies.

One day, he happened upon a group of children scrawling their school lessons in the dirt with sticks and was shocked to discover that no teacher was present. The villagers couldn't afford to pay the teacher's weekly salary.

One little girl approached Mortenson and asked him to promise he would help build a school. Three years later, in 1996, the Korphe school was finished.

"These big, bad men with guns and bombs, destroying little girls' schools? It says fear. Their greatest fear is not a bullet; it's a pen."

Greg Mortenson
Author

Mortenson and the CAI are now responsible for having built more than 165 schools.

Having been raised in Africa and then seeing similar situations in Pakistan, Mortenson said that only by experiencing poverty firsthand can someone understand how he felt the undeniable need to help.

"Only touching, smelling, seeing and hearing poverty can you then be overwhelmed with the need to try to help, try to fix it," he said.

The top priority, Mortenson said, has to be the education of girls.

Statistics Mortenson supplied on a PowerPoint presentation accompanying his speech said that educating girls to at least a fifth grade level has been shown to reduce the infant mortality rate, reduce population explosion and more.

"The bad news is that the Taliban has destroyed over 2,800 schools, mostly girls schools," he said. "But what does this say? These big, bad men with guns and bombs, destroying little girls' schools? It says fear. Their greatest fear is not a bullet; it's a pen."

Mortenson said he and his fellow nonprofit workers never received one dollar of federal money and they don't do background checks. They just want to do whatever they can to get children in schools.

An education was one of the priorities listed by Afghan elders when Mortenson and company spoke about what really would help bring peace in that area of the world.

"Three Cups of Tea" has become required reading for all U.S. military commanders and special forces deploying to Afghanistan. Mortenson quoted General David Petraeus, commander of the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) and the U.S. forces in Afghanistan, as saying the three main points imparted by Mortenson's book were the need to listen more to the Afghan people, respect them and to build relationships with them.

The author also said Admiral Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, also supported the use of Mortenson's book, emphasizing the need to understand a culture and a people. Mortenson advocated Mullen's attitude of wanting peace.

"We cannot shoot our way to victory," he quoted Mullen as saying.

Mortenson continues to build schools and assist needy children through his nonprofit organizations and released a second book, "Stones Into School: Promoting Peace with Books, Not Bombs, In Afghanistan and Pakistan," in December 2009.

"If we really want to help, we must empower," said Mortenson. "And the way to empowerment is through education."

BUSINESS

Neeley School, NFL partner to sponsor business workshop

By Kayla Travis
Staff Reporter

The Neeley School of Business is partnering with the North Texas Super Bowl Host Committee, and the National Football League to hold a workshop that gives emerging entrepreneurs in the Fort Worth community information on becoming successful entrepreneurs.

"It's going to provide practical insight, hands on information, tools, and techniques to help entrepreneurs grow and expand their enterprises."

Raymond Smilon
Professor of Professional Practice

According to a press release, the Super Bowl XLV Playbook Workshop Series III, Taking Your Business to the Next Level, will feature entrepreneur specialists from the North Texas area. The specialists will include Stacy Landreth Grau, associate professor of professional practice in marketing, and Raymond Smilon, professor of professional practice.

Smilon said the workshop will help people identify where opportunities lie and show them ways to

build on them.

"It's going to provide practical insight, hands on information, tools, and techniques to help entrepreneurs grow and expand their enterprises," he said.

Smilon will hold a session, "Valued Centered Enterprising", that focuses on values becoming a critical part of business success, he said.

"We need to find ways to implement those values in marketing, employment relations, and other aspects in the organization," he said.

The cost to attend the workshop is \$19.95 and includes one meal, parking, and other materials needed for the sessions, according to the press release.

Students, faculty, and staff wanting to attend the workshop can register at playbookworkshop.eventbrite.com

Who: Workshop is open to students, faculty and staff
What: Super Bowl XLV Playbook Workshop Series III: Taking Your Business to the Next Level

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PERSPECTIVES

The Skiff View

State of the Union allows students to keep up with issues

It may seem counterproductive to ask college students to watch President Barack Obama's State of the Union address tonight considering the state of the job market.

But whether students are into politics or not, watching the address is one of the easiest ways to stay up to date with our most pressing issues.

In a representative democracy, our personal contribution is our vote. By taking the time to access information to which we have a right, we can better dictate where our vote would be best used.

Some necessary issues to be covered for this address are a compelling economic strategy, promise of national security and an understanding of compromise on issues dealing with health care.

These are some of the most prevalent issues facing us today. While no decision should be taken lightly, it is time for the political ball to get rolling so we may achieve true, tangible results by 2012. Americans need to relearn how to debate and compromise.

Regardless of political orientation, it's better to be armed with facts than be armed with words.

