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Controversial pastor to speak at Dallas church

By JULIETA CHIQUILLO
Staff Reporter

The Rev. Jeremiah Wright is scheduled to preach Sunday at a church in Dallas, following his cancellation of public appearances last month after the release of clips in the media of the pastor's controversial comments.

Wright will be one of several guest preachers this month at the Friendship-West Baptist Church as part of the Rev. Frederick Haynes' 25th pastoral anniversary celebration, said Veta Holt, chief administrations officer at the church.

"We have a relationship with Dr. Wright," Holt said. "He's been coming for 20 years."

Wright cited security concerns for canceling an appearance at Friendship-West last month where he was to speak as the honoree of Brite Divinity School's fourth annual Black Church Summit. Wright also canceled a summit-event appearance at Paul Quinn College in Dallas.

Elizabeth Payne, executive assistant to Haynes, said the media frenzy surrounding Wright has waned. She said the church will provide security like it does for all guests and services, which includes the presence of Dallas police inside and outside of the church.

The Trinity United Church of Christ in Chicago, Wright's congregation, did not return calls seeking comment on the pastor's visit.

WRIGHT

Brite came under fire after reaffirming its decision to honor Wright following the airing of clips of the pastor's sermons in which he condemns the U.S. government for promoting racism and terrorism. The Black Church Summit, originally scheduled to

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FRESH AIR

PAIGE McARDLE / Staff Designer

Katie Wildman, a freshman premajor, studies between Colby and Sherley halls. The temperature was in the 80s after a cold front briefly came through Thursday.

Education prices misunderstood, speaker says

By DAVID HALL
Staff Reporter

Although the cost of college is increasing, it is still much lower than commonly perceived, a speaker told faculty and staff Monday.

Terry Hartle, senior vice president of the American Council of Education's division of government and public affairs, told an audience of about 40 in a Sid Richardson lecture hall that a private education costs about $8,000 less per year than commonly perceived. Hartle said the public estimates a private education to cost a total of $40,000 per year, but in reality the average is about $32,000, he said.

"We're doing a lot better on the price of college than people think," Hartle said.

Hartle said his job is to mediate between the federal government's want to regulate universities and universities' right to autonomy.

According to Hartle, the government invests $130 billion per year on higher education and wants to have some degree of control in how higher education operates. Government spending makes up about one-third of all higher education expenses and even goes to private schools, Hartle said.

His speech outlined key legislation recently moved through Congress and how it would affect college students and administrators.

Hartle cited an act of Congress in 2007 in which $20 billion in student loan subsidies were cut. The cut has caused many lending companies, who oversee the loans, to pull loans from schools with a high rate of default, he said.

But he said cutting the rising cost of college isn't an easy task and would involve job cuts. Labor costs make up 60 to 70 percent of colleges' operating costs, Hartle said.

"Making college cost less would involve cutting human capital," Hartle said. "Classes would be larger, you would have more adjunct professors and less seminar classes."

Chancellor Victor Boschini said he brought Hartle to campus to elaborate on pressing issues affecting TCU and other universities around the country.

"I think he has a lot of good insight on future government intervention into higher education," Boschini said.

Boschini said Hartle presented one fact that really surprised him.

"He said that 93 percent of people in America still hold higher education in high esteem," Boschini said. "It makes me feel like

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Investment team wins stock challenge

By CHRISTINA DURANO
Staff Reporter

The TCU Financial Management Association got two firsts in one semester.

TCU's FMA investment team won first place in its first year in the National Stock Challenge this year, said Travis Gallatin, TCU FMA president.

The team earned a 7.49 percent return, $74,900 on its million-dollar virtual stock portfolio this semester, said Scott Boston, team portfolio manager. The second place team, University of Texas at El Paso, earned a 1.19 percent return, Boston said.

Boston said the TCU team invested in stocks such as Potash, Chesapeake Energy and Research in Motion, which makes BlackBerry phones, among other stocks. The three were the team's best performers, Boston said.

Eight teams from universities across America participated in the challenge to create the highest return on their virtual portfolios, Boston said.

Michael Burns, a senior finance and accounting major and member of the investment team, said winning the challenge was exciting for both him and TCU.

"It shows Neeley is doing a great job teaching students not only the basics, but advanced economy," Burns said.

Boston said TCU's invest-

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Club to hold fundraising concert to benefit Costa Rican bird

By ANNA HODGES
Staff Reporter

Some may want to call them "tree-huggers," but perhaps "tree-savers" is more appropriate.

Adduco Viridis: TCU Environmental Club will kick off Earth Week with a concert on the Sadler Lawn from 3 to 6:30 p.m. to raise money to preserve a Costa Rican tree that could save an endangered bird species.

"We're hoping that this event will really make what we're doing visible," said AV Club secretary Gretchen Wilbrandt.

Money raised from raffle ticket sales at AV Club's Concert for the Macaws will be used to buy Almendro trees in Costa Rica, trees Wilbrandt said the Great Green Macaw inhabits for nesting and feeding.

AV members said they hope to raise enough money to pay landowners to prevent the trees' destruction.

Each summer, Michael Slattery, director of the Institute for Environmental Studies, takes a group of students to Costa Rica where he teaches a two and a half week long course on environmental issues. Wilbrandt said the summer course is open to all majors.

Ellen Schwaller, a senior environmental science major, said Slattery's annual visits to Costa Rica are what prompted the Environmental Club's interest in the project.

Schwaller, who went on the trip in May 2005, calls the trip a "defining moment" in her time spent at TCU.

"Not only did I have the chance to learn in the middle of the rainforest, where biodiversity is such a big factor, the trip really helped me to get involved and connect with other people with the same interests as me," she said.

Schwaller said she is happy with the positive response the club has received from the Fort Worth community.

Wilbrandt said a wide variety of raffle prizes were donated by businesses throughout the area. She said these prizes correspond with the group's ideals as stewards of the environment.

"We have organic chocolate, gift certificates to places like the Spiral Diner and more. These 'environmentally friendly' prizes really showcase what the community has to offer," Wilbrandt said.

Musical performers include Tim Halperin, Josh Coad and Johnnie Cochran, she said.

AV Club President Kimberly Banzhaf said the Environmental Club raised $1,000 and saved two trees when the first Concert for the Macaws was held two years ago. However, she said because the concert was at 8.0 Restaurant and Bar downtown, many students were unable to participate. Banzhaf said the group hopes to raise even more this year.

"This year, we planned to make Earth Week activities like this more catered toward the students," Banzhaf said.

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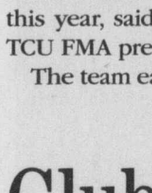

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take place on the TCU campus in March, was moved to Dallas after the university's Board of Trustees voted to move the event off campus citing security issues.

Wright will preach at 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday, Holt said. The pastor will not be speaking to the press, she said.

