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## Professors remember Southern history scholar

### Past graduate students defend former AddRan member's interpretation

By JOHN-LAURENT TRONCHE  
Staff Reporter

A former TCU professor will be remembered more for his contribution to the history of the South rather than the racist connotations derived from his radical view of United States history, friends and colleagues said Wednesday.

Grady McWhiney, who taught history from 1983 to 1996 before retiring, died Tuesday evening at his home in Abilene due to complica-

tions from Alzheimer's disease, said Amy Smith, treasurer of the Grady McWhiney Research Foundation.

McWhiney spent his career working on a less conventional interpretation of the history of the South. His book "Cracker Culture" argues the differences between the North and the South can be attributed to different immigration patterns in the areas.

The Southern Poverty Law Center labeled McWhiney as "the intellectual grandfather of the neo-Confederate movement."

Don Frazier, president of the Grady McWhiney Research Founda-

tion and a former graduate student of McWhiney's was quick to defend his longtime friend.

"He was always controversial, but you can't ignore him," Frazier said. "(His interpretation of the history of the South) was provocative but well-studied."

Robert Pace, a professor and chair of the history department at McMurry University in Abilene, calls Grady "an idealist, not an ideologue."

Both Frazier and Pace earned their doctorates in history from TCU in 1992 under the direction of McWhiney, who acted as their sponsoring professor. Pace is also the vice president

of the McWhiney Foundation, which was established in 1996 in order to promote a continuing interest in 19th century American history, according to the official Web site.

McWhiney spent several years as a member of the League of the South, an organization whose Web site describes themselves as a "Southern Nationalist organization whose ultimate goal is a free and independent Southern republic."

Once McWhiney "figured them out, he resigned," Pace said. "Unfortunately they continued to use his name and only removed it when we inter-

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COURTESY OF Gary W. Shanafelt  
Grady McWhiney, a former TCU history professor, poses for a photo in an old-timey car.

## Convocation recognizes exemplary students

By SONA THAPA  
Staff Reporter

Honors students will receive awards today and will be recognized by scholars for their achievements in the Honors Program as part of the Honors Convocation.

Mallory Bolduc, a junior political science and religion major, said she is attending the Honors Convocation with the Honors Cabinet, a student governing body that addresses students' concerns about honors classes, program policies and activities.

"Convocation is a good opportunity for the school to recognize its honors students, as all the events during Honors Week are meant to showcase the accomplishments of its honors scholars," Bolduc said. "Convocation, in particular, allows students to be recognized and to experience a lecture by a scholar who has an interesting outside perspective to offer."

Jodi Campbell, an associate professor of history, said the Honors Convocation is an acknowledgment of all kinds of accomplishments and is for anyone who wants to be a part of recognizing these accomplishments.

Campbell said the Honors Convocation takes place every spring and involves various activities such as bringing in nationally recognized speakers and announcing the honors professor of the year. She added that awards will be presented to students who have qualified for membership into Phi Beta Kappa, the oldest and most respected undergraduate honors organization in the nation, according to the TCU Web site.

The Thomas Jefferson for Today Conference will follow the convocation and will end Friday.

Gene Smith, history professor and director of the Center for Texas Studies, said the Thomas Jefferson for Today Conference is running

### HONORS CONVOCATION

Venue: Ed Landreth Hall  
Event date: April 20  
Event time: 11 a.m.

### THOMAS JEFFERSON FOR TODAY CONFERENCE

Venue: Kelly Alumni Center  
Event date: April 20  
Event time: 3 p.m.

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## Showing off



STEPHEN SPILLMAN / Photo Editor

Senior marketing major Lindsay Nemec leads a class of current and prospective show girls in a pre-tryout clinic Wednesday night in the University Recreation Center. Auditions will be held April 30 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Thetas win community award

By LARRY WOODS II  
Staff Reporter

One Greek organization's efforts to provide better opportunities for less fortunate children has placed them in prestigious company with other members of the community.

The Kappa Alpha Theta sorority will receive the Community Heart Award, annually awarded by the Child Advocates of Tarrant County. The award is presented to a community member or organization that has shown continuous support for the local Court Appointed Special Advocate Association, said Theta president Cori Nemec, a junior finance major.

"Receiving the Community Heart Award is a wonderful honor," Nemec said. "We

are fortunate to have the opportunity to support such a worthy organization and genuinely appreciate this award."

Child Advocates of Tarrant County is the local chapter of CASA, which is the Thetas' national philanthropy, and Nemec said the Thetas have donated more than \$100,000 to Child Advocates over the past few years. The proceeds raised from the annual Theta Fall Breakaway 5K Run/Walk are donated to Child Advocates to help train volunteers for abused and neglected children, Nemec said.

Anne Peterson, a Theta member, said last year's Fall Breakaway raised more than \$22,000 for CASA. This year's Fall Breakaway is scheduled for Sept. 16.

