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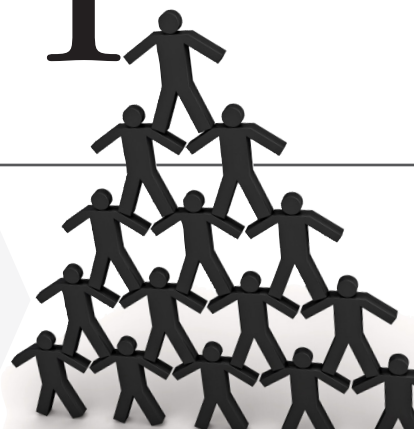
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A new curator brings a wealth of experience to the Art Galleries at TCU. Wednesday



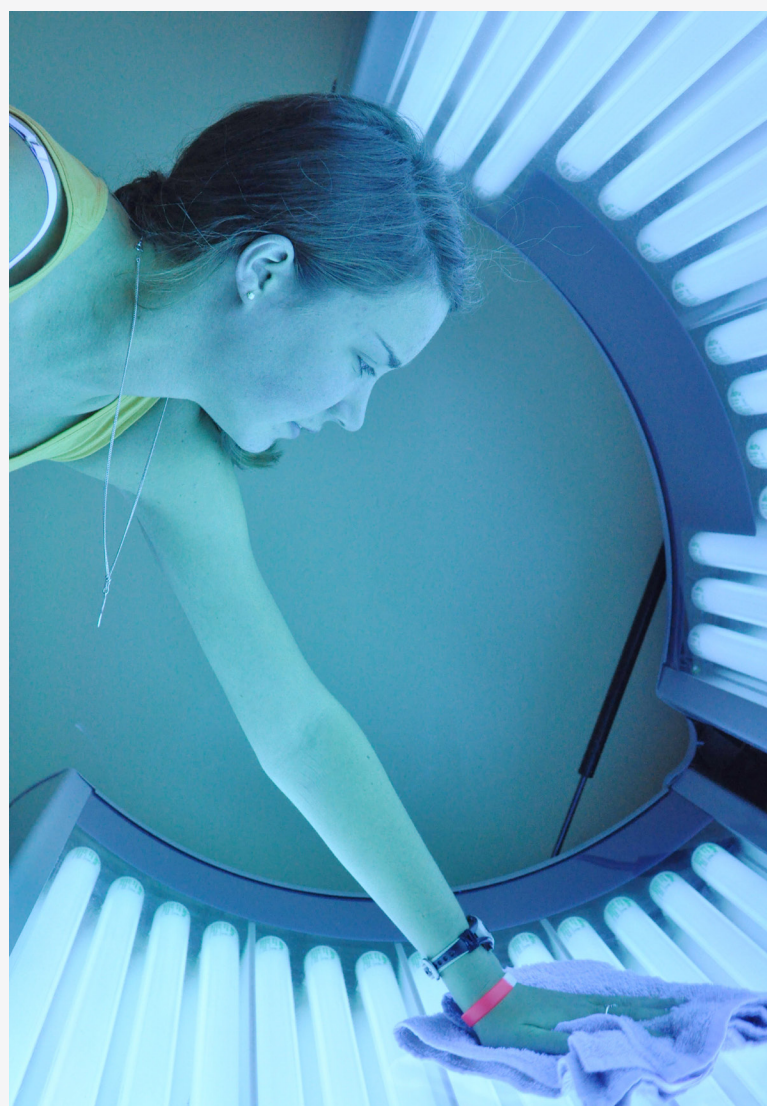
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Why is this year's freshman class the largest in school history? Wednesday



HEALTH

A BODY TO DIE FOR



CHANCE WELCH / Multimedia Editor

Sophomore psychology major Paige Laycock disinfects the tanning bed in the Granmarc Apartments before getting in. Laycock said it was her first time to tan in a tanning bed.

NUMBERS

76%

Of female students purposely tan their skin

59%

Of male students purposely tan their skin

42%

Of female students use indoor tanning devices

17%

Of male students use indoor tanning devices

Source: *Journal of the American Academy of Dermatology*, March 2007

Tanning increases cancer risk

By Paige McArdle
Staff Reporter

Students who tan may be feeling the burn after a study published in medical journal *The Lancet Oncology* found that using tanning beds before age 30 increases a person's

chance of developing cancer by 75 percent.

Despite these findings, local tanning salon owners said they have seen little change in the tanning habits of their college clientele.

Jeff Robinson, owner of Perfect Glow Tanning Salon on Bledsoe

Street, said he has seen almost no change in business since the results were published in the August issue. He attributes this to the fact that the knowledge of the harmful effects of ultraviolet radiation is nothing new.

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SWINE FLU

Numbers withheld at request of county

By Christina Durano
News Now Director

The university is not releasing the number of students affected by the H1N1 virus, commonly known as swine flu, at the request of Tarrant County Public Health, a university official said.

Don Mills, vice chancellor of student affairs, said that because the university is not testing everybody for H1N1, it would be misleading to release numbers.

"To say we have X number of cases is a guess, and it's not really helpful," Mills said.

However, Mills said the Brown-Lupton Health Center staff saw three and a half times as many people last week as they normally would in a week.

Mills said the Health Center is not testing all students exhibiting flu-like symptoms for the H1N1 virus because the test is expensive, and the H1N1 flu and type A influenza should both be treated with Tamiflu. All cases have been mild and most students recover within two to four days, Mills said.

Students who come to the Health Center receive a rapid test to diagnose type A influenza. If the results return positive, the university does not delay treatment by conducting a second, more conclusive test to determine if it is H1N1, according to a university statement.

The Health Center sent e-mails to

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TOP 10 MOVIES

	(millions of dollars)
1 The Final Destination	28.3
2 Inglourious Basterds	20
3 Halloween II	17.4
4 District 9	10.7
5 G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra	8
6 Julie & Julia	7.4
7 The Time Traveler's Wife	6.7
8 Shorts	4.9
9 Taking Woodstock	3.7
10 G-Force	2.8

— information source



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PECULIAR FACT

MIAMI — Police in a Florida city used the promise of economic stimulus checks to lure 76 people to their arrest on a variety of outstanding warrants.

—Reuters



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91 71
HIGH LOW

Mostly Sunny

Tomorrow: Partly Sunny
91 / 70

Thursday: Chance of Thunderstorms
92 / 71



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FORT WORTH

Budget cuts threaten nonprofits

By Ryne Sulier
Staff Reporter

Students may soon feel the pinch of proposed city budget cuts as officials consider reducing funding for nonprofits and street maintenance in an effort to offset the \$59 million city budget deficit.

Dale Fisseler, city manager, said Fort Worth is going to look and feel a bit different, according to a statement in the city's Web site. "I believe we presented the City Council with a sensitive and responsible budget that minimizes the impact of service reductions on both employees and citizens," Fisseler said.

The proposed budget cuts would

slash 24 percent of annual funding for social services and nonprofits.

Fort Worth Sister Cities International, a nonprofit that works closely with the university and is staffed largely by student interns, is up for a 100 percent cut in city funding. The political science department allows students to receive up to six credit hours for working as an intern at Fort Worth Sister Cities, which fosters partnerships between the city and international communities to increase worldwide cooperation at the municipal level.

Mae Ferguson, president and CEO of Fort Worth Sister Cities, said a cut in funding to Sister Cities would severely reduce the op-

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Today at 7 p.m.
Sept. 8 at 7 p.m.
Sept. 15 at 10 a.m.

portunity for students to experience the world, gain leadership skills and become global citizens.

Sister Cities averages 15 student interns a year and has hired more than 100 interns in the last 10 years, Ferguson said. The loss of city funding would represent a \$378,420 reduction in the nonprofit's budget.

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ACADEMICS

New major will arrive in fall 2010

By Alex Butts
Staff Reporter

Students looking to major in sports broadcasting will have the opportunity in fall 2010, a university official said.

David Whillock, dean of the College of Communication, said college officials plan to offer the major by next year. Whillock said the major was set to be offered this year, but difficulties with being approved by all the appropriate committees delayed it.

"(Members of the department) were under the assumption that it had gone through all the committees," Whillock said. "It had not completed the undergraduate committee."

Whillock said the Undergraduate Council, whose members are representatives from each college, still needs to approve the major, which may need further approval from the University Council. The University Council is made up of all the deans, as well as various faculty and students.

Students will be able to begin taking classes to count for a sports broadcasting major in January 2010, Whillock said. Currently, the film, television and digital media department offers a production emphasis in sports broadcasting. Many of the courses are in the course catalog.

