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Greek letters shouldn't be printed in the year-

Courtesy of STACEY UHORCHAK Nicholas Uhorchak, a platoon officer stationed at Fort Hood, and wife Stacey Uhorchak, a teacher and TCU alumna, pose for a picture.



RODOLFO GONZALEZ / AP Photo Army Lt. Gen. Robert Cone gives a news conference after a shooting in side of the main gate of Fort Hood near Killeen on Thurs- Fort Hood on Thursday.

Fort Hood tragedy touches campus

By Paige McArdle Staff Reporter

the base.

Even as she was sitting outside Fort Hood Army Base waiting for the lockdown to end Thursday

night, university alumna Stacey Uhorchak said that she and her husband had always

felt safe living at Hasan

"I love Fort Hood," Uhorchak said. "We have always felt very safe and very taken care of. We feel very blessed to live on post."

lived at the base for nine months. She said in the past, there had been good safety precautions taken to keep residents safe at the base.

Uhorchak's husband was working at the base at about 1:30 p.m. Thursday when a military mental health doctor went on a shooting rampage, killing at least 12 people and wounding at least 30 others. Uhorchak said she was substitute ally, to think that it's really teaching and had not heard of the happening here and happenshooting until her husband called ing again and that this is not her to say he was safe.

During the lockdown that ensued into the evening, Nicholas was stuck on the base while Uhorchak States in the past three years. Uhorchak and her husband, was locked outside. "It's a little unbelievable, actu- at a New York immigrant

Hotlines

Fort Hood has set up a hotline for soldiers' relatives. For more information, call (254) 288-7570 and (866)-836-2751. The hotlines are for family members only.

going away," Uhorchak said.

The shooting is the fourth

GRANDMARC **Students** ignoring alarms in complex

By Andrea Bolt Staff Reporter

Because of the frequency and sensitivity with which the fire alarms are activated, students have been ignoring the alarms in the GrandMarc apartment complex, a GrandMarc official said.

Although the GrandMarc has only actually had the alarms go off four times this semester, instances like the one on Oct. 23, when the alarms went off at about 3 a.m. for a period of two hours, desensitize students to the seriousness of the alarm system, said Tobi Sander, the GrandMarc's director of community operations.

Sander said she doesn't know how to get students to respond and take the alarms seriously.

"I've sent an e-blast to them before, saying don't be numb to this because I'd rather you be safe than sorry ... It's a constant battle, really," she said.

Sander said she cannot force students to evacuate because the Grand-Marc is an apartment community and technically not part of the university. This year, however, the university is leasing beds in the GrandMarc because of the overflow of freshman students. Sander said that because of that, the university asked her to schedule a fire drill in the GrandMarc, but the drill was canceled because of a sexual assault report on campus and possible safety issues of having people outside for an extended period of time.

Craig Allen, director of Housing and Residence Life, said students must take heed of the fire alarms.

"When the alarms go off, they need to be taken seriously," Allen said. "If students don't realize that, it's not



day. Their daughter goes to elementary school in the post.

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PECULIAR FACT

OKLAHOMA CITY - It's not unusual to see a deer or a cow crossing Oklahoma's rural highways. But an elephant? An Oklahoma couple driving home from church nearly slammed into a giant pachyderm that had escaped from a nearby circus late Wednesday.

-The Associated Press





Who will win this week's big college games? Student publication makes their picks

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Nicholas, a platoon officer, have

mass shooting in the United Thirteen people were killed

Campout features s'mores, 'Hangover'

By Mary Sue Greenleaf Staff Reporter

With the Frogs on the road at San Diego State University, students looking for excitement over the weekend won't have to look far.

Council will be holding a campout in the Campus Commons on Friday night.

include making Activities s'mores at 8 p.m. followed by a showing of "The Hangover" at 9 p.m.

Megan Trout, a sophomore resident of Samuelson Hall will be attending the event Friday.

Trout said she is excited about watching the movie and making s'mores.

said. "I haven't had s'mores since the summer."

Trout said she found out about vitation via Facebook.

By Katie Love

Hall.

Freshman Rachel Chambers, creator of the Facebook event page, said Programming Council came up with the idea after a suggestion by council member Monica Noteboom.

"We were brainstorming ideas The university's Programming for events and she thought of the idea of a campout sort of thing," Chambers said. "From there we just took off."

The team behind the planning of the campout consists of five first-year Programming Council members, overseen by a director, sophomore Justin Paxton. Members of the group include Chambers, Noteboom, Trip Going, Collin Seale and Zach Jablonowski.

Council allows their first-year "I like making s'mores," Trout members to create and plan an event on campus, which led to the will be provided all night. campout.

reasonable and what we could do," the BLUU Auditorium.

Memorial service to be held on campus

What: Campout in the Campus Commons When: 8 p.m. - midnight Friday Where: Campus Commons Price: Free for all students. In the event of rain, location will move to the Union auditorium.