Wright will give his first interview since the release of the sermon snippets to Bill Moyers, a journalist and fellow United Church of Christ member, according to the United Church of Christ Web site. The interview will air at 9 p.m. Friday on KERA/PBS Channel 13.

The Rev. Myron Cloyd, a Brite student and friend of Wright, said Wright's Dallas visit is an opportunity for people who have not seen him preach before to listen to the pastor's message firsthand.

"I think this provides an opportunity not only to look at different things, but to look at things differently," said Cloyd, pastor of the Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ in Houston. "We can look upon the experience of others with disdain, or we can look at it with interest."

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ment team was composed of six people from TCU's FMA chapter. Members were selected based on their resumes and prior experience.

The team met once a week to present stock reports and discuss the stocks. Afterward, members voted on whether they would allow the stocks into the portfolio, Boston said.

"It's a great opportunity to build teamwork and learn about stocks," he said.

Boston said although all participating teams invested virtual money this year, TCU's team will invest real money next year to give members experience dealing with real money. The money the team will invest next year will come from FMA's saved money and possibly other sources, Boston said.

"We wanted to work out the kinks first," he said. "We want to take the next step in developing our skills."

Gallatin said the investment team met FMA's mission of providing students an opportunity to learn about finance.

Boston said the team catered to students who were not majoring in finance or were too young to work with the Educational Investment Fund, a program in which TCU's top finance students manage a real stock portfolio valued at more than $1 million.

"My favorite part was teaching other students who would not otherwise have the opportunity to invest in stocks through a regimented program," he said.

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we're doing a good job here."

Hartle, a lobbyist, received a doctorate in public policy from George Washington University in 1982, a master's degree in public administration from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University in 1974 and a bachelor's degree in history from Hiram College in 1973, according to ACE's Web site. Prior to joining the council, Hartle spent six years as education staff director for the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources, according to the Web site.

10,000 celebrate 4/20 at Colorado University

By LANCE VAILLANCOURT
(University of) Colorado Daily

BOULDER, Colo. — Celebrated by many an avid pot smoker on the 20th day in April, Sunday's counterculture holiday "4/20" was a big hit on the Colorado University campus as thousands gathered in the Norlin Library Quadrangle to celebrate.

Clear skies prevailed throughout the afternoon as observers of the unofficial holiday began to congregate on the field, some as early as noon.

Fashion of the day included a broad array of T-shirts touting pot references — everything from "Half Baked" to "Rehab is for Quitters" — and enough people sporting the color green to rival St. Patrick's Day.

"This is the best day ever," said Karen, a CU political science major dressed up as a giant pot leaf. "This should happen every Sunday."

Activities picked up as the countdown to 4:20 p.m. went on. Hordes of students and pot-friendly community members clustered together throughout the field laying out blankets and tossing footballs and Frisbees. The thumping of drum circles that peppered throughout the area could be heard by passersby.

In some respects, the Boulder tradition was a commercial event. Groups of people began passing around Mardi-Gras style beaded pot-leaf necklaces in exchange for social contributions, and outdoor vendors were even selling 4/20 memorabilia to the masses — shirts reading "Boulder 4/20" and "Colorado Puffs" — as the day went on. The event has even garnished enough of a reputation to attract visitors from far outside of Boulder.

"We spent most of the day on Pearl Street before we headed out here," said Josh Ejtehadi, who traveled from Colorado Springs with his friend Ian to attend the event. "This is my second year out here. I had heard that Jerry Garcia started it, so I knew it would be awesome."

By the time 4 p.m. rolled around, hundreds of the event's attendees had already rolled up joints and filled glass pipes of all shapes and sizes in anticipation of the most massive outdoor community smoking session of the year. Attendance was so massive, in fact, that police on duty at the event made no efforts to discourage it.

"If it was one guy smoking on Pearl Street and one police officer, that's a one-to-one ratio," said Cmdr. Brad Wiesley, Public Information Officer for the CU Police Department. "When it's 10,000 people and 20 officers, that's a different story."

A news release issued by CUPD after the event stated that approximately 15 officers and six Boulder County Sheriff's deputies monitored the 4/20 activity that occurred on campus to support public safety — not to enforce the laws against it.

"Given the size of the crowd that appeared on a warm spring Sunday afternoon, the focus of the police was to maintain a safe environment and discourage potentially hazardous activities," the release stated. "No citations were issued and no arrests were made."

Those in attendance did not need a watch to know the exact moment that 4:20 p.m. had struck — because if the sudden rush of intense cheering throughout the field wasn't enough to clue them in, the massive haze of smoke that soon lifted above the crowd sure did. Festivities continued with more intensity, such as several drum circle drummers climbing trees, for the next half hour before the crowd began to dissipate steadily by 5 p.m.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY
"Change happens by listening and then starting a dialogue with the people who are doing something you don't believe is right."
— **Jane Goodall**

THE SKIFF VIEW

The Rev. Wright's Dallas visit chance to form valid opinions

The Rev. Jeremiah Wright is finally coming to the Metroplex.

Nearly a month after Brite Divinity School made national headlines for awarding the pastor at its Black Church Summit, Wright will preach at Friendship-West Baptist Church in Dallas on Sunday, where the summit was held after security issues moved the event off campus.

Wright drew an immediate and harsh reaction from Americans following the airing of a sermon where he condemned the U.S. government for promoting racism and terrorism. Supporters of Wright, which include Frederick Haynes, Friendship-West pastor and candidate for leader of the NAACP, pledged their support for him during the Summit in Dallas, contending that Wright's message was taken out of context.

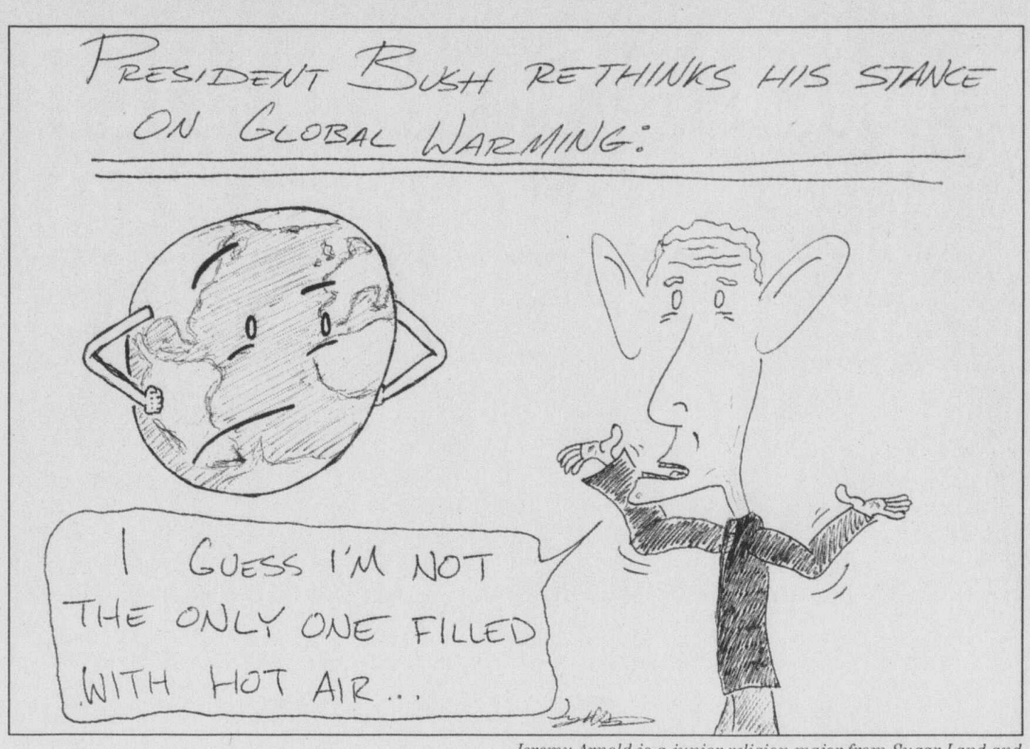
Wright's scheduled visit is a chance for students to see what they missed last month — to see a controversial national figure and judge for themselves what to think of his message.