Richard Allen, chair of the FTDM department, said the work being done

this year on the major was a formality.

"It's been approved on certain levels, but there's a couple of university-level committees that still need to approve it as I understand it," Allen said.

Melissa Schroeder, associate dean of the College of Communication, said the departmental curriculum committee, the college curriculum committee, the Undergraduate Council and the University Council must approve a major.

Allen said each university department has a departmental curriculum committee that consists of faculty and staff from the respective department.

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ADMISSIONS

School up in annual university rankings

Three-spot improvement first rise in three years

By Jourdan Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The 2010 list of America's Best Colleges published by U.S. News & World Report may give readers a quick fix list of the top colleges in the nation, but a flawed ranking system means that the best schools are not always at the top of the list, the university's dean of admissions said.

TCU

climbed the list three places from its rank of 113 last year to 110 on the recently released list of America's Best Colleges. According to the U.S. News & World Report Web site, peer assessment or reputation accounts for 25 percent of the score used to determine rank.

Ray Brown, dean of admissions, said the system seems unfair because the most important school officials — president, provost and dean of admissions — rank the other colleges on the list but

Rankings throughout the years:

2010	No. 110
2009	No. 113
2008	No. 108
2007	No. 105
2006	No. 97

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TANNING

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"I think there was a general awareness that there is risk associated with (ultraviolet) tanning," Robinson said. "There have been reports periodically about this, so I don't think it's any big surprise."

Wes Partin, owner of Baja Sun on Donnelly Avenue, said he also has seen little impact from the study. His salon, which he estimated sees 50 to 60 college students a day, has only had a couple of cancellations since the release of the results, Partin said.

In the study, 20 scientists raised the classification of ultraviolet-emitting tanning devices to Group 1, the International Agency for Research on Cancer's rating for substances or devices considered "carcinogenic to humans."

Stefanie Klautd, a sophomore nursing major, said the study

made her think before using tanning beds, but that she will continue to use them.

"I'll try to cut back whenever I can, but I won't completely cut it out," Klautd said.

Amelia Wenzel, a junior broadcast journalism major, also said she has made an effort to tan less frequently. She said her aunt, who used tanning booths at her age, has been diagnosed with melanoma and warned her to stop. Wenzel acknowledged the risk she takes by tanning, but said that she is not very concerned about it for now. "It's that young mentality, 'Oh, it won't happen to me,'" Wenzel said. "I just try to ignore it."

Young people feel pressured to look tan because of the media, Wenzel said.

"If you watch 'Laguna Beach' or whatever, they're all tan," she said. "Pale's not bad, but not in."

At the suggestion of her

Group 1 Carcinogens

- Arsenic: Hepatitis B virus chronic infection
- Mustard gas
- Ultraviolet radiation, broad spectrum UV radiation
- Tobacco, smokeless
- Ethanol in alcoholic beverages

Source: International Agency for Research on Cancer

aunt, Wenzel said she now tries to mix up using tanning beds with spray tans.

Partin said he has seen a slight increase in the amount of customers who are concerned about the risks associated with tanning beds and switch to spray tanning, the ultraviolet radiation-free alternative.

RANKINGS

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have not had the experience of visiting most of the schools.

"Reputation takes an awful long time to build," Brown said.

Chancellor Victor Boschini said the top colleges in the list — Harvard and Princeton universities — had more than a 200-year head start on building a reputation before the university was founded in 1873.

"The No. 1 thing we're trying to do is to make sure every undergrad here has the best possible experience," Boschini said. "That's what gets you a good reputation."

Brown said he also attributed the success and rank of the Ivy League institutions to the faculty and their graduate programs.

"They all have the pedi-

grees," Brown said of the faculty at Harvard and Princeton. "Our faculty don't have the pedigrees. Does that mean they're not as good? Nope."

Brown said the rankings focus on the undergraduate program, but having strong graduate programs influences the score a school receives. He said many of the schools ranked higher than TCU have stronger graduate programs. Harvard and Princeton have medical and law schools whereas TCU doesn't.

For now, Brown and Boschini said the university is not doing much to improve the rankings, but instead it's trying to make class sizes smaller and lower the faculty-to-student ratio.

"I'd rather do what we think is in the best interest of our students, and if that

helps the rankings, that's good," Boschini said.

Boschini said college rankings are just one of several measuring sticks.

"I think they're accurate if you use them as one measure of many measures to determine where you want to go to school," Boschini said.

Brown said students should not rely on college rankings to make their decision.

"We have become a nation that uses test scores as a proxy for quality," Brown said. "Likewise, we are a nation that is using U.S. News & World Report as a proxy for doing the homework (to decide the best colleges.)"

For the most recent complete list of the America's Best Colleges, visit colleges.usnews.rankingsandreviews.com/best-colleges.

BUDGET

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According to the city manager's proposed annual budget for the 2010 fiscal year, available through the city's Web site, "the Convention and Visitors Bureau will be encouraged to consider funding Sister Cities and other tourism-related programs, from the funds currently provided by the city."

Nonprofits are not the only services taking a hit to their budget. The \$763,000 proposed reduction in street and traffic operations and maintenance might come as a surprise to some students who already had reservations about road and traffic quality around campus.

Mckenzie Zieser, a junior

strategic communication major, said she lives off campus and drives through the surrounding neighborhoods frequently.

"The roads around campus and in the neighborhoods are already so cruddy, I'm always looking out for pot holes and bumps," Zieser said. "All this means now is that the roads will get worse while I'm going to school."

According to the budget proposal, water bill fee increases of up to \$2.85 per month will take effect Jan. 1. While students living on campus won't be directly affected by proposed increases in utilities, students living off campus will notice higher utility bills.

According to the city's Web site, the fee increases

include a storm water fee of up to a \$1, a sanitation fee of 75 cents, a waste water fee increase of 60 cents, a water fee increase of 50 cents and a water bill late fee that would amount to 5 percent of the bill for delinquent payments of 23 days or more.

For students who may have ignored Fort Worth parking tickets, or confused them with campus parking tickets, the city has a new contract with a collection agency and the Municipal Court to bring in overdue fines, according to the budget proposal.

Students may voice their opinion on the proposed budget at a series of City Council public meetings held at City Hall.

Editor's note: Ryne Sulier was a 2009 summer intern with Fort Worth Sister Cities.

BROADCASTING

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The college curriculum committee consists of faculty and staff from all three departments in the college of communication.

Charles LaMendola, a FTDM instructor who helped with the creation of the major, said the first part of the curriculum will include an introduction to remote sports and sports broadcasting. Students will take courses covering audio for sports production, post-production for sports, radio operations and global sports as well as six hours of an internship.

LaMendola said students taking sports broadcasting courses this fall will produce programming for three university volleyball matches that will air on the MountainWest Sports Network.

The opportunity for stu-

dents to show their material on The Mtn. will give university sports broadcasting graduates an edge, LaMendola said.

"Nobody else has the ability to have stuff shown live on national television," he said. "That's completely unique to this program, and that's thanks to our relationship with The Mtn. network."

LaMendola said he hoped to have students producing material for volleyball, women's soccer and women's basketball games next fall.

Shayna Fawcett, a junior FTDM major, said she thinks major will give FTDM students exposure to more areas in film and television production.

Scott Kull, associate athletics director for external operations, said students will gain more opportunities to participate in the produc-

"The way we see it is athletics should be a laboratory for the students to learn and grow and reach their potential."

Scott Kull
associate athletics director for external operations

tion of university athletic events.

Whillock said the sports broadcasting program will serve as a recruiting tool. Students' material shown on The Mtn. will give the university coverage in other states, he said.

"I think more and more there are colleges and programs at TCU that have become destination points for high school students," Whillock said. "This is one of them."

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The Skiff View

Withholding numbers bad for university trust

Last week our university was hit by the swine flu bug, yet the administration insists on withholding the number of students who have been infected. While university officials have done a good job alerting the student body of the situation and treating the infected, they have not done their job of being straightforward with all the information they have. Don Mills, vice chancellor for student affairs, said that the numbers fuzzy up the real issue — the efficient treatment of sick students. However, with the frenzy our world was put into a few months ago with the swine flu outbreak, it is no surprise that the withholding of these facts does not leave minds at ease. Instead it creates an even bigger worry — if they will not tell how many people have it, is it out of control? It could be five or it could be 500. Without the knowledge of the administration, it can't be known for sure.

In a 2007 press release announcing participation in the University & College Accountability Network, a Web site that allows students and parents to evaluate the university based on hard data such as graduation rates and student demographics, Chancellor Victor Boschini prides the university's administration on its honest interactions with the student body.