Chambers said. "We met every Wednesday at the Programming Council meetings and figured out our plan."

Although the campout is not an overnight event, Chambers said students are welcome to stay as late Chambers said Programming as they wish. She also encouraged them to bring blankets.

Hot chocolate, water, and sodas

If bad weather occurs, Cham-We all threw out some ideas bers said the s'mores will be canthe event when she received an in- and narrowed it down to what is celled and the event will move into

Carnival will focus on South Asian life

ASIAN AWARENESS

By Taylor Droddy Staff Reporter

The Brown-Lupton University Union Auditorium will be filled with sounds of Bollywood music and the smell of South Asian foods this Saturday evening.

The Students for Asian Intercultural Awareness plans to hold a Mela carnival Saturday to educate students about South Asian customs. The Mela will feature booths with demonstrations of henna tattoos, ethnic clothing, cricket presentations, traditional board games and more. Students from TCU's Bollywood dance class will perform cultural songs and dances. Traditional snacks from various South Asian cultures will also be provided.

Rovina D'Souza, SAICA president, said the Mela would be a cultural gathering. She said the group wanted to have a fun, hands-on event for students to learn about South Asia. The event will involve traditions from India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Nepal.

We want to immerse TCU students in the South Asian culture," D'Souza said.

The Bollywood dance class, recently started by D'Souza, plans to perform to Jai Ho, a song from the movie "Slumdog

Mela Carnival

What: SAICA Mela Carnival When: 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Saturday Where: BLUU Auditorium Price: \$7 per ticket

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celebration will be Punchantz from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the PepsiCo Recital

The memorial will be open to the public, said Lewis Glaser, associate professor of graphic design. Punchatz's animal illustrations for National Geo- ing in The New York Times.

son, Greg, will speak at the memorial. It will also feature a presentation of Punchatz's life and work.

Punchatz's reputation as an illustrator reached beyond the boundaries of the university. The New York Times published an obituary about the professor Monday. The article discussed Punchatz's influence on a generation of illustrators with his surreal art, which graced popular horror and science-fiction paperbacks as well as the first "Star Wars" film poster. Punchatz's political commentary for the cover of the 1974 "Civics" issue of National Lampoon along with his vivid icon Ray Bradbury was quoted as say-

Memorial Details

What: Memorial service for Professor Don Punchatz When: 1 p.m. Saturday Where: PepsiCo Recital Hall

graphic magazine were also noted.

"(Punchatz's) ability to touch men with acrylic and melt them into beasts, or touch beasts with oil and ink - and: voila! they are senators or brokers - is endlessly stunning," science fiction

Commons Campout

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ALARM

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good."

Allen said there is no difference in fire safety between the main campus or in the Grand-Marc.

"Students have to understand that any type of alarm is serious business ... Students have to take ownership for themselves, and they need to get out," he said.

Sophomore pre-major Shannon Gomez said the Grand-Marc's alarm system is extremely annoying.

"I've definitely been desensitized to the alarms, the second time it went off (Oct. 23), I didn't even leave my apartment," Gomez said.

Gomez also said she was ir- real or if it's fake," she said. ritated with the GrandMarc's the alarm incident.

"I feel like they should've on record. put out some kind of message of why it happened," she said.

were because of construction couldn't get it shut off." around the GrandMarc. The

MELA

"Students have to understand that any type of alarm is serious business. .. Students have to take ownership for themselves, and they need to get out."

Craig Allen

director of housing and residence life

goes to students pulling the pull stations in the GrandMarc's hallways.

'We need those to stop, so people aren't numb to them going off ... They don't know if it's

The Oct. 23 incident was due management for not immedi- to a tripped dry line in the parkately advertising the cause of ing garage. Sander said it was the GrandMarc's longest fire alarm

"I don't know what causes (the tripping of the dry line)," As far as causes for the she said. "I have a call placed in alarms activating, Sander said to the company to find out what the majority of past instances causes that. My maintenance guy

She said that although the dry restaurant last spring caused she suspected someone could the alarms to go off multiple have tampered with the system, times. However, Sander said and if that was the case and her much of the responsibility also office could identify the perpe-

trator, Sander would file a police report.

One of the other false alarms the GrandMarc had this semester took place in August when a student was grilling on an apartment balcony, which Sander said was illegal. She said the smoke came through the student's apartment and filled both the fourth and fifth floors of the GrandMarc's north tower.

However, the most serious fire the GrandMarc has experienced occurred last spring and was caused by a lit candle, Sander said. The female student's bedroom was damaged and burnt, Sander said.

"It filled the hallway with smoke," Sander said. "Her neighbors got the fire out before it could set off the sprinklers, but at that point there was a fire."

Sander said the only way to impart the seriousness of fire safety and the importance of taking the alarm system seriously was to reiterate the need for students to evacuate, no matter the situation. Sander said the GrandMarc's owners would tell the students to evacuate immediately and so would she.

