

By SARAILEYNN FRANKLIN

The federal government now rec- Services.

patient consent form, but TCU will announced Sept. 22.

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Staff Reporter

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Sports Find out how the Frogs match up with the Utah Utes for Thursday's game PAGE 6.

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people ages 13 to 64 without requir- of Campus Life for health promo-

ing pretest counseling or signing a tion, said the recommendation was

request, said Marilyn Hallam, the line, not a mandate," Crawley said,

assistant to the director of Health explaining why TCU does not have



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Laura Crawley, assistant dean

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Two pugs take part in the 2nd Annual Blessing of the Animals in front of Robert Carr Chapel on Tuesday evening.

to implement it.

Hallam said the Health Center does If the recommendation is enacted not initiate HIV tests. Even though HIV cases are increas- by Texas law, the consent form needing nationally, the university will not ed to test for HIV will no longer be They must be requested and be following a new federal recom- mandatory, said Mark Wilson, Tarrant approved by the patient's doctor, mendation to routinely test people County Public Health Department's Crawley said program manager for Adult Health

Hallam said in her 22 years of Health Center employment, TCU has

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Health Center not to follow federal HIV advice

16 million to 22 million HIV tests are performed annually in the United States. 25 percent of infected Americans unknowingly carry the disease.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

only done HIV tests upon request and comply with the Centers for Disease will continue to do so, she said.

"It's not something that is going to be arbitrarily done," Hallam said. never run tests that are not ordered by the doctor.'

In the past, HIV was considered a separate infection from all other STDs, and therefore, a patient consent form was required for a physician to administer an HIV test, HIV tests, according to the Washing-Wilson said.

According to a Sept. 22 Washington Post article, if medical providers

Control and Prevention recommendations, hospitals, clinics and doctors' offices will include HIV-testing for "Here at the Health Center, we never, people in the 13 to 64 age range as part of all routine blood exams that test blood sugar, kidney function and hemoglobin count, not just specific cases such as pregnancy.

Doctors in the United States perform 16 million to 22 million annual ton Post article.

Kathleen Baldwin, director of See AIDS, page 2

Class of 2008 plans to raise \$53,000 for February build

By RACHEL MCDANIEL Staff Reporter

The class of 2008 aims to raise \$53,000 by Dec. 1 for FrogHouse, the junior class Habitat for Humanity project, which provides a new volunteer-built home for a family in need.

The \$53,000 is the standard fee required by Habitat for Humanity for the build, said Melissa Boyd, associate director of the TCU Leadership Center. The money will pay for everything from land to needed materials, she said.

Habitat for Humanity requires a minimum 50 percent down payment at least 60 days before construction cent is due 30 days after the down payment, Boyd said. The entire down payment for FrogHouse will be paid on Dec. 1, since students aren't on campus to raise funds during winter break, Boyd said.



begins; the other 50 per- Alice Kazabukeye, 5, leans on studs inside her family's future house in Fort Worth, a Habitat for Humanity project for students. The class of 2008 will start building a new Froghouse the third week of February.

TABC meeting draws a small crowd

By MORGAN BLUNK

Staff Reporter

If college students and Texas Alcohol and Beverage Commission investigators have a mutual disdain for each other, it's because they only meet when their two worlds collide, a TABC agent told faculty and students Tuesday.

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MORGAN BLUNK / Staff Re Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission agent David Welsh speaks about the authority of TABC and the laws about underage drinking Tuesday in the Student Center.

to clear the rift between students and TABC at a campus crime prevention event in the Student Center sponsored by TCU Police. But there were only nine people at the gathering.

In a thick Southern accent, with no cowboy hat but a badge and gun in tow, Welsh told the group what TABC is, why it exists, the laws it enforces and why he thinks there's bad blood between students and TABC agents.

"The student body sees us as a bunch of ogres, and we see students as a bunch of spoiled brats," Welsh said. "That's because the only interaction we have with students is writing them tickets."

The event was advertised in a campuswide email sent by Pam Christian, TCU crime prevention officer, who said she brings someone in to talk biannually.

