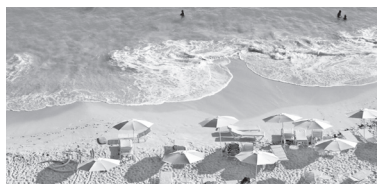




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## Renovations begin on Amon Carter Stadium to accommodate athletics program

By **SONYA CISNEROS**  
*Staff Reporter*

A campuswide makeover would not be complete without giving the John Justin Athletic Center a new look.

Fundraising has begun to renovate the south end of the Amon Carter Stadium to accommodate the growing needs of TCU athletics, said Danny Morrison, athletics director.

The renovations to the John Justin Athletic Center will cre-

ate multiple uses out of the same facility, he said.

Renovations will add several new meeting rooms and other academic facilities for student-athletes. A hospitality area for the football and basketball programs will also be created, Morrison said.

Ross Bailey, associate athletics director, said the renovation will set the tone for the entire athletic department as one that wants students to excel both athletically

and academically.

TCU recently added its 20th NCAA program, the equestrian team, which has inflated the student-athlete population, said Chris Uchacz, director of athletic academic services.

While the students haven't outgrown the current academic spaces, it's very likely there will be a need for more space in the foreseeable future, Uchacz said.

The addition of a computer lab and tutorial rooms will allow

the office of academic services to better serve the student-athletes, Uchacz said.

There will also be many benefits at the athletic end as well, Morrison said.

A potential dining component of the renovation will allow the department to host banquets and team meals, Bailey said.

A tiered team meeting room will be added to allow the football team to review game footage together, Bailey said.

There will also be six suites added, Morrison said.

The suites will resemble those at the Dallas Cowboy Stadium or American Airlines Center, Morrison said.

"It's a win-win for everybody," Bailey said.

The department is currently in the preliminary stages of the \$13 million project, but \$3 million must still be raised before proceeding, Morrison said.

Private donors have pledged

\$10 million to the project; however, this doesn't mean that TCU has that money in its bank accounts just yet, Morrison said. He said a pledge is essentially a commitment to donate.

TCU will have to collect at least \$8 million from those commitments to begin renovation, he said.

In considering further renovation of the stadium, the project will serve as a starting point, Bailey said.

## ISLAMIC AWARENESS



(From left) Michelle Nusrallah, Zara Selod, Keisha Shaheed and Alia Selim discuss the rights and status of women in Islam and the workplace at the Professional Women in Islam panel Thursday. The event was part of the first Islamic Awareness Week that TCU has held.

### Media misrepresents Muslim rights, panelists say

By **JENIGHI POWELL**  
*Staff Reporter*

Islam supports the fair treatment of women in education and the workforce, a panel of Islamic women from the Fort Worth community said Thursday.

Saddyna Belmashkan, president of the Muslim Student Association, asked several members of her mosque, Masjid Al Ibraheemi, to discuss women's rights in Islam as part of Thursday's Professional Women in Islam panel discussion. Panelists answered questions for about one hour.

The status of women in Islam and the hijab were some of the other topics discussed by the panel as a part of the first annual

Islamic Awareness Week.

Principal Michelle Nusrallah, pediatrician Keisha Shaheed, retired pathologist Sayeeda Selod and entrepreneur Alia Selim participated in the panel.

Keely Doering, a sophomore graphic design major, said she was interested in the panel because she wanted to learn about other cultures and religions.

All panelists agreed people would be surprised to find that Muslim women have several rights often misconstrued by the media. Nusrallah and Selod said education is paramount for Islamic women. Nusrallah, principal of Al-Hedayah Academy, an Islamic elementary school in Fort Worth, said it is important

for parents to serve as a bridge to society.

"Just like other American women, Muslim women, even if they decide to become stay-at-home mothers, have bachelor's, master's and doctorate degrees," Nusrallah said.

Panelists started by discussing "covering," the act of wearing the traditional Muslim veil, the hijab, and wearing modest clothing.

Selim, who is owner of an online travel agency, said she was nervous about starting to cover herself when she began attending the University of Texas at Arlington.

"I thought it would have a negative effect," Selim said.

"But nobody looked at me differently."

Panelists also said society is gradually becoming more accepting of Islamic practices, such as wearing the hijab, praying and eating practices, and even traditional Muslim greetings.

"I've had people say 'Assalaam Alaikum' to me in the streets," Selod said. "I'm glad they recognize me as a Muslim."

Fidaa Elaydi, a freshman biology major, said she thought the event was well-received.

"I think Islamic Awareness Week as a whole has been successful," Elaydi said. "I think it was great to have so many perspectives from different women."

## Adviser regrets past SGA budget choices

By **ERICK MOEN**  
*Staff Reporter*

If questionable budgeting tactics arise again, the adviser to the Student Government Association said he will take steps to curb them.

