hat a sight it

ld have tak-



OPINION What not to wear on Halloween



SPORTS The Frogs prepare for one of the conference's hottest



DAILY SKIFF WEDNESDAY October 31, 2007 Vol. 105 Issue 38

Broken sprinkler floods dorm, forces residents out

By CALLIE COX Staff Reporter

The rain came down the bathroom ceiling. and the sun came up and roommates exited the his clothes down, the head age caused. building two by two.

head caused flooding in to flood," Oliver said. Samuelson Hall on Monday, said Richard Oliver, rooms on the third floor came home from class at down so hard. assistant director of facili- were flooded and then the about 12:45 p.m. to find

Oliver said a resident's and second floors. visitor hung his clothes

on a coat hanger from the versity is waiting for the when he went to take his Useem said she was in

"When he went to take of the sprinkler broke A broken sprinkler causing the apartments more journalism major,

Oliver said the uni-

sprinkler hanging from rooms to completely dry clothes off the sprinkler, her room when the fire out before they can get the entire unit came out of alarm, triggered by the an estimate on the dam- the ceiling causing water broken sprinkler, went to start gushing into the off in the dorm. Logan Wilson, sopho- room," Wilson said.

whose roommate's visi- was like a river because from their rooms, Useem Oliver said about four tor caused the flooding, the water was coming said.

water ran down to the first her room ankle deep in omore political science who is a resident assis-"The visitor said that floor of Samuelson.

The flooding dis-Oliver said the stairwell placed about 16 students

Useem said she is cur-Hanna Useem, soph- rently living with a friend



major, lives on the first tant in Foster Hall. TCU A visitor hung clothes on a sprinkler head in a Samuelson Hall bath-See **FLOOD**, page 2 room and subsequent flooding displaced 16 students.

THE GREAT PUMPKIN



MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE / Photo Editor ABOVE: A girl checks out "Grinning Grove" at Boo at the Zoo on Monday. RIGHT: Forty pumpkins were carved for the exhibit at Boo at the Zoo by art students. Organizers said the exhibit took two

Students design pumpkin display for annual zoo event

weeks to set up and is the first time the College of Fine Arts has partnered with the zoo.

By ALYSSA DIZON Staff Reporter

There is a new addition to the Fort

animal or human.

Several art and design students play, Schoepp said. showed off their tricks of the trade lighting display for the zoo's annual Halloween event, Boo at the Zoo.

Cameron Schoepp, associate pro-He said this was the first time the Col- the project.

lege of Fine Arts has partnered with the zoo for the event.

Instructors of art Matt Clark and Worth Zoo for Halloween that isn't Chris Powell had their art classes team up to carve 40 pumpkins for the dis-

Fred Oberkircher, associate profeslast week in a colorful pumpkin patch sor of merchandising and textiles, gave on the main path can see it. his Lighting for Special Purposes class the task of creating the display.

Alumna Allison Speer, the zoo's fessor of art, said the zoo contacted assistant marketing director, said she They did a great job." him with the idea of having students knew about the lighting department carve the pumpkins for the display. and asked if students could take on



Speer said the display, "Grinning volunteer for the event. Grove," covers only a small area by the duck pond, but everyone walking

"We're definitely going to ask them to come back and do it next year," she said. "They went above and beyond.

Speer said this was the first time people outside the zoo did the lighting display, but students frequently

Emily Grierson, a senior interior design major in the class, said she enjoyed volunteering in the past but was excited to be a part this year.

Grierson said her class of seven students spent a week going to the zoo to survey the area and spent another two weeks creating the display. Their main goal was to light the pumpkins with

SGA votes to add challenge course

By ALLIE BROWN

Staff Reporter The Student Government Association's House of Representatives unanimously passed a bill Tuesday to allocate money toward the creation of a challenge

Perry Cunningham, Neeley School of Business representative, and Chad Dresser, Student Body representative, said they wrote the bill after delegates from the University Recreation Center approached the Campus Advancement Committee about the possibility of a new challenge course.

Cunningham said the Recreation Center will start the planning process. The total cost is estimated at \$63,825, he said.

The course will be designed by Adventure Experiences, Inc., Cunningham said, and it is scheduled to be completed by

The allocated money will come from the SGA reserve and the Campus Advancement Committee funds, he said.

Thomas Pressly, SGA vice president and Campus Advancement Committee chair, said Campus Advancement supports the passing of this bill.

"This is a priority for campus advancement, and it is a great way to positively

affect the students of TCU," Pressly said. Steve Kintigh, director of Campus Recreation, said he appreciates the House's

"Over the 20 years I've been here we've had collaborative projects with the House, but nothing this big," Kintigh said. "Credit will for sure be given to SGA in some form or another."

Kintigh said after the completion of the course, whether painted or attached as a plaque, SGA will receive the appropriate signage on the course.

"Usually, you only have to pay a third of the cost to have a building with your name on it," Kintigh said. "They're fund-

Cunningham said he thinks the new challenge course will be an asset to the TCU community.

"It will help students with team building and leadership exercises," Cunning-

Kintigh agreed that the course is need-

"The old course had wood warps and safety issues," Kintigh said. "The new course will be a 'wow' experience for students who haven't done it before. While See SGA, page 2

Provost to act as 'MacBeth' in on-campus Halloween performance

By CALLIE COX Staff Reporter

Double, double, toil and trouble, and the provost?

Halloween night, Theatre

Shakespeare's "MacBeth." This year, there is a twist. be playing the role of Mac- natural.

Beth in the 9 p.m. performance.

Donovan said this will be his acting debut.

"I have not acted since I was TCU will present its third a youngster," Donovan said. "I annual performance of "Bard used to do opera a long time on the Rocks," a scene from ago, but this will be my first real acting experience."

Provost Nowell Donovan will the play, said Donovan is a

"He takes direction like a have learned a lot from each dents would perform in it. the students and he has a for all of us." wonderful communication

will be playing MacBeth at Modern Dance Building. the 11 p.m. performance, Connie de Veer, director of said Donovan has taken to van's idea to build Froghenge "and with the play being in a the play very well.

"Playing the same role, we theatre, dance and music stu- to play to everyone."

professional actor," de Veer other," Dobbins said. "It has said. "He is so great with really been a great experience play outside on Halloween

Junior Eric Dobbins, who located outside the Ballet and

three years ago in hopes that circle, it allows us as actors

Dobbins said having the

adds a lot to the whole expe-The performance will be at rience of the play both for Froghenge, the circle of rocks the actors and the audience. "The play is in an open air

theater just like Shakespeare's De Veer said it was Dono- Globe Theatre," Dobbins said,

FOR YOUR INFO Bard on the Rocks

When: 9 to 11 p.m. today Where: Froghenge, outside the Ballet and Modern **Dance Building**

WEATHER TODAY: Sunny, 81/52 TOMORROW: Partly cloudy, 72/49 FRIDAY: Sunny, 75/51

PECULIAR FACT

ATHENS, Greece — Two thieves armed only with ketchup ambushed a supermarket employee as he was taking cash to the bank.

TODAY'S HEADLINES

OPINION: Skimpy costumes an unseemly tradition, page 3

SPORTS: Coach expects Blake to return Saturday, page 6 OPINION: Colleges get increasingly less affordable, page 3 **CONTACT US**

Admission: Free

Send your questions, compliments, complaints and hot tips to the staff at

offered to help students find a place to stay if they had no other options.

Wilson said she has been told it will be three to four days before students can move back into their dorm rooms.

"There are fans in all of the rooms," Wilson said. "TCU is paying to have all the carpets cleaned and our clothes to be dry cleaned."

SGA

From page 1

the low elements are designed

for team building, the high

use.

elements are much more indi- campus will be a lot cheaper

Cunningham said all stu- be built on an empty lot in the

dents and organizations grassy area behind the ten-

will be welcomed to use the nis courts. He said he does

course, including any corpo- not know whether the athletic

rations that wish to apply for course will be made of steel

course behind the stadium is is firm and the changes will

virtually unusable, with the not affect the money given by

"Whereas now the challenge price does increase, the bid

vidual and will help with self- and convenient."

construction of a new course, the House.

Pressly said he thinks stu- complete.

corporations in the DFW area

can pay to use this course,"

Cunningham said.

ZOO

various colors using Christmas lights, flood lights, pumpkin lights and colored tubular lights to entertain families in the community, she said.

It was a long process with little time and resources, Grierson said, but it was fun and worth the effort.

everywhere. Your eyes will be constantly moving around."

