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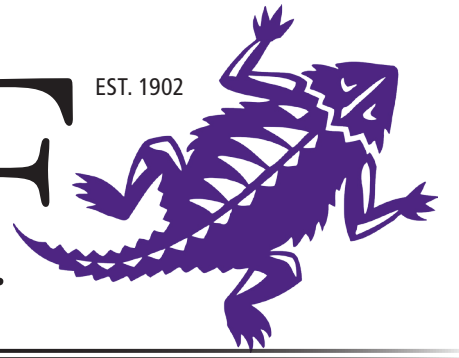
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FINAL COUNTDOWN



Presidential hopeful Barack Obama, D-Ill., makes his way out of the Fort Worth Convention Center after a campaign stop Friday. The capacity crowd packed into the 10,000-seat arena for the candidate's second rally in the Metroplex within the last two weeks.

Convention Center full house for Obama

By PATTY ESPINOSA
 Staff Reporter

"Fort Worth, si se puede," Illinois Sen. Barack Obama chanted Thursday at his rally in the Fort Worth Convention Center. Supporters chimed in, chanting, "Yes we can" in Spanish. The capacity crowd's voices echoed throughout Cowtown at Obama's presidential campaign rally.

Obama reached out to Texans — more than 10,000 of them — with an initial "Hey, y'all." Because the Fort Worth campaign committee didn't want to turn people away, Obama supporters had to be directed to an overflow section that fit about 10,000, said Leslie McClinton, a campaign volunteer. Obama made his way over to the overflow section to speak to

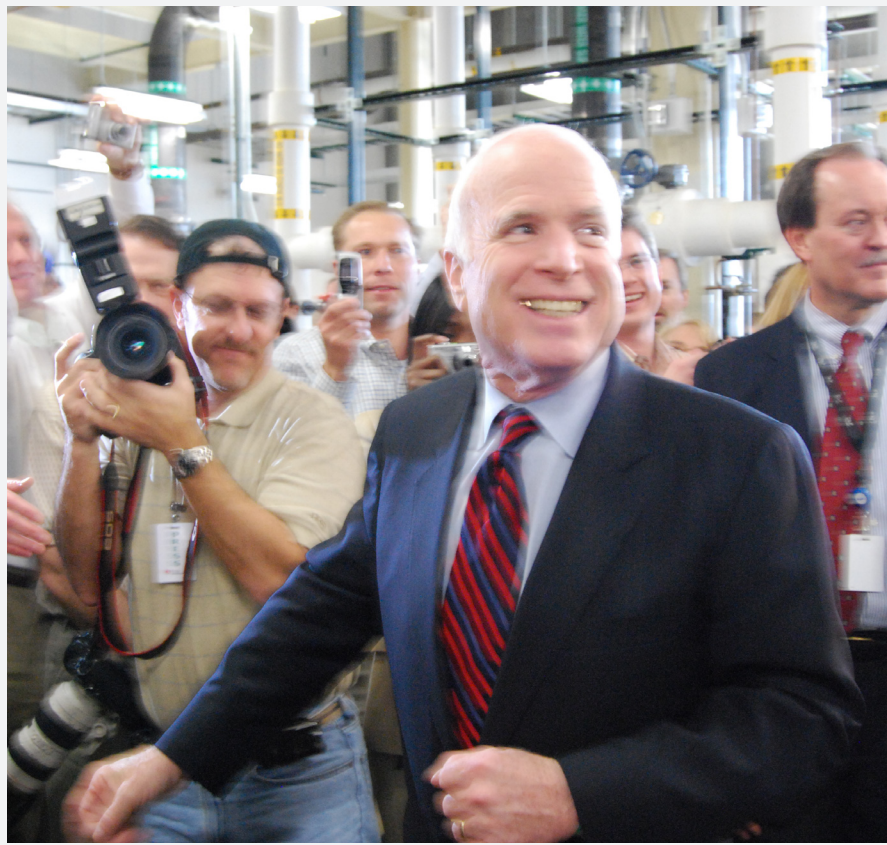
supporters before making his speech in the 10,005-seat arena. A crowd of TCU students for Obama arrived about an hour and a half before the rally was scheduled to begin, sporting campaign paraphernalia, signs and posters. "Obama is someone to care about," said Ashley Southerland, a junior advertising/public relations major.

Southerland, along with other TCU students, volunteered at the rally as recruiters, encouraging people to help the Obama campaign in Texas. "We've been out here since 2 p.m. getting ready for the event," Southerland said. Advocating Change With the primary election nearing an end, Americans have to be
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McCain maintains stance, denounces Dem's foreign policy

By BAILEY SHIFFLER
 Managing Editor

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., continued his attack Thursday on Sen. Barack Obama's, D-Ill., foreign policy comments in Tuesday's Democratic debate regarding al-Qaida in Iraq. Obama, who already said he wants to bring troops home from Iraq, said Tuesday that if al-Qaida is forming a base in Iraq, the U.S. would have to "act in a way that secures the American homeland and our interests abroad." McCain recapped Obama's comments and said, "My friends, al-Qaida is in Iraq, and they're on the run, but they're not defeated." He said Obama's critique of the decision to go to Iraq is "about the past." "If we want to set a date for withdrawal,"
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Arizona Sen. John McCain, the frontrunner for the Republican presidential nomination, greets supporters during a rally Thursday at the Texas Instruments campus in Richardson.

TV stars to visit campus to support candidate

By EMILY ALLEN
 Staff Reporter

Two Television stars will hit the campaign trail for Sen. Barack Obama on Friday in an effort to get students to the polls. Sophia Bush of "One Tree Hill" and Adam Rodriguez of "CSI: Miami" will be on campus to support Obama's run for the presidency. Debbie Mesloh, Dallas spokeswoman from the Obama campaign, said staffers contacted

student coordinators from TCU Students for Barack Obama with an offer to have Bush and Rodriguez visit the campus. "When Sen. Obama announced his campaign, college students were crucial," Mesloh said. "Numerous people in the entertainment industry have volunteered to speak to universities, so we made the offer." The actors will speak to students for 45 minutes about why they have chosen to support the

senator, inviting students to vote before the early polls close at 7 p.m. today. "The idea is to lead voters over to the early voting booths after the event," said Brian Young, student coordinator and junior political science major. "We're expecting a caravan of early voters." Mesloh said events such as the one today are designed to inform and encourage students to vote.

"Texas is great with a lot of poll accessibility, but we just want to encourage people to go and cast their vote early," Mesloh said. Mesloh said the campaign is reliant on the student coordinators to organize their campuses to help reach young, potential voters. "Some of the first people hired were student coordinators, and we need them to engage stu-
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'Miscalculation' caused collapse at Amon Carter

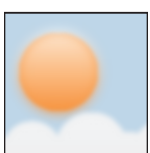
By JULIETA CHIQUILLO
 Staff Reporter

A preliminary report indicates that a structural engineering miscalculation caused the new seating section in the Amon Carter Stadium to collapse, the director of athletics said Thursday. Danny Morrison, athletic director, said Dallas-based architectural firm HKS Inc. is in charge of the structural engineering aspect of the project. HKS could not be reached for comment. "A final report of the incident will be issued in the near future," Morrison said, and deferred questions to the Physical Plant, who could not be reached for comment. No injuries were reported when the structure on the south end of the stadium collapsed Feb. 8 at about 1:30 a.m. Construction remains on halt, said Tracy Syler-Jones, associate vice chancellor for marketing and communication. "A timetable for finishing the construction will be set once the investigation is complete," Syler-Jones wrote in an e-mail. The seating section was part of a \$13 million upgrade of the athletics complex, including six luxury suites, a private club level and additional academic space for student athletes. Austin Commercial Inc. is in charge of construction. "We continue to move forward with HKS and Austin Commercial," Morrison said. HKS lists among its projects the new Dallas Cowboys stadium under construction in Arlington and the American Airlines Center in Dallas.

