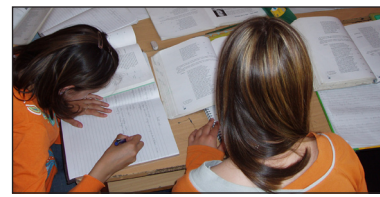


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Republican presidential hopeful to speak on campus

By BRETT LARSON
Staff Reporter

A Republican on the TCU campus might not usually turn heads, but tomorrow could be an exception as presidential candidate Duncan Hunter will be speaking to the TCU community for this semester's "Rights, Responsibilities and Respect" theme.



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Hunter is a Republican candidate for the presidency in 2008 and a congressman representing the 52nd District of California, a position he has held since 1980.

The event was organized by the TCU Center for Civic Literacy.

The center's director, Donald Jackson, a political science professor, said a general request was put out to the Tarrant County Democratic and Republican parties for a presidential candidate looking for

a public appearance opportunity. Hunter at this point is the only candidate to respond.

Associate director for education and professor of political science Eric Cox said, "We are making it possible for presidential candidates to speak here, but we are not endorsing any candidates."

One stipulation for candidates wanting to speak at the university was their time could not be used to raise funds.

"Any candidate is welcome to come address TCU as long

as the event is not a fundraising event," Cox said.

Jackson said presidential candidates were invited to speak because it is important for students to be exposed to as many different candidates as possible.

"I think presidential candidates from both parties are important people," Jackson said.

Hunter will be speaking about the semester's theme and issues facing America.

Cox said students need to

make an informed choice with the presidency and seeing a candidate speak is an avenue toward this decision.

"One of the best ways to begin to inform yourself is to hear the words of the candidates rather than listening to what people say about the candidates," Cox said.

Hunter, throughout his political career, has made securing the U.S. and Mexico border a main concern. Following the terrorist attacks of 9/11, Hunter led efforts to patch holes in

FOR YOUR INFO

Presidential candidate Duncan Hunter will be speaking tonight in the Brown Lupton Student Center Ballroom at 7 p.m.

the border fence. These efforts resulted in the construction of 59 miles of fencing across California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas, according to his Web site.

Hunter introduced the Right to Life Act, which, according to See **HUNTER**, page 2

COME TOGETHER



PRESTON CULVER / Staff Photographer

During the first annual Spirit of TCU barbecue held Tuesday afternoon, Aaron Wolfe, a junior advertising/public relations major, spins cotton candy. Activities included live music and line-dancing lessons from Billy Bob's staff members. The event was geared toward uniting students in a multicultural atmosphere, said Kaytlyn Knowles, Howdy Week director.

Brite program supplies unique course materials

By AMANDA SHIMKO
Staff Reporter

The first textbook in black church studies, based on a course taught at Brite Divinity School, will be released this year.



FLOYD-THOMAS

Brite's black church studies concentration under the Master of Divinity degree was established in spring 2005 under the care of its founding director Stacey Floyd-Thomas, associate professor of ethics and black church studies.

The textbook, set for release in November, will be based on the introductory course under the program, which happens to be the only black church studies program offered west of the Mississippi River.

Floyd-Thomas wrote in an e-mail that the new textbook is "destined to be a standard text used in the core curriculum of seminaries throughout the nation."

Forrest Harris, director of the Kelly Miller Smith Insti-

tute on Black Church Studies at Vanderbilt University, said the Vanderbilt program plans to use the text.

While the program has about 20 students participate in coursework each semester, nine have declared a concentration in the program and five have graduated with the degree, according to student services.

Cynthia Cole, who is finishing her degree under the concentration, celebrated the 110th anniversary of her church, Johnson Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, on Sunday. She is the first female pastor there.

"I am excited to be at the program," Cole said. "It has been a privilege and opportunity to learn under Dr. Floyd-Thomas."

Events are offered through the program during the school year to educate the public in the realm of the black church, including the international Power of Black Preaching Forum, the State of the Black Church Studies Summit and the B.L.A.C.K.

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Sports drink company funds research

By SONA THAPA
Staff Reporter

The Gatorade Sports Science Institute is funding a kinesiology research project by providing \$19,000 — but the research will not involve Gatorade, the kinesiology department chair said.

Joel Mitchell, chair of the kinesiology department, said the research attempts to study the effects of exercise and fluid on sodium levels in the human body.

Gatorade, which contains sodium, would be an additional variable and, therefore, water is being used, Mitchell said.

"The reason sodium is of interest is because there are some cases where sodium levels can drop to potentially dangerous levels," he said. "It's a condition called hyponatremia."

Hyponatremia literally means "low sodium in the blood" and some people are more susceptible to it, Mitchell said.