"The whole chapter was very excited to

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## RUF loses leader, long-time mentor

By JENNA POTTER  
Staff Reporter

The largest ministry on campus is saying goodbye to its beloved minister as he prepares to move to a different university to be closer to his family.

Dustin Salter brought Reformed University Fellowship to TCU and is now moving to Furman University in Greenville, S.C. so he and his wife can be closer to their parents.

Salter was a self-proclaimed "military brat" growing up. He lived in Alaska, Georgia and Germany before attending college in Tuscaloosa, Ala. He graduated from the University of West Alabama in 1992.

Though he did not grow up in a spiritual home, Salter became a Christian at 16 when a friend took him to church. He felt called to vocational ministry after college under the guidance of friends in his church.

Salter also credits reading "Preachers and Preaching" by Martin Lloyd-Jones, for his decision to go into ministry. After college, he attended the Reformed Theological Seminary in Orlando, Fla.

Through a connection with a friend, Salter was recruited to become an RUF minister. He was given the option to go to Texas A&M University or TCU and he let the national organization of RUF choose TCU for him.

Salter arrived at TCU seven years ago and said he felt that TCU's campus was spiritually "dry" compared to other Texas universities. Though Campus Crusade for Christ was the largest ministry on campus at the time, Salter was excited to put RUF's motto to work.

"(RUF's mission) is reaching

students for Christ and equipping them to serve his church," Salter said. "We meet as a large group Tuesday nights to worship and study Scripture."

The very first year, the "large group" averaged about 12 students each meeting. Now, there is an average of about 200 students involved with RUF.

Salter's job consists of teaching, leading and maintaining fellowship with students. His job allows him to interact with students in various places, including his office, local coffee shops and basketball courts, where he can be found shooting hoops with students.

Salter said he has become more willing to trust God with his life and has had to memorize more Scripture due to his position as campus minister.

Salter's position has affected more than his personal life.

Brett Taylor, a member of RUF's leadership team who works closely with Salter, said Salter has affected the lives of his students.

Taylor, who leads the music portion of the large group and attends leadership meetings, said he and Salter have a mentor relationship where they eat together and play basketball regularly.

"Dustin is like a father-figure to me at school," said the junior management major. "He's my best friend. He's also the father and founder of RUF."

Through their relationship, Taylor has been strengthened in his theology. He said Salter has helped him to know and understand what he believes and why.

Salter makes a great RUF minister because he has a heart

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STEPHEN SPILLMAN / Photo Editor  
Reformed University Fellowship minister Dustin Salter works with the future leadership team of RUF during a training session Wednesday afternoon in the Student Center.



### WEATHER

TODAY: T-storms, 84/63  
FRIDAY: T-storms, 89/55  
SATURDAY: Sunny, 84/61

### FUN FACT

A fire at a New Jersey market caused a drove of goats to panic and escape. Firefighters teamed up with market workers to get the animals into a corral made of garbage cans. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## MCWHINEY

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vened legally."

While some, including the Southern Poverty Law Center, say McWhiney's name is synonymous with a pro-South movement, Pace said his legacy will be something else altogether.

"What's really going to be his reputation is his scholarly record," Pace said.

McWhiney contributed to more than 14 books and authored dozens of professional journals and articles.

McWhiney, born in 1928 in Shreveport, La., earned his doctorate in history from Columbia University in 1960.

Before coming to TCU as the Lyndon Baines Johnson Professor of United States History, McWhiney taught for more than 40 years at schools including Northwestern University, Tulane University and the University of California at Berkeley.

Just before his retirement, in an April 1996 letter sent to TCU history department chair Spencer Tucker, McWhiney said "the past fourteen years have been my happiest in academia."

"My tenure at TCU has been my longest at any university because I have had better graduate students here than anywhere else," McWhiney said.

Kenneth Stevens, chair of the TCU history and geography department, began working at TCU the same year McWhiney began teaching.

Stevens said he agreed McWhiney had some controversial ideas but said "there is some merit to them and other historians have recognized" his work.

"He was politically conservative," Stevens said, "But he had a great range of friends. He knew everybody."

Smith said McWhiney will be cremated during a ceremony in late-May.

Frazier said McWhiney's wife died more than four years ago; they had no children.

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for people and for sinners, Taylor said.

"His life is a living example of someone pursuing Christ," Taylor said.

Tess Phillips, a junior fashion merchandising major on the leadership team, said she met Salter through Frog Camp and immediately recognized his ability to mentor.

"His teaching was the first to get me excited about Scripture," Phillips said. "Dustin is very humble and creates an inviting environment for both believers and nonbelievers in any stage of their spiritual walk."

Phillips said she is attracted to RUF because the teaching is scripturally based and the music is traditional, but has an upbeat twist.

Salter said he enjoys working with college students the most and would prefer no other age group. His hope for TCU RUF is to produce a large amount of RUF interns, Salter said.

