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#### TEXAS LEGISLATURE

## Mills: Trustees could opt out of gun bill

By Mark Bell  
Staff Reporter

The bill that would expand concealed handgun-carry laws to Texas college campuses was revised last week by the House Public Safety Committee to allow private colleges to override the legislation and establish rules to continue campus gun bans, said state Rep. Lon Burnam, a Democrat from Fort Worth.

Under the revision, the university would be able to make its own choice on banning

guns on campus. Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Don Mills said if the bill passes as written, the board of trustees would most likely vote to make the decision for the university.

The bill passed in the House's public safety committee April 8.

"We've been opposed since the beginning, and it's good that private schools can opt out now," Mills said. "We can make our own decision about handguns, and I'm not sure the state should be telling private schools what to do. There's a lot of concern

among the trustees but it would be an interesting debate."

Burnam sits on the committee and voted against the bill. He said the revision to the bill came as a direct result from the testimony provided during hearings. A group of administrators and officials from schools in the state, including Mills, spoke at hearings.

"The whole concept of a university setting is violated by the bill," Burnam said. "We don't need people walking across campus with guns, we don't need people at sporting events with guns and we don't need people

drinking alcohol having guns. My analogy all along has been, 'Do you want people packing heat at an A&M-UT football game?'"

Sophomore communications major Jordan Adair said she received 400-500 signatures from students at the university on a petition against the bill last week which she had put before the committee.

"It's good to see the change made, but I wish that the bill would be dropped and we would have a 100 percent victory instead of

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## SWIPE IT



AMANDA MCCOLLUM / Special to the Skiff

According to a study conducted by the college-financing company Sallie Mae, more undergraduates are swiping credit cards to pay for common college expenses, like tuition and books, and increasing their debt. The study reports that college credit card holders estimate charging \$2,200 to pay for direct education expenses, up from \$942 in 2004.

## Students against trend in card use

By Curtis Burrhus-Clay  
Staff Reporter

Charge it. That's often a term you'd expect to hear at the mall, but what about at the Office of Financial Services?

As studies show an increase in the number of college students using credit cards to pay for college expenses, the university has seen the opposite, following the implementation of a 2.75 percent convenience fee last summer, said Brad Davis, business systems analyst for Financial Services.

"Before the fee was fixed to credit card payments, that was probably the case," Davis said. "But now that there's a convenience fee associated with credit card payments, we've seen them drop dramatically. I would say

we do not fit that mold when it comes to direct payments."

Davis said he didn't have numbers substantiating the trend.

According to a study conducted by the student loan provider Sallie Mae, more and more undergraduates are swiping credit cards to pay for common college expenses like tuition and books, and consequently increasing their debt. The study reports that college credit cardholders estimate charging \$2,200 to pay for direct education expenses, up from \$942 in 2004.

Patricia Nash Christel, director of corporate communication at Sallie Mae, said the study indicated several possible reasons for the increase, including poor financial planning and the overall convenience of credit cards. Nash Christel

said planning ahead is usually an effective way to manage finances.

"We think this points to the need for more advance planning with your family," Nash Christel said. "A more comprehensive approach looking at what you're going to need; just thinking more broadly like you would when building any kind of family budget."

Davis said the university probably doesn't reflect the survey results because the survey was most likely geared toward students who pay their own way through college. He said he thinks TCU has more students whose parents are paying for them than students who fund themselves, but the university has no way of determining whether a student or a par-

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#### FACEBOOK

## University secures 2,000 fans on Web site

By Jordan Smith  
Staff Reporter

The TCU Facebook Fan Page, "TCU – Texas Christian University," is quickly becoming an active online tribute to the university.

Launched April 2, it has accumulated close to 2,000 fans. The page, which is updated several times daily, runs updates on everything from sports scores to photos of new buildings and videos of speeches given on campus.

What sets this site apart from others is that this site is run by the university rather than students.

According to an online Time Magazine article from April 3, Web sites like Facebook are transforming the way some universities interact with their students. Facebook and Twitter give universities the ability to gauge student thoughts and opinions more intimately than ever before, and some are taking advantage of the opportunity by creating official pages, the article stated.

New Media Designer Amy Peterson, who runs the university's Facebook and Twitter pages, said the purpose of creating an official Facebook page is to better help students and alumni maintain a close connection with the school.

"I think that as far as the university is concerned, it's a really good way to stay connected to (students and alumni) and to have a two-way conversation," Peterson said.

In creating the new page, though, the university ran up against an existing student-run Facebook page, she said.

Peterson said that when the university decided to build the page it began by looking at similar pre-existing sites. As it turned out, there is an unofficial Fan Page very similar to the one the university recently set up that boasts more than 1,000 fans. Peterson said that the university originally looked into cooperating with the page's administrator to

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Is Obama's plan to change the way student loans are administered a good idea? A point-counterpoint.  
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#### PECULIAR FACT

PEORIA, Illinois — A 13-year-old boy who police say was caught red-handed a block away was accused on Tuesday of robbing a bank in Peoria. The unidentified boy was charged with felony armed robbery in juvenile court, accused of threatening a teller with a gun and demanding cash.  
— Reuters

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a partial victory,” Adair said.

Sophomore political science and strategic communications major Kimberly Dena, chair of the TCU College Republicans, said the right to bear arms is a fundamental constitutional right.

“I understand there is a delicate balance between private university interests and individual rights, but I think that the right to bear arms is a right for even college students,” Dena said. “The university can work with having required training and regulations for those car-

rying handguns.”

Mills said his main problems with having handguns on a college campus is the prevalence of alcohol and the issue of suicide. Having handguns on campus provides a means for people to commit suicide, he said.

“When people have feelings of suicide if they don’t have access to a means to do it, than the urge to commit suicide fades,” Mills said.

The College Republicans will have Jeremy Schwab, a lobbyist for the bill and vice chairman for Collin County Young Republicans, speak at their weekly meeting tonight, Dena said.

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run the page jointly, but in the end decided to start a new one because the site’s manager could not be found.

Peterson said that the existence of a similar site did not deter the university from creating its own. Although it has many fans, Peterson said the site had gone stagnant. It was last updated in June 2008.

Other universities have taken their activity on Facebook even

further. The New York Times reported that Emerson College is one of a few schools that not only publishes an official page, but actively monitor and communicate with students as well. Emerson’s Facebook group for admitted students, “Emerson College Class of 2013!,” originally created by a student graduating from high school this year, is largely run by Emerson faculty.

Michael Petroff, a Web manager at Emerson, regularly answers student questions and makes recommendations about

upcoming events for the incoming class members. Tim Douglas, another Emerson staff member, is also a group administrator.

Peterson said Texas A&M University, Southern Methodist University and Oklahoma State University also publish official Facebook pages, although none approach the level of activity among their students that Emerson does.

Ray Brown, dean of admissions, said his department has neither the desire nor the resources to monitor Facebook on the level that Emerson does.

“We’ve thought about doing something like that, but you know the reality is, who’s got the time?” Brown said. “This time of year we’re putting in 60-hour weeks and there’s really nothing else that we have time for, including our families.”

In addition, Brown said that as far as he knows no one in his department monitors the student-run forums on Facebook. The student-run groups are active enough as they are, and current TCU students do a good job of answering questions on their own.

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ent is making the actual payment.

Many students often see credit cards as a last resort, but Nash Christel said the study was conducted to show that there are other ways to pay for school.