Sodium is a key element in nerve and muscle electrical impulse activity, Mitchell said. When nerves conduct electrical impulses to send messages throughout the body and a muscle is stimulated to contract, sodium is heavily involved in it, he

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said. Hence, the department chair said, when sodium levels are abnormal, neuromuscular function is impaired.

Mitchell said one of the most common causes of hyponatremia is excessive intake of fluid and if people drink too much water too quickly, it can drive their sodium levels down.

He said under normal circumstances, when dehydrated, a person's sodium level goes up since sweat is diluted. However, if the person is to rehydrate and replace all of the fluid with water, the sodium level will go down again.

When the sodium level drops, a person may experience nausea, loss of mental acuity and may exude a dull look on his or her face. In extreme cases, a person can have seizures, fall into a coma and even die, Mitchell said.

"We are looking at how sodium levels respond to the volume and timing of fluid consumption," he said. The research comprises four different experimental con-

ditions, each 90 minutes in length, where the subjects' fluid intake will be manipulated, Mitchell said. Pretests which involve taking blood samples and monitoring the subjects for three hours of recovery will take about five hours, he said.

Mitchell, Melody Phillips, assistant professor of kinesiology, and six students — five are in master's programs and one is an undergraduate student — conducted the research. All of the students involved in the research are kinesiology majors.

Kimberly Hubing, a kinesiology major, is one of the students involved in the research. She will be using the results of the research for her master's thesis.

Hubing said these experiments will test 10 subjects four times. The subjects will go through fairly moderate intensity cycling in a heated chamber of 95 degrees Fahrenheit, she said.

Hubing said the subjects' diets will be manipulated two

days before each experiment and they will be given water at varying intervals during the experiment.

Mitchell said the subjects are cyclists and triathletes trained in high-endurance exercises because an average person might not have the stamina to undergo the exercises in high heat.

Another part of the research, Mitchell said, attempts to find the connection between glycogen and fluid.

"Glycogen is a storage form of glucose, primarily in the muscles," he said. "By manipulating glycogen level, by manipulating fluid intake, we can get a better sense of how these variables respond to that manipulation."

Ultimately, it explains the physiology behind hyponatremia, Mitchell said.

Hubing said this kind of research is important because of the media's focus on dehydration. Because the symptoms of hyponatremia are similar to dehydration, people might think they are dehydrated and drink too much fluid, which can be fatal, Hubing said.

Laura Quigg, a senior kinesiology major, is the only undergraduate student involved in the project. Within two years, she said she has been involved

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Elections scheduled for open house seats

By CALLIE COX
Staff Reporter

The SGA House of Student Representatives is calling for new members.

The elections will occur Sept. 6 to fill vacant seats left open after the spring elections, SGA President Jace Thompson said.

Thompson said the spots open for election are two positions for first-year student representatives, one position as an education representative and one as a health and human sciences representative.

"Last semester we had two representatives resign, one because of schedule overlapping and the other transferred," he said. "The other two positions are for first year students who were not here to run last spring."

SGA Treasurer Nate Arnold said he was in the House

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Complete an application at www.sga.tcu.edu by Aug. 31. Students who are not first year students may only run for positions if they correspond to their majors or minors.

For more information, e-mail Merillat Pittman at m.e.pittman@tcu.edu.

last year and it was fun and easy.

"If elected," Arnold said, "you go to meetings and vote on resolutions that will hopefully make TCU a better place."

Thomas Pressly, SGA vice president, said these members will not be behind by being elected this semester.

"Most of our current House was elected in the spring," he See **SGA**, page 2



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in about five projects.

Despite not receiving class credits for the research, she said she was interested in being a part of it because she wanted to connect with graduate students and get as much exposure as she could.

Quigg said this research is important because knowing the hydration status of

the human body is crucial. Reading the course book and listening to the words of a professor are not enough, she said. She said she believes research helps students understand the subject better.

Gatorade has funded TCU's project in the past, Mitchell said.

"The good thing about the company is they are also interested in supporting research that helps us understand fluids in general, not just Gatorade," he said.

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Distinguished Scholar-in-Residence Series, Floyd-Thomas said.

The executive board of the Black Religious Scholars Group, an organization that Floyd-Thomas said she, her husband, Juan Floyd-Thomas and a colleague in Philadelphia co-founded in 1996, co-authored the new textbook. Brite also

houses the BRSG headquarter.

Although the program currently has only one permanent full-time faculty member, Floyd-Thomas said she has high hopes for the program's future.

"Once additional faculty are hired and extra funding is established for programming," Floyd-Thomas said, "I believe that it will be the top-ranking black church studies program in the nation within the next five to 10 years."

HUNTER

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his Web site, would legally define "personhood" as the moment of conception, guaranteeing all constitutional rights to the unborn.

