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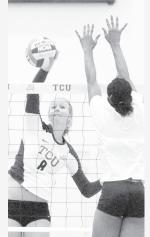
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# SWINE FLU Flu cases continue to rise on campus

**By Chris Blake** Staff Reporter

University officials suspect there may be 25 to 30 additional cases of H1N1, commonly known as swine flu, excluding the 10 confirmed cases on campus announced Monday, the vice chancellor for student affairs said.

Don Mills, vice chancellor for student affairs, said the suspected cases have been confirmed to have type A influenza virus, but the university is no longer testing for individual cases of H1N1 and instead is treating each case of the flu as H1N1. Mills said the treatment includes the medication Tamiflu and that infected students are being advised to stay in their dorm rooms until they are without a fever for 24 hours.

"We don't want (infected students) to go to the cafeteria," Mills said. "So hall directors are informed, and if a student would like food brought to them, then the hall director or resident assistant will go over to the Union and get a meal for them."

University officials have advised

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Columnists duel over if Vick did the time for his crime. Opinion, page 3

#### **PECULIAR FACT**

LONDON – The deaths of no fewer than four people after being trampled by cows in the past two months has prompted Britain's main farming union to issue a warning about the dangers of provoking the normally docile animals.

- Reuters

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#### By Melanie Cruthirds Staff Reporter

Current and former university students may soon expect relief from impending student loan payments with the July 1 introduction of the U.S. Department of Education's new repayment program, a financial services director said.

Melet Leafgreen, the assistant director of loan programs, said the Income-Based Repayment plan aims to ing to the Web site. make monthly repayment amounts more accurately reflect a graduate's income level. Loans taken out from the government for undergraduate, graduate, professional or job training programs will come with capped repayment rates that vary according payment will increase proportionalto income and family size, she said. Leafgreen said the new program amount, she said.

does not require a minimum payment, as was the case with previous programs.

Prospective participants can look to the U.S. Department of Education's Web site for a calculator to estimate their eligibility for the IBR plan. Generally, if the IBR plan could result in a lower monthly repayment rate than a standard 10-year repayment plan, then the borrower is qualified to participate in the IBR program, accord-

Leafgreen said if borrowers use the online calculator, some will find their minimum monthly payment comes to \$0 because their income is at the lowest end of the IBR plan scale. As their income increases, their monthly ly, and eventually rise above the \$0



"Even though they don't pay any money, the IBR plan still considers them to be in repayment," Leafgreen said.

According to a 2009 salary survey conducted by the National Association of Colleges and Employers, the average yearly salary of a graduate with a bachelor's degree is \$49,307. College graduates can also expect to owe an average of \$24,651 on federal student loans upon finishing four

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## **TEXTBOOKS** iPhone app saves students money

#### **By Austin Pearson**

Staff Reporter

Looking for a way to save money on college textbooks? There's

an app for that. A new iPhone application that will help students save money on combination of all of the books at teed buyback, he said. textbooks was announced Aug. 12, said Jeff Sherwood, CEO of BIGWORDS.com.

The BIGWORDS free iPhone application can help students find the best deals on their textbooks has a few thousand users. It even bookstore's Web site. from Multi-Item Price Optimization which calculates the cheapest combination of textbooks from stores with multi-item orders to start BIGWORDS from his and finds the best deals available, time as a college student. Sherwood said.

site and the app save \$225 on average on multi-item orders.

cent cheaper than other Web no availability for used books and sites," he said.

Students search for textbooks on BIGWORDS by plugging in the title, author or ISBN code and it the Web site at the beginning BlackBerry phones.

all of the stores that we cover and comes up with the cheapest combination of stores from which to buy your books," Sherwood said.

The BIGWORDS app already won The New York Times' App of the Week on Aug. 18, he said.

Sherwood said he got the idea Stroud said.

