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Broken sprinkler floods dorm, forces residents out

By CALLIE COX
Staff Reporter

The rain came down and the sun came up and roommates exited the building two by two.

A broken sprinkler head caused flooding in Samuelson Hall on Monday, said Richard Oliver, assistant director of facilities.

Oliver said a resident's visitor hung his clothes

on a coat hanger from the sprinkler hanging from the bathroom ceiling.

"When he went to take his clothes down, the head of the sprinkler broke causing the apartments to flood," Oliver said.

Oliver said about four rooms on the third floor were flooded and then the water ran down to the first and second floors.

Oliver said the uni-

versity is waiting for the rooms to completely dry out before they can get an estimate on the damage caused.

Logan Wilson, sophomore journalism major, whose roommate's visitor caused the flooding, came home from class at about 12:45 p.m. to find her room ankle deep in water.

"The visitor said that

when he went to take his clothes off the sprinkler, the entire unit came out of the ceiling causing water to start gushing into the room," Wilson said.

Oliver said the stairwell was like a river because the water was coming down so hard.

Hanna Useem, sophomore political science major, lives on the first floor of Samuelson.

Useem said she was in her room when the fire alarm, triggered by the broken sprinkler, went off in the dorm.

The flooding displaced about 16 students from their rooms, Useem said.

Useem said she is currently living with a friend who is a resident assistant in Foster Hall. TCU See **FLOOD**, page 2



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A visitor hung clothes on a sprinkler head in a Samuelson Hall bathroom and subsequent flooding displaced 16 students.

THE GREAT PUMPKIN



MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE / Photo Editor

ABOVE: A girl checks out "Grinning Grove" at Boo at the Zoo on Monday. **RIGHT:** Forty pumpkins were carved for the exhibit at Boo at the Zoo by art students. Organizers said the exhibit took two weeks to set up and is the first time the College of Fine Arts has partnered with the zoo.

Students design pumpkin display for annual zoo event

By ALYSSA DIZON
Staff Reporter

There is a new addition to the Fort Worth Zoo for Halloween that isn't animal or human.

Several art and design students showed off their tricks of the trade last week in a colorful pumpkin patch lighting display for the zoo's annual Halloween event, Boo at the Zoo.

Cameron Schoepp, associate professor of art, said the zoo contacted him with the idea of having students carve the pumpkins for the display. He said this was the first time the Col-

lege of Fine Arts has partnered with the zoo for the event.

Instructors of art Matt Clark and Chris Powell had their art classes team up to carve 40 pumpkins for the display, Schoepp said.

Fred Oberkircher, associate professor of merchandising and textiles, gave his Lighting for Special Purposes class the task of creating the display.

Alumna Allison Speer, the zoo's assistant marketing director, said she knew about the lighting department and asked if students could take on the project.



Speer said the display, "Grinning Grove," covers only a small area by the duck pond, but everyone walking on the main path can see it.

"We're definitely going to ask them to come back and do it next year," she said. "They went above and beyond. They did a great job."

Speer said this was the first time people outside the zoo did the lighting display, but students frequently

volunteer for the event.

Emily Grierson, a senior interior design major in the class, said she enjoyed volunteering in the past but was excited to be a part this year.

Grierson said her class of seven students spent a week going to the zoo to survey the area and spent another two weeks creating the display. Their main goal was to light the pumpkins with See **ZOO**, page 2

SGA votes to add challenge course

By ALLIE BROWN
Staff Reporter

The Student Government Association's House of Representatives unanimously passed a bill Tuesday to allocate money toward the creation of a challenge course.

Perry Cunningham, Neeley School of Business representative, and Chad Dresser, Student Body representative, said they wrote the bill after delegates from the University Recreation Center approached the Campus Advancement Committee about the possibility of a new challenge course.

Cunningham said the Recreation Center will start the planning process. The total cost is estimated at \$63,825, he said.

The course will be designed by Adventure Experiences, Inc., Cunningham said, and it is scheduled to be completed by fall 2008.

The allocated money will come from the SGA reserve and the Campus Advancement Committee funds, he said.

Thomas Pressly, SGA vice president and Campus Advancement Committee chair, said Campus Advancement supports the passing of this bill.

"This is a priority for campus advancement, and it is a great way to positively affect the students of TCU," Pressly said.

Steve Kintigh, director of Campus Recreation, said he appreciates the House's support.

"Over the 20 years I've been here we've had collaborative projects with the House, but nothing this big," Kintigh said. "Credit will for sure be given to SGA in some form or another."

Kintigh said after the completion of the course, whether painted or attached as a plaque, SGA will receive the appropriate signage on the course.

"Usually, you only have to pay a third of the cost to have a building with your name on it," Kintigh said. "They're funding half."

Cunningham said he thinks the new challenge course will be an asset to the TCU community.

"It will help students with team building and leadership exercises," Cunningham said.

Kintigh agreed that the course is needed.

"The old course had wood warps and safety issues," Kintigh said. "The new course will be a 'wow' experience for students who haven't done it before. While See **SGA**, page 2

Provost to act as 'MacBeth' in on-campus Halloween performance

By CALLIE COX
Staff Reporter

Double, double, toil and trouble, and the provost?

Halloween night, Theatre TCU will present its third annual performance of "Bard on the Rocks," a scene from Shakespeare's "MacBeth."

This year, there is a twist. Provost Nowell Donovan will be playing the role of Mac-

Beth in the 9 p.m. performance.

Donovan said this will be his acting debut.

"I have not acted since I was a youngster," Donovan said. "I used to do opera a long time ago, but this will be my first real acting experience."

Connie de Veer, director of the play, said Donovan is a natural.

"He takes direction like a professional actor," de Veer said. "He is so great with the students and he has a wonderful communication style."

Junior Eric Dobbins, who will be playing MacBeth at the 11 p.m. performance, said Donovan has taken to the play very well.

"Playing the same role, we

have learned a lot from each other," Dobbins said. "It has really been a great experience for all of us."

The performance will be at Frohenge, the circle of rocks located outside the Ballet and Modern Dance Building.

De Veer said it was Donovan's idea to build Frohenge three years ago in hopes that theatre, dance and music stu-

dents would perform in it.

Dobbins said having the play outside on Halloween adds a lot to the whole experience of the play both for the actors and the audience.

"The play is in an open air theater just like Shakespeare's Globe Theatre," Dobbins said, "and with the play being in a circle, it allows us as actors to play to everyone."

