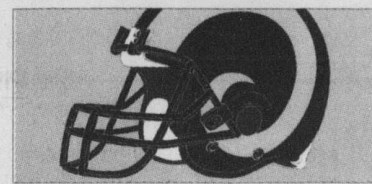




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Students pursue master's for financial futures

By JORDAN HAYGOOD
Staff Reporter

It takes money to make money and for students, undergraduate degrees can empty out their wallets but master's degrees can break their banks.

Despite the expenses of higher education, more students than ever have started master's programs this fall because of the "tremendous salary boost" and "better job offers," according to a Sept. 14 New York Times article.

Nationally, full-time master's programs applications have risen 20 percent in the past three years, according to The Grad-

uate Management Admissions Council Application Trends of 2007.

Master's programs at TCU, such as the two-year full-time MBA program, which costs \$59,040, have had an increase in applications, said the director of MBA admissions at the School of Business.

"We directly benefit from the increased applications because we are able to continue to select the most qualified for our program," director Peggy Conway said.

Although schools are benefiting from the increased enrollment, Conway said, students

will gain immediate increase in their post-MBA salaries because of economic trends.

"Students will continue to see a positive return of investment on what they spent on their MBAs," Conway said. "But the larger impact may be the long-term financial gain because of broader job opportunities."

A study conducted by the Graduate Management Admissions Council said there is a 52 percent salary increase pre-MBA to post-MBA when examining the value added by graduate education.

First year accounting gradu-

ate student Mark Becker said in order for him to take the certified public accountant exam to become a CPA he has to get his master's degree.

"After earning my master's I will be able to take the CPA exam which will allow me better opportunities to start at a higher level as opposed to working my way up," Becker said.

The director of MBA admission at the SMU Cox School of Business, Patti Cudney, said regardless of the financial benefits, a master's degree in any subject is valuable for internships and jobs.

"Students are highly sought after by recruiters for post-MBA jobs," Cudney said. "The student's degree is packed with supplementary activities that open up an infinite number of possibilities."

Conway agreed.

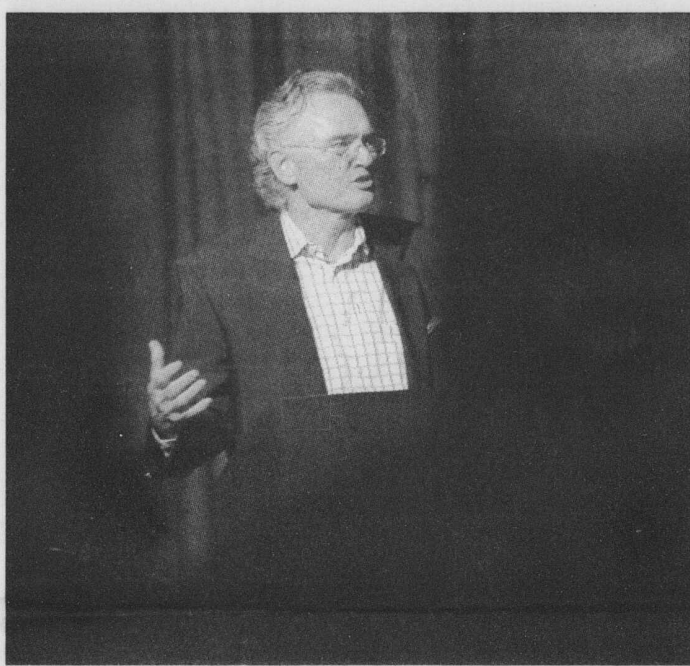
"I don't think perspective students should assume that the main reason to get a master's is to make more money," Conway said. "The MBA is most useful for individuals who are seeking careers in which strategic, managerial business skills are needed."

However, TCU graduate program coordinator Anita Unger

said if students are working toward a Master's of Liberal Arts it is strictly for financial advantage because an MLA is a non-career oriented degree.

As for students such as Jonathan Taylor, Financial Management Association president, a masters program is not in his future any time soon.

"With my major, an MBA is not something that is absolutely crucial," said Taylor, a senior finance and accounting major. "If I were to get my master's, it would be after working for about five years. Then I would definitely know if an MBA would benefit my career."



MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE / Photo Editor

Ron Hall, a 1974 graduate, speaks about his new book, "Same Kind of Different as Me," which is No. 2 on Amazon.com, beating out Barack Obama's biography.

Author remembers love, friendships

By SONA THAPA
Staff Reporter

It was his late wife's encounter with an angry homeless man that changed his life forever, an author said as he discussed his book based on the lives of these two people.

Ron Hall, co-author of "Same Kind of Different as Me," maintained an ambience of applause and appraisal as he read excerpts from his biography to a group of students, faculty and staff at the Brown-Lupton Student Center on Tuesday.

It was in front of the very Student Center that Hall, a 1974 MBA graduate, met Deborah Short, whom he married in 1969, he said.

The book is centered

around Deborah, a 1967 graduate, and his friend Denver, who was once homeless, Hall said.

Denver Moore, co-author of the biography, was born in 1937 in the plantations of Louisiana, Hall said.

