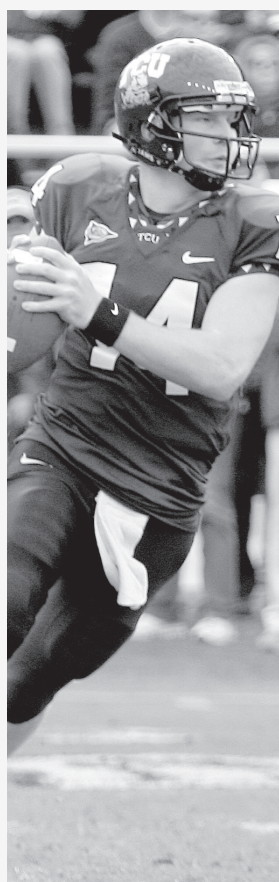


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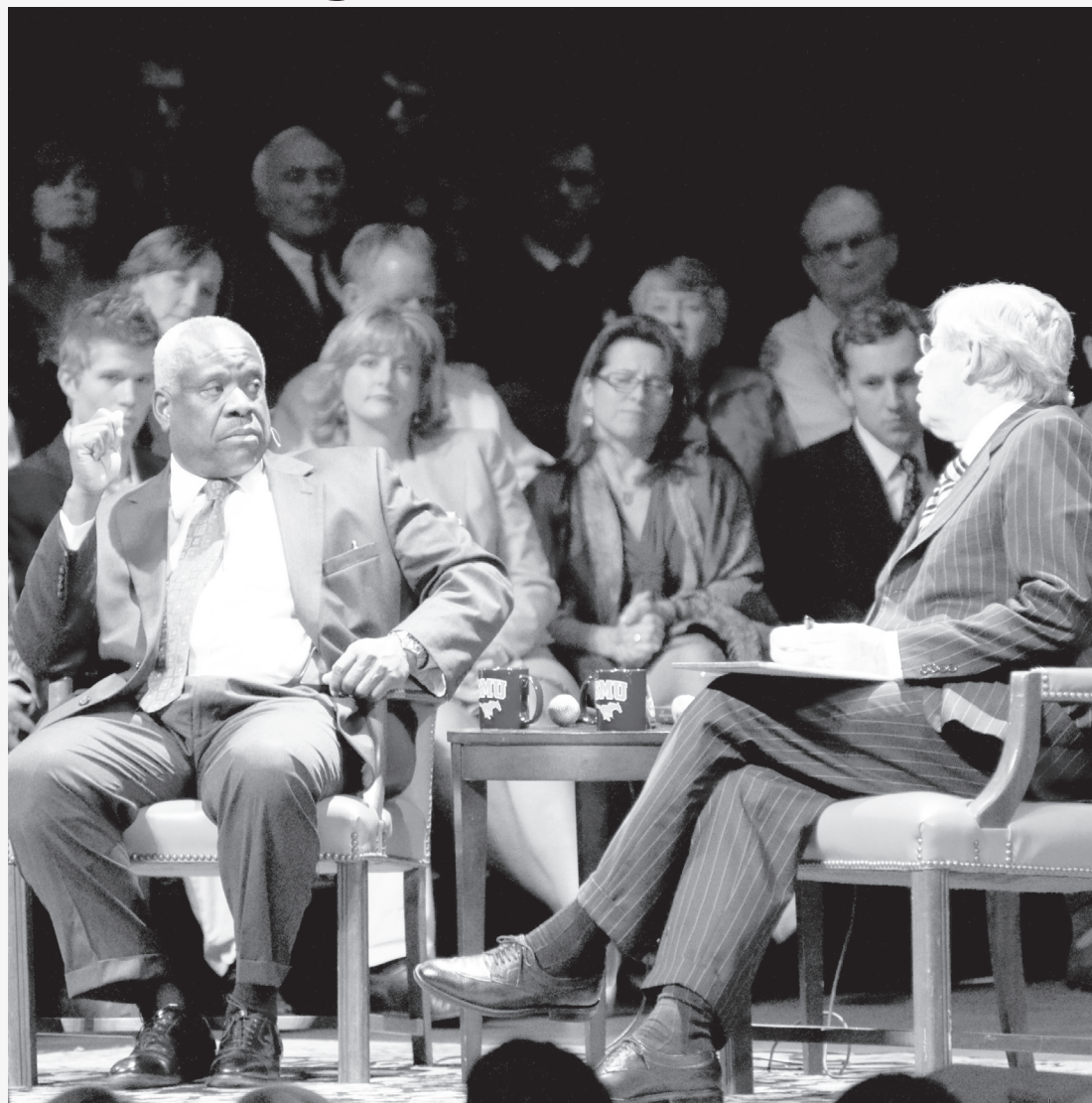
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DINING SERVICES

Swipe option in works at 1873

By Paige McArdle
Staff Reporter

Plans to bring back the Convenience Swipe at on-campus eatery 1873 were already in action before Dining Services learned about a petition to resuscitate the option, a Dining Services official said.

The option would allow students with a meal plan who do not have dinner at Market Square between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. to use a Convenience Swipe, which counts as a meal plan swipe that can be applied to a choice from three dishes instead of students paying extra for a meal, said Rick Flores, general manager for Dining Services.

Sophomore communications major Danny Zidell, the creator of the Facebook group and a petition for changes at 1873, said he created the group because he thought it was ridiculous that the late-night swipe option, which was available the previous year, was removed.

Flores learned about the existence of the group at a weekly Dining Services Committee meeting between Student Government Association students and Dining Services on Sept. 21 from Abbey Brokos, an SGA executive member and chairwoman of the committee. Dining Services was already working on restoring the Convenience Swipe, Flores said.

Zidell said Dining Service's plan to bring back the Convenience Swipe is a start. The dinner swipe will remain a concern of the petition until the option is implemented, he said.

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SGA

Students, faculty to make dorm visits

By Katie Love
Staff Reporter

One student cannot wait for the knock on his dorm room in Brachman Hall today.

That is because at about 7 p.m., Student Development Services and the Student Government Association will make "house calls" to freshman dorm rooms.

Brent Folan, freshman business major, said he planned to suggest that a bowling alley be built where former campus restaurant Pond Street Grill used to stand in Worth Hills.

