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# Proposed business minor changes await approval

By CHRISTINA DURANO Staff Reporter

The Neeley School of Business. Business is in the process of restructuring its general also need university fundbusiness minor, the dean of ing to hire more professors, the minor with the idea of ing two accounting classes. the business school said.

Students who declare a business school. business minor after spring the end of this semester, said Moncrief said.

Bill Moncrief, senior associate dean of the Neeley School of

said Dan Short, dean of the providing students with what

2008 will be under the restruc- business minor before the said. tured minor if the business summer may have the option school faculty, Undergraduate of taking classes in the curcil approve the changes by to fulfill their requirements, only to business minors.

Short said the business will be there; they will just be school will combine the reconfigured," Short said. basics of the courses to make The business school will them more applicable.

"We are trying to revamp they need to know to start Students who declare a a career in business," Short

Classes in the restructured minor will have new course Council and University Coun- rent or restructured minor numbers and will be open

"Many of the same courses

The current business minor requires students to take six set classes, includ-The restructured minor will require four set classes, only one of which will be accounting, and two of three business electives, Moncrief said.

"They're going to get a good overview of functional areas of business and go See MINOR, page 2 **FOR YOUR INFO** 

#### **Current General Business Minor**

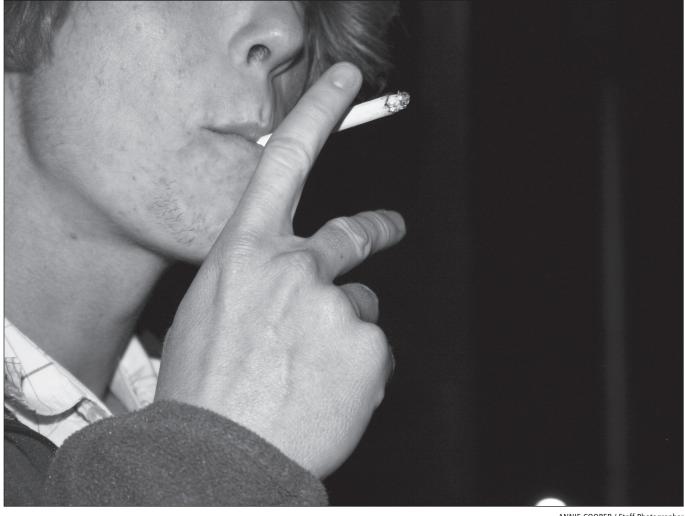
Principles of Financial Accounting Accounting Principles of Managerial Accounting Legal Environment of Business Organizational Management Marketing Management

#### Restructured **General Business** Minor

Management Marketing Finance Two of Three Electives: Integrated Marketing Communications, Entrepreneurship, Business Tools

and Technology

# STAMPED OUT



ANNIE COOPER / Staff Photographer

A student takes a drag from a cigarette outside of Panther City Coffee Company, Indoor smoking is becoming of a thing of the past after the restaurant smoking ban went into effect at the start of the new year. Bars around TCU still have indoor smoking while the restaurants do not.

## New smoking ban receives mixed reviews

By MICHELLE ANDERSON Staff Reporter

Worth restaurants is clearthey are not breathing any easier.

enacted smoking ban, smok- ages are not included in the unhappy customers, they ers can't light up in pub-

lic buildings. Since Jan. 1, ered private clubs are also smoking has been banned not included in the ban. While the air in Fort inside and within 20 feet of all restaurants and pool been in effect for several

ban. Establishments consid-

Although the ban has ing up, many workers say halls as well as some bars. weeks, restaurant workers Bars that generate more said it's business as usual than 70 percent of their and hope it will stay that Because of the recently sales from alcoholic bever- way. Apart from several

See **BAN**, page 2

#### FOR YOUR INFO

Customers can report violations by calling 817-212-2710 or by going to Fort Worth's Web site at www.fortworthgov.org/ publichealth

# Online bills to replace paper statements

By YUSI CHENG Staff Reporter

Financial Services is helping the university go green. e-Z Bill service will com- son said. pletely replace printed bills troller said.

vices, said e-Z Bill will grant mation.

parents additional access to

Receiving student bills online we normally spend on print-time," Wilson said. "Students them the payment is due. through the university's new ing and mailing the bills," Wil- can grant access to up to three

In order to allow parents or controller and associate vice address to grant them access to win an iPhone. chancellor for Financial Ser- to view student account infor-

other parties."

in June, the university con- others paying student bills to grant access to a parent or oth- e-Z Bill, the office will be joinaccess bills online, students er responsible party by Jan. 25 ing the conservation effort of Cheryl Wilson, university will have to provide an e-mail will be automatically entered several departments on cam-

version of the printed bill stu-

"You can see your old bills dents get now. When it comes their bills so they can get them at one place, and you have to students who don't pay, she 24/7 access to your bill so said, this may not encourage "It cuts out all of the time you can print your bill any people to pay but will remind

> Financial services uses more than 10,000 pieces of paper Wilson said students who each month, Wilson said. With pus, some of which have She said e-Z Bill is the online stopped handing out paper

See **BILLING**, page 2

# Local students earn automatic admission

demand."

**Paulette Burns** 

dean of Harris College

By KATIE WINTER Staff Reporter

Arlington ISD high school students will be guaranteed admission into TCU and the Harris College of Nursing an SAT score of 1800 or and Health Sciences, the an ACT score of 27, three assistant director of com- years of a foreign language munications said.

Shawn Kornegay, assis- science courses. tant director of communications, said AISD approached intendent, said there is no Harris College a year and a difference in admission

half ago about the partnership and soon after they started working on the program.

Paulette Burns, dean of the Harris College, said most nursing schools have a limited

number of openings each at each prerequisite class year.

best to keep up with the pre-qualified.

demand," she said. admitted, Burns said. The

or health science, accord- ceed in the program. ing to the TCU Fact Book.

Admission rates were unavailable, according to Next fall, qualified Burns and the Office of Institutional Research.

