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Police may implement tougher DWI policy for springtime

By KATIE WINTER and KYLE ARNOLD Staff Reporters

Department, along with the time of year. Arlington and Grand Prairie Worth police sergeant said.

Sgt. Rodney Bangs of the

under the influence and traf- increase of offenders. fic fatalities are more frequent

beginning stage of creating ask the public for voluntary present at numerous venues. a program to deter underage compliance to obey the law," mission in Tarrant County.

ment said motorists driving department is aware of the warrant, Bangs said.

TABC doesn't have the luxu- would override the refusal, The Fort Worth Police throughout the country this ry of adding more staff during allowing police to take blood

The new program may icy was used on New Year's drivers, he said. drinking and driving, specifi- said Lt. Charlie Cloud, of the include a "No Refusal" DWI Eve last year, and those who

Bangs said.

The Fort Worth Police mals, are taking place. these next few months, Cloud samples to determine wheth- Department has increased "With proms, concerts and said, but he said officers will er a person had been driving its enforcement through state more focused on single events police departments, are in the special events coming up, we continue to do their jobs and be while intoxicated, Bangs said. grants, allowing more officers like prom, graduation and The "No Refusal" DWI pol- to be on the lookout for drunk homecoming, but in college, stu-

cally for this time of year, a Fort Texas Alcoholic Beverage Compolicy, and if a motorist does refused a breath test were director of the Alcohol and locations," Giovanis said. not wish to take an alcohol subject to a blood test. The Drug Education Center at TCU, Cloud said during the breath test, police would be average blood alcohol concen- said April is Alcohol Awareness tive of TCU's Alcohol and Drug Fort Worth Police Depart- months of April and May, his able to request a blood search tration was 0.2 percent, which Month, and this is a good time

is more than double the legal to raise awareness because all The blood search warrant limit of 0.08 percent in Texas, the end-of-the-year activities, such as graduation and for-

> "In high school, drinking is dents drink at tailgates, friends' Yvonne Giovanis, assistant parties and at numerous other

> > The focus and primary objec-See ALCOHOL, page 2

SPEAKING OUT



Amanj Noori sits in his Intensive English class on Thursday afternoon. The 24-year-old from Iraq has come to TCU to improve his English and communication skills to eventually help with his family's construction business. He began learning the English alphabet when he was in the fifth grade.

Kurdish student receives a helping hand

By BIBEK BHANDARI Staff Reporter

Amanj Noori speaks Kurdish and Tony Lehew only English, yet they communicate.

his speaking skills.

Noori is a student from the Institute of Engineering and Drafting in Shaqlawa, a town in northern Iraq, who is now in the Intensive English Program at TCU, a program for for fun, but instead to help his family business. His sister, non-native English speakers to improve their writing and

communication skills.

When Noori and Lehew first met, they talked about each other and tried to understand the other, Lehew said.

"English isn't his first language and he struggled with Lehew is Noori's conversation partner at TCU who meets some words," Lehew said of their first conversation. "He with him every week outside class to help him improve understood what I said but took a little time to get his words out; he did a good job in communicating and getting his words across."

Noori, 24, the third of six siblings, isn't learning English

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Passage of city bond could fix area streets

By REESE GORDON Staff Reporter

According to the city of Fort Worth, \$33 million has been anticipate a tax increase set aside to improve the lay- being needed to pay for these out of neighborhood streets as improvements. However, she part of a bond program, with said \$150 million is the most several projects slated for the the city could provide without TCU area. However, whether raising residents' taxes. the bond passes will be up to

cil will allow voters to decide need to be fixed. Also needing the outcome of a \$150 million reconstruction are 480 miles bond proposal May 10. Includ- of neighborhood streets, he ed in the proposal are plans said. to reconstruct West Lowden Street, which is located in the the city has prompted officials TCU area.

Sandy Oliver, assistant direc- in Fort Worth. tor of finance for the city of Fort Worth, said the bond propos- scape and roadways in areas al would include \$33 million such as TCU and the differimprovements in neighborhood ence is night and day," Lamstreets, \$81 million in changes erssaid. to arterial or major streets and to city bridges.

an effort to improve the infra- of improving roads. structure of the city, with an roadways, Oliver said.

"We've had so many citizens it," Oliver said. "Anytime you district, Lamers said. have growth, you have to have infrastructure in place to get

people where they want to go quicker."

Oliver said the city doesn't

City spokesman Jason Lamers said there are more than 79 The Fort Worth City Coun- arterials, or major streets, that

> Lamers said the growth of to devise a plan for better travel "You see the result in land-

> Lamers said the City Council

\$22.2 million in improvements approved a \$150 million capital needs bond program last year The bond proposal is part of that only addressed the issue

He said reconstructing all of emphasis on bettering neight the major roadways, as well as borhood streets and major neighborhood streets, would require more than \$1 billion.

One main project that would that have complained about the be included in the proposal is quality of their streets and we the reconstruction of Pennsylwanted to do something about vania Avenue in the medical

> Mark Rauscher, transporta-See **BOND**, page 2

CLARIFICATION

An April 11 story, "Academic programs to benefit from public campaign," should have noted that the four academic units in the story are not the only ones that will benefit from the Campaign for TCU.

Two students start new club that focuses on growing energy industry

By ROB CRABTREE $Staff\ Reporter$

Two freshman TCU stu- freshman finance major. dents decided to put their

form of an energy club.

gy Institute, said the idea stepped up."

for the club was brought to

"I was actually going to big ideas into action in the start putting out feelers for club is to provide an opporan organization like this," tunity for students interest-Ken Morgan, director of Morgan said. "It was great ed in the energy industry club is perfect for TCU other areas on campus. operations at the TCU Ener- timing when the students to come together and learn

Voigt said they met with him by Ben Voigt, a fresh- the assistant director of stu- a guest-speaker series and sity. A big play requires big man real estate and finance dent organizations, Forrest take some field trips," Voigt major, and Justin LaPoten, a Lane, on Wednesday to file said. "The goal is to learn gy club will be under the and engineering, as well as the paperwork.

> He said the goal of the more about the field.

tunities to students."

because of the immensity

from industry leaders and umbrella of the TCU Energy the business school." provide networking oppor- Institute, which was founded Voigt said he thinks this will coordinate with several club is that it would be stu-

"We want to work with of the Barnett Shale and anyone on campus who is

"Hopefully we can start its proximity to the univer- interested," Voigt said. "We are hoping to coordinate Morgan said the ener- with the geology department

> Voigt said the most imporin June 2007, and the club tant thing to him about the dent-operated.

Morgan agreed that the See **ENERGY**, page 2



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PECULIAR FACT

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — A truck turned over Wednesday, spilling Jell-O snack packs all over

Associated Press

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From page 1

for District 9, where TCU is ous plans." located, are neighborhood streets.

tion manager for the trans- said. "Because of all the on the city to act fast. portation and public works needs, the wanted improve-

tip of the iceberg with this he said crowded streets and the needs on a daily basis." bond program," Rauscher highways have put pressure

department, said most of the ments in this bond program passing the city's ability to driving growth in the city are needed road improvements weren't able to fit in previdevelop adequate road infrathe creation of jobs, the rela-Rauscher said the city has staff that drive across the city the migration of people from had to tackle infrastructure each day and assesses road- other states.

"We're kind of scraping the needs a little at a time, but ways, and we keep track of

Don Koski, senior transportation planner for the city "The rapid growth is sur- of Fort Worth, said the factors structure," he said. "We have tively low cost of living and

ALCOHOL From page 1

Education Center is to inform students on the effects drinking can have on one's body, Giovanis said.

In honor of Alcohol Awareness Month, the Alcohol and Drug Education Center has had numerous activities on campus including Kegs, Cocktails and the Commons, where students could learn about the legal and psychological impacts of drink-

"We want students to realize and consider the appropriate times, places and situations to drink if they choose to do so," Giovanis said.

ENERGY From page 1

club is also vital.

"It is very important for heard of it." me to let the industry know started this," Morgan said. networking tool. "It shows them there are students interested in the start networking," Brogdon future of the industry."

Morgan said his role will be to help the club find dreams for the club, and matching resources and help Morgan said that's the way coordinate it with other sec- it should be. tors of campus.

with Four Sevens Oil Co. they've got big ideas," Morand an adjunct professor, gan said.

said he thinks the club is an innovative idea.

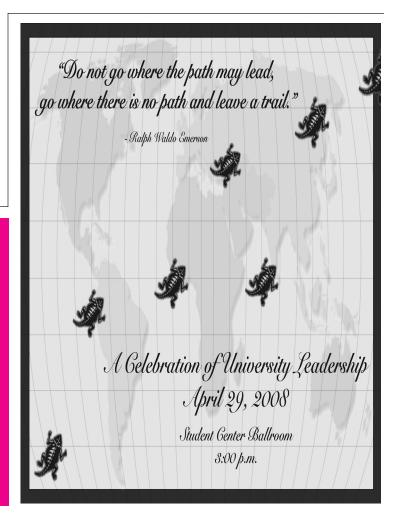
"I've never heard of an energy club before," Brogstudent operation of the don said. "I'm sure they're out there, but I've never

Brogdon said he thinks that it was students who the club will be a valuable

"It's never to early to

Voigt said they have big

"The energy game is a Larry Brogdon, a partner big game, so I like that





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OUOTE OF THE DAY

"We act as though comfort and luxury were the chief requirements of life, when all that we need to make us happy is something to be enthusiastic about."

— Charles Kingsley

THE SKIFF VIEW

Cheers, jeers of 2008

CHEERS to the athletics department for ending the Neil Dougherty era. Six years and 108 losses later, they got the point. The cliche is true, nice guys finish last.

JEERS to the TCU Board of Trustees for moving a symposium honoring the Rev. Jeremiah Wright off campus. Because of the university's decision, students missed out on what would have been a great opportunity to see a controversial national figure.

CHEERS to political activism during the primaries. Now, if we could only get that kind of turnout for SGA elections ...

JEERS to the closing of Edens and Deco Deli on campus. Not only did the university erase the phrase "what spread, baby?" from our vocabularies, it laid off five workers and did not leave them with many options.

CHEERS to the new hot dog stand. Thanks for bringing dollar hot dog day from the ballpark to campus (minus the dollar

part, though, that would be great, too).

JEERS to Texas' awful primary system. People are still dizzy from that "Texas twostep." Mastering the Billy Bob's version is easier any day of the week and results in less dizziness.

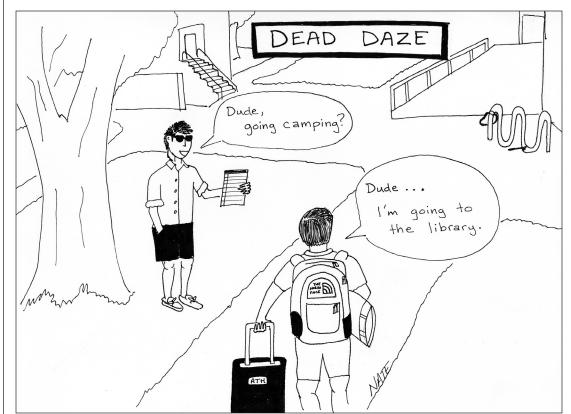
CHEERS to TCU for not letting construction setbacks significantly delay completion dates. No pile of rubble in the end zone is going to stop high rollers from watching games in style.

JEERS to the Higher Education Act for cutting off college students nationwide. If paying for college wasn't hard enough, it just got harder.

CHEERS to the university for increasing financial aid. Thanks for helping to pick up the slack from the government.

JEERS to JuicyCampus and its promotion of middle school-type gossip on college campuses. The social utility of this site is about as useful as a white crayon.

BY NATE ARNOLD



Nate Arnold is a junior marketing and e-business major from Edmond, Okla.

Years in college offer independence without full-time responsibilities

After four years in college, seniors should be and a new life outside COMMENTARY of college



classes.

I, like other seniors, am looking forward to these things, but unlike many of my

peers, I won't wear the purple gown, walk across Daniel-Meyer Coliseum and shake Chancellor Boschini's hand until December.

I always thought I had a set plan for my life, including leaving college in four years. But then, halfway through my junior year as I was growing more and

more unsure of my original choice of major, I took looking forward to a career a leap of faith and changed

> I knew all along that it would take an extra semester, but seeing my friends making their post-graduation plans sometimes made me feel like they were all officially becoming adults and I was still some little kid playing grown-up.

Looking back, if I could change anything about college, I don't think I would. For the first time this semester, I realized that everything in my life happened at just the right time. Coincidence or providence — you make your choice. I would have never had the experiences I

"It's better to develop the strength for what we deal with now than making our lives all about getting from point A to point B."

Valerie Hannon

had this semester if I had stayed in my original major or even changed it earlier.

My father has a saying he likes to encourage me with: "Life is a marathon, not a sprint." If you're also about to begin that extra semester or year for whatever reason, stop looking ahead and start focusing on right now. It's better to develop the strength for what we deal with now than making our lives all

about getting from point A to point B.

For those taking the "victory lap," think of the old cliche as just exactly that. Find opportunities to do things you've always been meaning to do but never got around to before. And if your friends are all moving on, think of this as your opportunity to mentor incoming freshmen — they if are in the same place you were

once. Even with all the classes and social drama, your college years are probably

nothing else, those of us going to be the best years of your life. For most of who get to stay for an us, there is no other time additional semester finally in our lives when we get get to see the end result of to enjoy the privileges of all the Campus Commons being out on our own for construction. That alone the first time without the has to be worth the extra responsibilities of having a full-time career and fully supporting our-

Valerie Hannon is a senior news-editorial journalism major from Allen.

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Once again, on human rights, the United Nations strikes out

"Imagine what would happen

if Washington, New Delhi —

even Moscow — tried to pass

laws forbidding public discus-

sion of "moral" issues like

religion, alcohol or sex."

Joel Binkley

The world's foremost human rights organization has ordered its envoys to begin investigating people or groups around the world who abuse freedom of speech by violating certain "moral" standards. The envoys would rely on individual govern-**COMMENTARY** ments to define morality in their own states.

Imagine what would happen if Washington, London, New Delhi — even Moscow — tried to pass laws forbidding public discussion of "moral" issues like religion, alcohol or sex.

What organization is setting up this absurd investigation?

The United Nations. Several years ago, the U.N. found itself embarrassed by its Human **Rights Commission** because of its unremitting

attacks on Israel and light regard for other human-rights malefactors. It "cast a shadow on the United Nations system as a whole," Secretary-General Kofi Anan lamented at the time. In 2006 the U.N. abolished the commission and replaced it with the Human Rights Council, charging the new group with reform.

During a quarterly meeting three weeks ago, this new "reform" council passed the resolution ordering its envoys, or "rapporteurs," to set off on the feckless investigation intended to repress freedom of expression. Not surprisingly, that prompted a torrent of complaint. As an example, the World Association of Newspapers called the council's action "intolerable" and "part of a dangerous, backward campaign." But a close look at the new Human Rights Council shows that its effort to suppress freedom of speech may be the least of its failings.

The Council works by sending envoys to world trouble spots. These people are supposed to bring back reports for Council consideration. Its choice of nations for study offers a clear picture of its priorities. Last year, it decided that neither Cuba nor Belarus had human-rights records worthy of interest. At the meeting just ended, the Council ruled that the Congo deserved no further attention. An article in the current issue of Foreign Affairs magazine notes that

"Congo is now the stage for the largest humanitarian disaster in the world far larger than in Sudan."

Might that crisis engender a human-rights con-

cern or two? If Sudan is not worthy of a serious human-rights inquiry, then who is?

Israel, of course.

On its founding two years ago, the Council declared that scrutiny of "human rights abuses by Israel" would be a "permanent feature" of every council session.

Since then, all but three of its 16 condemnations have been directed at Israel.

The United States ceaselessly criticized the old Human Rights Commission for its "pathological obsession with Israel," as Alejandro Wolff, an American representative to the U.N., put it.

The United Nations wisely shut down the first Human Rights Commission. It's time to abolish this one, too.

Joel Brinkley is a former Pulitzer Prize-winning foreign correspondent for The New York Times and a professor of journalism at Stanford University. This column was distributed by McClatchy-Tribune Information Services.

Pennsylvania primary previews negative campaigning to come

selves.

Finally,

Hillary Clinton's solid Pennsylvania primary victory may stem more from Democratic demographics than anything that happened in the bitter six-week campaign leading up to it.

The initial reaction from pundits and the COMMENTARY media is that she did more to Carl P. Leubsdorf keep her candidacy alive than to reduce the likelihood that Barack Obama ultimately will be the Democratic nominee.

