

PROFILE | Coming Tuesday

AUDIT

Pamela Stuntz started off in accounting, but now she is a lecturer in psychology. We take a look at her journey.



SPORTS | 5 TEE TIME

The women's golf team heads to Puerto Rico this weekend for its first tournament of 2006.

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Bookstore waits for permit before moving out

By LYDIA AKINDE Staff Reporter

set to move this weekend, but ager of the bookstore. without a permit, that will not happen until next week.

ers onto the parking lot, said during renovations, cannot be The TCU Bookstore was Wayne Mar, operations man- put in place.

the bookstore, said until the Development Department, a permit, which will allow which will serve as a tempo- received before that date have more business premajor who agrees.

them to move temporary trail- rary location for the bookstore to be reviewed first.

Llisa Lewis, manager of service representative for the said. The staff members are wait- Development Department said the bookstore applied for ing for the Fort Worth Devel- reviews its application and the permit Feb. 13, but said opment Department to issue issues the permit, the trailers, permit applications that were

Marie Hughes, customer renovations by Aug. 1, Lewis

The bookstore's Froggies tive for her. Café will be closed until the bookstore reopens, she said. Amanda Strickland, sopho-

studies at the café every week, Despite the postponement, said the renovations will not café is closing," she said. "It the staff anticipates completing be an inconvenience for her will be inconvenient because because the Mary Couts Bur- my classes are near (the café) nett Library is another alterna- and I can come and eat on

Lauren Williams, junior

"I'm kind of bummed the send-home."

Mar said the bookstore staff advertising/public relations cannot move the café into the and psychology major, dis- trailers because there is not See **BOOKSTORE**, page 2

Participants

get in shape,

train for run

Thousands of people will visit Fort Worth's

More than 12,000 participants will hit the pavement in the 28th running of The Cowtown

hot spots Saturday, but most will be moving

By ANDREA BEARCE

too fast to take a snapshot.

THE COWTOWN

marathon, marathon relay

and 10K races start at 7:30 a.m. Saturday in Sundance Square. The adult 5K race

starts at 8:15 a.m. in the

6 a.m. Saturday at the

same location.

Expo tent.

MARATHON

The marathon, half

Staff Reporter

AQUATIC COMBAT

UNDERWATER COMBAT TRAINING

Part of the cadets' water combat survival training is jumping from the 10-meter platform. Senior communication studies major Eric Hart briefs the cadets before they take to the air.

First, cadets ask for permission to climb the ladder to the high dive.



When they get to the top, Hart uses the cadets' hats to blindfold them.





Cadets learn survival skills

Online registration is closed, but runners may register in person from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. today and

Marathon, a nonprofit event to promote community health and wellness.

The day will include a 26.2-mile marathon, a half marathon, a threeperson marathon relay, a 10-kilometer run, an adult 5-kilometer run and a kid's 5-kilometer run.

The course begins in Sundance Square

and runs through popular local attractions,

tells them they are going to be OK and to hold their rifles out in front of them.



Then, he tells the them to yell something loudly when they jump, such as their future Army branches.

By GRETCHEN HOLLIS Staff Reporter

and equipment, Army ROTC neath – tie the ends of the pants cadets made a splash in the Uni- in knots and slam them over their versity Recreation Center pool Thursday.

For the past seven or eight years, the Army has required cadets to do combat water survival training once a year, said Lt. Col. John Agor, a professor of military science.

Cadets had to swim 25 meters in their fatigues with their weapons and equipment, jump off the high dive blindfolded and turn their fatigues into flotation devices.

how to survive if they ever ended He said the Army doesn't do any up in deep water, such as a river, other training in the water. during combat, Agor said.

in the water and remove all of ing on, cadets were required to their gear underwater before surfacing.

if they needed to help someone sophomores and juniors. without water survival skills.

Cadets had to take off the bottoms of their fatigues - they still Fully clothed in their fatigues had black Army shorts underheads to fill the pant legs with air to serve as a flotation device.

> "If you can keep calm you can get out of anything," Agor said. "It's all about teamwork."

> The water training is to help cadets to combat fear of heights and water, Maj. Kristin Kremer said. They are also trained to react properly if they unexpectedly end up in water with heavy equipment on so they know they won't drown, she said.

Clay Eiland, a junior cadet, They learned techniques on said this training helps fight fears.

The training consisted of five Cadets were required to jump different stations. Before movcomplete each.

Cadets participate in the water They also learned what to do training when they are freshmen,

See **ROTC**, page 2



Photos by TY HALASZ / Photo Editor Army ROTC cadets participated in water combat survival training Thursday afternoon in the University Recreation Center's pool. Cadets practiced swimming in full gear with weapons in addition to jumping from the 10-meter platform.

such as the Stockyards, the Cultural District and the Botanic Garden.

Ashley Shannon, a TCU alumna, ran the 10K last year and said she plans to run a full marathon in 2007.

Shannon, who is now running half marathons around Texas, said she trains by running 30 miles a week with at least one 10- to 13-mile run each week.

In addition to running, Shannon said, she makes sure to hydrate herself during the week but thinks the most effective nutritional tactics used by racers are mental.

"Magazines and the hard-core people give you all these guidelines on nutrition, but I think runners just need to do what's right for them," she said.

Nate Steger, a senior economics major, said the atmosphere of the race makes it enjoyable even though it is a long-distance run.

"With the large amount of people supporting the race from the sides of the roads, it is exciting for the entire time, and you don't have to worry about getting bored," he said.

This year, he will run in the three-person relay with Clay Eiland, captain of the Army ROTC Running Club, and Master Sgt. Gregory Jackson, the senior military instructor in the ROTC department.

Steger ran the same event last year and said he is sticking with the relay because See **COWTOWN**, page 2

Arts come together for AIDS benefit

By JEFF ESKEW Staff Reporter

Dancers scurried while tonight's AIDS awareness benefit concert.

honor society, will host the feature students from the for \$2,000 this year. TCU dance department, the-

Band and artwork of photog- Building set up by photography students.

Heather Creek, a senior balmusicians played Thursday let and political science major, graphs to help raise money. in their final preparations for put the benefit together this Chi Tau Epsilon, the dance since the spring of last year.