"Once a semester, I have a speaker come as part of our crime watch," Christian said. "I also had TABC come out at the beginning of the year to talk to fraternities and sororities.

Welsh said he would've liked to have seen more students in attendance and asking questions. He even included a cartoon of Santa Claus being arrested for possession of illegal drugs in his sleigh to lighten the mood.

"(The Santa clip) would've been a lot more funny if more people were here," Welsh said.

New program offers information on aging

By VICTORIA PUENTE Staff Reporter

The Center on Healthy Aging is a new program within the Harris College of Nursing and Health Sciences, according to the dean of the Harris College.

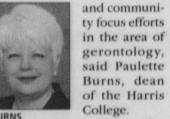
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The Center for Healthy Aging will provide support for



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their care-givers by bringing when it received a Vision in professor of gerontology. together academic research Action strategic fund grant.

and communi- The center is not expected to ty focus efforts be finished until early 2007, in the area of Burns said. The main goal of the center gerontology, said Paulette is to promote the healthy aging Burns, dean of older adults by educating

PECULIAR FACT

students, faculty, community professionals and the public about aging-related issues, said older adults, their families and the center began in June 2001 Dennis Cheek, an endowed

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\$53,000 will be raised by percent of its proceeds to again. Dec. 1.

"We'll make "As children we it," she said. all had houses "It's going to be and security. But hard to do it, but I think that peothese people ple are going to don't have that. realize that this We're just giving is a good cause, them the same and they are going to want that we had." to do whatever **Rachel Fosdahl** they can.' The project is

Junior English led by a group of juniors who meet every Sunday night as part of a class member Rachel Fosdahl.

in the School of Education. Students receive three hours branch out into the commuof class credit for their work on the project.

FrogHouse team members sent letters to corporations and businesses in the Dallas/ Fort Worth area and to parents of the junior class asking for donations, Raff said. They also asked for donations after a presentation at the Parents Council meeting during Family Week.

of giving back to the com-The students have already munity raised more than \$11,200, majority of which has come houses and security," Fosfrom parents of juniors, said dahl said. "But these people Marcy Paul, director of the don't have that. We're just giving them the same that we Women's Resource Center and FrogHouse adviser. had.

There are also fundraising events scheduled dur- \$51,500 last year. Team ing Junior Week, which takes members raised \$30,000, place in mid-October, Raff and the office of Student aid. The biggest event they Affairs paid for the remain-FrogHouse Executive have planned is a percent- der. Boyd said if the team Director Alison Raff, a junior age night on Oct. 16 at Pot- fails to raise the money this movement science major, belly Sandwich Works, where year, it would be covered by said she has no doubt the the restaurant will donate 50 the office of Student Affairs

the FrogHouse ily doesn't get a home," Boyd fund.

"That's going said. to be a big thing the third week in Februfor us to do getting the word ary. Building, which could out about that," take eight to nine weeks to Raff said. complete depending on the FrogHouse weather, will take place on

is the class gift Fridays and Saturdays. from the class opened three weeks later of 2008. than planned due to several "Junior year is almost the rain-based postponements, but the family of eight is end of our time now living in its four-bedat TCU," said room house. FrogHouse team

major, said she wanted to be

a part of FrogHouse because

of fun," she said. "It's really

rewarding to be able to see

emphasized the importance

it from start to finish."

"It's intense, but it's a lot

Fosdahl and Raff both

"As children we all had

she enjoys helping people.

The location for this year's FrogHouse is not yet final-"Now is the time for us to ized, but, Fosdahl said, ideally it will be close to Fosdahl, a junior English campus.

FrogHouse had to raise

"We can't fail or the fam-

Construction will begin

Last year's FrogHouse

JUNIOR WEEK FROG-HOUSE ACTIVITIES:

•Oct. 16, from 5-8 p.m., Potbelly Sandwich Works (50% of proceeds will go to Frog-House)

 Oct. 20 Student Competition (residence halls and intramurals)

 Oct. 21 Junior Jumpstart (on application it will ask to give \$8 to FrogHouse)

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AUSTRIA: It wasn't "Snakes on a Plane," but an Austrian Airlines jet made an unscheduled stop Friday after a passenger sneaked a ham-

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AIDS From page

graduate studies in nursing, said the government made the suggestion because, despite the large number of tests, 250,000 Americans are unknowingly infected. 40 percent of those infected are diagnosed too late and the number Barnes said. of annual new infections in the United States has not decreased in 15 years.

