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**Official: Students must fill prescriptions off campus**

By ELIZABETH DAVIDSON  
Staff Reporter

TCU students looking to fill prescriptions on campus will have to find another pharmacy.

At the end of December,

Thomas and Gay Peterson, who owned and operated the TCU Health Center pharmacy, retired, leaving it vacant.

The pharmacy has not yet been purchased, said Marilyn Hallam, assistant to the direc-

tor of Health Services.

"We have spoken with companies and individuals to determine their interest in purchasing the pharmacy and contracting with the university," Hallam said. "There was inter-

est but nothing concrete."

TCU is now exploring the possibility of operating the pharmacy on its own, making it the first time to be university-owned, Hallam said.

"We're talking with the

university about running it," Hallam said. "But that would require a number of things, one of which is obtaining a license."

Hallam said she is not sure See **PHARMACY**, page 4

**FOR YOUR INFO**

For prescriptions, students with TCU Health Insurance should visit any local pharmacy, save the receipt and mail it to the insurance company for reimbursement.

**Program to address changing climates**

By ASHLEIGH WHALEY  
Staff Reporter

A climatologist and Texas ranch owner says planning for the weather and environmental changes is the first step toward conserving the environment for the future.

Evelyn Browning-Garriss, climatologist and editor of Browning Newsletter, and Comer Tuck, of the Texas Water Development Board, will join students and alumni of the ranch management program Saturday at the biannual Roundup.

Browning-Garriss said she plans to discuss the climate in Texas and the Great Plains.

Prospective ranchers will learn what to expect in years to come based on regional weather patterns, Browning-Garriss said.

Tuck will discuss drought plans while presenting an in-depth analysis of the state water plan released this month.

Ranch management students learn natural resources aren't always reliable and require careful strategic planning to remain readily available, said Kerry Cornelius, director of the ranch management program.

"Going back to the 1950s," Browning-Garriss said, "government officials built reservoirs to accommodate the growing population and relieve the nation from drought."

This type of process, reinventing agricultural management, comes from discovering new and innovative ways to adjust operations in exchange for long-term benefits, Browning-Garriss said.

"The point is that we're looking at renewable resources and if it's economically and ecologically sound then it's probably sustainable," Cornelius said. "If you take out the words ecologically sound, then it's not going to be sustainable. There has to be both; there has to be that synergy."

Climatologists told CNN yesterday that global warming is here and said human impact is to blame for climate changes and "unseasonal" weather. They say the future looks bleak.

"Current scientific evidence is that global warming is man-made," said Ranjan Muttiah, assistant professor of environmental science. "Global temperatures are going up."

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**STOP THE PRESSES!**

(TOP) La Universidad de las Americas students help the newspaper staff move items out of the newsroom after the school's administration shut down the publication. (LEFT) Two campus police members ask students for names and I.D. cards. (RIGHT) Members of the La Catarina staff get organized in a hallway. These photographs were provided by Astrid Viveros, former La Catarina staff member. Identifications of people in the photographs were unavailable.

**Provost: University to re-evaluate ties**

By BAILEY SHIFFLER  
Staff Reporter

In the wake of the recent closure of the newspaper at TCU's

sister school, the university plans to re-examine its relationship with la Universidad de las Americas, the provost said.

The administration at UDLA shut down La Catarina, the school's newspaper, Jan. 16.

La Catarina staff members said the closure was in response to cartoons criticizing the university's chancellor, Pedro Palou, published in the paper.

The university's administration has denied the charge,

although some allege resignations were forced upon those who spoke out against the administration's actions.

Provost Nowell Donovan responded to the recent See **UDLA**, page 2

**Sister university's newspaper forced to stop publishing**

By KAILEY DELINGER  
Staff Reporter

At 7:28 p.m., Jan. 16, five student reporters sat in a Mexican newspaper discussing their newspaper's future. At 7:30 p.m., that future became defunct.

As student reporter Astrid Viveros told it, that's when the controversy started.

Four administrators from la Universidad de las Americas, TCU's sister university in Puebla, Mexico, accompanied campus police into the headquarters of La Catarina, UDLA's student newspaper, and the reporters were ordered to leave.

Viveros said the La Catarina staff immediately moved everything, including archives, posters, books and personal belongings out of the office.

"Professors who were fired during Christmas or summer break weren't allowed to come into their offices and gather their stuff," she said. "We didn't want the same thing to happen to us."

But the administrators didn't stop at forcing the La Catarina staff out, she said.

"We weren't allowed to back up our computer files," Viveros said, "and the administration went to the extent of cutting off the electricity in our office to prevent us from doing so."

Campus police also stopped reporters as they were taking pictures of the event, Viveros said.

The reason for the closure is still unclear.

**DIFFERENT EXPLANATIONS**

Many UDLA students and alumni consider the closure of La Catarina to be the UDLA administration's way of punishing the newspaper for its recent criticism of the university and its chancellor, Pedro Palou.