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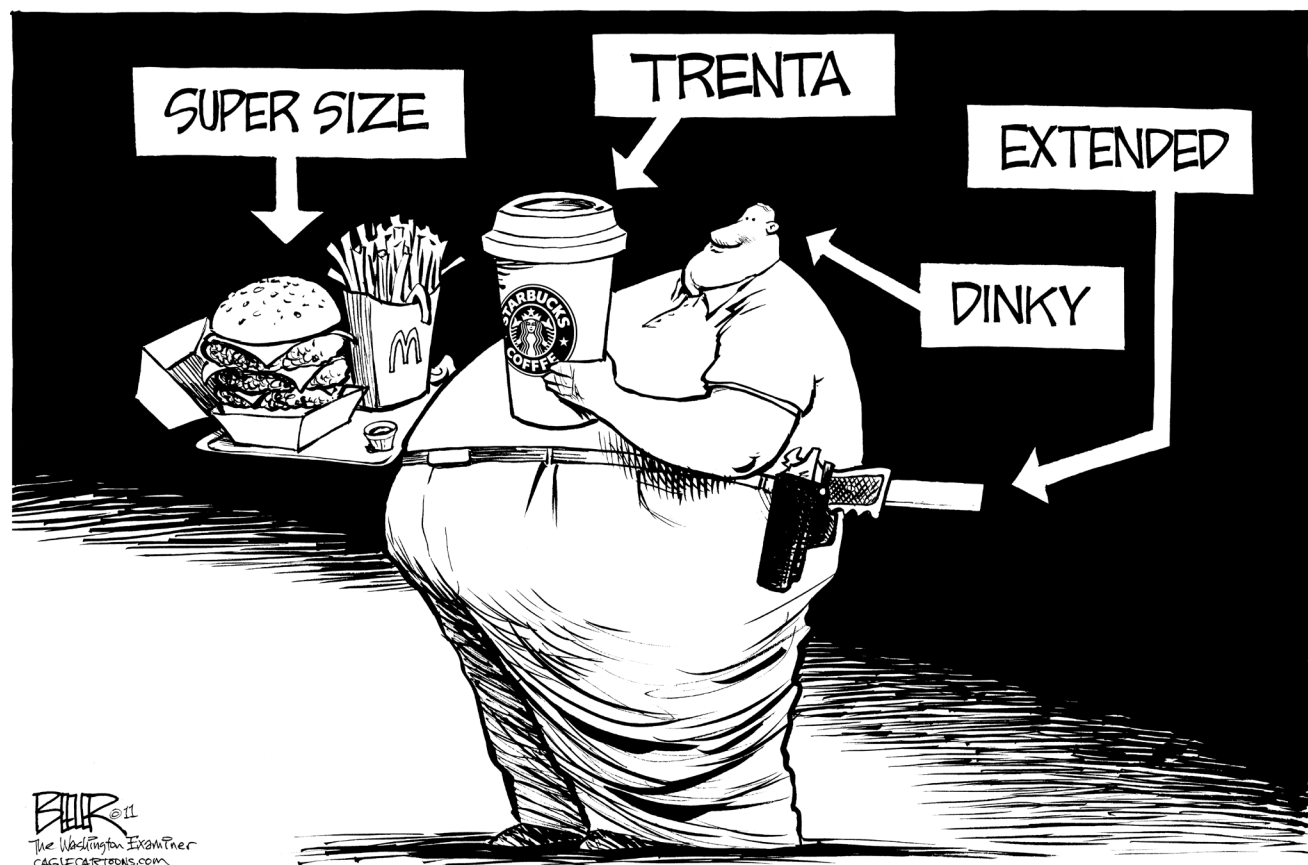
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Funeral protest law helps protect grieving families



Rachel Causey

To counteract the plans of Westboro Baptist Church to protest the funerals of the Tucson, Ariz., shooting victims, radio announcers offered airtime in exchange for the group's avoidance of the funerals. Tucson residents also prepared to shield the families' eyes from the demonstrations.

The most drastic measure taken was a new law, passed rather speedily by Arizona legislators, that prohibits protests near funerals and burial sites.

The infamous church from Topeka, Kan., commonly protests funerals of fallen soldiers, claiming it is God's punishment on the U.S. for its acceptance of homosexuality. Last week, church members prepared to make their presence known at the funeral of two victims of the Tucson tragedy, one being 9-year-old Christina Green. She had hopes of becoming a politician, of helping her country, of making

her voice heard in a positive way, unlike the people of Westboro, who decided to make their voices heard by adding to the pain of the family of this innocent and precious child.

The law makes it a misdemeanor to protest within 300 feet of funerals, burial grounds, churches, homes and other related places an hour before, during or after any funeral service in Arizona. This emergency legislation was passed unanimously to guard the victims' families from the hurtful words that might be present at the funerals. It does not outlaw protesting, it just mandates the protests' locations.

The First Amendment rights to freedom of speech for Westboro Baptist Church may have been slightly modified, and although the law is not entirely constitutional, it is a move of human compassion. At the heart of it, the purpose of the government is, and should be, the protection of its people, and the best — and most needed — protection the Arizona government could give was to the broken families of Tucson.

Yes, free speech is a right. But there is also an unspoken duty — an understood and valued right — to care for our fellow Americans, especially those who are hurting. The Greens' daughter was tragically taken from them in a public display

of fury. They deserved the funeral as a simple moment of closure and privacy. No matter their religious, political or sexual preference, people don't deserve to have their final remembrance littered with words of anger and disdain.

All are entitled to believe whatever they choose and to express those beliefs, but doing so at the right time and place in a civilized manner is essential. This law allows for that; Westboro can protest with as much gusto as ever and even on nationally syndicated radio programs, and the Greens and other Tucson families can mourn peacefully.

Some may think that freedom of speech trumps everything, but if exceptions are present anywhere, there is most definitely one allowed here. To make a publicity stunt out of the funeral of anyone is disrespectful. To do it at the funeral of a child is heartless.

It all comes down to priorities. The honor of a deceased human and the consideration of grieving loved ones must be held above someone else's personal agenda. This protective law may be legally questionable, but in this case, the intent behind the law is definitely right.

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PERSPECTIVES

Job opportunities increasing for white collar occupations



Jordan Rubio

As high school students learn during their senior year of high school, attending college and receiving a quality education from a good university is crucial. Earning a degree from a well-known university significantly boosts one's competitiveness in the new global economy and makes it easier for a new graduate to get a job.

And now a college education is more crucial than ever. In the global economy, the U.S. labor market is in a state of deep fluctuation and many companies are looking to hire the best and the brightest candidates.

Despite all this fluctuation, the most underreported story during this recession has been that, despite the 9.4 percent unemployment rate according to a December 2010 Bureau of Labor Statistics Economic

News Release, many companies are looking to hire and expand, according to an article in the Jan. 14 issue of *Time* magazine.

