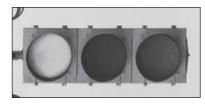


NEWS Recycle mania is back and bigger in its second year. TOMORROW



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Scholarships to increase as tuition rates rise

By CHRISTINA DURANO Staff Reporter

The university will increase

demic scholarship will increase said. 8.4 percent also, said Mike

and financial aid.

academic scholarships at the cellor's Scholarships were the dents, Scott said. same percentage rate as tuition only academic scholarships next year, the director of schol- that increased with tuition ship percentage increase will increase for current students will increase 18 percent next ships proportionately with arships and financial aid said. from year to year, but next Tuition will increase 8.4 per- year all academic scholarships increase rather than the percent cent to \$26,900, and each aca- will increase with tuition, Scott of tuition increase since they

This scholarship percentage

Upperclassmen's scholarbe based on next year's tuition started at TCU, Scott said.

yet.

Next year's scholarship \$1 million, Scott said.

The undergraduate financial aid budget usually received Scott said the university has the same percentage increase

Scott, director of scholarships increase will apply to all aca- not set the exact amount for as the tuition increase, but it arships and next year, it will demic scholarship recipients, each type of academic schol- will receive about a 25 per- spend about \$17.5 million, Scott Previously, full-tuition Chan- both current and incoming stu- arship for incoming freshmen cent increase for the 2008-2009 said. school year, Scott said.

will cost the university about year, and the money will come tuition was that it wanted to get, Scott said.

This year, TCU spent about cellor Victor Boschini said. \$16 million on academic schol-

The reason the university The total financial aid budget decided to increase scholarfrom reallocations in the bud- reward students who were doing well academically, Chan-

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THIS JUST IN



Kenyan orphan to receive support from student group

By BIBEK BHANDARI Staff Reporter

A student organization is celebrating African culture and raising support for an HIV-affected Kenyan girl today.

The African Heritage Organization is sponsoring the girl in association with Teenage Mothers and Girls Association of Kenya.

Safari to Africa: A Journey from the Nile to Zambezi, is a fundraising event giving guests and students a taste of Africa, said Maria Muya, a senior nursing major and coordinator of the event.

"The reason we're sponsoring

TCU Black History Month Calender of Events

Friday, Feb. 1 AHO Safari to Africa Student Center Ballroom 7 p.m. \$15 per person; \$20 per couple

Thursday, Feb. 7 NAACP Presents "More than Words" Student Center Lounge 7 p.m.

Broadcast journalism majors Michelle Euperio and Leslie Dyer anchor for TCU News Now on Wednesday. The newscast, now daily, became a CNN affiliate and its relationship with the national network allows the student operation to air broadcast content from CNN and its affiliate stations.

Student-run news program now airs daily

By KRISTIN BUTLER Staff Reporter

news feed, said a News Now. Now staff member.

technology and a CNN CNN and use it on News newscasts to the News

TCU News Now is a dai- News Now is now a CNN \$20,000. A satellite on the ly newscast this semes- affiliate, enabling them roof of the Moudy Buildter with the help of new to receive raw footage ing connects with CNN's professional equipment, and news packages from satellite and downloads

Tommy Thomason, Rebekah Hood, junior director of the Schief- deciding which news broadcast journalism fer School of Journal- feed to use, he purchased major and executive pro- ism, said the technology, the equipment directly

Now server, he said.

Thomason said after

ducer of News Now, said called Pathfire, cost about through CNN. The new technology

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FOR YOUR INFO **TCU** News Now Tuesday to Friday On-campus channel 52 Online at DailySkiff.com

the girl is to empower her," Muya said. "As an orphan she is struggling, and AHO believes highly in educating the girl child."

Safari to Africa is a display of different delicacies of the continent like dolma, mandazi, fried plantains and more. The event is also a display of traditional and contemporary clothes from across Africa, Muya said.

"We've taken traditional elements of African fashion and put it together with Western fashion," said Eseri Lwanga, a senior French and fashion merchandising major who is displaying one of her designs in the show.

Tara De Fonseka, a sophomore accounting major from Sri Lanka and a model for the fashion show, said having lived based contemporary Kenyan in Ghana makes her feel close rap group, Black Chamber, the to African culture.

most of the show, Muya said. traditional African songs. The highlights include a U.S.-

Saturday, Feb. 8 Sixth Night at the Apollo Ed Landreth Auditorium 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 9 Black Alumni Alliance/ Hispanic Alumni Association Mixer with students Dee J. Kelly Alumni Center 12 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 12 NAACP Presents "Presidential Information" Student Center 203 8 p.m.

Gumboot dance from South Afri-Songs and dance make up ca and local singers performing See **SAFARI**, page 2

Communication honor society to merge with national chapter

By CHARLES RICE Staff Reporter

as the chapter prepares to join is behind the time, he said. a national organization.

and SPX president.

a national organization with catch up." The communication studies which TCU was able to associto undergo a face-lift of sorts King said. In many ways, TCU

Sigma Pi Chi is in the process practice to have an honor sociof merging with the National ety that isn't recognized on a Communication Association national scale, but the comhonor society Lambda Pi Eta, munication studies department degrees, Salim said. said Jennifer Salim, a senior and major has really grown in communication studies major the last few years," Salim said.

ma Pi Chi chapter, there wasn't the clubs, they're all trying to of a national chapter on mem- NCA because it is the largest the chapter, Salim said.

Sigma Pi Chi is unique to honor society is getting ready ate itself, faculty sponsor Paul TCU and gives members a way to network inside the Department of Communica-"It's definitely not common tion Studies as well as attend lectures from guest speakers who talk about the best ways to use communication studies sons I ran for a board posi- Bochner, NCA national presi- a 3.25 in their major.

some members have is that "I think that everything, the because SPX is unique to ment." When TCU started the Sig- size, the faculty available and TCU, it lacks the legitimacy

bers' resumes.

Lora Chamberlain, the organization's secretary, was one of the main members involved TCU to join the national chapter, Salim said.

tion," Chamberlain said. "I Salim said the problem have a real reason to add something to the depart-

TCU is choosing to go with they make up the majority of organization," Salim said.

and oldest society for studying mass communication, chapter will remain intact, GPA King said.

with the process of getting connection with a national be required to have an overorganization and an oppor- all GPA of 3.25 and at least a tunity for career planning in 3.5 in their major. Currently, "It was one of the big rea- communications," said Art members are required to have dent.