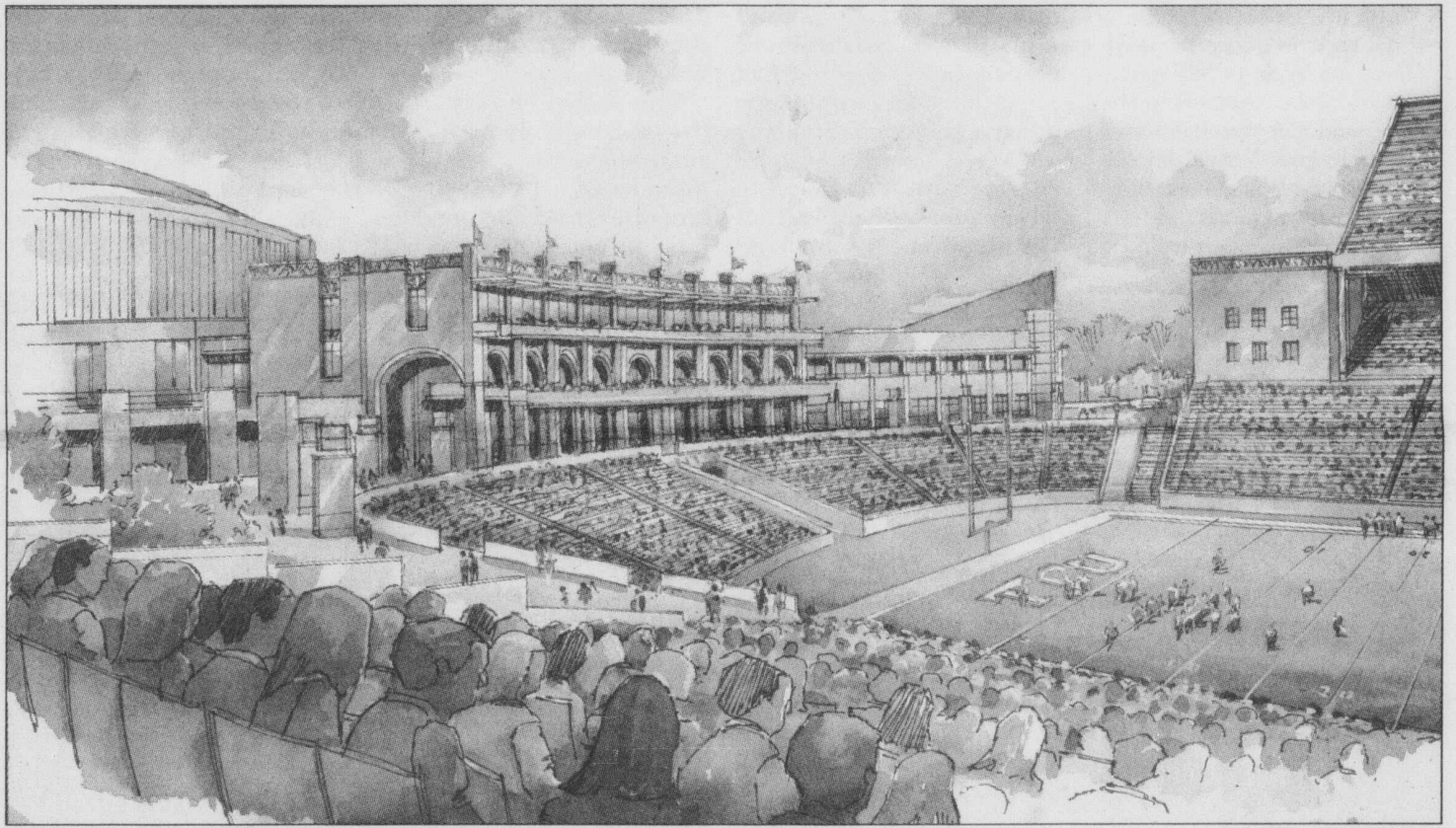
Moore never received a formal education and, as a young teenage boy, he was once roped and dragged by three men when he was helping a white woman change the tires, Hall said.

During 15 years of his life, Hall said, he had made millions of dollars but he had no time to think about the less privileged — until he met Moore.

As Moore was igniting a brawl one day, it was Hall's wife who faced him and calmed him

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NEW AND IMPROVED



Courtesy of TCU ATHLETICS

An artist's rendering shows Amon Carter Stadium from a fan's perspective after construction is complete in the summer of 2008 on new luxury suites in the south end zone.

Stadium renovation underway

By CAROLINE LOCKWOOD
Staff Reporter

Just like the rest of campus, Amon Carter Stadium is getting a makeover — a \$13 million makeover.

The Walsh Complex in the south end zone area of the stadium is currently under construction to add more luxury suites and seating, said Austin Commercial project manager Brian Andrews.

HKS, Inc., an architecture engineering interiors company, and Austin Commer-

cial are working together on the project known as the Athletic Complex Renovation, Andrews said.

"So far we have renovated 10,000 square feet of the Walsh Complex," Andrews said. "But, with the addition of the new facilities outside of Walsh, there will be a total of 28,500 square feet added to the stadium."

Davis Babb, associate athletics director for development, said the reason for the new addition was made based on

fan amenity.

"The idea to add the addition was made due to the interest of TCU and the donors," Babb said. "With the addition of the suites, we have the opportunity to have game day usage for the fans, as well as the educational resources for the school with the study rooms."

Jerry Fawcett, senior vice president for HKS, Inc., said the upper level of the addition will have six luxury suites and below will be a seating deck for 220 club seats. A private

club will also be added.

"The private club will be a large room with food and beverage service," Fawcett said. "It will be available to patrons who have paid for access into Amon Carter or Daniel-Meyer Coliseum, as well as TCU football and basketball players before or after their games."