For students who have not read Wright's sermons in their entirety, this is an opportunity to judge whether Wright is a card-carrying America-hater or a misunderstood leader of an enormous congregation upset by the state of the county. And, the best part — all it's going to cost is the gas for a short hop down Interstate 20.

It's not about whether people agree or disagree with his message — it's about students intelligently debating and discussing issues facing our country today.

News Editor Joe Zigtema for the editorial board.

BY JEREMY ARNOLD AND WHITNEY WALLER



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Author's property should be protected, not plagiarized

A recent lawsuit levied by J.K. Rowling on author Steven Vander Ark would seem to rule out any third party anthologies of the Harry Potter book series.

Vander Ark was attempting to publish and sell an encyclopedia entitled "The Harry Potter Lexicon" based on information gathered from his fan Web site of the same name. According to a BBC.com article, Rowling is suing Vander Ark for borrowing too much of her work and jeopardizing her opportunity to publish a Harry Potter encyclopedia.

COMMENTARY

Kyle Hummel

Despite speculation that the lawsuit is about money, Rowling has a legitimate argument. The whole genre of third-party reference guides, ranging from fictional encyclopedias to guides on how to beat video games, infringes on the original author and his or her copyright.

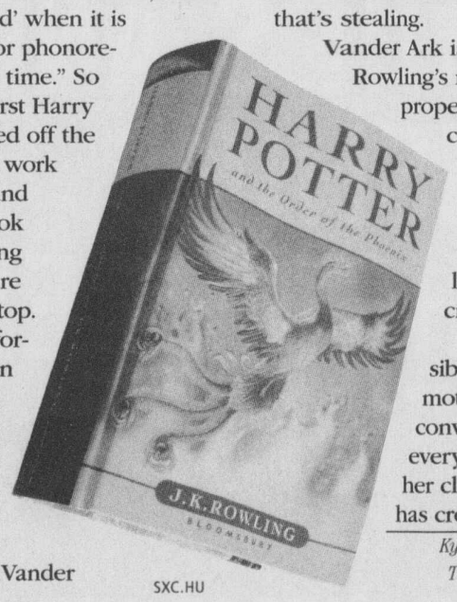
According to the U.S. Copyright Office, "copyright is secured automatically when the work is created, and a work is 'created' when it is fixed in a copy or phonorecord for the first time." So as soon as the first Harry Potter book rolled off the press, Rowling's work was protected, and Vander Ark's book is the sort of thing copyright laws are put in place to stop.

Publishing information on his fan site is one thing, but writing and, more importantly, selling a book containing the information is different. Vander Ark would be selling a world created by someone else. The money ought to go to the person who came up with the ideas.

Not only do the original authors lose, but the readers lose, too. Because Vander Ark's encyclopedia is based on unofficial information gathered from a fan site, there is no guarantee to the legitimacy of the content. Some references might be based on suspicion, rumor or just plain make-believe. Publishing such a book would rob fans of gaining a true knowledge of the world created by Rowling.

On her Web site, Rowling posts information about parts of her books that have been cut and never-seen characters and plot twists. So there is quite obviously more about the wizarding world of Harry Potter that would best be told by the person who invented it.

Vander Ark's book is plagiarism, he is not commenting on or discussing or quoting information from Rowling's books. He is simply taking information from the books, placing them in another book and selling them. Simply put, that's stealing.



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Vander Ark is encroaching on Rowling's right to her intellectual property, her ideas and her creations and trying to make a buck to top it off. Plagiarism has no place in the literary world, and it shows a lack of ingenuity and creativity.

Regardless of possible ulterior monetary motives, Rowling has a convincing case and has every right to stand up for her claims to the work she has created.

Kyle Hummel is a freshman radio-TV-film major from Philadelphia.

Paper doesn't equal earth-friendly

Starting this Earth Day, the supermarket Whole Foods will no longer offer plastic bags. Ostensibly, the move will help "save the environment," but the alleged benefits of alternative paper bags over plastic are not clear. Plastic has many overlooked benefits — many of them environmental.

COMMENTARY

Angela Logomasini

For Whole Foods, the switch to paper supposedly meets their customer demands for greener businesses. But why does Whole Foods need to remove the products entirely rather than continue to give consumers a choice at the checkout? Given the option, some of Whole Foods' loyal customers might still chose plastic — and for good reasons.

> "It's a free country, and Whole Foods can do what it wants. But that doesn't mean all its shoppers will be happy or that the environment will be any better off."
> **Angela Logomasini**

Plastics are lightweight, durable, reusable and easier to carry. For those "environmentally" conscious consumers who walk to the grocery, plastic makes even more sense as plastics don't fall apart easily — not even in the rain. Plastic is also much less likely to carry cockroaches into your home, which can be a problem with paper bags. Common to supermarkets, cockroaches feed on the glue in paper bags and easily can hide in the crevices of paper bags.

Then there is the issue of energy. Believe it or not, plastic bags are incredibly energy efficient. This very green attribute is probably the main reason they were winning in the marketplace to begin with — because lower energy costs mean lower costs for supermarkets and everyone else. Studies have shown that paper bags require as much as 40 times more energy to make and transport, which is reflected in their price.

It might be true that paper bags are more recyclable. However, that does not necessarily make them greener. For one thing, recycling doesn't always save resources because it is easy to use more energy and water and produce more pollutants recycling a product than you save recycling. In any case, "recyclable" is not the same thing as "recycled." Many paper bags still end up in the landfill.

In any case, worrying about landfill space isn't worth your time either. Landfill space is plentiful despite what claims have been made to the contrary. In the 1990s, greens said we would run out of landfill space in five years, professor Clark Wiseman of Gonzaga University pointed out that, given projected waste increases, we would still be able to fit the next 1,000 years of trash in a single landfill 120 feet deep, with 44-mile sides.

