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zoo enrichment

Class develops projects to promote animal behavior

By Rachel Tiede
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A group of Horned Frogs helped make the Fort Worth Zoo a little better.

A TCU class, the Zoo Enrichment Program, made objects designed to promote positive natural behavior for animals in the zoo.

The class is a partnership between the College of Science & Engineering and the School of Art.

Jennifer Elston, the curator of conservation and behavior at the zoo, helped the students develop their projects.

"I think it's a great initiative," Elston said. "It's something we hadn't tried here before."

The students broke into groups, and each built an object for a different animal.

Some of the objects were even shared between animals — coatis are enjoying a bamboo ball originally made for kangaroos.

"The coatis are having a lot of fun climbing on and in it," Elston said. "And I hear they like to try and drag it up into the tree, but they aren't strong enough."

While one of the objects had to be repaired, the others are on display in the animal enclosures.

"The otters really aggressively played with theirs, which was a good thing," said Cameron Schoepp, an associate professor of art and one of the professors leading the project. "But the structure was maybe a little lightweight for what we anticipated, so it's a fixable problem."

While some of the materials for the objects were donated, the students had to fundraise to purchase the other necessary materials.

Schoepp said TCU will offer the class again but has yet to fill out any paperwork.

"We haven't decided how often we'll actually offer the class, but we will definitely offer it again," Schoepp said.



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FORT WORTH ZOO Students of the Zoo Enrichment Program class made objects for animals in an effort to promote natural behaviors while the animals are living in their enclosures.

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TRACK AND FIELD. TCU congratulated Ronnie Baker after he became the national champion of the 60 meter dash for the second year in a row. To see your picture featured, hashtag your photo #skiffx360.



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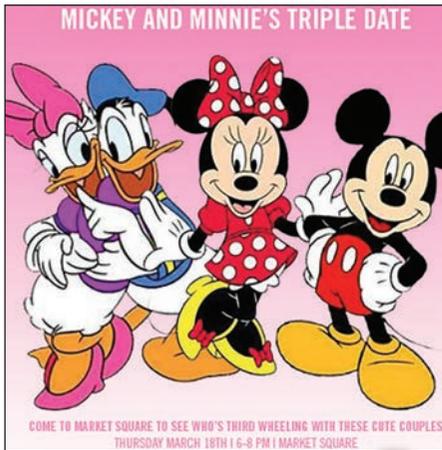
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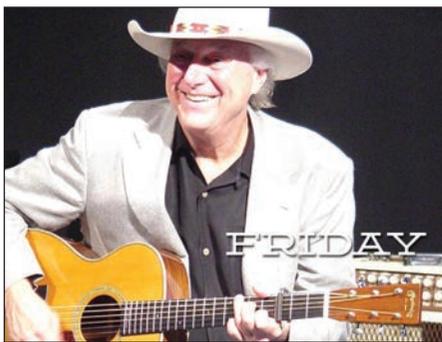
th17 Mickey and Minnie's triple date

- ▶ **Where:** Brown-Lupton University Union
- ▶ **When:** 6 p.m.
- ▶ **Cost:** Free



f18 Billy Bob's presents Jerry Jeff Walker

- ▶ **Where:** 2520 Rodeo Plaza
- ▶ **When:** 10:30 p.m.
- ▶ **Cost:** \$16-35



f18 Soul Pancake: Chewing on life's big questions with Rainn Wilson

- ▶ **Where:** Brown-Lupton University Union Ballroom
- ▶ **When:** 10 p.m.
- ▶ **Cost:** Free

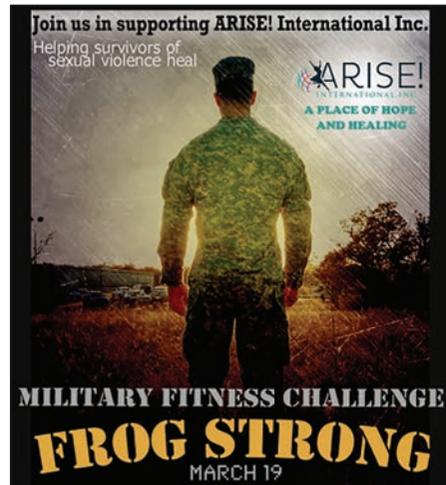


f18 TCU Underground Showcase

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sa19 Military Fitness Challenge Frog Strong

- ▶ **Where:** Brown-Lupton University Union
- ▶ **When:** 5 p.m.
- ▶ **Cost:** Free



sa19 Star Wars: The Force Awakens

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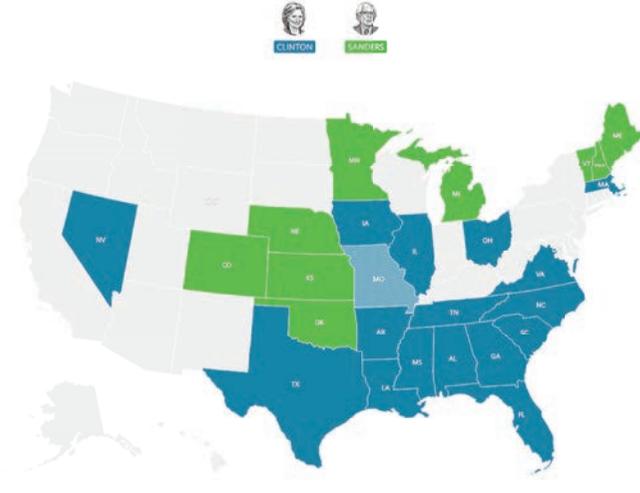
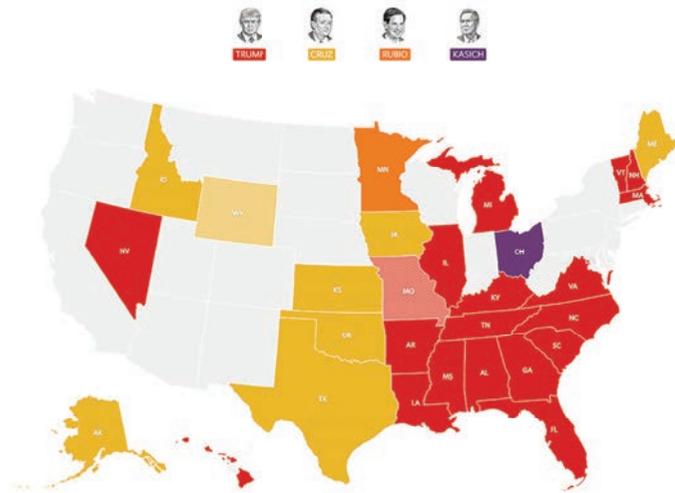
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THE RACE FOR 2016

Trump drives Rubio from race; 3 Clinton wins



By Calvin Woodward

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WASHINGTON — The front-runners are even farther out front after presidential primary contests Tuesday delivered Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton big wins and a hefty cache of delegates, bringing them closer to their party nominations.

Trump won Republican races in Florida, Illinois and North Carolina; Clinton took Democratic contests in Florida, Illinois, North Carolina and Ohio. The largest prize of the night was Florida for Trump, who collected all 99 GOP delegates in that winner-take-all election and chased home-state Sen. Marco Rubio from the race.

The once-overflowing pack of GOP primary contenders is now down to three. John Kasich, another endangered rival, stayed alive by winning Ohio, where he's governor, but he has no plausible path to the nomination in what's left of the primary season. Only Texas Sen. Ted Cruz does, and that's a distinct longshot. The prime suspense among Republicans now is whether the brutal fight will go all the way to an extraordinary contested convention in the summer.

On her side, Clinton built on her already significant delegate lead, even more lopsided when the party insiders known as superdelegates are added to the equation.

Both races in Missouri remained unsettled early Wednesday.

Florida was Rubio's last chance to turn the race around, and his loss closed the book on a campaign that had held much promise but repeatedly underperformed. In withdrawing from the race, Rubio said the forces of disaffection that have propelled Trump are a "tsunami" and "we should have seen this coming."

SURVEYS SAY...