FOR YOUR INFO

Bard on the Rocks

When: 9 to 11 p.m. today
Where: Frohenge, outside the Ballet and Modern Dance Building
Admission: Free



WEATHER

TODAY: Sunny, 81/52
TOMORROW: Partly cloudy, 72/49
FRIDAY: Sunny, 75/51

PECULIAR FACT

ATHENS, Greece — Two thieves armed only with ketchup ambushed a supermarket employee as he was taking cash to the bank.
— Reuters

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offered to help students find a place to stay if they had no other options.

Wilson said she has been told it will be three to four days before students can move back into their dorm rooms.

"There are fans in all of the rooms," Wilson said. "TCU is paying to have all the carpets cleaned and our clothes to be dry cleaned."

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the low elements are designed for team building, the high elements are much more individual and will help with self-esteem."

Cunningham said all students and organizations will be welcomed to use the course, including any corporations that wish to apply for use.

"Whereas now the challenge course behind the stadium is virtually unusable, with the construction of a new course, corporations in the DFW area can pay to use this course," Cunningham said.

Pressly said he thinks stu-

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various colors using Christmas lights, flood lights, pumpkin lights and colored tubular lights to entertain families in the community, she said.

It was a long process with little time and resources, Grierson said, but it was fun and worth the effort.

"It's really colorful," she said. "There are different areas and layers of light everywhere. Your eyes will be constantly moving around."

The lighting students take turns going to Boo at the Zoo each night to watch over the lights to make sure

there are no mishaps or technical difficulties, Grierson said.

Grierson said the display will be graded, but Schoepp said the art students could just have fun and carve the pumpkins however they liked.

Once the zoo delivered the pumpkins, his students spent half a class period carving pumpkins and enjoying the weather outside, Clark said.

"I think it's a great activity for students to take a break from the coursework we have and help the community," Clark said. "It's always exciting to see how they take experiences from TCU and go out into the community and share their knowledge and excitement for life."

dents will get a great deal.

"I think students are continuing to use challenge courses, but they're using them off-campus," Pressly said. "Whereas the new course on campus will be a lot cheaper and convenient."

Kintigh said the course will be built on an empty lot in the grassy area behind the tennis courts. He said he does not know whether the athletic course will be made of steel or wood. He said even if the price does increase, the bid is firm and the changes will not affect the money given by the House.

Cunningham said after the course begins construction, it will only take two weeks to complete.

FOR YOUR INFO

Student body officer elections

When: Beginning Nov. 12 at 7 a.m. and ending Nov. 13 at 7 p.m.

The candidates are:

- President:** Nate Arnold, Daniel Becker, Justin Brown, Thomas Pressly
- Vice President:** Brett Major, Haley Murphy
- Treasurer:** Jacob Barnes, Perry Cunningham
- Programming Council Chair:** Kristen Chapman

Dip in law applicants hasn't affected admission process

By SAKINA NAMAZI
(Rutgers) Daily Targum

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. — Law school applications are cyclical in nature, but low numbers in recent years doesn't necessarily mean it's any easier to get in.

"Some years more people become lawyers, some years less people want to become lawyers," said Steve Marietti, Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions pre-law programs director.

Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions recently conducted a survey of law school admissions officers at 190 law schools across the country.

The survey seemingly demonstrated a paradox, Kaplan reported in a press release. Half of the admissions officers reported a decline in applicants in the past two years, which signals better admissions odds for future applicants. But 79 percent caution that the decline has not made their admissions process any less competitive.

Marietti said this change might be due to the decreasing number of people applying to law school.

"We suspect that the overall population of the caliber people applying are getting better," he said. "Students are receiving better LSAT scores, (students are) more attentive to details that matter. There is softening in numbers, but also the recognition that you have to put your best foot forward."

Rayman L. Solomon, dean and professor of law at Rutgers University School of Law Camden, agreed.

"(The decrease in applications) means that some people who were marginally interested in going to law school don't apply today," Solomon said.

Solomon adds that this decrease will not change the competitive nature of law school admissions.

"Some people don't really have a sense of what they want to do," he said, "but there are still a lot of very strong applicants that are applying."

There were 88,000 students who applied

to law school last year, and 46,000 spaces were filled at American Bar Association approved law schools, Marietti said.

"When you have less people to compete against, it gives you an edge, relatively speaking," he said.

He said applicants dropped 7.4 percent in 2005-2006 and 4.8 percent in 2004-2005.

But, although numbers have gone down, both Marietti and Solomon said law school is still competitive.

LSATs are a very important factor, but they are not the only factor, Solomon said.

He said schools such as Rutgers Law still look at a variety of different things when deciding upon admissions.

"We look for strong academic level, involvement in the community, strong recommendations from faculty, LSAT scores," Solomon said.

But 50 percent of the admissions officers say LSAT scores are the most important component in an application, Marietti said.

"LSATs are great," Marietti said. "But then you can essentially mess it up by not being careful in writing."

He said admissions officers ordinarily see writing skills in the personal statement.

"If someone gets a 155 (on their LSAT the first time) and then a 165 on their second time, they could be a 165 person," he said. He said admissions officers at Rutgers Law are looking at the whole record.

"If a person has a 3.8 from Rutgers College, and if the evidence is consistent, then this is a quality person with good recommendations and a strong record," Solomon said.

In previous years, the ABA has evaluated LSATs using the average score. This year, law schools are beginning to evaluate students on their single highest LSAT score, Kaplan said in the press release.

Many aspects of a law school application can be prepared ahead of time, Marietti said. Students can prepare for the LSATs, they can prepare a good personal statement, and get good recommendations, he said.

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Come to the Bookstore and get your pink out shirt for the game.



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The more you find out about the world, the more opportunities there are to laugh at it."

— Bill Nye

THE SKIFF VIEW

GPA requirement a good thing

Anyone who has gone through academic orientation at the university knows it. A startling number of the incoming freshmen start college with business as their declared majors.

Who can blame them? TCU does have a renowned business school.

But not all are cut out for the Neeley School of Business, and a pending proposal may speed up the screening process.

The proposal, awaiting University Council approval in November, seeks to raise GPA requirements for freshman pre-business majors, said Bill Moncrief, senior associate dean of the business school.

If, by the end of their freshman year, students haven't completed their five required courses with at least a 2.5 GPA, they will be required to change their majors, Moncrief said.

No more "churning up" the program, as Moncrief calls it.

No more juniors and seniors retaking courses in the prebusiness program in hopes of achieving the GPA level required

for admission in the business school.

There are 40 seniors and 160 juniors still in the prebusiness program, Moncrief said.

No more spending five or more years in college dogmatically trying to earn the coveted business degree. Instead, they can move on to a different major, and opt to minor in business.