To qualify, Arlington students must graduate with and four years of math and

Mac Bernd, AISD super-

requirements for AISD stu-"Currently there is dents and otha nursing shortage, er students and nursing schools being admitare doing their best ted. to keep up with the

"That's the beauty of the program," Bernd said. "TCU looked extensively

taken by our students and "Currently there is a the content they offered. nursing shortage, and nurs- TCU agreed that the classes ing schools are doing their would make the students

"TCU is a worldwide Each year, the universi- prestigious school that is ty has more nursing school giving AISD students an applicants than can be outstanding opportunity."

Sharon Hudson, assistant AISD agreement offers one to the dean of the Harris of those opening slots to School, said because these an Arlington student, pro-requirements are tough to vided he or she has met the meet, she doesn't expect a admission requirements, large number of students to apply or meet these expec-Last year, 148 students tations. However, she said, entered the university with those who do apply and a declared major in nursing qualify are likely to suc-

#### FOR YOUR INFO

#### MLK Day Celebration hosted by **Inclusiveness and Intercultural Services**

WHERE:

**Brown-Lupton Student** Center lounge

WHEN: Noon to 7 p.m. Tuesday

WHAT:

Screening of "March of Washington" and viewed of display boards commemorating the accomplishments of Martin Luther King.

**SOURCE:** Greg Trevino, director of IIS



WEATHER TODAY: Partly cloudy, 50/27 SATURDAY: Sunny, 47/27 SUNDAY: Mostly sunny, 56/45 **PECULIAR FACT** 

**BUDAPEST, Hungary** — Scientists are working on software to analyze dogs' bark so owners can better understand their emotions.

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#### **BAN** From page 1

said they have not lost too some are reluctant to abide by David Floyd. the new rule.

national House of Pancakes.

rather have a Diet Coke instead there are still ashtrays standing of coffee when he found out inside the entrance way. Workhe couldn't smoke.

"Coffee and smoking just go in the near future. together," said Ol' South customer Britt Groze.

South said they did not appre- them. ciate the 20-foot rule and said it makes them feel like "second class citizens."

said.

sity Drive, said though the ban ment. has attracted new customers, she still wishes it was a smok- has received 12 complaints ing restaurant. Fluary said she regarding violations of the thinks there will be some disappointed TCU students when them. Officials have heard school starts back up.

Although some customers said they have negative feelings, some appreciate it.

"As a non-smoker, I like many of their regulars, though the ban," said IHOP customer

Rhonda, a waitress at Ol' "When a man this morn- South, said it is easy to foring found out we didn't have get about the smoking ban. smoking, he turned around Ol' South employees seem to and walked out," said Tonya have also forgotten the 20-foot Weimer, a waitress at the Inter- rule and stand right outside the back door to smoke. One customer at Ol' South Although the ashtrays have Pancake House said he would been removed from the tables, ers say they will be removed

Restaurant workers at IHOP and Ol' South said inspectors Several customers at Ol' haven't come in to check on

Violators face fines up to \$500 for individuals and \$2,000 for businesses, accord-"I'm a smoker and if I want ing to the Department of to smoke, I'll just go outside. Health Web site. All smok-I don't need anybody telling ing complaints are investime how far away to go," Groze gated within 48 hours, said Amy Casas, Public Informa-Jamie Fluary, assistant man-tion Coordinator for the Fort ager of the IHOP on Univer- Worth Public Health Depart-

> Casas said the department ban and have investigated no other complaints.

# GAME OVER



A golf cart drives across the new sidewalk that cuts through Clark Lawn. Friday afternoons on the lawn were spent with students playing sports outside, but the recent construction has put an end to the games and other activities. For the story, see page 5.

#### **BILLING** From page 1

"We are also trying to be part of that initiative about eliminating paper and helping save trees so we can do our part in going green," Wilson said. "Many colleges and universities have already moved student billing online. TCU is just joining the trend now."

According to their official Web sites, Southern Methodist University, Baylor University and the able online. University of Texas at Austin have started online billing services.

"It won't make a big difference

to me," said Maria Paula Bermudez, junior communication studies and psychology major. "My parents are not used to checking bills online."

Wilson said the online bills can be formatted in a printer-friendly version for those who wish to have a printed version of the bills.

She said Financial Services will send both the student and the parent or responsible party an e-mail about the eighth day of each month indicating the student bill is avail-

"Our hope is to have everyone signed up for e-Z Bill in the next couple of months," Wilson said.

# Athlete arrested at Texas State

By AMANDA VENABLE The (Texas State) University Star

SAN MARCOS — Texas State linebacker Brian Quackenbush says he was assaulted in his home by teammate Gunter Elenburg, a freshman punter, early Saturday morning.

"An argument ensued between the two individuals" on Sixth Street in Austin late Friday night, said San Marcos Police Department Sgt. Byron Mobley. The argument "continued from Austin to San Marcos."

Police found Quackenbush at home, according to KXAN-Austin. His furniture was overturned and the walls were splattered with blood. He was taken to Brackenridge Hospital with a 4-inch gash over his left eye and a bruised face, which the police described as being "covered in blood."

Coach Brad Wright told KXAN that Elenburg, who has been identified as the assailant, has been kicked off the football team.

"It is my knowledge there were five people — three guys and two girls — involved," Mobley said. "We need to find out (if) we have an actual full-blown assault."

Mobley said he assumes there was alcohol involved in the dispute.

"I couldn't positively say that, and the report doesn't say that," Mobley said. "But they were on Sixth Street and it happened at 4 in the morning. I don't think they were having a ham sandwich."

Mobley believes the individuals were in two vehicles because there were text messages sent and calls made between the two

Quackenbush, a junior, played two seasons at Arizona State before transferring to I-AA Texas State.



TANNING BEDS R 4 LOSERS

### From page 1

into depth with the electives," said Lynn Cole, assistant dean of undergraduate programs in the Neeley School.

Mike Haeg, a junior political science and business minor, said the restructured business minor will be beneficial because only the basics of the classes were important.

"It gives you a very good look at business without actually majoring in it," Haeg said.

