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The front of the Cutting Edge Haunted House off of Interstate 30. The attractions run from 7 p.m. until midnight for the rest of the week.

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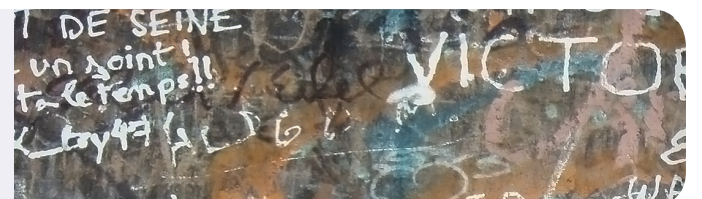
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LEAPS to celebrate 10-year anniversary this weekend.



POLITICS

Multiple options for college voters

By Alex Collins

Staff Reporter

Junior strategic communication major Megan Swisher registered to vote in the Oklahoma midterm elections and planned on submitting her absentee ballot by the end of the week. Like Swisher, many university students live outside of the local Tarrant County voting district.

However, filling out an absentee ballot for the midterm elections could have been an option as long as students planned ahead, said Joanne Green, associate professor for political science.

The deadline to register for absentee ballots has passed in most states, she said.

Absentee ballot applications were due Oct. 26 for Texas voters, according to longdistancevoter.com.

Completed absentee ballots for Texas must be received by the time polls close on election day Nov. 2, according to longdistancevoter.com.

Green said that if students wanted to vote in the midterm elections there were other options if they did not submit absentee ballots. Students could return to their local voting districts on Election Day or during early voting periods to cast their votes.

Tim Cason, a sophomore communication studies major from Early, Texas, said he received an absentee ballot from his mom in the mail.

Cason completed the ballot and planned on mailing in his ballot in time for Election Day, he said.

"It's always important to vote because you can express your opinion and have an influence on the government that is taking care of us," he said.



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Texas Democratic gubernatorial candidate Bill White, left, speaks at the Tarrant County Convention Center, Monday, July 26, 2010, in Fort Worth, Texas.

Swisher, on the other hand, received her absentee registration form during her sorority's chapter meeting, she said.

A member of her sorority invited chapter members to participate in a competition between other universities to see which school could register the most students, she said. A majority of the members in her sorority registered that way.

Swisher said she would have registered even if she were not encouraged to by her chapter.

"I still want to be able to have a say," she said.

Voting has allowed her to remain current on the issues of her hometown and voice her opinion in local politics be-

cause it forces her to continue to follow the news from her hometown, she said.

Junior engineering major J.B. Litterer, however, said he did not plan on voting because he did not follow local politics.

"I don't have the time to care," he said.

Other students might not vote because they would not feel the impact of what they voted for, he said.

Still, Litterer said he voted in the presidential election.

"When there is a new president, there is the most change in the government," he said.

Litterer said he would continue to vote in presidential elections because he would want to have an influence on who would serve as president.

CAMPUS

Halloween starts early for local students

By Kerri Feczko

Staff Reporter

Some elementary school students will not have to wait until Halloween to get their candy fix.

The TCU Staff Assembly, a group of staff representing all areas of the university, will hold a trick-or-treat event today for students from StarPoint School and KinderFrogs School to celebrate Halloween.

Although this will not be the first time for this event, this will be the first year that SuperFrog will make an appearance, a coordinator for the event Doris Wallace said. SuperFrog will be there to help pass out candy and take pictures with the students, she said.

Students will begin at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum and walk along the con-

course to receive candy from volunteers at different stations, Wallace said.

There will be over 20 volunteers, including members of the TCU Staff Assembly, who will be dressed up in Halloween costumes while they pass out candy, a coordinator for the event and TCU Athletics Executive Assistant Terri Cain said. The TCU women's basketball team has also volunteered to help out with the event.

The TCU Assembly expects around 100 students from KinderFrogs and StarPoint to participate in the Halloween festivities, Cain said.

StarPoint/Kinderfrogs Halloween Parade

When: Today at 10:30 a.m.

Where: Concourse of Daniel Meyer Coliseum

TECHNOLOGY

Students, faculty hit by phishing scam

By Carter Babb

Staff Reporter

University technology resources detected a phishing e-mail sent to students, faculty and staff Thursday morning, compromising the network and e-mail account of several users who fell victim to the attack, Technology Resources Information Security Services Director Jim Mayne said.

