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While the Academy Awards will look a little different this year, possibly due to a proliferation of mediocre films, Oscar will nevertheless impress.

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— The Associated Press

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#### ATTACK IN TEXAS

## 'SHOCKING'



Smoke billows from a seven-story building after a small private plane crashed into the building in Austin on Thursday.

JAY JANNER / Associated Press

## Campus reacts to Austin crash

**By Wyatt Kanyer**

Staff Reporter

Sophomore education major Carley Gunter first thought about her loved ones' safety after hearing about the airplane that crashed into an Internal Revenue Service office building in her hometown. The Austin native then considered the potential of a terrorist attack.

"I was taken aback by (the crash) because that kind of issue hasn't come about since 9/11," she said. "It's different when it's someone in your own country."

A 53-year-old software engineer identified by the FBI as Joseph A. Stack crashed a small plane Thursday into an Austin building contain-

ing about 200 Internal Revenue Service employees. At least one person in the building is missing. In a long note that Stack reportedly posted on the Internet, he ranted about the IRS, government bailouts and corporate corruption.

Joanne Green, an associate professor and chair of the political science department, said Americans are shocked at events like this because they do not see terrorism as a solution to any problem.

"It's harder for (Americans) to understand domestic terrorism than foreign terrorism because we have such a strong sense of nationalism and pride," Green said.

Americans more often solve problems by invoking their rights,

Green said.

"Because we have so many venues to positively effect change, rarely have we seen individuals domestically resort to violence...we have so many other ways we can bring about change in the United States," she said.

Whereas those in countries living in turmoil effect change with violence, Americans vote, become members of interest groups, petition and seek help from the court system, Green said.

"Violence is a last resort for us historically," she said. "That's why (the situation) is so shocking."

Although there have been

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## Friends unaware of pilot's IRS feud

**By Jay Root and Jeff Carlton**

Associated Press Writers

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Joseph Stack felt the federal government — especially its tax code — robbed him of his savings and destroyed his career while allowing corrupt executives to walk away with millions.

It's clear from the 3,000-word manifesto posted on a Web site registered in his name that the bitter feud with the Internal Revenue Service was his passion — a passion so deeply held that it apparently drove him to commit suicide Thursday by slamming his single-engine Piper PA-28 into an Austin office building that houses the IRS.

"Nothing changes unless there is a body count," Stack wrote.

It was a passion that some of Stack's friends say they never saw.

They knew Stack as a fellow country rocker and band mate who recorded with them in Austin's vibrant music scene. They recalled a quiet father who visited Norway every year to visit his daughter and grandchildren. They never heard Stack talk about politics, about taxes, about the government — the sources of pain that Stack claims drove him to his death.

"I read the letter that he wrote. It sounded like his voice but the things he said I had never heard him say," said Pam Parker, an Austin attorney whose husband was one of Stack's band mates. "He didn't rant about anything. He wasn't obsessed with the government or any of that. ...

Not a loner, not off in a corner. He had friends and conversation and ordinary stuff."

There was nothing ordinary about Stack's anti-government screed. Part-autobiographical, the rambling letter references attending college in Harrisburg, Pa., a divorce and some failed business ventures in California. Mostly, though, Stack outlines his frustration with the government and the IRS. The 53-year-old contract software engineer wrote that he spent months on the six-page diatribe in hopes it would be therapeutic.

Instead, "there isn't enough therapy in the world that can fix what is really broken," Stack wrote. He la-

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#### POLITICS

## Student organizes Republican rally

**By Katie Vance**

Staff Reporter

The High Noon in Cowtown conservative rally Saturday will give students and community members a chance to meet many of the local candidates for the March 2 Republican primary, an event organizer said.

Glen Bucy, a senior political science major and organizer of the event, said it was important for the rally to take place during early voting to give voters the opportunity to cast their ballot after hearing the candidates' platforms while the momentum of the rally was still in effect.

The event will include Republican candidates in local elections includ-

ing those running for district attorney, county commissioner and state representative. Debra Medina will be the only gubernatorial candidate present at the rally.

Bucy said he organized the event with support from The United Conservative Coalition of Texas and Citizens for Taxpayers' Rights. Both groups represent more than 12 local Tea Party movements, 9/12 Project chapters and other conservative groups across North Texas.

According to the Tea Party Patriots Web site, the group is a conservative grassroots movement that supports government fiscal responsibility, constitutional limited government and free markets. The 9/12 Project is a national movement cre-

ated by news commentator Glenn Beck in an effort to recreate the unity that United States citizens experienced after Sept. 11, 2001, according to its Web site.

Bucy said people may pay more attention to national politics, but it is important to vote in local elections because most of what affects people's everyday lives takes place at the local level.

"If you're upset about what's going on in Fort Worth, in Tarrant County or in Dallas, do something about it. Get out there and vote," Bucy said. "At this level, you could cast the deciding vote in this election."

In May 2009, Bucy ran for Fort

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#### BRANDING

## Police: No crime in Colo. incident

**By Melanie Cruthirds**

News Editor

Police in Breckenridge, Colo., concluded that no crime was committed during a Jan. 8 branding incident involving Kappa Sigma member Amon "Chance" Carter IV, according to a press release issued Thursday.

