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## **Author: Book not anti-Greek**

By LARRY WOODS II Staff Reporter

Sorority sisterhood means having a family you do not have to love, said an author of The New York Times bestselling book about the secrets of sororities Monday at the Kelly Alumni Center.

Alexandra Robbins, author of "Pledged: The Secret Life of Sororities," told an audience filled mostly with sorority members that her book is not anti-Greek but just "a fly-on-the-wall look inside sorority life."

being too concerned about image and not character are not solely the students' faults but that of the national offices and description of a journalist," Robbins

do not reflect her thoughts alone. Robbins said the majority of the scruti- part of it."

ny she has received not reveal how the

Robbins said the problems of sororities reveal names of the characters and cam- sorority life too much. pus locations.

alumni. She said the facts of the book said. "That you can't accurately report about an organization unless you're a

Robbins has written for such pubabout the book lications as The Washington Post and is the fact that an Chicago Tribune. She has also made freoutsider dared to quent guest appearances on shows such write about sorority as "60 Minutes," the "Today" show and life. Robbins could the "Oprah Winfrey Show."

Melissa Korkmas, a sophomore psyinformation in her chosocial kinesiology major and membook was gathered. ber of Sigma Kappa, said she read the She could also not book and it emphasized certain areas of

"She talked about excessive sex among "I think that contradicts the job sorority members at events like Spring See **AUTHOR**, page 7



STEPHEN SPILLMAN / Photo Editor

Alice Kazabukeye, 5, leans on not-so-bare studs inside her family's future house in Fort Worth. Students, staff members, alumi and others present at the dedication of the FrogHouse were able to sign best wishes to the family on the interior studs.

## Habitat family gets keys to FrogHouse

#### By RYAN WILCOX Staff Reporter

Diuedonne Kazabukeye and his family received the keys of Tumaini Baptist Church. to their new Trinity Habitat for Humanity home Saturday ed to thank the volunteers for at the FrogHouse dedication their help on the home. He - and when the home is fin- accepted the keys to the unfinished, he can use them.

Habitat Construction Manag- from the volunteers. er Jamie MacCammond introduced the family to a crowd of volunteers and Habitat personnel.

MacCammond said Kazabukeye and his family are original- want to thank the family for ly from Burundi in Africa. In letting us have the opportunity 1993, they left Burundi because to make a difference," Chamof civil war in the region and bers said. went to Tanzania. In May 2004, Kazabukeye and his family left adviser, said the dedication Tanzania to come to the Unit- celebrated the hard work of

itat for Humanity personnel in Swahili, which was translated by Pastor Chacha Mwita

Kazabukeye said he wantished house along with a Bible

Shannon Chambers, a junior secondary education major, led the presentation, giving the keys to the family.

"At this time we really just

Sumer Jordan, FrogHouse the volunteers. "I think it finalizes the task this is kind of a celebration of Kazabukeye spoke to the all of their efforts, and that See HABITAT, page 7







#### Father overcomes personal struggles

#### By COURTNEY REESE Editor in Chief

With long, thoughtful gazes self with his three triplet baby passion in life and his struggles as a parent with a touch of 8-pound bundle.

The 5-week-old baby boy coos, breaking into a smile and babies make. His smile spreads

from ear to ear and excitement fills his voice.

David Jenkins, an associat a 12-year-old photo of him- ate professor of social work at Texas Christian University girls, this father describes his in Fort Worth, is not the traditional father.

He is gay, once married for sadness and pain in his eyes, 15 years to his high school all the while holding a tiny, sweetheart and a father of three girls.

Together with his partner, grunts and squeals as the man Bruce, who requested his last name not be used, Jenkins laughing at the funny noises is helping to raise his triplet See **FAMILY**, page 2



ANDREW CHAVEZ / Assistant Photo Editor

TOP: David Jenkins and partner Bruce pose for a family portrait with Jenkins' daughters Halee, Kayela and Lacey, and Bruce's adopted son Eric. ABOVE: Bruce and Eric play as Jenkins looks on Sunday at the family's Fort Worth home.

#### Electoral college not needed, speaker says



LANA HUNT / Staff Photographer Former presidential candidate John B. Anderson speaks Monday in Moudy North.

By BRE'ANNA EMMITT Staff Reporter

A former independent presidential candidate visited TCU Monday to promote FairVote, a program that suggests presidents should be elected by popular vote rather than electoral.

system of elections.

toral college was first invented, it was a good concept, but is century. now outdated and unfair.

"We urge that the people of the United Stated have the right to choose the president," Anderson said.

Anderson said the framers of the Constitution established the Electoral College because the American people were not John B. Anderson, who ran well educated and communicafor president in 1980, said his tion was not advanced enough proposal can fix the current for citizens to cast an educated vote. He said the original Anderson said when the elec- Electoral College was a progressional idea in the 18th

See **SPEAKER**, page 2

MacCammond said Kazabukeye and Marcelina Niyonzima that was put in front of them have four children, and Kaza- — that they have completed bukeye's two brothers will also their goal," Jordan said. "Even live with them in the five-bed- though the house isn't finished, room house.

crowd of volunteers and Hab-

#### Smoke in Colby causes scare

By BRIAN WOODDELL Staff Writer

Colby Hall residents were evacuated and the Fort Worth Fire Department was called Sunday evening after a resident assistant spotted smoke on the third floor of the building.

