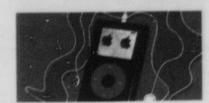


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Studio merges technology with writing

Staff Reporter

Rickel Academic Wing will dents and faculty who seek ways to incorporate technology into class assignments.

The New Media Writing Stustudents use new media tools to write and create class projects.

dio will allow students to use new technologies." new media programs, such as A new media studio in the Flash, PowerPoint, Photoshop, said they hope the presence Dreamweaver and other Mac- of the studio will evoke faculty serve as a resource for stu-romedia and Adobe products to incorporate new media projto make presentations or other ects into their curriculums. school projects.

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Michael Browning, NMWS media writing as "new forms applications, Lucas said. student intern, said the stu- of writing made possible by

The faculty of the NMWS

Brad Lucas, co-director of the "It's a one-stop shop for any- NMWS and assistant professor of thing and everything that has to English, said a few faculty members already have. Two weeks Sept. 4, will focus on helping a senior political science major. ago, 10 faculty members attend-Carrie Leverenz, co-director ed a week-long summer workof the studio, describes new shop on new media and writing

The workshop, led by Jeff

Grabill, Michigan State University professor of rhetoric and professional writing, taught the faculty members about new media software programs and how they can be related to writing.

Ann George, associate professor of English who attended the workshop, said that it focused on teaching students how to manipulate photos among other lessons.

George said she will be intro-See MEDIA, page 2



The new media writing center, in the University Recreation Center basement 038, offers a lot of technology to TCU students. The center has PC and Mac Computers with Photoshop and web design programs

Officer updates ROTC on war efforts



ABOVE: Maj. Gen. Gerald Minetti speaks to ROTC students about international affairs Thursday afternoon in Moudy Building North; BELOW: Maj. Gen. Gerald Minetti swears in TCU cadets Thursday afternoon at Moudy Building North.

By LINDSEY BEVER Staff Reporter

An army major general said he hoped to future leaders when he addressed about 120 TCU Army and Air Force ROTC students yesterday in Moudy North.

TCU Army ROTC cadets were recognized for academic achievement by Army Maj. Gen. Gerald Minetti, director of Coalition ing the culture of other countries. Coordination at U.S. Central Command, after speaking to students.

"I gave (the students) an update on the are in CENTCOM," Minetti said. "I hope

the global war on terror," Minetti said.

Minetti explained the current status of instill knowledge of international affairs to Middle Eastern countries such as Iraq, Afghanistan and a region of the Horn of Africa, detailing the responsibilities of CENT-COM, which is the U.S. Central Command. He also spoke to the students about the war in Iraq and the importance of understand-

"I hope (the students) got a better understanding of what the current operations

U.S. Central Command and central parts of they got an understanding of the current CENTCOM area of responsibility and why we call this the 'long war."

After his presentation, Minetti honored eight cadets who received a full ROTC scholarship to TCU.

The cadets were first contracted with the military, and once they agreed to service in the army as commissioned officers, they received full scholarship, said Maj. John Agor, professor of military defense.

Clay Eiland, a senior communication studies major, said Minetti's breakdown of coalition forces was very effective.

"I liked the maps and visuals as far as, these forces are here, this is where all the different tribes are, and this is where our forces are," Eiland said.

Eiland said he plans to enter the military after graduation.

"I have a minimum of six months for initial branch training and then I'll be a platoon leader," Eiland said. "Hopefully, I'll go somewhere overseas like Korea."

Although Amy Essary, a freshman early childhood education major and scholarship recipient, said that although she does not plan to enter the Army immediately after college, she said she does plan to utilize the leadership skills she will learn at TCU.

"Because I want to teach second grade, I feel that I'll learn a lot of leadership skills (in ROTC)," Essary said. "I really do want to join the military, but I haven't decided how teaching is going to work out. It all depends on how much I enjoy the military once I enlist."

TCU teaches leadership skills to those entering the military and those who will use their skills in other fields, Agor said. "Service to the country should be a goal

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Nothing but love for former men's head tennis coach

Former women's team instructor chosen out of 80 potential picks. By MATT MABE

The unexpected resignation of the TCU men's head tennis coach in July has been difficult for the team, but players said they are adjusting well.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association said former head tennis coach Joey Rivé was in violation of regulation rules regarding recruiting athletes. According to NCAA guidelines, coaches are only permitted to make one call per week to a prospective athlete for recruiting purposes. Rivé made more phone calls than allowed, but Daniel Morrison, the director of athletics, would not comment on how many calls were made.

"I take full responsibility for my actions," Rivé said in a story posted on gofrogs.com in July. "I deeply regret that I have negatively impacted both TCU and the men's tennis program."

Morrison said, "Coach Rivé recognized that there were excessive phone calls, and as a result he ended up resigning under the best interest of TCU and the tennis program.

Senior tennis player Andrew Ulrich said that he and the rest of the men's team are saddened about Rivé's

'We are obviously all very upset," Ulrich said. "It is sad when you have built a relationship with a guy for three years and then all of a sudden he is gone."

"It hurt for all of us in the tennis community to have to see him go," Ulrich added.

Dave Borelli, who had been the head women's tennis coach for the last four seasons, became the new men's coach after Rivé resigned.

Borelli was selected from more than 80 candidates for the position. He has raised the TCU women's program to top 15 status and has earned seven women's national championships from his days as the women's coach at University of Southern California.

"I was pretty devastated," Borelli said of Rivé's resignation. "Joey and I were really close. I have maybe See TENNIS, page 2

Education center hires new director

By MORGAN BLUNK

Thanks to a \$74,000 grant from TCU's Vision in Action a year ago, a new director has been named for the Center for Urban Education, said the dean of the

Jennifer Brooks, who was appointed director in June, said she is anxious to start work with the program.

"The overall goal is to develop urban educators for the next generation of students," Brooks said. "A lot of exciting things are coming" to the program.