Gossip Web site finds substitute advertising host

By DAVID HALL
 Staff Reporter

The gossip Web site JuicyCampus.com has found a new advertising platform after its previous ad provider ended its agreement because of the site's content, the site's founder said Wednesday. Matt Ivester, JuicyCampus' founder, said his Web site adopted AdBrite soon after Google pulled out of an agreement with JuicyCampus. AdBrite uses a scheme that allows publishers to review ads before they appear and set a price for ad space, the company's Web site said. Ivester said Google pulled its Ads By Google frame Feb. 22, citing a violation of terms of use. "We knew this was coming," Ivester said. "Our option with Google was either to censor our content or not display their ads." Ivester said he was told in an e-mail about the violation. "They simply state that the 'AdSense policy doesn't currently accept sites that [allow content that] advocates against any individual, group or organization,'" Ivester said. Ivester said he isn't pleased with Google's broad terms of use. "Even a post on JuicyCampus claiming that Professor X is mean and an unfair grader could be interpreted to violate this term," Ivester said. Ivester said AdBrite knows what's on JuicyCampus and he doesn't foresee any future problems. Google would not return e-mails or phone calls seeking comment. AdBrite couldn't be reached for comment about its relations with JuicyCampus either. Ivester said while his Web site is controversial, it's completely within the parameters of the law. "There are a lot of people who think they can sue for things that they can't," Ivester said. "We haven't had any lawsuits filed against us." Attorney Chuck Rowland said it would be hard to
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WEATHER
 TODAY: Mostly sunny, 71/50
 TOMORROW: Partly cloudy, 74/59
 SUNDAY: Isolated storms, 76/43

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STARS

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dents and give information about Sen. Obama's policies," Mesloh said.

Having celebrities speak about a candidate can bring in students who are there only to see the personalities, but some students said they are interested in hearing what they have to say.

"You wouldn't expect celebrities to be interested in the issues, but it brings them back down to Earth," said Anna Waugh, a freshman news editorial and English major. "If anything, you can learn something from hearing someone

else's perspective."

While not a recognized organization on campus, Young said TCU Students for Barack Obama is recognized by the national Obama campaign.

"Our goal is to do anything cool to get people informed and excited to vote," Young said.

Bush and Rodriguez are not the only celebrities to campaign on college campuses for the senator. Actors Kal Penn and Eric Balfour, both of "House," spoke at Ohio's Kent State University last week, sharing Obama's policies with potential voters. Ohio and Texas are two of four states with primaries on Tuesday.

McCAIN

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my friends, that's a date for surrender," McCain said.

He said he would never set a deadline for troop withdrawal, saying he would "bring them home with honor and not with defeat."

In his speech in Richardson to Texas Instrument employees, McCain also emphasized the need for

corporate tax cuts.

McCain said corporate taxes need to be lowered in order to entice businesses to return to the United States.

"I want to continue the unleashing in entrepreneurial spirit of America and the innovation that has made Texas Instruments the envy of the world," McCain said. By lowering corporate taxes, McCain said, more businesses would be inclined to

stay in the U.S.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, introduced McCain, calling him an "American hero" and saying "it is his time" to be president.

After his brief speech, McCain opened the floor for questions.

Fielding a query as to whether he would be aggressive against a Democratic candidate in the gen-

eral election, McCain said he would conduct a respectful campaign, but a spirited campaign, nonetheless.

McCain also said Congress members need to be willing to "reach their hand across the aisle" for the good of the American people and be more bipartisan in their work.

McCain ended his speech by encouraging the audience to vote.

JUICY

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hold users or the founder accountable for anonymous offensive posts.

"You have to be able to identify who wrote it and prove that the accusations are false," Rowland said.

SGA President Thomas Pressly said AdBrite's relations with JuicyCampus won't deter SGA's plan to urge advertisers to pull ads. "I feel like the advertis-

ers are not aware of the content," Pressly said.

Ivester said despite the resistance to his Web site, JuicyCampus plans to expand to 25 more campuses soon.

"We've been getting about 500 requests a day for the past week," Ivester said.

He said choosing the schools JuicyCampus expands to is "a combination of campus requests and our discretion."

OBAMA

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ready for change, Obama said. He said Americans cannot sit and wait for the problems of health care, higher education and the war in Iraq to fix themselves.

Obama promoted higher education, stressing that every child should receive the best education possible by implementing programs, such as early childhood education. It is imperative that students work hard for their education and that parents reinforce that work ethic, he said.

People look at children and don't want to help them because they are not their own — the country needs to remember that every child is our child, Obama said.

Another education policy Obama mentioned was providing a \$4,000 tuition credit for every student each academic year in return for community services activities.

"We invest in you, and you invest in America," Obama said. "Together, we will march this

country toward greatness."

He said teachers will be rewarded with increased salaries and support — too many teachers are digging into their own pockets for school supplies, he said.

Students should not be taught how to take tests, but how to learn and to appreciate topics of value like music, art and literature, Obama said.

Obama said health care needs to change in the direction of preventative care, instead of "disease care."

He also said drug companies need to negotiate better prices for medication, because the current health care system has driven elderly people to cut medications in half.

"I will have all of this [health care] improved and finished by the end of my first term as president," he said.

It is up to the Fort Worth community to step up for Texas and vote for something bigger, Obama said.

"Whatever else happens, there will be a new president, and the name George W. Bush will not be on your ballots," Obama said.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future."

— John F. Kennedy

THE SKIFF VIEW

Students should shun Web site

Now that Google has pulled its advertisements from the college-gossip Web site, JuicyCampus.com, AdBrite Inc. has picked up the slack, and the Web site the Student Government Association condemned about a week ago is loyally keeping students updated on their university's latest gossip.

The resolution that was passed unanimously called for administrators to ask students to stop visiting the Web site, to encourage discussion about the harmful effects of the site, to ask advertisers to discontinue their service and to ask other student governments to participate in SGA's efforts.

But the real solution to this problem is much simpler than that — don't visit it.

The driving force behind the Web site is not the advertisers; it's the sheer number of visitors who make the Web site attractive to advertisers.

According to the AdBrite Web site, the adver-

tisement spots it purchases from JuicyCampus are cost per click, meaning every time a visitor clicks on the ad, JuicyCampus makes money.

It is time for students to think about what they are investing in, even if it is simply time, because every decision they make has consequences. In this case, a simple click of the mouse is fueling the most juvenile and offensive trend that is frankly embarrassing to think college students are embracing.

SGA has taken the right step toward ridding the community of the poisonous Web site, and it is a relief Google has pulled its ads. But obviously, JuicyCampus isn't going down that easily, and it shouldn't — as long as students visit the Web site, it is in its interest to cultivate the filth that it does.

But none of this is going to work if individuals do not make responsible, ethical decisions.

News editor Saerom Yoo for the editorial board.

BY JACOB BRAHCE



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HILLARY CLINTON

BARACK OBAMA

DEBATERS
Student, alumna
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Clinton more seasoned politician

I am voting for Sen. Hillary Clinton in the Texas primary election because I feel of the three presidential contenders, she is the most qualified and the most experienced.