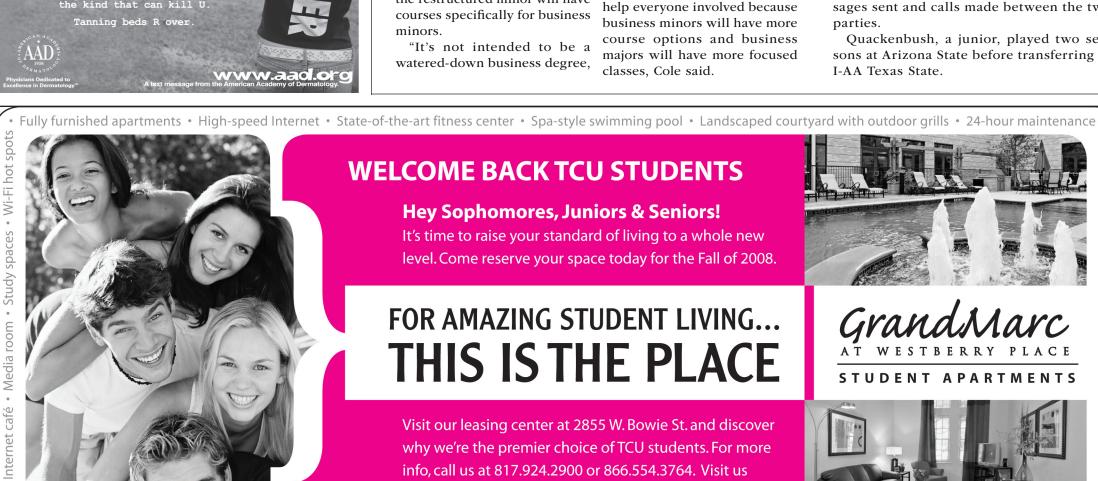
The current business minor puts students in existing courses for business majors, however, the restructured minor will have

but rather a complement to a broader liberal arts education," Short said.

Short said the restructured minor will have the same rigor as the current minor but students might perceive it as an easier minor because it will seem more relevant.

Administrators said they expect the restructured minor to increase the number of business minors, which is currently more than 500, Moncrief said.

Cole said the restructuring will alleviate overcrowding in business classes because business minors will have different classes than business majors. The restructured minor will classes, Cole said.



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**OUOTE OF THE DAY** "It's a funny thing about life; if you refuse to accept anything but the best, you very often get it."

THE SKIFF VIEW

# Campus keeps going green

n addition to the Spudware utensils in the cafeteria, there is another step the university is taking to become more environmentally-friendly.

Financial Services has adopted e-Z Bills, an electronic billing format for student accounts. This new billing will take affect in February. Starting in June, bills in the mail will be a thing of the

Everything will be done via e-mail and the World Wide Web.

The change is sure to decrease money spent on paper and postage. In addition, e-Z bills will be available 24/7 online and give access to previous bills. No more keeping track of paper.

However, the decrease is not only monetary. Being environmentally-friendly coincides with TCU's mission statement as educating individuals to act as

ethical leaders and responsible citizens. Taking care of our environment is acting as an ethical leader. Students should be proud the university is taking such an initiative.

But there is more work to be done. TCU could take extra measures to continue in an environmentally-friendly direction, such as getting bottle recycling in the library. Students are sure to have noticed the waste bins overfilling with Red Bull cans and water bottles, especially during finals week.

Getting biodegradable utensils and removing extra paper are just a couple of baby steps in the right direction, but those little steps are sure to help the university and the student body become more aware of the issues concerning the environment

Opinion editor Ana Bak for the editorial board.

BY WAYNE STAYSKAL



# Democrats losing ground on economy

Financial giant Citigroup announced a \$10 billion quarterly loss Tuesday, the worst in the company's history. The same day, Democratic rivals Sen. Hillary Clinton and Sen. Barack





Obama each released statements effectively ending the days-long bitter feud between the candidates that had

dominated election coverage. Citigroup's announcement is only the most

recent indication of the U.S. economy's slide toward recession, but Democratic frontrunners are largely ignoring the issue and instead choosing to focus on each other. Clinton and Obama spent more than three days earlier this week sparring over comments each made about the other's views on race, civil rights and diversity.

Comments from Clinton supporters about Obama's ignorance of the Clintons' civil rights work began a back-and-forth battle between the candidates that ended Tuesday with each admitting that when it comes to civil rights, Demo-

crats are on the same side. What should have been

the biggest issue of the week — and maybe the election — was evident on Wall Street. In addition to Citigroup's poor performance, Bank of America's proposed buyout of beleaguered Countrywide sent both companies' stocks downward, and unemployment at post-Katrina levels isn't helping dissuade recession fears.

Addressing the distressed economic environment is imperative for Democrats. Just ask the Republicans.

Republican candidates Mitt Romney, Sen. John McCain, and Mike Huckabee each adjusted their respective messages in the days leading up to the Michigan primary to address the country's economic woes, and for good reason. According to CNN, 55 percent of Republican voters in the Michigan primary cited the economy as their main concern, and nearly 70 percent said the economy isn't in good shape — powerful numbers under a Republican president and indicative that the economy is a concern for all voters, including the Dem-

Clinton and Obama should avoid campaign distractions and instead focus on the issues on the minds of American voters. Specifically, they should

give voters a reason to believe the economy will improve under Democratic leadership — no small task in today's environment.

Fresh off respective wins in Iowa and New Hampshire, Obama and Clinton allowed campaign mudslinging to overshadow the economic issue. If

real election issues, Democrats may find themselves on the losing side of an all-important contest — November's battle for the White House. Kara Peterson is a advertising/

interparty sparring con-

tinues to deter from the

 $public\ relations\ graduate$ student from Fort Worth



#### Shift to organic products improves Americans' health

It could quite possibly be that alternatives such as orangutan pee are remedies to more than insect bites. They could be the remedies to our nation's health care cri-COMMENTARY



much sense? Let me explain. The Food and Drug Administration recently announced it

Not making

would allow food from cloned animals (particularly cattle, swine and goats) to be processed for sale. Food from cloned animals is deemed "as safe to eat as food from conventionally bred animals," according to the FDA Web site.

