

Group in the Neeley School will team up tonight with an organization to help people with autism.



COURTESY OF SANDRA RECORD

Alex Bush as Jud, Alison Hodgson as Laurey, Daniel Floren as Curly, left to right, in the Theatre TCU production of "Oklahoma!" The musical will run from Wednesday to Sunday.

Curtain rises for Department of Theatre's spring musical

By **Natalie Smith**
Staff Reporter

Members of the TCU Department of Theatre have spent 20 to 25 hours each week for over two months preparing for this year's spring musical, Richard Rodgers'

and Oscar Hammerstein's "Oklahoma!", a classic story about prairie life, the Oklahoma land run and the settling of the West.

Harry Parker, chair of the theater department, said the cast has rehearsed, the costume studio has built over 100 costumes, the

scenic studio has created scenery and props for the show and the lighting and sound designers have worked on the lights and tuned microphones.

"We were excited to pick 'Oklahoma!' because it is generally a classic," Parker said. "It is con-

sidered to be one of the most important and popular musicals to work on, and for our students it is a big challenge."

Parker said "Oklahoma!" is based on the time period after the beginning of the 20th century and contains many difficult song

and dance routines.

"We pick shows in part because of the training it will provide for the people in our program," he said. "We pick shows for our season based on audience appeal

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Students help clean up the Trinity River over the weekend.



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Twenty-ninth annual Hunger Week is underway after Kanstruction event on Monday.



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Program offers assistance to adults with autism

By Landon Haaf

Staff Reporter

TCU students in the CEO Club and BNSF Next Generation Leadership Program in the Neeley School of Business are reaching out to a program that assists adults with autism.

Seniors McCall Grimes and Grant Eason are hosting "A Night With nonPareil" tonight as part of their legacy project in the Next Gen Program to raise awareness and support for nonPareil. The Next Gen Program sponsors the event.

NonPareil is a non-profit organization based at SMU's Plano campus geared toward providing technical training to students who have been diagnosed with autism and its counterpart, Asperger's syndrome.

Grimes and Eason's legacy project is a part of the capstone course in the Next Gen Program called the Leadership Challenge, Grimes said. The challenge is an open-ended project that must in-

clude leading others, serving and leaving a legacy within the community, he said.

"We want to see nonPareil meet their vision," Grimes said. "Our goal is to help them build their network and grow and ultimately provide an opportunity for adults with autism after they graduate high school."

Gary Moore and Dan Selec, who each have teenage children with autism, founded nonPareil two years ago with the goal of providing an opportunity for adults with autism after they graduate high school, according to the organization's website. The mission of the event is "Social Entrepreneurs redefining Life for Adults with Autism."

Grimes said the mission refers to the unique opportunity that nonPareil provides for adults with autism or Asperger's syndrome.

"There is no place in the entire world like this where adults with high-functioning autism can go and be understood," Grimes said.

According to its website,

nonPareil has a four-step vision. Currently in phase two, the ultimate goal of nonPareil is to create a live-in campus that provides working, training, medical, dining and entertainment facilities for people with autism.

The envisioned campus environment is intended to allow the adults with autism to live as independently as possible while providing them with necessary support in areas where they need assistance.

NonPareil students have already produced an application for the iPhone and iPad called Soroban, a math tool that, according to iTunes, is "an abacus realized on the iPad." It is the first for-sale app from nonPareil.

McCall said as it gains more students, nonPareil will continue to produce more computer programs, games and apps.

Eason said tonight's event will begin with a meet-and-greet with the founders and volunteers from nonPareil. Afterward, Grimes and Ea-

son will introduce their legacy project, and then Gary Moore and Dan Selec will speak about social entrepreneurship and the development of nonPareil.

Grimes said the more people know about nonPareil, the greater the opportunity will be for growth. The program is targeted toward anyone who is interested in autism or social entrepreneurship.

"There is this growing worldwide need, and nonPareil is trying to meet that need by creating value in the community and having this non-profit, self-sustaining business that is not just a charity," Grimes said.

"A Night With nonPareil" sponsored by the Next Gen

Program

When: 6 p.m. today

Where: BLUU Auditorium

More information about nonPareil can be found at npitx.org. The Soroban app can be found on the iTunes store.

CAMPUS

Alumnus dies after heart attack in recreation center

By Patrick Burns

News Editor

TCU alumnus Edward Ipser Sr. passed away March 21 after collapsing in the University Recreation Center, according to reports from the Tarrant County Medical Examiner, a university official and Ipser's daughter.

Ipser's daughter Mary Margaret Ipser Walker posted on his Facebook account Wednesday that Ipser passed away of a heart attack while exercising. Walker did not respond to emails from the Skiff as of Monday evening.

According to Tarrant County Medical Examiner records, Ipser was taken to Harris Methodist Fort Worth and was pronounced dead at 8:12 p.m. March 21. The report did not list the place or cause of death.

The university official declined to be named

until he could speak with Ipser's family.

Ipser, 76, received his MBA at TCU in 1975 after graduating from Louisiana Tech. He was one of the founders of the University West Neighborhood Association located near the university, according to Ipser's obituary, which was published in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*.

Lisa Albert, director of communications, wrote in an email that the university could only confirm that a member of the recreation center was in medical distress, an ambulance was called and that the member was transferred to the hospital.

Questions to employees of the rec center were forwarded to the Office of Communications.

Staff reporter Caitlin Cockerline contributed to this report.



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and also exposure to important pieces of literature for [our] academic institution."

Alex Bush, a sophomore theatre major with an emphasis in musical theatre, said he believed "Oklahoma!" was chosen this year because it is considered the first musical to incorporate song, dance and story all in one. Bush will play Jud in the musical.

"It is a very important piece of theater, and it's just a really fun show," Bush said.

Compared to previous shows, Bush said "Oklahoma!" is much larger in scale and features an older style of theater.

Parker said the musical features 31 cast members from the theater department and around 54 other students were involved in the overall production. Auditions for the show were open to all students, including non-theatre majors, and required students to perform a song and a monologue, as well

as perform a dance piece.

Daniel Floren, a sophomore film-television-digital media major, was cast as Curly in the production.

"In preparation for my role I had to read up on the character and read the script over and over again and get a feel of what the world was like in Claremore, Oklahoma, where the musical takes place."

Daniel Floren

Sophomore film-television-digital media major

"In preparation for my role I had to read up on the character and read the script over and over again and get a feel of what the world was like in Claremore, Oklahoma, where the musical takes place," he said.

Floren said he has enjoyed his time with the production and realized how much talent partici-

pants had.

"Since I first got cast it has been an amazing experience to work with everyone involved with the production," he said. "A text like 'Oklahoma!' is so rich and historic, and it has been a great experience to be involved in such a historic play."

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Students help clean up Trinity River via canoe, kayak

By Brooke Crum
Staff Reporter

The Trinity River may be full of trash, but Steve Campbell, assistant director of campus recreation and outdoor programs, said he means to change that.

Campbell said he started the Trinity River Cleanup this year, which gave students the opportunity to canoe or kayak down the West Fork of the river while picking up trash and debris along the way Saturday. The event was part of the TCU LEAPS program, in which students, faculty and alumni help with community service projects around the city.