The e-mail contained an attachment asking users to enter their username and password, Mayne said.

At least 25 students, faculty and staff responded to the e-mail by entering their information, he said.

Mayne said his department receives phishing e-mails every day but only alerts the campus when most of the campus is affected.

Entering your username and password typically leads to receiving more

spam e-mail, but more damaging outcomes are possible, Mayne said.

"The worst-case scenario is they could log into the portal under your username and password and change your self-service information," he said.

This e-mail was different than most phishing attacks because it was sent to such a wide range of people, Mayne said. Most attacks are targeted and only sent to 10 or 15 people.

If people fall victim to an e-mail phishing attack by entering their username and password, they should change their password immediately, Mayne said. The university does not send e-mails requesting a password.

Students should never open a link sent in an e-mail, and should not open attachments unless they know what they are and where they came from, Mayne said.

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Reading Frogs meet on Saturday

By Sean McDermott

Staff Reporter

Students will come together Saturday for a program to help get Fort Worth elementary and middle school students to read.

Reading Frogs is an event that happens once a semester at which students read and hand out books to about 500 students, ages five to 13, to get them excited about reading and show that it is cool, TCU liaison for Reading Frogs Brett Neal said.

"The schools the students come from have low literacy rates and [the event] gives [TCU students] an opportunity to help with their reading," Neal said.

This year, Neal said Reading Frogs has about 200 students coming to help from TCU LEAPS.

Coaches also send TCU athletes to volunteer and members of the dance team show up, as well as cheerleaders and a number of Greek students, Neal said.

"It's really cool to see how affected the students

are when someone is actually trying to help them, especially if you get a football player with them," Neal said.

At the end of the event, Neal said the children get to take books home with them and have one of the volunteers sign it and give them an encouraging message.

Neal said he enjoys being involved with Reading Frogs because he is able to help young students read and find a love for reading.

"I have been a part of this for four years, and it's a really humbling experience to see the love of reading in the kids' eyes, especially from those who go from hating reading to loving it once you tell them how cool it is," Neal said.

Reading Frogs

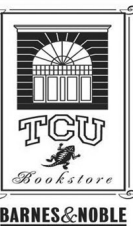
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The Skiff View

Effective response for phishing attack

Early Thursday, a sizable number of university students and faculty awoke to find a peculiar message sitting in their inboxes. The subject line read, "Your Account has been flagged," and an attachment appeared to hold a message from a vaguely omnipotent "ADMIN." Who wouldn't be tempted to click through? For the reported 25 or more users who did open the attachment, a new page requested their password and e-mail information. What is more worrisome is that students were convinced to enter their guarded information in the first place.

It's been some time since the last widespread spam attack on our campus, but students are constantly reminded via messages and posters that the university would never solicit passwords via e-mail. Sometimes "never" doesn't mean "never," but in this case the meaning is absolute. Students should have more faith in the capability of our Technology Resources staff.

Technology Resources' response was both timely and detailed. The suspicious message was delivered to e-mail accounts generally early Thursday morning, and by 9:16 a.m., an information security alert was sent out. Obviously, Technology Resources officials are good at what they do, so students, take their advice and don't respond to phishy-looking messages.

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"HIGGINS! HAVE WE FOCUS-GROUPED RESTORING SANITY VS. KEEPING FEAR ALIVE YET?"

Nate Beeler is the editorial cartoonist for the Washington Examiner

Midterm election could cause more partisanship



Alex Apple

Rewind to 2008: Barack Obama was elected by one of the widest margins ever in a presidential election. He wiped out John McCain and a super-majority of 60 Democratic senators was elected. Voters were frustrated that after eight years of having a Republican in the White House, there were two wars, an economic recession, growing health premiums, an illegal immigration problem, a changing world environment and a national debt.

In the campaign, Obama had solutions to all those problems, and people were confident that he would change politics and turn this country around. People who had never voted Democrat before voted for him, and Republicans were down and out.

Return to the present: There was no way Obama could have pleased everyone, and voters still see unaddressed issues. Obama came into office and inherited one of the biggest messes that any president has ever had to deal with.

Nonetheless, the economy has not turned around fast enough for voters, and they are primed to elect a new crop of congressmen to Washington. This time, Republicans have momentum and are poised to, they think, make some gains in Congress.