Police investigators and Summit County District Attorney Mark Hurlbert reviewed written statements from Carter and other university students along with photographs and video clips of the incident, according to the press release. Hurlbert agreed with police that there was no probable cause to believe a crime had been committed, according to the release.

"All the evidence suggests that Amon Carter IV was a willing participant and the branding was not part of any fraternity initiation, as he is already a full member," police said.

Carter, a sophomore pre-business major, said in a Jan. 27 interview that he was intoxicated during the incident, which he said took place during a ski trip with several other fraternity members. He said he was branded with a hot coat hanger.

The announcement follows the conclusion of the university's own



Carter

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#### FOOTBALL

## Official: Project start date uncertain

**By Josh Davis**

Staff Writer

Athletic Director Chris Del Conte came to the university with the stated goal of raising funds for the renovation of Amon Carter Stadium. Now nearly four months later, he said there is progress being made, but the start date for construction remains uncertain.

"It's very early," Del Conte said. "We're still in that whole stage of 'Where are we?' and 'What are we looking for?'"

Early concepts produced by HKS, Inc., the architectural design firm the university has hired to oversee the project, were taken from the company's Web site and placed on sports blogs and Facebook pages last week. The pictures led some to suggest the university is further along in the process than it has publicly stated, but Del Conte denied those rumors.

"Everything is beyond premature," Del Conte said.

Calls to HKS on Thursday to inquire about the concepts were not returned.

During the next four to five months, there will be a greater focus on fundraising and solidifying plans

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mented that he couldn't "gracefully articulate my thoughts in light of the storm raging in my head." The end of the letter makes clear Stack's acts were premeditated. It's dated Thursday, with the years he lived: 1956-2010.

"I think that Joe must have been hurting really bad to take these kinds of steps to make the pain stop," said the Rev. Patti Herndon, who married Stack and his wife, Sheryl, in July 2007.

In his note, Stack refers to several disputes with the IRS that cost him more than \$40,000 and "10 years of my life." He twice started software companies in California that ultimately were suspended by the state's Franchise Tax Board. Stack listed himself as chief executive officer of both.

In 1985, he incorporated Prowess Engineering Inc. in Corona, Calif. In 1994, he failed to file a state tax return and was suspended in 2000 by the tax board. He started Software Systems Service Corp. in Lincoln,

Calif., in 1995. That entity was suspended in 2004. Denise Azimi, spokeswoman for the Franchise Tax Board, said Stack did not pay state taxes in 1996 and 2002 — a bill totaling \$1,153.

Those disputes were apparently never discussed among friends.

"I don't know what to base his madness on," said Michael Cerza, who played drums, piano and trumpet with Stack in The Billy Eli Band. "It must have been lurking beneath the surface."

Stack attended Harrisburg Area Community College from 1975-77 but did not graduate, said school spokesman Patrick M. Early. Before that, he graduated from Milton Hershey School in nearby Hershey. The Hershey school was founded and endowed by the candy magnate more than 90 years ago as a home and school for orphaned boys.

Stack later married, moved to California and had a daughter who grew up to marry a Norwegian pilot. Parker said Stack went to Norway to visit her and his one or two grandchildren each year.

According to his letter, he moved to Austin sometime after 2001. The divorced bass guitar and piano player met Sheryl, a pianist who gives lessons, through friends who thought their mutual passion for music made them a match. Cerza said he recently received a group e-mail in which Stack invited friends to one of his wife's piano recitals.

"Joe was very straight — didn't drink or smoke. He was intelligent, concerned about all the stuff normal people are concerned about," Cerza said. "He did not strike me as having any angular edges at all. He would be the guy who would choose not to say anything in a group of people."

Parker said the couple occasionally attended classical jazz house concerts the couple hosted in their home, a 2,500 square foot house in a middle-class Austin neighborhood that he bought in 2007. The home was set ablaze Thursday morning, burning to the ground as Sheryl and the couple's daughter watched from the street.

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some terrorist threats in past years, Americans have let their guard down, Green said.

"Most people have relaxed into a false sense of security and calm," Green said. "It's shocking. People are saying, 'Gosh, maybe we still are vulnerable.'"

It is easier for people to digest an incident if they find out it's an accident and not intentional, Green said. That is precisely why the plane's pilot, Stack, used the tactics he did, she said. Instead of doing some-

thing impulsive, like walk into the building and shoot people, Stack chose to demonstrate the amount of planning involved in his act, Green said.

Kelsie Byers, a sophomore nursing major, said she was shocked at the news of the crash, much like she was on Sept. 11. She said she thought the crash could have been prevented if family members had noticed Stack was not psychologically stable.