Sherwood said people using the online alternatives to the college her books online. bookstore," he said. "We would wait in line for three hours to "BIGWORDS is 35 to 40 per- check out and there was virtually half the time they didn't even have the inventory for new books."

More than 750,000 people vis-

drop the books into a virtual book of the semester and it generates bag. It searches from over 20 dif- \$13.5 million in textbooks sales ferent sources, like Amazon, Text- and the Web site is constantly upbooks.com, and Barnes & Noble, dated with the latest coupons and to find the best deals by factoring promotions, he said. BIGWORDS in shipping cost and promotions. also supports textbook rentals, in-"Our site or software runs every ternational editions and guaran-

> Samantha Stroud, a freshman criminal justice major, said she would use the app in the future to help her find the best deals. For now, she used the university

> "I went to the bookstore Web site and got my books off of there,"

Katie Bain, a senior psychology major, said she gets her books "At that time there were no from the bookstore, but has sold

> "I thought I could get a better price from them than I could get from the bookstore," she said.

> Sherwood said that BIG-WORDS plans to update the app in November and plans to add the service to other devices like

# replacing jobs for new grads

By Josh Davis Staff Reporter

Go to college, get an internship, graduate and then take a job — the process has been pretty standard for decades. However, these days a lack of job openings has created a competitive market for internships, some of which are being claimed by college grads.

Collin Howell, who graduated from the university in May, said he tried the traditional methods of finding work, but they failed.

"I went on CareerBuilder and FrogJobs and all of those kinds of things to see if there was any fulltime work needed," Howell said. "Really after about a month of looking at that, I realized that jobs are very hard to come by with limited experience."

With the economy taking a toll on bottom lines and employers looking to cut costs, positions that would normally be entry-level jobs are now unpaid or low-paying internships, said John Thompson, executive director of Career Services.

"Students should not stop looking for an internship when companies say, 'We're laying off,' or 'We're not hiring any full-time people," Thompson said. "They need somebody to work as a replacement for them. Sometimes the companies that are laying off are better opportunities to find work."

When local advertising firm Range Online Media turned down another May TCU graduate, Thomas Scibona, in favor of one of their own interns for a full-time position, Scibona looked to gain more experience.

The job market didn't have much

#### Students wishing to check their IBR plan eligibility can do so at: studentaid.

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to offer, so he took a door-todoor sales job to get experience.

In 2008, Scibona had an advertising internship in skeptical of how necessary Milwaukee. He credits that the programs are. experience with getting him at internships as an option after graduation.

Thompson said Scibona's path is becoming normal in a bad economic climate.

"We're still seeing some paid internships, but there letter to and send a proposare companies that are trying al for an internship ... and to take advantage of the fact they're going to hire you." that there are not as many internships now as there were pact is a non-profit internlast year, and if you really for free," Thompson said. Busch-Johnsen is the execu-"And in some cases that is really not a bad option if you want to get experience."

New York Times highlighted student. services that are sprouting up around the country to place dents why school is valu-

high-profile internships for a fee. Thompson said the Career

Services department had not received any calls from those types of services to his knowledge. He said he was

'What's unusual about in the door for interviews. some intern placement ser-But he said he began to look vices is that they're demanding the money before they the workforce from another start taking a look," Thompson said. "My advice is that I wouldn't pay somebody to do that, because there's a lot of companies you can write a

Business Education Comship placement service based want to do one, you'll work in Beaverton, Ore. Tamra tive director of the service and said placement services are necessary because of the A recent article in The value of internships to today's

students or graduates into able, because they can see have actual responsibilities."

how what they are learning in school is applied in the workplace," Busch-Johnsen said. "And for college students in a degree program, it helps solidify their career path in college."

Scibona said he learned the value of an internship from his previous experience, but he also learned to temper his expectations heading into intern in his department.

"She had just graduated from Marquette business school at the top of her class, and she was stuck with an internship just out of school," Scibona said. "So I understand that sometimes you've got to humble yourself and go to an internship before you can get promoted ... That's what I'm willing to do."

