Voting is not just a civic duty.

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TOP 10 MOVIES

(m	illions of dollars)	
1	High School Musical 3	\$42
2	Saw V	30.5
3	Max Payne	7.6
4	Beverly Hills Chihuahua	6.9
5	Pride and Glory	6.3
6	The Secret Life of Bees	5.9
7	W.	5.3
8	Eagle Eye	5.1
9	Body of Lies	4.1
10	Quarantine	2.6

—Associated Press



Clinton and Palin should be judged on politics, not fashion. Opinion, Page 3

PECULIAR FACT

BOSTON – Choochy the poodle is a "runway runaway." Boston's Logan International Airport officials say Choochy escaped from her kennel as she was being unloaded after a flight from Detroit Saturday night and scampered across runways and taxiways.

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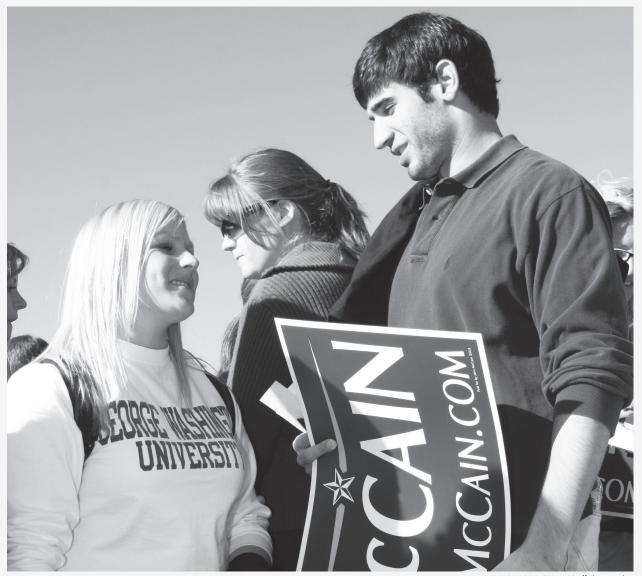


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RALLY THE RIGHT



Junior political science majors Catherine Butterworth and Chris Gainey talk while grabbing a McCain sign before the early voting rally. TCU College Republicans held an early voting rally at Frog Alley on Monday afternoon.

Republicans gear up for next week's election

By Courtney Ortega

Staff Reporter

The vote of young adults in this year's election is crucial, a former Texas Secretary of State and TCU alumnus said Monday at an early voting rally on campus.

This is the most important election of your time, as well as my lifetime," said former Texas Secretary of State Roger Williams as he addressed a crowd of more than 30 students and local community

members at Frog Alley.

John McCain's presidential bid and local Republican candidates.

John Cornyn, R-Texas, and Michael Williams, chairman of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

"It thrills me to look out and see all of you because I know the future of the state of Texas is fine," Williams said.

Kimberly Dena, chair of the TCU Col-The rally was sponsored by the TCU lege Republicans, said she was pleased College Republicans in support of Sen. with the support the organization has received from the students.

"It's important to make sure that the Other guest speakers included Sen. students are knowledgeable about their local elections as well," Dena said.

Several students voiced their appreciation for the state politicians in atten-

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Latino enrollment in college stagnant

A Q&A with Mr. and

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Ms. TCU.

Most Latinos still likely to be *first-generation students*

By Andrew Young Staff Reporter

Yesenia Rojas is a senior at Paschal High School, a Mexican American and a hopeful first-generation college student.

Rojas, who wants to be a maternity nurse, said one of her concerns in choosing where to go to college is her ability to afford it.

A 2008 report tracking changes in Latino freshmen at four-year institutions since 1975 found that one in five Latino students expresses a major concern about their ability to finance college at the start of the school year.

Ray Brown, dean of admission, said as a whole, Latinos tend to not have the financial resources that whites do.

"The Latino population, and to a lesser extent, the black population, tend to be more loan averse cultures," Brown said. "They either cannot take out loans, or usually don't want to take out loans at a far higher rate than Asian Americans and white Americans."

A 2005 study by Excelencia in Education and the Institute for Higher Education Policy found in 2003-2004, 63 percent of Latino undergraduates nationwide who applied for financial aid received some form of aid. According to the study, half of Latinos received grants and 30 percent received loans.

Kiesha Harvey, coordinator counselor for Upward Bound, said some Latino families don't understand the loan process and are hesitant to take out loans.

The report, written by University of California Los Angeles professors Sylvia Hurtado and Jose Luis Santos, University of Texas at Austin professor Victor B. Saenz and UCLA graduate student Nolan L. Cabrera, also found that even though the majority of Latino students come from households where at least one parent has some postsecondary education, they remain the racial group with the lowest parental attainment levels.

According to the report, this statistic

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Lecture series aims to address gays' role in church

By Katie Martinez

Staff Reporter

Sitting among friends and acquaintances from his church, one student forces a smile while the others laugh hysterically at a gay

A TCU student, who asked that his name be withheld to protect his privacy, said this is just a mild reflection of the lives of Christian homosexuals, some of whom feel forced to live in the closet in order to avoid losing their standing in the church and community.