TCU Arts Collaboration AIDS last year, and Chi Tau Epsilon Benefit Concert, which will and the performers are aiming this year."

raphy students where people can purchase original photo-

"We do raise a tremendous nature of the cause. year and said everyone has amount of our funding for been planning for tonight this concert through corpo- and we have the opportunity rate donations in the TCU and to raise more this year," Tim-The concert raised \$1,200 Fort Worth area," Creek said. mons said. "We have had an outpouring

Creek said there will be a ballet and English major, the second consecutive year. atre department, the TCU Jazz lobby display in the Ballet decided to participate in this

AIDS BENEFIT CONCERT The benefit will take place at 8 p.m. in

Studio B of the Ballet Building A minimum donation of \$5 is suggested.

year's event because of the

"It was really great last year,

The AIDS Outreach Center of Tarrant County is in partner-Michelle Timmons, a senior ship with Chi Tau Epsilon for See **AIDS**, page 2

INTERNATIONAL WEEK

According to an e-mail from Wayne Nguyen the International Student Association's communication and advertising campaign director, the week's events are open to students, staff and faculty and provide "a great opportunity to raise awareness and connect nations in today's era of globalization. Next week's events:

Monday

 Opening Ceremony 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Student Center Lounge Features a cultural performance to motivate

and inform students about the week's events

5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Panther City Coffee

Wednesday • Tastes of the World

- 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Student Center Lounge A chance to try free international cuisine
- Mad Hot Ballroom
- 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the Student Center Lounge Features a salsa-making contest, movie and salsa dancing
- Thursday
- Love, Internationally 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the
- Student Center Lounge
- An international panel of couples discuss love and relationships

March 4

International Banquet

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom Tickets are \$15 for faculty and staff. \$12 for students and \$10 for paid ISA members



WEATHER TODAY: Few Showers, 60/47 SATURDAY: Cloudy, 63/45 SUNDAY: Mostly Sunny, 69/47

FUN FACT

A teenage girl was convicted Wednesday of killing a 16-year-old classmate who was choked, beaten and sawed into pieces after an argument over boys. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Tuesday Coffee Night



THE JUMP PAGE

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weekend.

pared Steger for his 9.8-mile running," she said. leg of the race, he said, so a training program was not Marathon media director, said needed.

Shannon said the course is one of her favorites to run, but timed with computer chips.

Most races now accurately record time with computer chips that are placed on a racer's shoe, which starts timing upon crossing the start line as backup for the chips.

AIDS

From page 1

Vicky Harper, special events

and volunteer coordinator for

the AIDS Outreach Center,

said benefits such as this help

to send out the message that AIDS is still a big issue.

disease is going away," Harper

said.

in 2004.

and stops at the finish line, Shannon said.

"Without the chip time, the clock starts for all runners the 26.2-mile marathon is out when the gun goes off and of his range, especially on a the people at the back have to wait until they can get past Running in ROTC has pre- the start line to actually start

> Joyce Dreslin, Cowtown this is the first year every racer will be chipped.

Some events were chipped that in years past, it has not been in last year's Cowtown as a trial, and it proved to be highly efficient and accurate, she said.

> Dreslin said cameras are also set up at the finish line

adolescent AIDS cases total 934,862 with the majority being male. Through the same time period, 9,443 AIDS cases were estimated in children under 13.

Austin Patton, an accompanist for the dance department, said he is participating this year because the benefit "The public thinks that just promotes a heathy attitude because medications are mak- toward gaining knowledge of ing people live longer, that the AIDS.

"The good thing about events like this is that just by According to the Centers for having a name out there say-Disease Control and Preven- ing we are doing this as an tion Web site, there was an AIDS benefit - it raises awareestimated 42,514 people in the ness," Patton said. "It strikes United States living with AIDS our community deeper than some of us perceive. It will Also according to the site, not necessarily affect everythe cumulative estimated one directly, but most people, number of diagnoses of AIDS whether they know it or not, probably know someone who is affected by AIDS."

BOOKSTORE From page 1

through 2004 in the United

States is 944,305. Adult and

enough interior space. Also, running water needed to oper- to make sure students have ate the cafe cannot possibly enough parking spaces," he be installed in the trailers, he said.

the permit, placing the trailers sity Recreation Center, Worth in the parking lot could cause Hills and the Student Center at parking problems, Lewis said. the end of the spring semester, TCU Police Chief Steve Lewis said.

McGee said he is waiting to see how much parking space the trailers will cover before he can decide parking alternatives.

"But we will be working said.

The staff still plans to locate When the bookstore receives its buy-back sites in the Univer-

ROTC From page 1

actually surviving is my favorite out in front of them and to yell part," freshman cadet Ashley Kelley said.

before entering the water and climbing the ladders to the div-

a senior, turns the cadets' hats doing it this year. around, covering their eyes, and loudly when they jump.

"I don't know what we're yell-Cadets must ask permission ing about!" screamed one cadet as he jumped off the high dive.

Hart said a couple of them have

ing board. Once they get to the to be coaxed to jump every year, cadets' junior and senior years, top of the diving board, Eric Hart, and he had to talk two cadets into

"Jumping off the high dive and tells the them to hold their rifles they have to tie a white piece of ment course in Washington, material to their fatigues and swim in the first lane because it's shal-

lower. This lets the senior cadets who are helping with the exercises er ROTC university cadets that to look out for them.

The summer between the graduate, Agor said.

they are required to attend a camp for a four-week leader-If they are weak swimmers, ship development and assess-Agor said.

> The camp is comparable a final exam for TCU cadets and 272 oththey must complete before they

Texan OSU students found with drugs

By ASHLEY GIBSON Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY -Twelve Oklahoma State freshmen, including six from Texas, sting involving an undercover dormitories, police said.

the first of its kind at OSU, Lt. Michael Metcalf of the Stillwater Police Department, which day.

delivery of a controlled and dangerous substance and con-A drug raid of this size is of the kids told me he had to sell the drugs to maintain his lifestyle."

The Texas students arrestheaded the raid, said Wednes- ed were Blake Borgstede, 19, The students were arrested 19, and Justin Kennedy, 18, Tuesday night in five dormi- of Plano; Bradley Jones, 18,

tories following a six-week of Highland Village; Alana investigation. The freshmen Garces, 18, of Coppell; and were charged with unlawful Bronson Meador, 19, of Grapevine.

have been arrested in a drug spiracy to deliver marijuana. Burns, 18, of Cheyenne; Sam- board, said Carrie Hulsey-"They had about a cou- uel Griffith, 19, and Alex Rose, Greene, an OSU spokesofficer who bought marijuana ple of pounds of marijuana 19, of Tulsa; Justin Price, 19, woman. The cases should go and cocaine inside and outside and less than an ounce of of Jay; Andrew Ziegler, 19, of before the board within 10 cocaine," Metcalf said. "One Sand Springs; and one juve- days, the university said in a nile.

> There was an outstand-Moore, 19, of Tulsa.

of Colleyville; Gerald Brown, seized \$7,000 in cash, two this matter and continue to vehicles and numerous com- coordinate with local offiputers.

The freshmen involved can continue attending classes but will not be allowed to live in the dorms pending a hearing Others arrested were James before the student conduct statement.

"OSU is troubled and sading arrest warrant for Mason dened by this incident," the statement said. "We will take During their arrests, police the proper steps to address cials."

President says opposition trying to stage coup

By JIM GOMEZ Associated Press

MANILA, Philippines -President Gloria Macapagal the protests that ousted two of her predecessors.

lying at a shrine of the 1986 ing pillars." revolt that ousted Ferdinand police tried to disperse the protesters.

Arroyo said her action was the result of ongoing efforts tried to break from the by the political opposition, armed forces chain of comalong with both the extreme mand, to fight the civilian

left and the extreme right, to bring down the elected government.

"I am declaring a state of Arroyo declared a state of emergency because of the emergency Friday as she strug- clear threat to the nation," gled against a reported coup a defiant Arroyo said in a plot and a possible repeat of taped, nationally televised statement.