But the players don't have to worry about having to share space with TCU fans. Fawcett said the addition will also have a player's club where players

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Love of music drives Van Cliburn winner

By LIZ DAVIS
Staff Reporter

The Steinway piano sits center stage as the hall begins to fill with people in quiet anticipation.

Joyce Yang comes in, sees the video camera and cringes.

"I didn't know we were taping this," Yang said.

When she plays, she sways and closes her eyes completely absorbed in the moment and the melody she plays. At times her nose practically touches the keys. Others, she's leaning as far from

the piano as the music dictates.

Yang puts so much force into her playing she throws her body into each note so that it appears she is bouncing on the bench.

Yang, who was awarded the silver medal in the Van Cliburn competition at age 19, returned to the Bass Performance Hall on Tuesday night for the first time since the competition.

Future pianists should play for the music, for themselves, not to impress, Yang said. They should play because the music moves them and they are

inspired, she said.

"It's so important to keep music in our lives," Yang said. "To be part of that inspiration for other people, to feel something this strong, is amazing."

Tuesday morning before the concert at Bass Hall, Yang returned to TCU, gave a brief demonstration of her skills and participated in a question-and-answer session in the PepsiCo Recital Hall.

"It's a huge pressure to be back in Bass Hall by yourself," Yang said. "It's

too big. The stage is too big. The hall is too big. It's just big."

The first piece she performed was Brahms' "Variations on a Theme by Paganini."

"Brahms Paganini variations are the most difficult pieces I try to play," she said, laughing. "It's so emotionally draining."

"I know I can play the challenging pieces," Yang said. "I just have to find it in me."

Luke Palan, a freshman criminal justice major, said during his survey of music

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MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE / Photo Editor

Joyce Yang performs in the PepsiCo Recital Hall on Tuesday morning for students and faculty.



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class he studied the Van Cliburn competition and had to attend three concerts during the semester. Palan heard about Yang and decided to go to the concert.

"I enjoy listening to the piano," Palan said. "After watching the 2001 competition in class, (Yang) was everything I was expecting."

Yang said people always ask her when she fell in love with the piano. She always says she never fell in love with the piano, she fell in love with the music.

Yang said she will never reach the point where a piece can't get any better. One day she'll know exactly what she's doing but then she won't be nervous anymore and the adrenaline will be gone.

She said the adrenaline is what drives her.

"I did a concert here in Fort Worth with a symphony for a bunch of second- and third-graders," Yang said. "It was a mess. I was very distracted because the kids had never been to a concert before. They were running around, clapping when they weren't supposed to, even shouting."

After the show, someone told Yang there was a little girl crying in her seat because the music was so moving.

"Playing music connects you to a side you never knew you had," Yang said. "It's worth all the work. Even just one person moved, like the little girl, makes it worth it."

One audience member commented on Yang's body movement and facial expressions. She smiled and said she can never watch or listen to herself play, she finds too many faults and criticizes herself too much.

All pieces are open to inter-

pretation, but the hard part is getting those interpretations to work and show through on stage, she said.

"Playing music for an audience is a very intimate thing," Yang said. "If you are happy doing it, it's the most rewarding job. It's a very emotional occupation. If I only move one person in the audience, I know it's worth it."

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can work on other activities besides football.

"The player's club will serve as a place where the football team can relax and hang out," Fawcett said. "It will consist of multiple television monitors, so the team can watch TV or play video games."

When the players hit the books, they will be able to make their way to the new academic space located in the facility. Fawcett said there will be seven tutor rooms with computers as well as office space.

The new addition will not just be available to the football and basketball teams. Fawcett said there will be a large meeting room that could be used for other athletic and campus organizations.

The Athletic Complex Renovation is scheduled to be completed by summer 2008, Andrews said.

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down. She asked her husband to be friends with Moore because she believed she had seen Moore in her dreams and that the encounter was a message from God.

Being careful as to not to give too many details, Hall said he wants his book to

help students understand how to journey through life and overcome circumstances.

Moore received the philanthropist of the year award for his work in and around Fort Worth last year, Hall said.

Moore, who spoke for about five minutes toward the end of the event, said he thanked God for his mercy. "It was God that allowed me to go through what I went through in this life," Moore said.

The book is ranked No. 2 in the biography section of Amazon, Hall said.

Hall said the biography will soon be turned into a movie.

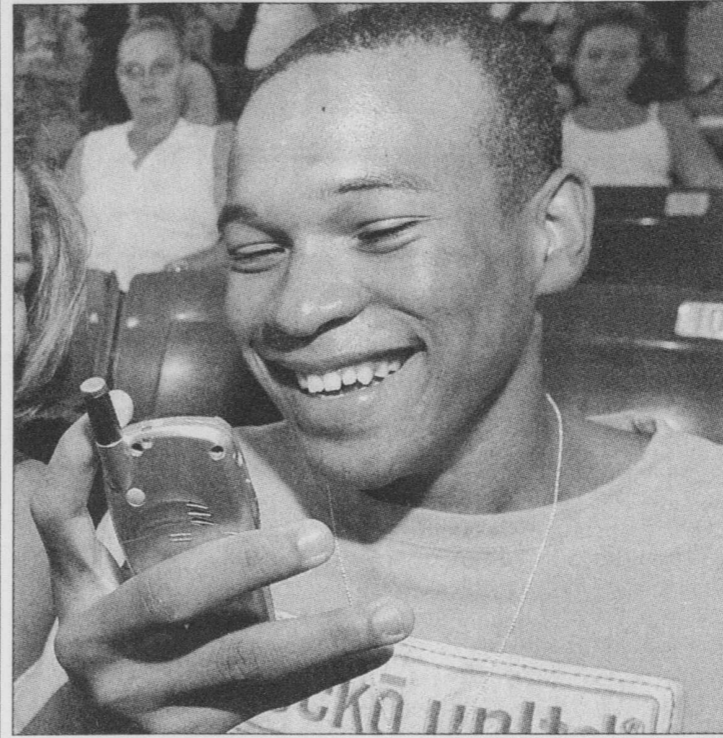
Chuck Dunning, assistant director of TCU Transitions, said life sometimes puts people in situations where they can feel some sort of inspiration.