With a week to go before election day, Republicans will gain a majority in the House of Representatives, while Democrats will maintain control of the Senate.

Because of the split Congress, legislative gridlock could win out. It is unlikely that the parties will be able to agree on much of anything. Republicans have offered little in the way of a plan or agenda if they gain power. Their "Plan for America" was little more than a regurgitation of their failed 1994 "Contract with America," according to most political analysts. They will, however, be able to block most of the Democrats' agenda with control of just one house, and they have shown that no matter what is proposed, they will not vote for a Democrat's bill.

Voters are begging for partisan solutions from Washington, but the elections could cause more partisanship than ever before.

If the Republicans regain control of one house, according to Democratic leaders, they want to work together with Republicans to create a plan to stimulate the job market and create more jobs in

the private and public sectors.

The Tea Party movement has gained strength over the past few months, but according to projections from FiveThirtyEight.com, a New York Times political blog, only three Tea Party candidates will actually win their races.

The perceived Republican momentum can be attributed to the same thing that Democrats used to win in 2008: an enthusiasm gap. There is a big gap between the enthusiasm of Republican voters than Democratic voters, and Obama has been trying to excite voters in recent weeks.

According to FiveThirtyEight.com projections, Democrats will maintain 53 seats in the Senate, while Republicans will have 47. In the House, Democrats will hold 211 seats, while Republicans will hold 224.

It will be very interesting to see how Obama operates after the midterm elections. Political analysts agree that about 90 days after the midterms, we will know who Obama really is and how he will react. Obama does not need to worry about his legacy or 2012. He will have plenty of time to shape his legacy, and he will not need to make a speech to tell us about it because we will already be watching.

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PERSPECTIVES

Stories, rituals about human fears have kept the species alive



Samantha Hunter

Though it may be a great inconvenience and is certainly unpleasant at times, fear is an exceptionally useful emotion to have. Perhaps our most valuable weapon, fear has kept the human race alive for millennia.

After all, when faced with the glowing eyes of a big cat, the semi-silent warning of a serpent or the bones of a less fortunate creature, what more could our ancestors do than run away? It is safe to assume that those who stuck around to investigate were not around long enough to pass on their less-than-favorable traits. Indeed, one might say that the meek truly did inherit

the Earth. And it shows in the common fears we humans experience around the world.

Why do we fear the dark? That's where the predators live. Why do we cringe at the sight of blood? Blood attracts those predators. However as our species populated the world and predators became less threatening, our fears stuck around and soon became embedded in our folklore.

We personified our fears, gave them names, faces, stories and ways to defeat them. These monsters haunted our ancestors' dreams for years. What is most surprising is just how similar monsters are worldwide.

What is interesting is just how many of these multi-cultural monster stories involve either children or childbirth. Here are but a few from cultures around the world.

The ancient Greeks had the lamia, a half-serpent creature with shape-shifting abilities. Forever tormented by the loss of her own children, the lamia fed on the blood of mortal infants.

In ancient Mexico, women who died in birth were believed to become civatateo in death. Civatateo attacked both travelers and children at cross roads, and only by offering food to the spirit would it cease its assault on the living.

The churel was believed to prowl the streets of ancient Indian communities with her backward-facing feet looking for young men to feed on. This demon was once a woman who died in childbirth, suffered a violent death or was wronged in life.

In some African cultures, children who died before the age of 12 were doomed to become abiku. These spirits possessed their living counterparts so they could satisfy their perpetual hunger, neglecting the needs of their living host.

These creatures were often blamed for the deaths and illnesses of women — particularly pregnant women — children, and young men. Even during the 19th century, vampires were blamed for many deaths in a New England town. The real culprit was tuberculosis. Which

explanation would bring the community more peace?

That's the driving force between all of these creatures: they can all be stopped via prayer or ritual. Wouldn't it be comforting to know that what was responsible for the death of one child was no longer able to hurt yours? Women and children often died during birth, and many children never lived to see their seventh birthdays, let alone puberty.

Our ancestors, desperate for an explanation, must have searched their darkest thoughts, looking for something that could have possibly caused such tragedies. And once they found their culprit, they drew up rituals to thwart it.

Whether or not these practices saved any lives is highly subjective, but the placebo effect is immensely powerful. Though we may not believe in these ghouls as our ancestors did, the fears they represented do exist and keep us awake at night to this very day.