But Obama's failure to make more than modest inroads into groups that form the Democratic core only will encourage the questions about his patriotism and ties to controversial associates.

McCain made that quite clear Sunday when he was asked on ABC's "This Week with George Stephanopoulos" if he believed that Obama "shares" his sense of patriotism.

"I'm sure he's very patriotic," the Arizona senator began. Then, without prompting, he raised the question of Obama's relationship with onetime radical leader William Ayers, denouncing the Illinois senator for his closeness to "an unrepentant terrorist."

Another sign that the GOP sees political mileage in this approach is Wednesday's unveiling by the North Carolina Republican Party — over McCain's objections — of an ad that questions the "judgment" of the two top Democratic gubernatorial candidates for backing Obama and shows a clip of the Rev. Jeremiah Wright.

Still, despite their prevalence in last week's televised debate and in day-to-day campaign coverage, there remains doubt how much these issues affected the out-

Obama did marginally better in Pennsylvania than in Ohio among white voters and men, his final deficit was less than in early polls, voters saw Clinton's campaign as the

more negative, and most Democrats said race was not a factor in their votes.

Even as Clinton remains stronger among basic groups that the party needs in order to win such key states as Ohio and Pennsylvania, Obama continues to show that his appeal extends beyond those groups in a way that is also necessary for victory, since core Democrats are not enough to win an

That was evident in Pennsylvania in his strong support among the 300,000 new Democrats who have joined the party since January. In a broader context, he continues to show almost daily an appeal beyond liberal Democrats that Clinton can't match.

Wednesday, Gov. Brad Henry of Oklahoma, the conservative Democratic governor of a "red" state, announced his support for

He joins, from the last week, two respected conservative Democrats — former Sens. Sam Nunn of Georgia and David Boren of Oklahoma — and two notable Republicans — William Ruckelshaus, a key figure in past Republican administrations; and Julie Nixon Eisenhower, the daughter of former President Richard Nixon and the sister-in-law of another Obama backer, Susan Eisenhower.

None has the political clout that Gov. Edward Rendell gave Clinton in Pennsylvania or Sen. Evan Bayh hopes to provide May 6 in Indiana.

But they suggest the kind of coalition that remains possible for Obama, assuming he can survive the fierce challenge of the former first lady and legitimate questions about who he is and what he believes.

> Carl P. Leubsdorf is Washington bureau chief of the $Dallas\ Morning\ News.\ This\ column\ was\ distributed$ by McClatchy-Tribune Information Services.

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LANGUAGE

learn English," Susan Noori meanings in Kurdish. said.

Susan Noori, who was visit- also his — to pursue a law lish in fifth grade when he to him and entered them ing her siblings in Fort Worth degree in the U.S. after learn- learned the alphabet, words in his electronic translator improving. when interviewed, said he ing the language. Noori said and grammar, he said. needs to take responsibili- he came to America because ties and learning English can "English is taught in English ter," he said with frequent help him effectively commu- in the U.S.," unlike in Irbil, pauses between words. "My nicate with foreign clients his hometown in the Kurd- teacher taught me winter

fill his family's dream and He had his first taste of Eng- lish; he noted the words new and practicing.

in their construction busi- ish area of Iraq, where his with spelling. It was a rainy teachers only taught English day and I never forget the "We were pushing him to words but explained their weather and the word."

But it wasn't only school Although English is a for- where Noori was exposed to the language he wanted to learn. He became familpopular American mov- spelled. ies and TV series, such as "Friends," on satellite net- how can I learn this pro-

"(My) first word was 'win-

"'How you doin?" Noori he understands partly and guage he wants to learn. repeats the words as he sings along.

Learning Days

second-level oral communi- and the Sorcerer's Stone." cation class, listening to his like tests.

with flair in a compact class next day how he was learn- Noori refused to talk.

The young aspirant made eign tongue for Noori, it of students with different ing by putting the lesson on

"He really wants to learn and is willing to work to learn; it's an unbeatable combination. Anybody who really wants to learn and is willing to do so is going to learn."

Neinan Crowe

Amanj Noori's sister

iar with English by watching dictionary as his teacher al fluency in English has of things but can't express,"

"It's important to know effort to speak correctly.

For Noori, learning Engsaid laughing, recalling lish and being able to talk a character on "Friends." he is living; with each class not easy. He also listens to artists and conversation with peoand 50 Cent, which he said is naturalizing to the lan-

> stand six out of 10," he said. overshadows his flaws. "I am reading the book Harry

his way to the U.S. to ful- wasn't an unheard language. accents trying to learn Eng- his mp3 player — listening here for English," Crowe

Lehew also sees Noori determination.

months, I can only imag- she said. ine speaking one-tenth of the words he says in Eng- problems in communicating lish now."

intermediate speaking sister. instructor, said his generimproved since he started he said. in February.

works and trying to imitate gram and improve my Eng- ished, but wants to learn, come the barriers and master the TV stars and how they lish," Noori said, making an willing to listen and mimic," he said. "He is a good lan- said. guage learner."

like Bryan Adams, Usher ple surrounding him, Noori faces is his pronunciation, unbeatable combination. Trueblood said. Some of the Anybody who really wants intonation and certain sounds to learn and is willing to do "If someone is talking 10 are difficult for him to pro- so is going to learn." words, I can (now) under- nounce, but his effort to learn

He sat in the end row — Potter," Noori said, showing in Fort Worth with her hus- covering his moments of triquiet but attentive — in his J.K. Rowling's "Harry Potter band, said she feels proud als and triumphs; Noori said of her brother and the initia- he loves the experience. Betty Trueblood, his tive he is taking to learn the peers and trying to compre- speaking teacher for the language. She remembered strang (strange) and sadness hend the speech topic for first level of oral commu- Noori telling her, one day at the biggining (beginning) the week: Why I like/dis- nication, said she remem- after school, how one of his but at the moment I love bers giving an audio lesson classmates who speaks Ara- my class," Noori expressed Noori battled with words on the second day of class bic tried to talk to him since his sentiments on paper—a trying to express himself and Noori showed her the he speaks the language, but revelation of his journey of

"Let's speak English; I am said, recalling her brother's

Speaking English at home "He has only been here with his brother-in-law also for two months and I think helps, Crowe said. Noori he speaks great," he said. practices a lot with his "If I were to go to Iraq and brother-in-law because he had only been there two is a native English speaker,

But Noori said there are with his brother-in-law, and Tom Crowell, his high he often seeks help from his

"I want to tell him a lot

However, Noori is posi-"His English is not pol-tive and passionate to overthe foreign language, Crowe

"His main advantage is However, for Noori, the that he has such a good attiwhat he learned from Joey, like his teachers is a dream game of learning English is tude," he said. "He really wants to learn and is will-One of the problems Noori ing to work to learn; it's an

In a foreign land trying to learn the native language of Neinan Crowe, who lives the place, a foreigner is dis-

"I fling (felt) afraid and learning English so far.



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Border Patrol checks outrage Washington ferry riders

By SARA JEAN GREEN The Seattle Times

sorts, espousing a do-it-your- to such scrutiny. self, leave-me-be ethos as nat-

the normal rhythms of small- petty drug users. town life have hit a dissonant chord lately.

islands and the mainland.

For some here, it seems like a dealers. good idea or, at worst, a minor have spurred outrage.

heated meeting last month, a legal advice. number of people have com-

plained that islanders are a family who immigrated ille- to America," said David Jones, being unfairly treated and gally from Mexico years ago the mayor of Friday Harbor. SAN JUAN ISLANDS, Wash. questioned, even though they and were recently caught up — The people of the San Juan haven't left the country and in the dragnet. They raised bail indignation underneath the Islands tend to be independent normally wouldn't be subject for them and paid their rent

Terms like "police state" are ural and ever-present as the hurled around, as they say the are "hurting good people, even asked three Seattle lawyers to But for many of the 17,000 tutional — and just a ruse to the Rev. Raymond Heffernan, people of this island county, catch illegal immigrants and

The Border Patrol responds that the stops are annoying but cerned about the invasion to A couple of months ago, the necessary, the cost of keeping their own privacy and the dam- who board domestic ferries U.S. Border Patrol began occa- the country safe. It maintains age it's doing to good people sional "spot checks" of every that a terrorist could easily use vehicle and passenger arriv- the same maze of waterways ing to the community," said the ing in Anacortes off state fer- and islands here that for genries, the lifeline between these erations has harbored smugglers, rumrunners and drug miles from Canada, the San

But in this comparatively inconvenience. But for a vocal affluent county, where there and active faction, the federal isn't a single stoplight, angry agents' aggressive questioning islanders are unsatisfied. and demands for identification They've complained to their the 1880s, moonshine during congressional delegates and Prohibition, and more recent-In the islands' coffee shops recently asked the American ly, potent marijuana known as and the editorial pages of the Civil Liberties Union to monilocal paper, then in a crowded, tor the situation and provide

And they have rallied around

while they were detained.

searches are illegal, unconsti- if they are undocumented," said priest at Friday Harbor's St. Francis Catholic Church.

> Island residents "are con- any questions. — people who are contribut-77-year-old priest.

With their location 20 or so Juan Islands have enticed smugglers for more than a century. Complex channels and isolated coves concealed the import of "B.C. bud."

And the Border Patrol says terrorists could be next.

San Juan Islanders are used to customs inspections in Anacortes if they take the ferry that comes from Sidney, B.C. Before now, though, they were never Patrol's deputy chief patrol subjected to checks on domes-

That changed in February, when federal agents started corralling everyone off domestic ferries into a fenced-off area of terrorism is no joke. in Anacortes and questioning stopped.

taking a ferry to the main-

"There's a great surge of surface here," he said.

So much so that local attor-The Border Patrol's actions new Carolyn de Roos recently come speak at two meetings about residents' rights and legal

Their advice: Don't answer

Because island residents don't cross an international border, they "have a right not to reveal anything about their legal status," said Matt Adams, an attorney with the Seattlebased Northwest Immigrant Rights Project and a member of the ACLU.

"Once they're inside the country, Immigration doesn't Chinese laborers and opium in have the right to detain someone without reasonable suspicion," Adams said. And ethnic background, skin color or language don't meet that thresh-

> But if someone admits to being in the country illegally, Border Patrol can arrest the

> Joe Giuliano, the Border agent for the Blaine border sector, says he understands that the stops are a hassle for lawabiding citizens.

But he stresses that the threat

them about their citizenship. one could get to the islands It now happens once, maybe by plane or boat, or board an try, Giuliano said.

> "It's a vulnerability and be exploited," he said.

compelled to act on it."

when they ride the ferries to the Washington mainland.

A Washington State ferry approaches the ferry dock in Friday Harbor at San Juan

Island. Residents have complained about occasional Border Patrol checks in Anacortes

As for residents who refuse It's conceivable that some- to cooperate or answer ques- was detained late last year, tions, Giuliano said, agents news spread fast. Members of will still run their license-plate the community managed to twice a week; no one has any international ferry in Sidney, numbers and search databases, raise enough money to get the way to know if they will be B.C., and get off in Friday Har- detaining them until it can be family out on a \$30,000 bond, bor instead of Anacortes. Once determined whether they are and they were back in Friday When islanders talk about in an island community, a perhere legally. But if an agent Harbor by the end of March son with nefarious intentions doesn't have enough informatheir plane tickets also courland, the joke around town could mix with the locals and tion to make that determinatesy of folks back home. these days is, "I'm going back then board a domestic ferry in tion, or doesn't have probable order to sneak into the councause to arrest someone, "the they will probably lose their bid thing is let go," he said.

Between late February and

up to you, you're pretty much by agents before they were

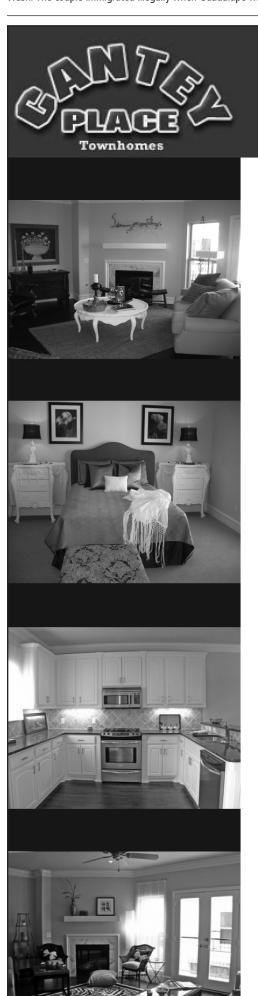
When the Sanabria family

Even so, the Sanabrias know to stay in the United States.

"I'm really thankful our comwe're worried that it could last week, 43 people — 38 of munity helped us because if them from Mexico — had been not for them, we wouldn't be "You have to catch it all to arrested in the ferry stops, back," Guadalupe Sanabria



The Sanabrias family — Antonio, Amelia, Guadalupe and Carmen — stand back at their home April 9 after being detained while disembarking a ferry at Friday Harbor, Wash. The couple immigrated illegally when Guadalupe was 2.



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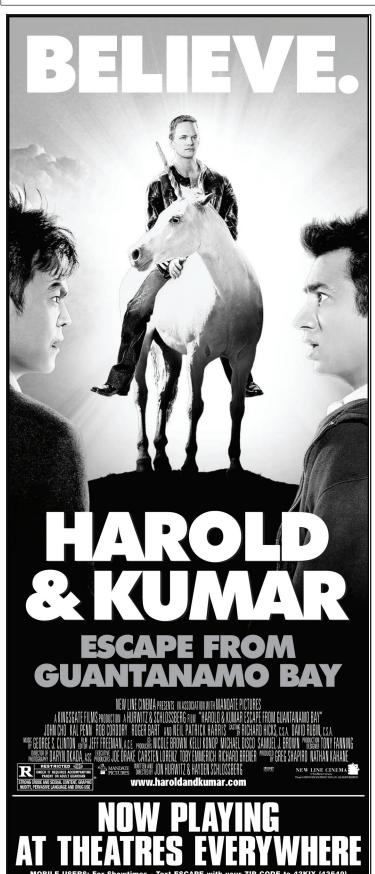
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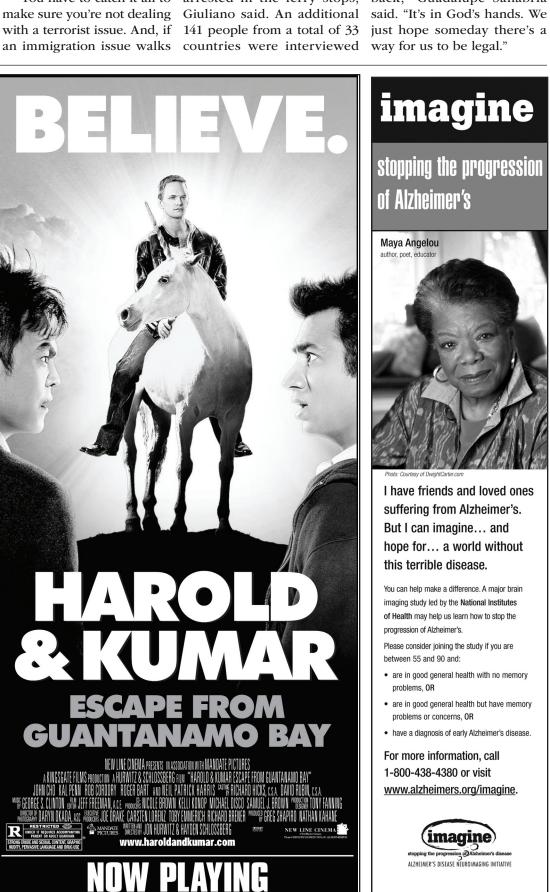
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Fort Worth police crack down on gang-related crime

By LINDSEY BEVER Web Editor

A Fort Worth gangbanger pops his trunk, pitches a pudgy plastic bag packed with white powder onto the pavement and signals for the buyer in the adjacent vehicle.

Almost immediately, the rival gang members open fire. The gunshots appear as bright firecrackers, bursting from the barrels of dueling guns.

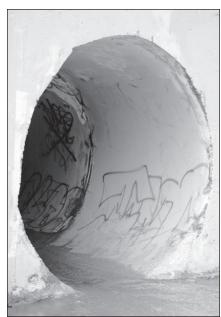
The banger throws the narcotic into the trunk, jumps into a four-door sedan and rivals fire as the vehicle peels out.

Late-night surveillance footage at a local gas station captures the six-minute drug trade on Berry Street in June

Drug trafficking is just one of the issues associated with gang violence.

Although the gang population is still growing, Fort Worth police are cracking down on gang-related crime, which is on the decline from last year, said Lt. David Burgess of the Fort Worth Police Department, a former officer of the department's Gang Intelligence Unit.