"This is my warning against The announcement came those who threaten the govafter the military said a gen- ernment: the whole weight of eral had been arrested in con- the law will fall on your trea-

> Arroyo claimed the military military officers and their men to intervene in politics.

"There were a few who

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In this handout photo from the Malacanang palace, Philippine President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo addresses the nation at the Malacanang presidential palace in Manila on Friday.

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government and establish elected Arroyo. They arrested a regime outside the con- an army general, who leads stitution," Arroyo said. "We elite special forces unit, for crushed this attempt.

backed the democratically colonel was in his barracks.

alleged involvement in a coup Military chiefs said they plot and ensured that a marine

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GROWTH IN THE ECONOMY?

Average (family) incomes after adjusting for inflation actually fell from 2001 to 2004, and the growth in net worth was the weakest in a decade, the Federal Reserve reported Thursday.

- Associated Press

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THE SKIFF VIEW Charity merge helps community

reat minds think alike. That's precisely the problem. With more than 5,000 nonprofit agencies in Tarrant County, there is bound to be an overlap in providing services, as reported in the Jan. 20 Skiff article on homelessness in Fort Worth.

The Women's Shelter in Arlington and the Women's Haven of Tarrant County, the two largest domestic violence shelters in Tarrant County, have realized the benefits of combining two minds to achieve a shared goal. The two shelters have merged to form SafeHaven Tarrant County.

By merging, administrative costs have been consolidated, and although both shelters will continue serving out of Fort Worth and Arlington respectively, they will have one board of directors.

The benefits are felt from both sides. While both shelters have united to fight for a common cause, they have also bettered themselves internally.

If more nonprofits offering the same services would pool their resources and work together, a greater good would be served

to the people needing it the most.

Larger, more encompassing charities, although lacking on the personal connection side, are better suited to serve a larger population. Smaller organizations may have more administrative costs because of external factors, such as the lack of an endowment or limited donor resources.

In the global society in which we live, a smaller charity is unable to provide the essential commodities needed in a disaster situation, such as the 2004 tsunami or the earthquakes in Pakistan. The need for the institutional backing is necessary.

As an example, one charity cannot save every African refugee in desperate need of clean water, education and a stable living environment. A small group may be aided here and there, but the vast majority will go unattended. But, if a substantial number of organizations would band together, the necessary infrastructure could be instituted to drastically improve the living situations in these ravaged areas.

Editor in Chief Courtney Reese for the editorial board.

NEWSREAL • NICHOLAS SAMBALUK

REPREHENSIBLE IS THAT A PUBLIC SERVANT WOULD CONCEAL TRUTH FROM THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY.



All couples deserve rights to adoption

Many people think gay people are sick, disgusting people who commit unspeakable acts. That they're sinners, and they are barred from heaven COMMENTARY



Some believe gays That they don't deserve to get

married or raise children. In fact, they believe we should not allow known gays to vote, teach, participate in government or live in our communities.

If you believe this, I think we should try an experiment. You can join the church of Stephanie where I will force you to turn away

ballot votes to keep same-sex couples from adopting children. This is ridiculous.

It seems that chiseling away at gay rights has become a national past time

— and for no good reason. There are always babies needing to be adopted especially older children, special needs children and don't deserve a children from developing fair shot at life. countries. With all those children out there needing love, is it really right for us to restrict possible parents merely for sexual preference?

One man told a USA Today reporter that because Ohio has defined marriage, it has the right to define parentage and whether children can be raised within the context of certain unions.

But why? Who does this

SKIFF COLUMNIST Safety checks lack consistency

About two weeks ago, I walked into my dorm room him twice that the pipe to find three guys walking around the room. Although COMMENTARY



hadn't been used, he was convinced I'd been light-I was not ing it up. If I were in fact close friends with any of them, they were all acquain-

was hap-

pening. It

using that pipe, wouldn't it make a little more sense to at least put it in a drawer instead of leaving it out in the open? The bag full of quartances, and I knew what

ters was also harmless, but since it had the name of a type of alcohol on it, it was dubbed suspicious, thus, subject to further inspection. Like I said, I knew I had absolutely nothing to hide. If I did, it would have been in the drawer with my needles, crack and a bottle of moonshine.

room, but until I assured

My roommate, on the other hand, as well as two of my neighbors, did have something to hide. They received violations for fire hazards, for having a "power strip plugged into a power strip." They had cated, and as of now, none has been returned.

When asked about the violations, all three guilty parties responded by saying they had no idea it was against the rules to have two power strips connected. All three went on to say they felt the violations were "stupid." They might have a point — I mean, are fires caused by this really that prevalent?

A resident of another dorm told me he had the same setup in his room, but he was not written up for it. It is unfair that residents of some halls are found in violation of safety regulations, but residents of other halls are not found in violation, even when they are. If safety checks are going to be truly "safe," this sort of discrepancy needs to be dealt with.

Another discrepancy, according to one guilty

dangerous first semester, how can it be considered dangerous this semester? Does the burn ban extend all the way into the halls of the dorms?

I understand that the most likely explanation is that the problem was overlooked the first time, but that raises another issue: What if it was actually a serious danger? Say, a pipe bomb?

Fine, I'm exaggerating but here's the point: Sure, two power strips connected to each other might be a fire hazard, but is it something that should automatically be confiscated? And when three people on the same floor (in the same quad, no less) receive a violation for it, maybe it would go a long way for there to be a list of these exact violations, so students would know ahead of time they were breaking the rules.



from your straight ways in order to help you. Then if you fail, I will bar you from ever marrying a person of the opposite sex or raising children. How do you think you would handle this?

If you can't wish it for yourself, don't wish it for others.

Don't get me wrong — I used to be a fairly conservative Christian who believed gay people were destined for hell unless they changed their lifestyles.

But even at my most fundamental, I never thought gay people should be banned from marriage or from raising children. I did not think it was my duty to restrict their life choices. Instead, I was to "love them to Christ." Thus I was responsible for "loving the person, but hating his or her life style." Ultimately, the goal was still to get them to change, but it was not to take away their civil rights.

So when I heard the latest pack of lunacy, I had to shudder a little.

When the anti-gay marriage bills started passing, I was revolted. It didn't make sense that gay people wouldn't be allowed to marry. But at least it was nothing new. Gay people have never had many rights in that arena.

Taking away civil unions was much worse. This leaves gay people without inheritance or visitation rights, which are pretty basic rights for those committed to loved ones.

But now gay rights are taking yet another slam.

According to an article in USA Today on Tuesday, 16 states have proposed laws or benefit? Certainly not the children who will have fewer chances at good families if these bills are passed.

These laws do not aim at making the world a better place, protecting children from abusive homes or making adoption placement easier. Instead, the laws seek to make the already difficult lives of homosexuals even more difficult.

Even if you believe homosexuality is morally repugnant, a sin or just plain disgusting, making homosexuals unable to adopt will solve nothing. It will not cause them to repent. It will not make them go away, and it will not make them lie down and cower in fear.

