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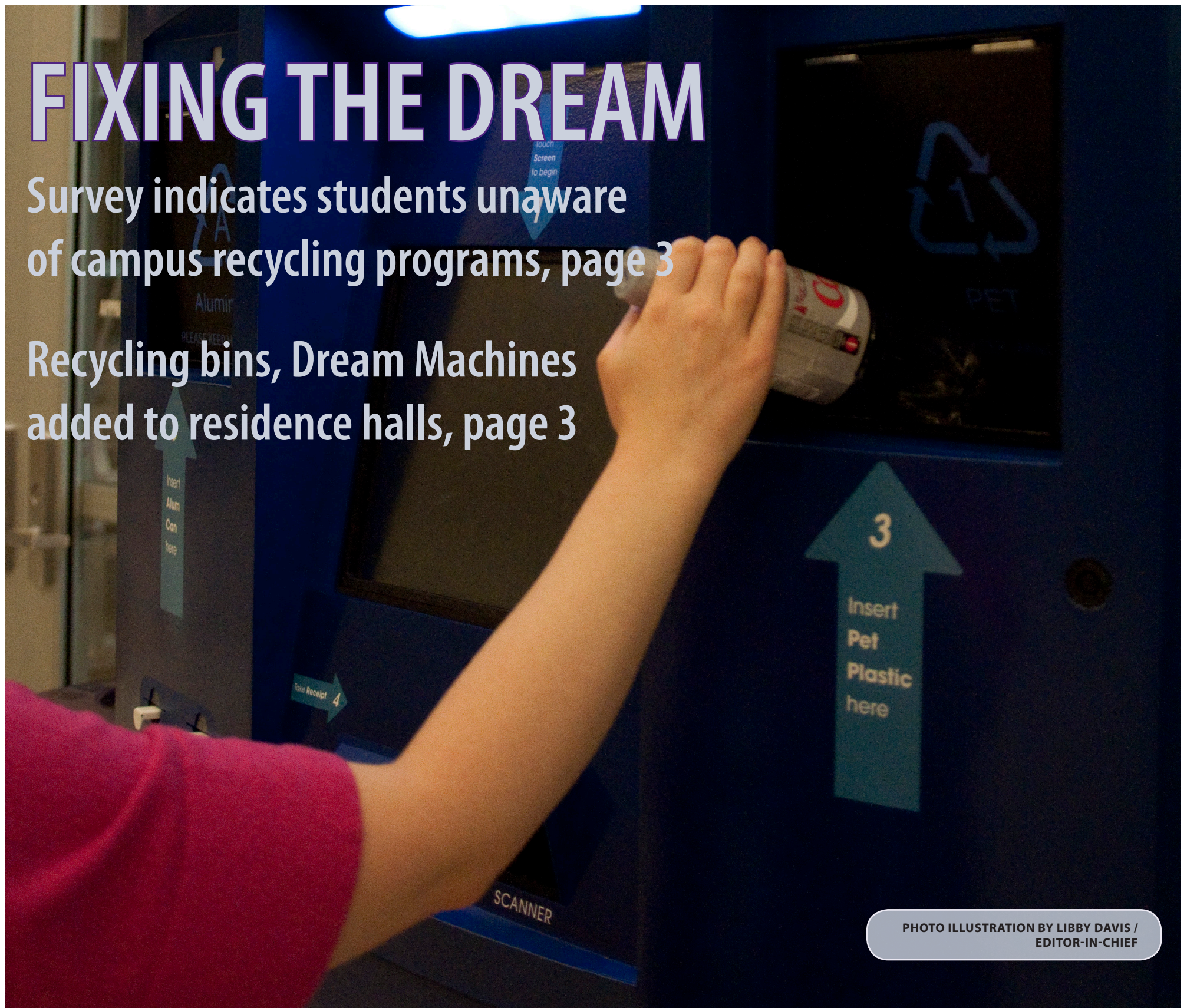


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Cheers, jeers given for end of semester

Cheers to the successful efforts to bring Greenopolis Dream Machines to campus this semester. The machines will help the university's sustainability goals as well as give students rewards for recycling.

Jeers to a hike in football season ticket pricing packages because of the addition of TCU's home game against BYU at Cowboys Stadium. Those who only want to go to the games at Amon G. Carter Stadium should have the choice to opt out of the BYU game.

Cheers to Market Square for preparing more meals in-house with fresher ingredients. TCU Dining Services' commitment to bettering what it offers gives students the opportunity to offer suggestions for even more improvements.

Jeers to TCU Athletics for not allowing the cheerleading squad to perform basket tosses at the National Cheerleading Association national competition, which cost the squad three places in its finish in the competition. The cheerleaders should be competent and experienced enough to safely perform the stunt.

Cheers to the university receiving a record number of applications this year. The university's success in all areas is gaining it recognition, and the application numbers reflect that.

Jeers to potentially not having enough on-campus housing next year to accommodate all of the students who will be required or who will want to live on campus. But plans for a potential new sophomore residence hall by 2012 and Housing & Residence Life continuing to look for ways to meet the demand are steps in the right direction.

Associate/opinion editor Marshall Doig for the editorial board.

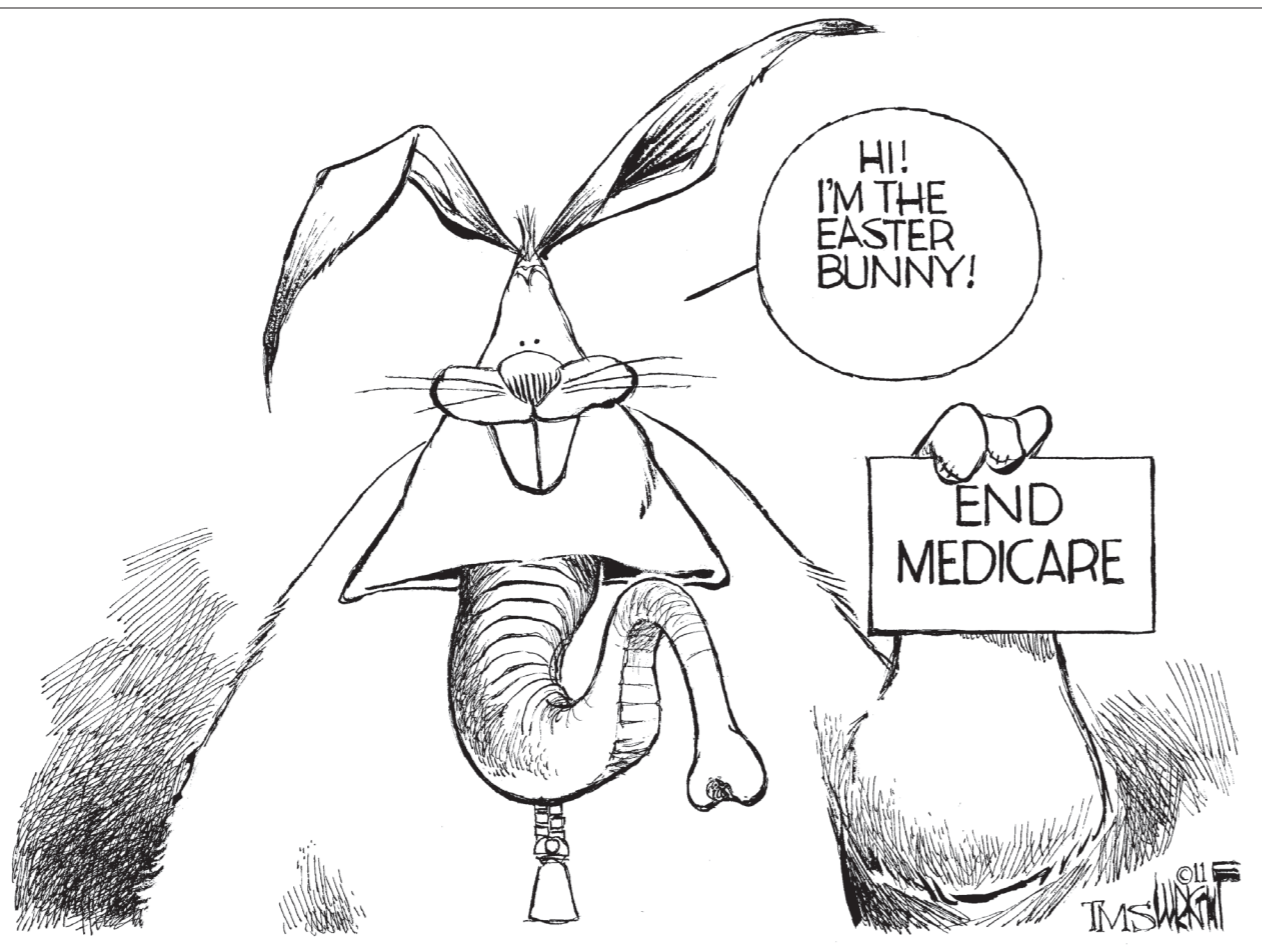
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Higher taxes would help Congress fix budget