> TCU until juniors and seniors because not all members will in the group graduate, because automatically qualify for the

requirements will be raised, "That would give them a Salim said. Members will now

Although the goals of the

"There will be a dual mem-

Sigma Pi Chi will remain at bership for a little while

WEATHER TODAY: Partly cloudy/windy, 46/28 TOMORROW: Sunny, 59/41 SATURDAY: Sunny, 64/51

PECULIAR FACT

AUSTIN — A volunteer at a radio station set it on fire because he was upset that his playlist for an overnight Internet broadcast was - Associated Press changed, police said.

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ANNIE COOPER / Staff Photographer

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"One of the main complaints I got about tuition was from students receiving academic scholarships, because the need-based scholarships had increased, but their scholarships had not gone up with tuition," Boschini said.

of academic and need-based scholarships next year but has not set that number yet, Boschini said.

said. Most of those students received one of four types of freshman academic scholarships, Scott said.

Ryan Dalrymple, a freshman engineering major and academic scholarship recipient, said he thinks TCU's increasing the number of academic years, but this year is the first year it scholarships is a smart decision.

"There's a lot of individuals who TCU will also increase the number may not get to come if they don't get scholarships," Dalrymple said.

However, Andrew Hammond, a freshman neuroscience major and Currently, about 2,000 students are academic scholarship recipient, said

receiving academic scholarships, Scott he thinks the scholarship percentage increase is better.

> "The number of scholarships is one thing, but the amount is where it really gets you," Hammond said.

> Scott said TCU has tried to increase scholarships with tuition for several was financially feasible.

> "Anytime you make a change, there's going to be a significant cost," Scott said. "Specifically with financial aid, the only way you get funding is to take money from something else or raise tuition even more."

TCU has about a \$1.2 billion endowment, but the Board of Trustees only allows TCU to spend about 5 percent of that endowment, Scott said.

Scott said the university is exploring the possibility of providing students with a four-year fixed tuition rate. TCU would have to project the cost of tuition increases for four years and set a mean price that would remain fixed for four years, Scott said.

Scott said he does not know when and if a fixed tuition rate will become a reality, because it is still in the research stages.

BY THE NUMBERS 2007-2008 Freshmen Scholarship Amounts

Before Increase Chancellor's Scholarship \$24,820 \$10,000 Dean's Scholarship Faculty Scholarship \$8,500 TCU Scholarship \$6,000 After Increase Chancellor's Scholarship \$26,900 \$10,840

Dean's Scholarship Faculty Scholarship \$9,214 TCU Scholarship \$6,504

The 12 members of

the staff are individually

assigned a certain subject

on campus to report on at

all times, Hood said. News

Now also rotates the roles of

producer, anchor, editor and

studio manager each week,

"It gives everyone a

chance to learn something

she said.

on News Now."

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allows News Now to broadcast footage not directcast journalism major.

Michelle Buckalew, a jour- news organization." nalism instructor and News

February 6, 2008

Masses: 7:00AM, 12:00 noon, 7:00PM

broadcast news.

"It is the same equipment ly linked to TCU, such as that is utilized in hundreds sisted of a 20-minute show celebrity news and coverage of newsrooms across the that featured the same pack- that we get more production of the elections, said Susan country," she wrote. "A vid- ages on rotation all week, time," Ferguson said. "The Gilmartin, a senior broad- eo news source is an impor- Hood said. tant tool to any broadcast

Join us on Ash Wednesday

more realistic newsroom enterprise stories, informa- Tuesday, Wednesday and experience and better pre- tion gathered in collabora- Thursday, making Friday pare them for a career in tion with the Daily Skiff and the day to showcase the other news sources.

Last year, News Now con-

Kelly Ferguson, senior broadcast journalism major 24/7 anymore." Buckalew said the infor- and News Now news direcgive broadcast students a also include student-based broadcast new stories every newsroom such as switch- ment, Hood said.

SAFARI

From page 1

Crafts from Africa will be on

sale to raise money to sponsor

the girl's education, and one of

the AHO members will give a

presentation about HIV in Afri-

students' individual packages.

"The biggest difference is show is new four days a week, it's not the same thing

participants, took pride in being

involved with the event.

contribution," she said.

"It is the same equipment that is utilized in hundreds of newsrooms across the county."

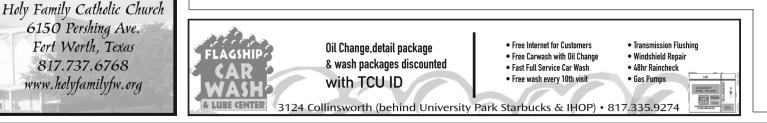
Michelle **Buckalew**

News Now adviser

This year the team has boards, lights and a newly new," Gilmartin said. "We Now's adviser, said in an mation in the shows will not tor, said with the new tech- more access to everything painted anchor desk from also don't have to blindly e-mail the equipment will just come from CNN, but will nology the show will now found in a professional the radio-TV-film depart- think about what to show

> AHO, said the group wants the Sylvia Ipaye, a freshman kine- TCU community to experience a series of events commemo-

siology major and one of the elements of Africa. "We feel proud because this is one of the biggest events of "Just being a part of it is a AHO," Muya said. "We're looking forward for TCU commu-Nyembezi Moyo, a senior biol- nity to come and support our ogy major and vice president of cause."