If anything, such unjust and discriminatory practices will fire up gay rights groups. It will give them cause to be more active and will rally others to their cause. As people see the increasing discrimination, I hope, for the sake of America, that more and more people will stand up for the rights of others.

Homosexuals deserve the same rights as anyone else. Whether the definition of marriage and family revolves around an (outdated) implied concept of a woman and man, homosexuals deserve the right to a family, to inheritance and visitation rights and to the right to feel like real people and full citizens in their own country.

Opinion editor Stephanie Weaver is a senior English, philosophy and French major from Westwood, Kan. She is engaged (to a man) and wants every person to be able to be as happy as she is.

thing to hide, but I was sweating for a minute.

throughout the school year.

I knew that I had noth-

really worried. But by the

emptied a bag full of quar-

ters on my desk, as well as

demonstrated that a deco-

rative pipe on a shelf had

indeed not been used. As I

thought, I didn't have any-

ing to hide, so I wasn't

time it was over, I had

Here's the thing: I shouldn't have had a reason their power strips confisto sweat. I knew I hadn't been hot-boxin' it in my

individual, is the fact that the violation was not cited during the first safety check, but was cited during the recent one. If it wasn't

Dan Plate is a freshman business major from Ogallala, Neb. His column appears every Friday.

Stigma of rape victims should be lifted

has experienced either rape or attempted rape. Think of your four best female friends COMMENTARY and imagine Heather Granham which one of them might

have been held down and taken against her will. Think about which one might live daily with the stomachchurning combination of fear, defines sexual offenses anger and unfounded shame and guilt unique to survivors of sexual violence. Now do I have your attention?

When a Colorado hotel employee accused Kobe Bryant of rape, the resulting media firestorm concluded that he couldn't possibly be guilty because Kobe Bryant is a big, sexy (married) NBA star, and he doesn't "need" to rape. But rape has nothing to do with attraction, libido or sexual gratification - and everything to do with control, domination and humiliation. Sexual assault is not sex; it is violence.

Many so-called rapeprevention strategies are, at best, ineffective and at worst patronizing and sexist. While being drunk may significantly impair your judgment and possibly make you an easier target, being sober will not deter

One in four college women a rapist. "Don't walk home alone," "Don't drink too much" and "Don't dress too sexy" all imply that women can actually prevent sexual assault — that neglecting to follow such asinine guidelines is, to a certain extent, "asking for it." There is no such thing as "asking for it." New York State law

as sexual acts committed against a victim without his or her consent — everything from inappropriate touching and grabbing to forcible rape. Most rapes do not occur in dark alleys behind dumpsters. Most rapes occur in bedrooms, perhaps after a nice meal. Such shades of gray lead to an alarming number of women failing to categorize the incident as a sexual assault, which, along with societal stigma, contributes to underreporting.

What's more, many rapists aren't even aware that they are rapists. Our cultural idolatry of aggression teaches boys to embody a caricature of hyper-masculinity and produces men with such an overblown sense of entitlement that a woman's body becomes little more than the spoils of an imagined war.

Once we unlearn this idea that men have insatia-

ble, uncontrollable sexual urges and sometimes get "carried away," then the victim-blaming epidemic will seem precisely as ridiculous as blaming survivors of robbery and other violent crimes. In fact, if I were a man, I would find such barbarous portrayals downright insulting. What normal, balanced human being would want to have sex with someone without that person's consent?

Newsflash, guys: even if her skirt falls barely past the curve of her hips, even if you're already naked in bed, even if you've had sex before, even if you've been together for two years and she's been in the mood practically since your first kiss, if you use coercion, it's rape. When you grope her on the dance floor, it's sexual assault. When you make a lewd comment about her ass as she walks past, it's neither a joke nor a compliment; it's sexual harassment. Only when men realize that there is nothing cute or funny about objectification will sexual violence come to an end.

One of my friends who read a draft of this column found it "angry." You're damn right I'm angry. I'm angry that I can't walk home

after last call without taking a second to appraise any possible threat posed by the hooded figure on the corner. I'm angry that some of the guys I've dated have felt so entitled to my body that "just the tip" is somehow construed as a legitimate bargaining chip. And I'm furious for every person in the world who's been hurt, violated and shamed by sexual violence - and then retraumatized by thoughtless comments about "sending the wrong signal."

Victims of rape and sexual assault should know they have rights, and there is help available. If you become a victim, get to a safe place and call the police immediately. Don't shower or change your clothes but seek medical care. Ask about screening for sexually transmitted infections and emergency contraception. To start the healing process, tell someone you trust what happened to you, and contact a victim advocacy program. Rape may scar your mind and body, but it doesn't have to define you, and you deserve to feel safe again.

Heather Grantham is a columnist for the Cornell Daily Sun at Cornell University. This column was distributed by U-Wire.

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ORCHESTRAL NOISE

Icelandic genre-benders Sigur Rós will take the stage at Bass Performance Hall Monday. Look for a review of the show in Thursday's Arts section



FIGHT FLU FEARS WITH FOOD

Vitamins may aid in overall wellness, health experts say

By ANDREA BEARCE Staff Reporter

Junior Anne Zanola takes a calcium supplement and a mulwhenever she remembers.

"I kind of just take [vitaal," she said.

has left many students sniffling and sneezing, but an improved immune system may professor of nutrition, said be as easy as an in-between foods vibrant and dense in class snack.

expensive health food, allcenter.

Senior Class Legacy

Fruits and vegetables grow in myriad colors not to entice your palate but to benefit your health, said Pamela Frable, assistant professor of nursing.

The different colors of fruits and vegetables are representative of the variety of phytochemicals, a substance that tivitamin everyday, or at least benefits overall health including immunity, Frable said.

Frable said phytochemicals mins] to be healthy in gener- are represented by their color so everyone should "eat from The erratic winter weather the rainbow" to ensure a balanced diet ..

Anne VanBeber, associate color are also known to have Beside supplements and high concentrations of antioxidants, substances that block natural remedies can prevent free radical formation in the against a trip to the health body that could weaken the immune system, she said.



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VanBeber said blueberries, phytochemicals.

pomegranates, strawberries, blackberries, cherries, broccoli, kale, spinach and tomatoes are just a few of the fruits and vegetables containing high levels of vitamins, minerals and VanBeber said.

When choosing foods, consumers should also look for dark yellow and orange vegetables, which are loaded in immunity-boosting pigments,

But you can't rely on an she said. occasional carrot to balance out your cookie-laden diet.

needs at least five to nine servings of fruits and vegetables benefits.

sumes only three fruits and vegetables a day", she said.

Produce is not the only route to immunity as preventative properties can be found in she said. cold-water fish and flax seeds, VanBeber said.

Flax and fish such as salmpowerful sources of omega-3 fatty acids, which are said to boost immunity through their metabolic pathway in the body, ing," VanBeber said. "What's she said.

included in everyone's diets," ety of color."

But Frable said taking vitamins and supplements will VanBeber said everyone only benefit a person who eats healthy on a regular basis.

Zanola, an entrepreneurial a day to reap their full health management major, said even though she tries to take care of "The average American con- herself, her eating habits are generally pretty bad.