Yet these new jobs are not found in such traditional areas as manufacturing. Rather, many of these jobs are found in white collar professions such as bioengineering and professional and business services.

The United States, though, must look past such traditional and conventional job markets as heavy manufacturing and start looking into such areas as nanotechnology and green energy innovation.

Underlining this increase in white collar opportunities is that network systems and data analysis is the second fastest-growing occupation behind biomedical engineering in the United States, according to the *Time* article.

Despite this growth, some people still may lament what they see as

the end of manufacturing in the United States. While it is true that companies are able to manufacture the same goods of the same quality at a fraction of the cost as they do in America, it is not as if the United States has lost its economic competitiveness.

The United States, though, must look past such traditional and conventional job markets as heavy manufacturing and start looking into such areas as nanotechnology and green energy innovation.

For the United States to retain its economic dominance, the backbone of its power, there must be a shift in focus from such traditional means, such as heavy manufacturing, to newly emerging areas of technology.

An area that is rapidly emerging and is one in which the United States is decisively ahead is nanotechnology. There is great potential in the job market for this field, but it is one where applicants must be well-educated.

With the rise of white collar job markets and the decline of traditional, blue collar jobs, it seems as if there is a growing divide in the U.S. labor market, a gap between those who are well-educated and

easily able to adapt to the new world and those less educated and finding themselves increasingly obsolete.

This divide continues to grow as traditional jobs for the less-educated are being shipped overseas where they can be done cheaper.

So this leaves the United States in a precarious situation in which a large minority that is not college-educated cannot easily adapt and is seeing its prospects undermined by workers in countries like China.

In essence, there is a huge gap between the top end and the low end of the labor force in the United States and, if care is not taken, this gap will only continue to grow, which would result in huge inequalities, a drain on government resources and social unrest.

Although these prospects seem gloomy, there is hope for the future in the labor market, but steps must be taken to improve both the labor market and the average worker's competitiveness.

First, there must be a concentrated effort on improving

the education system where it has failed, namely in poorer, inner-city areas. Better-educated people, in general, will be more likely to be accepted to a college and to receive a quality education that will help their competitiveness.

Another way to improve the labor market would be to retrain those who have been fired or laid off. Retraining workers who have been fired will help boost the workers' chances of being productive members of the new economy.

Although it may be several years before the unemployment rate is down to 5 percent again, and although some jobs may never come back, the United States can still lead the way forward by investing in the future of its labor market.

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Generation's preferences reflect changes in American culture



Emily Atteberry

Fluffy white dogs, perfectly manicured lawns, cookie-cutter beige houses. If you're anything like me, this may sound like your hometown: Suburbia, USA. But before yet another Starbucks or housing division is built, a piece of news — the suburbs may be becoming a thing of the past.

According to an article on Yahoo! Real Estate, a recent study by the National Association of Home Builders found that the housing preferences and lifestyle choices of Generation Y — people born from 1980 through the early 2000s — are dramatically different than that of the generation known as Baby Boomers — i.e., our parents.

First and foremost, the location and logistics of the

suburbs are unappealing to the young generation. 88 percent of Gen Yers reported that they wished to live in an urban setting, 13 percent said they carpool to work, while 7 percent walk, according to the article, meaning no more gas guzzlers or dependence on gasoline.

Perhaps even the election of Barack Obama to the presidency in 2008 was illustrative of our generation's desire for something different and something new.

Secondly, "McMansions" are out of the question. The study showed Gen Y strongly desired smaller rooms and didn't want soaker tubs or long hallways, according to the article. Gen Yers don't want to have to take three hours to mow their lawn; they just want enough space for a fire pit.

But other than these specific design requirements, the overall lifestyles of Gen Yers are projected to be much different than those of their parents. In general, these young professionals will delay getting married and having children, a lifestyle recently coined as "dawdling," according to the article. Due to the recession and the rising price of college tuition, they can't afford huge houses or exorbitant decorating and landscaping.

It could be argued that after Gen Y finally settles down and starts a family, it will recede to the suburbs just like its parents did. It isn't necessarily true, though — consider which elements of culture have shaped our perceptions of desirable lifestyles.

We, Generation Y, grew up during a time of lavish excess in American history. We are the generation of huge, obnoxious houses sprawled across the outskirts of cities. We are the generation of plastic surgery

and reality television. We are the generation of "Supersize Me" and Hummers.

Yet we are also the generation that witnessed the folding of bank after bank and the crumbling of subprime mortgages in the spring of 2008. We watched our parents lose considerable amounts of money when the stock market fell. We sold our big SUVs and opted for small, efficient sedans.

The notion of "family" has differed dramatically since the Baby Boomers' childhoods. The American adoption rate of foreign children doubled in the 1990s, the divorce rate hovers at 50 percent and nontraditional families are becoming more and more common.

Perhaps even the election of Barack Obama to the presidency in 2008 was illustrative of our generation's desire for something different and something new.

Essentially, within the past few years, American

culture has seemingly taken a noticeable turn. Our generation's desires for housing and lifestyles are reflective of that.

As we saw with the hippie movement in the 1960s, when a new counterculture rises up to fight the "social norm of the day," there will be yet another counter-culture that pushes to hold order. This could indeed be possible with the

shifts that Generation Y may bring to America in the coming years.

It will take time to see if Generation Y will truly digress from its parents' traditional views of home and family. In the end, however, all signs point away from suburbia.

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ATHLETICS

Football's Frog Horn has rich history

By Alex Butts
News Now

Every time the football team scores a touchdown, Horned Frog fans cover their ears from the roaring blast of the Frog Horn. However, many fans might not know the four men behind all the noise.

"It's an opportunity of a lifetime."

Justin Garvin
Alumnus

Jim Garvin, his son Justin Garvin, and Jason Lesikar have maintained and operated the Frog Horn for the past eight football seasons. Both Lesikar and Justin Garvin are TCU alumni.