The discrimination that some believe smolders in the Christian Church is the focus of a new four-part lectureship series, sponsored by the Stalcup School of Theology at Brite Divinity School, that begins tonight in an effort to address the realities of homosexuality things are getting worse. in the church.

"It is not socially acceptable to ridicule blacks, Hispanics or women... or any other minorities, but even, or should I say especially, with religious people the gay person is seen as less than human," the student said. "It is so hypocritical."

Experience and the Christian Experience will be a weekly Tuesday night event at University Christian Church hosted by Brite Divinity School associate professor of theology Stephen Sprinkle.

Sprinkle, the first openly gay professor in Brite's 94-year history, said although there have been some signs of improvement as far as acceptance in religious communities, other

'Violence is on the rise against gay and lesbian people in this country," he said. "I think that the church, the synagogue and the mosque must face up to this false understanding of what they teach because it is being used as a justification for violence."

According to the National Coalition of Journey of Reconciliation: Gay/Lesbian Anti-Violence Programs' annual report, violence against gays and lesbians in the U.S. increased 24 percent in 2007 and 23 percent in the 2006. The number of gay and lesbian people murdered because of their sexual orientation more than doubled from 10 in 2006 to 21 in 2007.

> Sprinkle said he can see acceptance spreading in most religious groups, but the Christian community lags behind some others

Lecture series

What: Journey of Reconciliation: Gay/ Lesbian Experience and the Christian Experience

When: Tuesdays 7-9 p.m., today-

Where: University Christian Church,

2020 University Drive **RSVP:** Eilene Theilig at 817-257-7575

"The problem is that gay and lesbian people are endlessly talked about in religious discussion, but their voices are never included," he said. "This event will be an important oppor-

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Universities shelling out more to monitor student pirating

By Saerom Yoo Web Editor

When Jon Brown walked up to the computer help desk at Mary Couts Burnett Library at the start of the 2008 spring semester, he simply thought he was going to get his new MacBook Pro registered with the university

Instead, the help desk employees told him, "Actually, your access is suspended. Have you been using LimeWire or anything?'

Through a library computer, the senior health and fitness major saw an e-mail in his inbox from Brooke Scogin, assistant dean of Campus Life, explaining that illegal downloading from his IP address had been detected and that his Internet would be suspended until he met with Scogin. Attached was a prelitigation letter from the Recording Industry

Association of America that gave him the option to either settle for \$3,000 within 20 days or go to court, where he could be charged \$750 per song.

Brown said he would've had to pay about \$200,000 for his illegally downloaded songs if that were the case. More than nine months later, Brown said he hasn't paid a dime and also hasn't been sued.

"I don't have any money," he said. "How can I pay?'

Liz Kennedy, spokeswoman for RIAA, said the timing of lawsuits filed against those who choose not to settle vary depending on many factors, such as the defendants' jurisdiction, and it could take a while to file against an individual because they're filing suits all over the country, and the process depends on the different court systems.

"It's not something we have control over," in pirating music and the amount of the music

NUMBERS

\$3,000

the lump sum for which RIAA

asks P2P users to settle

she said. "We're filing suits on a rolling basis consistently."

The university's approach

Since the RIAA launched a campaign targeting universities and their students for pirating music in February 2007, TCU received 41 settlement letters, Kennedy said. Through this campaign and its news releases, RIAA has consistently emphasized college students' role

\$750

the amount per illegally downloaded song courts can mandate

industry's loss attributed to it, citing a statistic reported by Student Monitor in 2006 that said 50 percent of college students download

music or movies illegally. The new Higher Education Opportunity Act, signed this summer, calls for a stricter oversight of illegal downloading on university campuses using technology and educationbased deterrents. In turn, university officials

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What happens when you get caught?

The RIAA sends the university a list of IP addresses that have been detected in relation to illegal transfers with the request that the university deliver pre-litigation letters to the computer owners.

When Technology Resources identifies the accused users, their network access is cut off. Brooke Scogin, associate dean of Campus Life, then e-mails the users explaining the situation. She asks to visit with the students. Attached to the e-mail is a pre-litigation letter from RIAA addressed to John or Jane Doe.

Campus Life asks first-time violators to send scripted emails to 20 peers about illegal downloading before opening their access to the university network. Second-time violators will be cut off from the network for about nine months.

The letter asks the students to settle at a lump sum, usually \$3,000, or risk a named suit at which he or she could be charged \$750 per song.

If students choose not to settle or respond, then the RIAA typically subpoenas the university for the identities of the users.

The RIAA asks the users to settle a second time — this time directly — before opting to file named suits.

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have begun implementing new techniques to stem illegal downloading private universities are spending \$100,000 to almost \$160,000 on such measures, according to a survey released by the Campus Computing Project last week. And Kenneth Green, founding director of the project, a continuing study on the role of information technology on American higher education, said RIAA has overstated college students' role in illegal downloading. His project found that college students accounted for less than 4 percent of more than 8,400 suits filed during 2004 and early 2005, according to the report.

Universities have responded differently to the RIAA initiative. TCU has taken a hands-off approach assisting in relaying information and internally placing disciplinary sanctions on the student, which more than half of private universities were doing as of fall 2007, according to the report — but backing away from the legal process.