"I hope his story of inspiration can reach all of us and particularly those people that are looking for ways to be inspired," Dunning said. "I was just immensely moved by how each of them heard that call, felt that inspiration in their own ways and answered that even when it was not easy."

Cyndi Walsh, assistant dean of Student Development Services, said Hall was invited to inspire students to talk about the importance of thinking beyond their professions and careers. Students need to broaden their horizons and believe that they can make a difference, Walsh said.

The event was part of the "R-Rated" theme for the semester, which intends to discuss rights, responsibilities and respect via competitions, lectures and conversations.

Text messages dangerous when used behind the wheel



CHRIS OBERHOLTZ / Kansas City Star via MCT

Experts say as text messaging has taken off, so has the number of car accidents attributed to driver inattention due to text messaging.

By GINA KIM
McClatchy Newspapers

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — There are those things you shouldn't do, but you do them anyway. You leave your contact lenses in overnight. You eat that last piece of pie. You text-message while driving.

And even if you know that driving while distracted is dangerous, you tell yourself that you're a good driver. You know where all the letters are on your phone or BlackBerry so you barely have to look away from the road. Plus, it's just a quick message you need to send off.

Well, it seems, you think just like everyone else.

About 90 percent of American adults think texting and driving should be outlawed, a Harris Interactive poll sponsored by Pinger instant voice messaging service found. And yet, 57 percent admit sending a text while driving.

"Sociologists call it pluralistic ignorance. It's this concept where reality applies to everybody but me," says Kevin Wehr, an assistant professor of sociology at California State University, Sacramento. "We justify things because we think we're better or different from other people. But, of course, we are not better than others. We are just as bad as the next folk."

Text messaging has become

a prevalent form of communication in today's technology age. Last year, 158 billion text messages, or 300,000 per minute, were sent in the United States, according to CTIA, an international association for the wireless telecommunications industry. That's up 95 percent from 2005, the association found.

So it makes sense that some of those wireless messages are sent by people navigating the gridlock known as the modern-day commute; a scary concept when nearly 80 percent of crashes involve some form of driver inattention, according to a report by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute.

The most common distraction: cell phone use, with the act of dialing tripling the risk of a crash, the report found.

Simply talking on a cell phone affects your "functional field of view," says Erik Nelson, a senior cognitive psychology student at the University of Kansas who is researching the impacts of texting while driving. This means that because you're concentrating on the conversation, you have a form of tunnel vision and are not able to process what's happening in your peripheral vision, he says.

Texting demands even more attention because a driver can't look at the road while typing.

"You have two visual stimuli at the same time and you can't pay attention to them both," Nelson says. "So it's that much more dangerous."

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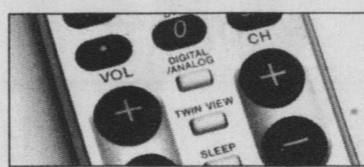
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Don't you wish there were a knob on the TV to turn up the intelligence? There's one marked 'Brightness,' but it doesn't work."
— Gallagher

THE SKIFF VIEW

Apathy for Fair Trade stalls movement

Frogs for Fair Trade was founded on a vision to raise awareness and bring Fair Trade products to campus. For five semesters, this vision has been a reality, but this accomplishment was not sustainable.

"We have very little movement on the products and our employees are trained to prevent waste," said Legia Abato, marketing manager for TCU Dining Services. Waste, she said.

It seems the organization had the logic flipped all along. Susan Harz, the organization's co-coordinator, said Fair Trade products raise awareness. On the other hand, Abato said, Fair Trade products are not high in demand.

Which comes first? Fair Trade awareness or products?

Products do not raise awareness. Awareness creates a demand for the products.