Most students do not eat regularly and a vitamin alone will not help their overall health,

So when your nose starts turning a little red and your forehead a bit warm, look no on, halibut and mackerel are further than your refrigerator and taste the rainbow.

"I definitely think there are foods that are immunity-boostimportant regarding fruits and "Omega-3 fats should be vegetables is to eat a wide vari-



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WOMEN'S GOLF Athletes to face new challenges at previously played tourney

By TRAVIS STEWART Sports Editor

since the women's golf team last teed off at a major tournament — and at least one member has

of good mental work. It'll be pletely different in 2006. It's been more than a month nice to finally go and play. It's hard for us to be home for five weeks."

The Horned Frogs head to gotten tired of waiting around. Puerto Rico today for the Lady

outs and practices and ... lots year, the challenge will be com- area of town."

playing the same golf course," Ravaioli-Larkin said. "We're going back for the first time son and sophomores Carrie well these past few weeks." again. We're at a new course "Really, we're just excited to Puerto Rico Classic, a tournament ... Normally, when we go back get started," said head coach that the team attended last sea- to a tournament, it's the same despite the fact that junior Sta- — Ravaioli-Larkin said the oth-Angie Ravaioli-Larkin. "We've son as well. Ravaioli-Larkin said course. In this instance it's a cey Bieber remains unavailable er teams attending are tough had five good weeks of work- although the squad took part last different course in a different with a lingering back injury, competition.

The Horned Frogs' start- a very capable one. "The only thing is we're not ing five will consist of juniors Catherine Matranga, Camille Blackerby and Elin Emanuels-Morris and Elisa Gomez.

the team's starting rotation is

group," Ravaioli-Larkin said. "These five have really played

TCU is not the team field-Ravaioli-Larkin said that ing a talented lineup however

"Purdue is hosting, (Texas) A&M is real strong," Ravaioli-"This is really our core Larkin said. "There are a lot of really good East Coast schools we don't get to see much."

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PROFESSIONAL SPORTS

Rangers improving top of batting order through Wilkerson

Associated Press

Rangers another option at the runners on base." top of the batting order.

the Rangers in the offsea- hit for the cycle twice, sees himson trade that sent Alfonso self as an all-around hitter. Soriano to Washington, hit only .248 last season, but he leading off, and that's fine," walked 84 times for a .351 on-base percentage.

"That's what you want to see at the top of the lineup," manager Buck Showalter said of the Montreal Expos (33rd Thursday. "Plus, the position overall) in 1998, is adjusting to produces runs. He certainly is a strong candidate."

runs and scored 76 times.

"He's always been good at

getting on base, and he has SURPRISE, Ariz. — Out- a real good feel at the plate," fielder Brad Wilkerson's ability said hitting coach Rudy Jarato get on base offers the Texas millo. "He's really good with

Wilkerson, the only active Wilkerson, who came to player in the major leagues to

"We've talked about me Wilkerson said. "I'd also feel comfortable being a No. 5 hitter."

Wilkerson, a first-round pick is changing, especially in the the trade. The Montreal fran-American League, to one that chise moved to Washington last year.

Of Wilkerson's 140 hits last other team but Montreal," ing in the nation's capital, but the first pitch. All the fans season, 60 went for extra bas- he said. "It was a shock, but he said he's happy to be with cheering. A special moment. es (42 doubles, 7 triples and we really have a good team the franchise that preceded We fell short of some of our 11 home runs). He drove in 54 here. We're looking for good the Nationals there. things."

Wilkerson will miss the ing Day," Wilkerson said. can do here."

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Texas Rangers outfielder Brad Wilkerson catches the ball during spring training baseball Thursday in Surprise, Ariz.

"I've never played for any hoopla that surrounded play- "The President throwing out

goals there, but I'm looking "I will never forget Open- forward to seeing what we

Rockets make trade at deadline

son was acquired Thursday that sent guard Gerald Fitch



MIAMI — Derek Ander- to the Houston Rockets.

Anderson, sidelined much by the Miami Heat in a trade of this season with a strained right calf, has averaged 10.8 points in 20 games. The 6foot-5 swingman has aver-

Tennis to host series leader



host two matches this weekend mark the first time UD and the against Denver (5-2) and LSU (7-2); though unequal in talent, both squads provide unique 15 in the nation, have a stooff four consecutive victories, two schools have been playing but none of them have come each other since 1975 and LSU against a team ranked high- currently leads the series 13-

The men's tennis team will Friedman Tennis Center will Frogs have faced off.

The Tigers, currently No. challenges. Denver is coming ried history with TCU; the

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Students host fundraiser for earthquake victims

By LARRY WOODS II Staff Reporter

are slowly rebuilding, the Northern regions of India urday in the Student Center and Pakistan are still suffering from their own natural disaster.

Experience India: "A Celebration of the Indian Subconti-

While many of the cities Fund and the Mother Teresa event not just to support the affected by Hurricane Katrina Charity. The event will take relief fund, but to enjoy a night place from 6 to 9 p.m. on Sat- of fun. Ballroom.

quake struck northern Paki-Cultural Awareness are hosting million people without a place authentic Indian restaurant." to call home.

nent," which is a fundraiser for major and member of SAICA, group of Indian students from the Pakistan Earthquake Relief said people should attend the the University of Texas at Dallas,

"It's a great opportunity to learn about the Indian culture The magnitude 7.6 earth- and support a good cause," Vaz said. "People can come and Students for Asian Indian stan on Oct. 8, leaving about 3 taste Indian cuisine from an

The event will involve food Claudia Vaz, a junior finance and live music provided by a ally since 1992.

and a fashion show, Vaz said.

Vaz said SAICA is also asking for the donation of sweaters, coats and blankets to help families deal with the winter temperatures in Pakistan.

Nishant Maller, president of SAICA, said the organization tures to help make a better has been putting on fundraisers to support charities annu-

and learn of the problems caused by the earthquake," said Maller, a junior biology major.

Services, said it is important to organizations sponsored by expand awareness of all cul- IIS. society.

students have been around Tickets are \$10.

"We want students to come Indian cultures," Trevino said. "Plus the event was just a lot of fun when I went last year."

SAICA's goal to help spread diversity on campus matches Greg Trevino, director of the goal of the IIS, Trevino Inclusiveness and Intercultural said. SAICA is one of nine

The event is open to all students, faculty and staff and all "Not too many of our (TCU) members of the community.

Cheers, jeers seal performers' fates

By SONA THAPA Staff Reporter

Cheers and boos filled the Student Center Ballroom Thursday night as students performed for the Night at the Apollo.

The Night at the Apollo, hosted by the Black History Month committee and sponsored by the Inclusiveness and Intercultural Services, was a recreation of the original Apollo Theater in Harlem, N.Y., that intended to pay tribute to the artists who performed there. According to the Apollo tradition, winners were chosen based on the audience's reaction to the performances.

Tara Stricklan, a junior advertising/public relations major, who received first place, performed "If I Ain't Got You" by Alicia Keys. She was declared winner after receiving the most cheers and applause from the audience.

"I was a little intimidated, but it went good," Stricklan said.