But in light of the new higher education act, which will be enacted in 2010, campuses might have to take on a more active role in combating illegal downloading than being RIAA's

Green said recording and movie industries and now the government are expecting universities to provide "pro bono enforcement" for online illegal activity.

He said in light of the increased attention Congress has started paying university tuition rates, the amount

of money universities are expected to spend in stemming P2P activity can't be ignored.

But taking proactive measures such as implementing technologies and enforcing policies on campus to take on illegal downloading would increase network efficiency, reduce exposure to viruses and ultimately reduce operating costs for universities, Kennedy wrote in an e-mail.

For example, the University of Utah saved about \$1.2 million a year in Internet bandwidth charges after implementing a new technological approach to illegal downloading, according to an RIAA news release. Utah uses network-monitoring software that automatically disconnects computers that transmit more than two gigabytes of material in a day. The university also runs a program by Audible Magic that cancels the transfer of files that it recognizes as being copyright-protected. About 45 percent of private universities and almost 60 percent of public universities use software to stem peer-topeer sharing.

Bryan Lucas, executive director of Technology Resources at TCU, said his department doesn't categorize traffic as legal or illegal. But it has employed a bandwidth optimization technology from Blue Coat Systems Inc., a California-based company that secures Web communications, that allows it to limit and prioritize by usage, such as gaming and Web browsing. This allows better use of university's Internet bandwidth and in turn saves money, he said, though he doesn't know the exact dollar amount.

A sales representative from Blue

Coat said the price of these products can cost anywhere from \$1,000 to \$75,000 depending on the nature of the existing system of a given net-

Are students deterred?

Currently, an educational approach is the only measure the university is taking toward illegal downloading.

Students who haven't been targeted by the RIAA already gain awareness about illegal downloading and the risks involved through a few outlets administered by the university. During orientation, freshmen receive information about university rules regarding pirating and misuse of the Internet. Students continue to receive information regarding the issue and the risks involved through flyers and signs around campus. This year was the first year freshmen received informative pop-up messages when they first registered their computers, Scogin said. Information is also available on the Technology Resources Web site. Finally, students may receive scripted e-mails about the issue from peers who are asked by Campus Life to send the message for misusing university Internet access.

Students aren't penalized by the university until it receives pre-litigation letters or copyright infringement notices identifying their IP addresses. Junior Sarah Bourland said the university needs to take a more proactive approach.

Bourland, an early childhood education major, received a prelitigation letter at the same time as Brown, and chose to settle for the \$3,000, though she wasn't illegally downloading music at the time and had been purchasing music from iTunes for two years. She had unknowingly illegally distributed 133 songs that she had downloaded two years prior because she didn't disable the share function of her peerto-peer software.

In a similar case in Arizona, Jefferey Howell was accused of illegally distributing music through a share folder on a share ware — a folder in which he denied saving music. He also denied authorizing the distribution of the music he said was obtained legally, according to court records. In Atlantic v. Howell, Hon. Neil V. Wake said the owner of the shared folder, like that of Bourland's containing the 133 songs, is only potentially liable as a secondary infringer of copyright.

Bourland said she wishes the university could have detected and stopped illegal downloading internally before the RIAA and law enforcement got involved, especially because in her case, she was caught for something she didn't know was happening.

Scogin said the university holds accountable users like Bourland and those whose IP addresses might have been tainted by a roommate or a friend using their computers.

"Students are told to protect their computer and not share their passwords, so we place a lot of the responsibility on the students," she

Scogin said she hopes to soon launch a program to continually remind students — beyond their freshman year — about the risks of illegal

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the number of prelitigation letters TCU has received

the number of students who have settled

the number of students who are in named suits

downloading.

But Brown said he thinks TCU does all it can already and that most students are aware of what they might be getting themselves into when illegally downloading music.

"I was aware before it happened to me," he said. "I don't know why I didn't stop."

Brown said the problem is that students don't fully grasp the legal consequences of illegal downloading, and the best help they can get is to hear it from a friend who has been through it.

"Otherwise, you're just going to think that it's not going to happen — it's not real," he said. "If I tell my friends, 'Dude, stop using LimeWire because you're going to get sued,' then they're going to believe me."

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means Latinos are most likely to be first-generation college students.

Brown said this reality affects the decisions of Latinos to apply or go to college. Those who go to college are the ones who understand that it is a good investment, Brown said. children by their parents, he said.

"That's the main reason why we, as admission officers, are so sensitive to first-generation college kids," Brown said. "They don't have that conversation going on in their home."

The report indicated the gap between non-Hispanic white and

The value of a higher education is a Latino parental median household message that can be transmitted to incomes has increased about four times since 1975.

> According to the report, in 1975, the median household income of Mexican-American students was \$12,765 compared to \$18,529 for non-Hispanic White students. In 2006, the median household income of Mexican-American students was

\$50,769 compared to \$85,670 for is to help provide income for their non-Hispanic white students.

The median household income for Puerto Rican students was \$8,032 in 1975. In 2006, it was \$53,378. The report separates Latino freshmen by race or ethnicity.

Michael Marshall, assistant director of admission, said one of the priorities for many Latino students stay home to work instead of going to college.

