



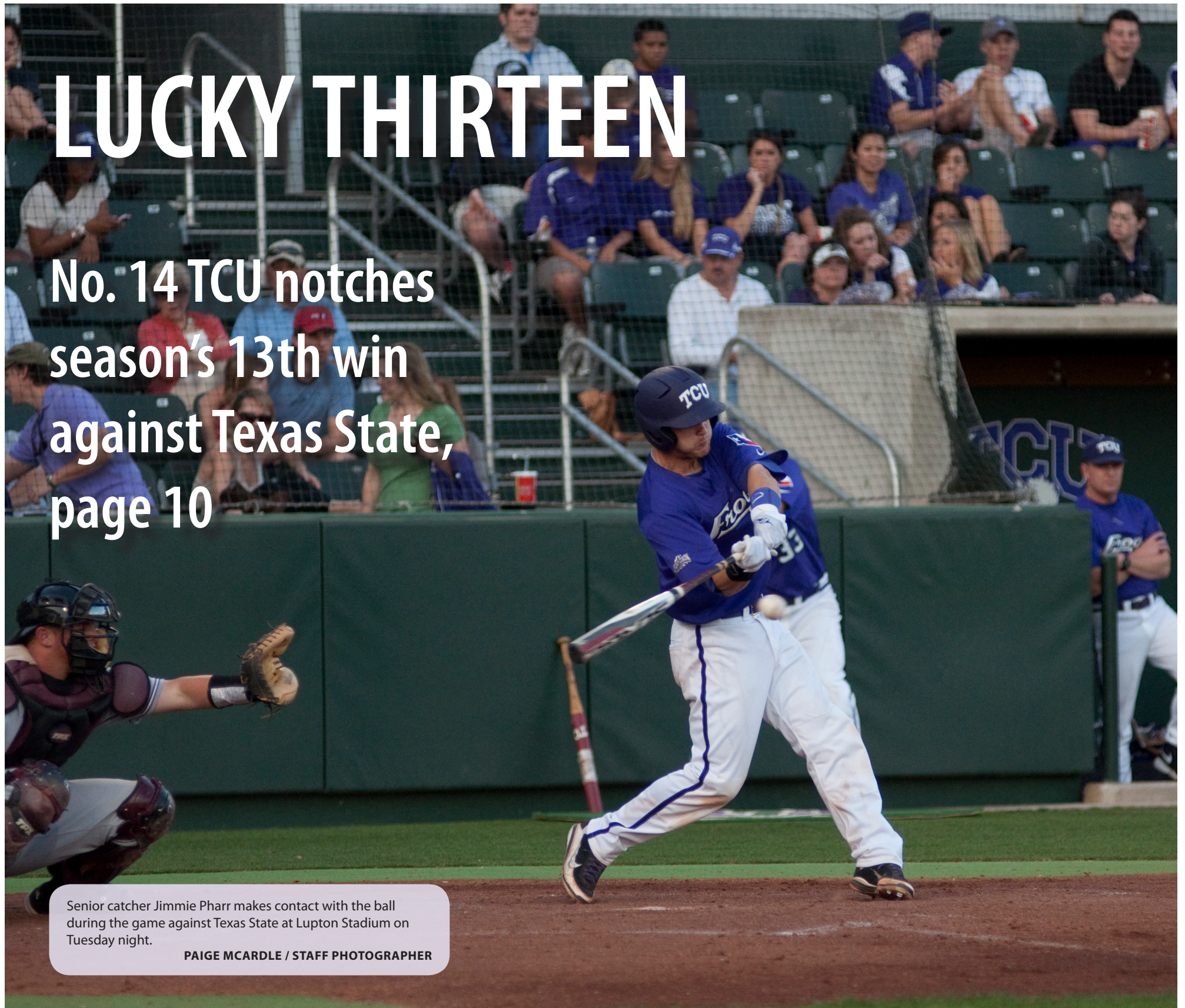
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TCU alum in Japan tries to keep in good spirits after earthquake and tsunami.

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# LUCKY THIRTEEN

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Senior catcher Jimmie Pharr makes contact with the ball during the game against Texas State at Lupton Stadium on Tuesday night.

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## CORRECTION

In Tuesday's paper a baseball rankings list was incorrectly labeled. The list should have been titled the BaseballAmerica.com rankings.

## MIDDLE EAST 3

University professors to discuss regarding recent uprisings in the region.



## CAMPUS

# SGA votes to allocate \$10,000 to bring author to campus

By Bryn Zimmermann

Staff Reporter

A bill allocating funding to the "Compassion and Justice Consultation" with special guest Alice Walker was passed Tuesday night in the House of Student Representatives.

According to the bill, SGA will allocate \$10,000 to support the event scheduled from April 28 through May 1 at TCU.

Melanie Harris, professor of religion and advocate for the event, said bringing Alice Walker would further TCU's mission statement to help edu-

cate individuals to think and act as ethical leaders in the global community.

Brent Folan, student body treasurer, asked where the money would go if allocated to the cause. He also asked if the amount was more than needed.

Harris said the money would be used to help complete the honorarium fund, as well as cover hospitality charges for Walker and other individuals involved in the consultation and surrounding events. She said the amount of money will be needed to cover all expenses

involved in such a large event. Money not used will be returned in the appropriate percentages, she said.

Harris said scholars from universities such as Harvard and Princeton would be at the event, as well as groups in the Dallas/Fort Worth community dedicated to women's rights and diversity.

Caroline Wiersgalla, vice president of external affairs, said even though the amount of money was more than SGA was used to spending, it would be well worth it. Wiersgalla said the event would leave a

lasting impression not only on the TCU campus, but the entire North Texas community.

Harris said the event would include both discussion and a public reading of Walker's novel, "The Color Purple." This portion of the event will take place April 29 and would be open to the first 200 students registered. Alumni and other invited members of the community will be able to purchase tickets for \$15 on a first come, first served basis.

On April 30 and May 1, Alice Walker will be participating with other scholars through-

out the weekend to promote knowledge and diversity.

Trevor Melvin, the House Parliamentarian, said the chance to help bring this event to the TCU campus would further the university's reputation for academic excellence. He said it could not get much better than hosting a Pulitzer Prize-winner with a reputation of compassion and excellence.

Bailey McGowan, a representative for the College of Communication, said the event would have a lasting effect on the university. It would empower and encourage TCU

students, and should be something the university embraces when given the chance.

The bill passed with a majority vote.

In other news, a bill to update references to programming and student body code was passed.

Macy Pulliam, the Ad Hoc Committee chair, said the bill would name theCrew as the official form of on campus student programming. She said theCrew would receive 60 percent of the total SGA budget to program events for students on campus.

## INTERNATIONAL

# Alumna based in Japan shares earthquake experience

By Ashley Monismith

Staff Reporter

More than a week has passed since the magnitude 9.0 earthquake and tsunami hit Japan, but TCU alumna Jessica Fleming, who lives in Japan, said there was still inadequate access to food and gasoline.

Fleming, who lives in Shioyama, a city about 10 miles east of the city of Sendai, which was 80 miles from the quake's epicenter, said that compared to the citizens who were homeless and those who were located within the 50-mile radius around the Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear power plant, she and her fiancé's family were doing "A-OK."

The government advised the people in the 50-mile radius around the nuclear plant to wear masks outside, to stay indoors and to hose down after being outside of

their houses, she said.

Doug Ingram, a physics and astronomy professor, said those precautions were the best that could be given besides getting out of the city. He said the masks and protective clothing acted as a filter, keeping out the radioactive materials that attached to small particles carried by the wind.

"If you breathe in that pollen or that dust that has radioactive particles on it, that's when it's going to hurt you."