Gang-related robberies, graffiti and possession of a controlled substance are up 96, 56 and 22 percent, respectively, from January to September 2006 to the same time period in 2007, according to statistics from the gang unit.



LINDSEY BEVER / Web Editor Graffiti lines culverts near TCU. Police say gangs spread their messages through graffiti.

cent, aggravated assaults are down 11 percent and auto theft has decreased by 22 percent, according to the statistics.

"If you're saying that the crime rates or statistics are down, that doesn't mean that gang membership has gone anywhere," he said. "That doesn't mean that you still don't have kids involved in criminal or deviant behavior. You really can't concentrating their efforts on Northside put a number to that."

Sabir said more than 11,000 gangs — half of which are still active — have on the street on any given night so that been documented in Fort Worth since 1983. Still, he said, that doesn't include the unidentified gangs "flying under the radar."

Burgess said the number of gangs is slightly increasing.

"But you've got to realize that the city of Fort Worth is growing," he said. "As you get more and more people, you're going to have more and more problems The gang unit — that's just the nature of the beast."

Cracking down on gang crime

Northcide Four Trey Gangsta Crips in Northside is a violent gang notorious for drug trafficking, Burgess said. And because Burgess was already under mandate from the chief of police to take action, they filed a civil lawsuit against the Four Treys — running seven simula window in the back of the house with taneous search warrants using the FBI a steel baseball bat as a distraction. and Texas State Troopers, he said.

against the gang to put an end to public nuisance, specifying 10 or 11 gang members, and served those members with papers, requiring them to make an appearance in court, but did not sue for money damages, Burgess said.

Burgess said the injunctive relief allows the city to specify a certain geographic area, called a safety zone, where members of the gang cannot use cell phones, hang out with other documented gang members or loiter past curfew, for example.

If any of the gang members within the injunction area violate the injunction, which outlines 26 items, they will

However, murders have fallen 28 per- be arrested on a Class A misdemeanor, Burgess said.

The Six City Comprehensive Anti-Gang Program is part of a \$30 million Wafeeq Sabir, a gang officer in the Anti-Gang Initiative to provide gang intervention and prevention section, prevention and enforcement, according said statistics don't always represent to a U.S. Department of Justice news

> Fort Worth was chosen as one of six cities with significant gang-related problems to receive the \$2.5 million grant for prevention, enforcement and re-entry.

> Burgess said Fort Worth police are as the grant specifies.

> "What that does is put more resources we can spread our resources throughout the city," he said. "We have enforcement teams out every night, and they can only handle so much. When you have the availability to put an additional six or eight more gang officers out on the street, then you've almost doubled what you have on the streets."

Worth Gang Unit, I sat with Burgess and watched eight gang unit officers in bulky bulletproof vests filed into a can't communicate — they can't send stick formation as they jump out of an unmarked retro van and throw open the torn screen door with steel bars of a crack house in the 1000 block of Lowden Street. Another officer shattered the Comin' Up program, sponsored

A team of gang unit and narcotics The city asked for injunctive relief officers raided the duplex, handcuffed 12 people, confiscated a crack pipe and three grams of cocaine, and arrested two on suspicion of possession of a controlled substance on Oct. 20, 2007.

Burgess said the Fort Worth Police Department has the largest gang unit in Texas and is taking a zero-tolerance approach to any offenses gang members commit. If gang members are caught driving without a driver's license or insurance, the police will cash bond the gang members on their traffic citations, put them in jail, tow the car and put a hold on it for gang detectives,



Culverts on the corner of McCart and McPherson avenues near TCU are covered with graffiti. Fort Worth police have made graffiti cleanup a top priority.

Police Department's north division said of college. Fort Worth police have made graffiti cleanup a priority.

"That's how the gangs spread their During a ride-in with the Fort messages and spread their threats," he said. "If you can block that forum — as soon as you clean off the graffiti they threats to their gangs."

Gang intervention

Intervention programs, such as by The Boys & Girls Club of Greater with the highest concentration of gang membership and violence, Burgess

The Comin' Up program was established in 1994 when Fort Worth was responsive," he said. "Our churches, experiencing significant gang violence, mosques, synagogues — the religious said Daphne Barlow, president of the world — have to be more respon-Boys and Girls Club of Greater Fort sive. Law enforcement has to be more Worth. The nine sites in Fort Worth responsive, in the sense that we put offer life skills programs, back-to-people in jail — that's what we do for a school programs and job training and living and that's not going to change.' placement programs for gang members between the ages of 13 and 24,

David Waters, the program coordinator for more than two years, helps put kids back in school, get them job train-Capt. Bill Read of the Fort Worth ing and put them through a semester

Finding a solution

Jeff Ferrell, professor of criminal justice, said the solution is more jobs, better community programs and stronger community networks where parents aren't forced to work long hours because of declining wages.

"The problem is, with the definition of gangs, obviously we've got to have better training for police officers and more awareness of all the variations in how kids hang out together so we don't Fort Worth, are stationed in the areas have that mistake of over-generalizing about who is in a gang," he said.

> Sabir said the community as a whole needs to be more involved.

> "The school districts have to be more





Check out video interviews with a current gang member and police.



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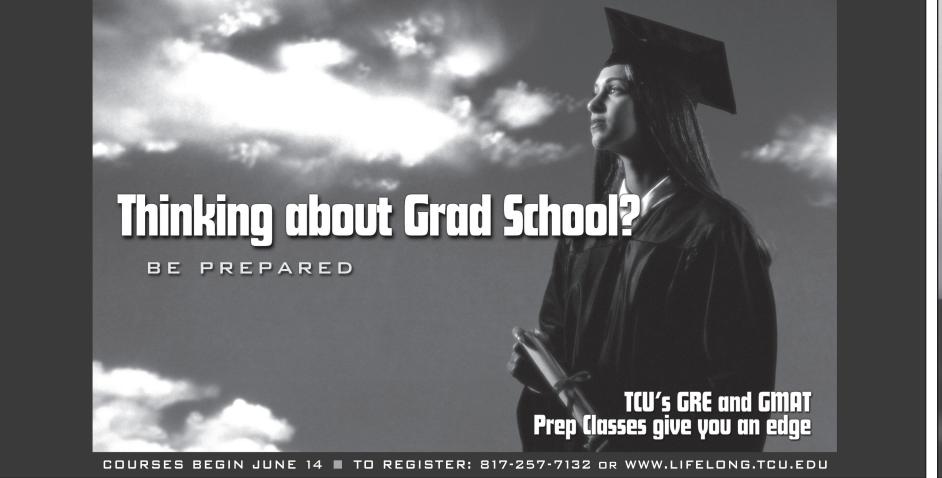


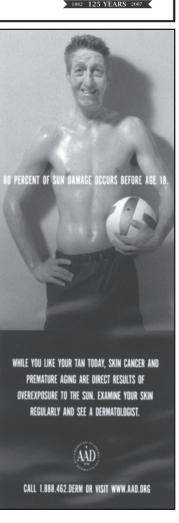
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ual assault scandal involving bring down TCU athletics. three TCU athletes in 2006

Even during the dark and en. It spoke volumes about the people who don't get that Great White Hit." enigmatic times with the track what Danny Morrison, athlet- same kind of recognition team being placed on proba- ics director, has helped build, the Jack Hesselbrocks and the how about the trip up to Nor- Piano Bar or wherever we may It goes on and on and on and tion in 2005, the alleged sex- showing it takes a lot more to Shawn Worthens and the Leo man, Okla., that made "17-10" find each other, remember to on."

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surrounding the condition of the Bryan Kervins were rais- — are the unsung heroes of erty era in men's basketball? All-American Tommy Blake ing TCU's profile to that next TCU athletics, deserving of in 2007, Rome did not weak- level in Division-I athletics, cheers comparable to "The Munsons and the Donna Shep- into a T-shirt? And as the Franklin Corpenherds and everyone in the ath-

Yeah, all that was good, but

(Crickets chirping.)

So as we say our goodbyes at the University Pub, ending it like that. Ahh, remember that? Or Whataburger, Fuzzy's, Pete's make it count.

It's not a dream; it's just Stewart.

"Here's to the nights we felt

OK, we are definitely not

"But the movie never ends.

Hey, at least it's not Rod

Thank you.

Squad notches first-ever victory

Staff Writer

two cars early Saturday morning en's team Saturday. The girls to put their hard work to the test. played their inaugural game in also looking to gain more actual The Woodlands and returned to game experience. Fort Worth with a win.

gion major and one of the team's 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursfounders, said team members days and from 3 to 5 p.m. on faced backward." have been practicing since the Fridays. The Tuesday and Thursteam's inception at the begin- day practices are combined with ning of last semester. She said the men's rugby team and Frithe proper steps are being taken days the girls practice by themognized TCU organization next more detail, she said. semester, and said they have semester.

However, nothing has stopped A team of nine girls piled into first match against another womtraveled to play against a Wood-

House said the women prac-Erin House, a freshman relitice three days a week, from 7 to had her ankle completely dis-

The final score of the game the paperwork and enough was 10-5 with House and Kelsey upperclassmen interested, but Hannigan, a freshman psycholthey want to start with a fresh ogy major, scoring the team's two tries.

House said a try is "kind of these women from playing their like a touchdown worth five points."

"Scoring my first try was an awesome accomplishment," The TCU women's rugby team lands women's squad, which is Hannigan said. "But the gamewinning story is by far Rebecca Burke who, in the middle of the match, was tackled and located and broken so that it

> Burke, a freshman pre-major, said she will not be able to play for a couple months.

The team currently consists for the team to become a rec-selves to review everything in of six freshmen, two sophomores and one senior.

> In order to play a full game, House said they need a minimum of 15 players, but they can play real games of seven on seven until they are big enough.

TENNIS

to a 4-0 win.

Hammond, who was recently named the Mountain West Con- to see the freshmen step up teams handled the change. ference Coach of the Year, said for the team. the freshmen's transition was big for the team.

TCU's three veteran singles players were all down one set to none before the last freshman on the court sealed the win for the Horned Frogs.

"You don't really expect that from freshmen, especially in their first conference tournament," Hammond said. "With the crop we have it doesn't surprise me. They're pretty fearless for the most part."

Katariina Tuohimaa struck first for the Horned Frogs, defeating Wyoming's Carly Van Hollen 6-0, 6-2, her teamleading 19th singles victory

this spring.

gles matches and pushing TCU for the team, beating Brittany Nichols. DeFelice 6-2, 6-4.

Michelle Brown 6-3, 6-3.

TCU also won the doubles mond said. point, overcoming a few tran-Harkins. Replacing Harkins in the row.

team's No. 1 doubles pair with senior Andrea Morgado, who tomorrow's semifinals. had not played in a match in

Munch-Soegaard and Baban- on Thursday. ova switched with the No. 2

Tuohimaa was bumped que, N.M.

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from her usual spot in the Maria Babanova was the No. 2 group with Hertzberg next freshman to come through and replaced by senior Kewa

Hammond said he is excit-Babanova said it was great ed about how his new doubles

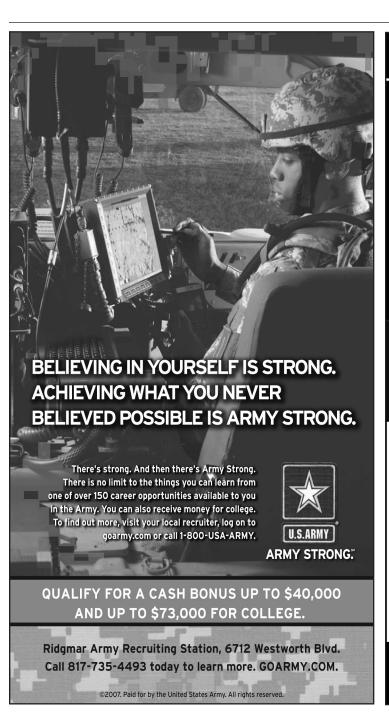
"Two of the teams hadn't Finally, Idunn Hertzberg played, we've got the talent so capped the phenomenal day for we knew if we just focused and the first-year players by beating played high-percentage tennis that we could do well," Ham-

Hammond said he could not sitions forced by the loss of comment on whether Harkins would be cleared to play tomor-

Harkins said she thinks she junior Anna Sydorska was will be well enough to play in

TCU will face the University of Utah, which shut out The No. 3 team of Nina Brigham Young University 4-0

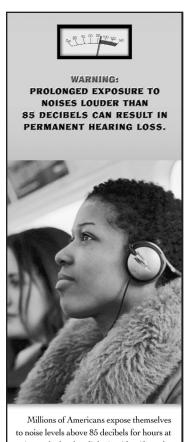
> The Horned Frogs beat the Utes April 12, 7-0 in Albuquer-











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Four years of athletics bring memories, nostalgia, killer '80s tunes

By TIM BELLA Staff Writer

I woke up at 9 a.m. on a than three weeks.

to my alarm clock, hoping the at freshman orientation back in horizon, still trying to figure out next song wouldn't be another 2004?) cheesy, apocalyptic anthem such

or some crap like that.

Wednesday to my alarm clock empowering about telling Rod blaring Rod Stewart's "Forev- Stewart to shut up. (Note: Is it a top that had somehow made it er Young" when I realized the coincidence that "Forever Young" world was going to end in less was the song playing during that "Shut up, Rod Stewart," I said inside Daniel-Meyer Coliseum my job in Manhattan was on the of smuggling a 30-pack of Key-

as "Closing Time" by Semisonic the moment called for it, I gave continued to ask myself if it was my best "dramatic gopher" face all a dream. By the way, there is something to no one in particular as the fivesecond clip played on a Dell lap- but in the end is right ..." through four years.

After vowing never to do that I am a top-40 station. 90s-ish PowerPoint presentation face in public, I remembered that how I got here — trying to fig-Still lying in bed but knowing ure out how we all got here. I

"It's something unpredictable,

Great, now sappy, reflective songs are latching onto me like

Yes, long gone are the days stones into Milton-Daniel out of sight from your RA or having to pull the kind of all-night study

COMMENTARY



mately care about and connect others. with its students, but the campus

sessions that is led by a chancellor who is as by comparison likable as anybody on campus. would even Plus, you've got the University make Susan Pub within walking distance.

Of course, the sports haven't little refreshed. been bad either, not when you've But think had the chance to follow the about how careers of Adrianne Ross, Virgil grateful we are. Hodge, Jonathon Berrettini, Calli Not only does the faculty legiti- Corley and Chase Ortiz among

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

NEXT ROUND



Junior Anna Sydorska, with doubles partner, senior Andrea Morgado, rally against Wyoming at the Bayard H. Friedman Tennis Center on Thursday. The Horned Frogs won their quarterfinal matchup, advancing to play the University of Utah today.

Freshmen key in team's first tournament win

By BRETT LARSON

West Conference Tennis Championships. to rest.

Junior Macall Harkins, TCU's No. 2 sin-Short one junior veteran, the TCU wom- No. 1 doubles team, was a game-time deci- kins up one spot in singles. en's tennis team relied on freshmen to lead sion to hold from TCU's first game of the the way to a win over the University of Wyo-tournament. Harkins said she felt sick and freshmen who shined brightly for the ming in the quarterfinals of the Mountain her coach thought it would be best for her Horned Frogs, winning each of their singles

Without Harkins, head coach Jefferson gles player and a member of the squad's Hammond shifted all players below Har-

> In her absence it was the team's three See **TENNIS**, page 7

Squad to face Aztecs; MWC position on line

By KYLE ARNOLD Staff Reporter

The baseball team will try to hold onto a first place lead team-leading total to 31 RBIs in the Mountain West Confer- this season. Arnold scored ence as it travels to California one run Tuesday night, to take on the San Diego State bringing his season total to Aztecs for a three-game series 35 runs, good for second on starting today.

The Horned Frogs are tied with the New Mexico Lobos the Horned Frogs have been with an 11-4 record in the playing better at home, but Mountain West, and the Aztecs with a current nine-game are one game behind those winning streak in confertwo teams with a 10-5 conference play that includes

the Oklahoma Sooners on Tues- Frogs will try to keep the day night, the Horned Frogs streak alive in an important will try to recapture their win-series against the Aztecs ning ways against a conference this weekend. opponent they swept last year in their only series against the a Tuesday win against the Aztecs in Fort Worth. During USC Trojans but dropped the series, the Horned Frogs two of three games against outscored the Aztecs 23-11.

A couple of the big bats last weekend. carrying TCU into the series are Chris Ellington and Clint top team in the conference

Arnold. Ellington drove in three runs in the loss to the Sooners, which brought his the team.