Republican voters were on board with Trump's call for a temporary ban on non-U.S.-citizen Muslims coming into the country, according to early surveys of voters

as they left polling stations. Two in three GOP voters in all five states supported that position. But majorities in all five said people in the U.S. illegally should be given a chance to stay — not all deported as Trump proposes.

Democratic voters in all five states see Clinton as the candidate with the better chance to beat Trump if he is the Republican nominee, the exit polling found.

VOTERS SAY...

"I'm hoping Trump, with his big rubber lips, will say 'Look, there's a way around this.'" — Joe Herzog, a 76-year-old retired carpenter from Boonville, Missouri, who hopes Trump will keep the U.S. out of foreign entanglements. Herzog, a two-time voter for President Barack Obama, voted for Trump.

"Seems the least evil, I think. Maybe." John Flynn, a registered Republican and software developer in Raleigh, North Carolina, on why he voted for Ted Cruz.

"It was very close between them. I just don't think Bernie has the experience at that top level of government to have as much clout as Hillary. Plus his plan is still a little foggy. He has never really come out and, y'know, his numbers don't seem to add up all the time." — James Barber, 46, a car salesman from Boonville, Missouri, on why he backed Clinton.

"I pray to God that she beats him because I can't stand him. I will go back to Africa — and I've never been." — Sharon Schaffer, 65, in South Side Chicago, voted for Clinton, hoping she's the Democrat who can defeat Trump.

PRIMARIES

Florida
(99 GOP delegates, 214 Dem delegates)

It wasn't supposed to be this way. It was supposed

to be Rubio and Jeb Bush at the top of the pack in a mighty struggle for their home state's big delegate prize.

Instead both are gone, and the sun just seems to keep shining on Trump, who won all 99 delegates.

In the Democratic campaign, the stars always appeared aligned for Clinton, with Florida's older population a counterweight to the youth vote that has propelled Sanders elsewhere. All 2016 Democratic races are proportional — as all Republican ones have been until now — so each candidate will come away with delegates based generally on how well they do.

Ohio

(66 GOP delegates, 143 Dem delegates)

A governor winning his home state is ordinarily nothing to roil the waters, but what's ordinary in 2016?

This is swing-state Ohio, after all, and a state with another big cache of delegates all going to the winner, Kasich.

Looking strong in Florida, Trump added late events in Ohio to try to fend off Kasich and avoid complications on his path to the nomination — namely, a contested convention. Kasich badly trails in the delegate race and his path to the nomination, absent a protracted fight into the convention, remains improbable if not impossible.

Clinton prevailed despite Sanders' pointed message about the hazards of free trade, which she generally supported in the past.

North Carolina

(72 GOP delegates, 107 Dem delegates)

Illinois

(69 GOP, 156 Dem), MISSOURI (52 GOP, 71 Dem)

The candidates divided up the delegates in each of these states. Trump and Clinton got the most in North Carolina and Illinois, but Missouri was too close to call.

men's basketball

Johnson oversaw change, but not enough success

By Grant McGalliard

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What was perhaps the most up-and-down four years in TCU basketball history ended with the firing of Trent Johnson late Sunday night.

TCU Athletic Director Chris Del Conte confirmed the firing in an email sent by assistant athletic director Mark Cohen Monday morning.

"It's hard to find a better person than Trent," Del Conte said, "and I have the highest level of respect for him. However, we believe change is needed in the leadership of our men's basketball program."

Johnson, a former head coach at Stanford and LSU, each of which made the NCAA tournament in his tenure there, had amassed a 49-74 record in Fort Worth. His contract, good for around \$1.5 million per year, was scheduled to run through the 2017-18 season.

Johnson amassed a poor win/loss record during a transitional time for TCU basketball. One of the most notable changes for the program was a \$72 million renovation to the Ed & Rae Schollmaier Arena.

Johnson also brought in TCU's highest-rated recruit in program history: Karviar Shepherd. The four-star center was ranked as the 2013 class's seventh best prospect in Texas by ESPN.

Recruiting was perhaps where Johnson served TCU best. He continually punched above his program's weight, bringing in the likes of Shepherd from the high



RON JENKINS / ASSOCIATED PRESS

THE FINAL LOSS TCU head coach Trent Johnson was fired Sunday evening after a four-year stint.

school ranks. He was also active on the junior college circuit.

Kenrich Williams, Vladimir Brodziansky, and Malique Trent all came from junior colleges, and all produced well under Johnson.

The high-water mark for the program came in what was both Johnson's first year in Fort Worth and TCU's first season in the Big 12, when the Frogs knocked off No. 5 Kansas in a stunning upset.

However, TCU continually struggled to keep up in one of the nation's premier basketball leagues.

Johnson won only eight games in the Big 12 in his four years, including a winless in-conference schedule in 2013-14. TCU managed to advance past the first round in the Big 12 Championship in the '14-'15

and '15-'16 seasons, but the Frogs never received a postseason invite.

"Trent inherited a very difficult situation, and we truly appreciated his efforts over the last four years," Del Conte said. "We simply did not have the success we envisioned but believe the pieces are now in place for us to move forward."

That "difficult situation" included having to play in a high school gymnasium for the entirety of the 2014-15 season and the first half of the current season, as the Daniel-Meyer Coliseum was being demolished to make way for the Schollmaier Arena.

This season's team was expected to build on the success experienced in the non-conference slate from '14-'15. TCU opened that season on a 13-0 run and was ranked in the Associated Press poll at No. 25.

Instead, the team slid throughout the '15-'16 season. Guard Brandon Parrish said after the season finale against Oklahoma that the team's "fight wasn't there" at times.

On Saturday, after bowing out of the Big 12 Tournament to West Virginia the night before, Johnson posted a letter to TCU basketball fans on his since-deleted Twitter account.

Signed by many players and the coach himself, the letter promised that TCU would "stick together" and "stay positive," and that the "caliber of play will be improved moving forward."

It will be up to the next coach of TCU basketball to determine whether or not that pledge comes true.

canonization

Pope says Mother Teresa to be made a saint on Sept. 4



HEKTOR PUSTINA / ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOTHER TERESA A Catholic nun serves lunch to a poor Albanian at the Mother Teresa missionary of Charity in Tirana.

By Nicole Winfield

ASSOCIATED PRESS

VATICAN CITY — Mother Teresa will be made a saint on Sept. 4.

Pope Francis set the canonization date Tuesday,

paving the way for the nun who cared for the poorest of the poor to become the centerpiece of his yearlong focus on the Catholic Church's merciful side.

The announcement was expected after Francis in December approved a second miracle attributed to Mother Teresa's intercession — the final hurdle to make her a saint. The actual date falls on the eve of the 19th anniversary of her death.

In Kolkata, the eastern Indian city where Mother Teresa spent decades caring for the sick and homeless, there were joyous celebrations at a school and orphanage founded by her in 1949

"The news of Mother's sainthood is a matter for joy. But Mother Teresa is already like God to us," said Jyotsna Patra, one of the early students of the school, now in her mid-50s.

Archbishop Thomas D'Souza conducted a special Mass on Tuesday, while the nuns of her order, the Missionaries of Charity, held prayers at her tomb.

"Mother Teresa's canonization means that the Mother's message will become better known," said Sister Christi, one of the senior nuns at the Kolkata headquarters of the order.

The Vatican ceremony will draw tens of thousands to honor the tiny, stooped nun who was fast-tracked for sainthood just a year after she died in 1997. St. John Paul II, who was Mother Teresa's greatest champion, beatified her before a crowd of 300,000 in St. Peter's Square in 2003.

Born Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu on Aug. 26, 1910, in Skopje, Macedonia, Mother Teresa joined the Loreto order of nuns in 1928. In 1946, while traveling by train from Kolkata to Darjeeling, she was inspired to found the Missionaries of Charity order.

The order was established four years later and has since opened more than 130 houses worldwide to provide comfort and care for the needy, dying, sick and "poorest of the poor."

interactive media

Incoming first-year students connect through video app

By Luke Morand

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Hannah Dooley came home from swim practice one night to find an invitation from TCU to create a short video about her acceptance.