SGA adviser Larry Markley said he advised against the over-budgeting of SGA, the wording of the vote that raised the student fee and locking \$76,500 of the budget into the student activities funding board.

Markley said he wished he would have stopped some of these past actions, and said he will step in to block them in the future.

Markley said he did not believe the vote that raised the fee in November 2005 was very well-supported by students either.

Jace Thompson, current SGA president, said he heard in an SGA meeting that 1,800 students to 2,000 students voted in favor of the increase.

The records for the vote could not be found because of the process used to tally the votes, said Emily Burgwyn, director of Student Affairs Information Services.

Student Affairs Information Services tabulates the online vote electronically and gives the

results to the sponsor and the vote is deleted from its records, Burgwyn said.

Thompson said he didn't know if any past voting records were kept by SGA.

Markley and Kim Appel, adviser to the House of Student Representatives, did not return phone calls or e-mails by press time to comment on whether records of past votes are kept.

Markley said many of the problems regarding the budget were passed because the House does not spend much time looking at the budget.

"We've gone years that nobody even asked a question about the budget," Markley said.

Markley said when no one asks any questions, "It gives the appearance that you don't care."

Markley said this is because the term "budget" scares some SGA members.

"They don't budget their own money, let alone try and budget everybody's money," Markley said.

Markley said he tries to educate every member on budgeting before they take office, but he said it is difficult for them to

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## Professor to attend conference for technological improvement

By **MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE**  
*Staff Reporter*

A professor has been appointed to a national conference dedicated to improving the greater Fort Worth area for both residents and their wallets.

Larry Kitchens, director of the Center for Instructional Services, was recently appointed to the information and technology committee as part of the National League of Cities Conference.

The committee will address issues related to providing improved cable service to homes in the Dallas/Fort Worth area, electronic voting practices and the use of technology as an educational tool.

Kitchens' appointment came directly from the president of the NLC, and he was one of the four representatives

chosen from Texas. Other representatives chosen were from Plano, Dallas and Arlington.

According to the NLC Web site, 1,600 cities are represented from around the nation and 18,000 other cities use the results from the NLC to improve their facilities.

Kitchens said his main concern is the control over broadcasting companies within cities, which, in the last six years, has

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## Brite student discusses God's female image

By **LISA FALCONE**  
*Staff Reporter*

A Brite Divinity School student presented an interpretation on International Women's Day of a passage from the Hebrew bible that reveals God describing God's self in male and female terms.

Teresa Ellis spoke Thursday at a luncheon hosted by the TCU Institute on Women and Gender about research she had done regarding female references of God.

"I think it could be meaningful to women from various religious traditions to give them another way to see a female

image of God in the text," she said. "This is just fun for me."

Her interpretation came from the story of Moses and the burning thorn bush with a specifically Jewish approach.

In the story, God gives two self-identifications before giving a third identification that is the Lord. First, God identifies God's self, "I will be who I will be."

Ellis said she re-divided the words and changed the vowels of the Hebrew translation of the statement which resulted in God self-identifying by the combination of a female name Asherah and a male name Yah.

"The declaration about

Asherah is both said and not said because that is the only way to include plurality while emphasizing the unity that is expressed by 'I will be who I will be,'" Ellis said.

In addition to Ellis' presentation, Nokia Research Awards were given to two graduate students from the Brite Divinity School. The awards are given to students specifically doing research on issues of women and gender in their fields.

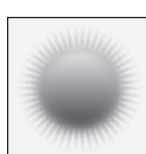
Katy Low won for her dissertation titled "From angels to scornful wives; Job's wife in art and visual culture." Mary

Jo Kaska won for "The narrative repair of Moses' mother rescuing Jochebed from film versions of the story."

Kaska's research will be presented in July in Vienna, Austria for the Society of Biblical Literature.

Joanne Greene, director of the Institute on Women and Gender, said the institute is designed to facilitate research.

"What we are trying to do is get more money to give grants to help people do research," she said. "We have forums like this so they can share their research with others."



### WEATHER

**TODAY:** Scattered T-Storms, 75/52  
**TOMORROW:** Sunny, 78/56  
**SUNDAY:** Scattered T-Storms, 72/50

### PECULIAR FACT

**RALEIGH, N.C.** - John Cornwell, a Duke engineering graduate, built himself a refrigerator that can toss a can of beer to his couch with the click of a remote control. — **Associated Press**

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been removed from local city officials' power.

"We are talking about a powerful communication tool," Kitchens said. "How many of us rely on cable companies for not only television service but for broadband connections? If someone has a problem with the programming of their cable company, they aren't going to call Austin for a problem they have in Hurst."

The conference will take place in Washington, D.C., March 10 through March 14. Several speakers will be at NLC including Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., and George Stephanopoulos, host of ABC's "This Week."

Deana Muirheid, manager of media support services for Instructional Services, said she is enthusiastic about Kitchens' appointment to the NLC as his position at TCU makes him a

good choice for what the conference hopes to achieve.