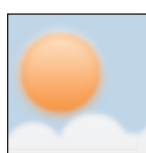
"La Catarina used to be a unique model in Mexico," Viveros said. "No other university in our country has See **NEWSPAPER**, page 2



This cartoon, published in La Catarina, shows Pedro Palou, chancellor of la Universidad de las Americas, and Puebla Gov. Mario Marin engaged in a game of cards with dogs and pigs. In the cartoon's text, Palou is inviting Marin to speak at his annual report to the university, thus promising free publicity.



This cartoon, published in La Catarina, shows Puebla Gov. Mario Marin attempting to pay his parking fee with a bottle of cognac. The cartoon is also criticizing a parking policy instated by Pedro Palou, chancellor of la Universidad de las Americas.

**WEATHER**

**TODAY:** Mostly Sunny, 58/45  
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**PECULIAR FACT**

Pontiac, Mich.: A man who acknowledged a sexual fetish for female-shaped mannequins was sentenced Thursday to more than a year in prison after repeatedly breaking into storefront windows. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

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"Nothing is a waste of time if you use the experience wisely."  
—Auguste Rodin

THE SKIFF VIEW

## Workplace a chance to learn English

Diversity is a wonderful thing. And it's hard to argue with the benefits of knowing another language, especially if that other language is Spanish and you live in Texas.

However, TCU's decision to teach some of its employees Spanish so they can communicate with their Spanish-speaking co-workers is a business decision, not an attempt to bridge cultures and increase diversity.

The TCU administration is taking the easy way out. Instead of helping many of our university's employees learn to speak English, TCU is opting to teach university administrators a few Spanish phrases. While this idea may seem nice on the surface — helping people learn a new language, increasing cultural awareness and making the workplace more efficient — it's not.

Not only is the university not helping its Spanish-speaking employees learn English, but it is also making them more comfortable speaking their native language. This

will end up crippling the Spanish-speaking workers here. While living in America, all of them will eventually have to use English somewhere (granted it may be less common in Texas). By enabling Spanish-speaking workers to continue speaking Spanish in the workplace, TCU is hindering their chances of learning the English language.

We are an educational institution, and should fulfill our social responsibility as one to make the world a better place. Business decisions like this one shirk from these responsibilities. While it may be easier and cheaper to teach just a few people Spanish, TCU should take the initiative to do the right thing and teach many of its employees English.

Learning a new language is a life skill, and a necessary one if the country you live in speaks a different language. If these workers don't have a chance to learn English in the workplace, where will they learn it?

*Features editor Amber Parcher for the editorial board*

BY RICKY ANDERSON

State of the Union Address



## Consider future problems, threats now

A group of scientists recently expressed their fervent concern when they decided to push forward the symbolic

**COMMENTARY** hands of their figurative Domsday Clock closer to midnight, according to a Jan. 17 Associated Press article.

This metaphorical clock signifies the ongoing threats of global disaster and calamity in our world. Each tick of this clock dismally shows how the growing dangers are rapidly continuing to make impacts that could possibly of harming humankind and our surroundings to the point of total destruction.

Issues usually spotlighted by these scientists are the consequences of man-made hazards in relation to the Earth's environment and human civilization. Although other factors such as terrorism and nuclear war possibilities are also terrifyingly important, these scientists are particularly articulating the dangers of weather changes and human threats that could dramatically alter the Earth's climate and atmosphere in the future.

Two of the most discussed topics influencing the Domsday Clock are climate changes and global warming that may occur as a result of human influences. The world is changing around us quickly,

"We must realize that the possible bleak future is real, and our continued existence and way of life could ultimately be our downfall."

and the climate and weather even more so. We take advantage of our world's sources of natural riches for our own use quickly and selfishly and later realize the consequences of doing so, whether for better or for worse.

Though the effects of weather and climate aren't as immediately noticeable to us as other problems faced, we must realize the possible bleak future is real, and our continued existence and way of life could ultimately cause our downfall. This not only includes the topics of global warming, but also war, terrorism and many other issues, as well. Too often we set aside worries and continue our bad habits that only add to the harm accumulating on this already exhausted planet.

But is it practical to focus on issues that grow worse with time, or to instead pay attention to issues that affect us in the present moment? The current war in Iraq and rumors of nuclear weapons being built or acquired in other countries are the issues of today that are being served on the same

universal plate as long-term anxieties of erratic weather changes, pollution and global warming. All are valid fears and concerns that need our attention, but which comes first on our global priority list?

"Terror only kills hundreds or thousands of people," said Stephen W. Hawking, a distinguished cosmologist and mathematician, in the AP article. "Global warming could kill millions. We should have a war on global warming rather than the war on terror."

One predicament may be that we, as humans have somewhat of a procrastinating streak, and matters that affect us in the long run aren't necessarily forgotten but merely shelved until they become more problematic in our daily lives. This isn't to say that the war in Iraq or other countries building or obtaining nuclear weapons aren't alarming issues, but we as the dominant species on this planet have certain responsibilities for the well-being and safety of all who occupy this globe. We have to learn to juggle priorities and multitask because all these matters, whether current or long term, certainly won't disappear unless we are actively and purposefully trying to be responsible, honorable, and above all, honest about our role in Earth's struggle for stability and peace in a troublesome and taxing age.