The GrandMarc's fire and construction of Los Vaqueros line is known to be very sensitive, security company, Kings III Fire and Security, and vice chancellor for student affairs Don Mills could not be reached for comment.

enjoy it," D'Souza said.

library today from 11 a.m. till 2 p.m. They can also be purchased

Proceeds from the Mela carusing the non-traditional steps nival will go toward Child Rights and You, America. The charity organization works to support children's rights in India. They She said preparing for the ensure that children get educa-

The organization is also involved in the attempt to eradicate "It has been a great experience child marriages in India. Legal legal, according to the CRY Web site, child marriage is widespread dance class so that we could and accepted by much of Indian society. The site says that 60 perthough now we plan on continu- cent of Indian girls will be mar-

D'Souza said that as much Tickets will be sold outside the money as possible will be donated to CRY America. The group hopes to donate a minimum of \$200.

> Ashlee Mitchell, a senior nursing major, said she was looking forward to attending the event.

"I'm really excited for the henna tattoos and the food. I have never gotten a henna tattoo before or tried South Asian food, so it should be a lot of fun," Mitchell said.

She also said that having awareness and campus diversity was an important component of college life.

D'Souza said the event is from 5 p.m. till 8 p.m. and the performances will begin around 7 p.m.

MICHAEL CONROY / AP Photo In a 2007 file photo, Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis, right, greets player Scott Smith before the start of an NCAA college football game against Georgia Tech in college football action in South Bend, Ind.

Irish still think they can slip into the BCS bowl mix

By Tom Coyne AP Sports Writer

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) Weis likes his team's chances of earning a Bowl Champion-Fighting Irish keep winning.

Gator Bowl president Rick Catlett does, too. Catlett said the Gator Bowl would love to have an Irish team that finishes 10-2, but can't imagine it happening.

"I can tell you that four BCS bowl directors are hoping they finish 10-2 and in the top 14 in the BCS poll," Catlett said.

That's because Notre Dame with its tradition of eight national champions

berths likely would be left. are 22nd. The Irish could be competing for those spots with USC, a team that beat the Irish last

Big Ten team and others. Borger, Sugar Bowl CEO ship Series berth if the No. 19 Paul Hoolahan and Orange Bowl CEO Eric Poms said Thursday that Notre Dame

"Everyone

involved in the bowl business is aware of Notre Dame, aware of their fan base, aware of their economic impact it would have

The Irish play one team ahead of them next week, No. 14 Pittsburgh (7-1), which is - Notre Dame coach Charlie month, and the second-place 13th in the BCS standings. Plenty of other teams ahead of the Irish still play one another, including this week's games of No. 9 LSU at No. 3 Alabama and No. 15 Ohio State at No. 11 Penn State.

Notre Dame's history wouldn't give them an advantage, Poms said.

"There are a lot of teams out there that have a lot of rich history; Notre Dame is one of them," Poms said. "But we have to look at a lot of factors, including what works best for that particular year and what other programs would be in play

continued from page 1 Millionaire." They have incorpo-

steps into the routine, instead of featured in the movie, said Priyanka Pramanik, SAICA treasurer and one of the performers.

dance was exciting because some tion and sanitation, among other of the dancers had never been things, D'Souza said. exposed to South Asian culture before.

teaching them, and to see them age for marriage in India is 18 for events that encourage cultural perform is going to be even more girls and 21 for boys. Although ilexciting," Pramanik said.

"We started the Bollywood have them perform at the Mela, ing the class since people really ried before their 18th birthday.

rated actual Bollywood dance outside the Mela on Saturday.

FORT HOOD

continued from page 1 center in April, 10 were killed killed at Virginia Tech in 2007.

Army ROTC cadet Tom Ad-TCU. His father works on the in terms of her recovery. west side of Fort Hood, which is not near the Soldier Readi- nate blood after hearing that ness Center, where the shooting Fort Hood-area hospitals were occurred.

Adams said that Major Joel Coleman announced the shoot-

Major Coleman could not be leased by the base itself. reached for comment.

university, Adams said.

during a shooting spree across Dining Services, planned on Alabama in March and 32 were driving to Fort Hood on Thursday night to see his friend, who was in critical condition after ams, a junior history major, at- sustaining a bullet wound to identified as Army Maj. Nidal tended school at the base from her stomach, he said. He said age six until he left to attend the next few days would be vital

Gill said he planned to doexperiencing a shortage.

Uhorchak said the only information she had heard about ing during a ROTC leadership the shooting Thursday night lab Thursday evening. Coleman was from her husband, who did not say how the event would was making sure his men were affect the ROTC program at the accounted for and safe. She had

not heard any information re

Making sure everyone at the Duncan Gill, a line cook for base was safe was a bigger priority getting out word to people who were locked outside, Uhorchak said.