"Universal screening for HIV infection seems like a reasonable way to impact this national epidemic that does not seem to be resolving with current less aggressive measures," said Baldwin. "Early cornerstones for living with HIV."

Donelle Barnes, associate professor for the School of Nursing, said receiving treatment early is important.

"If people are not getting treatment early, then we know they're

said.

Barnes said although routine testing is good, it could be expensive, which she said may be why it is not applied on campus. She said that is why she believes people only need to be tested if they are sexually active.

"Health care is a business," age my patients to," Janke said.

Hallam said cost is not a factor, it's university policy.

We're not running an HIV clinic," Hallam said.

Despite TCU's policy, Hallam said information on HIV is available through campus presentations and the TCU Web site. Hallam also said there are certain cases where diagnosis and treatment remain the the Health Center will suggest HIVtesting as a result of an exam.

Barnes said students should be given an option to receive the test. 'My personal opinion is any sexually active college student should be

offered an HIV test," Barnes said. "College students are frequently going to die sooner and probably sexually active and may be exper- Gallegos said.

with a poor quality of life," Barnes imenting with multiple partners, unfortunately increasing their risk of HIV," Barnes said. "They're not really being proactive enough."

Sophomore nursing major Becki Janke said routine HIV-testing would help obtain a more accurate number of HIV cases.

"I would do it and would encour-

Sophomore nursing major Bridgette Hecht said testing should be dependant on each person's history and that if offered, she would not get an HIV test.

"I am aware of my sexual history and I know that I don't have any infectious diseases like HIV, so I don't feel like I need to be tested," Hecht said.

Sophomore nursing major Ron Gallegos said patients should be tested if they give permission and NURSING From page 1

The center will be beneficial to the TCU commu- Cheek said in a grant nity as a site for accurate proposal for the center. information gathering and a place for families to ask and business workforce about and discuss important aging-related issues, Cheek said.

For example, if a stu- and their families." dent's grandparents have heart disease and both parents are developing it, then the student is at risk, Cheek said.

However, if students definition of an older ask questions about their adult - and will have families' health histories to deal with things such

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sures, he said. "Texas has the fourth

largest older-adult population in the country," "However, the health care in Texas is not prepared to respond to the growing needs of older adults Cheek said.

Many students have either a parent and/or a grandparent who is close to or older than age 67 the Social Security

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then they may be able to as health care, a living program started.

take preventative mea- will and chronic disease, Cheek said.

The center, which will be located in Bass Hall Room 119, has a director, nursing professor Linda Curry. However, the center still needs a full-time administrative assistant and an advisory board for the center is still being assembled,

The community advisory board will decide what direction the center will take as far as education, community support and research, Cheek said. The board will determine what would be the most beneficial way to get the

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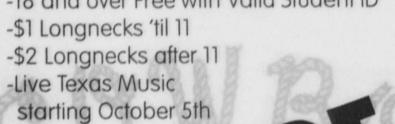
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accused of Anahita Kalianivola attempting to

commit suicide. It's always a curious thing anytime some big scandal makes headlines, specula-

tion arises from the media's talking heads to make things sound more significant and imperative than they really are. But has anyone stopped to think of how crucial these happenings are to our everyday lives?

On the evening news last

only time I've ever seen CNN on in the Student Center is when they were running the story about T.O. The crowd of people watching subsequently got up and left when the real news came on."

Blake Williams said, "The

Opinion

THE SKIFF VIEW

SGA 2007 budget funds unnecessary events

events.

n reading the 2007 budget for the

Student Government Association, one has to question why SGA and

Especially ones in which the majority of

students both on and off campus are whol-

NACA National? Frog of the Week?

sored campus events, which just less

than \$8,000 is poured into this semes-

These are just a few of the SGA-spon-

Another \$600 is spent on SGA parties

Shouldn't SGA use its \$19,892 Program-

ming Council budget on the students for

which the organization was formed?

