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## Board approves new budget, plans more renovations

By NATHAN BASS  
Staff Reporter

The board of trustees approved a \$315 million budget Friday, including increased employee compensation and additional financial aid for the upcoming school year at its final meeting of the year.

The new budget includes \$9.4 million in additional compensation for employees and \$6.4 million in

additional financial aid. It also includes \$500,000 to improve student life, including student health and well-being, housing and student services, according to Tracy Syler-Jones, assistant vice chancellor for marketing and communication.

Student body president Jace Thompson said the board's discussions were an indication of how well the univer-

sity is doing right now.

"The meeting discussed a lot of the present and future projects of TCU," Thompson said. "There were a lot of items to discuss but no real bombshells to talk about."

Thompson also said the board approved to proceed with the renovation on the older dormitories beginning next fall with Clark Hall. Once it is completed in fall

2008, Clark will be a co-ed dormitory.

In addition, the university is looking into the possibility of renovating Amon G. Carter Stadium as well, said Don Mills, vice chancellor for student affairs.

"We hired a marketing and architecture firm to help us work out the costs for the renovation," Mills said. "I think people would like to see the

stadium get renovated but we're just in the investigative stage right now."

Mills said the new indoor practice facility will be named after former All-American quarterback Sammy Baugh. Baugh led the Frogs to a Sugar Bowl win in 1936 and a Cotton Bowl win the following year before being selected by the Washington Redskins in the 1937 NFL draft.

TCU also reported that the endowment reached \$1.1 billion. Thompson said the board requested for Jim Hille, chief investment officer, to submit a report to them comparing the endowment to that of other universities.

Ray Brown, dean of admissions, told the board the

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## SGA rejects Activity Board funding

By MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE  
Staff Reporter

The Student Government Association rejected a budget proposal for the first time in several years because of record-keeping discrepancies in the Activities Funding Board.

Jace Thompson, student body president, said the budget was not passed because SGA wants to reduce funding to the Activities Funding Board.

"The reason we cut funding is not because we want to cut activities funding but because (we) didn't have records of how organizations spent their money," Thompson said.

Because the budget was submitted early, SGA said it determined the funding for the AFB was too large and decided to revise it. Otherwise, SGA would not have a budget to work with if it was rejected at the last minute, Thompson said.

The last date to submit a budget is April 10, but the budget was submitted March 27.

To pass the budget, the Programming Council and the House of Student Representatives' Executive Board and Finance Committee all have to approve the budget with a majority vote. However, the Executive Board failed to pass the budget with a vote of 15-13 and one abstention.

Thompson said the AFB was created in 2005 to allow individual organizations to apply for funding.

Nate Arnold, student body treasurer, said the AFB was originally funded by a \$25,000 surplus in the SGA fall 2005 budget. The AFB budget was increased in fall 2006 to \$38,000 per semester, with a total of roughly \$76,000 for a fiscal year, Arnold said.

Arnold said about \$16,500 of the total \$76,000 of the AFB budget would be given to Programming Council.

When an organization receives funding, it is obligated to turn in receipts of what was purchased with the provided funds. However, not all organizations returned their receipts to the AFB, Arnold said.

Alan Ruiz, a graduate student in the MBA program, disagrees with the redistribution of funds. Although the redistribution of funds makes some sense, Ruiz said, SGA is getting rid of a budget that has been structured in order to appropriate money to organizations.

As a member of the lacrosse team, Ruiz said he does not believe his organization should be allotted the same amount of funding as other organizations because the lacrosse team has higher operating costs because of the equipment.

It should especially receive more funding than other organizations because lacrosse games generate revenue, Ruiz said.

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## HOME ON THE RANCH



Senior Caitlin Holmes tends to livestock while at work on her family's ranch in New Mexico. Holmes will go back to work on the Trigg Ranch, near Tucumcari, N.M., after she graduates from the ranch management program in May. The ranch has been in her family for almost 90 years.

## Student uses courses to help family business

By ASHLEIGH WHALEY  
Staff Reporter

When one woman in the ranch management program graduates in May, she will return to her family in New Mexico to save them and their business.