“We did the study in order to highlight the availability of other types of financial aid,” Nash Christel said. “I want to urge students to be sure they’re doing all that they can to look for that free money, those scholarships and grants that are available.”

Derek Flory, a math and radio-TV-film major, said he doesn’t own or use credit cards just because of the chance of going into debt or ruining his credit.

“I steered clear of credit cards,” Flory said. “I made sure I got loans and the rest of my school is paid for through scholarships and grants. I’ve never had a credit card and I don’t really want one at this point.”

The report found that 84 percent of the participants said they need more education on financial management and credit cards. It also showed that students who talked with their parents about credit cards were less likely to overuse them and were more prepared to make payments.

Jason Hammack, a freshman neuroscience major, said his parents did talk to him about the responsibilities of using a credit card so he uses it cautiously.

“My parents told me to build my credit by spending the minimum and then just make sure to make

By Tony Pugh  
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Executives of the nation’s largest credit-card companies will meet with President Barack Obama at the White House on Thursday to discuss growing concerns about questionable practices in the industry.

White House press secretary Robert Gibbs said Monday that the meeting would be a chance to stress the need for greater clarity in the way that credit cards are marketed and administered. During his campaign last year, Obama strongly supported legislation to improve the rights of cardholders.

“What we want to do is ensure that people can have access to the credit that they need, but that we can also do this in a way that’s transparent and fair and honest. And I think that’s one of the things that the president will talk to them about,” Gibbs said.

A recent survey of credit card practices by the Pew Charitable Trusts found that of more than 400 cards offered online by the 12 largest issuers, all allowed payments to be applied in ways that disadvantaged cardholders,

such as paying off lower-interest balances before those that accrue higher interest.

The survey found that 93 percent of the cards allowed for interest rate hikes by changing the account agreements, 87 percent allowed punitive interest-rate increases even when accounts were fewer than 30 days past due and 72 percent allowed promotional rates to be rescinded after one late payment.

Thursday’s meeting, which will include representatives from Bank of America, HSBC and Capital One, among others, comes amid a push by congressional Democrats for legislation to rein in questionable industry practices.

Consumer advocates say that legislation sponsored by Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn, and Rep. Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y., would bring much-needed relief to Main Street after hundreds of billions of taxpayer dollars have been used to stabilize many of the same banks that issue credit cards.

“It’s becoming harder to justify giving the credit card companies carte blanche to do whatever they want, including hurt consumers

with substantial, unjustified interest-rate increases now that they’re

**“It’s becoming harder to justify giving the credit card companies carte blanche to do whatever they want ...”**

**Travis Plunkett**  
legislative director of the Consumer Federation of America

receiving so much government assistance,” said Travis Plunkett, the legislative director of the Consumer Federation of America.

Many card issuers are raising interest rates and changing the terms of agreements amid the worst economic downturn since the Great Depression.

From 2007 to 2008, credit card companies raised interest rates on nearly 25 percent of accounts, according to the Pew Trusts, using practices that the Federal Reserve deemed “unfair and deceptive.”

The rate increases cost consumers more than \$10 billion.

Since the recession began in December 2007, the number of credit card accounts that are at least 90 days delinquent has increased 18 percent, “with future trends not particularly optimistic,” said Ezra Becker, the director of consulting and strategy at TransUnion, one of three major credit-reporting agencies.

The Federal Reserve recently adopted sweeping changes that eliminate many of what it deemed deceptive card practices, but the new regulations don’t take effect until July 2010.

Until then, consumers have little protection from such practices.

Credit card companies generally have taken the position that new restrictions will make credit more expensive and harder to get at a time when consumers need it most.

Lynne Strang, a spokeswoman for the American Financial Services Association, said the organization wanted to see how the new federal regulations would affect the marketplace before any new legislation was implemented.

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The Skiff View

## Eliminating banks from loans risky

President Barack Obama’s proposed 2010 budget contains some lofty goals, including one aimed at increasing funding for Pell grants through the elimination of subsidized student loans made by private banks.

If the current version of Obama’s budget passes, these loans will be replaced with direct government lending.

The objective of Obama’s plan is noble. It would essentially cut out a middleman, the bank, from the process of getting a student loan, which would make securing a student loan much more convenient. Instead of choosing which private bank to go through, students would simply go through their university to secure a government-funded loan. Eliminating the bank’s role could also mean lower interest rates.

Another important benefit is the amount of money that could be saved and used to provide more grants for college students. In addition to the elimination of subsidized loans through private banks, Obama’s budget calls for the elimination of the Federal Family Education Loan program. According to the proposal, replacing the FFEL program with the Direct Loan program would save about \$94 billion, which would go toward funding Pell grants, during the next 10 years.

However, the benefits of Obama’s plan will only be realized if the government is able to run the Direct Loan program efficiently.

The government has a lot on its plate right now; perhaps it is not the time to begin a program that will almost certainly require a massive expansion of a government department.

Furthermore, the system might get clogged up because of the high number of applicants for students loans. Just think about the hassle involved with getting a driver’s license. Most government-run offices, such as the Department of Public Safety, are inefficient and unpleasant. The private banks that compete for clients’ business have incentives to provide services that the government just won’t be able to.

Although efforts to provide students with more funding for their education should be applauded, now may not be the time to implement a program that would require so much attention from the government.

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#### Racial slur inappropriate for play

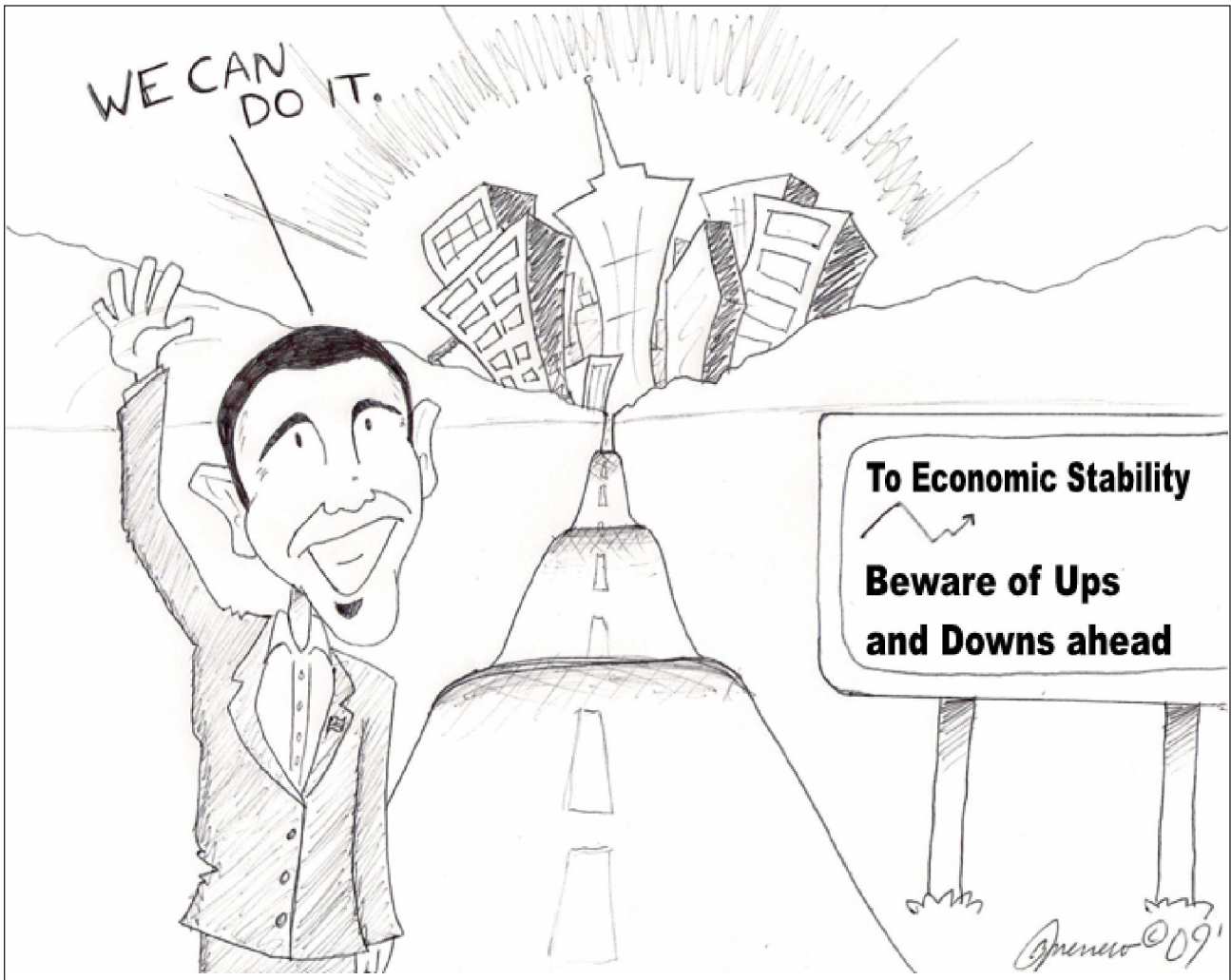
How could “Talking With” be accepted as an appropriate production by the university’s theatre department? I found myself sobbing on Saturday afternoon while exiting the play during Claire Parker’s monologue “Twirler” after she said twice, “Baton twirlers are like the niggers at a white university.” Parker’s character said the lack of respect a baton twirler receives is equal to the amount a black person doesn’t receive. Did Claire Parker or even Harry Parker, chair of the Department of Theatre, understand what they were doing when they allowed Jane Martin’s words to be repeated on our stage?