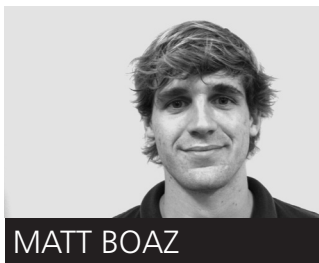
"Transparency is crucial in this day and age," Boschini said in the release. "TCU tries to be as transparent as possible with prospective students and their parents and this Web site will further our goal to remain as open as possible."

The recent actions of the administration show otherwise. Just as we expect with our nation's government, the leaders and administration of our university should give us reliable and undisguised information, especially when health and safety is on the line.

Features editor Katie Ruppel for the editorial board.

The Skiff View represents the collective opinion of the editorial board.

Latin America an undervalued asset



MATT BOAZ

Latin America, a region extending from the southern border of the United States. all the way to the southern border of Chile and Argentina, has long been considered one of the world's most underperforming collective economies. Generalized as a whole, this continent and its close peninsular friends have been viewed more so as a peach tree, ripe with fruit and host to a plethora of pickers. However, beyond its oil and other natural resources, Latin America offers the possibility not only for a regional economic boost, but perhaps an even greater global effect.

Through government corruption and skewed economic ideals, Latin America as a whole has gained the reputation as a mire for investment. Though Mexico, through its own recent initiative, has gained ground, the rest of our southern neighbors fall below China, the U.K. and even Germany in the amount of trade conducted with the United States. These low numbers are because of past exploitation and misuse of resources. Many of these governments, in the hopes of boosting gross domestic product and their own productivity, employed programs of state-run industry and protectionism. Through artificial inflation of internal currency value, the external worth of products declined rapidly.

The point? These countries have placed themselves in an unfortunate position. However, it is certainly a problem that can be remedied.

The main issue resides in the conflict between short-run and long-term returns. The necessary components for revitalizing Latin America are all long-term: education, infrastructure, collective governmental stability, etc.

Now, the solutions. In the past, the United States has employed a policy of using economic incentives in order to correct social and political disorder. Whenever Venezuela would engage in business with less-than-savory characters, Congress and the president would

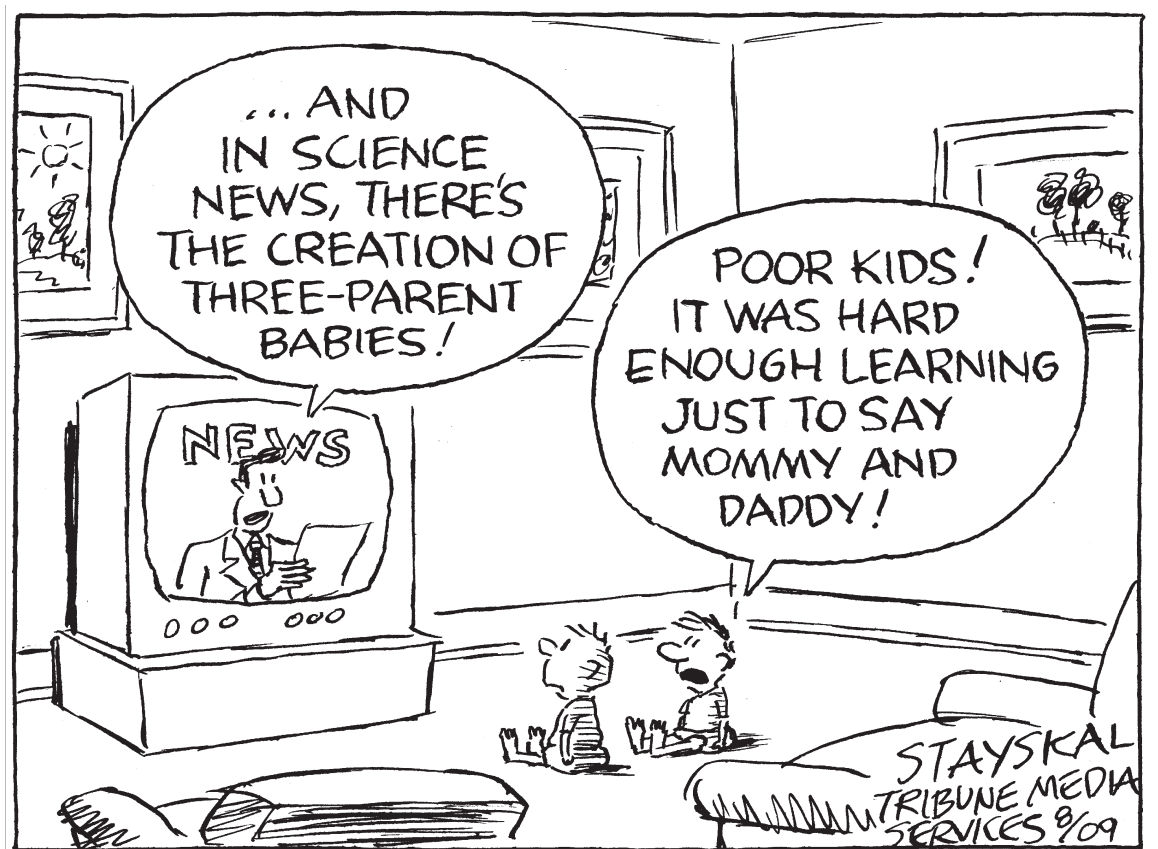
The best part about Latin America and its abundant resources is that it not only has a convenient proximity to the United States, but that its population provides a readily available and educated workforce.

respond by imposing restrictions and import limitations or tariffs. By doing so, U.S. foreign policy soon became a domineering force for imposing will and governmental policy on issues of dissent.

Instead, the United States should conquer the long-term issues, specifically those of education and infrastructure. By promoting development in these two areas, the positive social and entrepreneurial ramifications would soon begin to outweigh the current negative social conditions which exist in these various countries. By limiting trade, the U.S. manages to create future problems for itself. Economic solutions to social issues are certainly not successful, but by using investment and funding to combat the root problems of illiteracy, heavy unemployment and health care, among others, the doors for development are opened wide.

Why would the United States want to participate in and promote such a policy? For its own benefit, of course. The best part about Latin America and its abundant resources is that it not only has a convenient proximity to the United States, but that its population provides a readily available and educated workforce. This drives down costs for producers, and ultimately consumers, but additionally results in countries that are more economically successful. As we all know, the more income a country has, the more developed it becomes. Along with development come the perks of lower crime rates, less corruption, greater governmental accountability and improved participation from the general population. By using economic incentives instead of punishment, the United States benefits not only an entire continent, but itself in the process.

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China far from going green



DIANA J. COMBS

With many Americans leaning the direction of green, doing their best to recycle and reuse here in the U.S., some may be overlooking the label attached to the goods they purchase. It's the one that reads, "Made in China."

China's cities continue to lead the world in pollution, and supposedly China is taking steps to change that, but are they doing enough?

China's November stimulus package plan included funds for new water treatment facilities and plans for wind farms, but one has to wonder if U.S. consumers are partially to blame for the mess in China. By mess, I mean polluted water, smog, poisoning and even premature deaths.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the U.S. imported more than \$23 billion in China's goods during June. It stands to reason that because China has bought several billion dollars of U.S. debt, we would

in turn continue to import their very inexpensive goods. But at what cost and to whom?

Recently in the Hunan province of China, more than 1,000 children were found to have extremely high levels of lead poisoning because of a lead and zinc smelting plant. The smelting plant, owned by the Dongling Group, which exports some of its steel products to the U.S., was unlicensed and has since been shut down largely because of the worldwide media coverage. With regulation slips that go virtually unpunished and thousands of people that are affected by it, we should be leery about doing business with a country that continues to be the world leader in pollution. While China appears to be making an effort to clean up its act, it is still resistant to an agreement to lower greenhouse gases. This resistance should have American consumers concerned about the goods we purchase from China.

Maybe the reason we are so lax in our attitudes is because we don't see their pollution. If we were forced to drink from their contaminated water or breathe in their caustic smog we might take action. I admit, I am guilty of it myself. Very rarely do I pick up an item

In order to truly go green and have a positive impact on the environment we have to start thinking outside the boundaries of the U.S.

and search for the "Made in" tag, but with so many suffering from our mass consumption, it's time to change that. If one by one we started to think about where our products come from and who is affected by the manufacturing of those products, then we as consumers might make wiser purchasing decisions and collectively force China into a position to take serious action.