With a 9-8 road record, three consecutive confer-Coming off an 11-6 loss to ence sweeps, the Horned

> The Aztecs are coming off the UNLV Runnin' Rebels

The Aztecs have been the for the majority of the season, and this series could put them back on top.

Last week, while the Horned Frogs were on the road, they managed to outscore the BYU Cougars by a 40-11 margin in three games.

The first game of the series is set for tonight at 8:35 p.m.

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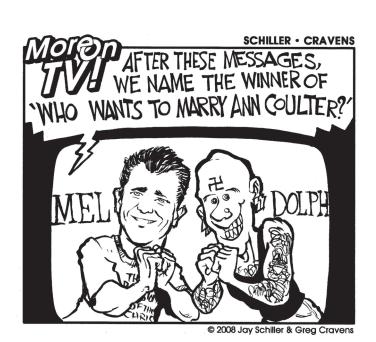
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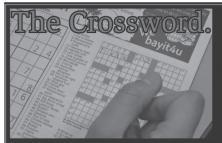
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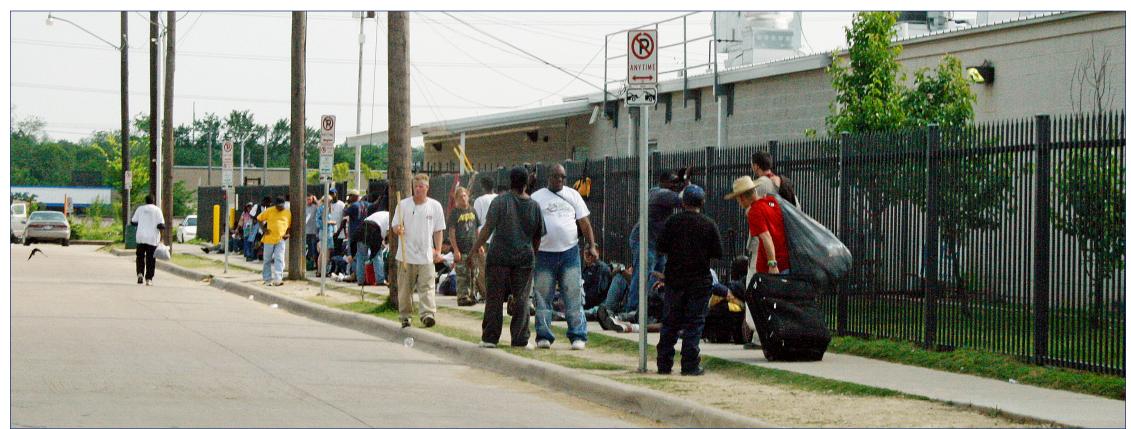
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Misplaced Patriots

City combats homelessness with 10-year plan



Homeless citizens line up at about 5 p.m. Tuesday outside the Presbyterian Night Shelter on Cypress Street in Fort Worth. More than 600 homeless people sleep in the shelter each night. Some sleep in the dormitories and others in 'the pit' downstairs.

By Lindsey Bever Web Editor

hey crowd the sidewalks of Cypress Street in Fort Worth every evening, some shouting profanities back and forth and others sitting quietly as they clutch dirty knapsacks and rolled up sleeping bags.

They are the homeless in Fort Worth.

More than 600 pile into to the Presbyterian Night Shelter each night. Some rent bunk beds downstairs, the sober ones get promoted to the upstairs dorms and the men who have no other options curl up on torn blue mats on the floor and in the

Among these men are those who once put their lives on the line for their county. They are the U.S. veterans.

"You lose all of your self-respect and self-esteem when you walk through the doors here because you've basically come to hell," said U.S. Army veteran Mike Cole, 63. "We call downstairs 'the pit,' and that's exactly what it is. You've got every walk of life down there. They'll look you in the face and steal from you when you ain't looking."

Although U.S. veterans are more likely to be economically secure, white men, about 195,827 of them are homeless on any given night, according to a study released by the Homelessness Research Institute in November 2007.

More than 4,000 people in Tarrant County are homeless, 16.5 percent of whom are veterans, according to a 2007 study by the Tarrant County Homeless Coalition.

The City's Efforts

The Mayor's Advisory Commission on Homelessness presented a 10-year plan to end homelessness by increasing permanent housing and homeless prevention to the City Council on Tuesday, said Otis Thornton, city homeless coordinator.

Fort Worth is one of the largest cities in the U.S. without a 10-year plan, he said, so in 2004, the city created the committee to study the issue and has been working on the plan for almost two years.

The first draft of the plan estimates a total cost of \$700,000 to \$3 million a year, Thornton said, but the price tag is not finalized.

Roots of Homelessness

Michele Bogue, instructor of sociology at TCU, said the three main factors that contribute to homelessness are health issues, economic issues and lack of affordable housing.

Bogue, a U.S. Navy veteran, said another issue is that military skills don't always transfer into civilian jobs.



LINDSEY BEVER / Web Editor

Jeffrey Coffman, a homeless veteran, assembles a model car in the Presbyterian Night Shelter dormitory. Coffman was an Army tactical wire inspector from 1975 to 1976.

day in and day out, said Teresa House-Hatfield, director of the Comprehensive Homeless Center and Domiciliary Care Program for the VA North Texas Health Care System.

But House-Hatfield said not everyone in combat develops

"People are hurting and suffering with the emotions of those experiences," she said. "They try to numb themselves to get away from those feelings, hide those feelings, and it's often a form of "They tell you that you're learning all these skills ... but when self-treatment that doesn't actually solve any of the problems.

have the illness or limitation first, which results in their homelessness because they can't maintain employment or keep a steady income to pay for housing. But, she said, once they become homeless, it is harder for them to maintain a normal lifestyle and get medical care because they don't have transportation. It becomes a vicious cycle, she said.

Carl Young, 49, a U.S. Navy veteran, said he became homeless in 2004 after he became addicted to crack cocaine. He said he also suffers from arthritis and diabetes.

Young stays at the Presbyterian Night Shelter in "the pit" but he doesn't mind.

"It might get a little loud and noisy down there, but they're just people down on their luck," he said.

Although Young has family — a son — he tries to stay away,

"If something bad happened, I'd go home," he said, "but I stay away otherwise. I know if I go over there what's going to happen. I'll smoke some dope. My son sells dope. That's how he makes his living."

A Helping Hand

House-Hatfield said the North Texas VA Medical Center offers substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment and both inpatient and outpatient medical care.

The Presbyterian Night Shelter's Vet-to-Vet Program is a peerto-peer support group that was ranked No. 1 in the nation of all VA programs last year, said Mark Bray, a Vet-to-Vet facilitator.

Bray, who was homeless for four years, said the beds are free for veterans. And once they are "clean," meaning free from drugs and alcohol, they could be moved to the dormitory, like Cole, he said.

The shelter also gives homeless veterans the option to attend regular Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous meetings and do piece work to save up enough money to participate in a subsidized housing program, Bray said.

The Presbyterian Night Shelter is working on a new addition - Patriot House — that will house 32 veterans who are currently living in the dorms, Bray said.

Other shelters such as the Union Gospel Mission of Fort Worth and The Salvation Army offer housing for veterans, as well.

The Salvation Army in Dallas houses about 120 people each night, 11 percent of whom are veterans, said Donald Clemons, program manager of The Salvation Army health care program.

And The Salvation Army also has a two-year transitional housing program, which is currently aiding 47 veterans, Clemons said.

Falling Short

"They taught me how to shoot a shot before they taught me how to shoot a weapon," he said. "Over the years, it got worse. I lost my family and my kids because of alcohol. The addiction is the whole cause of my v."

Mike Cole, U.S. Army Veteran

[veterans] try to put that experience on a resume, it doesn't trans- It adds additional problems once they become addicted to the the VA is a bad place, but they're at their max. They're tapped late," she said. "They know they can do the job, but there's no alcohol and other drugs." way for them to communicate that to employers."

a board in order to track missiles and airplanes, he said.

"They said it would be a great career when I got out," he said. "But nobody has asked me to write backward since."

But a lack of income isn't the only obstacle for these veter-

According to the study by Homelessness Research Institute, one out of 10 veterans is disabled, which is often a result of combat, and 45 percent of homeless veterans are diagnosed with a mental illness, including post-traumatic stress disorder.

Post-traumatic stress disorder is commonly associated with military experiences for veterans who have been in combat zones, exposed to situations that put their lives at risk or observed death

About 70 percent of homeless veterans suffer from substance In 1962, Cole became a missile follower, writing backward on abuse issues, according to the study by the Homelessness Research of the problem is with the hospitals.

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how to shoot a weapon," he said. "Over the years, it got worse. I lost my family and my kids because of alcohol. The addiction is the whole cause of my homelessness."

In January of 2006, Cole started binge drinking in Dallas and woke up at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth, he said. His addiction stole the use of his legs and he had to learn to walk

House-Hatfield said more than likely the homeless veterans creative human beings."

Although the VA meets the needs of about 20 to 25 percent of the homeless population, it's leaving the other 75 to 80 percent without resources because the number of veterans returning home is growing exponentially, Bogue said.

"We naturally assume that if you get hurt in the military, the VA is going to take care of you," she said. "Not that

out of resources." David Mackie, nurse practitioner with the Dallas VA, said part

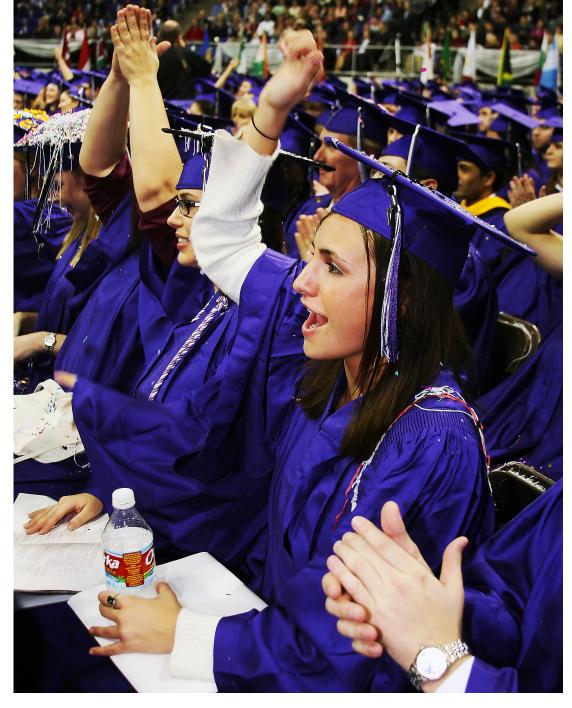
"For people going to the community hospital, their discharge Cole's addiction to alcohol began at 18 when he joined the can be very difficult because there's no place for them to go to," he said. "It's not uncommon for the community hospital to "They taught me how to shoot a shot before they taught me discharge them to the street or the shelter. The problem is ... there's really no professional there to do monitoring. It can be

> Bogue said one of the biggest problems is that people are afraid to talk to the homeless.

> "We often want to lock the doors and look the other way," she said. "We treat them as non-persons. If we don't look at them, they don't exist. But that's not true. They're living, breathing,







Former Texas secretary of state to address grads

By SHALEY SANDERS Staff Reporter

the stage at this year's spring Kelly said. commencement, a university official said.

an afternoon ceremony.

graduate at the morning cere- not required. mony where they will receive of Education, College of Science Kelly said. and Engineering or Master of Liberal Arts Program, Kelly said.

About 660 students are scheduled to receive their degrees at Kelly said. the afternoon ceremony from ties and Social Sciences, Brite speaker this year, Kelly said. graduate and previous director last year, are \$55 for an under-

are scheduled to walk across Nursing and Health Sciences, tary of state and is currently

Margaret Kelly, executive does not have to attend both didates to office. director for community projects, ceremonies, said Nancy Styles, said the spring commencement executive assistant to the vice two honorary degrees at comceremony is broken up into two chancellor for marketing and mencement. These degrees to socialize in an atmosphere the cost of the diploma and the parts, a morning ceremony and communication. Some gradu- are a prestigious award given filled with food, music and pho-About 702 Horned Frogs will stage for both degrees, but it is a nomination committee, Kelly

This year 14 students earned their degrees from the M.J. Nee- a double degree and one stu- uate and author of 56 New is important for both the graduley School of Business, College dent earned a triple degree, York Times best-sellers, is ate and the graduate's family.

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Roger Williams, a '72 TCU honorary award. the AddRan College of Humani- graduate, is the designated

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Sandra Brown, a TCU gradone of the recipients selected years where no one received an avoid stress.

Divinity School, College of Williams, who was selected of the TCU Ranch Management graduate degree, \$65 for a Communication, College of by Chancellor Victor Boschini, program for 33 years, is the sec-master's degree and \$100 for a About 1,300 Horned Frogs Fine Arts or Harris College of served as Texas' 105th secre- ond recipient of this year's hon- doctoral degree. orary degree.

This year TCU will give itors Center, is an opportunity for family, friends and faculty tos, Kelly said.

experience," said Boschini, who believes commencement

Another number that stands through a nomination commit-begin the graduation process May 10, at the Daniel-Meyer tee, said Kelly who said there at the beginning of the indi- Coliseum. potential 4.0 GPAs this spring, have been periods as long as 10 vidual's last semester at TCU to

> The fees for graduation, John Merrill, a Texas A&M which have not changed since

The additional costs for those The traditional Chancellor's with a graduate degree are \$55 Unless the graduate earned of 2008, an effort to encourage Reception, which takes place for thesis archiving, \$65 for disbetween the two ceremonies at sertation archiving, and \$45 the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Vis- for optional copyright filing through UMI.

Graduation fees will pay for cap and gown rental or for the cost of mailing the diploma if "This is a wonderful capstone the graduate opts not to attend commencement.

Horned Frogs can pick up their cap and gown from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 9, or Kelly said seniors should 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday,

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seating for guests with special Each graduate may invite an needs must be made through unlimited number of guests; the the office of special projects at only reserved seats are for those 817-257-7802, said Styles, who said no wheelchairs are avail-

Starting early crucial for job search, Career Services employee says

Staff Reporter

fast approaching, getting a job is on the minds of many outgoing seniors. Although it may analysis, accounting, computer be competitive for those getting ready to graduate, it could be management. even worse for December graduates, said a member of University those positions were among Career Services.

director of University Career Serthe 10 highest-paying jobs, sales vices, said this stems from the was the least paying at \$39,535, fact that many companies will have already set their budgets for hiring well before December.

Hickman said an issue that for both spring and winter graduates is how the projections of hiring have changed.

At the beginning of the spring semester, overall hiring was expected to be up 15 percent, but now it's only projected to be up by 8 percent, Hickman said.

Mary Kathleen Baldwin, assistant director of marketing for Career Services, said the projections are a lot lower than what was expected last semester.

Baldwin said national trends

With the May 10 graduation show the fastest-growing jobs on the market are in technology, computer analysis, data software engineering, sales and

According to JobWeb.com, some of the highest paying for Kimshi Hickman, associate 2006-2007 graduates. Among while software design and development was the highest paying at \$54,392.

Also on the list of high-paymakes the market competitive ing jobs was accounting. Barry Bryan, director of the Master of Accounting program at TCU, said TCU's students will be competi-

> "One hundred percent of our graduating master's class had offers before graduation," said Bryan, who is also a professor of professional practice.

Students who haven't picked high-paying fields can do several things to make them more valuable to a company or employer,

Still, there are jobs available. Baldwin said.

manager for Enterprise Rent-A-Car, said she looks for people who have experience beyond the classroom.

Team sports, such as college basketball, football or even cheerleading count as job experience because so much goes into them, Codner said.

Baldwin said being involved on campus and in groups is a good way to gain experience.

She said students can highlight their on-campus involvement and other extracurricular activities as a way to entice employers. Baldwin also said motivation has a lot to do with it.

"If they are happy in what they are doing, they will find ways to make themselves more valuable and thus earn higher pay," Baldwin said.

As for the job market for TCU students, Baldwin said, the feedback she has received from employers at career expos indicates sales seems to be a pretty big hiring industry, along with accounting and management.

One of the key points Bald-Ty Codner, regional recruiting win stressed was that students need to start preparing early for the job market because it is so competitive. She acknowledged it may be a little late for those students getting ready to graduate, but for others there is still

> One student who has prepared is graduating senior Andrew Wilson, an accounting major.

Wilson said he began preparing for the job market his junior year. Currently, Wilson is employed by Lockheed Martin Corp., where he is a cost analyst and does work in auditing. During the summer, Wilson will be working in an accounting internship for Deloitte & Touche in Dallas.