"He is the ideal person for a committee such as this because he is the person responsible for observing the needs of the classroom and implementing the tools which will improve the environment where students learn," she said.

Muirheid said Kitchens has been dealing with issues regarding instructional support for classrooms such as a podcasting program, allowing students to download supplemental lectures of the classes they already attend in order to help students learn within the last decade.

"He's always been open to new suggestions and things such as the podcasting demonstrate that he has always been really good at working with new ideas based on student and faculty input," Muirheid said. "So his appointment to the NLC makes sense since it will involve a lot of the same things."

**Parking on Princeton St. restricted due to safety**

By MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE  
Staff Reporter

Parking on Princeton Street has been restricted for safety concerns of vehicles not being able to use the lanes due to parked vehicles, Fort Worth police say.

Fort Worth police officer Kirk Byrom said the problems with parking were first brought to attention when TCU Police requested parking be changed on Princeton

Street so vehicles would not need to cross into the west-bound lane of traffic because of lack of space.

Parking was originally limited to ensure emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks, would be able to make it through, Byrom said.

Jon Craver, senior engineering technician at the Fort Worth Streets Department, measured the width of Princeton Street and determined that

with vehicles parked on the south side of the street, vehicles could not pass.

"The minimum width of a traffic lane is nine feet," Craver said. "Most people now drive large SUVs, and when you have two large vehicles trying to pass, 18 feet is too narrow."

Craver also said the required width for a street is 28 feet. Princeton Street, however, fell short at 26 feet.

**Man on tape contacts police**

By ASHER FOGLE  
Staff Reporter

Police said a male student they wanted to speak to in connection with a reported sexual assault has contacted TCU Police on Thursday.

The man was seen in a surveillance video from the GrandMarc at Westberry Place near a female student who reported a sexual assault in her residence Feb. 25. Fort Worth police were looking for the man because he could have additional information, said Sgt. Jim Thomson of the Fort Worth Police Department's sex crimes unit.

After TCU Police sent images of the man in an e-mail to students and faculty at about 9 a.m. Thursday, the man called police within 10 minutes to identify himself, said TCU Police Sgt. Kelly Ham.

Ham said information concerning the man's identity had been sent to Fort Worth police who are handling the investigation.

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project what spending will be needed in the future.

Many of the actions were carried out by SGA members who tried to schedule meetings so advisers couldn't be present to offer suggestions, he said.

Markley said he did not take action to stop these members' budgeting tactics because he tries to give guidance but still let the students be in charge.

"We are faculty advisers, and it is students' money," Markley said.

Kathy Hamer, publication coordinator for Campus Life, said she admired Don Mills, vice chancellor for student affairs, for his stance on letting student organizations be autonomous.

"TCU is good at leaving the students alone to do their jobs," Hamer said.

She said advisers have difficult jobs.

"Advisers try to foster learn-

ing and protect the project but sometimes they can't," Hamer said.

Hamer said she has had to make tough choices, but she has never had to block any action by students before.

Mills said, "If we are aware students are misusing student funds or abusing their power, the university is obligated to step in."

However, Mills said, the university will not block SGA unless it does something illegal or breaks one of the university's fiscal policies.

"I would hate for my job as administrator to be second-guessing SGA," Mills said.



**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"Do not dwell in the past. Do not dream of the future. Concentrate the mind on the present moment."  
— Buddha

**THE SKIFF VIEW**

**Bush's spring break visit not enough**

Over the next few days, President Bush will conduct a five-country tour of Latin America to "underscore the commitment of the United States to the Western Hemisphere," according to the White House.

Bravo to Bush for backpacking through Brazil, but it comes about five years too late; anti-U.S. sentiment has already gained a foothold down south.

While the current administration has ignored its Southern neighbors for almost seven years, much of Latin America has moved on to find other, local friends, such as socialist leaders Hugo Chavez of Venezuela and Evo Morales of Bolivia.

In the United States' absence, Chavez, Morales and others have gained and secured power, instituted their socialist revolutions and assembled a solid fan-base to boot.

That's not to say the president's trip is in vain, it's only to say that a whirlwind vacation won't mend the collective broken heart of Latin America.

But all hope is not lost; the current and next administration can repair the damage done by taking an active interest in Middle and South American politics. Dropping by to say "hello" and donating a few dollars won't win the hearts of the many in need.

Because the United States relies heavily on immigrants from South America to help fill our workforce, it would be in our best interest to ensure we don't lose them.