In order to truly go green and have a positive impact on the environment we have to start thinking outside the boundaries of the U.S. We have to be conscious of how even the smallest items we purchase can cause a damaging chain reaction a continent away. This is what it means to green on a global scale.

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Sororities lose girls by rushing



ALLISON BRANCA

It was never a question if I wanted to "go Greek" or not. I knew early on that I wanted to be a part of the sisterhood that my friends had always mentioned. Although the media portrays sororities in a sexist way, joining one was still something I wanted to do. I was excited to find my new best friends and an easy way to the parties.

Each morning of recruitment I saw fewer girls in my small group. Before my eyes I watched the once exciting experience cause more tears than laughs as girls looked at their schedules. I was confused. Why did so many drop out after one round? Why would old classmates hardly acknowledge my presence? It wasn't until after I pledged a sorority that I realized I never actually had a choice in which house I went to.

My friends and I were always told to be ourselves and to choose the house we felt most comfortable in. However, most sororities were phony and each day at least one of us saw a favorite house disappear from our schedules. How can you choose the house you feel most comfortable in when they don't invite you back?

I thought that joining a sorority was a mutual decision, but I re-evaluated my opinion when I heard more horror stories than

happy endings.

This year, I was on the other side of rush, which revealed many frustrating things about the politics of recruitment. The first round is too short for meaningful conversations, and more than half of the young women must be cut that night. Most of the time, legacies, friends of friends or young women with connections are the ones to stay. I was not a legacy, I was awkward at times and I had below-average grades in high school. The one thing I had going for me was that I was involved and a Houston resident, meaning I was mutual friends with at least one person in each sorority.

I discovered that during rush those who didn't know me saw only what I looked like on paper, and those who did see through my

strained smile either immediately made me feel comfortable or chose not to help me. Many great young women slip through the cracks in the first few rounds for no apparent reason. They may be shy at first, but it doesn't mean that they wouldn't make a great sister. And just because some had below average grades doesn't mean they will bring down the chapter's GPA.

It's unfortunate that not everyone finds the sisterhood she hoped for, but the ones who do are lucky. There is no fair or mutual way to pick 50 young women out of 700 in four days, but no matter if you originally chose your house or not, try to let it be the right home for you.

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NEWS

FACULTY

Staff Assembly to examine its role on campus

By Allison P. Erickson
Staff Reporter

For its 10-year anniversary, the Staff Assembly is considering some changes in its mission, vision and goals, a university official said.

The needs of the university and the Staff Assembly have changed in the last 10 years, said the Rev. Angela Kaufman, Staff Assembly Chair and minister to the university. Kaufman said the questions the assembly will address in the meeting are whether or not Staff Assembly is still fulfilling its original purpose and, if so, how the group could continue to carry out its mission.

The university's Staff Assembly, created 10 years ago, is an organization similar to the Student Government Association, but for non-faculty staff.

"We were created to be 'Your Voice on Campus,' Kaufman said. "We're here to be a voice for staff."

The Staff Assembly's slogan, "Your Voice on Campus," is geared toward the 1,310 non-faculty staff employed by the university, according to a human resources report.

The assembly's mission statement, found in their bylaws, stresses goals that "promote communication and understanding, provide a forum for the expression and exchange of ideas, and address concerns of the Staff with the goal of fostering a superior University."

These are the areas Kaufman said would undergo reexamination.

Goals for this year are focusing on community and connection, Kaufman said. The Staff

Assembly appointed two ad hoc committees to address the assembly's goals; the Mission and Vision Committee and the Community on Campus Committee, Kaufman said.

The method, ease and accessibility of the elections for Staff Assembly are other areas which Kaufman said would be major topics for this year.

Currently the assembly has some paper ballot components

"We're here to be a voice for staff."

Angela Kaufman
Staff Assembly Chair and minister to the university

to the elections process, but Kaufman said the goal of the Elections Committee is to try to consolidate the voting into a more efficient method.

New member Gayla Todd, who works in the department for Marketing and Communication, said her department submitted her name to be on the assembly and asked if she wanted to be involved.

"I'm waiting to get my feet wet and see what topics they bring up, I don't have any preconceived notions right now," Todd said. "I'm just going into it with a very open heart and open mind."

Qualifying members to serve on the Staff Assembly must be non-faculty TCU or Brite Divinity School staff working 38-40 hours per week.

Kaufman also said that Chancellor Victor Boschini and Arthur Busbey, the chair of the Faculty Senate, are guests expected in attendance to the meeting.

Police revisit a rocker's death

By Matt Surman and Meera Selva
Associated Press Writers

LONDON (AP) — Forty years after the body of Rolling Stones guitarist Brian Jones was found floating in his swimming pool, British police said Monday they are reviewing new evidence about his death turned over by an investigative journalist.

Though Jones' 1969 drowning was ruled an accident linked to a drug and alcohol binge, friends and fans have long insisted the rock star was murdered, and reports have swirled of a death bed confession by a building contractor.

Sussex police in southeast England said they will examine new documents received from a journalist relating to Jones' death. They have not yet decided whether to officially reopen the case.

The Mail on Sunday reported that journalist Scott Jones — who is not related to the musician — has handed over 600 documents.

Jones, a founding member of the Rolling Stones, reportedly came up with the band's name, taking it from a song title on a Muddy Waters album cover.

"In the beginning, Brian Jones was the real catalyst for the Rolling Stones, the smart, handsome, multi-instrumentalist leader who loved the blues and galvanized the band," Jasen Emmons, the director of curatorial affairs at Seattle's Experience Music Project, said in an e-mail. But his role started to shrink "and his legendary substance abuse made him less reliable and desirable, although it didn't hurt the Stones' reputation as one of rock n' roll's most dangerous bands."

Jones was eclipsed by swaggering lead singer Mick Jagger and guitarist Keith Richards,



AP File Photo
Former Rolling Stones guitarist Brian Jones, left, sits with Mick Jagger at a press interview in New York City for The Rolling Stones during a U.S. tour in 1965. British police said Monday that they will review Jones' 1969 death.

whose songwriting propelled the band's popularity. Increasingly marginalized and drawn to drugs and alcohol, Jones was convicted twice on narcotics charges, avoiding jail by promising to quit his habit. He quit the band a month before his death and was replaced by Mick Taylor.

He stood out even among his band mates for his flashy clothes and prodigious appetite for drugs. He died July 2, 1969 at age 27, his body found in the swimming pool at his 11-acre (4.5-hectare) Sussex estate.

Two 1994 books claimed that Jones was murdered by a London builder who had been hired to help renovate Jones' home: "Paint it Black: The Murder of Brian Jones," by Geoffrey Giuliano and "Who Killed Christopher Robin?" by Terry Rawlings.

Both claimed that builder Frank Thorogood confessed on his deathbed in November 1993 to killing Jones.

"It was me that did Brian. I just finally snapped," Thoro-

good reportedly said to road manager Tom Keylock, Rawlings' book quoted Keylock as saying.

It was not clear why British police did not reopen an investigation after those books were published.

Scott Jones interviewed Janet Lawson, the person who discovered the guitarist's body, shortly before she died last year. In the interview, published in The Mail on Sunday last November, Lawson claimed that Keylock, her boyfriend at the time, had asked her to visit Brian Jones because he was worried about tensions between Jones and Thorogood.

The night Jones died, official reports say there were three guests at his home at Cotchford Farm in Hartfield, east Sussex — Lawson, Thorogood, and Jones' girlfriend Anna Wohlin. All three gave statements to police saying Jones had been drinking that evening. Lawson later told Scott Jones that the police had pressured her.

She told Scott that the eve-

ning Jones died, they had all eaten in the early evening, and that Jones and Thorogood began fooling around in the swimming pool. She said a short while later Jones, who was by then in the pool alone, asked her to find his asthma inhaler.

"I went to look for it by the pool, in the music room, the reception room and then the kitchen," she said. "Frank came in a lather, his hands were shaking. He was in a terrible state. I thought the worst almost straight away and went to the pool to check. When I saw Brian on the bottom of the pool and was calling for help, Frank initially did nothing."

She told the journalist her original police statement did not mention any tensions between Jones and Thorogood, or the fact that Thorogood initially ignored her cries for help.

The band is now made up of Jagger, Richards, Ronnie Wood — who replaced Taylor in 1975 — and drummer Charlie Watts.

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Spider-Man joins the Mickey Mouse Club

By Ryan Nakashima
AP Business Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Walt Disney Co. is buying Marvel Entertainment Inc. for \$4 billion in cash and stock, bringing such characters as Iron Man and Spider-Man into the family of Mickey Mouse and WALL-E.

