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The Lady Frogs won the MWC title with a victory over the Lobos on Tuesday.  
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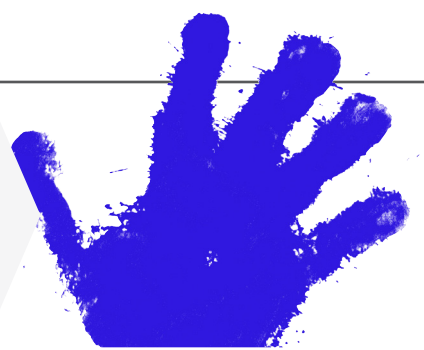
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## POLITICS

# MAKE IT COUNT



Citizens cast their votes for the gubernatorial primary at the polls in the hallway of R.L. Paschal High School on Tuesday.  
MARSHALL DOIG / Staff Photographer

# Hutchison concedes to Perry

By Rachel Wilson  
Staff Reporter

Though Republican gubernatorial candidate Kay Bailey Hutchison conceded the Republican primary to Gov. Rick Perry Tuesday night, they were only four votes apart at local voting site Paschal High School with Hutchison at the lead.

According to the Associated Press, as of 10:52 p.m., statewide, Perry had 51 percent of the vote while Hutchison had 31 percent. Republican Debra Medina had close to 20 percent of the vote.

Perry will face Democrat and former Houston Mayor Bill White, who clinched the Democratic nomination.

Republican voters had a much stronger turnout at the Paschal High

School location, said Jim Barnett, the Republican precinct chair for precinct 1408.

A precinct convention member said the turnout could be attributed to the close race between Perry and Hutchison.

The number of Democrat voters by the end of the day came to 106, according to the votes cast ticket, while the Republicans had 406 voters.

Democratic convention chair for precinct 1409 Nile Fischer said the lower number of Democrat voters may have been because of an assumption that Bill White would win the primary by a landslide.

White did take the lead in the polls at Paschal High School, with 101 of the 106 total votes cast in precincts 1408, 1108, 1081 and 1298.

While voting numbers are down from past years, students still came out to cast their votes.

Alyse Lasley, a junior fashion merchandising major, took the extra step of attending her precinct's convention.

"I think it is really important for young people to have their voice heard," she said.

At the precinct convention, members of each precinct vote on the resolutions that will help form their party's platform and also pick delegates who will go to the district convention later in the month. After that, the resolutions will go to the state and national conventions.

News editor Libby Davis contributed to this report.

# Student turnout low at local site

By Marshall Doig  
Staff Reporter

Poll workers said they had not seen many students during Tuesday's gubernatorial primaries at the Paschal High School polling location.

Despite the lack of participation, leaders of two student political organizations voiced their support for students who voted in the gubernatorial primary elections and spoke about their respective organizations' roles in the voting process.

Both leaders said it was impor-

tant for students to participate in the elections.

Michael Bennett, chairman of TCU College Republicans, said members helped out with various campaigns and were at polling sites handing out fliers.

"Regardless of party, you should have something you believe in and want to see some kind of a step towards that and should find the best candidate to further your beliefs and vote for him or her," Bennett said.

Greg Snow, president of TCU Democrats, said his organization endorsed former Houston mayor

Bill White for governor because of the number of jobs he created in Houston and his stance on education, such as his proposal that students pay off tuition costs through public service.

Snow said he respects people who voted in the election even if they voted differently than he did.

"One thing I do not have sympathy for is people that are apathetic and people that complain about things, but they never even want to participate," he said. "If you went out and voted today, I

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## SCHOOL SPIRIT

# Rangers up female recruitment efforts

By Alex Collins  
Staff Writer

The TCU Rangers football spirit group is increasing its recruitment of female students for the fall in order to better represent the diverse student population, a Rangers leader said.

Cy Goudge, TCU Rangers recruitment chair and a junior geography major, said he has been recruiting both male and female students for the upcoming school year by contacting student groups, including fraternities and sororities and the Student Government Association. He said that rather than focusing on a specific gender, the organization is looking for

"personable, quality" students who are involved on campus and have leadership roles.

"When we first formed the organization back last March...the idea was that it would be an athletics fraternity, so we did not recruit women," Goudge said.

However after the group became an organization rather than a fraternity, he said they began to actively recruit women.

Goudge said the group of 27 men, housed under the athletics department, has several responsibilities during football games, including raising the American and Texas flags before the game, sounding the Frog Horn

for all TCU points scored and raising the football nets in the south end zone for field goals. In addition to these responsibilities, Goudge said the group is hoping to work with a community service organization next year, but he said he is unsure exactly which one.

He said the intent of the group, which was founded by students Carter English and Kelly Barnes, is to foster tradition and student pride for the university and the football team.

Co-founder and current Vice President Kelly Barnes said he wanted to get people "fired up" and more involved in football.

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## CAMPUS KITCHENS

# Aim of initiative to fight hunger

By Christina Durano  
News Now Convergence Producer

Students' unwanted chicken and mashed potatoes at Market Square could soon be dinner for the hungry of Tarrant County.

