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# Break-in causes suspicion of repeat offender



This image, taken in 2005, shows a man who TCU Police suspect broke into the women's swim team locker room Sunday. The police also suspect the man of stealing personal items from the same locker room in 2005.

By SONYA CISNEROS Staff Reporter

Police say a man seen in the women's swim team locker room Sunday is the same man who officials susthe same locker room.

are so similar, he believes to be the same man. the suspect is the same.

the man peeking out from a not confirm this. bathroom stall.

Sandifer, a senior early the locker room by breakchildhood education major, ing into the officials' locker couldn't identify the suspect in a lineup police showed pect stole items in 2005 from her but said based on four TCU Police Sgt. Kelly Ham the 2005 incident and in the the women's locker room. said because the two cases most recent incident looked

Karen Sandifer, a member and personal items belongof the swim team, said she ing to members of the swim sheetrock and firewall to was changing in the locker team were found in the false room Sunday when she saw ceiling; however, Ham would room to the women's swim ously and did so in 2005.

Ham said the man entered room, located in the basement of the University Rec-

unnoticed, Ham said, because Sandifer said photographs he was inside the false ceiling, where he cut through special education major.

team locker room.

er he thought the suspect through a door, Ham said, was a TCU student.

In both cases, the suspect locks, was found in the locker room reation Center, and climbing at times when women usualvideo stills of the suspect in up through ceiling tiles into ly wouldn't have been there, 2005 case for more than said Kendra Jackson, a mem-The man likely went ber of the swim team.

"Females have been grossly violated," said Jackson, a senior

Ham said TCU Police are get from the officials' locker taking the issue very seri-

In 2005, the suspect Ham would not say wheth- entered the locker room so police changed all the

> Ham and Detective Vicki Lawson both worked on the two and a half months until they ran out of leads, Ham said

TCU is expediting the addition of more security to the Rec Center as a result of

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### **Board of trustees OKs** campuswide wireless

"I'm really

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**Victor Boschini** 

Chancellor

### By NATHAN BASS

Staff Reporter The board of trustees

wide wireless Internet access made. next year at its annual winter meeting Friday.

"I'm really excited for the wireless potential this time next year," Chancellor Victor Boschini said. "There could be a few minor road blocks along the way, but I think it will all work out down the

Jace Thompson,

road."

the SGA president, said this next spring." was the second step in getting wireless Internet after the idea ed 40 new faculty members was suggested at the board among various departments meeting last semester.

Dan Whelan, vice chancellor for university advancement, said he was very happy with

"We're in the leadership gift phase of the campaign

right now," Whelan said. "So far, we're ahead of our projections, and we're very happy with our progress. Trustees have been very supportive of the campaign to date, and we will probably begin the public phase of it

The university has appointover the last three years, con-

# **KINDERART**





\$600,000 to get it approved," Thompson said. "It's a big part of our residential campus the new dorms."

Progress on the Campaign for TCU fundraising also reported gains of \$90 million since the beginning of January. The campaign raises money for scholarships and endowment shares.

"We needed to find funds tinuing its objective to further and accounts for it, and it took improve on the student-faculty ratio, according to a news release about the meeting.

Boschini has also noted because there is more need for an increase of 39 percent in it now with everyone moving applications to TCU this year. into the Grand-Marc and all of Applicants' class ranks are also a full point better than they were last year, and SAT scores are about 10 points ahead of last year's pace as well, accord-

> ing to the news release. The board of trustees will hold its final meeting of the year March 30.

**OBYN SHEPHEARD / Staff** 

(ABOVE) Emma Steele, a student at KinderFrogs, is drawn to the portrait of herself. (TOP RIGHT) Dexter Mason and his mother enjoy the portrait of Dexter next to one of his drawings. (BOTTOM RIGHT) Brenan Haedge stands next to a statue at the KinderFrogs exhibit at Studio Sabka

## **UDLA** explains its actions to Boschini

#### By KAILEY DELINGER Staff Reporter

The Universidad de las Americas, which temporarily shut down its newspaper last month, sent Chancellor Victor Boschini an explanation of its tors declined to say whether they are satisfied with the explanation.

In the days following the newspaper's closure, Provost Nowell Donovan condemned UDLA's actions, and said TCU would re-examine its relationship with its sister university.

After UDLA's newspaper was shut down, Donovan told the Skiff he was "saddened" by UDLA's actions and unjust censorship shouldn't be a policy at any university.

After Boschini received letter articulating his university's side of the story Feb. 13, following days.

deliberation about what to do concerning the situation will continue. UDLA's letter was dated Jan. 31 but was delayed through international mail.

however, Donovan said TCU's

"I am advising the chancelactions, but TCU administra- lor on what to do," Donovan said. "There is no timetable on a response. We don't do kneejerk responses.'

Along with the letter to the chancellor, Palou attached a statement that defended the UDLA administration in its Jan. 16 closure and subsequent reopening of the university's newspaper.

The statement, which Palou requested be published in the Skiff, also criticized the Skiff's coverage of the newspaper's closure.

A portion of the same release Chancellor Pedro Angel Palou's was posted on UDLA's Web site Jan. 31 but was removed in the

Artist displays personal work, children's art By MICHELLE EUPERIO

Staff Reporter

gallery this week.

Albanian artist Grigor Aleksi spent two months making children to show in his gal- Frogs. Portraits and paintings from lery, Studio Sabka, after his some of the littlest Horned wife who teaches at Kinder-

Frogs will hang in a local art Frogs inspired him to do so. do this and so thankful," night of the art exhibit and son. "These portraits truly was filled with parents, chil- capture the joy and beauty portraits of the KinderFrogs dren and faculty from Kinder- of these children."

KinderFrogs allowed us to

Saturday was opening said Laert Aleksi, Grigor's

KinderFrogs School is an "We are so pleased that on-campus training site for See ART, page 2

**ARMS TRADE PANEL** 

DISCUSSION

#### Panel to address arms trade, Darfur conflict FOR YOUR INFO

#### By SAEROM YOO Staff Reporter

The on-campus chapter of rampant. a worldwide movement for tions of global arms trade on usually follow. human rights today, the fac-

ulty sponsor said. Hjamil Martinez-Vazquez, cations and advertising/public International, said arms trade

flict and totalitarianism are

He said whoever possesses and the right to property human rights will host a panel the guns will be in control, are being taken away because discussion about the implica- and human rights violations of those who can easily and

man international communi- exert their influence.