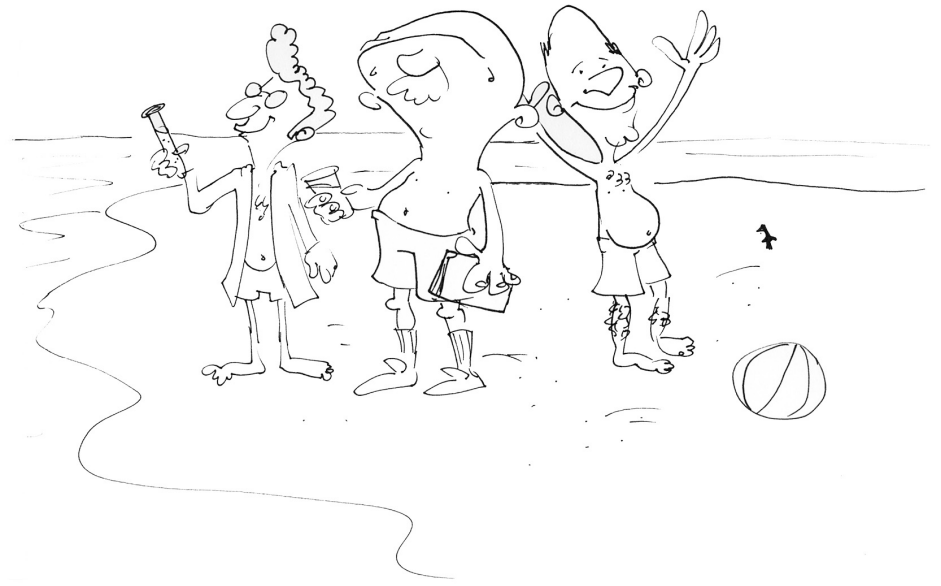
If the United States expects to remain the ally and not the enemy, it should spend more time ensuring democracy thrives everywhere, and not just in the Middle East.

Additionally, U.S. politicians should realize ignorance of peoples closest to home can do more harm than ignorance of those abroad.

It's time all politicians, not just those currently in power, pay attention to the global community instead of those countries that make the day-to-day headlines.

*Managing editor John-Laurent Tronche for the editorial board.*

**BY BRENDAN KIEFER**



Professors on Spring Break

**Enter internship for right reasons**

Most of the time, students find high-quality internships to be few and far between. In this day and age, everyone wants the paid internship at the huge company that people are familiar with.

**COMMENTARY**



Marissa Warmis

It is time we take a step back in reality. Internships are meant to help us learn the skills that will help us find and obtain the jobs of our dreams. It is a time to form relationships with companies and people working inside those companies in order to get our foot in the door for a job.

Many times people overlook what parts of a summer internship are the most important. Often, people think that the internships they can get with their friends, the ones that pay the most or even the ones that require the least work are the ones they want.

I've been struggling recently with this idea. I am trying to find the right place to be an intern. But sometimes, we have to let the right place find us.

Some students are strong writers, while others are strong listeners or organizers. We all have our own talents, and we are all unique. We need to realize there is always a place for us, even if it isn't our first choice.

Internships allow all of us a time to grow and learn something we cannot quite grasp by sitting in the classroom. It is not only a benefit because it prepares us for the "real world" we are all going to face one day, but it also gives us an opportunity to let companies fight for us.

It is a known fact that internships look great on resumes. What we may not remember is that the more companies we intern for, the more doors we are opening for our futures. Most of those companies are considering us for jobs when we graduate.

We all need to spend a little more time working on our skills and building our resumes, and a little less time worrying about how well-known the companies we are interning for are.

This idea does not only work when thinking about internships, though. It can be used daily, whether it is in class or at home. We all have talents and abilities our neighbors do not, and we all have different paths for our lives.

But often, we try too hard to get there. We think too much. We overindulge. We have to start realizing that life is full of ups and downs, but in the end only one thing matters. Did we give it our all? Did we put our best foot forward? If the answer to this is yes, then there is nothing more in this world we need.

*Marissa Warmis is a junior advertising/public relations major from Irving. Her column appears Fridays.*



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**Fighting crime by Internet OK**

Using the Internet to fight crime is a good idea and should be used more often. YouTube.com is filled with fun videos that can distract viewers for hours. But now, a handful of police departments are utilizing YouTube by posting surveillance videos for the public to watch so it can aid in identifying criminals.

**COMMENTARY**



Michelle Anderson

One problem police are facing is making the videos of criminals stand out among the thousands of others on YouTube. The more videos of criminals posted, the more people will notice them. As long as people are aware surveillance videos are on YouTube, they will not be able to resist watching them.

According to a Miami Herald article, Sgt. Michael Bentolila in Aventura, Fla., said, "This is just something else — an extra added feature that we can now use to get our message out there on a countrywide or worldwide basis."

One of the most successful YouTube cases was in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Police posted a 72-second surveillance video of a fatal stabbing outside of a hip-hop concert on YouTube's Web site, according to the Miami Herald. The video received more than 35,000 hits, and within two weeks, police had enough information for an arrest, thanks to tips from viewers.