"House calls are a great opportunity for each freshman to be heard and get the change they wish to see on the campus," Folan said.

As part of the House Calls program, a student and a faculty or staff member will knock on freshman dorm rooms and ask for suggestions

on improving the campus or points of concern. House Calls has been a fall tradition for SDS since 2003, and the organization asked SGA to help in 2008, said Robin Williamson, associate director of Transitions.

Kelsie Johnson, student body president, said that this year, freshman students who participate in House Calls will be eligible to win a free Nintendo Wii. The winner will receive notification Friday.

"We want to promote the 'spread the love' campaign," Johnson said, referring to Chancellor Victor Boschini's Fall Convocation speech. "We will go into every dorm and knock on every door possible. If a student has a problem and we can point them in the right direction to solve it, then we are doing our job."

During Fall Convocation, the chancellor told students, faculty and staff that he was going back to the '60s.

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Brent Folan
freshman business major

"In general I'm going to spread the love, (but) especially I'm going to spread it over those 1,824 new students we have, because these students are the lifeblood of Texas Christian University, and they're going to make this an even better place than it is now," he said.

Matt Williams, senior computer information technology major, partici-

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EDUCATION

Speaker: Education system driven by politics

By Mary Sue Greenleaf
Staff Reporter

The College of Education's Green Honors Chair, a scholar on educational policy, told students, faculty and community members on Wednesday that the U.S. Constitution should be amended to give students and faculty academic freedom in the classroom.

"Education is not driven by educators, but it is driven by politicians," author Joel Spring said. "What politicians do often ends up determining what school teachers do."

Spring's proposed amendment to the Constitution, focusing on education, features three primary goals, he said. The first goal is equality in education, especially in funding. The second component in the proposed amendment would center on the right for education in different languages and cultures. The third concentrated on academic freedom for teachers and students, Spring said. This would allow teachers to choose their own methods and materials to

teach, while still following a curriculum guide.

"Right now, we are facing an issue of scripted lessons, of packaged lessons bought from publishers, in which the teacher does not make the decisions," Spring said.

On Tuesday, as part of the lecture series, Spring discussed the globalization of education, noting that when one nation excels in a certain area of study, other countries adopt that nation's textbooks and models to keep up with competition.

"The United States participates in this academic olympics," Spring said.

The notion that school is only for training workers, Spring said, is a threat to education.

Spring said the textbook corporations had a role in this attitude and the standardization of education in the U.S. and globally. The sales of books and the profitability of standardized testing outweighed the corporations' interest in education, he said.

This was evident back in the 19th century when the common school

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Joel Spring
distinguished author

movement started, Spring said. Publishers were concerned they could not sell their products to a disorganized school system, so standardization was necessary, he said.

"One of the things that the textbook publishers did... is that they provided campaign money to create the common school," Spring said. "The concern of publishers was to organize the system in such a way that they could ensure the sale of their products."

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SERVICE

Students start mobile meal project for elderly

By Taylor Drodny
Staff Reporter

Students and staff members are working together to bring the Meals on Wheels program to campus, expecting to establish an official student organization by this spring.

University faculty and staff have had a Meals on Wheels program for some time, said Melissa Gruver, coordinator for Community Involvement and a member of AmeriCorps VISTA, a national service program to fight poverty. When students expressed interest in participating, Gruver said she jumped at the chance to involve students.

Gruver said the purpose of Meals on Wheels is to provide hot, nutritious meals to those in need, mostly elderly people unable to leave their homes. Just as important, Gruver said, is the social interaction the program provides its clients.

"It's fun to chat and see how their day is going," Gruver said. "For some of these people, the Meals on Wheels volunteer is the only person they see all day."

Lilly Frawley, a senior nutrition and dietetics major, and Andrea Drusch, a sophomore news-editorial journalism major, are helping with the planning of a student-run Meals on Wheels route.

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NEWS & SPORTS

LETTER

TCU



September 29, 2009

Dear TCU and SMU Communities,

Though TCU and SMU consider each other rivals, our institutions have many similarities. As medium-sized private institutions in the DFW Metroplex, both strive for academic excellence and are passionate about athletics. The two institutions have a deep-seated, local football rivalry culminating each year in the battle for the Iron Skillet. This exciting tradition can cause emotions to run high as the game approaches and on game day.

As we do every year, we anticipate a friendly rivalry and expect our students to behave in a way that best reflects the sportsmanlike spirit at SMU and TCU. Please bear in mind that:

- you are responsible for your own actions and have the opportunity to set a positive example for others;
- TCU and SMU expect sportsmanship on and off the field;
- you demonstrate respect for yourself, your team and your university by showing respect to all those around you.

Join us in committing to make this year's game a safe, respectful and fun experience for all involved.

Go Frogs!

Pony Up!

Sincerely,

Victor J. Boschini, Jr.
TCU Chancellor

R. Gerald Turner
SMU President

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Frawley and Drusch said they are working to establish an official student organization by this spring.

Drusch said she is confident the program would be successful on campus.

"It's appealing to a lot of students because it's direct interaction with the people you're helping," she said.

The group gives students an opportunity to help an age group they rarely get to interact with otherwise, Gruver said. The experience is typically more beneficial for the students than the clients, she said.

"On campus, students are surrounded by their peers, so this exposes them to new people and gives them a chance to build relationships with older adults in Tarrant County, a group that's not really represented on campus," Gruver said.

The volunteers pick up food from a local Meals on Wheels site, drive to each client's house and bring the day's meals. Meals on Wheels encourages clients to pay for their meals, but payment is not required. The program is funded mostly through government funding and private donations.

One formal and one informal interest meeting have been

conducted so far. Gruver said at least 25 students will be trained by the end of the week. Training includes a classroom ses-

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Melissa Gruver
coordinator for
Community Involvement

sion where Meals on Wheels employees explain the process, including how to tell which clients get which meals and who to contact when a client does not answer the door. The volunteers also have to accompany an experienced volunteer on their route before completing a route alone.

For now, faculty and students will work together on the route. In the future, however, Gruver said she plans for the students to take over the management of the route. She is unsure if this would mean managing their own route separate from the faculty, or tak-

ing over the faculty route.