**Doug Ingram**

Physics and Astronomy Professor

"If you breathe in that pollen or that dust that has radioactive particles on it, that's when it's going to hurt you," Ingram said.

However, Fleming said the risks of radioactive exposure were not relevant to citizens of Shioyama. Because precautionary measures only applied to that 50-mile radius, Fleming said she was frustrated with foreign companies wanting to ship packages through Tokyo or avoid delivery to Shioyama.

"Shipping companies back in Texas won't deliver boxes of food and supplies from my friends and family because I am in a 'radioactive area,'" she said.

Ingram said he believed companies did not want to be



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AW3 search and rescue swimmer Cody Reynolds from Ardmore, OK, of the Navy Sea Hawk helicopter of USS Ronald Reagan (CVN76), right, passes a box of supply to evacuees in an earthquake and tsunami devastated area Tuesday, March 22, 2011 in Kesenuma, Japan.

liable for possible employee illness due to radiation exposure by travelling to Japan.

Fleming said public transportation has been a problem as well. The train she took to work in Sendai was no longer running.

Yumiko Keitges, a professor of modern language studies, said Tokyo experienced

similar problems with its transportation despite being away from the destruction zone. Most of the destruction from the natural disaster affected the northeast part of Japan, yet some trains in Tokyo were not running because of energy conservation measures by the city, she said.

Due to the lack of trans-

portation and shipments of food to Shioyama, Fleming said she and the six others living with her will have to live off a stockpile of food. But she said she believed she and her family are not the main people who need to receive aid.

"The people who need aid are homeless, starving, terri-

fied and/or injured," she said.

John Singleton, director of International Student Services, said various fundraisers on campus to help with the relief efforts in Japan will begin March 30.

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## CAMPUS

# Panel discussion offers insight into Middle East

By Mandy Naglich  
Staff Reporter

After the recent political uprisings in Tunisia, Egypt, Bahrain and Yemen put the spotlight back in the Middle East, students now have the opportunity to attend a panel to discuss and learn more about the region.

The departments of political science, history, international studies and the AddRan College of Liberal Arts worked to organize tonight's panel, which will include three political science professors with different areas of specialty.

Students will be able to ask questions and become more aware of the current issues in the global community.

Michael Dodson, one of the three political science professors who will be speaking, will be one of the panelists and said the discussion will begin with three short presentations. Manochehr Dorraj will provide a background of the area and situations to give the audience a way to understand the uprisings. Ralph Carter will explain the implications of the uprisings on U.S. foreign policy. Dodson will explain the challenge countries face as they try to convert to democracies.

Dodson said he hopes the event will give students an opportunity to enter a thought-provoking discussion about what the uprisings truly mean and what the future may hold for the region and the people who live there. He said the presentations will be short and will be followed by a long question and answer session to allow for student participation.


"Most people in the United States, including university students, don't have very much knowledge of the Middle East and are only newly aware of some of the details," Dodson said. "This is an opportunity for students to use the university resources and become aware."

Dorraj said he wanted to take students beyond the headlines they read in the news. The goal of the panel is to provide an analysis that allows students to participate, he said.

"Students see this happened and that happened," he said.

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"But we are going to explain why these uprisings are happening and why now."

Katie Horton, a sophomore supply chain management major, said she planned to attend the panel in order to learn more about what is happening in the Middle East. She said the panel is going to be an easy way to catch up on the information she has missed.

Dodson said the event was planned before the most recent military actions in Libya occurred, but said he felt it would come up in the discussion.

According to an article from *Bloomberg*, the United States and allied forces fired missiles March 19 to repel a Libyan offense against rebel forces led by president Moammar Gadhafi.

Since there will be a lengthy question and answer section, Dodson said Libya would probably be addressed the most in that portion of the event.

Trip Nistico, a junior political science major, said he also plans to attend the panel and participate in the discussion.

"I'm curious to see what these professors have to say," Nistico said. "And grab some food while I'm there."

He said he had a good idea of what is going on in the Middle East because the issue has been brought up in almost all

of his political science classes.

"The Middle East is one of the most volatile regions on Earth, and we get most of our energy from that region," he said. "It's important for people and definitely students to know what's going on over there."

Dodson said the panelists felt that this event worked closely with TCU's mission statement, by not only helping to form global citizens but also world leaders. Students must pay attention to the changes taking place in the world in order to one day become a leader, he said.

Student who are true global citizens will need to understand this once-in-a-lifetime event, he said.

Horton said, as a business major, it was important to know current world events. Everything that happens overseas would affect the business environment in America, especially a war, she said.

**What:** Panel discussing the political uprisings in the Middle East

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## COMMUNITY SERVICE

# Students spend spring break homeless

By Jennifer Iller  
News Now

While some students spent spring break relaxing at home, a group of university students decided to spend their break being homeless.

Each year the Center for Community Involvement and Service-Learning TCU offers service spring breaks to students. This year, Mel Gruver, the community engagement coordinator at the university, focused a trip on homelessness in Tarrant County.

She said the idea was an extension of a trip the university had previously organized. The previous trip did not involve students staying at the center overnight, and only offered them an overview of issues in Tarrant County.

"I noticed that our students were really connecting with our homelessness and hunger day," she said. "So I started exploring what it could be like to do a whole week on homelessness in Tarrant County."

The trip this year lasted four days and five nights. It allowed students to visit and to serve at various resource locations available to people who are homeless and to spend the night in homeless shelters.

Participants said they enjoyed the opportunity to interact with the homeless population on a personal level.

Liz Schmitt, a sophomore nursing major and the student leader of the trip, said the experience helped her become more aware and passionate about homelessness.

"I think that my passion has definitely increased mainly because of the face-to-face interaction and seeing that it is a big issue in this community," she said.

Meg Mathews, a freshman child development major, said the trip allowed her to build a personal relationship with and learn about people that are homeless, something that she would not normally be able to do.

Participants like Schmitt and Mathews chose the trip because it allowed them to continue serving the community after the break was over, they said.

Mathews said, "Not only does it [the trip] enlighten us about the opportunities in our community, but it also makes it able for us to come back and serve again."

Gruver said she has enjoyed observing students interacting

with people who are homeless. "We're having fun and we're laughing a lot," she said. "It's been great to look beyond the issue and see the personalities and the assets of our community and those we serve."

During the trip, students "I noticed that our students were really connecting with our homelessness and hunger day. So I started exploring what it could be like to do a whole week on homelessness in Tarrant County."

**Mel Gruver**  
Community Engagement  
Coordinator

served food and assisted at shelters, engaged in outreach



COURTESY OF JAMES PETROVICH

A group of TCU students decided on a more unorthodox spring break this year, choosing to be homeless. The group from left to right: James Petrovich, Nathan Mayes, Meg Mathews, Veronica Salas, Katie Caruso, Mel Gruver, Liz Schmitt.

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## Paying for Walker's visit worth the money

Student Government Association's vote to allocate \$10,000 to support the "Compassion and Justice Consultation" April 28 through May 1 was more than appropriate — it was a necessary step for SGA to capitalize on a once-in-a-generation opportunity to provide insight and knowledge into the significance of religious practices and belief systems as well as compassion and social justice.

Alice Walker, activist and Pulitzer Prize-winning author of "The Color Purple," will headline the consultation. Walker turned down an invitation to Harvard for a chance to speak on campus, and the event likely will attract Harvard scholars to the university to engage in the consultation.

Walker was inspired by a meeting with Martin Luther King Jr. while a student at Spelman College to participate in the Civil Rights Movement. Walker was arrested on International Women's Day in 2003 for crossing a police line during an anti-war protest in support of the women and children of Iraq. Walker also was active with Code Pink and Women for Peace, and as recently as 2009, she traveled to Gaza to participate in the Gaza Freedom March.