The lighting students take turns going to Boo at the Zoo each night to watch over the lights to make sure and excitement for life."

dents will get a great deal.

"I think students are con-

tinuing to use challenge cours-

es, but they're using them

off-campus," Pressly said.

"Whereas the new course on

Kintigh said the course will

or wood. He said even if the

Cunningham said after the

course begins construction, it

will only take two weeks to

there are no mishaps or technical difficulties, Grierson said.

Grierson said the display will be graded, but Schoepp said the art students could just have fun and carve the pumpkins however they liked.

Once the zoo delivered the pumpkins, his students spent half a class period carving pumpkins and enjoying the weather outside, Clark said.

"I think it's a great activity for "It's really colorful," she said. "There students to take a break from the are different areas and layers of light coursework we have and help the community," Clark said. "It's always exciting to see how they take experiences from TCU and go out into the community and share their knowledge

Student body

When: Beginning Nov. 12 at 7 a.m.

The candidates are:

President: Nate Arnold, Daniel Becker, Justin Brown, Thomas Pressly Vice President: Brett Major, Haley Murphy

Treasurer: Jacob Barnes, Perry Cunningham

Programming Council Chair: Kristen Chapman

FOR YOUR INFO

officer elections

and ending Nov. 13 at 7 p.m.

Dip in law applicants hasn't affected admission process

By SAKINA NAMAZI (Rutgers) Daily Targum

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. — Law school applications are cyclical in nature, but low numbers in recent years doesn't necessarily mean it's any easier to get in.

"Some years more people become lawyers, some years less people want to become lawyers," said Steve Marietti, Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions pre-law programs

Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions recently conducted a survey of law school admissions officers at 190 law schools across the

The survey seemingly demonstrated a paradox, Kaplan reported in a press release. Half of the admissions officers reported a decline in applicants in the past two years, which signals better admissions odds for future applicants. But 79 percent caution that the decline has not made their admissions process any less competitive.

Marietti said this change might be due to the decreasing number of people applying to law school.

'We suspect that the overall population of the caliber people applying are getting better," he said. "(Students are receiving) better LSAT scores, (students are) more attentive to details that matter. There is softening in numbers, but also the recognition that you have to put your best foot forward."

Rayman L. Solomon, dean and professor of law at Rutgers University School of Law Camden, agreed.

"(The decrease in applications) means that some people who were marginally interested in going to law school don't apply today," Solomon said.

Solomon adds that this decrease will not change the competitive nature of law school

'Some people don't really have a sense of are still a lot of very strong applicants that are applying."

There were 88,000 students who applied good recommendations, he said.

to law school last year, and 46,000 spaces were filled at American Bar Association approved law schools, Marietti said.

When you have less people to compete against, its gives you an edge, relatively speaking," he said.

He said applicants dropped 7.4 percent in 2005-2006 and 4.8 percent in 2004-2005.

busines

renown

School o

al may s

cil appre

ness ma

ciate de

dents ha

courses

be requi

crief said

Moncrie

courses

Col

High t

college s

their fut

EDITORIAL

Kansas City

which tr

colleges

vided nu

students

understo

handily Much and pub tion cost so rapid much be dents, pa with det the insti tuition a The gr was at p where tu percent of colleges, cent. In increase Univer tend, wit Consume lematic y cation, a enterpris by increa fuel cost that they such inci Higher elevated dents and administ

No mo

No mo

If, by

Who

But n

The p

But, although numbers have gone down, both Marietti and Solomon said law school is still competitive.

LSATs are a very important factor, but they are not the only factor, Solomon said.

He said schools such as Rutgers Law still look at a variety of different things when deciding upon admissions.

involvement in the community, strong recommendations from faculty, LSAT scores," Solomon said.

"We look for strong academic level,

But 50 percent of the admissions officers say LSAT scores are the most important component in an application, Marietti said.

"LSATs are great," Marietti said. "But then you can essentially mess it up by not being careful in writing.'

He said admissions officers ordinarily see writing skills in the personal statement.

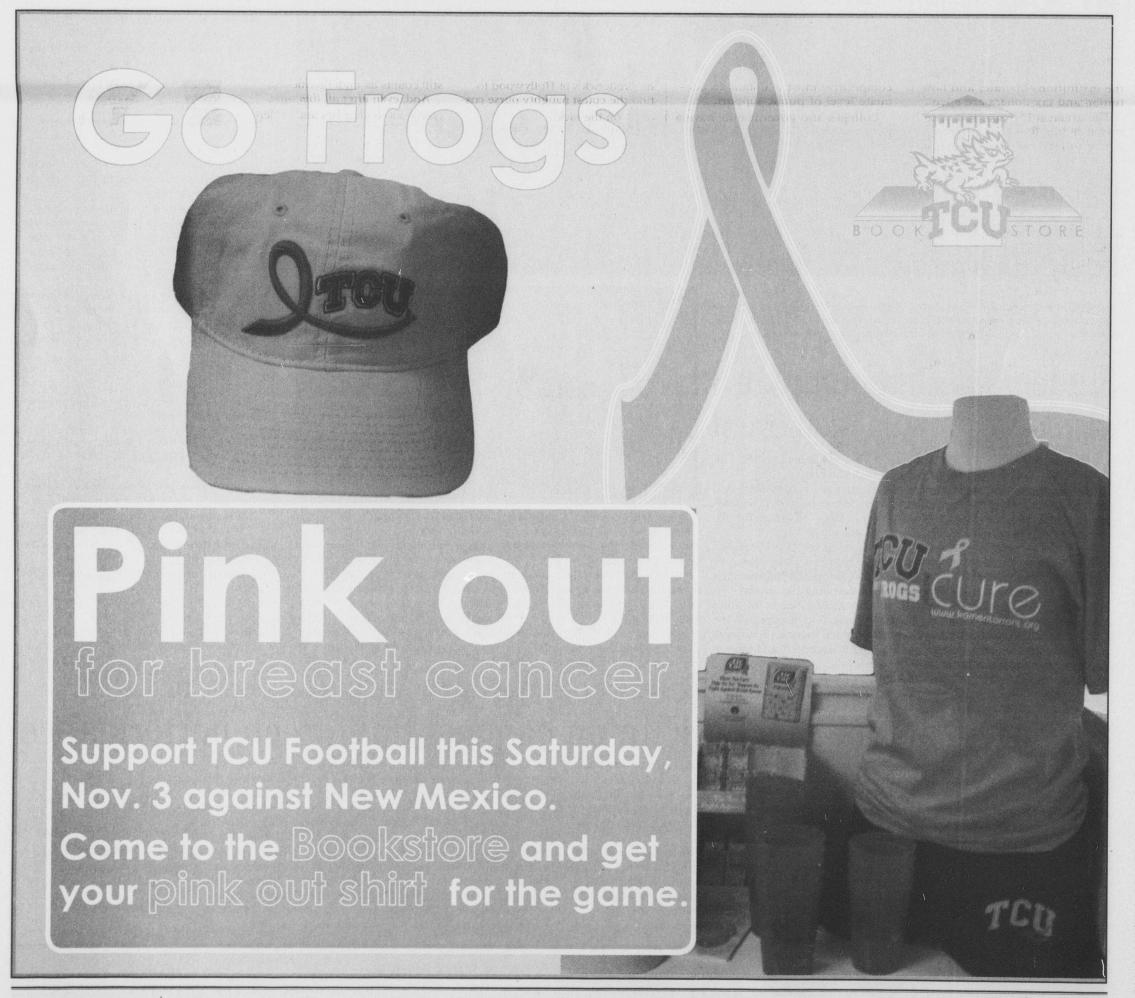
"If someone gets a 155 (on their LSAT the first time) and then a 165 on their second time, they could be a 165 person," he said. He said admissions officers at Rutgers Law are looking at the whole record.

"If a person has a 3.8 from Rutgers College, and if the evidence is consistent, then this is a quality person with good recommendations and a strong record," Solomon

In previous years, the ABA has evaluated LSATs using the average score. This year, law schools are beginning to evaluate students on their single highest LSAT score, Kaplan said in the press release.