> The shooting suspect was Malik Hasan by an anonymous law enforcement official. Hasan was initially believed to be dead after being shot by authorities, but the Army announced that he was alive Thursday night.

Two other soldiers who were taken into custody were later released, said Fort Hood spokesman Christopher Haug.

> The Associated Press contributed to this report.

seven Heisman Trophy winners and national fan base brings TV ratings and strong ticket sales.

"Everyone involved in the bowl business is aware of fan base, aware of their economic impact it would have on their bowl," Rose Bowl executive director Mitch Dorger said.

But there has been plenty of speculation that the Irish TCU or Boise State likely earning an automatic BCS berth, and the Southeastern Conference virtually a lock with its guaranteed spot, two

on their bowl."

Mitch Dorger

executive director of the Rose Bowl

Notre Dame, aware of their wouldn't be a sure thing for a BCS berth at 10-2.

> "Are they an attractive team? Undoubtedly," Hoolahan said. "Will they be attractive enough? It's hard to say at this point."

The Irish (6-2) must finish could be left out at 10-2. With in the top 14 of the final BCS standings to be eligible to play in the Fiesta, Orange, Rose or Sugar bowls. A top eight finish guarantees a berth. to grab an at-large bid along Heading into Saturday's game against Navy (6-3), the Irish

Dorger said if somehow

Iowa got into the BCS national championship game, it would be hard for the Rose Bowl to pass on Penn State if the Nittany Lions if they finished 11-1.

"This is going to be our last shot," Catlett said.

The Irish would need to be at least 8-4, Catlett said.

If the Irish don't earn a BCS berth and aren't invited to either the Gator or Cotton Bowl, they would have to wait and see which bowls are unable to fill their slots because Notre Dame isn't part of any other bowl agreements, Notre Dame spokesman John Heisler said.



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The Skiff View Complex should assert validity of alarm

The Grandmarc apartments have been dealing with residents who are apathetic about fire alarms following a rash of false alarms. One of those incidents had the fire alarms sounding for two hours at 3 a.m., a stretch for any resident having to live and sleep there.

Students cannot be forced to evacuate the Grandmarc because technically the apartments are not a part of the university. Common sense should compel the students out of the apartments but there have been problems over the residents knowing when alarms are warranted or not.

The apartment complex should have notified their residents somehow as to whether an alarm was legitimate or just a false alarm. Maybe then everyone would know when they don't receive a confirmation on whether it's a false alarm, they would act accordingly.

Whenever a fire alarm goes off, students should take them seriously. At the same time, when fire alarms are going off without an emergency to follow it, it's hard to pay attention to them when they need it the most.

Even worse, students are pulling the fire alarms for no reason. Steps should be taken by both the university and the students who live at the Grandmarc to pay attention to the alarms. Even though it might be annoying, one day it might save their lives.

Multimedia Editor Chance Welch for the editorial board. The Skiff View represents the collective opinion of the editorial board.



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Professors see all in class

I enjoyed Thursday's editorial cartoon depicting the professor

you: we see everything. Some professors fight for students' attention to the point of punishing the distracted, while others are resigned to



I checked my e-mail last Friday to find that the 2008-2009 Horned Frog yearbook was ready to be picked up by students who ordered one. Having ordered my yearbook after my picture was taken last year, I was excited to finally see what was bound inside the bright, white cover. As I flipped through the first few pages, I was impressed and a little nostalgic at the thought of freshman year. When I turned to the pages with the names and pictures of the students, however, my awe turned somewhat to astonishment. I was dismayed to see that students involved in fraternities and sororities

Moreover, there are many other organizations on campus, such as honors societies, student government, special interest groups, sports clubs, and more, in which students, including sorority and fraternity students, hold membership. In fact, there are more than 200 student organizations on campus, only 33 of which are social sororities and fraternities. I believe the non-Greek organizations are equally as important to the campus culture as the Greek social organizations, yet the students affiliated with the non-Greek organizations are not acknowledged for their participation.

Students merit equal praise

This whole approach to yearbook identification is contrary to university officials' ongoing efforts to encourage students to stay on campus in order to establish a greater sense of community. Students, Greek and non-Greek, should be recognized in the yearbook for their achievements and memberships in student organizations. Sororities and fraternities have entire pages on which they could list the names of their members if they so choose, and membership would be identified this way. Either all organizations with which a student is associated should be listed with his or her individual picture or no organizational affiliations should be listed in this section of the yearbook. If the latter approach is adopted, then the names of students affiliated with particular organizations, both Greek and non-Greek, can be identified on pages specifically dedicated to the university's organizations.

Students, Greek and non-Greek, should be recognized in the yearbook for their achievements and memberships in student organizations.

to help students get involved and find a way to plug themselves into our great university. We should recognize all memberships or no memberships at all in order to create a greater sense of community within the student body.

> Jourdan Sullivan is a sophomore broadcast journalism major from Commerce.