Howell said his post-graduation internship at Zag Integrated Marketing Communications is rewarding.

"While it is an internship, there are only five of us here," "The internships tell stu- Howell said. "So as far as experience goes, I'm lucky to

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students, faculty and staff exhibiting flu-like symptoms to seek medical attention at the Brown-Lupton Health Cen- "I just think ter, a local hospital or from a private physician. Students who are ill but are not experiencing flu-like symptoms have been asked to avoid the Health Center and instead email healthcenter@tcu.edu, an e-mail address monitored by Health Center staff who will respond with further instructions, according to the university's swine flu Web page.

'Scary" was the word some students used to describe the campus outbreak of H1N1 cases announced Monday in a campuswide e-mail.

ed H1N1 earlier this year. He said the media are making it out to be more serious than it is but students should still take caution because of how easily Annunziato said. it can spread.

Junior strategic communication major Chelsea Darwin said she was feeling sick already and that the announce- other people until they have

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years of schooling, reported FinAid, an online resource for student borrowers. Using these statistics and the Department of Education's eligibility calculator, the average college graduate does not qualify for the IBR plan.

Lukas Jones, a junior strategic communication major, said he hoped to be earning a reasonable salary after graduating. If his income is low in mind when enough though, he will consider opting for the IBR plan, Jones said.

"It depends on how much money I make once I get out of college, but part of me thinks the lower payments sound better even though it will take longer," Jones said of the IBR plan's 25-year repayment period. As to graduate in May 2011.

For some borrowers, federal program."

ment of sick students on campus did not put her at ease. "It's kind of scary to know

about," Darwin said, noting that news reports suggest it's

#### that was an opportunity; I think it was going to happen whether

we had sorority rush or not."

#### Don Mills

vice chancellor for Student Affairs

going to get worse as the year goes on.

down with H1N1, senior the-Alan Smith, a freshman bi- ater and arts administration think it was going to happen ology major, said he contract- major Elizabeth Annunziato, said she is at her home and or not." almost went to the hospital Monday night.

"We have to be isolated,"

advised to isolate themselves, ing. which means those students should not be within 6 feet of

lending options are more appealing because a heavy burden of loan repayments will fluctuation in borrowing not necessarily await them trends with the introduction of upon leaving school, Leaf- the IBR plan. No comparable green said.

"I don't think that the government necessarily had private schools in mind when munications director at the

"I don't think that the government necessarily had private schools they created this program."

Melet Leafgreen assistant director of loan programs

they created this program," Leafgreen said, "I'm not sure a freshman, Jones took out a that we at TCU are the target PLUS and certain Consolifederal Stafford loan in 2007 to demographic, but we certainly dation loans. This excludes pay for school and is scheduled have students who could benefit from getting into the IBR as well as parent PLUS loans

For more information on H1N1 at TCU go to: www.tcu.edu/ swinefluinfo.asp

been without a fever for 24 hours, Annunziato said.

Mills said Campus Life will will work with faculty to help students make up their classwork.

The first few cases of H1N1 on campus were discovered in students who were involved in sorority rush, Mills said.

"When you have several hundred people together over a period of four days and there's a lot of physical contact, it would be easy to spread that One student who came way," Mills said. "I just think that was an opportunity; I whether we had sorority rush

Mills said the first case of H1N1 on campus was diagnosed Friday at about 5 p.m., with the number of cases Sick students have been reaching 10 by Monday morn-

> Staff reporter Kim Little contributed to this report.

Along with private schools, private lenders may see some repayment program exists for private lenders, such as banks, said Edie Irons, com-Project on Student Debt.

'That's part of the problem," Irons said of private student loans. "That's why they're such a bad idea.' Private lenders are not currently held accountable for any fairness in repayment options, so students looking to borrow might be better off looking into federal loan options, Irons said.