"I began interviewing for that internship the second semester of my junior year," Wilson

After his internship, Wilson will return to TCU for graduate school. He said this will give him an edge on the competition. Ultimately, though, he said he isn't worried about getting a

Cristin Grimes, a junior advertising/public relations major, comes in to University Career Services on Tuesday for a mock interview before an actual interview the next day.

job afterward.

and internships aren't the only things employers look leadership ability, communicafor. Another thing that attracts tion skills, teamwork and all employers is soft skills, Baldwin said.

"Soft skills refer to things that you can't necessarily learn in a are an additional draw for textbook or a classroom but are many employers.

still important in any type of Extracurricular activities jobs these days," Baldwin said. "Soft skills include things like those things that are somewhat difficult to measure."

She also said writing skills

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Engineering positions continue to be difficult for employers to fill

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

MILWAUKEE — Hampshire Co., a developer of touch-screen technology, has been puzzling since November over how to fill a couple of engineer openings.

Besides the more traditional avenues of career fairs, staffing companies, college recruiting and online want ads, the Brown Deer, Wis., company has been making classroom presentations to engineering student clubs and calling human resources departments that might be laying off

"I used all of my LinkedIn and Gmail networks," said Carol Crawford, Hampshire's general

At the Milwaukee School of Engineering, more seniors are weighing multiple job offers and more employers are willing

hire. The school expects its biggest graduating class in memory next month — 322 new engineers. But it's not enough.

"That's a big class," said Mary Spencer, placement director. positions necessarily that young "However, it doesn't meet the needs of all the employers."

No surprise to Spencer or to Crawford, engineers top the latest list of "Hardest Jobs to Fill" released Monday by Manpower

The third annual employer survey shows a growing mismatch between the skills that businesses are wanting and what jobseekers possess. Besides highlighting intense demand for specific occupations, the list underscores broader concerns over a looming retirement boom and a thin nature and they are technologybench of replacements.

or the older generation, and they're retiring," said Melanie Holmes, vice president of world of work solutions for Manpower North America. "These are not people are going into, and I think that's one thing that we're seeing here — that people are retiring, and young people are not going into these things."

To generate interest in engineering, more employers, educators and professional groups are reaching out to children through collaborative school programs.

Meantime, demand for engineers is outrunning the supply, in part because of what employers value in engineers.

"They are problem-solvers by savvy by training," explained

to cross-train the students they careers held by baby boomers, the College of Engineering and bodies." Applied Science at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Also high on the chart from Milwaukee-based Manpower are machinists, skilled manual trades workers, mechanics, laborers and production operators.

And those are workers that the 2,000 employers surveyed said they're struggling to hire even though the U.S. economy could be in a recession. In fact, 22 percent of the employers reported having trouble filling jobs because of insufficient candidates, compared to 41 percent in the 2007 survey.

"Unemployment is rising in the United States, so there are people out there looking for work," Holmes said. "At the same time, there are companies looking for people. So it's a skills mismatch, not "A lot of these positions are Ronald Perez, interim dean of a shortage necessarily of warm National Center for the Ameribound.

Holmes also noted that the hardest-to-fill list contains few positions requiring four-year college degrees, suggesting a greater role for technical and vocational

How to better prepare workers for the new jobs and retirements ahead was discussed at a public forum Monday at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. The event, sponsored by the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, drew about 30 people.

FOR YOUR INFO Most Wanted

The 10 hardest jobs to fill

- worldwide:
- Skilled manual trades - Sales representatives
- Technicians - Engineers
- Machinists/ machine operators
- Laborers
- Mechanics
- Production operators - Accounting & finance staff
- IT staff

"There is an imperative, and we can Workforce, cited a "fractured" must act now," UWM Chancellor education system requiring "deep Carlos Santiago, said, affirming and dramatic reform." Among her another panelist's call for improv-suggestions was creating multiple ing the nation's approach toward pathways to high school graduaeducating and training workers. tion that would include vocation-That other panelist, Emi- al training and work experience ly DeRocco, president of the for students who aren't college-

The Brown-Lupton Student Center staff would like to congratulate the following student employees and Student Government Association members on their upcoming graduation. Thank you for your dedication and hard work during the 2007-2008 school year!



Molly Marten

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Carrie,

We're so very proud of you. We've enjoyed watching your college experience and watching you grow. You will be a blessing as you follow God's path for your life. We love you.

> Congratulations, Mom and Dad Laura and Amy

Caitlyn Thorburn

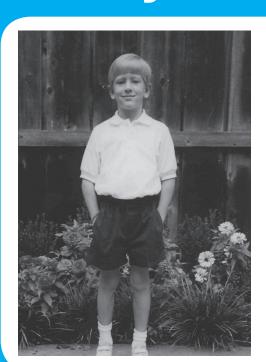


Caitlyn-

What fun it has been to see you grow into a beautiful young woman! Inside and out. It's exciting to see you graduate and go do what you want and love to do. We love you and are very proud of you.

Love, Mom, Dad and Mark

Taylor Allen



Taylor,

From your first day of school to your last, it's been a joy to watch you become the man you are. Continue to work hard, play hard and dream big. The best is yet to come. Congratulations!

We love you, Mom, Dad and Rebecca

Concert choreographed by seniors continues over weekend

By SHANNON BLEASE $Staff\ Reporter$

Senior dance majors' last continues this weekend.

Students from The School show," Day said. for Classical and Contempostarted Wednesday and ends or her work. Saturday, said Elizabeth Gillaspy, associate professor of ballet/modern dance and ic evenings of creativity and ballet.

that dance is temporary. After the concert, she said. the dance, all that is left are the images and feelings the doing everything from per-

ings and sculptures are pre- graphing, Jennings said. served, Day said.

concert before graduation each of them have choreo- and B, each of which will be Senior Studios performance graphed one work for the performed twice on alternat- and she is always excit-

She said the show does rary Dance are putting on not have an specific theme opportunity to see a wide the senior studios concert because each choreographer range of ideas and points of many different dance styles "Here. Dance. Now," which was given freedom over his view explored through the all wrapped up into one con-

English major, said the con- artistry." Madeline Day, a senior bal- cert will feature performances let and modern dance major, by all students, freshmen to dance that uses elements said the title of the concert, seniors, but the seniors have of board games for inspira- concert will see original "Here. Dance. Now," is meant created and choreographed tion, and another choreogto represent the idea or theme the dances and are producing rapher has created a work dents, which I think is pret-

There are 60 to 70 students al" woman is. visual arts, in which paint- backstage crews and choreo- nings said.

"There are 14 seniors and consists of two segments, A major, said this is her sixth ing evenings.

"Audiences will have an semester. medium of dance," Gillaspy Krista Jennings, a senior said. "It will be four terrif-

that explores what the "ide-ty impressive and inspiring,"

"I think our choices repreaudience has experienced, forming, lighting design, sent our interests and things let and modern dance major, distinguishing dance from serving on the technical and that are personal to us," Jen-

Candace Rattliff, a junior Gillaspy said the concert ballet and modern dance ed around this time of the

> "It is a great way to see cert," Rattliff said.

Jennings said the dancers work very hard to create, rehearse and perform at a Jennings said there is a professional level.

"People who attend the work created by fellow stu-Jennings said.

Heather Bays, junior balsaid this year's senior dance majors will be performing in

Kristin Mayschak

Kris,

Dream Big. We

are proud of you

and we love you

Your Family

very much.

Way to go!

Dancers rehearse a dance senior Krista Jennings choreographed with a creativity grant.

Contemporary Dance are real world," Bays said.

another senior's work, and very hard on their choreogra- to many different cities in the majority of the under- phy projects, the capstone of the U.S., such as New York, graduate students in the their college careers before Seattle, San Antonio, the School for Classical and they take their talent into the DFW area and some may

Day said after graduation "The seniors have worked the seniors will be going even look for work in other countries.

> "Some will be pursuing professional performing careers, some will be looking for dance teaching or arts administrations jobs," Day said. "Some students may continue to choreograph and start their own dance company, and others are considering grad school, either in dance or other fields of study."

FOR YOUR INFO

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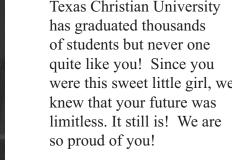
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Love, Mom



Texas Christian University has graduated thousands of students but never one quite like you! Since you were this sweet little girl, we knew that your future was limitless. It still is! We are so proud of you!

Congratulations and we love you, Daddy, Mom and Bubba



Keith Alexander Hayton



Keith,

From taking your first baby steps to deciding on what graduate school to choose, you have always made us very proud. It is thrilling to see you graduate and accomplish another significant step on your journey through life. We love you!

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Founders of polo club graduate, leave legacy of team to junior

Sports Editor

beyond two students.

sport a means of enjoyment name. and they did not plan on giving it up.

nication studies major, and KC their club on the knowledge and Beal, an entrepreneurial management major, started the polo Modeling their own on from club at TCU in 2004.

Starting off

The two played polo throughlastic teams, competing locally. They chose TCU in part because tive organization. of its close proximity to the No. 1

currently used by the team.

The start of their polo jourtion of bringing something new all female organization had little experience beyond its found-Polo was their hobby, their ers and only six horses to its many as 12 members, this year's

With no previous club pioneering experience, Beal and Molly Musselman, a commu- Musselman said they based understanding of other clubs. what they saw from others.

Gallop forward

Just four years later, the team grown into a nationally competi-

polo facility in Texas, the facility with grew to 18. The group universities.

of women attempting to start something new, expanded to Four years ago, two women ney at TCU had a much different groups of men and women, enrolled at TCU with the inten- look than this past season. The establishing a name for them-

> While the club has featured as team has a total of eight.

Super competition

Not only did the club grow, but also got better, consistently better than its local compe-

Beal and Musselman's club joined the Central Region of polo competition.

This conference is no slouch Recognition out high school for interscho- has continued to expanded and either, including the University of Texas, Oklahoma State, Colorado State, Texas Tech, Texas Those six horses it started A&M and New Mexico State

60 in their club, like A&M and the individual level as well. Tech," Musselman said.

Intercollegiate Polo Nationals.

The little team Beal and Musselman started, suddenly became a national competitor.

This past season, the team traveled to Kentucky where the team lost to the University of Connecticut, which won the championship for its fourth horse is a huge honor. consecutive year.

have not only been rewarded of that power to bump someone

Arian Augustus

Kevin Bradley

Matt Bridges

Kate Wiant Sarah Yoder

"Most other colleges have like through team success, but on next to you," Beal said.

Beal was named to the Inter-The past two years, TCU has collegiate Polo All Star team for defeated each team in its region, the second year in a row, Musplaying horse.

> Beal said this is the biggest honor a team can receive season," Musselman said. because everyone rides each other's horses and votes on the Free rides winner, and to have the best

Game of Polo

"You've got a horse under-Beal and Musselman's efforts neath you and you're using all

The game of polo is an extremely physical one, Musselman and Beal said.

While technically against the qualifying to compete in the selman was named to Regional rules, Beal said it's common for team, and Cha Cha, one of the players to elbow, kick and slam team's horses, was awarded best their horses into each other's

"I can't wear skirts during the

Beal and Musselman have not been alone in their club formation, relying on donations to fuel expensive needs that come with the sport

Beal said donations go a long See **POLO**, page 6

Allison Panton



Alli,

When you were born, we wondered: Will she be beautiful? You are. Will she be sweet? You are. Will she be smart? You are. Will she graduate from college? YOU ARE! Will we be proud? More than anything in the world. Congratulations, AlPal.

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Calandra,

I am so proud of all you have accomplished. Words cannot describe the joy you have brought me. With God blessing your hard work in the classroom, on the track and across the field crosscountry has truly paid off. I'm blessed to have you as a daughter.

Congratulations, Mom

Kortney Caldwell



Kortney,

You are a blessing from God and truly loved! Congratulations in completing your TCU nursing degree. We wish you the very best for your future in nursing and with Kirk. All will be blessed by your love and compassion.

We love you, Daddy and Hedy, Mom, Kellan and Kyle

Act may complicate repaying loans, official says

By PATTY ESPINOSA Staff Reporter

Students graduating in May consolidation loan, Leafgreen will find fewer options to pay

Loan debts will be more dif- a new loan in ficult to pay off for some stu- the full amount dents than it has been in the needed to be paid past because of the current credit off, she said. An crunch in the student loan mar- extension in time ket, said Melet Leafgreen, assis- is given to pay off tant director of scholarships and the consolidation financial aid. loan, which can

Although loan consolidation reach up to 30 has been a popular option to pay years. off loans in the past, it will more than likely be a struggle for stu-sions are what dents this year, Leafgreen said. have been ben-

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have. Students are then issued advantage of.

Time exten-

at 3 percent. About 80 percent bill, in February.

off a loan, either the lender or of students consolidated that the government can issue a July, she said.

said. "Consolidators" pay off has harmed the benefits stu- Loan Corporation, to either cut off loans, a financial aid officer whatever debt a student may dents usually have taken back or quit loan programs.

> "My biggest piece of advice is to stay in touch with you lenders. The financial aid of the less-thanoffice can help you if great economy," Leafgreen said.

> > In September,

an act was passed

from the federal

student loan mar-

Melet Leafgreen assistant director of scholarships and

financial aid

you do so."

ket. That money, eficial for students, Leafgreen \$20 billion, was geared toward said, and sometimes the inter- direct-lending programs and est rates are even lower than granting student aid, said is to stay in touch with your Three years ago interest rates woman for Sen. Ted Kennedy,

The changes in the market have caused student lenders, This year's credit crunch such as Sallie Mae and College

> Since then, lenders have "It is a scary decided to decline certain stutime for students dents of consolidation loans, to pay off loans leaving them with fewer this year because options to pay off debts, Leafgreen said.

> Students with large loans, more than \$20,000, will be counseled to seek other options through their designated lendto cut money ers, Leafgreen said.

> > If interest rates stay low, 30 to 40 percent of students graduating in May are expected to consolidate, Leafgreen said.

"My biggest piece of advice Melissa Wagoner, spokes- lenders," Leafgreen said. "The financial aid office at were, what Leafgreen calls low, D-Mass., who sponsored the TCU can help you if you do so," she said.

POLO

From page 5

way in keeping the program alive. Each of the club's 18 horses was donated to the club and the stables are competing grounds are donation based as well.

Musselman said the horses are mostly South American and have been donated because they were either runaways or deemed too slow or reckless for outdoor riding. But put them inside for a polo game and they turn into Ferrari's, Beal said.

"Polo is usually an outdoor sport and these horses usually aren't very good outside and they don't sell, so they're donated to colleges," Beal said. "They have problems, but they go in the arena and it's like a completely different horse."

Future of polo

With the graduation of founders Beal and Musselman, the work will make it real-Grace Lee, a junior studio art ly easy. The men's team and major, will be stepping up as club members will divide the the head of the women's team responsibilities equally and I and club.



Senior Molly Musselman, a founder of

the TCU polo team, fights for position against the University of Connecticut in the Intercollegiate Polo Nationals. Lee received the sportsman-

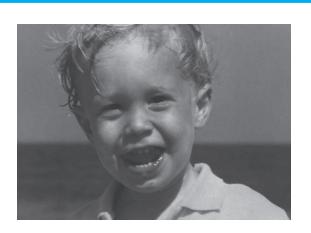
ship award, which Beal and Musselman said she is completely deserving of.

Lee said losing the team's founders and two of its best riders will be tough, but she said she already knows of some polo players interested in attending TCU.

Lee, of With losses to graduation, Lee is one of three riders on the team who played this past season.

"They taught me well," said Lee about taking over for Beal and Musselman. "Dividing think we'll get it done."

Drew Wilson



Riff Ram Bah Zoo Lickety Lickety Zoo Zoo Who Wah Wah Who We are very proud of you. Go Drew!

Love, Mom and Dad

Brittani Mincher



Remember the letter saying "Welcome to the TCU Class of 2008!"?

It's here!!

We are SO proud of you!!

Congrats!! Mom, Dad, Nealy and Davis

Katie Weeks



Katie,

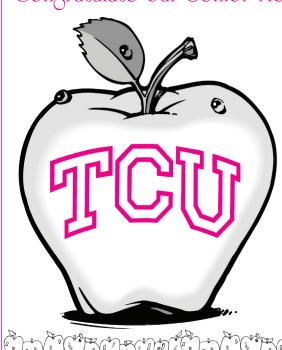
Yesterday and today your smile lights up our lives. Now it's time for you to make the world a brighter place.

Congratulations!

We are so proud of you and love you very much!