Wayne Stayskal is an editorial cartoonist for the Tampa Tribune

oblivious to the various distractions occupying his students' attention. I shared that view throughout college, assuming that professors were in their own tunnel-vision world and couldn't see anything in front of them. Though iPhones didn't exist in the '90s, I found various ways to distract myself, including doodling and arguing with my conservative friend in the adjacent seat (sorry, Dr. S. I really did enjoy your class!).

However, the minute I stepped in front of a classroom as the instructor, I was quickly disabused of my assumptions. Let me assure

the pull of technology and choose not to fight that battle. But don't confuse a choice not to spend our limited class time fighting you with obliviousness to what you're doing. We do notice. And, though we may not do this consciously, it's human nature that such mental notes will affect our overall perceptions of you, which may in turn wield subtle influence over the various ways beyond written course work in which we evaluate you throughout your college tenure.

> Adam Schiffer is an associate professor of political science.

had their Greek affiliation printed next to their names. My concern was twofold.

First, linking a student immediately and exclusively to his or her sorority or fraternity may well lead others to make assumptions about that person based solely on what they know about that particular group. This being the case, the whole character of the person identified by Greek affiliation is neglected, and only a narrow facet considered. The sum of a person cannot be known by two or three Greek letters that associate a student with a certain sorority or fraternity.

All organizations are important



FLICKR

Lieberman earns independent title with votes



Sen. Joe Lieberman, Ind-Conn., said on Oct. 27 that he would filibuster Democratic Sen. Harry Reid's health care reform bill if it included a government-run insurance plan, or public option.

For the politically uninterested, this fact might be irrelevant. But Lieberman has essentially been the key to passing President Barack Obama's health care reform bill. A two-thirds vote is required for it to pass, which means 60 of the 100 members of the Senate would have to approve it. Lieberman is number 60.

Lieberman is known by some in Congress as an unpredictable voter. After all, he's the only declared Independent in Congress, and he regularly leads Democrats to think he will vote with them, only to vote how he sees fit.

In short, Lieberman votes and acts independently, as he should. In confusing political times like these, it is encouraging to see that a congressman is voting as Americans should — based on personal conscience.

The United States political system is primarily composed of two parties that some will call polarized and others will call anything but. However, the American people are hungry for a third party, as shown by Libertarian Sen. Ron Paul's, R-Texas, strong support in the 2008 presidential election.

A public option would require Americans to pay even more taxes than they already do, which would not only be unfair to the people, but unrealistic for the country.

Furthermore, Lieberman's reason for opposing the bill makes sense. According to a politico.com report, Lieberman said he would oppose the bill "even with an optout because it still creates a whole new government entitlement program for which taxpayers will be on the line."

Americans know about the current economic struggles. A public option would require Americans to pay even more taxes than they already do, which would not only be unfair to the people, but unrealistic for the country.

Lieberman also said, according to the Politico report, that he wanted to vote for health care reform but knew it would increase our federal debt. Lieberman said in the report that we are in an economic recovery, which requires financial caution.

Lieberman has a plan, too. He wants to give the plan a bit of time before re-evaluating the need for another entitlement.

Democrats might think Lieberman is crazy simply because his decision comes at an inopportune moment. Obama has said that he would like to address the health care issue by the end of the year. That gives Congress less than two months to figure out what the plan is if they are going to meet the president's deadline.

Plus, Lieberman is known for being socially liberal. He just has to vote for health care, liberal Democrats would say.

But Lieberman's stance against health care based on its lack of fiscal rationality is admirable. In doing so, Lieberman is accurately representing the "I" after his name. D.C., Tuesday, November 18, 2008.

Voting in Congress is more important than the American popular vote, but Americans can learn a lesson from Lieberman's decision. They could do a better job at voting on conscience like Lieberman did in this situation.

And when the individual considers his or her opinion on health care reform, he or she should take

into consideration the points Lieberman made. Maybe he is making a departure from his political habits for the sake of the U.S. budget and not just for personal publicity.

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Sen. Joe Lieberman (D-CT) leaves a Democratic Caucus meeting on Capitol Hill in Washington,

SPORTS



The student publications pick 'em team is back for more college football action. Each participant will get one point for a correctly selected win out of the chosen games and two points for an upset pick. The standings remained the same this week with News Now's Maddy Foxx leading the pack with 33 points followed by Skiff editor-in-chief David Hall with 30 points. In third is Skiff reporter Mary Sue Greenleaf with 28 points and Skiff sports editor Travis L. Brown with 27 points. Trailing the pack is Skiff news editor Michael Carroll with 24 points and KTCU's Phil Mann with 22 points.