Drew Curd

On Monday, the debt crisis hit another rough spot when The Seattle Times reported Standard & Poor's shifted its view on the United States debt from stable to negative. Along with this shift in viewpoint, S&P also stated that the United States could lose its AAA rating, the highest rating that financial securities can have.

While this report was being sent out, The Washington Post reported Congress was debating the issue of raising the debt ceiling. The debt ceiling is the amount the government can legally borrow. The reason Congress wants to raise it is because if the U.S. breaches it, the country will, in effect, default on its loans, which could affect foreign markets.

Congress has an option to make either serious budget cuts or to raise the debt ceiling. But partisanship in Congress is preventing a budget plan from being passed. This division has created the possibility of the country not seeing a con-

crete budget plan until after the 2012 elections. That is one of the reasons why S&P might drop the U.S. credit rating, which would make it even harder for America to bounce back from the recession.

The so-called Ryan Plan is gaining support in the House, according to a Monday article from The Washington Times, and it might even become the framework for a compromise. But for the Democrats to back any part of the plan, they would truly compromise their beliefs. As Rep. Paul Ryan said about his proposed budget plan in the CNN Money article, "This isn't a budget. This is a cause."

But this cause is wrong. The Ryan Plan is more about pushing a belief system down the throats of Americans than actually trying to create a budget that lowers the deficit. This can be seen clearly in its attempt to defund the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and in the plan's tax cuts for the wealthy. But NPR reports that the Ryan Plan does not truly address defense spending, which makes up about \$698 billion dollars of the 2010 budget, according to the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute. As one can see, most of the plan shows more ideology than common sense.

The budget has to have cuts that, unfortunately, will hurt in some places. We have dug ourselves into a deep hole that is

going to be painful to get out of. We will have to make cuts in areas of discretionary spending, and we also must raise taxes.

Congressional Republicans want an extension on the tax cuts, and it stems from a belief in "trickle-down" economics. The theory holds that by cutting taxes for the wealthy and for big businesses in America, the increased amount of money held by these entities trickles down to the rest of our economy.

But history has shown this type of economic system did not work. According to the Ludwig von Mises Institute, Ronald Reagan and George H. W. Bush left Bill Clinton with a large federal deficit and an increased federal debt. Clinton, though, helped get rid of the deficit and even reported a budget surplus in a number of those years. The federal debt also was lowered. To achieve this, Clinton had to take certain measures, such as raising the tax rate on the wealthiest Americans.

There is no doubt we have gotten ourselves into a lot of trouble with our spending. As Americans, we must make strong, common-sense choices that will not negatively affect our fellow Americans. We can no longer shy away from pain for the sake of our country, or we will fall.

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PERSPECTIVES

Parents should lead healthier lifestyles to serve as examples for kids



Bailey McGowan

A new study from the University of Minnesota released April 11 found that being a parent can detract from leading a healthy lifestyle.

The study found that both mothers and fathers were less physically active than their non-parent peers and that young adult mothers had a higher body mass index than their non-parent counterparts.

Parents may not have the luxury of scheduling in a workout or planning

to cook a well-balanced meal, but that doesn't mean people should shy away from having children. Instead, people should change their priorities.

The study looked at 838 women and 682 men. The study found that the women were consuming more drinks with high sugar content, more total calories and more saturated fat while the men were less physically active but still had a similar BMI to those men who didn't have children.

Women with children consumed, on average, 2,360 calories a day while childless women consumed 1,992, according to the study. The study said the excess calories could be found in mothers consuming their children's leftover food or their higher intake of more unhealthy foods due to time constraints on cooking nutritious meals with all the family's other activities.

Children model the behavior of those surrounding them, most importantly their parents. If they see their moms and dads eating chips and going through the drive-thru nightly, then they'll grow to understand that these eating behaviors are perfectly normal and will equate these behaviors to being acceptable.

These behaviors aren't acceptable when one looks at the fact that nearly 25 million children are overweight or obese, according to statistics from the Clinton Foundation. There needs to be a change now, and that starts with parents.

Parents need to take a stand for their own well-being. They need to say no to volunteering for every project or signing their children up for yet another activity. Paying attention to what their children truly enjoy and what their

children want to continue to participate in would solve the time crunch surrounding some issues.

Just because parents may live in a world that demands they live in the fast lane doesn't mean they have to thrust their children into that way of thinking.

If parents limit their children to one or two activities based on the parents' personal time schedules, they could work in an exercise schedule and trade off on cooking nutritious meals. If both parents make a conscious effort, they can reverse the negative effects of parenthood and instill in their children a healthy respect for food and exercise.

Small changes now will make a world of difference later. Changes such as taking the stairs, choosing vegetables, drinking only water, sitting down together for dinner and exercising as

a family have physical and emotional benefits for all.

Parenting doesn't have to be a detrimental affair for one's health. The level of stress involved with too many time constraints will only translate to one's children. There needs to be an emphasis on academics and then on other activities. If that means telling a child no, then so be it. Just because there are so many opportunities today doesn't mean that one has to participate in all of them.

The time to change is now, and a parent's reason for saying no doesn't have to be anything more than "because I said so."

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TCU Bookstore advertisement for May 2011 featuring a calendar of events, book signings, and store information.

ATHLETICS

Future competition participation still unclear for cheerleading

By Leah Watkins
and Patrick Burns

News Now Reporter
and News Editor

It is still unclear whether the TCU cheerleading squad can go back to back to nationals or any other competitions next year.

Athletics Director Chris Del Conte said nationals may still be a possibility for the future if the cheerleaders choose to participate in the parts of the competition that do not require basket tosses. A previous Skiff article incorrectly reported that because the squad was designated as a game day only squad, it would be restricted from performing in anything other than sporting events.