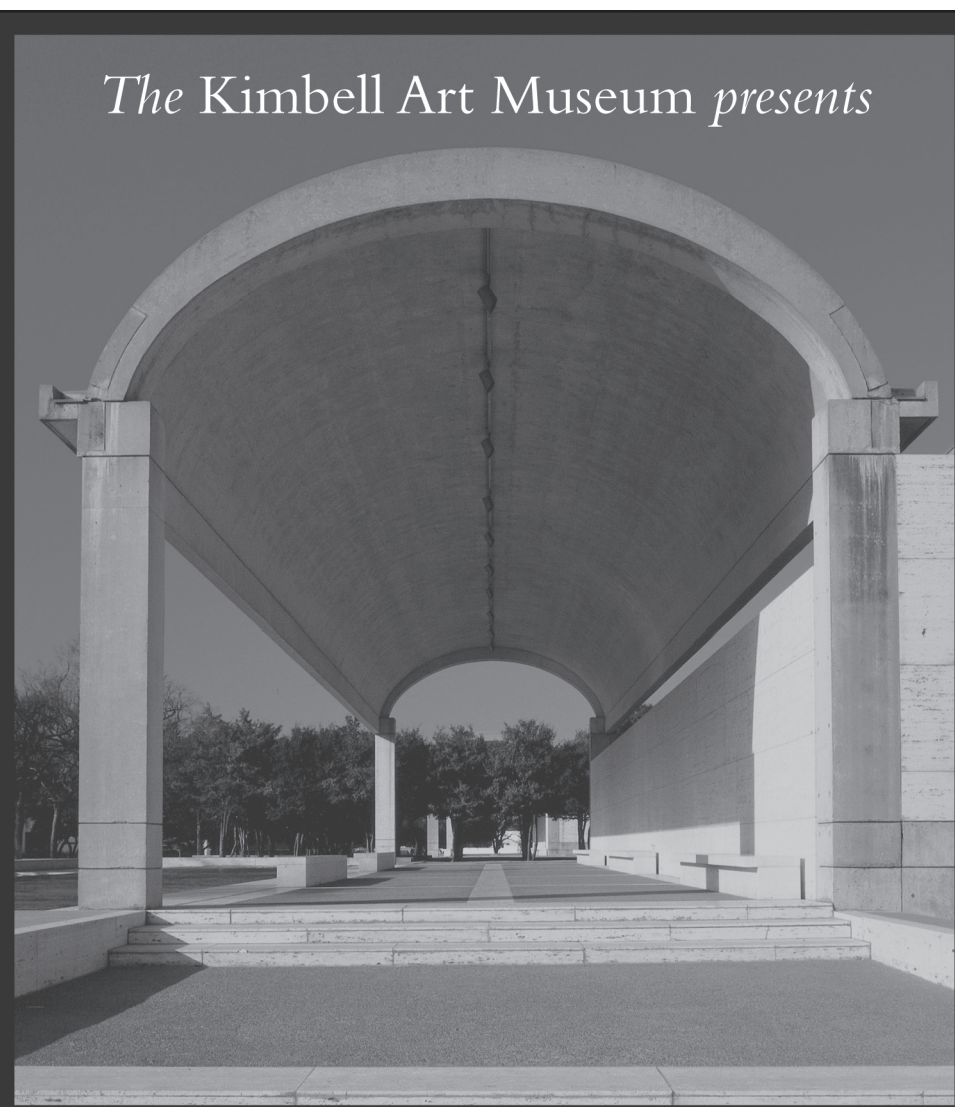
Overall, she thought the incident sent a clear message, Byers said.

"It sends people into a real-

ization that it could be anyone," she said. "It's not just racial or dealing with religion, it's anyone in every type of aspect."

Senior communication studies major William Jacobs agreed that domestic terrorism is a threat that Americans must face.

"That's somebody's neighbor, that's somebody's coworker, somebody's employer or employee," Jacobs said. "As a community we need to be more observant of our peers and our neighbors and be more involved in each other's lives."



## UNIVERSITY EVENING

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## MARATHONS

# Participation gets boost

By Elise Smith  
News Now Reporter

Statistics show a growing national participation in marathon and half marathon running, and university students are no exception to the craze.

Marathon directory Marathonguide.com reported that, in 2009, there were about 468,000 marathon finishes in the United States. The site reported this was about a 10 percent increase from 2008.

Will Hopper, a freshman business major, said he is running the full, 26.2-mile Fort Worth Cowtown Marathon at the end of the month. Hopper said he noticed running marathons and half marathons has gained popularity with students by the number of people that approach him on a regular basis asking if he is running the Cowtown Marathon.

Hopper said he has been training with four friends for the Cowtown since November and is excited his friends and family are getting involved with running. Even his older brother, who used to hate running, now trains with him during the week, he said.

Cowtown Marathon executive director Heidi Swartz said there are five times as many

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**Whitney Freeman**  
senior nursing major

registered runners than there were this time last year. She said this is in line with an estimated 30 percent increase in race registration nationwide in the past few months.

Swartz said it is likely that running has been gaining more popularity because people have become more concerned with their health.

"With the economy, they are thinking about how they can stay healthy," Swartz said. "So, a lot of people have the mindset to get fit."

Hopper said he thinks running has made him a lot healthier because of his training schedule and self-imposed healthy eating habits. He said running also appeals to him because it helps him escape the daily stresses of college life.

"It's kind of like a chance to get away from like the constant

meetings, class, all that," Hopper said.

Whitney Freeman, a senior nursing major, said she also plans to compete in the Cowtown Marathon. She said she also looks to running as a way to relieve stress.

"It also gives me lots of time to throw on my headphones, listen to fun music and just go for a run," Freeman said.

Freeman said she chooses to compete in races because it gives her motivation to work for and accomplish a specific goal.