I think people will be curious enough to watch a few surveillance videos posted by police. It is worth a try to see if anyone may have information. It has never been so easy to communicate to the masses. Using YouTube to share surveillance videos gives everybody a chance to share information and puts YouTube to good use. You never know who may be connected with the people involved in a crime.

Now that information can be shared quickly and confidently, more people with useful tips may come forward and tell police what they know. This is a great alternative for individuals with knowledge of crimes because they may feel safer telling officials what they know.

Hannah Daugherty, a junior social work major, said, "I would report tips to police knowing that I would not get in any trouble for it."

It makes sense for police to use YouTube because it is the latest technology that most young people are familiar with. The Internet is here to stay, and from now on, almost everyone will know how to use it.

Michael Brady, a retired police chief in Charles-town, R.I., who teaches criminal law and criminal procedure at Salve Regina University in Newport, R.I., said in a Yahoo! News article, "I kind of applaud the fact that police are using the latest tools. We tend to get stuck in technology deficits. We tend to want to stick with the old tried-and-true."

It is important to take advantage of the latest technology. If posting videos of criminals on YouTube can lead to their identification and arrests, I think it is a great idea. Maybe this effort to involve the public in catching the bad guys will make criminals think twice before they commit crimes because their chances of getting caught are much greater with thousands of people trying to identify them.

*Michelle Anderson is a sophomore broadcast journalism major from Tyler. Her column appears Fridays.*

**Know how money helps AIDS in Africa before opening pocketbook**

The AIDS epidemic in Africa only grows more serious.

So serious, in fact, that people all over the world need to re-evaluate the tactics being used to battle the AIDS virus.

**COMMENTARY**



Ryan Claunch

Although major progress has been made in increasing AIDS awareness across the globe, increasing actual support to deal with the illness has been less successful. Many organizations and charities have joined forces in the fight against AIDS, and one of the most effective ways people can help them is money.

It's great that you want to open your heart — and your checkbook — to this effort, but before you do so, you need to know where and how your money is being used. In the end, your heartfelt contribution may turn out to have more of an impact on you and your wallet than the cause you're supporting.

Probably the biggest misconception people have about the fight against AIDS today is about the (RED) campaign. In fact, (RED), created by U2's Bono and DATA Chairman Bobby Shriver, is not a charity at all but, according to its Web site, a business model. Businesses that partner with (RED), such as Sprint and Apple, decide how much of their profits they wish to contribute to what is often referred to as helping "eliminate AIDS in Africa."

However, eliminating AIDS in Africa isn't exactly what (RED) is doing. What (RED) actually does is provide drugs to those already infected so they may, as the campaign's manifesto states, "contribute socially and economically in their communities." Providing drugs to those infected is indeed an important goal, but there are many organizations already doing just that. If (RED) actually wants to help eliminate AIDS in Africa, it should put its proceeds toward research for a cure, as well as toward drugs such as Nevirapine, which has been shown to prevent babies from contracting HIV from their infected mothers during birth, according to an Aug. 6 New York Times article.

Creating more drugs that have the potential to limit the number of newborns infected with HIV, which can be as high as half a million a year, according to the same New York Times article, would be a major step in the fight against AIDS.

According to a December UNAIDS/WHO AIDS Epidemic Update, 4.3 million people were newly infected with HIV in 2006, 2.8 million in Sub-Saharan Africa alone.

It's also important for those living in Africa, infected or not, to be well-informed about AIDS. Without proper education at the source, there can be little effective help from the outside.

While seemingly less direct, education programs and projects such as the AFT-Africa AIDS Campaign, which offers resources for African teachers to develop peer-education programs, offer future hope in curbing the spread of AIDS in Africa. Avert.org, an international charity based in the United Kingdom, points out that discrimination is a major barrier to AIDS education. The charity's Web site describes how social and economic differences between men and women have limited the female population's access to safe-sex and AIDS education, which is dangerous considering 59 percent of those in Sub-Saharan Africa with HIV are women.

Another problem keeping information about AIDS from reaching people in African nations is cutbacks in funding from the United States, a major player in the fight against AIDS.

President Bush's "faith-based initiatives" provide aid and funding to organizations that promote abstinence-only teaching both here in the United States and abroad and do not involve those that provide basic sex education, the distribution of condoms or that provide proper education about condom use and the possible benefits of safe-sex practices.

These initiatives have met with resistance from groups including the United Nations and the Center for Health and Gender Equity. Human Rights Watch referred to the initiatives as "jeopardizing" to countries with high AIDS populations, such as Uganda, which had seen progress until these initiatives went into effect.

Knowing how to help and knowing exactly where your contribution is going and how it will be used may seem insignificant, but they can actually be a huge step in the right direction in the fight against AIDS.

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The week is yours: From tanning to volunteering to skiing, enjoy freedom.