For years, Americans have put trust in the FDA and looked to it as a guide to determine what is safe or not safe to consume. If the FDA is not the definitive source on safe consumer goods, what is?

Americans should focus on the effects their respective diets have on their health.

There is a movement in our society that promotes a backto-Eden exodus from fast food, preservatives and other conventional methods of satisfying man's age old companion, hunger. This movement is a far cry from fad diets and

merely a second or third cousin to conservation.

The movement suggests the Bible has specifically detailed the safest and healthiest diet and insight into how to combat disease. Proponents include Jordan S. Rubin, the author of the best-selling book, "The Maker's Diet."

Supporters also include my mother, who is a registered nurse. During the break, a family-friend asked her how to remedy a small sore that seemed to be a bug bite. My mother promptly prescribed Bragg Organic Raw Apple Cider Vinegar as a natural alternative to a doctor's visit. "What are you going to do

with that orangutan pee?" the woman's husband quipped, referencing the vinegar's consistency and color. Maybe the use of actual

orangutan pee is a far stretch to cure America's health care epidemic, but the revolutionary concept of following the scripture is not.

Bradley Petty is a senior



# More strict form of state-issued identification needed

from people who cannot prove eral document fraud. who they are? Should parents hire gers on board without validating their identity?

For most Americans, these Our citizens depend on forms forms of identification. of government-issued identifievery day.

able? Consider these facts:

— All but one of the Sept. 11 hijackers carried government IDs and remain in the country ille-

and customs agents charged who they are and that they're hundreds of illegal workers with here legally. States must verify

— In 2005 alone, identity theft baby sitters they know nothing cost American households \$64 about? Should airlines let passenbillion, and 28 percent of these other nefarious activities. States incidents likely required a driver's license to perpetrate.

These examples highlight questions answer themselves. America's need for more secure

In 2005, Congress passed the cation, such as driver's licenses, REAL ID Act for this purpose, and on Friday, our Department of But are these documents reli- Homeland Security unveiled uniform standards to help the states advance this vital imperative.

Under these new standards, that helped them board planes individuals seeking driver's ing steps to secure identification licenses must provide their state and we will grant extensions for Department of Motor Vehicles — Last year, our immigration office with documents proving that need them and are making

Should banks cash checks crimes relating to state and fed-that the documents presented available to help defray the costs are legitimate. DMV offices will of implementation — \$80 million be required to protect their own operations from identity theft and must issue new, REAL ID licenses that will be tougher to counterfeit

> "Our citizens depend on forms of government-issued identification, such as driver's licenses."

**Michael Chertoff** 

or tamper with.

Many states are already tak-REAL ID implementation to those genuine progress.

We are making \$360 million lent identification.

in dedicated REAL ID grants and \$280 million in general homeland security funding. We've cut these costs by 73 percent by giving states greater flexibility in issuing licenses to Americans who their enrollment deadline to Dec. ID cards. 1, 2017.

As a result, the average cost increase for issuing a REAL ID license will be about \$8 per person. For states issuing five-year licenses, that is an increase of just \$1.60 a year.

For most people, that's a price worth paying to prevent others committing crimes with fraudu-

small but vocal minority who oppose REAL ID.

card. What we are actually doing the worst privacy violations – will be 50 years of age and older is setting standards that will let having your identity stolen. as of Dec. 1, 2014. We will extend the states keep issuing their own

privacy violation to create secure board a plane with confidence. identification.

we're dealing with.

from stealing their identity and is having identification if it cannot be relied upon? Why check someone's ID if we

But that's not the case for a can't tell if it's genuine?

Your privacy is at stake in the REAL ID debate. But in my view, Some of their objections are it's the opponents of secure idenbased on misinformation. A good tification who pose the greatest example is the claim that we're risk. Without REAL ID, you are ushering in a national identity far more likely to endure one of

In the end, by embracing REAL ID, we can indeed cash Other critics think that it is a a check, hire a baby sitter or By issuing this rule, we've But remember what I said moved decisively to secure about checks, baby sitters and our nation and its people in the planes. Almost no one denies that coming years. I believe that one sometimes we need to know who day our children will look back at this day and wonder how we Put another way, what good could have lived without these

> Michael Chertoff is secretary of the Department of Homeland Security.

common-sense protections.