In 1996, Caitlin Holmes' grandfather Steve Trigg gathered his family in Dallas to discuss the future of what his children now call on their Web site "the last family ranch left standing," which Caitlin Holmes will help manage this summer.

Trigg, who managed the 50,000-acre Trigg Ranch for 60 years, wanted to keep the ranchland, which was pioneered by his father in 1918, family-owned and operated, said Kristin Holmes, Trigg's daughter and mother of Caitlin Holmes. Before Trigg's death in 2002, the family decided to leave the ranch and its cattle operation in a trust fund for future generations.

"Nobody owns the land now," said Richard Holmes, Caitlin Holmes' father. "All the money the ranch makes is reinvested in the ranch."

This arrangement is meant to preserve the familial bond felt at the ranch while ousting the ownership issue that often breaks families apart, Richard Holmes said.

Kristin Holmes said family is an important aspect of the ranch life.

"You want to take good care of the country and have the best cattle," Kristin Holmes said. "But you also want your family and children around."

Richard and Kristin Holmes, who began managing the ranch in 2002, said they will certainly have the best of both worlds when Caitlin returns to Trigg Ranch this spring.

"Even though we've been running the place, we're basically doing it the same way we've observed," Richard Holmes said. "When Caitlin comes home, she will bring the whole family up to date with all her knowledge. She'll be a fountain of knowledge."

Caitlin Holmes said she plans to teach her parents all she's learned in the ranch management program, which is "absolutely stuff they don't know."

She always knew she'd go back to the ranch but never quite like this, she said.

"After I got my undergraduate degree in English at Southwestern University, I saw that nobody else in my generation was interested in taking that path," Caitlin Holmes said. "And, if nobody else was going to step up to it in my family, I would

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• [trigg ranch.com](http://trigg ranch.com)

hate to see the ranch not managed by someone in the family if I had the opportunity and the interest to."

She said she didn't realize how special the ranch was until she left it.

"This is about the best thing that could happen to us," Richard Holmes said. "We do feel kind of guilty, though."

Richard and Kristin Holmes worry that Caitlin will be isolated on the Trigg Ranch, but Caitlin does not.

"I've met some awesome people here and networked with people in the industry," she said. "When you get out on the ranch, you kind of feel isolated if you don't know people who are dealing with the same things as you."

Caitlin Holmes is one of two women in the ranch management program. She calls everyone else her "27 brothers."

"It's true. I'm going to be spoiled," she said. "It's just too much fun going two-stepping with them on the weekends."

## Trans fat withdrawn prior to U.S. trend

By LESLIE DYER  
Staff Reporter

TCU Dining Services beat a recent health curve by providing a trans fat-free menu in all its dining facilities since January 2006.

Following a health-conscious trend that began in the new millennium with the abundance of low-carb diets, some fats were no longer seen as the enemy. However, the dangers of saturated fat and trans fatty acids have risen to the top of the populations' health worries, according to Market Research.

As of January 2006, the Food and Drug Administration began forcing food marketers to display the amount of trans fat in their products, according to Market Research. To avoid this information disclosure, some companies, cities and other businesses have begun to ban trans fat in their products all together, Market Research said.

Aramark, a food management company that handles 400 college campuses, announced its plan to ban trans fat in January 2007. These colleges include Washington University in St. Louis, the University of Minnesota Twin-Cities and Saint Joseph's University, according to The Chronicle of Higher Education.

However, TCU was ahead of them all and has already celebrated its one-year anniversary of being trans fat-free.

Sodexho, the largest food management company in North America, provides food services at TCU. Sodexho completed its switch to trans fat-free products before January 2006, according to the Sodexho Web site.

The conversion at Sodexho began in 2005, but it took some time to sell out the TCU stock in order to replace it with the new products, said Legia Abato, marketing manager of Dining Services.

Sodexho changed to trans fat-free products because it realized there were healthier and better products for its consumers, which range from toddlers to senior citizens, Abato said.