*Ylona Cupryjak is a sophomore theatre major from Keller.*

## Parents shouldn't invade privacy

Reports show that the people behind Myspace.com have been quietly developing software that will allow

**COMMENTARY** parents to see some of the information their children are posting on the Web site.

The new tool is to allow parents to protect their children while not invading their privacy. The program, called "Zephyr," will allow parents to see the username, age and location their children have listed on Myspace.com, as long as the child logs in from a home computer.

As of now, Myspace.com has privacy settings that do not allow children under 14 to sign up to use the site. The problem lies in the fact that those under 14 are lying by saying they are older, and, in some cases, people sign up that are much older than they say they are.

I am a member of Myspace.com and have a profile available online. Once someone is signed up, it is easy to go to the account settings section and set your profile to private, as mine is. This means that only the people you accept as friends on Myspace can view your entire profile.

You can also restrict someone from even sending a

friend request on the site unless he or she knows your last name or e-mail address. These are precautions that come standard upon signing up.

News Corporation, owner of Myspace.com, encourages users to protect themselves and use the privacy settings before signing up.

Because of these safety measures, I don't feel parents should have full access to Web sites containing their children's personal profiles unless the children have agreed to it. If a user does not want to talk to an older man or woman, nothing on the site forces the individuals to do so.

In my experience, the people who have had problems with stalkers on Myspace do not have their privacy settings on and are usually posting inappropriate pictures of themselves. If you don't want the sexual attention, you shouldn't post sexual pictures. Many teens are bringing it upon themselves.

Anna Collier, an editor for NetFamilyNews.org, a Web site that helps parents keep the use of the Internet constructive and safe for their children, said, in an online article, that while "Zephyr" is a good starting tool, more should be done to prevent an unsafe online experience.

"It empowers both parent and child to work out a safe-

ty formula," the article said.

I couldn't agree more. Parents can find out if their children are posting ages that are not true, which is a sign that they may be up to no good. It is enough information to raise a red flag for the parents and allow them to sit their children down and talk about Internet safety.

When kids are forced into a corner and feel their privacy has been violated, they will do everything in their power to escape questioning and evade their parents' ever-watchful eye. This includes only logging onto Web sites like Myspace.com from library computers or friends' computers so they don't have to face their parents.

Many of the younger users on Myspace.com are not there to meet new friends or meet older men and women. They are there to be able to express themselves creatively and freely, and parents need to take that into consideration, as well.

In my opinion, "Zephyr" provides enough information so that kids and teenagers will not feel violated, while allowing parents be somewhat involved and protective.

*Marissa Warms is a junior advertising/public relations major from Irving. Her column appears every Friday.*

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,  
On Jan. 17, for the first time in almost seven years, La Catarina, the student newspaper of the Universidad de las Americas Puebla, was not published. We, the undersigned, are UDLA alumni were all part of La Catarina during college. We recently learned, through witnesses and mass media coverage, that the students working on Jan. 16 in La Catarina's office were forced out by the coordinator of the communication sciences department and security guards without being given the opportunity to save computer data. According to the UDLA authorities, La Catarina belongs to the social service department, and it needs to be reorganized. Recently, however, it was decided La Catarina will no longer be in the hands of the current editorial council, since it will soon function as an institutional newspaper.

We find ourselves in need of explaining La Catarina's

original project and function in the UDLA. Created in March 2000 to provide information and opinion for UDLA's community, La Catarina promotes a professional and ethical approach to journalism among communication sciences students and those wanting to learn about journalism. The newspaper's founding team visited TCU to learn how the Skiff is produced. Also, three Skiff members visited the UDLA to advise us on running the student newspaper. We have learned a lot from this relationship.

La Catarina was never a social service project and doesn't work as part of the social service department, even if some students do their social service projects, a requirement at the UDLA, in the newspaper. The founding team did their social service in other institutions before creating this newspaper. This is why we find the arguments given by

the UDLA authorities to shut down the newspaper surprising and suspicious.

We, the undersigned, invite UDLA authorities to reflect on the importance of La Catarina in the UDLA. This project must not die. It would be a great loss for the UDLA's community and a disappointment for those who worked in it. The fact that La Catarina maintains a critical viewpoint when it is necessary does not hurt the university; it strengthens it. We demand continuation of the original project. La Catarina must be a student-coordinated newspaper under the advice of a professor from the communication sciences department specialized in journalism, as it has been these past seven years. We support free, responsible and ethical journalism practices, that for which La Catarina stands, and we support the current team in this difficult situation.

This list includes our

names, roles in La Catarina, current jobs and current places of residence:

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# Students question required insurance

By SAEROM YOO  
Staff Reporter

All full-time undergraduate students are required to carry health insurance of some kind, but international students are specifically required to carry the TCU-offered plan, which the director of international student services says is difficult to understand.

Although the university-offered insurance plan is not exclusive to international students, they in particular struggle to understand it, mostly because of the cultural components included in health services, said John Singleton, director of international student services.

"It's more challenging for someone who isn't used to manipulating U.S. systems," Singleton said.

Another challenge, said Lizbeth Branch, student adviser of international student services, is that international students don't have their parents to take care of health insurance issues for them.

"You're not on an insurance plan with your parents," sophomore interior design major Tunti Pereira said. "I didn't have to worry about it

at home."