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Prolific doesn't mean powerful when it comes to advertising



KC Aransen

We live in a media-dominated age. Unless one becomes a hermit and withdraws from society, it is nearly impossible to escape the ever-increasing media presence. Whether it's for the newest Starbucks drink or the latest Apple product, we see ads everywhere.

At the beginning of this school year, students could not walk into the Brown-Lupton University Union without being attacked by banks, photographers and fashion stores from Fort Worth. These companies tried to get students to sign up for their mailing lists by handing out samples and cards. They do this because, according to marketers, college students are at an impressionable age where they make choices that affect the rest of their lives.

As a result, marketers feel the need to advertise to college students in a variety of ways, from in-person interaction to cell

We are a society of consumers; there is no denying that. Our economy would not run properly if we did not have people putting money into it.

phone contact. Companies also market to students on campus and on their computers via sites like Facebook and Twitter, which many students use daily.

Most of the time you ignore those annoying ads on the side of your Facebook page, but because marketing has changed so much, the ads on your profile are now personalized. We have the ability to interact online with products we use every day. For example on Facebook more than 10 million users "like" Red Bull.

Without question, these ads do their job. Though they may be distracting at times, the personalization behind these ads aims to please and to get people to hear a message. We are a society of

consumers, there's no denying that, and our economy would not run properly without people putting money into it.

Ads and marketers that target college students might seem aggressive, but, to them, it's all part of the process. We are the next generation of consumers, and major marketers feel we are their best targets. Ads are, have been and will be a part of life for years to come. College students may be targeted more than other groups because we are constantly connected, but that doesn't mean we have to pay attention.

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HALLOWEEN

Local haunted house boasts world record, 20th anniversary

By Jennifer Iller
Staff Reporter

The voicemail of Todd James will tell callers that the Cutting Edge Haunted House is “an experience you can only hope to forget.”

James, the co-creator of the nationally-acclaimed haunted house, has more to celebrate than just the 20th anniversary of the eerie haunt, situated in Fort Worth’s “Hell’s Half Acre” area. The house reclaimed the Guinness World Records title for longest walk-through horror house Oct. 8.

Cutting Edge measured 3,519 feet long, according to the Guinness website. Factory of Terror, a haunted house in Canton, Ohio, had taken the award from Cutting Edge in August with a 3,318-foot length.

James said the publicity following the record was great on an international level, but that the house’s main focus would be to continue to scare.

“A lot of houses lose sight of scaring people in lieu of being beautiful,” he said.

“Characters can come out of nowhere and you’re completely blindsided by that”

Todd James
Co-creator of Cutting Edge

James described the house as “kind of like a nightmare.” With a Gothic graveyard, a swamp and the biggest closet ever, he said a walk through the old meat packing plant was a fun ride. He said his favorite scare in the house was the laser tunnels.

“Characters can come out of nowhere and you’re completely blindsided by that,” he said.

An added benefit this year is that there are five Friday-Saturday-Sunday weekends in October, James said, which hasn’t happened since October 2004. The extra time allows the business to squeeze in an extra weekend of haunting, he said.

MEMORIAL



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The memorial concert for Professor Ron Shirey, above, will feature Brahms’ “A German Requiem.”

Memorial concert to honor late choral professor Ron Shirey

By Kerri Feczko
Staff Reporter

The TCU School of Music will honor the memory of Choral Professor Ron Shirey with a performance at Bass Performance Hall in downtown Fort Worth on Nov. 1, the one-year anniversary of his passing.

Shirey established the Fort Worth-Texas Christian University Symphonic Choir, which performed at Carnegie Hall in New York on six different occasions during his 33 years at the university, according to a Fort Worth Star-Telegram obituary.

The performance will commemorate Shirey in more ways than one. Assistant Director of the School of Music Paul Cortese said the Fort Worth-TCU Symphonic Choir and TCU Symphony Orchestra will perform Brahms’ “A German Requiem,” one of Shirey’s favorite pieces because of its difficulty.

“The fact that they’ve selected this piece as the piece to pay tribute to him is a testament to his drive for the students and how

hard he pushed everybody,” Cortese said. “He knew that the students could achieve an excellent performance with a piece like this.”