Melissa Gruver, coordinator for community involvement, said the Center for Community Involvement and Service-Learning is working with the Student Government Association to research implementing a Campus Kitchens program at the university. She said the program is designed to put unused food to use in the community while at the same time equipping students with leadership and organizational skills.

According to the Campus Kitchens Web site, the program uses existing resources to meet local hunger needs and empowers students to make a difference in their communities.

Gruver said the program can be implemented in several different ways. One tier of the program allows students to take unused food from cafeterias and either transport it at its proper temperature to community kitchens or safely cool it and then transport it to community kitchens. The Tarrant Area Food Bank is Fort Worth's locally designated community kitchen.

Only food that has not been put out can be recycled for Campus Kitchens, said Abbey Brokos, SGA Dining Services committee chair.

"We have extra food that we can use," Brokos said. "It's a natural progression to be wise stewards of the food

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## SGA

# Rules on campaign materials modified

By Andrea Drusch  
Staff Reporter

The House of Student Representatives on Tuesday night passed the first in a series of bills aimed at cleaning up the policies for campaign materials.

The bill, proposed by the Elections and Regulations Committee, changed a section of the Student Body Code that limited the number of campaign signs allowed in campus buildings. The new rules will defer to the policy of each individual building and allow 10 signs in buildings that do not have a policy. The bill passed with 33 out of 34 votes and little discussion.

Voting on a different bill that attempted to clarify rules by regulating sign sizes was postponed last week for further review by the Elections and Regulations Committee. The committee replaced the bill, deciding not to enforce specific measurements for campaign materials.

In addition to changing the allowed number of signs, the bill also prohibited door-to-door solicitation in residence halls during election campaigns.

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## CORRECTION

A news brief in Tuesday's paper misidentified the silver medal winner of the bobsleigh four-man Winter Games event as Canada when it was in fact Germany. Canada received the bronze medal.

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The issues and problems with Congress can all be boiled down to the election of inept representatives.

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## PECULIAR FACT

TOPEKA, Kan. — Topeka's Mayor Bill Bunten says the city shall temporarily be referred to as "Google, Kansas — the capital city of fiber optics," in an effort to persuade the Internet giant to test an ultra-fast connection in the city. No city council members objected to the monthlong change.

— The Associated Press

## TODAY'S WEATHER



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## NEWS



The TCU Rangers just before kickoff before an Oct. 17 home game against Colorado State. WES WYNN / Staff Photographer

## RANGERS

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"The primary goal of the Rangers was to increase student attendance to try to get people excited about the ball games, and I think adding women is part of the natural process of that goal," Barnes said.

Goudge said the organization's members will be working on exactly how the group will adjust internal leadership roles, which include a president, vice president, executive board and three chairs, for the incoming class to incorporate "equal power" between male and female students. He said he estimates that 40 men and 30 women will apply this year based on the interest of the organizations he has spoken to. As of Monday night, Goudge said, the group had received seven applications from women. He said there would be no cap on

the size of next year's group.

There was no formal recruitment process with applications and interviews in the fall for last year's members, who were selected based on referrals from the co-founders, he said.

Goudge said that women who are invited to join the organization would design their own uniforms for the game.

"That we have decided to put in the hands of the women because I don't want to design a women's uniform and have them hate it," he said. "They will be able to choose what they want to wear."

Ryan Ross, a junior finance major and group member, said he wants to have fans look down onto the football field and see student leaders of all kinds as members of the Rangers. Ross said he hopes this change will allow all interested students the same opportunity to get involved with the organization.

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**Ryan Ross**  
junior finance major

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Current sophomores and juniors with at least a 2.5 GPA may apply. Applications can be obtained by e-mailing Goudge and must be turned in with a resume by March 5.

## KITCHENS

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we have and just use it to bless the community."

Another tier of the program trains students in food preparation and gives them the opportunity to teach low-income community members how to prepare food, which then gets donated to community kitchens, Gruver said.

"We're helping people in the community develop skills so they can get a better job," Brokos said. "And students are learning the whole leadership experience of managing an organization."

Craig Allen, director of Housing and Residence Life, said a third tier allows students to store and prepare food at the university specifically for community kitchens.

Campus Kitchens is currently in 20 schools across the country, but only Baylor University has the program in Texas. Seven of the 20 schools use Sodexo as their food service provider, Brokos said. The program is completely student-run with the support of universities and food service providers.

Campus Kitchens is still in the beginning stages at the university. The House of Student Representatives passed a resolution supporting research into implementing the program at the university Feb. 23.

Gruver said representatives from national Campus Kitchens will conduct a feasibility study at the university to determine if there is potential to successfully implement the program.

In addition, Brokos said the Dining Services committee is gauging student interest. Campus Kitchens requires universities to commit to a minimum of three years, she said.

Allen said he supports the program, but his main concern is its sustainability.

"If I support the program, I need to know that students are involved in this for the long term," Allen said.