"I think the seed kind of all got planted last summer," Campbell said. "I did a little kayaking/canoe trip with some friends on the river and saw just the amount of trash that was built up and wanted to do something involving TCU and cleaning up the river in hopes to raise awareness of the opportunities the Trinity River has for people here at TCU."

Coordinating the large-scale cleanup on the river took Campbell a whole semester, but he did get help, he said.

"Initially, it just kind of started as an idea," he said.

"As it became more a reality that we [outdoor programs] could do this event, we formed a student committee with all of our trip leaders."

Campbell said he split the work between himself and the six trip leaders for Outdoor Programs, but he added they also received assistance from a variety of sources. The group was able to get T-shirts made for the event due to a donation from Streams and Valleys Inc., a local nonprofit organization that promotes and raises awareness about the Trinity River through "volunteer recruiting, fundraising, development and event programming," according to its website.

Freshman nursing major Lauren Atkinson said she signed up for the cleanup because the idea of simultaneously canoeing and cleaning up the river sounded like fun. She said she was right.

Tires and strollers were just two odd items Atkinson said they pulled from the river. Other items collected included a safe, a chair and a child's wagon.

"It was kind of eye-opening, the fact that there is so much trash on the river," Atkinson said.

In addition, SMU's Outdoor Adventures lent a canoe

trailer and six of its canoes to the student committee, which allowed the group to increase participation for the event, Campbell said. TCU's Outdoor Programs acquired its own fleet of six canoes and ten kayaks for rental out of the Outdoor Center just last semester.

"Yeah, there is trash, but it's a great place to go. And it's local. Hopefully by doing this, we can encourage other people to use the river as well."

Matt Gomez
Sophomore Business Major

Matt Gomez, an Outdoor Programs trip leader, said Wilmar donated nets, grabbers and trash bags for the cleanup effort. Gomez said he worked at a Wilmar warehouse over the summer, so he knew the manager and asked if he would be willing to help.

With only two 12-passenger vans to tow the canoes and kayaks, transportation for the cleanup's participants was another challenge the student committee faced, Gomez said. Fortunately, he said, they were able to pair

up with LEAPS, which provided some transportation to the drop-off location at White Settlement and Isbell Roads.

Overall, participants paddled approximately four-and-a-half to five miles of the West Fork of the Trinity River, climbing out of canoes and kayaks at Heritage Park at the end of Taylor Street downtown. Campbell said he

chose that stretch because it was the one he paddled last summer. Also, it was the longest and most unobstructed stretch of the river in the immediate area.

Gomez, a sophomore business information systems and supply and value chain management double major, said he grew up in Arlington but that he had never canoed or kayaked on the river be-

fore. There are many places on the Trinity where people can canoe or kayak, but most people do not realize they can go on the river because of the high volume of trash, he said.

"Yeah, there is trash, but it's a great place to go. And it's local," Gomez said. "Hopefully by doing this, we can encourage other people to use the river as well."



BROOKE CRUM / STAFF REPORTER

Students participate in cleaning up the Trinity River as a part of TCU LEAPS although the project was the brainchild of Steve Campbell, assistant director of Campus Recreation and outdoor programs.

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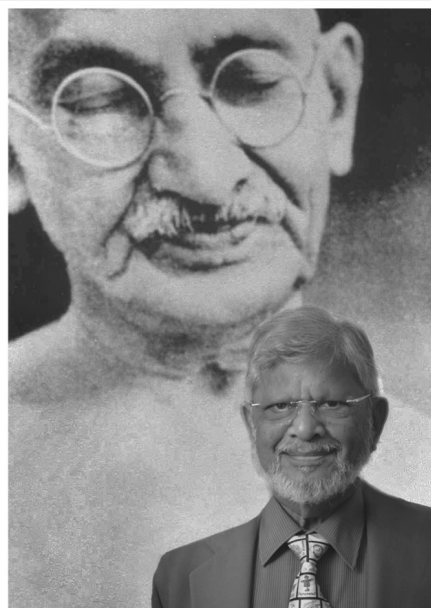
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The Skiff View

Foreign issues matter to Americans, students

As President Barack Obama spoke to the nation last night about the nation's involvement in Libya, he commented on how Americans cannot turn a blind eye to atrocities and disasters around the world when we have the opportunity to provide assistance, and he's right. Even though we have an economy that is in a recession, a housing market on a shaky foundation, high unemployment, numerous social issues like abortion and gay marriage and the constant threat of terrorism, American citizens still have a pretty good life. We can have disagreements about the government without fear of death. Journalists can report the news in a free press. Citizens, with hard work, and maybe a little luck, have the chance to rise above their own class and make a real impact on the country.

For us to sit back and ignore this real, passionate movement to overthrow Moammar Gadhafi, a dictator who cares more about power than his own people, would be a grave mistake. And yes, while involvement in Libya may come at an unexpected cost to American taxpayers, there is no price that can be put on doing what is right and what is necessary to assist a country whose citizens are willing to perish to be free from oppression. Americans and students must understand that by doing nothing, we condone the actions of those who commit terrible crimes. By doing nothing, we are just as guilty as the oppressors.

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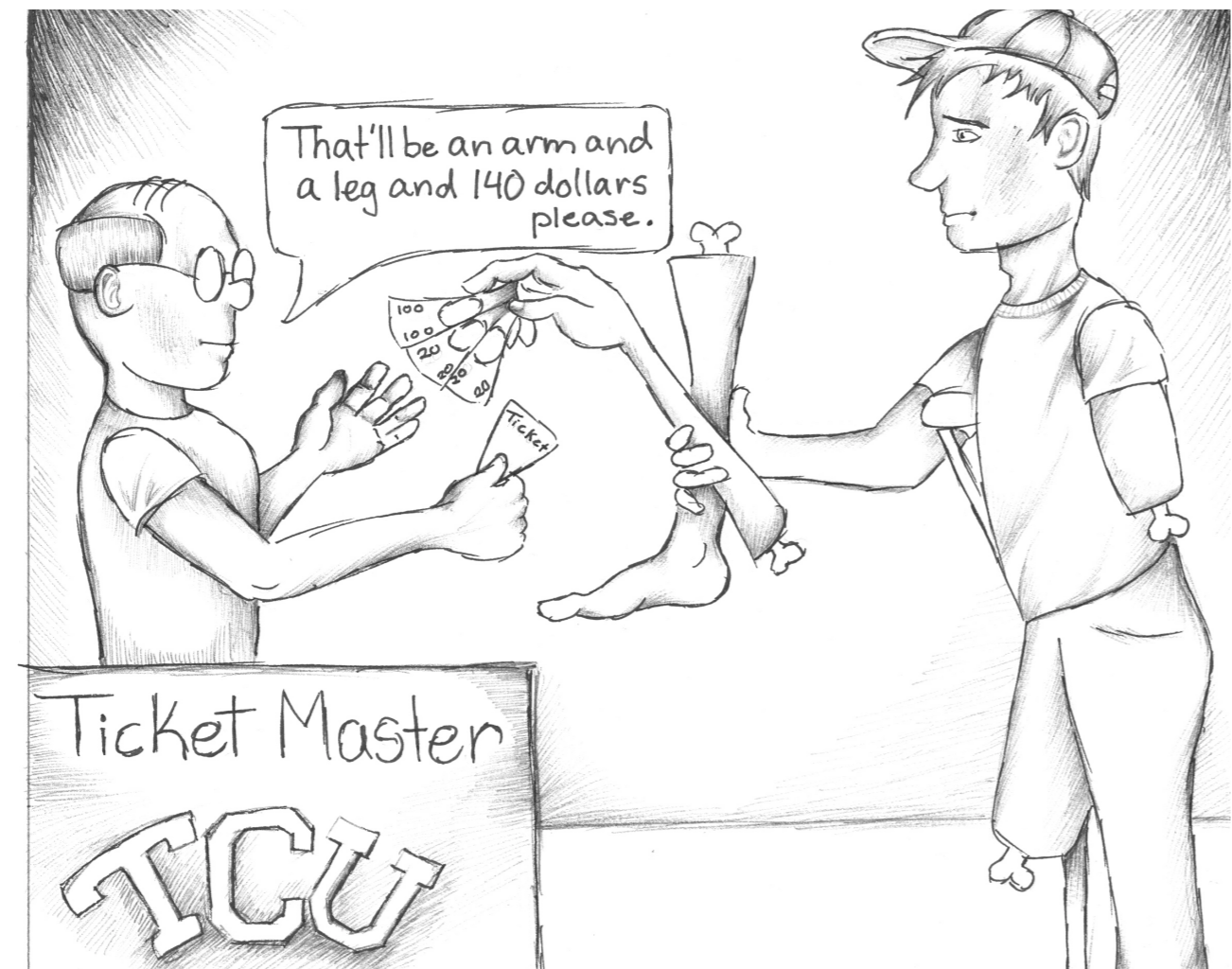
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Church's \$1,000 Easter giveaway just a gimmick