"If they want to compete on a national organization for a championship but just not doing the things I don't want to have happen on campus, sure they can compete in it, just not in that particular genre," Del Conte said.

But competitions would not be the athletes' main priority, Del Conte said.

"Our focus was never to be in competition as a cheerleading organization," he said. "That was never the intent of our group, and that's clearly stated in the bylaws."

When the squad practiced for this year's nationals, it did so at an off-campus location because the cheerleading bylaws state basket tosses are not allowed on TCU property.

Del Conte said there was a misunderstanding between the two departments on what was actually happening and on the interpretation of the bylaw.

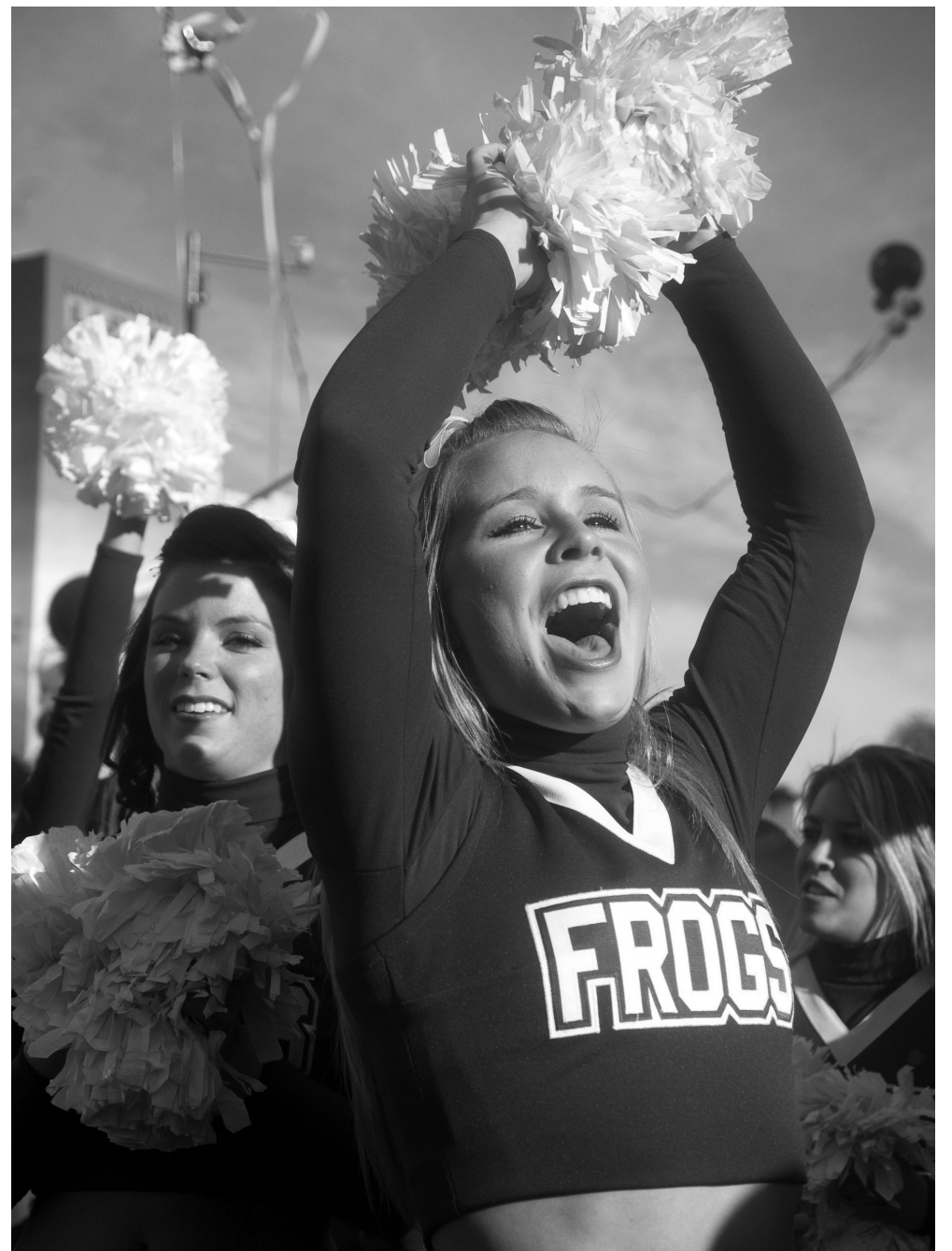
"I think the disagreement, or misunderstanding if you will, was the intent of the institution — that they would always perform under the guidelines of what game day competition is, and that meant no basket tosses. And therein lies a misunderstanding," Del Conte said.

TCU Athletics told cheerleaders before the competition they could not perform the basket tosses they had practiced. The squad ended up competing at nationals without performing the stunt and placed sixth.

"I apologize profusely for the confusion because there were a lot of women that were truly upset by not being able to perform at the level they thought they were going to be able to perform," Del Conte said. "And for that I feel bad. But at the end of the day, my best interest is to protect the institution, and what we have is a game day cheerleading squad."

Ellie Spencer, captain of the cheerleading squad, said she was told by TCU Athletics not to comment on the situation.

Staff reporter Ashley
Monismith contributed
to this report.



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A pair of cheerleaders pump up the crowd at the TCU Rose Bowl pep rally at the Staples Center in Los Angeles the day before the game.

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CAMPUS SAFETY

New police officers get involved on campus

By Crystal Galvan

Staff Reporter

New TCU police officers found that a great advantage to their new jobs was building relationships with the students they protect, Officer Kevin Foster said.

Both Foster and Officer James Harrison said they discovered working at the university level allowed for more accessibility to the community they serve. The officers could act as guides to helping the students succeed, Foster said.

"We're not looking to put anybody in jail or anything like that," Foster said. "We want to help the students help themselves, and I get a lot of satisfaction doing that."

Harrison said he believed the smaller setting around

campus allowed the officers to interact with students by more than just enforcing the law.

Foster and Harrison were two of the four officers recently added to the TCU Police patrol division after TCU Board of Trustees allotted funds to hire more officers, Lieutenant Ramiro Abad said. With the growth of the community surrounding the university, TCU Police needed more officers to aid in patrolling, Abad said.

The officers were hired over a six-month period, beginning last summer, Abad said. The most recent officers were hired near the end of the fall semester, he said.

Each officer met the requirements set by the university and TCU Police, such as the requirement to be licensed in the state of Texas, Abad said.

Then they looked at how well the officers would fit into the TCU community, he said.

"We want the people that work here to be able to interact with the students," Abad said. "We want them to be supportive and helpful with students."

These requirements were specific to the needs of a university level of policing, Abad said. All of the officers that were recently hired were retired from the Fort Worth Police Department, Abad said.

Foster and Harrison said they did not have the emphasis of interaction with people at their previous positions. The city level of policing was focused on a broad area of policing and involved more people to work with and protect, Harrison said. This made it difficult, Harrison said, to

build strong relationships with the people in a city setting.

However, a huge part of a TCU officer's job has been interacting and connecting with students, he said.

"You actually can develop relationships and work with the faculty, students and staff and have close relationships with folks which actually is rewarding in-and-of itself," Harrison said.