This season the team added Colby Cagle, who met the men through his father.

"It's an opportunity of a lifetime," Justin Garvin said.

When the horn is not making noise at football games, the men store it at Lesikar's

construction warehouse outside of Fort Worth. Lesikar said it was an honor to take care of the horn.

"They've let me keep working on it," he said. "And they have given me the opportunity to keep it maintained, to house it, to protect it, which has actually worked out really well in the long run for the horn itself."

Lesikar puts the horn through a process called winterizing, he said. The process includes draining the horn of all fuel and oil, running stabilizers through it to clean it and checking the compressor and coolant system.

The horn is then tucked away in the warehouse to protect it from the elements. Lesikar said he thought all of the hard work was worth it.

"I would say what makes it worth it is seeing and hearing the alumni when they talk about how great it is," Lesikar said.

Jim Garvin felt the Frog Horn had become an icon for fans, alumni and students at TCU, he said.



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For the past eight seasons Jim Garvin, his son Justin Garvin, and Jason Lesikar have kept up Frog Horn. This season the number of keepers grew to four with the addition of Colby Cagle.

"The Frog Horn has had its amount of contribution to the success of the TCU football program," he said.

He thought the magic of the horn made it special to fans, he said.

"It's about seeing the little kid light up," Justin Garvin said. "It's about seeing the 75-year-old man light up and the look on their face."

All of the men said they hoped to continue to take care of the Frog Horn. Justin Garvin said eventually he wanted to write a book about the horn and all of the stories and people behind it.

"We do it for the love of the university," he said. "I do bleed purple very deep. We'd like to keep doing it."

INTERNATIONAL

Terrorist attack kills at least 30 in Moscow

By Ivan Sekretarev and
Nataliya Vasilyeva
Associated Press

MOSCOW (AP) — A suicide bomber carrying a suitcase walked into Moscow's busiest airport and set off a huge explosion Monday, killing at least 31 people and wounding nearly 170.

The international arrivals terminal at Domodedovo Airport was engulfed by smoke and splattered with body parts after the mid-afternoon terror attack sprayed shrapnel, screws and ball bearings at passengers and workers. Hundreds of people were in the loosely guarded area at the time.

President Dmitry Medvedev immediately ordered authorities to beef up security at Moscow's two other commercial airports and other key transport facilities. He also canceled plans to fly out Tuesday to Davos, Switzerland, where he aimed to promote Russia as a profitable investment haven to world business leaders.

Monday's attack was most likely carried out by a suicide bomber and "attempts were being made to identify him," Investigative Committee spokesman Vladimir Markin said. The Interfax news agency said the head of the suspected bomber had been found.

No one immediately claimed responsibility for the explosion, which occurred at 4:32 p.m. (1342GMT). But Chechen militants have claimed responsibility for previous terror attacks in Moscow, including a double suicide bombing on the subway in March 2010 that killed 40 people and wounded more than 100.

The latest attack on the Russian capital also called into question Russia's ability to safely host major international sports events like the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi and the 2018 World Cup. It was the second time in seven years that terrorists had hit the Domodedovo airport: In 2004, other suicide bombers penetrated the lax security there, killing 90 people as they blew up two planes.

Large-scale battles in Chechnya ended years ago, following two devastating wars between Russia and the republic's separatists, but Islamic militants have continued to carry out suicide bombings and other attacks. Most of the attacks have been in Chechnya and other predominantly Muslim provinces in the southern Caucasus region, but some have targeted Moscow, including its subways, buses and trains.

In Washington, President Barack Obama condemned the "outrageous act of terrorism" and offered any assistance Russia might want.

Domodedovo Airport spokeswoman Yelena Galanova said 35 people were killed and scores were injured in the blast. The Emergencies Ministry, however, said 31 people were killed, 74 hospitalized with injuries and 94 were given medical treatment. The discrepancy could not immediately be explained.

Two Britons were among the dead, investigator Markin said.

Amateur video posted on YouTube showed a pile of bodies on the airport floor, and other bodies scattered around. Luggage lay strewn across the ground and several small fires burned.



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A wounded blast victim is brought by rescuers to a hospital from Domodedovo airport in Moscow, Monday.

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FORT WORTH

Two alumni selected to build local magazine's 2011 dream home

By Vicky Watson
News Now

Two TCU alumni are building the *Fort Worth, Texas: The City's Magazine* 2011 dream home.

Chris Powers Jr. and Andrew Curtis, who have been in real estate for a combined nine years, formed Powers & Curtis in October of last year. By November, they had purchased their first property.

In December, the magazine selected their plans to be the 5,000 square foot dream home after an interview process.

"[We] were in the creative phase of designing the home when we got pursued by the magazine," Curtis said. "They interviewed us for a couple of weeks and looked over our architectural plans and where we wanted to go with the house."

Then they were selected.

The house will be smaller than the typical dream home,

but Curtis said he believed that was what buyers would want

"It's a great location that we've found," he said. "It's going to be a home that's a great size, smaller yard, not as much to take care of as your typical 10,000 square foot home."

"With his credibility, combined with our energy and know how, it all kind of came together."

Chris Powers Jr.
Alumnus

Once the property was selected, the company had to make some changes to its design plans. Since the home is going to be featured, the company is adding a full landscaping job, building out the courtyard, upgrading the roof and kitchen, and supplying

the home with window treatments, shutters and drapery, Powers said.

"It's a little more cost, but it's something we definitely feel we can get back when we sell it," he said.

Powers said the home will be featured in the magazine's issues from March through October. The October issue will feature the dream home on the cover as well as a feature story, he said.

The home was scheduled to be completed in July. Then, Powers said, the magazine will take over the home.