Last week, two students accompanied Gruver on the faculty Meals on Wheels route. Gruver said many clients were excited to see young people volunteering for the program.

"One woman remarked on what a 'good looking bunch of helpers' we had that day, and another couple was excited to talk about TCU with us," Gruver said.

Drusch said college students were entertaining for the clients.

"We offer clients a different perspective on life than just talking to other adults," she said.

Gruver said she hopes even more students will be interested in volunteering, since the more volunteers there are, the more time each one has to interact with the clients. She said most clients value the social interaction just as much as the hot meal.

Abbey Brokos, SGA Dining Services Committee chair, said she thinks the committee is in a position to help the organization because both are food-related.

"Normally, SGA works to fix our problems on campus, so this would be a great opportunity to do some community service instead of helping ourselves all the time," Brokos said.

The committee would mostly help with advertising and promotion, she said.

willingness to help those students in need.

When members of House Calls visit the dorm rooms in Colby Hall, Lexxi Spraberry, freshman biology major, said the program would provide a great way for the voices of the women in her dorm room to be heard. Spraberry said House Calls will provide an opportunity that may otherwise not be available for freshman students to give ideas.

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pated in House Calls last year and said the program provides an effective communication link between upperclassman and freshmen.

Williams said volunteers for House Calls come right to freshmen, which would eliminate the stress of trying to find the right person to answer questions.

Unable to participate in House Calls her freshman year, Jackie Wheeler, sophomore class representative for SGA and marketing and entrepreneurial management major, said this year she wants to provide insight to freshmen on adjusting to the college lifestyle.

Wheeler said she hopes to provide a smoother transition into college life by answering questions and presenting a



CHANCE WELCH / Multimedia Editor
Sophomore premajor Scott Secora pays for his meal at the 1873 restaurant in the Brown-Lupton University Union with the "campus cash" option on his ID card. Secora said he was approached by the Facebook group protesting 1873 and didn't join because he doesn't believe that his vote would change what charges the restaurant makes.

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The Facebook group, "Petition for the food we deserve! Boycott 1873!," has more than 120 members, and the online petition calling for boycott has more than 50 signatures.

Students in the group posted comments that said they didn't think it was fair to charge 25 cents for a cup of water.

Dining Services is charging for the price of the disposable cup, not the water itself, Flores said. Students could bring their own containers for water at no charge, Flores said.

Legia Abato, marketing manager for Dining Services, said the biodegradable cups used at 1873 are made from expensive materials.

Flores said these cups were available for free in the past,

but students took multiple cups within the same day and providing the cups at no charge became a cost issue.

Brokos said 1873 also had problems with the amount of time students wait to receive their food after ordering. Students waiting near the counter at the restaurant had sometimes grabbed food that was intended for other students, she said.

Brokos informed the Dining Services Committee of the problem and the restaurant was working to solve it by issuing receipts to students, Flores said.

The network piece needed to add the Convenience Swipe has been ordered, but Abato said she did not know when the system would be up and running. Dining Services is working with an outside entity to get the software that would make the dining

option available later in the semester, she said.

"It is high on our priority list," Abato said.

Dining Services has been very willing to work with the committee and listen to student feedback, Brokos said.

Students with feedback should contact Brokos or utilize the comment boxes the committee plans to distribute this semester, Flores said. Dining Services also has a Twitter account, TCU Dining, and a recently launched Facebook fan page, TCU Dining, that provide opportunities for students to be involved, he said.

"We would love to have that information as to what the trends are — where students are going, what's working, what's not working — so we can make sure to implement that into the operation," Flores said.

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Spring said this paradigm of human capital is spreading all over the world, especially in Africa and other developing areas. The spread can be attributed in large part to publishers and international organizations like the World Trade Organization, he said.

Spring's proposed model involves focusing more on

the rights and happiness of students and teachers and less on a global standardized curriculum, he said. His method to achieve a new model is altering the mind set of parents so they demand the new model for their children, he said.

Spring earned his doctorate in educational policy studies from the University of Wisconsin. He is the author of more than 20 scholarly

books and currently teaches at Queens College and the Graduate Center of the City University of New York.

Fran Huckaby, assistant professor in the College of Education, said that Spring's visit was beneficial.

"There have been many engaging conversations that have pushed some of the things that we have been talking about in new directions," Huckaby said.

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ing additional guidance on university policies.

She said one goal of the probe will be to clarify two campus policy listings.

One entry, addressing campus violence, says any act of violence won't be tolerated. A second, in a section titled "Performance Management," says assault or battery on another person is grounds for suspen-

sion and even termination.

An athletic department spokesman said Krebs wasn't available for additional comment Wednesday.

Locksley, who earns \$750,000 annually, has had a turbulent start at New Mexico.

He has denied wrongdoing in an Equal Employment Opportunity Commission complaint alleging sexual harassment, age discrimination and retaliation.

A former football administrative assistant filed the complaint last spring, claiming she was improperly fired because Locksley wanted "a younger gal" who would entice recruits.

His team has struggled, too, losing to rival New Mexico State last weekend for the first time since 2002. The Lobos have lost their four games by an average of 24 points and rank near the bottom in several NCAA statistical categories.

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The Skiff View

Fans should be on best behavior for SMU

While the football field rivalry between TCU and SMU dates back to the schools' first meeting in 1915 in Fort Worth, chances are the off-field rivalry began around the same time. Recent incidents on both campuses prompted university officials from each school to release a letter this week asking students to enjoy the rivalry in a civil manner.