"I have the best calling in the world," Salter said, "and I get to wear fleeces instead of suits."

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hear about the award," said Peterson, a junior finance major. "We worked really hard to put on a good event."

Cherine Murray, director of marketing and public relations for Child Advocates, said the Community Heart Award is one of great prestige.

"Large corporations such as IBM have previously received this award," Murray said.

The Theta sorority will receive its award tonight at the 12th annual Judge Scott Moore awards dinner in Fort Worth.

## First Frog Market to allow campus to sell belongings, provide services

It's out with the old and in with the new at TCU's first annual Frog Market, which Programming Council expects to be TCU's largest garage sale ever.

Students can visit the market from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 28 at Frog Fountain.

Kit Lipscomb, a freshman Programming Council member, is organizing the event.

Lipscomb said the TCU Frog Market will be a non-profit event open to all students, faculty and organizations who would like to sell their goods or services.

"I encourage anyone to participate because it will be a great way to sell things and make money or

just promote an organization," Lipscomb said.

Lipscomb said anyone can apply to host a table by April 21 at the Student Center Information Desk or the SGA office, and the cost of renting a table is \$7.

If a student or faculty member would like to sell an individual item, he or she can submit the item to a separate table.

Students can also come to the event to eat and watch Baby Woodstock, a traveling group of six bands.

"If you don't want to buy or sell at the event, come for the food and the great music," Lipscomb said.

— Jacquilee Killeen

## Davidian prisoners to be released soon

By ANGELA K. BROWN  
Associated Press

WACO — Thirteen years after the Branch Davidians' armed standoff with federal agents ended in an inferno that killed nearly 80 people, six sect members who were sent to prison are about to be released from custody.

Most of those who will be freed over the next two months escaped from the compound near Waco as it burned to the ground on April 19, 1993 — 51 days after a shootout that erupted when federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents tried to arrest religious leader David Koresh for stockpiling guns and explosives.

The six men went to federal prison for manslaughter, weapons offenses or both in connection with the Feb. 28 shootout, which left four federal agents and six Davidians dead.

Once the men are out, they will be under supervised release for three to five years.

Among other things, they will be barred from associating with one another.

A seventh Davidian is also still behind bars but is not scheduled for release until next year.

Paul Gordon Fatta, who is to be released next month in San Diego, said he remains angry about the government's actions. He was at a gun show in Austin during the ATF raid and was not at the compound during the standoff.

"They needed their pound of flesh, so they took the survivors and put them on trial. Somebody had to pay," Fatta, 48, told The Associated Press by telephone. "They just want it to go away, and they hope people will forget as time passes. But it's going to be with me the rest of my life."

Koresh and nearly 80 followers, including two dozen children, died in a blaze that survivors say was ignited by tear gas sprayed into the compound buildings from military tanks. Authorities claim the Davidians committed suicide by setting the fire and shooting themselves.

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in conjunction with the convocation and will highlight Jefferson, his ideas and how his ideas resonate in today's society.

Thirteen prominent speakers from the fields of history, political science, literature and law will participate in the event. They will be talking on various topics based on how they relate to Thomas Jefferson and his period.

"We tried to go out and find who are the best known scholars that are working in these areas so that we can bring forward learned individuals who can share their expertise in the public here at TCU," Smith said.

Smith said he encourages students to attend these events because it gives them a chance to "broaden their horizon."

He said Jefferson's words not only apply to Americans but also to those "who yearn to be free and yearn to make free choices."

## Microsoft, Autodesk guilty in patent suit

By MATT SLAGLE  
Associated Press

DALLAS — A federal jury in East Texas returned a \$133 million verdict against Microsoft Corp. and Autodesk Inc. Wednesday for infringing on two software patents owned by a Michigan technology company.

The lawsuit, filed in 2004 by z4 Technologies of Commerce Township, Mich., claimed Microsoft and Autodesk used two z4 patents in their Office and AutoCad software programs without paying royalty fees.

After deliberating for 19 consecutive hours, jurors agreed, ordering Microsoft to pay \$115 million and San Rafael, Calif.-based Autodesk \$18 million.

The patents were created and owned by David Colvin, owner of privately held z4. U.S. patent 6,044,471 refers to a method and apparatus for securing software to reduce unauthorized use, while patent 6,785,825 involves a method for securing software to decrease software piracy.

Autodesk and Microsoft had argued during the six-day trial in federal district court in Tyler that the pat-

ents were invalid. But the jury said Autodesk and Microsoft were never able to clearly show that was the case.

A Microsoft spokeswoman said the company was disappointed in the jury's decision, which could be appealed. Separately, Microsoft is appealing a \$521 million judgment in a case involving patents owned by Eolas Technologies Inc. and the University of California.