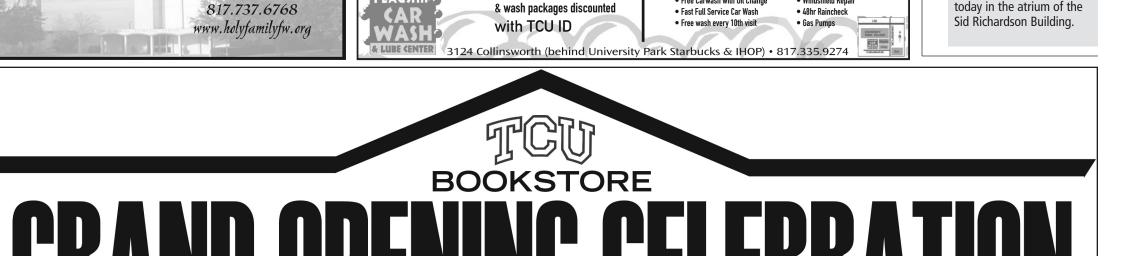


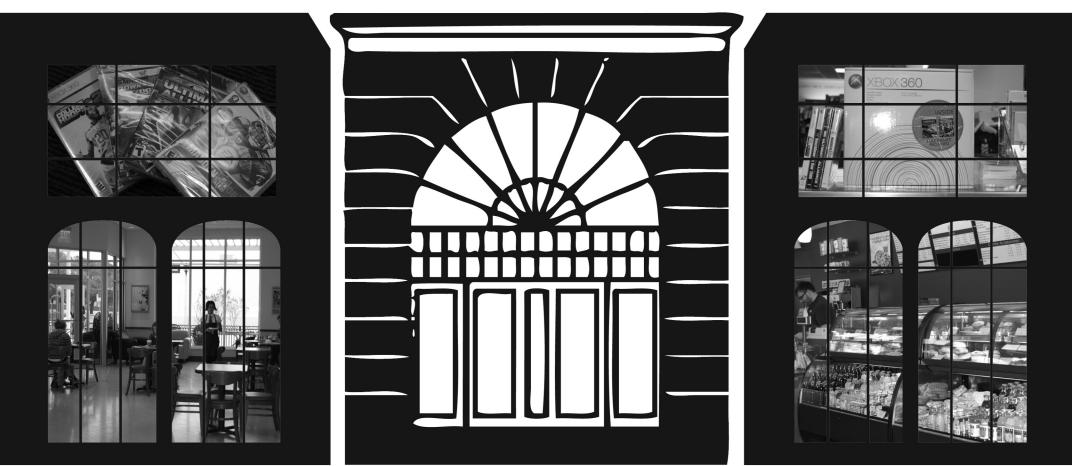
ca, Muya said.

Safari to Africa is the first in rating Black History Month.

CLARIFICATION

A Wednesday article about a teach-in on global warming did not address when and where the event will take place. The teachin will take place at noon





THURSDAY JANUARY 31 TCU Neighbors & friends of community invited to a day-long celebration SPECIAL EVENTS AND CHILDREN'S HOURS COME SEE "TCU's GIFT TO THE COMMUNITY"

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OUOTE OF THE DAY

"The more passions and desires one has, the more ways one has of being happy."

BY NATE ARNOLD

— Charlotte-Catherine

THE SKIFF VIEW Scholarship hike aids students

uring the past few years the university has increased tuition at a rate of 8.4 percent while the academic scholarships remained static after being initially rewarded.

For most students who are on needbased scholarships, it can be hard to find the extra cash to pay for the difference between the increased price and the old amount

However, this year's tuition will increase once again, but this time each academic scholarship will increase at 8.4 percent, mirroring the current rise. The total number of scholarships given will increase,

This effort is not a shallow one because it actually helps the students who are currently here. Instead of only trying to focus on the next best incoming freshman class, this shows more depth and care for TCU as a whole.

Rewarding students shows that campus

officials are still paying attention and caring for each students' financial situation, whatever it may be. Students should and will be pleased about the good news.

As for the students who are trying to apply to TCU, this will help them tremendously. There are a lot of students that are more than qualified to be a Horned Frog but cannot because they can't get the scholarships they need.

Luckily, since the number of first-year academic and need-based scholarships will receive about a 25 percent increase, it will give a lot more students a chance to experience TCU.

Hands down, this is one of the best things the university has given its students.

While the bookstore and new facilities are great assets to the campus, rewarding students for their academic achievement surpasses the shiny new lily pads and meal plan.

Features editor Jordan Haygood for the editorial board.

"GRAND"MARC THE 0 IT'S QUITE SIMPLE. FIRST WE TAKE THE AGGREGATED DEMAND FOR ENERGY MULTIPLIED BY THE NUMBER OF DAYS DIVIDED BY YOUR SO BASICALLY NOT A CLUE. CAN YOU EXPLAIN YOU HAVE NO WHY MY ELE OTRICITY APARTMENT NUMBER, IDEA? SUBTRACTED FROM BILL IS SO HIGH? THE TOTAL LIGHT BULBS. MNGR D MNGR NATE

Nate Arnold is a junior marketing and e-business major from Edmond, Okla

Increased red light cameras promote safety, prevent wrecks

During the last few months, red light cameras have been installed all around my home turf.

I see technicians out there regularly, adjusting the complicated equipment and



if there are cameras before deciding to slide through a yellow light?



I must mention, I have never gotten a ticket for running a red light, but I have lots of questions about the new camera system.

Who pays if someone borrows a car and runs a red light? What if the cameras and red lights get out of sync?

A simple fraction of a second could cost plenty.

I'm in my car a lot. I sometimes sit at red lights frustrated because there is not a soul in sight and I could get on down the road if I could just bring myself to run that red light.

I'm generally a rule follower, but I can tell you right now, I have been tempted to run lights. Until the installation

istration says 178,000 people were injured and 920 people died in 2002. As we run around getting busier all the time, red light running is on the rise, up 10 percent nationwide over the last 20 years.

I did discover that it varies state by state as to whether the owner of a car or the driver is issued the ticket. There are 20 states operating red light cameras. In Texas, the owner of the car gets the ticket, but it doesn't go on his or her record.

The City of Fort Worth started handing out tickets Jan. 1. According to Darla Miles, Channel 8 news reporter, 2,042 tickets were issued in the first 15 days of the year. Don't worry, the \$155,000 raised from these tickets will go right back into the red light enforcement program. In fact, most cities fund the entire program

with funds from red light

Professors should notify class if required texts aren't needed

back to the community, we needed. like to light up a couple my bathroom and flush \$5 and I could've had flushing students show up). bills down the toilet until \$80 worth of Lincolns. the fire alarm in our apartment building goes off.

professors not informing their "I felt a sense of loss students which required texts are not necessarily "required" for their course.

It's an easilysolved problem to an all-too-reg-

fessor I've encountered feels through.

to be a nice gesture on the sarily in a threatening or This is a basic parallel professor's part. I'm all ominous manner since it to the common practice of about nice gestures. I blow wouldn't do any good. Rath-

for the good time my roommate and I could've had flushcake." ing \$80 worth of

Lincolns." **Ross Stewart** tures that

ular situation. Yet no pro- thing, gestures that follow which books to buy, I'll go

When my roommate and to find out an \$80 book advance, and it allows them I aren't out being venture that the bookstore told me to save money. There isn't a capitalists trying to give I needed was not in fact drawback, other than a professor having to use some I felt a sense of loss for of his or her "office hours" stogies, stand around in the good time my roommate (during which hardly any

Students, demand this of I know it was supposed your professors, not neceskisses to peo- er, tell them how nice it was ple instead of for them to cut some of the flipping them required texts out, but also off. I call bad tell them how much more it drivers "Cup- would've helped you if they had posted it in advance. I like nice You don't get slapped if you gestures, ges- don't ask.