Mom, Dad, Michael, Anna, Abby and Matthew

The College of Education would like to Thank and Congratulate our Senior Mentors on a job well done! Peter Bay



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Army ROTC cadet's internship places her at nation's capital

Staff Reporter

achievements of one cadet.

film and history major, spent mal for her. last summer around top-secret

Lietz, the only woman cadet intern, along with eight cadets of military science, said he rec- Lietz has been around the from across the nation, ana- ommended Lietz for the pan- world, from where she was lyzed the Army's marketing el because she represents the born in Colorado to Germacampaign for recruiting and retention. Together they spent a total of four weeks — two and very personable. She was rently lives. in Newport Beach, Calif., and able to give the Army some two in Washington — creating great feedback," he said. a presentation for the Pentagon and Senate.

of the Pentagon or headquar- service as an infantry officer. ters of the Department of Not so "top secret" are the Defense in civilian clothes to business," she said. brief some of the country's top

"It was a big opportunity for activity, but her internship for me at 21 to be talking with the Army Science Board, a these huge people that make has an obligation to do it, and problem-solving board made incredible decisions for the my brother and sister aren't, up of civilians, wasn't too Army and ROTC," Lietz said. "It was pretty intimidating."

> Lt. Col. John Agor, professor ROTC well.

Walking through the doors father retired with 27 years of

"It's kind of like the family

On her mother's side, 13 June Lietz, a senior radio-TV- military leaders became nor- members have served or are serving in the military, she

> "I feel like every generation so I was like, 'I can do it,'"

Growing up in the military, ny, Kansas, Belgium and North "She is extremely intelligent Carolina, where her family cur-

Lietz said the hardest thing she had to overcome in ROTC Her mother was a signal core is being a woman. She said officer for 20 years and her she had to prove herself as an

"Some of the guys think, 'she can't do it,' but once they get to know me, they realize I can do it," she said.

Agor said he believes Lietz has the personal and leadership skills to succeed any-

Facing adversity with a great attitude is one Lietz's strengths, he said.

This summer, Lietz said, she will attend a course in Fort Lewis, Wash., and commission. Commission is the transition from cadet to an officer after she completes the course. A month later she will find out which branch of the Army she will join. She said she ultimately would like said. "When she eventually to be part of the Medical Serrejoins corporate America, she also stays busy as presivice Corps.

for as long as that may be in she will be widely sought tions and as part of the Texas the military as a leader," Agor after."



Courtesy OF JUNE LIFT7

June Lietz and fellow interns stand with Asst. Secretary Ronald James from the Army.

hink inside the BOX.

Besides being in ROTC, whether it is four years or 40 dent of Diamond Darlings, as "She will have a great career years after military service, a member of Student Founda-Rangers promotion staff.

Rachel Leigh Yoss



Rachael,

Congratulations on your graduation from TCU! We are so proud of you and your accomplishment.

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Congratulations! Good luck! Love, Your Family



Laura Soben



Laura,

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We love you, Mama and Dad

ROTC cadets: Program provides valuable post-graduation options

By CHRISTINA SCHAMS Staff Reporter

appointed to the rank of 2nd Lt. cadet to officer. in the United States Air Force, do solemnly swear ...

cadets of aerospace studies, Air from the majority of students. Force ROTC, will recite the oath of office, binding words that tie space studies, said the ROTC them to their new career. Three program develops cadets' leadpieces of rank, gold bars, one ership capabilities and instill bar on each shoulder and one the importance of committo their hat, will be pinned by family or friends recognizing their accomplishments over the last four years.

The commissioning ceremothem across the world. ny, similar to graduation, repre-I, Name Here, having been sents the cadet's transition from Alicia Davis, an entrepreneurial

Lt. Col. Golda T. Eldridge Jr. said their commitment to serve Word for word, nine TCU their country separates them

Eldridge, professor of aero-

The different branches of the Air Force to which the nine stu-

One of the nine graduates, to Incirlik Air Force Base in Turkey as a contracting officer.

Besides improving her time management skills, Davis said, she is no longer shy because of the many ROTC classes that emphasize leadership.

"I wasn't born a leader, become a leader," Davis said.

In the classroom, cadets learn the principles of leaderdents were assigned will scatter ship and management, and out-

side the classroom, they exercise those skills, Eldridge said.

"Other students in their extramanagement major, will travel curricular activities, whether it is Greek activities [or] those kinds of things, will get similar chances, but here it is an institutional part of the program," he said.

Kidron Vestal, an advertising/ public relations major, said the program demands and inspires them to always perform their but Air Force has helped me best, from the creases in their uniform to their execution of

> She said her job will require her to be at her best because he said. within the public affairs branch, she will be the face of the Air them to be deployed to places Shaw Air Force Base in South Force.

The ROTC requires a minimum of four years of active duty service, but cadets who decide to pursue careers as pilots require ed that," he said. up to 10 years of active duty,

845th Cadet Wing Air Force R.O.T.C Texas Christian Universi

Some of the Air Force ROTC graduates pose near the on-campus ROTC office.

such as Iraq or Afghanistan, he

"They understand that it is a ships, interviews and jobs. possibility and they have accept-

Emily Chilson, an advertising/

Kristina Keilson

Kristina,

We are so proud of your

accomplishments and the

wonderful person you have

become. You have brought

to trust in God, follow your heart, have confidence in your abilities and you will

us so much joy. Continue

have great success. We love you.

Congratulations,

public relations major, said she There is a high likelihood for is appreciative of her future at Carolina after watching civilian peers "freak out" about intern-

> "It's been a four year interview process," she said, "I will be graduating and have a career."

Graduate snapshots

Kidron Vestal Major: advertising/public relations Air Force Job: public affairs Location: Minot Air Force Base, N.D. "Begin doing what you want to do now. We are not living in eternity. We have only this moment, sparkling like a star in our hand-and melting like a snowflake." — Marie Beyon Ray

Chase Kiecke

Major: entrepreneurial management Air Force Job: contracting Location: Hurlburt Field, Fla. "Courage is being scared to death — and saddling up anyway." — John Wayne

Emily Chilson

Major: advertising/public relations Air Force Job: public affairs **Location:** Shaw Air Force Base, S.C. "If I find in myself a desire, which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for another world." — C.S. Lewis

Brett Tillman

Major: mechanical engineering Air Force Job: to be determined **Location**: to be determined

"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts." — Winston Churchill

Liz Walden

Major: mathematics

Air Force Job: financial management Location: Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska

"The authority by which the Christian leader leads is not power but love, not force but example, not coercion but reasoned persuasion. Leaders have power, but power is safe only in the hands of those who humble themselves to serve." — John Stott

Pauline Cooper

Major: secondary social studies Air Force Job: services Location: Andrews AFB, Md.

"I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength." — Philippians 4:13

Ashley Wilson



Ashley,

You are the best! We are so proud of you. Be true to yourself and enjoy life.

Congratulations, Love, Mom and Dad





Corey Leighanne Smith



Corey,

You are blessed with an amazing gift to teach and we are very proud of you.

Congratulations!

We love you, Mom, Dad, and Chad

Victoria Payne



Congratulations, Victoria We're all so proud of your college accomplishments and who you are. We know you will be successful in anything you do.

Love, Mom, Dad, Nicole and Wesley

Jodie Sullivan



Jodie,

It seems like such a short time ago that this was you. Now you're a grown woman graduating from TCU. I'm very proud of you and I love you very much.

Congratulations, Dad

More college students heading to trade schools after graduation

Star Tribune (Minneapolis)

college graduates whose degrees in Catholic studies or history of medicine haven't really attracted a lot of jobs-with-benefits offers, Learn a trade.

That's what Wolfe, a 2003 Southern New Hampshire University graduate in sports management, is doing. Not happy in her first job out of school in retail sales — "I didn't hate it, but ..." she said — she left to train as an air traffic controller at the Minneapolis Community and Technical College. The 27-year-old will graduate in August, employable after just one year's study.

"I'd always had some interest in aviation," said Wolfe, of Eden Prairie. "This seems important and challenging, something not everyone can do. I know there a Ph.D. It blows me away." can be times of crazy stress, but it's a satisfying stress, I think."

They're upending one role that community and technical colleges used to take. Commu-

nity colleges were a place to study hard and try to get into lis has a bachelor's degree in Community College in Inver MINNEAPOLIS — For all the a four-year university. Now students with four-year degrees are using them to get jobs.

graduate school," said Irene Amy Wolfe has a suggestion: Kovala, interim vice president for academic affairs at MCTC.

> What these grads find are one- and two-year programs that qualify them for living-wage jobs such as nursing, graphic arts, home remodeling and repairs and IT and paralegal work.

> Kovala estimated up to 20 percent of the MCTC students have four-year degrees.

> "I'd say 60 to 70 percent of my students have a college degree," said Arlynne Wolf, coordinator of the two-semester Kitchen and Bath Design program at Century College at White Bear Lake, Minn. "I have one student with

> One likely appeal: Wolf estimates that nine of every 10 students have jobs by graduation day, with builders, remodelers or home-improvement stores.

> > Seniors

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Spanish from Ohio State Uni- Grove Heights, Minn. versity in Columbus.

"We have become the new my parents pushed education, Clark College in Portland, Ore., but I really didn't know what I wanted to do," said McCoy,

> A camera sales job did progress to darkroom work. But the new digital world displaced him, so McCoy trained and Air Conditioning Program. He graduated last May.

He now works for a residential heating and air-conditioning company. "Everybody I graduated with, as far as I know, is gainfully employed," McCoy said.

Starting wages are close it would be pretty hard to outsource us. I have a lot of friends who work — or I should say did work — at Honeywell, and their jobs are now in India."

When Stephanie Johnson of to find work after six years at do that work.' home with children, she surcommunity college.

May 18 from a two-year para-

Mike McCoy of Minneapo- legal program at Inver Hills

After earning a degree in "I went to college because political science at Lewis & Johnson found only secretarial or receptionist jobs. Knowing they wouldn't pay enough to cover childcare, she sought out the paralegal training.

Johnson's college degree was not wasted, said DeAnne in MCTC's Heating, Ventilation Brooks, director of support staff placement at Esquire Group in Minneapolis, which specializes in placing people in legal careers. The legal world values education, Brooks said, and sees a college degree as a sign of accomplishment and

But it's the paralegal trainto \$20 an hour, he said, "and ing that gives people such as Johnson the essential skills law firms look for. "We get a lot of people fresh out of school, and they have no idea what they want to do with their English degree," Brooks said. "They see one of our ads and they Apple Valley, Minn., decided call us up and say, 'I'd love to

"Then we say, 'OK, if you prised herself by choosing a don't have any legal experience, we recommend you Johnson, 37, will graduate check into one of the parale-



RICHARD TSONG-TAATARII / Minneapolis Star Tribune via MCT Amy Wolfe, a 2003 college graduate, trains on a simulator last April at the Minneapolis Community and Technical College, for a new career as an air traffic controller.



Congratulations Graduating Seniors!

Melissa Davis Annalisa Dickson Haley Esposito Melanie Eubank Taylor Fisher Kim Hawthorne Lesley Parkinson Megan Redmond Kristi Scott

Lindsay Shelton Megan Smith Cara Stephens Olivia Giachino Drue Albritton Jessica Skillman Kendall Holiday Kayleigh Wiegers





Alyssa Rosa

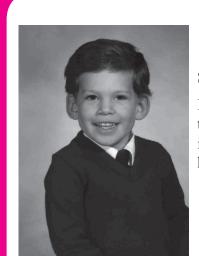


Alyssa,

Time has come and gone! You're on your way to become a college graduate. We are VERY PROUD!

Love you, Mom, Dad, Vanessa, Raven and Tucker

Anthony Powell



Son, It has been a joy to watch you grow into the man you have become.

Love, Mom





Olympic-bound athlete's college track career ends with personal best

Staff Reporter

She is one of the most accomplished track and field athletes

Conference queen in the NCAA, earning a spot woman in TCU history.

plex at TCU with a personal standing Performance Award. best in the 100 meters with a the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

At the conclusion of the Athlete of the Year. Hodge was place first overall.

also named an All-American for the sixth time.

The native of Caribbean time in the world. on her country's track and field islands St. Kitts and Nevis had team for the upcoming Beijing a strong showing at this year's Home in St. Kitts Olympics and receiving more conference indoor champion-All-American awards than any ship. She beat the field in both forward to about this year's outthe 60- and 200-meter dashes Senior Virgil Hodge finished for the second straight year. Folher final outdoor meet at the lowing her victories, Hodge was Lowden Track and Field Com- given the 2008 Women's Out- from her family will get to see cooking there's no doubt I'll be best I can be."

She will graduate in May time of 11.26 and has contin- with a degree in communicaued working her way toward tion studies but is not finished with her TCU career just yet.

indoor season this spring, April 19, Hodge placed first over- er I also get the opportunity Hodge was named the Mounall in the 100- and 200-meter to race while I am back at St. tain West Conference Women's events. In the 100-meter Hodge Kitts, it makes the visit much Indoor Track and Field Student- ran a personal best of 11.26 to more meaningful for me and

Not only did her 100-meter **Off the oval** time provide the win, it also broke her own St. Kitts national are all business, but outside the record and is the 10th-fastest lines, they're friends.

What Hodge is most looking door season is the NCAA Championships at the end of June. It will be the first time someone her race as a Horned Frog.

The last time Hodge went home was last summer.

"I am always excited when I get an opportunity to go back At the TCU Invitational on home," Hodge said. "Whenevmy family."

On the track, the Flyin' Frogs

like we do with other friends," she said.

dinners for the whole team.

able to make it over because I but now it's one of my favorite can make a career out of it. things to eat."

Next on track

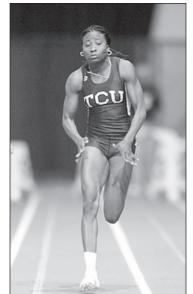
ships, Hodge said, she will go places," she said. "I think that company and see where it will

family. But it won't be long until she is training again.

"After I finish resting up at home, I will spend some time "When we get off the track in Europe competing in events we hang out, laugh, cry and that will have strong competispend time with each other just tion and hopefully help get me ready for the Olympics," Hodge said. "I am very busy and there Hodge even cooks Caribbean is not a lot of rest time, but I know I have to keep working "Anytime Virgil says she is year-round if I want to be the

Hodge does have plans for love to eat," said Hodges' team- life after track and field. She mate Jessica Young. "I never says she has always been interused to eat red beans with rice, ested in travel and hopes she

"I really would like to use my communication degree to compliment my enjoyment of After the outdoor champion- travel and learning about new home and spend time with her I will try to work for an airline end up taking me."



Courtesy of TCU ATHLETICS Senior Virgil Hodge competes during the 2007 MWC Championships.

Jessica Lingerfelt

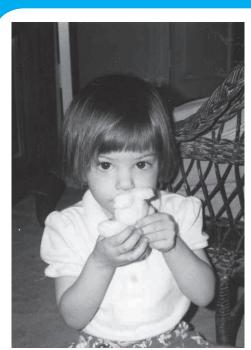


Jessica,

You truly do shine like a star! You have made us very proud. Congratulations!

Mom, Dad, and Joshua Phil. 2:12-16

Lindsey Diane Bever



Princess,

When I think of you, I remember being amazed how much creativity, joy and beauty could come in such a tiny package. As you grew so did your talents. Your determination and faith have defined your future. Congratulations!

Love always, Mom



Congratulations to our graduating seniors!

Marketing **Scott Nichols**

Intramurals Kelly Krammer Fraser Ringel Kristan Charles

Fitness & Wellness Ben Buehler Cameron Day Ryan Miller

Aquatics Melisa Korkmas Alicia McConnell Liz Walden

Member Services Leslie Bowman Svetlana Voinova

Team Leaders Kenny Walden **Brian Young** Meaghan Burk Marla McClung

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COMMENTARY

Writer offers answer to college graduates' most common questions

If you're looking for a grad- you also need to let life unfold You pick the gun and the dog. ford University.



Diane Evans

New York City.

uation gift, you might consid- with the understanding that your ... But you have to be willing to book, "What out. The message: Accept uncer- happen, but what happens. You tainty, and enjoy the journey into have to write the story you find in unknown territory.

In her 2006 speech, Patchment address ett compared fiction writing to ducks don't show up." at her alma duck hunting. "You go to the the right dog," she said. "You get lege north of into the water before dark, wearing a little protective gear, stand The book is about being at a behind some reeds and wait for

the circumstances you've created, because more often than not the

The secret, in Patchett's view, mater, Sarah right place at the right time with is finding the balance between going after what you want and being open to the things that actually come your way.