Many aspects of a law school application what they want to do," he said, "but there can be prepared ahead of time, Marietti said. Students can prepare for the LSATs, they can prepare a good personal statement, and get

American Heart Association. Association. Fighting Heart Disease and Stroke Choose Healthful Foods



TCU DAILY SKIFF

TCU Box 298050, Fort Worth, TX 76129 ne: (817) 257-7428 Fax: (817) 257-7133

Editor in Chief: Andrew Chavez Managing Editor: Aly Fleet Associate Editor: Marcus Murphree News Editors: Lindsey Bever, Bailey Shiffler

Features Editor: Saerom You Photo Editor: Michael Bou-Nacklie Design Editor: Camila Andres

Student Publications Director: Robert Bohle Business Manager: Bitsy Faulk

EVE

You get th anticipatio diness and COMMENTA

wind carri

hard cider village ho The gre een may b love. Or go or redemp lows is a d mischief, s ridiculous

unholiest o Perhaps een brings tizer in me to enjoy th It should b I was in fo

Editorial ANDREW C ALY FLEET BAILEY SHI LINDSEY BE 16,000 spac-Association i said.

e to compete

ge, relatively

7.4 percent in

2004-2005.

gone down,

d law school

ctor, but they

gers Law still

hings when

lemic level,

, strong rec-

SAT scores,"

ions officers

portant com-

d. "But then

by not being

rdinarily see

on," he said. Rutgers Law

Rutgers Col-

sistent, then

ood recom-

d," Solomon

as evaluated

his year, law

ate students

ore, Kaplan

application

Marietti said.

Ts, they can

ent, and get

tatement. eir LSAT the heir second

etti said.

on said.



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The more you find out about the world, the more opportunities there are to laugh at it."

- Bill Nye

THE SKIFF VIEW

GPA requirement a good thing

nyone who has gone through academic orientation at the university knows it. A startling number of the incoming freshmen start college with business as their declared majors.

Who can blame them? TCU does have a renowned business school.

But not all are cut out for the Neeley School of Business, and a pending proposal may speed up the screening process.

The proposal, awaiting University Council approval in November, seeks to raise GPA requirements for freshman prebusiness majors, said Bill Moncrief, senior associate dean of the business school.

If, by the end of their freshman year, students haven't completed their five required courses with at least a 2.5 GPA, they will be required to change their majors, Moncrief said.

No more "churning up" the program, as Moncrief calls it.

No more juniors and seniors retaking courses in the prebusiness program in hopes of achieving the GPA level required

for admission in the business school. There are 40 seniors and 160 juniors still in the prebusiness program, Moncrief said.

No more spending five or more years in college dogmatically trying to earn the coveted business degree. Instead, they can move on to a different major, and opt to minor in business.

The said proposal would significantly benefit the business program, as students are expected to step up to meet the new requirements if, in fact, a business degree is what they truly desire.

The proposal would also lower the business school enrollment, which may mean a lower student-faculty ratio, raising the quality of education in classrooms.

But above all, the proposal would benefit the students, as the requirements may nudge those who would otherwise be stuck in "the churn" in a direction of earning a degree that is more fitting and compatible with their talents and strengths before wasting much time and money.

Features editor Saerom Yoo for the editorial board.

BY JORDAN HAYGOOD

This years Halloween costumes

College costs continue to rise, become unaffordable for many

High tuition costs are forcing college students to work full-time jobs while taking classes, mortgage their futures with excessive loans, and defer their edu-**EDITORIAL**

cations. Kansas City Star The College Board, which tracks financial trends in colleges and universities, has provided numbers to confirm what students and families already understood: The cost of college is handily outpacing inflation.

Much less clear to consumers and public officials is why education costs are continuing to climb so rapidly. Schools need to do a much better job of providing students, parents and the public with detailed accountings of how the institutions operate, and how tuition and tax dollars are spent.

The greatest increase last year was at public four-year colleges, where tuition and fees were up 6.6 percent over last year. At private colleges, the increase was 6.3 percent. In contrast, consumer prices increased less than 3 percent.

University administrators contend, with some merit, that the Consumer Price Index is a problematic yardstick for higher education, an employee-intensive enterprise that has been hit hard by increases in health-care and fuel costs. Yet they must remember that they are not alone in facing such increases.

Higher college costs also reflect elevated expectations of students and parents, who are telling administrations they want modern dormitories and luxurious gymnasiums, along with small class sizes.

Again, transparency is crucial. Administrators must let consumers know what additional amenities cost and how they are being funded. Well-managed university endowments can also play a critical role in helping colleges provide affordable educations.

States and cities are increasingly looking to colleges and universities to solve social problems and act as economic engines. Competition for talented faculty and researchers is intense across the nation.

But talent is expensive, and so are modern laboratories and research facilities. States that expect their universities to remain competitive must maintain an adequate level of public support.

Colleges and governments have a joint responsibility to make higher education as affordable as possible to this generation of young adults. To fail in that role will have dire consequences not only for potential students but for the nation's social and economic health.

> This editorial appeared in the Kansas City Star and was distributed by McClatchy-Tribune News Service.



COMMENTARY

While most college guys hit The Salvation Army to piece together their Halloween getups, the girls hit Frederick's of Hollywood to find the cutest naughty nurse costume on the rack.

OK, maybe it's not a naughty nurse costume this year. Maybe it will be a flirtatious fairy or a provocative princess.

but the bodily coverage is not. Halloween has become the repressed college girl's dream: a chance to go out in a glorifiedunderwear costume without any repercussions.

It's like a free pass: one night to bare all in a sexy Snow White outfit without even tarnishing your sterling reputation.

But the tradition has been taken a bit too far.

It's become so commonplace that most of the more conservative girls have taken full advantage of the Halloween pass without even thinking twice.

And if the more conservative girls are taking full advantage, the others are taking it a step further.

Hood and Captain Booty costumes are trends of the past.

Skivvies not acceptable costume attire

When pumpkins start appearing on front porches and miniature-sized candy swamps the supermarket shelves, you know Halloween is fast approaching.

> And with Halloween comes the celebration of certain traditions: hitting the haunted house circuit, carving pumpkins

and trick-or-treat-

But there's one tradition that has staked its claim on college campuses, and TCU is no exception. It's the skimpy costume tradition.

For them, Little Red-hot Riding

Now, as costumecauldron.com puts it, they "tease, vamp and purr" their way into Halloween parties with their own original, homemade creations.

The new breed of costumes is pretty basic: a bra, panties and some sort of accessory that ties the "theme" together.

Like a girl I saw last year prancing into the Neon Moon bar clad in a green bra, green panties and a stuffed animal snake slung over her shoulders.

"Can't you see?" I overheard her tell an intrigued guy, "I'm a jungle woman!"

Duh.

But for those of us who don't have such an extensive understanding of bra-panty combination costumes, the new attire still counts as undergarments.

And, even after all this time, going out in your bra and underwear still hasn't entered the realm of social acceptability.

Don't get me wrong — there have been changes in the standards for women's clothing.

In the 1950s and 1960s, Maidenform bras stirred up controversy when the company started running its "I Dreamed" ad campaign.

"I dreamed I barged down the Nile in my Maidenform bra," one ad read. Another proclaimed, "I dreamed I went dancing in my Maidenform bra."

But that was just the point. These are dreams. Going out dancing in your skivvies is about as realistic as floating down the Nile alongside Cleopatra wearing nothing but a bra.

Your mom may have dreamt of such things, but she never did it.

Nowadays we can celebrate how far we've come in gaining women's rights, but we can still take certain lessons from the women who came before us.



Keep the respect they worked so hard to earn for us.

Wear an actual costume tonight. Leave the bra-panty ensemble at home and at least go the more

"traditional" route. How about Officer Naughty this year? At least it comes with a cop

> Kailey Delinger is a senior newseditorial journalism and Spanish major from Fort Collins, Colo.

Everyone should enjoy allure of Halloween, regardless of religion

It's October and the chilly wind carries a hint of devilry. You get that sense of wicked anticipation, hobgoblin giddiness and jack-o'-lantern joy. Your child-

COMMENTARY hood returns, doused in hard cider and dressed like a village hooker.

The great allure of Halloween may be that it's not about love. Or generosity, gratitude or redemption. Nope, All Hallows is a day to celebrate mischief, spookiness and ridiculous indulgence. It's the unholiest of holy days.

Perhaps that's why Halloween brings out the proselytizer in me. I want everyone to enjoy the Halloween revels. It should be required. When I was in fourth grade, a girl

told me Halloween was wrong because it was "devil worship."

I couldn't believe it. I ran to my mother in distress. She assured me that my favorite holiday couldn't be devil worship — All Hallows' Eve just means the night before All Saints' Day, and "hallowed" is another way of saying holy, so it's legit with Jesus.