"We continue to contend that there was no infringement of any kind and that the facts in this case show that Microsoft developed its own product activation technologies well before z4 Technologies filed for its patent," Microsoft spokesman Jack Evans wrote in an e-mail.

Evans said Microsoft believes z4 knowingly withheld information from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office when the patents were submitted and is waiting for the court to rule on the issue.

Caroline Kawashima, a spokeswoman for Autodesk, said her company still believes there was no infringement but will wait for other legal issues to be settled before deciding its next step.

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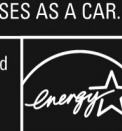
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## "NO CHILD..." LEAVES CHILDREN BEHIND

"I think the standards are being applied to everybody indiscriminately, without regard to their abilities," said Steve Peterson of Knoxville, Ill., a teacher of 31 years.

—Associated Press

### THE SKIFF VIEW

## Race not always main issue

The Duke University lacrosse team rape scandal has generated a lot of media buzz.

The tension between town and gown, privilege and poverty, white and black — the case has many of the elements of an explosive situation.

On Tuesday, two sophomores from the prestigious Durham, N.C., university were arrested on suspicion of raping a 27-year-old, black exotic dancer at an off-campus party related to the Duke lacrosse team. Speculation swirls around the rest of the members of the once-highly rated squad, with the possibility of more charges being filed in the case.

Durham is a largely poor city of around 200,000, nearly evenly divided between black and white. Duke is an affluent university, costing about \$43,000 a year to attend. The accuser is a student at historically black North Carolina Central University. Forty-six of the 47 players on the lacrosse team are white, and some may have thrown around racial slurs the night of the alleged rape.

There's no way around it: Race is an

issue in the case.

But it's not the issue in the case. The issue is whether a woman was raped, and if she was, who did it? Getting to the bottom of a rape investigation is in everyone's best interest.

Be careful when engaging in speculation and let the professionals do their work.

Don't say the stripper was asking for it. Don't assume that because the accused came from privileged pasts, they acted as if they were above the law.

None of us could do or say anything that could make the investigators' jobs of finding the truth easier and could only lead to more tension.

In a country with a history of racial divide, we should be doing everything we can to prevent the gap between black and white from widening. Embrace the principle of innocent until proven guilty and let the legal system do its work.

News editor Mike Dwyer for the editorial board.

### NEWSREAL • NICHOLAS SAMBALUK

"THIS COUNTRY IS EXCEPTIONALLY WELL-SERVED BY THE MAN STANDING ON MY LEFT."



THIS COUNTRY WOULD BE EXCEPTIONALLY WELL-SERVED IF THAT MAN LEFT.

### POINT

## Old officials bad for youth

My grandfather doesn't tell me what I can and cannot do in life. At 22 years old, I am fully capable of setting my own rules and regulations.



John-Laurent Tronche

So in the same way, I don't want old politicians with antiquated ideas deciding my future.

According to a government profile of the 109th Congress, the average age of senators is 60.4 years, the oldest in history. The average age of representatives is 55 years.

Some of those senators formulated their core beliefs before the civil rights movement was cool and before Vietnam became annoying. I'm not saying members of Congress are behind the times, but someone born before World War II, such as ex-Ku Klux Klan member Senator Robert Byrd of West Virginia, should consider passing the torch.

Contrary to the adage,

older doesn't necessarily mean wiser.

Why should an 88-year-old senator draft legislation he likely won't benefit from, or men and women 30 and 40 years my senior argue on behalf of myself and others my age.

Every generation is more progressive than its predecessor, so it's only natural for newer ideas, seemingly radical at times, to become more and more popular. I think younger people would be more motivated to participate in politics if they could relate to those who have the power to make change.

No one can decide our future better than ourselves. Unfortunately, it isn't as simple as declaring your intention to run for office. One must be at least 30 years old to serve in the Senate and a representative must be at least 25 years old when taking office. The youngest member of Congress is Republican Rep. Patrick McHenry of North Carolina, 30. The youngest United States senator is 41.

There is also an age limitation on our most powerful of offices: one must be 35 to attain the presidency.

John F. Kennedy, our 35th president, became our youngest-elected leader when he was inaugurated at the age of 43. President Theodore Roosevelt was our youngest president; at age 42 he assumed presidency from President McKinley, who was assassinated.

Both Kennedy and Roosevelt, though not spring chickens, were young and capable of running the most powerful nation in the world. I don't consider 35 to be the dividing line between youth and adulthood.

If I can vote at age 18 then I should be able to run for office as well.

Starting this year, I'm not voting for parties; I'm voting for ages. I'm going to search the ballot for the youngest candidate. You're 23 years old with no experience? You've got my vote!

John-Laurent Tronche is a senior news-editorial major from Fort Worth.

### COUNTERPOINT

## Officials' age must vary

The American political system is based on age.

One only needs to be 25 years old to run for the House of Representatives,

but one must be 35 to be president.