Apart from loving to perform, Stricklan said, she needed money and that is why she competed. She won \$200 for taking first place.

Stricklan, who was one of the few performers who completed her entire act without



LANA HUNT / Chief Photographer

The group "BAMO" performs a hip-hop/reggaeton dance to the song "Shake" Thursday night in the Student Center Ballroom during the 4th Annual Night at the Apollo. "BAMO" is comprised of Ballet and Modern Arts majors.

ridicule, had made the audience this year. members dance in their seats to the rhythm of her song.

Both Rashi Vats, a sophomore broadcast journalism major, and Claudia Vaz, a senior accounting and finance major, were declared first run- major, said she admired the ners-up for performing an Indian dance.

Vats said performing in the Night at the Apollo was an major, recited an original accomplishment.

year alone, said she was more of Black History Month. comfortable with the crowd

year, but this year I was glad I was performing with (Vats)," Vaz said.

modern dance and history

Royal, a senior English poem that expressed his opin-Vaz, who performed last ion of black culture in honor

one to come out here and say "I was really scared last things that he said," Williams said. "He really represented the rest of our feelings."

Clorese Gray, a senior music Ashanti Williams, a junior education major, was the second runner-up.

The event had a total of performers, especially Alan seven acts, which included Royal for his poem recitation. dances, songs and a poem recitation.

In between the performances, the organizers of this event paid tribute to the artists of the original Apollo Theater by giving a "I think it takes a lot for some- brief background on them.

Japanese skater takes gold after American, Russian fall

By BARRY WILNER Associated Press

TURIN, Italy - She was eleskating sublime. That she was standing in the end didn't hurt, either.

look easy.

Thursday night gave Japan its first medal of these Olympics – a gold in the showcase event.

What a way to end a shutout. "I'm just surprised right now,"

words for it."

Try mesmerizing, even spellbinding.

Everything American champion Sasha Cohen and Russian star Iri- four-minute routine, Arakawa na Slutskaya were not. They gave broke into a smile that only got Arakawa plenty of help by tumbling to the ice often enough to make it a rout.

by a mere .71 points in the short for victory sign then pumped her program, Arakawa won the first fist when she moved into first place figure skating gold ever for Japan with 191.34 points. by nearly eight points.

The 2004 world champion did it with a beauty and technical excellence that even had two-time Olympic winner Katarina Witt in my effort; I gave it my all. So I standing and applauding before have no regrets with that. But it just she finished. Cohen fell twice and wasn't my night," Cohen said.

finished with a silver; Slutskaya fell once and took bronze.

"I'm really excited," Cohen gance on ice, her spirals superb, her said. "I think it was a gift. I'm very pleased."

The Japanese team has struggled Shizuka Arakawa made this one in the mountains and on the ice in Turin. But Arakawa, third after the Her brilliant performance short program behind Cohen and Slutskaya, was magnificent. Her spectacular spirals thrilled the crowd and, more importantly, impressed the judges.

"I didn't feel so much pres-Arakawa said. "I can't find the sure about that," Arakawa said, referring to Japan's disappointing games. "I am very happy that I am the one who won it."

Emotionless for most of her bigger when the scores were flashed. When her personal best of 125.32 points for the free skate After the three were separated were displayed, she flashed a "V"

Cohen already flubbed her first two jumps - and her shot at gold.

"I definitely gave 100 percent





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JERRY LARSON / Waco Tribune Herald via the Associated Press U.S. Rep. Chet Edwards, D-Texas, listens to McLennan Community College student Ariana Hernandez discuss financial aid issues Thursday at an on-campus news conference.

Financial aid cuts dramatic, Rep. says

By ANGELA K. BROWN Associated Press

WACO (AP) — Pepper Jones, a single mother of four children, says she couldn't go to college dent loans and other grants.

passage of a bill that cuts nearly \$12 billion in financial aid programs, Jones, who attends a dramatic impact on millions McLennan Community College of students all across the counin Waco, worries whether she'll be able to afford her educa- a news conference at McLention. She says might give up nan Community College. her dream of teaching disabled children to pursue a career that nis Michaelis, and Elton Stuckpays more money.

\$11.9 billion by reducing lender subsidies and retaining a scheduled shift from variable receive financial aid. interest rates to a 6.8 percent fixed rate on most loans.

billion, five-year deficit reduc- lege, is the youngest of 10 tion bill.

U.S. Rep. Chet Edwards, D-Waco, who voted against the their family to attend college. bill, said it is the nation's largest reduction in federal student able to pay back the increased aid and essentially would put interest rates.

a \$6,500 tax on student loans. Some 10 million college students now receive financial assistance, he said.

"The federal government without about \$14,000 in stu- is the largest single source of student financial aid in this But with Congress' recent country, so when Washington starts cutting back on the student financial aid, it can have try," Edwards said Thursday at

The college's president, Denly, president of Texas State Earlier this month, Con- Technical College in Waco, gress approved a bill cutting said they were concerned about the impact of the cuts. At least 60 percent of their students

Lumina Victor, 20, a business administration major at The bill was part of a \$39 McLennan Community Colchildren. She and one of her sisters are the only ones in She said they now fear being

Condo owner sues SMU, claims fraud

By DAVID KOENIG Associated Press

DALLAS (AP) – SMU wants to plow aging condominiums next to campus to build George W. Bush's presidential library, but a condo owner who is trying to used fraud and strong-arm tactics to grab the property.

The resident, a lawyer named Gary Vodicka, sued the university and scored a victory in court this week when a judge gave him three months to conduct new inspections of the condition of the condominiums.

Lawyers for the university say the school acted legally in buying out all but two of the previous condo owners and gaining control of the homeowners' association. They accuse Vodicka of trying to make a buck off the school's interest in the library.

It isn't clear whether the ruling will stop the demolition or hurt the university's chances against three other Texas colleges that also want the library.

SMU is widely considered the favorite. First lady Laura Bush trying to raze the 340-unit comreceived a degree in elementary education there in 1968 and now serves on its board. Vice John O'Connor, the school's con-President Dick Cheney was a troller, confirmed it is among the trustee from 1996 to 2000, and possible sites. several other top White House school.

Even if the buildings are flattened, the dispute could shed light on the behind-the-scenes campaigns to land the Bush library.

Vodicka sent subpoenas to all four competing schools — the it had a majority of seats on the others are Baylor University, the board of the homeowners' asso-University of Dallas and a West Texas group led by Texas Tech University — for details about by the university hand-delivered their secret bids to the library packets to residents that includ-

said he needs the information to show that SMU has played dirty in taking title to the condominium project where he has owned rental units for 17 years and lived for 10 years.

Texas Tech this week agreed stall the bulldozers says the school to give Vodicka a video it made for the selection committee and correspondence with the White House but declined to turn over its detailed proposal. The other universities are reviewing the subpoenas, according to officials for each.

> A spokesman for Donald Evans, head of the library selection committee, said Thursday there would be no comment on the proposals under consideration.

> The two-story condominiums, called University Gardens, aren't much to look at. The painted brick walls are faded yellow, the asphalt driveways are pocked with potholes, a few window panes are filled with plywood, and a 6-foot chain-link fence circling the property completes the grim look.