Another issue stressed by Hunter is military strength. Hunter has been a member of

the House Armed Services Committee throughout his congressional career. In 2003, Hunter became chairman of the full committee, overseeing an \$500 billion defense budget, according to the House of Representatives' Web site.

"I believe in peace through strength," Hunter said on his Web site. "I believe in a policy that

supports U.S. interests by spreading freedom within the limits of U.S. capability."

Hunter also said America's success depends upon the nation's ability to obtain and use reliable data. He holds the fact that America has not been attacked since 9/11 as evidence that the nation is on the right course, according to his campaign site.

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said. "Our first House meeting will be next week and we will invite all of the candidates to come and see how the House works."

Pressly also said the elections and campaigns for these positions will run just like a regular SGA election.

"We are really excited about getting SGA off the ground this year," Pressly said. "We feel like it's going to be a great year."

Amanda Geiger never saw the drunk driver.

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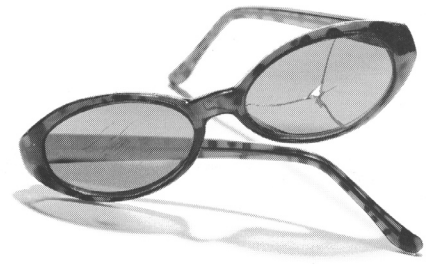
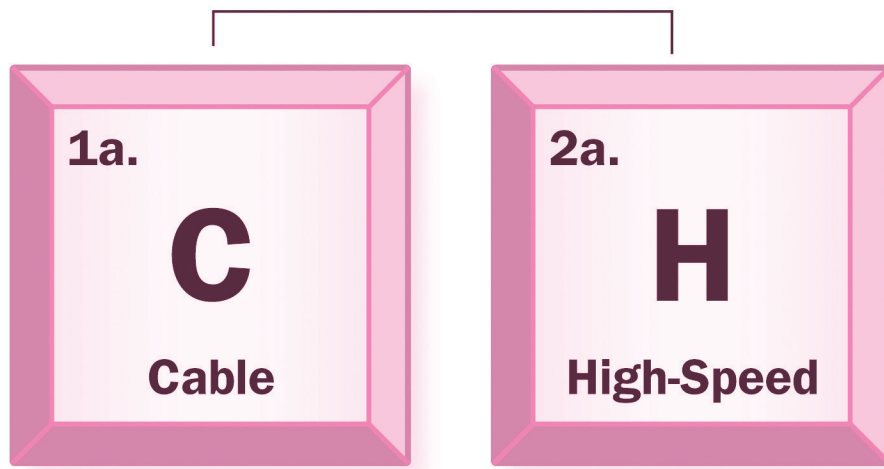


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"We may go to the moon, but that's not very far. The greatest distance we have to cover still lies within us."

— Charles de Gaulle

THE SKIFF VIEW

Students' political apathy intolerable

Universities used to be places of demonstration, political discussion and a general challenging of society and ones' beliefs. Think of University of California, Berkeley in the 1960s. What happened? It seems now more than ever — and especially at TCU — students are taking a step back and coasting through their four, five or even six years here without ever really listening to what the other guy has to say.

There is an attitude of apathy that permeates our campus. While TCU is changing on the outside, it's imperative that we start looking inward. Chancellor Victor Boschini said it himself, this semester is "R-rated" and is called such to promote rights, responsibilities and respect for others. TCU is urging students to make an impact.

The first goal of this endeavor is to demonstrate TCU's dedication to free inquiry and open discussion. Fittingly, the first in line of five scheduled political speakers to take place on campus is Duncan Hunter, a hopeful candidate for the 2008 presidential election. OK, TCU, here is your chance. Begin this semester in a way you had not anticipated and attend the discussion. You might learn something new. Even if you disagree with Hunter's views, the discussion provides a way to get an inside look at how our political system operates.

"Democracy is a participatory sport," said James Riddlesperger, department chair of political science. He said political discussions aren't only important for students who should be informed of issues facing the nation, but also for candidates who strive to gain feedback from students.

In this rapidly changing world, we must be knowledgeable about local, national and international issues, as they all affect us. College students make up the lowest population of political participation, Riddlesperger said.

Apathy doesn't get you far, maybe just through college. This semester, TCU is providing many opportunities for students to enlighten themselves to global issues. The chance to seize these opportunities is up to you.

Opinion editor Sonya Cisneros for the editorial board.

BY DON WRIGHT



POINT

Eating meat a cruel practice; all creatures need protection

A professor in the philosophy department at Princeton University, coined the term "speciesism" which is analogous to racism and sexism.

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Eric Fisher Stone
Professor Peter Singer says animals have traits which make them different from humans, inherited from genes and DNA, and yet are viewed as inferior.

Being more intelligent does not make one superior. As Jeremy Bentham, an 18th century reformer wrote about animals, "The question is not, can they reason? Nor, can they talk? But, can they suffer?"