"You have such a great sense of accomplishment in what you've done because you've trained so hard for that one thing," Freeman said. "You know it's more valuable than just going on light runs here and there."

Both Hopper and Freeman said they hoped to continue running competitively after completing the Cowtown Marathon.



To learn more about student marathon runners, check out the News Now video at [dailyskiff.com](http://dailyskiff.com).

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for the renovation, Del Conte said. Currently, there is no cost estimate for the project, Del Conte said.

"We're not there yet," he said. "We have to look from design to fundraising, and all those things coincide with each other."

Del Conte said the stadium renovation is not a response to a potential conference realignment that with the Big 10 or Pacific 10 Conferences, but a natural and past-due improvement.

"The concession stands, the amenities, the restrooms, everything needs to be addressed," Del Conte said. "This has nothing to do with

conference affiliation. This has everything to do with TCU taking care of TCU."

If the university is going to continue to compete for national championships in football, the renovation is necessary, Del Conte said.

"If you're going to have the finest chemists in the country, you can't use 1950s Bunsen burners," he said.

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Worth City Council. He said he decided to run because he was tired of complaining about problems and wanted the roads improved in his district. He did not win, but said he was able to influence the local government and meet a lot of politicians in the area.

"I kind of lit a fire under the current city councilman to get on top of the roads in our district," Bucy said.

Bucy said he enlisted in the U.S. Army the week after Sept. 11 and was deployed to Afghanistan in October 2003. He said he served in more than 180 combat missions and returned to the United States in 2004. Bucy trans-

## High Noon in Cowtown conservative rally

**When:** Noon Saturday  
**Where:** Cowtown Coliseum

ferred to the university in the spring of 2008.

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investigation into the TCU chapter of Kappa Sigma. Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Don Mills told the Skiff last week that the university found that the Kappa Sigma fraternity was not involved. However, an investigation into as many as 24 individual university students is

still ongoing, Mills said.

Carter is the great-grandson of the university football stadium's namesake, Amon G. Carter, a civic leader and founder of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

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*The Skiff View*

## Frustration, debt don't necessitate terrorism

Violence is not the only answer to frustrations with bureaucracy. Peaceful protesters like Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr. managed to get their messages across without flying a plane into a building. Many citizens in the country are coping with financial hardship and bare mistrust toward a system that is lacking in transparency and accountability, but there are other outlets for anger. Although Austin plane crasher Joseph Andrew Stack may have felt he had no other option, there is an alternative to threatening or taking the lives of others. Write a letter, protest in the streets or bring signs to a dog show.

Austin Police Chief Art Acevedo said at a news conference Thursday that “it appears to be a singular act by a single individual,” noting that the incident was contained to one building and “there really truly is no cause for alarm.” According to The New York Times, officials in Austin called the act a “criminal” case and not a terrorist attack.

However, that assessment may be flawed. According to dictionary.com, terrorism is defined as “a terroristic method of governing or of resisting a government.” In a long, angry note Stack posted on the Internet, he clearly expressed resistance to the government. Just because Stack was an American doesn't mean his attack should be taken as any less of a threat to people's safety. The Oklahoma City bombing showed that Americans are able to take the lives of others in gruesome fashion without remorse. Homegrown terrorists are just as capable of killing innocent people as are foreign terrorists.

*Projects editor Courtney Jay for the editorial board*

The Skiff View represents the collective opinion of the editorial board.

## Show's mockery of Down syndrome inappropriate

ASHLEY IOVINE

Normally I am not one to have a problem with controversial television shows, especially a show like “Family Guy” that I watch regularly. I believe censoring these shows would take away a lot of the humor that makes them so popular. However, after Sunday night's episode, which featured one of the main characters, Chris, dating a girl with Down syndrome, I think there is a line that should not be crossed in mainstream entertainment when it comes to people with special needs.

I can understand when the show makes fun of people who are constantly in the limelight like Paris Hilton, Lady GaGa and Adam Lambert. But making a joke at the expense of a mentally challenged person is just uncalled for and cruel. People with a mental illness have done nothing to receive the kind of ridicule they get on a daily basis, and many are unable to defend themselves.

In response to the uproar it caused, the show's creator and producer, Seth MacFarlane, said, “From its inception, ‘Family Guy’ has used biting satire as the foundation for its humor. The show is an equal-opportunity offender.”

It is a disgusting example of entertainment, and people who got laughs out of it should be ashamed of themselves. I will never understand why people think mocking those with disabilities is considered funny.

My brother Michael has Down syndrome, and he occasionally watches the show when he flips through the channels at home. I talked to him on

the Tuesday after the show had aired and he had watched the episode.

“I think the show ‘Family Guy’ may have been making fun of people like me,” he said.

I didn't even know what to say to him. You never want to hear anyone making fun of your family members, especially ones who don't deserve it. Mentally challenged children already have it hard enough. Do they really need to be callously mocked as well?

People need to realize that these people can't help the way they are, unlike celebrities who work to get to fame and recognition. Celebrities strive to get publicity and with that comes scrutiny. But to publicly humiliate people with Down syndrome on national television is ethically, politically and heartlessly wrong.

Bristol Palin, daughter of Sarah Palin, lashed out at the ‘Family Guy’ producers after the episode because her brother Trig has Down syndrome, and she said she was offended.

