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Police logs only show campus crime, officials say

Agencies required to share information

> By JAMIE CRUM Staff Reporter

Because most sexual assaults don't occur on campus, there is no way the TCU Police Department can accurately inform students about how many sexual assaults students experience, TCU Police said.

Under a federal law known as the Clery Act, TCU Police must provide an updated crime log, but Crime Prevention Officer Pamela Christian said the crime log alone does not paint the whole

The TCU crime logs report three sexual assaults at TCU

but Christian said this number is far below what the actual statistics are.

According to the American Medical Association, 65 percent of sexual assaults are unreported.

"Sexual assault is the No. 1 most unreported crime in America," Christian said. "Out of the assaults which

during the past four years, actually get reported to us, the crime logs only have to show the crimes which occurred on university property. Since most assaults occur off campus, the logs don't actually reflect the real number of assaults."

The Clery Act requires colleges and universities to maintain a public crime log, publish crime statistics warnings, according to the U.S. Department of Education Web site.

The law is named after a college freshman in Pennsylvania who was raped and murdered in her dorm room nearly 20 years ago.

The act was passed because many colleges refused to provide detailed

and issue appropriate crime information to students and their families about campus crime — including rapes and sexual assaults, according to the Security on Campus Organization.

> The information the Clery Act requires TCU to make available is much less than what police departments at public universities, which more on CRIME, page 2

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FACE IT

TCU will not ban facebook due to risks, officials say

University of New Mexico blocks site for privacy issues

> By ALISON RUBINSON Staff Reporter

Access to the popular Web site facebook.com was recently blocked at the University of New Mexico, but TCU administrators say they do not intend to ban the online directory on campus.

As of last week, there were 7,353 registered TCU accounts and people at more than 2.000 accounts, said Chris Hughes, spokesman for Facebook.

Numerous universities have expressed risk management concerns about the Web site based on privacy and security issues, said Jill Laster, associate vice chancellor of administrative services.

The privacy concerns at New Mexico led administrators to block access to Facebook on the campus, said Catherine Luther, spokeswoman for the New Mexico Computer and Information Resources and Technology department.

"Originally it was a routine

blockage because of spam, and later the dean of student's office was concerned because of privacy issues," Luther said.

But the more than 7,000 TCU users need not worry because TCU administration does not intend to follow suit, said Mike Russel, associate dean of campus life.

Russel said the administration determined earlier in the semester that Facebook and similar sites should be available.

TCU intends to approach harmful manner, Laster said. it from an educational peruniversities with Facebook spective, informing students about security and privacy risks through e-mails and at orientation, Russel said.

"Don't put any personally identifiable information (online)," Russel said.

He cited birth dates, phone numbers, class schedules and physical addresses as things that should not be included in a Facebook profile and said to use caution when selecting a picture to post. Russel said provocative pictures could send the wrong message to strangers.

Facebook users place information on their profiles with a certain level of trust, but

Extra Info

• 7,353 registered TCU accounts • TCU is one of more than 2,000 universities with Facebook accounts

- according to Chris Hughes, spokesperson for Facebook

they do not often consider the negative ramifications, Laster said.

Many people do not think about how easily the information can be accessed and how it could possibly be used in a

Within the past year, there have been an estimated three to five reports of possible harassment that can be traced to Facebook, said TCU Police Sgt. Kelly Ham.

Concerned students brought copies of conversations they had on Facebook to the TCU Police Department for review.

not find the reports to be cases of harassment. He said one report brought

However, Ham said he did

up slight concerns but was quickly resolved. "Keep in mind that what

information you are giving out, you are giving to everybody," more on RISKS, page 2

Super Frog's Profile



Send Super a Message

Poke Him!