If, as Harz says, students understood the effects behind their purchases —

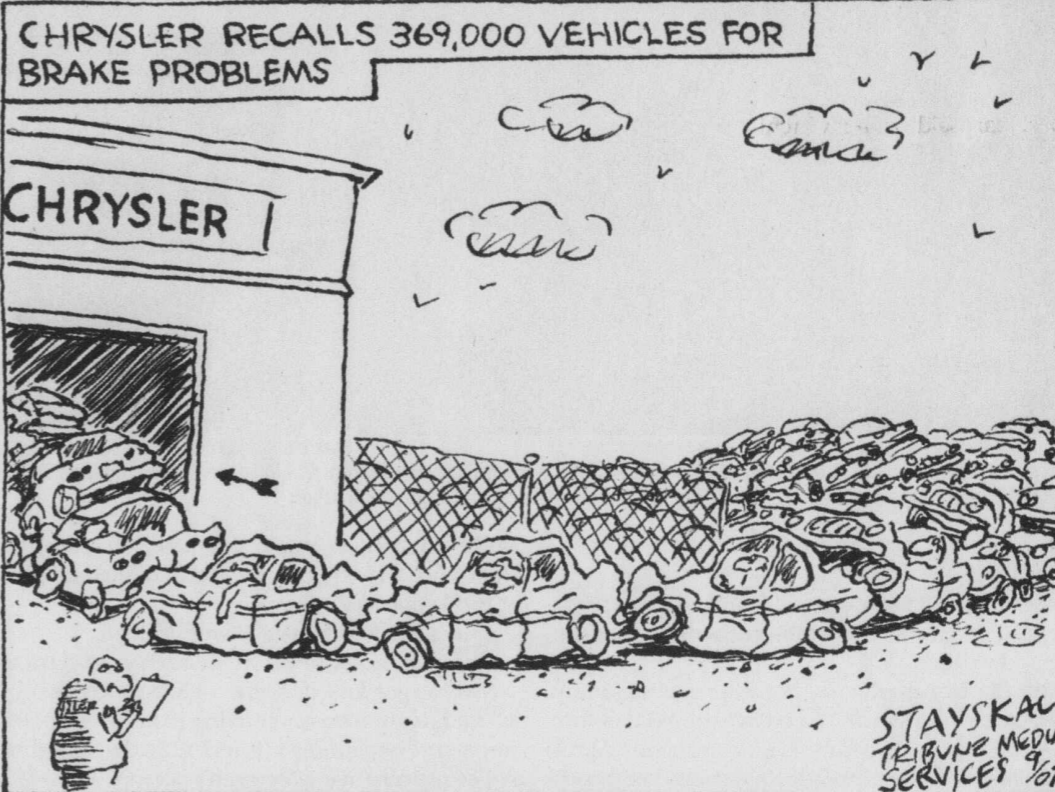
and cared — there would be a demand for Fair Trade products. Maybe then we would still have the option of drinking Fair Trade coffee while "tasting the justice." This obviously is not the case today.

Change on the campus must start with the student body, and one student organization is not enough to make that change. Frogs for Fair Trade should redirect its efforts to bring back Fair Trade products on campus from Dining Services to the students. If Fair Trade coffee did return to Frog Bytes today, it wouldn't solve the problem of the low demand and waste resulting from the lack of student interest in the issue behind the products.

Educate the students. Inform them on what kind of effects their purchases bring to the people behind the products. Create a demand for Fair Trade products.

Features editor Saerom Yoo for the editorial board.

BY WAYNE STAYSKAL



Facebook add-ons hinder users

In my free time between class and my job as the Skiff's chief recipient of hate mail, I like to surf the Web.

Like any 21st century college student, Facebook is one of my favorite destinations. Between posting pictures, keeping up with friends from out of

state and the time honored tradition of Facebook stalking, it's like a restraining-order-free party that never stops.

During the summer, however, the streamlined and uniform look that made Facebook so popular received a major downgrade. All of a sudden, people were able to add all sorts of crazy applications to their pages.

Gone are the days of being able to write on someone's wall instantaneously. Now you have to scroll through a seemingly endless number of useless features such as "My Blood's Current pH Balance" and "Pet the Imaginary Kitty" before you can even come close to any sort of digital contact with another party. Not good.

Look, not all the new applications are bad. "Graffiti," in which a user's friends can draw pictures for them, is a great tool. Now I can

"Gone are the days of being able to write on someone's wall instantaneously."

David Hall

draw pictures of the unicorns, princesses and rainbows that all of my friends seek.

The "My Heritage" tool is also great. Now the entire world can be privy to my English/Scottish/French/Dutch ancestry and the obvious fact that my ancestors had a thing for making babies with foreigners.

It's the other things that make the proliferation of applications all over Facebook a pain. Not a day goes by where someone I know or I don't get an invitation to choose sides in the "Ninjas versus Pirates Mega Destructive Super Apocalyptic Death War." I'll remain a conscientious spectator.

Ninjas and pirates aren't the only thing clogging inboxes, though. Zombies are equally as guilty. Sometimes they bite you in the jugular, and you get to choose to join their posse, presumably hemorrhaging to death if you don't. Other times they'll play the diplomacy card and cordially invite you to join the zombie team. Either way, most people want no part of that.

Even when you find an application you like, it's not all fun and games. To add nearly any feature to a profile, the user has to agree to a checklist full of items such as allowing the application to "know who I am and access my information," "publish stories in my news feed and mini-feed" and "give my firstborn to Facebook."

Disabling any item on the checklist may interfere with your ability to add the application.

Facebook's effort to give users a way to personalize their pages is a noble one. But what's to prevent the Facebook landscape from being pumped full of fluff and turning into another way-too-pimped-out-for-its-own-good social networking site like Myspace? There's a line between personalization and anarchy.

What was once a utility for college students and professionals is now open to anyone with an e-mail address. Uniformity for the sake of use has given way to chaos and the "Honesty Box." I wouldn't be surprised to see customizable backgrounds and music that automatically starts whenever you visit the page become features by year's end.

MySpace 2.0, here we come.

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Blood donation helps others, encourages health awareness

The Bible states in Leviticus 17:11, "The life of a creature is in the blood." Blood is considered one of the most vital things in the body. And while the average human adult has about five liters of it pump-

ing through their arteries, there are some instances where people will lose great amounts of blood by surgery, accidents or burns.

A few times a year, various organizations at TCU host blood drives. Many people are afraid to participate because they fear needles or have no idea about the process.

There isn't a huge amount of blood taken. Carter Blood Care only takes a little less than one pint of blood. That volume of blood will be replaced within a day after giving blood.