“As a culture, shouldn't we be more compassionate to innocent people — especially those who are less fortunate? Shouldn't we be willing to say that some things just are not funny?” Palin said.

For the first time, I couldn't agree with her more. Mentally challenged children did nothing to deserve the kind of embarrassment they received Sunday night, and I hope audiences understand how appalling it is to ridicule those in the special needs community.

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*Nate Beeler is the editorial cartoonist for The Washington Examiner.*

## Expect changes at Academy Awards



Hollywood, since its inception, has captivated the hearts and imaginations of millions.

Almost everyone at some point has fantasized about his or her shining moment. Whether you're partial to Tom Hanks, Vin Diesel or Nicole Kidman, somewhere deep inside is a fantasy about being a star. As Hollywood has certainly taught us, we know that anything's possible in the land of movie magic.

Consequently, Hollywood moguls have to have some way of separating the haves from the have-nots.

Enter a small, golden man with a crusader's sword standing atop a reel of film. This is Oscar.

Every year in early spring, the rich, beautiful and yes, even the talented, gather at Hollywood's Kodak Theatre for industrial honors — The Academy (as in “I'd like to thank the”) of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences. The Academy hands Oscar to the very elite — those who, over the last year, have made us laugh, cry and experience a myriad of emotions.

From the moment their rarified feet touch the temporal tapestry of the red carpet, stars, directors, key grips, best boys — even seat fillers — exude a special message: This is the biggest night of the year for movies.

Why should this year be any different? Film enthusiasts say that the lineup may be lacking. The viewer turnout should be pretty strong, though, because of the blockbuster hit “Avatar,” which is up for nine nominations.

Of course, this cinematic phenomenon is worth discussing for the sake of its significance in the film industry over the past year. James Cameron, director and writer of “Avatar,” has poured his lifelong

dreams and voracious work ethic into the movie. At first, moviegoers seemed skeptical when they heard tall, lanky, blue people would be starring in what was expected to be a box office hit.

A huge nod goes to “Avatar” for breaking special effects barriers and providing a pretty good storyline.

Personally, I have faith in the Academy members, and perhaps even more so now that they've chosen the comedic pair of Steve Martin and Alec Baldwin to host for the night.

When Cameron berated the Academy for not giving a nomination to the actors, I think a line should have been drawn. Never before has an animated character won an Academy Award for acting, nor should it.

Other buzz-worthy nominations include the true artistic successes of films such as “District 9,” “The Hurt Locker,” and “Inglourious Basterds.” These gems are filled with visually appealing elements as well as engaging storylines.

As for Best Picture, the Academy decided to double up on its nomi-

nations this year, choosing 10 instead of five. Why? Perhaps there were too many fantastic pictures to choose from or perhaps there were too many mediocre ones. In actuality, this announcement was released at the end of June last year and the Academy did have good reason for it.

In the early days of the Academy Awards, there was a larger pool to select from in each category. So when some people are skeptical that the Oscars might fail to represent the artistic masterpieces of the year, or just run even longer than they have been for the past few years, they needn't worry.

Personally, I have faith in the Academy members, and perhaps even more so now that they've chosen the comedic pair of Steve Martin and Alec Baldwin to host for the night. When March 7 arrives, the Oscars will be different. But I think it will be for the better. Although some movies seem to lack the caliber of an Academy Award-nominated film, there are still plenty of films that could fall somewhere on the “Greatest Movies of All Time” list.

One thing is for sure, Oscar won't be going anywhere anytime soon.

*Judith Schomp is a freshman political science and film-TV-digital media major from Lindale.*



## QUICK NEWS

### Obama sets up deficit panel without help from Hill

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama signed an order Thursday unilaterally creating a bipartisan commission to rein in unruly deficits after Congress rejected a similar body with considerably more enforcement power.

The federal deficit hit a record \$1.4 trillion last year and could grow larger this year as the struggling economy puts a big dent in tax collections.

At the White House event, Obama was flanked by Vice President Joe Biden along with former White House chief of staff Erskine Bowles and former Republican Senate Whip Alan Simpson. He chose Bowles and Simpson to lead the panel, which will be charged with reporting back by the end of this year on what steps Congress and the administration should take to get the deficit down to 3 percent of the gross domestic product.

### Judge hears Google book arguments; no ruling soon

NEW YORK (AP) — Supporters of Google's effort to create the world's largest digital library on the Internet told a federal judge Thursday that it would benefit society, while opponents said it would infringe on copyright protections and violate the privacy of readers.

Marc Mauer, president of the National Federation of the Blind, said the audio capabilities of Google's system “will give us access to 10 million books.”

One of the opponents — which include authors, foreign governments and even the U.S. Department of Justice — said Google's plans were more about commerce, not access to books.

“It's not going to be a great library, it's going to be a great store,” said Sarah Canzoneri, a member of the Children's Book Guild and plaintiff in a lawsuit by authors and publishers.

### White House: Dems near accord on health care bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House and congressional leaders are preparing a detailed health care proposal designed to win passage without Republican support if GOP lawmakers fail to embrace bipartisan compromises at President Barack Obama's summit next week.