Brooks said urban students come from a wide range of economic backgrounds, social classes and races. The CUE is meant to help education majors teach students with discipline problems and unique situations, Brooks said. From children of single-parent families to students on free and reduced-price lunch meal plans, she said the program tries to prepare students for what they will face in the real world.

Sam Deitz, dean of the School of Education, said he understands the difficulties associated with teach-See URBAN, page 2



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Meow. A district judge in Jeannette, Pa., has been asked to decide whether that sound is a harmless taunt or grounds for a misdemeanor harassment conviction.

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URBAN

ing inner-city children and said he is hopeful CUE can help.

"It's always more difficult and always more challenging to work with children who are poor, less prepared," Deitz said.

He said the CUE offers workshops and classes, which aim to prepare students and professors for these situations.

While involvement in the program is not a requirement for education majors, Cecilia Silva, an associate professor in the School of Education, said she thinks it is important for education majors to learn how to teach inner-city students. Silva said she is aware that many TCU students' backgrounds are different from

those of the students they could potentially be teach-

settings are) where most experience with local of our young teachers will be taking most of their first jobs," Silva said.

Brooks previously spent more than 10 years as principal at Edward J. Briscoe Elementary School, which is part of the Fort Worth Independent School Dis-

Deitz said he was pleased that Brooks was named the new director of CUE because of her extensive qualifications and experience in working with innercity children.

'She did an excellent a lot of plans for the future job of turning an innercity school, which is usually not successful, into a school that was remarkably successful, and she became be in education," she said.

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a model," Deitz said.

Deitz said he is also pleased with Brooks "We know that (urban because she has so much schools

> "She has an excellent reputation in the FWISD and she brings her contacts with FWISD, which help us get things done," Deitz said.

Kelsey Williams, a junior early childhood education major, said she is also glad the program's director has so much experience.

"I think she will be great for the program," Williams said. "I've heard she has a lot of experience in (urban education).' Brooks said that she has

ways to involve more education majors. "It's an exciting time to

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ducing some of her classes to the NMWS and some of its programs this semester and hopes that students will take advantage of all the studio has to offer.

Other English classes that have more of a new media focus, such as introduction to composition and writing, and intermediate composition, may also be using the NMWS this semester, Lucas said.

"What we're wanting to have is a place where people can work on their projects together," he said.

The studio, which was created out of an empty classroom in the University Recreation Center basement, is now full of computers, tables and workspace.

"This truly is a brand new lab," Lucas said. "All the furniture had to be installed, new power lines, new network cables, new computers. We've got some really fine equipment in here." When the studio opens in early September, there will

be an instructor on-hand at all times to help with projects and questions. Appointments will not be required, and students from any major are welcome. Billie Hara, instructor for the Writing Center and the

"Too many students have been beat down by writing,"

NMWS, said he hopes the studio encourages students

for every American; it doesn't have to be in the military, it can be anything as divergent as political activism to community service to environmental work," Agor said. "Everyone should strive to give something back to the country, to the nation, to the world. And this is one way to do it and get your education paid for."

NEW MEDIA WRITING STUDIO

Starting Sept. 4, the New Media Writing Studio will be open Monday: 10 a.m.- 7 p.m., Tuesday: 11 a.m. - 6 p.m., Wednesday: 11 a.m. - 7 p.m., Thursday: 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Friday: 10 a.m. - noon.

TENNIS

three or four people that I would consider to be my closest friends and Joey is certainly one of them."

Ulrich said the guys on the team are adapting well to playing under the direction of their new coach.

"I really can't say enough about coach Borelli," Ulrich said. "He's a first-class guy, and it has really helped having him with us. He is and always has been really supportive of both girls and guys teams.

Borelli has worked with men's teams in the past with successful results, primarily throughout the 1990s, when he worked with top men college play-

"Sometimes a change can be good," Borelli said, "as long as the change is a productive and positive one.

"TCU has always had a great tradition in men's tennis, and I would like to continue that and bring it to a higher level.

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-Associated Press

THE SKIFF VIEW

Athlete's greed out of control

hese days, football fans can't tell whether Matt Leinart is a businessman or a quarterback. Like many professional athletes, he has his sights set on green dollar bills instead of the green turf, disenchanting the fans who pay the GNP of a small country to see him throw and run — the same fans who pay him.

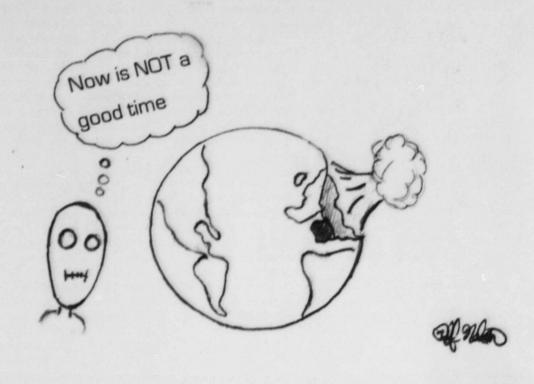
This year's NFL draft exemplifies how the passion for a game has dissipated into a money-hoarding business deal: Leinart, the 10th pick in the draft, has held out for two weeks because he felt as though he deserved more money than those who were drafted before him. Reggie Bush, although only dawdling for a bit, could have let down the city of New Orleans, and its football fans who treat him like a god, for money — talk about biting the hand that feeds him.

On Aug. 14, Leinart signed a six-year contract with the Arizona Cardinals that guaranteed him \$14 million, with a potential to make \$51 million, according to USA Today. According to the Fall 2005 TCU Factbook, the mean salary for a TCU professor as of Fall 2005 was \$94,549. The professor, who fosters the student to go out and make millions, makes about \$13.9 million less than Leinart's guaranteed pay. In January, CBS 11 News reported that the starting pay for Fort Worth police officers is \$43,000. The policeman who ensures safety of the fans and players at the game makes almost 326 times less than the rookie. Playing football is hard work, but it's arguably not as important or as hard as teaching and certainly not more important than protecting lives.