	TCU @ SDSU	Ohio State @ Penn St.	Oklahoma @ Nebraska	Kansas @ Kansas St.	Army @ Air Force	UPSET
Maddy Foxx News Now Reporter		EXERCISE	Q		THE FORCE	Indiana over Wisconsin
David Hall Skiff Editor-in-Chief		BENNE	Q	No.	TALEPORE	LSU over Alabama
Mary Sue Greenleaf Staff Reporter		HISTE	Q	N S	FALCUNS	LSU over Alabama
Travis L. Brown Skiff Sports Editor		PERSONAL	Q	No.	TALE FORCE	LSU over Alabama
Michael Carroll Skiff News Editor		ENN STATE	Q	KU SO	FALCONS	LSU over Alabama
Phil Mann KTCU News Director		EXAMPLE	Huskers	C	FAIR FORCE	Northwestern over Iowa

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up 249 total yards on the Frogs, with 219 coming through the air. TCU let the Bobcats stay in the game because of their inability to stop the quick pass.

Now, this Frog team is completely different than that young team at the beginning of this season that couldn't quite figure out how to put all the pieces of the puzzle together. But since then, namely in the Air Force and Colorado State games, the Frogs found a way to be dominant in all three aspects of the game for the first time. If they come out Saturday like they did in Provo, fans have every right to look forward to what will be an amazing home game against Utah.

But if the Frogs are looking ahead toward that game and are caught sleeping, the Aztecs have the tools that could cause the Frogs to stumble. And it would be a stumble that leads to a fall out of everything the Frogs have worked for this season.

Despite the excitement involving this season and the Utah game, head Coach Gary Patterson has always done a good job keeping his players focused and ready to play each game, looking to "win by one point." If the Frogs show up, which I have no reason to think otherwise, they should withstand a good warm up for the excitement to come another shot at Utah.

Sports Editor Travis L. Brown is a senior newseditorial journalism major from Dallas.

Buckeyes try to reverse poor high profile games

AP Sports Writer

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Ohio State is 40-8 over the past four seasons, a record that might have most fans of the 15th-ranked Buckeyes flush with confidence heading into Saturday's game at No. 11 Penn State.

It shouldn't.

The last six times the Buckeyes have played a team as good or better based on rankings, they've lost. No one has to tell the players, either.

"I haven't led us to a big win past three big-game losses. "The quarterback has to lead. And I haven't led in a big game."

Ohio State (7-2, 4-1 Big Ten) has lost its only game this year against a ranked opponent, then-No. 3 Southern Califor-

and No. 3 Texas, losing to the ida 41-14. Longhorns in the last minute

"From a team standpoint, from inside the locker room, we're confident about the offense."

Dane Sanzenbacher wide receiver

yet," said quarterback Terrelle of the Fiesta Bowl. In 2007, the Pryor, a central figure in the only top-20 team they played was No. 2 LSU, which rolled over the No. 1-ranked Buckeyes 38-24 in the BCS national championship game in New Orleans.

The big-game drought start-

lost marquee matchups with came in unbeaten and No. 1 fense," wide receiver Dane San-No. 1 USC, No. 3 Penn State but was dusted by No. 2 Flor-

> There has been more grumbling from Ohio State fans about the failings in high-profile games. Coach Jim Tressel, who could seemingly do no wrong in big games early when he started in Columbus, now is questioned about every facet of his preparation, philosophy and play-calling in the biggest games now.

"We try not to worry about the people who are talking on the outside," tailback Dan "Boom" Herron said.

Despite the criticism and questions, the players say none of the pervious losses has any effect. They say they are coming to Happy Valley ready to win.

"From a team standpoint, ed in a big way with the 2006 from inside the locker room, Iowa visiting.

zenbacher. "Obviously, there's always going to be talk about, 'Oh, you guys play in spurts' or 'You don't perform well in big games.' But we are always a confident team and we know what we can do and we have the players to do it."

It's not as if Penn State has swept through its biggest games. In its only game against a top-tier opponent this season, then-unranked but unbeaten Iowa topped the Nittany Lions 21-10. Penn State closed out last season with a 38-24 loss to No. 5 USC in the Rose Bowl.

The stakes are high for both teams Saturday, with the loser most likely eliminated from the Big Ten race and a BCS bowl. It won't get easier for Ohio State the following week, with No. 8



JAY LAPRETE / AP Photo

Ohio State quarterback Terrelle Pryor (2) celebrates with Ross Homan after a safety against Southern California in the third quarter of an NCAA college football game in Columbus, Ohio in September.



NEWS

Circus elephant escapes

By Sean Murphy Associated Press Writer

- It's not unusual to see a deer or a cow crossing Oklahoma's rural highways. But an elephant?

A couple driving home from church nearly slammed into a giant pachyderm that had escaped from a nearby circus late Wednesday.

brakes. The elephant blended swerved, it would have in with the road," driver Bill knocked it off its legs, and it Carpenter said Thursday. "At the very last second I said 'elephant!""

Carpenter, 68, said he swiping the 29-year-old fe- elephant was being exam-Enid, about 80 miles north of Oklahoma City.