By JOANNA DEERING  
Staff Reporter

Spring Break is a time for wet T-shirt contests, road trips and women and men alike to go wild. It's an opportunity to spend all of your money on postcards you will never remember to send and knickknacks that will break before you get out of the store. Spring Break is also a chance to torture unsuspecting family and friends with countless photographs of you posing with the largest paper clip in Nowheresville, USA.

### Top 10 Best Spring Break destinations

For anyone interested in slathering on the sunscreen and discovering sand in places you never knew you had, Life & Style's Travel section lists the top 10 Spring Break destinations, as of March 4, as: Miami; Cancun, Mexico; Daytona, Fla.; San Jose Cabo, Mexico; the Bahamas; Key West, Fla.; Jamaica; Acapulco; Panama City, Fla. and South Padre Island. Perhaps the compilers of this list have a phobia of skiing.

### Top 10 Worst Spring Break destinations

What are the top 10 worst places to go on Spring Break? According to one post on a Yahoo! Message board, "My mother's house, my Aunt Sally's nursing home, KFC, the bathroom after a Mexican meal, a telephone booth, Costco, the post office, a Barry Manilow concert, Antarctica and Baghdad."

### No Plans yet?

If you are procrastinator and Spring Break planning is stressing you out, studentcity.com, "the ultimate Spring Break experience," offers an aid for pricing your trip, various party packages, information about hotels, exclusive savings on airfare, details about MTV casting calls and photos, videos and testimonials from students about their Spring Breaks. Paradiseparties.com and Springbreakdirect.com provide similar services.

### Just to Recap

The beach is not your only option. After all, what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas. There are always charities looking for volunteers. Or, you could catch up on homework. The fact that you haven't opened a textbook since the beginning of freshman year doesn't mean you're a lost cause. Of course, there is always that elusive creature known as "sleep."

# Spring Break guide

Whether packing their bags or staying home, students have big plans.

By BAILEY SHIFFLER  
Staff Reporter

As Spring Break approaches, students across campus are packing swimsuits, ski gear and even hiking boots as they prepare to embark on adventures across Texas, the United States and the world.

Traditionally, Spring Break has sent students from kindergarten to graduate school on beach and ski vacations, but this year some students are taking different routes and spending their vacations in more exotic places and reaching out to the community by doing service projects.

## Here's what students are doing

Lauren Jones, a junior supply and value chain management and marketing major, is spending the week with a group of friends in San Pedro, an island off of the coast of Belize.

"We wanted to go somewhere quiet and adventurous. We've already been to South Padre and done all the crazy stuff."

**Lauren Jones**

**David Clifton,** a senior neuroscience major, is going with a group of 12 students to Belize on a medical mission trip. Throughout the week, the group will help administer four free health clinics for underprivileged people in Belize.

"I'm looking forward to continuing my learning. For the team, I hope that they can get an idea of how medicine is practiced outside of America."

**Lindsey Ott,** a sophomore nursing major, said she is excited about spending her week in Cabo San Lucas.

"I'm most looking forward to lying on the beach and swimming with the dolphins."

**Josh Noble,** a junior biology major, is spending his break helping with the restoration efforts on the Gulf Coast. He said he will be doing various projects focused on rebuilding homes.

Noble said after spending Spring Breaks at the beach and in the snow, he is looking forward to doing "something a little more productive" with his week.

**Cohlby Youtsey,** a senior middle school education major, is taking a road trip with his friends to Colorado for a week of skiing.

He said he is excited about hanging out with his friends on the long car ride.

Some students, such as Travis Bailey, a junior entrepreneurial management major, are staying in the Fort Worth area for the break.

**Travis Bailey** said he is "too cheap to go anywhere," but is still looking forward to not having to wake up for class.



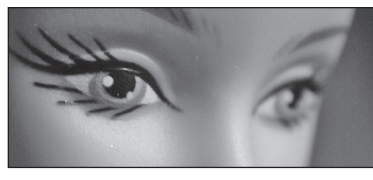
### GETTING READY FOR THE WEEKEND

#### FRIDAY

- Check out Frank Miller's film, "300," opening at theaters everywhere today.
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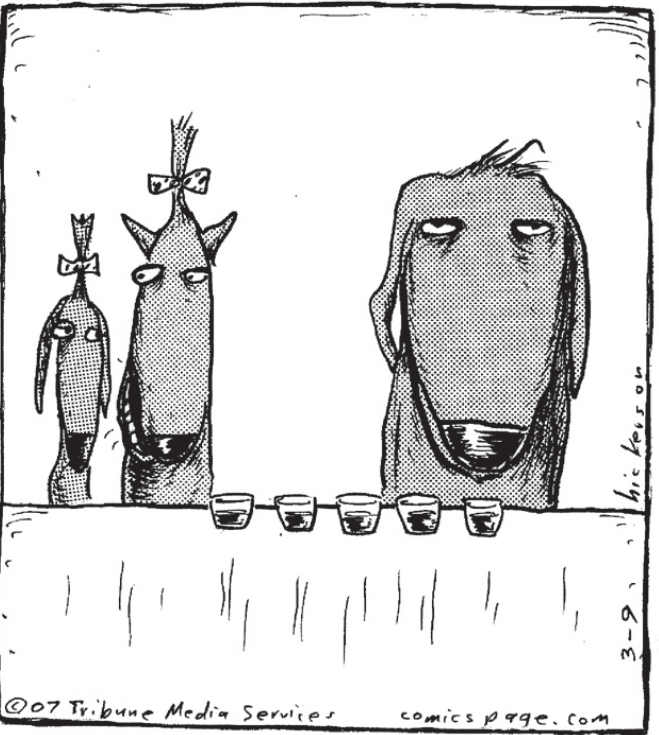
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**Thursday's Solutions**