But though these are restrictions of minimum age, requirements clearly do not

mean that you have to be an old (man) to be elected to office. At my current age of 21, I am old enough to be a state Representative; in my home state of Kansas, I could have run three years ago. I would be unlikely to win, but I could run.

It may seem that candidates are rarely anywhere near the age minimums, but it does happen, and it has happened recently. Former President Bill Clinton was elected Arkansas's governor in 1978 at the age of 32, barely meeting age requirements, to become Arkansas's youngest governor since 1938.

So while our political system may seem to be dominated by geezers, that is far from the case.

And even if it were, it wouldn't necessarily be a bad thing.

Yes, youth is necessary, providing an infusion of new ideas and high energy into old, dead politics. But the young are also changeable, untried and unknowledgeable.

It is important that politicians work their way up, establish their political views, and begin to understand their voting base. This gives them an opportunity to really learn how the political world works and to establish precedents that voters can look at.

Conscientious voters,

though perhaps not the norm in the United States, want to look at a politician's actual record before they choose which candidate to vote for. After all, a candidate can say he or she is for anything, but what they actually do when it comes time to vote is far more indicative of their actual beliefs and practices.

Imagine that I am running for the Kansas State House of Representatives: I am 21 years old and about to graduate from an out-of-state college with no experience in government office. I have few qualifications and have only voted in one presidential election.

Furthermore, though I meet Kansas residency requirements, I have been out of state for the majority of the last four years and know little-to-nothing about the state itself or its people, especially of those areas outside of the richest county in Kansas, Johnson County (Johnson County is certainly not representative of the state at large).

And at this point in my life, it would be difficult for concerned voters to determine which way I would vote on any issue — it would be difficult for me to determine that.

Right now I can say, for example, that I am for the environment, that I think the rainforest should be saved, alternative fuels should be found, gas should be conserved, and loggers should not be able to move into protected lands, but in an actual vote I may discover that I don't actually support the ideals I have been touting. Perhaps I cave under pressure; perhaps I vote along party lines; perhaps I just plain change my mind.

How is the populace to know what I'll do if they've never seen me in action? And should they take that chance?

The obvious truth is that I am simply not old enough to run for large-scale office. Maybe I could be useful in city or county government, but as a State Representative, I would be disastrous — even though I meet age requirements. I would definitely need more time under my belt.

Finally, all considerations of time and experience aside, young voters are apathetic. They rarely vote. If I were to run for office at my age, perhaps I could attract a younger population, but the sad truth is that a much larger percentage of my youth voters would be unlikely to turn out than the percentage of my opponent's voter base. Instead, I would have to find a way to appeal to older voters. And how would I do that when it is clear that older voters are not rash enough to vote for someone my age — someone who does not represent their interests, and furthermore is inexperienced and untried?

In most cultures, the old have been revered for their age and wisdom. This may be something we are losing in the United States, to our detriment. Surely, older politicians should have to meet standards of strength of mind and body (after all, we do not want someone with Alzheimer's or someone who is likely to die in office), but they should not be forced out merely due to old age.

Instead, we should strive to find a balance in politics between the old and the young. In that way, we can have the benefit of both the wisdom and experience of age, and of the new ideas and vivacity of youth.

Opinion editor Stephanie Weaver is an English, philosophy and French major from Westwood, Kan. She is not currently planning to run for office.

## Global warming fixes easy to use

Last week Iowa was served another reminder that the planet is warming, as record-high temperatures were set, and disastrous weather

wreaked havoc. The warm temperatures

suggest this was not a climatological anomaly. The temperatures also encouraged the development of tornado-producing thunderstorms, one of which laid waste to the University of Iowa.

Although anecdotal evidence proves nothing, it is safe to say that most everything scientists have warned us about regarding global warming is striking close to home. From last year's record-setting tornado season to the warmest year on record, the prophecies of the climatologists are coming to pass.

Close to home is not only where the effects of global warming are being felt; it is also where we can make a difference.

One easy way we can help is by lending our computers' excess power to the largest climate change experiment. The data scientists gain from the experiment will help us forecast the potential effects

of global warming and give us the knowledge we need to prevent a worldwide catastrophe. Learn more about this experiment by visiting [www.bbc.co.uk/sn/hottopics/climatechange/aboutexperiment1.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/sn/hottopics/climatechange/aboutexperiment1.shtml).

On a more action-oriented basis, we can save money and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by driving less. According to the EPA emissions calculator, the average car pumps roughly 1 pound of greenhouse gas into the atmosphere for every mile driven. Driving less and using renewable energy sources, such as ethanol and biodiesel, significantly reduce this.

A car that runs on biofuel that was produced by clean energy sources represents a zero net increase in carbon emissions because all of the carbon that is released by such fuels was pulled from the atmosphere itself by the plants that produced it.