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Paul Cortese
Assistant Director of the School of Music

This will not be the first time the Fort Worth-TCU Symphonic Choir and TCU Symphony Orchestra have performed at Bass Hall. Cortese said Shirey conducted the two groups there in a performance several years ago.

Part of the tribute will be returning to the same place where Shirey conducted.

The university choir will be accompanied by select alumni and members of the University

Christian Church choir, for which Shirey was also the choral director, Cortese said.

“He is known not only here at TCU, but also in the community,” Cortese said. “If you’re involved in the choral world, you know the name Ron Shirey.”

The TCU School of Music expects a sold-out crowd, Cortese said. The program’s last two performances at Bass Hall were sold-out events. This year will be the first time they will charge non-university attendants.

Ticket proceeds will benefit the Ronald L. Shirey Choral Fund.

Memorial Concert for Professor Ronald L. Shirey

When: Nov. 1, 7:30 p.m.

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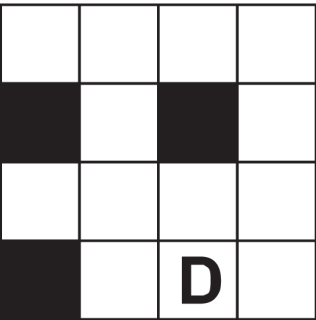
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"Dusseldorf, Germany"

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Sample



"Freeze"

Thursday's Solution



"Lagos, Nigeria"

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Directions

Fill in the grid so that every 3x3 box, row and column contains the digits 1 through 9 without repeating numbers.

See Tuesday's paper for sudoku and crossword solutions.

Thursday's Solution

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CAMPUS

LEAPS program celebrates a decade of community service

By Ashley Monismith
Staff Writer

TCU LEAPS will celebrate 10 years of service in the Fort Worth community Saturday. Since April 2000, students have dedicated a day of their schedules to volunteer at food banks, parks and other locations around the Metroplex.

However, planning for LEAPS, and the nature of the event, has changed over the past decade, Mary Kathleen Baldwin, assistant director of the Center for Community Involvement and Service-Learning, said.

"I feel like there was a lot more staff involvement then, and it's transitioned into student involvement," Baldwin said.

There is a student-run executive committee for TCU LEAPS, as well as student

team leaders for each group of volunteers.

Yajing Yang, a sophomore business major and LEAPS team leader, said previous experience prompted her to get involved again this year.

"To see many people work on the same projects together is kind of encouraging. Lots of people are making efforts to make something better."

Yajing Yang
Sophomore business major

"To see many people work on the same projects together is kind of encouraging. Lots of people are making efforts to make something better," Yang said.

LEAPS executive committee member and senior accounting major John Byrom has participated in improvement efforts, like those Yang referenced, in the past.

"One year I was a team leader at a YMCA and I was thinking we'd work with kids or something, but we were painting," Byrom said. "It just made me think of how many people I was affecting by painting the walls at YMCA."

Baldwin said Byrom's efforts, along with the efforts of about 6,000 students, alumni and faculty and staff members, have positively impacted the community for the past 10 years.

To celebrate the 10-year anniversary, TCU alumnus and Fort Worth City Councilman Jungus Jordan will give a speech in the Campus Commons at 12:15 p.m.

NATIONAL

Tower collapse kills Notre Dame student

By Tom Coyne
Associated Press

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — A strong gust of wind swept across Notre Dame's practice football field before a tower toppled, killing a student who had been videotaping the team from the tower, the university's athletic director said Thursday.

Declan Sullivan, a 20-year-old junior from Long Grove, Ill., died Wednesday at a South Bend hospital after the hydraulic scissor lift he was on fell over at the LaBar practice complex. Athletic Director Jack Swarbrick promised there would be a full investigation, but did not say who was responsible for allowing the student to use the lift.

Speaking to reporters for the first time since the accident, Swarbrick described a normal practice that quickly became chaotic on Wednesday. He said he was walking along the football field when suddenly, the wind picked up and equipment began flying.

"I turned to face north and experienced a pretty extraordinary burst of wind. Things started flying by me that had been stationary for all of practice — Gatorade containers, towels, etc. I noticed the netting by the goal post start to bend dramatically and I heard a crash," he said.

Swarbrick said training staff, medical trainers, coaches and players responded to Sullivan, but after emergency workers arrived, the team went back to the field so the rescuers could help the student. Sullivan was taken to a South Bend hospital, but Swarbrick said he received a call from the ambulance before it arrived that Sullivan was no longer breathing.