Wiseman's point is clear: land disposal needs are small compared with the land available in the 3 million square miles of the contiguous United States. And while there has been some political wrangling over where to place landfills, enough are sited anyway. There is no landfill shortage.

But — you may still ask — isn't paper better because it decomposes in landfill? Nope. Nothing really decomposes in a modern sanitary landfill because air and light are kept out. In a hundred years, we could probably mine the old waste if we needed it. Researchers at the University of Arizona showed back in the 1990s that landfills preserved the waste so well that they found perfectly intact 20-plus year old newspapers, hot dogs, and even lettuce.

What about the risks of chemicals leaking out of landfills? Doesn't paper leach less dangerous substances than plastic bags? Nope. Since most things don't decay much, there isn't much leaching. In fact, the risk of landfills causing health problems is slim to none.

According to one study conducted by academic researchers Kenneth Clinton and Jennifer Chilton, modern sanitary landfills pose a theoretical one in 10 billion risk of cancer for someone exposed to the chemicals for 70 years.

For example, smoking 1.4 cigarettes during one year, traveling 300 miles by car, traveling 10 miles on a bicycle, living two days in Boston and eating 40 tablespoons of peanut butter over a year's time all pose a theoretical risk of one in a million — making these relatively safe activities far more dangerous than depositing anything in a modern landfill.

It's a free country, and Whole Foods can do what it wants. But that doesn't mean all its shoppers will be happy or that the environment will be any better off.

Angela Logomasini is director of risk and environmental policy at the Competitive Enterprise Institute. This column was distributed by McClatchy-Tribune Information Services.

Americans should expect 'justice-for-all' mentality from all institutions

When it comes to faith and politics, young evangelicals are getting a lot of attention. Several polls and a slew of books suggest social-justice concerns are prompting evangelicals under 30 to move left politically. As part of the largest religious group in the U.S., their political allegiances are under scrutiny, especially during a cliffhanger election year.

COMMENTARY

Ryan Messmore

Experts are also noting among younger evangelicals a desire for less institutional and more personal forms of faith.

If these experts are correct, then it seems the average evangelical Christian somewhere in her 20s — let's call her Eva — is looking for a religious community that emphasizes personal faith and a political movement that emphasizes social justice. But if the latter leads her to support big-government social programs, Eva may end up seeking the personal for herself while suggesting the impersonal for others.

Eva may not detect an inconsistency between her preference for the personal when it comes to faith and an embrace of policies that grow the welfare state. "Church is about private faith, and politics is about justice," she would likely say. "If people are trapped in poverty, that's a matter of justice, and it's the government's responsibility to change that."

Eva's understanding here reflects the modern tendency to divorce faith and politics into two separate spheres: one private, the other public; one concerning love, the other concerning justice.

If justice is something that all individuals and institutions are called to seek in their spheres of activity, then government has its appropriate role in justice, too. Government's role is to enact and enforce laws that allow all of society to fulfill moral obligations.

It is dangerous to view government as the single institution responsible for bringing about just relationships or fulfilling moral obligations. Those tasks lie with us all. Rather, a well-ordered government publicly expresses society's understanding of justice and judges actions that harm it.

But supporting the expansion of government programs is not the best way to express Eva's concern. One of the most practical places Eva could turn in seeking justice is her church. Historically, local churches have embodied justice for those in need.

Eva's concern for social justice should give her pause in turning over responsibility for the least of these to the government.

In America, we should promote "justice for all" without reducing that idea to what individuals receive from government. We should also promote justice as a calling for all institutions.

Evas may call upon the church to offer more personal forms of faith. But they should also call upon it to provide opportunities for serving the needy, a critical step in pursuing justice.

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Tough laws lag behind in Missouri, America's meth lab capital

By CHRISTINE BYERS
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

ST. LOUIS — The fire hoses had been rolled up.

The 11-year-old burn victim had been taken to the hospital.

And Jefferson County's Sgt. Gary Higginbotham was left shaking his head as he surveyed the scene of the methamphetamine lab explosion.

He knew that, in other states, authorities could have quickly caught the Festus, Mo., homeowners' illegal purchases of a key ingredient to make meth.

But not here in the heart of the fight against meth labs.

Missouri has long led the nation in meth lab busts. Illinois hasn't been far behind. Yet neither state has adopted stricter laws for obtaining meth's key ingredient, pseudoephedrine. The laws are credited with helping Oklahoma and Oregon see the biggest declines of meth labs of any states.

"I shudder to think what people are going to say 20 years from now as to why we didn't eliminate this problem," said Missouri Rep. Jeff Roorda.

Awaiting reform, Jefferson County officers have struggled to keep up with a list of who exceeds the limit.

"She was on the list," Higginbotham said, his eyebrows rising in frustration as he put chemicals removed from the charred basement into his truck. "And it's sad because by the time we get to them, the meth is already made or something like this happens."

Higginbotham led the county's drug unit when Congress passed a 2005 law limiting pseudoephedrine purchases to 9 grams every 30 days. That's roughly two 15-dose boxes of 24-hour Claritin D or six 24-dose boxes of Sudafed.

Missouri and Illinois then passed laws authorizing only licensed pharmacies to sell the products. Anyone buying pseudoephedrine products had to show ID and sign paper logs kept at pharmacy counters.

Elected leaders from both states touted the laws as the panacea to the mom-and-pop meth labs — and the laws did help. From 2005 through 2007, Missouri's lab totals were nearly halved. Illinois' dropped about 60 percent.

But Missouri still ended 2007 with 1,189 busts — more than double any other state's.

Higginbotham said the new laws initially confused pill shoppers, commonly called "smurfers," who buy for meth makers. But they've adapted.

Jefferson County found 218 meth labs last year — the most in Missouri, and more than 27 states combined.

"For anyone who doesn't believe meth is still around, saddle up and ride with us," said Cpl. David Curtis, who succeeded Higginbotham as head of the drug unit. "We'll show you."

Sheriff Oliver "Glenn" Boyer said even with eight detectives assigned to hunt meth labs, officers struggle to find time to collect and analyze the log books from the county's 33 pharmacies.

Detectives say their time is better spent following tips, making undercover buys and impromptu visits to suspected meth makers.

Pill lists aren't piling up in Oklahoma anymore.

In October 2006 — when the state had only a seventh of the number of labs found in Missouri — its leaders launched a statewide database that networked its 1,485 pharmacies. The system stops illegal sales at the counter.

"You're basically putting the 'Welcome' mat out for meth cooks to come to your state if you don't have a database," said Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics spokesman Mark Woodward.

Oklahoma officials say the database played a key role in reducing the number of confirmed meth labs by 92 percent since the federal purchasing law was passed.

Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., has proposed a federal grant program to help states get databases, but it has yet to be approved.