Most of the \$60,000 honorarium to bring Walker to campus will go to charity, but her presence on campus cannot be measured by dollars and cents. The purple in Walker's Pulitzer-winning book represents the acknowledgement of the good in life despite pain and suffering; hopefully, Walker can spread that message to our own purple community.

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## Facebook relationship app just too creepy



**KC Aransen**

How would you like to be the first to know when that boy or girl you have been pining for is now "single" — or "it's complicated" or "in an open relationship?" You can be the first to know and the first to swoop in, comforting them — or something like that.

Well, thanks to the new Facebook Breakup Notifier app, now you can. "You like someone. They're in a relationship. Be the first to know when they're out of it," boasts the tagline on the app's website.

And it seems this is already a very popular app. In the first 36 hours of its release, the site was visited more than 700,000 times and downloaded more than 40,000 times, according to a Feb. 22 ABC News article. The developer, Dan Loewenherz, said in the article he was blown away by the success of his app,

which he said he meant to be a joke. The whole app is fairly simple — you log on to it using your Facebook account and then select whose relationships you wish to monitor. The app checks these relationships every 10 minutes then sends a notification email if it changes.

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This takes Facebook stalking to a different level. As if it is not easy enough to click on your potential romance's profile or click "see friendship" to be able to read every single wall post in the history of your friendship. It is not easy enough to see it on your news feed. No, that is not enough Facebook creeping. There

just has to be something else to alert you when someone's relationship status changes.

There definitely is some good intention in the application. You can watch your best friend's relationship status so you will be ready with ice cream and tissues when that tragic day comes, though by following the status, it may seem that you have no faith in the relationship.

The app looks like an easy way out of having the courage to let someone know how you feel, either about that person or that person's relationship. How would your friends or the crush you are following feel if they found out you are using this to track heartbreak and love? They probably will not like it. But they may like it if you are honest about your feelings.

Honestly, this application is creepy. It is just another way for people to stalk on Facebook. It makes me wonder if anyone is using this on my relationship with my boyfriend. Sometimes I wonder why I still have Facebook when things like this come out.

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## PERSPECTIVES

## Gender-neutral Bible is overkill



Bailey McGowan

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Genderless language now has also found its way into the 2011 translation of the New International Version Bible.

According to a March 17 story from the *Associated Press*, the translation changes phrases such as, "If anyone says, 'I love God,' yet hates his brother, he is a liar," 1 John 4:20 (NIV 1984) to "brother or sister."

While the translation does not change pronouns in reference to God, it does change them in reference to unspecified people, according to the article. The translation will be released this month but has been debated since November 2010.

The new translation should not be accepted because of the impersonal nature and overkill of gender neutral language.

After the 2005 NIV translation was released, the Southern Baptist Convention heavily criticized both the International Bible Society, which makes the

translation, and Zondervan Publishing House for what it called an inaccurate translation of God's inspired scripture, according to the AP article. LifeWay bookstores, which is associated with the SBC, did not sell the translation.

*But biblica.com said 95 percent of the text remains the same as the 1984 NIV translation. The translators made word choices such as "they" instead of "he or she" and "them" instead of "him or her" to make the text more readable.*

The Council on Biblical Manhood and Womanhood also does not support the new text, according to the AP article. It said the translation changes the theological direction and meaning of the text, making it impersonal and sterile rather than accepting and teaching.

But *biblica.com* said 95 percent of the text remains the same as the 1984 NIV translation. The translators made word choices such as "they" instead of "he or she" and "them" instead of "him or her" to make the text more readable.

The original translation

of words like "brothers" actually translates to mean "brothers or sisters," but according to the AP article, evangelicals see the text as relating to a more personal aspect or a person's relationship with God rather than having it be a broad thought or be gender neutral. Supporters of the translation say it would be like translating "parent" as only "father."

Personally, I don't feel offended by language that is male-specific. If people are intimidated by gender-specific language, then they are probably missing a much bigger picture.

We live in a society that uses an understood "he" without meaning it as male-dominant but rather as neutral. It is not just done in English either. Spanish uses "hermanos" — the singular "hermano" just means "brother" — in reference to both male and female siblings.

The real issue should be what the Bible is actually saying, not whether it favors an understood pronoun "he." Is it staying true to the meaning of the texts as originally written? Yes.

Why should we change language that was never meant to be changed in the first place?

*Bailey McGowan is a sophomore broadcast journalism major from Burkburnett.*

## TCU should return to church roots



Pearce Edwards

In the days following the TCU Rose Bowl victory in which declamatory billboards from "little sisters of the poor" popped up across Columbus, Ohio, armchair moralists had to inquire: Is rubbing Horned Frog success in the face of doubters a Christian thing to do?

While hopefully in good fun, the billboards nonetheless caused outside observers to ask after the elusive middle word in the TCU acronym: Christian. The TCU student body ought to ask after the same thing. What is TCU's Christian identity, and why is it steadfastly important?

A November 2010 conference of the 14 colleges and universities affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), of which TCU is one, produced a revised covenant between schools and church. With this document as a lens, students must see and understand TCU's Christian identity as a warm and deeply necessary embrace between the university and the denomination.

Since Addison and Randolph Clark brought their first students to Thorp Spring in 1873, TCU nursed and relied upon the vitality of the Disciples of Christ denomination. Disciples ministers served as presidents or chancellors of the university until 1998, distinguished professors and alumni held strong relationships with the church and the adjacent University Christian Church existed entirely within TCU until 1933.

Not only did the Disciples of Christ denomination share its lifeblood with Texas Christian for years, but also vaunted the university to a sturdy prominence. Iconic Robert Carr Chapel, the highest point on campus, drove Brite Divinity School and attracted newlyweds from its construction in 1953. University Christian Church Senior Minister Granville Walker represented the Fort Worth and TCU communities before John F. Kennedy

on the day of the president's assassination in 1963.

Snippets of history touch on the deep bond between TCU and Disciples of Christ, as the denomination was as a parent to the fledgling university. Yet into the new millennium, the church remains firmly affixed to the vision and goals of the full potential.

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The revised covenant emphasizes "valuing the dignity of all people, acting with integrity and responsibility, viewing self as part of community, living life within a global context, providing service to others and pursuing life-long learning" as the basis for a relationship with the Disciples denomination. The resonance with TCU's mission statement could not be deeper.

Committing to sustainability, global reconciliation and critical thinking, the church has programs including Higher Education and Leadership Ministries and the Council of College and Uni-

versity Presidents to nurture its relationship. TCU would commit a great error in overlooking its shared values with the Disciples of Christ.

Recognizing the tremendous debt of history and paying it simply through understanding shared values is not enough. The revised covenant lists a series of actions supportive of the church-university relationship, including "[emphasizing] in communications their partnership with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)."

Admissions and administration at TCU need not go through elaborate footwork to avoid discussing and enriching the Disciples of Christ covenant. Students, both prospective and current, would benefit greatly from seeing how the relationship makes the university distinctive and uniquely competitive in the United States today.

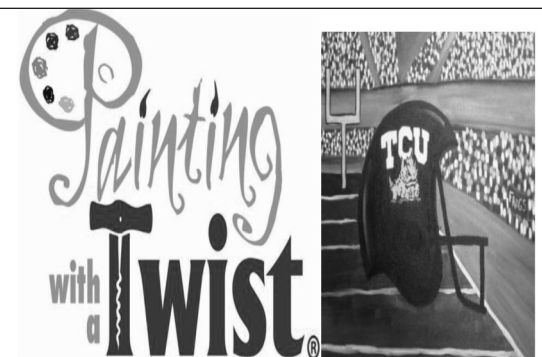
As this university soars to national and global attention, it can return the tight embrace and guiding hand it received for so much of its life and place itself squarely in the highway of its strongest identity and mission, or it can uncomfortably separate and push on alone. TCU students and staff alike must choose to return the embrace.