Athletes should try to optimize their salaries, as their careers could be over at any time; however, players should check their motives and means. A few million dollars more isn't worth a standoff. Professional athletes should get their priorities straight and put the sport and the fans higher than the salary.

- Managing editor Adrienne Lang for the editorial board

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POINT

Sexual orientation irrelevant

The Episcopal Church is at a crossroads.

The United States Episcopal Church voted on whether to confirm the Diocese of New Hampshire's choice for bishop, the Rt. Rev. V. Gene Robinson at the Episcopal General Convention in August of 2003. Prior to his election, Robinson had been the assistant to the retiring Bishop Douglas Edwin Theuner, and was seen as the logical successor. What should have been an easy confirmation process, however, was nearly derailed by a minor detail.

Gene Robinson is gay.

Not only that, but he had been living with his partner, Mark Andrews, in an openly acknowledged relationship since the early 1990s. Because of his openness about his homosexuality, Robinson was forced to go through a terrible ordeal during the General Convention. He was subjected to a false accusation of sexual harassment and had his final vote delayed while the claim was investigated. Finally, on Aug. 5, Robinson was confirmed by a vote of 62-45. On Nov. 2, amid continuing objections from conservative leaders in the United States Episcopal Church and the Worldwide Anglican Communion (of which the Episcopal Church is a member), Robinson was ordained as bishop of the Diocese of New Hampshire.

Despite the acrimony and the controversy surrounding Robinson's ordainment, it is undeniably good for the Episcopal Church and for Christianity in general that an openly gay man is now a leader in a major American church. For far too long, members of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender community have had few places to turn if they wanted to have a good and fulfilling religious life. They were forced to deny themselves, living trapped inside a closet built by those who are afraid of anything different. If they stopped denying themselves, they risked being shunned by their congregations and cast out like

demons

In doing so, congregations are ignoring the teachings and philosophy of Jesus Christ on the premise of upholding a select few of the Old Testament's numerous laws. Jesus was alive during the worst excesses of the Roman Empire, and yet he did not feel the need to condemn homosexual behavior. He instead chose to focus on the greater crimes of hypocrisy, pride and taking advantage of the weakest among us. He chastised the Pharisees of his time for doing just what those who oppose gay clergy are doing today: For demanding a strict adherence to the letter of the law instead of promoting a true faith in God. The Pharisees wanted everyone to believe exactly as they did and to observe the rules and laws in exactly the same way that they did. In the same way, those who oppose Robinson's consecration because of his homosexuality believe that the only way to salvation is to believe and live exactly the same way that they do.

With the consecration of Gene Robinson, the Episcopal Church has made a dramatic step toward the acceptance of the GLBT community, but at a substantial risk. In the three years since Robinson's election, several dioceses in the United States (including the Diocese Fort Worth) have threatened a schism. Conservative bishops in the United States and in the Anglican Communion have said that they cannot be in communion with a church that would allow such an abomination. The Anglican Church is facing an enormous crisis, which may end with the creation of a second Anglican community within the United State s- all because of with whom a man chooses to have

Much like former Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa, I don't see what all the fuss is about.

Rob Grebel is a senior political science major from Fort Worth.

COUNTERPOINT

Gay leadership not acceptable

Am I the only one that doesn't think this issue should be quite this complicated?

Recent debates about whether to accept homosexuality in ministry positions in several denominations have not only generated a hot topic of discussion, but have also resulted in a surprisingly wide variety of responses from church leadership, something that, to me, doesn't quite make sense.

According to the New International Version Bible, it clearly, in more than one place reads that homosexuality is a sin.

Leviticus 18:22 says, "Do not lie with a man as one lies with a woman; that is detestable." The chapter also talks about not having sexual relations with your family, with animals, with your neighbor's wife and so on. While I agree that some things in the Bible are open to interpretation, there are also passages that are fairly cut and dry. This section, which is backed up and justified in Romans, 1 Corinthians and 1 Timothy, is one of those sections. When it tells a man not to have sex with his family, any animals, or another man in the same way that he would with a woman - that is what it means.

Without getting into the issue of whether homosexuality is a choice or an inborn trait, let's just clarify that this is a biblical standard, not one I am actively trying to impose across the world. However, because it's a biblical standard, it does need to apply to Christian leaders.

Granted, everyone sins. But it's also reasonable to expect that pastors and priests hold themselves to a higher standard, and, just like I don't think someone can justify leading a church if they are having an on-going affair or organizing a local theft ring, I also don't think they can justify leading a congregation while living a homosexual lifestyle.

I want to point out that we're all on the same level here, and our lifestyles, whether it be in regards to sexual orientation or our major in college, should have no impact on the way we treat each other or interact on a daily basis. Everyone is obviously free to choose their own lifestyle, and it is in no way my place to judge — there's probably stuff about me that you wouldn't necessarily agree with, too.

But, if you're going to put yourself in a Christian leadership position where you have to advise others on how to lead a more Christ-like life, you should be holding yourself to the same standard.

I'm not saying that homosexuals shouldn't be allowed in the church. The church's doors, no matter what denomination, should be open to anyone as a safe place to ask questions, seek counsel, or fellowship with others. That does not mean that ministry leadership positions should be open to everyone.

Many religious communities have simply avoided this issue out of fear that it will divide the congregation, said Nancy Ammerman, a professor of sociology of religion at the University of Boston, in a Boston Globe article. While congregants should always aim for a peaceful community, a church needs to stand for what it believes in, and a Christian

church should be supporting the doctrines of the Bible. If it can't fully support God's word, then what can it fully support?