The said proposal would significantly benefit the business program, as students are expected to step up to meet the new requirements if, in fact, a business degree is what they truly desire.

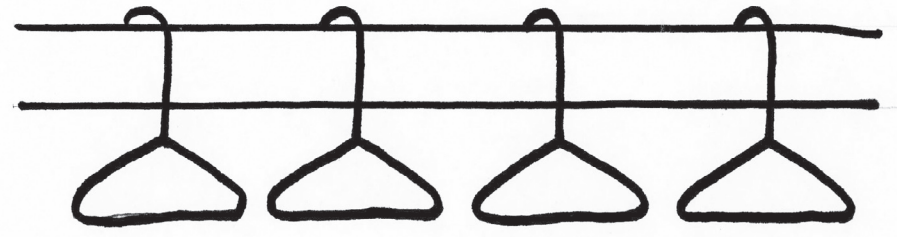
The proposal would also lower the business school enrollment, which may mean a lower student-faculty ratio, raising the quality of education in classrooms.

But above all, the proposal would benefit the students, as the requirements may nudge those who would otherwise be stuck in "the churn" in a direction of earning a degree that is more fitting and compatible with their talents and strengths before wasting much time and money.

Features editor Saerom Yoo for the editorial board.

BY JORDAN HAYGOOD

This years Halloween costumes



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College costs continue to rise, become unaffordable for many

High tuition costs are forcing college students to work full-time jobs while taking classes, mortgage their futures with excessive loans, and defer their educations.

The College Board, which tracks financial trends in colleges and universities, has provided numbers to confirm what students and families already understood: The cost of college is handily outpacing inflation.

Much less clear to consumers and public officials is why education costs are continuing to climb so rapidly. Schools need to do a much better job of providing students, parents and the public with detailed accountings of how the institutions operate, and how tuition and tax dollars are spent.

The greatest increase last year was at public four-year colleges, where tuition and fees were up 6.6 percent over last year. At private colleges, the increase was 6.3 percent. In contrast, consumer prices increased less than 3 percent.

University administrators contend, with some merit, that the Consumer Price Index is a problematic yardstick for higher education, an employee-intensive enterprise that has been hit hard by increases in health-care and fuel costs. Yet they must remember that they are not alone in facing such increases.

Higher college costs also reflect elevated expectations of students and parents, who are telling administrations they want modern

dormitories and luxurious gymnasiums, along with small class sizes.

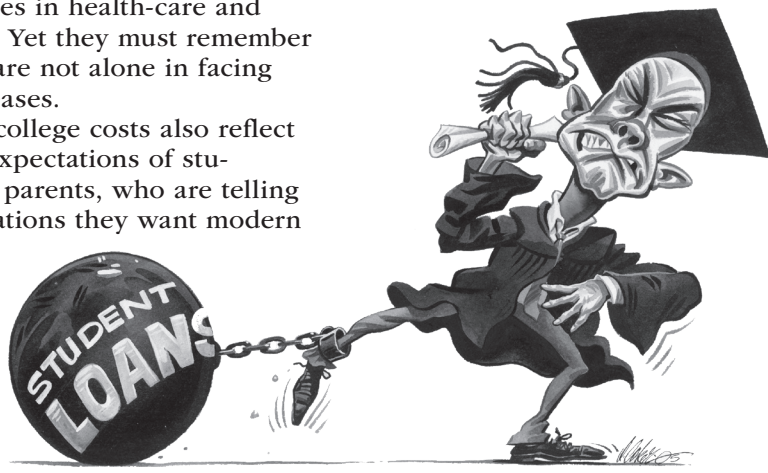
Again, transparency is crucial. Administrators must let consumers know what additional amenities cost and how they are being funded. Well-managed university endowments can also play a critical role in helping colleges provide affordable educations.

States and cities are increasingly looking to colleges and universities to solve social problems and act as economic engines. Competition for talented faculty and researchers is intense across the nation.

But talent is expensive, and so are modern laboratories and research facilities. States that expect their universities to remain competitive must maintain an adequate level of public support.

Colleges and governments have a joint responsibility to make higher education as affordable as possible to this generation of young adults. To fail in that role will have dire consequences not only for potential students but for the nation's social and economic health.

This editorial appeared in the Kansas City Star and was distributed by McClatchy-Tribune News Service.



MCT

Skivvies not acceptable costume attire

When pumpkins start appearing on front porches and miniature-sized candy swamps the supermarket shelves, you know Halloween is fast approaching.

And with Halloween comes the celebration of certain traditions: hitting the haunted house circuit, carving pumpkins and trick-or-treating.

But there's one tradition that has staked its claim on college campuses, and TCU is no exception. It's the skimpy costume tradition.

While most college guys hit The Salvation Army to piece together their Halloween getups, the girls hit Frederick's of Hollywood to find the cutest naughty nurse costume on the rack.

OK, maybe it's not a naughty nurse costume this year. Maybe it will be a flirtatious fairy or a provocative princess.

The possibilities are endless — but the bodily coverage is not.

Halloween has become the repressed college girl's dream: a chance to go out in a glorified-underwear costume without any repercussions.

It's like a free pass: one night to bare all in a sexy Snow White outfit without even tarnishing your sterling reputation.

But the tradition has been taken a bit too far.

It's become so commonplace that most of the more conservative girls have taken full advantage of the Halloween pass without even thinking twice.

And if the more conservative girls are taking full advantage, the others are taking it a step further.

For them, Little Red-hot Riding Hood and Captain Booty costumes are trends of the past.

Now, as costumecauldron.com puts it, they "tease, vamp and purr" their way into Halloween parties with their own original, homemade creations.

The new breed of costumes is pretty basic: a bra, panties and some sort of accessory that ties the "theme" together.

Like a girl I saw last year prancing into the Neon Moon bar clad in a green bra, green panties and a stuffed animal snake slung over her shoulders.

"Can't you see?" I overheard her tell an intrigued guy, "I'm a jungle woman!"

Duh. But for those of us who don't have such an extensive understanding of bra-panty combination costumes, the new attire still counts as undergarments.

And, even after all this time, going out in your bra and underwear still hasn't entered the realm of social acceptability.

Don't get me wrong — there have been changes in the standards for women's clothing.

In the 1950s and 1960s, Maidenform bras stirred up controversy when the company started running its "I Dreamed" ad campaign.

"I dreamed I barged down the Nile in my Maidenform bra," one ad read. Another proclaimed, "I dreamed I went dancing in my Maidenform bra."

But that was just the point. These are dreams. Going out dancing in your skivvies is about as realistic as floating down the Nile alongside Cleopatra wearing nothing but a bra.