"Some shelter or organization will depend on us for three years to provide meals to people who need them. That's not something we can take lightly."

Allen said he wants to make sure students are committed to the program and that Sodexo or university staff members will not have to run it.

"That's not what the program is designed for," Allen said. "It's designed for students to take an active role in community service."

Brokos said Dining Services is considering proposing the integration of Campus Kitchens into an academic class to ensure the continuation of the program.

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director of Housing and Residence Life

plementing a Campus Kitchens program here would encourage students to get more involved in the community.

"It's really getting students interested in the issue of hunger and what it looks like practically in Tarrant County," Gruver said. "I'm excited about them not just being efficient and using this leftover food for a better cause but also seeing the face that comes along with it."

For a News Now video report on Campus Kitchens, visit [dailyskiff.com](http://dailyskiff.com).

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## SGA

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Garyn Goldston, sophomore College of Communication representative and Elections and Regulations Committee chair, said the committee wanted to steer away from "nit-picking" and allow candidates to be creative with their campaigns. However, he said the rules needed to be more clear.

"We had a lot of situations in last year's election where rules were loosely interpreted," Goldston said. "We want to strengthen the election code by providing a sturdy frame of rules."

Further legislation is in the works in order to clarify and adjust more of the rules, he said. The committee was especially interested in eliminating one regulation that prohibited candidates from creating traveling polling stations through their laptops and iPhones because committee members believe it is a useful campaign tactic to get votes, Goldston said.

The committee's ultimate goal was to loosen the rules in general, he said.

"We don't want the candidate who wants it more to not have the opportunity to demonstrate that," Goldston said.

Also in Tuesday's meeting,

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**Garyn Goldston**  
sophomore Elections and Regulations Committee chair

Student Body President Marlon Figueroa gave a report from a meeting with the university's Alcohol Task Force and representatives from Southern Methodist University's Task Force on Substance Abuse Prevention last week to find out what suggestions SMU had for the university regarding campus safety. Figueroa said the committee found many of the suggestions were things the university was already doing, such as providing the Medical Amnesty/Good Samaritan policy, which allows students to call for medical help without receiving an alcohol fine. He said the university was already ahead of SMU in safety by requiring students to live on campus for their first two years, which makes for a safer environment because the university can control security on campus with their own police department. Further,

because resident assistants are present at campus dormitories, it would be more difficult for underage students to use alcohol in excess, Figueroa said.

In addition to Figueroa's report, the Dining Services Committee shared information from a visit last Thursday to Baylor University to find ways to improve the dining services plan.

Abbey Brokos, a sophomore AddRan College representative and Dining Services Committee chair, said the biggest difference is that student workers served the food. Baylor's meal prices were much higher than the university's and the committee was unimpressed with the cleanliness and quality of services, such as the lack of sneeze guards around food areas, she said.

According to Baylor's Web site, meal plan prices range from \$658.10 to \$2,325.21, the price of the unlimited plan. At TCU, meal plan prices range from \$700 to \$2,200, with unlimited plans starting at \$1,815, according to the TCU Dining Services Web site.

Brokos said the committee picked up several ideas, such as a pasta and stir-fry station and dessert pizza that committee members plan to explore.

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have tons of respect for you, even though I may disagree with you, because you are being an agent for change."

At the voting station at Paschal High School, university alumnus Larry Falcone, stressed the importance of voting. Falcone, who gradu-

ated in 1976, said voting in the primaries is just as important as voting in general elections because the primaries allow citizens to cull out the best candidates.

Kalen Kraatz, a Paschal High School senior, said she was voting for the first time. Kraatz said she thought it was important for young people to vote in order to get

their opinions across to politicians.

Snow agreed.

"Many of the issues that candidates discuss may not seem like they affect young Texans, but the decisions we make at the voting booth affect us all," Snow said. "Whether in the immediate future or the long run, our voice is crucial."

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*The Skiff View*

## Planning necessary for program's success

The implementation of a Campus Kitchens program at the university appears to be a win-win idea, but the administration should use caution before committing to the program.

Completely student-run, Campus Kitchens will allow students to take an active role in the local community by donating leftover food from Market Square to Tarrant County's hungry. Students are trained in food preparation and are in charge of taking the leftover food to the Tarrant Area Food Bank. They are also given the opportunity to teach low-income community members how to prepare the donated food.

The program's minimum three-year commitment has some administrators raising concerns about the program's sustainability, worrying that students will lapse in their involvement and the responsibility will fall to food service employees. Three years is a long-term commitment, but with the support from the student body and the administration the program should be able to run for that length of time. The House of Student Representatives passed a resolution supporting research into the implementation of the program last week and the Dining Services Committee is doing its part by seeking student input in advancing the program's creation.

The administration can do its part by considering the creation of a class that incorporates participation in the program and is open to students of all majors to ensure the program's continuation even if there is a shortage of outside student volunteers. The creation of Campus Kitchens will allow students to take charge of the hunger issue that is affecting the local community, but participation options must be clarified before implementation to guarantee the program's continued success.