As an officer in a city setting, Foster said there are not many opportunities to personally help someone with a problem, but that changed in a university setting. Officers could help students through a myriad of ways, like giving students a ride back to their residence halls, Foster said.

After 25 years of working with the Fort Worth Police



MATT COFFELT / MULTIMEDIA EDITOR

Officer James Harrison poses with one of the TCU Police vehicles outside of the on-campus station. Harrison is one of four new officers to join TCU Police since last summer.

Department, becoming a TCU Police officer provided a refreshing change in pace, Harrison said.

Officers become involved by attending events, and some have even taken part in the Frog Camp experience, Abad

said. The officers' involvement helped build a close connection with not only other officers but everyone on campus, he said.

"We want to treat everyone like they are all a part of our family," Abad said.

CAMPUS

Frogs First aims to make freshmen's first weekend count

By Sydney Hicks

Staff Reporter

A new program will begin in the 2011 fall semester to create opportunities for first-year students to meet and to build relationships their first weekend on campus, Student Activities Coordinator Brett Phillips said.

The program, titled Frogs First, is a collaborative effort with Student Affairs and Student Government Association and will take place Aug. 18-21, the last weekend before the 2011 fall semester begins, Phillips said.

Phillips said regardless of whatever organization, sport, college or group students eventually belong to, students are all Frogs first.

"We all matter, we are all together and unified...that is how the concept happened," he said.

Phillips said he hoped the program would become an annual event for students after the program's first year.

The freshman class will break into groups of 30 and participate in activities and bonding time led by two or three student leaders, Phillips said.

The group leaders would "help mentor, guide, build relationships and look after them [the freshmen] that whole weekend," he said. The deadline for leadership applications was April 8, but Phillips said the application process would

continue for others who were interested in the position to apply for it. With just more than 200 positions available for students, Phillips said he hoped all interested candidates would get a group leadership position.

Saman Sadeghi, a former SGA representative for the AddRan College of Liberal Arts, and sophomore accounting and finance major Sean Shahkarami co-authored a resolution to create a program to unite incoming freshman students on campus in the House of Representatives for the 2009 fall semester.

Sadeghi said he and Shahkarami formed a committee within Frog Aides, a student-led leadership training program exclusively for first-year students, during the 2010 spring semester after the resolution passed to come up with tangible ideas for the program.

Sadeghi said the goal behind the resolution was for incoming freshmen to fall in love with TCU by learning about TCU traditions.

"The vision is a sense of pride and sense of community and unity that comes with our common bond of being Horned Frogs," he said. "That's what the goal of it is."

Shahkarami said, "The vision was for the attitude to be so appreciated that alumni would hire and seek out 'Frogs first' in new job openings. This we felt could potentially rival the alumni bases of both A&M

and UT and have great benefits for TCU."

Macy Pulliam, an SGA representative for the AddRan College of Liberal Arts, said she thought the Frogs First program was what incoming TCU freshmen needed at the beginning of their college careers. Pulliam said she was not directly involved with the program but she was present for the committee to pitch ideas.

"Starting college is an exciting yet scary step," she said. "This program will most certainly ease the transition."

Pulliam said the program would not only help freshmen, but also everyone in the TCU community, including the team leaders by giving them a chance to share their TCU stories.

"Frogs First will be beneficial to TCU as a whole, teaching newcomers the ins and outs and helping them find their place on campus," Pulliam said. "I am looking forward to the start of this brand-new program and to kick off the new semester right."

Phillips said the specific events during the weekend vary from an on-campus challenge to outdoor movies and two-stepping.

The weekend will begin with a social mixer Aug. 18 with the groups getting to know each other and will feature giveaways and other activities, Phillips said.

He said, "We're hoping for

fireworks... We're hoping to do it in the stadium, but we don't know because of renovations what that looks like... But it would be awesome to do it on the field."

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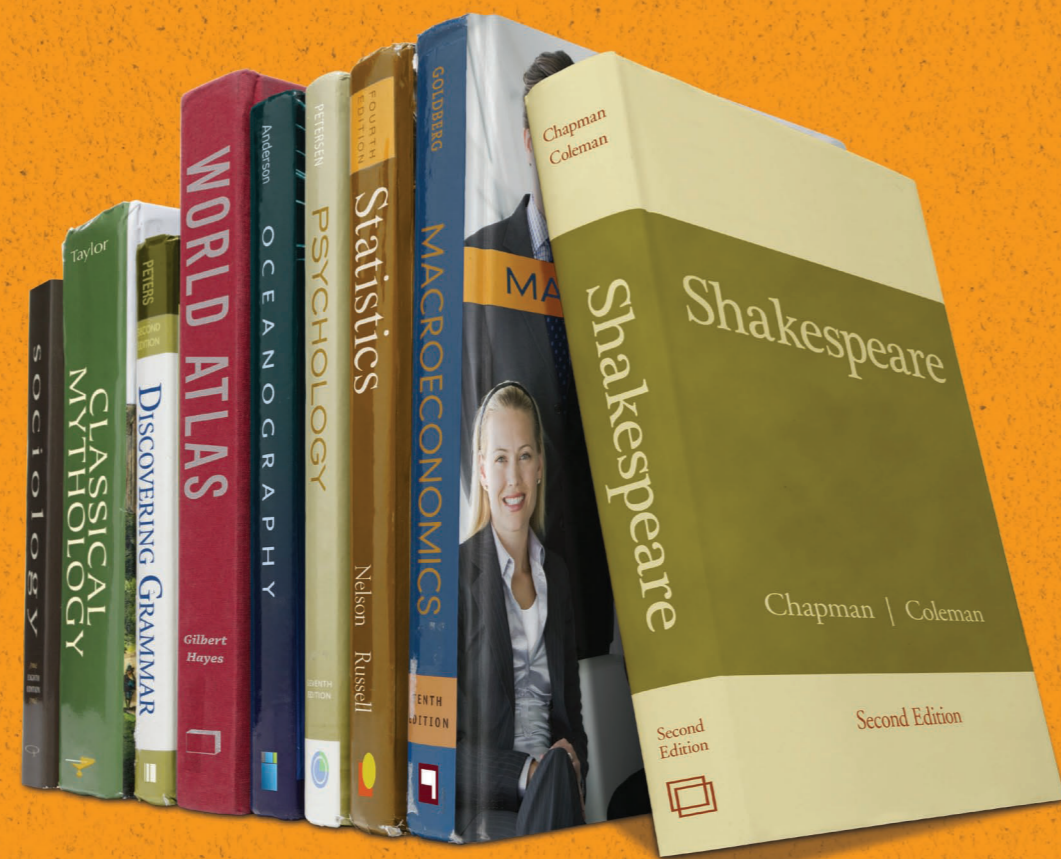
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NATIONAL

'Three Cups' charity pledges 'full transparency'

By Matt Volz
Associated Press

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — The family friend of Greg Mortenson who has stepped in to run the Central Asia Institute while the "Three Cups of Tea" co-author is hospitalized promised Wednesday "full transparency" into how the charity's finances are managed.

Mortenson has been hospitalized in Bozeman and is awaiting surgery next week for a hole in his aortic ventricular wall. He checked into the hospital in the aftermath of reports by "60 Minutes" and author Jon Krakauer that Mortenson lied about events in several parts of his best-selling book and may have financially benefited from the Central Asia Institute.

Mortenson was a keynote speaker at TCU's "Frost Foundation Lecture Series" on Jan. 24. "Three Cups of Tea" was selected as the Common Reading material for the 2010 freshman class.