Obviously not, since the events it

hosts are almost always accompanied

by a lack of student participation or

Besides the obvious antici-

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Programming Council are spending so

much money on events.

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on marketing research.

For an even greater example, think of the motto for VH1's Celebreality: "Get a life. Theirs." We are so intrigued with those who entertain us on-screen that we demand they do the same off-screen. And there are numerous markets created - and thriving - around this addiction. I couldn't even begin to count or estimate how many tabloids exist today, but in their competitive market, they're becoming cheaper in both price and content.

Perhaps the most saddening fact is the media feed us stories that are created in the news writers' own back rooms. It is seldom that we see stories dealing with celebrities that are worthy of the nonfiction section in your local library. Each story begins with the smallest piece of evidence that is woven into a fabricated story of love, romance, deceit, heartache and the recent favorite: pregnancy. Our thirst for tasteless and useless knowledge has caused us to feed the lucrative market of tabloids and TV shows that are devoted to celebrity sightings and fightings. By feeding this hunger, we indirectly create more buzz: A true businessman will always give the people what they want. And what we want tends to tear apart celebrities more than

More money should be put into research to figure out what students truly want and are willing to go to during the year before SGA spends money. Granted, some of the events are well-

\$1,200 is spent on advertising those

events, following an obvious \$225 waste

SGA and the Programming Council

should spend a little more on their mar-

keting research and a little less on their

funded and full of student participation, such as Homecoming, but there is absolutely no reason for more than \$9,500 is wasted on a gingerbread house decorating, Revive Live and Singled Out if no one is going.

But why should our elected student representatives - the president, vice president and treasurer - care when the three of them are pulling down a combined \$6,880?

Sports editor Michael Dodd for the editorial board

AMISH SCHOOL SHOOTINGS

Two more girls, a 7-year-old and a 9-year-old, died early Tuesday morning from shootings at an Amish schoolhouse in Pennsylvania by gunman Charles Carl Roberts IV. - Associated Press

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Zero-tolerance toward gangs appreciated People should focus on own lives

Last week, lunchtime commuters on Hulen Street witnessed a bizarre incident at Arlington Heights High School. Fort Worth police arrested COMMENTARY

20 people, ordering them to the ground and handcuffed them in the school's back park-

ing lot, according to a story in the Sept. 28 Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

The arrests are the result of the Police Department's stepped-up zero-tolerance policy to gangs and comes after a series of gang-related incidents on school campuses in the area.

One incident occurred near Paschal High School, where, two weeks ago,

ing to take their chances with another incident like the one that got a student shot.

In the case last Wednesday, the school resource officer saw students gathering outside and immediately called for police backup, according to the Star-Telegram article. While many people might try to take break up the fight themselves before calling the authorities, here, the resource officer made the right decision. Instead of trying to handle the incident through the school's methods, the resource officer called in outside help who knows how to handle these types of situations and can put an immediate stop to them.

This approach should set an example to anyone

and didn't even disturb classes in nearby buildings. In fact, the Police Department's anti-gang policy is probably a welcome to other students. With the threat of nonstudents trying to cause riots on campus, students will probably feel safer knowing that police officers are ready to handle any trouble

People need to learn gangs and fighting are not something to mess around with. I'm sure not all of the students gathered planned on fighting, but even those present to watch the fight need to know gang fights will be taken seriously.

And once other students see what they face if they decide to participate, why would they take the chance? The repercussions don't involve having to sit through detention or get ting a suspension (which to many students, probably means a vacation) from school. Instead, students will be handcuffed, put into the back of a police car and taken downtown like a criminal. That means permanent record. The zerotolerance approach not only efficiently deals with gang fights as they happen, but they'll also serve as a detriment to future gang fights.



Wednesday, it looked as though it was extremely crucial. I watched the entire news program, which was plastered with story after story about T.O., and realized there were only two "real news" stories, and frankly, I can't remember them.

Since I'm not a football buff, there seems to be something wrong with the fact that I know all the intricate details of Owens' alleged drug overdose but can only vaguely remember something about a school shooting in Colorado - shown on that same broadcast.