Emily Atteberry

As history has progressed, the Christian church has used various schemes to get people to go to church. Damnation. Cured ailments. Trendy praise bands. Free Wi-Fi and a coffee bar. One church in Ohio, however, is cutting straight to the chase. For the second year in a row, Lindenwald Baptist Church will hand out \$1,000 in hopes of boosting its Easter service attendance. According to an article on UPL.com, the congregation plans to randomly draw the names of both a congregation member and a guest and award them \$500 each.

Last year, the church frankly admitted it was using the money as a simple enticement for larger attendance. It had 1,137 attendees last Easter Sunday, while its average attendance hovers around 500. This year, however, the church claims it is doing it to help out in hard times. "With the economy as bad as it's been, we felt this was a way we can be a blessing in the financial realm as well as the spiritual," Pastor Randy Moore said. The church stresses that the \$1,000 is not a gimmick. But considering it was candid about its intentions last year, I find this hard to believe. "It's not about increasing membership," Moore continued. "It's about spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ." But how seriously can people be focused on the true "gospel of Jesus Christ"

if they spend the entire Easter service eagerly awaiting the money giveaway? The last thing on their minds will be the resurrection of Christ. What happens when 99 percent of the congregation leaves feeling disappointed because it didn't win this cash prize? What about the inevitable feelings of animosity toward those who win? I fear the pastor is simply setting up his congregation for considerable awkwardness and hostility. Yes, it's true — we are experiencing hard times. It's certainly a wonderful gesture that Moore wishes to help out his congregation — if that is, in fact, the honest intent behind offering the cash prize. But I can't help but wonder if there isn't a better way to help everyone. Whatever happened to the classic church potluck? It's an infallible way to create community and fill hungry bell-

ies. Or what if each member found a way to offer a service to another member? A teen could offer to watch a single mother's children while the mother picks up extra hours at her job. A successful businessman could help an unemployed friend write a resumé and apply for jobs. Sure, these acts seem mundane compared to a dazzling \$1,000. But they symbolize what church is supposed to be about — charity and community. Not materialism, envy and anger. No matter what, of course, the church will continue to claim it simply wants to help the congregation. But if Lindenwald Baptist is going to go through with its promised \$1,000 giveaway, it should at least be honest and call it what it is — a gimmick.

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Increasing CEO pay outrageous



Jordan Rubio

It is possible that in group projects, certain members of the group can be twice as efficient as other members and can do more work in helping the group reach its end. And it's only fair that those who have done more work or who have been more efficient should be compensated more for that work. But it is impossible to find a worker who is 62 times more efficient than another worker, who does 62 times more work than another worker or whose work is 62 times more important than the work of others.

Yet in terms of compensation, CEOs make 62 times more than the average worker in terms of their bonuses alone, according to a March 18 post in Time Magazine's The Curious Capitalist.

It is beyond shameful that at a time when average Americans are struggling to make ends meet, CEOs are making obscene bonuses. The CEOs will tell you that they deserve these bonuses because stocks prices and earnings are up. But if this warrants better pay for CEOs, why does it not warrant better pay for employees?

Compensation for the average worker has not gone up, according to the same post. Citing a March 17 Bureau of Labor Statistics report, the average hourly compensation for workers has actually gone down by 0.5 percent in February. The average worker makes \$40,672, which is up by 2 percent from last year, but when adjusted for inflation, it is just \$0.58 more a week. So at a time when the pay for average workers is stagnating, 50 CEOs' incentive pay has jumped by 30 percent in 2010, according to a Wall Street Journal article, and that's on top of their base pay.

A prime example of this

would be what has happened at Walt Disney World in Florida. According to the Time article, Disney CEO Robert Iger received a \$13.5 million bonus, which was 45 percent larger than the bonus he received in 2009. A Disney spokesperson said this was due to the shareholder's return having risen 24 percent. The workers at the theme park fought for months for higher wages and got a new contract with an average annual wage increase of 3 to 4 percent as well as a bonus of \$650 — that bonus is 20,769 times smaller than Iger's bonus.

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At a time when, according to a Federal Reserve report cited in a March 28 CNN.com article, household wealth decreased \$125,000 in 2007 to \$96,000 in 2009. The average worker's pay has stagnated. It is completely ludicrous that only CEOs should benefit from the rise in stock prices when the rest of the country is struggling.

And it is not even as if the CEOs of these companies are investing in the United States as they say they are. General Electric, the largest corporation in

the nation, has eliminated a fifth of its U.S. workforce while increasing its employment overseas, according to a March 24 article from The New York Times.

Also, GE is not eliminating U.S. jobs due to taxes — GE paid no taxes in the U.S. in 2010 despite making a profit of \$5.1 billion in America, according to the New York Times article.

So companies are shipping jobs overseas, avoiding paying taxes due to loopholes and tax shelters in the U.S. tax code and rewarding CEOs immensely while the rest of the country is still in tough economic times. Apparently, these companies have the money to give their CEOs sizable increases in their bonuses but don't have the money to invest and hire in the U.S.

There needs to be a shift in how the compensation and burden is shared in the United States. Americans all over the country are being told they must make sacrifices for the betterment of the nation, but apparently that doesn't extend to the CEOs of large and lucrative companies.

The companies have their tax breaks, their tax loopholes and their tax shelters, yet they still refuse to hire in the U.S. or pay their employees better. Americans continue to struggle to make ends meet and watch as their pay stagnates and as CEO bonuses grow larger and larger.

The rich continue to get richer and the rest of the United States gets poorer, and the only way I can think of to describe this entire situation is repulsive.