University officials have denied plex to make room for a presidential library. But in court this week,

SMU began eyeing the condos, officials also have ties to the built in the 1960s, while Bush was still Texas governor in the late 1990s. The interest increased after Bush was elected president in 2000.

> The college, through a realty company it formed, quietly bought condominium units until ciation.

In June, a title company hired



These condominiums, built in the 1960s, sit on land that SMU wants to use for George Bush's presidential library. Gary Vodicka, an owner of the condominiums, says the university used strong-arm tactics to obtain the land.

described mold in a few units, said. "You can't find any place as water damage to some floor joists good as this and as inexpensive and said all the roofs would need as this in the Park Cities." replacement.

cost of repairs at \$12.4 mil- one it wanted on the board. They lion, with millions more in other contend Vodicka is now a squatupkeep over the next 10 years.

rehab buildings that go back to the '60s or '70s," said Brad E. Cheves, the school's vice president for development and external affairs.

Vodicka claims the university let the condos deteriorate by failing to do routine maintenance for three years, with the goal of having them demolished.

Two weeks ago, SMU put the fence around the complex, leaving only one entrance clear for Vodicka and his three renters versity's lawyer - his law firm to get in and out. He said the was once led by White House place looked much different a Counsel Harriet Miers, an SMU few years ago, when it was home graduate - said as the owner, the to a mix of students and senior citizens.

Vodicka said the university subverted a Texas law governing condominium properties to pack the homeowners' association board with its own employees, who then declared the property in the wealthy area known as the Park Cities obsolete.

"SMU is trying to take my home by this scheme of declaring the property uninhabitable. Isn't site-selection committee. He ed a consultant's report that this a great location?" Vodicka jury."

University officials say the The consultant estimated the school had the right to put anyter on their land, and they filed a "It's financially not feasible to countersuit charging that the three units he is renting out for \$450, \$500 and \$600 a month belong to the school.

> "Mr. Vodicka knows his check for above market value is waiting for him at the title company office," Cheves said. "He probably was on the losing side of the association votes and he's unhappy about it because he wants to make more money from his investment."

> John E. McElhaney, the unischool can tear down the condos once Vodicka's inspectors are done. He said the judge's ruling in favor of Vodicka won't make a difference, and that there is no purpose for a trial once the buildings are gone.

Vodicka disagreed.

"It's not up to SMU to destroy the complex and destroy the evidence," he said from a balcony overlooking a courtyard pool filled with leaves. "It's up to a



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OLYMPICS Hurricane leaves Speedy 7th; trying jump worth loss, he says

By EDDIE PELLS Associated Press

SAUZE d'OULX, Italy (AP) -A gamblin' man in a gambler's sport, Jeret "Speedy" Peterson could hardly contain his goldmedal smile after flying down the mountain.

Never mind that he only finished seventh. To him, that wasn't what Thursday night's Olympic aerials competition was all about.

"I came here to do the Hurricane," he said, "and I did the Hurricane."

Problem was he blew it.

Flying 50 feet above the ramp on his trademark trick, America's last hope for a freestyle medal did five twists packed inside of three somersaults during his three seconds in the air — the toughest jump in the sport, by far.

He looked great soaring through the night sky, but not bobbled backward and used his right hand to keep himself from sitting down. They weren't huge errors, but on a night when all the leaders were close to perfect, the mistakes were enough to push him way down in the standings.

Despite that, it was hard to find anyone happier down at the bottom, and that included the top three finishers — Han Xiaopeng of China, Dmitri Dashinski of Belarus and Vladimir Lebedev of Russia.

"It's great. It's awesome. I love it," Peterson said. "It gets my adrenaline going. It's absolutely everything I love about freestyle aerials. It's the one thing in my heart that I can't find anywhere else."

Not for lack of trying. Peterson has taken a recent liking to skydiving and is one of 12 U.S. Olympians who are candidates to join Donald

so great on the landing. He Trump on "The Apprentice" in the fall.

> Maybe Speedy's biggest offthe-mountain adrenaline rush came last year when he won about a half-million dollars playing blackjack in Las Vegas and bought himself a house.

> But while playing hands at \$10,000 a pop can surely get the blood pumping, nothing quite does it for Speedy like standing atop the aerials hill, waiting to do the Hurricane. On this night, though, he said he was probably too pumped up, which made him over-rotate after takeoff. That almost always foreshadows something bad on the landing and Peterson has been around long enough to know what that means.

"In aerials, if you don't land, you might as well have not showed up," he said.

The judges agreed, dropping him out of medal contention. He had been in third after his



Jeret 'Speedy' Peterson of the United States reacts after performing the first Hurricane jump of the Men's Aerials final at the 2006 Torino Winter Olympic Games Thursday night in Sauze d'Oulx, Italy.

first jump, a more conservative effort that had him diving into the crowd to celebrate.

His feel-good story might have been a bit more palatable had he not represented the U.S. freestyle team's last chance to win something on what has been, frankly, a bad fortnight in Sauze d'Oulx. Toby Dawson's bronze medal in moguls is the only hardware for a team that won

three silvers in 2002 and three golds four years before that.

Coach Jeff Wintersteen said three golds were possible this year and he didn't mask his disappointment afterward.

"I think they were prepared coming in," he said, referring to his 14 athletes, each ranked in the world's top 15 in their discipline

coming into the Olympics. "There's only so much you can do. You have to execute at some point."

Peterson didn't, though to him, that wasn't the point.

There were plenty who agreed with him.

"He was going for gold, not shooting for the podium," said American aerialist Eric Bergoust, who long set the standard for this sport.

MEN'S BASKETBALL WOMEN'S BASKETBALL Frogs take 2nd shot at BYU Team building strength for tourney

By TRAVIS STEWART Sports Editor

The Lady Frogs (15-9) head to Provo, Utah, Saturday for their second game of the season against No. 18 BYU (20-3). TCU lost the teams' earlier matchup 67-64 at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum on Jan. 25.

The Frogs will have to do a better job this time of containing BYU forward Ambrosia Anderson, who sunk TCU with 24 points. Anderson took full advantage of a Horned Frog squad that has struggled all season to defend against the three; although it has improved since then, TCU's perimeter defense is still allowing opponents to average 37 percent shooting from

long range.

Anderson's size and strength enabled her to quickly come off the outside screens set by the Cougar post players; the smaller TCU defenders were unable to adjust to those picks and were often left watching as Anderson dropped in one dagger after another.

The Lady Frogs have improved their game since January; however, and have gone 5-2 since the loss. TCU is coming off a pair of lopsided victories and has beaten its past two opponents by a combined score of 163-106. Sophomore guard Adrianne Ross tied a career-high in points (24) during the Frogs' most recent victory, an 83-57 drubbing of Colorado State.

By TIM BELLA

Staff Writer

The men's basketball team looks to make progress and finish the back end of the season strong, starting with a showdown with Brigham Young on Saturday at the Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

The game will be a rematch of the team's Jan. 25 meeting, which saw TCU come up short in overtime 89-80. Since then, the Cougars (17-7) have been playing solid, winning seven of their last eight games.