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## HISTORY

# Historian tweets about Civil War to bring back era

By Tom Breen  
Associated Press

Two months before the start of the Civil War, a North Carolina belle named Catherine Ann Devereux Edmondston tapped out a frustrated message about her secession-opposing sibling in a tweet to her followers: "Sister Frances is a terrible Unionist!"

She might have tweeted, that is, if Twitter had existed in 1861. Instead, Ed-

mondston and other long-dead North Carolinians from a bygone era are having their social networking done for them posthumously. A Raleigh-based historian is using the popular service to bring the home front of a war to modern day audiences nearly a century and a half later.

"We're not imposing any of our words. This is purely from men, women, and even teenagers who stayed at home and fought the war in their own ways," said LeRae

Umfleet, the historian who manages the collections at the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources.

Since last week, Umfleet has been tweeting from the account (@CivilianWartime) with the words of an escaped slave, a woman whose husband owned a plantation and others. The tweets are moving roughly in chronological order along with the war, meaning that so far the messages mostly express the foreboding and uncertainty

of people in North Carolina as they watched war clouds build.

"I have just seen the President's message," Umfleet tweeted in the March 11, 1861 words of Mary Bethell. "Mr. Lincoln, I think he intends to coerce those seceding States."

The Twitter account is part of the ongoing effort of the cultural resources department's ongoing effort to mark the 150th anniversary of the bloodiest conflict in American history.

## INTERNATIONAL

# Obama: US will turn over control of Libya effort



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President Barack Obama answers questions on the ongoing situation in Libya during his joint news conference with President of El Salvador Mauricio Funes at the National Palace in San Salvador.

By Donna Cassata  
and Robert Burns  
Associated Press

The four-day air assault in Libya will soon achieve the objectives of establishing a no-fly zone and averting a massacre of civilians by Moammar Gadhafi's troops, President Barack Obama said Tuesday, adding that despite squabbling among allies, the United States will hand off control of the operation to other countries within days.

"When this transition takes place, it is not going to be our planes that are maintaining the no-fly zone," the president said at a news conference in El Salvador as he neared the end of a Latin American trip overshadowed by events in Libya. "It is not going to be our ships that are necessarily enforcing the arms embargo. That's precisely what the other nations are going to do."

Obama said he has "absolutely no doubt" that a non-U.S. command entity can run the operation, although perhaps the most obvious candidate — the NATO military alliance — has yet to sort out a political agreement to do so. The president said NATO was meeting to "work out some of the mechanisms."

Despite the cost — not only in effort, resources and potential casualties, but also in taxpayer dollars — Obama said he believes the American public is supportive of such a mission.

"This is something that we can build into our budget. And we're confident that not only can the goals be achieved, but at the end of the day the American people

are going to feel satisfied that lives were saved and people were helped," he said.

Obama spoke as one senior American military official said the Persian Gulf nation of Qatar was expected to start flying air patrols over Libya by this weekend, becoming the first member of the Arab League to participate directly in the military mission. Obama and NATO had insisted from the start on Arab support.

The president also suggested the administration would not need to request funding from Congress for the air operations but would pay for them out of money already approved.

Administration officials briefed lawmakers during the day about costs and other details to date.

Domestic criticism of the operation has been muted so far, with the president out of the country, but is likely to increase once he flies home on Wednesday — a few hours earlier than had been scheduled.

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, meanwhile, said the administration is getting reports — of questionable credibility — that some in Gadhafi's inner circle may be looking for a way out of the crisis. She said some of them, allegedly acting on the Libyan leader's behalf, have reached out to people in Europe and elsewhere to ask, in effect, "How do we get out of this?"

"Some of it is theater," Clinton said in an interview with ABC's Diane Sawyer. "Some of it is, you know, kind of, shall we say game playing."

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## CAMPUS

# Neeley School moves up in MBA rankings

By Jordan Daigle  
Staff Reporter

After the *U.S. News & World Report* put TCU in the Top 100 for Masters of Business Administration programs, O. Homer Erekson said he was proud of the work put in by all people involved in the school.

Erekson, the John V. Roach Dean at the Neeley School of Business, said, "Our continual upward performance in the *U.S. News* ranking of top graduate business schools is a testament to our MBA admissions staff to recruit the best students and our faculty to deliver an outstanding master's program in business."

In the survey, *U.S. News* looked at a total of 437 MBA programs. According to the rankings, TCU's MBA program jumped 14 places to No. 80 from No. 94 last year. Also, the part-time MBA program designed for mid-level working professionals was ranked 73rd in the nation.

Senior marketing major TJ Shepherd said, "The rankings show a really good product of hard work of both the students and faculty in the business

school. The fact that we are up there in the same league with some of the best schools in the nation is really great."

Shepherd said the ranking will help add prestige to their degree.

"TCU is this whole idea of small, personal and friendly."

**Bill Cron**  
Associate Dean of Graduate Programs

National accrediting agencies have only accredited about 500 MBA programs, and the environment is very competitive among universities who want their programs to be highly rated, he said. He said to make it even in the top 100 is to be considered to be part of the best programs in the country.

"There are clearly other [MBA] programs around the country like Stanford and Harvard that we recognize as truly outstanding programs," Erekson said. "But we feel [our program] is in that sec-

ond group of national leading programs. Our students not only do well while they are here, but they place well as they graduate."

According to *U.S. News*, Stanford University ranked No. 1, followed by Harvard University.

Erekson said the improvements they have made in the program over the years, such as putting more emphasis on gaining experience, helped the Neeley School in the rankings.

"We immerse students in consulting opportunity projects where they can work directly with other companies," he said. "[Students] not only need to be knowledgeable experts, but they also need to be able to effectively deliver and communicate their ideas."

Bill Cron, associate dean of graduate programs, said TCU has also gained popularity because of the school's location. Students are able to use their knowledge with great companies from the Metroplex, and people are also very attracted to the culture of the university, he said.

"TCU is this whole idea of

small, personal and friendly," he said. "Just like Fort Worth, this whole area is really unique."

In some sense, students have the best of both situations — lots of opportunities, but also still a human place to be, he said.

Graduate business student Graham Radler graduated from Southern Methodist University in 2006 and said one of the reasons he chose TCU's MBA program over SMU's was because

of the location. "Fort Worth is a great place to live and work," Radler said. "And I wanted to build my relationship base around this part of Texas."

Radler also said he was very attracted to the experiential segments that were offered in the program, like Neeley & Associates, a real life consulting program that students get class credit for.

Radler said he would recommend students enrolling in TCU's MBA program.

"We have a very motivated class with very competitive guys that want to work hard," he said.

## POLITICS

# Anti-bullying bills get hearing in Texas Senate

By Sommer Ingram  
Associated Press

Montana Lance was 9 years old when he hanged himself in the nurse's restroom at his elementary school in Lewisville. His parents say the school did not do enough to protect their son, who had been bullied for years.

Lance's parents, Jason and Deborah, were among several witnesses who testified Tuesday before the Senate Committee on Education in support of legislation that would prohibit any form of bullying in Texas schools.

Bullying is the suspected cause of at least four Texas students who have taken their own lives since the 2009 legislative session.