More fuel-efficient vehicles are a must. The Ford Escape Hybrid gets 30 miles a gallon. I personally prefer a fuel-efficient diesel and, being an outdoorsman, favor the Jeep Liberty CRD, every one of which comes off the assem-

bly line with a tank full of 5 percent biodiesel fuel and gets up to 32 percent better fuel economy than a comparable Jeep gasoline engine.

Another way we can reduce carbon emissions is by installing energy-efficient fluorescent light bulbs. Replacing just one 60-watt light bulb with an energy-efficient fluorescent bulb displaces 154 pounds of greenhouse gases every year and reduces your energy costs.

On a national level, expanding nuclear power production, which emits no greenhouse gases, is the best step we could take in an effort to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Spending the \$12 million necessary to rebuild areas of Iowa City may not have prevented the tornado, but it would have been money well spent if it prevented tornadoes from occurring as frequently as they have been.

In the end, we have nothing to lose by heeding the warnings of climate experts and much more to lose by doing nothing at all.

Jeremy Oehlert is a columnist for the Iowa State Daily at Iowa State University. This column was distributed by U-Wire.

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Freshman Anna Sydorska (top) returns a serve as senior teammate Helena Besovic stands ready on Feb. 15. STEPHEN SPILLMAN / Photo Editor

WOMEN'S TENNIS

# Frogs look to end regular season on winning streak

BY RYAN THOMAS  
Staff Writer

The No. 20 women's tennis team will finish the regular season against the University of Texas at Arlington this afternoon.

Sophomore Nicole Leimbach said she did not know much about the Lady Mavericks team, but she knows that they have a good No. 1 player.

Assistant coach Jefferson Hammond said UTA's No. 1 and No 2. players, freshman Klara Jargosova and sophomore Daniela Novakova, were pretty strong.

"I expect a good match up," Hammond said.

As a team, the Lady Mavericks are 11-7 overall but are 9-1 in the Southland Conference.

The Frogs recently defeated San Diego State and finished the Mountain West Conference regular season undefeated. They will be the No. 1 seed in the conference tournament, which begins next Wednesday.

The Frogs begin play next Thursday against the winner of the play-in game between Air Force and Wyoming.

Sophomore Andrea Morgado said the team has been playing well lately, and she wants to keep working hard.

"This is another match before the conference tournament," Morgado said. "Our goals the whole year were to go out, compete and have fun. We also have to keep playing as a team."

Hammond said Thursday was another opportunity for the team to get its confidence going into the conference tournament.

"I would like the team to come out and compete at a high level of intensity," Hammond said. "Our level of intensity and our level of focus are two main things to be working on."

Hammond said the key to winning against UTA was sustaining that intensity and focus throughout the match.

Leimbach said she wanted to try and continue to play well and solid.

"I want to win my doubles and singles matches," Leimbach said. "And as a team, I just want to win."

The match against UTA begins today at 2 p.m.

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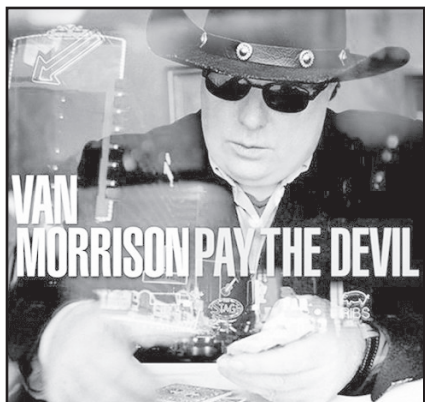


## DANCIN' IN THE STREETS

The Main Street Fort Worth Arts Festival kicks into full swing this weekend. Look for previews of the artists and musicians on the square this year on Friday's Features page.

# From bad to worse

Even the most solid artists are bound to miss the mark. Here are some discs that didn't live up to expectations.



"Pay the Devil" Van Morrison

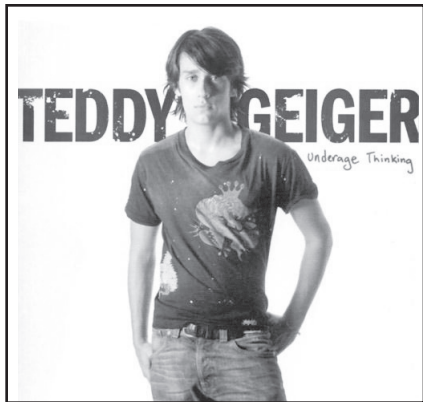
When he's on, there's no better live performer, band leader or songwriter in the pop music pantheon than Van Morrison.

But when he's off (or feeling notoriously temperamental), there's no artist near as dissatisfying or confounding.

"Devil" is Morrison's take on country standards. Morrison's selection of material is sublime, including Webb Pierce's "There Stands the Glass," but something between the music and the vocal performance doesn't come together.

As usual, Morrison's band is tight, but vocally, he just seems to breeze through the tracks. It sounds like an album made to pay the electric bill and not an interesting foray into another style of music. Unlike his last three masterful records, Morrison phones this one in, hoping that the material will make up the difference. Unfortunately, it doesn't.