All the food produced by TCU is trans fat-free. However, pre-packaged products on campus may still contain trans fat, Abato said.

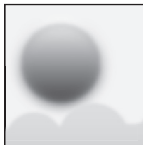
Trans fat is found in partially hydrogenated oils and in pre-packaged foods because it increases shelf-stability, said Gina Hill, TCU nutrition assistant professor.

Hydrogenation is a process of pumping-up oils with hydrogen, forming a denser substance with a butter-like consistency, according to the On-line Medical Dictionary.

These oils may be cheaper for food vendors to keep in stock, but they are costly for consumers' health, Hill said.

Trans fat decreases the body's HDL

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### WEATHER

**TODAY:** Mostly sunny, 84/58

**WEDNESDAY:** Partly cloudy, 63/51

**THURSDAY:** Partly cloudy, 67/50

### PECULIAR FACT

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — A man who repeatedly went to the same restaurant each Wednesday and ordered two drinks and a steak and skipped out on his \$25.96 bill was arrested by police on his fifth visit. — Associated Press

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**QUOTE OF THE DAY**  
“Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.”  
— William Butler Yeats

THE SKIFF VIEW

## U.S. cannot ignore global warming

The split of the nation’s judicial leaders on whether America needs to do something about global warming is a good thing. In a 5-to-4 decision Monday, the Supreme Court ruled the Bush administration’s Clean Air Act does allow the Environmental Protection Agency to regulate carbon dioxide emissions and berated the EPA for not attempting to regulate them in the first place. By law, the EPA must regulate “pollutants,” but the Bush administration has said the Clean Air Act does not consider carbon dioxide a “pollutant.” The majority of the Supreme Court thought differently. So does this mean the highest court in our nation has expressed the reality of global warming and any greenhouse gas-producing industry will suffer? Not quite. More accurately, it has qualified the looming danger of greenhouse gases and given the EPA a chance to regulate it. It’s a step in the right direction for the highest-producing carbon dioxide emissions

nation in the world, but it’s a good thing we haven’t swung into ultra-green mode yet. There are still four significant dissents in the Court. Chief Justice John Roberts said this issue is better solved by the other two branches of government than his. According to The New York Times report on the case, the EPA can continue to refuse to regulate carbon dioxide emissions only if it can prove they do not affect global warming or present a good reason for why “it cannot or will not exercise its discretion to determine whether they do.” Here’s where qualifying the issue comes into play. America is the world’s superpower for one obvious reason: our developed industry. Regulating our oil refineries, car manufacturers and everything in between is a good idea in theory but needs to be looked at carefully by Congress and the executive branch. It’s time to accept global warming as a real issue but also time to stop and consider our nation’s economy before we jump into the role of saving the world.

*Features editor Amber Parcher for the editorial board.*

BY BRENDAN KIEFER



Cadbury Junkies

## Some relationships should end amicably, honestly

Today’s news is filled with negativity — that’s why many of us don’t watch the nightly news anymore. All we ever hear about is

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Anahita Kalianivala

murders, violence, burglaries and the like. We hope and pray we will never miss hearing about someone we know in a context like that. Nobody wakes up in the morning expecting to hear on the news that something tragic has happened to someone they know.

Unfortunately, last week, something tragic did happen. March 26, a Keller woman was strangled by her husband. The family reported her missing, and the husband aided in the search — until he finally confessed to her murder.

According to a March 30 Star-Telegram article, police reported that he strangled her with a shoestring around 4 a.m. March 26. He drove her car to a location a few miles from their home and then drove his own car to Waco for a business meeting, with her body in the trunk.

When I first heard this story from my Spanish professor, who had seen her friend on the news helping to distribute missing-person flyers, I kept thinking about the fact that the woman was from Keller.

Though my home is in Fort Worth proper, my high school, just two miles away, is in Keller. I couldn’t help but wonder if it was someone I knew.

That same afternoon I received a phone call from a high school friend, making an unfortunate connection for me. The woman killed was Donna Sandlin, the secretary in the counseling office at Fossil Ridge High School — my alma mater. As if the story wasn’t horrendous enough in itself, I found out that it happened to someone I knew.