Dooley, who is attending TCU on a swimming scholarship, draped a TCU blanket over her body while her sister recorded the video.

The 18-year-old from Magnolia, Texas, performed a dance under her blanket. She shared the video on social media, attracting attention from the TCU Office of Admission.

Masses of newly accepted students are making videos just like Hannah's, thanks to a partnership between TCU and the digital marketing platform Vivoom.

Students received an email from TCU asking them to download the Vivoom app and create a video to display their school pride and their excitement for their acceptance.

Using the hashtag #TCU20, anybody can watch these short videos.

"I had never heard of the app until I got the letter in the mail," Dooley said. "It was a way to see the



COURTESY OF HANNAH DOOLEY

TCU ACCEPTANCE Hannah Dooley made a video on the Vivoom app to show off her excitement.

faces and reactions of the incoming students who got accepted."

She said utilizing the app was a great way to see other student's ideas for making videos.

Kenzie Cherniak also made a video and shared it on Facebook. The 17-year-old from Cedar Park, Texas, said she loved how TCU incorporated its own video footage into the app for accepted students to show their spirit.

"It was really fun to see what everybody came up with," Cherniak said. "I used it to announce my acceptance to my family."

Cherniak's video shows her doing a TCU chant with her high school cheer team.

"It incorporates my own background into my video," Cherniak said. "It's really a fun way to announce your acceptance and get everyone excited about the new class."

Cherniak said watching all of the other videos made her especially excited to be a part of the incoming class.

Kirsten Hallmark, a 17-year-old from Boerne, Texas, made a video using her brother's hover board to travel across the screen.

Hallmark said TCU has always been in her family. Her father and uncle both attended TCU and her grandmother worked on campus.

"All I did was take a video from the app and it put it into the customized TCU format," Hallmark said.

Hallmark said TCU is the first school she has seen utilize an app like this to bring together its accepted applicants.

"It was for sure worth it," Hallmark said. "TCU quoted my retweet and Gary Patterson followed me on Twitter."

Dooley, Cherniak and Hallmark all said their videos were a lot of fun to make and made them excited to become a part of the Horned Frog family.



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Weather you like it or not

Recent thunderstorms wreak havoc; more storms to come

By Shelby Whitson

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Recent severe weather has caused damage to property in Fort Worth, closed Lake Worth and could lead to increased wildlife activity – and according to the National Weather Service, more thunderstorms and high winds could occur Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

The heavy rain caused water levels in Lake Worth to rise. This could mean increased wildlife activity around area lakes, according to the Tarrant Regional Water District website.

High water in creeks feeding into Lake Worth may also cause portions of some low-lying roadways to become submerged. According to the website, residents may encounter detours on Malaga Drive and Marina Drive at Comanche Trail and at Bomber Road and Shore View Drive.

According to a press release from the Tarrant Regional Water District, Lake Worth was closed to all boating traffic at 5 p.m. Tuesday because the lake level was projected to exceed the 595.5 elevation that evening.

The lake, which is currently at a 595.94 elevation, will remain closed to all boating until the level dips to the 595.0 elevation and continues to demonstrate a decline. Once the water level reaches the 595 elevation, the water will be swept for hazardous debris before it is reopened. There is no projection on when this will occur, according to the release.

The lake is not the only place debris from storms can accumulate.

The city's Solid Waste Division issued tips for residents on how they can assist with clean-up activities following severe weather:

Excessive storm-based tree limbs and brush collections

- Cut and stack tree limbs in organized rows or piles starting at the assigned collection point.
- For weekly collections, tree limbs should be cut shorter than eight feet in length and less than four inches in diameter.
- Tree limbs larger than 4 inches in diameter or eight feet in length should be stacked separately from small limbs/brush.
- If the total volume (combined piles) is larger than 10 cubic yards (size of a VW Beetle), residents should request an exception by contacting the City Call Center at 817-392-1234.



KAITLYN BECKERT / THE 109

IT WAS A DARK AND STORMY NIGHT Heavy rain and high winds, similar to a storm last April, can lead to debris on property.

Drop-Off Stations

- The city offers access to three drop-off stations for residents who are City of Fort Worth active residential sanitation customers. Bring a recent water bill, driver's license or other official ID to prove you're a residential Solid Waste customer. Residents may use a single axle trailer. No double axle or commercial trailers are allowed.
- No commercial landscapers or contractors are allowed to use the drop-off stations.

Community/Volunteer organizations

- There are numerous volunteer community organizations that assist neighborhoods following storms with debris collection. The city asks representatives from these organizations to communicate with Solid Waste through the Call Center to advise us what areas they're working and how debris can be arranged for collections or access to the drop-off stations.

Garbage, Recycling, Bulk and Yard Waste Collections

- Depending on storm severity, various collections may get behind or can "slide forward a day" or longer if trucks are delayed due to excess collections.
- To receive information as soon as possible, download the City of Fort Worth Solid Waste app. If there are collection delays, collection information will be forwarded to residents as quickly as possible.

Missing Carts

- Residents can call the City Call Center to retrieve their cart numbers and report missing carts. Please wait a couple of days to report them missing as carts usually turn up. The contractor replaces carts within two days so residents will have them before their next collection.

For more information, call the City Call Center or send an email to 1234@FortWorthTexas.Gov.

conservation

Botanic Garden holds grand opening for butterfly exhibit

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The Fort Worth Botanic Garden held a grand opening Saturday to recognize board members, sponsors, and volunteers for their contributions to this year's butterfly exhibit.

The grand opening of Butterflies in the Garden: The Mayan Experience gathered members of the community together to celebrate.

Luis Hernandez was one of the reasons why.

Hernandez, a first-year student at South Hills High School, was this year's winner of the 2nd annual logo design contest. His design was chosen by the Butterfly Garden Committee and is featured on the website, promotional signs, and Botanic Garden Merchandise.

Hernandez received a gift on behalf of the City of Fort Worth from City Councilman Dennis Shingleton and was chosen to cut the exhibit's ceremonial ribbon.

Hernandez said he tried to incorporate the exhibit's Mayan theme into his design.

"I was thinking of Maya traditions and tried to make a design similar to their style of rock carvings," he said.



ERNEST DOMINICK / TCU360

NATURE A butterfly rests on a branch in the conservatory at the Fort Worth Botanic Gardens during their bi-annual exhibit.

Hernandez wasn't the only one being honored. Members of the board for the Botanical Research Institute of Texas were also recognized.

Senior vice president of B.R.I.T Pat Harrison said the conservatory is important because of its ability to impact its guests' perception of nature.

"I think my favorite part about today's ceremony is getting new guests into the conservatory," she said.

"Interacting with the butterflies really helps them understand the value of nature."

Even though the Botanic Garden held its public opening on March 1, B.R.I.T. Marketing and Public Relations Director Chris Chilton said they had a delayed second opening to accommodate schedules.

"It's much easier to get all these guests here together on a Saturday, than a Tuesday," he said.

In addition to logistics, Chilton said media sponsors also played a role in the decision.

"WFAA sponsored the exhibits opening on March 1. They created a public service announcement to help promote the event and we were featured on Good Morning Texas."

While the guests are observing the butterflies in the conservatory, Education Director Gail Manning and TCU Butterfly Intern Michael Kaufman are behind the scenes raising the insects until they are ready to be released into the exhibit.

Each week, Manning and Kaufman release at least 150 new butterflies into the conservatory. By the end of the exhibit, the conservatory will have hosted 10,000 different butterflies.

international

College student sentenced to 15 years hard labor in North Korea

By Jon Chol Jin and Eric Talmadge

ASSOCIATED PRESS

PYONGYANG, North Korea -- North Korea's highest court sentenced an American tourist to 15 years in prison with hard labor for subversion on Wednesday, weeks after authorities presented him to media and he tearfully confessed that he had tried to steal a propaganda banner.

Otto Warmbier, a University of Virginia undergraduate, was convicted and sentenced in a one-hour trial in North Korea's Supreme Court.