—Darren White



"Underage Thinking" Teddy Geiger

There's nothing wrong with Teddy Geiger.

On his demo album, "Step Ladder," the teenage Geiger was contemplative, melodic and, in a word, sweet.

Unfortunately, his first full-length album, "Underage Thinking," can't even compare.

It's not Geiger's fault, necessarily. Sounding like a cross between John Mayer and Gavin Degraw, the vocals of the extraordinarily talented Geiger still sound amazing. The problem lies with the production of the album.

It's a shame that the producer didn't realize that Geiger alone with a guitar in his hand is enough to carry a great CD. Rather, he is almost buried under the extra instruments (several of which he played during the recording), and instead of serving to highlight his voice, the instrumentals only detract from it.

—Kelsey Hasler



"Youth" Matisyahu

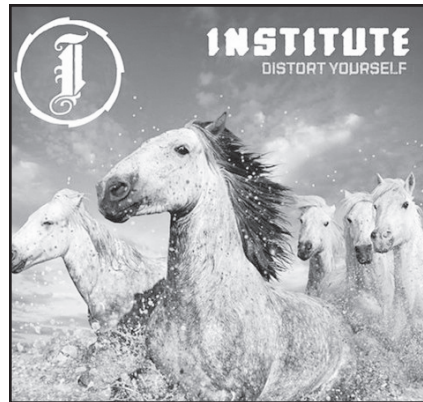
For an album by a reformed Phish-head who refuses to grow up, "Youth," the latest release by Hasidic rapper Matisyahu is aptly named.

Stealing all the good gimmicks and refusing to share, Matisyahu bills himself as "Hasidic beatbox reggae," but a more appropriate term is monotonous.

Almost every song on "Youth" deals with the former Matthew Miller's newfound religion. As if that weren't enough, Matisyahu chooses to deliver his sermons in a style more like Sean Paul than Bob Marley.

There's no reason someone with so much talent and a great backing band should make an album where every song sounds this derived and similar. The album does have some good moments, and each song portrays a very kind world view and attitude toward others. While Matisyahu seems sincere, it's not enough to save "Youth."

—Darren White



"Distort Yourself" Institute

"Distort Yourself," Institute's debut album, was supposed to be Gavin Rossdale's return to rock — and he came back with a yawn.

Admittedly, the first single, "Bullet Proof Skin," is pretty catchy, but like Rossdale's former band Bush taught us, a good album does not follow from a good single.

Just how cheesy is "Distort Yourself"? There is a song called "When Animals Attack."

Usually titles have little to do with a song's quality, but, in this case, it captures the tone of the entire album — loud and raw but lacking any real substance.

After listening to the album about five times, it disappeared from my iPod. After giving it another spin a couple of months later, it only seemed worse.

For every great comment made about Bush's "Sixteen Stone," I could make 10 bad ones about Institute.

—Brian Chatman



"Comfort of Strangers" Beth Orton

On Beth Orton's 2006 release, "Comfort of Strangers," Orton plays it far too safe, relying more on standard songwriter clichés rather than mining for new original depth.

The disc starts off promisingly enough, with the clever up-tempo track "Worms," but the momentum ends just as quickly by the next track, "Conceived." Orton delivers lines such as "Some of the time the future comes round just to see, that all is not as it could be" so disinterestedly it's a wonder she ever made it to the studio to record the tracks. It's certainly nowhere near the mastery of "Central Reservation."

While adding "Comfort" to the worst-of list might be a little harsh, it's almost warranted by Orton's misuse of her talent. Eventually, Orton will break free from the mold and record the album she's been threatening to for some time — she just hasn't yet.

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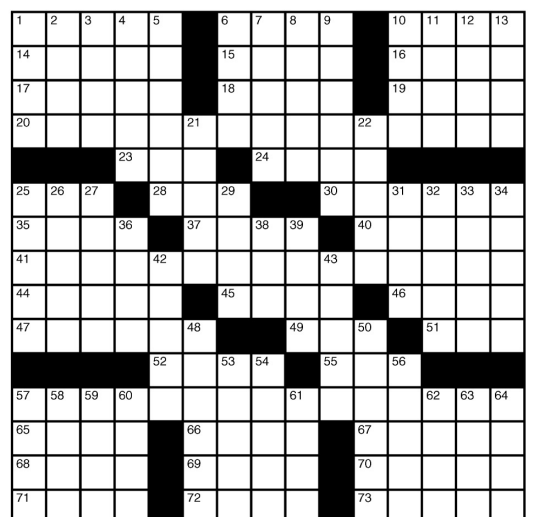
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By Alan P. Olschewski  
Huntington Beach, CA

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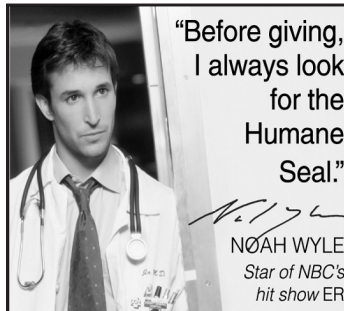


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JACKSON LANGAT

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### What do you use as motivation when training or right before a track meet?