Rodolfo Ramirez, a freshman mechanical engineering and mathematics major and first-generation college student at TCU, said Latino men usually start working in middle school or high school.

"As soon as they can work, pretty much when they are teenagers, number of Latinos attending their

families.

"If you're a son or if you're a daughter you need to be contributing to the household," Marshall said. "And so education, as a result, is put on the back burner."

The report found the proportion of Latino males relative to Latina females going to college has declined they start working for their father's company or wherever they work," Ramirez said. "They try to get a job as quick as possible."

Gloria Melendez, a sophomore at Paschal High School, said Latino men know they can get a job easily if they drop out of high school.

The report also indicates the

from 57.4 percent male students in 1975 to 39.2 percent male students

According to statistics from the Office of Institutional Research, 154 Latino freshmen enrolled at the university this year. Of those freshmen, about 40 percent are male and about 60 percent are female.

Harvey said many Latino men first-choice college has declined 27 percent and intended major and career objectives have remained similar over time.

The report cites biology, psychology, political science, business, nursing and elementary education as majors that have remained in the top ten intended majors for Latino students upon entering college.

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tunity for people to hear the voices of gay and lesbian people, and I am hoping it will open up the possibility of understanding for some people."

Eilene Theilig, director of the Stalcup School the event's organizer, said about 30 people had signed up to attend, some of who were traveling from other Texas towns to participate.

"What we hope to do is foster a deeper appreciation for the complexity of the issue and move beyond the debate," she said.

Theilig said she felt the event was important because without recognizing the inclusivity of the traditional Christian message, sometimes people of faith unwittingly continue to foster discrimination that can lead to violence against homosexuals.

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Sprinkle said he was hopeful about what could be accomplished by the event and thought many would be surprised to find that homosexuals are not as different from

them as they may imagine. "Gay and lesbian people are your relatives, your coworkers... They provide services in the community, they teach your children, style your hair, service your car. They could be the farmer that is putting the food on your table," he said. "They are literally everywhere, and their lives are parallel to their straight

counterparts." Sprinkle said the event will focus on not only what it means to be gay and Christian, but will also show the opportunity for reconciliation between the church and the homosexual Christians whom

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The Skiff View

Last-leg effort to rally voters refreshing

The expression, "Better late than never," can now be applied to TCU's political organizations. After being practically dormant for the past two months, TCU College Republicans and TCU Democrats are taking the initiative to step up and take part in this year's presidential elec-

The Republican party rallied together Monday to kick off early voting on campus, and the Democratic party will have a Professor Dunk-a-thon at 3 p.m. today at the Campus Commons.

It's fantastic that campus organizations are making their voices heard and using fun, creative ways to do so. Using schools and universities as early voting stations has also been a great way to get students, faculty and staff involved.

Everybody should know by now that this year's election is one of the most important ones in history. Younger audiences have been heavily targeted by both the Democrats and the GOP, encouraging them to get involved and vote. Events like these at TCU clearly show people are listening and not taking the elections lightly.

One day, this monumental point in history will be published in every history textbook for generations to come, and it is the students at this university and other institutions of higher education across the country that can attest to the happenings and ongoings, in which children and grandchildren are writing their research papers on.

Opinion editor Patricia Espinosa for the editorial board.

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Alert system not something to joke about

I am writing in response to Bruno Bruelhart's satirical column, "Alerts a ploy to control minds" in Friday's Skiff. Many people I spoke with about his column were appalled that a student deemed it appropriate to comment on a topic as serious as campus safety lightly. I feel compelled to write on behalf of many people's opinion of this weak attempt at humor.

The writer called the university's alert system a "Big Brother-esque type of uniformity and obedience." I am curious if he truly understands the logic behind these alerts.

Campus safety is not a topic to be taken lightly, which is why the university as invested time, money and person nel to operate this alert system. It is designed to reach a large group of people simultaneously to relay important information such as weather-related campus closures or emergency warnings.

In no way were the signs around campus regarding Mr. and Ms. TCU voting related to the testing of the alert system. Research your topics before you write about them. The testing was to make sure everyone's phone numbers were correctly stored in the university's database in case of an emergency, not to ensure votes were cast for Homecoming.

Coincidentally, TCU's alert e-mail and text messaging systems were tested the same day an emergency occurred on the campus of Western Kentucky University. It was reported via Western Kentucky's alert system that two armed men were spotted near campus and that there was "immediate danger." Thanks to the university's alert system, people were told to stay under lockdown until the situation was resolved. What about the deadly shooting at Virginia Tech? How about the two students who were

killed on the University of Central Arkansas campus Sunday? Such incidents are becoming far too regular, and TCU is doing its best to prevent such trag-

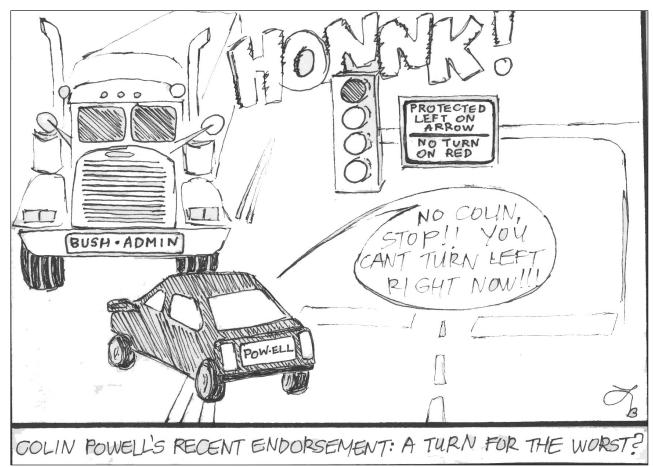
I am sure "Supreme **High Chancellor** Victor Boschini" does not sit in a dark office trying to figure out how to control our minds.