According to the Department of Education's Web site, the plan is applicable only to government loans, such as Stafford, Graduate all private and bank loans and loans in default.

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university's all-time blocks leader, and Otto led the team in kills last season, averaging 2.94 kills per game. Otto did not participate in the annual alumni match Aug. 22, but Lewis said the court this week.

Blackwood and junior rightbeen named to the preseason all-conference team. Blackwood said she knows the bar has been advantage over its competition consecutive winning season set high for her and the Horned Frogs.

this great potential, and we want trip enabled the team to train to be more than just potential," Blackwood said. "We want to prove it to them." Sophomore Megan Munce

will take over as setter for training, Blackwood said the Hampton, who is the school's all-time assist leader. Although she started only 11 she hopes she will be back on times during her freshman year, Hampton and Lewis there, and we knew it was just said Munce has improved side hitter Christy Hudson have since last season and appears ready for the year.

Lewis said the team has an this season because it played in against Arkansas on Friday at several countries during a 10- 7 p.m. in the University Recre-"Everybody thinks we have day European tour in June. The ation Center.

for a month when teams not participating in the tour could not, she said. In addition to the extra

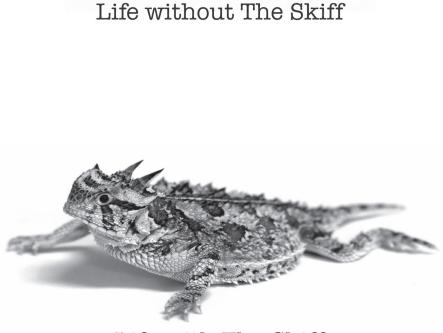
trip brought the players together and got them fired up for the season.

"We did really well over going to carry on to the season," Blackwood said.

The team is scheduled to kick off its attempt at a third







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# The Skiff View Lack of housing leaves freshmen in tight spot

he university's efforts to provide housing to all accepted students is a commendable endeavor. However, an effort should be made to make those forced to live off campus pay less. In an article in Tuesday's Skiff, Craig Allen, director of Residential Services, said a spot in the Cantey Place housing section ranged from \$3,700 to \$4,400 per semester depending on the room students chose. In contrast, rooms on campus range from \$2,275 per semester for a triple in Colby Hall to \$3,700 per semester for a super single in the Tom Brown-Pete Wright apartments, which are reserved almost exclusively for upperclassmen.

If the university is making the families of students pay more for living space because there is no room available on campus, it doesn't seem very responsible. If the parent of an incoming student expects to pay a certain amount for housing but is then stuck with a bill for almost twice as much, the university should try and make up the difference in the form of scholarships or a discounted meal plan. Tacking on another \$1,000 to \$1,500 to an already expensive education needs to be made up in some form by the university.

Pretty soon, wallets, not high school transcripts, will be the deciding factor in admission to the university if this situation is not addressed.

Editor-in-chief David Hall for the editorial board.

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Don Wright is a political cartoonist for The Palm Beach Post.

# Students shouldn't shell out cash for published professors



It's that time of year again. Get ready to head into that beautiful corner property, plop down that shiny new student ID, silently apologize to your parents and limber up to get screwed to the wall by the university bookstore.

However, the bookstore is a necessary evil. Supply meets demand,

and school is much tougher without books. As you read down your class list and your bag quickly fills, you may notice something interesting. Quite a few of your professors are published authors! So why, exactly, do they demand you purchase their book?

TCU has a lot of really great professors, and many are experts in their fields. It's expected that many will write about their chosen profession, and you don't see a lot of academic books on the New York Times best-seller list. Their purpose is selling to students. But there is an ethical issue in profiting from making your students buy your book.

Professors are paid to teach. Being educated by experts is a privilege, and privileges are generally expensive. Considering the price of the class itself, there is no reason a professor should be able to "double dip" on what we pay for. Why not teach the class based on the wealth of source material used to write the book?