Which allowed me to give my uber-Christian classmate a smug answer, instead of just hurling candy corn in her face and shouting, "Beelzebub this, bitch!"

Well, I thought that settled it. But then, my junior year at New York University, a classmate announced her family never celebrated Halloween, because Jews aren't supposed to observe pagan holidays.

Why all the hating on Halloween? I suppose it goes back to the age-old hatred of pagans by the monotheistic. After all, no matter what the pope and my mother say, Halloween did originate from the ancient Celtic festival Samhain.

I talked to some pagan students at NYU to see what Halloween meant to them.

"I generally do a small ritual in memory of the dead, like leaving out plates of food or treats symbolically for them and acknowledging the union of the goddess and the god as he dies," said Christy Tomecek, a sophomore and practicing pagan in the General Studies Program.

Daniil Leiderman, a senior in the College of Arts and Science, also observes the holiday

from the pagan point of view. "Basically all I am doing for Halloween is a private ritual where I honor all the gods I worship, with an emphasis on Dionysus, who is my main god — a little sacrifice of wine, a toast to him with my friends,"

Wait, how cool is it that he has a main god? But despite the festival's reli-

Leiderman said.

gious significance, Tomecek and Leiderman still appreciate Halloween's true glory.

"This holiday is as much a religious holiday as a day of fun," Tomecek said. "I do remember the dead and give my due to the gods, which most people don't do; I also go to parties and watch the Greenwich Village Parade like many of my friends and NYU students."

See, the pagans know what's up. Your religion should never interfere with your enjoyment of the most fantastic night ever.

Oh yeah, and you shouldn't be freaked out by pagans, either.

"We don't sacrifice babies or call Mephistopheles in ritual," Tomecek said. Take that, fourth-grade girl.

So, pagans aren't Satanists. Halloween still rocks. And there may even be more to it than sanctioned sluttiness and casual vandalism.

"It has gone from being a day where I could get free candy to meaning something more," Tomecek said. "To meaning a day where you remember your place in the

cycles and the growth of a new year."

To me, Sally Secular, Halloween has a different meaning, though no less significant. It's a feast that pays tribute to childhood. It's a holiday that honors those delightful human qualities religion so often seems to frown upon -trickery, rebelliousness, imagination, fun, silliness. As Leiderman put it, Halloween is "a time for 'sacred madness."

Be you Jew or Jain, pagan or Presbyterian, there's a kid in you who deserves a break on Oct. 31. Don a mask, bob for apples and thank the gods for a night like this.

Abbey Fenbert's column appeared in the (New York University) Washington Square News and was distributed by UWIRE.

Editorial Board ANDREW CHAVEZ ALY FLEET BAILEY SHIFFLER LINDSEY BEVER

MICHAEL BOU-NACKLIE | Editorial Policy **MARCUS MURPHREE SAEROM YOO SONYA CISNEROS** TIM BELLA

The content of the Opinion page does not necessarily represent the views of Texas Christian University. The Skiff View editorial represents the view of the TCU Daily Skiff editorial board

listed to the left. The Skiff View is the collective opinion of the editorial board and may not reflect the views of the individual writers. Signed letters, columns and cartoons represent the opinion of

the writers and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the editorial board. Letters to the editor: The Skiff welcomes letters to the editor for publication. To submit a letter,

e-mail it to LETTERS2SKIFF@TCU.EDU. Letters must include the author's classification, major and phone number. Skiff reserves the right to edit or reject letters for style, taste and size restrictions.

Chicago Tribune

URBANA, Ill. — Administrator Robin Kaler needed students to register for the University of Illinois' new high-tech emergency communication system, which will use cell phone text messaging and e-mail to get the word out in the case of an urgent situation like the April shooting at Virginia Tech.

But students do not always pay attention to official mailings and postings in dorms.

So on the morning of Oct. 22, Kaler, dressed in a suit and heels, crouched down on the campus Quad and went to work with a piece of purple chalk, scrawling this message on the sidewalk: "Sign up now!!! emergency.illinois.edu.'

Chalking the sidewalk has long been a favorite way for cash-strapped students to make announcements about blood drives, student government candidates or upcoming events.

trators have banned the practice, calling it ugly and damaging graffiti. But for all the sophisticated technology at their fingertips, officials at Illinois recognized that a message works only if people pay attention.



University of Illinois' Robin Kaler, associate chancellor for public affairs, and marketing coordinator Bridget Jamieson write messages as students head to class on Oct. 22. Campus officials and a few volunteer students wrote the sidewalk messages to inform students of a high-tech emergency text messaging system.

jumbo chalk to the crisscrossing walkways, they did indeed attract it is to use this primitive medi-

On some campuses, administ hree students took buckets of ing. "It's kind of a messy job."

um to publicize the latest tech-"It's funny to see someone in a nology, in which students, faculty suit chalking on the Quad," said and staff can receive emergency

have the messages sent only to Kaler, 46, recognized how odd the e-mail address listed in the campus directory.

"If you want to reach students, you have to use the method that's found to be most effective," said senior Sally Yoon, 21, who was alerts to three e-mail addresses Kaler, associate chancellor for student government president. competing for attention as she and two cell phone numbers. public affairs. "Talk about direct He said he was impressed that And as Kaler, a colleague and passed out fliers about homecom. Those who don't sign up will marketing; they are walking on administrators would try it.

my message as I'm writing it."

Rae Goldsmith, vice president for communications at the Coun- Ill. "Students will see it because cil for Advancement and Support everyone walks through the of Education, said she knew of no other college where administrators chalked the sidewalks.

"Students are the most notoriously difficult group for a university to communicate with. They often don't use their university e-mail. They change cell phones," she said. "Sidewalk chalking is a really creative way because it is using the very mechanism that students have long used to communicate with each other."

But the idea wouldn't fly at some campuses.

University of Iowa officials last month told student leaders that if they chalk the sidewalks, they could be fined the cost to clean it up, according to The Daily Iowan student newspaper.

At Washington State University, Jared Bishop, an adjunct faculty member, was scolded by campus police and facilities staff after his students chalked the sidewalks as part of a class assignment.

Illinois senior Justin Randall, who helped Kaler Monday, also chalked the Quad last year as part of his successful candidacy for

"I love it. I think it's a great idea," said Randall of Naperville, Quad."

University officials first tried the technique last year to advertise a new university Web site that can be accessed by Blackberry or other mobile devices. The number of daily visits to the site doubled after the chalk messages appeared.

"It wasn't going to cost a lot of money so we thought, 'What the heck, let's see how it works.' The nice thing is that it really did show good results," said Sharla Sola, the administrator who thought of the idea last year. "We live in such a high-tech world and this is so basic.'

Between noon and 4 p.m. on Oct. 22, 203 students, faculty and staff signed up - well above the 50 a day the program had been averaging. That brought the total to 2,680; officials hope to get at least 50 percent of the 60,000plus community members reg-

Later afternoon rain showers washed away all their hard work. But Kaler, undaunted, said they would be back at it in a few

"We learned what colors worked and when to write."

Tasered Florida student apologizes for actions during Kerry speech

By KIM WILMATH

The Independent (University of) Florida Alligator

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Andrew Meyer has addressed an apology letter to University of Florida Machen and Student Government nished UF's image. for his "failure to act calmly" during a Sept. 17 forum with Sen. ry," Meyer wrote. John Kerry.

Tasered and arrested by police degree misdemeanor for disturb-

during a question-and-answer ing the peace. session following the speech from Kerry, D-Mass.

Independent Florida Alligator on return in January. Monday, Meyer wrote he "stepped students, UF President Bernie out of line" and felt he had tar- ment from UF for violating the as well.

Meyer, a senior UF telecom- third-degree felony for resisting Meyer's penalty could not be dismunications major, was tackled, arrest with violence and a second-closed, Telles-Irvin wrote,

from classes, said Robert Grisc- us and making things right." In a letter released to the The ti, Meyer's attorney. He plans to

Meyer has accepted punish-Student Code of Conduct, stat-"For that again, I am truly sor- ed a news release from Patricia Meyer was charged with a of student affairs. The details of find anybody who doesn't know consequences for not following he said they "did nothing wrong,"

"Students make mistakes," she

Meyer has since withdrawn are the lessons learned by all of

Although Meyer allowed himself to be photographed in Griscti's office, he declined comment completely self-prompted. He

"This is beyond anybody's expectations in terms of media Telles-Irvin, UF's vice president interest," Griscti said. "I've yet to about this in Gainesville, Europe or elsewhere."