Under the deal, which was announced Monday and is expected to close by the end of the year, Disney will acquire the rights to 5,000 Marvel characters. Many of them, including the Fantastic Four and

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Robert Iger
Disney CEO

the X-Men, were co-created by the comic book legend Stan Lee.

Disney CEO Robert Iger said Marvel's comic books, TV shows, movies and video games amounted to “a treasure trove of content.” Iger said the deal would bring benefits like the ones Disney got from buying “Toy Story” creator Pixar Animation Studios Inc. for \$7.4 billion in stock in 2006.

“The acquisition of Marvel offers us a similar opportunity to advance our strategy,” Iger said, and “to build a business that is stronger than the sum of its parts.”

For Marvel, Iger said being in the Disney camp would mean better global distribution and better relationships

with retailers to sell its products. Another storied comic book maker, DC Comics, has been under the wings of a major studio since 1969, when Warner Bros. bought the home of Superman, Batman and Wonder Woman.

Marvel Chairman Mort Handel called Disney “a perfect home for our great collection of characters.”

One point of the deal is to help Disney appeal to young men who have flocked to theaters to see Marvel superheroes such as Iron Man in recent years. That contrasts with Disney's recent successes among young women with such fare as “Hannah Montana” and the Jonas Brothers.

Marvel TV shows also already account for 20 hours per week of programming on Disney's recently rebranded, boy-focused cable network, Disney XD, and that looks likely to increase, Iger said. The shows are “right in the wheelhouse for boys,” he said.

However, analyst David Joyce of Miller Tabak & Co. noted that that the \$4 billion offer was at “full price.”

Marvel shareholders will receive \$30 per share in cash, plus 0.745 Disney shares for every Marvel share they own. That values each Marvel share at \$50 based on Friday's closing stock prices.

Marvel shares shot up \$9.77, or 25 percent, to \$48.42 in after-noon trading Monday. Disney shares fell 79 cents, or 2.9 percent, to \$26.05.

Disney investors were probably unhappy to learn that the deal will reduce its earnings per share in the short term and might not turn positive until its 2012 fiscal year. Marvel is profitable — it made \$206 million



Comic book creator Stan Lee stands beside some of his drawings in the Marvel Super Heroes Science Exhibition at the California Science Center in Los Angeles on March 21, 2006. Monday, The Walt Disney Co. said it is buying Marvel Entertainment Inc. for \$4 billion in cash and stock.

in its last fiscal year on revenue of \$676 million — but Disney's earnings per share will drop partly because the company will issue 59 million new shares. Marvel also is releasing two costly blockbusters, “Thor” and “The First Avenger: Captain America” in 2011, and income from DVD sales of those films

likely wouldn't roll in until fiscal 2012.

Disney said the boards of both companies have approved the transaction, but it will require an antitrust review and the approval of Marvel shareholders.

Although it began producing its own movies, starting with “Iron Man” last year,

Marvel has several deals with other movie studios that Disney said it will honor and re-examine upon expiration.

For example, “Spider-Man 4,” set for release in 2011, is being made with Sony Corp.'s Columbia Pictures; “Iron Man 2” will be distributed by Viacom Inc.'s Paramount Pictures next year; and the

upcoming “X-Men Origins: Magneto” and “X-Men Origins: Wolverine 2,” both due in 2011, are to be distributed by News Corp.'s 20th Century Fox.

Iger said Pixar also had third-party licensing agreements that eventually expired, allowing the companies to move forward together.

H1N1

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professors requesting university-excused absences for students who visit the Health Center with flu-like symptoms. Additionally, Provost Nowell Donovan sent an e-mail to faculty members last week requesting professors allow students to make up missed work, Mills said.

Vanessa Joseph, senior public information officer for the TCPH, could not confirm whether TCPH instructed the university not to release numbers, but said the department had been in close contact with the university. TCPH is also not releasing the exact number of people sick with the H1N1 flu in the Fort Worth community.

Strategic communication professor Maggie Thomas said withholding information is not a wise public relations move.

“When you withhold information, it makes people think it's negative information,” Thomas said. “In crisis communication, we teach that it's a good strategy to inform people about what's going on.”

Lisa Albert, associate director of communications, said the university wants to focus on

treatment rather than number of students exhibiting flu-like symptoms.

“Because the number of ill students fluctuates, it is difficult to report ever-changing numbers,” Albert wrote in a statement. “TCU has chosen not to focus on numbers, rather on treating the ill students.”

Joe Quimby, spokesman for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said it is up to a university and the individual state to disclose the number of people who are ill. Maintaining a headcount at a local, state or federal level is not practical because the numbers would underrepresent the people who are ill or have been ill with H1N1, he said.

Mills said he has not received any complaints from parents about the university's choice to not disclose the number of students exhibiting flu-like symptoms.

The university has taken precautions to limit the spread of the flu by setting up hand sanitizer stations throughout campus and requesting that students exhibiting flu-like symptoms self-isolate until their fever breaks, Mills said. He said the school cleans residence halls with hospital-strength cleaning supplies and hall directors can bring meals to

ill students' rooms.

Dr. Sandra Parker, TCPD's Medical Director/Health Authority, said the university has taken the right steps to contain the virus.

“Given the reported clinical presentations of ill students, the situation on campus (rapid onset of illness in an at-risk population per epidemiological data) and the density of dorm living quarters, their approach was appropriate to limit the spread,” Parker said in a statement.

Mills said it is typical for students to become ill at the beginning of the semester because they live in close quarters and make a lot of personal contact after not seeing each other for a while. The primary difference is that most years, students become ill with colds or upper respiratory illnesses, while this year they became ill with the flu, Mills said.

“We usually think of a pandemic as a very dangerous thing,” Mills said. “But it doesn't mean the illness is dangerous; it just means it is everywhere.”

Staff reporter Chris Blake and managing editor Julieta Chiquillo contributed to this report.

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FASHION

Tennis pros have style on, off court

By Samantha Critchell
AP Fashion Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Tennis stars' influence and interest in fashion has been steadily growing, leaving the chance for Maria Sharapova and James Blake to do a little moonlighting.

They've long collaborated with their sponsors on their court clothes, but they're both expanding their fashion roles, with their own collections being launched to the public.

Maria Sharapova

She's been fashion's bright spot on the courts for several years even if she's not the risk-taker that fellow glamazons Venus and Serena Williams are. (Both Williams sisters also have dabbled in design.)

Sharapova has long worked with her Nike team collaborators on her tournament outfits, often culminating in a cocktail-turned-tennis dress for the U.S. Open, which seems befitting for an event that coincides with New York Fashion Week.

But, Sharapova says, her life isn't spent entirely on the court — there's lots of time running to and from airplanes, hotels and conference rooms — and she wanted to expand her wardrobe to accommodate that. She partnered with Cole Haan on a new accessory line of bags and shoes that, save the Nike comfort technology, is rooted in fashion, not athleticwear.

"I'm not a novice, I had a little experience going into this, but this is the first time I'm able to do something that totally branches out from tennis itself," she says.

The flat-heel, over-the-knee boot she designed is first on her list of must-haves from

the collection. And she wants it in gray suede.

"I'd wear it with a cute jumpsuit, or going into fall I'd wear them with a pair of jeans, or a great coat with a little dress," she says, clearly giving this a lot of thought.

Sharapova did suffer an injury last year, which kept her out of competitive tennis for 10 months. Sketching was one of the things she did in this newfound spare time.

Look for her in airports with the Cole Haan hobo bag in a dark gray. It'll match those boots.

James Blake

Blake says fashion could be part of his game plan when his days on the professional tennis court are done.

The Thomas Reynolds line, however, has a bigger mission than to keep Blake working. It's his way to honor his late father, the real Thomas Reynolds Blake.

"The first time I put something on from my collection — remember, I am not nervous on the court anymore — I was much more nervous about this," Blake says. "I wanted to do something that would tell fans where I got my values. I want to be someone kids look up to and I couldn't be that guy without my father."

Blake says he wasn't looking to put his own name on the label. "Thomas Reynolds" probably has a little more longevity, he says, noting that he is 29, and it gives credit where credit is due.

"In the confines of our home, he'd joke that he was a fashion guy," Blake recalls of his father. "When he got dressed up for work, he'd look stylish. But when he went out to the golf course, he looked ridiculous. I think



EVAN AGOSTINI / AP
Professional tennis player Maria Sharapova poses at the CFDA/Vogue Fashion Fund finalists event at Skylight Studios in New York on Nov. 17, 2008.

he did that more so we'd make fun of him and have a good time."