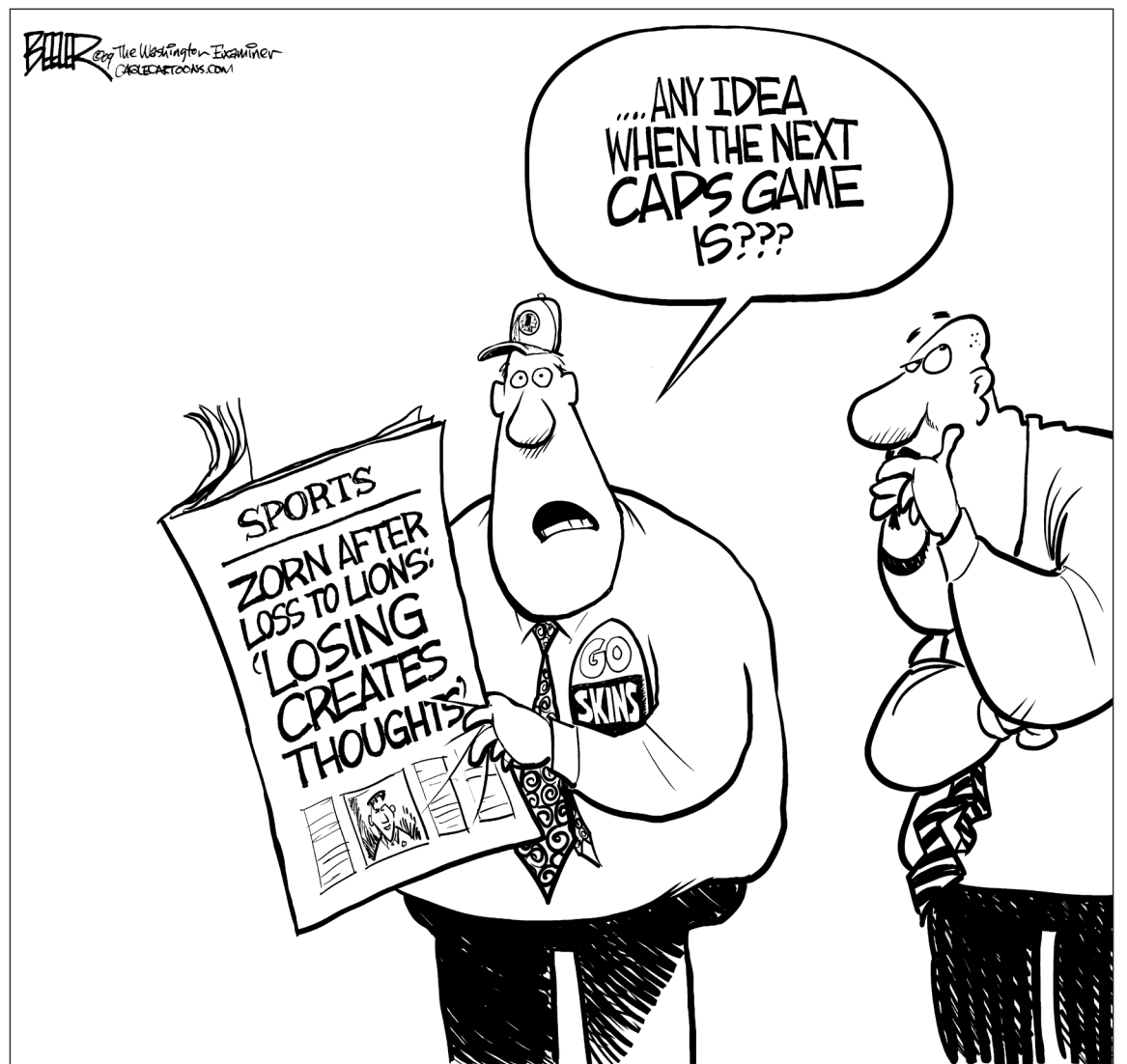
It makes sense that the student bodies of the two main private universities in the area should have a general dislike for one another, especially during the week leading up to the Battle for the Iron Skillet. But when that dislike escalates like it has in recent years, preventative measures need to be taken.

Silly pranks detract from the true meaning of the rivalry. The two institutions are the most distinct in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. Each is fortunate to have excellent academics and athletics. The campuses are beautiful and the people are friendly. Saturday's game is a time for students, staff, alumni and fans from each campus to celebrate what each school has and to enjoy a football game. The letter from the chancellor and SMU's president is nothing more than a friendly reminder of that.

So keep your emotions in check Saturday. Sportsmanship, both on and off the field, is vital in maintaining the strong relationship that exists between the two universities.

News editor Michael Carroll for the editorial board.

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



Nate Beeler is the editorial cartoonist for The Washington Examiner.

Polanski's indiscretion warrants harsh punishment



SHANE RAINEY

People are arrested every day. It is a common occurrence in our society. On Saturday, however, one particular arrest delivered worldwide shock waves and is slowly becoming an international incident.

Roman Polanski, a film director who made classics such as "Chinatown" and "The Pianist", was apprehended Saturday in Switzerland for possible extradition to the United States.

After he was accused of sexually assaulting a 13-year-old girl in 1977, Polanski fled to France to avoid sentencing, leaving the case wide open.

His arrest this week sparked protest for several reasons. Opponents state that he has lived in

France unhindered for 30 years and the fact that he is 76 years old and no longer a threat to society should render this case null and void. They even go as far as to say that in this whole ordeal, Polanski is a victim of American bullying.

News flash: Roman Polanski raped a 13-year-old child. He deserves nothing less than extradition and sentencing in a case that he pled guilty and then ran away from.

In the following protests, this apparently insignificant detail gets swept under the rug as people discuss whether or not his arrest was fair.

What is not fair is that Polanski has gotten away with this injustice for as long as he has. No one disputes the fact that a sexual assault occurred, including Polanski himself. He supported this when he retreated to France, a country he knew would deny extradition of its citizens.

The astonishing thing in all of this is the outrage caused by this arrest. Many said he has suffered enough already by living in "exile." However, in this case, exile means

living without a care in France, and winning an Academy Award for his efforts. Alas, he was unable to pick up his Oscar in person in the U.S. because of his outstanding warrant. To some, this is punishment enough for his crime.

Others said he paid for his crime in attorney fees and through damages to his reputation. This is strange, because the law makes no provisions for monetary or reputable compensation for sexually assaulting a minor.

In spite of all this, there is a more important underlying issue that begs to be addressed. There is an attitude in America today that implies just because someone has money, popularity, or is a great entertainer, he or she is somehow exempt from abiding by the law. This attitude is both disgusting and offensive.

If someone down the street had been accused of sexually assaulting a minor, the public would

be demanding for his head. But hold the phone. Since Polanski makes great movies, it is permissible to let him pay his dues with something less than justice.

This is the real crux of the issue. Justice is not a popularity contest.