Our university is trying to keep everyone safe and communicate updated information. Last week was the third time the alert system was put to use, and only the second time it has been tested in the two years since its implementation. The Office of Communications plans to test the system once per semester.

I am sure that "Supreme High Chancellor Victor Boschini" does not sit in a dark office trying to figure out how to control our minds. Rather, he ensures he and his staff keep the TCU community safe. If you had done your research, you would have known it was not his office that orchestrated the testing of the alert system.

If you feel your phone was "hijacked," perhaps you should take your number off TCU's list. That way, you won't be "bugged" with the university's "commands" to not show up for school in case of inclement weather. Then again, maybe you should leave your number on the list so you don't have to go outside and see rain boots.

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Young people have responsibility to be informed, educated voters



Since mid-September, polling sites across the nation have opened their doors to early voters, who are breaking voter turnout records at an astounding rate.

They're not the only ones making history — millions of new voters have registered at unprecedented rates, especially in minority groups and in the youth demographic. It has become easier than ever to get involved in the political process through dozens of Web sites promoting voter registration and education, or local campaign and party headquarters that have redoubled their efforts for the upcoming election.

Although these are encouraging signs that voter apathy is receding, many are still skeptical of participating at all, and persuading these citizens to cast their vote will be more important than ever

In elections past, voter turnout has been less than stellar, leading many of our own pundits and others around the world to diagnose that the American people suffer from apathy.

There is some truth to this — amidst the swarms of enthusiastic new voters, there are also those who still feel their vote counts for nothing and therefore will change nothing. In light of the events of the past eight years, this attitude is no longer acceptable.

America is not a nation that should ever have been characterized by apathy, especially toward its own system of government. For years, people of all backgrounds fought to earn and protect one thing that does not truly exist in the rest of the world as it exists here: the right



to vote. Some even thought this right was friends were finally old enough to vote important enough to die for, and did so that future generations could have their say in a government of the people, by the people.

Yet, for all the early voting and absentee balloting, voter registration drives and block walks, there are still those who could care less for such a privilege. They do not seem to understand that taking any kind of action to initiate change, even if it seems small, leads to improvement.

If no other good can come from voting, we can at least prove to the 24-hour news cycle and our global audience that they are wrong; that we are no longer an apathetic nation and we care very much for our future and saving our ailing reputation throughout the world.

The American people need to prove that we are a force to be reckoned with, one that will not allow our situation to stagnate any further, and that in itself will be an initiation of change and a very strong gesture that the years to come are going to be radically different from those of the past.

When the primary elections were taking place this year, I and many of my and were excited about doing pating in politics has never been easier for young people as it is now, but it has also never been more important for us.

Although many of us are now adults in the eyes of the law, we will truly come of age to inherit adult responsibilities during the upcoming administration. The jobs we will seek once we graduate and the lifestyle we will pursue afterward will be directly and dramatically influenced by the choices we make now, especially in the political

It is our responsibility to be informed and to make our own choices instead of voters who are twice our age, and yet seem to be the only ones concerned with their future.

It's only a matter of time before the full weight of the problems from generations before falls on our shoulders, and it is up to us to be willing and ready to fix them now for the sake of our future and that of generations to come.

> Maggie Fraser is a freshman premajor from Fort Worth.

Voters should look at policies, not clothes, of women politicians



This has been an amazing year for women in politics, but somehow we still seem unable to escape the urge to marginalize women based on their fashion sense and appearance.

Hillary Clinton and Sarah Palin have shattered the glass ceiling and made something possible that would have seemed impossible just a few years ago.

They have stood strong on the issues and made meaningful contributions to the political debate that is so desperately needed in our country right now. So why is the media intent on focusing on how they look and what they wear?

Hillary's pantsuits and Palin's designer duds seem to be as important as their po-

It's no wonder Sarah Palin had to spend \$150,000 on wardrobe and accessories; she is expected to look like a movie star 24/7. Any style faux paux becomes primetime news, but never is it reported on what kind of shoes or suit the male candidates are wearing (unless of course, they fail to wear a flag pin on their lapel).

The problem is, it detracts from what is important. What we need is more reporting on serious issues that would help voters make informed decisions. We need information on their track records and their plans for the future.