With my leftover cash mean some- from knowing in advance out and grab some cookie

of all these red light cameras.

One might question whether it is the income from issuing tickets that motivates cities to install these pesky cameras at key intersections.

But everything I've read has led me to understand that a hefty percentage of traffic accidents — more than 20 percent — are caused by people running red lights, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. So, red light cameras are all about safety, safety, safety.

Hundreds of people across the country die in collisions that result from this violation. The Federal Highway Admin-

runners. I saw some crafty nerds on the Discovery Channel's "MythBusters" trying to beat radar guns and red light cameras by applying different products to shield their license plates, and none of the methods worked. Personally, I have decided to simply work on my patience during the red light process, or I'll just diligently stop at the lights and put on polish or mascara.

I never get through that process without the light turning green.

Victoria Barth is a liberal arts graduate student from Fort Worth.

it necessary to forewarn his money.

apartment building? Easy. Dismantle

them.

Saving money is one of my top priorities, as it is to most of my classmates, so I make sure to buy my books in advance. Many students, like myself, don't use the bookstore on campus for all of their required text needs. I use half.com and amazon.com along with the marketplace application on Facebook. I arrived at my

sociology course on the first day only

If a professor isn't going dough. I may bake some or her students about the to require some of the texts, professors cookies — that possibility of wasting of it would be best if the pro- is, if they can keep me out fessor would post a notice. of this swivet. How could I keep the fire Students in the class autoalarms from going off in my matically have the chance to see this information far in

Ross Stewart's column appeared in the University (of Kansas) Daily Kansan.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR Coach commendation undeserved because of losing records

I seriously have to disagree with a house editorial published Jan. 24, about head basketball coach Neil Dougherty's actions to get more fans at games.

SXC.HU

Dougherty is not "going above the call of duty to gain student support."

He wants support now that the team is winning games, but he never tried to do that when it was in the process

of winning 21 games in the past two seasons. we are doing

well now, does that DOUGHERTY mean he can

try to get fans? He should really try to be more like head football coach Gary Patterson because if the football

season is sub-par or not, Patterson always wants fans to come out.

What crowning achieve-Just because ments has Dougherty led our men to? One trip to the National Invitation Tournament back in 2005. You cannot really say that since we changed from Conference USA to the Mountain West in 2005 that this is the reason why our guys

haven't done well.

Well, the football team adjusted nicely by winning the conference. The women adjusted by placing third in the Mountain West while still getting to the second round of the NCAA tournament, so what is the guys' excuse for winning a total of eight times that year? There is none.

I personally feel like TCU should go coach hunting for a new head coach. Since he has been head coach he has amassed a 72-92 record but I feel you have to give in five years. That equals about 12 wins a season. Do you really think that this possible good season is a reason to keep him around?

Is that the productivity you would expect from a Division I basketball team? Definitely not.

I am all for supporting all sports here around campus credit where credit is due. And from where I see it, Dougherty is on the very bottom of my credit list.

> Michael R. Stewart II is a junior studio art major from San Antonio.

Editor's note: Since he has been at TCU, coach Dougherty has advocated for students to come to the games.

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Chandra Levy's mother aids student investigation

By EMILIE RAGUSO McClatchy Newspapers

Atlanta on Thursday as they detectives and FBI agents. begin a yearlong investigation into Levy's death.

ter.

having the rains. Because you undisputed, that she had been woods for. It never gets easier. Ceres, Calif. But it may be therapeutic to talk about it."

Bauder College will spend this haven't made an arrest. year digging into Levy's 2001

MODESTO, Calif. — The tive Research Institute, they school student from Alabama absolutely no better way to do other Bauder investigations to that support. mother of unsolved homicide will weigh evidence, interview who vanished during a gradu- that than through somebody's also will attend Thursday's victim Chandra Levy will talk experts and, they hope, find ation trip in Aruba. to criminal justice students in connections missed by police

Raised in Modesto, Levy investigation's was a graduate student who opening. She Susan Levy said she'll speak just had completed a feder- provided footnot from a script, but "from al Bureau of Prisons intern- age of her the heart" about her daugh- ship when she disappeared daughter and in Washington, D.C. Her diswrote a letter "It brings it back every appearance became fodder for the event, time," she said. "It's very pain- for widespread media cover- school offiful, especially when we start age after reports, ultimately cials said. wonder how your child felt, romantically involved with director Sheryl how long they were out in the married Rep. Gary Condit of McCollum, a professor at Baud- real person."

disappearance. As part of the probe the 2005 disappearance college's Cold Case Investiga- of Natalee Holloway, a high tims as real people. There's

not attend the

"They have to see these victims as real people. There's absolutely no better way to do that than through somebody's mama."

Sheryl McCollum Bauder professor

Institute

er who also runs the Cold Case Students this year also will crucial for students.

mama," she said. "Everybody Holloway's mother could knows what Natalee Hol-

> as real people. When a moth-

lifestyles and how they might need that."

"They have to see these vic- have become victims.

session. The teenage son of other parents, but you still Sirlena Cobb of Stone Moun- have the same pain. You just loway looks tain, Ga., went missing in know you're not alone in it," like. Every- 1979. Last year, when students she said. body remem- looked at the case of Wayne bers Chandra Williams, who police said was tion, students will turn over Levy, but not the key suspect in his death, their conclusions about the Cobb spoke to students.

er is sitting four talk about," she said. "Some- tims, the investigation is about feet in front of times, it still is. You have more than that recommendayou, students your down days. This is the tion, McCollum said. know they're month, in 1980, when they answering to a found him and buried him. here. These mothers are It's a tough month for me. But connected to these students Family members also can I'll be there. I just want to from now on," McCollum said. Levy's remains were found Crime Analysis Squad for the flesh out the victimology of be supportive, tell them how in May 2002 in Washing- Pine Lake Police Department each case, McCollum said, giv- I felt all these years, how I some big resolve, that's not The students at Atlanta's ton's Rock Creek Park. Police in Georgia, said visits from the ing students a better under- survived. And just give them the most important piece. families of crime victims are standing of the victims' a hug, because sometime you It's that somebody still gives

Susan Levy said Tuesday Mothers of victims from that she is looking forward

"It's good to meet with

After the yearlong investigacases to prosecutors or police. "It used to be really hard to But, for families of crime vic-

> "Mothers can come back "Whether or not this case gets a damn."