Too often, a professor will have you read his or her words in their book, then repeat them in lecture. We were led to believe this was higher education - repetition is unnecessary. By using the best parts of source material, educators can highlight their own points by showing

students the process that got them to their conclusions.

I realize that may have financial ramifications for the professors and I don't mean to deny their right to be paid for their work but it makes more sense to allow other professors within the department to use the book if doing so eliminates the moral question. If a particular book is useful for a class, then an educator who has nothing to gain financially should also view it as useful.

This is not a farmer's market. Buying local doesn't assure anything path to your wallet. but wealth for an individual professor. As it's said, the cream rises to the top. Educators can benefit finan-

Vick deserves a minimum wage job, not a football contract

cially from writing, so long as they write a good book. There are plenty of less creative professors who will gladly use a well-written textbook. We pay for a professor to teach the class, not an author.

As you browse the stacks on the second floor, see how many names you recognize. If you're new to this game, get ready. If you can walk out with only a three-digit expenditure, consider yourself a winner because college is expensive, particularly when your professors have a free

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## **POINT • COUNTERPOINT** Should Michael Vick get another chance to play pro football?

Vick should get another chance to resume career, life after prison



When news broke that Michael Vick would serve the last two months of his 18-month prison term in his Virginia home for bankrolling a dog fighting ring, much of the nation was husband or father who couldn't afford a car given a slap to the face to waken them to the most covered sports story of 2007.

Vick's 2009 story should be about redemption and forgiveness, even if it isn't fair to the dogs who suffered so much under Vick's watch.

Nonetheless, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals has renewed its 2009 campaign to label Vick as the Antichrist, and every dog lover in the country is filled with mixed feelings on justice, retribution and second chances. The average Joe looks at Vick and then to his beloved mutt Sparky with feelings of animosity and rage.

But then SportsCenter shifts to Vick's possible NFL reinstatement and suddenly, Joe thinks Vick deserves a second chance while avoiding the piercing stare of his wife Jane.

When Vick receives his conditional NFL reinstatement, Sparky is kicked to the curb by Joe while Jane is making the grocery list for a Sunday get-together for the big game.

Now the city of brotherly love is welcoming Vick as its newest Eagle. The franchise is banking on Vick's big-play abilities to make the dog lovers of Philadelphia love the hometown birds just a little bit more than Sparky the mutt.

If we can all agree that human life is valued over animals, then we as the public have forgiven far lesser professional talents in the past.

Cleveland Browns receiver Donte Stallworth served 24 days of a 30-day jail sentence after being charged with DUI and second-degree manslaughter. On Aug. 13, 2009, NFL commissioner Roger Goodell stated that Stallworth could be reinstated after Super Bowl XLIV in February.

If you feel outraged about Vick's reinstatement, put yourself in the shoes of Mario Reyes' family. Reyes, 59, was the Cuban immigrant Stallworth struck while driving with a blood alcohol level far over the legal limit. Reyes was

Vick didn't kill a single husband or father who couldn't afford a car to get to his nighttime crane job to support his family.

crossing a causeway to get to the bus stop after clocking out of his overnight crane operating job, but Stallworth served only 24 days in jail because Reyes crossed the Miami, FL causeway just ahead of the designated cross walk.

Forget the dogs. Vick didn't kill a single to get to his nighttime crane job to support his family. Can PETA please stand up and tell the Reyes family how 24 days in jail is justice? We seem to be far less outraged over Reyes' death, mainly because the public doesn't have a soft spot for working-class Cuban immigrants like it does for man's best friend.

The public must stick by its own hypocritical standards. Vick did his allotted time for the crime many thought unimaginably heinous and claimed he cried in prison because

of the guilt he felt for the dogs he killed, but more likely for the endorsements he lost.