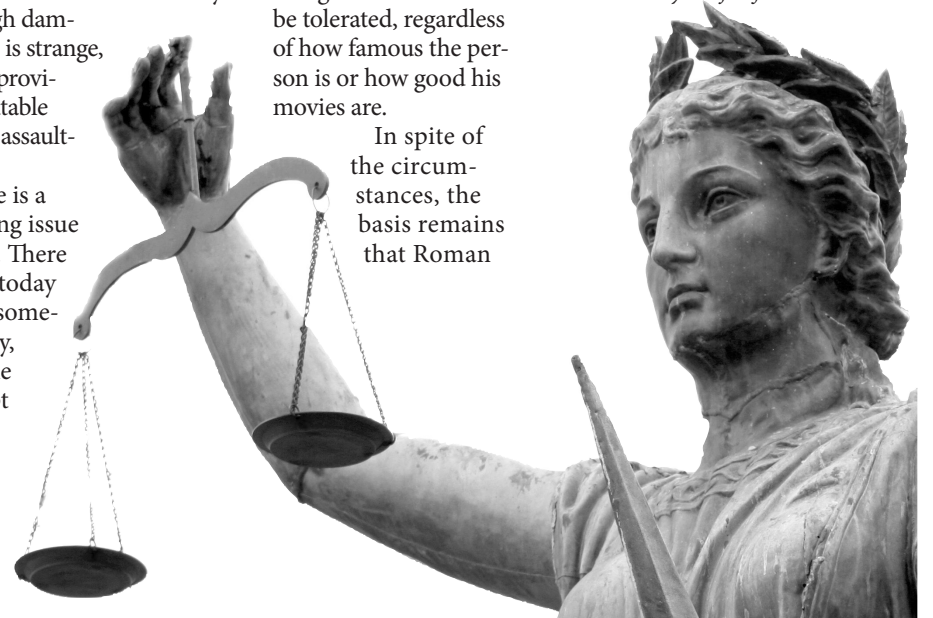
Sexually assaulting a child should not be tolerated, regardless of how famous the person is or how good his movies are.

In spite of the circumstances, the basis remains that Roman

Polanski committed a crime. And for this reason he should be extradited and sentenced, not pitied.

Anything less would be an injustice.

Shane Rainey is a junior chemistry major from Fort Worth.



SXC.HU

Was the TCU/SMU sportsmanship letter a good idea?

Urging friendly competition can't hurt



JUDITH SCHOMP

Two of the most prestigious universities in the world – Harvard and Yale – are claimed to be home to some of the greatest minds, and some of the greatest pranksters, too.

Date: Nov. 20, 2004. Location: the Harvard-Yale football game at Harvard Stadium. Persons involved: the "Harvard Pep Squad" and fans. On game day, the avid pep squad arrived at the venue with placards in hand to pass out to a select group of Crimson aficionados who would then hold up the pieces in one big expression of school-spirited unity.

Cue in the catch. Unfortunately, the "Harvard Pep Squad" does not exist and neither did the names that were on the ID cards that Yale students used to infiltrate the home stands. As the placards went up, Yale students had something to laugh at from across the field. The message "WE SUCK" sprawled across the Harvard side in crimson and white.

In the aftermath of the event, both schools proved to possess superior sportsmanship and claimed that it was all in good fun.

All schools have their rivalries. The University of Texas has Texas A&M, the Naval Academy has West Point, and, of course, TCU has SMU. But innocent rivalry can easily cross the line into unpleasant territory. That's why on Sept. 29, Chancellor Boschini and SMU President R. Gerald Turner issued a letter encouraging TCU and SMU students to harness their incongruities during game day this Saturday.

Similarly, bipartisanship in American politics must be exercised to meet the ambitions of both Democrats and Republicans. Like enduring collegiate rivalries, both parties must "reach across the aisle" to achieve progression when addressing topics such as health care, the economy and ethical matters.

Our government takes to heart the value of weighing both sides of an issue before coming to a decision. Numerous political figures preach the importance of bipartisanship and would agree that a truly good sport could understand that Rep. Joe Wilson's "You lie!" comment and former-President

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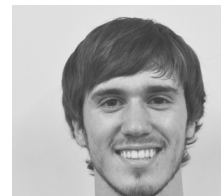
Bill Clinton's mystified "relations" comment mutually fall under the category of reprehensible. To openly engage in debate about who might win the mid-term elections or who might win the football game would certainly be examples of fair game.

As the Horned Frogs and Mustangs gear up to play for the Iron Skillet, first-rate sportsmanship cannot be overlooked. In the past, intense athletic competitions have pushed crowd members, coaches, and even parents to make the wrong decisions, even at the little league sports level. All Boschini and Turner ask is that football fans practice responsibility and a certain degree of etiquette at this exciting game.

To me, that's not too much to ask. Yell "Pony Down" here and make a little fun of the band's uniforms there, but don't go overboard.

Judith Schomp is a freshman political science major from Lindale.

Fans already a class act, don't need a reminder



WYATT KANYER

TCU and SMU will face off Saturday in the annual battle for the Iron Skillet game. It's a historic rivalry game, but it appears officials from both schools view it as an exercise in sportsmanship.

Chancellor Victor Boschini and SMU President R. Gerald Turner wrote a joint letter asking the school communities to exercise good sportsmanship. Such a letter isn't necessary, for TCU fans at least.

Before the first home game against Texas State University, former TCU athletics director Danny Morrison e-mailed TCU fans applauding them for their positive sportsmanship in response to praise from the other teams' fans.

Although Boschini and Turner's letter isn't threatening, it contradicts Morrison's e-mail.

TCU fans do not need reminders that sportsmanship is important because fans already act in a sportsmanlike manner. For example, in the home opener, one of Texas State's players was injured after a rough play.

Where some fans might cheer at the other team's failures, students and fans from both sides applauded the injured player as he was carried off the field.

Either the fans took Morrison's praise to heart or they already knew what was appropriate in that situation.

And although the Iron Skillet rivalry is competitive, it isn't malicious like some other college football rivalries are.

Take the Red River Rivalry between University of Texas and the University of Oklahoma. Those games should require a letter to students and alumni reminding them to exercise good sportsmanship.

Boschini and Turner's letter acknowledges the two universities for what they are: "medium-sized, private institutions" that "both strive for academic excellence and are passionate about athletics." That can't be said about every university.