"They hold an open house for four weeks in October," Powers said. "They also hold certain events at the house."

The two men were excited about what the exposure from the magazine and open house will bring for their recently-formed company, they said. After casually knowing one another in college and explor-



COURTESY OF ANDREW CURTIS

TCU alumni Chris Powers Jr. and Andrew Curtis, who together formed Powers & Curtis, will be building the *Fort Worth, Texas: The City's Magazine* 2011 Dream Home.

ing similar careers, the two decided to collaborate to form the real estate company.

"We thought, we want to be building, we also want to be investing and the two of us have better minds than one of us," Powers said. "My interaction with people and buying...on a daily basis and [Andrew's] ex-

pertise in building...can really help produce a good build."

The two men have also worked with a veteran construction manager who has built homes in Dallas, Denver, Colo. and Boulder, Colo.

"With his credibility, combined with our energy and know how, it all kind of came

together," Powers said.

The young company is looking to purchase another property to build by April and to explore the idea of buying multi-family housing as an investment.

"We have big goals, and we'll hopefully follow through," Powers said.



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WEIRD NEWS

Associated Press

Woman accused of sickening roommate with eye drops

OSHKOSH, Wis. (AP) — A 22-year-old woman is accused of putting eye drops in her roommate's water bottle to make her sick.

Luciana Reichel, of

Brookfield, is charged with placing foreign objects in edibles, a felony.

According to a Winnebago County criminal complaint, Reichel's roommate was nauseated and had diarrhea, loss of appetite and fatigue in October. Her doctor couldn't explain the symptoms.

The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reports that

Reichel told someone she had spiked her roommate's water and laughed about it. That person told the victim, and police got involved.

Reichel allegedly said she was inspired by a scene in the movie "Wedding Crashers."

Last fall, both women attended Fox Valley Technical College, but were placed a University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh dorm.

Reichel could face up to 3 1/2 years in prison if convicted.

85-year-old Onalaska man earns Wii Guinness record

ONALASKA, Wis. (AP) — An 85-year-old man from Onalaska has made it into the Guinness World Record's book for the most perfect games of Wii Sports Bowling.

John Bates recorded 2,850 perfect games from April 2009 through October 2010, to make it into Guinness World Records 2011 Gamer's Edition.

The retired high school principal first started play-

ing Wii bowling at a friend's house at the end of 2008.

Bates, who is ambidextrous, started perfecting his scores after he started using both his left and right hand.

Guinness says he also bowls regularly in a bowling league.

Vt. woman facing charges for overdue library items

ST. JOHNSBURY, Vt. (AP) — A Vermont woman is facing charges that she failed to return hundreds of dollars' worth of books and videos

from the library.

State Police say the 35-year-old woman from Concord has been cited on a charge of theft of rented property.

Police say that in November they received a request from the St. Johnsbury Athenaeum asking troopers to contact the woman. They she had more than 40 books and videos worth more than \$460 out for more than a year.

She was cited this month after the library said she did not return the items. She's due in court in March.

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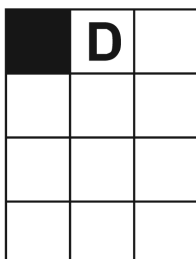
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By Marti DuGuay-Carpenter 1/25/11

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"Diary Of A Wimpy Kid"

Difficulty ★★☆☆☆ (180pts)

How to play:

Spell the phrase in the grid above it, writing each unique letter only once. The correct solution will spell the complete phrase along a single continuous spelling path that moves horizontally, vertically and diagonally. Fill the grid from square to square - revisiting letters as needed to complete the spelling path in order. Each letter will appear only once in the grid.

Sample



"Freeze"

Friday's Solution



"Trivial Pursuit"

Difficulty ★★☆☆☆ (80pts)

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Directions

Fill in the grid so that every 3x3 box, row and column contains the digits 1 through 9 without repeating numbers.

See Wednesday's paper for sudoku and crossword solutions.

Friday's Solution

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TEXAS NEWS

Associated Press

Delta Air Lines adding Pittsburgh-to-Dallas flights

IMPERIAL, Pa. (AP) — Delta Air Lines is adding nonstop flights between Pittsburgh International Airport and Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport for fans who want to attend Super Bowl XLV.

Delta announced the new flights on Monday, just hours after the Pittsburgh Steelers advanced to the Super Bowl by beating the New York Jets 24-19 for the AFC Championship Sunday night.

Delta offers 30 nonstop flights daily from Pittsburgh to hubs including Atlanta, Detroit, and New York's JFK airport, but doesn't normally offer service to Dallas, site of the Feb. 6 Super Bowl.

Delta will offer one flight each to Dallas on Feb. 4 and

5 and a single nonstop return flight to Pittsburgh on the morning of Monday, Feb. 7, aboard a Boeing 757.

The airline did not immediately release pricing or information about capacity.

RadioShack CEO Julian Day retiring



NEW YORK (AP) — RadioShack said Monday its chairman and CEO Julian Day is leaving and announcing dis-

appointing fourth-quarter guidance that sent shares down 11 percent in midday trading.

RadioShack has struggled with competition from online retailers like Amazon.com and bigger electronics play-

ers like Best Buy. It brought on former investment banker Day — known for pulling Kmart out of bankruptcy — as chairman and CEO in 2006 to help turn around results.

Since then the company has shifted its focus to smartphones and wireless plans and mobile phone kiosks with some success. But Monday it said “disappointing performance” from its T-Mobile business and a shift in sales toward lower margin handsets hurt results in the fourth quarter. Smartphones such as the iPhone, which RadioShack recently began carrying, have a lower margin than other products.

The company also had higher expenses as it invested in rolling out mobile kiosks in Target stores.

RadioShack began to open kiosks offering cell phones and wireless products in Tar-

get stores last year and plans to have them in most Target stores by mid-2011.