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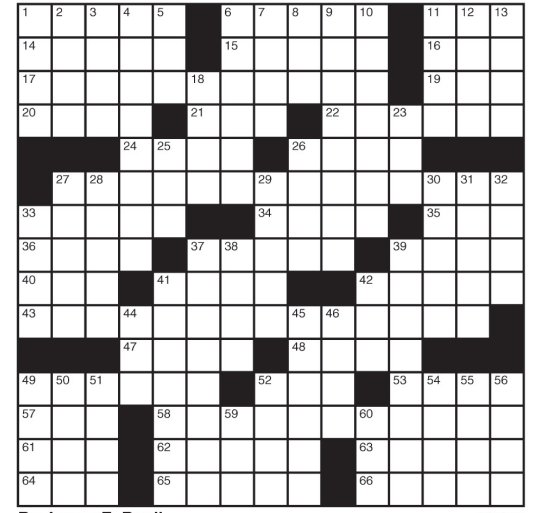
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  - 21 Sundial X
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  - 27 Black Sheep Squadron leader
  - 33 With regret
  - 34 Lawn invader
  - 35 Have a life
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  - 48 Codger
  - 49 Curd product
  - 52 Letters on Cardinals' caps
  - 53 Dog of a movie
  - 57 Claiborne of fashion
  - 58 Cassius Clay's 2/25/64 opponent
  - 61 Bobby of hockey
  - 62 Outdo
  - 63 Passed out
  - 64 Word from a pro?
  - 65 Crest
  - 66 Parcels of suburbia

By James E. Buehl  
Edgewater, FL

3/9/07

**Thursday's Puzzle Solved**

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- DOWN**
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  - 2 Heinous
  - 3 Simplicity
  - 4 Follower
  - 5 Foxy
  - 6 Outstanding!
  - 7 Distinctive flair
  - 8 & so forth
  - 9 Starship Enterprise followers
  - 10 Berkeley's neighbor
  - 11 Put the whammy on
  - 12 Hydrox rival
  - 13 Open wide
  - 18 Spend the night
  - 23 Director Lee
  - 25 Secret agent
  - 26 Mates' agreements
  - 27 Dancer Abdul Pertinent, in law
  - 29 Wide receiver Terrell
  - 30 Billy Blanks workout system
  - 31 Planet's path
  - 32 Moses's mount
  - 33 Bridge coup
  - 37 "Spanglish" co-star
  - 38 Unwind
  - 39 Hold on!
  - 41 Use cutters
  - 42 "Alice" spinoff
  - 44 Wonderment
  - 45 Facsimile
  - 46 Droop lazily
  - 49 Surfeit
  - 50 Bring on board
  - 51 Poet Pound
  - 52 Close-fitting
  - 54 Have the lead
  - 55 Lacquered metalware
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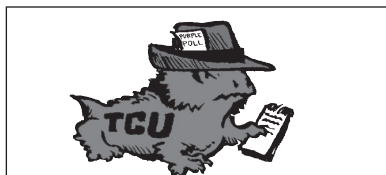
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After sweeping Vermont, Frogs ready for in-state competition

By BILLY WESSELS  
Photo Editor

The Horned Frogs baseball team will be traveling to another tournament after a series sweep but will try for a different result this time.

The Frogs (10-4) will be competing in the second annual Whataburger College Classic, beginning with a game Friday against the No. 9 Rice Owls (11-7). The team completed the 13th sweep in Lupton Stadium history last weekend against the Vermont Catamounts (0-3).

The last time the Horned Frogs swept a series at home and then played in a tournament the following weekend was Feb. 23 through Feb. 25 when the team appeared in the Baseball at the Beach tournament in South Carolina. The team lost the first three games of that event after sweeping Oral Roberts University (5-8) prior to the tournament.

"Every team is going to have their bump in the road," said junior outfielder Clint Arnold. "I think Myrtle Beach was our bump in the road, and we can get past that."

This past weekend's sweep gave the Frogs more confidence, Arnold said. It was confidence that the team may have lost after a disappointing trip to the East Coast.