Chickens, for example, live in their own wastes in cramped quarters until they are killed. Bulls are often castrated without anesthetic. In general, a tremendous amount of suffering takes place in the slaughterhouse.

So the reason many humans don't question their carnivorous diets is because of discrimination, which leads to notions that it "doesn't matter" that animals suffer, or that they are killed.

Another argument meat-eaters give for eating flesh is that animals do not participate in our society, lawmaking and elections.

Social contracts are indeed made by "intelligent beings" but what would we do in the following scenario: suppose super-intelligent aliens from space came to Earth, having vastly better technology, and decided to harvest human bodies for food. There could be nothing people could do.

This proves the human social contract needs to be modified to include the rights of animals.

I say animal husbandry

(farming animals) and eating them is wrong because we would not want someone to farm and eat us, hence the aliens example.

Humans are not as separate from animals as many believe. They also suffer, and have joys and pleasures. It's this, not having an advanced mind, which makes animals like us and worthy of our kindness to them.

Eric Fisher Stone is a senior philosophy major from Fort Worth.



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COUNTERPOINT

Capacity for pain not excuse to grant animals equal rights

Readers might remember Steve Best, the University of Texas at El Paso associate professor of humanities and philosophy who came to TCU in

spring 2005 to defend the Animal Liberation Front, a group the FBI rightly considers a terrorist organization. For example, the ALF members have claimed responsibility for bombing university biomedical research facilities in their quest to "liberate" animals. Any sufficiently sentient being, such as a chicken, should have the right to live, Best claimed on the ALF's behalf, simply because it has the capacity to suffer.

If you think this a dead issue, consider the membership of the Facebook group "People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) — TCU Chapter" as of August 21st: 231 people. The Facebook group states that it is "not radical," but PETA is not an organization merely supporting animal welfare, that is, preventing animal cruelty. PETA also supports animal rights and has for years. For instance, in 1995 PETA donated \$45,200 to help pay the legal bills of Rodney Coronado who torched a Michigan State University research



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lab in the name of the ALF. Those 231 individuals should know exactly whom they're supporting.

It's difficult to formulate a precise position on what rights, of what strength, which particular animals — from humans to dolphins to dogs to termites — should have, and exactly why. For that reason I hope readers write to respond to my position sketched below.

Each of us reaps benefits, at least the majority of the time, from granting other humans broad political rights, such as the right to life, because other humans will, at least most of the time, reciprocate by granting us the same rights in return. Animals, to the best of our knowledge, cannot grant us

the same rights back — try explaining the right to life to a bear eating you, for example. So we shouldn't give them rights in full measure. We give certain animals, say, a dog, some rights of some strength, such as protection against cruelty, because most of us claim psychological benefit from doing so. Just think of the nausea evoked by the recent Michael Vick case. Those who assert we would gain even more psychological benefit granting animals full rights are currently in a growing minority; they have the freedom to pursue a vegan lifestyle, but not to literally terrorize us in support of their views. In the end, democracy decides.

Douglas Lucas is a senior English and philosophy major from Fort Worth.

Legal online behavior no basis for work discrimination

With the explosion of technology across the globe during the past 30 years, our world has become

COMMENTARY
David Hall
increasingly smaller with each passing minute.

Too small, some might say.

With the advent of social networking Web sites such as MySpace and Facebook, peoples' lives are suddenly on display to the entire world. Such a widespread proliferation of personal information has never been seen before.

With the joys of being able to connect with old friends half a world away, however, come consequences.

No, I'm not talking about a 14-year-old girl running off

with a 40-something software engineer from Sheboygan, Wis. who she met online. While that's the fashionable knock on social networking Web sites nowadays, anyone with half a brain knows not to set up a meeting with or exchange sensitive personal information with strangers. That has been drilled into children's heads since long before the beginning of the Internet.

I'm talking about an issue that affects today's job-hungry college students everywhere — potential employers or college authorities looking at your Facebook account.

It's a real threat and real people have been affected. Take, for example, 27-year-old Stacy Snyder.

On the eve of her graduation from Millersville University of Pennsylvania, Snyder

"The time has come for a line to be drawn in the war for Internet privacy."

David Hall

was denied her teaching certificate because of a photo on her MySpace page that, according to a university official, promoted underage drinking. She was granted an English degree instead.

So, was Snyder handing out bottles of Jim Beam to neighborhood trick-or-treaters? Was she letting little Timmy do Jell-O shots off of her midriff at Shady Acres Day Care?

No, the photo in question featured Snyder imbibing an unidentified beverage from a Mr. Goodbar cup, with the caption below reading "Drunken Pirate." That's all, and because of that photo, the administration appar-

ently thought her unfit to educate children.