The passion that I have for running is what motivates. I love to run. It is easy to get myself prepared for meets, and when I do train I don't see it as work, but I see it as fun, I enjoy running and enjoy the competition of running as well.

### Is there anyone that inspires you or that you look up to?

Yes, Jeremy Wariner, the Olympic Gold Medalist and former track star at Baylor University. I enjoy watching him run. He is very good at what he does. Also, my fellow countrymen from Kenya inspire me. I want them to be proud of me and hope all the best for them.

### How long have you been involved with track competitively?

I first started running when I was 19 and came TCU. I was told that I might be able to get a scholarship for being on the track team. So, I trained, worked, and pushed myself as hard as I could, and fortunately, the hard work paid off and help me get to where I am now.

### Is there anything about running that you do not like?

Well, I hate to lose. You work real hard and hope to do your best. Being injured is also difficult. It is hard to recover from injuries quickly. Since you are constantly running when you get



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injured, it takes longer to completely heal.

### What is your favorite thing about running?

Winning. When I win a race I am glad, but not just because I won, because then I see how my work and dedication to the sport has paid off. I also am happy to win the race because it helps the team also. Anytime I can help the team in a positive way, it is always a good feeling.

### Finally, is there any other sport or activity that you would like to try?

I would like to try football and soccer. I think that with my abilities I would enjoy football and soccer.

## BASEBALL

# Frogs open Mountain West road series with hot offense

By MIKE DWYER  
 News editor

The Horned Frogs have scored at least seven runs in seven of their first 10 Mountain West Conference games — and they haven't even gotten to enjoy the mountains yet.

They'll get to begin exploring the elevation tonight as they open a three-game series against Brigham Young University (16-20, 3-4) in Provo, Utah.

"It's going to be exciting for the hitters," junior utility player Chad Huffman said, "and the pitchers are going to have to pitch a little better, I guess."

The Frogs swept the University of Nevada at Las Vegas and Air Force in Fort Worth the last two weekends and took three of four, including a 9-4 win over BYU, in San Diego at the MWC Preseason Tournament.

Head coach Jim Schlossnagle said the team will try not to let the thin air at more than 4,500 feet above sea level change the team's game plan and disrupt its winning ways.

"It always seems to play a role, especially for at team that's not used to a playing in that environment," he said. "You don't really make a big deal of it. We'll just go out there and do our normal thing."

Huffman said the Frog hitters will have to put the high altitude out of their heads and focus on hitting the ball hard, not trying to drive it into the air.

"I know as a hitter, I'm not going to try to change my approach at all," he said. "Just because of the altitude and the ball flies a little bit better, it doesn't mean I'm going to be 'dipping and driving.'"

The team is hitting .323 with 86 runs in its 10 conference contests.

Huffman and shortstop Bryan Kervin have led the charge, hitting .395 and .452 in the MWC, respectively. Huffman has scored 11 times and hit two home runs and Kervin has crossed the plate 13 times with one round-tripper. Both have driven in 13.

Other Frogs have used the accommodating conference pitching to get their seasons on track. Freshman infielder Corey Steglich has seen his average increase by more than 90 points, hitting safely in 13 of 36 at-bats and driving in nine.

Outfielder Ryan Pack's average has risen from .164 to .241 in his eight conference starts. Pack has driven in 10 with one home run in league play. Outfielder Austin Adams



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Sophomore Matt Carpenter throws across the infield against UNLV on April 16.

is hitting .520 in 25 MWC at-bats to bring his average up to .320 for the year.

Huffman said the team-wide production is a function of its attitude.

"Everybody's playing a lot more loose," he said. "You can't forget this is a game. We're playing like we did when we were in little league. That's what's so much fun about right now, is that we're playing the game like it's supposed to be played."

Relief pitcher Omar Arif said the Frog staff will have to concentrate on keeping men off base in the thin air because big hits are going to come, but the damage they cause can be limited.

"Obviously the ball flies a lot better," Arif said, "but I think that for the most part you just got to stick with your game plan and keep making pitches — not let the altitude dictate the way you pitch."

Schlossnagle said the pitcher's will make a few changes in approaching hitters because of the altitude, but that they mostly need to put the elevation out of their heads and just pitch.

"You probably have to make some adjustments on pitching inside a little bit because your breaking ball is not quite as sharp," Schlossnagle said. "But if you make too much of it then it's got a chance to work backward for you. You have to limit your baserunners because you're more than likely going to give you some home runs on some fly balls."

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