Anne Beyersdorfer, an independent public relations professional from Washington, D.C., has volunteered to run the Central Asia Institute's operations while Mortenson is hospitalized.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Beyersdorfer declined to speak about Mortenson's condition, but she said he has been overly extended for months and "all that is in his heart is the mission and the kids."

"He is an amazing human being. He'll be OK. He has a broader perspective than most people I know. We will let him heal and he will probably see this as a teaching experience," she said.

She said attorneys for the Central Asia Institute have spoken with Montana Attorney General Steve Bullock's office, which opened an inquiry into the charity after the reports surfaced questioning how its finances have been managed. She pledged cooperation with Bullock and his staff and said financial information going back years are posted on the charity's website.

"We are all about full transparency and communicating with whom we need to be clear about the works we do," she said. Beyersdorfer said much of her time has been spent responding to concerns by donors who contributed money to build schools and promote education in Afghanistan and Pakistan. The Central Asia Institute also has received a large volume of calls and emails in support of Mortenson, she said.

Beyersdorfer's public relations clients have included political candidates, non-profit organizations, corporations and industrial firms, she said. She volunteered because of her ties to Mortenson and because she cares about the work he does, she said, but she acknowledged her professional experience will be useful in helping the charity deal with the aftermath of the "60 Minutes" and Krakauer reports.

"Three Cups of Tea" was released in 2006 and sold more than 3 million copies. That notoriety helped Mortenson grow the Central Asia Institute by generating more than \$50 million in donations.

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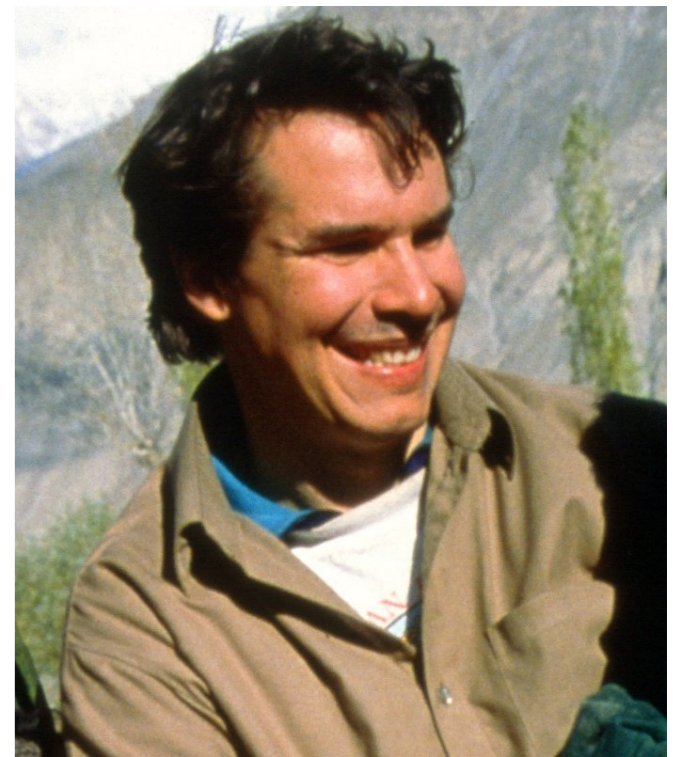
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This undated file photo provided by New Mark Communications shows Greg Mortenson, author of "Three Cups of Tea."

Mortenson's books.

In a recent interview with Outside magazine, Mortenson said he had done nothing

wrong and that much of that money goes toward educating people in the U.S. about the need for the schools.

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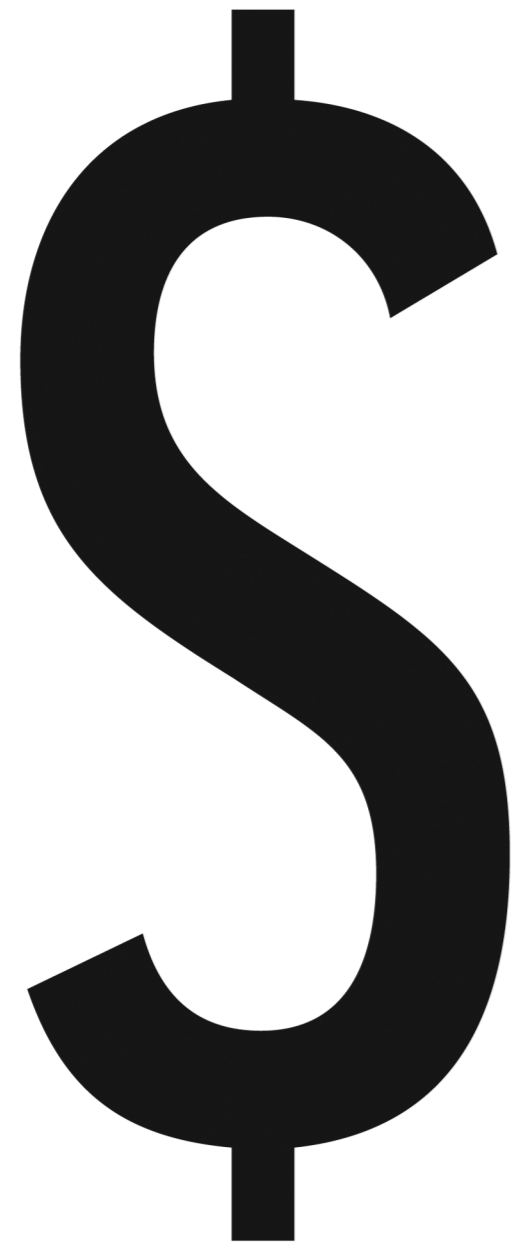
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POLITICS

Obama calls GOP's Medicare, spending plan 'radical'

By Julie Pace
Associated Press

PALO ALTO, Calif. (AP) — President Barack Obama declared Wednesday that congressional Republicans are pushing a radical plan to trim Medicare and Medicaid, ramping up the rhetoric before a friendly Facebook crowd at the headquarters of the popular social networking site.

Still, as Obama and Congress approach crucial decisions on spending and the national debt the president said he thinks a bipartisan accord is possible.

"I think it's fair to say that their vision is radical," Obama told a town hall gathering that included questions posed by Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg and sent in by site users.

"I don't think it's particularly courageous," he said of the GOP plan to convert Medicare to a voucher program and make big cuts to the federal-state Medicaid program for the poor.

"Nothing is easier than solving a problem on the backs of people who are poor, or people who are powerless, or don't have lobbyists, or don't have clout," Obama said.

Republicans in Congress argue strenuously that Obama's deficit prescription would accomplish far too little and relies on economically damaging tax increases.

The president said he would raise \$1 trillion by returning income tax rates for high earners to the levels from Bill Clinton's administration, when the economy prospered. That would force wealthy people like himself and Zuckerberg to pay "a little more in taxes," he said.

"I'm cool with that," Zuckerberg replied, as his employees laughed and applauded.

Other Democrats have called the GOP plan "radical," but the president generally uses less pungent language. Despite the sharp tone on Wednesday, he said he believes his administra-

tion and Congress can agree on long-range plans to cut deficits by about \$4 trillion over 10 years.