The whole process usually takes less than an hour, with the longest parts being the registration and enjoying free post-donation cookies. As long as you have had a healthy meal beforehand and refrain from anything strenuous afterward, you should feel just fine after giving blood.

Giving blood really can save lives. One of Carter Blood Care's 56 Fascinating Blood Facts is that 4.5 mil-

lion Americans are given life through a blood transfusion each year. About 32,000 pints of blood donated in the United States are used. These pints are used in organ transplants, bone marrow transplants, heart surgeries, treating burn victims and rehabilitating those who have been in car accidents.

There are shortages of blood, especially in the summer and winter months. Of all Americans, about 60 percent of us can give blood, but only about 5 percent of people actually do. As long as people are educated about the process of blood donation, the percentage of donors will increase.

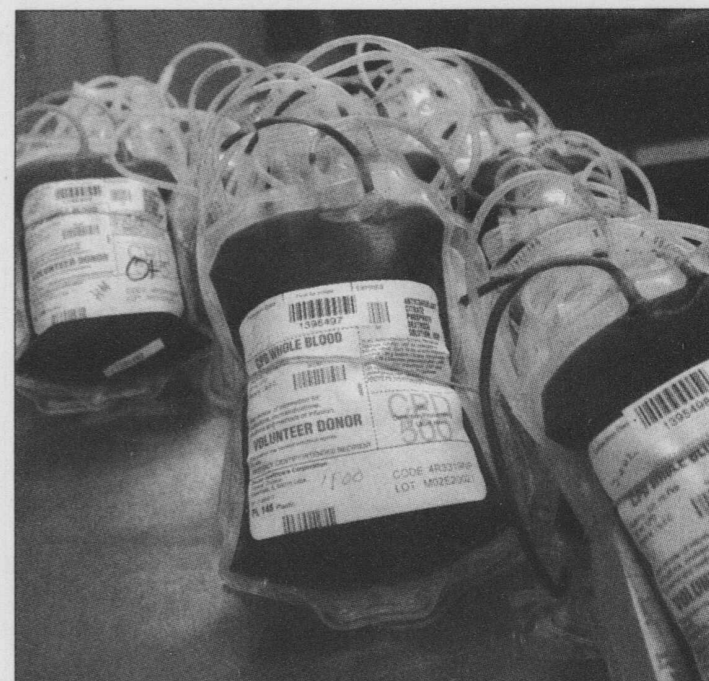
Another great thing about giving blood is that it tests blood for many diseases like HIV, hepatitis, West Nile virus and syphilis. It also tests blood for cholesterol, which can help when one is trying to track and lower it. One way to stay healthy is to know when you are not.

The next time you see that big Carter Blood Care bus, do not be afraid to go in. It's easy, safe and free. You can even get cookies. But even the delicious taste of SnackWell's cannot come close to the content feeling of knowing that you can save someone's life.

Hayley Freeman is a sophomore English major from Fort Worth.



Hayley Freeman



JULIE FLETCHER / Orlando Sentinel via MCT

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Equal compensation, exploitation of workers is subjective

When reading the article, "Dining Services: Low demand spurs cut in Fair Trade coffee" I think of how "Fair Trade" coffee really isn't fair.

From what I understand, the Fair Trade program makes sure customers only get coffee that met "fair conditions." The program focuses on paying more for coffee and other goods because people feel it is wrong to exploit workers.

Is this to say Starbucks is "unfair trade"? Yes, the people that come up with these programs always have clever names to disguise what they truly do.

Politicians are masters at this practice. Often times the terms created don't shed light on what is really going on.

One of my personal favor-

ites is "universal medicine." Yes, universal medicine sounds like a novel and great idea for society, but it's the same exact thing as socialized medicine.

Politicians and others don't want to use socialized medicine because the United States is a capitalist society. Politicians use more attractive names terms that appeal to the masses. After all, politicians are in the business of granting favors.

Fair Trade is yet another program that misleads people into something it really doesn't do. Let's look at the facts to uncover what is really going on.

Fair trade coffee usually costs more than your average cup of coffee. Part of the reason why Fair Trade is more

expensive is because it only buys from countries that pay fair wages to its workers. The argument is that some companies overseas exploit workers by paying workers a lot less than they could make in the United States.

But let's ask the question: Are these workers really being exploited? This depends on your definition of what exploitation is. If I am offered a higher wage than I currently make now can we honestly say it is "exploitation"?

Are corporate CEOs "exploited" when they only make \$5 million instead of \$10 million? Everyone has

a different definition of exploitation.

Some might be saying, "It's exploitation because if they were in this country they would be mandated to get minimum wage." Yes, I do agree if they were in this country they would be forced to receive minimum wage.

Unfortunately these people aren't in the United States and like everyone else have to choose from their alternatives.

It is unfortunate that other countries don't have the same capitalist society we do. In many of these poor countries corruption and greed run rampant. Part of a solution

could be for these countries to try to reorient their economy toward capitalist principles. However, it is hard to reorient their economics when they have been practicing socialism, communism or a dictatorship for so long.

While we are on the subject of misleading people, I don't agree that "there are many people who simply aren't informed about the products they purchase." I have trouble understanding how this statement is even true.

The study of economics is devoted to understanding human behavior under certain incentives. Part of the reason why Fair Trade isn't selling well is because of the low demand. Obviously consumers are voting with their dollars and saying they want

something other than Fair Trade coffee. Since there is a low demand this really says people don't want it.

No matter how aware people are of a product if the benefits don't exceed the cost they will not purchase it.