Understanding the language used in the brochures is the first step students must take to learn the benefits and limitations of their health insurance.

Marilyn Hallam, assistant to the director of health services, said people generally are not aware of the terminology used in health insurance brochures, such as "deductible," which is a specific amount of covered medical expenses that must be paid out-of-pocket before the covered student can reap any benefits from his or her plan. For the university-offered plan, that specific amount is \$250 per policy year.

In addition to the informational sessions provided by the health center during orientation, brochures that explain the benefits and limitations of the plan are readily available both in electronic and paper forms.

However, many students remain confused about the benefits and limitations of their insurance.

"There's a lot of good things about our health care insurance," said Laura Craw-

ley, assistant dean of campus life. "But clarity is not one of them."

During his first semester at TCU, senior biology major Nishant Maller, from India, visited the dentist to get a root canal.

He said he had the impression his student insurance would provide coverage for it, but was surprised to learn the root canal would cost him more than \$1,000 because the student plan only covers dental expenses related to the treatment of an injury.

Maller said he declined treatment and waited about six months before he could get treated at home.

"It wasn't the best thing to do," Maller said. "But it was the best thing financially."

He said the treatment cost him about \$100 in India with his family's insurance.

Maller said this limitation in the plan is frustrating because the one option TCU offers to him and other international students does not cover routine, preventative and restorative dental care, and that is the benefit he needs most. Hallam said a health plan that does cover dental care would

be extremely expensive. Students may, however, purchase a supplementary insurance plan, Hallam said.

"We should be given the option to look for health insurance outside and get something we can use according to our preferences if we have any special needs," said Kaushal Amatya, a sophomore psychology major from Nepal.

Hallam said international students are not given the option of looking for an insurance plan besides the one offered through TCU because it allows them to have immediate coverage upon arriving in the U.S.

About 21 percent of non-international students choose to carry the university-offered plan because their families find it more affordable, Hallam said.

Singleton said a small number of international students waive the university-offered plan each semester under specific circumstances.

Crawley said she would encourage students having trouble with their insurance to call the insurance company with their questions.

## CLIMATE

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Although both scientists and ranch managers work directly with the land, those in the ranch management program consistently expressed disbelief in the global warming theory.

"I hold conclusions about the fact that climatic changes are cyclical," said Eric Brast, assistant director of the Institute of Ranch Management. "The things that

we may experience during a specific period of time may seem out of the norm or ordinary for us, but unless we have a historical basis of which to compare it, it's hard for us to conclusively decide that."

There's a possibility global warming has been around longer than us, Cornelius said.

"All I can say is that things run in cycles and for reasons and that's part of what Browning-Garriss and Tuck will talk about at Roundup," Cornelius said.

# White House official's testimony strengthens case on Cheney aide

By JAMES GORDON MEEK  
New York Daily News

Vice President Dick Cheney grew obsessed with Iraq war critic Joseph Wilson in July 2003 and ordered his closest aides to keep aggressive tabs on him, a senior White House official testified Thursday.

Former Cheney press adviser Cathie Martin told jurors in the perjury trial of his ex-aide Lewis "Scooter" Libby that the vice president demanded she monitor all print and TV reports on the former ambassador after Wilson publicly blasted the White House's claim that Iraq had tried to buy weapons-grade uranium from Niger.

"The vice president told me to keep track of this story," and press aides immediately "began monitoring television commentators" in addition to print reports

about Wilson, said Martin, who is now a deputy White House communications director.

TV program transcripts were constantly e-mailed directly to Cheney's assistant, she added.

Libby is accused of lying to the FBI and a grand jury investigating who leaked to reporters that Wilson's wife, Valerie Plame, was a CIA operative.

Martin's unflappable testimony was a blow to Libby's defense that he first learned about Plame from reporter Tim Russert on July 10, 2003. She was the fourth U.S. official to testify that Libby knew about Plame before he talked to Russert, as he had maintained under oath.

Her testimony also undercut Libby's claim he was too busy with terrorism threats in the summer of 2003 to focus on attacking Wilson.

## PHARMACY

From page 1

how long this process could take because this is a new situation for the university and the pharmacy.

Laura Crawley, the assistant dean of campus life and health promotion, said she understands the issues this creates for students but does not know when the pharmacy will be back on campus.

"There has been no official timeline to restore those services," Crawley said. "We just don't have enough information."

In the meantime, students can get their refills or new prescriptions filled at any other pharmacy that accepts their insurance.

Students with a co-pay can take their prescription cards to other pharmacies and pay the same price, Hallam said. However, those without a co-pay will find

that the price of their medicine may vary from pharmacy to pharmacy.

Jeff Masters, a sophomore business major, was not aware of this change and he said he wished he had been notified before he made the trip to the Health Center.

"It's an inconvenience because now I have to drive to a pharmacy," Masters said. "I used to be able to just walk here."

Crawley said the university is planning to make a formal

statement to students about the lack of a pharmacy on campus.

Students can call the Health Center if they have any questions, although Hallam said the situation has been handled smoothly.

"Students have been pleasant and cooperative as we work with them," Hallam said. "And we look forward to re-opening the Health Center pharmacy as soon as possible."