"We need the Legislature to enact a bill this session," Deborah Lance said. "If we have to wait for the next session, that's two more years and eight more children's deaths at the least. These children are dependent on us. Let's not fail them the way the schools are failing them."



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North Dakota state Sen. Oley Larsen, speaks at a hearing of the the North Dakota House's Education Committee.

A bill proposed by Sen. Wendy Davis, D-Fort Worth, would change the state's current practice of sending a bullying victim to another school, moving the aggressor elsewhere instead. The legislation also requires school officials to be trained to identify bullying signs and learn effective response methods.

"It's incumbent upon all of us," Davis said. "If we see something happening where young people in alarming numbers are taking their own lives, then we must get involved."

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# WEIRD NEWS

Associated Press

## WWII machine gun found in Lithuanian mail

VILNIUS, Lithuania (AP) — Lithuanian customs and postal officials say they have found a fully functional machine gun dating from World War II, complete with ammunition, in a package at Vilnius International Airport.

Officials said Tuesday that the German-made MG-42 machine gun was found after scanning a suspicious 20-kilogram (44-pound) package posted in Lithuania and bound for Germany.

Customs spokeswoman Asta Mikeleviciute says it was the first time that customs authorities had ever uncovered such a parcel and

an investigation has been launched. No evacuation of the capital's airport was ordered, but authorities were placed on alert. More than 65 years after the war, Lithuania and other East European countries continue to uncover large amounts of weaponry and unexploded ordnance.

Ohio church to give away \$1,000 at Easter service

HAMILTON, Ohio (AP) — An Ohio church that

gave away \$1,000 to fill more pews last Easter Sunday says it will do it again this year. Lindenwald Baptist Church in Hamilton draws names to award \$500 each to a member of the congregation and a guest.

Oregon firefighters trained to give CPR to pets

ASHLAND, Ore. (AP) — Some Oregon firefighters and paramedics are now equipped to give first aid to pets.

the parking lot. Easter falls on April 24 this year. The pastor says given the economy, the church will continue the cash giveaway to provide a financial as well as a spiritual blessing on the holiday.

Pastor Randy Moore says the southwest Ohio church had hoped for 1,000 worshippers last year, when it made the offer for the first time. It packed in 1,140 — more than double the usual Sunday attendance of around 500. Moore says a crew had to direct traffic in

firefighters were trained last week to do CPR on dogs, cats, ferrets, gerbils and even reptiles that have inhaled smoke. All five department engines now carry oxygen masks for pets. Division Chief Greg Case says rescuing pets involved in fires helps the entire family, but firefighters treat people first. Veterinarian Dr. Alice Sievers says smaller animals can be placed inside the masks, while the devices can be fitted over the nose or beak of larger animals.

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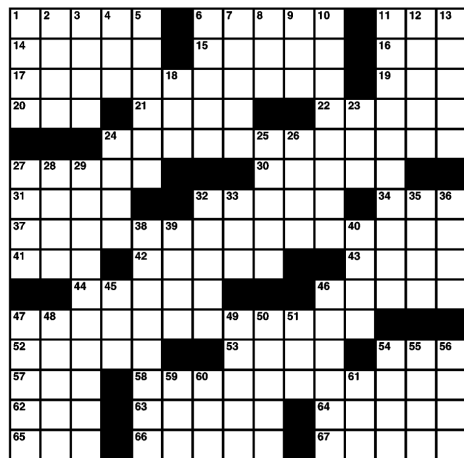
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By Frank Virzi

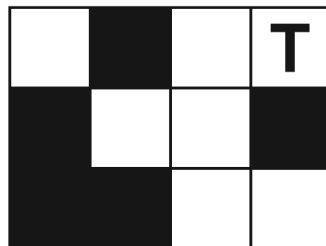
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### "Great Dane"

Difficulty ★☆☆☆☆ (20pts)

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Sample



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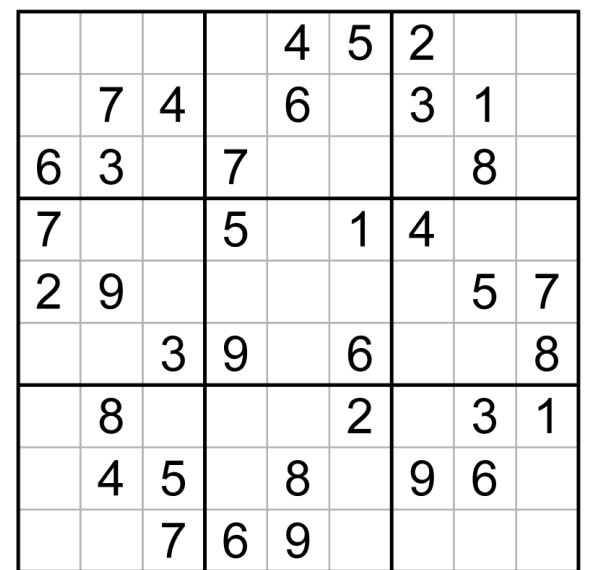
### Tuesday's Solution



### "Freetown, Sierra Leone"

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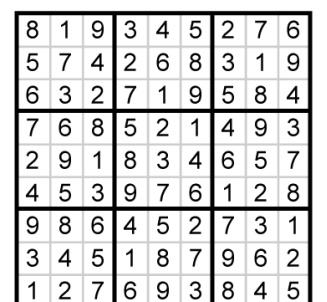


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Fill in the grid so that every 3x3 box, row and column contains the digits 1 through 9 without repeating numbers.

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### Tuesday's Solution



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# NATIONAL NEWS

Associated Press

## More missiles launched over Libya; US jet crashes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Coalition forces pounded Libyan military targets with 24 more Tomahawk missiles, expanding the no-fly zone over the North African nation but suffering the loss of a U.S. fighter jet, U.S. officials said Tuesday.

And the on-scene commander, Navy Adm. Samuel J. Locklear, confirmed that troops of leader Moammar Gadhafi were attacking civilians in the city of Misrata. He said that as the international mission continues, coalition forces will better be able to target government troops.

The two-man crew of an F-15E Strike Eagle ejected after the craft suffered mechanical problems during a strike mission against a Libyan missile site, Locklear said. He spoke to Pentagon reporters via phone from the command ship USS Mount Whitney in the Mediterranean Sea.

The crew was recovered and suffered only minor injuries, U.S. Africa Command said. One crew member was recovered by rebels and the other was picked up by a Marine Corps search and rescue plane, the command said, adding both were in U.S. hands Tuesday and off Libyan soil.

Two dozen more Tomahawk cruise missiles were launched from U.S. and British submarines, a defense official said earlier in the day. Locklear didn't give

details but confirmed that brought to 161 the number of Tomahawk strikes aimed at disabling Libyan command and control facilities, air defenses and other targets since the operation started Saturday.

Locklear said the additional strikes had expanded the area covered by the no-fly zone.

He said intelligence showed that Gadhafi's forces were attacking civilians in Misrata, Libya's third-largest city. In a joint statement to Gadhafi late Friday, the United States, Britain and France called on him to end his troops' advance toward Benghazi and pull them out of the cities of Misrata, Ajdabiya and Zawiyah.

Locklear said the coalition is "considering all options" but didn't elaborate. Asked if international forces were stepping up strikes on Gadhafi ground troops, Locklear said that as the "capability of the coalition" grows, it will be able to do more missions aimed at ground troops who are not complying with the UN resolution to protect those seeking Gadhafi's ouster.

## Email to Wis. gov. initially favored union rights

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Seeking a way to counter a growing protest movement, Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker cited his email, confidently declaring that most people writing his office had urged him to eliminate nearly all union rights for state workers.