Vick has received his second chance. Time will tell if he can still be a positive influence on and off the field. The charity work he is required to do with organizations such as the Humane Society, coupled with the \$6.8 million Vick could earn if the Eagles pick up his second-year option (coupled with his first year earnings), means that Vick may save the lives of more dogs through charity work than he actually took away through dog fighting.

Nonetheless, it isn't fair. But if you haven't figured out that most things in life aren't, let this be your slap in the face and wake up.

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So, you just got sprung from the big house and you're looking for something to get into. Toiling away long hours at a minimum wage job? Living in grandma's basement for the winter, again? Signing with a moderately successful NFL franchise in the scenic and rather chilly Northeast? Sure, you think you could work with that last one.

Your new lease on life depends on one little condition: the first paycheck's got to be at least a million and a half. American dollars, that is.

Of course, not many of us are facing these kinds of dilemmas, but I bet you can guess at least one public figure out there that is. Oh yes, one Mr. Michael Vick is, fortunately

> for him, out of federal prison. Unfortunately for pit bulls everywhere, Vick became a free man July 20 after serving the last two of his 18 months time served in home confinement.

By the letter of the law, Vick received an appropriate punishment for his participation in a dog fighting venture, classily named Bad Newz Kennels. The unfairness in a situation like this does not begin and end with Michael Vick. Greater problems exist with lawmakers that use such relative levity when creating sentencing guidelines for dog fighting convictions.

Unfortunately for pit bulls everywhere, Vick became a free man July 20 after serving the last two of his 18 months in home confinement.

So, do I think Vick received a just punishment for the crime he was convicted of? Absolutely not. Do I think federal and state laws concerning dog fighting have enough problems of their own? Most definitely. Vick's team pleaded down from the average five-year sentence, but according to Pet-Abuse.com, sentencing guidelines recommend only 12 to 18 months.

Putting aside the fact that Vick received a significantly lighter sentence than his crime warranted, his opportunities post incarceration worry me. Vick has been allowed to practice with the Philadelphia Eagles for the preseason, but did not travel to the team's Indianapolis game against the Colts Aug. 20. He is not yet cleared to play in Philadelphia's games once the regular season begins Sept. 10.

The average NFL rookie, especially a quarterback, might play special teams in a handful of regular season games. Even fewer players are lucky to make it past training camp. The point that bothers me most is that Vick will play more downs than most rookies into the NFL, who have not served time in a federal prison.

Vick could make upwards of \$9 million in the next two years if he chooses to take advantage of the offers presented to him at the moment. Hundreds of other players, all that lack a rap sheet like Vick's, would be lucky to receive a chance like that. In what other industry does logic like that reign supreme?