Do they understand that black people were slaves to white people for centuries? Do they know that black people were not allowed to receive a proper education, but allowed only to look after white people’s

kids while prohibited from loving and caring for their own children? Do they care about the fact that black people were segregated from whites in schools, movie theatres and in public restrooms? How about the fact that blacks had to ride at the back of the bus so whites could conveniently rest?

I understand that “Talking With” is about eleven women who have different problems and passions, bound to be delivered with sadness, fervor, love, or absurdity. But to allow the monologue “Twirler,” or the entire production for that matter, to be performed as entertainment and use that word, which has dehumanized black people for centuries, in order to deliver stupidity is offensive and ridiculous.

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## Even mere mention of secession insults the greatness of America



ALEX S. TURNER

Although I am certainly both, I would say I am an American before I would say I am a Texan.

I am a part of a union and thus I believe in working to solve a national crisis rather than “running away” from it.

After reading the statements of Gov. Rick Perry and some of my fellow Texans, I must say I feel rather confused. Secede? These are chants from either frustrated extremists or ignorant protesters.

Not since the beginning of the Civil War has secession even been a viable topic. Despite the fact that 31 percent of Texans believe that our state has the right to secede, according to a Rasmussen Reports poll, we do not have any legal standing for such an act. The treaty under which Texas joined the United States provided that it could be divided into five separate states, but

it does not give the power to legally secede from the Union.

Therefore, the mere conversation of secession is treasonous. So why is Perry standing by the extremists? Or is he himself an extremist?

Election season is upcoming and maybe this is a ploy to marginalize Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison as a U.S. congressional big spender. No matter the reason, Perry may not have advocated secession, but he is promoting the idea in speeches and comments he has given to the media.

“There’s absolutely no reason to dissolve it. But if Washington continues to thumb their nose at the American people ... who knows what might come out of that. But Texas is a very unique place, and we’re a pretty independent lot to boot,” Perry was quoted as saying to the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

The governor assumes every Texan shares this ideology, and that is his mistake.

According to the Rasmussen Reports poll, 75 percent of Lone Star State voters would opt to remain in the United States.

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JASON FOCHTMAN / Multimedia Editor

Gov. Rick Perry addresses the packed crowd that gathered at LaGrave Field for the Fort Worth “tea party” protesting President Barack Obama’s policies Wednesday evening.

### POINT • COUNTERPOINT

## Is direct government lending a good idea?

Government interference a risk for inefficiency, waste of taxpayer money



MICHAEL LAUCK

It’s amazing how history repeats itself, even when the history only happened last year.

President Barack Obama, in his infinite wisdom, made a budget in which we would no longer have subsidized loans made by private banks but by direct government lending instead.

The most infuriating thing is that we already tried this.

People complain about how banks gave loans to people that didn’t need them and blame the banks for the economic mess. How is the government doing the same thing any different?

We all know what happens when government gets involved in the higher education system. We get things like the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, which is completely inefficient.

This is just like every other program the government enacts. Welfare, Medicare and Medicaid all sound like good ideas. Healthcare for the elderly, money for the poor and low interest rates on school loans sound great but each has horrible repercussions.

A student in support of the plan said to the Skiff, “It’s good because having the government take control of the loans will lessen interest rates and cut out the third and fourth parties.”

The problem is that government is the third party in this situation. We need to cut them out and let students and banks negotiate the rates.

Another aspect of this plan is that it encourages kids that shouldn’t really be going to college to go.

A high school student in the bottom of his or her class may not see education as the best option for them, and would instead go out and make money, perhaps start a business or go to a technical school. But with low interest rates, going to school costs next to nothing because

taxpayers will be footing the bill. It’s suddenly a good idea to follow the crowd and go have some fun.

These are the students who will be getting drunk every night, skipping classes and wasting college professors’ time and taxpayer money.

Obama talks about money like it’s his money. It’s not. It’s our money.

Right now you may be saying, “I don’t even pay that much in taxes.”

Actually you pay a lot of taxes you don’t see, and even though you may not pay income taxes, your parents and other adults do. Rather than choosing to spend it on you or giving it to a charity they are forced to pay it to programs they may not even support.

People should stop looking to the government to cater to them for everything. They need to look inside themselves and see if the decisions that they make will truly benefit them.

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It’s about time tax dollars went to student, instead of private banks



KATIE MARTINEZ

Making good on a key campaign promise, President Barack Obama is working to make education more accessible to everyone without using a tax increase to do it.

The plan involves cutting out private banks for subsidized loan administration, which currently requires billions of taxpayer dollars each year in subsidies and a collection of the maximum interest rate allowed by Congress.

Unsubsidized loans will not be affected by the change.

Under the plan, subsidized loans will come directly from the government and be administered by the college or university where the funds are disbursed.

The president has committed to use the funds saved by the

switch, an estimated \$94 billion during the next 10 years, to expand the federal work/study program and lift the income bracket attached to the federal Pell grant program and increase the amount of funding available to students.

Obama told reporters on the campaign trail, “The system needs to be fixed. We shouldn’t be providing billions in taxpayer-funded giveaways to private banks. We should be providing an affordable, accessible college education to every American.”

Amen, brother.

Now, I am as skeptical as the next person of government expansion, but there are times, such as this, when it just makes sense.