Employees at firms across the country have also found themselves in hot water because of relatively benign antics made public via social networking.

The time has come for a line to be drawn in the war for Internet privacy. Web sites such as MySpace and Facebook are quasi-private mediums that deserve to be treated as such. Sure, opponents of the stance will say that employers and universities are completely within legal boundaries when looking at someone's Facebook or Myspace account. Hey, that's true. There's no

law against it. The Internet is public domain. The fact that it's not illegal, however, doesn't necessarily make it ethical.

Look at it this way: if a professor walks by a group of students having a presumably private conversation about underage drinking, which happens hundreds of times daily on a college campus, does the professor do anything?

Of course not. That's a private conversation and none of his or her business. It's common courtesy and respect for the maturity of the individuals involved not to break up the conversation to play a game of "Spanish Inquisition."

Facebook is like a conversation between friends on the Internet. A public exchange is treated fairly: it's theoretically open to every-

one, but respected by the general population as private business. Public domain activities should be granted the same level of respect.

To cut a long story short, relatively harmless pictures of college parties and the occasional salty exchange between friends over the Internet should not affect a student's standing with an employer or a university.

If TCU or my current employer finds pictures of me dealing black-tar heroin to a bunch of middle-schoolers out of the back of my Mitsubishi with a clearly unapologetic look on my face, it's probably best that they do something about it.

Otherwise, though, they should mind their own business.

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NCAA moves football kickoffs five yards back

By KYLE HIGHTOWER
The Orlando Sentinel

It's just five yards. But to listen to coaches around the country talking about it, one might think the apocalypse was about to descend on college football stadiums in 2007.

The NCAA rules oversight committee has pushed kickoffs back five yards this season, from the 35-yard line to the 30, a move that makes it equal to the NFL's starting spot. It was a decision they say was done to not only quicken the pace of games, but also increase the excitement for spectators and television audiences.

Though most coaches concede it will also force them to reexamine their strategies and personnel decisions on special teams, the biggest worry seems to be the anticipated rebirth of star return men like former Michigan standout Desmond Howard and Notre Dame's Rocket Ismail.

That's simply because fewer kicks are expected to make it to end zones this year.

"It's going to be one of the most significant rule changes to come about in recent years, maybe in a decade in college football," Kentucky Coach Rich Brooks said at Southeastern Conference Media Days last month. "Very few teams will have a guy who can kick it into the touchback area or out of the end zone."

This is the second consecutive year that teams have had to adjust to tweaks to the kicking game. Last season the NCAA rules committee played with kickoffs by dropping the kicking tee from two inches to one inch.

But it's been more than 20 years since there was a distance adjustment.

College teams had been

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Rich Brooks
Kentucky football coach

kicking from the 35-yard line since 1986, when the spot was moved back from the 40. According to research done by USA Today, the return rate jumped from 60.3 to 77 percent the next season and 78 percent the year after that. The average length of return, however, remained a little less than 20 yards and hasn't surpassed 20.8 yards (in 2005) since then.

Still, coaches think there will be more returns and fewer touchbacks this season because of the extra operating space that teams will have when they receive the ball.

Accordingly, as teams opened fall camps this month, one trend that has held true among Florida's programs was seeing teams load up their kickoff coverage teams with more frontline personnel and players with big-play potential.

"That part of the game is really going to be a weapon now," Central Florida Coach George O'Leary said. "I just don't see a lot of guys putting the ball through the end zone anymore. So kickoff coverage is going to become a dominant part of your team and kickoff return is going to be another big-time offensive play as long as the right guy gets the ball in his hands."

To boost the importance of special teams this season, the Knights coaches have institut-

ed a special teams' hammer, which it will pass around to the top special teams performer of the week.

It wasn't a direct result of the kickoff rule, but the Knights' coaches don't deny it had some influence.

Brooks said he is also anticipating seeing a lot more gadget and trick plays play a role.

"You're going to see offenses starting with a lot better field position," he said. "You're going to see scoring averages go up because of this rule change. You're going to see a lot more gimmicks on kickoff coverage. By 'gimmicks,' I'm talking with pooch kicking, possible squib kicking."

Brooks also thinks more teams might look to kick the ball out of bounds to give the opposing team the ball on the 35 rather than kicking it deep and risk having a return get to the 40 or 45.

The rule officially was changed in March, so teams have had a good portion of the offseason to come up with how they want to attack kickoff strategy.

There isn't a lot of data on hand to review where the ball will land when the ball is kicked from the 30. But Florida Coach Urban Meyer's staff reviewed game tapes this spring and determined that the average kickoff would land at about the 9-yard line.

A study by cfbstats.com based on spring practice observed a range from the 8-to-12-yard lines.

Georgia Coach Mark Richt said the Bulldogs returned about 25 percent of their kicks last season. He expects that number to increase to between 75 and 90 percent this season.