He was charged with subversion under Article 60 of North Korea's criminal code. The court held that he had committed a crime "pursuant to the U.S. government's hostile policy toward (the North), in a bid to impair the unity of its people after entering it as a tourist."

North Korea regularly accuses Washington and Seoul of sending spies to overthrow its government to enable the U.S.-backed South Korean government to take control of the Korean Peninsula.

Tensions are particularly high following North Korea's recent nuclear test and rocket launch, and massive joint military exercises now underway between the U.S. and South Korea that the North sees as a dress

rehearsal for invasion.

The University of Virginia said it was aware of the reports about Warmbier and remained in touch with his family, but would have no additional comment at this time.

Before the trial, the 21-year-old from Wyoming, Ohio, said he had tried to steal a propaganda banner as a trophy for an acquaintance who wanted to hang it in her church. That would be grounds in North Korea for a subversion charge.

Trials for foreigners facing similar charges in North Korea are generally short and punishments severe. Warmbier was arrested as he tried to leave the country in early January. He was in North Korea with a New Year's tour group.

U.S. tourism to North Korea is legal. Arrests of tourists are rare but the U.S. State Department strongly advises against such travel.

Further complicating matters, Washington and Pyongyang do not have diplomatic relations. The Swedish Embassy in Pyongyang acts as a go-between in consular issues when U.S. citizens run afoul of North Korean authorities.

North Korea announced Warmbier's arrest in late January, saying he committed an anti-state crime



JON CHOL JIN / ASSOCIATED PRESS

OTTO WARMBIER The 21-year-old student from Wyoming, Ohio, said he tried to steal a propaganda banner as a trophy.

with "the tacit connivance of the U.S. government and under its manipulation." It remains unclear how the U.S. government was allegedly connected to Warmbier's actions.

Warmbier had been staying at the Yanggakdo International Hotel. It is common for sections of tourist hotels to be reserved for North Korean staff and off-limits to foreigners.

politics

Obama nominates Judge Garland to Supreme Court, Wednesday

By Kathleen Hennessey

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON -- President Barack Obama nominated appeals court judge Merrick Garland to the Supreme Court on Wednesday, thrusting a respected moderate jurist and former prosecutor into the center of an election-year clash over the future of the nation's highest court.

Obama cast the 63-year-old Garland as "a serious man and an exemplary judge" deserving of a full hearing and a Senate confirmation vote, despite Republican vows to deny him both. Standing in the White House Rose Garden with Garland, Obama argued the integrity of the court was at stake and appealed to the Senate to "play it straight" in filling the seat left vacant by the death of Justice Antonin Scalia.

"It's supposed to be above politics," Obama said

of the high court. "It has to be. And it should stay that way."

Republican leaders, however, held to their refusal to consider any nominee, saying the seat should be filled by the next president after this year's election. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell spoke with Garland by phone but did not change his position that "the American people will have a voice." He said he would not be holding "a perfunctory Judge Garland well," a spokesman said.

Others in the GOP ranks were less wedded to the no-hearing, no-vote, not-even-a-meeting stance - a sign that Republicans are aware the strategy could leave them branded as obstructionist.

The judge will begin visiting with Democratic senators on Thursday at the Capitol, before the Senate breaks for a two-week recess.



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SUPREME COURT President Obama nominated appeals court judge Merrick Garland Wednesday.

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campus carry

Georgia governor calls for follow up



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STUDENT LIFE Gov. Nathan Deal refused to sign the proposed campus carry law without his called for changes.

By Kathleen Foody

ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA -- Days after Georgia lawmakers approved a bill lifting a weapons ban on the state's public college campuses, Republican Gov. Nathan Deal called Monday for the General Assembly to address opponents' concerns.

Deal's office released a

statement asking for fixes and indicated that he could refuse to sign the so-called "campus carry" without quick action from lawmakers.

"As a lifetime defender and staunch supporter of Second Amendment rights, Gov. Deal has signed every pro-gun bill to reach his desk," the statement began. "However, he believes legitimate

points have been made in regards to certain aspects of the 'campus carry' bill and he calls on the General Assembly to address these concerns in related legislation."

The statement says Deal wants lawmakers to act before wrapping this year's session. Lawmakers are set to adjourn for the year March 24 and have only four working days remaining to put bills to a floor vote.

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community crime

Officer still in critical condition, suspect charged

By Elizabeth Campbell
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A Fort Worth police officer remains in critical condition at JPS Hospital as details emerge of the chase and confrontation that left the officer wounded by gunfire.

Officer Matthew Pearce, who has been on the force since 2009, was shot multiple times Tuesday afternoon after stopping Ed Russell Mclver Sr., 42, and his son, Ed Russell Mclver Jr., 20.



Mclver

officers in plain clothes and unmarked vehicles spotted the pair around Interstate 30 and Hulen

Mclver Sr. was shot to death during the stop. Mclver Jr., 20, faces charges that include criminal attempt at capital murder, evading arrest, drug possession and unlawful carrying of a weapon.

Police said the incident began around 2:30 p.m. when fugitive

Street. They called for patrol officers to assist, according to a Fort Worth police press release.

Mclver Sr. was wanted for multiple felony warrants, including aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, family violence and multiple bail jumping warrants, according to police.

According to Parker County records, Mclver Sr.'s arrest record had 41 charges dating back to 1991. These include three counts of assault, six counts of livestock theft and four counts of burglary of a building. He also had been charged with speeding five times and fleeing a police officer twice.

Mclver Jr. had no criminal record in Parker or Tarrant County prior to his arrest Tuesday.

Police said when they approached the pair on Tuesday, the Mclvers fled in a silver Ford Escape. The car chase lasted about 15 minutes before ending in the 400 block of Longvue Avenue. The two then fled on foot into a wooded and muddy area, according to the press release.

During the foot chase, shots were fired. Pearce and Mclver Sr. were hit. Mclver Sr. died at the scene, according to police.

While Pearce was airlifted to John Peter Smith Hospital, tactical teams coordinated with state



COURTESY OF FORT WORTH POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICE OFFICER Matthew Pearce has served with the Fort Worth Police Department since 2009.

and federal agencies to find Mclver Jr. He was found hiding in thicket around 6:30 p.m. Police said he had a rifle.

A Go fund me page has been set up for Officer Pearce by his family.

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student-run improv



By Hank Kilgore

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TCU's Senseless Acts of Comedy is no joke. The student-run improv group has been making TCU students, faculty and families laugh for 14 years, and for the first time ever, they will be competing nationally.

In January, SAC performed at the Southwest Regional College Improv Tournament against eight other college teams. The group placed first.

Co-President Tori Twomey said SAC has hosted free improv shows on campus since 2002. Most of the time, SAC shows are performed in the Brown-Lupton University Union Auditorium.

The group holds auditions at the end of each semester.

"I've seen so many different teams together," Twomey said. "Every semester, we lose and add people. I think everyone right now is blending really well, and it's cool seeing how we all work together."

SAC is known to perform in all-black clothing. Each member, however, picks his or her own tie and shoe color, which must be the same.

Bo Briggs, a sophomore business major, is one of SAC's improvisers this semester. He said SAC brings joy to students on campus.

"This is something I'm proud of," Briggs said. "I love being a part of it. I think a lot of people like to break out of their daily routine and go see a funny show."

Jon Barnes, a senior acting major, has been on

SAC for three years. He said he has built "a lot of history" with the group.

"I've seen a lot of people come and go," Barnes said. "Looking back, it's probably been the single-most influential thing on me during my time in college. Over the years, I've seen SAC get stronger and stronger as a group."

Former SAC members agree.

TCU alumni Kelly Ryan was a part of SAC for four years. She said the group has come a long way and she is "very proud of their improv careers."

"The team definitely has the right puzzle pieces to it right now," Ryan said. "They were all talented before, but sometimes you just need the right mix of people at the right ages in order for them to reach their highest potential. I'm excited to hear about what they do."

Alumni Paul Heyduck was also a member of SAC during his time at TCU.

"I'm happy a good group was finally able to put on a good enough performance," Heyduck said. "Everyone has different strengths and weakness and how those come together to make the team is what makes each year different."