MIT student tries to bring back the mustache in contest

By JEFF GUO The (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) Tech

difficult to think of anything cially inspired by pictures scruffy gang of about 13 men ing his genetic endowment Campus's Talbot Lounge, will the past few years. The New that has twisted in the winds he saw on the World Beard and women drawn mostly (blond and Danish). "It's not feature "celebrity judges" York City Beard and Musof pop culture quite like the and Mustache Championship from the East Campus undergreat American mustache. Web site: men with tentacle- graduate dormitory met to but it's also sparse," he com- cer and former Undergrad- in 2006, attracted hundreds Commonly praised and par- like sideburns and tapestry- check-in and trash talk. odied, what was once the like beards. crown jewel of the 1970s sory that may or may not be we're aiming for." making a comeback.

period project.

ing competition that culmi- takes facial hair seriously. nates in a public judging this

and the favored scion of Tom ing these outrageous beards," now," senior Matt N. Faulkner the thinness of his beard, sizes that self-esteem — not Institute, a mustache advo-Selleck and Burt Reynolds is Pepper said. "But it's slight- said to Pepper, who is try- he's trying for the "creepi- competition — is the goal. cacy group, the popularity today a kitschy-creepy acces- ly more ambitious than what ing for a Hulk Hogan beard- est mustache" category — "Really we're all winners," of mustache competitions —

What, exactly, the partici-To Brian J. Pepper, a senior pants in MITstache are aim- great, actually — whereas I tures of pedophiles for ref- first event of its kind to maligned face ornament. "We at MIT, it seemed to be an ing for is hard to say, partly can't even see that you have erence. ideal independent activities because there are several one from over here," Pepper different judging categories said. Pepper, who is sponsoring (including one for women)

a monthlong mustache-grow- and partly because nobody have a manbeard fight now," cackling. "I'm just trying to Tufts, Stanford and George-On a recent Sunday after-CAMBRIDGE, Mass. - It's Sunday, said he was espe- noon, an appropriately

"You know, your beard that no one's noticed." "People spend years grow- isn't looking too healthy stache.

someone said. "Just rub your look like one." beards together!"

or "pedi-stache" - to which it says. "My beard is growing end he has downloaded pic-

Erik D. Fogg was lament- held at 2 p.m. Sunday in East and beard competitions in just that it's slow growing, including admissions offi- tache Championships, held plained. "All I've noticed is uate Association President of spectators. Matthew L. McGann. But the Fogg says that because of MITstache Web site empha- of the American Mustache

"Uh oh, you guys have to molested," he said to general beard cultivation; Vanderbilt, Perlut said.

Valentine

town Universities have all The final pageant, to be held their own mustache

For Aaron Perlut, director often for charity - prefig-Though MITstache is the ures a return to glory for the occur on campus in recent now have a generation that "I'm not, like, looking memory, it follows in a is very self-expressive. It's for pedophiles so I can be quasi-tradition of collegiate creating a new movement,"

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'Helicopter parents' baffle university administrators

By ERICA PEREZ Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

MILWAUKEE — One insisted on sitting in on his college student's job interview. Another demanded that her graduate student be given a different housing assignment.

They're called "helicopter parents." University administrators often bemoan the crippling effect they can have when they intervene on students' behalf. But a recent national survey suggests that while college officials may see many parents' behavior as overzealous, students are largely satisfied with a little helicopter-like hovering, at least in their first year.

According to the survey released last week by the Higher Education Research Institute at the University of California, Los Angeles, a large majority of nearly 300,000 college freshmen reported that they were happy with their parents' involvement in their college careers.

their dealings with college el." officials. About 73 percent choosing their classes.

"We've talked about heliinvolved," said Mark McCarthy, assistant vice president for student affairs at Marquette University. "What often isn't talked about is the desire of students to have their parents involved ... many students are very much wanting to have contact with their parents in their decision-making in their daily lives."



for them," McCarthy said. was completely different, But, he said, "A first-gener- and I would have liked an ation student doesn't have older brother or sister to tell the knowledge base or the me what to expect." More than three-quar- resources base available to ters said their parents were them ... I think there is a a senior at Marquette, had involved the right amount in disadvantage at some lev- a good idea of what to

said they were fine with the can be particularly chalrole their parents played in lenging for students whose parents don't speak English, parents would probably said Annette Cleary, direc- never go so far as to choose copter parents being overly tor of college counseling at her classes for her or dial Marquette University High School.

> "This is what college is about, to pick up skills, because this transfers into the job after college.'

Scott Peak

University of Wisconsin-Madison director of

MCT

By contrast, Linzi Saigh, expect from college in part Financial aid applications because her dad attended Marquette.

> She said that while her up a college professor to complain about a grade, she talks to her mom or dad nearly every day and turns to them for advice.

> "If I get upset, I call and I vent, usually to my dad, and he usually gives me directions on how to act. ... Mostly he has me deal with it myself," Saigh said.

That's about the level of involvement McCarthy recommends to parents during summer preview programs and orientations. "We talk a lot about ... Lori Berguam, dean of students at University of Wisconsin-Madison, said program last year with a Web site, newsletter and

Teens, using YouTube, create stir in Chicago

By VIKKI ORTIZ Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Huddled around a cell phone in a West Chicago school, the five boys immediately caught a teacher's closely, they discovered a new disciplinary issue. The 8th appealing to teens and young graders were using the camera phone to watch video of a fake fight they staged in a bathroom at Benjamin Middle School. They had filmed multiple rounds of a shoving match — no more than a couple of minutes long — and planned to post it on YouTube.

"I'd read about instances like that," said Philip Ehrhardt, superintendent of Benjamin School District 25. "We weren't aware of it being done here."

The students involved were suspended from one to four days for engaging in potentially dangerous behavior. School districts throughout the Chicago area have discovered, often painfully, that video-recorded fights have become an Internet rage for teens and young adults.

Confronted with legions of Web-savvy students willing to push the envelope, educators increasingly are caught in a bones aren't broken while not stifling creativity, experts say. Administrators at Benjamin are blogging and video techniques to channel misguided activities into productive learning.

Learning the Ropes

Since 2006, nearly 1,000 popular sites to help maintain safety, a spokesman said.

could slip and hit his or her were still novel because the everyday part of the job. head on a sink and be seriously technology needed to proalso can quickly escalate into wasn't as accessible to mainreal fights.

have uploaded a video, said es young people are exposed Mary Madden, senior research specialist for the Pew Internet & American Life Project.