It seems to me our obsession with the lives of the rich and famous is a direct reflection of the skewed priorities of our society.

History graduate student

For example, for those of us

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Jessica Simpson really were

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the press watching every bat

But these aren't the only rifts created by our fixation. The amount of time we waste delving into a world where every ounce of truth in your life is ruthlessly converted into a false story that tears us apart from our own world: the real world. It's a simple thing to watch the news every day and be aware of what's happening around you globally, culturally and locally, but we still can't seem to make it as important as the alleged suicide attempt of a man we'll never meet.

> Anahita Kalianivala is a freshman English and psychology major from Fort Worth. Her column appears every Wednesday.

police interfered with a potential gang fight. Before, on Sept. 8, an incident resulted in a police officer shooting a student after being jumped by several boys.

It is clear from these events something more needs to be done to control gang violence on school-district campuses. Police have long exercised the zero-tolerance gang policy in the street — it only makes sense the same approach, and possibly more, should be applied to schools.

While arresting 20 people outside the school building might seem drastic, I think it's a step in the right direction. You can't blame police for not want-

witnessing a possible riot. Even if it could possibly be solved by school personnel, why take the chance of lawsuits and injuries? Calling the authorities is the most efficient and direct way to deal with gang fights.

Aside from that, of the 20 people who met outside last Wednesday to fight, at least one was not a student — the one believed to have initiated the disturbance, according to the Star-Telegram. Obviously, this problem is not something schools alone can control, if some of the people involved aren't even under their jurisdiction.

Furthermore, nothing negative came as a result of these arrests. The arrests didn't harm anyone,

And as for the 20 people, four of whom were adults and 16 minors, a little taste of the real world might be just what they need to get them back on track.

> Valerie Cooper is a sophomore news-editorial journalism major from Azle. Her column appears every Wednesday.

Citizens, parents have right to request certain books off shelves

Last week was Banned Books Week, which raises awareness about the grave threat that book banning poses to our civil liberties. And surely everyone would agree that the government shouldn't restrict our rights to read whatever we darn well please.

But Banned Books Week is not a protest of governmental book banning because such book banning does not actually exist in our nation. Instead, the week, sponsored by the American Library Association, is a movement to stop private citizens from asking certain library collections to remove certain books from shelves.

Banned Books Week is silly because some books should be banned from certain libraries. These requests by private citizens, or "challenges," as the ALA calls them, actually just add to the public debate about books - the challenges do not amount to censorship.

Most challenges occur because the challenger believes a book has offensive language or sexually explicit material. Seventy-one percent of these challenges are about books in primary or secondary schools or school

libraries. One reason school is such a headache for good parents is that they have practically no control over what their children are doing during the school day. Parents hand them off to the educational system and hope the schools are monitoring their behaviors well.

So if a school library has a book that the parent does not approve of, it's a major problem for parental control. Parents don't have control over every aspect of their children's lives, and kids will pick up information that is inappropriate. But, there's no reason for schools to compound this problem further by providing, for

example, sexually explicit material or books with obscene language.

Take the book that was the mostchallenged in the United States last year: "It's Perfectly Normal: Changing Bodies, Growing Up, Sex, and Sexual Health." The book is supposedly for ages 10 and up, so it may be found at an elementary school near you. But, can you blame parents for wanting their elementary school-aged kids to learn about sex in a supervised manner rather than by independently reading a (rather graphically illustrated) sex education primer?

Perhaps it is unacceptable for any book to be banned from a public library or a library in academia unless the book is clearly illegal. But in school libraries, it's a different matter altogether. Children don't have the same rights as adults --- they can't smoke, drink or give consent to have sex with an adult. Children are

immature and too inexperienced to understand the complexity of certain issues

Parents need to look out for children, and they should have the ability to help guide their children's reading material. School library collections should reflect that.

It would be wrong for every challenge to end in the banning of a book from a library, even a school library. If challenges universally led to book banning, books that just have unpopular opinions would become unavailable for public consumption.