World countries where con- internationally acknowledged - the right to a safe life, the right to protect one's children cheaply access weapons that Alexis Branaman, a fresh- make it possible for them to

Arms trade is an issue to a religion professor and the relations major and member be discussed because arms do faculty sponsor for Amnesty of Amnesty International who not only transfer from state organized the event, said to state, which can be easiis mainly developed in Third human rights that should be ly traced, said Carrie Currier,

 Political science professors Eric Cox and Carrie Currier Student Center 205 · 6 p.m. Today

a political science professor. There are also often third-party transfers and black markets that are more difficult to track, which make it easier for arms

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trenches during World War I by a private to his wartime sweetheart finally arrived --- 92 years after he sent it. **Associated Press** 

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### GUNS From page 1

to end up in the hands of individuals as opposed to the government.

Illegal arms trade is made easy by loopholes in arms trade the Control Arms campaign Web site.

The discussion will eventually tie back to the conflicts or take enough action." present in the Darfur region of Sudan, the topic Amnesty International members chose to address

The Darfur conflict is a civil war that began in early 2003 when rebel groups started to protest that the Sudanese government was oppressing black Africans and favoring Arabs. The government mobilized a self-defense militia that is being accused of being linked with conjunction with Tuesday's the elimination of black Afri- screening of "Lord of War", cans, according to several BBC which paints the life of a private news articles.

U.S. Congress and former Sec- flict with the means to kill each retary of State Colin Powell all other. The movie outlines the have referred to the conflict as a genocide.

professor Eric Cox will attend their sales. the discussion to speak and answer questions about the issue.

Students need to know where the guns being used in wars are ons suppliers are the United coming from, Cox said. He said Kingdom, France, Russia, Chiit is important that students are na and the U.S. - the five peraware so they can make better manent members of the U.N. judgment about what policies and politicians to support.

Cox said he will primarily Nations in monitoring international arms trade.

arms trade exists is because it comes from the U.S.

makes individuals and countries a lot of money.

Currier said it is important that students attend the discussion because talking about the issue with increasingly larger circles of people can eventually lead to action.

'When we don't look at ourregulation laws, according to selves as being a part of the global community, and we just care about our own bubble," Currier said. "We don't discuss

Currier said she will speak about the extent of the arms trade and why states and individuals continue to transfer arms, focusing on who is transferring to whom.

She will also discuss China's attack government targets to relationship with Sudan and the role it plays in the Darfur conflict, which relates to China's domestic politics on preserving state sovereignty.

The discussion will be in arms trade dealer who supplies Human rights groups, the impoverished countries in conmotives of arms traders, why they continue to engage in arms Currier and political science trade and the consequences of

> The movie also conveys that although private arms traders continue to sell arms on the black market, the main weap-Security Council.

According to the Control Arms campaign Web site, the discuss the role of the United U.S. exports \$14 billion in arms a year. North Africa and the Middle East receive \$12 billion Cox said the primary reason in arms - 45 percent of which

## ART

#### From page 1 students in the School of Education and is an early childhood educational center for children with Down syndrome and a small number of typically developing children, said Vivian Unger, the Kinderfrogs Schools' administrative assistant.

artwork is framed and dis-

### of them.

**NEWS** 

Some of the children's own traits.

## CRIME

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played in the gallery beside display his portraits of the the portraits Aleksi painted

looks modern," Laert Aleksi said. "Some of the pieces are splashes of different colors of paint, while others have fishes, stars and hands. But it's all so cute -- just too cute."

the children to create the por-

children and their artwork to show his appreciation for back, toys and a card con-'The children's artwork the KinderFrogs faculty, children and their parents, Laert ture of their artwork and Aleksi said.

While Aleksi's other portraits usually sell for \$600, KinderFrog portraits could be purchased for \$150, as Grigor Aleksi used bright Aleksi wanted to do somecolor pencils and pictures of thing special for the Kinder-

Grigor Aleski decided to up to as much as \$11,000.

After the exhibit, children will get their own artwork taining a smaller scale pictheir portrait, Laert Aleksi said.

Irene and Mark Mason were pleasantly surprised with the portrait of their son, Dexter, and Studio Sabka.

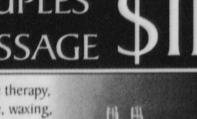
"The portrait turned out Frog parents. Some of his really well," Irene Mason other paintings are priced said. "I'm amazed how well it turned out."

Amanda Geiger never saw the drunk driver.

#### the incident, Ham said. Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk. Fingerprints were collected Monday from a metal object in the ceiling but police were unable to recover finger prints in the 2005 case, Ham said.













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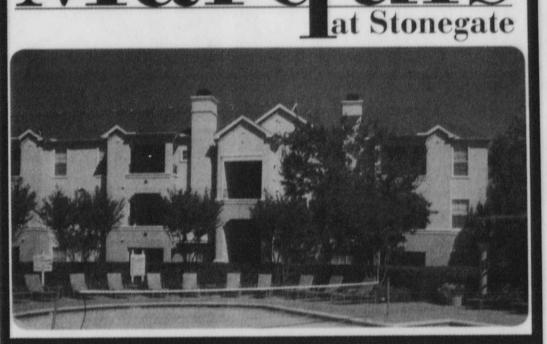
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Using leads from the case in 2005 and new leads, Ham said he's hoping to catch the suspect.

Jay Iorizzo, assistant director of facility operations, declined to comment until the TCU Police investigation is complete.

Steve Kintigh, director of campus recreation, didn't return a phone call seeking comment before press time.



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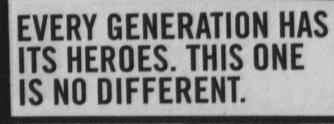
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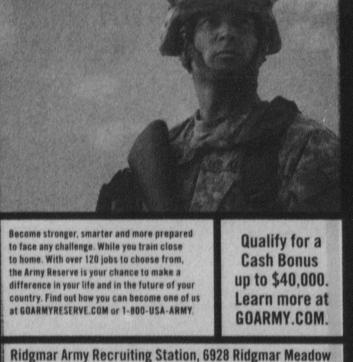
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"Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase." - Martin Luther King Jr.