The same can not be said of the Horned Frogs (5-22), who are currently in the midst of an eight-game losing streak, the longest of head coach Neil Dough-

erty's tenure at TCU. Despite the tough stretch of games, Dougherty says his squad is dealing with the between the two teams in Provo, adversity admirably.

"It's been tough, but the team has been tougher," Dougherty said. "The morale is as good as it can be."

Injuries have plagued the Horned Frogs for most of the season, and Saturday's game against BYU will be no exception. Sophomore guard Brent Hackett is currently battling a knee injury, while junior guard Neil P. Dougherty has been kept out of the lineup with strep throat. To compound the problem, both players are TCU point guards.

"I'm not sure who's bringing the ball up right now," Dougherty said.

One of the keys for Saturday's game will be whether the Horned Frogs can contain BYU freshman Trent Plaisted. The first meeting

Utah resulted in a career night for Plaisted, as he recorded career highs in both points (22) and rebounds (16).

"Plaisted is really playing well right now," Dougherty said. "We have to make sure that Plaisted gets limited touches around the hoop."

Junior center Femi Ibikunle agrees with Dougherty that the Frogs will have to keep Plaisted in check if they expect to have a chance to win.

We just have to deny him the ball," Ibikunle said. "We need to make other people (besides Plaisted) make a play."

The Frogs will wrap up their regular season by traveling to the University of Nevada at Las Vegas on March 4.







FAMOUS QUOTE

"A sense of duty is useful in work, but offensive in personal relations. People wish to be liked, not to be endured with patient resignation." — Bertrand Russell

SUDOKU PUZZLE

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Quigmans



"Check out the FREAK! Flappin' around with the totally clashing outfit! HEY, NANCY BOY! Where's the MARDI GRAS?!"







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WEEKEND IN SPORTS:

Feb. 24: Baseball vs. Wright State; Men's Tennis vs. Denver Feb. 25: Baseball vs. Wright State; Men's Basketball vs. BYU Feb. 26: Baseball vs. Wright State; Men's Tennis vs. LSU

BASEBALL Team looks to improve record against Wright State Raiders

The coach said the Frogs

need to become more consistent

defensively and will continue to

audition pitchers in their search

for the top eight or nine who

will carry the bulk of the load

"If you pitch well, you get to

pitch more. If you don't pitch

well, then you go to the end

of the line and somebody else

gets a chance," Schlossnagle

said. "We've seen some guys

improve, and we've seen some

guys begin to develop some

roles, but we still need two or

Left-hander Omar Arif (0-0,

2.70 ERA) and right-hander Dil-

lon Farish (0-0, 4.15 ERA), both

juniors, have emerged as solid

performers out of the bullpen,

Schlossnagle said, and once

sophomore lefty Zach Ash-

wood (0-1, 0.00 ERA) reaches

Sophomore right-hander

Jake Arrieta (2-0, 1.59 ERA),

his potential, the Frogs could

have a "special staff."

three guys."

on the mound this season.



Courtesy of Athletics Media Relations In its first home series this season, the baseball team will take on Wright State at 7 p.m. tonight, 2 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday at Lupton Stadium. By MIKE DWYER really the way we look at it News Editor regardless of the opponent."

Heading into the first home series of the season at 4-3, head baseball coach Jim Schlossnagle said the team has learned it can't take anything for granted.

"We've beat some good teams and we've lost to some just OK teams," he said. "We're not in the position to take anybody lightly."

The Frogs will have to put that attitude to the test as they welcome the Wright State Raiders (1-1) to Lupton Stadium for a three-game series beginning Friday.

The Raiders, a Horizon League team from Ohio, may not be as sharp as some of TCU's recent Southern opponents, but Schlossnagle said TCU will go into the games with the Raiders like they would against any team.

"Every opportunity we go on the field, no matter who we're playing, is a chance to get better," he said. "That's who will take the hill for game two of the series Saturday, has been one of the keys for the Frogs early in the season.

"I feel confident in just about all my pitches," Arrieta said. "I feel I'm a long way from where I want to be, but we're pretty happy how we're doing as a team right now. But the more that I improve, the better our team will do in the future."

The offense, after managing only three runs in consecutive losses against Texas State and Arkansas last week, exploded for 22 runs on 31 hits in backto-back wins over Texas-Pan American and Stephen F. Austin heading into this weekend's series.

But Schlossnagle said the team swung the bat well even when it struggled to score runs.

"I can promise you in the game on Sunday in which we scored 13, we didn't hit very many balls hard," he said. "The balls we put in play just happened to have eyes or fall in, and that's the way the game of baseball works sometimes."

Junior utility player Chad Huffman said the team did hit a lot of balls hard in its losses, but that didn't make the loss to Texas State in TCU's home-opener any less disappointing.

"We didn't play great, we didn't play bad," he said. "We kind of learned the lesson of, you always got to come out ready to play no matter what. You never know what run is going to win the game."



Junior point guard — or is it shooting guard? — Natasha Lacy sits down with Sports editor Travis Stewart to discuss the battle of the sexes, a misplaced teammate and TCU's most famous female shot blocker.

What's the biggest difference between men's and women's basketball?

I think how they play above the rim, the elevation of the game. Anything else I think we do. That might be changing in the next couple of years, though; Candace Parker, she can dunk.

What is (head coach Jeff) Mittie to the team: a disciplinarian or a player's coach?

I have to say he's in between. There's times we have a great practice, and he's just full of jokes. We laugh because we have to laugh at them (laughter.) On a serious note, he's a good guy. He knows when to be a disciplinarian, and he has a good time.

What was the best thing about Sandora Irvin?

She caught anything. I mean, she was a phenomenal athlete. I could throw the worst pass ever, and only she could go get it. She was a force in the middle, as far as defense.

Who's your weirdest teammate?

Mickie (freshman center Micaela Younger). We give her a hard time because she's from Delaware; she'll say something and we'll be like, 'Whatever, she's from Delaware. No one knows where that is.'

I've seen you play guite a bit. Sometimes you look like a one (point guard); sometimes you look like a two (shooting guard). If it were up



STEPHEN SPILLMAN / Staff Photograph

to you, where would you play?

My first two years I was mostly playing the one — in high school I played the one. That's the one I'm most comfortable with. Now, I play a lot of positions, whichever one is needed. Down the line, I hopefully get back to the original as a one.

We all know the big names like Leslie and Bird - who do you think the most underrated women's professional basketball player is?

Deanna Nolan — she plays for the Detroit Shock. She got some hype last year, but I've sat and I've watched a couple of her games, and she's awesome. She had the superstars on her team, like Swin Cash and Ruth Riley. She didn't necessarily score a lot on her team last year, but she got the chance when the superstars were hurt.

I've been to men's practices and women's practices, and it seems like women are so much more vocal. What do you think?

Coach Mittie stresses that over and over again, to be more vocal. That kind of motivates us ... if you hear one of your teammates congratulating you, that motivates you to do it. I think it's more of a will to do it. Girls are more talkative, anyways.

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