COMMENTARY



Melanie Harris

Experience is not something anyone should make light of, especially in politics. Throughout history, we have witnessed the demise of many great men who had the best intentions.

We should take the background, skill and personal accomplishments of each candidate into careful consideration when electing who will hold the highest office in the land. Clinton's unique experiences in the Governor's Mansion in Arkansas, the White House and the U.S. Senate make her ready to reform a broken system and enact policies that will change the course of history and get our nation back on track. It would be wrong to say I agree with every position Clinton has taken. However, she has a proven record of success that will make her a highly effective leader and commander in chief.

War in Iraq

According to her campaign Web site, Clinton has a plan to convene the Joint Chiefs of Staff, her Secretary of Defense and her National Security Council to come up with a plan to bring our troops home. Clinton intends to bring together regional partners and other global powers in a multinational effort to reconstruct Iraq, "replacing military force with diplomatic and global leadership."

Obama has often accused Clinton of initially voting for the war in Iraq. He claims oppos-

ing the war from the beginning makes his argument stronger against the formidable GOP frontrunner, John McCain. However, Obama's record for opposing the War in Iraq has been inconsistent. He never voted on the Iraq war — he was a senator in the Illinois Legislature at the time.

According to the Chicago Tribune in 2004 Obama said, "There's not much of a difference between my position and George Bush's position at this stage."

In June of 2006, he was opposed to timetables for withdrawing troops and waited 18 months before delivering his first speech condemning the war on the Senate floor.

Health Care

Clinton has outlined a comprehensive plan that seeks universal coverage. Insurance costs would be adjusted according to household income.

Obama claims that anyone who wants coverage will have it, but many argue his approach will inevitably leave out millions of Americans.

According to the research of one of America's leading health care economists, Jonathan Gruber, mandates are often the key in covering the uninsured and guaranteeing cost-effectiveness. His research demonstrates Obama's plan would only cover half of the uninsured (about 23 million people).

A plan like Obama's, without mandates, would cost roughly \$4,400 per person, while a plan resembling Clinton's proposal would run at about \$2,700 per person, according to Gruber's research. These differences will impact the lives of the millions of uninsured Americans.

Like Paul Krugman, an economist and columnist for

the New York Times, it is my belief that Clinton's plan is "the difference between achieving universal health coverage and falling far short." Obama's plan does not go far enough.

College

According to Clinton Web site, "The U.S. used to rank first in the world in our percentage of young people with a postsecondary degree; now we have fallen to seventh."

Clinton believes a college education should be an opportunity for anyone with "talent, determination and ambition to learn."

Clinton's plan provides a \$3,500 tuition tax credit to individuals and involves increasing Pell Grants and annually adjusting the amount according to rising tuition costs. She intends to award students who choose careers of public service and give a year or two of service to organizations, such as AmeriCorps.

Clinton also supports getting rid of Free Application for Federal Student Aid, allowing families to inquire on income tax returns to find out how much federal aid in grants and loans they can receive. It also increases the number of students who qualify for aid and rewards hard work and service. She has been much more specific than Obama on her goals, detailing specific actions she will take to make college education more affordable.

Clinton should not be punished for being associated with the accomplishments of the 1990s or for her experience. She has the power to make things happen, and if given the Democratic nomination, she will work with Americans to change the course of this country.

Melanie Harris is a TCU alumna from Fort Worth.

Obama would bring political change

My vote in the Texas Primary Election is going to Sen. Barack Obama because I believe he provides an opportunity to restore faith in American politics.

COMMENTARY



Brian Young

His ability to rally the American people for change will give us the needed political mandate to make a clean break from the failed policies of the last eight years.

Obama and Sen. Hillary Clinton have set forth only slightly different policy proposals — however, Obama is unique in his willingness to work to end the unproductive gridlock in government, making Washington the place where good ideas become casualties in hyper-partisan political warfare.

My support for Obama began in earnest after I read his book "The Audacity of Hope," which provides a variety of anecdotes that serve to verify his core belief that, as Americans, what we have in common is greater than what drives us apart.

The book echoed the theme of Obama's 2004 speech at the Democratic National Convention where he proclaimed, "There's not a liberal America and a conservative America — there's the United States of America. There's not a black America and white America and Latino America and Asian America; there's the United States of America..."

Apart from his strong character and unifying message, Obama offers policy solutions that appeal to Americans from all walks of life, even college students, and I believe Obama is uniquely on-target on these issues.

War in Iraq

Obama is distinguished by the fact that he courageously spoke out against the war in Iraq before it began. As the majority of the country drifted with President Bush towards military action against Iraq, Obama put his political career on the line and delivered an opposition speech that warned against "an occupation of undetermined length, with undetermined costs and undetermined consequences."

Obama demonstrated needed wisdom that will keep us from costly miscalculations in the future.

Health Care

Obama, like Clinton, is an unrelenting advocate for universal health care. You might ask why universal health care is important to a mostly-insured college population. And I would respond by saying that 47 million uninsured Americans, and countless others who have been financially crippled by medical costs, create a moral crisis that our country and generation must confront immediately.

Obama has put forth a plan that will cover everyone and provide quality care comparable to the care your local congressman, congresswoman or senator receives. While his plan does not include a mandate requiring adults to have care (it does include a mandate for children), it will save Americans up to \$2,500 on deductibles, copays, and premiums. Obama has made a personal commitment to see that his universal health care plan is implemented by the end of his first term as president.

College

Most importantly, for all of us who loathe the 8 percent annual tuition increases, Obama is proposing an American Oppor-

tunity Tax Credit that will make college affordable and available to all students.

This plan would give eligible students a \$4,000 per year, fully refundable credit to put toward college tuition. Obama's plan will cover two-thirds of the cost of the average public university and will completely cover the cost of tuition at most community colleges. Students can earn the credit by participating in programs like the Peace Corps, Teach for America, etc.

Our next president must also rise to the challenge and lead America toward energy independence and global leadership against climate change. Obama has proposed a cap-and-trade system aimed to cut carbon emissions in the U.S. 80 percent by the year 2050, ensuring our children and grandchildren to be able to enjoy an environment that is at least as clean, if not cleaner, than the one we enjoy today.

While both Clinton and Obama have similar policy proposals on many issues, Obama has demonstrated a very real ability to rally a new and diverse coalition of Americans that will actually be able to put some political capital behind the policies that will help us confront 21st century challenges at home and abroad.

He helps us recognize that while we may disagree on the issues, we all have a stake in the future, and we are all bound by a duty to make this country and world a better place for ourselves, and generations to come.

Brian Young is a junior political science major from Friendswood.

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Religious workshop to feature concert

By SHANNON BLEASE
Staff Reporter

Praise Fest is a day to worship God with music, come together as one community and show the love of God, the Praise Fest coordinator said.

Saturday marks the third annual Praise Fest, a daylong free event that includes a conference and an evening concert, said Ricky Anderson, the coordinator.

The workshop sessions will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with lectures from several local pastors, who will provide students information on how to unite Christian believers, Anderson said.

The concert, from 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., will feature a poet, a Christian rapper, a praise mime performance group, as well as two Christian dance teams, Soul Steppers and Calling In Action, Anderson said.

Praise Fest is organized by several Christian, intercultural and inclusiveness organizations on campus in order to promote this year's theme, "We are sheep of the Shepherd," which reflects John 10:16, Anderson said.

Jessica Brown, Word of Truth Ministries president, said the

event serves as an opportunity for various ministries on campus to come worship together, pray and build relationships that can better serve the university and Fort Worth.