There are concerns that the government is biting off more than it can chew, and there will undoubtedly be some kinks in the system as the change begins, but there is no evidence that this is not a completely viable plan. The university already works, in my experience, seamlessly to get grants and student loans in order. The process, at TCU at least, is almost completely painless for the student.

To complain about inefficiency that may or may not occur is just not a strong enough argument to halt the move.

I would encourage anyone who opposes the plan to meet with a group of bright, young high school students from disadvantaged backgrounds and try to explain to them why its a good idea to hand \$94 billion over to mega-banks instead of investing in their futures and, quite frankly, the future of America.

A nation is only as strong as its people, and as we find ourselves being outpaced as a society, it is in everyone’s best interest to see that more of our youth have access to higher education.

This is an opportunity to put people above partisanship and curb inefficient spending in one swoop.

We’ve handed enough taxpayer money over to banks as it is. How about taking care of our citizens instead of our corporations for a change?

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# FEATURES



A political science major is putting his knowledge to the test by running for Fort Worth City Council. Friday

## OLD CASES, FRESH INK

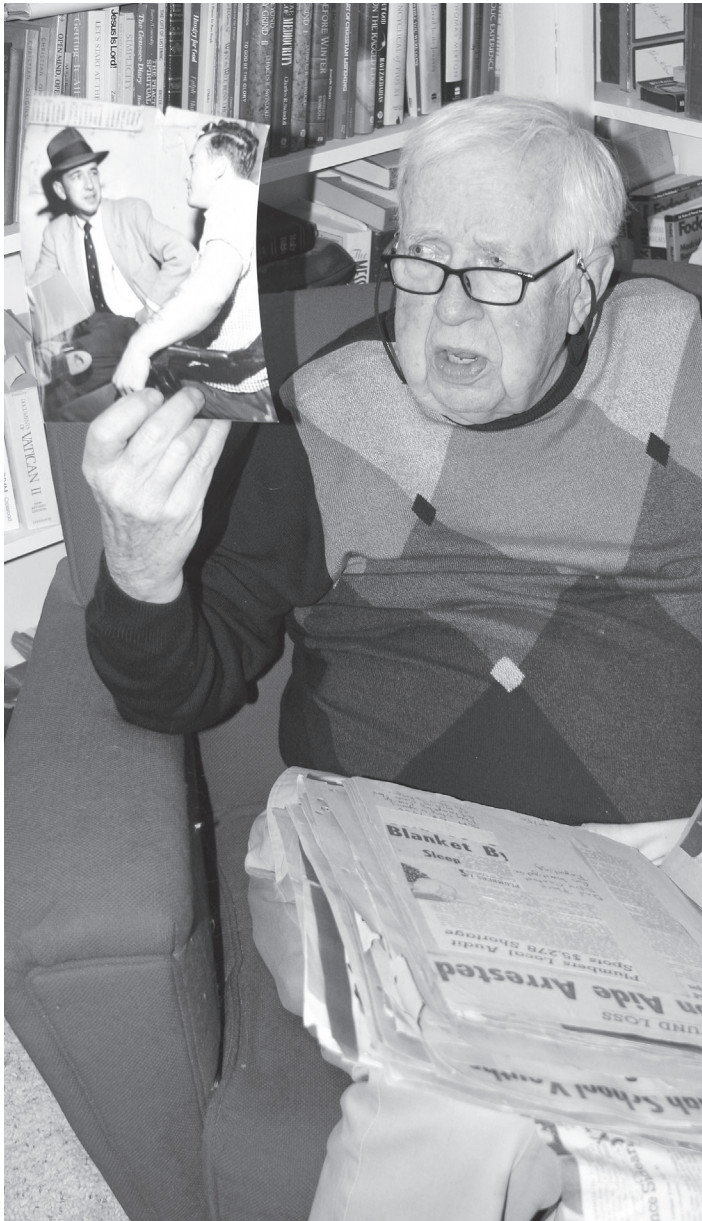
### Veteran reporter reflects on legacy



Courtesy of PHIL RECORD  
Phil Record, pictured at left while reporting on a story early in his career, worked his way up from a reporter on the crime beat to managing editor at the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. He later served as ombudsman before becoming a professional-in-residence at the university.

“It’s that kind of real-world experience, that is the reason Phil can bring things to the classroom that maybe some others couldn’t.”

**Bob Schieffer**  
Alumnus and moderator of CBS’ “Face the Nation”



JASON FOCHTMAN / Multimedia Editor  
Phil Record, who teaches a media ethics class at the university, shows a photo in which he wears a snap-brim fedora. As a police reporter for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Record wore the hat so he would look like a detective.

**By Jason Fochtman**  
Multimedia Editor

During the Christmas season in the 1950s and 60s, Phil Record, who was working the crime beat for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram at the time, would receive a bottle of Wild Turkey Bourbon from the funeral homes that operated the emergency ambulances.

Funeral home operators would thank Record for mentioning their establishments in crime stories as they offered a liquid token of their appreciation.

“Of course, they were hoping I would give them an extra mention in the paper or ambulance call, but I never did,” Record said.

At the time, receiving gifts such as a bottle of bourbon, a free ride to an out-of-town Dallas Cowboys game or even a sports coat from Neiman Marcus were all part of working in the newspaper business, Record said.

Today, Record, a professional in residence in journalism ethics at TCU, views the act of accepting those gifts in a different light, something he stresses in his ethics class.

“The perception of a conflict of interest is just as damaging to your credibility as an actual conflict,” Record said.

In the corner of the study in his Wedgewood home, Record, a Fort Worth native, carefully turns each aging page of his 108-page scrapbook. The book is well-worn, held together by a single metal bracket near the top of the binding, the lower bracket long gone. Inside the cover, trimmed with a fraying red ribbon and covered with the material from an old Star-Telegram umbrella — which resembles a newspaper more than an umbrella — contains Phil Record’s work, covering almost a half century in the newspaper business.

Although the book contains much of Record’s work over the span of his 43-year career at the Star-Telegram, one specific article was intentionally not included.

#### A Gray Area

In the early ‘60s, Record was the senior police reporter for the Star-Telegram and was accustomed to getting the first tip on a story. But one evening, while reading the day’s paper in his office in the basement of City Hall, he found a story in the Fort Worth Press that he did not have.

“Mason Lankford, the local fire marshal, tipped it off to my competitor at the Fort Worth Press and it really teed me off,” Record said. “I thought, ‘Hey, if you want to be in good with me, you better take care of me.’”

As he sat back in his chair, he thought to himself “I’ll get him back.” A few weeks later, he got his chance after a gasoline truck in Mansfield exploded and killed four people.

“Mason was so excited down there and I had my tape recorder with me and he used a lot of bad grammar,” Record said.

Normally, Record would paraphrase what Lankford said, but instead he “just quoted him down the line.”

“My motive wasn’t to inform the public, it was to hurt Mason Lankford,” Record said.

Almost 50 years later, Record cited that as the only thing he still has a guilty conscience about.

“Malice aforethought,” he calls it. “That article isn’t included in here because I’m just too ashamed of it,” he says quietly.

That experience showed Record just how

powerful the printed word could be and would help shape his outlook on the role of ethics in journalism.

In 1963, Bob Schieffer, the future moderator of CBS’ “Face the Nation” and a TCU alumnus, started as a police reporter for the Star-Telegram, replacing Record, who had been promoted.