*Associate editor Anna Waugh for the editorial board.*

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

## Issues in Congress all boil down to poor election of representatives



WYATT KANYER

When President Barack Obama decided to initiate significant health care reform, it is not likely that he was attempting to infuriate a majority of American citizens. It is a sad reality, however, that most Americans have lost hope in health care reform. But the lack of support for health care reform is not a result of Obama's mistakes. It's the ineffectiveness of the U.S. Congress that has prevented the potential for health care reform from becoming a reality.

Comprehensive health care reform is at a relative standstill, no matter what the press reports. It is stagnant because Congress is stagnant. One thing is for sure — the health care reform bill will not make its way through the House of Representatives and the Senate without significant markups. The bill's lack of progress can be attributed to the nature of the U.S. Congress, which can ultimately be attributed to the inept voters who elect its members.

The term "member of Congress" itself is telling of what is lacking in Congress — a group effort. Take the filibuster, a phenomenon with which those who have followed the health care process are all too familiar. Sen.

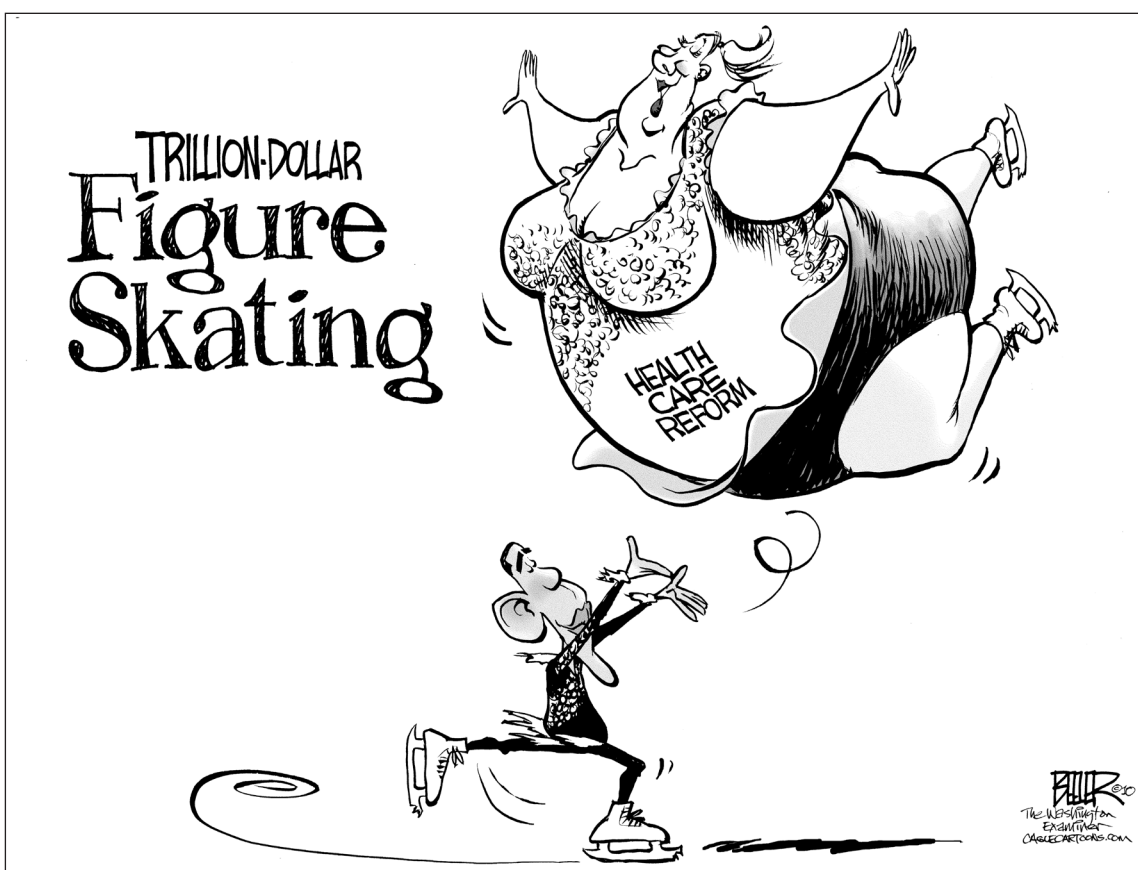
Joe Lieberman strategically affected the health care process by his filibuster threat. Factions stand as one of Congress' most powerful aspects, which, as the "Federalist Papers" indicate, the U.S. founders clearly frowned upon.

Also, it might just be the current Congress, but passing legislation is particularly unpredictable as of late. The health care bill is the most significant example, but there was also the stimulus, which seemed crucial at the time, but could be considered unnecessary now. Then, there were the August climate bill efforts, which strived for an equal distribution of energy rights and punished those who were using too much energy.

It is futile to place all of the blame on a large, authoritative body like Congress because it is impossible for those bodies to handle expansive issues like health care by themselves. But those who say that Congress is not partly to blame are oblivious. Members of Congress do not strive to please the country. They strive to stay in office and fund their constituency's needs. That fact alone should call for cries of opposition.