Now, when I see Richard Sandlin’s picture in the media, I cringe. I don’t understand what the state of our moral code must be that a woman’s husband — someone who has vowed to be with her in sickness and in health and to love and cherish her — can look her in the eye and think to himself, “I’m going to kill you someday.”

How is it that our society has become so accustomed to murdering a spouse rather than resolving the minor issue that friction arises from? According to a Star-Telegram article from March 30, police revealed that Richard Sandlin was having an affair with a woman in Denver. It is unknown whether Donna Sandlin knew about it.

Keller police Lt. Brenda Slovak said, “He just recently started seeing her.” Maybe he was just too afraid to

confess his adultery to his wife, and, of course, the easy way out from a potential divorce is murder, right?

Maybe the divorce rate has become so high people feel like they do not want to fall into that statistic. But that is not a reason to make yourself part of the murderer statistic — it is reason to work it out.

I am not an advocate of divorce, but perhaps the solution is to promote it so that dazed and confused husbands don’t feel like murder is their only option.

I wonder how he thought he would get away with it — which is the same question many others close to her have been asking. At best, he could have carried on a life with his lover in Denver — holding the secret that he strangled his former wife. Or if he confessed to her, there would be greater motivation for her to be his next victim. And who is to say he would not have killed her anyway, if and when he found a third woman who sparked his interest?

Crimes we hear of every day are unfortunate enough, but when they happen to someone you know and love, coping with the atrocities man is capable of is even harder. A man with a skewed moral compass and an obvious need for rehabilitation took away an adored woman and the nicest lady in the counseling office.

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## Housing sign-up system needs improvements, order

Earlier this year, TCU broke with the long-standing tradition of requiring only freshman to live on campus. Starting in the fall,

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David Hall

all first- and second-year noncommuting students will be required to live in university-approved housing. Students and university employees are entering uncharted waters. It is in this venture into the great unknown that Residential Services has dropped the ball.

First, let’s start with the situation in the new dorms. Touted by the university as the greatest thing since Christ and moveable type combined, they have everybody fighting for a space. With private bedrooms, full-size beds and living rooms, who wouldn’t do a couple of mafia hits to be living the “suite” life?

Trying to curb an outbreak of such violence, the university wisely granted the first 100 people to pay their advanced housing fees spots in the new halls. Those who got in were under the impression that the other bedrooms in the suite would be reserved so they could invite their friends to live in them. Easy as pie, right? Not exactly.

Students in the first 100, who were banking on living with their friends next year, received bad news two weeks ago. They found out that people eligible for housing sign-ups based on their credit hours could just move in and take up a bedroom in the suite.

Craig Allen, director of Residential Services at TCU, said that the staff never specifically told students that being in the first 100 would guarantee that they would be able to live with all of their friends in the upcoming academic year.

While this may be true, many students had the opposite impression.

Mischa Astroff, a freshman advertising/public relations major said, “The fact that so many students had the ‘wrong’ impression about sign-ups for the new dorms points to a serious flaw. The information should have been presented in a clearer fashion.”

It’s not just the new dorms that are giving next year’s on-campus residents a headache, either. There’s not even a good system for those trying to room with their friends in other residence halls. Space is available on a first-come, first-served basis. This leads to pressure and angry Facebook messages to try and force those deemed “undesirable” to live with to vacate their positions in a room in favor of friends of current occupants.

Thus, hostilities between “squatters” and friends of roommates could become very heated. This could lead to blackmailing, emotionally scarring battles of wit or, worst of all, break-dance fights. Nobody wants that. There has to be a better way.

Why doesn’t Residential Services offer a service in which students submit the names of those they wish to live with, and they do their best to accommodate students’ demands? Friends can room together, and those who wish to go potluck can do that, too. Also, they could completely block off the suites for those who did early sign-up for the newer dormitories. If the number is reduced to the first 50 to sign up, those lucky students should have the right to pick their suitemates. In that case, there would still be plenty of spaces left for upperclassmen.