Part of the problem with Fair Trade and other misleading program titles is they really don't do what they claim to do. The people that create these programs have the best of intentions but can be misleading to people. Another part of the problem is that sometimes even educated people have economic ignorance and truly don't understand how the basic principles work.

Then again, we all are ignorant about something.

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HOCKEY

NHL brothers fight, train together



Minnesota Wild enforcer Derek Boogaard, right, trains with his brother Aaron at Lonsdale Boxing Club in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, on July 12. Growing up, the brothers often fought each other.

By MICHAEL RUSSO
Minneapolis Star Tribune

MINNEAPOLIS — In most families, when brothers fight, Mom comes sprinting downstairs screaming and yelling.

But the Boogaards are not your typical family. In fact, when Derek Boogaard, the Wild enforcer and king NHL heavyweight, punches Aaron Boogaard, the former Wild prospect and recent Pittsburgh Penguins signee, Mom smiles and snaps photos.

"At least they're wearing gloves now," said Joanne Boogaard this past July at Lonsdale Boxing Club in Regina, Saskatchewan. "Before it was the fists. And they went into the drywall."

This summer, twice a week, the Boogaards headed down to the 6,500-square-foot boxing facility owned by Frank Fiocco to throw haymakers, not just at innocent 250-pound punching bags, but at each other's faces.

On one July evening, the two hopped in the ring — with Joanne, 23-year-old brother Ryan and 19-year-old sister Krysten looking on and taking pictures — and proceeded to pound each other into oblivion.

"Aaron's getting better," Joanne noticed. "He's not bloody."

Last summer, Derek (6-7, 254 pounds) vs. Aaron (6-3, 220) was not a fair fight. But Aaron has stacked on the muscle and now presents Derek with a challenge.

"Last year, Derek was in a grouchy mood all day and Aaron was bugging him all day," said Ryan, Derek and Aaron's part-time PR guy and fight scout. "They came out here, and Aaron came home with two black eyes and was wearing sunglasses for a couple days."

Derek, justifying his actions, said: "He kept hitting me in the nose, you know? It just started bleeding every time, so I finally got ticked off."

Becoming one of the NHL's most feared heavyweights took some practice growing up. There were the infamous wrestling matches, not just between Derek, Ryan and Aaron, who was assigned to AHL

Wilkes-Barre last week, but sister Krysten, who stands 6-4 and will be a freshman basketball player at the University of Kansas.

"She's freakishly big," Derek kidded. "We've got lots of home videos of us going at it," said Ryan, who is following in father Len's footsteps and becoming a Royal Canadian Mounted Police officer. "We were pretty scrappy kids. Mum was always at the hospital taking one or two of us because of the mischief we'd get in."

"It wasn't just us. One time we were kind of running away from the baby-sitter around the house. She chased one of us down the stairs, and she ended up breaking her leg. She didn't want to baby-sit us anymore."

"Thank God the health care in Saskatchewan is free," Joanne said.

It was a busy summer for Derek Boogaard. The most fun he had was playing in two charity hockey games put on by teammate Pavol Demitra in Trenčin, Slovakia, and Prostějov, Czech Republic. The games featured stars Jaromir Jagr, Marian Gaborik, Marian Hossa and Martin Straka.

"Boogey was the only guy not skilled there," Gaborik said, grinning.

"Seriously, you should have seen these guys skating around," Boogaard said. "Imagine all those players, and then me? Before I went on the ice during introductions, they showed my hits and knockouts on the big screen. The buildings were just dead silent."

"Pav said, 'They've never seen anything like that.' Every time I went on the ice, you could hear the crowd pick up, like I was going hit somebody or fight somebody."

And of course, there was the series of fight camps put on by the Boogaard brothers. Three times, more than a dozen children between the ages of 12 and 18 were taken under the tutelage of two of the sport's toughest combatants.

Of course, Derek Boogaard took a lot of flak and even went on CNN and Fox News to defend himself.

BLAKE

From page 6

A player qualifies for a medical hardship waiver if the player only plays in two games or 20 percent of a season, the injury is before the sixth game of the season or the injury is incapacitating and supported by medical documentation, according to the NCAA's medical hardships regulations.

Patterson said he is not sure whether the team will apply for a medical waiver, but a waiver request for Blake would most likely be rejected and TCU would appeal.

Senior defensive end Chase Ortiz had started every game of his TCU career with Blake until this year.

"It'll probably be best for him," Ortiz said about Blake's medical leave.

Ortiz said he had been instructed to defer all other questions concerning Blake to Patterson.

Junior Matt Pänfil, who started the Baylor and SMU games, will be starting again in Blake's place.

"The guy who's really played well," Patterson said, "who's really been coming along, who's been a surprise because we didn't see him in the spring, is Matt Pänfil."

Ortiz said Pänfil has done a lot this season to prove himself as a player and has already gotten better after his two starts.

TCU's next game is against Colorado State University, a team TCU has defeated in the last three meetings, at Amon Carter Stadium this Saturday.

Patterson said not to be fooled by Colorado State's record, describing them as a physical and disciplined team with 20 returning starters.

Redshirt freshman quarterback Andy Dalton will be starting, but Patterson plans on rotating him with sophomore Marcus Jackson, as he did during the SMU game.

Playing time will depend on which quarterback bothers Colorado State the most, Patterson said.

"We'll find out who has the hot hand and then we'll go forward," he said.

Junior center Blake Schlu-

"He had a spark that got all of us going."