RadioShack said Day, 57, will retire as chairman, CEO and a director as of its annual shareholder meeting on May 16.

His duties as CEO and chairman will be split up. Jim Gooch, 43, the current chief financial officer, will become president and CEO. Gooch was named president effective immediately as part of the company's succession plan, and will assume the CEO post upon Day's retirement.

Daniel R. Feehan will become non-executive chairman of the board. He has been a director since 2003 and is currently president and CEO of Cash America International Inc.

RadioShack, based in Fort Worth, Texas, said it expects fourth-quarter earnings of 50

cents to 54 cents per share, far below the 67 cents per share analysts are expecting and below the 60 cents per share RadioShack earned a year ago.

Fourth-quarter revenue is expected to rise 4 percent to \$1.37 billion from \$1.32 billion last year, matching analyst expectations.

Revenue in stores open at least one year rose 1 percent. The measure is important because it excludes stores that open and close during the year.

Bank of America Merrill Lynch analyst Alan Rifkin said that while RadioShack has seen “material growth” in its wireless business, comparisons are getting more difficult. In addition, the company said earlier this month in a regulatory filing that its agreement to run 417 Sam's Club kiosks will end in March.

Aguilera to sing national anthem at Super Bowl

NEW YORK (AP) — Christina Aguilera will sing the national anthem at the Super Bowl in Texas on Feb. 6.

The five-time Grammy award winning singer will be making an encore at the NFL championship. She was part of the halftime show during the 2000 Super Bowl.

The NFL and Fox made the announcement Monday.

Other stars to have sung the national anthem at the Super Bowl include Carrie Underwood, Billy Joel, Diana Ross, Neil Diamond, Mariah Carey and Beyonce Knowles.

The previously announced halftime show will feature The Black Eyed Peas.

The Pittsburgh Steelers will play the Green Bay Packers at Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas, for the NFL title.

NATIONAL NEWS

Associated Press

Oprah Winfrey finds sister she didn't know she had

CHICAGO (AP) — Oprah Winfrey recently learned she has a half-sister — a Milwaukee woman who was put up for adoption by Winfrey's mother nearly 50 years ago.

On “The Oprah Winfrey Show” that aired Monday, a sometimes-emotional Winfrey introduced a woman she identified only as Patricia, explaining how the woman's years-long search for her family culminated in a meeting with Winfrey on Thanksgiving Day of last year.

The discovery is “the miracle of all miracles,” Winfrey told her audience.

Winfrey said she was stunned to learn about the sibling, telling her audience that when Patricia was born in 1963, Winfrey was 8 years old and living with her father. She did not even know her mother was pregnant.

Patricia said she had tried years ago to learn the identity of the woman who gave her up for adoption, and only started to try again a few years ago at the insistence of her two adult children, who also appeared on

Monday's show.

Patricia said she feared her search would be fruitless after she got a telephone call from the state adoption agency, which reported that her birth mother had been contacted and did not wish to meet her.

But, coincidentally, on the local news that day, she saw a story about Winfrey's mother, who described how two of her children had died. Those details matched information Patricia had seen in adoption papers.

Dow average nears 12,000 as tech stocks climb

NEW YORK (AP) — The Dow Jones industrial average neared 12,000 for the first time since June 2008 Monday as technology and materials companies led broad gains in the stock market.

Technology stocks rose after Intel Corp. increased its dividend and said it would buy back more of its stock. The company gained 1.7 percent.

Materials companies gained 1.2 percent after a report from the National Association for Business Economics showed that economists are more positive about economic growth and the job market than at

any time since the start of the Great Recession.

Suspect pleads not guilty in deadly Ariz. shooting

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — The man accused of carrying out a mass shooting in Tucson pleaded not guilty Monday to charges he tried to kill Rep. Gabrielle Giffords and two of her aides.

The plea by Jared Lee Loughner marked his second court appearance since he allegedly shot the congresswoman and 18 others at Giffords' meet-and-greet

event on Jan. 8 outside a grocery store in Tucson. Six people died, including U.S. District Judge John Roll and a 9-year-old girl. Thirteen others were wounded.

Loughner, 22, faces federal charges of trying to assassinate Giffords and attempting to murder two of her aides. He will later face state charges dealing with other victims.

At least eight U.S. Marshals were present at the hearing in the Phoenix courthouse, where Loughner entered Monday afternoon smiling and wearing

an orange prison suit and glasses. His hair, shaved in the mug shot that's become an enduring image of the tragedy, has grown out slightly.

Investigators have said Loughner was mentally disturbed and acting increas-

ingly erratic in the weeks leading up to the shooting. If his attorney uses mental competency questions as a defense and is successful, Loughner could be sent to a mental health facility instead of being sentenced to prison or death.



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Under police escort, U.S. Marshals leave in a van, back, with Jared Loughner, the man accused of carrying out a mass shooting in Tucson, who pleaded “not guilty” in a court arraignment hearing on federal charges against him at Sandra Day O'Connor United States Courthouse Monday in Phoenix.

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PART ONE

Q & A: Del Conte discusses college football playoff



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Athletic Director Chris Del Conte puts up the Horned Frog hand sign during the official TCU Rose Bowl pep rally.

By Ryne Sulier
Sports Editor

After TCU's Rose Bowl celebration at the Daniel-Meyer Coliseum Jan. 16, TCU Athletics Director Chris Del Conte is ready for the college football playoff debate to begin. The conversation began in his office, which was exalted with priceless Horned Frog décor, purple memorabilia and even a 'Del Conte Rangers' jersey signed by Nolan Ryan. The debate continued as we strolled over to a dry-erase board in a side room connected to his office. Del Conte, armed with dry-erase marker and a cool tongue, decided it was time for us to agree to disagree on a college football playoff.