Furthermore, I have a hard time believing such a letter would be released if the game did not coincide with TCU's Family Weekend. Boschini wants to assure parents that the university practices moral actions in every area, athletics included. But the letter could have been sent to parents instead of students. By writing this letter, Boschini

Our fans are the type who stay after the game to sing the Alma Mater, not boo the officials or wreak havoc on the field.

suggests that students need to be reminded.

The letter is not a bad idea, but it has further implications than intended. Boschini should have thought about such implications before deciding to be a part of it. TCU students don't even rush the field after big wins. At last year's BYU win, only a few students rushed the field after the Frogs pulled out the stunning victory. Our fans are the type who stay after the game to sing the Alma Mater, not boo the officials or wreak havoc on the field. With such a reputation, one would think the "advice" Boschini and Turner gave was directed at TCU fans.

As the letter said, fans truly are "responsible for our own actions," and they need to "demonstrate respect for themselves, their team, and their university by showing respect to all those around them." But they already knew that.

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FEATURES

Read a day-by-day review of the big bands performing at Austin City Limits this weekend.
Tuesday

Making every dog's day special

By **Melanie Cruthirds**
Staff Reporter

Introducing a pet into a home has its benefits, but choosing the right pet and training your pet can be difficult for college students.

Senior Andrea Dean had always been an animal lover, but when two friends gave her a yellow lab puppy last year she realized how important proper animal training could be, especially while sharing her time and space with two other roommates. Dean said she quickly realized instilling good manners in her dog, Lili, from an early age would be the key to a happy and comfortable life in her duplex near campus.

"That's when the training really came in because if I hadn't had her potty trained or house broken, it would make that small space feel even smaller than it actually is," Dean said. "Behavior is a big issue when it comes to that."

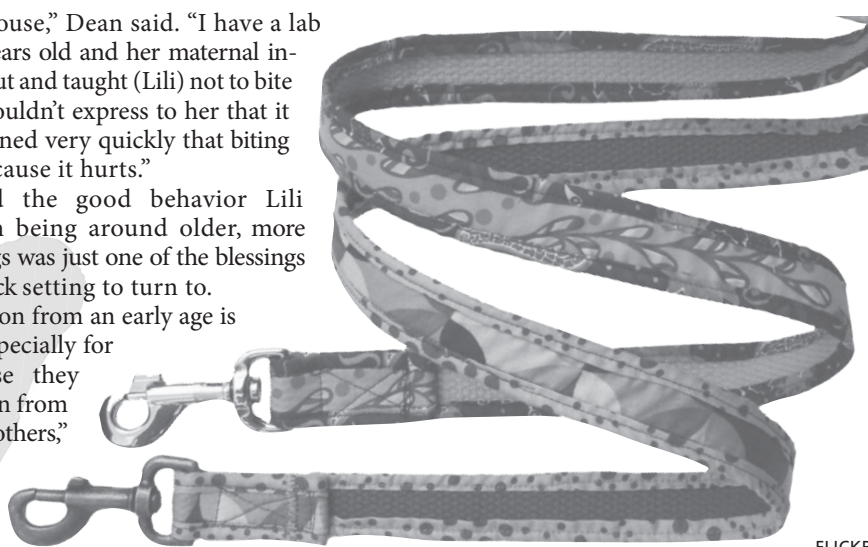
The bigger Lili got, the smaller the house seemed to feel, Dean said. Size was not the only challenge she faced when living with the large-breed dog. Dean said the idea of introducing Lili into a pack and interacting with other dogs was also critical in raising a well-behaved pet.

"Actually, when she was just a puppy (she) was kind of teething ... and biting people's hands and stuff, so we took her to

my parents house," Dean said. "I have a lab who's three years old and her maternal instincts came out and taught (Lili) not to bite because we couldn't express to her that it hurt. She learned very quickly that biting is a no-no because it hurts."

Dean said the good behavior Lili learned from being around older, more dominant dogs was just one of the blessings of having a pack setting to turn to.

"Socialization from an early age is important, especially for dogs, because they do like to learn from watching others," Dean said.



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Picking the Perfect Pet

Charles Buxton, general manager of a local PETCO store, said there is a lot of information to consider when choosing a pet, but college students need to think carefully about how a pet would fit into their daily routine.

"I think a lot depends on your lifestyle, how active a person you are and how many outside activities you would have," Buxton said. "(For) somebody who's jogging regularly, a dog might be a great pet."

Nocturnal animals, like hamsters, might not make the best companion for a student who values their sleep,

Buxton said. Cats and betta fish were at the top of his list of recommendations for young people looking to add a pet to their home.

"Fish are good pets, but they're more difficult to move if you're going home for the holidays or something," Buxton said.

"They're great



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animals and it's kind of neat, especially in an apartment setting, because it's kind of a mixture of art and science."

Dean said no matter what animal you choose to take home, your skills as a trainer and pack leader will help mold the behavior and personality of your pet. As an advocate of pet rescues, Dean said she recommends going to an animal shelter and seeing if any of the animals there might be right for you. For those wary of formerly homeless or mistreated animals, Dean offered some advice.

"Half of the behavior comes from who they are and half of it is how you train them and how you bring them up," Dean said. "They definitely look to you for guidance because they need a pack leader."

Saying Goodbye to a Pet

After spending years watching an animal grow and learn, it is only natural to feel attached to a pet like you would to another person, Cathy Cox, assistant professor of psychology, said. Pets can be just as good at satisfying our attachment needs as people are, she said.

"You can see a lot of the attachment behaviors that we do (as humans)," Cox said. "We turn towards our pet, we want to be around our pet for support and we want to get that love and unconditional acceptance."

For many freshmen, moving away to school was an exciting experience, but one that came with its share of downsides, Cox said.

"When moving away to college many people become upset at being separated from their pets," Cox wrote in an e-mail. "When we're upset, it ac-

tivates the attachment behavioral system (and) we seek out relationships in order to get security."

The same amount of anxiety that comes with leaving a pet behind is often experienced by owners who lose an animal, Cox said. The effects of the passing of a beloved pet can be devastating for a person.

Knowing that all animals' lives do eventually come to an end, David Stafford, owner of Bluebonnet Pet Cemetery, said his business aims to provide owners with a special place to

remember a deceased pet.