Blake is new to wearing Fila on the court this year and the collaborative Thomas Reynolds collection has been in place since the start of the agreement. There are plans for the line to include golf, tennis and other active-wear — and then expand to general lifestyle clothes.

He hopes to infuse at least a little bit of the UNC Chapel Hill blue that he's made

a tradition of wearing as he pays homage to another role model: Michael Jordan.

Yeah, Blake says, he pays attention to a lot of details.

"I was always into fashion outside of tennis," Blake says. "As a kid playing tennis, you just want to play, but once you're on the (ATP) Tour and seeing other players, it was talked about but more on the women's side. I saw some things on the men's side that were unsightly."

Fate of Kennedy's seat up for grabs in Mass.

By Steve LeBlanc
Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — The push to name a successor to the late Sen. Edward M. Kennedy gained momentum Monday, with state lawmakers scheduling a hearing on whether to allow an appointee to serve until a special election in January.

Gov. Deval Patrick also said Monday that Kennedy's widow, Vicki Kennedy, told him she does not want to be appointed as an interim replacement.

"Mrs. Kennedy is not interested in the position," Patrick said referring to the interim post.

Before he died last week, Kennedy had asked Massachusetts lawmakers to change state law to let the governor name an interim appointee to serve until voters can choose a permanent replacement. Current Massachusetts law does not allow an interim appointee.

"This is the only way to ensure that Massachusetts is fully represented," Patrick said, but cautioned that "I don't think by any means it is a certainty it will happen."

Patrick said he agreed with Kennedy that the state needs two voices in the Senate during the intervening five months. State law requires a special election between 145 and 160 days after a vacancy; the special election was set for Jan. 19.

Patrick said he has heard from top Democrats in Washington, including Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid and Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., both of whom support the change allowing an appointee. Senate Democrats say they need as many votes as they can during the debate on President Barack Obama's health care overhaul.

Patrick, a Democrat and friend of Obama's, had previ-



JOSH REYNOLDS / AP
Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick speaks in Boston on Monday, announcing a special election to fill the Senate seat left vacant by the death of Sen. Edward Kennedy.

ously expressed support for the change. He declined to say whom he might name as interim senator.

Lawmakers in the Democrat-controlled Massachusetts House and Senate announced Monday they would hold a hearing Sept. 9 on a bill that would allow the interim appointment.

The speedy scheduling of the hearing was the clearest sign yet that lawmakers might change the law.

Democrats are facing charges of hypocrisy from critics who point out that just five years ago, Democrats changed the law to block then-Gov. Mitt Romney from naming a fellow Republican to fill the seat if Kerry, the Democrats' presidential nominee, won his White House campaign.

Before that change, the governor was allowed to appoint a nominee until the next general election. As part of the change, Democratic lawmakers also blocked the possibility of Romney naming an interim senator.

"Changing the rules in the middle of the game is fundamentally wrong," said Rep. Brad Jones, the Republican leader in the Massachusetts House.

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Sophomore forward Jordan Calhoun battles UTSA midfielder Kim Gonzalez in Friday's game.

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time by Huskies forward Gabby Trujillo in the 67th minute. The Horned Frogs were called on a hand ball in the penalty box, and Trujillo was given a penalty kick which she put, low and fast, to the right of Walters, scoring the only Houston Baptist goal.

Fouls abounded the rest of the match as the Horned Frogs controlled the midfield and made attempts at sending the ball wide to outside midfielders.

Mechalske, junior defender Nikki Wilbur and sophomore defender Chelsey Wilgenburg saw plenty of airtime, heading balls down and cutting off the Huskies' attempts at getting any passes over or through them.

Calhoun closed the game with just over a minute left as she finished a ball the Huskies' keeper let out of her hands.

Abdalla said finishing needs to improve, as does communication and organization, but a win is a win.

"It's a W; we're going to take away that we're 3 and 0," Abdalla said.

The soccer team secured the third win under its belt after defeating the University of Texas at San Antonio in the Friday night game.

At about seven minutes and 20 seconds into the game, midfielder Kaylie Garcia was assisted by a throw in from the right side of the field just before she shot the ball into the lower left corner of UTSA's goal from the middle of the box.

Despite her goal in the first eight minutes, Garcia said she was dissatisfied with the game.

"We just need to fight harder to get that ball in the net," Garcia said. "We're going to come out with a different attitude and try to make it better the next game."

VOLLEYBALL

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Lady Bears.

The Bears, who received five votes in the CBS College Sports/AVCA National Preseason Poll, return 11 letter winners from last season's 18-13 campaign and a sixth place finish in the Big 12.

Baylor's roster features two key returnees in Anna Breyfogle and Taylor Barnes who have helped the Lady Bears to a 3-0 start.

The two seniors were both named to the 2008 All-

Big 12 First Team.

Breyfogle led the conference with 1.45 blocks per set last year, while Barnes finished first in the Big 12 in aces with 49.

Baylor hasn't lost a set this season and is coming off of a 3-0 triumph over New Orleans in the championship of the Flo Hyman Invitational in Houston, Texas.

In 2008, TCU traveled to Waco and ended up being swept by the Lady Bears (18-25, 24-26, 22-25). The Lady Frogs were led by Nirelle Hampton (33 assists)

and Kourtney Edwards (10 kills), but only combined for one block as a team.

Regardless of Baylor's high status and impressive start, Lewis expects nothing different from her team.

"We've played them every year so we know what they do well," Lewis said. "They're no different than any other team we play."

Although the Lady Frogs may not approach this game any different from other matches, TCU might have one small thing in the back of their mind – it has never topped Baylor in the history

of the five-match series.

The team's hunger for its first victory over Baylor isn't the only important factor. Tuesday's game also presents TCU a key opportunity to boost its NCAA tournament resume with a solid non-conference win.

"That's why you play non-conference games," Lewis said. "It prepares you for your conference. Your preseason is your RPI. Who you play and how you set up is very important for your RPI standings, and to be able to win and play well helps confidence."

Utah to begin football season without a proven starter at QB

By Doug Alden
AP Sports Writer

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah has gone from having little experience at quarterback to none at all.

The starting job is still open for either junior college transfer Terrance Cain or freshman Jordan Wynn to claim.

Coach Kyle Whittingham says it's a dead heat and hopes one of the two pulls ahead soon. The season opener against Utah State is Sept. 3.

Whittingham put Cain and Wynn at the top of the depth chart late last week, ahead of Corbin Louks, who held a slight edge coming into fall camp.

But Louks also had limited experience with just 15 career passes. Louks announced Tuesday that he's transferring to Nevada.

Whittingham says both Cain and Wynn are making progress and whoever gets the job will have enough talent around him to compensate for the lack of experience.

"We've got a lot of playmakers," Whittingham said. "They don't have to be spectacular. They just have to play solid football for us."

The two split time running the offense in a scrimmage Tuesday, when Wynn completed 10 of 19 passes for 149 yards and two touchdowns and Cain went 11-for-21 for 152 yards and a TD. Wynn also had two interceptions, but Whittingham said the balls were tipped and not the 19-year-old QB's fault.

Whittingham said the race was still even after Wednesday morning's practice. He hopes to have a starter in place by sometime next week.

The new QB will be replacing Brian Johnson, who holds the school records with 26 wins as the starter, including 13 during the Utes' unbeaten season a year ago.

Louks was Johnson's backup the last two years and was No. 1 entering camp, but couldn't hold off the newcomers.

"It was by the slightest of margins," Whittingham said.

"Corbin was doing a good job, but these guys were slightly ahead."

Louks tried a few practices at defensive back, then decided he'd rather transfer than change positions.

Cain and Wynn knew the job would be open this fall

"Don't try to be a hero. Just let it happen."

Terrance Cain
Utah quarterback

and enrolled at Utah last winter so they could take part in spring practice. For Wynn, that meant graduating early from Oceanside (Calif.) High School in order to get some feel for the offense during the spring.

"This was what I wanted. That's why I did it. I missed out on probably one of the funnest semesters in a high schooler's life," said Wynn, who passed for 3,336 yards and 32 touchdowns for Oceanside last fall.

"But it's all paying off and it's all worth it."