The way in which housing sign-ups are handled at TCU is in need of improvement. The people in Residential Services are smart, and they strive to do all that they can to ensure a positive residential experience for students. However, they are capable of creating a system to facilitate room assignments to eliminate all of the chaos. The current method has to go.

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# Horoscopes, signs play role in personalities

There are many factors responsible — at least in part — in regard to the connections we make in life, whether business or personal.

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Ylona Cupryjak

To make a connection with — or first impression on — a person, there are required actions one must fulfill, such as openness, friendliness and genuine interest in others. However, many people have wondered sometimes why they can’t connect or become acquaintances with certain individuals. Though there usually isn’t something obvi-

ously wrong or out of place; sometimes, it can be something that is felt but can’t be outwardly explained.

Explaining about horoscopes and people’s signs in connection to how it can and does affect their lives might seem a bit strange and, frankly, alien because of people’s skepticism, and the almost laughable notion that this is something to take somewhat seriously or at least be aware of and keep in the back of one’s mind.

Also, though this too might vary, there are foundations and set characteristics about each sign that might not explain everything about a person but seem to be somewhat

of a hint or link about the type of person he or she is, whether it is obviously shown or secretly hidden. Relationships or friendships I have observed have succeeded or been long-lasting because of open communication, a sense of humor and patience; having compatible signs to go along with that doesn’t hurt, either. The same goes for relationships or friendships that have disintegrated; it was a common factor that both parties’ signs were at odds from the start, though the reasons for separation or split have varied tremendously. Signs weren’t always the common factor but were

more often than not.

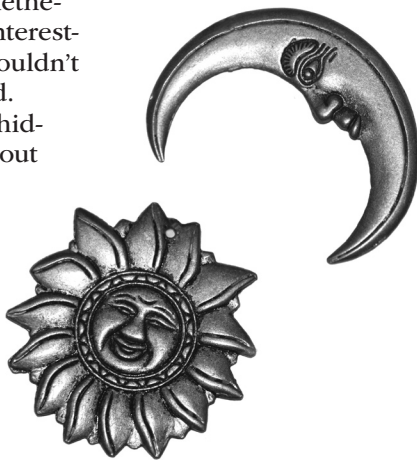
This is not to say horoscopes are supposed to dictate people’s lives. There does seem, however, to be a sort of underlying truth or similarity between people’s signs and the connections or associations they make. For example, many people I have met whom I didn’t fare well with or whom I couldn’t find a common connection to were ironically people whose signs I found out I wasn’t compatible with, though that isn’t the main or only reason I attribute to when I don’t or can’t become friends or more with someone. It is simply a thought to keep in the back burner of the mind — a thought that holds

some valid coincidences regarding associations but is too vague and mystical to be cited as tangible or substantial proof of the way relationships and connections work in life.

This is only a theory, something that is nonetheless fascinating and interesting to explore and shouldn’t be completely ignored. There are truths and hidden secrets to find about each sign, and learning about one’s horoscope could expand his or her mind and self in the process; after all, knowing who you are, what you can do and who you are compatible

with shouldn’t dictate your life, but simply knowing such information can’t be detrimental, either.

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## Programming Council hosts Austin folk band

By LEIGH ANN WEAVER  
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Students will have the chance to catch an Austin folk band on campus tonight in a special Programming Council concert.

PC is hosting a concert that will feature Vanessa Peters & Ice Cream On Mondays.

“The purpose of this concert is to just have fun,” said Kristen Chapman, PC president. “The school year is wrapping up, and we just want everyone to come to the concert, hang out with friends and have a good time.”

Vanessa Peters & Ice Cream On Mondays is a smaller band that has made its mark in Austin. They were brought to TCU through associate professor Laura Prestwood, who saw them on

a study abroad trip in Italy.

Peters worked at the place where the students stayed and played for the group, Prestwood said.

“Professor Prestwood saw them and then contacted us about the band, and now we are really excited to have them on campus,” said Natalie Boone, PC adviser.

Vanessa and her band are originally from Texas and she has played at other area campuses, Prestwood said.