But most challenges do not result in the book being banned in a particular collection. Instead, the challenges are simply formal written complaints that are made by concerned citizens. Banned Books Week's goal is really just to label people as uncultured, narrow-minded and un-American if they are concerned that a book is

inappropriate for a particular library collection.

How would the stakeholders of public education, parents, monitor the book collection of a school library if not through official complaints? Surely the ALA doesn't believe all possible reading materials, such as clearly pornographic books, should be included in school library collections. Without any kind of community involvement such as the challenging process, school libraries could include anything in their collections librarians deem appropriate.

The truly disheartening thing about Banned Books Week, though, is that by trying to demonize the legitimate concerns of private citizens, it undermines the true viciousness of nations that actually do ban books.

> Stephanie Beckett of the Daily Texan (U.Texas). This article was distributed through U-Wire.

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BECK IN STORES The highly anticipated new Beck album gets reviewed in next Wednesday's eatures page.

Reviews of the Week

MUSIC 'Dutchess' can sing, dance, but can't write

By JEFF ESKEW Features Editor

You've heard all about her lady humps and how her "London Bridge" goes down, but there is something you might not know about Stacy Ferguson, aka Fergie. She actually has a set of pipes on her.

While her voice isn't on the level of an Aretha Franklin or even a Christina Aguilera, she can hold her own with a Pink-like voice.

On her new solo CD, "The Dutchess," Fergie displays the versatility in her voice going from rapping in "London Bridge" to belting out a slow love song on the closing track, "Finally."

Next to her voice, the best thing on the CD is the insane beats running through every song. They make you just want to get off you feet and dance.

There are sure to be plenty of radio hits off of "The Dutchess" with "Fergalicious," "Glamorous" and "Finally" following the already No. 1 "London Bridge," but the album does have

some problems.

First, the lyrics are so awful it is almost painful to listen to each song.

Even though it will probably be a huge hit, with lyrics like "My body stay vicious/I be up in the gym just working on my fitness/He's my witness," "Fergalicious" shouldn't be on the disc.

Another misstep is one song you will recognize right off the bat. She takes the Temptations classic "Get Ready" and tries to rework it, but is unsuccessful, to say the least. If you are going to remake a classic, either change it completely or stay away.

Overall, "The Dutchess" is a well-put together album and is enjoyable as you drive in your car with your windows down. Does it break new ground and deliver what will sure to be a classic in the next 10 years? No.

In fact, the album reminds me greatly of the 2004 debut solo album by Gwen Stefani "Love, Angel, Music, Baby," only



not as fresh.

Definitely pick up the album if you like "London Bridge," as the CD is more of the same. But if you rather run into a wooden stake than listen to a song about Fergie's "London Bridge," this may not be the best disc for you.

RECIPE



JOHN-LAURENT TRONCHE

Cure those mid-semester blues with hot-weather, Spanish drink recipe

By JOHN-LAURENT TRONCHE lews Editor

Even if cool Texas weather hasn't arrived yet, Fall Break has, and students are looking forward to two additional days of doing absolutely nothing. But before you turn on, tune in and drop out, consider taking 20 minutes to make a lovely libation just right for the 95-degree afternoons that summer hasn't quite given up on.

Sangria, a mix of fruit, wine and an added kick of booze, is a painless cocktail for a lazy day.

Start at your local grocery store by selecting two of the fattest lemons you can find along with three green apples and three oranges and check for freshness.

Move a few aisles over to the

wine and beer section. Look down to the bottom shelf and find the cheapest bottle of red wine available. If you think you found it, check the price per ounce just to be sure and grab two bottles. Found it? Grab a pack of beer while you're at it.

After you've checked out, proceed to the nearest liquor store and pick up a small bottle of gin - any brand will do.

Congratulations. You have all the ingredients necessary to make Sangria, and you spent less than \$20.

Unless you're drinking a martini, no drink should be dirty; rinse the fruit off in the sink, thinly slice the apples, oranges and lemons and place them into a large pitcher. Make sure to mix the fruit so all pieces are separated. Pour both bottles of cheap red wine over the fruit while stirring with a spatula so the wine reaches all slices evenly. To give our Sangria a little extra kick, crack open that gin and pour a few ounces into the ingredients. Don't be afraid to put an extra splash in there, it's Fall Break!