Sarah Bachman, a sophomore nursing major and Colby RA, said she called TCU Police and the Colby front desk when she noticed the smoke.

The RA on duty at the front desk then pulled the fire alarm and everyone in the building was evacuated.

"(The evacuation) was actually taken care of really well," Bachman said.

Missy Nauman, the Colby hall director, said the smoke alarms did not go off automatically because the smoke was not thick, dark or hot enough. There was no fire in the building, she said.

The white smoke was caused by a hot motor inside an air a Fort Worth Fire Departstrong burnt toast."

He said the department sent five engines and two ladder trucks because of the size of



ANDREW CHAVEZ / Assistant Photo Editor Colby hall director Missy Nauman (right) and TCU Police officer D.P. Connor (center) talk with a Fort Worth firefighter Sunday.

the residence hall. Large buildings receive a "stepped-up response," he said.

Annalise Madsen, a freshman biology major, lives on the third floor of Colby.

"I went out in the hall and it was smoky and hazy," Madsen said. "The RA kept running around, trying to find out if it was a fire in someone's room. She couldn't find it, so we had to evacuate."

Johns said the department conditioner, said Tim Johns, brought in fans to blow the smoke away while students ment battalion chief. He said waited outside for about an the smoke "smelled like real hour. No injuries were reported, he said.

> Staff reporter John-Laurent Tronche contributed to this report.



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#### FUN FACT

A motorist accused of swerving his pickup truck into a cyclist a year ago was cleared of charges after a doctor said the victim was faking the blindness caused in the accident.

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#### FAMILY From page 1

daughters, now 12, and a baby, Eric.

Jenkins and Bruce, together for four years, decided they wanted to adopt a child. Because gay couples in Texas cannot adopt, a decision had to be made: Who would be the adoptive father?

Bruce had always wanted father of three who share his last name, the choice was clear. Bruce would be the adoptive father, while Jenkins, in the end, would have no legal rights, as Bruce has no legal rights as a stepparent for Jenkins' daughters.

The couple chose the route of open adoption, where there in Texas. is some level of openness between the birthparents, adoptive parents and the child. Bruce and Jenkins settled on Hope Cottage Pregnancy and Adoption Center in Dallas.

After being approved in August to adopt, Bruce received a call in December born just before Christmas. After being presented to the rience. He tells of how he single mother, along with two heterosexual couples, the mother chose Bruce.

Eric, who shares Jenkins' and Bruce's middle name Allen, was born Dec. 21, 2005, and was brought home to his new family Dec. 27.

The first few weeks were what both Bruce and Jenkins ly life. He says even now, he described as a "whirlwind." The couple had never anticipated getting an infant. They assumed no mother would willingly put her child with a guys, but I was raised Southgay couple, so they had hoped to adopt a boy of 6 or 7 years ern Baptist where I was raised, ly led to the Texas Supreme old.

Eric's birth mother, however, is gay herself.

To further complicate what is already seen to many as an unorthodox match, Bruce and Jenkins are a biracial couple. 'Oh, maybe I am gay, and may-

kins only see a blessing - Eric tion; I need to overcome it, I is a mixed baby.

With no nursery, clothing or preparations made to support I was praying for forgiveness an infant, Bruce and Jenkins for this temptation, for this had to act quickly.

"The way we've fallen into not a problem." caring for him and integrating him into our family is great," Bruce said of the first weeks with Eric.

speak of Eric, their voices light Baptist religion, thinking there a child, and as Jenkins is the up and laughter fills the air. might be another interpreta-Jenkins, however, has a touch tion of the Bible. He said he of sadness in his eyes and a slight edge of bitterness in his voice when he talks about his legal relationship to the child he considers a son.

Unless the laws were to change, Jenkins will never have any legal parental rights

The hardship Jenkins faces with Eric is of the same kind he has handled since his acceptance and admittance that he is gay.

With another pause, Jenkins to describe as it was to expewent from being the world's best dad and someone others admired to being "questionable." He was suddenly unfit and unacceptable.

Being from Louisiana and raised as a strict Southern Bapoption for all of Jenkins' earis not immune to the words and messages he heard growing up.

"I knew I was attracted to believe that." no kind of way for me to go,

nontraditional, Bruce and Jen- was 'no, I have this temptaneed to move past this.'

> "So that is what I was doing. desire and believing that was

After his father's announcement that he was gay in 1979, followed by his sister's coming out in 1991, Jenkins began to When Jenkins and Bruce read outside of the Southern even openly discussed and read about it with his wife.

> "I think the unspoken text was, what I was doing was learning to accept myself," Jenkins said.

> Eventually, after 13 years, Jenkins told his wife he was counseling.

"She believed we needed to go to an 'ex-gay' therapist to get me fixed," Jenkins said. But he wouldn't go.