Your mom may have dreamt of such things, but she never did it.

Nowadays we can celebrate how far we've come in gaining women's rights, but we can still take certain lessons from the women who came before us.



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Keep the respect they worked so hard to earn for us.

Wear an actual costume tonight. Leave the bra-panty ensemble at home and at least go the more "traditional" route.

How about Officer Naughty this year? At least it comes with a cop hat.

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Everyone should enjoy allure of Halloween, regardless of religion

It's October and the chilly wind carries a hint of devilry. You get that sense of wicked anticipation, hobgoblin giddiness and jack-o'-lantern joy.

Your childhood returns, doused in hard cider and dressed like a village hooker.

The great allure of Halloween may be that it's not about love. Or generosity, gratitude or redemption. Nope, All Hallow's is a day to celebrate mischief, spookiness and ridiculous indulgence. It's the unholy of holy days.

Perhaps that's why Halloween brings out the proselytizer in me. I want everyone to enjoy the Halloween revels. It should be required. When I was in fourth grade, a girl

told me Halloween was wrong because it was "devil worship."

I couldn't believe it. I ran to my mother in distress. She assured me that my favorite holiday couldn't be devil worship — All Hallow's Eve just means the night before All Saints' Day, and "hallowed" is another way of saying holy, so it's legit with Jesus.

Which allowed me to give my uber-Christian classmate a smug answer, instead of just hurling candy corn in her face and shouting, "Beelzebub this, bitch!"

Well, I thought that settled it. But then, my junior year at New York University, a classmate announced her family never celebrated Halloween, because Jews aren't supposed to observe pagan holidays.

Why all the hating on Halloween? I suppose it goes back to the age-old hatred of pagans by the monotheistic. After all, no matter what the pope and my mother say, Halloween did originate from the ancient Celtic festival Samhain.

I talked to some pagan students at NYU to see what Halloween meant to them.

"I generally do a small ritual in memory of the dead, like leaving out plates of food or treats symbolically for them and acknowledging the union of the goddess and the god as he dies," said Christy Tomecek, a sophomore and practicing pagan in the General Studies Program.

Daniil Leiderman, a senior in the College of Arts and Science, also observes the holiday

from the pagan point of view.

"Basically all I am doing for Halloween is a private ritual where I honor all the gods I worship, with an emphasis on Dionysus, who is my main god — a little sacrifice of wine, a toast to him with my friends," Leiderman said.

Wait, how cool is it that he has a main god?

But despite the festival's religious significance, Tomecek and Leiderman still appreciate Halloween's true glory.

"This holiday is as much a religious holiday as a day of fun," Tomecek said. "I do remember the dead and give my due to the gods, which most people don't do; I also go to parties and watch the Greenwich Village Parade like many of my friends and NYU

students."

See, the pagans know what's up. Your religion should never interfere with your enjoyment of the most fantastic night ever.

Oh yeah, and you shouldn't be freaked out by pagans, either.

"We don't sacrifice babies or call Mephistopheles in ritual," Tomecek said.

Take that, fourth-grade girl. So, pagans aren't Satanists. Halloween still rocks. And there may even be more to it than sanctioned sluttiness and casual vandalism.

"It has gone from being a day where I could get free candy to meaning something more," Tomecek said. "To meaning a day where you remember your place in the

cycles and the growth of a new year."

To me, Sally Secular, Halloween has a different meaning, though no less significant. It's a feast that pays tribute to childhood. It's a holiday that honors those delightful human qualities religion so often seems to frown upon —trickery, rebelliousness, imagination, fun, silliness. As Leiderman put it, Halloween is "a time for 'sacred madness.'"

Be you Jew or Jain, pagan or Presbyterian, there's a kid in you who deserves a break on Oct. 31. Don a mask, bob for apples and thank the gods for a night like this.

Abbey Fenbert's column appeared in the (New York University) Washington Square News and was distributed by UWIRE.

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Illinois university uses low-tech ads for high-tech alerts

By JODI S. COHEN
Chicago Tribune

URBANA, Ill. — Administrator Robin Kaler needed students to register for the University of Illinois' new high-tech emergency communication system, which will use cell phone text messaging and e-mail to get the word out in the case of an urgent situation like the April shooting at Virginia Tech.

But students do not always pay attention to official mailings and postings in dorms.

So on the morning of Oct. 22, Kaler, dressed in a suit and heels, crouched down on the campus Quad and went to work with a piece of purple chalk, scrawling this message on the sidewalk: "Sign up now!!! emergency.illinois.edu."

Chalking the sidewalk has long been a favorite way for cash-strapped students to make announcements about blood drives, student government candidates or upcoming events.

On some campuses, administrators have banned the practice, calling it ugly and damaging graffiti. But for all the sophisticated technology at their fingertips, officials at Illinois recognized that a message works only if people pay attention.

And as Kaler, a colleague and



University of Illinois' Robin Kaler, associate chancellor for public affairs, and marketing coordinator Bridget Jamieson write messages as students head to class on Oct. 22. Campus officials and a few volunteer students wrote the sidewalk messages to inform students of a high-tech emergency text messaging system.

three students took buckets of jumbo chalk to the crisscrossing walkways, they did indeed attract attention.

"It's funny to see someone in a suit chalking on the Quad," said senior Sally Yoon, 21, who was competing for attention as she passed out fliers about homecom-

ing. "It's kind of a messy job."

Kaler, 46, recognized how odd it is to use this primitive medium to publicize the latest technology, in which students, faculty and staff can receive emergency alerts to three e-mail addresses and two cell phone numbers. Those who don't sign up will

have the messages sent only to the e-mail address listed in the campus directory.

"If you want to reach students, you have to use the method that's found to be most effective," said Kaler, associate chancellor for public affairs. "Talk about direct marketing; they are walking on

my message as I'm writing it."

Rae Goldsmith, vice president for communications at the Council for Advancement and Support of Education, said she knew of no other college where administrators chalked the sidewalks.

"Students are the most notoriously difficult group for a university to communicate with. They often don't use their university e-mail. They change cell phones," she said. "Sidewalk chalking is a really creative way because it is using the very mechanism that students have long used to communicate with each other."

But the idea wouldn't fly at some campuses.

University of Iowa officials last month told student leaders that if they chalk the sidewalks, they could be fined the cost to clean it up, according to The Daily Iowan student newspaper.

At Washington State University, Jared Bishop, an adjunct faculty member, was scolded by campus police and facilities staff after his students chalked the sidewalks as part of a class assignment.

Illinois senior Justin Randall, who helped Kaler Monday, also chalked the Quad last year as part of his successful candidacy for student government president. He said he was impressed that administrators would try it.

