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Drugs, alcohol found after false fire alarm

By LYDIA AKINDE
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Police are investigating a false fire alarm that turned into a drug search in one of the third-floor rooms of Martin-Moore Hall on Friday.

It was around midnight when an alarm drew TCU police officers Richard Teakell and Walker Johnson to the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity house. Johnson, who was the first to arrive,

found the activated fire alarm in a hallway near a room, according to a TCU police report.

In the report, Teakell said officers noticed the fire alarm had been hit and damaged by a chair. Police said they found a trail of splinters on the floor, which they followed to an undisclosed student's room.

The student denied knowing about the incident, police said, and through

an identification number on the chair, the officers traced it to another room.

While checking the room for the chair, police said, they found a pipe on a desk in the room that smelled of marijuana.

The police declined to identify the room number, and the university would not disclose the names of the students.

Officers found a case of beer on the floor of the room, police said, but neither of the room's residents are 21 or older.

While searching for marijuana in the room, they also found five more cans full of beer, police said.

TCU police are still investigating the case, detective Vicki Lawson said.

Lawson did not name any sus-

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DINING

Students wanting additions

Student traffic fuels dining structure

By MICHAEL DODD
Staff Reporter

The TCU Dining Services' staff and administration said they have made many improvements to campus eateries, but some students say they want to see even more changes and additions to the dining options around campus.

Rick Flores, director of Dining Services, said student traffic is the reason for the structuring of eateries throughout the campus.

"[Dining Services] is working very well in the Smith (Entrepreneurs Hall) with the Sub Connection because the unit is on the ground floor and students walking by know it is there," Flores said. "Jazzman's (Café), in Tucker Technology (Center), which is on the lower level, doesn't have any traffic, so it's very hard to keep that unit alive in that location, because there isn't enough student participation."

Traffic has played such a big part in the structuring of dining services because they have learned that students won't walk four minutes for food, Flores said.

"If it's not right next to them, they aren't going to go out of their way to get it," Flores said.

Despite this fact, the Moudy Building is currently without a proximate dining option, but Flores said Dining Services has done all that they can there.

"We did make an effort about three years ago to try to put an operation into Moudy, but it wasn't received or welcome," Flores said. "There were some faculty members there that thought it would be a disturbance to the classroom environment. We weren't accepted there, so we never went back."

Sophomore nursing major Maud Mensa said she also thinks the dining options are limited and that the administration should increase the dining budget.

"They need to make some sort of expansion," Mensa

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CAMPUS EXPANSION

Improvements, renovation set for bookstore

Trailers to serve as makeshift stores during construction

By LIZ CRAWFORD
Staff Reporter

Merchandise will soon be moved out of the TCU Bookstore and into trailers located in the bookstore parking lot in order to prepare for construction, said Lisa Lewis, the store's general manager.

The trailers, which open Feb. 27, will provide about a quarter of the space the current bookstore has. Merchandise from the general reading and textbook sections of the bookstore will not be available but school supplies and clothing will, Lewis said.

Cody Visone, a junior entrepreneurial management major, said he is concerned with how the trailers will look to the passersby.

"It probably won't have much curb appeal," Visone said.

Lewis said many students currently park in the bookstore parking lot, but since the lot will be occupied by trailers and construction equipment, students will have to park elsewhere.

Ben Napier, a junior radio-TV-film major, said this will make parking on campus even harder.

The hours for the temporary bookstore are still in negotiation, but it will be a full-service store with full-service hours. Morning operating hours will not change, Lewis said.

In May, when textbook buyback begins, students will be able to sell their books back at a location on campus. The University Recreation Center, the Brown-Lupton Student Center and Worth Hills are being considered, Lewis said.

After the renovation, the bookstore will have a second floor just for textbooks. This area will be almost three times the size of the current textbook area, Lewis said. Also, an expansion of the bookstore café will provide more seating for students and visitors.

The north entrance will be renovated to

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ART OF SCROUNGING



TCU professor finds treasures in local dumpsters

By DAN MCGRAW
Staff Reporter

Most people don't think of the dumpster behind Panera Bread as a bakery or the trash pile behind Target as a supermarket, but for eight months, one TCU criminologist did.

Jeff Ferrell, a professor of criminal justice, recently released his book "Empire of Scrounge" that details the eight months of dumpster-diving he did in Fort Worth.

After Ferrell, who grew up in Fort Worth, left a tenured post at Northern Arizona University in 2001 over a disagreement with administrators, he took the opportunity to live life as a scrounger.

"It was the way of life that I always wanted to explore," Ferrell said. "I wanted to know how they lived and this was my chance."

Ilene Kalish, the editor of "Empire of Scrounge" and

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PHOTOS BY LANA HUNT / Chief Photographer
Professor of criminal justice Jeff Ferrell spent eight months dumpster diving to surface with his book "Empire of Scrounge."

NEWS BRIEF

Rezoning meeting tonight

Student-tenants and Fort Worth residents will meet again tonight to discuss problems related to the large numbers of people renting and living in single-family houses in TCU neighborhoods.

The public hearing, which will be held at 7 p.m. at the Deborah Beggs Moncrief Garden Center at the Botanic Garden, will give citizens and students who were unable to attend last week's meeting, the chance to voice their concerns for the city to consider, said Anthony Snipes, assistant to the

city manager.

Issues that will be presented for discussion by the Unrelated Persons and Rental Registration Task Force include, reducing the number of unrelated persons in the current ordinance's definition of "family," implementing rental registration costs/fees, the definition of a "secondary dwelling," and a residential parking permit program.

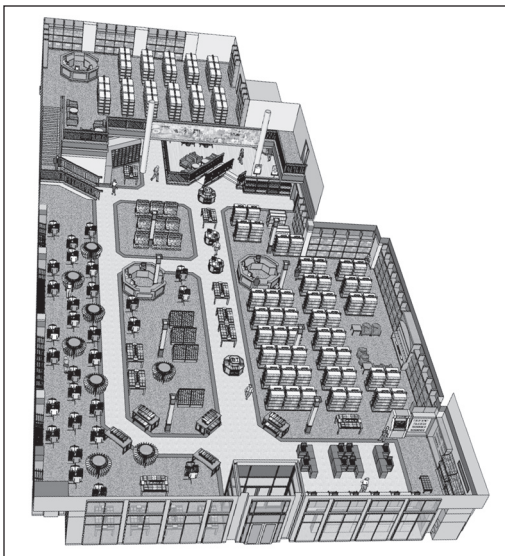
For additional information regarding the Unrelated Persons & Rental Registration Task Force's recommendations, call 817-392-8018.

— Lydia Akinde; Amy Hallford contributed to this report

On the spot

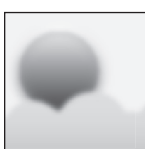


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Four Day Weekend players Oliver Tull (left) and Joshua Roberts sing an improvised song at Revive Live! Wednesday night in the Student Center ballroom.



Courtesy of TCU Bookstore

New floor plans for the TCU Bookstore boast an entire second floor, larger library and more seating.



WEATHER

TODAY: Partly cloudy, 63/46

FRIDAY: Showers 61/52

SATURDAY: Few showers, 69/42

FUN FACT

When Lewis Miller, an Ohio resident, opened his gas bill for nine days of service at a new apartment, he was shocked to find he had been charged \$8,095. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

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