“We all tried to look like cops and Phil had always worn a hat — usually a black or dark blue snap-brim hat — because most of the detectives wore a hat,” Schieffer said. “When I went to work on the night police beat, the first thing he said to me was, ‘Get a hat.’”

Schieffer said Record told him that’s how people dress in the police beat and he should blend in.

“In that day, we never told people who we were unless they asked,” Schieffer said. “We never lied about who we were, but we just never got around to telling them who we were.”

In 1971, Record, who had recently been promoted to the job of city editor at the Star-Telegram, applied to attend a two-week journalism conference for city editors at Columbia University hosted by the American Press Institute.

“All I knew was I wanted to be the best (city editor) I could and I knew that would help me,” Record said.

Little did he know that an ethics lecture by Paul Snelson, director of the program, would spark a fiery passion for ethics in Record that would change the course of his career.

During the lecture, Record remembers Snelson saying, “What we have to remember is that people invite us into their homes and we should act like guests and not like intruders.”

It was Snelson’s lecture that really sparked his interest in ethics.

“We were the front-line editors and we needed to do a better job,” Record said. “We needed to do a more ethical job. There were still people writing columns with phony sources.

We needed to clean up our act and I just took that on and decided right then that I would be a really tough editor on ethics,” he said.

As city editor, Record created a rule that reporters had to double check any phone number they ran in the paper.

“You had to go back and make that phone call,” Record said. He even put up signs around the newsroom that read “Accuracy, Accuracy, Accuracy.”

“People don’t have to talk to us,” Record said. “So, thank God when they did.”

Record sees those times as a different life — one that was a lot more fun, he laughed.

“I considered myself a very ethical reporter at that time by those standards,” he said.

Now, Record stresses the importance of being upfront and letting people know they are talking to a reporter, a change since his early days as a police reporter.

Throughout his career, Record influenced the ethical standards of journalism both nationally as president of the Society of Professional Journalists and as ombudsman of the Star-Telegram.

As president of SPJ from 1983 to 1984, Record decided to make it his goal to raise the ethical standards of journalism. He accomplished this by helping to revise the SPJ code of ethics.

During his time as ombudsman for the Star-Telegram, Record wrote daily internal memos that were sent to everybody from the publisher to the copyboy, memos that talked about what the readers had told him that day and his own thoughts about the day’s product.

Wes Turner, former publisher of the Star-



For video of Record looking back on his most infamous crime stories, go to [DailySkiff.com](http://DailySkiff.com).

Telegram, turned to Record as a source of honest advice.

“I knew him as an honest person and a person who was well-respected by his peers,” Turner said. “If there was a problem he recognized it and dealt with it head on, there was no nibbling around the edges.”

While his views would occasionally “get a person’s nose out of joint from time to time, his columns were not criticism for the sake of criticism, they were constructive,” Turner added.

Record recalled that at the beginning of his job as ombudsman, “there was great suspicion among the staff that I was going to be a tool for the publisher. After a short time, the staff came to like the position because they could see that it was helping their credibility.”

“I would come out at 2 p.m. every afternoon with my marked up papers and go to every desk,” Record said. “I made it a point to pass every desk in the newsroom and if anyone was mad or thought I was unfair to them we’d have it out right there.”

After Record retired as ombudsman for the Star-Telegram on Dec. 31, 1997, Tommy Thomason, former director of the Schieffer School of Journalism, was at Record’s door asking him to come teach ethics at TCU.

“I began to bug him almost immediately,” Thomason said.

Even at Record’s retirement party he was courted by several universities including Texas Tech University, University of North Texas and University of Texas at Arlington — as well as TCU.

#### Looking To The Future

Finally, Record decided that he would take six months to do nothing but sleep late, and after his hiatus he decided to teach at TCU. While he could have made more money at other universities, Record knew he would have much greater freedom teaching ethics at a private school.

“God is involved in ethics, so I knew I would have much more leeway, and I lived 20 minutes away,” Record said.

Record’s experience brings something different to the table.

“A lot of people get to write about ethics from a theoretical perspective, but Phil spent half a century in the newsroom,” Thomason said.

Schieffer said his experience on the police beat helped his personal understanding of ethics.

“There are any number of issues that will come up on the police beat that are real life issues and life or death issues, and you have to make instant judgments about them,” Schieffer said. “That just doesn’t happen to you on any other beat.”

“It’s that kind of real-world experience, that is the reason Phil can bring things to the classroom that maybe some others couldn’t,” he added.

Thomason said even though Record is 80 years old, his perspective and passion is young.

“You don’t learn that,” Thomason said. “You either have it or you don’t, and Phil has it.”



# Citizen sleuths follow trail of elusive hijacker D.B. Cooper

By Les Blumenthal  
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — It's among the coldest of cold cases. While a team of citizen sleuths, with the help of the FBI, have turned up some tantalizing new clues, the fate of D.B. Cooper after he jumped out of a hijacked airplane with a parachute and \$200,000 in cash nearly 38 years ago may never be known.

Over the years, Cooper has become a folk hero in the Northwest, the subject of movies, songs and Internet chat rooms. He's the only person in U.S. history to hijack a domestic airliner and escape. The hijacking led to the first of the tougher security procedures for passengers boarding planes that are now standard at airports.

The informal team of detectives includes a fossil hunter who works with the Burke Museum of Natural History in Seattle, a well-known scientific illustrator, an Egyptologist who speaks 12 languages, a metallurgist and an Arkansas man who discovered \$5,800 of the loot in \$20 bills while throwing a Frisbee on the banks of the Columbia River when he was 8 years old.

"We are looking down every rabbit hole," said Tom Kaye, a paleontologist who spends part of his time searching for dinosaur bones in Wyoming and the rest staring through an electron microscope at particles lifted from a black J.C. Penney tie that Cooper left behind on the plane.

The team is scouring a French comic book series that featured a Royal Canadian Air Force test pilot named Dan Cooper. The comics were popular in France and French-speaking Canada at the time of the hijacking, leading to speculation that Cooper borrowed the name of the fictional comic book hero. Cooper used the name Dan Cooper when he purchased his ticket for Northwest Orient Airlines Flight 305. The media, mistakenly, dubbed him D.B.

The team also spent several days

along the Columbia River using satellite maps and global positioning systems to try to locate the exact spot where the money was found. Though no one knows for sure, it's thought the money washed downstream more than 20 miles from where Cooper may have landed in southwestern Washington state. Kaye and his team think the money reached the Columbia

**"Diving into the wilderness without a plan, without the right equipment, in such terrible conditions, he probably never even got his chute open."**

**Larry Carr**  
FBI special agent and leader of investigation

River sandbar where it was found, months after the hijacking. Previously, it was thought to have taken several years.

"We are looking at everything," said Carol Abraczinskas, a scientific illustrator who teaches at the University of Chicago. She didn't know much about Cooper but became fascinated after hearing Kaye talk about the case during a break at a convention.

On Nov. 21, 1971 — Thanksgiving eve — a nondescript man wearing a dark suit, white shirt and tie bought a one-way ticket on Flight 305, bound for Seattle from Portland, Ore. After boarding the plane and ordering a bourbon and soda, the man handed a note to a flight attendant telling her he had a bomb in his briefcase. He opened the briefcase, which contained bundles of wires and red sticks. He demanded \$200,000 and parachutes.

After the flight landed in Seattle, he released the 36 passengers. The plane took off again, headed

for Mexico City. The hijacker told the pilot to fly at 200 mph at 10,000 feet and ordered the crew to stay in the cockpit. Twenty minutes or so after takeoff, the man lowered the stairs at the back of the Boeing 727 and jumped.