### THE SKIFF VIEW International focus fulfills mission statement

hanks to the lower cost of studying abroad and moves to embrace bilingualism on campus, TCU is going global.

TCU and the Center for International Studies have come together to reduce prices on Study Abroad summer programs by 25 percent in order to encourage more students to explore the programs.

Additionally, Staff Assembly and Human Resources are co-sponsoring a Spanish in the Workplace series to teach faculty and staff everyday Spanish. The series would help "bridge the communication gaps in the workplace and also between staff and the community," said Julie Lovett, assistant director of extended education.

TCU's mission statement is to educate individuals to act as "citizens in the global community."

The Study Abroad price reduction and the Spanish in the Workplace program are two excellent ways TCU is staying true to its mission

Bonnie Melhart, associate provost for aca-

demic affairs, said a step toward producing "ethical leaders in a global community" would be internationalizing the campus by sending more students to study abroad, according to a Feb. 8 Skiff article.

In today's world, when easier, faster communication makes global distances seem closer, it's imperative to have a strong knowledge not only of your own culture, but also that of other cultures elsewhere.

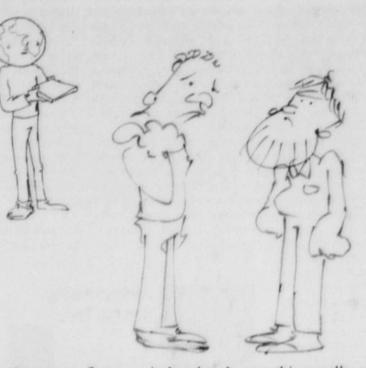
Also, with more and more Spanish-speaking residents every year in the United States, university officials should work to extend their knowledge of the language and understanding of the culture as well.

Fluency in Spanish is unreasonable to expect, but a solid understanding isn't too much to ask of the faculty and staff.

Students: Take advantage of Study Abroad's lower prices.

Faculty and Staff: Take advantage of the free Spanish in the workplace series.

Everyone: Take advantage of an increasingly global campus and get to know the world. Managing editor John-Laurent Tronche for the editorial board. **BY BRENDAN KIEFER** 



I can't quite put my finger on it, but there's something really weird about that new guy.

### Drug war failure, needs changes

Every year in Colombia, more than 3,000 people, mostly citizens, are killed in the crossfires of a brutal civil war that has its roots in the drug trade, according to a May 24, 2005, BBC News article.

The United States has pledged billions of dollars to stop the drug war in South



crop altogether through mass eradication programs since the 1970s. But so far

America and

has attempted

to destroy the

its tactics have been useless.

The United States needs a new approach to the drug war, such as stimulating the Latin American economy in other ways - by directly funding alternative crops for cocaine farmers.

Don Coerver, associate dean

ates a "balloon effect," where production will increase elsewhere to equalize the destroyed crop.

In 2005, the United Nations reported cultivation of coca crops increased by 3 percent since 2000.

The United States needs to start stimulating the economy of countries dependent on drug sales in areas other than cocaine and marijuana. This can be done in two ways: creating a demand for the crop and investing in its cultivation. Investing money in legitimate crops for coca farmers would make farming them

as financially feasible and easy to grow as coca, significantly slowing the production of cocaine.

Drugs are a lucrative industry mainly because of the United States' demand for them. If the United States turned the billions of dollars a year it spends on drugs

"For the most part, people are in this because they have no other choice," Sloan said. "They don't necessarily want to be."

In addition to eradication, the Untied States has attempted to send billions of dollars of aid to South American countries in the name of fighting the drug war. In July 2000, Congress approved \$1.3 billion in military aid to Colombia alone.

However, due to a lack of follow-up by the United States on its money, most of it falls unchecked into corrupted hands or is funneled into projects separate from the drug war.

Sloan said more than 80 percent of America's aid to Colombia goes to the country's military, where it is spent on training, weapons and helicopters.

"The taxpayer is sold this idea we're fighting drugs, but the money is really going elsewhere," Sloan said. Until the United States

makes a significant policy

tinue to destroy thousands

change, the drug war will con-

YouTube filled with junk, needs video-veto system

YouTube, once a little known outpost for people to post their favorite video clips, has grown into one of the most popular

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phrases such as "Let's get some shoes"

and allowed us to revisit some of our favorite childhood TV shows.

However, under all of the fun and laughter, a sinister underbelly threatens to destroy the Web site as we know it.

graduation videos, but we're just beginning to scratch the surface. You-Tube is chock full of bored suburban teenagers making videos to pass the time between heavy drinking and therapy appointments. Most of these videos contain references to inside jokes that no one outside of his of her circle of friends can understand. A bunch of kids running around with under-"For every

wear over good video on their heads YouTube, there screaming unintelligible are thousands garble about of pathetic Kirk Camerexcuses for on's armpits visual media." may be hilar-

wanted to watch a music video, not violently convulse in my computer chair. If you know people who make these kinds of videos, please implore them to get out of their parents' basements and do something productive with their lives.

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In order to curb the "bad movie" epidemic, YouTube's creators need to institute a "blamming'

system. Newgrounds.com, a Web site featuring humorous videos and flash games, sports such a method. When a piece of media receives consistently poor ratings, it

sites on the Web. Its massive video library has given rise to a laun-

David Hall

of the history department, who specializes in U.S. and Latin American relations, said the United States' efforts in South America have been fruitless.

"We've been in a 30-year drug war, and it hasn't gotten better," Coerver said.

By far, the most prominent drug in the war is cocaine, and the biggest distributor is Colombia, which is the source of 80 percent of the world's cocaine, according to a July 5, 2005, BBC News article.

Cocaine is derived from coca, a traditional crop that grows on the steep slopes of South America. It is vast and profitable, making it an easy solution to the hunger woes of peasant farmers in South America.

The plan to eradicate the coca leaves in mass numbers is extremely ineffective, mainly because supply will always meet demand for drugs.

According to a 2005 Harvard Review of Latin America, destroying coca crops cre-

toward buying legal crops from South America, it would make a significant dent in cocaine sales.

Steven Sloan, assistant professor of Spanish, said many farmers are growing coca because it's the most advantageous crop to sell. If farmers were given a legal option that is as profitable, they would choose the legal route.

of lives. The current strategy is failing, and the problem is ultimately in the hands of the more affluent demand side to make changes to it. Features editor Amber Parcher

is a junior international communication major from Austin.