Upcoming game against Baylor may be pivotal, Patterson says

By BRETT LARSON
Staff Reporter

Four days before the season's opening game against Baylor, head football coach Gary Patterson talked about what it would take for the Frogs to pull out a win.

Patterson talked for a half hour and answered questions from local media affiliates about Saturday's showdown at Amon G. Carter Stadium during the first media luncheon of the season Tuesday at the John Justin Athletic Center.

"You never know what kind of football team you have until you see them play that first Saturday," Patterson said.

Patterson talked about the preparation leading up to

Saturday and what it would take for the Frogs to pull out a win.

"I always write a page out how I think the season needs to go," Patterson said. "I think this year I wrote two pages. One one way and one the other, because you know you're going in with an inexperienced quarterback no matter how you do it."

Patterson said the week two match-up against the University of Texas is not more important than any other game on the schedule.

"If you're going to win 10 or 11 ball games, you've got to treat every one as one and they've got to be important," Patterson said.

Redshirt freshman quar-

terback Andy Dalton, who will take the first snaps of his college career Saturday, can be a key to the Horned Frog offense if he is able to manage the tempo, Patterson said.

Patterson said the first game against Baylor is going to be one of the most important games of the season. The fact that the game is at home was not exactly an advantage in Patterson's opinion.

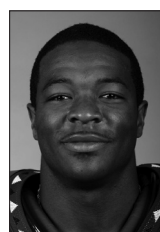
"Every time we've opened on the road, we've had great games," Patterson said.

Matching the success of the past two seasons is about whether the team can remain hungry, Patterson said, and whether the team wants to continue its winning ways.

MATCH-UPS

From page 6

SECONDARY



BONNER



CRAWFORD

(Probable Starters)
TCU: Brian Bonner, Steven Coleman, David Roach, Nick Sanders, Rafael Priest

Baylor: Dwain Crawford, Brandon Stiggers, Alton Widemon, Josh Bell, Jordan Lake

Advantage: TCU

Bonner is expected to be the fire starter of a unit that returns all but one starter from a year ago. Seeing the development of players such as Sanders and Priest should be fun to watch. The loss of

C.J. Wilson should be a big blow for the Bears, but Crawford will look to keep the group afloat for most of the game at free safety.

SPECIAL TEAMS

(Probable Starters)

TCU: Chris Manfredini, Derek Wash, Aaron Brown, Brian Bonner

Baylor: Caleb Allen, Brian Ozols, Mikail Baker, Brandon Whitaker

Advantage: TCU

With the graduation of All-American punter Daniel Sepulveda, the Bears will see how spoiled they have been now that he is gone. For TCU, the question of whether Manfredini's leg will be strong enough to handle long field goal attempts on a full-time basis will remain unanswered until his first long kick attempt. Bonner and Brown both have breakaway potential as return specialists.

HEAD COACHES



PATTERSON



MORRISS

TCU: Gary Patterson, seventh year (54-20, 34-15 in conference)

Baylor: Guy Morriss, fifth year (15-31, 7-25 in conference)

Advantage: TCU

As Morriss is still trying to get his first winning season at Baylor, Patterson is already making his mark as one of the finest football coaches in Horned Frogs' history with 54 wins in six seasons as TCU's head coach. Patterson was also recently named by Sports Illustrated Magazine as one of the 10 best coaches heading into this season.