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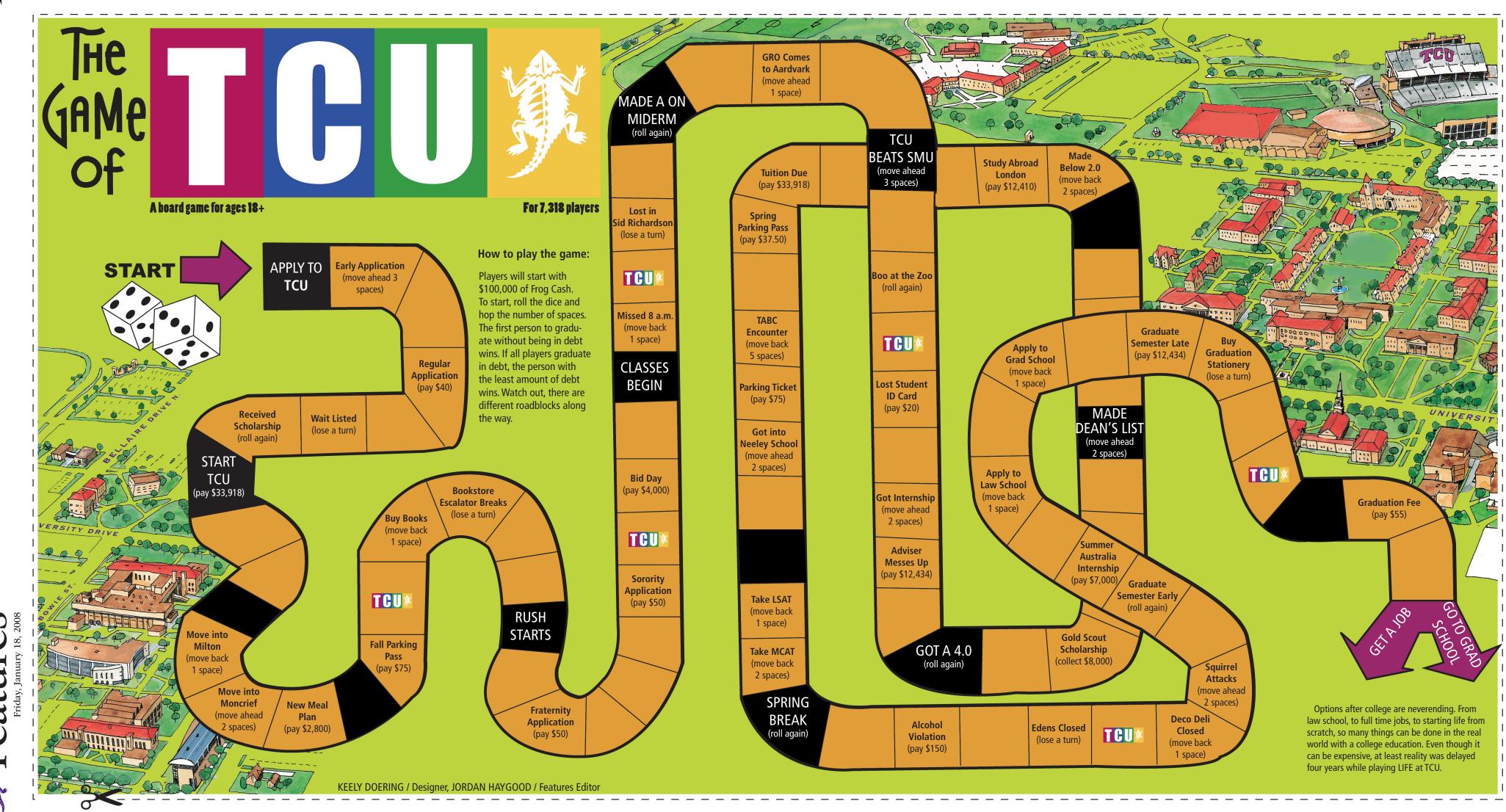
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TWO IN A ROW

Women's basketball could improve to 3-1 in the Mountain West Saturday against Colorado State.

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**BACKYARD BASEBALL** 

# Construction ends afternoon sports tradition

By ROBERT BEMBER  ${\it Staff \, Repoter}$ 

Ball Game," at 3 o'clock every play again."

has served as their Tennisball fall semester. baseball field since the beginning of their freshman year.

"I was mad. I was ticked off," said Kirk Oliver, senior mar-

For 3 1/2 years, Robert Carr playing for four years. We have the game started as something played "Take Me Out to the my last year and I won't get to do but eventually evolved into

Harold Leeman, the associ-The recent construction ate director of major projects, of our freshman year we just on Clark Hall has a group of says the project will be quick decided to go out and play the loss of Clark Lawn, which normal by the beginning of the peg each other," Kaspar said.

the fall of 2004.

residential assistant. "I've been sport's founders at TCU, said T-shirts.

"Sometime during the course

The Tennisball baseball play-Nathan Kaspar, senior crimi- Tennisball baseball MySpace Clark, Oliver said he used it as

"We just accrued more guys It almost became a club sport Oliver's groomsmen are fellow major. on campus."

The sport became so popuseniors surprised and upset by and Clark Lawn will return to baseball with a tennis ball and lar they even had to cut players, Kaspar said.

game and later posted on the over the years. As an RA in par said.

his residents.

Tennisball baseball players.

grades, but, more important- he understands the need for ly it's about relationships, and renovations. Oliver estimates that more the relationships carried out Oliver and his friends began ers took their game seriously. than 70 different people have through Tennisball baseball to be renovated," he said. "I playing Tennisball baseball in Statistics were taken at every played Tennisball baseball have been outstanding," Kas- just don't think it crossed any-

"I'm going to miss them for have to put fences up."

keting major and former Clark nal justice major and one of the page, and the team made an opportunity to get to know Tennisball baseball, but the friendships that were formed The group will miss the because of Tennisball base-Chapel's chimes could have a Web site and stat books. It's fun he and his friends would as time went by," Kaspar said. game but knows the friend- ball are going to be missed "People would just walk by ships made through it will even more," said Greg Nord, and ask if they could join in. continue, Oliver said. Three of junior communication studies

> However, Nord, a resident "Yes, college is about of Clark for two years, said

> > "We knew Clark was going one's mind that they would

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** 

## Lady Frogs improving during conference play

By REESE GORDON Staff Reporter

With the men's basketball against a conference opponent at home, the Lady Frogs position on the road.

The team notched its first said she is today. win in six trips to The Pitt, Tuesday night.

"It was a good victory," head coach Jeff Mittie said. "We've been in the Mountain West for what is now our third year, so we've been featured five top-25 teams. there two previous times and hadn't played very well."

The Lady Frogs, 2-1 in conference and 9-8 overall, took a 36-20 lead into halftime. The team managed to hold off the team fell to 3-5. Since a strong second half from the then, it has won six out of Lobos winning 57-54.

The win also marked the team's first road win of the just getting better as a basseason, with the Lady Frogs ketball team," Mittie said. "We

"That was probably one of the biggest wins of the sea- mas." son," said redshirt freshman and I think that's going to game. spark us in the conference

led the team with 18 points do State.

and eight assists in 40 minutes of play.

Ross, a New Mexico native, team getting a close win came into the season 666 points shy of Sandora Irvin's TCU record for career points. found themselves in the same She credited Irvin for helping her grow into the player she

"She's known me since I New Mexico's home court, was a young player, and she helped me gain a lot of the confidence that I have now," Ross said.

The Lady Frogs started their season with a schedule that

The Lady Frogs went 1-4 against those teams with the lone win against Oklahoma State, No. 23 and 97-63.