An agent with the Mexican Attorney General's office helps uproot marijuana plants in the northwestern state of Sinaloa. The effort is part of the Mexican war against drug trafficking. Officials are losing the drug war in Colombia.

No, it's not a hypervirulent computer virus invented by a bunch of 17-year-old Moldovan computer hackers hellbent on showcasing that the former USSR still has some semblance of a leg up on Johnny Yankee. It's something much worse: bad videos.

For every good video on YouTube, there are thousands of pathetic excuses for visual media. Look, I'm glad little Timmy managed to brave the trials and tribulations of the third grade and earn his diploma. Surviving a year full of Beverly Cleary books, spelling words and tetherball-related injuries is no easy task. But that doesn't change the fact that the other 6 billion people on Earth don't care.

I wish it ended with crappy family reunion/

ious to those involved, but

it is utterly idiotic to anyone else. Also, it makes us wonder what kind of Guatemalan super-drug America's disenchanted youth have managed to get their hands on this week.

Even if you're in the mood for a good, oldfashioned music video, people have managed to clog the server with junk. For every actual music video, there are probably ten Japanimation music videos in which the song is left intact, but the background video has been replaced by clips from whatever Japanese cartoon the creator pleases. Instead of watching your favorite band rock out, you're treated to an epileptic seizure-inducing battle scene from Dragonball Z. Look, I just

is "blammed" and removed

from the Web site. Thus, only well-liked pieces can remain long, and shoddily made ones quickly find their way to the graveyard. The process is fair, democratic and sorely needed on YouTube.

While often criticized, YouTube has given us its fair share of great videos. However, as the rising tide of litigation continues to remove copyrighted material from the site, the piles of filth that people upload will continue to form a larger percentage of YouTube's total media.

The trend of haphazardly uploading movies that do nothing to entertain the populace needs to stop.

> David Hall is a freshman news-editorial journalism major from Kingwood. His column appears Wednesdays.

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The Skiff View presented the TCU community with an article titled "Honor Code Ineffective Idea" on Feb. 16. Because I am a member of the Honor Code Task Force and TCU Student Government Association, this headline piqued my curiosity, and I thumbed to Page 3. The author of this piece clearly had some serious objections to bringing an honor code to TCU. In good spirit, I would like to address the paper's readers and clarify some of the arguments of the article.

The proposed honor system institutes an honor council of

students and faculty that will investigate and suggest sanctions for cases of such academic misconduct. To clarify some of the statements in the article, it is imperative to understand a few important distinctions.

Research from The Center of Academic Misconduct shows that serious test cheating is decreased by 33 percent to 50 percent on campuses with an honor code. The Honor Code Task Force is an independent group no longer affiliated with SGA, and the majority of the group's members are not members of SGA. Through

campuswide polling, SGA has been gathering student opinions about honor codes for nearly a decade. Campus Life presented members of the student body with a poll of questions regarding an honor code a week or two ago. When 90 percent of the students polled are in favor of implementing a student-initiated honor code and 70 percent admit to academic misconduct, establishing an honor code appears to be a pleasant alternative to the current system.

A key goal of the task force is to reduce incidents of academic misconduct and increase integrity, but the writer declared, "those are high expectations to come from a simple system of rules drafted by a small group of students," But are small groups, in actuality, ineffective in drafting documents and code? Hardly, but let's humor the notion and enact this logic just for a moment. In doing so, we would be obligated to void the Declaration of Independence as well as the Constitution of the United States. I always had such respect for these documents and the freedoms they afforded us as citizens of this nation. Apparently, however,

small groups are incapable of drafting such documents. Sorry, Mr. Washington.

Simple rules established by small groups of people are necessary to revolutionize an organization, university, government or society. In the hope of leading a community culture change, the task force has always and does always welcome interested students, faculty and staff members to join our meetings.

The task force believes, with the collaboration of students, faculty, administrators and the First Year Experience programs, TCU will be able to further demonstrate its commitment to offering a well-rounded education. Most students do not come to college with the intent to engage in academic mis-

conduct, but statistically, most students do violate current academic misconduct codes.

The honor code we are proposing would challenge the student body, empowering its members with the resources through which personal integrity can facilitate the education of the whole student.

Austin B. Uebele is a junior psychology major. He is a University Affairs Committee chairman of SGA and a member of the Honor Code Task Force.

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## NY approves Freedom Tower

Y PAUL D. COLFORD New York Daily News

delayed, much-debated and tainly are not bowed." redesigned Freedom Tower blessing Tuesday of New York Corzine

Spitzer said he had com- developer. pleted "an honest and hard Center site since being elected and now favors the continued construction of the tower "as it is designed" — at a symbolic 1,776 feet.

Spitzer, who considered fidence in our future," scaling back the structure, listed "renewed vitality in the real estate market," as well as state and federal leases expected to cover some 38 percent of the 2.6 million square feet of office space, as the reasons for his support.

He added that construction costs - which the Port Authority put at \$2.4 billion plus \$500 million in broker fees and other expenses were "on target" so the project "will, we hope, be iconic at a price that we can afford."

Bloomberg said Tuesday's three-way vote of confidence, which came at a group news conference at Port Authority offices near Ground Zero, "should put to rest any doubts about the future of the Freedom Tower.'

"Given where we are, this is the right thing to do," the mayor said. "I think this building will send the message that

we want to the world - that NEW YORK - The once- that we were hit but we cer-

The Port Authority, jointly at Ground Zero got the full led by the governors of New York and New Jersey, took Gov. Eliot Spitzer, New York over the project last year under thorny issue of how the names City Mayor Michael Bloom- an agreement reached during of Sept. 11 victims will be listberg and New Jersey Gov. Jon often bitter negotiations with ed on the WTC Memorial. Larry Silverstein, the original

Former New York Gov. analysis" of the World Trade George Pataki, who champileaving office in December that it was being built "for the names. heroes of September 11 and to express ... our belief and con-

However, Spitzer and Cor-New York City can recover, zine made clear yesterday they would be open to the Port Authority selling the tower if a good deal comes along.