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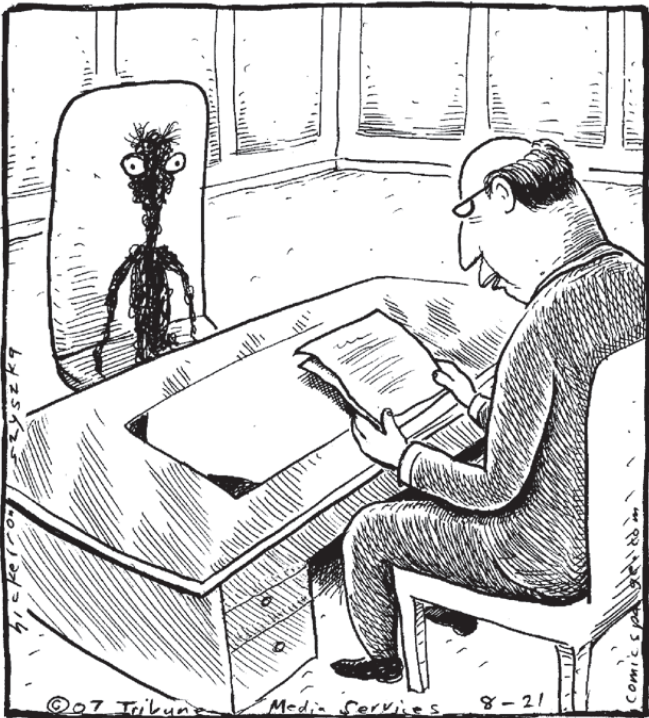
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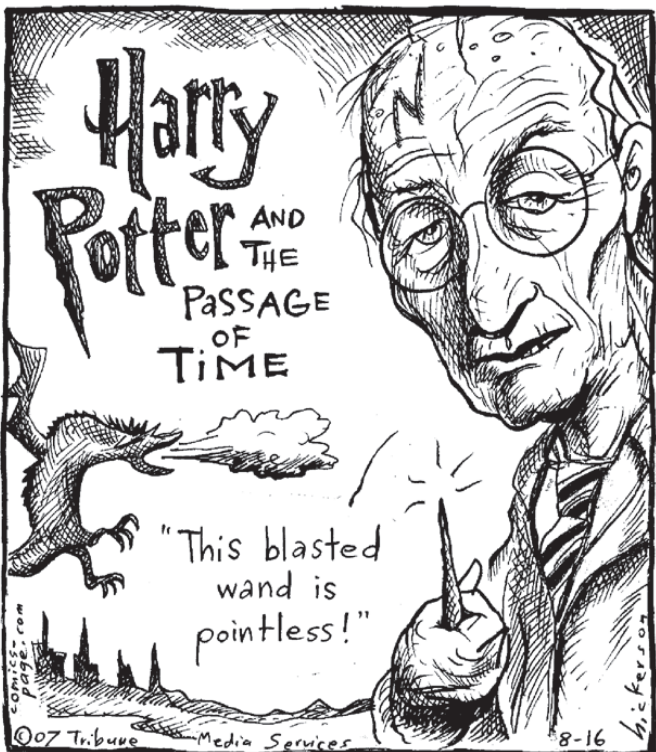
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See Thursday's paper for answers to today's Sudoku puzzle.

Tuesday's Solutions

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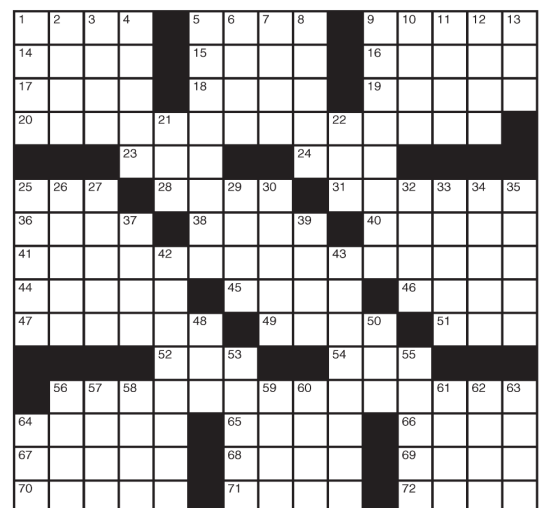
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By Philip J. Anderson
Portland, OR

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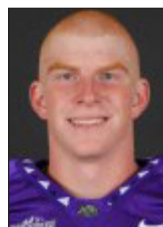
FOOTBALL

I-35 Showdown: Who's who on the gridiron

By TIM BELLA
Sports Editor

Here is a position-by-position breakdown of probable starters for Saturday's opening weekend showdown between TCU and Baylor.

QUARTERBACK



DALTON



SZYMANSKI

(Probable Starter)

TCU: Andy Dalton, red shirt freshman

Baylor: Blake Szymanski, sophomore

Advantage: Even

Szymanski went through baptism by fire in last season's final three games against Texas Tech University, Oklahoma State University and Texas A&M University, averaging nearly 40 pass attempts a game while throwing seven interceptions and getting sacked 13 times. While Dalton is probably the better talent, the experience factor leans toward Szymanski.

RUNNING BACK



BROWN



WHITAKER

(Probable Starter)

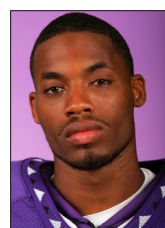
TCU: Aaron Brown, junior

Baylor: Brandon Whitaker, senior

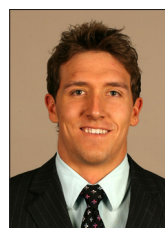
Advantage: TCU

Brown has developed himself as the catalyst for the Frogs' offense, averaging about 800 rushing yards and eight touchdowns in his first two seasons in purple. Whitaker saw limited action last year and will have to face one of the nation's best rush defenses. Brown's resume as an offensive threat was epitomized last season when he earned the Mountain West Conference offensive player of the year award.