# TCU BOOKSTORE Calendar of Events



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**Did you know?** The TCU Bookstore is on the move again! In early February the current bookstore will be pulled apart and moved back to the burned bookstore site. Buy any books you need now... don't wait... we will be packing and moving beginning Feb. 8th. to make way for the construction of the new 34,000 Sq. Ft. bookstore! The relocated University Bookstore will reopen in early March!

				1 <b>New Item</b> Impulse Zone Long John Long Sleeve Tee.	2 <b>LANCÔME</b> PARIS Shop for your Valentine's with our new fragrance, Miracle Forever.	3 <b>Tradebook Dept.</b> We have selected titles for African American History Month.
4 <b>Feel the Love</b> The bookstore has a wide selection of Valentine's gifts.	5 <b>Book Signing</b> Dr. Connie Guttersen, R.D., Ph.D. will be at the Bass building for a book signing.	6 <b>Best Life Diet</b> Bob Greene 20%*	7 <b>Feel the Love</b> Godiva Valentine's candy available in, Boxes Ballotins, Plushes and Truffles.	8 <b>Sale</b> Textbook Dept. closed for move to temp location #2. Main store still open.	9 <b>Textbook Inventory</b> Textbook Department closed, but the rest of store remains open.	10 <b>Bookstore Closed</b> We are closed for inventory.
11 <b>Bookstore Closed</b> We are closed for inventory.	12 <b>Regular Hours Again</b> 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. Clerk service for textbooks through Feb. 18th.	13 <b>Castle in the Forest</b> Norman Mailer 20%*	14 <b>LANCÔME</b> PARIS Valentine's Day fragrance gift sets, Hypnose in Love and several others.	15 <b>Wayne's World</b> We have a large selection of iPod accessories available to outfit your iPod.	16 <b>Need Dorm Stuff?</b> Come to the Bookstore and see what we have for your dorm room.	17 <b>Sale Special</b> 2007 Calendars are 50% off through Feb. 28th.
18 <b>Healthy Stuff</b> Check out our healthy snacks.	19 <b>Bookstore Relocated</b> Phase II of the TCU Bookstore is partially open to the public.	20 <b>The Lords of the North</b> Bernard Cornwell 20%*	21 <b>Love Shakespeare?</b> Check out our Barnes & Noble Shakespeare series display!	22 <b>Wayne's World</b> We sell game consoles and games everyday. Come by and see what's new.	23 <b>Supply Depot</b> The TCU Bookstore has wide array of school supplies to meet your every need.	24 <b>Show Your Pride</b> Great selections of TCU spirit clothing and gifts.
25 <b>Bookstore Relocated</b> Check out our TCU logo flash drives and mouse pads.	26 <b>U Turn Magazine</b> Barnes & Noble College magazine available at check out.	27 <b>Dust</b> Martha Grimes 20%*	28 <b>Get for Spring Break?</b> Featuring Passport tee and Bermuda shorts.	<p>On February 5, 2007 join the TCU Bookstore at the Annie Richardson Bass building at 8 a.m. to attend a talk given by Dr. Connie Guttersen, R.D., Ph.D. Books by the author will be available for sale \$20 each, tax included. The store will have this book promo too.</p>		



# Cinema

By David Kessler

So you've decided you want to go to a movie tonight. You've also decided to take out that special someone or tag along with a group of friends. But with all the movie theaters there are to decide from in Fort Worth, it can be tough to determine which ones are best for your needs. We brought in our Fort Worth movie expert to tour each theater around town and help you decide which one to go to for the best movie-watching experience possible. Hey, if we're going to pay \$8 for it, it better be good. Read on for our top seven movie theaters in Fort Worth, ranked best to worst.



## 1. Rave Motion Pictures Ridgmar

This is the biggest, the brightest and the most modern theater in Fort Worth — 5.1 digital surround sound, excellent stadium seats, comfortable, clean and luxurious. It's miles ahead of every other theater around here. Even the menus at the concession stand are displayed on LCD screens. Nearly every movie plays here because there is limited competition in the area. The one problem with Rave is that it has become wildly popular with loitering teenagers, but there's no better place to go see a film. The price is about a dollar more than most places, but the movie-watching experience is twice as enjoyable.



2. Hollywood Cinema  
Burlleson

Despite its location, this theater ranks No. 2 because it is one of the best places to catch a movie in Fort Worth. It has the top films, because there is no competition in the area, stadium seating and 5.1 digital surround sound. It also lacks the hordes of high schoolers crowding the entrance of our No. 1 theater. If you don't feel like fighting the masses, and you don't mind a bit of a drive, it's worth it to go see a movie at Hollywood.



3. Ridgmar Movie  
Tavern

This theater has a different twist to it. It's a tavern, which means you can enjoy a meal and have a drink while you watch a movie. It's a great place to go with a group or on a date. They don't get the best films generally, and it's not what anyone would call a "luxury" theater, but, if you want to have a beer and eat something more substantial than Sour Patch Kids, this is the place to go.