The aggressive attention from has imposed consequences for Griscti said.

been hard on Meyer, Griscti said, people who have seen their but he's learned a lot about journalism in the process.

He said Meyer's apology was started drafting it immediately after his release from jail Sept. might have suggested.

"In society, as in life, there are

wrote. "What's most important other students and the media has many people other than myself, school, and perhaps their degree, tarnished in the eyes of others through no fault of their own."

Griscti said Meyer didn't plan his outburst, as the UPD report

However, Meyer's remark to officers in the police car, when the rules," Meyer wrote. "In this was accurate. Meyer had no aniinstance, not following the rules mosity toward individual officers,

Costume Climbing Competition

When: Halloween of course! Wednesday, Oct. 31 at 6:30 p.m.

What: Costume & Climbing Wall Competition and FREE PIZZA

(Costumes must be designed to allow participants to climb safely)

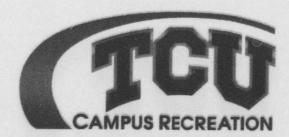
How to enter:

Register in the Campus Recreation Office, URC Suite 124, by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Entry fee is a donation in any amount to the Junior Class Frog House Habitat for Humanity Project.

TOCHOUSE

Prizes and intramural points awarded, so be creative!



For more information, please visit our website or call 817.257.PLAY (7529)



Because Mom and Dad

won't support you forever.

Buy, sell and find stuff. www.tcudailyskiff.com/classifieds **Online Classifieds**

Wednes

By CARRI

McClatchy SACR revelation Universi would-b African museun to most has been among s

Yet hu are also museun in the p august S has com to impor killed by It abanc criticism "In th

plain hov Faucett, ornitholo of Natur in Seattle old days. New Tas

From fossils to ums nav ded with answers sometim city and Sacrar plan for a

um involv million d of trophy to the un auto deal wife, Ren hunters. As the universit Gonzalez ernment permissio 84 differe

and Gonz should ha more clos The eg one of th attitudes display at that amu

reptiles fe

were on a

of specie

orange de officials, a in mind -

ink it's a great ll of Naperville, see it because through the

cials first tried ty Web site that by Blackberry devices. The visits to the site chalk messages

to cost a lot of ight, What the vit works.' The really did show d Sharla Sola, who thought ar. "We live in world and this

and 4 p.m. on nts, faculty and well above the ram had been ought the total hope to get at of the 60,000members reg-

rain showers eir hard work. nted, said they at it in a few

what colors n to write."

er than myself, e seen their s their degree, eyes of others f their own." er didn't plan e UPD report

ice car, when othing wrong," er had no anividual officers,

er's remark to

Hunting scarce species for museums not always accepted

By CARRIE PEYTON DAHLBERG McClatchy Newspapers

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The revelation that California State University, Sacramento, helped would-be donors hunt dozens of African animals for a proposed museum has become so alien to most U.S. museums that it has been making e-mail rounds among shocked curators.

Wednesday, October 31, 2007 | TCU Daily Skiff

are also so deeply woven into resources. museum tradition that within the past 10 years, even the august Smithsonian Institution has come under fire for trying to import an endangered sheep killed by a \$20 million donor. It abandoned the effort amid

"In the old days, this is just plain how it worked," said Robert Faucett, collections manager for ornithology at the Burke Museum of Natural History and Culture in Seattle. "But these are not the

New Tastes for Museums

From pottery to paintings, fossils to funeral relics, museums navigate a landscape studded with ethical questions. Their answers still are evolving, and to entertain and enlighten the sometimes differ from city to city and curator to curator.

Sacramento State's aborted research. plan for a natural history museum involved discussions of a \$2.4 million donation and hundreds of trophy animals to be given to the university by Sacramento auto dealer Paul Snider and his wife, Renee, both avid big game take only blood or tissue samples.

As the proposal unfolded, university President Alexander about every animal I've ever Museums. Gonzalez twice wrote the government of Tanzania asking for reptiles for the museum. Three on the subject. were on an international "red list" and Gonzalez since has said he the scientific purpose for animal more closely.

The episode illustrates just

nate adults around the United

Just this month, Yale University pledged to return some but not all — of the artifacts that came into university hands after being taken from the Inca mountain city of Machu Picchu in Peru nearly 100 years ago. Other nations are demanding their treasures back, and some forbid the Yet hunter-driven collections export of cultural or biological

> "It's very difficult to navigate this," said Hans Sues, the Smithsonian's associate director for research and collections.

Not Always Accepting

While many museums once might have snapped up, say, a spectacular painting that came with a murky history during World War II, now more are likelier to say no thanks, Sues said.

"It is very difficult sometimes for donor relations," he added. "You have someone who can do a lot of good for your museum. and it can be hard to explain why a proffered gift is inappro-

Major museums keep two kinds of collections: exhibits public, and scientific specimens to support current and future

In the natural sciences, museum researchers capture frogs and salamanders from stream banks, snare birds in mist nets, shoot the biggest mammals and trap the smaller ones. Sometimes they Sometimes they take lives. "I have thought long and hard

euthanized, and I've killed a lot," said John Simmons, who spent permission to let the Sniders hunt decades collecting specimens for 84 different birds, mammals and museums and has written books Simmons' standard, echoed

of species at risk of extinction, by many curators: Make sure should have scrutinized the issue collection is pressing and well-

Researchers argue that collectone of the ways that changing ing cannot stop entirely, because attitudes affect what's put on they are preserving today's biodisplay at the 17,500 museums logical heritage for future gen-



California big game hunter Paul Snider prides himself on his collection of animals he has killed in the field. These are some of the pieces he wants to donate to museums, but some museums will no longer accept such donations because of policy changes.

lect DNA samples from living times even parasites. animals, and take other steps to keep deaths to a minimum.

field as a legitimate choice to have culled from public parks, said credentialed scientists selectively collect animals or plants for specific, well-thought-out research purposes," said Elizabeth Merritt of the American Association of

To Hunt for Science

Neither the museum association nor the Natural Science Collections Alliance has a written policy about whether museums should use recreational hunters to collect animals, or accept donations of their hunting tro-

In general, officials with both

collections internationally, col- sue samples, blood and some- million in 1997.

"It's widely regarded in the today are road kill and animals al. ational hunters is close to obso-

Yet when it comes to donated animals that already have been killed, museums are considerably less wary.

Many will consider taking a hunting trophy if it is especially relevant to one of their exhibits and rare enough to be worth displaying to the public or retaining killed.

come scrutiny to the Smithsonian Susanne Lindgren, a Sacramento case. Others have used repliin 1998, when it sought permis- State biological sciences profession to import a rare sheep shot sor who supported the proposed cleaning and durability, and groups said, scientists prefer to by California real estate billion- natural history museum. She sometimes to depict a dog or collect their own specimens aire and former Seattle Seahawks remembers being entranced as other animal whose stuffed because they're better equipped owner Ken Behring. Behring a small child by the giant Afrithat amuse children and fasci- erations. They say they share to gather extensive field data, tis- had given the Smithsonian \$20 can elephant in that museum's turb the public.

Today, Smithsonian officials The most common sources cast the incident as an unfortuof animals for public exhibits nate decision by one individu-

"We have multiple layers Simmons. Involvement by recre-now" for donation approval, said research director Sues, and decisions about what to accept are "made by scientists, not admin-

some faculty members who of additional hunting trophies, were appalled at Gonzalez's let- said Simmons. "People don't want ters seeking new animals had no to see dead animals any more," problem accepting donations of he said. animals that already had been

That was what brought unwel-sonian in my backyard," said to that bunny in the display

rotunda and an enormous whale hanging from the ceiling.

We were looking forward ... to being able to provide an opportunity for children to experience some of these animals," she said.

For the most part, though, museums today are likelier to be shifting the animal heads they already own to the back At Sacramento State, even rooms and turning down offers

Some exhibit curators tell of wincing when they hear chil-"I grew up with the Smith- dren asking what happened cas, sometimes just for easier

UTA aims for environmentally friendly campus master plan

By ALEXA GARCIA-DITTA The (UTA) Shorthorn

in mind — green.

ARLINGTON — Blue and orange decorate all facets of the University of Texas at Arlington, but administrators, city officials, academic departments and environmental service representatives have another color

ity Committee met for the first time Monday to discuss ways the university can carry out its expansion through environmentally friendly avenues.