On another matter, Spitzer declined to comment on the Some September 11 family

groups oppose a plan unveiled by Bloomberg, who chairs the WTC Memorial Foundation, to oned the tower, said just before group victims by their employer but without ages or company

It's "something we will try to work through at the right time and the right place," Spitzer said.



**TEXT FREELY WITH SPRINT.** 

## **Faculty memories come to forefront** in Libby case closing arguments

#### By JAMES GORDON MEEK New York Daily News

WASHINGTON - Jurors should not buy the "ludicrous" claim that seven witnesses were wrong when they testified Lewis (Scooter) Libby blabbed about a his trial, has said he first learned CIA spy, prosecutors said Tuesday.

In closing arguments, government lawyers urged the jury to convict Libby, Vice President testified he and Libby never dis-Dick Cheney's former right-hand man, of perjury and obstruction of justice.

Prosecutors said Libby, 56, lied to a grand jury because he was afraid he would be charged with leaking Valerie Plame's identity to the media. Her role as a CIA operative was exposed after her husband, former ambassador Joe Wilson, publicly challenged the administration's justification for the Iraq war.

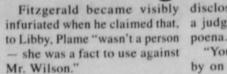
The scorching summations in the month-long trial caused defense attorney Ted Wells to burst into tears during an emotional climax.

Special counsel Patrick Fitzgerald ridiculed defense claims that witnesses who told the same story all got it wrong.

"Is this the world's greatest coincidence?" Fitzgerald thundered.

The prosecution also told jurors Libby's faulty memory claim was not to be believed - particularly after his team had slammed witnesses over memory lapses.

"It's simply not credible," said prosecutor Peter Zeidenberg. "It's ludicrous."



Libby, who did not testify at about Plame's job from Cheney but forgot about it and later learned her identity from NBC newsman Tim Russert. Russert as he urged jurors to acquit. cussed Plame.

slammed Russert for failing to fines.

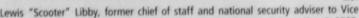
Fitzgerald became visibly disclose his FBI interview to infuriated when he claimed that, a judge while fighting a sub-

> "You cannot convict Mr. Libby on the word of this man," Wells said.

Having a faulty memory "doesn't make him (Libby) a liar," said Wells, who stumbled away from the jury box in tears

If convicted on all five counts, Libby could face 30 years in In his closing argument, Wells prison and \$1.25 million in







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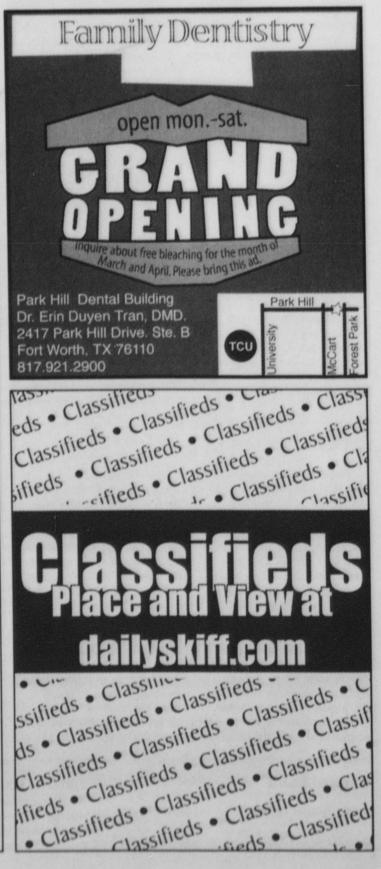
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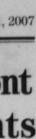
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President Dick Cheney, arrives at Federal Court in Washington, D.C., on Nov. 3, 2005. Closing arguments in the case against Libby ended Tuesday.





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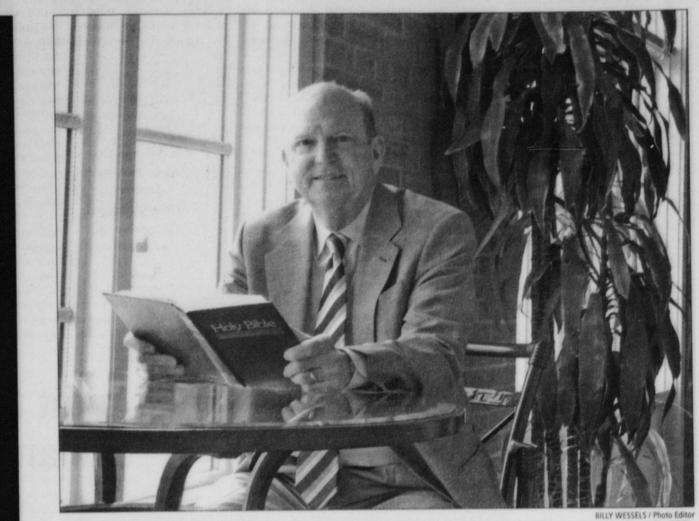
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### **GOLDEN MAN**

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"I always kind of kept my eye out for the unpopular cause." - Warner Bailey



Former pastor Warner Bailey is shown in the Brite Divinity School atrium. Bailey has been involved with AIDS activism since the early 1980s.

### Retired pastor serves as leader in AIDS outreach

#### By AMBER PARCHER Features Editor

As he sat in the Brite Divinity School atrium, sipping his steaming coffee and watching the cold rain fall outside, the director of Presbyterian studies spoke softly about his past, choosing every word carefully as if someone were going to challenge his stories. That's because Warner Bailey has become used to defending himself. A retired pastor of Ridglea Presbyterian Church, where he served for more than 20 years, Bailey took an unusual route leading his traditionally conservative church. Bailey, 68, has been involved in AIDS activism since the early 1980s when he first saw an article about it in Newsweek.

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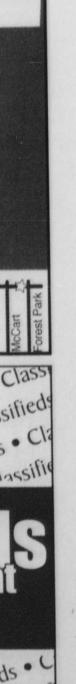
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And his journey as "peacemaker" hasn't been all hard-





"There was a red flashing light to me that signaled this was going to be the issue of our time," Bailey said.

And indeed it was. Originally perceived as a homosexual disease, AIDS widened the division between the straight and the gay, the left and the right and the sexually active and nonactive in a way no other issue had before.

Bailey has devoted much of his life to bridge those gaps.

In the early 1990s, Bailey received a grant to found the Tarrant County Community AIDS Partnership through the Fort Worth foundation.