“I thought it would be fun to have her play here if she was in the area,” Prestwood said.

According to the band’s MySpace page, Peters is voted as one of the top 10 folk artists in Austin.

“Vanessa considers her style

as ‘milkshake folk rock,’” Prestwood said. “It’s not hard rock and it’s not folk music; it’s somewhere in between. I liked it so much I bought her band’s four CDs that are already out.”

Although she is well-known in Austin, in the last two years she has toured across America twice and has toured all over Italy, Germany and the Czech Republic, according to the band’s MySpace page.

“I would encourage students to come out and support a local band,” Prestwood said. “Vanessa just got out of college and is trying to make a name for herself and it would help her out a lot if students would show their support.”

## Survey: More students using mental services

By RUTH PADAWER  
The Record

HACKENSACK, N.J. — More students at the nation’s top colleges are using mental health services than three years ago, according to a study released Wednesday by a national organization of anxiety-disorder specialists.

At a time when most college applicants will soon learn whether they have been admitted to their school of choice, the Anxiety Disorders Association of America survey of leading universities and liberal arts colleges aims to raise awareness of the pressing need for schools to provide adequate counseling services.

The upcoming freshman

class will be the largest in U.S. history, and that’s especially relevant given that mental health problems often manifest themselves during the college years.

“With such a large number of kids having mental health problems,” said the association’s president, Jerilyn Ross, “it’s prudent for a parent to get the information about mental health services available on campuses beforehand.”

Here’s some of the information the survey found:

— Liberal arts colleges reported a higher proportion of students using mental health services (average of 23 percent of students) than at national universities (13 percent). One reason may be that

liberal arts colleges are twice as likely as national universities to offer an unlimited number of free counseling sessions to students; two in five did so, compared to one in five among national universities.

— A growing number of students now come to schools with a history of diagnosed mental illness. Over one-fifth of schools reported an increase in students seeking treatment at collegiate counseling centers who are already taking psychiatric medications.

— Almost three in 10 national universities and two in 10 liberal arts colleges reported an increase in the severity of mental health problems among their student patients.

# College applications may ask for criminal records

By KATHY BOCCELLA  
The Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA — Along with SAT scores and extra-curricular activities, college-bound students increasingly are being asked to divulge information that may not be so flattering: their arrest and discipline records.

Since late summer, the Common Application, a form used by about 300 institutions, has asked students and guidance counselors whether the applicant has ever been convicted of a crime or disciplined at school.

Kids with rocky pasts may not make it beyond 12th grade.

In an effort to weed out troublemakers before they hit campus, colleges with their own forms also are requiring prospective students to disclose behavioral black marks. More are contemplating it.

The University of Pennsylvania put its admissions policy under review after the discovery in January that a 25-year-old child molester taking graduate courses was commuting from his Bucks County, Pa., prison cell. Saint Joseph’s University will ask about applicants’ misdeeds beginning next year.

“It’s an issue that’s exploding,” said Timothy Mann, dean of student affairs at Babson College, who is writing his doctoral dissertation on the subject.

The debate over whether to screen and for what is contentious. Opponents cite privacy issues and the risk of penalizing offenders twice. Education encourages rehabilitation, argues the United States Student Association, the nation’s largest student group.

“Are we now putting institutions of higher education in the position of dispensing post-judicial punishment?” Barmak Nassirian of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers

schools from releasing educational records — including disciplinary information — without a parental approval. Counselors can leave the questions blank, a spokesman for the Common Application said. And schools don’t always know about the trouble students get into off campus.

Where Mark McGrath, president of the New Jersey School Counselor Association, works, the few kids who have had an incident tend to admit their wrongdoings.

“We try to put it in the best light we can (on the application),” said McGrath, a counselor at Lawrence High School in Lawrenceville, N.J. “We’re the advocates for the child.”

Access to more accurate information and increased expectations about college involvement in students’ lives have spurred the trend toward preadmission screening, Mann said.