Steve Jobs, the CEO of Apple, crossroads in life, and Patchett's the story to present itself. This is conveyed a similar message in own discovery that while you not to say you are passive. You another memorable commenceshould prepare for the future, choose the place and the day. ment address in 2005 at Stan-

At age 30, Jobs got fired from er novelist Ann Patchett's new life plans inevitably won't work accept not what you wanted to Apple, and even though it was the company he co-founded, it turned out to his benefit. "The heaviness of being successful was replaced by the lightness of being a beginner again, less sure about everything," Jobs told the Stanford graduates. "It freed me to enter one of the most creative periods of my life." It's the wisdom you learn by living, and not necessarily in a classroom. "What Now?" was published by HarperCollins.

Author and Miami Herald col-

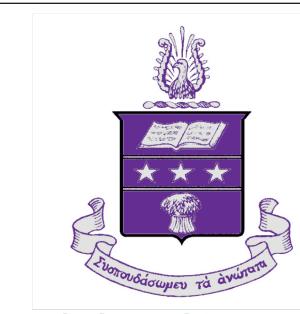
umnist Carl Hiaasen is on tour in "All the Way Home: Buildpromoting his book "The Downing a Family in a Falling-Down hill Lie: A Hacker's Return to a House," published by Harper-Ruinous Sport," which will be Collins. The house was featured available from Knopf Publishing recently in the New York Times. Group on May 6.

of returning to golf against his that the floor of the master bedbetter judgment after a 32-year room was lined with aluminum hiatus, and how the real sport baking pans to catch all the drips became his battle with a little from the leaky roof. The best part dimpled ball.

coming out in May: Akron Bea- a mountain of debt. con Journal columnist David Giffels, writing about his 12-year odyssey of restoring an old home,

When Giffels and his wife, Gina, Hiaasen writes humorously bought the place, it was so bad of the story: They pulled off mas-Another journalist with a book sive restoration without building

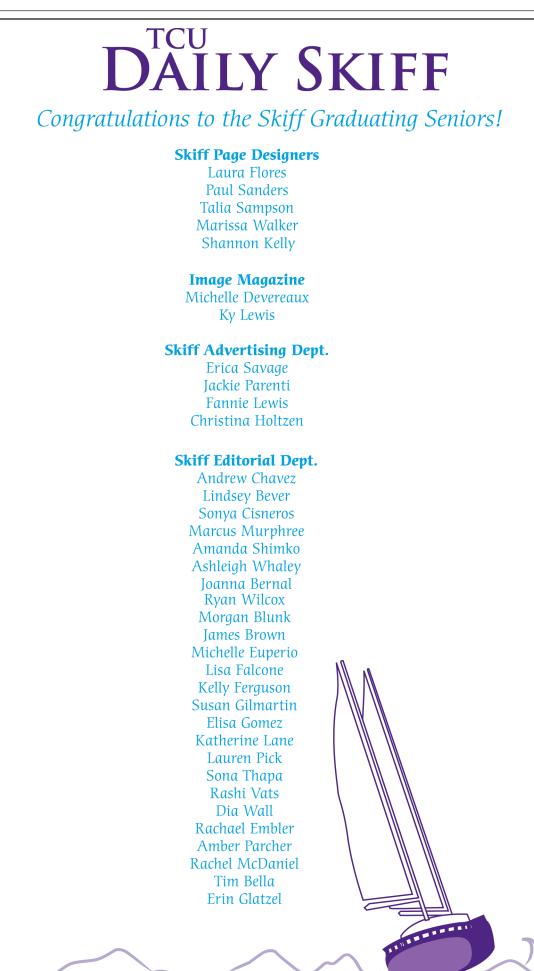
> Diane Evans is a former Knight Ridder columnist and is now president of DelMio.com.

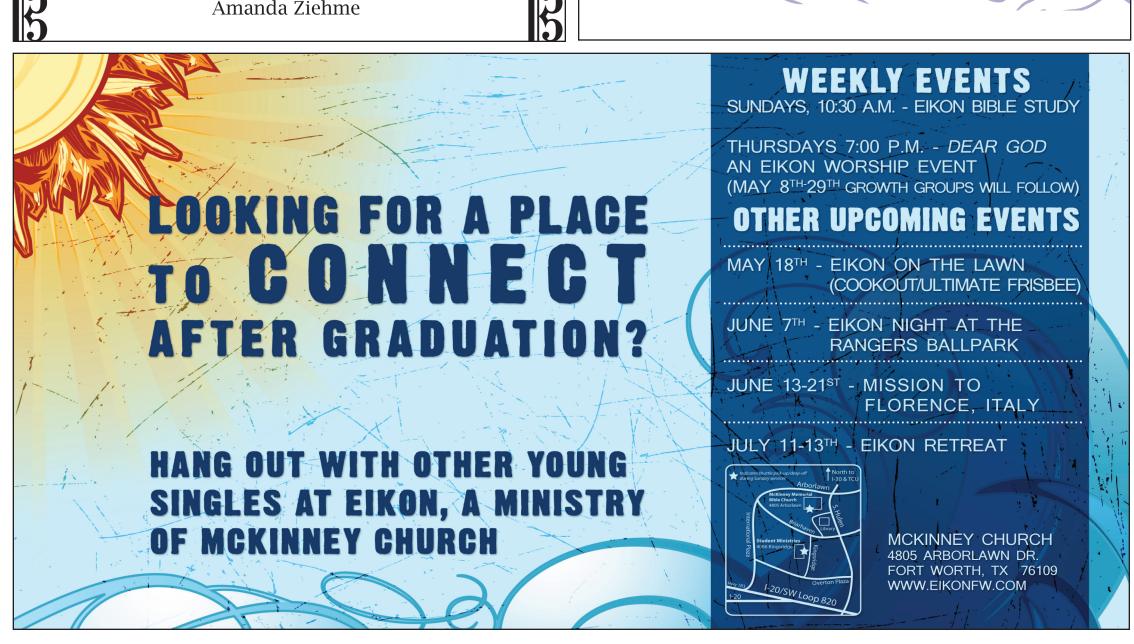


Alpha Chí Omega

Congratulations Graduating Seniors!

Alex Allin Paige Bassett Allison Blank Amanda Bolding Dylan Bollinger Kristan Charles Sonya Cisneros Kathryn Clements Deanna Damon Kayla Daniel **Emily Hill** Celeste Manner **Neely McMains** Mandy Meyer Kyndal Monk **Emily Orman** Victoria Payne Catherine Sale Jessica Schiager Stacey Volentine Anna Wilhelm Amanda Ziehme





Alumni association keeps students in touch after graduation

Staff Reporter

Don't forget TCU; there are of alumni relations said.

and a 1975 TCU graduate.

The TCU alumni association

volunteered dues.

Hoban said there are also plenty of ways to stay con- special interest groups that nected to the university after are always expanding. She that the TCU Alumni Associagraduation day, a chancellor said if a person were involved in a group while being a stu-"Once a person walks dent, he or she could more across the stage and com- than likely be involved with it different cities as well, Hoban pletes their limited term as a after graduation. For example, student, they become an alum, if someone were a Showgirl, Kristi Hoban, associate vice in band, he or she could stay chancellor of alumni relations connected to those groups in the years to come, she said.

There are three main cities tion works with including Fort Worth, Dallas and Houston,

"Wherever they move they and that lasts a lifetime," said a letterman, in Greek life or can get involved in their hometown," she said.

This past year, the association held 168 events around The Find a Frog program the United States. Events has 16 chapters, and being a allows people to go to the include athletic events, musepart of any chapter or group Web site, froglinks.com, and um visits, networking events,

is free as the groups only take find people from their gradua- community service, business years ago, and the 10th, 25th, tion year or any group, Hoban meetings and family-oriented 35th, 45th and 50th. events with children, she said. Homecoming is the biggest and reunion plateau get to wear a bert said. most popular event for alum- cap and gown matched to that ni, she said. The TCU Alumni year's current graduation, are involved at TCU he went to his but there are other events in tions to an estimated 71,000 a 50-year alumni and rewarded going to the 10-year. former Horned Frogs.

> Reunions are held often with the Frog 5 reunion for people ate, said he is a member of the of the university and watch it who graduated one to five TCU Young Alumni.

with a medallion, she said.

great business connection and Those who reach the 50th a way to be with friends," Hol-

He said that in order to stay Association sends out invita- announced at the end for being five-year reunion and plans on

> "Personally living in Fort Chris Holbert, a 1999 gradu- Worth, it is nice to stay a part grow," Holbert said.

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> "Example is not the main thing in influencing others. It's the only thing." -Dr. Albert Schweitzer



Sarah Warner

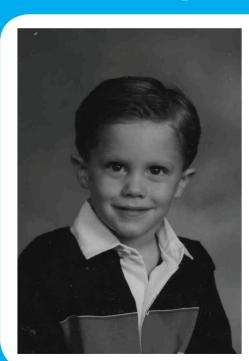


Sarah:

From your first steps to your commencement steps - we've been proud of you every step of the way! Congratulations on all your hard work!

Love, Mom, Dad and Katherine

Brady Bridges



Brady,

We are so proud of your hard work and dedication. Thank you for growing up to be a fine young man! You have the world at your fingertips! Enjoy yourself!

We love you! Mom, Dad, Bailey, Blake, Lindi and Braydon

David Spencer



David,

Congratulations on your accomplishment. As you embark on the next phase of your life, may God continue to bless you!

Love, Mom, Dad, Danae, and Dale

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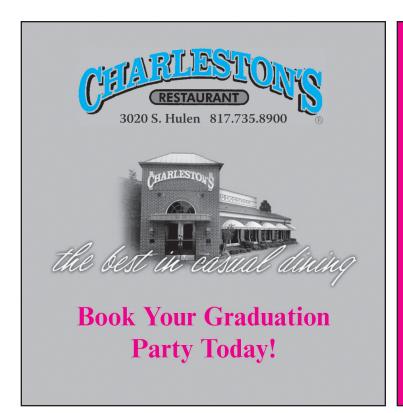
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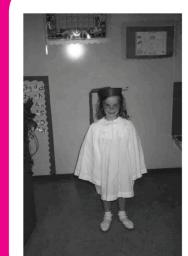
Mark and Steve Lusch



Time for moving on! Good luck at Notre Dame Steve. Much success with your new career Mark. We're so proud of you.

Love, Your Family

Amy Gilmore

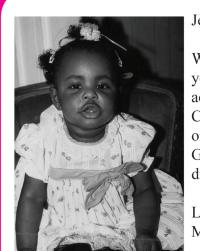


Amy,

From LaPetite to TCU... you've come a long way! You'll be a great nurse. We're proud of you!

Love you, Dad, Mom and Jeff

Jessica Brown



Jessica,

We are proud of you and all of your accomplishments. Congratulations on a job well done. Go fulfill your dreams!

Love, Mom and Family

Katie Calandro



Katie,

You've always been beautiful inside and out. What precious memories you've given us.

Congratulations!

We love you, Mom and Dad

Erica Savage



Dear Erica,

Your family is so proud of all your accomplishments; graduating in 4 years, selecting to be a Theta, maintaining a 3.0 plus average and being the Ad Manager of the TCU Skiff.

Love & Hugs,

Mom, Dad, Jessica, Grandma, Grandpa, Tom, Judy, Jason, Christopher, Margaux and Danny.

Jeff Tippey



Jeff,

We are so proud of the "The Little Engineer that Could"

Love, Mom, Dad, Amy, Fritz, Keegan and Drake

Allen Barham



Dear Allen,

We are just so proud of you. Congratulations!

Love, Mom and Dad

CONGRATULATIONS 2008 SENIORS!

From the Mary Couts Burnett Library

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KATY GARRISON

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ALAN RUIZ

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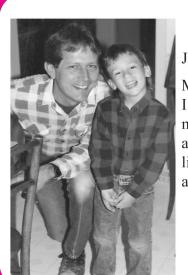
There are not enough words in the English language to

tell you how proud I am of you!

Lizzie Locke

Love, Mom

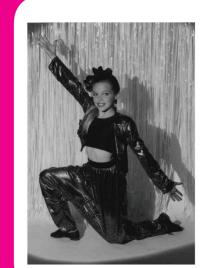
Jacob Locke



Jacob,
My best friend;
I'm so proud of the man you've become and the way you live your life. I'm always here for you.

Congratulations, Pop

Mallory Rubenkoenig



Mallory,

Congratulations! You've come so far and never lost sight of your goal. We are so proud of you!

Love, Mom, Greg, Casey, Zoe, and Kyle

Andrea Losa



Andrea,

We wish you congratulations and God's guidance everyday of your life. God Bless you and God Bless TCU.

With great pride, Mom, Dad and Vanessa

Paul Sanders



Paul,

Happy Graduation Son! Your hard work and determination have brought you to this exciting time in your life. I'm so proud!

Love always, Mom

Drew Byrd

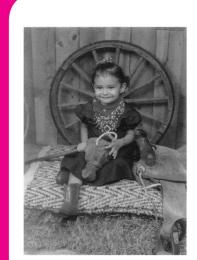


You did it!

Congratulations son. We are very proud. May God bless you as He has blessed us with you.

Love always, Mom and Dad

Betsy Ann Lujan



Betsy,

You have accomplished your dream of graduating from TCU. We love you and are very proud of you!

Congratulations, Mom and Dad

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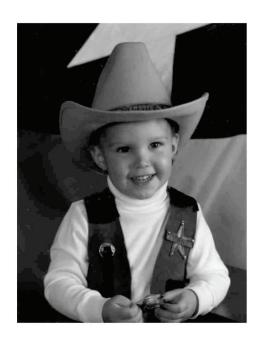
Hip, Hip, Hurray!

"Cheers" for you Jackie!
Congratulations on your Bachelor
of Science degree in PR and
Advertising! We are all so proud
of your academic achievements!
You will succeed in life from
your knowledge and experiences
learned at TCU!

We love you!

Dad, Mom, Tina, John and Mollie

Austin McDowell

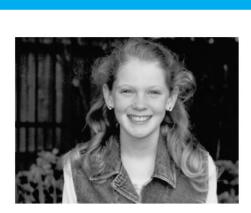


Austin,

Congratulations on your upcoming graduation!
We are very proud of your accomplishment!

Love You, Dad, Mom and Katie

Ashley Townsend



Ashley,

You have grown from our precious little girl into a beautiful young lady. We are so very proud of you and all that you have accomplished. We wish you much success and happiness in life.

Mom, Dad and Grant

YEAR IN REVIEW FLOWING AGAIN



The refurbished Frog Fountain was dedicated March 17 after its absence from the center of campus. The new fountain

has some different features from the old one, including water jets from the bottom instead of from the walls.

Jo Zhou



From a precious baby to a fine young woman with talent, integrity and godliness, your life has brought us joy and thankfulness to God. Congratulation for another milestone of achievement in your life!

Mom and Carl

School spirit, enthusiasm should not be overlooked

over until I

COMMENTARY

can think of what it is I really want to say. While I do love interjecting this phrase into random moments

throughout the day, it's not just a phrase that has become a part of my vocabeverything that I do.

learned quite a bit. For what That should be printed on senior bricks for the Class it's worth, here are a few a T-shirt. things I would recommend to everyone at TCU:

it? No. There's a reason.

2. Appreciate and take and next. advantage of the great

become a daily part of my ty convinced that there's But, as another fun clilife — so much so that when-something in the water at che goes — you can sleep I'll just insert it over and people. It seems every day, my favorite signs I saw in

> "The opportunities and experiences I've had at TCU are more than any college student should be allowed to have"

Nick Timmins senior

ulary. Rather, it is TCU that even now as I'm about to has become a part of me, in leave, I am meeting more in this, so Facebook me next and more people who I wish The opportunities and I had more time to get to let me know. experiences I've had at know. You know how peo-TCU are more than any ple say, "Don't let oppor- senior words of wisdom. college student should be tunities pass you by?" Well Perhaps I'll succeed in allowed to have. Through- my motto is: Don't let awe- making you miss me when out my time here, I have some people pass you by. you're walking across the

friendships. I know not 1. Study abroad. Do it. everyone is as friend-ori- yourself, "That kid's cra-Hands down, it was the best ented as me (which yes, I zy." thing I have done in col- just made that word up), OK" or that they didn't like to make sure you're seen at Go Frogs! every party this weekend

4. Don't sleep so much.

Go Frogs! This phrase has people you meet. I'm pret- We all need sleep, yes. ever I'm writing papers, TCU that attracts awesome when you're dead. One of Frog Bytes was a Red Bull ad saying, "Because nobody wishes they slept more in college." It's so true. Try not to miss things because of sleep — including class.

> 5. Make people miss you when you're gone. Leave some kind of legacy or impact on campus that when people see it, hear it or think of it, they'll be reminded of you. I'm not sure if I've been successful semester when I'm gone and

There you have it, my of 2008, and you notice **3.** Focus on your good mine that says "Go Frogs!"