Cole Rasco, a first-year film-television-digital-media major, said he loves watching SAC perform and tries to go every Thursday.

Kayla Stallings, a junior strategic communications major, said she has always enjoyed the show. "The best part is you never know what's coming next," she said.

Senseless Acts of Comedy performs at 9 p.m. in the BLUU Auditorium every Thursday.



The official SAC uniform

Shirt-All SAC members need a nice, black button-down.

Tie-Your tie should be a solid color that represents you.

Pants-These should be black and fitted.

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Jumping through hoops

Finding
Trent Johnson's
replacement:
A few names to
consider

by Blake Grable
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ORLIN WAGNER

FORMER COACH TCU head coach Trent Johnson instructs his team during an NCAA college basketball game against Texas Tech in the first round of a 12 conference tournament in Kansas City, Missouri.

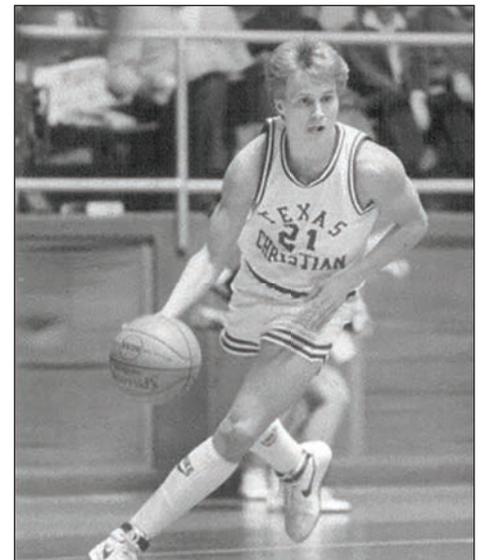
TCU head basketball coach Trent Johnson was fired late September after finishing his fourth season at TCU.

Johnson went 50-79 with the Frogs. This included an abysmal .111 winning percentage in Big 12 Conference play, making him the worst coach in Big 12 history.

But now, the new search for a coach begins. Here are a few candidates for the position.

SCOTT BROOKS

Former Oklahoma City Thunder head coach



Brooks was fired after his first season after missing the season for the first time due to injury with Oklahoma City. He was successful with the team, taking the team to the top in 2011-2012. He finished with an overall record of 30-10. Brooks played for Delta College before transferring to University of California before going into the NBA. Brooks went on to coach for six different teams.

CANDIDATE 1 Scott Brooks during his one year at TCU.

Brooks would bring top recruits value in a head coach. He also has experience coaching the NBA's best players, Kevin Durant and Russell Westbrook.

Although Brooks has never coached college basketball, he would deal with superstars and would give TCU a huge edge in recruiting a young coach — 50 years old — who runs an up-tempo style. Brooks would be a huge get for TCU.

BRAD UNDERWOOD

Stephen F. Austin head coach:

Underwood is in his third season as the head coach for SFA. He has an 88-13 record, which includes a third straight trip to the NCAA tournament this year.

The Frogs have never had more than four wins in conference play during one season. Underwood, while in a much weaker conference, is 53-1 in conference play. Playing stronger in the conference is something TCU needs to improve on, and Underwood could help with that.

Although he has only been a head coach for three years, Underwood has over 20 years of experience as an assistant. After the 2013-14 season, Underwood signed an eight-year contract extension worth \$400,000 a year.

TCU could throw a lot more money at him, and with the Frogs being in the Big 12, Underwood would definitely hear TCU out.



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CANDIDATE 2 Stephen F. Austin Head Coach Brad Underwood

SCOTT CROSS

University of Texas-Arlington head coach:



JASON WAITE

CANDIDATE 3 University Texas-Arlington Head Coach Scott Cross.

Scott Cross has led UT-Arlington to three NCAA tournament appearances and is UTA's winningest coach in school history in nine years at the helm. Being from Arlington, Cross knows the DFW area well, which bodes well for recruiting.

Cross is 153-129 at UTA but is the only coach in the school's history to have a winning record. One problem: the 41 year-old is coaching at his alma mater and this week signed a contract extension that will keep him at UTA until 2020.

Like Underwood at Stephen F. Austin, Cross could receive more money and have the chance to coach in a stronger conference if he were to make the move to TCU.

JAMIE DIXON

Pittsburgh head coach:

Dixon played basketball at TCU from 1984-87 before getting drafted by the Washington Bullets. Dixon would be a great hire for TCU, but he is probably the least likely to leave his current job.

After the 2012-13 season, Dixon signed a contract extension with Pittsburgh and is making around 3.2 million per year. Dixon has been sought after by other top programs and has turned them down in the past, telling reporters that he wants to finish his career in Pittsburgh.

Dixon is 326-119 in his thirteen years at Pittsburgh, and it is unlikely he returns to Fort Worth to coach the Frogs.



JAMIE DIXON

CANDIDATE 4 Jamie Dixon argues a call made against him during the 1987 season.

ARCHIE MILLER

Dayton head coach:

Miller has coaching in his blood. His brother is Arizona head coach Sean Miller, and they're the sons of Pennsylvania's winningest coach, John Miller.

Although he has no real connection to TCU, the Frogs should give him a call. He has worked under Thad Matta and Sean Miller at two of the most prestigious college basketball universities.

He is 115-54 in his five seasons at Dayton but is 78-27 in his last three years. Dayton has made the tournament in those three years, making the elite eight in 2014 and the round of 32 in 2015. Dayton is a 7 seed in the upcoming tournament.

Miller is under contract until 2021-22, making around \$652,000 a year. TCU could definitely throw a little more at him to try and lure him away.

Miller, a young energetic coach, has proven he can change a program and is the type of coach TCU needs.



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CANDIDATE 5 Dayton head coach, Archie Miller.

KOBE BRYANT

Los Angeles Lakers guard:

While it is extremely unlikely that Bryant would come coach basketball out in Fort Worth, it is pretty fun to think about.

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BASEBALL TCU player Michael Landestoy slid home in the USC game on Saturday. TCU won 12-11 in 10 innings.

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Multiple RBI games this season by TCU baseball player, Cam Warner

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Straight games TCU's catcher Evan Skoug has reached base safely

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sa19 Men's Tennis vs. Columbia 12 p.m. in Fort Worth

su20 Men's Golf at Middleburg Bank Intercollegiate All day in Williamsburg, Virginia



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GRAND SLAM TCU tennis player Aleksandra Zenovka defeated Laura Ambrozic in singles competition on Monday.

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Top ten finishes this season by TCU men's golfer Paul Barjone

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Team score in air rifle by the Horned Frogs

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Final round birdies by woman golfer Annika Clark

track awards

Ronnie Baker defends NCAA 60-meter title

By Kacey Bowen

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Ronnie Baker was selected as a First-Team All-American after becoming the NCAA 60 meter champion for the second consecutive year on Saturday.

His 6.47 time broke the NCAA championship record, earning him a gold medal.

His time also surpassed Jamaican Olympic gold medalist Asafa Powell.

He has now set a world-leading time.

TCU Director of Track and Field Darryl Anderson said it was an outstanding race.

"6.47 puts Ronnie on a whole other level," Anderson said.

This achievement is Baker's 10th All-American honor.

In all, the men's track team won 12 points and finished in 18th place.

This is the eighth individual national championship under Anderson.

The Frogs open the outdoor season by hosting the TCU Invitational at the Lowdon Track and Field Complex today and tomorrow.



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RACING TO VICTORY Member of the men's track team Ronnie Baker defended his NCAA 60-meter title on Saturday. He raced a 6.47, earning him a gold medal. This was Baker's 10th All-American honor.



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presidential election

Cruz still pinning hopes on two-man race

By Patrick Svitek, The Texas Tribune

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HOUSTON — Ted Cruz gained some delegates and moved closer to a two-man race with Donald Trump, but failed to win four of the five states voting Tuesday in GOP presidential primaries, and appeared to be narrowly losing the fifth as midnight passed.