Jenkins describes the time glances away and a haunted after coming out as "the dark Bruce said. "It was surprising to look briefly crosses his face years." He said most people - one that provides a short assumed he would be celebratabout a child who was to be glimpse into a past as painful ing and excited to be a gay man, but inside, he was struggling.

"I'm not immune to those messages that I've been taught all my life, that gay people are harmful to kids or that divorce is horrible," Jenkins said. "Even though the research doesn't back that up, you still sometist, being gay was just not an times have those little voices inside of you that kind of, 'it would have been better if you were a straight man or played a straight man all your life.'

After a stormy divorce and ern Baptist, and as a South- custody battle that eventualbeing homosexual," Jenkins Jenkins said he and his exsaid. "It was a distortion, a wife have once again become twisting of God's natural order close friends. And one thing to things, so there really was still remains a constant: Their daughters.

Bruce and Jenkins' sister, What is commonly viewed as be I need to explore this.' It Debbie Jenkins, of Dallas, said



ANDREW CHAVEZ / Assistant Photo Editor

gay. She insisted they go to David Jenkins shares a moment with his daughter Kayela as daughter Lacey looks on Sunday at the family home in Fort Worth.

> dedication to his girls are what set him apart.

"He's a very hands-on parent," me how much they would tell him. I've learned a lot about parenting by watching David with the girls. He really interacts with them closely — nothing really gets by him."

Jenkins describes an e-mailing relationship he has with his girls, breaking into a smile. Some mornings he said he will wake up to an e-mail from one of the girls talking to him in confidence about things they are afraid to say aloud, such as 'I wish I were prettier or more athletic.'

Jenkins said he lives for "I know intellectually I don't those e-mails as he again glances at the photo.

his voice as he describes some of the obstacles the girls have there was no such thing as Court, life began to settle. faced along the way with having a gay father show his honest love, support and above all, understanding.

"They didn't like being different. It's difficult to accept that your daddy is different," Ienkins said.

He recalls one of his girls coming to him and saying, "Dad, it would be so much easier if you weren't gay."

Jenkins casually shrugs and

Jenkins' relationship with and believes the girls are doing great knowing they have two parents who love them.

"I can't imagine that they think it's evil," Jenkins said. "I just think they think their daddy loves them."

Debbie Jenkins calls her brother a sounding board not only for the kids, but also herself. She describes him as a "rock" for his girls.

"He offers them a balance in life," she said. "They get to see the other side of the picture with him."

Jenkins' ex-wife has since remarried and also has a child with her spouse. Both Jenkins and Bruce refer to the girls and Eric as "our" children, and nothing in this family belongs solely to one person.

Bruce said the month he The sincerity and concern in spent away from the girls and Jenkins in Italy when he was finishing his Master of Business Administration made him realize just how much the girls meant to him — something he had never really considered before. He described how they would e-mail one another.

> Those e-mails helped him get through that month, Bruce said.

"We pretty much plan our lives and schedules around our children," he said.

Although this family has says, yes it would be. He com- had troubles to overcome, pares it to having a mother and surely faces more in the

#### SPEAKER From page 1

"Very frankly," Anderson said, "the framers, the founding fathers were opposed to the people electing this new, powerful office: the president of the United States of America."

Our society is now capable and educated enough to make an informed vote that will count regardless of the state you vote in, Anderson said.

He said the new system would change elections to where the ratio of votes would reflect the population of the nation, not individual states.

"It would encourage people of large states, I believe, not to think their votes will be totally dismissed," Anderson said.

Anderson said the initiative will start in Illinois, where major Democrats and Republicans support the program.

Anthony Powell, a junior criminal justice major who lived in Ohio during the 2004 controversy over electoral votes, said Anderson's speech was thought provoking.

"I can understand why people from small states oppose this idea - because it waters down their votes," Powell said. "And before I came to listen to this speech, I was against it too. But now, I am open to it and could lean either way."

Richard Millsap, a political science adjunct at TCU, said he enjoyed listening to Anderson speak.

"He's great because he's an independent thinker," Millsap said. "One of the greatest dangers to our country is tunnel vision, where we see things how they have always been, and not want change. Anderson goes against that."

Anderson is from Illinois, where he served as a Republican U.S. Representative for 10 terms from 1961 to 1981.

Anderson became an independent shortly before the







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who is blind.

easier if your mother could see probably, but the fact is, your mother's blind," Jenkins said.

He said he deals with each Jenkins said. "I'm not ashamed incident as it arises, and he of who I am."

future, Jenkins said, he is "It would be a whole lot proud of the life he's built as a father and as a spouse.

"Just because you're different, doesn't mean you have to avoid expanding your family,"

1980 election, which included competitors Ronald Reagan and Jimmy Carter.

Anderson attended the University of Illinois College of Law and Harvard Law school. He also fought in the Army during World War II.



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#### CATS CATCH BIRD... FLU

Three cats have tested positive for the deadly strain of bird flu in Austria's first reported case of the disease spreading to an animal other than a bird, state authorities said Monday.