Jordan Rubio is a freshman broadcast journalism major from San Antonio.



your view
 What do you have to say?

Soda tax not best measure

The idea of taxing soda to trim waistlines has shown to be an ineffective way to reduce obesity. I agree that people who love soda will probably continue to buy soda. Several studies have shown this. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, states where soda taxes have been implemented have the highest obesity rates.

And, an article published in January 2010 in the journal Contemporary Economic Policy finds that while an increase in soft drink taxes would raise revenue for governments, it would likely place an unequal burden on those with lower incomes.

If Texas really wanted to curb the obesity epidemic, drinks made with non-nutritive sweeteners, such as diet soda, would not be

I support policies that promote healthy behavior rather than penalizing individuals. This approach will be far more effective and sustainable in addressing obesity and improving health. By focusing on soft drinks alone, we are missing the bigger picture. A healthy lifestyle is about moderation, balancing calorie intake and taking part in appropriate levels of exercise, not a tax.

included in this soda tax proposal. Diet beverage options are good choices for those individuals who

are working to keep control of balancing calories with energy expenditure.

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Hunger Week programs aim to create local hunger awareness



KATIE SHERIDAN / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Members of the Delta Gamma sorority pose with their can sculpture they built for the Kanstruction event in the Brown-Lupton University Union.

By Audrey Swanson
Staff Writer

This week, students can attempt to live off of five dollars for 24 hours, get free hot dogs and peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, and try to solve world hunger through the activities and fundraisers

for TCU's 29th annual Hunger Week, a university official said.

The Rev. Jeremy Albers, associate chaplain of the Office of Religious and Spiritual Life, said the goal of Hunger Week was to help create hunger awareness locally, nationally and globally.

The Rev. Angela Kaufman, minister to the university, wrote in an email that too many people live having to choose between basic necessities like food, clothes or shelter. Food, and basic nutrition in general, are significant necessities in life, and spreading the word about those who

can't afford this is what really causes a change, she wrote.

Hunger Week began Monday with Kanstruction, in which 12 teams competed to build the most creative structure solely out of canned goods.

Also on Monday, Disciples On Campus handed out free peanut butter and jelly sandwiches by the Founders Statue, Albers said.

On Tuesday, the \$5 Challenge Kick-Off Cook-Out will have participants try to live off of just five dollars for one day of meals. The cookout will have games and prizes and will urge the education of hunger awareness as well, according to a flier.

Albers said that on Thursday, Hunger Week will partner with PetCo for Dollars for Dogs, another fundraiser that distributes free hot dogs with information to students.

Albers said he enjoyed being able to connect people to ways that they can be part of the solution and to help them get passionate about an important cause.

Cash, canned food, Campus Cash and Frog Bucks are all acceptable donations during the week, and all of the proceeds will go to the Tarrant Area Food Bank, Albers said. He said Campus Cash and Frog Bucks donations have made a difference because

students have these options available more often than actual cash.

Senior theatre major Katie Caruso, who volunteers during Hunger Week, said that just one dollar can give four people a full meal.

Kaufman provided information that since the start of Hunger Week 29 years ago, more than \$600,000 has been raised by TCU students and faculty. Last year alone, more than 12,000 pounds of cans were donated to the Tarrant Area Food Bank.

A modification to the week is the involvement of more campus athletics, Caruso said.

On Saturday, End Hunger in the End Zones will be held at the TCU football Spring Game, which will advocate hunger awareness during the scrimmage, Caruso said.

Albers said he hoped this week will help those who are in need.

"If we pull our resources and our creativity together, we can cause real change for people," he said.

The 29th Annual TCU Hunger Week benefitting the Tarrant Area Food Bank

Make can, cash, Campus Cash and Frog Bucks donations at hunger tables in the Brown-Lupton University Union and

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FORT WORTH

TCU to host regional spelling bee

By Luis Ortiz
Staff Reporter

After accepting an invitation to be a part of the regional spelling bee, TCU's College of Education will join the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* to co-host the *Star-Telegram* Regional Championship Spelling Bee.

Mary Patton, dean of the College of Education, said the *Star-Telegram* invited TCU to participate, and the university accepted the offer.

"When we were approached with it, we were very excited about it," Patton said. "We think this is one way to support our young readers and writers and spellers in the state."

Jan Lacina, associate professor of literacy and associate dean of graduate studies in the College of Education, said she is excited that TCU was chosen to be involved in the competition. The regional spelling bee had been at the Will Rogers Memorial Center for the

previous two years, according to the regional spelling bee website.

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Mary Patton

Dean of the College of Education

"I feel honored they respect us as a local university," she said. "I think it brings visibility to our College of Education when we have such a spelling bee at the regional level at our university."

Lacina, along with Associate Professor of Curriculum and Instruction Ranae Stetson and Assistant Professor of Science Education Mark Bloom, will be judges at the spelling bee. She said the winner will

earn a trip to Washington D.C. to compete in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in June.

Patton said TCU would award the winner a \$1,000 scholarship if he or she chose to attend TCU in the future.

"We just see it as encouraging this student, whomever this person ends up being, to continue on towards college and maybe TCU," she said.

Lacina said the winner of the spelling bee will not be the only one getting recognition. The first two runner-ups will receive gift certificates and the remaining 22 students who participate in the competition will get a personal gift from the College of Education, she said.

North Texas Area Regional Spelling Bee

When: 8:30 a.m. - noon
Tuesday

Where: Brown-Lupton University Union Ballroom

POLITICS

Obama defends US military action in Libya

By Ben Feller
Associated Press

Defending the first war launched on his watch, President Barack Obama declared Monday night that the United States intervened in Libya to prevent a slaughter of civilians that would have stained the world's conscience and "been a betrayal of who we are." Yet he ruled out targeting Moammar Gadhafi, warning that trying to oust the Libyan leader militarily would be a costly mistake.

Obama announced that NATO would take command over the entire Libya operation on Wednesday, keeping his pledge to get the U.S. out of the lead — but offering no estimate on when the conflict might end.

He never described the U.S.-led military campaign as a "war" and gave no details on its costs, but he offered an expansive case for why he believed it was in the national interest of the United States and its allies to act.

In blunt terms, Obama said the U.S.-led response had stopped Gadhafi's advances and halted a slaughter he warned could have shak-



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President Barack Obama delivers his address on Libya at the National Defense University in Washington, Monday, March 28, 2011.

en the stability of an entire region.

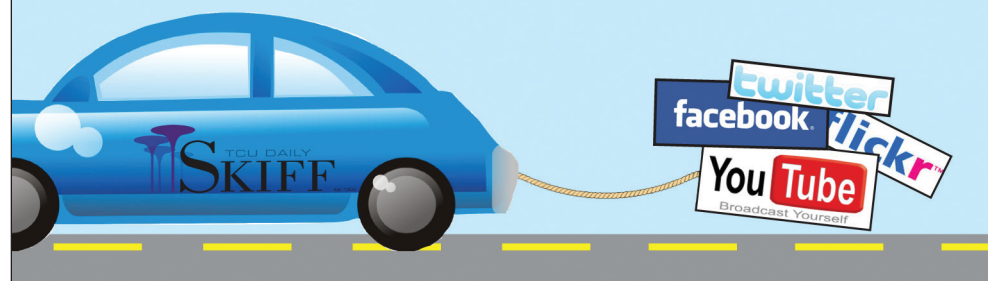
"To brush aside America's responsibility as a leader and — more profoundly — our responsibilities to our fellow human beings under such circumstances would have been a betrayal of who we are," Obama said. "Some nations may be able to turn a blind eye to atrocities in other countries. The United States of America is different. And as president, I refused to wait for the images of slaughter and mass graves before taking action."