Give one last stir to the mixture, cover the pitcher with plastic wrap and place it in the refrigerator.

If you start drinking it now, it will taste exactly like cheap wine with fruit and a nasty kick of gin, so let it sit in the fridge for no less than 24 hours. The hardest part about this recipe is waiting, but

Lemons \$1 for four •Apples \$1.99 per pound •Oranges \$1.99 per pound •Red wine \$4.98 per bottle •Gin \$5.99 for 375mL

that's why we got the six pack of beer.

The day of waiting allows the wine and fruit juices to get to know one another before finally joining hands in holy matrimony. As the song goes, two have become one.

Once the honeymoon is over, taste our masterpiece and add sugar if needed. It tastes a little better when you know you don't have class, doesn't it?

Grab a lawn chair, a portable radio, one glass and enjoy.



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Sparklehorse 'Light Years' ahead on latest disc

By RYAN CLAUNCH Staff Writer

After five years, alternative rock outfit Sparklehorse has released its latest album "Dreamt for Light Years in the Belly of a Mountain."

With spaced-out vocals and a catchy pop style, Sparklehorse seamlessly blends all the elements of rock 'n' roll to craft its sound.



has undergone many ups and downs during the band's 10-year career, and the band's latest album communicates his thoughts and emotions better than previous releases.

Linkous is known not only for his critically-acclaimed work with Sparklehorse, but also as a producer for other bands, most notably for his work with Gnarls Barkley's DJ Danger Mouse, both on his own albums and Danger Mouse's.

The band seems to have found a void in the music world by crafting songs that are as futuristic as they are timeless. From the solid opener "Don't Take My Sunshine Away" to the dark and haunting "Getting It Wrong" and "Morning Hollow," the CD delivers everything an album should with a deft talent that comes as naturally as breathing.

The lesser-known, harder side of the North Carolina band shines

Singer/songwriter Mark Linkous through with "Ghost In The Sky" and "Knives of Summertime."

Linkous understands the importance of space and silence in music and implements it effortlessly in his songwriting. The title track, which closes the album, is a marathon at more than 10 minutes, yet keeps listeners engaged thanks to Linkous' genius.

Sparklehorse's latest is a solid effort from start to finish, engaging listeners with ease. From fans of the Velvet Underground to any modern rock band today, Sparklehorse is a band that deserves recognition beyond its cult following and critics.

At just over 50 minutes, "Dreamt for Light Years" runs the gamut and shows how having a wide variety of styles and a never-ending strive to push the boundaries makes a band that can last through the ages.

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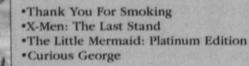
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FOOTBALL Frogs hope to rebound after loss

By BILLY WESSELS Staff Reporter

The Horned Frogs will look to redeem themselves after the disappointing loss last week to BYU when they go on the road to face the Utah Utes.

"BYU played with more purpose than we did," said head football coach Gary Patterson. "We got banged around because I didn't think we played with a lot of passion."

The Frogs and the Utes have met three times before, including the 23-20 overtime win for the Frogs last season at Amon Carter Stadium

That was TCU's first win against Utah, who had lost to the Utes twice while members of the Western Athletic Conference.

"You have to be very physical, and

you gotta decide to get after people if

you want to beat Utah, because they are a very physical team up front," Patterson said.

The Frogs and the Utes have put up similar statistics this season

TCU has rushed for 172.5 yards a game and Utah is averaging 161 yards a game on the ground.

Expect TCU's rushing game to receive a boost with senior tailback Lonta Hobbs back in the game after an injury sustained

The TCU vs. Utah football game will air at 8 p.m. on the Versus channel.

during practice.

"It was great," Hobbs said after coming back in the BYU game, his first action of the season. "It was relief most of all."

The two passing offenses have put up similar numbers on the season as well.

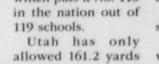
TCU is averaging 205 yards passing a game, while Utah puts up 186.4 yards a game.

Although the offenses are similar, the two defenses have different strengths statistically.