For health care, or any important piece of legislation, to pass as intended, voters must take initiative and elect capable congressmen and congresswomen. And those voters cannot be afraid to place some blame on those elected officials' shoulders when they fail.

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## Bipartisanship not true solution



MICHAEL LAUCK

Last week, the legislators in Washington decided to get together and try to create a health care plan everyone would agree on. As expected, both sides merely pointed fingers at each other and nothing got accomplished. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton even said this would hurt U.S. reputation in the world.

This got me thinking about this whole bipartisanship thing and figuring out it's a scam and a way for politicians to quiet the American voice.

To show you what I mean, let me give you an example. Imagine for a second that two airline companies came together and said to each other, "If we both raise prices, we will both make more money." If the public found out, they would be outraged. In fact, this is illegal under U.S. antitrust laws, which state that two companies cannot collude to raise prices.

If we instead look at politicians, however, people and the media seem to have a different perspective. They believe the parties must work together to fix America's problems. Our political leaders must come together, put their differences aside and come to a consensus. I see this as simple collusion. After all, fixing prices is the same as if a Republican senator goes up to a Democrat and says, "I'll vote for your health care plan if you agree to vote to give me public funds."

Instead, we need politicians not to collude, but to compete. This is what gives us better service and products in the free market. For instance, McDonald's must

give you the best service it can for the lowest price because you could simply go down the street to Jack in the Box or Taco Bell. However, if both colluded, each would be better off and screwing all of us. The same is true in Washington.

We are beginning to see this in elections. Instead of people being satisfied with candidates, people are dissatisfied with both candidates and

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only choose the one that they dislike the least. The reason is that political parties want to collude and now seem like the same thing. This is sad and a very poor way to elect government officials.

One of our Founding Fathers,

James Madison, said that we must "counter ambition with ambition." He meant that people are self-interested and will try to take power as quickly and easily as possible if they can. Opposite political parties used to be able to prevent that from happening, but now I'm afraid this may no longer be the case.

Let's stop this meeting-in-the-middle view of politics. If I say two plus two equals four and you say it equals six, the average of the two doesn't make it right. Instead, have politicians fight out ideas, and the best one will come out victorious. Enough bipartisanship already.

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## QUICK NEWS

Clinton brings phones, promises to quake-hit Chile

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton made a small dent in Chile's growing needs following a massive earthquake, handing over 25 satellite phones while promising more Tuesday in the country's capital.

Clinton said there has been no discussion of sending U.S. troops to help distribute aid or keep order, as was done in Haiti following the far more deadly earthquake there in January.

Clinton gave one of the phones to President Michelle Bachelet, who said shortly after last week's earthquake that her country did not need much help from other nations. That changed as the magnitude of the disaster became clear — power, water, food and medical care are urgent needs in the country's second-largest city Concepcion, and along a coast hit by the quake and a resulting tsunami.

Toyota's pain is rivals' sales gain in February

DETROIT (AP) — Toyota's pain is rivals' gain. The auto industry reported higher U.S. sales in February and scooped up customers from the Japanese automaker, which has been struggling with massive safety recalls.

Toyota Motor Corp. said its U.S. sales fell 9 percent last month, making it the only automaker to sell fewer cars and trucks in February. Ford, GM, Nissan and Honda all reported double-digit sales growth last month compared with a year earlier, at the depth of the recession. The gains may have been even higher without the blizzards that slowed traffic to showrooms.

Even struggling Chrysler Group LLC saw improvement. Toyota, by contrast, suspended sales of eight models in late January and spent last week answering questions about its safety record in front of Congress.

Authorities bust 3 in infection of 13M computers

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Authorities have smashed one of the world's biggest networks of virus-infected computers, a data vacuum that stole credit cards and online banking credentials from as many as 12.7 million poisoned PCs.

The "botnet" of infected computers included PCs inside more than half of the Fortune 1,000 companies and more than 40 major banks, according to investigators.

Spanish investigators, working with private computer-security firms, have arrested the three alleged ring-leaders of the so-called Mariposa botnet, which appeared in December 2008 and grew into one of the biggest weapons of cybercrime. More arrests are expected soon in other countries.

The arrests are significant because the masterminds behind the biggest botnets aren't often taken down.

NY governor's work goes on as the pressure builds

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — New York Gov. David Paterson discussed his political future with the head of the state's Democratic Party on Tuesday, hours after the National Organization for Women joined the voices urging him to resign because of a report that he had staff members contact a woman about her allegation of abuse by a top aide.

Paterson still has his side of the story to tell, and it "explains an awful lot," said State Democratic Chairman Jay Jacobs.

"I did not get the sense that the governor is considering resignation," said Jacobs, who was picked for the job by Paterson, a longtime friend.

NOW is influential in Democratic politics and called for the governor's resignation despite what it considers Paterson's "excellent" record of strong support for women's issues.