It's being fought by the National Association of Chain Drug Stores. The group worries about waits at store counters, clerical mistakes in data and clerks' safety in refusing sales to meth addicts.

But Phil Woodward, who runs Oklahoma's Pharmacist's Association, called the drugstore industry's arguments "pretty weak."

"The bottom line is, we've had no trouble with it," he said.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch correspondent Lee Logan contributed to this report.

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Kentucky drug task force Detective Joel Cunigan checks a chemical he found at a suspected methamphetamine lab. Some states are looking to toughen laws surrounding the sale of a key ingredient for manufacturing methamphetamine — pseudoephedrine.

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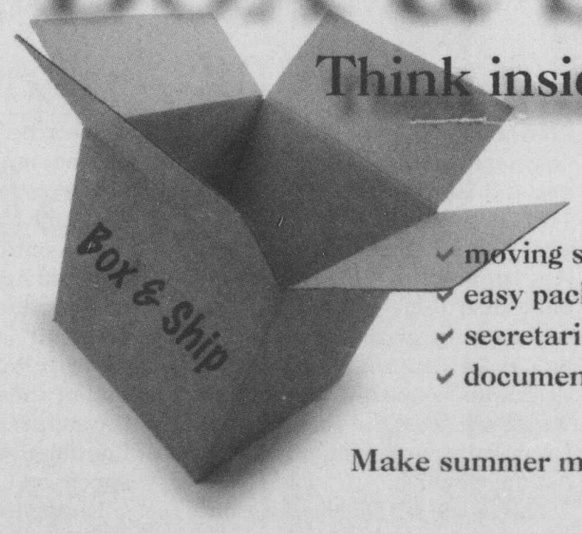
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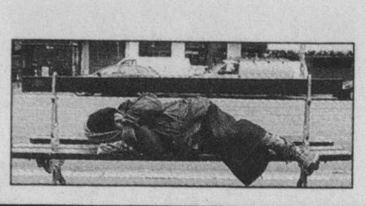

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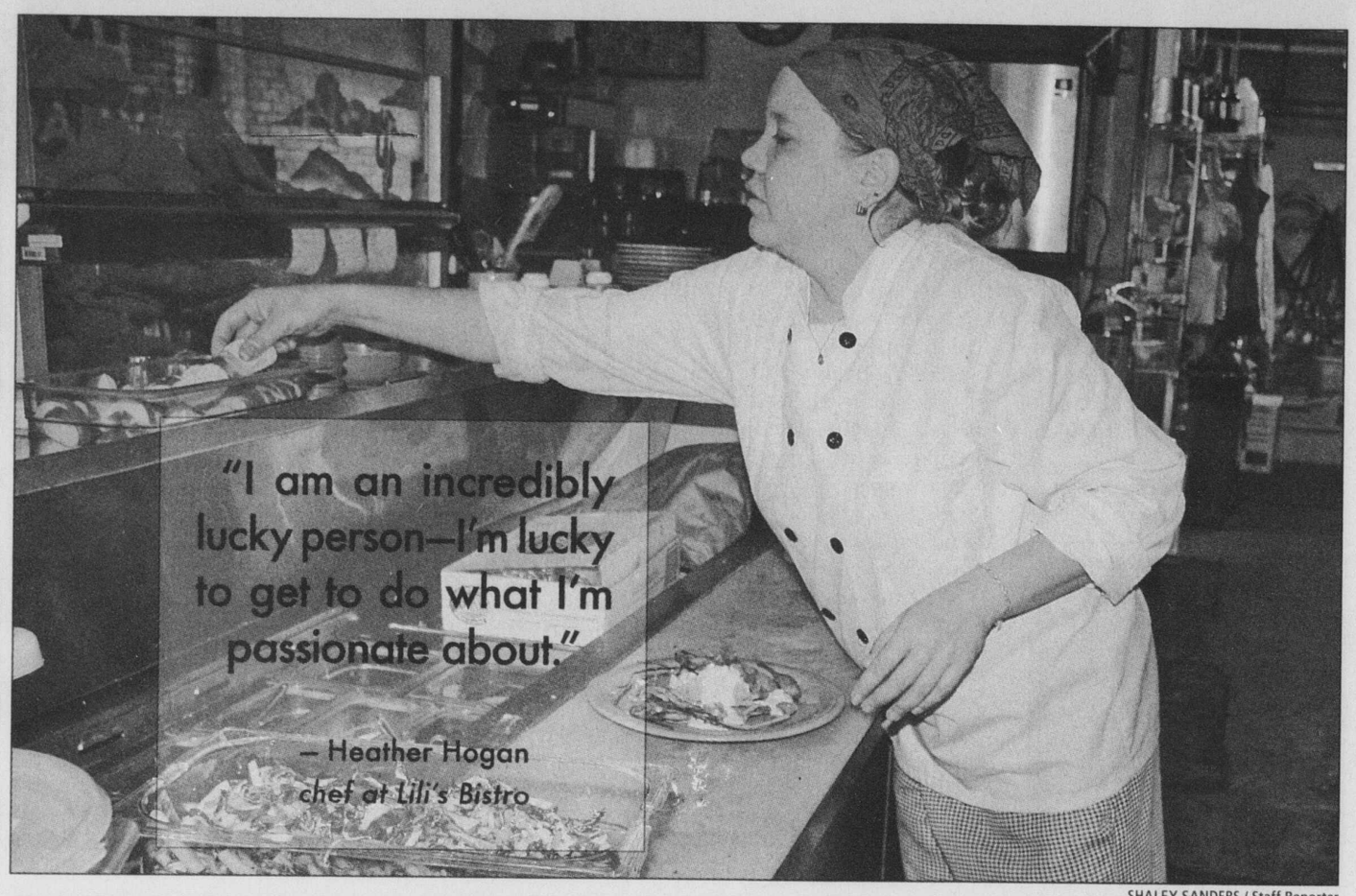


SHALEY SANDERS / Staff Reporter
TCU alumna Heather Hogan prepares a meal at Lili's Bistro in Fort Worth where she is a chef. Hogan received an English degree but pursued cooking after graduating.

Alumna leaves job to pursue culinary dream

By SHALEY SANDERS
Staff Reporter

Heather Hogan always told herself she would become the editor of Reader's Digest someday, and she was on her way, until she left it all behind to pursue a childhood dream.

Hogan, a TCU alumna, said she never thought after graduating she would eventually work as a full-time chef at Lili's Bistro in Fort Worth — an occupation that once seemed unrealistic when compared to a steady desk job that would have gone hand in hand with her English degree.

She now prepares entrees, such as escargot and fresh herb-stuffed pork tenderloin for customers, but these gourmet dishes don't suit the life of a chef who often opts for macaroni and cheese after a long day's work.

Hogan's cooking craze developed at a young age, but she said it was not considered a "real job," and was much less glamorous when she was growing up — two things she said have changed with time.