"It can help connect students to other Christians in the community, as well as show how we can all come together and show the love of Christ," said Brown, a senior biology major.

Porscha Kelley, a Praise Fest committee member and junior entrepreneurial management major, said Praise Fest is a celebration of students' faith.

The Praise Fest committee raised money through fundraisers, raffle tickets and donations from local churches to help pay for the event,

as well as this year's philanthropy, Anderson said.

This year's Praise Fest philanthropy is Village Schools International, which spreads education and the Gospel throughout Africa by setting up long-term schools from the bottom up, Anderson said.

Last year, between 100 and 200 people attended Praise Fest, Anderson said.

"This year we are hoping to increase in attendance, but it's not all about the numbers," Anderson said.

"It can help connect students to other Christians in the community ..."

Jessica Brown
senior biology major

Doctors find new purpose for Botox; rare neurological diseases find cure

By MEGAN TWOHEY
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Emily Hearn was in her church, practicing with the choir, when her voice started to crack.

"All of a sudden, I couldn't sing," said Hearn, who has a rare neurological disorder that produces vocal cord spasms. "I was dropping my words. I couldn't carry a tune. It was awful."

The disorder, which made it sound as if she were choking on her words, disrupted Hearn's life for more than a decade until she discovered that a toxin often associated with airbrushed fashion models could help restore her voice. Months ago, a doctor stuck a long needle in her throat and released Botox into her vocal cords. The effect was dramatic.

"My tremors are gone," said Hearn, 74.

Developed during World War II as a biological weapon, Botox has gained much notoriety since the federal government approved its cosmetic use in 2002. More prevalent but less widely known, however, is the therapeutic use of the toxin to treat spasms of the neck, face and vocal cords, a condition known as spasmodic dysphonia.

A growing number of patients are turning to it for relief, experts say.

At the Bastian Voice Institute in Downers Grove, Ill., nearly 500 patients from across the Midwest regularly receive Botox injections for the condition, one of the largest caseloads in the country. By paralyzing the pathway between the nerve and vocal cords, the toxin can rid the voice of spasms for nearly four months at a time.

"It's been tremendous," said Christy Ludlow, a researcher at the National Institutes of Health who has studied the disorder. "Botox has made a huge difference."

Large quantities of Botox can cause a rare disease that leads to respiratory failure, paralysis and death. But in diluted amounts, the toxin can be a safe way to stop spasms and smooth wrinkles.

Last week, the Federal Drug Administration announced that it was reviewing a small number of cases in which people became seriously ill or, in one case, died from Botox procedures. Russell Katz, director in the agency's division of neurology products, said none involved injections in vocal cords. In most of the cases, Botox was injected into the limbs of cerebral palsy



ALEX GARCIA / Chicago Tribune via MCT
Dr. Robert W. Bastian inserts a needle containing Botox into the neck of Christine O'Connor, of Carol Stream, Ill., during a procedure at the Bastian Voice Institute on Jan. 25 in Downers Grove, Ill. The Botox injection helps to quell spasms in her vocal chords, which reduces her ability to speak normally.

patients to treat spasms, he said.

The FDA has not approved the use of Botox for spasmodic dysphonia because the maker of the drug won't fund the necessary clinical trials for such a narrow use. But the body of research showing the safe, positive effects is so large that Medicare and insurance companies now cover the cost of the procedure — up to \$900 an injection.

The first person to use the drug for that purpose was Andrew Blitzer, a professor of ear, nose and throat medicine at Columbia University. In 1984, he and other doctors were conducting clinical trials of Botox to see how well it worked for spasms of the eyelid, face and neck.

A patient undergoing treatment for an eyelid spasm also suffered from spasmodic dysphonia. Thrilled with its effect on his eyelids, he demanded that Blitzer inject Botox into his vocal cords.

It took two injections, but eventually the Botox stripped the tremors from the patient's voice. When the FDA approved Botox treatment for other spasmodic disorders in 1989, several other doctors across the country began using it on vocal cords.

Among them was Robert Bastian, the go-to doctor for Chicago-area opera singers. He first provided the treatment at Loyola University Medical Center before starting his private practice, the Bastian Voice Institute.

He said he has performed Botox injections

on nearly 1,500 patients who suffer from spasmodic dysphonia and other voice disorders. In the majority of cases, their voices improved, he said.

Hearn, blessed with a gift for gab, spiraled into depression after the disorder forced her to give up favorite activities such as leading church retreats and talking with friends on the phone. She even considered learning sign language.

With the injections, her vocal life is returning to normal.

"I feel like myself again," Hearn said.

As is the case with all Botox treatments, there is a possibility for complications — such as sucking liquid or food into the lungs, difficulty swallowing and pneumonia, experts said.

Public Citizen, a watchdog group in Washington, D.C., is calling for the drug to carry a black-box warning and for doctors to give patients pamphlets describing symptoms of illnesses that can arise.

"People need to be aware of what the adverse effects can be," said Sidney Wolfe, Public Citizen's director of health.

Bastian said there were some complications when he started providing Botox injections. But he said that more precise doses have eliminated the negative side effects and that a warning label was unnecessary.

"That is a dramatic overreaction," Bastian said. "This is a very safe procedure."

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Dick Tracy museum closes after attendance falls short

By CAROLYN STARKS
Chicago Tribune

WOODSTOCK, Ill. — A case had been building to close the Dick Tracy museum in Woodstock, and the clues were uglier than Flattop Jones.

The guest book hasn't been signed in weeks. The shelves are lined with unsold Dick Tracy pens, yellow fedoras and coffee mugs. And on a recent February morning, a broken furnace kept museum director Jim Johnson shivering until closing. Only a few visitors stopped by, one of them a repairman who got the heat turned back on.

With attendance plunging, museum officials have decided to close in June the 1,000-square-foot shrine to the comic strip detective and his creator — longtime Woodstock resident Chester Gould. The decision was difficult for Gould's daughter, Jean Gould O'Connell, who said her father's estate could not keep funding it.

Gould was 31 years old when he proposed the strip about the chisel-chined cop to the Chicago Tribune-New York Daily News Syndicate. The strip, first published in 1931, appeared by the 1960s in more than 650 newspapers. Today it runs in about 50.

The Chester Gould-Dick Tracy Museum opened in 1991 on the second floor of a turn-of-the-century building overlooking Woodstock's quaint town square. Tourists from around the world visited, and residents beamed about their well-known citizen and the hard-boiled detective he created. No one would have guessed that only a year later a groundhog would

steal the limelight.

The museum's grand opening coincided with one of the first showings of the movie "Dick Tracy" in the town's historic theater on Main Street. It was a once-in-a-lifetime event, or so everyone thought.

The next year, another Hollywood crew arrived to film "Groundhog Day." Released in 1993, the blockbuster starred Bill Murray and used Woodstock as a stand-in for Punxsutawney, Pa.

Ever since, the community has claimed the holiday as its own with a weeklong celebration.

In the museum's early years, more than 6,000 visitors stopped by annually, many of them comic lovers from other countries who read the strip in their native language.

But attendance has been slipping and donations have been

hard to find. Last year only 3,464 visitors showed up. The majority of the \$45,000 needed annually to keep the museum running has been donated by Gould's estate. The \$2 admission fee isn't enough to make ends meet, officials say.

Gould's family, which includes his daughter, and his grandchildren Sue Sanders and Tracy O'Connell, decided it was time for a transition.