The National Weather Service said winds in the area were gusting to 51 mph at the time the hydraulic scissor lift, which can be lowered or raised depending on needs, fell over. The football team had practiced indoors the day before because of the blustery con-

ditions caused by a fierce storm.

It was not clear specifically who authorized Sullivan to go up in the scissor lift to videotape Wednesday's practice, but Swarbrick said it was the decision to practice outside was left up to individual programs at the university. As a student worker, Sullivan reported to a video coordinator associated with the team. Swarbrick said the university would review its protocol for sending people up in the temporary towers. He said at least one other student was in a temporary tower.

"We're going to look at how it was done this day," he said. The university also was going to investigate whether Sullivan had contact with anyone when he was in the tower filming practice. The student, who also wrote for the student newspaper, reportedly posted messages on his Facebook page just before the tower fell, including one calling it "terrifying" being on the tower amid high winds.

CRIME

A&M lockdown declared false alarm

Associated Press

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Texas A&M University has lifted a lockdown on its main campus after a report of a suspected gunman on campus turned out to be a person with a replica weapon.

The university's emergency notification system says there is no danger and people should resume normal activity on campus.

University spokesman Lane Stephenson had said a campus bus driver was on his route around 4 p.m. Thursday when he reported seeing a person carrying a weapon, possibly a rifle, near the student union.

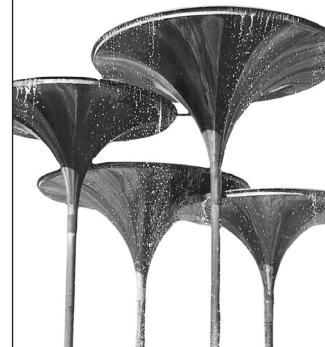
About 90 minutes later, A&M officials determined that the person was actually someone carrying a replica weapon.



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In this Sept. 30, 2006, file photo, Texas A&M Corp of Cadets lead the crowd in a cheer before the start of an NCAA football game against Texas Tech College Station, Texas.

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NFL
Fumbles cause rule-bending



ALAN DIAZ / ASSOCIATED PRESS
Miami Dolphins linebacker Karlos Dansby (58) lands on the ball fumbled by Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger in the second half of an NFL football game in Miami.

By Rob Maaddi
Associated Press

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. (AP) — When a football hits the ground, players are known to do whatever it takes to get it. Nothing is off limits. Eye-gouging. Crotch-grabbing. Biting. Kicking. Punching. Choking.

“When there’s a fumble, all rules are gone. Anything goes,” said Jets veteran defensive lineman Trevor Pryce. “Somebody bit me in the arm once, but I got the ball. I started screaming ‘Get off of me.’ If you’re caught in an awkward position — like your arm is about to pop off — you start screaming and guys start to get off of you.”

It might as well be “Rowdy” Roddy Piper or George “The Animal” Steele fighting for the ball. At a time when the NFL is showing very public concern about hits to the helmet, nobody really wants to investigate the mayhem that goes on when the ball gets loose.

“What goes on in a pile is sacred. You’re not supposed to talk about it,” Jets linebacker Bart Scott said half-jokingly. “People have tried to break my fingers. You do what you gotta do to get the ball out.”

Some of the Browns players complained that the New Orleans Saints used dirty tactics during Cleveland’s 30-17 win over the defending Super Bowl champions last Sunday.

Contributing to this story were Alan Robinson in Pittsburgh, Brett Martel in New Orleans, Tom Canavan in East Rutherford, N.J., Teresa Walker in Nashville, Tenn., Larry Lage in Detroit, Joseph White in Washington, Joe Kay in Cincinnati, Tom Withers in Cleveland and Tim Booth in Seattle.

WESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
Nevada, Fresno staying for now

By Scott Sonner
Associated Press

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Nevada and Fresno State have agreed to play one more season in the Western Athletic Conference before transferring to the Mountain West Conference in 2012, but will pay significantly less to make the move than the WAC had demanded, the league said Thursday.

The two schools wanted to make the change next year, but WAC officials filed a lawsuit that said they failed to provide proper notice to leave the league and would owe the WAC a \$5 million departure fee.

WAC Commissioner Karl Benson announced Thursday they reached an agreement that allows the schools to make the jump effective June 30, 2012, for a buyout of \$900,000 each. That means both of their football and basketball seasons will begin in the Mountain West with the 2012 season.