— Associated Press

## **'Locks' improves self-image**

I magine waking up day after day, looking in the mirror and seeing a person who is not like everyone else for the simple reason that he or she does not have any hair.

In a world so consumed with outward appearance and model and movie starquality beauty, a child suffering from medical hair loss is like a small fish trying to survive in shark-infested waters.

But there is hope and a way of helping. Locks of Love is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children 18 years old or younger suffering from long-term medical hair loss.

Locks of Love makes more than 1,000 hair pieces from donated hair each year for children across the United States.

If it were not for the hair donations, financial contributions and volunteer support, Locks of Love would not exist. Even Ann Curry of the "Today Show" and her daughter participated by growing out their hair. Curry had her hair cut on national television Wednesday. Each hair donation must be 10 inches or more.

The majority of these children suffering from hair loss have a medical condition called alopecia areata, which is unexplained, and there is no known cure. These children are faced with self-esteem struggles, and these hairpieces help them to overcome their confidence battles and face the world.

Even if you cannot bring yourself to donate the hair, financial contributions are welcomed and needed. The hairpieces retail for \$3,500 to \$6,000 each. Although the hair is donated, Locks of Love must cover the manufacturing costs.

Try going to the Locks of Love Web site. Take a look at the before and after photo gallery of some of the children who have benefited from this worthy cause. It is heartwrenching.

Something every one of us takes for granted can be one child's dream come true.

Editor in Chief Courtney Reese for the editorial board

## THIS WEEK: SEVEN HOURS OF WAYNE DYER'S SELF-PROMOTING "MOTIVATIONAL" SPEAKING?! To Guide Wentuch

**NEWSREAL** • NICHOLAS SAMBALUK

## 'Real' ads better for buyer

In today's society, advertising is ubiquitous.

Every day we see ads in the newspaper, on television, on the radio, on billboards,



RY on the Internet, at the beginning of movies, on T-shirts, on race cars and drivers' uniforms, tacked to walls or

Stephanie Weaver

chalked on sidewalks. And many of these are endorsed by paid models, actors or celebrities.

In our day and age, we take it for granted that models and actors, as well as various other celebrities, sell us stuff. But why?

Why do we really need a child — that we know is acting — taking a bite of cereal and smiling? Why do we need an athlete to endorse an than clothing racks, and they can show us how clothing looks on a living person.

But they have a fatal flaw — they look nothing like the average person. Few people can attend a runway show, watch the models walk around on stage and think, "So that's how that outfit would look on me."

Actors also have their place in society. It is very interesting to watch an actor on television, in the movies or on stage. But I don't want an actor selling me a product.

If an actor gets paid to tell me, "I like this, therefore you should buy it," I cannot help but question his or her motivations. Does that kid on the Life commercial really like the cereal? Does anyone?

And even if I am convinced that the product Jessica Simpson used on her face really did clear up her skin, what the hell does her singing in a pizza commercial really have to do with the taste of the pizza? themselves (beyond the money they are being paid).

I know that real-people commercials are hokey and that these same people are generally getting paid, but don't they make a better statement than professional actors and models? "I did this (or tried this), and it turned out well for me" should be far more convincing than a child taking a bite out of something and smiling

thing and smiling. Likewise, a business owner, inventor or whatnot should be able to stand up next to his or her product or service and say, "I made this; I use this, and I believe in this."

Would you buy a product its owner won't even use?

For me, having the official for Hair Club for Men and Women saying, "I'm also a client," is a very powerful thing.

Buying products from models and actors distracts us from the real reasons we should be buying the products: quality, price and need. It is a form of coercion.

# Motorists should take care driving on wet roadways

Driving to Arlington a few weeks ago for what turned into a wild goose chase, I was stunned at the downright idiotic driving. A num-COMMENTARY ber of cars



closely. The worst part of

the incredible chaos was

that it was all caused by

driving in rain.

drivers who were clueless

hazardous that day, and I

just trying to prevent acci-

of precautions to take when

Yes, the roads were a bit

understand that people were

not used to, and after that unbelievable sight, I feel that they could use a few good driving tips to avoid potentially fatal driving situations that are subject of unfortunate news headlines.

My first tip to all drivers is to turn on their headlights at the first sign of precipitation. Using headlights is so beneficial to visibility in bad driving situations, a fact often unnoticed by drivers in this area. There is a law in Maryland where if it is necessary to use windshield wipers, than headlights must be on — that should surely be instated in Texas.

In addition to headlights, drivers should take into consideration that stopping time and distance in the rain is greater than on dry roadways. Therefore, it is necessary to give more space to surrounding vehicles. Even if the car ahead of you is going slower than a steamroller, following too closely is not going to make them want to go any faster, and is a surefire way to cause an accident. slow down in time to avoid a pile-up accident. Instead, drivers should be encouraged to judge their speed based on the amount of rainfall, and, of course, to consider keeping close to the speed of surrounding drivers.

The first measure to improve the driving conditions on Texas roadways could include a day in drivers' education classes on driving in hazardous weather. A whole session in all Maryland drivers' education classes is dedicated to driving in bad weather, which generally has a great outcome.