It was a heartbreaking decision. After all, this was where the cartoonist lived for half a century, dreaming up the exploits of the square-jawed Tracy and his gallery of villains. Some were caricatures of people he had seen around town, or riding the commuter train to the Chicago Tribune.

"Seventeen years is a long time for a private museum, long enough," Gould O'Connell said.



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Visitors from Milwaukee tour the Chester Gould-Dick Tracy Museum on Feb. 14 in Woodstock, Ill.

Professor plays matchmaker for Muslims across country

By VANESSA BAUZA
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — It's Wednesday, matchmaking day, and Athia Syed's phone won't stop ringing. There's a father on the line looking for a U.S. citizen to marry his son in India. A woman seeking a hijab-wearing spouse for her stockbroker brother. A mother who wants a well-educated wife for her son.

"Will she settle for someone with only a bachelor's degree?" Syed asks.

"From a very good school?" the caller inquires.

Certainly love is not dead, but in Syed's opinion it can be way too picky.

For 15 years, the retired City Colleges of Chicago professor has been matching South Asian Muslims across the country. From her comfortable Downers Grove, Ill., home she fields dozens of calls while scrolling through a laptop database that organizes more than 1,100 marriage-minded Muslims by age, height, educational background, legal status and their parents' country of origin. She notes their appearance ("slim," "pretty," "fair"), marital history and whether they wear the hijab, or head scarf.

Syed estimates she has been responsible for more than 50 marriages. Her services are free, but sometimes playing cupid feels like a full-time job. "Everyone wants Ms. Perfect or Mr. Perfect," sighs the plain-spoken, bespectacled Syed. "All the girls' parents are looking for a doctor, a dentist, an attorney."

And the families of prospective bridegrooms? "They say 'We are looking for perfect beauty,'" said Syed, 65, who emigrated from India in the 1960s. "Each parent wants their daughter-in-law to be the most beautiful."

Years ago, when many Muslim immigrants returned to their home countries to find a spouse, matrimonial networks might not have been necessary. But today few Muslim Americans are interested in traveling halfway across the world for an arranged marriage. Increasingly, mosques and Islamic organizations are playing a role in helping young Muslims find their mates, said Imam Mohamed Magid, vice president of the Islamic Society of North America (ISNA), the nation's largest Muslim organization.

"There are so many young people in the Muslim community looking to get married, but they have a dilemma: they can't date," Magid said. "We offer options

within Islamic boundaries."

Among the most popular options are ISNA's chaperoned speed-dating sessions. They draw hundreds of participants and have become a big attraction at the organization's annual convention.

Magid also organizes smaller gatherings for singles through his mosque in Virginia and has received calls from mosques in New York, Florida and Arizona seeking advice on sponsoring similar meetings.

In addition to social networking sites like naseeb.com or muslimsocial.com, some mosques have started adding matrimonial databases to their Web sites, giving singles the ability to post profiles and initiate contact via e-mail before moving on to chaperoned meetings.

Still, for those put off by matrimonial Web sites or the thought of finding a lifelong companion at a hurried speed-dating session, matchmakers offer a more old-fashioned approach.

"Basically matchmakers are keeping up with the best aspects of the arranged marriage tradition of the old country," Asma Gull Hasan, a (33 and single) Chicago native and author of "American Muslims: The New Generation," said in an e-mail. "The community still needs this service because of our geographic isolation from each other and our small size."

Syed never intended to become a matchmaker, but word got around after she successfully set up several singles. Now her phone number is passed along from one family to the next, mainly by Muslim mothers con-

cerned that their American-born sons — and especially daughters — are working too hard and marrying too old.

Switching seamlessly from English to her native Urdu, Syed quizzes callers on their preferences as she scrolls through her database searching for singles that match the candidate's age, height and professional background. She does not know most of the candidates personally and warns that it's up to each family to confirm profile information. There are about four times more women than men in Syed's database, a ratio so skewed she recently stopped registering women.

Although callers often ask for photos and physical descriptions of potential matches, Syed, who has been married 39 years, encourages them to look deeper.

"I say, 'Don't go by outer looks only,'" she said, "Don't go by the physical only."

Syed counsels young Muslims to be more proactive in finding their future mates, rather than relying on their parents or matchmakers.

That's advice Ahmed Rehab intends to take. The executive director of the Chicago chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations, Rehab is 31 and single — much to his mother's dismay.

"She works overtime advocating that I should get hitched. She wants to see grandkids," he said. "When I am ready for it I reckon I will just meet people myself. I'll definitely not go through someone else."



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Athia Syed scans a spreadsheet on her laptop computer while talking on a speakerphone in her living room in Downers Grove, Ill., on Feb. 6.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Rebels undefeated at home against conference foes



ROBERT BEMER / Staff Reporter

Senior guard Brent Hackett led the Horned Frogs' scoring load against Utah in place of suspended guard, Henry Salter. The Horned Frogs now travel to Las Vegas to take the Mountain West's second-place University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

By BRETT LARSON
Sports Editor

With only three games left in the men's basketball regular season, the Horned Frogs have to win at least one game on the road, where it has only won once this season, to finish .500 in the conference.

TCU takes on the University of Nevada, Las Vegas in Las Vegas on Saturday on the heels of a two-game win streak against Colorado State University and the University of Utah.

The Horned Frogs are 6-7 in the Mountain West Conference with three games left, meaning TCU has to win two of its last three games to avoid a losing conference record.

Two of the final three games for TCU are on the road, where it is 1-9 on this season.

The six conference wins this season equal TCU's win total for its first two seasons as a member of the Mountain West.

TCU travels to UNLV, which is 12-2 at home. Sweet 16 contestants last year, the Rebels lost their two road games before the conference schedule began and are undefeated at home against Mountain West teams.

When UNLV visited Fort Worth on Jan. 30, the Runnin' Rebels took the game 70-58, the second of four consecutive losses for TCU.

Head coach Neil Dougherty said the team

believes it can win its remaining games if it maintains an intense approach.

UNLV currently ranks second in the Mountain West Conference at 10-3 and 21-6 overall.

In the first matchup between the Horned Frogs and the Rebels, UNLV junior guard Wink Adams torched TCU with 25 points and five assists.

TCU sophomore guard Keion Mitchem said the team is going to try and limit Adams' touches and force him to take tough shots, but said this is not a guarantee for stopping the guard.

"Part of the reason he had a good game last time was because he hit some of those tough shots," Mitchem said.

TCU's senior guard Brent Hackett led TCU against UNLV with 19 points and junior forward Kevin Langford chipped in 17, but it was not enough to overcome TCU's 37.5 percent shooting night compared with UNLV's 48.1 percent.

The game also featured a perfect free throw night. TCU hit all 15 of its attempts and UNLV was perfect going 9-9 from the charity stripe.

Junior guard Henry Salter, who is the second leading scorer for TCU with 13.3 and tied for second in rebounding with five a game, was injured inside the first two minutes of the first contest between the two teams.

Salter will again be unable to help TCU against the Rebels, this time out of the game with an

indefinite suspension for conduct detrimental to the team. This will be the second missed game for Salter, who also missed Wednesday's game against Utah. Senior guard Ryan Wall started in his place and scored seven points, but Dougherty said his approach to the guard spot could change against UNLV.

"It really depends on what we feel is important once we put a game plan together," Dougherty said. "Whether it's an injury or suspension you want people to step up the intensity."

Hackett said the possibility of finishing .500 in the Mountain West is not the team's main focus but something it hopes for.