Amateur fights — between eve because the use of such cheerleaders, between nerds, devices is banned there. But on the bus, in the cafeteria when officials looked more and in myriad other settings — have emerged as especially adults.

Cause for Fight

"The boys think (filming fights) would make people think they're tough, they must be popular," said Morgan Wisted, an 8th grader at Benjamin, where news of her classmates' suspensions spread quickly. "A lot of people are just kind of laughing at it."

"Kids have always been imitating (wrestling), but they've been doing it in their bedrooms. But for the first time, they have the technology to record it and make it public."

Susannah Stern associate professor of communication studies

But Alicia Wisted, Morgan's mother, said she and bind as they try to make sure other parents take the students' infractions more seriously. Wisted, who keeps the family computer in the kitchen considering offering classes on and doesn't allow her daughter to have a MySpace page, said she applauds school administrators for trying to keep up with the technology students are mastering.

"They're seeing a lot of security personnel in Chicago things that they wouldn't be public schools have received allowed to watch normally. special training on MySpace, Everything has to be sensation-Facebook, Xanga and other alized these days," Wisted said. going on."

Internet-using teens say they engaged in. They mirror imagto in pop culture — from action movies to the professional wrestling. The difference today, they say, is that teens and young adults have the tools to broadcast their sometimes-shocking behavior to wide audiences.

> "Kids have always been imitating (wrestling), but they've been doing it in their bedrooms," said Susannah Stern, associate professor of communication studies at the University of San Diego. "But for the first time, they have the technology to record it and make it public."

> And that's where educators say they have to start paying close attention.

Because the student code at Benjamin didn't address YouTube or fake fights, the students were disciplined under an existing rule that bans fighting on school property, officials said.

The students' parents were called in for a discussion and each of the boys — the two actors, two video shooters and a bystander - were given suspensions that matched their involvement, Ehrhardt said.

Stopping the Trend

For other school districts, the issues have been equally difficult. Last summer in Elgin, a parent complained to school administrators about a punching match between two girls that was posted on a MySpace page. Administrators viewed the fight but decided that because it happened off school grounds during the summer, there was nothing they could do about it, Klein said. In St. Charles Commu-"Parents have no idea what's nity Unit School District 303 and other districts, police liai-A student who sneaks into a Five years ago, user-gener- son officers have made checkbathroom for a YouTube shoot ated videos on the Internet ing popular Internet sites an After the Dec. 20 incident hurt, officials say. Fake fights duce, upload and share video at Benjamin, officials said they planned to re-examine existing rules. A school committee is working on a longrange technology plan, and officials are looking for ways to teach students how to use their skills in positive ways, such as blogging or shooting video for the school newslet-Administrators also may Educators and Internet ask the school board to

The study also found that students of color thought their parents were not involved enough in some aspects of college life. Some documents, but to try to percent of white students.

College administrators attend college.

coping skills and problem- tough nonetheless. solving skills than students

housing

"They usually have the 43 percent of Latino stu- translate it onto the (Free the parental role switching dents, for example, wanted Application for Federal Stu- from being the person who more parental involvement dent Aid), especially with- makes all the decisions and in choosing their college out speaking English, I can't choices to being a consulcourses, compared with 18 imagine how daunting that tant," McCarthy said. would be," Cleary said.

Evelyn Sanchez, a Marsuggested that the lower quette University sopholevel of parental involve- more who is the first in her the school began a parent ment has a lot to do with family to attend college, said the fact that students of she feels her parents are color are more likely to be involved the right amount frequently asked questions the first in their families to in her college life. But she to help parents stay conacknowledged that the tran- nected.

"They may have better sition into college has been

who have relied on their of a challenge coming into "They're consumers, just as parents to do everything college," Sanchez said. "It their students are."

"We have to challenge ourselves to think of them "I guess it was a little bit as partners," Berquam said.

"Who ever heard of You-Steven Klein, director of stupossibilities."

to 17-year-olds who use the have caught on quickly. Internet say they watch videos

stream audiences. YouTube launched in 2005, becoming Tube five years ago?" asked the first widely adopted videosharing site that offered free dent affairs at Elgin, Ill.-based hosting of video content that Unit School District 46. "The could be viewed easily from Internet opens up all kinds of around the world. Other video-sharing Web sites soon fol-In surveys, a majority of 12- lowed. Young Internet users ter.

on sites such as YouTube and experts say the fights them- reword school codes to fit Google Video. Surveys also selves aren't different from today's tech-savvy students, have found that 14 percent of the trouble kids have always Ehrhardt said.



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with Grantham as defensive line coach for the Houston Texans, the defense went seven games without allowing a rushing touchdown.

Cowboys defensive coordinator Brian Stewart worked with Grantham in Houston.

"We had a good relationship," Grantham said. "I respect him, and he did a good job here last year. And just being around Wade, I was very comfortable, felt like it was a good situation that I wanted to be a part of."

Under Capers, Miami's defense was 23rd in the NFL last season after finishing fourth in 2006. He was one of the highest-paid assistant coaches in the league, earning \$2.6 million per season.

Capers has a strong history of success with defenses. In 1991, as the defensive coordinator, New Orleans finished second in the NFL in pass defense. As the defensive coordinator in Pittsburgh, Capers' defense finished No. 1 against the run in 1994.

Now, the Cowboys could be close to hiring Capers, who also spent head-coaching stints at Carolina and Houston.

"The process we're going through we're talking to several people, but we're interested in him," Phillips said.



battling on the glass," Fisher said. "He's big and strong and he used that strength to move people and get the ball."

But Amoroso wasn't the only one registering double-digit point and rebound totals. Freshman forward Billy White finished with 18 points and 10 boards for his first-career double-double while Wade's 17 points and 10 rebounds gave him his second in three games.

"Billy is growing as an offensive player," Fisher said. "He's turning into more than just an offensive rebound and putback guy."

Although a win is a win, the close victory comes against a team that has really struggled. The Rams (6-14, 0-6) have lost seven straight, including an overtime loss to Division III Oklahoma Panhandle State. But Fisher still knows anything can happen on any given day in this conference.

"That's what this league's about; there's not a whole lot separating any of us," he said. "We need to get better as a basketball team, but it sure will feel a whole lot better getting on that plane with a one-point victory rather than a one-point defeat."