Missing California teen's body believed found

SAN DIEGO (AP) — A body found in a shallow grave Tuesday is believed to be that of 17-year-old Chelsea King, whose disappearance last week led to the arrest of a registered sex offender, authorities said.

The remains were found buried in a park about 10 feet from the shoreline of a tributary to Lake Hodges, San Diego County Sheriff William Gore said.

"While the body has not been positively identified, there is a strong likelihood that we have found Chelsea," he told reporters.

Gore said he had informed the teen's parents.

The body was spotted at 1 p.m. by search divers working their way up the tributary just south of the lake. Gore said it was in an area that had been searched extensively since King vanished on Thursday.

NEWS

CHILE DISASTER



ALIOSHA MARQUEZ / Associated Press  
A truck passes a damaged highway near San Rafael, some 134 miles south of Santiago on Saturday. An 8.8-magnitude earthquake struck central Chile early Saturday.

# Northwest also at risk for megaquake

By Alicia Chang  
AP Science Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Just 50 miles off the Pacific Northwest coast is an earthquake hotspot that threatens to unleash on Seattle, Portland and Vancouver the kind of damage that has shattered Chile. The fault has been dormant for more than 300 years, but when it awakens — tomorrow or decades from now — the consequences could be devastating. Recent computer simulations of a hypothetical magnitude-9 quake found that shaking could last 2 to 5 minutes — strong enough to potentially cause poorly constructed buildings from British Columbia to Northern California to collapse

and severely damage highways and bridges. Such a quake would also send powerful tsunami waves rushing to shore in minutes. While big cities such as Portland and Seattle would be protected from severe flooding, low-lying seaside communities may not be as lucky. The Pacific Northwest “has a long geological history of doing exactly what happened in Chile,” said Brian Atwater, a geologist with the U.S. Geological Survey and University of Washington. “It’s not a matter of if but when the next one will happen.” The last one hit in 1700, a magnitude-9 that sent 30- to 40-foot-tall tsunami waves crashing onto the coast and racing across the Pacific, dam-

aging Japanese coastal villages. There’s an 80 percent chance the southern end of the fault off southern Oregon and Northern California would break in the next 50 years and produce a megaquake, according to Chris Goldfinger, who heads the Active Tectonics and Seafloor Mapping Laboratory at Oregon State University. Research presented last year at a seismology conference found that Seattle high-rises built before 1994, when stricter building codes took effect, were at high risk of collapse during a superquake. Disaster managers in Oregon and Washington are aware of the risks, and work is ongoing to shore up schools, hospitals and other buildings to withstand a seismic jolt.

“We’re definitely being proactive in trying to get those fixed, but we have a long way to go,” said Yumei Wang, geohazards team leader with the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries. Oregon has 1,300 schools and public safety buildings that are at high risk of collapse during a major quake. The state recently doled out \$15 million to two dozen schools and emergency facilities to start the retrofit process. State law requires that all poorly built public safety buildings be upgraded by 2022 and public schools by 2032. Seattle plans to retrofit its 34 fire stations. The city is also working on a plan to upgrade 600 buildings considered most at risk.

CALIFORNIA

# Student admits to noose episode

By Larry Gordon  
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — The University of California, San Diego student reportedly responsible for last week’s controversial noose episode issued a public, but anonymous, apology Monday and said she had no racist intent when she hung the rope from a bookcase in the campus’s main library. The discovery of the noose set off angry protests at a school already tense from racially charged episodes and triggered a round of condemnations from university leaders and Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger. In a letter published Monday on the front page of the campus’s student newspaper, the Guardian, the student wrote that “this was not an act of racism” and contended that it was a “stupid mistake.” She said it was the result of fooling around and had nothing to do with seeking to intimidate black students with a symbol of lynching. “I know what I did was offensive — regardless of my intentions — I am just trying to say I’m sorry. As a minority student who sympathizes with the students that have been affected by the recent issues on campus, I am distraught to know that I have unintentionally added to their pain,” wrote the student, who was suspended Friday and remains under investigation by campus police for a possible hate crime. The letter is signed “by Anonymous UCSD Student” and offers no clues to her

identity or ethnicity. A note at the end of the letter states that the newspaper had verified the author’s authenticity. Sari Thayer, the Guardian’s Web editor, said in a telephone interview that the woman had approached the paper and asked to publish the letter and that “a reliable source” had confirmed it. In the letter, the woman said she and friends had been playing with a rope, jumping with it, making a lasso and then a noose early last week. She then carried it to the library, where she was studying, and strung it over a desk there Tuesday and forgot about it. Its discovery Thursday night caused a firestorm on campus, where racial tensions were high after a Jan. 15 off-campus party mocked Black History Month and a derogatory term for blacks was used on a student television show. When she realized the controversial noose was her responsibility, “I felt so ashamed and embarrassed, and the first thing I did was call the campus police and confess,” she wrote. She said her motivation in publishing the letter was “to hopefully put a little bit of faith back into the UCSD campus by clarifying that it was not an act of racism.” A campus spokesperson said campus police are continuing to investigate the incident and are consulting about it with the San Diego County district attorney’s office and the U.S. attorney’s office. The student remains suspended while the investigation continues, the spokesperson said.