Hackett said TCU's remaining games are against quality opponents, but thinks the Horned Frogs can win all of their remaining games.

The Horned Frogs also have games at Air Force Academy on Wednesday, March 5, and its final game is at home against BYU on March 8.

FOR YOUR INFO
TCU vs. UNLV

When: 6 p.m. Saturday

Where: Thomas and Mack Center, Las Vegas

Stakes: The Horned Frogs need two more wins for a .500 record in conference play.

BASEBALL

Horned Frogs to face two Waves, Gophers

By JOSH DAVIS
Staff Writer

The baseball team travels to the University of Minnesota tonight for the first game of the Dairy Queen Baseball Classic, where it will face the University of Minnesota, Pepperdine University and Tulane University.

The Horned Frogs' first matchup is against the Minnesota Golden Gophers tonight, who have had a rough start to its season, going 0-3 against Rivals No. 10 Ole Miss in its first series. The Rebels outscored the Gophers 45-10 during that stretch.

Minnesota has been a consistent program over the past 10 years, making seven NCAA regional appearances. It returns junior third baseman Nate Hanson and junior centerfielder Matt Nohelty, who were both named First-Team All-Big Ten honorees last year. The Gophers went 41-18 last season and appeared in the NCAA regionals.

The Horned Frogs are currently 2-2 after their 6-1 win over Dallas Baptist Tuesday and a 1-2 series against Cal State Fullerton over the past weekend.

For the second game of the series, the Horned Frogs face Pepperdine on Saturday. The Waves are ranked No. 25 by Rivals and are 3-1 this season.

Through its first four games, Pep-

perdine is collectively batting .390 while holding opponents to a .252 batting average.

The Horned Frogs' third game is Sunday against Tulane, ranked No. 18 by Baseball America D-I Rankings.

The Green Waves is undefeated at 5-0 with its biggest win coming against No. 25 Louisiana-Lafayette 10-1, and has held opponents to only nine runs while plating 23 so far this season.

Through TCU's first four games, it has four starters with a batting average over .300, two of which are hitting .400 or better.

Junior first baseman Matt Vern has a .400 batting average and six RBI, and junior catcher Hunt Woodruff is batting .444 with the team's lone home run.

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BAILEY SHIFFLER / Managing Editor

Freshman Edgar Peyro swims breaststroke against crosstown rival SMU on Jan. 25. The men slipped from third place to fourth on day two of the Mountain West Conference Championships. The women are still in seventh.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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SKIFF ARCHIVES

The Lady Frogs' seven-game win streak was snapped, but the Horned Frogs look to rebound at home against the University of Nevada, Las Vegas on Saturday. Senior forward Lorie Rayford-Butler gave TCU 10 points in the team's first matchup.

Third-place Lady Frogs to host UNLV

By JOHN BOLLER
Staff Reporter

The women's basketball team will be looking to bounce back quickly after suffering its first loss in the month of February.

The Lady Frogs' 68-53 setback against the No. 16 Utah Utes (24-3) (13-0) stopped the team's winning streak at seven games, but TCU has a good chance of starting a new one this weekend when they host UNLV.

TCU has won its last four meetings against the Lady Rebels. In three of those victories, TCU has won by an average of 17.6 points. UNLV has lost its past two games, losing both games by double digits.

The Lady Frogs (17-10) (10-3) had their way with UNLV (8-18) (4-9) in the first game by grabbing 22 offensive rebounds in a 56-38 road victory.

The 38 points were two points shy of the Lady Frogs' best defensive effort this season, and it was the lowest point total TCU has given up in 2008.

They held Delaware to 36 points in November.

It also marked UNLV's lowest scoring game this season.

Senior guard Adrienne Ross said the team played a great defensive game against UNLV but that its shooting on the offensive end needs to be better in the second match.

"We got after it and were all over them on defense," Ross said. "But, we did not shoot that well on offense and that was one reason why we were able to get so many offensive boards."

The Lady Frogs had five players with five or more rebounds. Leading them on the boards was senior Jenna Lohse, who had eight rebounds on the offensive end and finished with 10 for the game, a career best.

Also on the offensive end, TCU had three players score in double digits. Senior guard Helen Roden, and true freshman guard Helena Sverrisdottir, led the Lady Frogs in scoring with 11 points

each. Sverrisdottir also added seven rebounds and four assists. Roden helped out on the glass, cleaning up with nine rebounds — all on the defensive end.

"Anyone on the team can have a great game for us," Ross said. "No matter who it is, when they are on, we just have to keep feeding them."

There was only one lead change in the game. It came with 11:05 left in the first half, and TCU was trailing 9-7. Following a timeout, Roden drained a 3-pointer and gave the Lady Frogs a 9-10 lead. Their largest lead of 18 points came after the final point of the game, a free throw by Roden.

FOR YOUR INFO
TCU vs. UNLV

When: 2 p.m. Saturday

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Stakes: TCU held UNLV to its lowest point total of the season in the first game.



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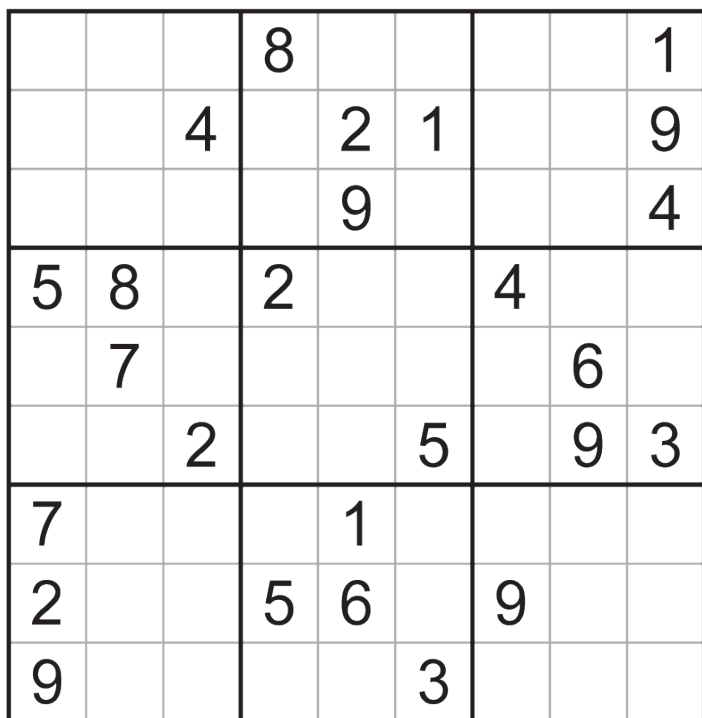


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 TCBCCollege (Trinity Chapel) Sundays, 11am at the Gladney Center (6300 John Ryan Dr. 76132) Solid teaching, authentic worship, relevant discussion, events, and more. Info: www.tbccollege.com, benc@trinitychapel.org, or 817.546.0880

Christ Chapel Bible Church www.ccsn.net 817.546.0860 College Impact 11 a.m. in the Bubble. "Exalt" A Midweek Refuel
 Wednesday nights in sanctuary 7-8 p.m. Contact Ryan McCarthy for info. Ryanm@christchapelbc.org or www.cbcc.family.org

Presbyterian

St. Stephen Presbyterian Church 2700 McPherson Ave., Fort Worth, Texas 76109. 817-927-8411-office
 www.ststephen-pcusa.com Join our First College Mission Trip over Spring Break to Mississippi, for Katrina Disaster Relief. Contact Beth at church office. Cost \$50 non-refundable.