Here is an excerpt from our discussion:

Q: You said before the Rose Bowl celebration, now was the time to celebrate TCU's accomplishments and embrace our perfect season and Rose Bowl victory. So was it perfect imperfection?

A: We all want the opportunity to compete for a national championship. That's what we're all in for, to win championships. That's always going to be our quest I think this year was a phenomenal football season, it was great to finish both two years an undefeated regular season. It was fantastic. So you look at it, in the final analysis, do you think we should play in the national championship; I think we should always be given a shot, under the current rules that are out there, our opportunity was not high enough ranked in the BCS to finish one or two; in the end we finished number two, but we were third going in, but we had a chance to be Rose Bowl Champions. What happened from a standpoint of national exposure was second to none.

Q: Del Conte on a 16-team college football playoff format:

A: In a perfect situation, a perfect world, I don't know what a good playoff situation is. There's always going to be (the case of) 'Well, that person got left out.' You only pick one conference champion from each league and the SEC is going to say, 'Oh wait a minute, you got one through six (in the SEC), that oughta get a shot.'

Q: On the NFL playoff system:

A: In the NFL with 32 teams... there is a closer talent pool. Think about the New York Jets, they went in and beat New England, which was a slam dunk, (the Patriots) were supposed to be in the Super Bowl. Parody is so much greater with 32 than with 120 (in FBS football).

Q: Do you enjoy the NCAA Basketball Tournament?

A: Oh sure. But basketball is a completely different animal. Every game is a playoff game (in college football). You run the table, and then you have an opportunity to go to a fantastic bowl game. I agree with the theory, what I'm saying is both systems the way they are laid out today are imperfect. The problem is you're always going to have (those who disagree).

Q: On Title IX and scholarship limitations:

A: Scholarship limitations have put every team into a situation where you no longer have hoarding. Way back in the day, you could have 160 scholarships. Now having only 85, it's allowed TCU to blossom. It's allowed Boise State to blossom. Where now we are to a point we are competing equal-to-equal with student athletes. Texas can't stock 50 players. So now, all of the sudden guess what, you have more parody in terms of recruiting, which gives us an opportunity to grow and go forward.

Q: Would you support a plus-one playoff system?

A: I'm in for a plus-one (playoff system). I firmly believe that you ought to pair your four best. The winners play for the national championship. I just

don't see how you could go past that. I could embrace a plus-one system. I could embrace a complete playoff; I don't know how you could get everyone to embrace a complete playoff when you're not eliminating excuses. Last year we were still in a BCS game. We'd still have had an opportunity for a plus-one.

Q: What happens when TCU loses a game? Will the fans and support be there?

A: You're in a BCS league now, you still have something to play for. You lose a game; you still have an opportunity to play for a BCS bowl game, which is huge. I think that's something worth playing for, but at the same time expectations are great. I think the difference between having a good season, and now having a great program are two different things. We're creating a great environment on campus. (TCU football games) are the thing to do on Saturdays. You can deal with the emotions of absolute love, adulation and absolute disdain. What you cannot deal with is apathy. And there is no apathy to this program, because it's elevated so high, because someone can be upset that it's important we lost, they're bummed that we lost. They're fired up that we won. Those two things are great emotions, what is not is apathy; we're beyond that. I think we're beyond that by miles.

Check the *Daily Skiff* tomorrow for part two of Del Conte's Q&A.

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OPINION

Cowboys' foes add layer to Super Bowl XLV matchup



Ryne Sulier

It's only fitting the Dallas Cowboys have their hands all over the Steelers-Packers Super Bowl XLV. There seems to be one friend in every group that ends up getting the party forced upon him or her at their house. The NFL's friend would be Cowboys owner and general manager Jerry Jones, but he'll be charging a lot more than \$5 for access to the keg in the backyard and he was never exactly forced into throwing his Super Bowl party.

This season was touted as the first time an NFL team had a legitimate shot at hosting a Super Bowl. The Cowboys had the talent on paper, their first playoff victory in over a decade after the 2009 season under their belts and a world-class palace to call home.

Not only did the Cowboys fail to land home-field advantage for the Super Bowl, they just flat out failed in

2010. They lost their starting quarterback to a broken collar bone, they lost their head coach after a 1-7 start to the regular season and they were all but eliminated from play-off contention by Halloween.

Now for the salt rubbed in the wound, or more fittingly the green, yellow and black salt that will pour into the shell of Mr. Jones' snail that will accommodate 100,000 plus fans on Feb. 6.

The Pittsburgh Steelers defeated the New York Jets 24-19 Sunday to earn their eighth Super Bowl berth (tied for most Super Bowl appearances with the Cowboys).

Head-to-head in Super Bowls against Dallas, the Steelers are 2-1 (winning in '76 and '79), while Dallas defeated Pittsburgh in '96 for their fifth and last world championship.

The Steelers-Cowboys rivalry is cold as steel and as heated as a blistering Texas day in August. The vaunted Steelers Steel Curtain defense pitted against Dallas' Doomsday Defense; The Cowboys' Roger 'the dodger' Staubach head-to-head against Terry Bradshaw; some may even argue it was hero versus villain to many Americans: Cow-

boys vs. Steelers.

There aren't two more polar opposite franchises with two more polar opposite fan bases. Jones lives and breathes his franchise with an unmatched passion. In stark comparison, the Rooney family, owners of the Steelers, are hands off with the Steelers' players and personnel decisions. The Rooney approach seems to be winning out. The Steelers are winning the Super Bowl war (six rings to Dallas' five), and Pittsburgh can dig that hole a little deeper with a seventh world championship. All while getting under the skin of anyone who follows America's Team.