The Frogs are ranked third in the nation in rushing defense, allowing just 45.8 yards per game on the ground,

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through the air, but it has allowed 121.4 yards on the ground.

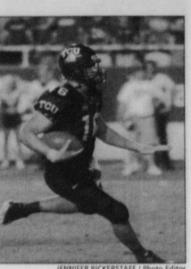
Although the defenses differ, the two team's scoring defenses are very similar.

The Frogs are allowing just 13.5 points a game, and scoring 23 points a game, while the Utes are allowing 16.2 points a game, and averaging 28.8 points.

Thursday's game will be TCU's first out-of-state game of the season

"It's our first real road test," said Eric Buchanan, senior safe-

Another factor that could affect



JENNIFER BICKERSTAFF / Photo Edi Senior quarterback Jeff Ballard rushes for nine yards to put TCU one play away from its last touchdown of the game

the team will be the lack of purple in the stands, but Hobbs said that won't hurt it much.

"We don't ever look into the stands," Hobbs said.

The players are expecting a very good game that shouldn't give them a chance to look into the stands.

"They are a very good football team," Buchanan said. "It will be a very intense football game."

CORRECTION:

In "H20 Frogs ready to begin season," an article in Tuesday's Skiff, Rikki Covey was referred to in the wrong gender. Covey is a senior member of the women's swimming and diving team.

TAE KWON DO Martial arts club arrives

By BILLY WESSELS Staff Reporter

If students want the chance to kick some butt and do it with TCU's blessing, there's now a place for you.

About 60 members have joined the Tae Kwon Do Club , which brought home six trophies, five for first place, at Grand Master Han's Texas Championship 2006, the club's first tour-

Kat Barseth, a senior health and fitness major, started the club and said she wants to share her love of the sport.

"I am passionate about martial arts and love to teach," Barseth said. "I wanted other students to have the experience."

The club serves as a great place for martial artists to come together, said Brandon Burgess, senior entrepreneurial management major

"If you want to meet people, have a good time and learn how to defend yourself at the same time, it's a great way to do that," Burgess said.

Other members joined for the physical activity and to improve their health.

"I joined mainly for the exercise and to get in shape," Chris Carlin, sophomore radio-TV-film major, said.

The hardest part of the

process to become a sports semester. club for Barseth was avoid-

ing a paper cut. "It was a plethora of paper work and a lot of hoops to jump through but worth it," Barseth said. "It's been a learning process. I had never started an organization before and didn't

that.' Barseth has been involved in martial arts since she was 11 and is now a third-degree black belt in tae kwon do and a first-degree black belt in jujitsu.

know what it took to do

Everyone who is new to tae kwon do starts with a white belt, and students have opportunities to advance through the TCU club, Barseth said.

Barseth said most of the members probably have white belts since 80 percent of the members have little to no experience before this

Burgess is one of those students new at the sport.

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"I have no experience, I just thought it would be fun to try it out," Burgess said.

One of the problems the young club has faced has been trying to find a place to practice at TCU, Barseth said.

"Reserving space was difficult since we are brand new, and some clubs already had spaces reserved," Barseth said.

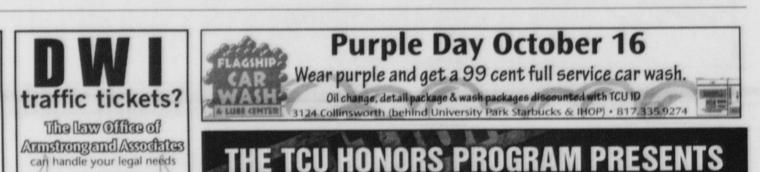
That is part of the reason why the club does not have plans to host competitions, Barseth said

The club practices two nights a week, Mondays and Wednesdays, in the University Recreation Cen-

Dues for the new club are \$30, and Barseth encourages people to come and poke their heads in.



JENNIFER BICKERSTAFF / Photo Edito Senior health and fitness major Kat Barseth teaches other TCU students tae kwon do Monday night. The new Tae Kwon Do club meets every Monday and Wednesday in the University Recreational Center



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