WIDE RECEIVERS and TIGHT END



MASSEY



WHITE

(Probable Starters)

TCU: Donald Massey, Marcus Brock, Ervin Dickerson, Derek Moore, Shae Reagan (TE)

Baylor: Thomas White, Justin Akers, Ernest Smith, Justin Fenty, Brad Taylor

Advantage: Even

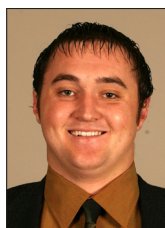
While TCU's crop of receivers and tight ends fared much better statistically last year, one of the biggest questions heading into this season remains who will be the go-to guy for Andy Dalton in the vertical passing game. Baylor's spread offense presents an interesting test for the Frogs' five-man secondary that is comprised of younger play-

ers in the backfield.

OFFENSIVE LINE



LINDNER



BOATNER

(Probable Starters)

TCU: Matty Lindner, Blake Schlueter, Marshall Newhouse, Giles Montgomery, Marcus Cannon

Baylor: Jason Smith, Dan Gay, J.D. Walton, James Barnard, Thad Boatner

Advantage: Even

The season-ending torn ACL injury to senior tackle Wade Sisk was a huge blow to TCU's offense. The unit must now rely on a young tandem of tackles in Newhouse and Cannon to help create daylight for Aaron Brown. For Baylor, Smith and Boatner better be ready for the speed and athleticism of Tommy Blake and Chase Ortiz.

DEFENSIVE LINE



GRIFFIN



LAMB

(Probable Starters)

TCU: Tommy Blake, Chase Ortiz, Cody Moore, Kelly Griffin

Baylor: Geoff Nelson, Jason

Lamb, Vincent Rhodes, Trey Bryant

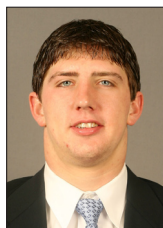
Advantage: TCU

While all the attention might be on Blake and Ortiz, the real story might be freshman Kelly Griffin, who will become the first true freshman during Gary Patterson's tenure as head coach to start in the season's opening game. Baylor's line brings experience, but it needs to bring a lot more in week one in order to outdo TCU's unit.

LINEBACKERS



PHILLIPS



PAWELEK

(Probable Starters)

TCU: Jason Phillips, David Hawthorne

Baylor: Joe Pawelek, Nick Moore

Advantage: TCU

A match-up that is surprisingly pretty even. Although there is more preseason praise around Phillips and Hawthorne, Pawelek and Moore registered 161 tackles last season compared to the 116 tackles of Phillips and Hawthorne. What gives TCU the edge is that these two return to a unit that gave up only 60 yards a game on the ground last season. Phillips goes into the season on the watch list for the Lombardi award and he is tabbed as a first-team All-American by nation-alchamps.net.

See **MATCH-UPS**, page 4

BASKETBALL

Head coach hires new aide for team

By TIM BELLA
Sports Editor

A new face is already turning heads around the Ed and Rae Schollmaier Basketball Complex nowadays during men's basketball practices.

Kornelija Kairyte's resume and experience in both overseas and professional basketball was able to secure her a job as the director of basketball operations for the men's program.

The position became available after Sean Woods, then the director of basketball operations, filled a vacant assistant coach position left by Chris Crutchfield's July departure to Oral Roberts University.

While Kairyte is still adjusting to TCU, getting acclimated to new situations and environments is nothing new for her. In 1994, Kairyte left her native country Lithuania for the United States at the age of 16 to pursue her education and basketball aspirations.

The move left her having to adjust at school and feeling homesick on a daily basis, she said. Even with the early struggles, Kairyte started to adjust to American culture and being around the English language daily.

"It's a culture shock ... the first year was probably the most difficult in all aspects," Kairyte said. "All the international kids adjust pretty well because if you're surrounded by English-speaking people, then you learn pretty quick."

Once she graduated from Patten University in Oakland, Calif., Kairyte moved on to

Liberty University from 2000 to 2002, where she served as the director of basketball operations for Liberty's women's basketball program. Since leaving Liberty, Kairyte has worked in the NBA with the Seattle SuperSonics and the Dallas Mavericks in the marketing and promotions and community relations departments, respectively.

One of the people who interviewed Kairyte during the hiring process was Jack Hesselbrock, the associate athletics director for internal relations. Hesselbrock said while Kairyte has no coaching aspirations, her role in keeping the players and coaches organized and on track is pivotal to a Division I athletics program.

"In today's Division I programs, it is so critical to have a person with those talents," Hesselbrock said.

Head coach Neil Dougherty said Kairyte's value in areas such as time management, organization and academics will help bring stability to the position. While Dougherty said the position does not specifically entail the coaching or recruiting ends of the program, he said her overseas background will be a good tool when recruiting international players.

"Having someone who understands the climate internationally is going to be an asset for us," Dougherty said. "Her resume and just the list of people she knows will open some doors for us in the recruiting market internationally."

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