Though campus crime has not appreciably increased since 2003, according to the U.S. Department of Education, a few high-profile crimes committed by students with rap sheets have led institutions to re-examine their admissions process. The Common Application added its inquiries at the request of schools concerned about liability, Executive Director Rob Kilion said.

Students are warned not to omit information. If they’re caught lying, they’re disqualified. Administrators believe most comply.

Several states have taken stricter measures. A new law criticized by privacy advocates forces Virginia colleges to reveal names and birth dates of incoming students so police can cross-check sex-offender lists. If there’s



(Left) Mark Lapreziosa, assistant vice president of Enrollment Management at Arcadia University, discusses new enrollment background checks with Enrollment Management Counselor Kyle Danielson.

implemented since students with rape and larceny convictions committed two unrelated murders at the state university in Wilmington in 2004.

In addition to being asked about their pasts, applicants to the University of North Carolina’s 16 campuses are checked against a national database of suspended or expelled college students. Those who trigger suspicion are investigated, Leslie Winner, general counsel for the 200,000-student system, said. As a result, 84 applicants were denied entry last fall.

Schools generally ask for a letter of explanation and consult counselors and others when a problem is reported. Though juvenile records are sealed, colleges can run criminal background checks on those 18 or older.

“There’s really no need for a university to take a risk,” said Joan McDonald, vice president of enrollment at Drexel Uni-

versity, where no more than 10 applicants a year report misdeeds. Serious offenders aren’t invited to join the school’s 5,000 or so incoming freshmen.

Each school has its idea of a deal-breaking offense, Hughes, the owner of RiskAware, said. Even with murder, she advises not to jump to conclusions.

“What if they were defending themselves?” Hughes said.

“We look at it on a case-by-case basis,” said Mark Lapreziosa, associate vice president of enrollment at Arcadia University, which uses the Common Application and which may revise its own form.

“We look for students showing growth or having learned” from their mistakes, he said.

So far only two students have disclosed arrests, one for drugs and the other theft. They never completed their applications, but options Arcadia considered were requiring them to live off-campus and to keep in close contact with administrators.

“If it was a crime of violence we would have to think seriously,” Lapreziosa said.

Pennsylvania State University, which has asked students about their criminal pasts since 1991, received an application in 1999 from a man in his 30s who noted an assault conviction. That confession and information the school received from another source prompted an investigation that revealed more time served for manslaughter and sex crimes.

The man was arrested again — on a gun charge — while the background check was underway.

Witold Walczak, legal director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Pennsylvania, worries that risk aversion may lead to overzealous enforcement. If getting arrested once was a consideration 35 years ago, he says, “an awful lot of people would never have gotten into college ... maybe even presidents.”

## Two killed at University of Washington

The Seattle Times

Two people were killed in an apparent murder-suicide at the University of Washington on Monday morning, police said.

At about 9:30 a.m., police received reports of six shots fired at a female administrative assistant, said Ray Wittmier, assistant chief of the University of Washington Police.

When police arrived at the fourth-floor office in Gould Hall, they found the woman and a man dead. A handgun was found in the office.

While not immediately revealing the motive for the killing, police said they were not looking for any other suspects.

The shooting occurred during spring-quarter classes, and students in the building were locked into their classrooms during the shootings.

Hendrik Voll, a visiting grad student from Estonia, was on the fourth floor when the shots rang out.

Voll said he heard three or four shots, then a pause, followed by three or four more shots. He said it wasn’t that loud and he wasn’t sure it was gunfire at first. But, within about four minutes, he said police rushed into the building with guns drawn.

Gould Hall houses the College of Architecture and Urban Planning. It’s located at the corner of 15th Avenue Northeast and Northeast 40th Street.

On June 28, 2000, UW pathologist Rodger Haggitt, 57, was shot in his office by medical resident Jian Chen, 42, who turned the gun on himself. Chen was on the verge of flunking UW’s pathology program.

In July 1989, a California man, Azizolla Mazooni, shot and killed his ex-girlfriend, Marjan Mohseninia, and her friend, Abraham Sharif-Kashani, in a UW parking lot. Mazooni had hired a private detective to locate Mohseninia, who was a summer student at the university. Mazooni was later convicted on two counts of second-degree murder.