His work through the AIDS funding agency earned him the opportunity to write the first opinion piece on AIDS to appear in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in 1991, as a part of Fort Worth's first observance of World AIDS Day.

The result was surprising, Bailey said.

"It got me in trouble," Bailey said about his involvement in AIDS outreach. "I made the church sit back on its heels."

Explicit letters marked with Nazi swastikas, mass-produced hate mail and discontent in his own church were some of the reactions Bailey received from his article.

Bailey recalled a particularly hurtful experience of dealing

Senate

Bailey said he was honored to go but was also faced with a tough decision of having to leave his congregation for an issue many in his congregation considered the result of immoral behavior.

Sure enough, shortly after the conference, one of his church members laid sick in a hospital that would not give away the names of its patients, so Bailey did not receive a notice to visit him.

Out of anger and hurt for not being visited by the pastor, Bailey said, the man proclaimed, "Pastor Bailey can go visit the queers in San Francisco but can't come see me in the hospital."

But Bailey did not waver in his beliefs.

"I always kind of kept my eye out for the unpopular cause," **Bailey** said

Mary, Bailey's wife of 42 years, said despite some harsh reactions in his church, her husband never hid his passion about AIDS outreach.

"If someone came up to him and asked about it, he would answer them honestly," Mary said.

"But he didn't put a sign in his yard or a bumper sticker on his car," she added.

Bob West, a longtime member of Ridglea and chairman of the committee that hired Bailey as pastor 22 years ago, said Bailey was able to help the church to better understand controversial subjects such as AIDS.

"Warner is good at identifying issues and working with people to resolve them," West said. "It's not the most popular stance to take in Fort Worth, but he believed it was the right thing to do.'

Bailey said he was able to find a balance with his service work and those in his congregation who didn't agree with it.

"They might say, 'he is a good pastor even though he is not right in what he's doing," Bailey said. "But when you set out

ship. There have been rewards, both personal and tangible, for Bailey.

After he wrote his column for the Star-Telegram on World AIDS Day, he said he received an inspiriting letter amidst all the hate mail.

It was from a former student of his while he was a professor at a small university in Indiana.

The letter said the young man had come to realize he was gay and wanted to thank Bailey for his article and tell him how much it meant to him.

"This article, which had caused so much hate mail, reached out to one person," Bailey said.

Bailey eventually left Ridglea Presbyterian Church after 22 years because, he said, he felt it was time to step down. After retiring as pastor, he decided to stop attending it all together because he said the congregation needed to focus on its new leader.

Bailey has since retired from the founding chair of the Tarrant County Community AIDS Partnership. He is now focusing on being an active member of his new church, St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church, and his teaching at Brite Divinity School.

Bailey is an adjunct professor where he acts as a shepherd to Presbyterian students as they prepare to be leaders in the church, bestowing upon them the openness and acceptance he has preached for so long.

Bailey said religion, as a whole, is beginning to view issues once seen as too far left as real concerns.

At St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church, just down the road from Ridglea, the senior pastor is actively involved in community outreach along with Bailey.

"There is a great debate in conservative Christianity over the place the church ought to give to social action and ethics," Bailey said. "Now they're saying. 'this is God's world, we need to manage it better."

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## Lawyers question voting boundaries in Dallas alcohol election

#### By KEVIN KRAUSE The Dallas Morning News

Lawyers for a group seeking an alcohol election this May say they will ask a state appeals court today to order Dallas County commissioners to fulfill their duty to call the election.

Representatives of Dallas Area Residents for Retail approved, it would allow gro-Change, which is backed financially by grocery and retails stores, said they did what they were required to do in getting enough signatures. They said commissioners should have called the election last week when they approved redrawn voting boundaries.

It's the latest snag in the petition drive that seeks to would be the county's largest of prohibition elections. alcohol election by population

#### since Prohibition.

Art Anderson, an attorney for Dallas Area Residents for Retail Change, said he will ask the 5th District Court of Appeals in Dallas for an expedited ruling. The election must be ordered by March 6 for the issue to get on the May 12 ballot.

If the referendum is cery and convenience stores to sell beer and wine. Organizers say it would add consistency to a hodgepodge of confusing and conflicting laws concerning alcohol sales in the area. Petition organizers had to

get signatures from the current Justice of the Peace District 3. But the election has to be held within the boundaries of an old make a large area of north- district that initially voted the ern Dallas County wet in what area dry in 1877 during a wave Because of that quirk in the guity surrounding it.

law, the petition is "vague and Cantrell said Monday. If the petition would

not be able to vote, while others who could vote never had a chance to sign the petition. he said.

We want to make sure that when we hold an election, it's a valid election, to save taxpayers money," he said. The election

would cost at least

hoping petition organizers researching old documents would ask for a court ruling to come up with the smaller on the issue so there's no ambi-

"If a judge can tell us to do it, unclear," commissioner Mike we will jump on it," he said. John Hatch of Texas Petition call the election. election were to go forward, Strategies, the firm that hansome voters who signed the dled the petition drive, said it's

> "We want to make sure that In this case, that's when we hold an election, it's a valid election, to save taxpayers money."

trator Bruce Sherbet, he said. Sherbet has already certified **Mike Cantrell** 

**Dallas** County commissioner

\$100,000. Cantrell said he was ty staff spent about a week boundary map dating from 1875.

Commissioners approved signed the petition but don't that map last week but did not

Anderson said that since Sherbet validated the petition and the commissioners redrew not up to commissioners to deterthe boundaries, the commismine whether the sioners were required to call petition is invalid. the election.

We believe we can show that a local option election is the job of county mandatory in this case," he elections adminissaid. "There's no question the petitions were valid.

Anderson said the case is similar to a 2004 Balch that petitioners Springs recall election. The same appellate court ordered had enough valid the city to hold that vote after signatures for the local option elec- it initially refused to, even dents for Retail Change has tion. And coun- though enough valid signatures were collected.

He said he will also ask the appellate court to order the county to hold a separate contribute to a legal fund to election for those voters who make it possible.

live within the new voting boundaries.

Sissy Day, a partner with Texas Petition Strategies, said the county can hold alcohol elections in more than one justice of the peace district, contrary to what the county's legal adviser has said.

"We're asking that everyone who signed the petition be allowed to vote," she said. The group collected a total

of 102,000 signatures and verified that 64,000 registered voters lived within the appropriate JP district.