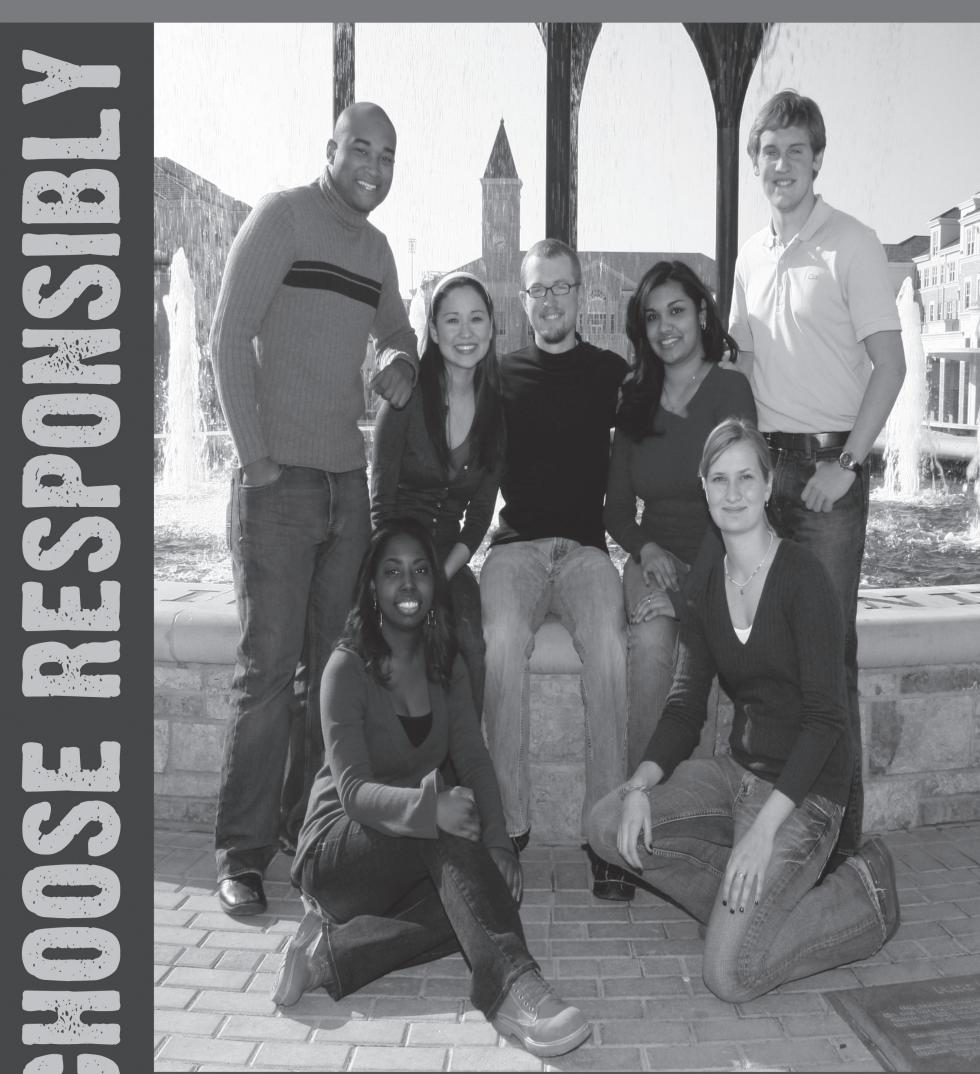
I do not condone what Vick and his partners did, in fact I find their behavior repulsive, but his sentence is nearing its end and the Philadelphia Eagles have already picked him up. The time for bemoaning his crimes and the severity of his punishment is over. The most valuable thing to be gleaned from Vick's ordeal is a greater awareness of dog fighting and the people who make it popular and profitable.

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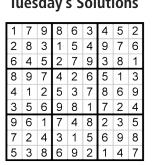
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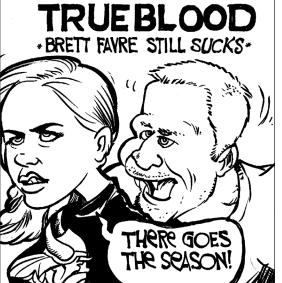
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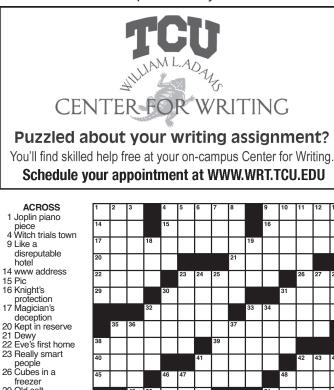
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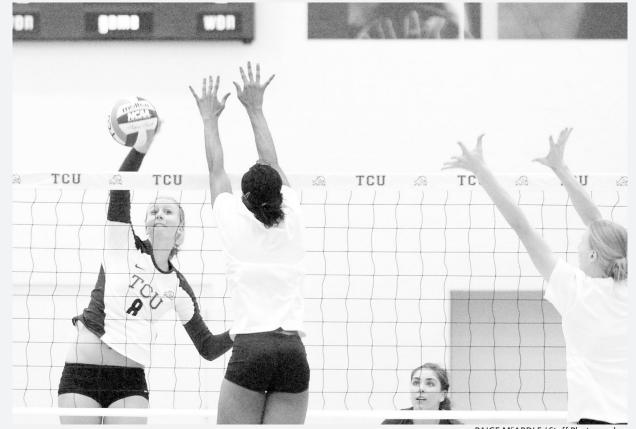
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# SPORTS