A senior White House official said Thursday that Democratic negotiators are resolving final differences in House and Senate health bills that passed last year with virtually no Republican help. The White House plans to post the proposals online by Monday morning, three days ahead of the Feb. 25 summit.

The comments signal that Obama and Democratic leaders still plan to use assertive and sometimes controversial parliamentary powers to enact a far-reaching health care bill if no GOP lawmakers get on board.

### Ex-NYC police boss gets 4 years in prison

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) — Former New York City police Commissioner Bernard Kerik, who was hailed as a hero after the Sept. 11 terror attacks and nearly became chief of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, was sentenced to four years behind bars Thursday for eight felonies.

Kerik admitted in November that he lied to the White House, filed false taxes and committed other crimes.

Federal guidelines indicated Kerik's sentence should be between 27 and 33 months in prison. Federal Judge Stephen Robinson said he went beyond the guidelines because they could not account for certain factors.

The crimes were committed “in the process of attempting to become a cabinet level position in the government of the United States,” Robinson said.

### Suit: Pa. school spied on students via laptops

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A federal lawsuit accuses a suburban Philadelphia school district of spying on students at home through school-issued laptop webcams.

The suit says Lower Merion School District officials can activate the webcams remotely without students' knowledge.

The lawsuit alleges the cameras captured images of Harriton High School students and their families as they undressed and in other compromising situations.

Families learned of the alleged webcam images when an assistant principal spoke to a student about inappropriate behavior at home.

Superintendent Christopher W. McGinley did not immediately return a message left by The Associated Press.



# NEWS & SPORTS

## CRAWFORD

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the court...upperclassmen that have been here are going to take notice of that and start listening," Mittie said. Despite Mittie's praise, Crawford was humble about the reason upperclassman listen when she speaks up.

"I say things that pertain to the game and the situation that we're in right now," Crawford said.

Playing on her high school basketball team about 20 miles away at Summit, Crawford earned first team all-state honors in her junior and senior years. She was named first team all-district during her first two years of high school.

Crawford was selected as the 5A state tournament Most Valuable Player after the Jaguars' 2009 championship run. Even though she

had a state title under her belt, Crawford said the adjustment from high school to college game was difficult.

"In high school you don't have to be physical as soon as you step on the court. You can wait until the play develops," she said. "But in college, it's you constantly have to have a body on somebody."

Mittie said he was not surprised that Crawford cited physicality as a hurdle in college basketball.

"She's not going to be bigger, stronger, faster than a lot of players like she was in high school," Mittie said. "She's learning how to adjust to that. She's learning what was an advantage her senior year maybe isn't as much of an advantage now."

Crawford has helped the Horned Frogs to a 19-6 overall record, and their 9-3 mark in league play puts

them at the No. 1 spot in the Mountain West Conference. An at large bid for the NCAA tournament is a likely scenario no matter what the outcome of the conference tournament, but Mittie was non-committal about how far his team could go in the postseason.

"A big part of being a team that plays in the postseason is how resilient (they) are," he said. "This team has shown that they come to work every day and that's what has made them good to this date, but we know we're going to have to have a good February."

Crawford said her goal was for the team to make it to the first Sweet Sixteen in program history after the Frogs were eliminated by South Dakota State in the first round a year ago.

If Crawford gets her way, the Frogs may have to celebrate Easter in San Antonio.

## TENNIS

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Cirstea led TCU in singles during fall tournament play and posted a 5-3 record. He also made it to the round of 16 at the Wilson/ITA Texas Regional Championships.

The Red Raiders' team is composed of six freshmen, four sophomores and one junior. The team is young,

but two of the Red Raiders are nationally ranked. No. 63 Raonyd Carvalho and No. 41 Gonzalo Escobar, both sophomores, are the team's strongest singles players.

Head coach Dave Borelli is quick to credit the ability of Texas Tech's team.

"I think they are very good and very talented," Borelli said. "It's a matter of who can

play a little bit better."

He is also confident in his own team's capacity to achieve wins.

"We're solid and very balanced in our starting lineup," Borelli said. "It will be a fun, competitive match."

After falling 0-7 to the SMU Mustangs, the women's team will compete in Fort Worth on Sunday against Arkansas.

## DUKE LACROSSE CASE

# Accuser faces felony charge

By Stanley B. Chambers Jr.  
McClatchy Newspapers

DURHAM, N.C. — This time, Crystal Gail Mangum is the one in custody.

Mangum, 31, known as the accuser in the Duke lacrosse case, was arrested after police say she set her apartment on fire and tried to kill her boyfriend around midnight Wednesday while her three young children and two Durham police officers were in the home.

She is in the Durham County jail in lieu of \$1 million bail. Her next scheduled court appearance is Monday.

Screaming was heard in the background as a 911 operator took an emergency call from Mangum's 9-year-old daughter at 11:55 p.m. EST, according to a copy of the recording.

"This is an emergency. I'm at 2220 Lincoln Street," the little girl said. "Please hurry. My mom is going to die."

Durham officers H.P. Thompson and J.S. Tyler arrived within five minutes.

Mangum is accused of scratching, punching and throwing things at her boyfriend, Milton Walker. She also took Walker's clothes, and with everyone still in the home, placed them in a bathtub and lit them on fire, according to arrest warrants.