Day said Dallas Area Resiset up a Web site at HonorOurVote.com to provide information to people who want to vote on the issue or

## **Health House committee hears** case regarding HPV vaccination

By ELIZABETH PIERSON alley Morning Star

AUSTIN --- Women affected by cervical cancer and lawmakers lined up on both sides of the debate Monday over whether the state should require girls to be vaccinated against the virus that causes the cancer.

"There are too many questions left unanswered," state Rep. Dennis Bonnen, R-Angleton, told the House Committee on Public Health during the first legislative hearing on the vaccine.

Bonnen has filed a House Bill 1098, which says the state cannot mandate children to be vaccinated against Human Papilloma Virus. It would nullify Gov. Rick Perry's executive order requiring girls ages 11 and 12 receive the vaccine before they enter the sixth grade.

the vaccine as a major reason supports Perry's mandate. for the state to stay out of the

testimony with an open mind, said. but she was in favor of mandren would have access to it. Gonzales is a member of the

Public Health Committee. By mandating the vaccine, the state would ensure that even children of parents who are uneducated about HPV would be protected against it, she said. By requiring parents to opt-in, they, the state, might create a situation where the poor and uneducated are less likely to be protected.

"(I'm concerned) that only girls whose parents are educated and who have the means would get it," Gonzales said.

The morning of the hearing, Perry called reporters to his press room to meet Heather Burcham, 31, who has said. Bonnen cited the newness of advanced cervical cancer and

mandate. The vaccine, Gardasil, four doctors misdiagnosed executive order, but he is unde made by Merck, was approved her with endometriosis despite cided as to whether the state her insistence that she felt she had cancer, she said. In April 2006 she was diagnosed, and term effects of the vaccine on the cancer has since spread to option than something that is both of her lungs, a kidney, vaccine will need a booster in her liver and part of the panfuture years and how it will creas. She has been given six Parents should be allowed to know which HPV strain she important step in preventing have their children vaccinated has and cannot know whether it. but not be required to do so, the vaccine would have prevented her cancer. But since enzie contributed to this the vaccine covers 70 percent report.

zales, D-McAllen, said before of cervical cancers, she thinks the hearing she would listen to it is worth mandating it, she

"The vaccine has done its job dating the vaccine so all chil- if it saves one person from cancer, let alone knock out cervical cancer altogether, which I hope that it can," Burcham said.

State Rep. Rene Oliveira, D-Brownsville, said he does not fully support HB 1098 because he thinks more research should be done on the drug before it is administered to all girls attending public school.

"Though I am excited about a vaccine that deals with this kind of problem, I'm not sure that mandating right now without the right amount of research would be the best idea," Oliveira said.

Oliveira disagrees with the way in which Perry administered the executive order, he

State Rep. Juan Escobar, D-Kingsville, also thinks Perry Over three years, at least should not have issued the should require all girls to be report. vaccinated.

## Audit finds misrepresentation of many terrorism prosecutions

By MARISA TAYLOR

McClatchy Newspapers WASHINGTON - The Justice Department has routinely misrepresented the number of terrorism prosecutions, possibly undermining decision-making in the war on terrorism, an independent government audit has found.

The report, released Tuesday by the Justice Department's inspector general, concluded that the department in most cases "could not provide support for the numbers reported or could not identify the terrorism link used to classify statistics as terrorism-related."

All but two of the 26 statistics reviewed from October 2000 through September 2005 were wrong.

"These inaccuracies are important because department management and Congress need accurate terrorism-related statistics to make informed .. decisions," Inspector General Glenn Fine said in the Part of the problem, according to Fine, was that the Justice Department routinely counted criminal cases as terrorism-related even when prosecutors had found no links to terrorism. Fine also blamed a "decentralized and haphazard" system. The Justice Department

Justice Department's tracking Committee, said he doubted of terrorism cases. The Gov- that the Justice Department ernment Accountability Office, had done enough. Congress' auditing arm, has found fault with the Justice Department's statistics in previous reports. The Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse, Grassley, R-Iowa. "Two major an affiliate of Syracuse University in New York, found last the same thing doesn't give year that the number of terrorism cases had dropped to nearly the same levels as before the 2001 terrorist attacks on New York and Washington.

Democrats and some Republicans have accused the Justice Department of manipulating terrorism-related statistics to claim success in the war on terrorism and to argue for more resources.

Boyd said the inaccuracies found from 2002 to 2004 resulted partly from the reorganiza- used to track the statistics was tions of the Justice Department incomplete and not kept upand the FBI after Sept. 11. Since to-date. then, the Justice Department and the FBI have improved the inflated statistics to suptheir terrorism-case reporting, port its requests to Congress he said. Sen. Chuck Grassley, a mem- also cite the undercounted staber of the Senate Judiciary tistics in public statements.

"The question I have now is whether the inaccuracies are an

accident or if there was some other motive behind it," said reports in four years saying me much confidence."

According to the inspector general, the Justice Department's office that oversees the 94 U.S. Attorney's Offices routinely overreported terrorism statistics and often included theft, drug and immigration investigations that had no terrorism links.

At the same time, the Justice Department's criminal division undercounted convictions and charges because a database

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"I would rather it be an mandatory," Escobar said. "But considering how many kids in South Texas end up with this kind of cancer, I feel (mandat-Burcham said she does not ing the vaccine) would be an