It seems that we are not entirely comfortable with the women's accomplishments and the positions of power they aspire to, so we drag them back down

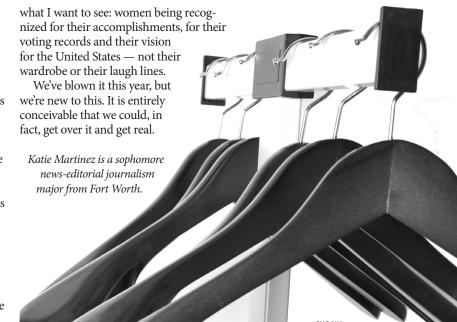
to girly land by making Barbies in their likeness and creating video game widgets where we can change their outfits.

The fact is, anyone who represents the nation should look his or her best. Politicians should dress smart and have every hair in place, but it should not be the focus of our attention or discussions about female candidates any more than the males they face in debate.

Do these female candidates not deserve the same amount of respect as their male counterparts? One could certainly argue they deserve more because of the struggles they faced in getting there. They certainly deserve to be taken seriously.

Perhaps it is a long, old road to true equality, or it could be an unattainable goal. The ultimate decision will lie with the readers and viewers of media outlets because the organizations strive to provide only what the public wants to see.

So, what do we want to see? I know



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FOOTBALL

the tunnel last week," Patterson said. "I didn't feel anything coming down the tunnel this week." Enter senior running back

Aaron Brown. We were kind of emotionally

down," Brown said. "We didn't come up just charged like we were last week against BYU. We knew that we had to get some kind of spark."

After Wyoming cut the lead to 14-7, the Horned Frog kickoff return team broke the huddle on "spark," Brown said. And that's exactly what the senior provid-

Fielding the kickoff at his own 15, Brown sprinted 85 yards down the middle of the field to the end zone for six . Brown said he was frustrated after running out of bounds on long returns against the Oklahoma and BYU.

Following Brown's return, the **Aaron Brown** defense forced four consecutive punts. Then the takeaways be-

As Wyoming's Dax Crum, the back-up quarterback, scrambled to his right, linebacker Robert Henson came up to deliver a crushing hit and jarred the ball loose. Defensive end Wayne Daniels fell on the ball at the Wyoming 19.

Freshman wide receiver Antoine Hicks gave his best impression of sophomore wide receiver Jeremy Kerley on the next three plays, taking three direct snaps and carrying them for a total of 21 yards. Dalton closed out the drive with a play action pass to fullback Justin Watts for the Frogs' defensive unit.

score, putting the Frogs up 45-7 early in the fourth quarter with the extra point by freshman Ross

After a three-and-out forced Wyoming to punt, Hicks made his presence felt once again by blocking Austin McCoy's punt, resulting in a safety. The safety set up Brown for a 54-yard return on the ensuing safety kickoff. Brown assumed the role of punt returner with Kerley limited to holding field goal attempts.

"I just knew I had to really

"We didn't come up just charged like we were last against BYU. We knew we had to get some kind of spark."

senior running back

carry us on punt returns because I had never done punt returns," Brown said. "It was kind of different trying to look up and down. I just trust my teammates. They were trying to help me out on the sideline, screaming if I had it or if I should fair catch."

With 4:13 left to play, freshman corner back Greg McCoy picked off a pass from Chris Stutzreim on the sideline and returned it 24 yards to the Horned Frog 47 yard line. It was the first of McCoy's college career.

Oklahoma is still the only team to score more than once on the

RALLY

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Junior finance and accounting major George Becker said it is important for politicians to interact with the community.

"It's the only way that they are the issues."

going to get in touch with the people," Becker said.

Freshman strategic communication major Natalie Look agreed.

"It's important to bring everyone together," Look said. "It gets all the Republicans together to talk about

James has many options after Cleveland

By Ken Berger Newsday

Knicks had money to sign a bigtime free agent that Patrick Ewing — Sr., not Jr. — was wearing their jersev.

It was July 1996 when GM Ernie Grunfeld lavished \$79 mil-

lion on the promising young backcourt tandem of Houston and Chris Childs. How long ago was it? Grunfeld's son, Dan, was in a Knicks uniform this training camp.

A lot happened in 12 years. But with the keys pressed firmly into the palms of Donnie Walsh and Mike D'Antoni, sanity restored.

"If you called up the New York Knicks and every trade you said, 'I want a first-round pick, \$3 million, and you get a lesser player than I'm getting," Walsh said somebody's got to say, 'I'm not going to do that."

The absurdity stops here, but the results won't be apparent for two or even three more years. Keep your eye on the prize, and on the plan. Everything the Knicks do now is about preparing for the Summer of LeBron.

In July 2010, LeBron James, Chris Bosh, Dwyane Wade, Amand Tyson Chandler — among others — will be eligible for free agency. James, Bosh and Wade clearly are the head of the class.

There's a reason so many teams are clearing cap space like landscapers with leaf blowers. Everyone wants to be at the front of the receiving line.

The idea of James opting out of his Cavaliers contract in two years and leaving his hometown has been mocked in some circles largely among those who believe LeBron will choose loyalty

and money over career oppor-

Not so, says one Western Con-It was so long ago when the ference executive who is convinced James' exit from Cleveland is inevitable.

"My understanding is, he's out for sure," the executive said. "He'll run it out to free agency for sure, and Cleveland is definitely not the highest chance of the teams. Everyone that knows him and that he talks to privately says he wants to get out of there."