At the age of 10, Hogan experimented with elaborate meals by attempting to cook romantic dinners for her parents.

"My grandmother used to tell me, 'I knew this was coming because other kids were watching cartoons and you were watching cooking shows,'" Hogan said.

Hogan's interest in the culinary arts was a way to avoid conflict with her father, who wanted to watch sports television on Saturday afternoons, something Hogan had zero interest in.

The only channel the two could agree on was Saturday afternoon public cooking shows, said Hogan, who grew up watching gourmet chefs like Julia Child.

Hogan's interest in cooking did not fade with time; she enjoyed working various jobs at restaurants growing up, but never considered taking her passion a step further.

TCU did not offer a culinary program when Hogan was in college, so she took cooking classes at Central Market to keep her passion alive.

Eventually, an opportunity arose for her to test her cooking skills overseas.

"I cooked over an open fire with women in Haiti," said Hogan, whose mission trip in 2000 helped develop and intensify her passion for cooking.

Touched by her trip to Haiti, Hogan traveled to Africa twice in 2001 and again a few weeks ago.

While visiting, Hogan asked an African woman to cook with her. They set two pots side by side and cooked stew simultaneously. When finished, Hogan said, the cultural difference was unquestionable.

"Some of these people are starving and don't know what to do with what they have," said Hogan, whose said her concern for others' health instigated an interest in nutrition.

Hogan said Americans do not know how to eat either; family dinners she had when she was growing up are rare in society today, she said. This desire to bring families together at mealtime fueled her fire to pursue a cooking career.

Hogan decided to apply to the Texas Culinary Academy in Austin, a school affiliated with the original Le Cordon Bleu in Paris.

When attending the academy in 2003, Hogan found that a large majority of students were career changers just like her who decided one day to brave it and follow their real passion in life.

Culinary school, which was based heavily on French cuisine, lasted about one year and required more than 200 hours of hands-on experience in the restaurant business, Hogan said.

Hogan moved back to Fort Worth and fell in love with Lili's Bistro after eating there with friends. Shortly after, Hogan joined the staff at Lili's Bistro in July.

Hogan said the menu choices reflect the owner's Greek and Italian background. They also have a few French and Asian items as well.

The menu changes every quarter to keep up with the seasons, said Hogan, whose creativity is challenged by Vance Martin, the owner of the eclectic restaurant.

"Sometimes you flop and sometimes you don't, you just try it," Hogan said.

Hogan also said she prefers the freedom of cooking at Lili's Bistro as opposed to cooking corporate food, where the menus are prepared.

Hogan's role in the kitchen could easily be compared to an artist, someone whose intricate designs are created to sit picturesquely on vivid plates.

The kitchen shelves are filled with various sauces that contribute to the food's colorful display while adding flavors original to Lili's Bistro.

"People in the restaurant business are the worst consumers," said Hogan, who grows tired of food after spending hours in a kitchen.

Hogan, who would much rather spend hours cooking for others than herself, said she has an incredibly lucky life.

One of Hogan's life goals came from a piece of advice a TCU professor gave her.

"He said, 'I did everything I needed to do by the time I was 30 so I could sit back and be grateful for everything I had,'" Hogan said. "I want to be like that."

MOVIE REVIEW ★☆☆☆☆

Bad acting, boring hero leaves '88 minutes' lacking

By GEORGE CAGLE
Staff Writer

It is always a shame when a movie with so much promise turns out to be a disappointment. In "88 Minutes," John Gramm (Al Pacino) works as a college professor and a psychiatrist for the FBI. Upon receiving a phone call in which someone threatens to kill him in "88 minutes," Gramm must narrow down the suspects — who are all pretty much his students — before time runs out.

This movie might have been good, but it turns out to be a thriller without any thrill. Al Pacino displays none of the magic that has made him a Hollywood legend. It is difficult to believe that the actor who stars as John Gramm is the same man who played memorable characters such as Michael Corleone and Tony Montana.

There is nothing new or interesting about the protagonist and the supporting characters any more than there is anything new or interesting about the story. The plot twists are either incredibly ridiculous or easily predictable. Whichever way, the audience will be groaning or laughing throughout the viewing.

This movie fails to entertain, and the audience will find itself wondering when it will end. Pacino could not save this movie even if he tried (which he does not). "88 Minutes" is too much time for this stinker to come to its uninteresting and predictable conclusion.

MOVIE REVIEW ★★★★½

Breakup blues make for funny film

By BRETT LARSON
Sports Editor

She's the perfect girl for him, and he's not man enough for her — the perfect breakup, woo her back scenario for romantic comedies.

But similar to recent films with the Judd Apatow tag attached (Apatow produced), "Forgetting Sarah Marshall" mixes cute and cuddly romance with fart jokes. You know, one of those movies enjoyable for the supposed feminine and masculine sides of the movie appreciation spectrum.

Falling in line with "The 40-Year-Old Virgin" and "Knocked Up," "Forgetting Sarah Marshall" often relies on fairly crude humor for laughs, featuring sexually-themed jokes and a decent amount of male nudity.

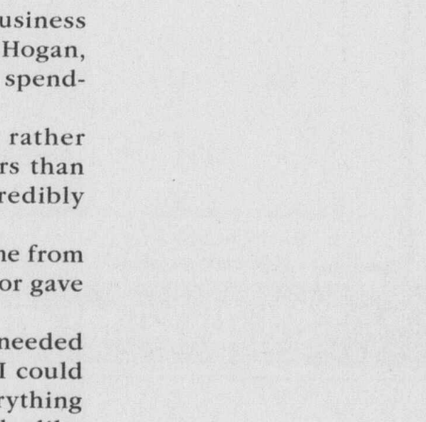
The story follows average Joe, Peter Bretter, suffering after the love of his life, movie-star girlfriend ends their relationship, leaving him in a hilariously depressed state.

On the advice of his brother-in-law, Bretter takes a vacation to Hawaii where, surprise, he meets his ex-girlfriend with her new overtly sexual rock-star love interest.

Imagine all of the funny possibilities at a small island resort.

For all fans of the current comedy stage-setting Apatow films of late, Sarah Marshall is one definitely worth the price of admission, some popcorn and maybe even a large drink for two.

Those easily offended by either potty-humor, penises, simulated sexual positions and an entire cavalcade of raunch should maybe wait for the DVD so they can keep the fast-forward button ready.



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Either way, the jokes hit for hardy laughs and slight chuckles, and it's always great to see a nice guy doing well.