But an Associated Press analysis of the emails shows that, for close to a week, messages in Walker's inbox were running roughly 2-to-1 against his plans. The tide did not turn in his favor until shortly after desperate Democrats fled the state to stop a vote they knew they would lose.

The AP analyzed more than 26,000 emails sent to Walker from the time he formally announced his plans until he first mentioned the emails in public.

During that time, the overall tally ran 55 percent in support, 44 percent against. In the weeks since, Walker has continued to receive tens of thousands of emails on the issue.

The AP obtained the emails through a legal settlement with Walker's office, the result of a lawsuit filed by the news cooperative and the Isthmus, a weekly newspaper in Madison. The news organizations sued after the governor's office did not respond to requests for the emails filed under the state's open records law.

Walker's comments about the emails came on the evening of Feb. 17, as roughly 25,000 protesters packed into the Capitol's ornate rotunda and filled its lawn outside. They could be heard screaming outside the conference room where he met with reporters in a news conference broadcast live by several cable news networks.

On Feb. 11, the emails sent to his office ran more than 5-to-1 against his plan.

# TEXAS NEWS

Associated Press

## Texas agency: Gas driller didn't contaminate water

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas regulators determined Tuesday the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency was wrong when it concluded a gas driller had contaminated domestic water wells in North Texas.

The unanimous decision by the Railroad Commission of Texas marked the latest battle between state agencies and the EPA in a long, drawn out war that has evolved from disputes over environmental issues into a fierce debate about states' rights. The Railroad Commission blasted the EPA, accusing it of shoddy testing methods and jumping to conclusions.

The government wants to "adversely affect the domestic energy industry."

The commission's decision means Range Resources can continue its natural gas operations in Parker County and is not obligated by the state to provide the impacted families with clean water.

Range Resources' natural gas operations "have not contaminated and will not contaminate" the water wells in question, Railroad Commission chairwoman Elizabeth Jones said after the 3-0 vote.

But in December, the EPA issued an emergency order demanding Range Resources of Fort Worth place monitors in two homes and provide two families with water, accusing the company of contaminating domestic water wells. A month later, when Range Resources failed to comply, the EPA asked the federal district court in Dallas to intervene. They are now awaiting a court date.

The EPA believes Range contributed to the contamination of the wells with benzene, methane and other toxic gases.

Range denies its drilling operations in the Barnett Shale formation contaminated domestic water wells. Matt Pitzarella, a spokesman, said Range welcomes the opportunity and "very much look forward" to meeting the EPA in court.

Range has been using new technologies — horizontal drilling combined with hydraulic fracturing — to extract once out-of-reach natural gas reserves from impenetrable rock formations a mile underground. The companies pump high volumes of water and chemicals at great pressure into the wellbore to permeate

the rock, and there have been complaint in some places — especially Pennsylvania — that underground aquifers have become contaminated in the process. This is the first case in Texas.

## Fort Worth will pay \$400,000 in gay bar raid case

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Fort Worth leaders voted Tuesday to pay \$400,000 to a gay bar patron severely injured in a police raid two years ago, a settlement that avoided a federal civil rights lawsuit.

The City Council unanimously approved the settlement with Chad Gibson, who claims his head injury was caused by excessive force used by Fort Worth police and the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission. The council voted quickly Tuesday without discussing the settlement or the Rainbow Lounge raid that sparked protests in the gay community.

After the meeting, Mayor Mike Moncrief told reporters that the settlement is not an admission of any officers' wrongdoing or city liability, but "an attempt to put this behind us and move forward." He said the city has taken steps to improve sensitivity since the 2009 incident, including adding diversity training for all Fort Worth employees.

"Our diversity in this city is our strength," he said. "It is not a weakness, and we can't afford to let it become one, nor will we."

Gibson's attorney had presented the city with a federal

civil rights lawsuit — which has no monetary cap — that he intended to file in Austin against the city and the state's liquor board, said Gerald Pruitt, the deputy city attorney. Instead, Fort Worth went into mediation earlier this month and already settled with the other plaintiff, George Armstrong, Pruitt said.

The \$400,000 settlement with Armstrong, who said he suffered a torn rotator cuff, did not require City Council approval because it was less than \$50,000, Pruitt said.

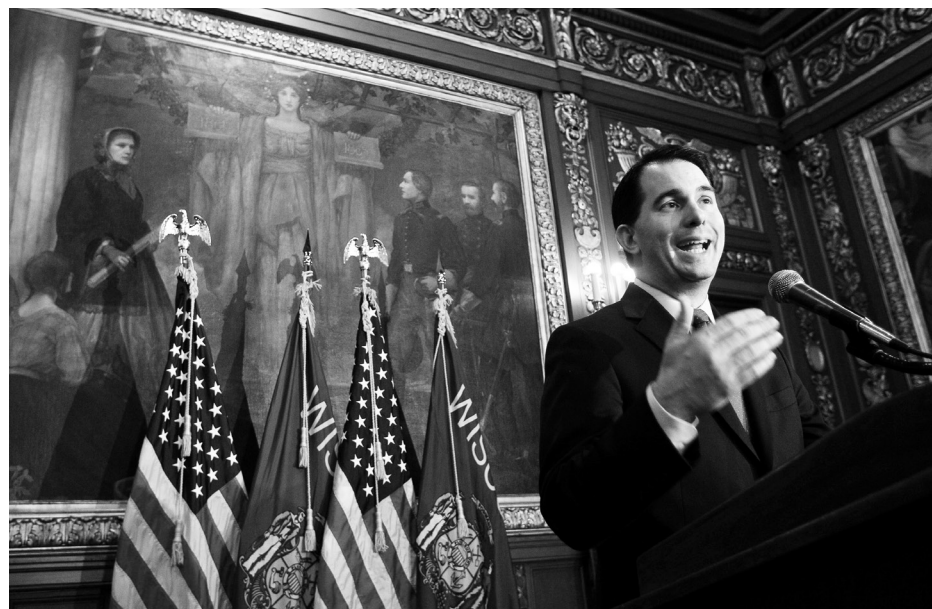
Carolyn Beck, a spokeswoman for the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, has said the agency is discussing settlements with both men.

The attorney for Gibson and Armstrong did not immediately return a call seeking comment Tuesday.

Several months after the raid, two agents and a supervisor with the state's liquor board were fired, and three Fort Worth police officers were suspended. Both agencies did their own investigations but determined no excessive force was used.

However, the state liquor board said it would change a number of operating procedures, including how it handles internal affairs cases, and it has added diversity training for employees. The Fort Worth Police Department said it would institute new policies on bar checks and public intoxication arrests.

Also, all charges were later dropped against Gibson, Armstrong and several others who were arrested that night.



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Republican Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker talks to the media at the State Capitol in Madison, Wis.

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## BASEBALL

# No. 14 TCU rallies to defeat Texas State 3-1; Crichton notches 2nd win

By John Andrew Willis  
Staff Writer

Twelve hits allowed the No. 14 Horned Frogs to reach their 13th win on the season as they overpowered the Texas State Bobcats (15-5) Tuesday evening at Lupton Stadium by a score of 3-1. Despite trailing Texas State for the majority of the game, head baseball coach Jim Schlossnagle said he was very proud of TCU's effort, especially on offense.

"It's been a while since I've been as impressed with a group of hitters in this park under these conditions as I have with these guys," Schlossnagle said.

Throughout the game, 11 fly balls were caught for outs, largely due to the strong wind out of the north which blew from left to right field in Lupton Stadium.

"We hit a lot of balls hard into the wind," Schlossnagle said. "They hit some too, but I thought we hit more than they did."