Republican lawmakers have used similar rhetoric in the past to describe Obama's own spending proposals. In March, House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, said Obama's refusal to accept GOP spending cuts would lead to a "radical" decrease in benefits for seniors.

Obama made his comments in a cozy environment — one with 19 million friends, in fact. He told Facebook employees and others watching online the nation must invest vigorously in education, clean energy and research that are vital to future jobs and a strong economy.

Obama's own White House Facebook page is among the most popular anywhere. Some 19 million network users have electronically "liked" it.

Making the case for his deficit-cutting plans, Obama said that one way

to trim health care costs could involve doctors sharing medical information on Facebook. Health care is one of the last major industries to rely heavily on paper records, he said, "because a large chunk of our provider system is not automated."

Obama's 2008 campaign used Facebook and other social networks to reach voters, volunteers and donors, especially among young adults. Such outlets will play even bigger roles in the 2012 campaign that's already under way.

Obama, beginning a three-day Western tour pitching his budget plans and raising re-election cash, said trimming \$4 trillion from the nation's deficits sounds like a lot but can be done.

He will hold another session Thursday in Reno, Nev., with his message that his ap-



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President Barack Obama shakes hands with a member of the audience at a town hall meeting to discuss reducing the national debt, Wednesday, April 20, 2011, at Facebook headquarters in Palo Alto, Calif.

proach is more balanced and less painful than the rival House Republican plan. Obama favors tax hikes on wealthy Americans, which GOP lawmakers oppose. He called for further cuts in the military and other agencies.

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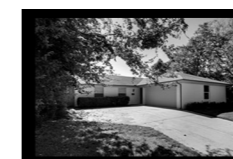
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WEIRD NEWS

Associated Press

Cincinnati's purring penguin big hit on YouTube

CINCINNATI (AP) — A penguin that makes a laughing sound when its belly is rubbed at the Cincinnati Zoo has become one of the latest YouTube video stars.

The Little Penguin named Cookie can be seen on the video making a high-pitched

purring sound when his handler tickles him. The website says the video was posted in January 2010 and has been watched more than 843,000 times.

Zoo spokesman David Oehler says Cookie hatched at the zoo about 8 years ago and that the noises are part of normal courting behavior. He says the video was made more than a year ago by a volunteer doing a blog.

Oehler says Little Penguins are about a foot tall and are from the coasts of New Zealand and Australia.

Ri man's 1974 traffic violation dismissed in Mass.

ATTLEBORO, Mass. (AP) — A Rhode Island man has finally settled a warrant issued for a traffic violation in Massachusetts nearly four decades ago.

Michael Young, of Warwick, R.I., asked a judge in Attleboro District Court on Tuesday to dismiss a driving

endanger charge issued in September 1974.

He was 23 at the time. The now 60-year-old told the court he found out about the warrant recently when he went to conduct business at the Rhode Island Registry of Motor Vehicles.

The Sun Chronicle of Attleboro reports that Judge Daniel O'Shea noted that half the people in court had not even been born at the time of the traffic violation. He granted Young's request, dismissing the case with payment of \$100 in court costs.

Prosecutors agreed with the dismissal.

Pa. woman faces drug trial despite burned evidence

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A federal judge says a Pittsburgh woman can stand trial on drug charges even though police mistakenly burned her change purse and the heroin it contained.

Tiona Jones' attorney had argued her defense depended upon showing the jury the purse could have been zipped closed with the drugs in it,

which Jones claims it was during a May 2008 traffic stop.

The 32-year-old woman faces drug and weapons offenses because a city police officer says he saw the drug sticking out of the open purse. That led to searches of her vehicle and home that yielded nearly four ounces of heroin and two weapons charges.

Senior U.S. District Judge Gustave Diamond ruled Tuesday that police didn't purposefully thwart the defense by burning the items after cleaning out an evidence room due to a ventilation problem.

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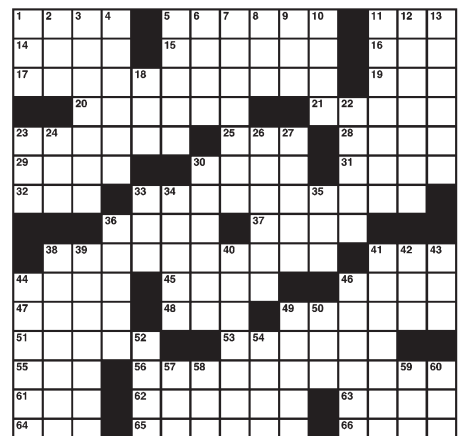
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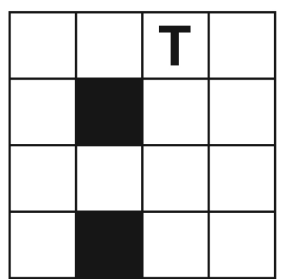
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"Freeze"

Wednesday's Solution



"Kodak Courage"

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Directions

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

Wednesday's Solution

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TEXAS NEWS

Associated Press

Wildfire evacuees keep tabs on homes from afar

MINERAL WELLS, Texas (AP) — Since evacuating her lakeside Texas home, Jackie Fewell has turned her hotel room into the information hub for one of the state's largest wildfires, working the phones and using the Internet to get the word out to worried residents.

Fewell, her husband and several friends have been updating a blog she created about the fire around Possum Kingdom Lake, a community of mostly weekend homes about 70 miles west of Fort Worth. The fire has burned for nearly a week, tearing through several communities, consuming 150,000 acres and destroying about 150 homes and a church, according to the Texas Forest Service.

Fewell, a partner in a real estate company, said residents have been desperate for accurate information — even sending as many as 100 emails an hour. "It's because they weren't living there to begin with full-time and they didn't know what was going on, and they were hearing these crazy reports," she said.

Armed with cellphones and laptops, Fewell and her team have been chatting with some



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New wildfires keep starting up near Possum Kingdom Lake where homes have been destroyed in the recreational area about 70 miles west of Fort Worth on Tuesday.

residents who refused to evacuate, listening to a law enforcement scanner and even watching live feed from a security camera at one of the homes. By Tuesday afternoon, nearly 62,000 people had visited the blog in about 12 hours — up from about 800 visitors on a regular day.

The Possum Kingdom Lake fire is one of several massive blazes across the state that firefighters were battling Wednesday morning, adding up to more than 1 million acres of land burned in a little more than a week in drought-stricken Texas.

Firefighters were being called in from around the

country to help fight the Possum Kingdom fire starting Wednesday, said Haven Cook, a spokeswoman for the Southern Area Incident Management Team. Local crews that have been fighting the fire can stay on if they choose, Cook said.

But weary firefighters had some reason for hope as rain and higher humidity levels were forecast for the rest of the week in parts of the state.

A 20 to 30 percent chance of rain was forecast for Wednesday and Thursday in North Texas, said Daniel Huckaby, a forecaster at the National Weather Service in Fort Worth.

NATIONAL NEWS

Associated Press

Roommate charged with hate crime in NJ suicide

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — A former Rutgers University freshman was indicted Wednesday on a hate crime charge after allegedly using a webcam to spy on a same-sex encounter involving his roommate, who committed suicide shortly afterward in a case that started a national conversation on bullying.

A 15-count indictment was handed up Wednesday by a Middlesex County grand jury against Dharun Ravi, of Plainsboro, who had already faced invasion of privacy charges along with another student, Molly Wei.