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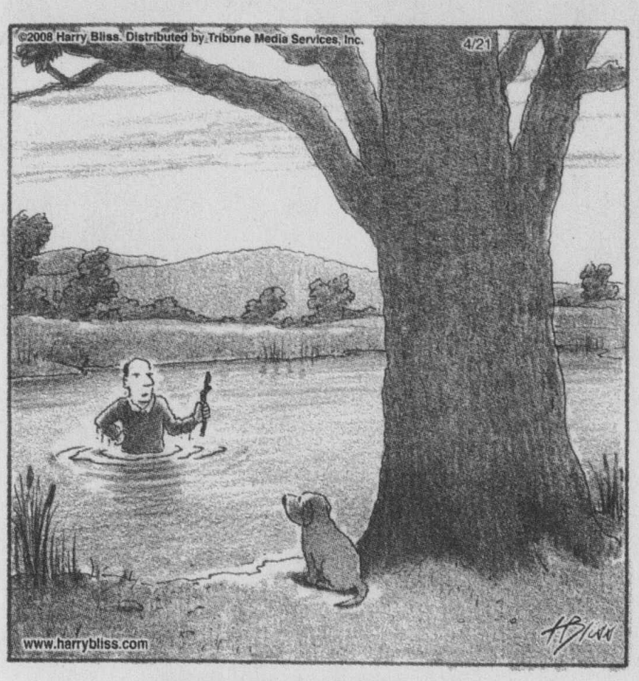
by Harry Bliss



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

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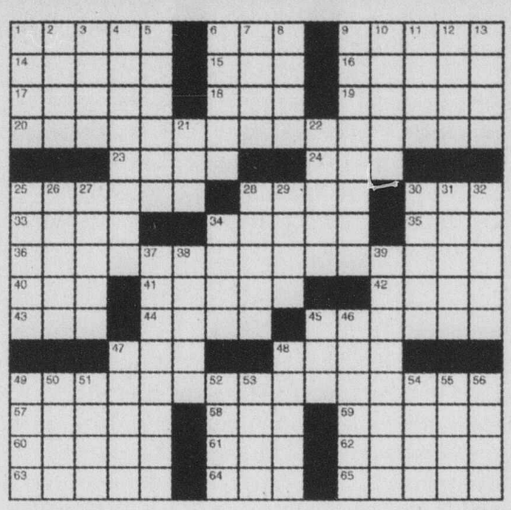

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16 Loan-sharking
17 "The Taming of the Shrew" city
18 Greek letter
19 Hold responsible
20 Part of a dinner order
23 Sara and Farrow
24 Periphery
25 Toy shooters
28 Herring's cousin
30 Part of a play
33 Lena of "Chocolat"
34 The ones here
35 Prohibitionist
36 Part of a dinner order
40 Naughty
41 Recesses
42 If all __ fails...
43 Hog haven
44 Milanese eight
45 Accent
47 Well-suited
48 Jack of talk shows
49 Part of a dinner order
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59 Govt. security
60 Form
61 Stooge name
62 "A Delicate Balance" playwright
63 Key-stroked
64 Over the hill
65 Stitch anew

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1 Numidian serpent
2 Neeson of "...The Phantom Menace"
3 "M*A*S*H" star Alan
4 "Scarface" star
5 Dictator born in Georgia
6 Greek sandwiches
7 Pearl Harbor's island
8 Tango teams
9 Falls to the bottom
10 Muhammad's religion
11 Binary
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25 Lead balloons
26 Sound sheepish
27 Lightheaded
28 Military hat
29 Towel ID
30 Designer Simpson
31 Boorish
32 Little ones
34 Jogging pace
37 Intact
38 Words to remember
39 Very poor
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46 Kind of sauce
47 Yawning
48 Put forward
49 Clueless
50 In need of a massage
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By Josiah Broward
Scranton, PA
4/22/08

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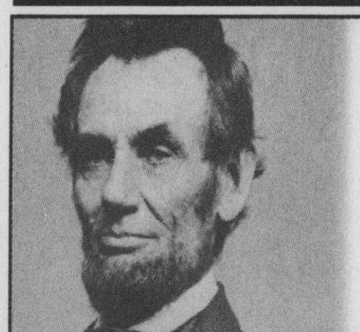
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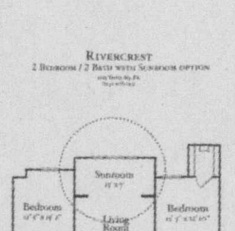
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BASEBALL

Hot-hitting squad takes on Sooners

By BRETT LARSON
Sports Editor

The baseball team is holding even in the standings for control of first place in the Mountain West Conference following its weekend sweep of Brigham Young University. The Horned Frogs now enter the second half of the two-game break from conference play against the University of Oklahoma.

TCU beat the Dallas Baptist University Patriots last night 6-4, extending the current four-game winning streak.

For the second time this season, the Horned Frogs (11-4, 27-13) will take on the Sooners, this time in Norman, Okla. In the first contest, the Horned Frogs rallied late and plated three runs in the ninth inning to tie the game 4-4. The two teams would battle through scoreless 10th and 11th innings before the Sooners finally broke the silence with a game-winning run in the top of the 12th to which TCU was unable to respond.

TCU's three game sweep of BYU puts the team in a tie for first with the University of New Mexico, which has an identical 11-4 conference record.

Although their records match on paper, the Lobos' series win over the Horned Frogs in March is the difference in the team's head-to-head record.

TCU has won four consecutive games since falling to the Sooners on April 15.

FOR YOUR INFO
TCU vs. Oklahoma
When: 7 p.m. today
Where: Norman, Okla.
Stakes: TCU's last loss came against the Sooners on April 15 in Lupton Stadium.

The Horned Frogs exploded offensively against the Cougars, winning 16-5, 13-4 and 11-7 for a 40-16 run advantage in the series.

Senior center fielder Clint Arnold contributed to the Horned Frogs' offensive melee, hitting .615 in the series with six RBIs.

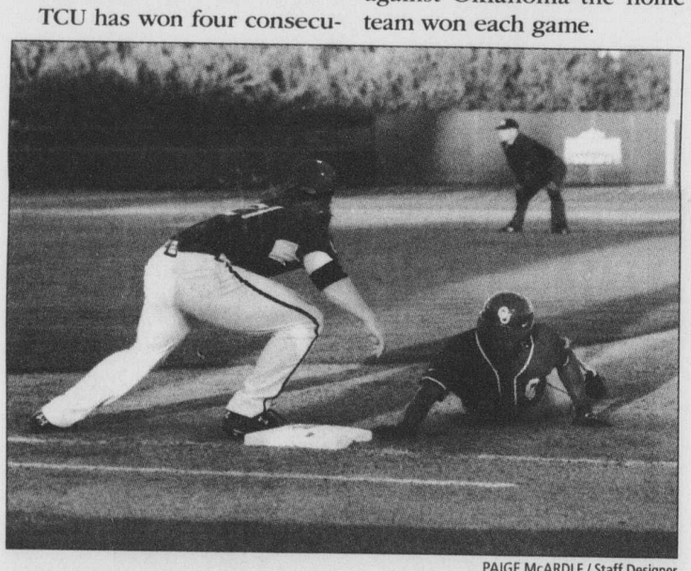
Junior second baseman Ben Carruthers also went on a tear during the series, batting .470 with five RBIs and a home run.