Catholic

Holy Family Catholic Church 6150 Pershing Ave. 817.737.6768. Weekend masses Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 7:45 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 12:00 noon. Young Adult Ministry contact Katie Kernich, kkernich@holymfamilyfw.org

There's a Catholic parish just around the corner! 3717 Stadium Drive. Join St. Andrew's young adults for scripture, study and faith sharing Tuesday 7 p.m. Questions? E-mail rhelen@standrewcc.org or check www.standrewcc.org

Disciples of Christ

First Christian Church (Disciples) welcomes TCU students. We're your downtown church, TCU's "Mother Church." Sunday school 9:45, worship 10:50; Wednesday meditation 6:15. 6th and Throckmorton, 817-336-7185 or www.fcctfw.org. Bring a friend.

South Hills Christian Church (DOC) Rev. Dottie Cook Minister. Worship 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. Young adult Sunday school with breakfast - 9:45. 3200 Bilglade Road. 817-926-5281. Call for directions.

If you would like to advertise your church and its services please call the advertising office at 817.257.7426.

Church of Christ

Make your life count! Join God's mission at Southside Church of Christ 2101 Hemphill St. Fort Worth, Sunday worship at 9:30 a.m. college class at 11:00a.m. Evening worship at 6:00p.m. Wednesday Bible Study at 8:30p.m.

Methodist

Arborlawn United Methodist Church www.arborlawnumc.org 5001 Briarhaven Rd., Fort Worth, TX 76109 817.731.0701 Sunday Services- Traditional 8:45 and 11:00 Insearch Contemporary 11:11 Sunday school 9:45

Non-Denominational

Hopeworks Fellowship www.hopeworks.us non-denominational Christ-centered contemporary services. Everyone Welcome! 10:30am service. Fort Worth Botanic Gardens indoor theater. New on-campus college bible study "theKEY" Mondays at 8pm in Tom Brown Apartment Commons.

The Religion Directory runs every Friday and is a great source to help the students and faculty to find their new church homes. Affordable—Call Today! 817-257-7426



Nobody dreams of having multiple sclerosis

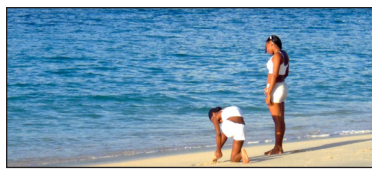
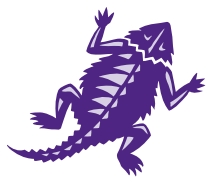
Some dreams are universal: hitting a ball over the Green Monster, winning the World Series with a grand slam in the bottom of the ninth inning. Finding out that you have MS is not one of them.

Multiple sclerosis is a devastating disease of the central nervous system where the body's immune system attacks the insulation surrounding the nerves. It strikes adults in the prime of life — and changes lives forever.

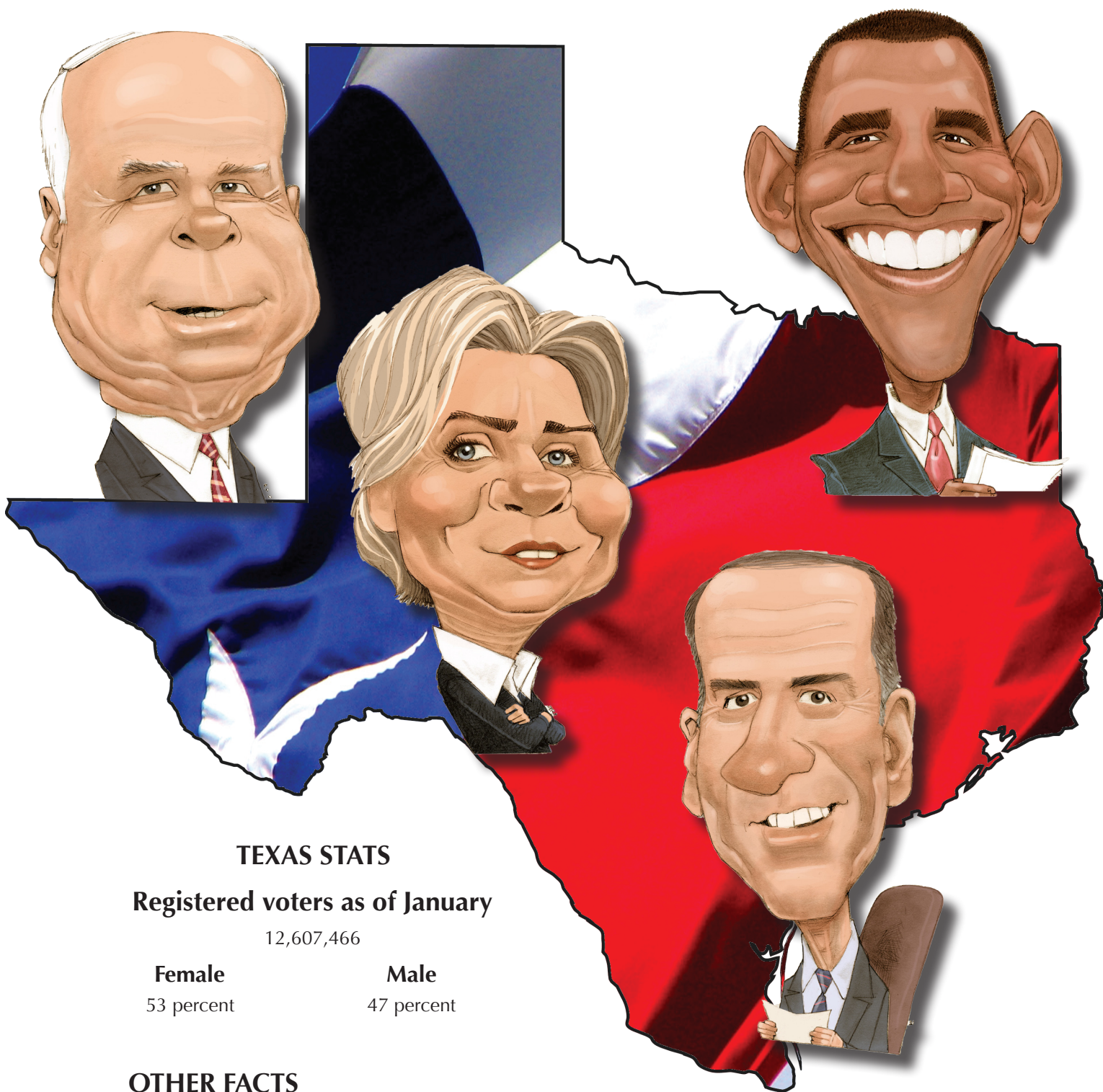
This is why the National MS Society funds more research and provides more services for people with multiple sclerosis than any other organization in the world. But we can't do it alone.

To help make the dream of ending MS come true, call 1-800-FIGHT MS or visit us online at nationalmssociety.org.





TEXAS SHOWDOWN



Dizzy from the Texas Two Step? We can help

By HILARY WHITTIER
 Staff Reporter

In four days, the Lone Star State will be at the forefront of the electoral spotlight.

A Tarrant County political official said this could be one of the most historical elections ever seen in politics. And with the Texas primary approaching, it seems to be an appropriate time for students to become informed.

Texas has an open primary system where voters do not register by party. An individual can vote in either — but not both primaries.

Stephanie Klick, chairwoman of the Republican Party of Tarrant County, said there is a dual system in Texas, which means a person can vote at the primary and can attend a caucus afterward.