I, for one, don't want to go to a church that flounders over what it believes. While God is so vast and unexplainable that we do have to question, discuss and continually change based on our growing understanding, that does not mean that basic doctrines, such as the Ten Commandments, Jesus' death and resurrection, or the command not to "lie with another man" should be open for vast interpretation.

Just because social norms are changing, that does not mean the church can also. Christians need to be accepting and nonjudgemental, just as we would hope others would do for us. But there is a fine line between "loving God and loving others," (Matthew 22:37-39) no matter what their lifestyles, and loving others while also participating in their lifestyles.

The social norms for sexual engagement have changed in all aspects of life, not just association. It's now socially acceptable to have sex before marriage in our country. Does that mean the church needs to debate where the line on sexual abstinence is next? Any biblically based church will continue to teach that people should honor God, their bodies and their future spouses by saving sex for marriage. The decision on allowing homosexuality into church leadership should continue to follow biblical law as well.

Kathleen Thurter is a junior news-editorial journalism major from Colorado Springs, Colo.

Organic food label needs clarity

Some food for thought: things are not always as they appear.

Our food is rife with pesticides, growth hormones, antibiotics and many other bioengineered chemicals to make it bigger and easier to mass-produce.

As a solution, some people are trying alternatives such as organic foods. But with certain food labels, how organic is organic?

Consumers should be wary of misleading food labels and take caution because added chemicals are dangerous.

Pesticides can still exist

on fruits and vegetables

even after they have been

washed off, according to an

article in the April 23 issue

of the Sun Journal.

It may seem paranoid to worry about something that has yet to be proven, but the fact of the matter is that scientists have done very little testing to assess or disprove the idea that remaining chemicals in fruits and vegetables could lead to an illness.

According to the June 6 issue of World Disease Weekly, researchers at Centers for Health Research in Research Triangle Park found that pesticides, such as DDT, cause major dysfunctional gland and hormonal problems in lab rats. These problems are not yet linked to cancer in humans, but a lack of research could be attributing to that.

Some meat products contain antibiotics, which are given to the animals to prevent diseases. By consuming a large volume of these antibiotics, certain bacteria will become immune to them, according to the article in Sun Journal. Consumers have to take more medication when they get sick, in an attempt to make their general antibiotics work.

The Sun Journal article states that the food people eat not only could make them sick, but it could block potential cures for some of the diseases it transmits.

I love the English language because a minor change in wording can make a huge difference in meaning. Big industries use

carefully-worded phrases in their marketing strategies, such as food labels.

Some food items found in Frog Bytes that claim to be "organic" on their labels include Newman's Own chocolate cookies and Silk soy milk.

A label that claims its product as being "organic" is allowed to contain 5 percent of nonorganic ingredients, according to the Food and Drug Administration. Unless these ingredients are extremely detrimental to your health, 5 percent sounds OK.

The labels to watch out for are those that read "made with organic ingredients" and "some organic ingredients." It is here that the importance of a product's wording comes into play.

If a food label reads "made with organic ingredients," it is true that it is "made" with them, but the product can also contain up to 30 percent of nonorganic ingredients, according to the Sun Journal article.

For example, Amy's frozen snacks and meals are made with organic tofu, flour, rice, pasta and vegetables, depending on the type of dish or snack it is. The Snackimals animal cookies are made with organic grains.

When the label reads "some organic ingredients," it does indeed mean "some." According to the Sun Journal article the FDA allows the product to contain less than 70 percent of organic ingredients.

The safest and most honest food label is one that states "100 percent organic." It obviously has to be made with 100 percent organic ingredients, but that doesn't count added salt and water.

Only one food product in

Frog Bytes' limited organic selection is 100 percent-certified organic and that is the rock-hard Genuine Bavarian Multigrain Bread. The added salt is sea salt, and the water is Mountain Spring Water. Again, unless the manufacturers actually fused two hydrogen atoms and an oxygen atom together, then it's really not organic or pure.

Since organic food isn't a solution to the toxic chemical problems in our food, we have to face the risks of disease no matter what type of food we eat.

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Built-in USB port's music capabilities in cars improves drive time

By ERIC BENDEROFF Chicago Tribune (MTC)

I have a tool in my 2002 Ford that prepares me for any gadget I may one day want to use in my car: a

USB port.

Built into the faceplate of my Father's Day gift, an aftermarket car stereo made by JVC, I can plug an iPod, or a thumb drive filled with MP3 files, directly into the USB port. The songs play through the car stereo, and I can control the volume and song selection directly through the unit, not the iPod.

When my iPod is plugged in, the car stereo charges the music player as it plays. And the song information scrolls across the stereo's screen, telling me the artist, song name and album title.

Playing an iPod is the obvious use for my JVC KD-G720. But the possibilities with a USB port in a car seem limitless. With this technol-

ogy, I could power up a DVD player, a ing installation.

laptop or a mobile phone. And perhot spot

Those uses aren't listed in the manual now, but it's not a huge leap in engineering at this point.

stuff too. It can receive satellite radio from XM or Sirius, spin CDs (in WMA and MP3 formats if I burn the discs myself) and, yes, play terrestrial radio

It even comes with a remote control. (I thought a remote was silly, but it is actually very useful for skipping to the next song, switching to the radio and pumping up the volume while keeping my eyes on the road, not the stereo.)

How does my new car stereo sound? It's just like playing a CD, far superior in quality to the various schemes of iPod adapters I once used in the car.

The cost: Roughly \$200, not includ-

accessory. Their hope is that consumers will jump for joy over this new iPod along for the ride.

That's what it has come to in the more important than miles per gal-

pervasive Apple's music player has mobile phone rings.

It's not a bad deal for Apple, either, considering that if you do buy a new GM car and don't have an iPod, chances are that's what you'll get if you need a digital music player.