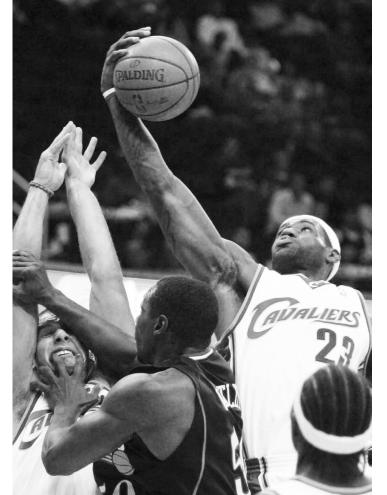
Unless it's a sign-and-trade, LeBron could get more money from the Cavs than any other team. But the Knicks hold a decided edge over Cleveland and and hope — finally have been many other suitors because of the exposure and marketing opportunities the city offers.

"LeBron's a little different than the next cat," another team executive said. "He wants to be the world hoops icon. He wants recently, "at some point I think to be Elvis. It limits him to bigmarket places: L.A., New York, Chicago or Miami."

The Cavs' front office is well aware of LeBron's intentions. That's why every move they've made over the past two years Ben Wallace, Mo Williams — has been geared toward winning now, before LeBron bolts. Being championship-caliber is the only way Cleveland can keep are Stoudemire, Tracy McGrady him: LeBron doesn't want to be remembered as the guy who left his hometown on the brink of a championship without finishing

> Among the teams in markets that would be appealing to LeBron, the Bulls and Heat will have plenty of money available — and potentially more attractive talent than the Knicks, who must have a contingency plan.

> Wade's starring role with Team USA significantly boosted his value, which will only continue to rise if he stays healthy. The feeling around the league is that Wade will sign an extension with Miami instead of opt-



Cleveland Cavaliers Sasha Pavlovic, left, and LeBron James battle for a rebound with

Philadelphia 76er Theo Ratliff during the first period at Quicken Loans Arena on Oct. 18 in Cleveland.

Wade's prickly relationship with Heat president Pat Riley.

Don't rule out Bosh, whom many executives believe has all but decided to opt out of his contract with Toronto.

"You've got to have a reason to leave, and I think Bosh would," a rival GM said. "If I were Donnie, LeBron's an obvious deal, but I think Bosh is really attractive. I'd be getting my ducks in a row on that one."

Two wild-card scenarios loom large for the Knicks: Kobe Bryant, and the impending expiration of the collective-bargaining

"Guys may want to lock in a ing out, but there are plenty of deal under the current rules," the Jr. was 12 years old.

These two teams know ahead

variables to consider — such as Western Conference executive said. "With the future rules, you don't know exactly where they're going to go. Historically, they've gone the owners' way."

Like LeBron, Kobe has openly flirted with the idea of playing in New York. But unlike LeBron, Bryant likes his current situation and figures to return to the Lakers after opting out and making some noise. No one is more conscious of his brand than Bryant, and being a Laker for life has

Kobe, LeBron, Wade, Bosh the possibilities are tantalizing.

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But imagine that same game with a playoff system.

would be the No. 1 team in the and these two teams would pos- 12 meaningful games over the nation the next week and have sibly play again in the second course of four months. That round. That thought alone might take

away some of the intensity of that

I would give up a playoff format of time that even if they lose this that will give you seven meaninggame, they have a great shot of ful games, if it is an eight-team making an eight-team playoff playoff, for every team playing would lead to the two best teams playing in one more meaningful game to decide it all at the end of the season.

The doubles duo of seniors Ma-

"I wish we would have won,"

Harkins said. "But I think we

played well in all of our match-

Harkins and Sydorska still have

"We are going to hear about the

a chance of making the Indoor

Championships as an at-large

indoors on Thursday to see if we

call Harkins and Anna Sydorska,

ranked No. 9, lost (8-4) to the No. 11 pair of Megan Falcon and

Mykala Hedberg from LSU.

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"I'm playing well, winning a lot of matches," Munch-Soegaard said. "I just want to keep it going."

Head coach Jefferson Hammond said he was praticularily happy for Munch-Soegaard.

"She had a great tourney," Hammond said. "She is so mentally strong, she believed in herself, she enjoyed the stage and smashing fashion." came home the victor in smashing fashion."

The coach also said Munch-Soegaard is well deserving of her spot at the ITA indoor championships.

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"She has been so close the last—and the program." couple years to getting into the big two, the Indoor and NCAA (Championships)," Hammond

"She is so mentally strong, she believed in herself. she enjoyed the stage and came home the victor in

Jefferson Hammond head coach

said. "For her to finally make it as a junior is real satisfying for her

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get in," Harkins said. "If we don't get in, we are done for the fall." Overall, Hammond said he

is proud of the effort his team showed during this tournament.

"Everybody has worked very hard," Hammond said. "We have battled from behind in many matches in the early round."

The coach also said he is proud of what his team did throughout the fall season.

"We have showed across the board that we are deep, and we have strength up front," Hammond said. "In order to be one of the elite teams in the NCAA, you have to be very strong up front as well as deep."

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Junior Nina Munch-Soegaard serves during her championship match Monday in the ITA Southwest Regional at TCU.