"I love it. I think it's a great idea," said Randall of Naperville, Ill. "Students will see it because everyone walks through the Quad."

University officials first tried the technique last year to advertise a new university Web site that can be accessed by Blackberry or other mobile devices. The number of daily visits to the site doubled after the chalk messages appeared.

"It wasn't going to cost a lot of money so we thought, 'What the heck, let's see how it works.' The nice thing is that it really did show good results," said Sharla Sola, the administrator who thought of the idea last year. "We live in such a high-tech world and this is so basic."

Between noon and 4 p.m. on Oct. 22, 203 students, faculty and staff signed up — well above the 50 a day the program had been averaging. That brought the total to 2,680; officials hope to get at least 50 percent of the 60,000-plus community members registered.

Later afternoon rain showers washed away all their hard work. But Kaler, undaunted, said they would be back at it in a few days.

"We learned what colors worked and when to write."

Tasered Florida student apologizes for actions during Kerry speech

By KIM WILMATH
The Independent (University of Florida Alligator)

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Andrew Meyer has addressed an apology letter to University of Florida students, UF President Bernie Machen and Student Government for his "failure to act calmly" during a Sept. 17 forum with Sen. John Kerry.

Meyer, a senior UF telecommunications major, was tackled, Tasered and arrested by police

during a question-and-answer session following the speech from Kerry, D-Mass.

In a letter released to The Independent Florida Alligator on Monday, Meyer wrote he "stepped out of line" and felt he had tarnished UF's image.

"For that again, I am truly sorry," Meyer wrote.

Meyer was charged with a third-degree felony for resisting arrest with violence and a second-degree misdemeanor for disturb-

ing the peace.

Meyer has since withdrawn from classes, said Robert Griscti, Meyer's attorney. He plans to return in January.

Meyer has accepted punishment from UF for violating the Student Code of Conduct, stated a news release from Patricia Telles-Irvin, UF's vice president of student affairs. The details of Meyer's penalty could not be disclosed, Telles-Irvin wrote.

"Students make mistakes," she

wrote. "What's most important are the lessons learned by all of us and making things right."

Although Meyer allowed himself to be photographed in Griscti's office, he declined comment as well.

"This is beyond anybody's expectations in terms of media interest," Griscti said. "I've yet to find anybody who doesn't know about this in Gainesville, Europe or elsewhere."

The aggressive attention from

other students and the media has been hard on Meyer, Griscti said, but he's learned a lot about journalism in the process.

He said Meyer's apology was completely self-prompted. He started drafting it immediately after his release from jail Sept. 18.

"In society, as in life, there are consequences for not following the rules," Meyer wrote. "In this instance, not following the rules has imposed consequences for

many people other than myself, people who have seen their school, and perhaps their degree, tarnished in the eyes of others through no fault of their own."

Griscti said Meyer didn't plan his outburst, as the UPD report might have suggested.

However, Meyer's remark to officers in the police car, when he said they "did nothing wrong," was accurate. Meyer had no animosity toward individual officers, Griscti said.

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Hunting scarce species for museums not always accepted

By CARRIE PEYTON DAHLBERG
McClatchy Newspapers

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The revelation that California State University, Sacramento, helped would-be donors hunt dozens of African animals for a proposed museum has become so alien to most U.S. museums that it has been making e-mail rounds among shocked curators.

Yet hunter-driven collections are also so deeply woven into museum tradition that within the past 10 years, even the august Smithsonian Institution has come under fire for trying to import an endangered sheep killed by a \$20 million donor. It abandoned the effort amid criticism.

"In the old days, this is just plain how it worked," said Robert Faucett, collections manager for ornithology at the Burke Museum of Natural History and Culture in Seattle. "But these are not the old days."

New Tastes for Museums

From pottery to paintings, fossils to funeral relics, museums navigate a landscape studied with ethical questions. Their answers still are evolving, and sometimes differ from city to city and curator to curator.

Sacramento State's aborted plan for a natural history museum involved discussions of a \$2.4 million donation and hundreds of trophy animals to be given to the university by Sacramento auto dealer Paul Snider and his wife, Renee, both avid big game hunters.

As the proposal unfolded, university President Alexander Gonzalez twice wrote the government of Tanzania asking for permission to let the Sniders hunt 84 different birds, mammals and reptiles for the museum. Three were on an international "red list" of species at risk of extinction, and Gonzalez since has said he should have scrutinized the issue more closely.

The episode illustrates just one of the ways that changing attitudes affect what's put on display at the 17,500 museums that amuse children and fasci-

nate adults around the United States.

Just this month, Yale University pledged to return some — but not all — of the artifacts that came into university hands after being taken from the Inca mountain city of Machu Picchu in Peru nearly 100 years ago. Other nations are demanding their treasures back, and some forbid the export of cultural or biological resources.

"It's very difficult to navigate this," said Hans Sues, the Smithsonian's associate director for research and collections.

Not Always Accepting

While many museums once might have snapped up, say, a spectacular painting that came with a murky history during World War II, now more are likelier to say no thanks, Sues said.

"It is very difficult sometimes for donor relations," he added. "You have someone who can do a lot of good for your museum, and it can be hard to explain why a proffered gift is inappropriate."

Major museums keep two kinds of collections: exhibits to entertain and enlighten the public, and scientific specimens to support current and future research.

In the natural sciences, museum researchers capture frogs and salamanders from stream banks, snare birds in mist nets, shoot the biggest mammals and trap the smaller ones. Sometimes they take only blood or tissue samples. Sometimes they take lives.

"I have thought long and hard about every animal I've ever euthanized, and I've killed a lot," said John Simmons, who spent decades collecting specimens for museums and has written books on the subject.

Simmons' standard, echoed by many curators: Make sure the scientific purpose for animal collection is pressing and well-reasoned.

Researchers argue that collecting cannot stop entirely, because they are preserving today's biological heritage for future generations. They say they share



California big game hunter Paul Snider prides himself on his collection of animals he has killed in the field. These are some of the pieces he wants to donate to museums, but some museums will no longer accept such donations because of policy changes.

collections internationally, collect DNA samples from living animals, and take other steps to keep deaths to a minimum.

"It's widely regarded in the field as a legitimate choice to have credentialed scientists selectively collect animals or plants for specific, well-thought-out research purposes," said Elizabeth Merritt of the American Association of Museums.

To Hunt for Science

Neither the museum association nor the Natural Science Collections Alliance has a written policy about whether museums should use recreational hunters to collect animals, or accept donations of their hunting trophies.