Obama spoke to a respect-

ful military audience at the National Defense University. In Libya, rebel forces bore down on Gadhafi's hometown of Sirte with the help of airstrikes by the U.S.-led forces.

The address to the nation was the president's most aggressive attempt to answer the questions mounting from Republican critics, his own party and war-weary Americans — chiefly, why the U.S. was immersed in war in another Muslim nation at a time when the U.S. is all but buried in debt.

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WEIRD NEWS

Associated Press

600-pound bronze moose among Calif. statue thefts

SAN DIEGO (AP) — San Diego County authorities are looking for art thieves who have made off with at least 18 metal, wood and concrete statues — including a 600-pound bronze moose. The North County Times

reports the thieves have stolen nearly \$44,000 worth of lawn art since October. Most of the thefts occurred in San Marcos and Ramona.

The artworks included Buddha yard statutes, a life-sized aluminum colt, a 3-foot-tall statue of the Virgin Mary and a copper statue of three children valued at \$15,000.

Detectives suspect that the metal works may have been

broken up and sold to recyclers, while the other pieces might have been resold.

Greece nabs potato thieves from Bulgaria

THESSALONIKI, Greece (AP) — The farmer had to stay up at night to guard his field, and get help from police, but he's finally stopped the foreign marauders who were stealing his potatoes.

Five men and four women from neighboring Bulgaria were arrested early Sunday while digging up and load-

ing 800 kilograms (1,760 pounds) of stolen potatoes into a van in Ochyro, a village in northern Greece near the Bulgarian border, police say.

The farmer, who was keeping an overnight watch for the thieves, got help from police and border guards after he lost 14 metric tons (15.3 tons) of potatoes the previous week.

More than 200 empty potato sacks and digging forks were found in the van and confiscated.

Police are now looking for other thieves in the region

— these ones targeting olive groves.

UK aircraft carrier Ark Royal for sale on Internet

LONDON (AP) — For sale: one aircraft carrier, slightly used.

Britain put the mothballed carrier Ark Royal up for sale Monday on a military auction website.

The former flagship of the Royal Navy was decommissioned this month, four years ahead of schedule, as part of defense spending cuts. Bid-

ders have until June 13 to make an offer. No minimum price was set.

The government sold another carrier, HMS Invincible, which was bought for its metal and towed to a Turkish scrap yard.

The Ark Royal could be sold for scrap, but there has also been a proposal to park it on the Thames river as a heliport.

Britain is reducing the army by 7,000 soldiers and slashing billions from its defense budget as part of deficit-reducing cuts.

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- Lea low
- Rocket interceptors, briefly
- Doesn't tip
- DJ's array
- Atahualpa, notably
- Sci-fi author ___ K. Le Guin
- Completely dark
- Took an intersecting road
- It's not butter
- Getting-to-know-you party activity
- Soft baseball hit
- Facility
- Dirty fighting?
- "Weeds" airer, in TV listings
- Latvian capital
- Eastern principle
- Liven (up)
- Wearisome routine
- Expressive rock genre
- ___ of Good Feelings
- "Zounds!"
- Old boys?
- "Wow, she's good-looking!" sounds
- Wrath, in a classic hymn
- Fat cat
- "Funny Girl" leading role
- Quayle's successor
- Orbital extreme
- Some sculpted abs ... and what the starts of 17-, 21-, 26-, 39-, 47- and 58-Across are altogether?
- Mother with a Nobel Prize
- Depilatory brand
- AFL partner
- Turns over, as an engine
- Film pooch in a tornado
- Tolkien tree creature

DOWN

- Low-paying position
- Nancy who's slated to replace Mary Hart on "Entertainment Tonight"
- Bone: Pref.
- Have a bug
- Birth
- Comerstone 1300
- Benefit
- Hindu aphorisms
- Most loyal
- Its anthem is "Hatikvah"
- Wagnalls's partner
- Make a run for it
- 1980-81 Iranian president Bani-
- Bust's opposite
- Spelling contest
- Music to a cat lover's ears
- Day in Durango
- Lb. or oz.
- Filet mignon requests
- Couple in People
- Tom, Dick or Harry
- Continue
- Eject, as lava
- Medal recipient
- Stone for many Libras
- Rep. with a cut
- Berkeley school, familiarly
- First lady's home?
- Identify, as a perp
- Most ironic
- corpus
- Suffix with hotel
- "Beowulf" or "Star Wars"
- Bologna ball game
- Pest control name
- Stupely with drink
- Pool legend
- Minnesota
- In ___ peevied
- Director Ephron
- Fails to be
- Giovanni's good-bye
- Stage direction
- Tour golfer

By Joon Pahk and Andrea Carla Michaels 3/29/11

Monday's Puzzle Solved

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"Matterhorn"

Difficulty ★☆☆☆☆ (15pts)

How to play:

Spell the phrase in the grid above it, writing each unique letter only once. The correct solution will spell the complete phrase along a single continuous spelling path that moves horizontally, vertically and diagonally. Fill the grid from square to square - revisiting letters as needed to complete the spelling path in order. Each letter will appear only once in the grid.

Friday's Solution



"Portuguese Water Dog"

Difficulty ★★★★★ (390pts)

Sample



"Freeze"

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	7		9		2		4	

Directions

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

See Wednesday's paper for sudoku and crossword solutions.

Friday's Solution

7	2	5	8	1	6	4	3	9
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NATIONAL NEWS

Associated Press

Time short, tempers flare in budget showdown

WASHINGTON (AP) — The specter of a partial government shutdown looms again as Congress returns to Washington with Democrats and Republicans as far apart on a bill to keep the government running as they were two weeks ago.

Despite mounting pressure and a deadline looming, talks have stalled, with Democrats accusing GOP leaders of catering to tea party forces and Republicans countering that the White House isn't offering serious proposals to cut spending.

Democrats are ready to propose cutting \$20 billion more from this year's budget, a party official said, but haven't yet sent it to House Republicans because it's unclear whether the House is still willing to settle for reductions totaling about that much when \$10 billion or

so in already enacted cuts are added in. The official required anonymity to discuss internal deliberations.

The vehicle for the debate, left simmering when lawmakers went back to their districts last week, is must-do legislation to bankroll the day-to-day operating budgets of federal agencies — including military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan — through the Sept. 30 end of the budget year. Other major tests will soon follow, as House Republicans unveil a blueprint to attack the broader budget mess next week and a must-do measure to maintain the government's ability to borrow money to meet its responsibilities.

Last month, House Republicans passed a measure cutting more than \$60 billion from the \$1.1 trillion budgeted for such programs last year. All the savings were taken from domestic programs and foreign aid, which make up about half of the pot. Democrats in the

Senate killed the measure as too extreme, citing cuts to education, health research, food inspection and other programs and services.