After a Dec. 6 loss to Rice, nine games. "Our focus right now is

now standing 1-6 away from still have a lot of growing to do, but we've been a better basketball team since Christ-On the season, the team is

forward Emily Carter. "We averaging 71.2 points a game played really well as a team while allowing 62.8 points a The next home game for

the Lady Frogs is Saturday, Senior guard Adrianne Ross Jan. 19 against 2-13 Colora**MEN'S BASKETBALL** 

# DRIVE THE LANE

## Team takes to skies for weekend game

By JOE ZIGTEMA

Although the men's basketball team whipped up its own meatloaf dinner at Central Market on Wednesday night, it will leave that home cooking behind Saturday against Colorado State in Fort Collins,

Head coach Neil Dougherty said a victory Saturday would be a huge confidence booster for his team, which plays in a tough road conference.

"It's difficult to play in these arenas, and that doesn't get talked about enough," Dougherty said. "There's no easy game in the Mountain West to go play in, and if you look at the winloss percentage for the entire conference home and away, it backs that up."

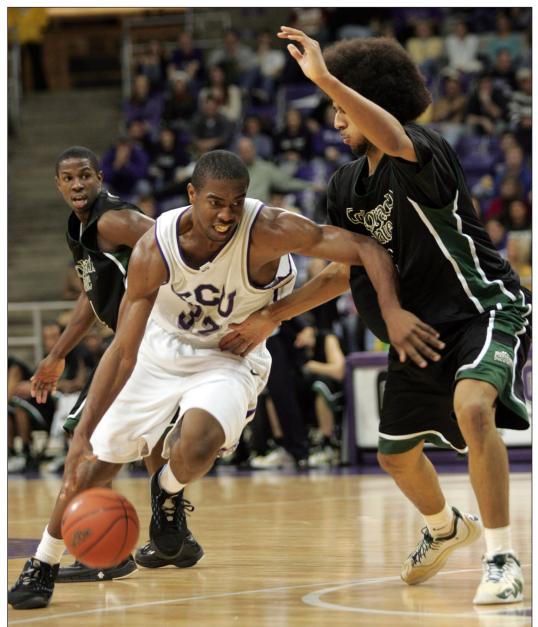
Winning on the road in conference play is key to staying in the mix in the conference race, Dougherty said.

"You've got to win your games at home and steal as many on the road as you can, and that's how we look at it," Dougherty said. "We have an opportunity to go and steal one from someone else."

Senior guard Brent Hackett said his experience in tough road arenas around the conference will help his teammates.

"There are a lot of guys who conference)," Hackett said. "I think I can bring the experience I have at those places they are 4-1 against TCU since and know some of the things the Frogs joined the Mounwe should and shouldn't do in tain West. those situations."

lost its last three games and 16.8 points per game ranks of shots, and I'm just trying seven of its last eight, though second in the conference.



JEFFERY WASHINGTON / Fort Worth Star-Telegram via MCT

haven't seen tough gyms (in the Kevin Langford and the Frogs hope the momentum from their second half comeback against New Mexico continues at Colorado State in Fort Collins, Colo. on Wednesday.

The Rams are led by junior Colorado State (8-10, 0-2) has guard Marcus Walker, whose

The Frogs, meanwhile, are said winning on the road is big winners of their last two, large- for the team. ly behind the play of junior newcomer Henry Salter.

"He's been making a lot to stay out of his way," Hackett said. "I'm trying to be as the team role."

Senior guard Ryan Wall, ning shot against New Mexico, tasted the best," he said.

"We haven't won on the road in over a year, so it's always good to get one on the road," Wall said. "And a win is a

Wall did not say which aggressive as I can and play group's meatloaf was the

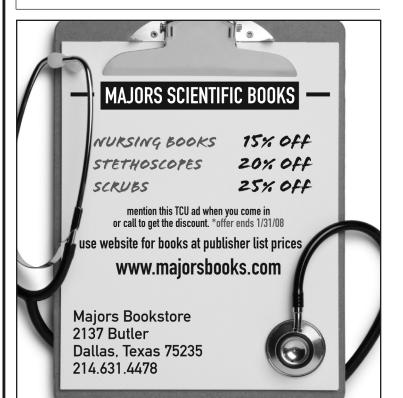
"I think ours looked the who delivered the game win- best, but I'm not sure whose



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# Taize growing with young adults

By CHRISTINE MORENTE San Mateo County Times

BURLINGAME, Calif. — In a darkened chapel, Taize

In accompaniment, more love are, God is there."

Typically, more than 400 wonderful way." young adults gather at Mercy to be near an icon cross and prayer. feel a sense of community.

ly moving and a beautiful was inspired to help young experience," said Michelle adults find a place within Lau, a San Francisco resi- the church to put their ener-

dent who practices Taize at the Mercy Center.

Sister Suzanne Toolan of the Sisters of Mercy brought Taize pronounced tehzay — to the Mercy Center in 1982.

The prayer originated in Taize,

France, a small village on a Church) are all built around hillside in southeastern France developmental stages as Brother Roger.

been inspired to live in solidarity with the poor and disenfranchised, Toolan said.

In the summertime, more what the resources are." than 6,000 young adults

said Toolan, who has gone rights. to Taize. "The young peocome to a place of hope and go out and make a differ- you're praying not just for inner voice."

are asked to be messengers of hope and peace in their own environment."

According to Toolan, peofollowers touched their ple drawn to the village foreheads to a cross lit by aren't always affiliated with candlelight and invited Jesus an organized religion. The Christ to banish their bur- brothers themselves are of different faiths.