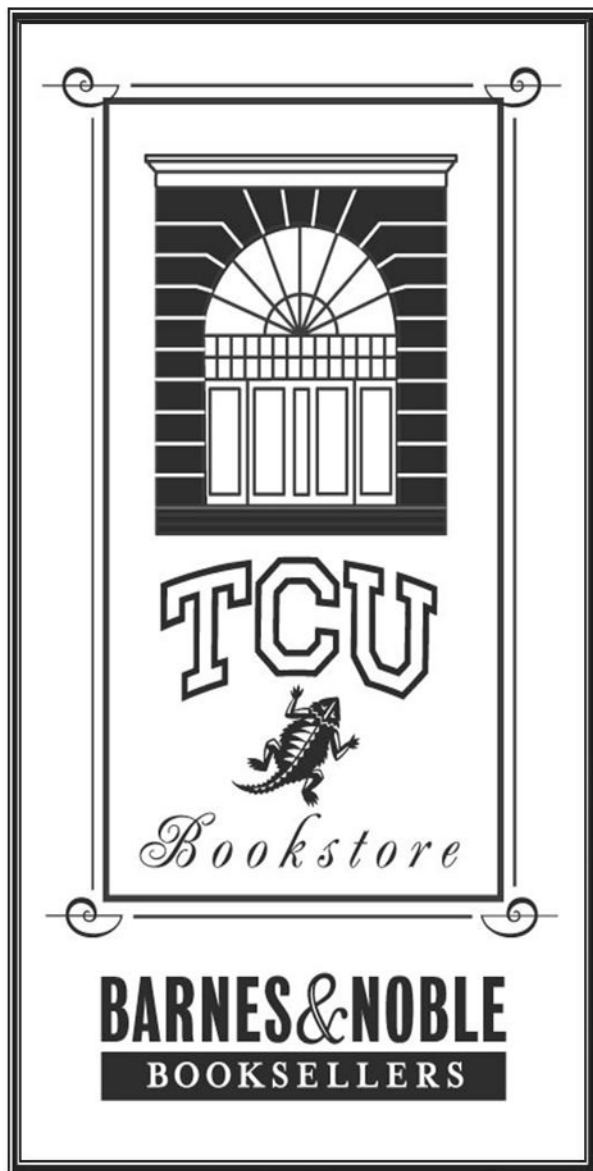
Whittingham had Wynn listed at No. 1 earlier in camp but Cain pushed his way to the top with a few good practices last week. He played two years at Blinn Community College in Brenham, Texas passing for 3,138 yards and 29 touchdowns last season and was named NJCAA offensive player of the year.

That was junior college. Cain is now trying to take over the starting job at the school with the longest active winning streak in the NCAA's Bowl Subdivision.

"You can't try to do too much," Cain said. "Don't try to be a hero. Just let it happen."

Cain and Wynn both describe the competition as friendly, but both are still going to do whatever they can to win the job.

Whittingham hopes one of them does — soon. After hosting Utah State on Sept. 3, the Utes visit San Jose State and then have a tough road game at Oregon on Sept. 19.



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Local travel tips will help you move about Cowtown

By Katie Ruppel
Features Editor

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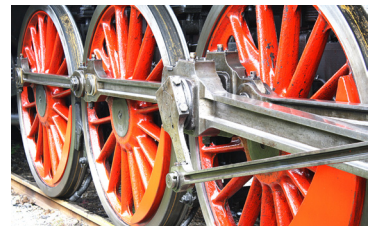


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Toot toot! No, this isn't San Francisco; it's Funky Town. This early-20th-century look-alike trolley was named after Fort Worth's mascot — a longhorn who supposedly watches over her fellow longhorns at the stockyards. The trolley circles around the main downtown attractions from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., hitting up Sundance Square, the Fort Worth Convention Center, the Fort Worth Water Gardens and more. Hunter said this summer pilot service had such success that it is being extended to Thanksgiving, and perhaps longer if its popularity continues. So find one of the eight stops downtown and help Molly live on!

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TCU Shuttle System

Janet Martin, a traffic administrator for TCU Police, said there are three

shuttle routes that should come to any part of campus every 10 minutes, with at least one shuttle running from 6:30 a.m. to as late as 4 a.m. The shuttle, especially the late-night shift, is always a good place to make new friends to share Whataburger fries with. For shuttle routes and stops, go to the TCU Police Department Web site (www.cap.tcu.edu) and click on Transportation Services.

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So, yes! It is possible to be carless but not careless with money. Also, Hunter said using any of the transportation system services helps reduce traffic congestion and improve the air quality of our beloved town. For more information about the T and its systems, go to the-t.com.



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REVIEW

Monkeys' latest effort sports new sound

By Naheil Qudah
Staff Writer

On the Arctic Monkeys' first two albums, the most distinguishing factor was the amount of punch that frontman Alex Turner delivered in his riled-up vocals and lead guitar riffs. Songs like "I Bet You Look Good on the Dancefloor" and "Still Take You Home" are the epitome of club rock: high energy with a little bit of crazy and a little bit of raunchy. Their lyrics focused on sour relationships, awkward one-night stands and jam-packed nightclubs.

So what's different about the band's third album? "Humbug" has the clear influence of Queens of the Stone Age frontman Josh Homme, who dipped his hands in the recording process as the album's co-pro-

ducer. Gone are the band's wired solos and bouncing bass lines: the collaboration produced darker, more relaxed songs with deeper vocals and a harder-hitting rhythm section; something to spin in the background of a rainy late-night drive.

Turner has always been a wizard with words, so the album's witticisms are no surprise. But the introspective and analytical lyrics on "Humbug" surely are, hinting at an existential awakening during the band's two-year hiatus. His vocals are barely recognizable at first — half-way through the first track I forgot that I was listening to the Arctic Monkeys — but they lock in tightly with the dramatic drum fills and slow, sliding bass lines.

Will the band's fans dig the latest album? Well, the new sound is a striking



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jump from their previous incarnations, so it might not appeal to all ears. Don't get it twisted; they haven't lost their edge; they have simply exchanged it for a heavier, more mature sound. Just imagine the old Arctic Monkeys in slow motion, with a thicker streak of seriousness.

Catch the Arctic Monkeys' live performance of songs both old and new on Sunday, Oct. 4 on the AMD stage at the Austin City Limits music festival.

REVIEW

Fourth 'Destination' takes death to funniest heights yet

By David Hall
Editor-in-chief

For the love of God, never visit the city of Indianapolis, which is where I assume "The Final Destination" took place.

It's full of rogue ambulance drivers, shoddily constructed racetracks and escalators and construction safety standards that would make an Occupational Safety and Health Administration agent take a nail gun to his own head. Worst of all, the city's denizens are constantly being killed by the items mentioned above.

Let me begin by saying this: If you're looking to be genuinely terrified by a film, you're barking up the wrong tree. If you want to be entertained by terrible screenwriting and inventive death scenes, this movie's for you.

In the film's opening, Nick O'Bannon (played by Bobby Campo) saves his friends and some innocent bystanders from a deadly (and hilarious) race car crash at the local speedway because he had a premonition about the deadly accident. Long story short, since the survivors cheated death, death comes after them and tries to kill them in the order in which they escaped the accident. Eventually, Nick and his girlfriend Lori (Shantel VanSanten) find out about death's evil plan and try to break the chain by saving those next in line to die.

They fail miserably, and eventually they all end up dead. The deaths usually happen as a result of some comically tragic assortment of bad luck, almost always involving a loose

nail or cracked pipe that somehow ends up creating a large-scale death trap, like a killer car wash.

Some guy was killed by a hot tub that fell into his hospital room after a careless doctor upstairs left the water running, thus weakening the foundation.

One woman whose name isn't important because she existed in the movie solely to die took a high-speed rock through her eye right after telling her children, "I've got my eye on you." Said rock was launched from under a lawnmower about 100 feet away and took her down a la the Nazi sniper from "Saving Private Ryan."

Hunt (Nick Zano), the protagonist's best friend, has his insides ripped out by a broken pool drain as his spleen and intestines are shot out of the pool pump all over the deck of his fancy yuppie country club. To make matters worse, and highlight the film's terrible writing, Hunt is never again mentioned by the other characters in the remaining 30 minutes of the movie that follow his death. I have never seen a plot hole this wide in a movie before. My five-year-old nephew has enough sense to tie up loose ends when he tells me stories about Optimus Prime and Megatron, so how come a team of highly paid screen writers can't at least mention this guy again?

Yes, the acting and writing are terrible, and yes, the death scenes are thousands of times more hilarious than scary. However, if you don't mind movies from the "so bad it's good" genre, you'll be hard pressed to find a better time at the theater.

PREVIEW



Courtesy of TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX
Jennifer's (Megan Fox) insatiable appetites take her on the prowl for a meaty snack.

Megan Fox takes on devilish role in latest summer flick

By Chance Welch
Multimedia Editor

The girl of many guys' dreams is about to become their worst nightmare in the latest film by "Juno" writer Diablo Cody.