It is also necessary to consider that in Texas rain is infrequent, making roads even more dangerous. Perhaps drivers should use precautions to an even greater extent after droughts, as this is often a time when news headlines of fatal accidents are most disconcerting. A final thought on driving in rain — surrounding drivers' lack of caution is often the cause of bad situations, regardless of your own driving skill.

insurance policy? Why do we need a singer to sell us pizza?

Do these things really help our understanding of a product and why we should buy it, or are they a way of throwing in the red herring, getting us to buy things for reasons that have nothing to do with the products themselves?

Now I am not saying we should do away with models and actors. After all, they do have their places.

Models are walking clothes hangers. They are far more convenient and mobile Actors and models only belong in certain types of commercials. They should be there to demonstrate how something works — the fit of clothing, how to make use of exercise gear, etc.

In the same vein, celebrities should stick to their respective fields and not endorse products or events that have nothing to do with Stop paying close attention to commercials featuring recognizable or attractive people.

Instead, make sure you are buying things you need at prices you can afford, not just because catchy celebrityendorsed advertising slogans keep repeating in your head.

Opinion editor Stephanie Weaver is a senior English, philosophy and French major from Westwood, Kan. dents in their overly cautious reduction of speed. I'll be the first to admit that I am very conservative in my driving in potentially treacherous weather conditions and drive the speed limit or slower if the roads are dangerous. But coming to a standstill in the middle of a highway was absolutely beyond me.

Being from Maryland, where it rains on a regular basis, I am used to driving in wet conditions. I understand that driving in rain is something that Texas natives are Texas drivers should consider better judgment of driving speed on wet roadways. A few drops of rain should not immediately trigger a standstill on a highway, as those approaching at a normal speed may not be able to

Now, maybe people from Texas can give those of us from cooler climates tips on how to deal with oppressive heat.

Becky Schiffer is a junior biology major from Gaithersburg, Md.

#### **YOUR VIEW**

## Stars and Stripes should outshine state flags

When I decided to come to Texas for school, I knew that I would be surrounded by Texans and their overwhelming sense of state pride, and I haven't been wrong.

The fact that Texas was its own country and that its citizens can vote every so many years whether they want to stay in the Union are among the many reasons I have been told that Texas is better than my state.

And I will admit that there is a lot of reasons that Texans should be proud.

Yet there is one "privilege" with which I have to disagree — that the Texas state flag is the only one that can be flown at the same height as the Stars and Stripes, which was, in fact, mentioned in the commentary written by Shannon Kelly Thursday. She wrote that Texas is the only state legally permitted to do so and that the rest of the 49 states must fly their respective state flags below the American flag, yet that idea is nowhere to be found in either the federal flag code or the Texas state flag code. (I am in no way attempting to attack Shannon directly because I don't think she is the one that came up with this idea.)

No, I didn't pull out my book of codes when I read the article, but ironically, I was sent a link to a Web site that debunks various e-mail stories that are commonly circulated and I came across the one that talked about the Texas flag. I don't take everything I read as gospel truth, so I clicked on the links to where the codes were and sure enough there was nothing there to support this popularly touted claim. Nowhere in the Texas flag code does it say that the state flag must be allowed to fly at the same height as the American flag, nor does it say anything in the federal flag code prohibiting any other state from doing the same. As long as the other conditions outlined in the federal flag code are met (that the American flag is hoisted first and lowered last and nothing is placed above the American flag), any state is technically permitted to fly its flag at the same height as the Stars and Stripes.

So if this is the case, my question then is why is Texas the only state that chooses to assert this degree of audacity? Last time I checked, we were the 50 United States of America, not the 50 Independent States. For a state that is so proud of the sacrifices its statesmen made for freedom, what about the far greater sacrifices that thousands of men and women past and present have made on behalf of

#### SITES CONTAINING THE VERBIAGE OF THE FEDERAL AND STATE FLAG CODES:

TEXAS FLAG CODE: http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/ref/abouttx/ flagcode.html

U.S. FLAG CODE: http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/ html/uscode04/usc\_sup\_01\_4\_10\_1.html

their country, not their individual states? These sacrifices are epitomized in our flag that we so proudly fly across our country and they should warrant enough respect and reverence that the Stars and Stripes would undoubtedly be flown above anything else, but I guess that is not the case.

All I can say is that I'm glad that when I go back home, every flag I see is flown at a respectable height.

Kaitlin Horan, sophomore



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## South Dakota bill limits abortions

#### By CHET BROKAW Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. — Gov. Mike Rounds signed legislation Monday banning nearly all abortions in South Dakota, setting the true test of a civilization is up a court fight aimed at challenging the 1973 U.S. Supreme vulnerable and most helpless Court decision that legalized abortion.

The bill would make it a crime for a doctor to perform an abortion unless the procedure was necessary to save the the most vulnerable and most woman's life. It would make no exception for cases of rape I agree with them." or incest.