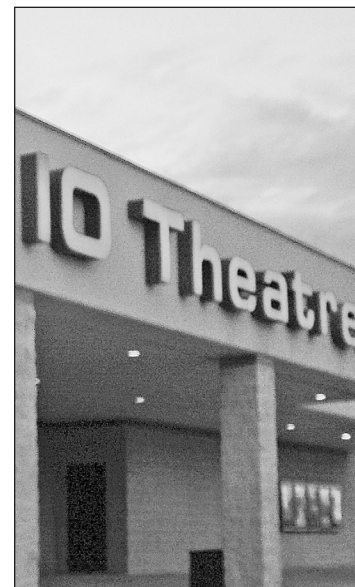
4. AMC Sundance  
Downtown

A slightly worse location than No. 5, but a slightly better theater if you plan on going out downtown. It is generally cleaner and brighter than Palace and, to my knowledge, gets the better films. Unfortunately, the sound quality and comfort of the seats are no better than the other AMCs.



5. AMC Palace  
Downtown

A prime location but an average theater. Right on Sundance Square, it's a good place to take a date because it's near all the bars and restaurants. No stadium seating, poor sound, uncomfortable seatbacks that squeak a lot make this theater average. It competes with the other AMC downtown, but, if possible, see a movie at that one; our No. 4 theater.



6. Starplex Hulen 10

Located relatively far from TCU, this theater is much like all the other local theaters, though its location has landed it the No. 6 spot. It has no stadium seating, so, if a tall person sits in front of you, it's all over. The sound quality is poor, and the movie selection is poor due to area competition. The price is the same as other AMCs.



7. United Artists  
Hulen 10

This theater was average at best, but upon pulling into the parking lot I noticed ... it's no longer in business. So I don't advise planning a romantic trip with your lady friend to see a movie at UA Hulen 10. However, I have heard there is a planned takeover of the spot by a new company that intends to equip the old facility with stadium seating and 5.1 digital sound. We'll keep you posted.

## Getting ready for the weekend

### Today

#### Movies

"Smokin' Aces," starring Ryan Reynolds, Ben Affleck and Jeremy Piven, opens.

"Blood and Chocolate" and the new Jennifer Garner flick, "Catch and Release," also opens.

### Saturday

#### Concerts

Don't miss Josh Gracin (American Idol contestant) performing live at Billy Bob's Texas 10:30 p.m. Saturday. General admission tickets are \$10, reserved tickets are \$15.

Sister Hazel will be at the Lakewood Theater in Dallas 7:30 p.m. Saturday. Tickets available at [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com) for \$22.

# Professors discuss Christian, political justifications for war



BILLY WESSELS / Photo Editor  
Mark Gilderhus, history department chair, discussed how the war in Iraq affects people on campus at the Searchlight Symposium "What is a just war? Are we in one?"

By BETT ROGERS  
Staff Reporter

A panel of professors discussed the validity of the Iraq war from both a political and a Christian standpoint at the Searchlight Symposium on Thursday.

In front of about 80 students, professors Nadia Lahutsky, Eric Cox and Mark Gilderhus addressed the questions, "What is a just war? Are we in one?"

Lahutsky, an associate professor of religion, opened the discussion with a description of the "just war's" evolution within the Christian faith.

She said early Christians objected to war on the principle that violence is fundamentally wrong.

Lahutsky said as time passed, the Christian com-

munity became increasingly open to the secular, including warfare.

She said Christians held that war could be waged after all other avenues had been exhausted and if there was reasonable hope for success. She said they stipulated that minimal force should be used and prisoners should be treated humanely.

Lahutsky said the Iraq war is unjust because it violates these traditional Christian values.

"I do not think we're safer from terrorists than we were in 2003," Lahutsky said. "I am not persuaded that this has nothing to do with our insatiable appetite for oil."

Cox, a political science professor, tackled the question from a legal perspective.

He said the laws governing pre-emptive warfare, as

stated by the United Nations Charter, are similar to those established by ancient Christian tradition as Lahutsky described it.

Pre-emptive warfare is acceptable only if the danger to the country is imminent and all other diplomatic solutions have been exhausted or on the grounds of humanitarian intervention, Cox said.

Cox said the country was not under an immediate threat of danger from Iraq when war was declared, and that the Bush administration's justifications have changed multiple times in the nearly four years that troops have been there.

"I firmly believed that he (Saddam Hussein) had weapons of mass destruction ... but hindsight is 20/20 and it's clear there never were

any," Cox said.

He said as it became increasingly obvious that weapons of mass destruction would not be found in Iraq, the administration began to promote the removal of Saddam as the cause of war.

Now that the war is officially over, the American occupation of Iraq continues as a "humanitarian effort," Cox said.

Gilderhus, chair of the history department, said he is adamantly against the Iraq war.

When interviewed prior to the symposium, he said he disagreed with the way in which the occupation of Iraq has been conducted and agreed with Cox in saying it conflicts with the basic principles of pre-emptive warfare.

# Al-Maliki defends plan to stop sectarian violence in Baghdad

By RICHARD MAUER  
McClatchy Newspapers

The new plan to stop the sectarian violence that's ravaging Iraq's capital hasn't been published and no one will announce when it will start, but that didn't stop a lively debate on the proposal Thursday in the nation's parliament.

Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki pledged that the government would be evenhanded when it implements the plan, targeting "criminals" rather than religious or ethnic communities.