It may have been the perfect crime. He was never seen again.

The FBI suspected he might have landed in a heavily timbered, rugged area near the small town of Ariel. A search by agents and soldiers from Fort Lewis failed to turn up any sign of Cooper, his parachute or the money. Over the years, the FBI has run down thousands of leads and conducted thousands of interviews, including a handful involving people of special interest. None led anywhere.

Decades later, the FBI's Seattle Field Office is tired of talking about Cooper and declined to comment, saying there was nothing new.

The special agent leading the investigation, Larry Carr, has said it's "highly unlikely" that Cooper survived the jump.

"Diving into the wilderness without a plan, without the right equipment, in such terrible conditions, he probably never even got his chute open," Carr said on an FBI Web site.

Whether he survived or not, one fundamental question remains unanswered: Who was D.B. Cooper?

"Even if he is dead, everyone wants to know who he was," Abraczinskas said.

- Carr thinks Cooper:
- Served in the Air Force and, at one point, was based in Europe, where he may have read the Dan Cooper comic books.
  - May have been a loner with little or no family and few friends who would have reported him missing.
  - May have worked as a cargo loader because of his knowledge of airplanes.
  - Knew about parachutes, though wasn't an expert because few experts would have jumped out of a plane in the conditions he faced.

- Didn't have help on the ground because that would have required him to communicate closely with the plane's crew to hit a specific drop zone.

Though the investigation has remained open, Carr said it didn't make sense for the FBI to spend a lot of time, money or manpower on it. So the agency asked the public for help and offered access to its voluminous case files.

"It's the only unsolved hijacking in U.S. history," said Kaye, the de facto leader of the team. "The FBI doesn't have the money, but they don't want to give up."

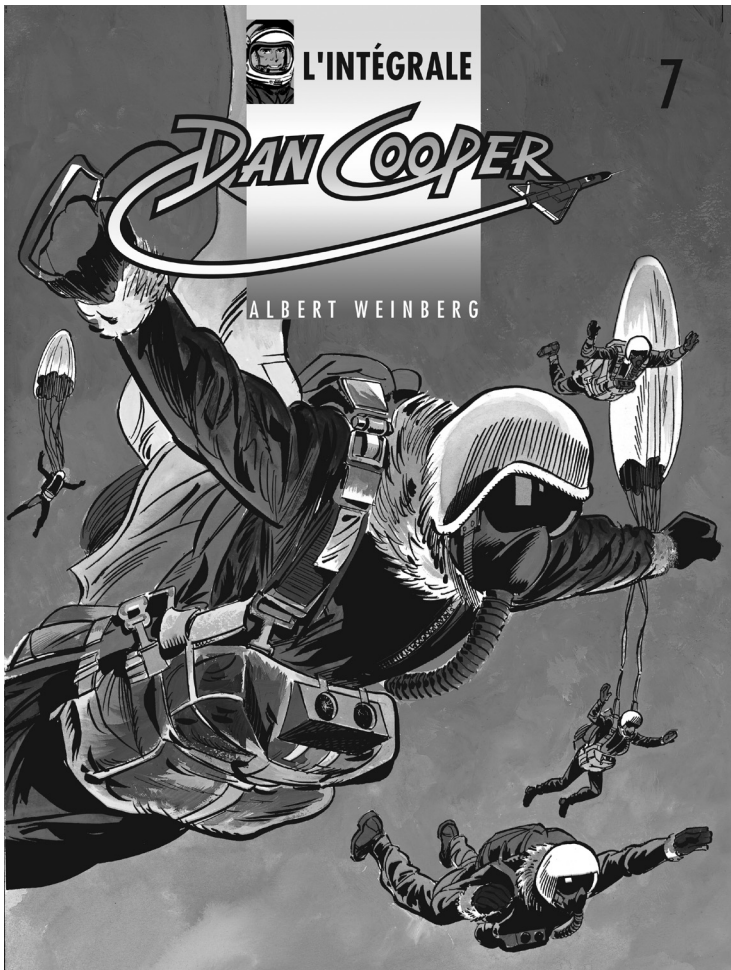
Kaye is a paleontologist, a research associate at the Burke Museum, an astronomer, geologist, inventor, pilot and the former owner of a paintball company. He was recommended to Carr by an acquaintance.

The tie was the only piece of evidence left behind by Cooper on the plane. The FBI was able to lift a DNA sample from the tie; DNA testing didn't exist at the time of the hijacking. Carr is using an electron microscope in the basement of his house to try to identify particles taken from the tie.

Among the most interesting particles are grains of pollen that Kaye is trying to identify. That could help tell where Cooper was before the hijacking, he said. Carr said he's found no pine pollen, and that probably means Cooper hadn't been in the Northwest, which is covered with pine trees.

Abraczinskas has been concentrating on the comic books, which are no longer in print. More than 40 of them were published. She's scanning the comic books into a computer, which translates them from French to English (she doesn't speak French). One of her colleagues at the University of Chicago, the Egyptologist who speaks 12 languages and grew up in French-speaking Montreal, sometimes helps.

They're looking for any clues that might indicate Cooper read the comics, stole the hero's name



HANDOUT via MCT While a team of citizen sleuths, with the help of the FBI, have turned up some tantalizing new clues, the fate of D.B. Cooper after he jumped out of a hijacked airplane with a parachute and \$200,000 in cash nearly 38 years ago may never be known.

and borrowed other parts of the stories. One comic published near the time of the hijacking has Maj. Dan Cooper on the cover parachuting.

"He was a real rock star, a real James Bond type," Abraczinskas said of the mythical Dan Cooper.

Kaye said it's possible Cooper actually landed in the Columbia River, although the FBI dredged the river off Tena Bar after the money was found in 1980. There also had been speculation that Cooper may have actually buried the money on Tena Bar.

The team also wants to take a close look at the rubber bands that held the bundles of \$20 bills together and a length of parachute

cord. Authorities gave Cooper four parachutes after he hijacked the plane. He had cut a piece of cord off one of the parachutes left behind on the plane and may have used it to strap the money to his waist before he jumped. One theory is the parachute cord broke or came undone as Cooper fell toward Earth, scattering the money.



Kaye thinks there's a 50-50 chance that Cooper lived.

"I can see it both ways," he said. Abraczinskas said she isn't so sure.

"My instinct tells me he died," she said. "Skydivers say it was a suicide jump. But it's hard to explain how three bundles of money made it to the Columbia River."

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# NEWS & SPORTS

## WOMEN’S TENNIS



Courtesy of ATHLETIC MEDIA RELATIONS  
Senior Anna Sydorska returns a shot during the ITA Southwest Regional in October in Fort Worth. Friday's 4-1 loss to Baylor marked Harkins' final match at home.

## Baylor hands team loss in regular season finale

By Annie Cooper  
Staff Reporter

The women's tennis team left the indoor courts Friday with a little better idea of what it will need to work on before this week's Mountain West Conference Championships in Albuquerque, N.M., after a 4-1 loss to a No. 5-ranked Baylor squad.

The Horned Frogs, ranked No. 28, were on a six-match winning streak before suffering the loss.

The team got off to a good start when it claimed the doubles point but was unable to win any of the singles matches that followed. The team closed the season with a 7-1 record in the MWC and a 13-10 record overall.

"We tried to get into singles with the same energy we had in doubles," senior Anna Sydorska said. "We fought hard but they are a good team."