Add Super as a Friend

Report User

Connection

You :: Courtney :: Super You :: Mike :: Super You :: Gabe :: Super

You :: Shawn :: Super **Mutual Friends**

You have 6,000 friends in common with Super Frog

Information

Account Info Member Since:

Basic Info Geography: School:

Sex: Concentration:

Contact Info

Website:

Personal Info Clubs and Jobs:

TCU mascot TCU sports, beating down other mascots,

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hugging small children, posing for pictures with alumni

Super Frog

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Groups

TCU Volleyball•TCU Soccer•TCU Football•TCU Basketball•TCU Track and Field•TCU Golf•TCU Baseball•TCU Cross Country•TCU Rifle•TCU Swimming and Diving• TCU Tennis•TCU Club Sports•TCU Intramurals

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Facebook for faculty, too

Professors use site to get to know classes

By KRISTA HUMPHRIES Staff Reporter

"How cool are you? You're on Facebook!" a TCU professor's stepson told her after he found her profile on the popu-

lar Web site.

Almost 7,500 TCU accounts are registered on Facebook, a Web site students check as often as their e-mail.

But the Facebook is not reserved for students only.

Fourteen faculty members are registered on Facebook; Nine joined this semester.

Carol Thompson, an associate professor of sociology, is a TCU faculty member on Facebook and is seen as "cool" by her stepson at the University of California, Berkeley.

Student office workers in the sociology department told Thompson she should join Facebook. After finding out another professor in the department, Michael Katovich, was a member, she said she decided it might be a good idea.

EXTRA INFO

Facebook Professors There are currently 14 professors' profiles on Facebook.

"(Facebook) makes me feel like I'm wired in," Thompson said. "It's another tentacle in a social network."

Thompson uses Facebook as a tool to get ideas for her classes.

In her social theory class, she showed clips from "Office Space" to demonstrate points in the lesson. It was because more on FACULTY, page 2

Fall performance to pay tribute to choreographer

Department honors Bujones with annual autumnal concert

> By ALISON RUBINSON Staff Reporter

The Ballet & Modern Dance department will dance its fall concert Friday as a gift to TCU's choreographer-in-residence, Fernando Bujones, who

Extra Info The concert is at 8 p.m.

Friday in Ed Landreth Auditorium and is free with a TCU ID.

is currently battling cancer, said Ellen Page Shelton, chairperson and associate professor of modern dance.

Bujones is the artistic director of the Orlando Ballet, and comes to TCU every semester to work with the students, Shelton said.

"He is a huge icon in ballet and a wonderful person to work with," Shelton said. "The department looks forward to performing this concert in his honor."

The concert will feature original works by TCU faculty members and guest choreographers, more on DANCE, page 2



Photo courtesy of Ellen Shelton

Youth get taste of college life during day-long visit

High schoolers take part in local outreach program

By RACHEL COX Staff Reporter

The "College Student for a Day" program Wednesday hosted its highest number of participants with 90 high school students attending.

Shelley Marshall, a coordinator for the program, said "College Student for a Day" is run in coordination with the other high school program called Communities in Schools.

Members of the TCU Multi-Cultural Greek Council and the Office of Community Outreach and Service Learning at TCU hosted the program.

TCU students were paired with the high school students who took them on tours of academic buildings, the University Recreation Center, the bookstore, dining spots on campus and some of the on-campus living facilities.

"CIS places social workers in high schools around the DFW area and they counsel and find certain students

whom they feel might not have the chance to attend college in the future," Marshall said. "They are students who might not even think college is a possibility or may not know much about the acceptance process."

This year, TCU hosted students from 10 different high schools in

"It is a great program to let these students see that they really can have the chance to change their lives," Marshall said. "They even get to go to classes with the TCU students and have lunch on campus."

Amy Schwalm, a senior psychology major, took two students on a campus tour Wednesday and also to some of her classes.

"They went to graduate statistics and comparative psychology with me," Schwalm said. "I think the program is a great idea for teens to be exposed to the responsibilities of college life at an early age."

Paloma Alvarez, a high school senior at Carter Riverside, said she more on YOUTH, page 2