Committee co-chairs Jeff Howard, School of Urban and Public Affairs assistant profes-

The President's Sustainabil- ronmental health and safety we sit here in 2007, there is director, along with President an additional sensitivity to James Spaniolo, challenged be ever-conscious of doing members to address campus what's best, environmentally, energy efficiency and recy- for our campus. Our resourccling, and Campus Master Plan es aren't unlimited, and we sustainability.

"We are all stewards of the have." campus and the city of Arlingsor, and Craig Powell, envi-ton," Spaniolo said. "But as and campus operations vice

have to take care of what we

John Hall, administration president, outlined ways in which the Campus Master Plan follows the university's push toward becoming a greener campus. Hall said the university plans to add a vertical parking garage to eliminate surface parking and allow for more green space throughout campus, as well as adding green roofs to future construction proj- Hopman, landscape architec-

"We are raising the bar to what we've already accomplished," he said.

Campus Master Plan additions will also include more pedestrian walkways and landscape improvements, as well as college towns with restaurants and shops along UTA Boulevard and Cooper

"We're going to use development projects to try and encourage students to walk to their destinations rather than get in their cars," Hall said.

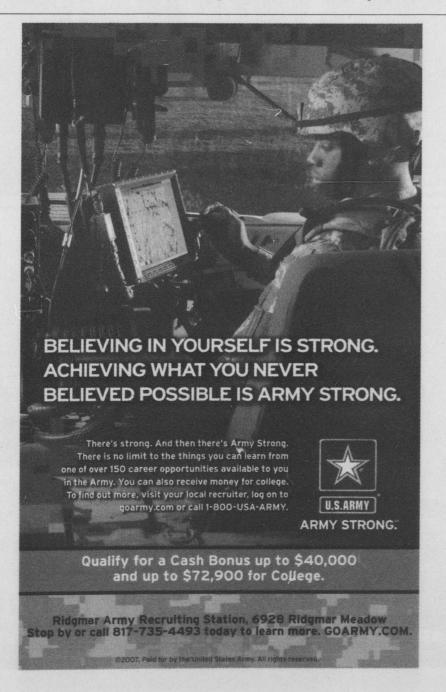
Other university officials presented recycling reports and energy efficiency reports to committee members. David

ture program representative, proposed installing the first green roof in the Metroplex on a new university build-

Tim Yatko, School of Urban and Public Affairs graduate student, outlined his student project that will work closely with the committee in developing ways to address campus sustainability.

"We can throw money at the problem, or we can look at what causes the problem," he said to committee members, encouraging the university to go beyond recycling paper and replacing light bulbs. "We can pick the lowhanging fruit, or we can go

higher up than that."





UWIRE COLLEGE FOOTBALL POLL

Votes keep Buckeyes atop editors' poll as season marches into final weeks

this top-5 list.

No. 1 OHIO STATE (43) QUICK STATS: W-L: 9-0 / Points:

531 / Previous Rank: 1 OVERHEARD: "I've grown up watching Penn State football, and I've never seen the Nittany Lions defense manhandled the way it was by Ohio 372 / Previous Rank: 5 State." - Josh Moyer, (Penn State) Daily

Collegian GAMES: Oct. 27: Def. Penn State, 37-17 / Next up: Nov. 3 vs. Wiscon-

No. 2 BOSTON COLLEGE (8)

QUICK STATS: W-L: 8-0 / Points: 462 / Previous Rank: 3 OVERHEARD: "If not for the rain,

the Eagles would have blown out the Hokies." -Clark Leonard, The (Virginia Tech) Technician

GAMES: Oct. 25: Def. Virginia Tech, State (5-3)

No. 3 LSU (2)

Through games of Oct. 27, released 433 / Previous Rank: 2

OVERHEARD: "The game against 55 sports editors worked to create Alabama should be more intense than a backup quarterback in a Baton Rouge bar fight." -Christian Caple, The (Washington) Daily

GAMES: Oct. 20: Def. Auburn, 30-24 / Next up: Nov. 3 at Alabama (6-2)

No. 4 OREGON (2)

QUICK STATS: W-L: 7-1 / Points:

OVERHEARD: "With two road games and the annual battle against Oregon State, the high-powered Ducks have several trap games left." -Gavin LaPaille, The Louisville Car-

GAMES: Oct. 27: Def. USC, 24-17 / Next up: Nov. 3 vs. Arizona State

No. 5 ARIZONA STATE

QUICK STATS: W-L: 8-0 / Points: 325 / Previous Rank: 7

OVERHEARD: "Are you for seri-14-10 / Next up: Nov. 3 vs. Florida ous?" - Steve Contorno, Through games of Oct. 27, released Oct. 30. (Illinois) Daily Illini

GAMES: Oct. 27: Def. Cal, 31-20 / QUICK STATS: W-L: 7-1 / Points: Next up: Nov. 3 at Oregon (7-1)

LUNCHEON From page 8

With a 4-4 record and four games left in the season, Patterson said not only will these games define the rest of this season, but they will show him what to expect heading into next season.

I think it's more about how we play Carter Stadium with a 6-2 record and are them," Patterson said. "I think it's more on a three-game winning streak. about how we play them because it's not all about this year. It's about next really strong against New Mexico last

Patterson said the next four games will day. show him how the team is able to move forward and continue developing.

Jackson said at this point in the the Mountain West Conference in rushseason, the significance of the games ing yards per game.

increases each week

ing down to the end," Jackson said.

Senior linebacker David Hawthorne said the key to success for the rest of the season is for the team to just go out

"I think all the players have kind of keyed into that," Hawthorne said.

The Frogs take on a Lobos team they defeated 27-21 last season. The Lobos "Obviously, we want to win them, but head into this season's matchup at Amon

> Hawthorne said the Frogs started off year and hopes to do so again Satur-

> New Mexico features running back Rodney Ferguson, who ranks second in

Hawthorne said to stop Ferguson "Every game becomes more important the defense has to get to him before he than the previous ones because it's wind- builds any momentum.

MATCHUPS From page 8

is ready to let freshman Jeremy Kerley get a little more involved with the offense. Smith and Brown are probably the most electric receiving duo in the conference, combining for close to 177 receiving yards a game. Though there is a significant drop-off after the big two, containing both of them will be a nightmare.

OFFENSIVE LINE



TCU: Matty Lindner, Blake Schlueter, Marshall Newhouse, Giles Montgomery, Nic Richmond

New Mexico: Vince Natali, Devin Clark, Anthony Kilby, Sylvester Hatten, Bart Miller

Advantage: Even

Aside from a couple false-start penalties on Newhouse and Richmond, it was a pretty clean game from the men up front. The line should have its way against a mediocre New Mexico pass rush. The Lobos line comes in with a couple starters playing hurt and Miller making his first collegiate start. Clark is as menacing an offensive lineman as there is in the confer-

DEFENSIVE LINE



TCU: Chase Ortiz, Matt Panfil, Cody Moore, Kelly Griffin New Mexico: Michael Tuohy, Tyler

Donaldson, Jeremiah Lovato Advantage: Even

The TCU unit came on strong last game against Utah, giving the team a chance to stay in the game. is coming off a 7-tackle, 2-fumble a starter, he faces his toughest test zona. to date in Clark. The three players on the line for the Lobos bring SPECIAL TEAMS experience, and tend to break up a lot of plays.

LINEBACKERS



TCU: Jason Phillips, David Haw-

New Mexico: Cody Kase, George

Carter, Major Mosley Advantage: TCU

Good news: Daryl Washington's with the other linebackers connot nearly as much talent as TCU's punting average. collective group.

SECONDARY



TCU: Brian Bonner, David Roach, (58-24, 35-18 in conference) Steven Coleman, Nick Sanders, Rafael Priest

New Mexico: OJ Swift, DeAndre ence) Wright, Blake Ligon, Glover Quin, Clint McPeek

Advantage: TCU the win. Breakups by Bonner and be undersized at cornerback, but its last three on the road.