"They model a church than a hundred chanted in without the boundaries," Latin, "Where charity and Toolan said. "They are all united in a very firm and

In Burlingame, Calif., Sis-Center for Taize worship the ter Patsy Harney meets with first Friday of every month young adults before Taize

Harney said prior to form-"It's just really spiritual- ing the group in 2006, she

> gy and spirit. Starting "The brothers lead a this month, life of great simplicity there will and profound involvebe a young ment of people sufferadults' Mass ing in the world." every third **Suzanne Toolan** Sunday of the

sister of the Sisters of month. Mercy "The sacraments (of the Catholic

that was transformed into an baptism, confirmation, marecumenical community in the riage and then death," the 1950s by a man known only San Francisco resident said. "There's a growing group of Through the special medita- folks who don't easily find a said. "That's what the Chris- munity, but for the world tive prayer, young adults have place in church. The Mercy Center needs to learn from young adults, and they need to be invited and shown at the Mercy Center. Also, student group when study-

Harney, who was born and descend on the village on raised in San Bruno, Calif., a weekly basis, living among said she formed the group the brothers who encourage to build on the strength of them to pray and live a com- Taize. People come together to share their search and "The brothers lead a life their struggles. Then they of great simplicity and pro- are given pathways for spirfound involvement of peo- ituality, alleviating pover- peace is one of the values other people. To me these ple suffering in the world," ty and fighting for human Brother Roger wanted to prayers are the true way

ple come from all over. They to nourish yourself, and you cessions, you feel that I participate, I tune into my



SCOTT COHEN / St. Paul Pioneer Press via MCT Brother John of the ecumenical Christian community of Taize, France, leads a Taize

ence in the world," Harney yourself and the local comtian gospel is all about."

prayer service in St. Joseph, Minn.

Lau, 32, is part of the group and practices Taize ingame first joined a Taize ering out of University of nak goes to Taize prayer at California, Berkeley every Mercy Center on a regular second Friday of the month basis. at Newman Hall. The San Francisco resident is a big I loved it," the 26-yearbeliever in social justice and old said. "I felt the spirit promotes non-violence.

"You come here to refuel, the music and prayer inter- Christians, and every time

at large."

Adam Sternak of Burlshe organizes a prayer gath- ing in Poland. Now, Ster-

"From that first prayer, of Jesus' love ... I felt truly "The aspect of fostering connected in prayer with instill," Lau said. "Through of communication among

# **Penn State works** to recruit retirees

By BONNIE L. COOK The Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA — Maggie McDermott, a foreign-service worker whose postings took her around the globe, always wanted a bachelor's degree.

So when the Doylestown, enrolled in Pennsylvania State employed less than half-time,

University's program for students 60 and older, in Abington.

"There was a little apprehension, just being older and suddenly being in a class with 18and 19-yearolds," she said.

McDermott not only fit in. for it?" She excelled.

On Dec. 20 during ceremonies at the Abington campus, she graduated with distinction, earning a bachelor's degree in it to seek part-time work in

campus relatively late in life isn't uncommon. Last year, 216 older Pennsylvanians signed up for Penn State's Go-60 proworking to recruit more.

"Having older learners on campus enhances the climate of learning for all our students," Jane A. Owens, senior director of continuing education at Penn State's Abington campus, said in an e-mail.

The Go-60 program, which began in the 1980s, is offered at 20 of the 26 campuses statewide, said Rebecca Beatty, interim director of continuing education at the University Park campus.

The program opens lower-level courses to seniors tuition-free, on a space-avail- favor art, language arts and able basis. The seniors pay for other humanities, school offibooks and use of the library. cials said.

When seniors take courses at the higher 400 level, however, they are expected to pay tuition, just as younger students do, school officials said.

To qualify for the program, seniors must be Pennsylvania residents, at least 60 when Pa., woman retired, she they enroll, and retired or

Owens said.

To an older "Having older learners person, the free tuition might be the climate of learning a godsend.

> "Here someone's offering to pay for it," McDermott said. "I have my car and my free time. Why not go

on campus enhances

for all our students."

Jane A. Owens

senior director of

continuing education

Sheila Boyle, a mother and grandmother from Chadds Ford, Pa., also wanted a degree. She signed up for classes in 2002 at the Branthe social sciences. She'll use dywine campus in Delaware County, Pa.

Boyle kept studying until McDermott's decision to go she earned her associate's back to school at a suburban degree in liberal arts. Graduation was Dec. 22. She plans to return for her bachelor's degree soon. "There's so much to know.

gram, and the university is It just kind of compels you to another course that you didn't know you could take. I love it. I really do," she said. Despite the appetite for

learning, only a handful of adult learners graduate, Beatty said, because most seek personal enrichment rather than the means to a career.

"We have had a few people who have gone on to get degrees," Beatty said. "But the large majority are people with personal interests they did not pursue when they were work-

The older learners tend to

# Report: Re-examination of study abroad programs needed

(University of Texas) Daily Texan

AUSTIN — NAFSA: Associits report Wednesday.

Although the report was reexamine some of their tution."

practices and roles in overseas education.

ation of International Educa- versity administrations to In the 2004-2005 academ- required to reach a credit- were counter to the best where UT-El Paso and a tors suggested guidelines for treat study abroad programs ic year, 2,169 implementing study abroad as a vital part of their insti- students studby third-party programs in tutions, instead of extras or ied abroad, a

"Study abroad must not be increase since not an official response to an island on campus," the 1997-1998. In an investigation undertaken report said. "Leadership at the same year, in September by New York the top levels on campus is UT had the Attorney General Andrew essential to cultivating sup-third-highest total number through these programs overseas-program providers. those changes. Cuomo, his investigation port for study abroad from of study abroad participants will count toward a student's Robin Hoeft, adviser of UT-El has prompted study abroad academic leaders and fac- in the nation. programs nationwide to ulty throughout the insti-

The report calls for uni- over the past few years. cially affiliated with UT are ments that some suggested called bilateral agreements,

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affiliated programs or pro- scrutinized practices such as relies on partnerships with lege campuses."

the Uni- report suggests that institu- exchange," she said. versity, tions set clear guidelines on

Cuomo's investigation Programs, said its program "not the exception, on U.S. col-

Overseas education pro- viders that offer study abroad free trips for university offi- schools in other countries.

"Mostly what we do are transfer interests of the students. school abroad come to an a g r e e - Although the investigations agreement and send students ment with turned up little evidence, the back and forth through the

The association believes ensuring conflict-of-interest issues. that the role of overseas edu-Not all schools in the UT cation has changed, and unies taken System make extensive use of versity policy should reflect

> "Study abroad will become Paso's Office of International the routine," the report said,









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## Students learn via iPod

By BILL LINDELOF McClatchy Newspapers

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Nick Burnett has eliminated live lectures in one of his classes this semester at Sacramento State.