Freshman pitcher Stefan Crichton (2-1) recorded the win after relieving fellow freshman starter Andrew Mitchell. Texas State's Travis Ballew recorded the loss for the Bobcats, while TCU junior Erik Miller recorded his fifth save of the season.

Although Texas State led 1-0 until the bottom of the seventh inning — scoring a run off a pair of throwing errors by TCU senior catcher

Jimmie Pharr — TCU picked up three runs in the bottom of the seventh. The score would not change after the seventh as TCU picked up the 3-1 win.

The 3,791 fans in attendance weren't particularly loud, except for during a few errors and controversial calls — the most significant of which came in the bottom of the seventh. TCU junior center fielder Aaron Schultz hit an RBI single to right field with two outs, bringing Pharr home and junior right fielder Brance Rivera to third base. Frogs junior shortstop Taylor Featherston hit a line drive so hard to the left-field gap that the umpire couldn't avoid being struck. At that point, the play was dead, loading the bases, but not allowing what would have been an easy run for Rivera.

With the count at 2-2 with two outs, junior left fielder Jason Coats grounded to Texas State third baseman Kyle Kubitza. Kubitza was the only Bobcat to score in the game (on an error), but on Coats' grounder he recorded his own error fielding the ball which allowed Rivera and Schultz to score before he tagged Featherston out at third base to end the inning.

When asked what he thought about Featherston's ball hitting the umpire, Schlossnagle sighed and smiled as he said, "it was a challenge and I thought our guys handled it well."

Although there was only



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Redshirt sophomore third baseman Jantzen Witte is tagged out at home plate during the game against Texas State at Lupton Stadium on Tuesday night.

one lead change in the game, the more significant change during the game came in the form of momentum. In the top of the second inning, Pharr overthrew second base, allowing Kubitza to advance to third. Shortly after, Kubitza scored after Pharr didn't connect with TCU sophomore third baseman Jantzen Witte.

TCU associate head coach Randy Mazey had a few words with the infield that were audible through most of Lupton Stadium, which Schultz said changed the defense's momentum in the ballgame.

"I think it helped us tighten down a little bit, especially in the infield," Schultz said.

Another setback for the

Frogs came in the top of the eighth inning when Pharr was struck in the midsection by a pitch and was down for a considerable amount of time. Pharr eventually walked it off and kept on playing.

"I'm really proud of Jimmie," Schlossnagle said. "He's the guy that's really been the unsung hero in our club. He's

played really well for us, and I can't imagine where we'd be without him."

## Up next

TCU will begin a three-game weekend series against the University of Houston at Lupton Stadium. First pitch will be Friday at 6:30 p.m.

## BASEBALL

# Frogs' freshman pitchers show bright future while playing crucial roles in 2011



Alex Apple

It's scary to think what No. 14 TCU baseball's record would be without the stellar pitching that they have gotten from freshman pitchers this year.

Freshman Andrew Mitchell started on Tuesday night for the Frogs and in six innings gave up one

earned run. He struck out five Bobcats and walked one batter in an 88 pitch effort. Mitchell began the year on opening night throwing 94 mph heat.

"We saw Mitchell's best stuff when the lights came on," head baseball coach Jim Schlossnagle said.

Mitchell has continued that success and secured his role as the regular Tuesday starter for Schlossnagle's squad. Tuesday evening Mitchell was relieved by fellow freshman Stefan Crichton (2-1). He retired three batters in a row in the sixth inning and stranded

a Bobcat runner on first base that was credited to Mitchell.

An error by Texas State third baseman Kyle Kubitza allowed TCU to score two runs in the bottom of the seventh, and Crichton retired the Bobcats in order and handed the ball to TCU junior closer Erik Miller, who earned his fifth save.

"My little sinker thing was working," Crichton said. "It gets ground ball outs... That is my best pitch right now."

Mitchell said he felt great after the game.

"I would have stayed out

there as long as they'd let me," Mitchell said. "I've had three starts now, and I am still learning. There is always stuff I can continue to learn."

As TCU's offense has been hit or miss for the majority of the season and as sophomore ace pitcher Matt Purke has not been able to dominate while he has battled a blister on his throwing hand, Mitchell and Crichton have picked up all the slack and more.

Really, fans are seeing a glimpse of what the future looks like for Schloss's Frogs. Purke will most likely

opt to pitch in the minor leagues after this season. Senior pitcher Steven Maxwell will graduate, and junior pitcher Kyle Winkler may flirt with the MLB Amateur Draft as well. If two of three TCU weekend starters leave the team, Schlossnagle will have the unenviable task of replacing such dominant starters.

His hope is that Mitchell and Crichton will be there to step in. If the returns from the two freshman this season are any indication, they'll be ready to shine next season.

TCU will take on Uni-

versity of Houston this weekend in games two through four of their 13-game homestand. Having won three straight ball games, Schlossnagle hopes to continue the streak.

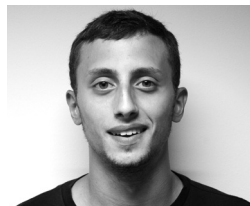
"It has seemed like we have been playing good baseball all season, but the game of baseball has just been beating us lately," Schlossnagle said.

Alex Apple is a freshman journalism major from Lawton, Okla. and a writer for SportDFW.com.

## SPORTS

## BASKETBALL

## Sweet 16 chock-full of storylines



Mike Zeko

This year's NCAA Tournament has consisted of some memorable upsets and crazy endings. All of the pandemonium has led to another Sweet 16 where three No. 1 seeds remain and 13 other teams chase for that elusive dream of a national championship. Here is a breakdown of the Sweet 16 matchups:

**(3) Uconn vs. (2) San Diego State**

Thursday's first game of the Sweet 16 round is one of the best matchups in the tournament so far with No. 3 Connecticut versus No. 2 San Diego State. A potential NCAA Player of the Year, Kemba Walker, has been exceptional throughout the tournament and has been leading the Huskies in scoring. San Diego State has an exceptional player in Kawhi Leonard, who Mountain West Conference diehards should be familiar with. Leonard's versatility and size on the post has been raising NBA scouts' eyebrows. This should be a very close game, which will go down to the wire, but this is San Diego State's year to shine in the tournament, and Leonard should lead the Aztecs to a well deserved Elite 8 berth. My pick: SDSU.

**(3) BYU vs. (2) Florida**

In a rematch of last year's double overtime thriller, No. 3 BYU takes on No. 2 Florida. Florida head coach Billy Donovan knows everything about winning in the tournament from his past years, and he has once again produced another strong Gator team. Rising stars Chandler Parsons and Alex Tyus have led this team to a hard fought SEC regular season title. One name should come to mind when BYU is the topic: Jimmer Fredette. This guy can score from anywhere on the court. As long as Fredette is healthy, BYU should be able to hold

off the pesky offense of Florida and have a pretty good shot at the Final Four. My pick: BYU.

**(5) Arizona vs. (1) Duke**

Two teams used to deep runs in the Big Dance, No. 1 Duke and No. 5 Arizona, battle once again. Since Arizona is known for producing some of the best NBA players from past years, why not add Derrick Williams as a top-five NBA Draft pick? The Wildcats have won two close games and contributed to the destruction of many 2011 tourney brackets. But there is one problem; they have to get past the defending champion Blue Devils. With the activation of Kyrie Irving, one of nation's best point guards, Duke will be too much to handle. ACC Player of the Year Nolan Smith, Kyle Singler and Irving seem to be a formula for a Duke championship repeat. My pick: Duke.