Light smoke was showing from the home when firefighters arrived. The fire was contained to the bathroom, and the apartment sustained heavy



HARRY LYNCH / MCT  
Defendant Crystal Gail Mangum enters the courtroom at the Durham County jail on a first appearance Thursday. Durham, N.C., police have charged Mangum, 31, with attempting to kill her boyfriend.

smoke damage. Walker, as well as Mangum's three children, ages 10, 9 and 3, and the officers were not injured.

Mangum resisted arrest, and once in custody, gave the name and birth date of a Marella Mangum, the warrants said.

She faces charges of attempted first-degree murder, five

counts of first-degree arson, three counts of misdemeanor child abuse, resisting arrest, identity theft, communicating threats, assault and battery, and injury to personal property.

Her criminal past includes multiple driving infractions and a 2003 conviction for assault on a government official.

## CREDIT CARDS

# Crackdown set to begin Monday

By Tony Pugh  
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — U.S. consumers will get relief from some of the most costly and deceptive credit card tactics when the sweeping provisions of the Credit Card Accountability Responsibility and Disclosure Act of 2009 finally kick in on Monday.

The CARD Act, which President Barack Obama signed May 22, dramatically changes the way card issuers can profit from plastic.

Instead of arbitrary rate increases, exorbitant fees and murky calculations of interest charges, card companies must become more transparent in establishing and disclosing the terms of their offerings and more prudent in the way they manage credit risk.

In response to the law, most issuers already have introduced a host of new fees and rate structures to recoup some of the revenue they will lose under the new rules. The changes will make credit not only harder to get, but also more expensive.

For example, 35 percent of the card offers mailed to U.S. households in the fourth quarter of last year carried annual fees. That's the highest percentage in 10 years, according to the marketing research firm Synovate. Those offers had an average annual interest rate of 13.5 percent, the highest in five years.

The CARD Act won't silence all consumer gripes about credit cards, but it will save cardholders billions of dollars and usher in, for many, a welcome new era of tougher industry scrutiny

from lawmakers, regulators, consumer advocates and customers.

The first phase of the law took effect last August. It required card issuers to provide 45 days' notice on interest rate increases and that billing statements be mailed at least 21 days before their due dates in order for late fees to be applied.

The changes that will take effect Monday are much stronger. With the exception of cards that have variable interest rates, the new rules ban rate hikes on existing balances unless the cardholder is at least 60 days past due.

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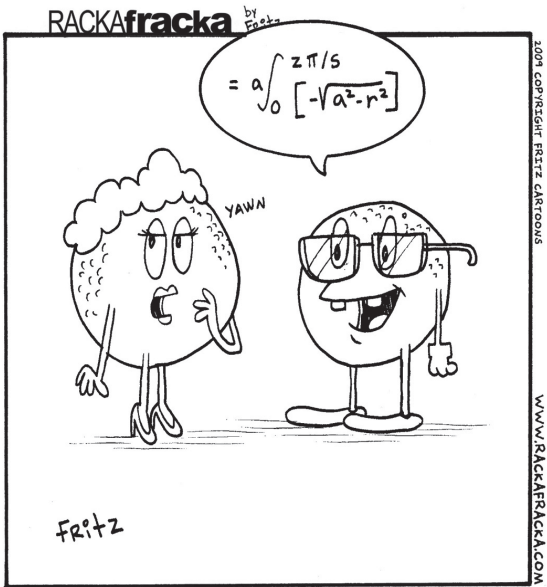
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by Fritz



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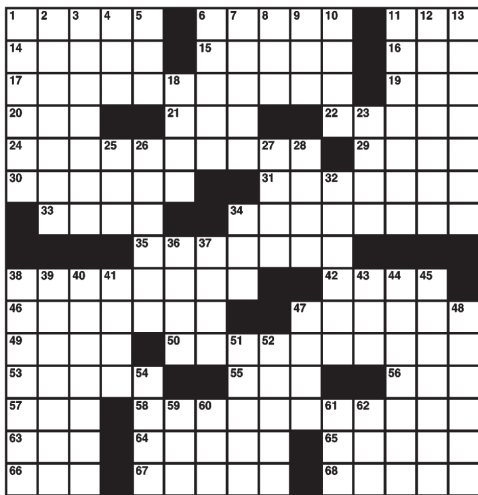
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By Dan Naddor

### Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL STARR POWER



Freshman forward Starr Crawford pushes forward against BYU on February 3. MATT COFFELT / Staff Photographer

## Crawford excels with Frogs

By Chris Blake  
Staff Writer

The final rounds of the 2009 Texas high school girls' basketball state tournament were played in Austin where Starr Crawford led Mansfield Summit to the state title.

Now Crawford is on another team that hopes to finish its season a few hours south of Fort Worth.

The 2010 NCAA Women's Final Four will be played at the Alamodome in San Antonio during Easter weekend, and the No. 23 Horned Frogs women's basketball team is in line to make its ninth tournament appearance in ten years.

Though juniors Helena Sverrisdottir and Emily

Carter lead the team in scoring, Crawford does the dirty work inside.

The 6-foot freshman forward is averaging nearly a double-double, and she leads the team with a rebounding average of 9.4 per game and 8.9 points a game.