Despite the loss, Sydorska celebrated her 100th doubles victory in her college career, holding the record for the second-most victories in doubles in the university's

history.

Senior Macall Harkins, No. 78 in the nation, said the team will take that extra level of confidence it had in doubles with them to the tournament next weekend to be more prepared in singles matches.

"Doubles went really well because we went out there strong and were raring to go," Harkins said.

Junior Nina Munch-Soegaard, the No. 14-ranked singles player in the nation, played for the first time since late February after recovering from a shoulder injury.

Munch-Soegaard said she is feeling good, ready to be back and looking forward to playing matches again.

Head coach Jefferson Hammond said the Horned Frogs came out swinging as loose as they could but the Bears fought hard and weren't just going to collapse after giving up the doubles point.

"We played a really tough opponent, so we should feel prepared for anything now," Hammond said.

The team will head to Albuquerque to compete in the MWC Championships beginning Wednesday.

## Vagabond takes part in community

By Lee Hill Kavanaugh  
McClatchy Newspapers

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Marva Wills, owner of House of Flowers, doesn't remember exactly when she first noticed the homeless woman sitting in the little alcove across the street.

She knows it was sometime this past winter, on a day that was bitterly cold.

Framed like a picture in her plate-glass window at 31st and Holmes was a lone woman wrapped in blankets and a sleeping bag. Red curls spilled from beneath her knit cap. Black sweat pants, black steel-toed work boots. Two pairs of gloves and a worn coat. Her face was ruddy, chapped by the wind. Only briefly did Wills see her eyes: Hazel-blue, deep in the pages of a book.

Wills started watching the woman. Saw that she didn't drink. Or take drugs. Or beg for money. She was always alone. She was just ... there.

Wills remembered a Bible verse, the one from Philipians about learning to be content with lack.

She wondered if the homeless woman was really an angel, sent to show a hurting world how little is really needed to live.

And then she saw something blossom.

Richard Lester, who lives nearby, stopped to talk to the woman and ask if she needed a good coat. Myla Davis, whose commute to work took her down 31st Street, brought coffee and sometimes cookies. Another person gave her a tarp. Someone else just wanted to tell her they were praying for her.

A bus driver pulled over and stepped down from his seat to chat with her. A cab driver rolled down his window to talk.

Strangers all.

But strangers no more, once they'd talked with her.

She became a familiar figure on 31st Street, the homeless



FRED BLOCHER / Kansas City Star via MCT  
Homeless for at least two years, Lorna is a voracious reader befriended by neighbors near 31st and Holmes streets in Kansas City, Mo. Here she visited Emancipation Station, a daytime haven for homeless women, April 7.

woman who loved to read, who bothered no one.

When the winds howled and Wills was snug in her bed, she wondered about the woman. Was she warm? Did she have enough to eat? How could this woman who had so little seem so content?

For 30 years Wills worked in the Kansas City School District, supervising a staff of counselors who worked with children from 5 to 18 years old. Before she retired from the district she became an ordained Methodist minister. She and her husband, Jack, raised two children. At retirement, they had a dream of opening a flower shop, along with an inner-city church.

In 1999 they found the building at 31st and Holmes streets. That day was like a hundred Christmases bundled together. We will have a church disguised as a flower shop, she told her husband.

They wanted their building to project warmth, to feel like a refuge from coldness.

But then Wills' world shuddered.

Her husband died. She felt she would die, too. But she took a deep breath. She'd work harder. Set goals. Strive.

That first Sunday after Wills noticed the homeless woman, some children from the church took food to her. They invited her to join them.

I'm too dirty, she told them. Maybe next week.

The next Sunday, Wills went to her. Please come and join us, just

as you are, she told the woman.

I'm too dirty this week, the woman said. But I'll come next Sunday. Promise.

Wills learned her name: Lorna.

The Sunday after that, Lorna came. The little group of believers sang and prayed and studied together. After church, they ate lunch.

Wills invited Lorna to visit the shop during the week. Come on in. You can sit in here, if you'd like. It's warm. It's safe.

"She's content. I see in her all the things I wish I was. She just is. 'This is who I am. This is me.'"

**Marva Willis**  
owner of House of Flowers

Wills admired Lorna's confidence. How she dared to be herself, never trying to please, never worrying if someone liked her or didn't like her. Simply present in the moment.

"She's content," Wills said. "I see in her all the things I wish I was. She just is. 'This is who I am. This is me.'"

But a couple weeks ago, Wills watched as police visited Lorna. Someone had signed a complaint. No homeless people allowed here.

The next day, Lorna gave Wills some books and extra Bibles. Please take them, Lorna said, and give them to somebody else

who could use them. I'll be OK. Spring is coming.

Wills watched as Lorna rolled up her blankets and sleeping bag, securing them with a man's tie. White trash bags hanging down from her grocery cart carried her most prized possessions: sunscreen, lip balm, a tin of tobacco for her hand-rolled cigarettes. Then she disappeared down the street, walking slowly behind her cart.

The people who had been talking to Lorna, giving her clothing and coffee and books, noticed she was gone. They've been asking Wills what happened.

She's fine, Wills tells them. She's still a regular at Wills' little church, Divine Connection Ministry, inside the flower shop.

Lorna has found a new nook along 31st Street, a place to sleep when the sun goes down.

It's tough being homeless, she says. Lonely. "I wouldn't recommend it."

She isn't sure how it happened to her. She lost her job, then her apartment.

Now she finds joy in little things, like the park that keeps the light near the restrooms on. If she wants, she can read all night long.

And there are so many nice people out there.

Still, she's surprised how many have worried about her missing from her spot at 31st and Holmes.

Really? she says. People care about me?

And she grins wide. "I'm not invisible after all."



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recording a regional qualifying time in the process.

"I wasn't very happy with how my 100-meter race went so I wanted to come out and run a strong 200," Dungey said.

In the 400-meter hurdles, sophomore Jordan Pitts ran a regional qualifying mark on the men's side. On the women's side seniors Kishelle Paul and Meaghan

Peoples also both posted regional qualifying times.

The men's and women's 4x100 teams both also posted regional qualifying times.

In field events, the Flyin' Frogs won first place in the discus, shot put and triple jump for both the men and women. Tommy Killen (discus), Stormy Harrison (shot put), Whitney Gipson (long jump) and Neidra Covington (triple jump) all posted regional marks.

Freshman Louis Tijerina and

sophomore Jacob Womeldorf finished first and second, respectively, in the 3,000-meter steeplechase. In the men's 800-meters, freshmen Jack O'Brien and Zane Hill both ran personal-best times.

The Flyin' Frogs will be in action Thursday at the Penn Relays in Philadelphia.

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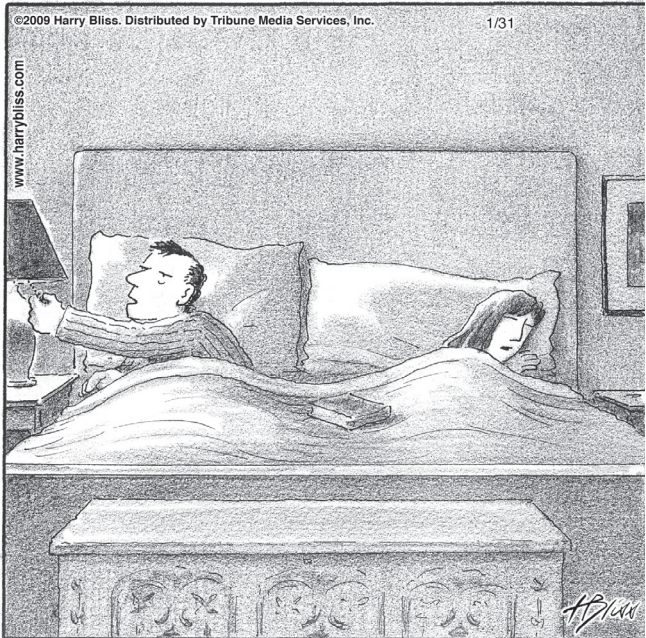
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### Joke of the Day

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A: She had a pumpkin for a coach.