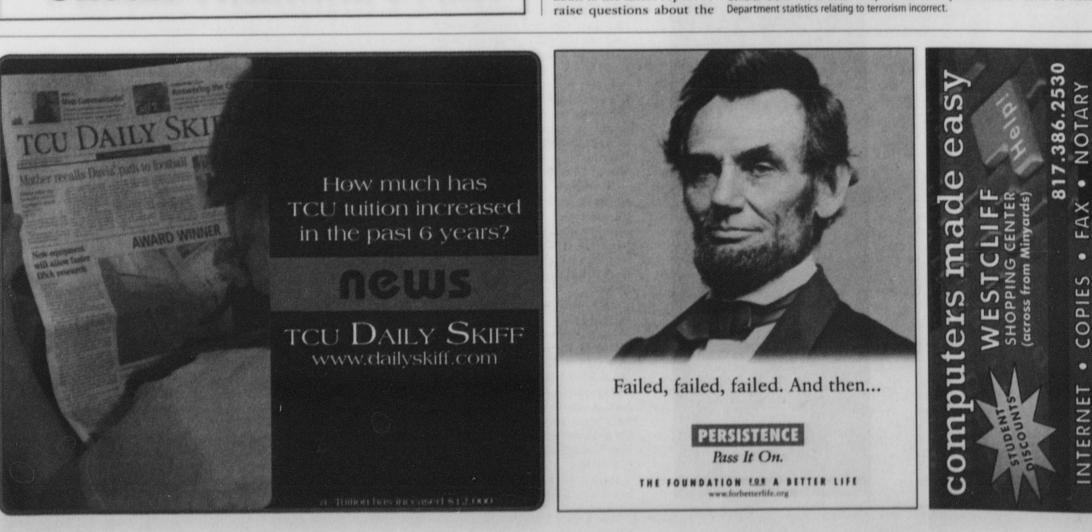
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defended its tracking system and the inclusion of cases that aren't directly linked to terrorism. "While such cases often

result in convictions for other crimes, their underlying purpose is to prevent and deter terrorist infiltration," Justice Department spokesman Dean Boyd said.



The inspector general's FBI Director Robert Mueller, right, shakes hands with Justice Department Inspector audit is the latest report to General Glenn Fine in 2002. A report submitted by Fine found 24 out of 26 Justice



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### BATTER UP

Find out how the baseball team is expected to perform in South Carolina this weekend. **TOMORROW** 

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Junior Kewa Nichols returns a shot against the UTA Mavericks on Tuesday. The tennis team won the match 5-2 Tuesday.

### Women's tennis wins first double-header of season

### By MARCUS MURPHREE Sports Editor

The first women's dual tennis match of the semester found the No. 16 Horned Frogs sweeping the Texas State Bobcats and UT-Arlington Mavericks.

Though Mountain West Conference Women's Tennis Player of the Week senior Ana Cetnik was taking the day off for rest, the rest of the team rose to the occasion, head coach Jeff Hammond said.

"We were not at full strength today, yet we played with a lot of heart and our good fitness showed," Hammond said.

The team won both the morning and afternoon matches by the score of 5-2.

Junior Andrea Morgado came through in her singles match against UTA, coming away with for a

an impressive 6-0, 6-0 shutout. "Andrea (Morgado) didn't feel like she was playing too well in doubles," Hammond said. "But she focused in singles, and she found that she can play well when she talks in a positive tone to herself."

The Horned Frogs were able to go 4-2 in their six singles matches on Monday. Senior Gabby Lopez was

downed 1-6, 1-6, while freshman Nina Munch-Soegaard lost a third-set tiebreaker, 9-11.

Munch-Soegaard dropped the first set 5-7 but rebounded for a dominating second set, where she found her rhythm and cruised to a 6-1 win. After taking the second set, a 10-point tiebreaker was implemented in lieu of a full third set with the winner having to win by two sets.

"In my mind, Nina (Munch-Soegaard) would have won the third set based on her second-set performance," Hammond said. The final singles match of the evening was won by junior Kewa Nichols and her powerful baseline play. Nichols had a 5-2 second-set lead and ran into a little bit of trouble finishing off her opponent, but she managed to disparage UT-Arlington's Simri van Rooyen in straight sets, 6-4, 6-4.

"This was the first time I have done a two-a-day meet since coming to TCU," Hammond said. "I was impressed with our total performance."

The next match for the team will be against the Texas A&M Aggies on Thursday Feb. 22 in College Station.

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# Sprinters to lead Flying Frogs into MWC indoor tournament

#### Staff Reporter

As the weather begins to heat up in Fort Worth, so does the competition for the Flying Frogs as they prepare for this weekend's Mountain West Conference Indoor Championships in Albuquerque, N.M.

The Flying Frogs, who are coming off a nearly two-week layoff after accumulating several NCAA provisional marks at the Tyson Invitational in Fayetteville, Ark., have looked solid in practices, head coach Darryl Anderson said. He said the Frogs, who have competed in three separate events in Arkansas, are looking forward to the opportunity to compete elsewhere.

"Everybody's excited and fired up to get in there and mix it up," Anderson said.

Heading into the Albuquerque meet, the Frogs hope to continue the kind of consistent and solid performances from sprinters, such as junior Marquita Davis, they had in Fayetteville. Davis finished with high marks in both the women's 400 meters and the women's 4x400 relay. The 4x4 team also set a new school record with a time of 3:37.48.

The team needs to capitalize on the opportunity to finish in the top three in several events, Davis said. She said track and field, as a whole, is more mental than physical and the team should leave it all on the track.

"If we don't win, we want to do well in all of our events," Davis said. "We want to go in knowing we did our best."

Like the women, the men's team will also look for similar performances from its sprinters. One of them is sophomore Justyn Warner, who is coming off his best performance of the young season as he clocked in with a time of 6.84 seconds in the men's 60 meters. While Warner didn't consider that he was

struggling before his breakout performance in Fayetteville, he said, his performance came at a point when he had "the right race."

Warner said the team hopes to improve on its third-place finish from a year ago.

While the Frogs seem to have a distinct advantage with their sprinters, Davis and Warner said the BYU Cougars could be their toughest competition in the distance and field portions of the meet.

Anderson said it is hard to grasp how good the team is compared to its toughest competition due to the lack of head-to-head competition.

Anderson said the team is continuing to gel as it is still early in the season and the team isn't focusing so much on the other teams as it is with its own matters.

"I try not to worry about the competition," Anderson said. "If we compete hard, everything will take care of itself."

### SWIMMING BRIEF

#### By MARCUS MURPHREE Sports Editor

Following a three-week break from competition, the H20 Frogs will return to the lanes once again in the Mountain West Conference Swimming and Diving Championships today.

The men's squad has been led by the performances of seniors Aran Bean, Guillermo Ramirez and Alejandro Gomez. Meanwhile the women's team has been following behind senior sprinter Erica Tate and underclassman freestyle and butterfly swimmers, Stephanie Futscher and Cheryl Townsend.

Tate enters the conference meet with three events where she holds a top-five time in the Mountain West. From the men's side, Ramierez holds a pair of top-five times in the 100- and 200-yard backstroke events.

The women's team is currently 3-4 against conference opponents this season, while the men's side is 3-2.



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