But Sunni Muslim legislators denounced the plan, and one called it a "shame" for Iraq because it calls for an additional 21,500 American troops, whom President Bush

dispatched as part of his new strategy for Iraq.

Outside, fighting raged on. Along Haifa Street, where Iraqi forces with American support have been battling suspected Sunni insurgents since Jan. 9, residents reached by phone said helicopters were circling the area and that bodies had been left in the street.

A car bomb in the central Baghdad neighborhood of Karada killed 25 and injured 50. Two roadside bombs in the Baiyaa neighborhood killed three civilians. A bomb attached to a motorcycle killed two civilians and wounded 12 others near the Shorga market in downtown Baghdad.

The U.S. military reported one soldier killed and three wounded from a roadside

bomb northwest of the capital on Thursday. Police said 42 bodies bearing signs of torture were found scattered throughout the capital.

At least two mortar rounds landed in the fortified Green Zone, where U.S. and Iraqi officials are headquartered. No one was injured and there was little damage, said Lou Fintor, a spokesman for the U.S. Embassy.

Abdul Nasir al-Janabi of the Iraqi Accord Front, a Sunni Islamist party, demanded that U.S. and Iraqi forces allow residents of the Haifa Street area to leave. "We demand an end to the siege of Haifa Street," he said. "Kill whoever you call a terrorist, but don't blockade the civilians."

Government spokesman Ali

al-Dabbagh declined to say when the campaign would end.

Al-Maliki, in presenting his security plan to Iraq's 275-member parliament, the Iraqi Council of Representatives, dismissed suggestions it was dictated by the U.S.

"First, I want to confirm that it's a 100-percent Iraqi plan under Iraqi command," he said. "For the first time the Iraq forces and command hold the responsibility of such a big operation."

Al-Maliki attacked critics who said that the Shiite-led government won't crack down on the Shiite militias that have been terrorizing Sunnis.

"Some say that the plan targets Shiites, and others say it targets Sunnis. I want to say it targets all, but all those who break the law," al-Maliki said.

In the next day or so, al-Maliki said, authorities plan to inventory homes abandoned by people who've fled the violence. Anyone occupying those homes without permission will be arrested, he said.

But the main goal of the security plan will be to confiscate weapons, he said, through door-to-door searches of homes, mosques and political party bases, if necessary.

"Arms should be in the



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Iraqi journalists at the convention center in the Green Zone in Baghdad, Iraq, watch a debate in parliament over the new security plan of Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki.

hands of the government," he said. "There will be no state if there are others besides the government carrying weapons."

Al-Maliki said that the government would introduce an identification system and that 30,000 passports were being printed every day to prepare for it.

Several delegates expressed doubts about the plan. One, a Sunni, said other regions of the country had been pacified under previous security plans, only to see the terrorists return when the soldiers left.

Al-Maliki conceded that this may not be the final plan either. The leaders

of many armed groups have already left Baghdad with their weapons in anticipation of the stepped-up patrols, he said.

In response to concerns that security forces have targeted families because of the criminal activity of one person, al-Maliki pledged such action would stop. "No one will be arrested because his brother is a terrorist," he said.

At a press conference after the parliament session, al-Dabbagh said that Saudi Arabia, a Sunni nation, has pledged to not take sides in the Iraq civil war. Al-Maliki had demanded the same of his other neighbors, al-Dabbagh said.

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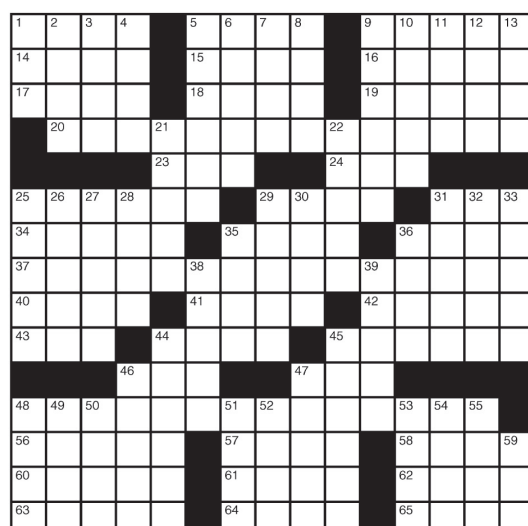
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# Q&A

OTIS McDANIEL

Meet the Flying Frogs' All-American sprinter who is a part of the nationally ranked 4x100 relay team.



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Otis McDaniel, junior, receives the baton in a relay race last spring. McDaniel is a returning All-American from the 4x100 relay team that placed fourth at the NCAA Championships last year.

**Q.** When did you start running?

**A.** I was around 9 years old when I started running track. My mom got me started because she was always interested in it and thought it would be a good way for me to get a lot of my energy out, so I wasn't so energetic when I got home.

**Q.** What is your favorite event?

**A.** I've always liked the 200 because it's not too long of a race to run full-speed and not too short, like the 100. It's a lost event because a lot of people run the 100 and the 400, but it's hard for people to run the curve at full-speed and still maintain that on the last 100 meters.