In general, officials with both groups said, scientists prefer to collect their own specimens because they're better equipped to gather extensive field data, tis-

sue samples, blood and sometimes even parasites.

The most common sources of animals for public exhibits today are road kill and animals culled from public parks, said Simmons. Involvement by recreational hunters is close to obsolete, he said.

Yet when it comes to donated animals that already have been killed, museums are considerably less wary.

Many will consider taking a hunting trophy if it is especially relevant to one of their exhibits and rare enough to be worth displaying to the public or retaining for science.

That was what brought unwelcome scrutiny to the Smithsonian in 1998, when it sought permission to import a rare sheep shot by California real estate billionaire and former Seattle Seahawks owner Ken Behring. Behring had given the Smithsonian \$20

million in 1997.

Today, Smithsonian officials cast the incident as an unfortunate decision by one individual.

"We have multiple layers now" for donation approval, said research director Sues, and decisions about what to accept are "made by scientists, not administrators."

At Sacramento State, even some faculty members who were appalled at Gonzalez's letters seeking new animals had no problem accepting donations of animals that already had been killed.

"I grew up with the Smithsonian in my backyard," said Susanne Lindgren, a Sacramento State biological sciences professor who supported the proposed natural history museum. She remembers being entranced as a small child by the giant African elephant in that museum's

rotunda and an enormous whale hanging from the ceiling.

"We were looking forward ... to being able to provide an opportunity for children to experience some of these animals," she said.

For the most part, though, museums today are likelier to be shifting the animal heads they already own to the back rooms and turning down offers of additional hunting trophies, said Simmons. "People don't want to see dead animals any more," he said.

Some exhibit curators tell of wincing when they hear children asking what happened to that bunny in the display case. Others have used replicas, sometimes just for easier cleaning and durability, and sometimes to depict a dog or other animal whose stuffed presence would especially disturb the public.

UTA aims for environmentally friendly campus master plan

By ALEXA GARCIA-DITTA
The (UTA) Shorthorn

ARLINGTON — Blue and orange decorate all facets of the University of Texas at Arlington, but administrators, city officials, academic departments and environmental service representatives have another color in mind — green.

The President's Sustainability Committee met for the first time Monday to discuss ways the university can carry out its expansion through environmentally friendly avenues.

Committee co-chairs Jeff Howard, School of Urban and Public Affairs assistant professor, and Craig Powell, envi-

ronmental health and safety director, along with President James Spaniolo, challenged members to address campus energy efficiency and recycling, and Campus Master Plan sustainability.

"We are all stewards of the campus and the city of Arlington," Spaniolo said. "But as

we sit here in 2007, there is an additional sensitivity to be ever-conscious of doing what's best, environmentally, for our campus. Our resources aren't unlimited, and we have to take care of what we have."

John Hall, administration and campus operations vice president, outlined ways in which the Campus Master Plan follows the university's push toward becoming a greener campus. Hall said the university plans to add a vertical parking garage to eliminate surface parking and allow for more green space throughout campus, as well as adding green roofs to future construction proj-

ects.

"We are raising the bar to what we've already accomplished," he said.

Campus Master Plan additions will also include more pedestrian walkways and landscape improvements, as well as college towns with restaurants and shops along UTA Boulevard and Cooper Street.

"We're going to use development projects to try and encourage students to walk to their destinations rather than get in their cars," Hall said.

Other university officials presented recycling reports and energy efficiency reports to committee members. David Hopman, landscape archite-

ture program representative, proposed installing the first green roof in the Metroplex on a new university building.

Tim Yatko, School of Urban and Public Affairs graduate student, outlined his student project that will work closely with the committee in developing ways to address campus sustainability.

"We can throw money at the problem, or we can look at what causes the problem," he said to committee members, encouraging the university to go beyond recycling paper and replacing light bulbs. "We can pick the low-hanging fruit, or we can go higher up than that."

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No. 1 OHIO STATE (43)
QUICK STATS: W-L: 9-0 / Points: 531 / Previous Rank: 1

OVERHEARD: "I've grown up watching Penn State football, and I've never seen the Nittany Lions defense manhandled the way it was by Ohio State." —Josh Moyer, (Penn State) Daily Collegian

GAMES: Oct. 27: Def. Penn State, 37-17 / Next up: Nov. 3 vs. Wisconsin (7-2)

No. 2 BOSTON COLLEGE (8)
QUICK STATS: W-L: 8-0 / Points: 462 / Previous Rank: 3

OVERHEARD: "If not for the rain, the Eagles would have blown out the Hokies." —Clark Leonard, The (Virginia Tech) Technician

GAMES: Oct. 25: Def. Virginia Tech, 14-10 / Next up: Nov. 3 vs. Florida State (5-3)

No. 3 LSU (2)
QUICK STATS: W-L: 7-1 / Points:

433 / Previous Rank: 2
OVERHEARD: "The game against Alabama should be more intense than a backup quarterback in a Baton Rouge bar fight." —Christian Cagle, The (Washington) Daily
GAMES: Oct. 20: Def. Auburn, 30-24 / Next up: Nov. 3 at Alabama (6-2)

No. 4 OREGON (2)
QUICK STATS: W-L: 7-1 / Points: 372 / Previous Rank: 5

OVERHEARD: "With two road games and the annual battle against Oregon State, the high-powered Ducks have several trap games left." —Gavin LaPaille, The Louisville Cardinal

GAMES: Oct. 27: Def. USC, 24-17 / Next up: Nov. 3 vs. Arizona State (8-0)

No. 5 ARIZONA STATE
QUICK STATS: W-L: 8-0 / Points: 325 / Previous Rank: 7

OVERHEARD: "Are you for serious?" —Steve Contorno, Through games of Oct. 27, released Oct. 30. (Illinois) Daily Illini

GAMES: Oct. 27: Def. Cal, 31-20 / Next up: Nov. 3 at Oregon (7-1)

LUNCHEON

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With a 4-4 record and four games left in the season, Patterson said not only will these games define the rest of this season, but they will show him what to expect heading into next season.

"Obviously, we want to win them, but I think it's more about how we play them," Patterson said. "I think it's more about how we play them because it's not all about this year. It's about next year."

Patterson said the next four games will show him how the team is able to move forward and continue developing.

Jackson said at this point in the season, the significance of the games increases each week.

"Every game becomes more important than the previous ones because it's wind-

ing down to the end," Jackson said. Senior linebacker David Hawthorne said the key to success for the rest of the season is for the team to just go out and take it.

"I think all the players have kind of keyed into that," Hawthorne said.

The Frogs take on a Lobos team they defeated 27-21 last season. The Lobos head into this season's matchup at Amon Carter Stadium with a 6-2 record and are on a three-game winning streak.