Blake Schlueter
junior center

eter said Jackson's demeanor before and during the SMU game showed the team he was ready to go.

"He had this spark that got all of us going," Schlueter said, "and we just kind of felt it along with him that we were going to make something happen while he's in there."

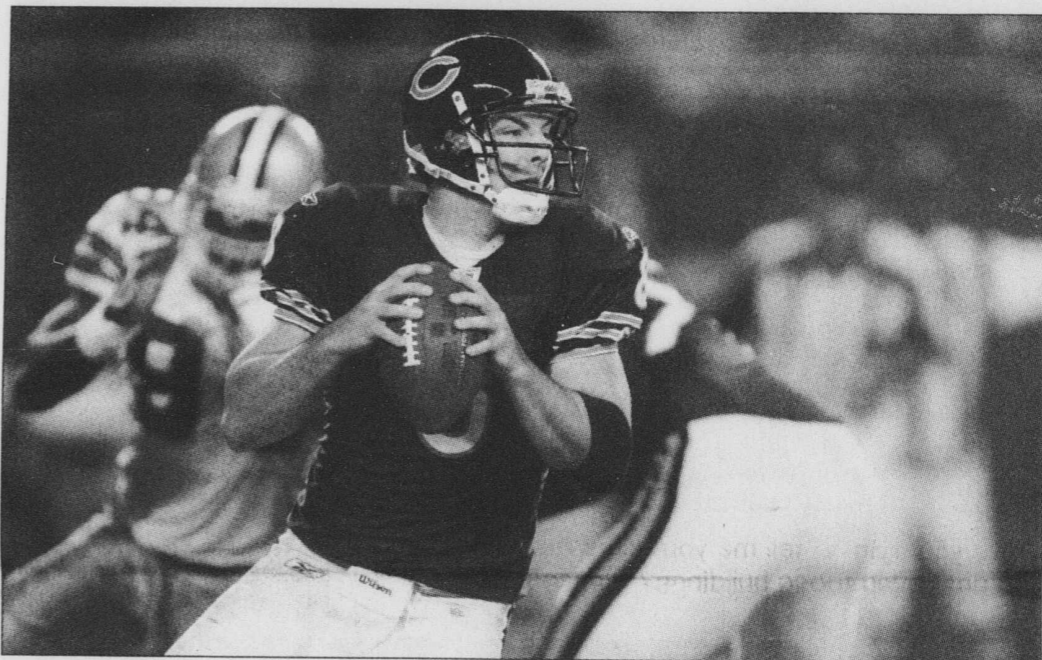
Patterson said he expects to keep junior running back Aaron Brown in the starting lineup against Colorado State. Brown returned to the Frogs with 108 total yards against SMU after being out two games with a leg injury.

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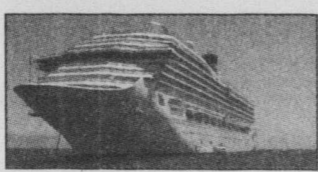
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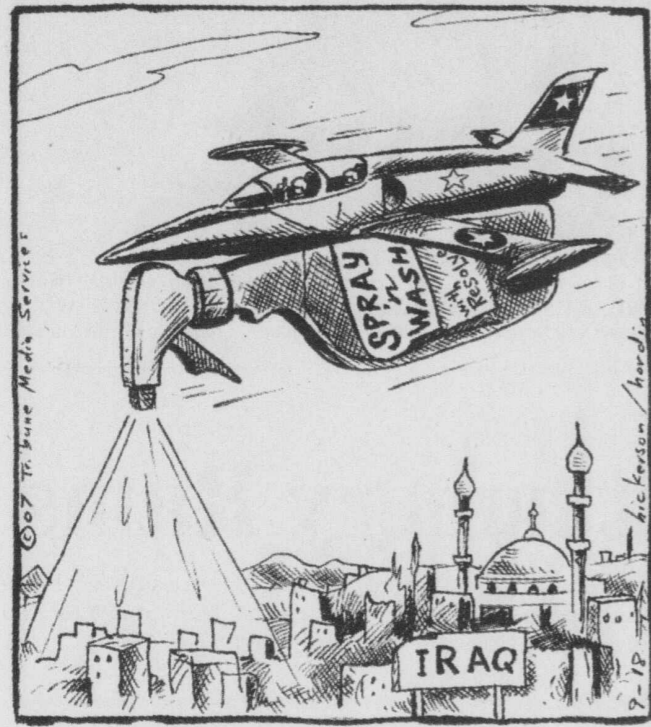


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See Thursday's paper for answers to today's Sudoku puzzle.

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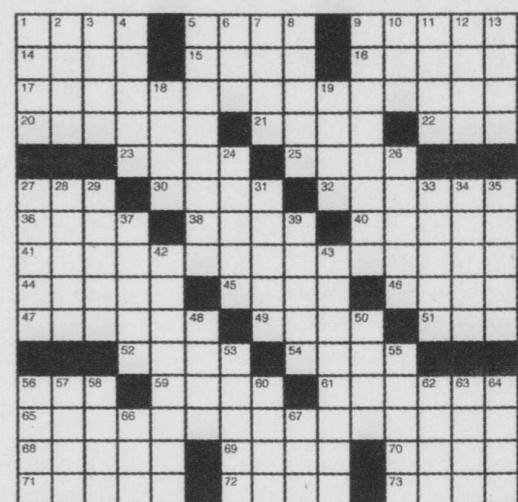
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49 Viral lump
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By Philip J. Anderson, Portland, OR 9/26/07

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