**(8) Butler vs. (4) Wisconsin**

One team that has surprised everyone, yet somehow to no one's surprise, has to be No. 8 Butler. After having an average season, the Bulldogs have found themselves in the Sweet 16 for the second straight year. Butler won at the buzzer versus Old Dominion in the first round and knocked off No. 1 Pittsburgh in one of the craziest endings of the tournament. Butler will face No. 4 Wisconsin and the Badgers' Jordan Taylor, who has been nothing but a stud. Wisconsin is accustomed to winning and was one of the few teams to beat heavily favored No. 1 overall seeded Ohio State. Butler's Matt Howard and outstanding point guard Shelvin Mack are going to carry the upset trend. My pick: Butler.

**(4) Kentucky vs. (1) Ohio State**

No. 1 Ohio State will face No. 4 Kentucky Friday. This is the battle of the freshmen phenoms with Brandon Knight from Kentucky and NCAA Player of the Year contender Jared Sullinger of Ohio State. The Buckeyes have blown away both teams they faced, while Kentucky needed a game-winning shot from Knight against No. 13 Princeton in the opening round.

OSU's trio of Jared Sullinger, William Buford and three-point assassin Jon Diebler will be too much for an inexperienced Kentucky team. My pick: Ohio State.

**(11) Marquette vs. (2) North Carolina**

No. 11 Marquette will face No. 2 North Carolina. Harrison Barnes has been the solid point producer for the Tar Heels and they needed all of Barnes' 22 points as well as Tyler Zeller's 23 to knock off a pesky Washington squad. Golden Eagles' junior Darius Johnson-Odom has led his team to upset a fellow Big East foe No. 3 Syracuse and also took down No. 6 Xavier. Marquette's pipe dream will come to an end because there is too much star power on UNC. My pick: North Carolina.

**(11) VCU vs. (10) Florida State**

Who thought a No. 11 seed would be playing a No. 10 seed in the Sweet 16? No. 11 Virginia Commonwealth will play No. 10 Florida State. Both teams have provided unseen upsets so far with VCU beating both No. 6 Georgetown and No. 3 Purdue. The Seminoles beat No. 7 Texas A&M and No. 2 Notre Dame. VCU will continue to be this year's Cinderella, behind a hungry head coach in Shaka Smart. My Pick: VCU.

**(12) Richmond vs. (1) Kansas**

It's too bad No. 12 Richmond has to face No. 1 Kansas in the Sweet 16 because Richmond has had a sensational tournament. Richmond's Kevin Anderson is one of the most underrated players in the nation and he is going to have to steal the national spotlight to upend the Jayhawks. The problem is, Kansas has produced the best inside game in the country with brothers Marcus and Markieff Morris. Kansas coach Bill Self is no stranger to upsets, but lucky for Self, the Morris twins and the surrounding players should be able to "Rock Chalk" their way to the Elite 8 and further. My pick: Kansas

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## FOOTBALL

## Patterson credits sticking to the same system for maximizing player potential

By Jordan Daigle  
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Head football coach Gary Patterson credited the natural talent of his players for the recent *ESPN The Magazine* No. 1 ranking of TCU football for developing top National Football League talent.

"They already have the potential," Patterson said. "All we can do is just make them the best player they can be."

Patterson said he hasn't even figured out what the NFL wants.

Recently, *ESPN The Magazine* senior writer Bruce Feldman ranked TCU No. 1 nationally for its ability to develop NFL talent.

Feldman said his top ranking of the Horned Frogs came from Patterson's ability to develop unheralded recruits into NFL Draft talent.

Offensive tackle Marcus Cannon and quarterback Andy Dalton, projected draft picks this spring, were both three-star recruits. Dalton was ranked as the nation's 82nd best quarterback com-

ing out of Katy High School.

TCU consensus first-team All-Americans Jerry Hughes (2008, 2009) and Jake Kirkpatrick (2010) were two-star recruits.

When training players, Patterson said he has tried to use the same system to enhance their natural abilities. Keeping the same system is the key.

Offseason practices are run the same way every year so the coaching staff can consistently and accurately judge certain aspects of the team, Patterson said. In spring practice, Patterson said he looks at how an individual matches up to a guy on the team from 10 years ago.

"By comparing a previous player's results, we can learn how to make a new player better," Patterson said. "A lot of times people go in and unknowingly just throw valuable things out."

"It's like a good businessman. [If he sees a problem] he doesn't go in and just change his whole plan. He will tweak that problem and

continue to analyze what the natural strengths and weaknesses are."

Hughes, a 2010 first-round pick of the Indianapolis Colts, won the 2009 Ted Hendricks Award as the nation's best defensive end. He was also the 2009 Lott Trophy winner. Kirkpatrick was the 2010 recipient of the Rimington Trophy, honoring the nation's top center.

Current NFL players who were also two-star recruits for TCU included tailback Aaron Brown, now with Detroit; offensive tackle Marshall Newhouse, now with Green Bay; and linebacker Jason Phillips, now with Baltimore.

Among current Horned Frogs, All-American linebacker Tank Carder and 1,000-yard rusher Ed Wesley were two-star recruits.

TCU had 24 players drafted and 48 in NFL camps through Patterson's first nine years as head coach.

In 2011, the Horned Frogs put together their first national top 30 recruiting class, according to Rivals.com.



## OPINION

It's no surprise the NCAA Sweet 16 is chock-full of potential upsets.

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Patterson isn't about to alter his nationally recognized recruiting system.

## TENNIS



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Senior Katriina Tuohimaa goes up to return the ball during a singles match against Lamar earlier this season. The Frogs face UT-Arlington today at 3 p.m.

## TCU heads to UTA for cross-town showdown

By Emily Agee

Staff Reporter

The Horned Frogs will put their all-time undefeated record versus The University of Texas at Arlington to the test Wednesday.

TCU is currently on a two-match winning streak, with their last victory taking place at Rice. The Frogs came back to win that match 4-3 after falling behind early 3-0.

The Frogs are 13-0 against the Mavericks. The teams met every year from 1995 to 2007 before a four-year hiatus leading up to the match this year.

Head coach Dave Borelli said that although TCU has an undefeated record against UT-Arlington, he felt the Mavericks were a much-improved team that could pose a bit of a struggle for the Frogs.

"I see a match like the one we had with Rice or Wake Forest, those kind of teams," Borelli said, referring to matches the Frogs have won in come-from-behind situations.

TCU (4-6) has struggled with injuries this season, but Borelli said they are in the process of healing.

Sophomore Federica Denti was sidelined due to injury in Sunday's match versus Rice. She will play in Wednesday's UTA match, Borelli said.

"The bottom line is just to focus on getting ready and getting our team together and our heads ready," Borelli said.

TCU has been strong in singles play, with five players who currently have multiple-match winning streaks. They are struggling in doubles play this season. The Frogs' doubles matches will be their big-

gest threat Wednesday, Borelli said.

Junior Gaby Mastromarino, who is TCU's Athlete of the Week and the team's No. 2 doubles player, said the two-match winning streak should give their team some much needed momentum going into Wednesday's match.

Mastromarino has struggled this season with a torn shoulder and bulging disc in her back. There have been talks of her undergoing surgery after the season is over, she said.

"I'm just blessed that I'm getting to practice every day," Mastromarino said. "Now that I'm injured, every match I just try to play as smart as I can and to not take anything for granted."

Mastromarino said she was hoping to add another win to the schedule after Wednesday's match. She holds TCU's best singles record at 6-2 and has won her last three matches. She won the final match to bring the Frogs to victory over Rice.

The Mavericks are coming off a 6-1 road win at UC-Santa Barbara Sunday. UCSB has an overall record of 9-3.

"We've played close matches, but we just have to play a little better with less errors," Borelli said.

### TCU at UTA

When: 3 p.m. Wednesday

Where: UTA Tennis Center

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