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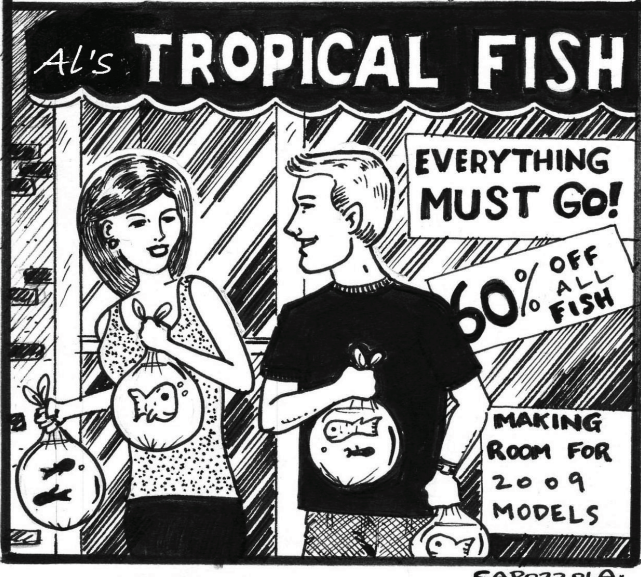
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# SPORTS



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## FOOTBALL Hughes lone returner to inexperienced D-line

By Michael Carroll  
Sports Editor

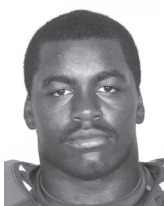
Only one starter from the Frogs' 2008 defensive line will be returning for the upcoming season. But if you had to pick one player to return to the D-line in 2009, it would certainly have to be consensus All-American defensive end Jerry Hughes.

Hughes, a 6-foot-3-inch, 257-pound senior from Sugar Land, racked up a nation-leading 15 sacks last season to go along with a total of six forced fumbles, also the best in the nation. A relative unknown until his breakout 2008 season, Hughes started just one game during his first two years with the Frogs.

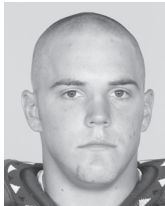
Because of his outstanding play in 2008, Hughes was named as one of the five finalists for the Bronko Nagurski Trophy which honors the nation's top defensive player. Other players in Hughes' position probably would have opted to exit the college scene and enter the professional ranks. But — much to the joy of Frog fans — Hughes decided to stay on board for his senior year.

Perhaps he wants to prove to scouts that 2008 wasn't a fluke or maybe he just wants to be a part of another suffocation-inducing Frog defense. Whatever the reason may be, it will be interesting to see if Hughes can equal or even eclipse his production from 2008, especially considering the all of the new faces that will be alongside him on the D-line.

Sophomores Ross Forrest and Braylon Broughton will fight for the starting defensive end position opposite Hughes. Forrest, a walk-on, appeared in 11



Daniels



Forrest



Griffin



Hughes

games as a true freshman last season and Broughton, a 2008 Preseason Mountain West Conference Freshman of the Year, saw action in just three games in 2008.

Junior nose tackle Kelly Griffin is expected to replace the departing Cody Moore. Griffin started all 13 games as a true freshman in 2007.

Junior Wayne Daniels is expected to slide over from end to play defensive tackle for the Frogs in 2009. Daniels will replace a departing James Vess.

Overall, the Frogs lack experience across the D-line. Hughes will be a force to be reckoned with, but his success and the overall success of the defense will depend on how well the new batch of starters up front perform.

**Projected starters:** DE Jerry Hughes, DE Ross Forrest, DT Wayne Daniels, NT Kelly Griffin

**Other returning players:** DE Braylon Broughton, NT Cory Grant, DE Clarence Leatch

**Starters lost:** NT Cody Moore, DE Matt Panfil, DT James Vess

## TRACK

# HOME FLYIN'



JASON FOCHTMAN / Multimedia Editor

Sophomore LaQuinta Ross takes her third leap at the triple jump during TCU Track Invitational. Ross finished fourth with a distance of 5.67m. TCU players took the top four spots.

## Teams rake in qualifying marks

By Mark Bell  
Staff Reporter

The men's and women's track and field teams posted 16 NCAA regional qualifying marks and won 16 event titles Saturday at the 10th annual TCU Invitational at the Lowdon Track and Field Complex.

"I thought we had a pretty good day," head coach Darryl Anderson said. "The weather was pretty gloomy but we had some good things happen, and I think we are moving forward."

In the women's 200-meters, junior Jessica Young won with a regional qualifying and personal best time of 23.18 seconds.

Senior Jessica Clarke came in second in the event with a regional qualifying time of 23.77 seconds. Young's time is the No. 14 time in the world and currently the sixth-fastest time in the nation.

Young and Clarke also finished first and second, respectively, in the 400-meter dash, both posting regional qualifying times.

Sophomore Matthew Love ran a regional qualifying time, winning the men's 400 meters with the top time in the Mountain West Conference this spring. Sophomore Mychal Dungey ran the top-collegiate time in the men's 200 meters,

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## BASEBALL

# A&M Corpus Christi next in line for Horned Frogs

By Travis L. Brown  
Staff Writer

The 23-11 baseball team will return to action today to begin a two-game series with Texas A&M-Corpus Christi.

The Islander hitters are lead by senior infielder Martin Parra who comes into the series with a .329 average and 35 RBIs. Sophomore

pitcher Trey Hernandez leads the team in long balls with 11.

Sophomore Roy Ferdin leads A&M-Corpus Christi's pitchers with a 5.15 ERA in 57.2 innings pitched. Brett Carline has tallied the most wins for the Islanders with a 3-4 record in 12 appearances.

The Horned Frogs come home after a snowstorm hit Colorado over the weekend, forcing the cancelation of the entire series against conference foe Air Force. The last game for the team was a 7-5 loss to Oklahoma in Norman on April 14.

The Horned Frogs' offense is lead by senior Matt Vern who has hit .375 with nine home runs and 31 RBIs so far this season. The team has seven other batters hitting above .300 and boasts a .319 team batting average.

Senior Taylor Cragin leads the pitchers with a 2.12 ERA in 34 innings pitched and a 3-0 record coming out of the pen. Usual weekday starter Stephen Maxwell is 2-2 with a 4.34 ERA in 29 innings pitched.



PAIGE MCDARDLE / Design Editor

Texas Tech third baseman Jeremy Mayo, left, waits for the ball as senior first baseman Matt Vern slides into third during the Horned Frogs' 12-5 win April 13.

After the two-game series against A&M-Corpus Christi, the Horned Frogs will travel to California for a weekend conference series against San Diego State beginning Friday. The team will return home for a seven-game homestand beginning next Wednesday when it hosts Houston Baptist.

## TCU vs. A&M-Corpus Christi

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