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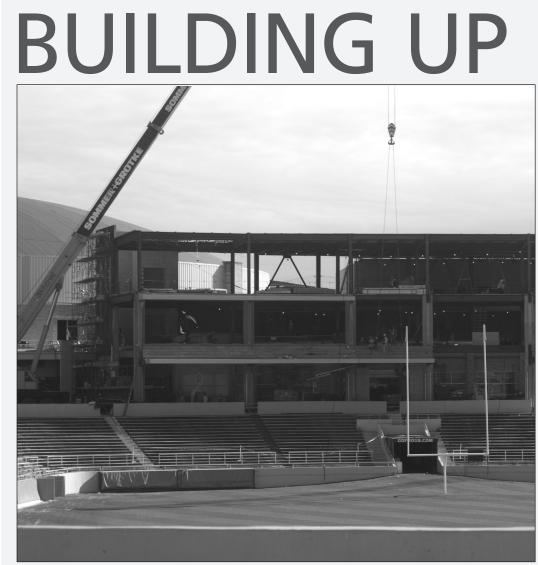
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FOOTBALL



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The Dutch Meyer Athletics Complex and Abe Martin Academic Enhancement Center started constrution last semester and are on schedule for completion July 1. Concrete units that will support seats are being installed at Amon Carter Stadium.

Stadium additions make progress

By BRETT LARSON Sports Editor

Construction behind the athletics director said.

The Dutch Meyer Athlettin Academic Enhancement or delays are Center have been under con- expected that struction since the begin- might possibly ning of the 2007 football throw off the season.

Ross Bailey, associate pletion date. director of athletics, said all construction is going as the crew is conplanned and no problems tinuing to finish are expected.

Bailey said the construc- structures and tion crew is currently doing the lecture room is going masonry work, building the as planned. interior wall layout and putting up roof-level decking. Demolition of some of the few weeks, Mucker said. existing structures for the

also underway, Bailey said. leave for a couple of days south end zone of Amon six suites, 250 club seats, ly different when you get Carter Stadium is on sched- a larger academic area for back." ule and is planned to be com- student-athletes and a team pleted by July 1, an associate meeting room and hospital- to the facilities will be the ity area.

Patrick Mucker, the project tentative com-

Mucker said the steel support

addition of new buildings is day," Cohen said. "You could The facility will include and it would look complete-

> One of the final additions seats, Mucker said.

"They're hanging precast ics Complex and Abe Mar- manager, said no problems concrete units that will sup-

> "You could leave for a couple of days and it would look completely different when you get back."

Mark Cohen director of athletics media relations

and those will go in near the end," Mucker said. The Dutch

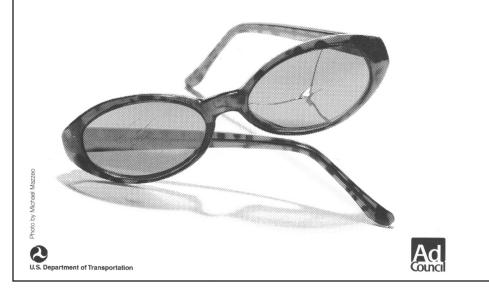
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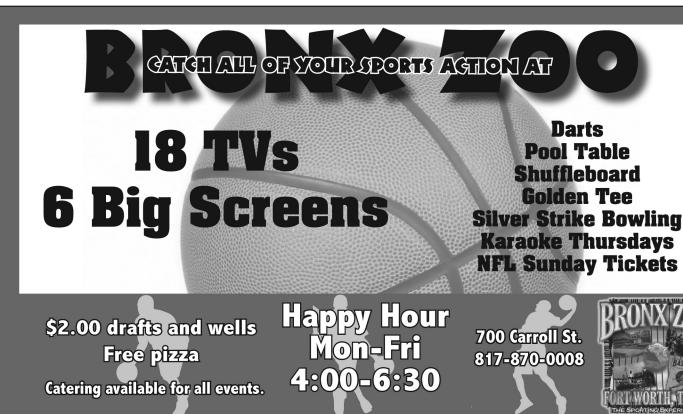


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SPORTS RUNDOWN

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Extra fan support stems from Greeks

By BRETT LARSON Sports Editor

home game since coaches ity on Thursday, but they and players asked Greek moved it forward one day members to start showing so the sorority could go to up to games featured strong the game, chapter President support from fraternities Courtney Casey said. and sororities.

head coach Neil Dougherty, ity members at the game wore his assistant coaches and play- their TCU Theta shirts, Lyders attended fraternity and don said. sorority meetings explaining how poor home-game atten- to cheer on the basketball dance has been lately.

listened and showed up in groups to support the Frogs has resonated among the as they played UNLV, which is students. tied for first in the Mountain West Conference. Game atten- of many students who now dance was 300 more than the plan on going to more home last home game.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon president Pete Chapman said hav- pus of people getting ing the players and coaches psyched for the games," talk at the meeting really Chapman said. pumped up the chapter.

porting the basketball team aged to go to the game. all season.

ter social chair for Kappa the coach came to urge us Alpha Theta, said her soror- to go," Campolo said. ity had as many members attend as possible.

start supporting them," at least people came.

Lyddon said.

The Thetas usually have The first men's basketball a weekly sisterhood activ-

To showcase that it was in During the past two weeks, fact Theta support, the soror-

They also made posters players and the Showgirls, Fraternities and sororities two of which are Thetas.

Dougherty's plea for fans

Chapman said he knows games.

"I've heard talk on cam-

Eric Campolo, Sigma Phi The SAE's did not make Epsilon vice president of the game mandatory, but brotherhood, said during the Chapman said the fraternity last chapter meeting Sunday has done a good job sup- that all members were encour-

"We have a fraternity Mary Lyddon, the chap- brother on the team, and

The Frogs lost the game to the Rebels, the team's second "We just really want to home loss of the season, but



MEN'S BASKETBALL RUN OVER



Keion Mitchem dribbles down the court trying to beat an opponent during the first half of the game against the UNLV Runnin' Rebels on Wednesday. TCU was defeated 70-58, its second consecutive loss and only its second loss in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum this season. With the loss the Frogs fall to 3-3 in the Mountain West Conference.

Horned Frogs' home streak comes to close

By MEGHAN MOWERY Staff Writer

night after its leading scor- first two minutes after lander went down with a leg ing on another player and was senior Brent Hackett which were earned in the injury in the first half of hurting his leg. the game.

with Brigham Young Uni- minutes. versity for the Mountain beat TCU 70-58 in Daniel- els holding a slight lead. Meyer Coliseum. The Frogs

game with a 10-1 record at

Dec. 2.

a BYU loss.