The U.S. senator from Texas was on track to place third for delegates won. Well ahead was Trump, who took another big step toward the nomination with victories in Florida, Illinois and North Carolina. Cruz came closest to a win in Missouri, where he trailed Trump by less than one point with 99 percent of precincts reporting.

"Tonight was good night for us," Cruz declared at his election night party. "Tonight we continued to gain delegates and continue our march to 1,237."

"Starting tomorrow morning, every Republican has a clear choice: Only two campaigns have a plausible path to the nomination, ours and Donald Trump's," Cruz added. "Nobody else has any mathematical possibility whatsoever."

Cruz's campaign got a boost early Tuesday night,



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REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE Senator Ted Cruz moves closer to a two-man race with Donald Trump.

when U.S. Sen. Marco Rubio of Florida was defeated in his home state by Trump. With nearly all precincts reporting, the billionaire was projected to beat Rubio by 19 points, 46 percent to 27 percent.

Cruz's campaign had viewed Rubio as its biggest obstacle to achieving a one-on-one matchup with Trump. Cruz wasted no time appealing to former Rubio supporters, telling them from the stage in Houston that he welcomes them "with open arms" to join the fight

against Trump.

"You just have to get him head-to-head, which is what our campaign's been about since, I think, the day after Iowa," Cruz campaign manager Jeff Roe told reporters as the results started coming in Tuesday night.

After losing Florida, Rubio announced he was leaving the race, telling supporters in Miami it's "not God's plan that I be president in 2016 or maybe ever." Cruz bid Rubio farewell with a statement commending him for running "an optimistic campaign focused on the future of our party, conservative principles, and uplifting the American people."

With Rubio's exit, one other candidate stands between Cruz and a direct contest with Trump: Ohio Gov. John Kasich, who won his home state. With 95 percent of precincts reporting, Kasich was beating Trump by 11 points, 47 percent to 36 percent.

Cruz's campaign moved quickly Tuesday night to paint Kasich as a nonfactor, saying it would be a statistical impossibility for him to clinch the nomination before the convention. Cruz strategist Jason Johnson told reporters the Ohio governor was essentially chasing a "dream" of being president.

This story has been edited for length.

celebrity

Caitlyn Jenner's politics spark debate in transgender ranks

David Crary

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Since coming out a year ago, Caitlyn Jenner has not always been a unifying force in the transgender community. Her latest political remarks — underscoring her conservative outlook and praising Republican presidential candidate Ted Cruz — ignited a storm of criticism from supporters of transgender rights, who view most conservative Republicans as adversaries.

"Breathtakingly clueless" was the rebuke from blogger Monica Roberts. Tennis great Martina Navratilova and country singer Chely Wright were also among the many people denouncing Jenner.

Yet a more nuanced conversation followed, questioning whether transgender Americans must be monolithic in broadly espousing

progressive politics, or whether they can make room for differing views in their ranks.

Mara Keisling, executive director of the National Center for Transgender Equality, said she is grateful there are transgender Republicans and would like to see the issue of transgender rights addressed on a nonpartisan basis. She also said it is inevitable that the ranks of transgender Americans would grow more diverse.

While Democratic candidates Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders have voiced strong support for LGBT rights, Cruz and the other Republican contenders have expressed misgivings about same-sex marriage and supported protections for people who oppose it on religious grounds.

Among those wrestling with the fallout of Jenner's remarks is Jennifer Finney Boylan, a writer and

professor at Barnard College. She is a consultant and cast member on Jenner's reality show, "I am Cait."

Jenner sparked the furor with comments in a March 2 article in *The Advocate*, an LGBT-oriented magazine.

"I like Ted Cruz," Jenner declared, even while describing the Texas senator as "one of the worst ones" in regard to transgender rights.

Jenner suggested lightheartedly that if Cruz is elected president, she could become his "trans ambassador" and seek to sway him on transgender issues.

Jay Michaelson, a rabbi, author and gay activist, urged Jenner to backtrack.

Transgender activist Dana Beyer, executive director of Gender Rights Maryland, said it should not be surprising that the former Olympic decathlon champion retained long-held political views.

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It's a ZOO!

City taking steps to avoid traffic plans during spring break

By Elizabeth Campbell

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With warmer weather and spring break for many Fort Worth schools, the Fort Worth Zoo is preparing for increased attendance with additional staff and parking lots and hiring Fort Worth Police officers.

Fort Worth Zoo Communications Director Alexis Wilson said the zoo once again has an “extremely well-coordinated plan” that will get people into parking lots and the zoo “in an orderly fashion.”

“Most people arrive at the front of the zoo to find short ticket lines and quick entry,” Wilson said.

Fort Worth officer Mario Cabello said that there are 10 to 14 officers helping to control traffic and set up cones. The zoo is providing extra lots for parking around the zoo and across University.

Fort Worth resident Jessica Lockhart went to the zoo this week because her sons were on spring break and wanted to see the giraffes and the new baby gorilla “Gus.” She said she had to wait about 10 minutes in traffic and park further away than she usually does.

“Traffic was a little hectic but it was to be expected since it’s spring break,” Lockhart said. “They were definitely prepared for the crowd.”

The City of Fort Worth also made an effort to prepare for the crowd releasing a statement warning people to “be prepared for long waits at



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INCOMING The Fort Worth Zoo is preparing for increased attendance with additional staff and parking lots.

intersections as you approach the zoo.”

The statement also told people about the Fort Worth Transportation Authority Safari Shuttle. The shuttle stops at Bus Bay 5 A, adjacent to the Trinity Railway Express platform at the Intermodal Transportation Center on Jones Street, and the zoo’s main entrance on Colonial Parkway. Transportation Authority Communications Manager Laura Hanna said the shuttle is there to “help ease traffic during a very busy time.”

“Our Safari Shuttle uses a back-door route that avoids much of the traffic congestion,” Hanna said. “Our passengers won’t need to pay for parking at the zoo – or spend time looking for a parking space.”

The shuttle cost \$3.50 for adults and \$1.75 for children under 18 and seniors who are 65 and older if they have their reduced ID card. It is free for children age five and younger. The first shuttle leaves the ITC at 9:30 a.m. and the last shuttle leaves the zoo at 6 p.m. They run every 30 minutes, Hanna said.

The zoo also has plans to handle the increase in attendance inside the zoo. Wilson said the zoo added more food locations and restroom facilities in the zoo, as well as extra staff members stationed throughout the zoo to assist guests.

Oklahoma resident Anna Hudson traveled down to Fort Worth because she said she wanted to see if “the zoo is as great as everyone says it is.” Hudson said she didn’t have any trouble

parking, despite hearing from other people that it would be difficult. Although she was confused about where to park, she said that she was able to ask people to figure it out.

“I maybe waited about five minutes,” Hudson said. “For this amount of people they are handling it really well.”

The city warned that the traffic around the zoo could be the worst Wednesday when the zoo offers half-priced admission.



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TRANSPORTATION The Safari Shuttle stops outside the zoo entrance.

Well-‘versed’

Arlington 8th-grader captures North Texas Regional Spelling Bee title

By Molly Jenkins
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A local 8th-grade boy said he was shocked by his win at the 2016 North Texas Regional Spelling Bee.

Jacob Williams of Grace Preparatory Academy in Arlington, Texas, won the bee. The winning word was “versification.”

“I am very surprised actually,” said Williams. “I didn’t expect I would make it this far.”

In order to compete in the regional spelling bee, students had to win their schools’ bees.

Winners from the schools were assigned to one of 25 area bees. The winner of each area bee was then sent to compete in the regional bee.

Williams competed against 23 other spellers at TCU for a chance to compete in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.

While Williams said he is unsure how he would prepare for the national competition, he received

a large dictionary to assist him.

While Williams stood in awe of his accomplishment, the runner-up, Kellen Jones, grinned ear-to-ear with excitement.

“I am very surprised actually. I didn’t expect I would make it this far.”

JACOB WILLIAMS
REGIONAL SPELLING BEE CHAMPION

Jones, a 5th grader from Austin Elementary, said he owes his success to his grandmother, Denise Maserang.