Head coach Jeff Mittie listed a few qualities Crawford has that have helped her become an impact player quickly at the collegiate level.

"She's one of our strongest players already as a freshman, so that helps (her) physically coming in. She's got a good basketball IQ and picks things up pretty quick," Mittie said. "The final thing is she's just a competitive kid (who) comes everyday and works hard."

"She's one of our strongest players already as a freshman, so that helps (her) physically coming in."

Jeff Mittie  
head coach

Mittie said he knew Crawford could be a key player as a freshman after a scrimmage against Oklahoma State in which she "raised her game another level." Crawford's performance in that game earned her the respect of older teammates.

"When you produce on  
SEE CRAWFORD · PAGE 4

## MEN'S CLUB LACROSSE

# LAX Frogs face Tech

By Michael Lauck  
Staff Writer

The men's club lacrosse team has been preparing for its weekend tilt with conference rival Texas Tech with one thing on its mind: revenge.

With a final score of 11-9, Tech defeated the LAX Frogs last year, knocking them out of the running for the playoffs. The LAX Frogs are now looking to defeat their conference opponent, which would bring them one game closer to a spot in the playoffs for the first time in program history.

"It's definitely a motivating

factor," coach Mark Miller said of the loss to Tech last year. "We had a lot of talk this year about getting to the playoffs and not making that achievement."

Miller said Tech is a physical and intimidating team and TCU would match that right from the beginning of the game.

Team captain Steele Struble said this year's team is the most dedicated he's seen. Struble also said the team's seniors are ready for their first playoff appearance and first championship.

"I don't think anybody else wants it more than the seniors," Struble said. "There's no other option. We're winning it."

The team is coming off a 10-9 loss to Texas A&M in overtime Feb. 6. Long-stick midfielder Charley Lloyd said the team came out slow in that game.

"If we come out focused mentally and prepared physically, then we're not going to lose," Lloyd said.

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## BASEBALL

# Season opener set for tonight

By Rachel Wilson  
Staff Reporter

It's time for baseball season again, and the Frogs are ready to go for their first series of the season.

Sophomore pitcher Kyle Winkler said the pitchers have been pitching every day in preparation for their 2010 season.

"We expect to go to the College World Series every year and win it," Winkler said. "My expectation is to be the best I can be and do my best for the team."

Head coach Jim Schlossnagle said the team wants to be prepared for every game situation they can think of.

"We're just trying to get better every day and be a little bit better team tomorrow than we will be today," Schlossnagle said.

He said the start of the season will be a challenging one for the Frogs.

"Nine of our first 11 games are against teams that were in the NCAA post-season, so we have a really tough schedule to open the year," he said.

The Frogs face the Sam Houston State Bearkats, who played in the NCAA tournament last year, tonight in their season opener.



Freshman pitcher Matt Purke throws in practice. The 2010 baseball season kicks off tonight. KEITH ROBINSON / Media Relations

The Frogs head into the season as the favorite to win the Mountain West Conference regular season championship, with four priors already on their record.

Senior first baseman Matt Curry said he has been shaping up and slimming down to prepare for his final season.

"I've lost 40 pounds over the off-season," Curry said. "I've been doing a lot for my body to get in shape and be more agile for first base and get to balls that I used to not get to."

Even the snow still on the field from last week's storm isn't

a damper for this team.

"(As) soon as it warms up and we get the snow off our field I'll be real excited," Schlossnagle said. "We're fired up."

### TCU vs. Sam Houston State

**When:** 6:30 p.m. tonight, 2 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday  
**Where:** Lupton Stadium  
Go to [dailyskiff.com](http://dailyskiff.com) for this weekend's game coverage.

## Olympics Update

The U.S. stretched its medals lead to six today, moving the medals count to 17.

Alpine skier Julia Mancuso won her second silver of the 2010 Winter Games, this time in the ladies' super combined.

The women also brought home a silver and bronze in the snowboard halfpipe finals.

The men's and women's

curling teams both lost to Denmark. Neither team has won a round robin session at these Winter Games.

The U.S. hockey teams experienced more success on the ice with a 6-0 win by the women against Finland and a 6-1 victory over Norway for the men.

— Sports editor  
Mary Sue Greenleaf

### Medals

Gold

Silver

Bronze

## TENNIS

# Tennis in action this weekend

By Kylie Osterloh  
Staff Writer

After falling to No. 6 Baylor on the road at the beginning of the month, the No. 40 Horned Frogs (3-1) are looking ahead to their home opener against the No. 41 Texas Tech Red Raiders (5-1).

It has been more than two weeks since the team last competed, and although time has passed since the Horned Frogs last contended with an opponent, the team is optimistic.

### Women's Tennis

**TCU vs. Arkansas**  
**When:** Noon Sunday  
**Where:** Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center

### Men's Tennis

**TCU vs. Texas Tech**  
**When:** 2 p.m. today  
**Where:** Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center

"We are feeling pretty good and positive," junior Christopher Price said. "We've practiced really hard and have had some good wins."

Price found success during fall tournament competition, during which he posted

records of 4-3 in singles and 3-3 in doubles.

Freshman singles player Marius Cirstea has a simple goal for the competition.

"My biggest challenge is winning a match," he said.

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