ROBYN SHEPHEARD / Staff Photographer  
Freshman pitcher Derek VerHagen delivers a pitch during Saturday's 4-1 victory over the Vermont Catamounts. The Frogs allowed just four runs in during the three-game sweep and now look ahead to the Whataburger Classic.

"This weekend kind of got us back on track," said Arnold, who is hitting .269 this season. "It gave us a little confidence going into a good weekend in Corpus Christi, where we will be playing some really good teams."

After the Frogs take on the Owls in their tournament opener, they will face the Texas A&M Corpus Christi Islanders (12-6) on Saturday and the Texas Tech Red Raiders (13-6) on Sunday.

Junior pitcher Sam Demel said this tournament will give the Frogs a chance to

succeed against some stout competition.

"We have a chance this weekend to put up some big wins against some good opponents," Demel said.

Arnold said that while all three of these opponents will be good, they are nothing the Frogs can't handle.

One of the worst things the Frogs could do is get too worried about the competition, Arnold said.

"We don't need to try too hard just because we will be playing a couple good teams," Arnold said.

# Fans gear up for March Madness

By TIM BELLA  
Staff Reporter

Picture this: Two No. 12 seeds upset the No. 5 teams in the East and South Regionals, a No. 10 seed defeats a No. 7 team in the West Regional and a No. 13 seed knocks off the No. 4 seed in the Midwest Regional. Brackets are busted, dreams go up in smoke and the hours spent dissecting matchups go to waste thanks to teams from schools the casual fan would have trouble picking out of a lineup. Sound familiar? It's March Madness.

Though not an official phrase in the dictionary, the terminology has become synonymous with the rabid nature of players, coaches and fans associated with the NCAA basketball tournaments in March, specifically the men's bracket.

With 64 games (including the play-in game) played in a three-week period, the tournament captivates college basketball fans far and wide — and Robert Largen is no exception.

Largen, an adjunct journalism professor, said he takes part in a high-stakes "super pool" with seven other executives in advertising and marketing from across the country.

This "super pool," which has lasted for more than 25 years, is important because it allows the pool participants to continue the type of traditional fun that has taken place every March since the early stages of their business careers, Largen said.

"It's a way for us to keep in touch," Largen said.

In Largen's pool, the eight participants pick eight teams in a "snake" draft setup, where the order of the teams chosen in the previous round is reversed for the next round. Points are awarded after wins in each round, and in this type of setup, Largen said, picking the team

that's going to win it all isn't as important as picking a couple of teams that make deep runs in the tournament.

Largen makes his picks based on the predictions of columnists and experts from USA Today and The Sporting News, among others, as well as a team's strength of schedule and its Rating Percentage Index. He said he makes average scores for each columnist's predictions to create independent strength rankings for the teams in each bracket.

"I hitchhike on their knowledge to get smart on (the tournament)," Largen said.

While fans have implemented the use of statistics into their decision-making processes,



George Gilbert, an associate professor of mathematics, isn't so sure the use of numbers and statistics is necessarily helpful.

Gilbert referenced statistics he gathered from ESPN's Tournament Challenge during the 1998 men's tournament, and said a little less than two-thirds of the games were picked correctly. He said picking teams favored to do well presents both pros and cons.

"There's a better probability of tying for the lead (in a pool), but it hurts you in the probability of winning because it becomes a crapshoot in the end," Gilbert said.

With as much strategy being tossed around, there's also a lot of money being tossed around in the forum of sports gambling during this time of the year.

Bodog, an sports gambling Web site, lets fans make single bets on the tournament or participate in the "March Madness Bracket Buster," which features

a \$10,000 grand prize.

"Considering our international presence, March Madness only trails the Super Bowl and the World Cup of Soccer in terms of traffic," the Bodog experts said in an e-mail from Aleem Jamal-Kabani, a public relations coordinator in association with Bodog.

Considering favorites tend to fluctuate throughout the course of the tournament, the people at Bodog suggest for even the casual fan to do some type of research before placing a bet.

"We set all our odds based on our analysis of the teams and games as well as by taking into account the betting tendencies of sports fans," the Bodog experts said.

A recent H&R Block press release said one demographic gambling organizations, such as Bodog, look to capitalize on is the male college student. The NCAA reported that 35 percent of male college students have placed some sort of a bet on an NCAA sporting event sometime within the past year.

Frank Martinez, a sophomore radio-TV-film major, said this will be the first year his group will take part in a money pool, in what may be considered a year too late for one of his fellow pool participants.

"My friend won last year, but nobody paid up because, halfway through, we said 'it was for respect now' since no one had put money in yet," Martinez said. "That friend agreed to that because he had a slim chance of winning. Unlucky for him, Florida ended up winning it all, which was his only chance to win because he chose them."

So, as fans, students and professors attempt to pick this year's George Mason "Cinderella" story from a field featuring potential bracket busters, there are memories to be made by a team's game performance on the court as well as a fan's pool performance off the court.

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