“My grandmother always helps me study,” Jones said. “She is probably the one who got me this far.”

Jones said he plans to compete again next year and for many years to follow.

Williams will compete in the Scripps National Spelling Bee on May 22.



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PLEASANT SURPRISE North Texas Regional Spelling Bee champ Jacob Williams will compete in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C. on May 22.

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local government

Fort Worth residents to vote on number of council members in May

By **Tori Knox**

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On May 7 Fort Worth residents will have the opportunity to vote on city charter revisions, which include increasing the number of council members from eight plus the mayor to 10 plus the mayor.

In July 2015, the Fort Worth City Council established The City of Fort Worth Charter Review Task Force to find recommendations for the charter before the May 2016 election.

The task force recommended increasing council members to 10 plus the mayor, because of Fort Worth's population growth, said Cheraya Pena, press secretary for city council.

"The real issue has been the steady growth of the city of Fort Worth," said Pena.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau and Fort Worth government's website Fort Worth's population has increased by 410,803 people since 1975.

The population growth means council members currently represent approximately 101,000 citizens, according to the Charter Review Task Force's findings.



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CITY ELECTIONS On May 7 voters have the opportunity to vote on increasing the number of council members from eight to ten.

Pena said the increase in council members would not be specific to one area.

"[The increase is] just trying to have better representation over all, for all citizens," said Pena.

The city council has included eight council members plus the mayor since 1975, said Mary Kayser, city secretary of Fort Worth.

The goal is for the increase to be in effect for the

2023 election upon redistricting after the 2020 census, said Kayser.

Kayser said the additional cost for the two council members' salaries would come from the city's general fund.

Part of increased cost of the two council members depends on how residents vote on Proposition 3, said Kayser. Proposition 3 addresses the task forces' recommendation to increase council members' salaries from \$25,000 to \$45,000 annually said Kayser.

The salary increase is recommended to go into effect Oct. 1, 2016 if residents vote for the proposition on May 7, according to the task force.

The outcome of the vote on Proposition 3 will determine if two additional council members would cost taxpayers \$50,000 or \$90,000; however, additional costs are still unknown, said Kayser.

"There's no way to tell additionally what else, but it would be minor," said Kayser.

Residents will be able to vote on the task forces' recommendations for two additional council members and increased council members' salaries in the charter election on May 7.

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genealogy

Ancestry.com indexes millions of Irish records

By Mark Pratt

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BOSTON — Just in time for St. Patrick's Day, genealogical research website Ancestry.com is making 10 million Catholic parish records from Ireland — some dating to 1655 — available online for free to help people trace their Irish heritage.

The goldmine of information, available without cost for a week starting Friday, includes baptism, confirmation, marriage, and burial records from more than 1,000 parishes in both the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland.

"This will really help people reconstruct their family story," said Lisa Elzey, a family historian at Ancestry, which now offers access to 55 million Irish records. "There's all kinds of mysteries within these records."

More than 33 million Americans claimed Irish ancestry in 2014, according to the latest U.S. Census data, or about 10 percent of the nation's population.

The documents, usually in English but sometimes in Latin, and dating from 1655 to 1915, had already been digitized by the National Library of Ireland, but Ancestry took the information and indexed it, making it possible to do much quicker and more efficient searches using names, places



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CELEBRATION Children make their way to the St. Patrick's Day parade during the celebrations in Limerick, Ireland.

and dates.

The trove contains information on prominent Irish citizens as well as the forebears of famous Irish-Americans.

Included is the 1828 marriage record, in Latin, of President John F. Kennedy's great-great-grandparents: Edmundus FitzGerald and Maria Lenihan.

The records also include baptism records of author James Joyce and Irish-born White House designer James Hoban.

They tell not only the stories of Irish families, but help explain the cultural and religious fabric of the island, said the Rev. Oliver Rafferty, a professor of history and Director of Irish Programs at Boston College.

The older records in particular, he said, are fragmented.

"There are enormous gaps in Catholic records, especially the older ones, much of it because of the periodic persecution of Catholics at various stages of Irish history," he said.

The records from parishes in the towns tend to be more complete than those from churches in remote rural areas, said Rafferty, who is familiar with the records because of their availability from the national library.

Perusing the documents can help researchers make connections through maiden names, godparents' names, and marriage witnesses' names.

"It's absolutely key to look at things like witnesses and to study the people around a family in order to build context and the bigger picture," said Michal Brophy, a Massachusetts-based member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, who says Irish-American research is one of his specialties.

"This will be exciting to see," he said.

school improvement

A&M climbs in law school rankings, UT remains high

By Jamie Lovegrove, The Texas Tribune

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Texas A&M moved up 38 spots in the 2017 U.S. News and World Report law school rankings released Wednesday, marking the biggest improvement among any graduate school in the state, but still not making it into the nation's top 100 law schools.

The University of Texas at Austin remained by far the state's highest ranked law school, holding on to 15th place. The University of Houston also received a notable bump, moving up nine spots to 50th. A&M's boost takes it to 111th, cracking the list of top 60 public law schools for the first time.

"This is an extraordinary achievement, especially given the fact that we weren't even on the list in 2014," A&M System Chancellor John Sharp said in a statement.

On intellectual property law, Texas A&M's primary focus, the school moved up to 14th, tied with the University of Pennsylvania and Columbia University of



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the Ivy League.

"Chancellor Sharp announced that this would be an intellectual property law school when he held his first press conference in our lobby announcing the acquisition," said law school Dean Andrew Morriss in a statement. "Now that is true — less than three years later."

UT-Austin also led the pack in graduate engineering

and business rankings at 10th and 16th respectively, and the UT system's flagship school boasts the highest ranked graduate accounting program in the country. Texas A&M's engineering graduate program is just one place behind UT-Austin at 11th. Rice University moved up eight spots in the business school rankings, coming in at 25th.

This story has been edited for length.

residence

Chicago native helps millennials with housing

By Susan Haigh

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HARTFORD, Conn. — Chicago native Juan Hernandez fell in love with Hartford while attending Trinity College and decided to stay after graduation. But like many members of the millennial generation, he's learned that affording a place to live can be an expensive proposition.

Hernandez and his girlfriend pay \$1,600 a month to rent a one-bedroom apartment. The grace period for his student loan payments expires this month. An aide to a city council member, the 25-year-old Hernandez plans to attend law school eventually. While he thinks it might make more financial sense to buy a home in Hartford, Hernandez is questioning whether he can qualify for a loan.

"If you're not working on Wall Street, how are you going to come up with that down payment?" said Hernandez, who considers himself lucky to have earned bachelor's and master's degrees with only about

\$15,000 in outstanding student loans. "I know people who graduated with \$20,000, \$40,000, \$50,000 in loans. To be completely honest, most of them went back home."

Realizing that millennials like Hernandez are burdened with debt, a difficult job market, weak wage growth and a less affordable housing market than their parents, some states are looking to keep educated young professionals within their borders for years to come by helping out with their housing costs.

Initiatives like mortgage down-payment assistance, rent subsidies, urban homesteading incentives, partial student loan reimbursement and even "millennial villages" are being considered across the country to help professionals put down roots in communities. Some programs already in place are being embraced by members of what's become a coveted population because of their sheer numbers, their education levels and their ability to spur urban revitalization and economic growth.

The first phase of Maryland's "You've Earned It"



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HOUSING Juan Hernandez is one of many people who believe that affording a place to live can be expensive.

program ran out of money in less than two months because of demand. Now in its second phase, the program provides a discounted mortgage rate and down payment assistance to college graduates with more than \$25,000 in student debt and who buy a home in certain regions of the state.

rival school feature

Baylor freshman playing basketball with defibrillator

By Stephen Hawkins

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WACO, Texas — King McClure was told by doctors after being diagnosed with a heart condition last summer that he could never play basketball again.

McClure had just arrived on the Baylor campus and had already practiced for a week before a health screening for incoming players revealed that he had hypertrophic cardiomyopathy.