**Q.** What is your goal for the 2007 track season?

**A.** My ultimate goal for the season is trying to break the school record in the 200-meter dash. I also want to win the 4x100 and 4x400 relay. We're really trying to get more publicity for the school and make a statement that TCU is back. To surpass the standards that have been set for us and do well at the NCAA championship.

**Q.** Do you feel a lot of pressure to perform well since the TCU men were ranked No. 1 in the nation in relays in 2006?

**A.** I don't feel a lot of pressure to run faster because I know when I get on the track, I'm giving it my all. With all the training that we have done this past year, I'm confident that we should run faster and do better than we did last year.

**Q.** What experience do you bring with you to this season that you may not have had during your first two years?

**A.** Definitely collegiate nationals and international meets. I try to use my past experience to help me now, like trying to overcome my nervous periods before a race.

**Q.** How do you help lead the new additions to the team?

**A.** Even though I am a junior, I feel like I'm a veteran on the team. I try to help them with

everything from running mechanics to personal advice that I have learned growing up. I like to feel like an older brother on the team.

**Q.** What meet are you most looking forward to?

**A.** I'm looking forward to nationals and running at the Penn Relays. It is a wonderful environment to run it and the festivities surrounding the meet are great. I think it's the only time when I get to run in front of more than 65,000 people, and the city of Philadelphia is awesome.

## Shooters expect weekend win

By TIM BELLA  
Staff Reporter

Coming off a fall season that saw a plethora of record-setting individual and team performances, the rifle team will look to get back into a rhythm this weekend when it hosts the Air Force Falcons at the TCU Rifle Range.

Rewriting the record books became common during the 2006 fall campaign as the shooters set new team records for their performances in 60-shot air rifle and aggregate scoring, according to the team's all-time records. The team also wound up securing the top five individual scores in the 60-shot air rifle event.

With all of the team's recent success, head coach Karen Monez said she expects much of the same for this weekend and beyond.

Monez said five of the six shooters competed at state shooting competitions dur-

ing the Winter Break and the extra work will be beneficial this season.

"They have raised the bar," Monez said. "The scores they're shooting is at the skill level they're at."

Even with some holiday competition, freshman shooter Erin Lorenzen said the team needs to get back on its regular shooting schedule.

Senior shooter Nikki LeCompte said that her time back in Fort Worth has been a little hectic.

"What's been most stressful has been getting as many hours as I can in (the rifle range)," LeCompte said.

Monez attributes the team's success to a major turnover in personnel from a year ago. Lorenzen has made significant strides at the college level with more consistent performances, Monez said.

LeCompte said Lorenzen, along with freshman Lauren

Sullivan, are building a solid foundation for the future of the program.

"Coming from high school, it's a big deal to meet up to the standards," LeCompte said. "(Lorenzen) has definitely exceeded the standards."

In the last meet of 2006, TCU was in a three-team match that included the Air Force Falcons and the Nebraska Cornhuskers. The team finished in second place and scored 70 points more than third-place Air Force in aggregate scoring.

Monez said she expects the team to win both matches Saturday and to play at a much higher level compared to its match last fall against the Falcons.

"The competition has gone up and (Air Force) had a couple extra weeks of practice, but I'm confident we can overcome them again," Lorenzen said.

## Video games take athleticism too

By MARCUS MURPHREE  
Sports Editor

No more greens fees, no more shoe rental and no more batting cage tokens. But the best thing of all, the days of playing outside seemed to be numbered.

The advent of the Nintendo Wii has taken the evolution of video game athletics to a whole new level as physical exertion and tendonitis is now possible from the comfort of my two-bedroom apartment.

Sunday morning marked a momentous occasion in my life. Along with my roommate, I braved 35-degree weather and blistering winds to finally become a recipient of a Wii. Around noon that same day, my surrogate brother opened the doors to the apartment carrying the white package and I knew we had finally reached "Nerdvana."

Before you think this is just me boasting that I have a Wii

and you don't, let me explain why this should be considered sports commentary.

The Wii Sports Package has tennis, baseball, boxing, bowling and golf, and all can be controlled with a finessed flick of the wrist. "Flick of the wrist" is an operative expression since a swinging a 6-inch long controller (aptly named the "Wiimote") like a Wilson tennis racket is a more accessible segue into reliving your childhood sports fantasies.

As a former patron of the Beaumont West End YMCA's summer tennis camp, I figured I could still tear up the courts in a virtual format. Little did I know I would be taking two Aleve before going to bed because "tennis elbow" was setting in. After wanting to get a brace for my forearm, I decided to step up to the plate and challenge my roommate to a rousing game of MLB Home Run Derby.

Steroid use and testosterone-fueled, RBI-producing hulks of men may have a stranglehold on Major League Baseball, but I figured I could compete with these mammoths through my



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Nintendo's Wii isn't intimidating because it has a novel controller you can intuitively swing as if it were a baseball bat.

game system. After 25 minutes of "long ball" swings, there were no home runs to show for my efforts but I did have some strained obliques from executing proper torso rotation through the hitting zone. Ted Williams would have been proud.

My Super Nintendo may have gotten the boot last summer but sore thumbs are nothing compared to a torn rotator cuff and the total glee that fills me when I smash my cross court forehand down my computerized opponent's throat.

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