Planned Parenthood, which operates the state's only abor- day. tion clinic, in Sioux Falls, has pledged to challenge the measure in court.

statement saying he expects to reach closer clinics.

the law will be tied up in court for years and will not take effect unless the U.S. Supreme Court upholds it.

"In the history of the world, how well people treat the most in their society," Rounds said in the statement. "The sponsors and supporters of this bill believe that abortion is wrong because unborn children are helpless persons in our society.

He declined all media requests for interviews Mon-

About 800 abortions are performed each year in South Dakota. Planned Parenthood has said Rounds issued a written other women cross state lines

## **Court rules for military presence**

#### Colleges accepting federal money must allow recruiters By GINA HOLLAND

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court ruled unanimously Monday that colleges that accept federal money must allow military recruiters on campus, despite university objections to the Pentagon's "don't ask, don't tell" policy on gays.

Justices rejected a freespeech challenge from law schools and their professors who claimed they should not be forced to associate with military recruiters or promote their campus appearances.

Chief Justice John Roberts, writing for the court, said that the campus visits are an effective military recruiting tool.

"A military recruiter's mere presence on campus does not violate a law school's right to associate, regardless of how repugnant the law school in the case in December, and protesting the policy. sage," he wrote.

The ruling upheld a law take federal money to accommodate recruiters. In addition, justices said that Congress could directly demand military access on campus, even federal money.

Law schools had become the latest battleground over the "don't ask, don't tell" policy allowing gay men and women to serve in the military only if they keep their sexual orientation to themselves.

Many universities forbid tary policy. the participation of recruitprivate companies that have discriminatory policies.

The ruling was announced on a day that the court was jammed with visitors from the military, all dressed in uniform. Justices heard arguments

considers the recruiter's mes- signaled then that they were concerned about hindering a free to associate to voice their Defense Department need to that requires colleges that fill its ranks when the nation is at war.

"This is an important victory for the military and ultimately for our national security," said Jay Sekulow, chief counsel for without the threat of losing the American Center for Law the school's expressive assoand Justice.

> College leaders have said they could not afford to lose federal help, some \$35 billion a year.

Joshua Rosenkranz, the attorney for the challengers called attention to the mili-

"We lost a skirmish in a ers from public agencies and much larger civil rights battle for the rights of gays and lesbians, which is a movement we are winning," he said.

Roberts, writing his third decision since joining the neither limits what law schools court last fall, said there are other less drastic options for

"Students and faculty are disapproval of the military's message," he wrote.

"Recruiters are, by definition, outsiders who come onto campus for the limited purpose of trying to hire students - not to become members of ciation," he wrote.

The federal law, known as the Solomon Amendment after its first congressional sponsor, mandates that universities give the military the same of the law, said that the case access as other recruiters or forfeit federal money.

Roberts filed the only opinion, which was joined by every justice but Samuel Alito. Alito did not participate because he was not on the bench when the case was argued.

"The Solomon Amendment may say nor requires them to say anything," Roberts wrote.



Governor Mike Rounds looks up as he prepares to sign a bill that bans nearly all abortions in South Dakota.

#### **AUTHOR**

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Break," Korkmas said. "I know it happens, but I don't think it's a sorority thing." Korkmas continued to say that even

though it was a small part of the book, she didn't feel sorority rituals and secrets should have been emphasized.

Jessica Waddle, a senior political science major, said she agreed with Robbins' statements about sororities placing the importance on the wrong aspects of

what it means to be in a sorority.

"It has nothing to do with sororities in particular," Waddle said. "I don't typically join organizations to meet friends."

Robbins' next book is about the lives of high school and college students and is tentatively scheduled for an August release.

#### HABITAT come back.

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what they've done has really meant something to another person in the community, and to an entire family in this case."

Jordan said the home is behind schedule because of in his house." weather delays. The remaining build days for TCU volun- present were encouraged to teers are March 17 and 18. The family is scheduled to move into the home at the beginning of April.

'We pray that this will be a house of prayer," Mwita said. "Diuedonne and his family have already opened this place for us. We can come in. Diuedonne has his house open, and you can have prayer

After the dedication, those walk through the home and sign the studs holding up the

MacCammond said what Mwita said those who started as building materi-

worked on the house are wel- als six weeks ago has now become a home.

> "I look at this project as one word, and that word is transformation," MacCammond said. "We have taken a pile of two-by-fours, boxes of nails, sheets of plywood, and we have transformed that into a home; and that home has home is being finished. helped transform the people

that have worked here." Chambers said she enjoyed

seeing the build site change over time.

"I think the thing I liked most was seeing the house go up because you walk in today and you see the walls that you built, and you see the actual house taking shape versus the Humanity changed its name concrete slab that it was a couple to Trinity Habitat for Humanof weeks ago," Chambers said. ity on Feb. 17.

MacCammond said TCU volunteers and Habitat for Humanity personnel have worked about 10 and a half days on the house.

Lydia Johnson, home ownership coordinator, said the family is living in an apartment in Euless while the

Katherine Niederer, junior finance and accounting major, said it is great to see the project near completion.