Junior wins singles tourney

By Billy Wessels **Sports Editor**

competition and came in second in doubles at the finals of the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Southwest Regional, played Mon-Tennis Center.

Junior Nina Munch-Soegaard took home the singles championship to clinch a spot at the ITA indoor championships at the also reached the doubles semifi-

University of Virginia beginning nals with her sophomore partner

"I played really well today," Horned Frogs won the singles Munch-Soegaard said after her of the aches and pains to get the 6-0, 6-3 win over No. 34 Taylor Ormand of Baylor University.

Munch-Soegaard, ranked No. 47, also beat the No. 15 and No. Munch-Soegaard said. "I'm exday at the Bayard H. Friedman 24-ranked singles players on her way to the title.

> "I'm exhausted and so sore I can barely walk," Munch-Soegaard said about her long weekend. She

Maria Babinova.

But she said it was worth all spot at her first indoor champi-

"I'm very ready for indoors," cited I get to go."

This will be her first trip to the indoor championships, but she hopes to keep her momentum

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See how the cross country team is preparing for the Mountain West Conference Championships.

FOOTBALL

Young sets school mark in 54-7 rout of Cowboys

By Robert Bember Staff Reporter

While the campus played host to alumni for Homecoming weekend, Jimmy Young was throwing a coming out party.

The sophomore wide receiver posted a school-record 226 yards on five catches for three touchdowns in the Frogs' 54-7 rout of the University of Wyoming Cow-

"It feels great, but it's going to be something I have to forget about here in these next weeks and just put my focus on UNLV," Young

Sophomore quarterback Andy Dalton found a wide open Young down the middle of the field on the fourth play from scrimmage for a 60-yard touchdown. With 9:03 left in the second quarter, Young made his second trip to the end zone on a 55-yard strike from Dalton on the same play, Dalton said.

"They were going to a cover three, so we were hitting them with an inside vertical," Dalton said. "They couldn't get the safety over in time, so we kept hitting them on a big play."

The two hooked up again late in the third quarter on a 39-yard touchdown pass.

"He kept getting open and it kept working so we kept getting him the ball," Dalton said.

Dalton completed 16 of 22 passes for 334 yards and four touchdowns. He added 21 yards on the ground and a touchdown.

A 65-yard catch-and-run by Young, his longest reception of the night, set up Dalton for his oneyard rushing touchdown.



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Sophomore wide receiver Jimmy Young (88) celebrates with teammates Curtis Clay (2) and Antoine Hicks (13) after scoring a touchdown in the Frogs' 54-7 win Saturday.

Mountain West Conference in wasn't ready for and that having pass defense entering the game, surrendering only 159.7 yards per game through the air.

But the Cowboy-run defense is what gave the Frogs fits. The team went for 110 yards on 39 carries, the second-lowest total of the season behind the loss to the University of Oklahoma. Young and Dalton's explosion came at an opportune time, with the team able to rush for only 2.8 yards per

"When people start putting more people in the box, at some point in time you've got to be able to throw the football," Patterson

Early on, Patterson said the Cowboys utilized some offen-Wyoming was No. 1 in the sive formations that the defense

two weeks to prepare for the game helped Wyoming take a closer look at the TCU defense. Running back Devin Moore became the first 100-yard rusher against the nation's best run defense this season with 120 on the day.

"Their running backs are good players," Patterson said. "Devin Moore has had more yards these few years than most people

Moore ran for 135 yards last season in the Cowboys' 24-21 win in Laramie, Wyo.

Patterson was disappointed with the lack of emotion and energy the team had.

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The Bowl Championship Series used to be the bane of my ex-

The rankings weren't fair; the bowls were boring, and everyone was clamoring for a playoff sys-

I used to follow the herd blindly on the playoff idea, but the more I think about it, the BCS has it mostly right.

While the rankings are still questionable — a two-loss Ohio State is ranked No. 12 by the BCS, but No. 13 in the AP and USA Today polls and TCU, with just one loss, is ranked No. 12 in the AP

and USA Today polls, but No. 13 should have been there. in the BCS — the committee can't really help that the bowls have been blowouts lately.

Its job is to pick the best teams and put them on the same field. It isn't its fault that one team just doesn't show up.

As the old saying goes, hindsight is 20-20. If the bowl committee knew Louisiana State University would have totally decimated "the" Ohio State in last year's national championship game, they might have given Ohio State's spot to the University of Southern California or West Virginia, but at the time that game looked like it was going to be a great one.

And if this year's national title game features the University of Texas and the University of Alabama, it will look like a great game on paper, but if the Longhorns destroy the Crimson Tide, everyone will argue once again that Penn State or USC

That leads us to the idea of the playoff system.

The playoffs work great for everything else, but I am slowly becoming a believer in the one-gameto-win-it-all mentality. Our current system of determin-

ing a national champion makes every game in the regular season so much more immensely impor-If Alabama loses one game from

here on out, it can kiss the crystal football goodbye. USC might have already done so with its loss on the road at Oregon State.

This system is part of the reason we have so many great regular season games.

The Texas versus Oklahoma game a couple of weeks ago was a great regular season game, mostly because the winner of that game

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