In December 1979, Roger Cutsinger, 21, fatally shot his roommate and lover, Larry Duerkson, for a \$500,000 insurance policy in which Cutsinger was named beneficiary. Duerkson, a University of Washington library employee, was walking between Parrington Hall and the Henry Art Gallery when Cutsinger shot him. Cutsinger was later convicted of first-degree murder.

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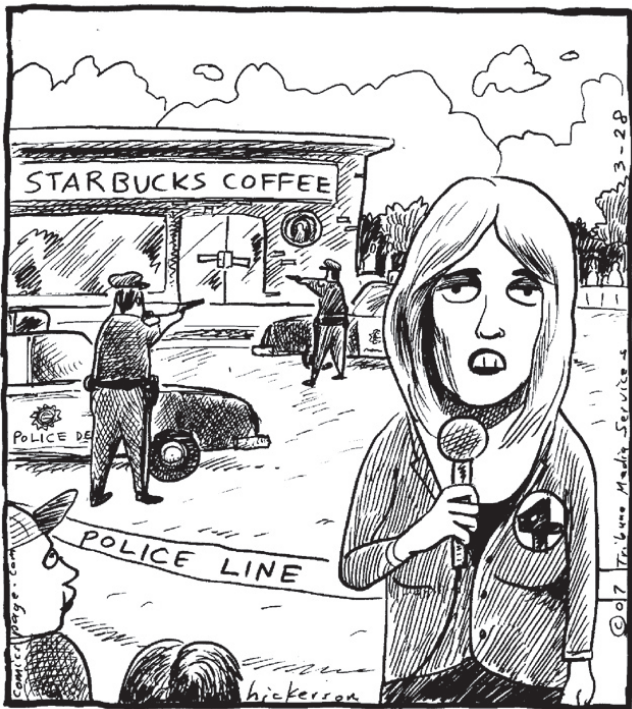
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**A:** A waist of time.

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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.

See Wednesday's paper for answers to today's Sudoku puzzle.

**Friday's Solutions**

5	4	9	7	6	3	8	1	2
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3	8	7	6	9	1	4	2	5
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16 Super-sized?  
17 Shortly  
20 Leather punches  
21 Actress Gabor  
22 Infuses with bubbles  
26 Effervesced  
30 Slender and graceful  
31 Gainsay  
32 Pierre's pal  
33 Noodles  
34 Skin pit  
35 Zealous  
36 Eventually  
39 Canvas colors?  
40 a one (none)  
41 Of sound  
43 Election mo.  
44 Diner sign  
45 TV accessory  
46 Former  
48 Lifted a glass to  
49 Citrus cooler  
50 Herbal drinks  
51 Finally  
59 Philanthropist  
60 Links' vehicle  
61 La Scala highlight  
62 on (mollycoddles)  
63 Baseball stats  
64 Count (on)  
**DOWN**  
1 Goopy mass  
2 Vital statistic  
3 Santa's helper  
4 August sign  
5 Little fellow  
6 Pastoral poems  
7 Cambodia's neighbor  
8 Rhea's relative  
9 Vehicle procession  
10 WWII predator  
11 Stitch together  
12 Pressure unit  
13 Firmed up  
18 Wickerwork cane  
19 Corn seed  
22 Cleopatra's undoing  
23 Dodging maneuver  
24 Settle conclusively  
25 Some glee clut voices  
26 Charon's transport  
27 Deprived person  
28 Abu Dhabi or Fujairah  
29 Carried out  
31 Portals  
34 Blather on  
35 Microscopic particles  
37 Tooth protection  
38 Relaxed  
39 Lennon's love  
42 Spearheaded  
44 Downy ducks  
45 Swellers  
47 Nevada border lake  
48 Bright aquarium fish  
50 Romanov ruler  
51 Tack on  
52 Besides  
53 Letters that explode  
54 Sure shot  
55 Ford or Dodge, e.g.  
56 Raw mineral  
57 Zero  
58 Calendar component

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