The indictment charges Ravi with bias intimidation, invasion of privacy, witness and evidence tampering, and other charges stemming from the suicide of 18-year-old Tyler Clementi in September. The indictment said charges against Wei would not be presented to the grand jury "at this time."

Clementi jumped off the George Washington Bridge into the Hudson River shortly after authorities say Ravi and Wei used a webcam to peek at his liaison. Lawyers for Ravi say the webcam stream was viewed on only a single com-

puter and did not show the men having sex.

The indictment says Ravi targeted Clementi and invaded his privacy knowing that Clementi would be intimidated because of his sexual orientation.

According to the indictment, Ravi deleted a Twitter post letting others know how they could view a second encounter involving Clementi and replaced it with a false tweet; deleted text messages sent and received by witnesses; and gave false information to police — all actions intended to mislead investigators.

If convicted of the most serious bias charge, Ravi could face five to 10 years in prison.

Amazon says library e-books coming to the Kindle

NEW YORK (AP) — Owners of the Kindle from Amazon.com will be able to download e-books from 11,000 U.S. libraries later this year, the company said Wednesday.

Most U.S. libraries already provide e-books, which work with nearly all e-readers except the Kindle. They're also accessible on many smartphones and tablets like the iPad.

Amazon.com Inc. says it's working with OverDrive Inc., which runs e-book systems for public libraries, to make the system compatible with the

Kindle.

According to OverDrive, Kindle e-books will have the same lending terms as existing library e-books. Most libraries lend their books out for three weeks at a time. The e-books on Kindle will no longer open after that period of time.

Libraries have a limited number of "copies" of each e-book, so borrowers sometimes must wait for popular titles.

OverDrive said borrowers will browse for titles on PCs or phones, and can then choose to have them delivered to a Kindle or Amazon's Kindle applications for other devices, including phones and PCs.

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New DOT rule tackles fees, bumping, flight delays

DALLAS (AP) — Airlines will soon be required to refund bag fees if they lose luggage, and they'll pay travelers more for bumping them from a flight.

The federal government planned to announce new passenger protections Wednesday that also expand a tarmac-delay rule to prevent passengers from being stranded on international flights for longer than four hours.

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NCAA ATHLETICS

Emergence of social media brings challenges for college athletics

By Josh Davis
News Now

In September 2009, Mike Leach banned football players from using Twitter after linebacker Marlon Williams noted then-coach Mike Leach's tardiness to a team meeting in a tweet. Then, prior to last season, the University of Miami and Boise State University head coaches also banned players from the social media site.

As Twitter becomes more popular, the issue of student-athletes' use of the site is coming to TCU.

Director of Athletics Media Relations Mark Cohen said the direct access provided by social networking sites such as Twitter and Facebook to student-athletes can be a good thing but that it brings a new set of challenges in making sure athletes are smart about social media usage.

"Really in athletics, we

don't have a policy across the board [regarding social networking]," Cohen said. "It's up to each individual sport, and within that sport you have coaches or other personnel within the program that address student athletes [about Facebook and Twitter]. They're advised to keep in mind who's going to be looking at your pages and who is going to be following your tweets."

Senior Jackie Torda, a former TCU soccer player, said at the beginning of each year, the media relations staff and head women's soccer coach Dan Abdalla would talk to team members about keeping their Facebook pages free of any inappropriate material. She said the talk didn't spend much time on Twitter but that the talk was helpful.

"Especially being a student-athlete, there's people out there looking for ways to get you in trouble," Torda

said. "So you've just got to be smart about it. I think the administration in athletics has done a good job of making us aware of what we should put on there."

But coaches may not be experts in social media themselves. Abdalla declined to be interviewed, saying he didn't really know anything about Twitter. But that hasn't stopped some university athletes from joining the five-year-old social network.

Currently, there are 18 Twitter accounts claimed to be written by current TCU student-athletes, with half of those set to private and blocked from public view.

Jacque Lambiasi, an associate professor of strategic communication, said keeping account settings private is one way for student-athletes to participate in social media, as is creating online aliases on sites such as Facebook and Twitter. She said

she hates to see student-athletes not be able to do what most students can do online, but she agrees there are extra risks for athletes on Twitter.

"Especially being a student-athlete, there's people out there looking for ways to get you in trouble."

Jackie Torda
Senior Former Soccer Player

"I think if professional athletes and student-athletes realized that everything they say in social media is just like shouting something out to a sideline fan, [and] that lots of people will be listening in on that, they'll probably do better in terms of saying the right thing and not saying things that are too personal or [irrelevant] to fans," Lambiasi said.

For those looking to follow university athletes, tweets range from former football player Andy Dalton (@adalton14) keeping followers updated on his

preparations for the NFL draft to women's basketball center Latricia (LT) Lovings (@LLovings21) cheering on the Dallas Mavericks and venting about daily frustrations on campus.

But Twitter also is becoming a popular way for teammates to keep in touch and joke around, former women's basketball player Emily Carter said.

"It is kind of started being popular amongst a lot of my teammates, so I figured I'd give it a try," Carter said. "And I actually like it now more than Facebook."

Torda said Twitter also became popular with the women's soccer team last season, and she said she used her account to share inside jokes with teammates and to make social plans. Both she and Carter, though, keep their accounts private to keep the public from eavesdropping on conversations.

Lambiasi said inside jokes and sarcasm may be fine on private pages but saying those same things publicly could lead to misinterpretation.

"You have to think, 'Well, some people are dropping into the middle of this conversation, they don't know

the person I'm talking to [on Twitter] is my friend and they don't know we're messing around,' so it really becomes like a big microphone," Lambiasi said.

And Cohen said in today's media environment, a sarcastic joke between friends can quickly become a headline.

"Fans are going to look [student-athletes] up, and then the fans have other web sites that they can say, 'Hey, so-and-so said,' or 'Look at this picture they took.' Then in turn, the media are going to see that," Cohen said. "It's a chain reaction, no doubt."

Cohen said the Athletics Department had yet to have any major issues arise with student-athletes and social media and the department usually heard about potential problems through word-of-mouth from fans, students and faculty.

Torda said she'll keep tweeting but was aware of the risks.

"Sometimes you see [a post] on [Twitter or Facebook], and you really wish they hadn't put that on there because it could lead to trouble," Torda said. "But I think for the most part it's a good tool if you're smart and responsible about it."

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SPORTS

BASEBALL

No. 11 TCU plays 3-game series with UNLV at home after 5-game road trip

By Kim Burdi
Staff Reporter

After finishing off a five-game road trip with a 4-2 win over No. 6 Texas A&M in College Station, No. 11 TCU returns home to start a stretch of eight games in 10 days tonight at Lupton Stadium. On a four-game winning streak, the Horned Frogs will host a three-game conference series against UNLV.

"We have a long road ahead of us, so any win is a win," freshman pitcher Andrew Mitchell said.

With the win over the Aggies, the Frogs improved to 26-11 on the season (10-2 MWC) and have a two-game advantage over Utah in the Mountain West Conference standings.

TCU currently has a 16-8 record at home this season with a 10-0 all-time record against UNLV at Lupton Stadium. Since head coach Jim Schlossnagle arrived in 2004, the Horned Frogs have a 22-3 overall record against the Rebels.

UNLV (25-14, 4-7 MWC) is ranked second to last in the MWC standings. The Rebels have committed 53 errors which have led to 32 unearned runs this season.