You'll smile and think to

And maybe I am. But I lege. If you can, go for a but I'd venture to guess am happier now than I have whole semester. It's more that most people have at ever been and have loved rewarding to actually live in least two good friends at every minute at TCU. My a different country and ful- TCU. For me, the friend- wish is that each of you ly experience a whole new ships that matter most are find yourself feeling the way of life. You'll return to the ones that challenge me same whenever your time the states a more confident, to be a better person. Find comes to leave TCU. It's an appreciative and introspect these people in your life incredible place with amaztive person. Have you ever and spend more time with ing people and opportunimet someone who studied them. Trust me; it's much ties. Don't sleep through it abroad and said it was "just more rewarding than trying or let any of it pass you by.

> Nick Timmins is a senior $advertising/public\ relations$ major from Omaha, Neb.

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Lisa Falcone



You are our "Golden Girl," bound forever by "purple" blood. We couldn't be more proud!

We love you, Mom ('77) Dad ('76, '80) and Michael (future frog)

Lorena Capellan



Lorena,

We are so proud of you, for the things you have accomplished. You are a beautiful, talented, gifted and lovely daughter. It is exciting to see you graduate.

We love you, Mom and Dad

Krista Jennings



Krista,

We're so proud of you and can't wait to see what God has planned for you next.

Love, Mom, Dad and Matthew

Rachel Daniels



Rachel,

You are the joy of our lives. We love you and are so proud of everything you have accomplished!

Congratulations, Mommy and Daddy

Christina Holtzen



Christina,

We are very proud of your hard work and accomplishments over the last four years.

Congratulations on your graduation!!!

Love, Mom, Dad and Justin

Dakotah Bentley

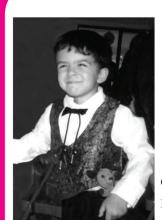


"Teach your children by what you are, not just by what you say" – Jane Revell and Susan Norman

Proud of our graduate!

Love, Dad, Mom, and Nick

Andrew Chavez



Andrew,

You have faced many challenges in your life and overcame each of them.

Always remember to keep God as the center of your life and you will succeed in whatever life sends your way. We are so proud of you and all you have accomplished.

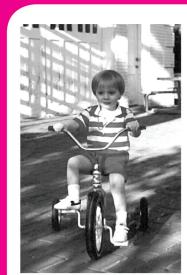
Great Job.

Love,

Mom, Dad, Robert and Anna

"My Roots are in Puerto De Luna"

Clayton Tramel



Clayton,

We are so proud of you and your many talents. We know great things are in your future. Congratulations on your graduation! We love you,

Mom, Dad, and Chelsea

Stewart Richards



Stewart,

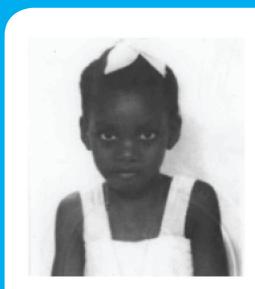
Your life has been a big adventure.

Your accomplishments have been many, but your heart to be a great son, brother, and friend to all is huge —bigger than any fish in any stream in any country. We are amazed but not surprised.

Congratulations!

Love, The Richards' Clan

Nicola "Nikki" Thomas



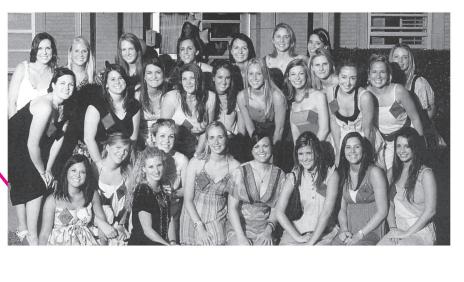
Nicola,

What a beautiful baby picture! We're proud of you and happy to see you reach your goal and finish your mission. Guess what? You succeeded. From your husband, I admire your dedication. From your daughters, we're happy to follow your footsteps.

We love you, Orlando, Orlexia and Nicole

Kappa Alpha Theta

Congratulates Our 2008 Graduates!



Lauren Adkins
Rachel Cies
Hattie Collins
Marcie DeLeon
Liz Elliot
Robin Forner
Mackenzie Henry
Lindsay High
Allison Hough
Leslie Kahn
Laura Koch
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Emily Mahoney
Molly Mattingly

Ryan McGinnis
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Carmen O'Neill
Leigh Oglesby
Katelyn Porterfield
Erica Savage
Caitlin Shaughnessy
Bailey Shiffler
Jennifer Stephens
Kate Tanner
Heather Tansill
Kat Walker
Zandra Wallis
Elisa Wilson

Life skills reflected through school mission

People will be sentimental



the stage.

College has

my resume, but there were oth- season of "Family Guy." er valuable attributes I gained

Four years. It is complete, a ter if you really haven't been in without the ability to physically eternally forgotten or hatefully follow or get out of the way.

Learning lines from movies not saying that knowing how recite the "rule of thumb" gag strives to uphold. to pour a beer without spilling from "Boondock Saints" or the is an applicable trait to put on Petoria rap song from the second that are taught in the classroom,

Apparently, leadership skills somebody can provide a team. ethical quandaries, asking ques-

charge of anything outside of touch people, but I understand playing Simon Says in kinder- that metaphorically speaking tion day, and mission statement says so. By not be taught in the classroom. to be honest, I using words like proactive and One such sacred intangible is may tear up a lit- paradigm, you can win over a empathy, and the understand- think, challenged to act, chaltle after crossing crowd. Remember, either lead, ing bestowed by the faculty has lenged to be educated, challenged shown that skill.

After hearing the mission statetaught me the and episodes of "Family Guy" ment drilled into my skull at nearsoft skills that are also well-honed skills mas- ly every university function, I feel are required to tered in college. Odds are, most like there is some substance to next step in life is on the way. It get by in the job market. I'm people reading this article can the 17 words that this institution

Ethics are one of those skills but practiced in the real world. In sports, coaches always Professors know how to push describe the intangibles that the boundaries of dilemmas and are paramount. It doesn't mat- I'd like to think I will graduate tions like, "Would you rather be

remembered."

Granted, no quote ever came about the upcoming gradua- garten, you are a leader — the an intangible is a trait that can- in that direct form, but the underlying theme is still the same.

I have been challenged to to be global and essentially challenged to be an all-around good

Four years are finished. The is time to be a leader and responsible citizen in the global community, to quote that mission so eloquently.

I guess I did learn something in college.

Marcus Murphree is a senior $news\hbox{-}editorial\ journalism$ major from Beaumont.

YEAR IN REVIEW

RAISE YOUR HANDS



ANDREW CHAVEZ / Editor-in-Chief Students wait to ask questions of Chelsea Clinton, who spoke on behalf of her mother, presidential hopeful Sen. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y., at a question-and-answer session at TCU in March.

John Fairleigh



Way to go Johnny! We are so proud of you and your indomitable spirit. We love you.

Congratulations, Mom & Dad Jamie & Ashley Claire & Roy Annie & Scott Andrew & Ben

Amanda Owens



Amanda,

Your big brother has always been so proud and protective of you! He and all of us are so excited to see you graduate with honors! Next step: your career along with your future classroom of anticipating little kiddos!

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COMMENTARY

Cherish college time as opportunity for self discovery



my parents expenses. sitting in the

that one works out.

What I didn't imagine are up ... duhn duhn duhn. all the things that have me

For the past four years of biting my fingernails and life that our college years are would, to realizing what's

These are the things that whatever. crowd, smil- our parents try to teach us so and yelling an on our own, which my par-"that's my girl!" I also imag- no matter how well-prepared

my life, I have been anticipat- wishing I were still 8 — you the best we'll ever have. I really important and making ing the day that I will walk know, things like getting a always thought the years of my life a productive, mature across a stage in a robe and job, a house, insurance, a playing outside all day long, a very odd- retirement plan and a bud- knowing that there is an end- way — version of what it looking hat. get that includes more than less supply of PB&J sand-I imagined food, rent and entertainment wiches waiting for me inside

ing proudly we don't panic when we're told we'll find out who we years were, I can't say the more) freshmen: are and who we want to be, embarrassing ents did a great job of. But and maybe even who we entire afternoons with my ined myself mustering up the I was for this moment of of you, I have experienced a hole to my best friend's to spend your free time in into the world you have grace to not fall on my face launching, I don't think it the ups and downs of selfas I walk toward the chan- makes a whole lot of differ- discovery. I went from the Barbie limousine whenever tions with your friends in an adventure. Treat it as cellor — I'm really hoping ence when you're days away innocence of freshman year I wanted. from starting life as a grown- (or at least first semester), We are told for most of our lious acts I swore I never maybe not so much any- memories you will take with

- well, more mature anyhad been.

My time at TCU has were the wonder years, but brought change, challenge and a lot of growing up. College is the time we're And as good as the PB&J same for the times I spent

to committing the rebel- advice to you innocent (or Ramen noodles. These are

"College is the time we're told we'll find out who we are and who we want to be..."

> Michelle **Devereaux**

tell you these years will fly the same odd-looking hat want to be with. Like many only objective being to dig by. Enjoy the opportunity and you will be launched house so I could borrow her epic Guitar Hero competibeen preparing for. Life is dark, cluttered apartments such. All that said, here is my strewn with Red Bull and

you for a long time.

Remember the hard times will pass and that there are people around you who are on the same road to selfdiscovery.

You have a unique opportunity to find out who you are and what you're passionate about. Find what that is and go after it. Before you Believe people when they know it, you will have on

> Michelle Devereaux is a senior news-editorial journalism major from Imperial, Calif.

Kate Heydenreich



Kate:

Enjoy your celebration of achievement this graduation and the new beginnings that await you!

We love you and are so proud of your accomplishments!

Mom, Dad, Lauren and Julia

Lesley Washington



Lesley,

It's hard to believe our little "Heidi" is all grown up and graduating. You have been a joy to us since the day you were born. You have fulfilled yet another one of our dreams for your life, now it's time to live your dreams...Happy Trails!

Love, Mom and Dad

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Graduates request ceremony etiquette

By MELISSA M. SCALLAN The Sun Herald

When President Bush left the stage after speaking to graduates at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College recently, a bevy of elected officials and audience members followed in full swing, the early exit

Some people exited early with good reason. Bush was meeting individually with seven families of slain soldiers. Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour and Gulfport, Miss., Mayor Brent Warr were riding with him.

upset that a number of state, local and county officials didn't stay for the entire ceremony.

"I found it fairly offensive," said Jennifer Ford, a graduate from the Jackson County campus. "It was an honor to have

deserved respect. There were respectable behavior." so many people who left after there just to see him, not us."

With graduation season High, agreed. cial guests likely will continue. While there is no official attend these ceremonies, most people agree it's bad manners worse, before it starts.

But some in attendance were at the University of Southern said the graduates definitely Mississippi and a cooperative noticed. education teacher at Biloxi that it's rude to leave a ceremony before it's over, no matter it was obvious by the empty who you are.

"It's what your mama told attendees left early.

the president there, but the you to do," said Joseph Parker,

Jane Lamb, who teaches his speech. Those people came business and social etiquette as part of her classes at Biloxi

"Just because it's widely of elected officials and spe- done doesn't mean it's OK," protocol for those invited to cials and look to them as an example."

received any complaints about A political science professor the mass exodus, but Ford

The elected officials and High School agreed with Ford special guests were sitting in specially designated areas, so seats in that section that those

Ford said she and her classceremony was for us, and we who teaches at USM. "It's just mates also didn't appreciate those who left after their family and friends received their diplomas.

> "Even if you're there to see one graduate, the others deserve respect too," she said.

Parker and Lamb said most she said. "I think a lot of peope could use a refreshple look up to the elected offi- er course in graduation eti-

"There's a lot of bad man-Officials at the communi- ners at graduation," Parker to leave before it ends — or ty college said they haven't said. "People shouting and screaming and names can't be heard. Or people leaving once their son or daughter gets their diploma. It's a general state of bad manners."

Lamb agreed.

"We try to tell them to tell their parents to celebrate after everyone has received their diplomas."

COMMENTARY

Resisting procrastination essential for job search

The day before Spring Break stay home and begin the started, my roommate and I were watching TV, when she turned to me and said "We are going to have to go tanning this week, everyone is going to come back so tan!"

This year our friends decided to spend the week partying in Miami but my roommate and I decided to keep it pretty boring. She made her decision to stay home based on the fact that her 35-page thesis paper is due when we return to classes, and I decided to stay at home to help settle my pounding, nervous heart.

For the past three years I had gone on your 'typical' college spring break.

This year, I wanted to be a bit more mature. I decided to

Free

dreadful reality of 'the job search.'

With only two months left of my life as a college student, the anxiety is building up.

That said ... I have two days left of my spring break and I have spent a mere two hours 'job searching'. Why is this? I skipped a spring break in Miami to try to stop this pounding heart of mine, but haven't helped it one

My ideal job right out of college would be to write feature stories for a local newspaper, magazine or even for the Web. So why am I so nervous?

It could only be one thing. First of all, my spring break might not have been very typical, but I did fall into that 'typical' college state of procrastination.

Procrastination took over because I am absolutely terrified. I love college and a huge part of me does not want it to end.

Maybe it was a bad idea to think I was going to get started on finding a job when everyone else was having beer chugging contests on a beach. Let's just say that I took this week off for a reality check. It was a week to help me realize that the inevitable graduation day is well on its way. I mean, my head has to be in the right place anyway before I started writing cover letters, right?

Alicia Staffa is a student at ${\it Quinnipiac~University.~Her~column}$ $appeared\ in\ the\ Quinnipiac\ Chronicle$ and was distributed by U-WIRE.

Cherie Walkley

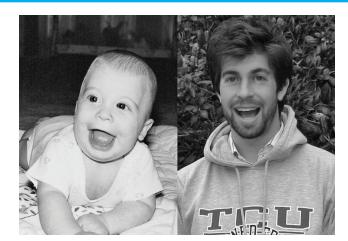


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> Love, Mom, Dad and Tim

Kaitlin Rachel Horan



Kaitlin,

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Dad, Mom, Tommy and Pat

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College lessons go beyond classroom

Three years and nine months ago, my senior friends, you were proba-



bly sitting in an auditorium hearing Nowell Donovan (if you don't know who that is, he has been your provost and he

is terrifically Scottish) tell you about how fantastic your academic voyage and growth will be whilst you pondered just how long four years could possibly

Well, 1,355 days, six parking tickets, two witty posters about beer pong (the first one may or may not have been damaged when an errant water balloon somehow made it through your dorm win-

dow destroying both it and your computer, as well as shattering the window), \$2.5 trillion in construction, three bowl victories and somewhere around 40 finals later, you're probably listening to Dr. Donovan tell your family and friends to please refrain from using air horns as you strut across the stage praying that there is a diploma in that little purple folder.

And don't forget — it's right hand shake, left hand grab diploma.

So what have you learned since Aug. 23, 2004? Allow me to help

1.) "Library" is actually a Latin term that stands for Red Bull and Aderall.

2.) Tailgating isn't an activity. It isn't a pastime. It isn't even a term to describe a gathering in a parking lot outside of a football game. It is a bloodsport, and I swear that if I don't consume enough Shiner Bock to flood a small village, I am not an American, let alone a four-year Texan.

3.) Free food is a double-edged sword. While it is a great way to bolster your beer fund, fat pants start to cost a lot. Free T-shirts on the other hand? Bring it on.

4.) When you run across University Drive, the key is commitment. Remember if you can't see them, they can't see you, thus making you invincible to oncoming traffic. Also, according to my roommate, if you get hit by a car, you get a 4.0 for the semester.

5.) Finally, gentlemen, if an attractive girl waves to you from across the sidewalk, you always, always, always look behind you before waving back. Chances are that there is an equally attractive Tri-Delt or Kappa right there. Awkward situation averted.

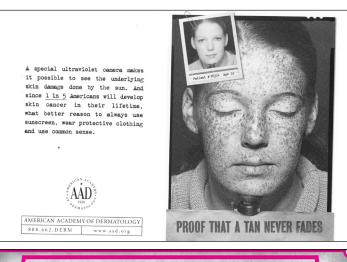
Well, you've only got a few hundred more folks to get their diplomas, then it's "Hail, All Hail," and you're out of here. Class of 2008, you are dismissed.

> Andrew Wilson is a senior accounting major from St. Louis.

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Connor,

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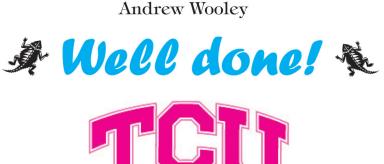
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