Although Panfil has been great as recovery performance against Ari-





TCU: Chris Manfredini, Derek Wash, Brian Bonner, Donald

New Mexico: John Sullivan, Jordan Scott, Marcus Smith, Ian Clark

Advantage: New Mexico Manfredini made it a one-score game thanks to a clutch 41-yarder in the fourth quarter of the Utah game, following his 22-yard miss. blocked punt has successfully reen- This showed he has the level of contered the atmosphere. He along fidence to bounce back and do what he does best. Sullivan and Scott tinued to make big plays, but also might be the best kicker-punter duo broke down on a couple plays that in the conference, with Sullivan tied might have turned out to be the dif- for first in the NCAA in field goals ference in the game. New Mexico's made per game and Scott registerunit brings a lot of experience, but ing first in the conference in net

HEAD COACHES



TCU: Gary Patterson, seventh year

"His c

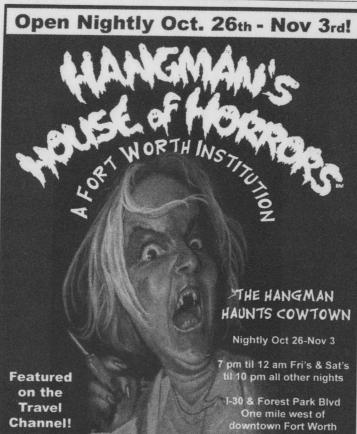
him wh

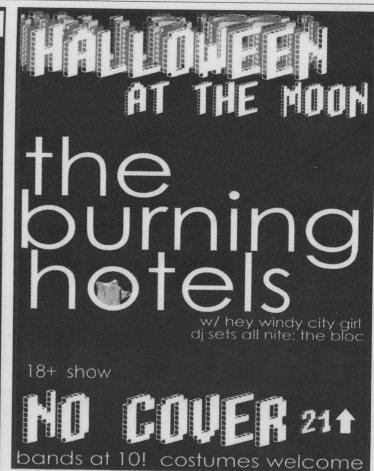
Quign

New Mexico: Rocky Long, 10th season (55-50, 36-26 in confer-

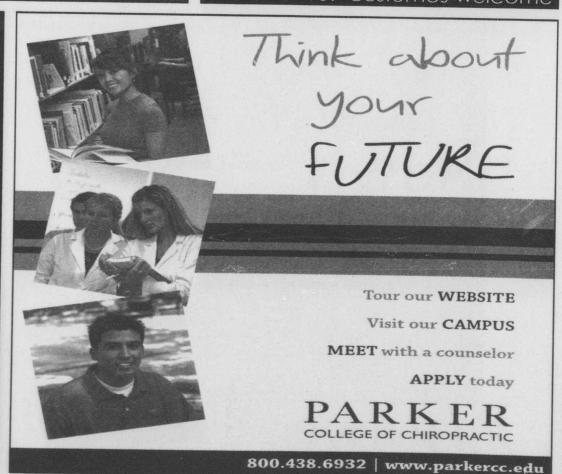
Advantage: Even At 1-3 in conference play, Patterson will try to keep the Frogs' Looking back on the Utah game, bowl aspirations afloat against a it's amazing the Frogs didn't get New Mexico team having won its last three games. It should be fun Sanders along with a Torrey Stew- to see what the offensive staff has art interception made for a pret- adjusted in order to increase the ty good night. They face two big, time of possession and keep the experienced receivers who have a Frogs defense off the field. Long has knack for making game-changing the Lobos rolling and bowl-eligible. plays. At 5 feet 9 inches, Swift might The Frogs face a team having won











n Clark

ong, 10th

vl-eligible.

ving won





TODAY IN HISTORY

1926: Harry Houdini dies of peritonitis in a Detroit hospital.

GOFROGS.COM

WORTH A LAUGH — BUT ONLY ONE

Q: What did the stamp say to the envelope?

A: Stick with me and we will go places!

Quigmans

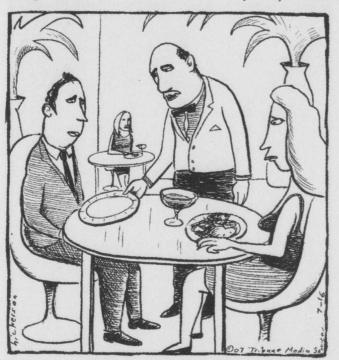
by Buddy Hickerson



"His carnivore-boasting days finally catch up with him when Bob is hit by a drive-by Salad Shooter.

Quigmans

by Buddy Hickerson



"I'm sorry, sir, but it appears that the IRS has garnished your lunch.

Spring 2008
Editor in Chief
and Ad Manager

Applications available

at DailySkiff.com/jobs

or from Robert Bohler

in 293 A in S. Moudy

Deadline is Nov. 2nd at 3 pm

SUDOKU PUZZLE

Sponsored by:

TGU FOOTBALL VS. NEW MEXICO

Kick-off @ 4:30PM Shirts on sale at the bookstore for \$14

2		7		1	9	4		
	and confined to the state of th			7	5			Anna in contract of the contra
	3		6			9		
			8			7		9
5								9
8		6			2			
		9			1		7	

4

9

Directions

Fill in the grid so that every 3x3 box, row and column contains the digits 1 through 9 without repeating numbers.

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

Tuesday's Solutions

6

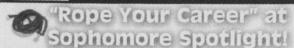
8	9	7		5			6	3
5	6	4	8	3	2	1	7	9
3	2	1	9	6	7	4	5	8
4	7	9	3	1	5	8	2	6
1	3	5	2	8	6	7	9	4
6	8	2	7	4	9	3	1	5
9	1	8	6	2	3	5	4	7
2	5	6	4	7	8	9	3	1
7	4	3	5	9	1	6	8	2

GET TIPS AND MORE SOLUTIONS

TODAY'S CROSSWORD

Sponsored by:

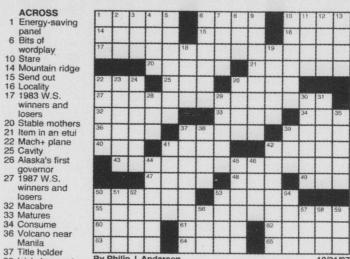
Class of 2010...



Register by Nov. 2 at www.frogjobs.net for this career mini-conference just for Sophomores! Sophomore Spotight is 5:30-9 p.m., Wed., Nov. 7.

contact UCS for more information!

Student Center Annex, Dan Rogers 140 or x7860 for more details!



Portland, OR

5 Recidivism 6 Old Madrid

7 Diamond arbiters 8 Govt. med.

9 More penuri 10 Ore of lead

12 Orange cove 13 Abate

11 Saharan

18 Lindros of

hockey

non-buyers

31 Relishes a taste

research agcy.

39 Icicle hangout 40 RR stop 41 Raced 42 Fiery felony 43 1977 W.S.

47 Org. for non-workers? 48 Parseghian of football 49 Compass pt 50 Dress size 53 Pedro's pal 55 1989 W.S.

winners and 60 Indy-winner

19 Tilts 22 Editor's marks Luyendyk 61 Lug 62 Basketry willov 63 Tear apart 23 Perspiring 24 Albanian capital 26 Outskirts 28 Zilch 64 Indigo dye 29 Ayn and Sally 30 Car deals for 65 Getz and Lee

DOWN 1 __ Paulo, Brazil 2 Defensive

hockey great 3 Circle of

35 Uptight 37 Short musical production 4 Tiny power unit 39 Work unit

41 Ray in the sea 42 Slow passages 44 Caught red handed

45 Lady in distress 46 Genesis: abbr. 50 Carson's

53 Play opener 54 Brewer's kiln 56 Charged 58 Sawbuck 59 Soon-to-be

See Thursday's paper for answers to today's crossword.

WWW.TCUDAILYSKIFF.COM • WWW.TCUDAILYSKIFF.COM • WWW.TCUDAILYSKIFF.COM

For PRINT or ONLINE advertising [}

tcudailyskiff.com

or call Skiff Advertising 817.257.7426

JOBOB AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE 3970 WEST VICKERY

ONLY MINUTES AWAY FROM CAMPUS!

MINOR TO MAJOR REPAIRS & 30,60,90,100 THOUSAND MILE MAINTENANCE AND CHECKS WE DO STATE INSPECTIONS!

10% DISCOUNT FOR TCU STUDENTS & FACULTY \$50 MAXIMUM DISCOUNT



Hank Milligan

Kathy Thomas Service Advisor

817.738.5912 M-F 7:30A.M.-5:30P.M. Sat. 8:00A.M.-2P.M.

Closed every third Saturday of the month.

Computer Repair

computers made easy Westcliff Shopping Center 817.386.2530





GREAT LEASING SPECIALS ON A BMW!



Brett Oliver TCU Alum '06

Autobahn BMW 3000 White Settlement Rd. Fort Worth, TX 76107 817.689.3714 Call Brett for more info.