Amid Japan crisis, hunt for better radiation care

WASHINGTON (AP) — Japan's nuclear emergency highlights a big medical gap: Few treatments exist to help people exposed to large amounts of radiation.

But some possibilities are in the pipeline — development of drugs to treat radiation poisoning, and the first rapid tests to tell who in a panicked crowd would really need them.

The U.S. calls these potential products "countermeasures," and they're part of the nation's preparations against a terrorist attack, such as a dirty bomb. But if they work, they could be useful in any kind of radiation emergency. "Thinking of terrorist events is what drives us. Mother Nature can be

much of a terror, too," says Dr. Robin Robinson, who heads the federal Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority, or BARDA, that funds late-stage research of products the government deems most likely to pan out.

BARDA has invested \$164 million for research into anti-radiation treatment candidates since 2008, and \$44 million for radiation testing — in hopes of adding such products to the nation's emergency medical stockpile soon. That's in addition to research dollars from the National Institutes of Health and the Defense Department.

Japan's crisis — where last week two nuclear plant workers were hospitalized for radiation burns — is sure to renew attention to a field that's long been overshadowed by the hunt for protections against bioterrorism, not radiological emergencies. Among the radiation projects considered farthest



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Workers, who stepped into radiation-contaminated water during Thursday's operation at the Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear plant, are shielded with tarps before receiving decontamination treatment at a hospital in Fukushima, northeastern Japan Friday, March 25, 2011.

along in development:

—Rapid tests that could spot dangerous radiation doses with mere finger-pricks of blood. Already, a prototype machine sits at New York's Columbia University that could check thousands of people.

—Some drugs now used to help cancer patients boost

their infection-fighting blood cells, sold under such names as Neupogen. They may do the same thing for radiation victims.

—An injection that saved monkeys from highly lethal beams. It seems to protect the body's two most radiation-sensitive spots, the bone marrow and lining of the gut.

TEXAS NEWS

Associated Press

Latest airfare increase fails over weekend

DALLAS (AP) — The airlines' latest effort to broadly raise U.S. fares by \$10 per round trip has crumbled as discount carriers like Southwest decided not to raise their prices.

After several successful price increases from December through February, two efforts to raise fares this month have died, raising questions about how much consumers are willing to pay for travel.

United and Continental started the push for another fare increase last week and were joined by Delta, American and US Airways. But low-cost airlines never went along.

FareCompare.com CEO Rick Seane said the price hike began to unravel when Delta and American rolled back the increase on some routes. He said United and Continental then gave up and canceled the increases on Saturday.

By Monday morning, US

Airways was the only one of the major airlines that still had the higher fares.

It's unclear whether consumer demand is too weak to absorb more price increases, or whether the recent failed price hikes are merely a pause before fares rise again heading into the peak summer travel season.

Seaney said domestic price increases will be harder to push through unless they are supported by low-cost airlines — Southwest, JetBlue, AirTran and Frontier.

JPMorgan Chase analyst Jamie Baker said Southwest, which carries the most U.S. passengers and plays a key role in setting fares for the industry, might just be bidding its time until Easter. He said Southwest often prefers to raise fares over 3-day weekends to limit press coverage.

Baker said he didn't view this weekend's events as a sign that consumers or corporate travelers won't pay more. He said the airlines are still 9-for-11 with recent fare hikes and have tightened advance-purchase re-

quirements.

Base fare increases don't tell the whole story of airline prices. The airlines still offer sales that often let travelers avoid those higher fares.

Texas lawmakers try to make military voting easier

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — State Rep. Van Taylor knows firsthand how hard it is to vote while on active military duty — he led a 28-person platoon in 2003 as a Marine captain during the war in Iraq.

The freshman legislator from Plano has joined state Sen. Leticia Van de Putte of San Antonio to work on a plan to make it easier for Texans in the military to cast ballots, making good on a 2010 campaign promise. The military voting proposal is the first bill he filed.

Texas must comply with the 2009 Military and Overseas Voting Empowerment Act. The law, known as MOVE, requires states to provide ballots to military personnel at least 45 days before an election, the San Antonio Express-News re-

ported Monday.

To facilitate this, Texas will need to change March primary and runoff dates, Taylor said. He would prefer to move the primary election to April. March elections conflict with spring break, he said.

"You are so far from Texas, and there just isn't that much time. The real issue here is the amount of time to request, receive and return a ballot by mail," Taylor said. "It makes it virtually impossible for the active men and women serving overseas and oftentimes even inside the United States to actually be able to vote."

Van de Putte said elections as late as June or July would conflict with summer vacations and might force election officials to find polling places other than schools.

The runoff election campaign will significantly expand the current campaign time between elections.

"Candidates are not going to like that, but the goal is to make sure that our military voters are not disenfranchised," Van de Putte said.



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FOOTBALL

TCU secondary gets crash tutorial in spring

By Nathan DeWitt
Staff Writer

After finishing the 2010-11 season with its first BCS bowl win and ranked No. 2 in the final BCS poll, TCU faces the task of replacing five defensive starters.

For the past three years, TCU has had the best statistical defense in FBS football and has finished first in total defense an unprecedented five times under head football coach Gary Patterson — more than any other program since NCAA started tracking statistics in 1937. Only Toledo (1969-71) and Oklahoma (1985-87) have also finished first in total defense three consecutive seasons.

A big part of that expected success depends on the secondary, which will enter many new starters into the lineup next season.

Four major contributors to the best defense in the country in 2010 have moved on. Safety Tejay Johnson is gone. Safety Collin Jones is gone. Safety Alex Ibiloye is gone. Cornerback Jason Teague is gone. Before panic sets in, it must be noted that TCU lost

All-Americans Jerry Hughes (Indianapolis Colts) and Daryl Washington (Arizona Cardinals) along with both four-year starting cornerbacks going into the 2010 season. The Frogs still ended up bettering their total defense average by 11.2 yards from the 2009 season.

“Our guys are not just learning how to play our scheme, they’re learning how to play the position itself.”

Gary Patterson
Head coach

The 2010 departures of Johnson, Jones, Ibiloye and Teague means there will not only be a lack of experience at TCU’s defensive secondary scheme, but at the positions themselves, Patterson said.

“Our guys are not just learning how to play our scheme, they’re learning how to play the position itself,” Patterson said. “Jonathan [Anderson] has never been a safety, Antonio [Graves]

has never been a safety, Sam [Carter] has never been a safety. We’re turning them all into safeties.”

It may only be fitting that there is a new face to coach the secondary to join the new players. TCU’s safeties coach Chad Glasgow hit the road after last season to take the Texas Tech defensive coordinator job in Lubbock. New safeties coach Trey Haverty was the defensive coordinator at Millsaps College last season after a three-year stint as a graduate assistant at TCU.

After spring practice Saturday, Patterson was not particularly happy with the play of his safeties, but he realized that it is a learning process.

“I don’t think we’re as physical as we need to be yet,” Patterson said. “We’re a long way from what our standard is and how we do things. Usually every year at some point in time I say we’re terrible; I haven’t said that yet but I’m close.”