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# VOLLEYBALL EASON'S GREETINGS



PAIGE M<sup>C</sup>ARDLE / Staff Photographer Junior right-side hitter Christy Hudson attacks the ball during the annual alumni match Aug. 22 in the University Recreation Center. Hudson has been named to the preseason all-conference team.

# Team ready to adjust to loss of leaders

By Paige McArdle Staff Reporter

It's one thing to have potential. The volleyball team says it's a different thing to live up to that potential.

entering her eighth sea- this season. son as head coach, said

tential," Lewis said. "I said, consistent offensive threats tial."

winners and five returning and senior outside hitter starters, the team has plen- Lauren Otto are ready to Prentice Lewis, who is ty of potential to live up to lead.

Lewis the word "potential" is the that the team had to read- of player," Hampton said. team's motto for the season. just after the loss of leaders "Otto and (Blackwood) "Everybody's always told Nirelle Hampton and Dev- both have really good leadus, 'You have so much po- on Kirk, who posed two ership qualities and are SEE VOLLEYBALL PAGE 2

'Well, that's just a big word.' for the team. But Hampton You've got to prove poten- said senior middle blocker Kourtney Edwards, senior With 11 returning letter libero Katelyn Blackwood

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both really loud and talkative and play with passion."

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Edwards is 48 blocks

## SOCCER Chemistry could help propel team to the top

#### By Kim Little Staff Reporter

The soccer team is anticipating even more improvement since the team and many the outside midfielders are returning players have continued to progress during the preseason practices, said head coach Dan Abdalla.

According to a press release, the team ended last season with 14 wins, the best record in team history.

pecting more success this year. "I'm just really excited," Abdalla said. "We've come togeth-

er really well as a team." Abdalla also said some returning players, like senior for- the team finished third in ward Lizzy Karoly and sophomore forward Jordan Calhoun, have improved in terms of their movement. Sophomore defender and midfielder Alex conference is so competitive. Mechalske has gotten more comfortable after being injured last year and junior goalkeeper Kelsey Walters has been more there won't be any easy games vocal and more of a leader on at all." the field, Abdalla said.

ing players is a contributor to the team's ability to continue in the conference behind progressing, Abdalla said. BYU. With ten returning starters this season, Abdalla said this have a really good season, makes it easier to focus on even better than last year," more creative elements of the Karoly said. "We have a lot of game.

"We've done a couple things so many returning players," he said. "We didn't have to go back and necessarily spend ifying for an NCAA tournaas much time on the simple ment. things. We've introduced a more creativity offensively accomplish these goals," Karand defensively."

Karoly said some of the new things the team is trying is getting everyone involved in the offense.

"We want to make sure that getting (the ball) in the box," Karoly said.

Abdalla said the maturing defense is helping the team's continuous progression this year.

He also said the freshmen are starting to contribute pos-Abdalla said the team is ex- itively to the team.

> Katie Taylor, a sophomore defender, said the team's chemistry on the field is a strong point this year.

> According to its Web site, 2008 in the conference behind BYU and Utah. Abdalla said the team cannot take any games for granted because the

> "I think that's what is good about our conference," Abdalla said. "Anybody can win and

The Mountain West Con-The high number of return- ference coach's poll predicted that TCU will finish second

"I think we are going to goals we want to accomplish."

Karoly said the goals for differently because we've had this year include winning the conference, getting a conference championship and qual-

"With the work we are putfew more things in terms of ting in now we will be able to oly said.



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