"Didn't have time to hit the brakes. The OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) elephant blended in with the road. At the very last second I said 'elephant!'"

> **Bill Carpenter** Oklahoma driver

"So help me Hanna, had "Didn't have time to hit the I hit that elephant, not would have landed right on top of us," he said. "We'd have been history."

The couple, who own a swerved his SUV at the last wheat farm, weren't injured. second and ended up side- But the 8-foot, 4,500-pound male elephant on U.S. 81 in ined Thursday for a broken tusk and a leg wound. A local veterinarian said it appeared



ENID NEWS & EAGLE, BILLY HEFTON / AP Photo An elephant that escaped from the Family Fun Circus at the Garfield County Fairgrounds after being spooked caused a vehicle accident Wednesday night as it ran along North the U.S. 81 bypass in Enid, Okla, According to Enid Police Department Sgt. Billy Varney, the couple in the vehicle were not injured.



to have escaped major injury. "I thought this can't

be happening. Out here you could hit a deer or a cow, but this can't be happening. The good Lord was with us," Carpenter said. The elephant's tusk punched through the side of the SUV, tearing up sheet metal.

After sideswiping the elephant, his wife, Deena, flagged some people down and used their cell phone to call police.

"The dispatcher didn't believe her: 'You hit a what?" he said. "I told my wife, I don't know whether to cry or laugh."

Enid veterinarian Dr. Dwight Olson said the elephant was hiding in some bushes just off the highway when he arrived shortly after the accident. Handlers from the circus were able to calm it down, and Olson cleaned the leg wound and gave it some pain killer.

The elephant was taken Thursday to the veterinary school at Oklahoma State University for a follow-up exam.

"I don't believe there's a broken bone, but I don't have an X-ray room big enough to examine it,' Olson said.

The elephant had escaped from the Family Fun Circus at the Garfield County Fairgrounds earlier Wednesday after something spooked it while it was being loaded into a truck with another elephant, Olson said.

A booking agent for the circus, Rachael Bellman, said she was unaware the incident, and a telephone message left with circus officials wasn't immediately returned.

Carpenter joked about being involved in such a bizarre accident on what is usually a peaceful church night.

"I don't know what was in the wine, but it must have been pretty strong,'

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JOSE LUIS MAGANA / AP Photo Demonstrators chant on Capitol Hill in Washington on Thursday during a Republican health care reform rally.

Republicans fight bill on Hill

By Laurie Kellman Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) Chanting "Kill the bill," thousands of conservatives incensed over the Democrats' health care overhaul protested at the Capitol on Thursday, arguing that the legislation amounts to a government takeover of the nation's medical system.

The crowd, invited on national television by Rep. Michele Bachmann, R-Minn., was staunchly anti-government — "Politicians lie, people die," read one sign - but insured Americans. At the Radcliffe, who played Cliff on loudly cheered the House rally on the West Front of Republicans who hosted the event. The protest attracted many of the so-called Tea bill, bound in a gold cord, Party demonstrators angry with increased spending It was so heavy, at one point and an expanded govern- it thunked to the ground. ment role under the Obama administration.

have seen," House Republi- care isn't free" - to harsh. can leader John Boehner of Ohio told the crowd.

ed viewers of Fox News to "Find members Washington to roam House office buildings and confront lawmakers.

"I'd love to have every one of your viewers join me so that we can go up and down through the halls," Bachmann said. "Find members of Congress, look at the whites of their eyes and say, 'Don't take away my health care."

a slimmed-down health care bill that focuses on reducing costs rather than increasing coverage for millions of unthe Capitol, they mocked the 1,990-page Democratic on the corner of the lectern. Michele," the crowd chanted as

The crowd, including many older Americans, car-"This bill is the great- ried placards that ranged est threat to freedom that I from pithy — "Free health

"Ken-ya Trust Obama?" said one, referencing the Election Day. "We're not going to leave president's African roots and is Hill until we kill this claims by some that he wasn't

of Congress, look at the whites of their eyes and say, 'Don't take away my health care.'"

Michele Bachmann U.S. Representative, R-Minn.

Republicans have offered Ben Fourman, 72, of Farmingdale, N.J. The retiree wore a T-shirt that said, "Liberty equals limited government."

Actors Jon Voight and John the comedy series "Cheers," attended, but the real star was Bachmann.

"We want Michele! We want she took the microphone.

Bachmann, a favorite of conservatives for her colorful rhetoric, issued a reality check about the bill's outsized chances of passing. But she added a dash of optimism gleaned from Republican victories on

"Kill the bill! Kill the bill!" the crowd chanted "Yes, that's exactly what

Capitol Police arrested a

dozen anti-abortion protest-

ers in the hall outside Pelosi's

office in the Cannon House

Elsewhere, Siler City, N.C.,

Office Building.

bill," declared Rep. Steve born in the United States. King, R-Iowa.