Safety Jonathan Anderson, safety Antonio Graves and safety Sam Carter, along with fellow freshmen cornerback Travares Battle, sophomore

safety Elisha Olabode and sophomore cornerback Jason Verrett, have been getting lots of reps as defensive backs during spring practice. The group will be led by senior cornerback Greg McCoy and senior safety Tekerrrein Cuba, who have both been contributors for a number of years.

With six more spring practices, TCU’s April 2 spring game and the summer break before the season opener at Baylor on Sept. 3, there is opportunity for Patterson to mold his freshman into defensive backs capable of leading a sixth No. 1 total defense squad before they graduate.

“Every day, they’re getting better leaps and bounds,” Patterson said.

TCU spring practice schedule:
4 p.m. Tuesday
4 p.m. Thursday
Spring game: 11 a.m. Saturday

Note: Practices closed to the public. The spring game will be held in Amon G. Carter Stadium.

WOMEN’S TENNIS

Frogs travel to UNT in nonconference rematch

By Ryne Sulier
Sports Editor

The women’s tennis team should have wrapped up its nonconference slate last week against UT-Arlington. Instead, TCU (5-6) will travel up I-35 to face North Texas (6-9) at 2 p.m. today to finish a match postponed Jan. 29 at the ITA Kickoff Weekend in Berkeley, Calif., due to inclement weather.

The Frogs enter the day riding a three-match winning streak after defeating UTA 5-2 on Wednesday. The victory gave TCU a 4-1 record against in-state opponents.

The Mean Green also enter the match as winners of three straight after defeating Northwestern State 5-2. In doubles, TCU’s No. 52-ranked pair of sophomore Federica Denti and senior Katarina Tuohimaa are 12-6 (7-4 at the No. 1 spot). Denti and Tuohimaa will be challenged by UNT’s Irina Paraschiv and Barбора Vykydalova, who are 8-7 at the No. 1 doubles spot. TCU junior Gaby Mastro-

Up next

The Frogs will open up Mountain West Conference play with three matches in a row, all at the Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center, after the North Texas match. The Frogs will play BYU at 2 p.m. Friday, Utah at 10 a.m. Saturday and New Mexico at 10 a.m. Sunday.

TCU at North Texas

When: 2 p.m. today
Where: Waranch Tennis Complex — Denton

Check DailySkiff.com for match coverage.

MEN’S BASKETBALL

Christian did not waver when Frogs hit rock-bottom



Ryne Sulier

announce Christian would return next season — it was the removal of two of the Frogs’ three leading scorers, a 13-game losing streak and a coach that refused to quit on his team.

Hustle, heart and competitiveness were never issues for this team.

Without Moss, the Frogs suffered a narrow 66-65 overtime loss to Air Force on Jan. 29, a two-point loss to Utah on Feb. 22 and a seven-point loss at then-No. 6 San Diego State before a five-point loss at Air Force to end the regular season.



Christian

TCU proved it could keep it close with two Sweet 16 teams in BYU and SDSU throughout the season.

Show me a coach who

could have done any better under the circumstances, and show me a coach more willing to prove he can take this team to an NCAA tournament when he has the assets he needs in place and the support from TCU Athletics — because it is coming.

It took “addition by subtraction” for this program to buy into Jim Christian Basketball even if it didn’t show in the win column. It’s the same philosophy that led Kent State to the NCAA tournament in 2006 and 2008.

Maybe another coach finds a way to keep Yeager and Moss on the floor for the remainder of the season and the Frogs finish around .500. Would that same team have played down to the wire with BYU in the quarterfinal out of sheer tenacity and heart? Unlikely.

TCU will do just fine without Yeager, a junior college transfer, but without Moss next season, TCU won’t be a difference maker in the MWC. If Christian wasn’t convinced Moss bought into Jim Christian Basketball while riding the bench in street clothes, Moss wouldn’t still be listed on the roster.

Next season, Moss will lead an undersized team with a

lack of top-tier athletes and little big game experience; a team that will never quit on its coach because he didn’t quit on his players when they hit rock-bottom on the hardwood.

Moss will, however, be a go-to scorer for a Frogs’ team that displayed throughout the stretch it was willing to play tough defense. Point guard Hank Thorns ranked No. 4 in the NCAA in assists this season and forward Garlon Green averaged 11.2 points per game and should only improve in his junior season. True freshman Amric Fields showed flashes of his length and athleticism and should make a significant jump next season as well.

There’s a ceiling to how well the Frogs can do next season, but there will be improvement.

Regardless of the construction of the current roster, TCU’s move to the Big East will bring better talent. TCU Athletics, contrary to popular misconception, is finally committed to TCU basketball. Daniel-Meyer Coliseum is on the shortlist to get a face lift along with nearly other nook and cranny of this campus in the next few years.

Del Conte laid out a five-year plan to turn TCU basketball around. Chances are that in that time frame TCU will land a program-changing player who couldn’t resist the temptation of playing in the best basketball conference in the nation without having to leave his Texas backyard.

Christian earned another shot to coach TCU basketball next season the old fashioned way. Let’s see what Christian can do with Moss and Co. in TCU’s final season in the MWC. Then let the debate begin on whether Christian should join the rest of athletics in the move to the Big East. TCU basketball may still be far from becoming the next Butler or VCU, but at least it has a coach who knows how to get to the Big Dance.

Sports editor Ryne Sulier is a senior news-editorial journalist and political science double major from Plano.

Weekend Recap

By Chelsea Katz
Staff Reporter

Men’s tennis

The TCU men’s tennis team suffered a 4-3 loss to No. 33 Rice in Houston Saturday. TCU took a 1-0 lead after taking the doubles point. TCU’s doubles pair of seniors Christopher Price and Emanuel Brighiu got the doubles point for TCU after winning the third and final match in a tiebreaker. The other two points came from Price, who was playing in his hometown, and No. 74 Brighiu in their respective singles matches.

Swimming & diving

TCU junior Edgar Crespo was the only competitor at the NCAA Men’s Swimming & Diving Championship from TCU for the second-straight year. He competed in the 100-breaststroke Friday and the 200-breaststroke

Saturday inside the University Aquatics Center at the University of Minnesota. Crespo holds the TCU record for 100-breaststroke and finished 20th in the race to improve upon his 27th place finish from last year. In his first time to compete in the 200-breaststroke in the NCAA Championship, he broke his own TCU record with a time of 1:57.91 to finish 30th overall in the race.

Track & field

TCU’s track & field team traveled to Tempe, Ariz. to compete in the Arizona State Invitational Saturday at Joe Sellen Track at Sun Angel Stadium. Senior Jessica Young garnered a first-place victory in the women’s 400 meters with a record-breaking time of 52.27. This broke Nathandra John’s TCU record time of 52.31 set in 2006 as well as the ASU Invitational meet record of 53.30 set in

1998. Young also helped the 4x100 relay team, including senior Teneshia Pearl, freshman Veronica Jones and freshman Franchelle Hill place third overall with TCU’s fastest time of the spring of 44.49.

Equestrian

The No. 8 TCU equestrian team defeated the No. 4 Oklahoma State Cowgirls at October Hill Farm 12-8 with an overall score of 1,507-1,496.5. This was the third time TCU defeated OSU and the second-straight win against them at home. The win brought TCU’s regular season record to 7-4 and 5-1 at home. Oklahoma State’s record went to 6-4. Senior Kelsey Huffman earned her fourth MVP award of the season in Reigning when she beat OSU’s Caroline Daniels 74-66.5. She is 7-3-0 on the season and is ranked in the top-20 in the nation.