He gave all the lectures this summer in a studio, where they were recorded and launched onto the Web. And in what Burnett believes is the first such large-scale experiment at California State University, Sacramento, 224 of his him only by downloading his lectures onto their iPods or MP3 players.

Graduate assistants still launched iTunes U within its the class. students listen to Burnett and universities. when and where they want they stroll across campus, on along the way, which is why like me who has to work so their home computers.

can just fit listening into my schedule when I have free time," said Stockton resident the faculty senate, says stu- a 10-foot-by-10-foot studio. Cindee O'Neill, an account dents don't have to have a proexecutive for Pacific Gas and fessor in front of them to learn. bizarre it would be to give Electric Co. who is juggling a business degree, commuting, parenting and work.

on headphones and sit at my tant, instructor or a professor's hard to get any energy for computer. If I want to catch expanded office hours." up, I can listen to three lectures in one sitting."

students will evaluate the podcasted class, and their com- about 280 students who meet casting might do to the future ments will help determine its in a large hall for the lectures of teaching," he said. "So, availability in the future, said and break into groups of about great, we have people who Burnett, chairman of the com- 28 students for the labs. munication studies depart-

his class via his Web site, some schools have partnered with iTunes. In May, Apple to see Burnett to benefit from saying?"



NURI VALLBONA / Miami Herald via MCT students will be able to hear University of Miami medical students Michael Gombosh and Samantha Xavier both use iPods to watch their professor's podcast. In the foreground is someone else's iPod that features a lecture by Dr. Ronald Clarka, one of the Miami school's

teach once-a-week labs that iTunes Store, offering free go with Burnett's class, but course lectures from colleges answer questions for me," said

faculty members.

"I'm a working mom, and I sively work with the Apple over and over again."

"But in the ideal world, there what used to be a mass lecture should be somebody interact- to myself," he said. "Frankly, ing with you on a face-to-face I use a fair amount of humor "I found it is best to just put basis, either a graduate assis- when I lecture. It is really

Burnett still offers a traditional version of his presenta-At the end of the semester, tional speaking in businesses and organizations class to

ebrado often listens to Bur- that professor is before a live Though Burnett offers nett's lectures at 9 p.m. after audience and somebody rais-

getting off work.

"Our graduate assistant can Celebrado. "Podcasting overall Burnett notes that the com- is a great system because of — through their earbuds as pany may sell a few iPods the convenience for somebody his podcasting does not exclu- much. And I can listen to it

> Burnett, 51, recorded his Bruce Bikle, chairman of lectures over the summer in

> > "I didn't anticipate how that when there is nobody responding."

But he has some reservations about podcasting.

"I worry about what podare good speaking in 10-by-10 Business major Rachel Cel- rooms. What happens when es their hand with a question She said she doesn't need or challenges what they are

# Benefits for same-sex couples spurs lecturer's protest at UT

By LARRY DECHANT and MAYA SRIKRISHNAN

(University of Texas) Daily Texan

AUSTIN — Arabic Lecturer Uri Horesh began a hunger strike in response to his denied complaint against the university's non-discrimination policy, benefits for same-sex couples.

As of Jan. 1, the University of Michigan started offering some health benefits to employees and other qualified adults who have shared a residence for six months. This policy circumvents Michigan laws regarding same-sex marriage, which fueled Horesh's complaints against UT.

Horesh said he sent an e-mail to the Division of Diversity and Community Engagement in December and one on Monnot received a response. Horesh changed.

"I'm taking the responsibility on this somewhat creative idea away on business. Shelette Wilwhereby I could keep on doing liams, an administrative associmy job until I may or may not ate in the division, said Vincent be able to do it if something did not come in Monday for perhappened," Horesh said. "I can wear my rainbow-colored longhorn T-shirt or wear my little button, but who gives a damn vice president for institutional about that? Maybe this would make more of an impact."

Division spokeswoman Deborah Duval said the office could not comment on Horesh's latest

which I could on the one hand ship benefits to its employees. express my protest in a very physical way," Horesh said. "I December. started a Facebook group, but do that would actually be more that and provide its employees the problem," Horesh said.

proactive, but still non-violent with the benefits they deserve. and not jeopardize my fulfill- This law promotes bigotry," ment of my responsibilities as Horesh said. a faculty member?' Well, I was thinking, 'I can go on hunger

for the Division of Diversity and Community Engagement,

> "I want to know how the University intends to work around that and provide its employees with the benefits they deserve."

> > **Uri Horesh**

UT lecturer

day about the strike, but has in light of Horesh's claim of being discriminated against by said he will quietly abstain a university with a non-discrimfrom eating until the policy is ination policy. Vincent did not orientation." attend the meeting.

> sonal reasons, which were not disclosed.

Linda Millstone, associate equity and workforce diversity, took Vincent's place in the meeting. She denied Horesh's initial complaint in November because she said the state law precludes the university from "I was thinking of a way in providing domestic partner-Vincent upheld her decision in

Millstone said the failure to provide health care benefits to people who are not legally mar-Horesh was scheduled to ried in Texas not only affects which does not include health have a meeting Monday with people who are homosexual, Gregory Vincent, vice president but also people who are straight and live in committed partner-

> The university is looking into further options regarding the issue, she said.

> "The thing is this: If UT wants to really compete with high caliber institutions, it has to make a change and it has to make it quickly," Horesh said. "Gays and lesbians are treated as not equal, as people whose priorities and wellbeing is a low priority. I don't know exactly what you cover when you say 'diversity,' but it doesn't seem to cover sexual

Millstone said she disagreed, Duval said Vincent was called saying the UT Gender and Sexuality Center supports diverse sexual orientations among stu-

> "I do agree that the provision of benefits is a recruitment and retention issue for all of higher education, including this institution," she said. "But in terms of providing you today the university's procedures for moving forward, I am not going

> Horesh left the meeting after about eight minutes.

"I am not very optimistic. I do not feel the actions of one person are going to change the conduct of the university, but I "I want to know how the Uni- am hoping it will get the mesthen I was thinking, 'What can I versity intends to work around sage out. I am creating a face to

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