The cemetery, which is located in Mansfield, is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., seven days a week for personal visitation and memorial services.

For pet parents like Dean, the loss of a pet would leave an imprint, or paw print in some cases, on their daily lives.

"They become such a part of your family," Dean said. "If I were to come home and not have her greet me at the door with her tail wagging ... it'd be a sad day — it would not be the same."



KATIE RUPPEL / Features Editor

Preview

Bands to catch in and outside the city limits

By **Naheil Qudah**
Staff Writer

Three days, seven stages, 126 bands. Yes, it's that time of the year: Oct. 2 to 4 is the Austin City Limits Music Festival, the weekend when thousands of audiophiles unite in central Texas to hear their favorite bands and discover new ones as they weave in and out of crowds and consciousness. Scour eBay or become best friends with a scalper, because it's not too late for a spontaneous road trip and music-filled weekend.

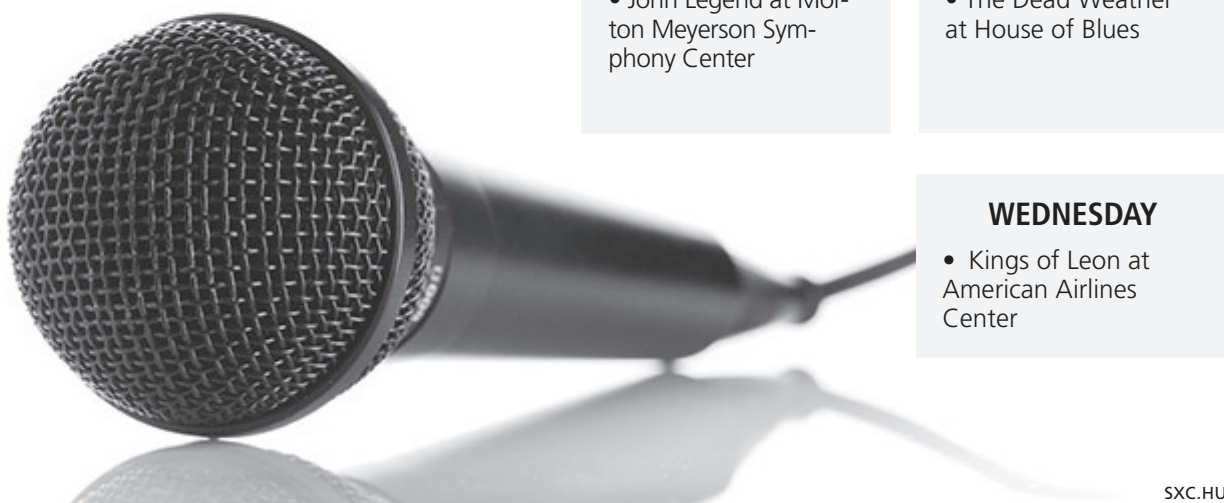
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See Friday's paper for sudoku and crossword solutions.

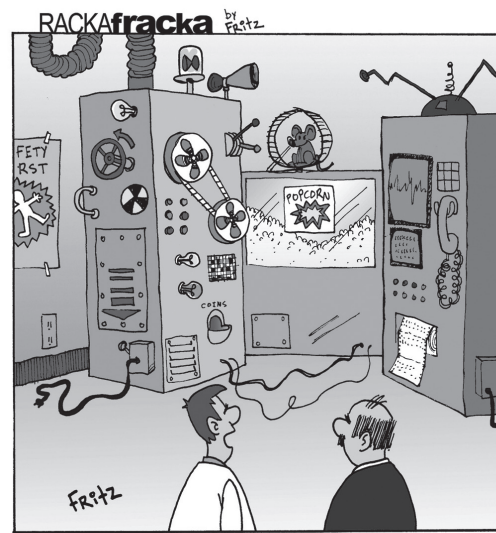
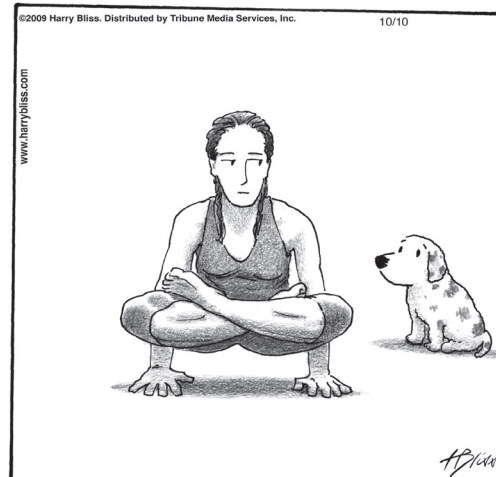
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- Get loose for the game
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- Suffix with ranch
- Coastal bird
- Curb, as spending
- Dentist's directive
- Puppy's bite
- Nearly boil
- Relating to the body's main blood line
- Steakhouse request
- Indians, on scoreboards
- Dough
- Sushi fish
- Final Four initials
- acetate: banana oil
- Hitter's stat
- Duke Ellington's "Take the ___"
- D'oh
- Big name in kitchen foil
- Sculptor's subject
- Meal on a skewer
- 1 + 1 = 3, for example
- She-bears, in Seville
- Promgoer's concern, maybe

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- Melting period
- Gossipy Barrett
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- "Evita" narrator

By Jonathan Seff 10/109

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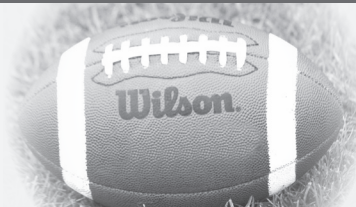
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In a simulated version of the Battle for the Iron Skillet, TCU kept the pan in Fort Worth, defeating the Mustangs 35-18. Joseph Turner had a stellar game running for 147 yards on 20 carries for two touchdowns. Turner's longest rush was a 60-yard run he took to the end zone after shoving off three Mustang defenders. Check dailyskiff.com for highlights of the game, commented by sports editor Travis L. Brown and editor-in-chief David Hall.



FOOTBALL

2005 upset fresh on minds

By Mary Sue Greenleaf
Staff Reporter

After a big win on the road, TCU will defend its winning streak against the Southern Methodist University Mustangs in the 89th Battle for the Iron Skillet on Saturday.