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MEN’S TENNIS

TCU upends Aztecs 5-2 in MWC match

By Chelsea Katz
Staff Reporter

The TCU men’s tennis team notched a 5-2 win over the San Diego State University Aztecs in its first Mountain West Conference match of the season on Monday at the Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center.

TCU is ranked No. 74 nationally, and the win brought the team’s record to 6-11 on the year and 1-0 in conference play. San Diego State’s loss brought the Aztecs’ record to 2-12 and 0-1 in conference play.

After suffering a loss at No. 33 Rice on Saturday, head coach David Roditi said he wanted to get ready for conference play.

“We just had a tough match on Saturday,” Roditi said. “We had kind of a half-

day [Sunday]. [We] come out, hit some balls and get ready to start conference [play].”

TCU did not win any of its doubles matches. On the No. 2 court, the Aztec pair of Tim Schulz van Endert and Javier Pulgar defeated Horned Frogs Zach Nicols and Slah Mbarek 8-1. On the No. 3 court, San Diego State’s Andre Feliz and Shiva Sangwan defeated TCU’s Paul Chappell and Cameron Nash 9-7. To close out doubles, San Diego State’s Giovanni Vaglietti and Hunter Nicholas defeated TCU’s 44th-ranked duo of Emanuel Brighiu and Christopher Price 8-7 (2) on the No. 1 court.

Roditi said he was very disappointed with how the team did in doubles play. “That is the worst per-

formance I have ever seen in doubles at [the No. 2 court],” he said. “We’re going to make some changes there.”

In singles play, the Horned Frogs took wins at the Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 courts. No. 74 Brighiu defeated Vaglietti 6-2, 7-5. Mbarek defeated Schulz ven Endert 6-4, 6-3.

On the No. 3 court, Pulgar defeated Nichols 7-6 (3), 6-3.

TCU’s Soren Goritzka defeated Nicholas in three games — 3-6, 6-3, 6-2. The final two matches, on courts 4 and 6, ended with tiebreakers. On the No. 4 court, Price defeated Feliz 7-5, 7-6 (5). The match on court No. 6 ended with TCU’s Daniel Sanchez defeating San Diego State’s Juan Florez 6-4, 7-6 (6).

Roditi said it has been a struggle because the team has not won very much at home but that he was proud of the way the team played in singles. TCU is now 4-5 at home.

“I thought we showed a lot of character coming down from losing the doubles at home,” Roditi said. “They came back and fought some first sets, and we got through it, and we got five wins in singles. That’s great. I’m very proud of the guys. [They] showed character.”

Up next

The team will be back in action at 11 a.m. Thursday in Colorado Springs for a conference match at the United States Air Force Academy. Live match updates can be found on gofrogs.com.

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OPINION

Jim Christian earned right to coach next season the hard way.

SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Secondary will be key to maintaining defensive success in 2011.



Baseball America Top 25 Rankings

Rk.	Team	W-L	Last Week	Prev.
1.	Vanderbilt	22-3	3-1	2
2.	Virginia	24-2	5-0	3
3.	South Carolina	18-5	4-1	4
4.	Florida	21-4	3-2	1
5.	Arizona State	18-6	3-2	6
6.	Texas A&M	19-5	4-0	8
7.	Florida State	18-6	2-2	7
8.	Texas	17-7	2-2	5
9.	Fresno State	18-2	4-0	10
10.	Oklahoma	18-6	2-1	9
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15.	TCU	15-8	3-1	14

NATHAN PARDEE / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Junior Taylor Featherston sprints to first base against the University of Houston on Saturday. The Horned Frogs won the game 16-10 and took the series with two wins and a loss.

BASEBALL

No. 15 Frogs continue homestand against Stephen F. Austin

By Ryne Sulier
Sports Editor

Frogs' junior right fielder Brance Rivera is in the midst of a 23-game hit streak as the Frogs are set to play game five of a 13-game homestand against Stephen F. Austin at 6:30 p.m. today.

Rivera, who is hitting .427, said the only streak that really matters is marked in the win column and that he hopes that after the last couple of games the Frogs can find their stride and win 10 or 12 in a row.

"I try not think about [the hit streak], but I know it's there," Rivera said after Sunday's 9-1 win over Houston. "Our last couple games we are playing more TCU baseball, hitters are hitting great, pitchers are pitching great. We're

playing the type of baseball we know we can play."

Junior Erik Miller (0-4, 5.17 ERA) will make his first start against SFA's Cody Priest (0-0, 2.13 ERA) tonight as the Frogs go for their third straight win.

After the Frogs allowed 17 runs in the first two games of their weekend series against the Cougars, senior pitcher Steven Maxwell set the pitching tone Sunday and the freshman duo of Stefan Crichton and Andrew Mitchell finished the game for Maxwell.

TCU (15-8, 2-1 MWC) ended a streak of 86 straight victories when leading after eight innings Friday. The Frogs gave up six runs in the ninth inning against Houston to blow the game 7-6.

With sophomore Matt Purke (3-1, 1.17 ERA) on the

mound for TCU Saturday, it seemed unlikely the Frogs would dig themselves in a hole early, but they found themselves down 9-2 after four innings as Purke allowed five runs, two earned, on four hits with five strikeouts.

A seven-run sixth inning catapulted TCU back into the game, and the Frogs defeated the Cougars 16-10.

On Sunday, a couple of Frogs' defensive plays in the outfield kept the game out of reach for Houston. Junior center fielder Aaron Schultz's diving catch while running straight back toward the center field wall caught the attention of the remaining fans who didn't run for cover during a fourth inning rain shower.

"It isn't [Schultz's] natural position," head coach Jim

Schlossnagle said. "He really isn't the fastest guy out here. But he has great instincts, takes great routes, studies opposing batters and scouting reports."

Schultz also hit his second career grand slam Sunday, his third home run of the season.

"I got down two strikes and just started to battle him," Schultz said. "He left a changeup right there, I put a good swing on it and it went over the fence. It felt good."

Schlossnagle said he hasn't had a problem with how the offense has been hitting this season, and it seems the Frogs' offense has turned a corner after scoring 31 runs over the weekend.

Elander day to day

Schlossnagle said Frogs sophomore catcher/outfield-

er Josh Elander is currently day to day after receiving an injection to help stiffness in his back.

Notes

TCU holds a 9-2 all-time series lead over SFA.

The Lumberjacks have won 15 of their last 17 games and lead the Southland Conference.

TCU leads the Mountain West Conference with a 2.27 team ERA, 188 strikeouts and .208 opponent batting average. SFA head coach Johnny Cardenas is a former Horned Frog (1992-93).

Up next

The Frogs will start a stretch of eight games in 10 days

Friday when they start their second Mountain West Conference series of the season against Air Force at Lupton Stadium. The Frogs hold a 2-1 record in MWC play after taking two of three games at UNLV in their MWC series opener March 18-20.

No. 15 TCU vs. Stephen F. Austin

When: 6:30 p.m. today

Where: Lupton Stadium

Probable starters: Erik Miller (0-4, 5.17 ERA) vs. Cody Priest (0-0, 2.13 ERA)

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