But before you plunk down 48

Compare that with likely \$20,000 because you can use it with your the radio," Szczerba said. haps one day a USB-based Wi-Fi set- or more for a new car, what Ford and iPod, check out the car-audio selecup could turn my Ford into a rolling GM are selling as the ultimate iPod tion at Best Buy, Circuit City or the electronics store of your choice. You'll be amazed at what the caraudio feature in many 2007 models audio systems from companies, and rush out to the local dealer to including Alpine, Eclipse, Jensen, My car stereo can do other neat buy a car because you can bring your JVC, Kenwood, Pioneer, Panasonic and Sony, can do.

Priced from \$100 to \$1,000, there hypercompetitive auto industry these are numerous iPod-ready car stereos days, where MP3 compatibility is that offer more than what Detroit is planning for its vehicles. Most of these aftermarket devices work with Other automakers have been add- any MP3 player, while some work ing iPod plug-ins for several years, only with the iPod. And there are but Ford's and GM's announce- models that have Bluetooth capabiliments this month underscore how ties, so the music pauses when your

How popular are these new audio

At a Chicago Circuit City store, where my unit was purchased, about 90 percent of the car-audio kits sold have iPod or satellite capabilities, said William Szczerba, sales months worth of payments for a car and installation manager for mobile electronics.

The majority of customers that come in ask about using their iPod in the car," he said. "Fewer people are asking for a CD player.

If you are uncomfortable ripping out your factory-installed stereo, Circuit City sells equipment so an iPod can interface seamlessly with the existing

designed so you can't replace sette player I had removed.

That concerns guys like Peter MacGillivray, a vice president with the Specialty Equipment Market Association, an industry group that represents aftermarket audio manufacturers and other auto accessory sellers.

"There is some concern from our members they may be shut out in the future because auto electronics systems have become so advanced," he said. "A car radio is no longer just a car radio.'

In some new cars, safety equipment such as air bag deployment is housed in the same space as the radio, making it dangerous to tamper with a factory-installed stereo.

MacGillivray loves the notion of having a USB hub in a car.

"Our industry can do so much more with an entry port like that than just plugging in an iPod," he said. "There are opportunities in that technology."

Those opportunities are coming, even if the current technology isn't perfect. My USB hub, for instance, didn't work initially with my older, prevideo iPod. A \$50 attachment was needed to make nice, but for newer iPods, including the video model and the Nano, the IVC unit works perfectly out of the box.

And no matter what new gadget comes along, my JVC system is flexible enough to handle it, perhaps with some adjustment. That's a lot Some newer cars are better than the factory-installed cas-



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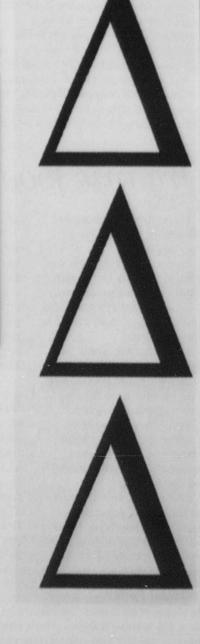




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the transition from high school to

"Find your niche," Driscoll said.

"Be open to meeting new people.

The school work is included, no mat-

As someone who has gone through

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ment major Mary Schruba, Anne's

sister, offered to students who are

worried about being lost in the

"A lot of my professors remember me

simply because I say 'goodbye' to them

after every class," said Mary Schruba.

offer office hours outside of class.

Some students take advantage of this

time to familiarize themselves with

their professors.

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the watch on Wednesday's Arts Page

Freshmen fret first year

Having a planner is key for orga-

nization, especially for those who

feel they have heavy class loads, said

Anne Schruba, an education gradu-

"Try to keep your classes orga-

nized. That way you don't get

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Schruba also added that students

planning to double major might find

it helpful to take classes during the

Freshman movement science major

Rachel Woodruff said she hopes to

of daily planners, most of which are

behind," Schruba said.

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Some Frogs want more out of life.

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He also wanted freshmen to

remember that it is easier to stay

on top of school work rather than

Jennifer Ferguson, a freshman

"Because I am active, I need ener-

Students looking for healthy eating

For those who crave more natu-

ral choices, students can check out

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gy," Ferguson said. You can't get that

options will find a selection of salads, sandwiches and wraps in The Main.

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premajor, is on the diving team and

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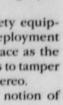
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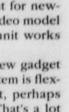


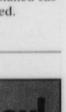








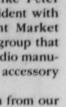




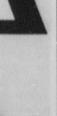








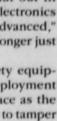






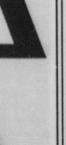






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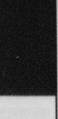




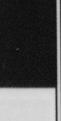












































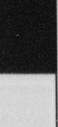




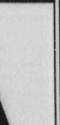




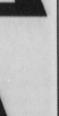




















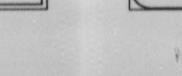














By CORTNEY STRUBE

Some incoming freshmen are not

sure what to expect in their first

semester, but advice from upperclassmen and alumni might help freshmen

make the most of their college expe-

One common concern expressed

Douglas Lynn, '04 TCU alumnus

by freshmen is time management.

who was having lunch on campus,

suggested choosing studying over a

"There will always be another par-

ty or athletic event, and chances are,

it will be bigger and better than the

one you missed," Lynn said.

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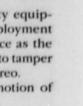
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Meteorologist: Hurricane Katrina never expected to be most destructive natural disaster to hit U.S.

By MELISSA M. SCALLAN McClatchy Newspapers

before she was named

Katrina is a storm meteorologists likely will study for years to come - her size, strength and the vastness of her destruction made her when the storm first formed. the largest natural disaster ever to hit the United States. At her peak intensity, the storm stretched from Lafayette, La., to Panama City, Fla., approximately 325 miles.

Though meteorologists at the National Hurricane Center determined the storm's winds cally busy season. were a strong Category 3 when she struck, most agree the storm surge was a Category 5.