The Horned Frogs and Mustangs will face off in Amon G. Carter stadium at 7 p.m.

The series began in 1915 with a 43-0 TCU victory. The Horned Frogs won the last six home games against SMU and hold a 42-39-7 advantage over the Mustangs.

In 2008, TCU defeated SMU 48-7 with two touchdowns by tailback Joseph Turner. Turner rushed for 67 yards against the Mustangs last season.

TCU plays at home this weekend ranked No. 10 in the nation, according to the USA Today Coaches poll. They have not played at home as a top-10 team since 2003.

The Horned Frogs are the highest ranked team the Mustangs have faced since 1994.

After a loss in overtime to Washington State University last Saturday, SMU enters the weekend with two wins and one loss, their best season start since 1996.

On offense, Mustang wide receiver senior Em-

manuel Sanders, leads the nation with 33 receptions.

Horned Frog defensive tackle Cory Grant said the spread offense run by SMU can be dangerous because of the strength and skill level of their receivers and quarterback.

Defensively, SMU recorded 11 interceptions so far this season, the most in the nation.

"They've been very opportunistic about what they do on defense," head coach Gary Patterson said.

June Jones, SMU's head coach, enters his second year of coaching the Mustangs, after nine years at the University of Hawaii. Patterson said he is impressed with what Jones has done in his time at SMU.

"June Jones has done a good job of changing the mindset," Patterson said.

Junior quarterback Andy Dalton is ranked No. 14 in the nation for pass efficiency heading into his fourth week of play.

Dalton was named Co-Offensive Player of the Week for the Mountain West Conference after last week's win against Clemson University.

In 2008, Dalton had 210 passing yards against SMU, as well as 21 rushing yards on four carries.

Patterson said the defense needs to improve this week as well.

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Gary Patterson
head coach

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Patterson said that SMU has the ability to score a lot of points in the first half of the game, so the defense will have to be prepared early in the game.

The Horned Frogs are currently ranked No. 12 in the nation in total defense. Patterson said the team is preparing for a tough game this weekend.

"We didn't feel like we played very well last time we were here (at home), so it will be interesting to see how this game goes," Patterson said.

The team has quotes up from SMU in the locker room to help them mentally prepare for Saturday's game.

"Who knows, maybe we'll even break out the black uniforms for this group," Patterson said.

VOLLEYBALL

Horned Frogs look to get 201st win

By Seth Dahle
Staff Writer

TCU volleyball will look to bounce back from its loss to Colorado State against a quick Air Force team Thursday.

The Horned Frogs, who had only won one set in five years in Fort Collins, Colo.,

"We have to just put the ball where they aren't. Make sure we are moving the ball around and getting different shots."

Prentice Lewis
head coach

lost in three sets to the Rams (18-26, 19-25, 20-25). The loss snapped TCU's eight-match win streak.

Offensively, TCU shot just a .108 hitting percentage, while Colorado State used a fiery attack with 43 kills and a .275 attack.

Colorado State boasted 1,298 fans in Moby Arena,

and Horned Frogs head coach Prentice Lewis said nerves might have played a roll.

"We didn't play well," Lewis said. "It's not an easy environment to play in. I think our ladies were nervous."

Despite picking up a loss, the Horned Frogs have nothing to be ashamed about, as the No. 35 ranked Rams have made 14 consecutive trips to the NCAA tournament.

Air Force enters Thursday's match with an 8-7 record and is still looking for its first conference win. Despite the 0-3 record in Mountain West play, the Falcons' 8-7 campaign marks just the third time in their history that they have a winning record 15 matches into the season.

The Falcons are coming off a 0-3 (23-25, 18-25, 23-25) loss to UNLV.

Junior Caroline Kurtz leads the team in aces (0.42 per match) kills (3.09) and digs (2.74), and she is ranked in four of the seven Mountain West per-game statistical categories.

Offensively, Air Force averages 11.9 kills per set and is-

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sues a .175 hitting percentage. "They're a quick offense," Lewis said. "They run a lot of their middles on slides and on ones and threes. They're not tall, but they're quick."

On the defensive end of the net, the Falcons are just 234 in the nation with 1.6 blocks per set. However, Air Force does dig the ball well, Lewis said, averaging 12.4 per set.

TCU won nine of the past 11 matches against Air Force with its last loss to the Falcons occurring in 2005.

"We have to just put the ball where they aren't," Lewis said. "Make sure we are moving the ball around and getting different shots."

Should the Horned Frogs prevail, it will be the team's 201 win in program history. Last Friday, TCU defeated Wyoming to capture the 200-win milestone since becoming a varsity sport in 1996.

NEW MEXICO

University begins probe into fight

By Tim Korte
AP Sports Writer

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — University of New Mexico administrators have opened an investigation into a fight where football coach Mike Locksley struck an assistant, and the first-year coach could face suspension or firing.

The probe will be directed by the university's Human Resources Division.

"It has been given a high priority," university spokeswoman Susan McKinsey said Wednesday.

The investigation comes after athletic director Paul Krebs announced Monday that Locksley had been issued verbal and written reprimands for his role in a Sept. 20 dispute.

Receivers coach J.B. Gerald told police Locksley struck him during a staff meeting at the football office, splitting his lip.

At his weekly news conference Tuesday, Locksley said he accepted responsibility for his actions and should have handled the situation better. He said he apologized to Gerald, the coaches and the team.

"The best way to handle it is admitting it, asking for forgiveness, which I have, and then try to move forward and find a way to win," Locksley said.

Under the university's policies, employees face progressive discipline for violent behavior and some violations "may be of such serious nature that immediate suspension or discharge

may be appropriate."

McKinsey said administrators hope to complete their work as soon as possible but no deadline was issued.

"The scope of the investigation is being planned," she said. "We will give it due diligence. We will make sure it is as complete as possible."

Locksley, hired in December after four seasons as offensive coordinator at Illinois, will continue coaching the Lobos (0-4) during the probe. New Mexico plays Saturday at Texas Tech.

At a news conference Monday, Krebs told reporters he directed the matter closed. However, McKinsey said Krebs requested the investigation on Tuesday, seek-

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