American Heart TIME TO INCREASE YOUR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY.

35¢ PER WORD PER DAY 45¢ PER BOLD WORD PER DAY www.tcudailyskiff.com/classifieds TO PLACE YOUR AD

HELP WANTED

BARTENDER APPRENTICE WANTED, Showdown Saloon, 4907 Camp Bowie Blvd. 817.233.5430 817.233.5430

\$15.50/HOUR!! SPORTS-MINDED New TCU Office. Top Gun Promotions is seeking 25 students! Afternoon/ Evening/ Weekend PT/ FT Flexible Scheduling. Next to campus. 817-546-

OIL/GAS LEASING

AGENTS NEEDED! Seeking Dependable Money Motivated Scheduling. 469.371.1377

RENT A FROG VALET Now hiring valet parkers for private parties in the Fort Worth area. Flexible hours, must be YOU'RE GONNA LOVE THIS com or 800-293-1445

21 with clean driving record. Download HOME! Newly Remodeled, Central an application at www.rentafrog.com A/C, 2 blks to TCU, 4 bds/2 bath, or call the office to set up an interview.

MARKETING ASSISTANT NEEDED! Part-time, 16-24 hr/week, \$8.50/hr. Excellent computer skills Graphics, brochures,

817.810.9988

mailing lists, advertising, filing. Work in office or home. Contact cynthia@ranchconnection.com. NURSERY WORKERS NEEDED St. Stephen Presbyterian Church is seeking qualified Nursery Workers to work

Sundays and some nights during the week. 3-6 hours weekly. Starting Salary Students! Evenings / Weekends Flexible \$7.50. beth.fultz@ststephen-pcusa.com 817.927.8411

FOR RENT

1800 sf, all appliances, PERFECT FOR FOUR ROOMMATES! Special Move-In Price! Cal 817,797,6803

HOUSE FOR RENT Recently Updated Close to TCU and Bluebonnet Circle Central A/C. 3 bedroom. Affordable Rent. 817.996.2062

3 Bed, 2 bath, 2 car garage 10 min from TCU campus \$1100.00 call

TRAVEL

BEST SPRING BREAK WEBSITE! 4 & 7 night trips to SouthPadre Acapulco, Cancun, Mazatlan and more Low prices guaranteed. Group discoun for 8+. Book 20 people, get 3 free trips! Campus reps needed. www. StudentCity





GAME TIME The women's basketball team tips off with an exhibition showcase.

Frogs to face bowl-eligible opposition

By BRETT LARSON Staff Reporter

During their 16-day break, the Frogs hoped to spend their time recovering from injuries and getting their season back on track. And it looks like it's working, as head coach Gary Patterson said he expects a defensive standout to return from medical leave.

During Patterson's media luncheon Tuesday, he announced that senior defensive end Tommy Blake had been practicing all week, and he thinks Blake will play against New Mexico on Sat-

In addition to Blake's possible return, Patterson said the break helped with the team's recovery process as a whole, but would not say for sure who will return.

"We still got until Saturday," Patterson said. "I'd hate to give away all my secrets and not know who - after two weeks — to prepare for, who's going to play and who is not."

Senior fullback William Jackson said the break has been beneficial for the team.

"We've had some injuries going on, so it was really good to get a little break and get some rest," Jackson said.

Patterson said with the long break, the coaching staff has been working even harder, and the break gave the team time to prepare for both New Mexico and BYU.

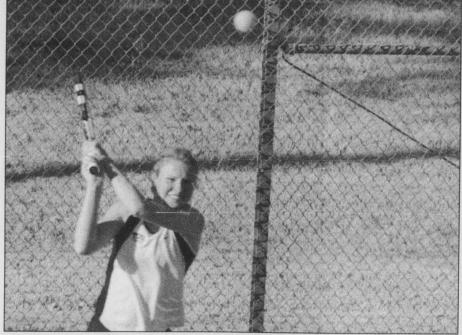
The break also let the team practice more with its younger players.

"A lot of the young guys have been redshirts, and they've just been playing scout team," Patterson said. "You start getting them back into what kind of calls you make — what the calls sound like on offense."

See LUNCHEON, page 6

WOMEN'S TENNIS

PASSING SHOT



Junior Anna Sydorska returns a serve in spring 2007. Sydorska will team with junior Macall Harkins to com-

pete in the ITA National Indoor Intercollegiate Tennis Championships in Columbus, Ohio, starting Thursday. Ranked doubles duo heads to nationals

By JOE ZIGTEMA Staff Reporter

Anna Sydorska will try to make the third time a charm when she makes her third straight appearance in the National Indoor Tennis Championships with partner Macall Harkins on Thursday.

finals at the Wilson/ITA Southwest Steffi Wong, 8-4. Regional Championships.

Columbus in Columbus, Ohio.

Sydorska reached the finals last year in this tournament with partner Ana Cetnik. the semifinals of the Division I Champi- Ten honors her sophomore year.

onships for the second time in school history. Sydorska reached the quarterfinals in 2005 with partner Helena Besovic.

Harkins and Sydorska are 1-1 in doubles play this season with both matches being played at the Riviera/ITA All-American Championships in Pacific The junior duo, ranked No. 14 nation- Palisades, Calif. The team cruised past ally, received one of three at-large bids Nevada's Caroline Bailly and Maria Mizto the tournament after defeating three yuk, 8-3, in the first round before fallseeded opponents before losing in the ing to Cal Poly's Brittany Blalock and

Sydorska came onto the college tennis Harkins and Sydorska will face Anna scene in 2006, earning Mountain West Karavayeva and Maria Kolkotsky from Conference and Intercollegiate Tennis Fresno Pacific at the tournament, host- Association Southwest Region Freshman ed by Ohio State at the Racquet Club of of the Year, as well as ITA Rookie of the Year, in addition to All-MWC singles and doubles honors

Harkins is playing in her first season The two went on to receive All-American with the Horned Frogs after spending her honors at the end of the season, reaching first two years at Illinois, earning All-Big

Return from 16-day break brings touted contenders

Sports Editor

The wait is over: The Frogs return to the field. The return will not be an easy one as the team welcomes a bowl-eligible conference opponent on a three-game winning streak. Here are the probable starters for Saturday's home game between TCU and New Mexico.

QUARTERBACK



TCU: Andy Dalton, redshirt fresh-

New Mexico: Donovan Porterie,

sophomore

Advantage: Even

Consistency issues have troubled Dalton throughout the season. His four interceptions against Utah following the great game at Stanford epitomizes this season for the Frogs. Luckily for him, he takes on a Lobo defense also struggling with inconsistencies. Porterie's completion percentage has fluctuated during the course of the season, and he has had only two multi-touchdown games this season.

RUNNING BACK





FERGUSON

TCU: Marcus Brock, Ervin Dickerson, Donald Massey, Derek Moore, Quinton Cunnigan (TE)

TCU: Aaron Brown, junior New Mexico: Rodney Ferguson,

Let's hope the extended time off

following the 59 rushing yards in

the loss to Utah will light a fire

under Brown. He needs more than

11 carries if the Frogs expect to

get win No. 5 - especially with

the improvement in New Mexico's

second-half defense in the last two

games. Although Ferguson is com-

ing off a monster 146-yard, two-

touchdown performance against

Air Force, he needed 41 carries to

get there. Utah's Darrell Mack wore down TCU's rush defense on 32

carries, so expect New Mexico to

pound the run and try to keep the

Frogs defense on the field.

WIDE RECEIVERS and TIGHT END

Advantage: TCU

New Mexico: Marcus Smith, Travis Brown, Jermaine McQueen, Chris Hernandez, Chris Mark (TE)

Advantage: New Mexico

Decent games from Dickerson and Moore gave Dalton options across the middle and to the sidelines. With that being said, when your quarterback hauls in the longest reception of the night, you're in a little bit of a trouble. It would be nice to see if the coaching staff

See MATCHUPS, page 6



New late night service from downtown every Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Horned Frogs can now enjoy even more excitement in Downtown Fort Worth and still hop a ride back to campus. The T's Route 7 bus will now depart ITC station at 11:15pm on Thursdays and Fridays, and 11:28pm on Saturdays. Plus all three nights, the last TRE train from Dallas will connect you with the later running Route 7 bus.

Plan your trip at the-t.com.



Ride FREE with your TCU Transit Pass and ID Students, faculty and staff

www.the-t.com 817-215-8600