Katrina killed more than 1,600 people in Louisiana and Mississippi. Her damaging winds and surge destroyed homes, schools, churches and buildings all along the coast and for miles inland in Mississippi.

'We've seen intense storms, but very few

storms we've seen in our area were both as the eye of the storm remained intact during that meteorologist for the National Weather Service in New Orleans.

No one could have imagined the destruction

She grew from a combination of a tropical wave, a trough and the remnants of Tropical Depression 10 nearly 950 miles east of Barbados, and she became a tropical depression by Aug. 23, 2005 — the 12th one of the histori-

a tropical storm, and the next day became a hurricane headed for south Florida.

The storm made landfall as a Category 1 hurricane Aug. 25, with winds of more than 80 mph, near where Miami-Dade and Broward

Katrina spent about six hours over land, and

intense as this storm was and covered a large time, despite the fact that the winds weakened Hurricane Katrina was an anomaly, even area," said Frank Revette, warning coordinator to about 69 mph, according to a report issued by the National Hurricane Center.

But Katrina wasn't done yet - not nearly. The storm moved into the southeastern Gulf of Mexico on Aug. 26, still pounding the Florida Keys with heavy rain and tropical storm-force

winds for most of the day. Once in the water, Katrina quickly regained hurricane status and grew much stronger between Aug. 26-28.

The storm originally was forecast to curve By Aug. 24, the depression strengthened into to the northeast and hit somewhere along the Florida Panhandle, a turn that never happened. By Friday, Aug. 26, Katrina appeared headed straight for New Orleans after moving west and then northwest.

> Revette said the combination of low wind shear and the warm waters of the Gulf combined to help Katrina gain intensity.



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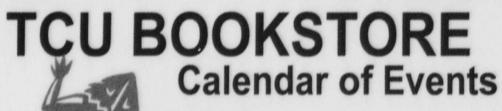
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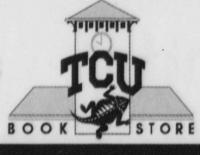
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Gaza militants use kidnapping for political gain

By DION NISSENBAUM McClatchy Newspapers

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When two Fox television journalists were kidnapped was widely assumed that the like two dozen other Westerners briefly abducted by Palestinian groups over the past

two years. On Wednesday, though, it became clear that the case as those who held a McClatchy may signal the beginning of Newspapers reporter and freea more perilous trend when a previously unknown group hours last fall, sought jobs with released a video of the jour- the Palestinian security servicnalists and issued demands es. Others demanded freedom not to Israel or to the Pales- for relatives held in Palestintinian Authority, but to the ian jails. United States.

the Holy Jihad Brigades gave type of political demand. the United States 72 hours to American jails in exchange for the journalists' freedom.

you," the statement said. "God because the kidnappers are amid new warnings that en to kill its captives. knows how often this kind of chance will be given."

The demand was accompanied by a 90-second video featuring Fox reporter Steve a more worrisome set of coin-Centanni, 60, and cameraman cidences." Olaf Wiig, 36, who were sitting in tracksuits on the floor in front of a plain black back-

fairly good health," Centanni days in captivity last Decemcaptors are treating us well."

The undated video was the first news of the journalists' condition since armed gunmen Gaza City near the Palestinian edly cited the Quran and those in Iraq.

security services offices. While such videos have

become routine in Iraq, this is the first time that militants in the Gaza Strip last week, it have used the tactic in Gaza.

pair would be quickly released represents a significant departure from past kidnappings.

> Until now, virtually all of the abductions were motivated by personal, not political, aims. Some kidnappers, such lance photographer for eight

The Holy Jihad Brigades is In a two-page statement, the first group to make this

"The trend you have so far to meet purely opportunistic, local, apolitical demands "This is the chance we give that are then easily resolved known," said Mouin Rabba- militant groups in the Gaza ni, a Jordan-based Middle East senior analyst with the International Crisis Group. "This is

In the past, most kidnapped Westerners were released within a few hours. A British aid We are alive and well, in freed after two and a half year ago after being held for nine days.

The statement itself was also kidnapped them on Aug. 14 in unusual for Gaza. It repeat- differences in this case from

In many respects, this case



A screen grab from the video that the previously unknown militant group, the "Holy Jihad Brigades" released of the kidnapped Fox journalists correspondent Steve Centanni and camerman Olay Wiland and demanded that the United States release Muslim prisoners within 72 hours.

release all Muslim prisoners in is people are taken on impulse denounced Western and Arab toward the Palestinians.

The video's release came this week, the BBC temporarily pulled its Gaza City-based reporter, Alan Johnston, out what it believed to be reli- rejected the demands. able information that milijournalists.

was released almost exactly a both urged American journalists to avoid Gaza for the time

There are also significant

No masked gunmen ly or simply a local Pales- band. governments for their policies appeared in the video with tinian force trying to draw Centanni and Wiig, and the group didn't explicitly threat-

Strip were planning to kidnap our condition, we will fulfill Israel and Hezbollah. Western journalists. Earlier our promise," the group's statement said. "If not, wait, and we are going to wait."

As it has in the past, the of the area after receiving United States immediately

"It is the position of the worker and her parents were tants were targeting British U.S. government that we do not make concessions to ter-The American Consulate rorists," said Mica Schweitzersaid in a subdued voice. "Our ber, and a French journalist and Foreign Press Association Bluhm, a spokeswoman for the their colleagues, friends and U.S. Consulate in Jerusalem.