"We have run the mile for it, and we are in the last 100 yards," Niederer said. "It's great to see the finish line right in front of us and under our feet."

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by Buddy Hickerson





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## Features Tuesday, March 7, 2006



SPRING FEVER

Take a break with "The Kite Runner" and "The Traveler" (shown at left) from the Skiff's spring break reading list on Wednesday's Features page.

#### **MOVIE REVIEW**



The life of Fort Worth native Townes Van Zandt is the subject of Margaret Brown's new documentary, "Be Here To Love Me.".

## Film pays tribute to legend

When John Townes Van Zandt walked into the theater at the Museum of Modern Art Friday, all eyes were magnetically drawn to the lanky man on COMMENTARY the stage, nearly

Darren White

indistinguishable in appearance from his legendary father.

Van Zandt's father, Fort Worthborn songwriter Townes Van Zandt, is the subject of director Margaret Brown's new documentary "Be Here To Love Me: A Film About Townes Van Zandt."

The film follows Van Zandt from his well-to-do birth in south Fort Worth, through his long recording career, and finally to his death of heart failure in 1997.

"I don't know who wrote 'Happy Birthday' or 'Merry Christmas,'" John Townes Van Zandt said, "I think some of Townes' songs will carry on like that."

John Townes Van Zandt played three of his father's tunes, including "Only Him or Me," and "If I Needed You."

Much of Townes Van Zandt's life was spent battling (or giving in) to addictions with drugs and alcohol, and Brown subtly portrays the effects on those around Van Zandt, and ultimately, Van Zandt himself.

The most startling portion of "Be Here" deals with Van Zandt's shock treatment during college. The treatment wiped away almost all of Van Zandt's childhood memories, leaving him with a curious detachment from his family and friends.

A host of ex-wives, sons and daughters parade past the screen, sharing anecdotes about the troubled troubadour. Van Zandt's first wife, Fran, recounts the time a young Van Zandt locked himself in a closet to write the song "Waitin' Round to Die," when she was expecting a love ballad.

Van Zandt is often more associated with other people who sang his songs than remembered for his own renditions. Artists ranging from Willie Nelson to Lyle Lovett and Counting Crows have all covered his work.

"Townes Van Zandt is the best songwriter in the whole world, and I'll stand on Bob Dylan's coffee table in my cowboy boots and say that," Steve Earle said. The quote is prominently displayed on the poster for "Be Here." While Dylan's coffee table is fairly mark-free, "Be Here To Love Me" is a staggeringly tragic look into the life of a true songwriter.

#### **CD REVIEW**

## **Country legend remains** in top form after hiatus

While most country legends are either dead or recording with Rick Rubin, Bobby Bare has returned with a collection of songs that's easily better than anything else out COMMENTARY of Nashville this year. Darren White

Bare first grabbed the spotlight with tunes like the Grammy-winning "Detroit City," and in 1973, with a collection of tunes penned by Playboy cartoonist-turned-children's author, Shel Silverstein, called "Bobby Bare Sings Lullabies, Legends, and Lies." A maverick in the early '60s Nashville scene, Bare sang quirky songs with snappy countrypolitan arrangements, making him something of a bohemian Eddy Arnold.

Then, Bare disappeared. More like faded away actually. After 1983's "Drinkin' from the Bottle, Singin' from the Heart," Bare stepped away from the music business, and, according to an October New York Times article by Ben Ratliff, took up fishing.

The funny thing is, Bare wouldn't have even recorded the superb "The Moon was Blue" had it not been for his son, alt-country wild man Bobby Bare Jr., who persuaded the elder Bare to record his first album of new material in 22 years. The two will be performing at this year's South by Southwest music festival.

Produced by Bare Jr., "Moon" is full of charming songs and heartbreaking stories. And, unlike Rick Rubin's spare production on several Johnny Cash CDs, Bare Jr.'s clean, simple style includes small loops of feedback and reverb, as well as some lovely orchestrations that give "Moon" a sleepy-eyed feel. But for the most part, Son lets Dad do what he does best - sing good songs.

On tracks such as "It's All in the Game" and "Love Letters in the Sand," Bare croons gently over a steady waltz



Courtesy of Bobby Roberts Country legend Bobby Bare turns back the clock on his latest album, "The Moon was Blue."

beat. Tommy Edwards made "Game" a hit in 1958, and Bare stays true to the song, crooning like Ike was still in office. Other tracks, such as "Yesterday When I was Young" and "Am I that Easy to Forget," are nothing short of heartbreaking. Of course, country music used to be able to do that.

The disc highlight is Bare's take on old collaborator Silverstein's "The Ballad of Lucy Jordan." It's a tale about an unsatisfying marriage, and had he recorded it 30 years ago, it would probably be one of his staples by now.

The disc falters, though, with "Fellow Travelers." Bare employs a children's chorus, and the effect is outdated at best. It comes off sounding like town drunk Otis P. Campbell from the "Andy Griffith Show" cut a record with Opie Taylor and his classmates.

As a whole, "Blue" is genuine and charming, a mellow and refreshing change from current Nashville trends. It's a lot like when your dad hummed an old tune and asked if you knew it. Unlike your dad, though, Bare actually knows the words.