The Super Bowl XLV match up stings even more when the Packers earned the NFC's Super Bowl berth after defeating Chicago 21-14 to reach their fifth Super Bowl in franchise history. The Packers have three Super Bowl wins under the belt, but 12 total NFL championships. It's a coin-toss between the Packers and San Francisco 49ers for the most bitter Cowboys nondivisional NFC rivalry. The 1967 NFL Championship game was a 21-17 Green Bay victory over the Cowboys at Lambeau



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The Super Bowl XLV logo is seen on the east side of Cowboys Stadium, Friday, Jan. 21, 2011, in Arlington, Texas. The stadium will play host the the NFL's football championship game, Sunday, Feb. 6.

Field. That game is still the coldest game recorded in NFL history. The "Ice Bowl" game-time temperatures were minus 15 degrees (minus 36 degrees with wind chill). Hall of fame coaches Tom Landry and Vince Lombardi stared each other down on opposing sidelines. Thirteen Hall of Famers were represented in the game. As one of the greatest games in NFL history, be sure to hit the record button

next time ESPN Classic lists the game on its weekly schedule.

But, as Randy Galloway noted in his *Star-Telegram* column Sunday, when it comes to dollars and cents, Mr. Jones wins, even if he loses out on who he actually gets to host Feb. 6. Steeler and Packer nation will fill Jones' billion-dollar house, they will fill the hotels, restaurants and bars. And

while the 'Boys won't be playing in the game itself, the Cowboys will undoubtedly be the hovering back-up talking point on radio and broadcast. After all, with the history the Cowboys share with both Pittsburgh and Green Bay, its only fitting the Cowboys host Super Bowl XLV.

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NFL

Bears' players defend Cutler

By Andrew Seligman

Associated Press

Jay Cutler finally got some protection.

The Chicago Bears rushed to their quarterback's defense on Monday, blasting current and former players who in Twitter posts questioned his toughness for sitting out most of the second half of Sunday's 21-14 NFC championship game loss to Green Bay with a knee injury.

"I think it's crap," general manager Jerry Angelo said. "I thought they were a union. If that's the way they unionize themselves, they got bigger issues than the one that they have with the owners. I'm very disappointed. That, to me, is dirty pool."

Jacksonville Jaguars running back Maurice Jones-

Drew and Arizona Cardinals defensive lineman Darnell Dockett, along with former players like Deion Sanders and ESPN analyst Mark Schlereth, were among those criticizing Cutler on Sunday.

To that, coach Lovie Smith said, "Our quarterback's a tough guy. ... It's pretty simple what happened yesterday. Before the half, Jay hurt his knee. He showed a lot of toughness to continue to play with it."

Smith said Cutler sprained the medial collateral ligament in his left knee late in the first half and would have been questionable for the Feb. 6 Super Bowl had the Bears beaten Green Bay. He also emphasized the team and medical staff made the call to lift the quarterback, who played the first series in the third quarter before standing

on the sideline.

Cutler underwent an MRI on Monday and was at Halas Hall. He did not make himself available to the media and declined comment on the criticism after the game.

His coach and teammates had plenty to say, though. They were particularly peeved about a series of Twitter posts by current and former players ripping Cutler.

"I'll just tell you this, the one thing I know about Jay Cutler is he's tough," said third-string quarterback Caleb Hanie, who led a late comeback bid. "Another thing I know about him is he's going to stand up for his teammates. He didn't want to let his teammates down. So if he could have been on the field and been productive for the team, he would have done it."

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It's fitting the Cowboys will host the Steelers and Packers.

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Q & A

AD Chris Del Conte touches on a variety of sports subjects.



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Senior Emanuel Brighiu dives for a return during a match on Sunday. The Frogs won against both UT-Pan American and UT Arlington. The men's team is currently ranked No. 49 and play again at home on Jan. 29.

Men's and women's tennis teams dominate on the court

By Landon Haaf
Staff Reporter

TCU tennis got off to a strong start this weekend with dominant performances by both the men and the women.

The two teams had three total matches on Saturday and Sunday at the Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center.

The action started on Saturday with the women's match against UT-Pan American. The women swept UTPA 7-0, not losing

a single set along the way.

The Lady Frogs combined to win 96 games while conceding only 17. Both Idunn Hertzberg and Federica Denti each posted 6-0, 6-0 shutouts in singles play.

"This is such a great group to work with, and I'm glad they were able to pick up this win," women's coach Dave Borelli said.

The TCU women are ranked No. 51 in the nation to start the spring season. They continue play Jan. 28 at the ITA Kickoff Weekend

in Berkeley, Calif.

Sunday consisted of two men's matches, the first against UT Arlington, and the second against UTPA.

Both of Sunday's matches ended in 6-1 wins for the Frogs. The Frogs had to battle the cold weather in the UTA match Sunday morning.

"Everyone just came out to try to play their own tennis," senior Cameron Nash said. "We knew it was going to be cold, but we just stuck to the game plan and what

we've been working on all last semester."

Nash earned the clinching fourth point with a 6-4, 6-0 win in his first ever singles match.

Senior Chris Price played in the longest doubles match and the longest singles match early Sunday.

Price said it is more mentally tiring than it is physically, but the adrenaline kicked in to push him through the last match.

The Frogs' later match against UTPA was moved

to the indoor facility at the Friedman Tennis Center due to the cold weather conditions.

The TCU men jumped out to the early advantage with a win in doubles play, sweeping all three sets. Daniel Sanchez and Zach Nichols were able to bounce back from their loss in the early match and come away with an 8-3 win.

Slah Mbarek continued his solid singles play against UTPA. Mbarek cruised to a 6-1, 6-3 win over Matt Te-

ivans. The junior won 24 singles games and only lost 10 in Sunday's matches.

"It was a tough challenge for our team to start the year with a double header," coach David Roditi said after the match. "I'm proud of the way we handled the change in venues and all of the emotions of a home opener."

The men are currently ranked No. 49 and continue competition on their home court on Jan. 29 against Texas A&M Corpus Christi.