# ETC.



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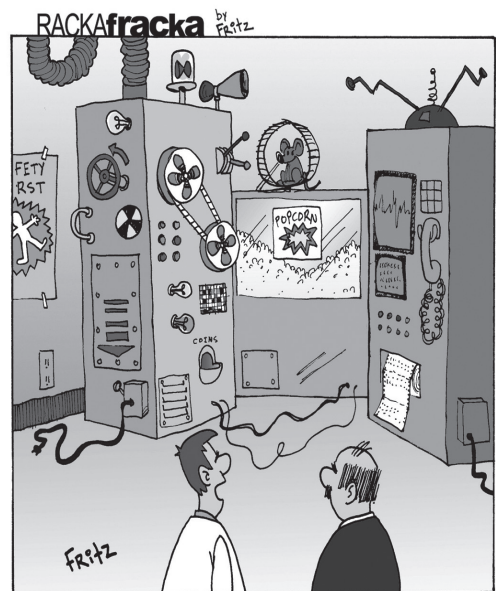
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 1 Hit bottom?  
 6 Irritate  
 0 Excessive elbow-benders  
 4 Put down  
 5 Sandy color  
 6 World's largest furniture retailer  
 7 Fibs  
 10 Author LeShan  
 11 "Bad" cholesterol letters  
 12 Scrooge creator  
 13 The first film it aired was "Gone with the Wind"  
 14 Inauguration Day events  
 15 Seductive peepers  
 19 Barnyard sound  
 12 A car with this is often easier to resell  
 13 What quibblers split  
 15 Asian on the Enterprise bridge  
 16 Deadens  
 19 Spanish hand  
 10 Seagoing mil. training group  
 12 Montgomery native  
 14 His, to Henri  
 15 Like large cereal boxes  
 18 Online suffix with Net  
 19 Some dashes  
 10 Like test papers awaiting grading  
 13 chi chuan  
 14 Swell, slangily  
 17 1963 Elvis hit with the lyrics "You look like an angel ... but I got wise"  
 10 Leave out  
 11 Signaled backstage, perhaps  
 12 "The Da Vinci Code" star  
 13 Shake, as a police tail  
 14 TV's tiny Taylor  
 15 Typical O. Henry ending

**DOWN**  
 1 Black Friday store event  
 31 United  
 2 Term paper abbr.  
 3 Excel input  
 4 Part of i.e.  
 5 Easily heard herd leader  
 6 Feeble cry  
 7 German "I"  
 8 "Dragnet" sergeant  
 9 Useless  
 10 Jockey's wear  
 11 Steinbeck migrant  
 12 Suffix with four, six, seven and nine  
 13 Say freshly  
 18 Dantes, the Count of Monte Cristo  
 19 PayPal "currency"  
 23 Brook fish  
 24 On point  
 25 Cap'n's subordinates  
 26 Make used (to)  
 27 Apollo's birthplace, in Greek myth  
 28 culpa  
 29 Home of the Hurricanes  
 30 Cuban-born TV producer  
 31 United  
 34 Pile up

**Tuesday's Puzzle Solved**

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 41 De Beers founder Rhodes  
 43 When "They Drive," in a 1940 Raft/Bogart film  
 46 Cat of many colors  
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 50 Superstar  
 51 Pixar clownfish  
 52 Alamo competitor  
 53 Ocean motion  
 54 Done, to Dumas  
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL • TCU 66, UNM 54

## CHAMPIONS



Junior guard Helena Sverrisdottir defends the ball against the University of New Mexico in TCU's 66-54 win Tuesday night to become the 2010 Mountain West Conference Champions. JASON PAN / Staff Photographer

## Lady Frogs soar past Lobos

By **Kylie Osterloh**  
Staff Writer

The Lady Frogs can now call themselves Mountain West Conference Champions. TCU (22-6; 12-3 MWC) boasts an undefeated home record after defeating the University of New Mexico Lobos 66-54 Tuesday night.

The TCU squad prevented the Lobos from scoring during the first six minutes of play, but New Mexico acquired a one point edge only two minutes later.

New Mexico's 6-foot-6 senior center Valerie Kast replaced starting junior forward Jessica Kielpinski after a hard hit to the face early in the first half. Kast provided size that was difficult to defend.

"We never seemed to get in the flow of this game,"

head coach Jeff Mittie said. Even though TCU struggled with consistency, the team fought back to secure a 36-20 edge after the first 20 minutes of play.

New Mexico again threatened to pull ahead by producing a 13-2 run when returning from the locker room, bringing the margin to five.

The Lady Frogs answered with a 13-0 run of their own, which featured the play of TCU's senior guards. TK LaFleur made two three-point baskets and Eboni Mangum continued the momentum with a fast break layup.

Mangum also held the Lobos' leading scorer, senior guard Amy Beggin, to only seven points.