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#### **TODAY IN SPORTS**

In **1857**, baseball decides nine innings constitutes an official game, not nine runs. In **1930**, Georgetown High of Chicago defeats Homer 1-0 in basketball. In **1988**, one-handed pitcher Jim Abbott wins 58th James E. Sullivan Award.

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#### **MEN'S BASKETBALL**

# New season starts tonight in tourney

#### By CARLOS QUALLS Staff Reporter

Senior guard Nile Murry said the TCU Horned Frogs (6-24, 2-14) are beginning an entirely new season tonight when they take on the Colorado State Rams in the first round of the Mountain West Conference tournament.

"Oh, this is definitely a brand-new season," Murry said. "The regular season records really don't mean anything now."

The Frogs are coming off of a regular season that saw only two wins in conference play; one of the only bright points about that is one of those wins came against the Rams in an 85-72 home victory Jan. 21.

Head coach Neil Dougherty said the team has to focus on defending the post against the Rams.

"We have to focus on guarding their size inside and not allow them to get the ball into the low post easily," Dougherty said. "We also have to make sure we get our transition offense going."

Despite the Frogs' dismal record this year, Dougherty said, this team is not short on confidence going into the tournament.

"The team's confidence level is pretty good," Dougherty said. "We haven't won the number of games this season that we wanted to, but we have been playing good basketball of late."

Senior forward Judson they will get that night."

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Stubbs said the team must take its recent efforts in the past couple games and duplicate that tonight.

"We have been playing real well lately, especially against Utah and UNLV," Stubbs said. "Hopefully we can keep gelling and stay consistent with our rebounding and defensive stops."

The team has also suffered from health problems. Guards Neil P. Dougherty and Brent Hackett have both been plagued by injuries as of late. Murry said it will not be an issue.

"Everyone is a little banged up, but who isn't at this point of the season?" Murry said. "No one will feel the pain until after the game."

Murry said the Frogs are ready for the competition they will face.

"We definitely feel we can run the table in this tournament," Murry said. "Lots of teams are afraid of us because they don't know which team they will get that night."



STEPHEN SPILLMAN / Photo Editor Senior guard Nile Murry soars over BYU forward Fernando Malaman in an 81-72 loss Feb. 25 at Daniel-Meyer.

#### BASEBALL

## Team looking to fill fourth rotation spot with senior

#### By MIKE DWYER News Editor

With a starting staff that racked up 38 strikeouts against Florida Atlantic this weekend, TCU head baseball coach Jim Schlossnagle is justifiably confident in his top three pitchers.

Now he's just looking for one more.

"The challenge now is we got to find that fourth guy," Schlossnagle said. "I'll match our starting pitching up with anybody in the country."

He'll send senior right-hander Shawn Ferguson to the mound tonight with an eye on solidifying that final spot in the rotation against the Oklahoma Sooners.

Ferguson, making the first start of his TCU career, will try to join Sam Demel (1-2, 3.80 ERA), Jake Arrieta (4-0, 1.37 ERA) and Brad Furnish (1-1, 2.61 ERA), who all pitched at least seven innings and had 14, 13 and 11 strikeouts respectively against FAU.

"We had some real good outings this weekend, and for me it's just all about going out there and throwing some strikes and giving our team a chance to win — just be consistent and throw a lot of strikes," Ferguson said.

He said he will approach the start like any outing — feeling no added pressure knowing he has the opportunity to be the final piece in an attimes overpowering staff.

"It would be really great if I could step in and be that fourth guy, just so we have a solid rotation and we know who's going when," Ferguson said. "Our team can have that confidence going week to week."

Ferguson has appeared in four games out of the bullpen this season, going 1-1 with a 4.91 ERA in 7 1/3 innings. He said he will focus

on going after hitters early — trying to get them to put the ball in play instead of going for the strikeout — so he can conserve his energy and go deeper into games.

"For me, it's just don't blow it all out in one inning," Ferguson said. "I'm not saying I'm holding back, it's just that I try to be more calm and more relaxed and don't get myself too wound up because the game's not as tense early in the game as it is in the ninth inning."

The Sooners (No. 23 Collegiate Baseball) will come into Lupton Stadium at 12-4, riding a three-game sweep of California-Riverside.

Schlossnagle said it doesn't matter who comes to town — he's just happy the Frogs (8-6) finally strung together a strong series, taking two of three from FAU.

"We needed to put three good days of baseball together, and I feel like we did that," he said. "If we do that (tonight), it doesn't guarantee success, but I trust our club."

Shortstop Bryan Kervin, who leads TCU with six doubles and a .382 batting average, said the team was disappointed it missed an opportunity to sweep FAU on Sunday, but like Schlossnagle, he is looking for the team to continue playing solid baseball.

"I think we got a lot of positive out of this weekend," Kervin said. "We got bunts down, threw strikes, made less errors. I think we just need to continue to build on that and have momentum going into Oklahoma."

#### TCU VS. NO. 23 OKLAHOMA

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