Hawthorne said the Frogs started off really strong against New Mexico last year and hopes to do so again Saturday.

New Mexico features running back Rodney Ferguson, who ranks second in the Mountain West Conference in rushing yards per game.

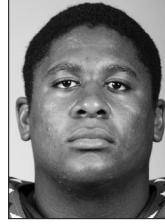
Hawthorne said to stop Ferguson the defense has to get to him before he builds any momentum.

MATCHUPS

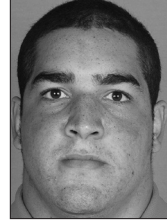
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is ready to let freshman Jeremy Kerley get a little more involved with the offense. Smith and Brown are probably the most electric receiving duo in the conference, combining for close to 177 receiving yards a game. Though there is a significant drop-off after the big two, containing both of them will be a nightmare.

OFFENSIVE LINE



NEWHOUSE



CLARK

TCU: Matty Lindner, Blake Schluter, Marshall Newhouse, Giles Montgomery, Nic Richmond

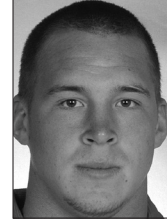
New Mexico: Vince Natali, Devin Clark, Anthony Kilby, Sylvester Hatten, Bart Miller

Advantage: Even
Aside from a couple false-start penalties on Newhouse and Richmond, it was a pretty clean game from the men up front. The line should have its way against a mediocre New Mexico pass rush. The Lobos line comes in with a couple starters playing hurt and Miller making his first collegiate start. Clark is as menacing an offensive lineman as there is in the conference.

DEFENSIVE LINE



PANFIL



DONALDSON

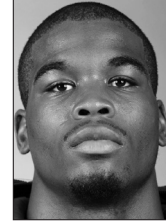
TCU: Chase Ortiz, Matt Panfil, Cody Moore, Kelly Griffin

New Mexico: Michael Tuohy, Tyler Donaldson, Jeremiah Lovato

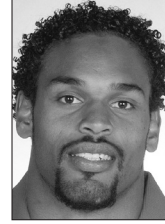
Advantage: Even
The TCU unit came on strong last game against Utah, giving the

team a chance to stay in the game. Although Panfil has been great as a starter, he faces his toughest test to date in Clark. The three players on the line for the Lobos bring experience, and tend to break up a lot of plays.

LINEBACKERS



WASHINGTON



CARTER

TCU: Jason Phillips, David Hawthorne

New Mexico: Cody Kase, George Carter, Major Mosley

Advantage: TCU
Good news: Daryl Washington's blocked punt has successfully reentered the atmosphere. He along with the other linebackers continued to make big plays, but also broke down on a couple plays that might have turned out to be the difference in the game. New Mexico's unit brings a lot of experience, but not nearly as much talent as TCU's collective group.

SECONDARY



HODGE



SWIFT

TCU: Brian Bonner, David Roach, Steven Coleman, Nick Sanders, Rafael Priest

New Mexico: OJ Swift, DeAndre Wright, Blake Ligon, Glover Quin, Clint McPeck

Advantage: TCU
Looking back on the Utah game, it's amazing the Frogs didn't get the win. Breakups by Bonner and Sanders along with a Torrey Stewart interception made for a pretty good night. They face two big, experienced receivers who have a knack for making game-changing plays. At 5 feet 9 inches, Swift might be undersized at cornerback, but

is coming off a 7-tackle, 2-fumble recovery performance against Arizona.

SPECIAL TEAMS



MANFREDINI



SCOTT

TCU: Chris Manfredini, Derek Wash, Brian Bonner, Donald Massey

New Mexico: John Sullivan, Jordan Scott, Marcus Smith, Ian Clark

Advantage: New Mexico
Manfredini made it a one-score game thanks to a clutch 41-yarder in the fourth quarter of the Utah game, following his 22-yard miss. This showed he has the level of confidence to bounce back and do what he does best. Sullivan and Scott might be the best kicker-punter duo in the conference, with Sullivan tied for first in the NCAA in field goals made per game and Scott registering first in the conference in net punting average.

HEAD COACHES



PATTERSON



LONG

TCU: Gary Patterson, seventh year (58-24, 35-18 in conference)

New Mexico: Rocky Long, 10th season (55-50, 36-26 in conference)

Advantage: Even
At 1-3 in conference play, Patterson will try to keep the Frogs' bowl aspirations afloat against a New Mexico team having won its last three games. It should be fun to see what the offensive staff has adjusted in order to increase the time of possession and keep the Frogs defense off the field. Long has the Lobos rolling and bowl-eligible. The Frogs face a team having won its last three on the road.

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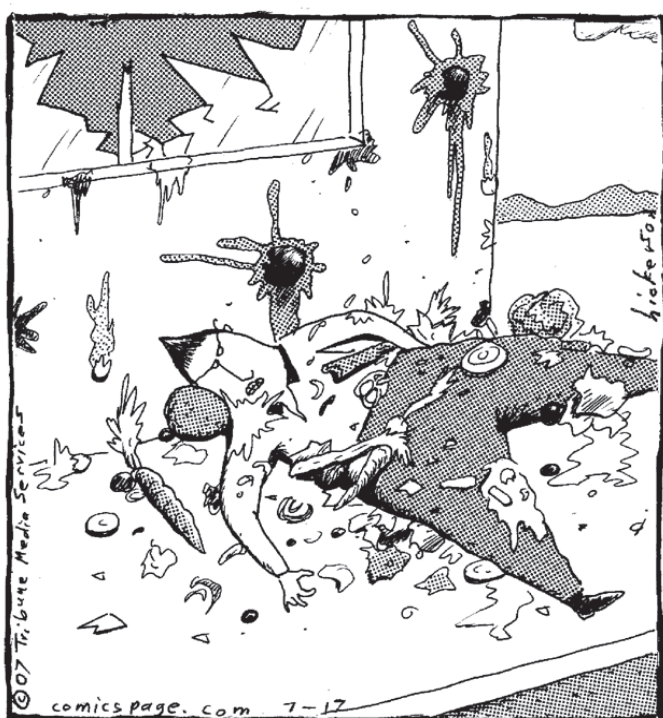
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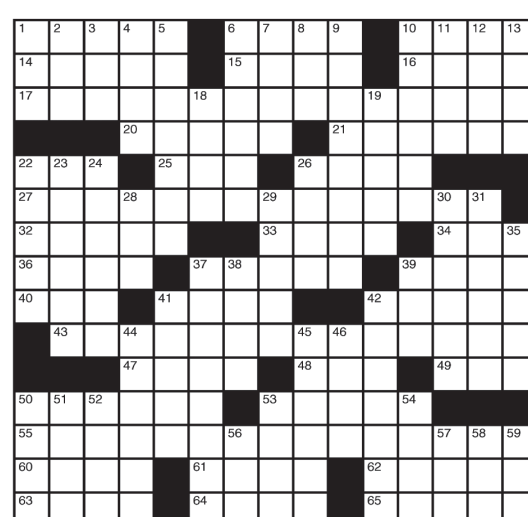
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Portland, OR
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GAME TIME

The women's basketball team tips off with an exhibition showcase.
TOMORROW

FOOTBALL

Frogs to face bowl-eligible opposition

By BRETT LARSON
Staff Reporter

During their 16-day break, the Frogs hoped to spend their time recovering from injuries and getting their season back on track. And it looks like it's working, as head coach Gary Patterson said he expects a defensive standout to return from medical leave.