Because this is a new group, it remains unclear whether the case is the vanguard of a more threatening trend in Gaza, an anoma-

attention to an area that has been largely overshadowed

"If you implement and meet warfare in Lebanon between Despite the concerns, colleagues and relatives of Centanni and Wiig took some

comfort in seeing the pair in

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the video. Both men appeared to be in good health. Centanni said the two were being fed regularly, allowed to shower and given clean clothes. Both men urged relatives to do all they could

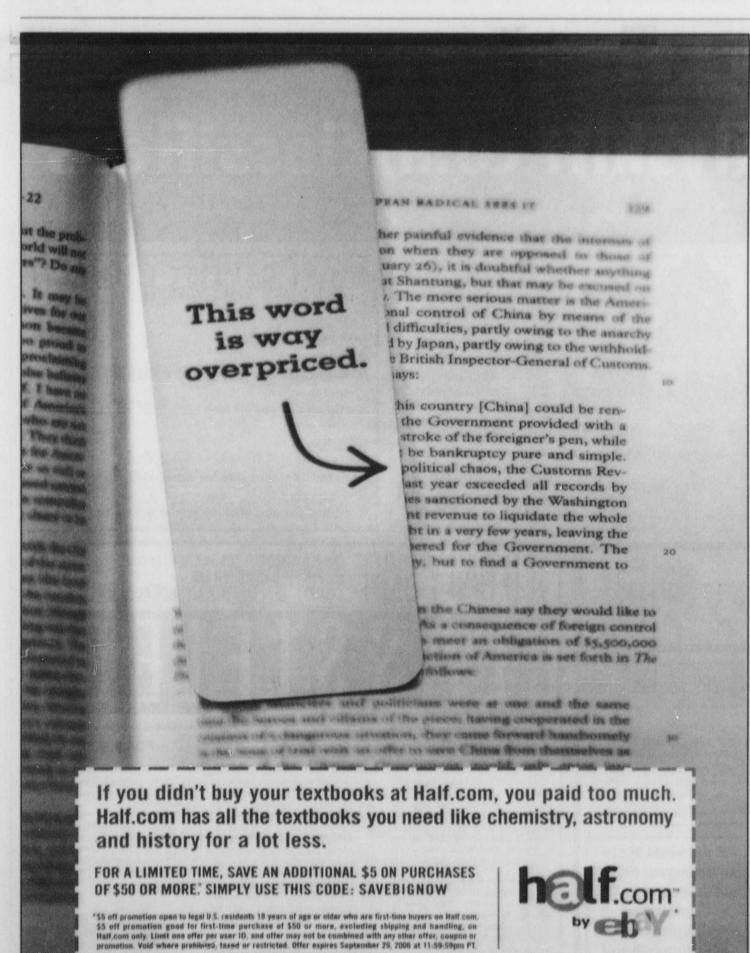
to secure their freedom. "We love you all and want to go home," Centanni said. "Hope to see you soon."

Wiig tried to reassure his family and wife, Anita McNaught, who has spent days in Gaza searching for her hus-

"Please don't worry," Wiig said. "I'll do all the worrying for us.

Until last year, kidnapping of Westerners in Gaza was almost unheard of. The tactic was dismissed by many Palestinian groups as counterproductive. But Israel's decision to end its military occupation of Gaza last summer was accompanied by a rise in lawlessness in the area.

In this case, prominent Palestinians have denounced the kidnapping and urged the captors to free Centanni and Wiig. Palestinian journalists in Gaza held a protest last week. Both Palestinian **Authority President Mahmoud** Abbas of the Fatah Party and Prime Minister Ismail Haniyeh from the militant group Hamas have criticized the



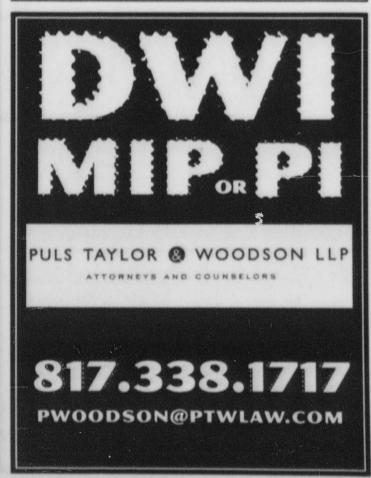
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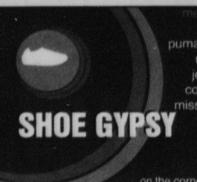


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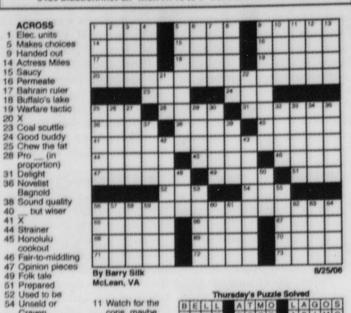
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KICKING IT UP A NOTCH

The women's soccer team hosts the Rice Owls. Look for Michelle Nicoud's recap this weekend on tcudailyskiff.com.

New equestrian team gallops onto campus as division I program

Staff Reporter

TCU's new equestrian team debuts September, but what exactly is an equestrian team, and what do they do?

According to varsityequestrian.com, the sport of horseback riding was classified as an emerging sport by the National Collegiate Athletic Association in 1998. For the sport to reach full NCAA championship status, 40 Division I/II schools must adopt the sport.

As of 2005, only 21 universities had adopted the sport, according to the Web site.

Equestrian competitions involve four events in which riders are judged on western horsemanship, reigning, general horseback riding, and jumping over fences, said head equestrian coach Gary Reynolds.

The way equestrian competitions work is pretty easy to understand, even if you don't

know anything about horse riding, Reynolds

"The competitions basically run on a tennis-style format," Reynolds said. "Whichever rider wins an event is awarded a point, and

the team with the most points at the end wins 66 Tou have to the competition." **⊥**raise yourself

The riders have to ride the host school's horses, rather than their own, which can be difficult and really shows the true skill in the sport, Reynolds said.

Before an event, the riders draw at random for the horse they will ride. Then, the riders are given a five minute

warm-up period where the riders familiarize

themselves with the horses, Reynolds said.

level."

"It's a unique challenge that is not like other equestrian events," Reynolds said. "On the college level, the riders don't get to ride their own horses, which makes it a lot tougher."