Benson said the fee was considerably less than what the WAC felt was warranted but the league decided to settle the dispute now rather than risk being tied up in court for several more months.

“This allows us to proceed with scheduling for 2012,” he told reporters during a teleconference call Thursday morning.

Benson described the negotiations only as “businesslike” and declined to characterize the deal in terms of winners or losers.

“I don’t think I’m prepared to say if it was a good deal or a bad deal,” he said. “It’s time for all parties to move on.”

Nevada and Fresno State announced in July that they had accepted invitations to follow fellow WAC member Boise State to the Mountain West. Boise starts play there next season and both Nevada and Fresno State had indicated they wanted to do the same.

Benson earlier lashed out at Nevada and Fresno State for being “selfish” in deciding to abandon the league to seek their fortune elsewhere. He characterized the two schools as partners in crime who — practically overnight — caused the WAC to go “from having a secure and prosperous future to once again not knowing what the future will hold.”

Benson said on Thursday that the premature loss of the two could have left the WAC with only six schools, jeopardizing bowl ties and automatic bids to NCAA tournaments.

“To have allowed Fresno state or Nevada to leave early would have put the WAC at a tremendous disadvantage,” Benson said. “There was substantial financial risk.”

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ANALYSIS

Frogs could pass Boise with win over UNLV



Allen Kellogg

After the BCS standings came out this past week, Horned Frog fans were pleasantly surprised to see TCU ranked No. 4 in the nation. With a dominating win against the UNLV Rebels, the Frogs could leap Boise State, since the two teams are only separated by .0013 points in the BCS standings. UNLV has had a rough year. The team is 1-6, with its only win coming against New Mexico. TCU should use this opportunity to prepare for the massive showdown with Utah next weekend.

When TCU is on offense

The TCU rushing offense is one of the most effective in the country. It boasts a trio of young, talented running backs. Ed Wesley, a sophomore starter, could break the 1,000-yard mark on the season against UNLV. He is averaging an astounding seven yards per carry.

The UNLV defensive line is composed of mostly seniors, so the linemen have the experience. However, the line has little talent, except for senior defensive end Isaako Aaitui. Aaitui has NFL potential and must play the best game of his life to try to slow down the TCU rushing attack.

The UNLV pass rush is not particularly strong, so the TCU offensive line should be able to open rushing lanes and protect quarterback Andy Dalton. Dalton played well against Air Force, and has remained hot this season. Will Chandler is an excellent talent at cornerback for the Rebels, leading the team with four interceptions this season. The rest of the UNLV secondary is not as capable of covering the talented TCU receivers. Dalton will have a good game because there will be no pressure on him in the pocket.

When TCU is on defense

The TCU defense has only allowed 10 points in the past four games. Against a mediocre offense like UNLV's, which is ranked No. 114 out of 120 teams nationally, the defense should be able to dominate. Even though the Horned Frogs lost nose tackle Kelly Griffin for the season due to injury, the defensive line should still be able to penetrate into the backfield and get tackles for loss and sacks.

Wayne Daniels leads the defensive line with nine tackles for loss and six sacks, so fans should expect another good performance out of him. Rebel quarterback Omar Clayton is nothing exceptional. He distributes the ball to the receivers well enough and will now be able to use his most talented receiver, Phillip Payne, who is back after a suspension. Payne is a tall, strong receiver who has good hands, but he is not a speed threat. Payne will be matched up against senior cornerback Jason Teague. Payne does not have a significant size advantage over Teague, and he will have to adjust to being back, so he should not be a key factor in the game. The UNLV running game is almost non-existent, so they will have a lot of trouble trying to run the ball against a rushing defense like TCU's. The TCU defense will dominate all aspects of the game.

Allen Kellogg is a sophomore journalism major from Alexandria, Va.

WEEKEND RECAP

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

The TCU women's volleyball team will travel to Colorado Springs, Colo. to take on Air Force on Friday. The Frogs look to rebound from a 3-1 loss dealt by BYU last weekend. The team also looks to even out its 1-5 road record. TCU is 13-10 overall and 3-5 in conference play.

Volleyball vs. Air Force

Day: Friday

Time: 8 p.m.

Where: Colorado Springs, Colo.