Pitching was also strong against the Cougars, particularly from the starting rotation.

Sophomore Tyler Lockwood (4-0) started game one for the win, throwing for six innings and giving up three runs on seven hits.

The game two starter, freshman Sean Hoelscher, got the win after six innings and four earned runs.

In last year's two-game series against Oklahoma the home team won each game.



PAIGE McARDLE / Staff Designer
Junior Matt Vern attempts to pick off Oklahoma's Aljay Davis April 15 at Lupton Stadium. TCU lost the first meeting 5-4 and now travels to Norman, Okla., for the second game.

EQUESTRIAN

WESTERN WIN

Courtesy of TCU ATHLETICS
The equestrian team celebrates its first national championship after it defeated the University of Georgia in a tiebreaker Saturday. The equestrian team is the first TCU team to win a national championship since 1983 when the women's golf team won one.

Team captures national championship

By MEGAN MOWERY
Staff Reporter

The women's equestrian team brought home the gold this weekend after winning the Varsity Equestrian Western National Championship, marking the first time in 25 years a TCU team won a national championship.

In 1983 the TCU women's golf team took home the national championship, marking the 14th national championship in TCU history. Just 25 years later, Horned Frog women held up the school's 15th national trophy, only this time it came from an equestrian team only two years in the making.

TCU finished the regular 2007-2008 season as the first team to go undefeated in Western Horsemanship and improved to 15-0 on the year with its sweep through the championships.

In its second year of existence, the TCU equestrian team is the fastest ever to win a national championship in the Varsity Equestrian's 10-year history.

This is the second year in a row the Horned Frogs left their mark in the National Championships, becoming the first team to reach the championships in its first season.

In the championship round the Horned Frogs defeated No. 2-seeded Georgia in a tiebreaker 1027-1026.

Although Georgia fell to TCU earlier this season in a tiebreaker game, junior Chloe Baker said the team wasn't cocky going into the championship game.

"We didn't know what to expect," Baker said.

Baker, who won her match in Horsemanship, said Georgia is well-known for being successful in the Reining and winning the game was a big accomplishment.

Senior Jessica Bailey, who won her match in Horsemanship, said she has wanted to win a national championship for the past four years.

Bailey, who rode for Georgia for two years prior to transferring to TCU, said she is happy to achieve a championship title before graduation.

"It felt really good because I beat my old team," Bailey said.

TCU entered the Varsity National Championships ranked No. 1 in Western Horsemanship and received a first-round bye due to its ranking.

In the first game of the playoffs for TCU, the team defeated Baylor 5-3 in the quarterfinal round, in which Baker was the only Horned Frog to earn a point in the Reining.

The Horned Frogs defeated Kansas State 5-3 in the semi-finals, advancing the team to the championship game.

Baker said she can't believe the team won the national championships.

"I am still trying to let it just sink in," she said.

TRACK AND FIELD

Two school records set at invitational

By LIZ SEHON
Staff Reporter

The track and field team hosted its second home meet of the season Friday and Saturday, highlighted by two record-breaking performances from TCU's Olympic-bound runner.

Senior Virgil Hodge, who is representing St. Kitts and Nevis in the 2008 Beijing Olympics, set a personal best in the 100 meters at 11.26, not only setting a personal best but also breaking her own St. Kitts national record for the 10th-fastest time in the world.

Participating teams in TCU's ninth annual invitational included New Mexico, Oklahoma State, Texas Tech, North Texas and other schools throughout Texas and Arkansas.

Hodge also finished first in the 200 meters at 22.76, setting the third-fastest time in the world during the outdoor season. Both finishes beat regional qualification times.

"I didn't get off the blocks like I wanted but I accelerated at the last to win," Hodge said.

Senior Jonathan Jackson also left his mark during day two of the competition, breaking his own school record in the triple jump, hitting 53 feet, 7 inches and placing first overall.

He broke his 2006 record by seven inches. His current school record ranks 18th in the world.

Sophomore Neidra Covington also set a school record in the triple jump on the second day of the invitational. Covington broke the record of 42 feet, 4 inches, which had been in place since 1985, jumping 42 feet, 6 3/4 inches. The jump also stands as the 13th best in the nation.

PAIGE McARDLE / Staff Designer
Senior Jonathan Jackson takes his third leap in the triple jump Saturday at the TCU Track Invitational. Jackson set a school record in the event, breaking his own record.

Unattached runner and TCU junior Jessica Young returned recently from a hurt foot and placed first in the women's 400-meter run with a time of 53.52. Young said she plans to try out for the Olympic trials in Oregon this summer.

"I'm excited about coming back to run for TCU next year," Young said.

Freshman Horned Frog Sean Zurko placed first in the men's 800-meter run with a time of 1:53.75.

"I got in the race and got into a rhythm and won," Zurko said.

In the women's 400-meter hurdles, junior Flyin' Frog Kishelle Paul placed first but said she wasn't satisfied with a time of 58.74.

"I'll take the win but the competition didn't give me a good race and I wanted a 56 (seconds)," Paul said.

Freshman runner Jacob Womeldorf placed first with a time of 16:21.90 in the 5000 meter.

Head coach Darryl Anderson said he was pleased with the way his team performed.

FOOTBALL

UNLV spring drills end with QB battle

By MATT MAXSON
The (University of Las Vegas) Rebel Yell

LAS VEGAS — The UNLV Rebels have rarely found consistency in any facet of their team since head coach John Robinson left the team in 2004. But quarterbacks Omar Clayton and Travis Dixon have found themselves in one of the most consistent situations for UNLV after spring practices — a battle for the starting quarterback position.

Both sophomore quarterbacks, who will go into fall camp battling for the starting job, looked sharp through the air on Friday night. Clayton hit on 9-of-11 pass attempts for 108 yards, no interceptions and two scores to Renan Saint Preux from 18 yards out and Jerriman Robinson from 16 yards out.

"I definitely thought the offense was very productive," Clayton said. "We did a good job coming out today and moving the ball."

Clayton was incredibly successful on third down conversions. During the first possession, he converted on 3-of-3 third down attempts.

"(Third downs), coach stresses that those are do-or-die situations," Clayton said. "You want to be smart with the ball, but you want to do what you need to do to pick up the yards."

Travis Dixon hit on three of his six attempts with one long-distance touchdown to senior wide receiver Casey Flair for an 89-yard touchdown.

"I can't have three-and-out drives, we can't have that offensively, so I was kind of down on one of the drives that I had, but other than that I think I did really well this spring," Dixon said.

For head coach Mike Sanford, the decision was not finalized after the spring game.

"Both quarterbacks did some good things and we know we have two guys coming back who can play and have played," Sanford said. "We'll wait seven to nine days into [August] camp and pick a starter. We won't play two."