“It’s not voting twice, but representing your candidate by your physical presence,” said Keith Annis, executive director of the Tarrant County Democratic Party.

At the Democratic State Convention, 126 delegates are decided by primary vote and 67 will be allocated based on the results of those caucuses.

Of the 67 delegates, 42 are unpledged to a candidate, while the remaining 25 are made up of pledged party leaders, legislators and elected officials, according to the Lone Star Project, a nonpartisan political action committee.

In the Democratic system, the delegates are proportionate to the actual vote, Annis said. If Sen. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y., and Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., split the Democratic vote, the number of delegates will reflect that.

If you’re counting, that makes 193. Of the remaining 35 delegates, 32 are “super delegates,” which include political science faculty member and former House Speaker Jim Wright, members of the Democratic National Committee and members of Congress.

The last three spots are reserved for honored Democrats, such as former officeholders.

The Republican primary vote will allocate 96 delegate votes of the 140 total delegates sent to the Republican National Convention, Klick said.

Three delegates are chosen for each district. If one candidate wins more than 50 percent of the vote, that candidate wins all three delegates. If another candidate wins between 20 and 50 percent of the vote, the delegates will be divided by a 2-1 split. Further, if no candidate wins 20 percent of the vote, the top three all receive one delegate.

The difference in the number of delegates is because the two national conventions have different systems. Annis said with its number of delegates, Texas is significantly more important in the process of selecting a president than it has been in past years.

The early voting process has begun, and students can vote at any early voting site in the county to cast their votes. However, for students who have voted absentee, they’ll have to return to the precinct they voted in to caucus.

TEXAS STATS

Registered voters as of January

12,607,466

Female

53 percent

Male

47 percent

OTHER FACTS

The primary voting lasts from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. March 4.

Early voting ends today at 7 p.m.

Precinct caucus is held 7 p.m. March 4 at your designated voting location.

To attend the precinct caucus afterward, you must have voted in the primary or early voting.

What’s at stake for the candidates in Texas?

DEMOCRATS

228 delegates

126 “primary-chosen” delegates, allocated based on the results of votes cast March 4

25 pledged “party delegates” allocated by the presidential preference of delegates attending the state convention

35 unpledged “super delegates”

REPUBLICANS

140 delegates

96 “primary-chosen” delegates, allocated based on the results of votes cast March 4

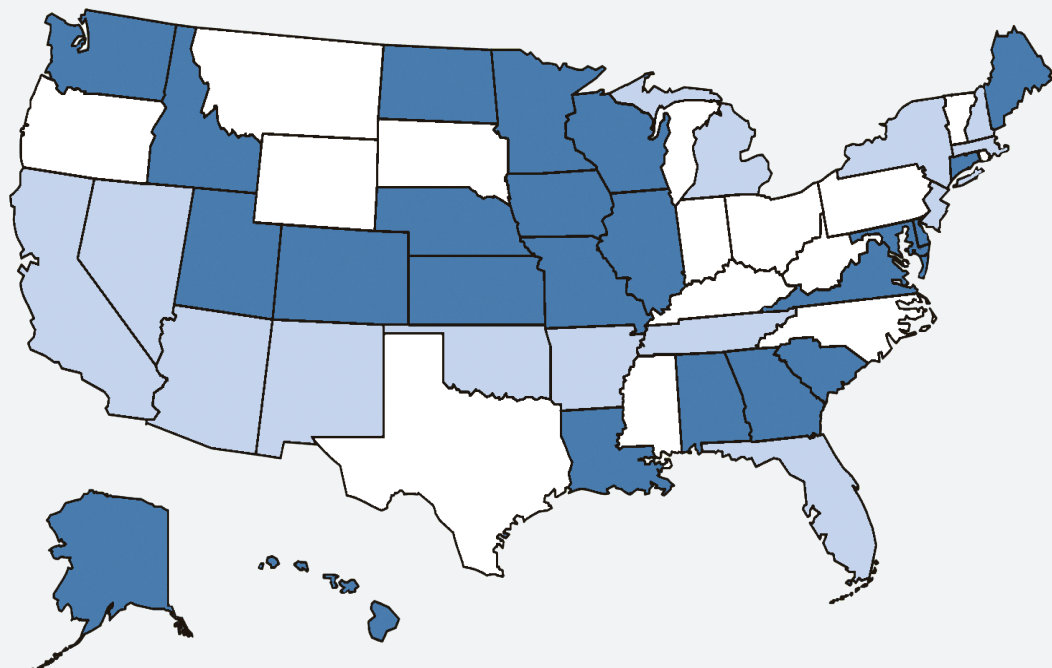
3 delegates for each of the state’s 32 congressional districts; the candidate with more than half the votes in each district wins all three

41 at-large delegates (special delegates) who will be chosen by the overall state results

THE NATIONAL RACE

STATES WON

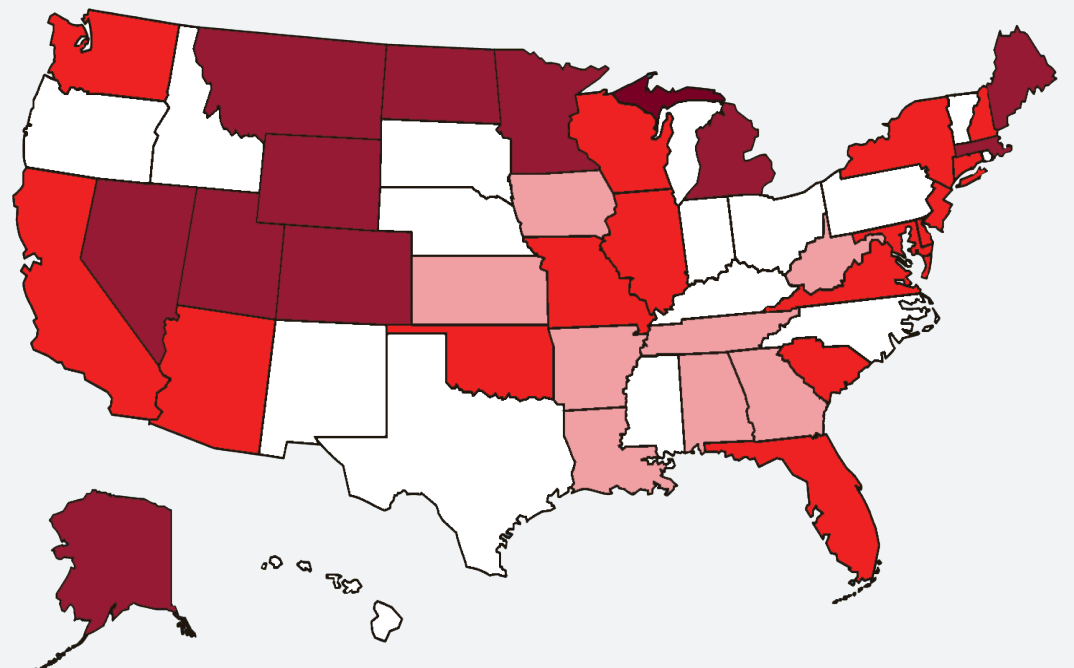
Obama Clinton



DELEGATES NEEDED TO SECURE NOMINATION	2025
OBAMA	1369
CLINTON	1267

STATES WON

McCain Huckabee Romney (out)



DELEGATES NEEDED TO SECURE NOMINATION	1191
MCCAIN	1033
ROMNEY	255 (out)
HUCKABEE	247
PAUL	21