House Democrats hope to acare with Kennedy," a reffrom the American Medical Association and the AARP, will make a final appeal to Democrats during a rare visit to the Capitol Friday.

Republican leaders conon what they said were the flaws in the Democratic bill,

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One protester carried a you're going to tell them," That's highly unlikely. sign reading, "Bury Obam- Bachmann said. pass the sweeping legisla- erence to Sen. Edward Kention Saturday, buoyed by nedy, D-Mass., who died of endorsements Thursday brain cancer this past summer.

The demonstrators came the powerful seniors lobby. to Washington by plane, bus President Barack Obama and other means to send a message to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., as they press

trolled their event, focusing ahead with health care legislation.

as they distanced themselves where we've come from to he saw at the rally that said from Bachmann's invitation. where we are today, to see "I love my country, but I'm On Oct. 30, she invit- our freedom eroding," said afraid of my government."

resident Paul Kaufman and nine family members stopped by the offices of Reps. Mel Watt, D-N.C., and Walter Jones, R-N.C. "I feel like I'm defending my freedom. I'm defending my rights," Kaufman said, adding

"It's upsetting because of that he identified with a sign



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SPORTS



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Frog wide receiver Jimmy young celebrates a 61-yard touchdown reception as the Frogs beat San Diego State by the score of 26-21 in this week's NCAA 10 simulation. Aztec quarterback Ryan Lindley threw three interceptions and Frog kicker Ross Evans hit four field goals to seal the win for the Frogs. Check dailyskiff.com for video highlights called by Skiff sports editor Travis L. Brown and KTCU and News Now's Phil Mann. 🏊

FOOTBALL Students find new ways to watch Frogs

By Melanie Cruthirds Staff Reporter

From cross country roadtripping to backyard gamewatching parties, students BYU game two weekends got creative in their efforts ago, he said. Alexander said to catch the away games of he and 15 to 20 friends chose the undefeated Horned Frog nearby Buffalo Bros. to watch football team, a senior student said. Geoff Dice, a marketing major, said he and his atmosphere were the biggest roommates traveled to the draws. Clemson game, but took a different approach when the always like going there any-Frogs faced BYU.

projector equipment and a the game." 110-inch screen enabled the three men and about 80 of activities coordinator at the their friends to view the game

"We had a great time-I always like going (to Buffalo Brothers) anyway. It's just close and they always have the game."

Austin Alexander senior history major

from their own backyard.

"It's our senior year this year, and there's a lot of hype about the football team," Dice said. "We thought it was a good opportunity to watch the game really big as opposed to just in the living 2 p.m. and will include a disk room on our TV."

Dice said that for Saturday's game against the San Diego State Aztecs he and his Buffalo Bros., said the restauroommates will not watch rant would air the SDSU game the game on their projector and offer shot specials while screen because it would be it aired, as the restaurant did too difficult to see with the during the BYU game.

midday glare. Austin Alexander, a senior

history major, also chose to go off campus in order to view the highly-anticipated the game. He said the restaurant's good food and good

'We had a great time. I way," Alexander said. "It's just A recently-acquired set of close, and they always have

> Brad Thompson, student Brown-Lupton University Union, said the Union's 1873 Grill will also air the game, which is scheduled to start at 3 p.m. Thompson said a similar campus event during the BYU game was successful with more than 100 fans in attendance.

> "People were doing cheers, and it was just a really cool environment," Thompson said. The actual game show-

ing, put on by the University Union and the Class of 2010, was originally scheduled to be projected outside, but it was moved indoors because of glare from heavy daytime sun and other technical problems, Thompson said. The activities are scheduled to begin at jockey, food specials and door prizes for students.

Ed McOwen, owner of

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T-BALL Aztec passing game shouldn't be overlooked by Frogs



and the Frogs still have San chine. Diego State to get through before the Utah game.

teams - Utah State, New Mexico, New Mexico State and Colorado State. Their rush defense ranks very low in the Football Bowl Series, coming in at a dismal 66th. But there is one surprising

stat that could really hurt the Frogs this weekend. San Diego State comes into this Sat-On campus, the buzz about urday's game ranked No. 19 an upcoming TCU football in passing offense, averaging game has reached levels of 278.5 yards per game. While craziness that would drive TCU is ranked in the top ten any Horned Frog to spit in all aspects on the defensive blood out of its eyes. But that side of the ball, pass defense hype surrounds the Utah has been the one small hole game, which is in two weeks, in the Frogs' well-run ma- ing the Cougars to 298 yards

The Frogs have only faced two teams that presented big Championship Series team, The Aztecs come into the time passing threats this seagame a mediocre 4-4, with son. They dominated BYU wins over four very poor quarterback Max Hall hold-

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of total offense. The other air attack team was a Football Texas State. Texas State put

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The Horned Frogs celebrate with SuperFrog after their Homecoming win over UNLV last week.

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