TCU's recent success, however, doesn't necessarily leave room for relaxation this weekend. UNLV is coming off a 7-4 victory over Baylor Tuesday night — the Rebels' first Tuesday evening win of the season.

"We have to win every game we can, we can't lose to the average teams and we have to

try and beat some of the good teams that we play," Schlossnagle said after Tuesday's win in College Station.

The teams last met in Las Vegas, Nev. in March. In game one of the series, TCU rallied to tie the game in the top of the ninth inning, but UNLV took the first game with a walk-off home run in the bottom of the ninth. TCU responded by taking the next two games of the series.

Although the first month of the season had its struggles, the Horned Frogs have made changes the second half of this season.

The Frogs have only two losses in April — a 10-5 loss at New Mexico April 8 and a 16-6 loss at Oklahoma April 12. The Frogs have posted an 11-2 record for the month, going 8-1 in conference play during that stretch.

Schlossnagle said despite the way the first month of the season went, the team is still striving for the highest seed possible in the NCAA Baseball Division I Tournament.

TCU has the opportunity to continue its momentum and success this weekend. Today there will be two starting pitchers taking the mound with ERA's below 1.50 with Tanner Peters (6-2, 1.40 ERA) for the Rebels and Kyle Winkler (6-1, 1.42 ERA) for the Horned Frogs.

Series notes

Junior left fielder Jason Coats will bring a 17-game hitting streak into the weekend series against UNLV.

Sophomore third baseman Jantzen Witte is riding his own 14-game hitting streak. Witte hit his fourth homer of the season against Texas A&M Tuesday.

UNLV's Tanner Peters leads the conference with six wins on the season, while UNLV's Brandon Bayardi leads the MWC with 10 home runs.

No. 11 TCU vs. UNLV

Game 1

When: 6:30 p.m. Thursday
Probable starters: Kyle Winkler (6-1, 1.42 ERA) vs. Tanner Peters (6-2, 1.40 ERA)
Where: Lupton Stadium
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Game 2

When: 6:30 p.m. Friday
Probable starters: Erik Miller (2-6, 4.85 ERA) vs. Joe Robinson (4-3, 5.24 ERA)
Where: Lupton Stadium
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Game 3

When: Noon Saturday
Probable starters: Steven Maxwell (5-0, 3.00 ERA) vs. TBA
Where: Lupton Stadium
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Baseball

TCU at Dallas Baptist
When: 6:30 p.m. April 25
Location: Dallas

TCU vs. Oklahoma University
When: 6:30 p.m. April 26
Location: Lupton Stadium

TCU at BYU

When: April 28-30 (7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday)
Location: Provo, Utah

TCU at Oklahoma State

Date: May 6-8 (6:30 p.m. Friday, 2 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday)
Location: Stillwater, Okla.

Women's golf

NCAA Regional Championships
Date: May 5-7
Time: All day
Location: TBA

Men's Golf

Mountain West Conference Championships

Date: May 5-7

Time: All day
Location: Tucson, Ariz.

Women's Tennis

Mountain West Conference Championships
Date: April 27-30
Time: TBA
Location: Fort Collins, Colo.

Men's Tennis

Mountain West Conference Championships
Date: April 27-30
Time: TBA
Location: Fort Collins, Colo.

Track & field

Michael Johnson Classic
Date: April 22-23
Time: All day
Location: Waco

Penn Relays

Date: April 28-30
Time: All day
Location: Philadelphia, Pa.



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Freshman Brett Johnson sits in the ready to try and pick off the Texas Tech runner at first base in Lubbock earlier this season.



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NBA

Mavs lethal from beyond the arc entering Game 3 at Portland

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Peja Stojakovic entered the American Airlines Center with high intensity Tuesday night, but few would have predicted Stojakovic's career night from beyond the arc in a 101-89 Dallas Mavericks win over the Portland Trail Blazers in Game 2 of the opening round of the NBA Playoffs. The Mavs now have a 2-0 lead in the best-of-seven series.

While Dirk Nowitzki and Jason Kidd both finished Game 2 in double-digit scoring figures, Stojakovic, a 13-year veteran and former All-star, went 5-for-10 from the 3-point range, his playoff career-high, and amassed 21 points.

"Who knew Stojakovic was going to knock down shots like he did?" Mavericks guard Jason Terry said. "Coach said 'in preseason be ready, you never know when your number is going to be called.' Tonight [Stojakovic's] number was called and he answered the bill."

It came as no surprise that the dynamic duo of Nowitzki and Kidd played stellar games. Nowitzki finished with 33 points and seven rebounds while Kidd scored 18 points and dished out eight assists. Nowitzki achieved his 38th career playoff game with 30-plus points, but he credited Kidd for his competence on the hardwood.

"Kidd is a warrior and is always ready to play," Nowitzki said. "He really is the motor of this team."

While Stojakovic's career shooting night proved he can still provide elite scoring performances on any given night, the forward said the team's defense was the essential catalyst to the Mavs' offensive outburst.

"I think our defense was more important and our focus that gave us a good offensive flow," Stojakovic said. "That's how we were able to get good shots offensively."

Dallas broke the 100-point plateau in Game 2 after failing to crack 90 points in Game 1.

Dallas signed Stojakovic



NBA Playoff Round 1: No. 3 Dallas Mavericks (57-25) vs. No. 6 Portland Trail Blazers (48-34)

Mavericks lead series 2-0

Game 3	Game 4	Game 5	Game 6	Game 7
Dallas at Portland	Dallas at Portland	Dallas vs. Portland (if necessary)	Dallas at Portland (if necessary)	Dallas vs. Portland (if necessary)
When: 9:30 p.m. tonight	When: 4 p.m. Saturday	When: Monday at TBD	When: April 28 at TBD	When: April 30 at TBD
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Dallas Mavericks' Peja Stojakovic (16) shoots a 3-pointer against Portland Trail Blazers' Andre Miller (24) in the second half of an NBA basketball game Tuesday, April 19, 2011, in Dallas. Stojakovic had 21 points in the 101-89 Mavericks win.

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in late January to fill a roster hole after Mavericks' swingman Caron Butler went down with a regular season-ending knee injury. Stojakovic started the season with New Orleans and was dealt to Toronto for Mavericks' fourth-string center Alexis Ajinca, a second round draft pick and cash considerations.

"[Stojakovic] had a phenomenal game, shooting well and keeping the ball in front of him, staying aggressive," Nowitzki said.

The 6-foot-10 Serbian did much of his work against Dallas during his tenure with the Sacramento Kings, who were common playoff contenders with the Mavericks in the last decade.

Blazers head coach Nate McMillan was not content with his team's stability. McMillan said his guys knew what to expect in Game 2.

"We know this is a good three-point shooting team," McMillan said. "We are going to have to make some adjustments with that particular set."

Stojakovic is in his 11th

postseason appearance and is averaging 8.6 points per game with Dallas this season. Stojakovic moved into fourth place on the all-time three-point field goals made list with 1,720 career 3-pointers in a 106-102 victory over Houston in February. Stojakovic has had 32 games in his career in which he's made six-plus 3-point-

ers. Only Boston's Ray Allen (45) has had more.

"He was incredible tonight," Mavs center Tyson Chandler said. "That's one thing he'll be able to do his entire career is knock down threes. As long as he has his legs, he's moving around well and we can get him open looks, he's going to make them."