Coming off the highly successful "Transformers" sequel this summer, Megan Fox has stepped into a lead role she can sink her teeth into as a deadly seductress in the teen horror flick "Jennifer's Body."

Fox plays the popular Jennifer, who goes from cheerleader by day to demon-possessed serial killer by night. When she starts killing off male classmates who think they have a chance with her, it's up to her best friend Needy to stop her. Awkward and nerdy, Needy is played by Amanda Seyfried, another actress who came off a popular summer movie with last year's "Mamma Mia!"

Writer Cody, who went from stripper to memoirist to Academy Award winner for best original screenplay for "Juno", followed up her win with another collaboration with director Jason Reitman, who has returned to produce "Jennifer's Body" while Karyn Kusama ("Girlfight", "Aeon Flux") is at the director's helm.

With a supporting cast that includes "Strangers with Candy" alumna Amy Sedaris and "Juno" actor J.K. Simmons, the film promises a dark sense of humor like "Heathers," the original high school comedy with a body count. Think "Mean Girls" with a little of the '80s teen horror comedy "Fright Night." It won't all be blood and belly laughs, though; Megan Fox fans (that is to say most men) will probably come in to droves to see her slice and dice her adolescent victims.

It might make you want to revisit your high school years. Maybe not.



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Friday's Solutions

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by Harry Bliss



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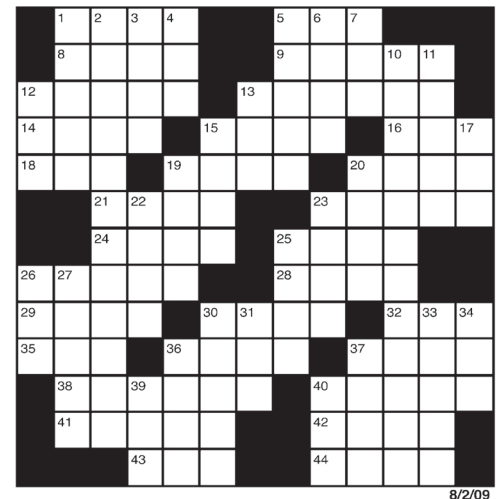
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 - Off Place; Reese Witherspoon film
 - Assists in crime
 - "The ___ Man"; Charlton Heston movie
 - Actor Ted
 - McCain and Byrd: abbr.
 - Actor Nicolas
 - Historical period
 - President Grant's monogram
 - Ma with a cello
 - Baseball statistics, for short
 - "The ___ Ant Show"
 - Summons with a pager
 - ___ dancer; discotheque entertainer
 - "A ___ in Her Ear"
 - "I ___ Would Leave You"; song from "Camelot"
 - Little girl of old cartoons
 - Actress Kennedy
 - Ron Howard role
 - Network that airs "Jon & Kate Plus 8"
 - Take advantage of
 - Perched on
 - Wedding cake section
 - "Jake ___ Fatman"
 - ___ the Vampire Slayer
 - Nevada or Nebraska
 - Touch on
 - Spoil
 - Depend
- DOWN**
- "The King of Queens" actor
 - Rules
 - Broom-Hilda and others
 - Org. once headed by Charlton Heston
 - Takes Two to ___
 - Off-Broadway award
 - Ms. Ryan
 - "The Bold and ___"
 - "77 Sunset ___"
 - School in Columbus, for short
 - Bandleader Kyser
 - Perry ___
 - Contemptible fellow
 - Boo Boo's buddy
 - Film holder
 - Ms. Spelling
 - NYPD
 - "The ___ Wilson Show"
 - World's second-largest bird
 - Passport endorsements
 - "We've Got Each ___"
 - Poet who wrote "The Raven"
 - "Waiting for ___"; play by Clifford Odets
 - "Boys Don't ___"; Hilary Swank movie
 - "boy!"
 - Word with inner or test
 - Hoover or Aswan
 - Cheers, for one

Friday's Puzzle Solved

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SPORTS



Should TCU have any interest in playing at the new Cowboys Stadium? Tomorrow

VOLLEYBALL

BEAR TRAP



PAIGE McARDLE / Staff Reporter

The Horned Frogs celebrate the final point during the match against the Razorbacks on Friday. The volleyball team beat the University of Arkansas 3-2 during the season-opening game.

Statement win sought vs. Baylor

By Seth Dahle
Staff Writer

Prentice Lewis, head coach for the TCU women's volleyball team, saw just how flawless and how disastrous her experienced club could play – all in the same day.

The Horned Frogs were riding high after two wins against the University of Arkansas and Grambling State

in their very own Nike/Molten Invitational.

But after topping Arkansas on Friday in a five-set thriller and just five hours following an easy win over Grambling State on Saturday, the Lady Frogs displayed a disappointing championship game performance against Loyola Marymount, a team that was picked to finish second to last in the West Coast

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TCU didn't come out with the energy Lewis was looking for, and fundamental mistakes cost the Lady Frogs to drop the first two sets of the game en route to a 1-3 loss.

With every failure comes a chance for redemption, and TCU will have a chance to bounce back on September 1 against a talented Bay-

TCU vs. Baylor

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lor squad out of the Big 12.

"We have a long way to go," Lewis said about her team's preparation for the

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Soccer wins by aggressive play

By Andrea Bolt and Allison Erickson
Staff Reporters

"I didn't think our conviction to the attack was anywhere near where it needed to be," TCU soccer head coach Dan Abdalla said after Friday night's 1-0 victory against the University of Texas at San Antonio. "We've got to spend a lot of time on our work rate, and our heart, and just be willing to put ourselves out there."

The Horned Frogs made the adjustments needed Sunday.

Senior midfielder Michelle Nguyen netted the first goal seven minutes and fifteen seconds into the game. Nguyen received the ball at the top of the Houston Baptist Huskies' goal box, quickly turned and fired one into the top left corner.

Abdalla said his team showed more passion and fire earlier in Sunday's game.

"I thought we were much better in terms of coming out of the gate," Abdalla said.

Three goals were enough to clench the win as the Horned Frogs dominated the Huskies 3-1 Sunday afternoon at Garvey-Rosenthal Soccer Stadium.

The Horned Frogs continued to dominate with great passing in the middle and down the sides of the field. Stringing together

er four and five passes up the field, the ball made its way to sophomore forward Jordan Calhoun, who fed a nice ball into the path of senior forward Lizzy Karoly. Karoly put the ball easily past the Huskies' keeper into the lower right corner of the net for the second goal of the game.

"We're going to come out with a different attitude and try to make it better the next game."

Kaylie Garcia
midfielder

Sophomore defender Alex Mechalske got some corner kicking practice as the Horned Frogs took nine kicks, compared to the Huskies' zero. The Horned Frogs recorded twelve shots during the match; sophomore defender Katie Taylor, junior midfielder Jackie Torda, Karoly and Calhoun all saw a few opportunities narrowly missed.

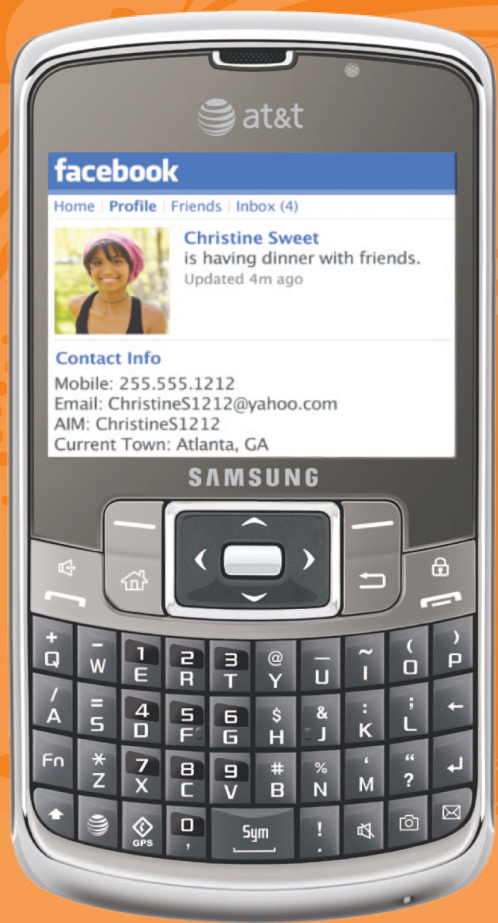
"I thought we came out with a lot more bite today than we did Friday," Calhoun said.

Junior goalkeeper Kelsey Walters spent more time out of the goal box than in it, coming out and clearing nearly every ball that came within her reach.

Walters was beaten one

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