Carrie von Uhlit is a rider on the team and agrees that riding

the host school's horses can pose a bit of a challenge. "It's a different feel-

to a new competitive ing," von Uhlit said. You have to raise yourself to a new competitive level. Usually in this sport it is strongly about the horse/rider relation-

> ship, but on the college level, it's more about the skill of the rider."

> "I think the team is coming along great," von Uhlit said. "I know that the University

of South Carolina and Texas A&M University have good teams, and I think we'll be on their competitive level.'

Reynolds agrees.

"I'm excited about what we have here," Reynolds said. "We already have several students with championships on the team. There are good quality athletes in this area and we're happy to have them on the team."

Reynolds also said there are a couple of scholarship athletes on the team this year.

Reynolds came to become the equestrian coach because of his involvement in a local horse team and he is familiar with several members of the Equestrian Board.

The team is still very much in its building stage, with no set roster or schedule as of yet, Reynolds said. The equestrian team's first competition is tentatively set for Sept. 27 at Baylor University.

Horned Frogs predicted to win second conference title, could gain new BCS series bowl

South Florida Sun-Sentinel

TCU has more to play for than another Mountain West title. The Horned Frogs can get themselves into the BCS series, which has added a fifth game, expanding consideration to the top 12 schools in the standings. TCU was the class of the conference in its first season and could go through undefeated again.

1. TCU (11-1, 8-0)

Coach: Gary Patterson Top players: OT Herbert Taylor,

DE Tommy Blake, DE Chase Ortiz Comment: The well-coached Horned Frogs have unlimited potential behind one of the nation's top defenses and Jeff Ballard, a rising

star at quarterback. 2. Utah (7-5, 4-4)

Coach: Kyle Whittingham

Top players: S Eric Weddle, WR Brian Hernandez, OT Tavo Tupalo Comment: The Utes finished as winners in their first season under

Whittingham. With experienced

returning, the Utes will be in the his third year as starter. conference race.

3. BYU (6-6, 5-3)

Coach: Bronco Mendenhall Top players: QB John Beck, RB

Curtis Brown, LB Cameron Jensen Comment: Mendenhall made BYU fans forget Gary Crowton's last three losing seasons. The Cougars are loaded on offense with Beck, Brown and TE Jonny Harline.

4. Colorado State (6-6, 5-3) Coach: Sonny Lubick

Top players: RB Kyle Bell, WR Johnny Walker, CB Robert Herbert

Comment: The Rams are no longer one of the feared teams in the conference, but they should be good enough to reach their seventh bowl game in eight years.

5. New Mexico (6-5, 4-4) Coach: Rocky Long

Top players: OT Robert Turner, LB Cody Kase, QB Kole McKamey Comment: Long brought in four

new assistants after the Lobos failed to reach a bowl for the first time in four seasons. McKamey returns for

6. San Diego State (5-7, 4-4) Coach: Chuck Long

Top players: LB Joe Martin, DB Reggie Grigsby, RB Lynell Hamil-

Comment: Long, the former Iowa QB and Oklahoma assistant, takes over a program with plenty of potential. Long will rely on a ball-control offense and solid

7. UNLV (2-9, 1-7) Coach: Mike Sanford

Top players: DT Howie Fuimaono,

LB Beau Bell, QB Rocky Hinds Comment: The Rebels are excited about USC transfers Hinds (6-5, 220) and CB Eric Wright, who started six games as a true freshman but then was suspended.

8. Air Force (4-7, 3-5) Coach: Fisher DeBerry

Top players: OB Shaun Carney, CB

Chris Sutton, S Bobby Giannini. Comment: Air Force has been off the MWC radar. The Falcons are coming off two straight losing seasons and three without the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy

9. Wyoming (4-7, 2-6) Coach: Joe Glenn

Top players: OT Chase Johnson, RB Wynel Seldon, LB Luke Chase

Comment: The love for Glenn in Laramie won't last if the Cowboys keep suffering 4-7 seasons. Wyoming will rely on a strong running game to get some victories.

Mountain West's Offensive star: John Beck, QB, BYU

Defensive star: Eric Weddle, DB, Utah

Big game: TCU at Utah, Oct. 5

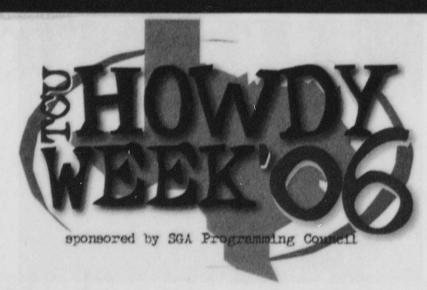
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Jeff Ballard, who helped lead Horned Frogs to a 10-1 record last season, reaches back to throw over the Colorado State defense at home Dec. 31. The Frogs look for another breakout performance from Ballard, who is 8-0 as a starter.



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Back to School with Mr. Belding 6:00pm ~ SC Ballroom

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Wednesday, August 30

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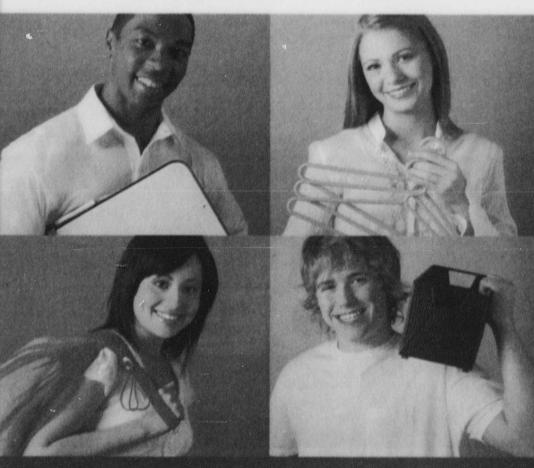
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