Junior Henry Salter, who Neil Dougherty.

was averaging 14.9 points wins ended Wednesday leaving the game within the erty said.

The game started off who shined offensively.

The score stayed close in

had not dropped a game the first quarter that TCU Hackett said. at home since it played the lost its momentum and

The Horned Frogs' streak a game, failed to score we were moving the ball Adams of UNLV put the of six consecutive home against the Runnin' Rebels, just too quickly," Dough- Frogs away.

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and junior Kevin Langford second half. The University of Nevada, slowly with only two points Hackett led the Frogs with the 3-point line and shot 8 Las Vegas, which is tied scored in the first three 19 points followed by Lang- of 17 for field goals. ford who had 17.

while the lead only changed "Early on in the game once when junior Wink

Adams contributed 25 of Despite the turnovers, it the Rebels 70 points, 18 of

Adams was 5 of 10 from

"Wink did a really good "I really haven't done job," Dougherty said. West Conference lead, the beginning with the Reb- well against UNLV through "Every time we got within my career, so I just wanted striking distance he made It wasn't until late in to play good against them," a big shot. That's what he's always done for them for-Both teams were per- ever. He's always made University of Oklahoma on was unable to recapture fect from the free throw big, big shots," Dougherty

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Sororities and fraternities answer the basketball team's call for support, cheering the players on and waving signs.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Recent San Diego State victory tightens race for MWC title

BV ERIC SHANNON

The (San Diego State University) Daily Aztec

being, the Aztecs are back in game. a position to make a run at Conference.

However, the San Diego XTRA 1360's Ted Leitner. State men's basketball team must be feeling like a broken record after another close contest.

The team keeps getting stuck in the same spot: a tough conference game, the chance to win it at the end and the inevitable missed 3-pointer at the buzzer.

the right time.

in Fort Collins, Colo.

ball with the chance to win against the Aztecs. or tie on their final possesresulted in three-point losses very good defense, but on

SAN DIEGO — For the time seconds to play to win the "They did a good job to cre-

the top of the Mountain West done that before," junior for- them." ward Ryan Amoroso said to

> "They did a good job to create opportunities for 3s, and to their credit, they made them."

Steve Fisher Aztecs head coach

Fortunately for the Aztecs, victory, the team almost got points in the paint while outthey got back on track at just burned from behind the arc rebounding the Rams 46-26. for the second straight game. SDSU also grabbed 16 offen-Finally singing the sweet Despite coming in shooting 34 sive rebounds that led to 16 song of success, SDSU percent from 3-point range, second-chance points. squeaked out an 83-82 vic- the Rams knocked down 14 tory over Colorado State on of 25 shots from downtown. be looking more and more Tuesday night at Moby Arena Just three days earlier, UNLV, comfortable on the offensive who is last in the Mountain end, did the most damage For the third consecutive West Conference at shooting inside. He led the Aztecs with game, the Aztecs held the 3-pointers, made 10 of 21 23 points and 11 rebounds,

"On a couple of (CSU's SDSU. sion. The previous two games 3-pointers) we did not have

to BYU and UNLV. But against the bulk of them I thought CSU, junior forward Lorrenzo we were there," head coach Wade hit a 3-pointer with 20 Steve Fisher said to Leitner. ate opportunities for 3s, and "He's so relaxed, like he's to their credit, they made

> CSU guard Marcus Walker could not be stopped from the outside. With a team-high 26 points, Walker connected on five of seven shots from behind the arc.

SDSU, meanwhile, hit just four of 16 3-pointers. The Aztecs (15-6, 5-2 in MWC play) did plenty of scoring in the post, however. They dominat-While SDSU hung on for the ed in the middle, scoring 46

> Amoroso, who seems to his first double-double with

"Ryan did a great job of See **AZTECS**, page 6

The Frogs entered the game.

Getting Salter out of the before. Daniel-Meyer Coliseum and locker room and having ence lead with a win and have helped TCU's perfor-

it for the remainder of the line, something Dougherty said. said he has never coached

a chance to tie the confer- fewer team turnovers would line while UNLV was 7-7. mance, said head coach times during the game, er," Dougherty said.

"We've just got to figure some things out in TCU was 15-15 from the order to win these kinds of games, like how to win The score was tied five with or without a key play-

PRO FOOTBALL

Pair of new coaches fill empty spots for Cowboys

By CALVIN WATKINS The Dallas Morning News

IRVING — The Dallas Cowboys had three guys are really good defensive staff. Two have the top echelon in coach- solid choice. been filled by coaches ing in the league as far

secondary coach.

And just before Camwalked in with Cowboys sive backs in Jacksonville several players. coach Wade Phillips after the last three seasons, sive coaching position. If Dallas hires Capers

cessful past as a defensive out of his contract. coach. But Capers is availdefensive coordinator.

sive coordinator.

"I'm telling you, these cations." On Tuesday, the Cow- people in football would 2005. boys named Dave Campo say the same thing with football knowledge."

the pass in 2007.

"We viewed these after he was fired as the eral manager Jerry Jones

Cleveland Browns' defen- said. "Dave Campo certainly fits those qualifi-

The Cowboys also vacancies to fill on their coaches, and they are at believe Grantham is a

Grantham's unit in with a history of success as I'm concerned," Phil- Cleveland finished 30th but who left their previlips said. "That's what I against the run in 2007, ous jobs amid criticism. look at, and I think most 27th in 2006 and 16th in

The Cleveland Plain-Dealer reported that Campo, 60, a Cowboys Grantham had commupo's news conference at head coach from 2000 to nication problems with Valley Ranch, Dom Capers 2002, coached the defen- coach Romeo Crennel and

"We were able to take a morning of interviews where his unit finished an organization and win for an unspecified defen- 15th in the NFL against 10 games, which hadn't been done in something Dallas made two like 20 years," Grantham as linebackers coach, attempts to get permis- said. "I wish those guys which is the last vacancy, sion to speak with Cam- the best. We were able to he will arrive with a suc- po before he was allowed get it turned in the right direction."

Grantham is considered able because he was fired openings as an opportu- an excellent coach. In as the Miami Dolphins' nity to bring in the very 2005, Cleveland finished best coaches available first in defense inside the Last week, the Cow- with a strong emphasis opponents' 20 in the AFC boys named Todd Gran- on NFL coaching expe- and fourth in the NFL tham defensive line coach rience," owner and gen- against the pass. In 2004, See **COACHES**, page 6