From here on out the Lady Frogs maintained their lead and concluded the night

with 18 assists, 10 steals and a mere 11 turnovers.

Junior forward Emily Carter and junior forward/guard Helena Sverrisdottir contributed 12 points each and collectively marked 10 assists.

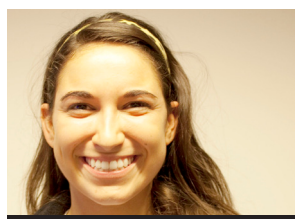
Freshman forward Starr Crawford soundly contributed on both sides of the ball. Crawford posted seven rebounds, eight points and four steals.

LaFleur achieved a double-double during the home finale, leading the team with 17 points and 10 rebounds. She was pleased with her final performance as a senior at the Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

"It's just an awesome feeling," LaFleur said. "I'm glad I was able to come through and do things that were needed to help my team win."

## OPINION

## Hughes likely to get new position in NFL



ASHLEY IOVINE

Former TCU defensive end Jerry Hughes is known for his chameleon-like ability in football, and is proving it at the NFL Scouting Combine in Indianapolis. Hughes easily transitioned from high school running back to college defensive end, and now rumors are flying that he may play outside linebacker in the National Football League.

I think this would be a wise decision, considering his just under 6-foot-3-inch, 255-pound frame. He is big enough to push the opposing offense around, but quick enough to be hard to block.

Hughes is a player who not only excelled as a running back in high school, but also made the all-district team as a kick returner. He came to TCU expecting to be the next

LaDainian Tomlinson, and ended up playing defense and chasing quarterbacks around the backfield. While I'm sure originally he thought the position would be less flashy and give him less recognition, it certainly didn't turn out that way.

If this guy is anything, he is most certainly adaptive. Hughes's quick-step was his claim to fame in college ball. In fact, it made him the leading defensive end in the nation in 2008 with 14 sacks and six forced fumbles. And while he excelled as an end in college football, to get to the next step, I think he would be better suited as a linebacker.

He is the perfect choice to drop into pass coverage, rush the passer or read and react to the given play. He has to rely on his offensive prowess to beat the runner backs to the spot. He'll also be asked to cover Wes Welker-like receivers, who are being used more and more as possession or chain movers in the pass-happy NFL. Although he may not be big enough for defensive end, his speed and agility make him a fit for the prototypical outside linebacker.

Hughes is a player who not only excelled as a running back in high school, but also made the all-district team as a kick returner.

He is an intelligent, skilled, driven athlete, which is attractive to most NFL scouts. While he is projected to be a second-round pick, I would consider him a first-round candidate because of his impressive statistics and numerous accolades, which include being a 2009 Lott Trophy winner, 2009 Lombardi Award finalist, 2009 Ted Hendricks Award winner and a two-time All-American.

I am interested to see not only what team Hughes signs with, but also what position they'll have this talented athlete tackling, pun intended.

*Ashley Iovine is a sophomore broadcast journalism major from Katy.*

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

## Men prepare for final match

By **David Hall**  
Staff Writer

Fresh off their Saturday night win over Colorado State, the Horned Frogs are facing a schedule that will make it hard to close out the season as a showdown against No. 8 New Mexico on Wednesday night in Albuquerque looms large.

The then-No. 23 Lobos defeated the Horned Frogs (13-16, 5-9 Mountain West) in Fort Worth in January, 73-57. New Mexico (27-3, 13-2 MWC) is currently ranked first in the conference and defeated No. 14 BYU on Saturday, 83-81.

Horned Frog head coach Jim Christian said he hopes to use the Frogs' last two games of the season, at New Mexico and versus BYU at home, as experience for his team heading into the Mountain West Conference Tournament, the winner of which receives an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

"We've just got to keep getting better and get ourselves ready for the conference tournament," Christian said. Even with wins against

"We've just got to keep getting better and get ourselves ready for the conference tournament."

**Jim Christian**  
head coach

New Mexico and BYU and two losses apiece by Colorado State and Utah, the Horned Frogs could enter the tournament at no higher than a No. 6 seed and no lower than No. 7.

With a loss to TCU, New Mexico would still be the No. 1 seed in the conference tournament.

New Mexico enters the game with the fourth-best winning percentage in the country at 90 percent.

The Lobos also have the conference's second-best scoring offense behind BYU and have the conference's third-best scorer in junior guard Darington Hobson, who averages 15.7 points per game. Hobson is also the Mountain West's second leading rebounder with an average of nine per

game and the third-best assist man in the conference with a 4.5 assists per game average.

TCU's ball movement could provide the key to victory for the Frogs, as sophomore guard Ronnie Moss averages 6.2 assists per game, a rate that puts him at first in the conference. A big night from Moss could keep the Frogs in contention.

While the Lobos possess Hobson and a handful of other talented players on both sides of the ball, Horned Frog senior forward Zvonko Buljan said his team is up to the challenge.

"They're the best team but they're not unbeatable," Buljan said. "We have to play hard, play together and make some shots."

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