During Patterson's media luncheon Tuesday, he announced that senior defensive end Tommy Blake had been practicing all week, and he thinks Blake will play against New Mexico on Saturday.

In addition to Blake's possible return, Patterson said the break helped with the team's recovery process as a whole, but would not say for sure who will return.

"We still got until Saturday," Patterson said. "I'd hate to give away all my secrets and not know who — after two weeks — to prepare for, who's going to play and who is not."

Senior fullback William Jackson said the break has been beneficial for the team.

"We've had some injuries going on, so it was really good to get a little break and get some rest," Jackson said.

Patterson said with the long break, the coaching staff has been working even harder, and the break gave the team time to prepare for both New Mexico and BYU.

The break also let the team practice more with its younger players.

"A lot of the young guys have been redshirts, and they've just been playing scout team," Patterson said. "You start getting them back into what kind of calls you make — what the calls sound like on offense."

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

PASSING SHOT



SKIFF ARCHIVES

Junior Anna Sydorska returns a serve in spring 2007. Sydorska will team with junior Macall Harkins to compete in the ITA National Indoor Intercollegiate Tennis Championships in Columbus, Ohio, starting Thursday.

Ranked doubles duo heads to nationals

By JOE ZIGTEMA
Staff Reporter

Anna Sydorska will try to make the third time a charm when she makes her third straight appearance in the National Indoor Tennis Championships with partner Macall Harkins on Thursday.

The junior duo, ranked No. 14 nationally, received one of three at-large bids to the tournament after defeating three seeded opponents before losing in the finals at the Wilson/ITA Southwest Regional Championships.

Harkins and Sydorska will face Anna Karavayeva and Maria Kolkotsky from Fresno Pacific at the tournament, hosted by Ohio State at the Racquet Club of Columbus in Columbus, Ohio.

Sydorska reached the finals last year in this tournament with partner Ana Cetnik. The two went on to receive All-American honors at the end of the season, reaching the semifinals of the Division I Champi-

onships for the second time in school history. Sydorska reached the quarterfinals in 2005 with partner Helena Besovic.

Harkins and Sydorska are 1-1 in doubles play this season with both matches being played at the Riviera/ITA All-American Championships in Pacific Palisades, Calif. The team cruised past Nevada's Caroline Bailly and Maria Mizyuk, 8-3, in the first round before falling to Cal Poly's Brittany Blalock and Steffi Wong, 8-4.

Sydorska came onto the college tennis scene in 2006, earning Mountain West Conference and Intercollegiate Tennis Association Southwest Region Freshman of the Year, as well as ITA Rookie of the Year, in addition to All-MWC singles and doubles honors.

Harkins is playing in her first season with the Horned Frogs after spending her first two years at Illinois, earning All-Big Ten honors her sophomore year.

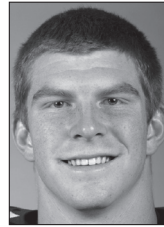
ANALYSIS

Return from 16-day break brings touted contenders

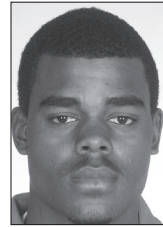
By TIM BELLA
Sports Editor

The wait is over: The Frogs return to the field. The return will not be an easy one as the team welcomes a bowl-eligible conference opponent on a three-game winning streak. Here are the probable starters for Saturday's home game between TCU and New Mexico.

QUARTERBACK



DALTON



PORTERIE

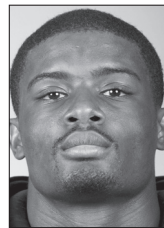
TCU: Andy Dalton, redshirt freshman

New Mexico: Donovan Porterie, sophomore

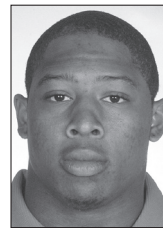
Advantage: Even

Consistency issues have troubled Dalton throughout the season. His four interceptions against Utah following the great game at Stanford epitomizes this season for the Frogs. Luckily for him, he takes on a Lobo defense also struggling with inconsistencies. Porterie's completion percentage has fluctuated during the course of the season, and he has had only two multi-touchdown games this season.

RUNNING BACK



BROWN



FERGUSON

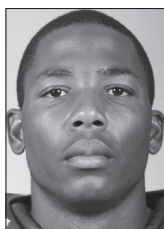
TCU: Aaron Brown, junior

New Mexico: Rodney Ferguson, junior

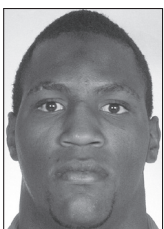
Advantage: TCU

Let's hope the extended time off following the 59 rushing yards in the loss to Utah will light a fire under Brown. He needs more than 11 carries if the Frogs expect to get win No. 5 — especially with the improvement in New Mexico's second-half defense in the last two games. Although Ferguson is coming off a monster 146-yard, two-touchdown performance against Air Force, he needed 41 carries to get there. Utah's Darrell Mack wore down TCU's rush defense on 32 carries, so expect New Mexico to pound the run and try to keep the Frogs defense on the field.

WIDE RECEIVERS and TIGHT END



DICKERSON



SMITH

TCU: Marcus Brock, Ervin Dickerson, Donald Massey, Derek Moore, Quinton Cunnigan (TE)

New Mexico: Marcus Smith, Travis Brown, Jermaine McQueen, Chris Hernandez, Chris Mark (TE)

Advantage: New Mexico

Decent games from Dickerson and Moore gave Dalton options across the middle and to the sidelines. With that being said, when your quarterback hauls in the longest reception of the night, you're in a little bit of a trouble. It would be nice to see if the coaching staff

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WIDE LATER

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