CROSS COUNTRY

TCU Cross Country team members will open postseason action at the 2010 Mountain West Conference Championships today in Laramie, Wyo.. The Frogs finished strong at their last meet, the Chile Pepper Festival. Agnes Kemboi and Festus Kigen both placed in the Top 15 at the meet. The Lady Frogs finished 7th last year at the conference championships and the men's team closed the meet in sixth place.

Day: Friday

Time: All day

Where: Laramie, Wyo.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

The Lady Frogs come back home as they host Mountain West Conference leaders New Mexico on Saturday at Garvey-Rosenthal Soccer Stadium. They will attempt to break a four-game losing streak. The team has been scoreless in its last two games on the road. The Frogs dropped a close 3-2 home game against Utah in overtime. TCU is 7-10-1 overall.

Day: Saturday

Time: 7 p.m.

Where: Garvey-Rosenthal

Soccer Stadium

SWIMMING & DIVING

The Horned Frog men's swimming & diving team will spend its weekend at the Southwest Collegiate Plunge. The team travels to Mansfield on Friday and will continue the invitational Saturday. Freshman freestyle swimmer Michael Franz was one of the TCU Athletes of the Week for the week of October 25. TCU men's swimming & diving team conquered Air Force in its first meet of the season. This leaves the men's team 1-0 in conference and overall standings.

Days: Friday and Saturday

Time: TBA

Where: Mansfield, Texas

RIFLE

The TCU Rifle team will fire away in Murray, Ky. as they take on Murray State University on Saturday. The team holds an undefeated record for the season and a first-place finish at the Ole Miss Invitational. Team member Mattie Brogdon was named one of TCU's Athletes of the Week this week. Brogdon recorded a career-high score in the air rifle portion of the Horned Frog win over West Virginia. | Day: Saturday Time: All day Where: Murray, Ky.

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Texas Christian tailback Ed Wesley (34) looks for running room against Air Force's defense during an NCAA football game at Amon G. Carter Stadium in Fort Worth, Texas, October 23, 2010.

Patterson: Team focused on UNLV before Utah

By David Stein
Staff Reporter

The No. 4 Horned Frogs are leaving the Dallas-Fort Worth area for just the second time this season to take on the UNLV Rebels on Saturday.

The Rebels have a 1-6 season record under first-year head football coach Bobby Hauck, and rank near the bottom nationally of almost every offensive and defensive category.

UNLV hasn't beaten TCU since the Frogs joined the Mountain West Conference in 2005, but the Rebels have had a week off to prepare for the No. 4 Horned Frogs. Head football coach Gary Patterson said the off-week is big for UNLV.

"I think the advantage always goes to teams that have off-weeks in the middle of the season, because you get the chance to clear your mind," Patterson said. "We understand we have a hard task at hand. We've got to do something about it, get ourselves ready and find a way to get to 9-0."

TCU is coming off a 38-7 win over Air Force. The Frogs held the nation's best rushing attack to just 184 yards, Air Force's lowest of the season. Sophomore running back Ed Wesley had a career-high 209 yards and two touchdowns.

The Frogs moved to fourth in the BCS standings behind an efficient offense and the nation's best defense. TCU has outscored opponents 141-10 in four conference games this season.

With No. 8 Utah looming the week after, it may be easy to understand how the Horned Frogs could overlook the Rebels, but Patterson said his players are focused.

"I don't even have to talk to them about it. I haven't even heard it come up, to be honest with you," Patterson said.

Just because UNLV has struggled this season doesn't mean the team is without talent. Patterson said UNLV always has good skill players, including senior quarterback Omar Clayton and junior wide receiver Phillip Payne, who Patterson said is one of the best in the conference.

In last year's contest, then-sophomore wide receiver Antoine Hicks scored on a 75-yard

touchdown pass with no right shoe, a play that symbolized the ease of the Horned Frogs' 41-0 victory. The Frogs had 578 yards of total offense, while the defense held UNLV just 160 yards.

Three of the Frogs' past four games are on the road, something Patterson said will be important in the last stretch of the season.

"When you don't take as big of a crowd with you, you've got to take your own energy on the road, Patterson said. "That's how you win championships."

If TCU wins, there could be a possibility of going up in the BCS standings. Auburn and Oregon, the top two teams, play difficult conference games and No. 5 Michigan State plays conference foe No. 18 Iowa.