"I was devastated, I was crying," the freshman



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ATHLETICS King McClure blocks Iowa State during a college basketball game.

recalled. "All my dreams fell, they just dropped."

When he started to research the condition that affects heart muscle, one of the first stories that popped up was about Hank Gathers, the Loyola Marymount star who in 1990 collapsed on the court during a game and died. Still, McClure had never had any symptoms and there was no family history of heart disease. The sharp-shooting guard with a ball in his hands since age 2 just couldn't accept that his career could already be done.

Nine months after the life-altering diagnosis, with a defibrillator implanted into his chest, McClure has played in all 33 games this season for the Bears. He

and his teammates are getting ready for their NCAA Tournament opener Thursday against Yale.

"Really, it's unbelievable," McClure said. "It's a blessing really I'm still able to play the game that I love."

There were four long months when he couldn't play — "the hardest times in my life," he said. There were tears and visits with multiple doctors who told him not to play. That for so long was the almost-automatic response to someone with HCM, even in milder forms since it can result in sudden cardiac arrest during strenuous activity.

McClure and his parents got an encouraging call from Oklahoma City assistant coach Monty Williams, who played in the NBA with a heart condition. Williams prayed with the young player on the phone and recommended his doctor in Maryland, who they met before going to the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota.

McClure had surgery in August to get the Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator (ICD), which constantly tracks his heart rate and is designed to provide a shock only if he goes into cardiac arrest.

While it took some time for McClure to get back into playing shape after being sidelined — except for a couple of times he admits to sneaking into the gym to take a few shots — he said he has had no issues with the ICD this season.

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directions:

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

This solution to this sudoku can be found at:
www.tcu360.com/ihaveto-cheat

solution from 3/3

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Who was the TCU baseball coach in the year 1970?

- a) Lance Brown
- b) Bragg Stockton
- c) Frank Windegger
- d) Clyde McDowell

tcu trivia answer

c) Frank Windegger

solution from 3/3

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 - 14 Cut crops
 - 15 Hooch
 - 16 Have the answers
 - 17 Malady?
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 - 21 Prairie predator
 - 22 Tamale?
 - 26 ___ II (Gillette razor)
 - 28 Con opener?
 - 29 Popular fragrance that's a girl's name
 - 32 One way to run
 - 33 Let in
 - 35 Pain in the neck
 - 37 Outfit for newborns
 - 39 Adventure's end?
 - 41 Brian who scored "The Lovely Bones"
 - 42 Reddit Q&A session, briefly
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 - 2 Put on a happy face
 - 3 Monkey ___
 - 4 "You did what?" reaction
 - 5 Number of churchgoers?
 - 6 Appeared (in)
 - 7 Caught off base
 - 8 Sgt., for example
 - 9 Progressive competitor
 - 10 "Alrighty then"
 - 11 Keen on
 - 12 Former senator Trent
 - 13 ___'Pea
 - 18 Fair-hiring watchdog, for short
 - 19 Chuck who won four Super Bowl rings
 - 23 Like quinoa growers
 - 24 Sleep stage
 - 25 Bangs and clangs
 - 26 Fake bill tracer
 - 27 Roman?
 - 30 Legal?
 - 31 Something to give a kitty?
- 43 Jimmy Eat World genre
 - 44 Dragon's locale
 - 45 Secret identity of Dick Grayson
 - 47 Perfect Elements maker
 - 49 James who can jam
 - 51 Sports Illustrated's 2015 Sportsman of the Year, to fans
 - 54 "Wow!!"
 - 56 Odyssey, e.g.
 - 57 ___ Nostra
 - 58 Dweller on the upper Mississippi
 - 60 Hunger indicator
 - 61 Oodles
 - 62 Took a shot, say
 - 63 Big pizza chain, informally
 - 64 Part of the eye
 - 65 Dulls, as pain
 - 66 [You over there!]

- 32 Belgian red, e.g.
- 33 Sign on a convenience store window
- 34 Mindless but addictive app games, e.g.
- 36 Knowledge range
- 38 Gifting someone with a clock in China, e.g.
- 40 "Marriage Italian-Style" actress
- 46 They may have many stops
- 48 Cause to blunder
- 49 Like some subway stops
- 50 Really act out?
- 52 Thin iPods
- 53 Teen sensation?
- 55 Romanian wedding dance
- 56 Equestrian's handhold
- 59 Never-___ (unsuccessful sort)

basketball



How to navigate your March Madness bracket

By Blake Grable

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It's called March Madness for a reason.

The odds of picking a perfect 68-team bracket in the annual NCAA basketball tournament are 1 in 9.2 quintillion (that is a one with 18 zeros). So, it's safe to say you will not be perfect.

To help lower the odds a little bit, here are some tips to make it look like you sort of know what you're doing.

FIRST-ROUND MATCHUPS:

1 vs. 16

No. 1 seeds are 124-0 versus No. 16 seeds (100 percent). That's all you need to know. Don't get cute here, all 1 seeds will advance.

2 vs. 15

No. 2 seeds are 117-7 versus No. 15 seeds (94.9 percent). However, No.15 seeds have won three games since 2012. Even if Xavier (No.2 seed in the East) wins in the first round, they aren't likely to get past a matchup against West Virginia. So, the pick between Weber State and Xavier: Weber State.

3 vs. 14

No. 3 seeds are 104-20 vs. No. 14 seeds (83.9%). No. 14 seeds have won at least one game in the last three years and two 14 seeds have upset 3 seeds in the last year. One reasonable pick: Buffalo upsetting Miami.

4 vs. 13

No. 4 seeds are 99-24 versus No. 13 seeds (80.4%). Duke has an interesting matchup against UNC Wilmington, and if you want to pick an upset, that's

where to do it. The schools are only about two hours away and Wilmington will come in wanting to prove they can hang with Duke. Iona comes in fresh after winning its conference title and is riding an eight-game winning streak. However, Duke and Iowa State are still thought to be strong for their competition.

5 vs. 12

No. 5 seeds are 97-47 versus No.12 seeds (67.4%). One of the most popular upset picks in the brackets is the 12 seed knocking off the 5 seed. From 2008-2014, the 12 seeds had a winning record against the 5 seeds, winning 15 out of 28 match-ups. Arkansas-Little Rock might shock some in this tournament.

6 vs. 11

No. 6 seeds are 95-47 versus No. 11 seeds (66.0%). Since 2010, this matchup has been split 50/50 and the last time all six seeds won was in 2004. Be strategic and pick some upsets here. Michigan, Tulsa, Vanderbilt and Wichita State: these teams are the "last four in" and have a chance to win a game to get into the actual tournament. They will all play with a chip on their shoulder, and Michigan and Wichita State both have coaches with a lot of tournament experience.

7 vs. 10

No. 7 seeds are 90-58 versus the No. 10 seeds (60.8%). Seven seeds are 9 for 12 in the last three years. Temple will beat Iowa and Pittsburg will beat Wisconsin. Iowa ranked as high as No. 3 this year, but they have struggled and will probably have trouble advancing. Pittsburg coach Jamie Dixon has a lot more experience in the tournament than Greg Gard,

who was named coach after Bo Ryan's retirement. Coaches with experience do very well in this tournament.

8 vs. 9

No. 8 seeds are 79-69 versus No. 9 seeds (53.4%). These matches are basically a toss up, but since 2011, 8 seeds are 15 for 20. There are some great matchups this year between 8 and 9 seeds. Colorado vs. University of Connecticut (UConn) is going to be a great matchup. Colorado has a lot of talent, but UConn is extremely hot and has a coach who has won the tournament before. UConn has the chance to advance here.

Pick smart upsets:

That's it for the first round. Where it may be hard to get close to getting 100 percent of your picks right, knowing general tips on how to beat the odds will help you win your pool.

Everyone picks the one and two seeds to go far, but rarely do all one and two seeds make it to the sweet sixteen. If you're confident a team will make it to the sweet sixteen, it is a smart pick to pick an upset over a team they are expected to play in the second round.

And when in doubt: pick a blue team.

It sounds weird and superstitious, but look at the facts. The four basketball programs with the most wins in NCAA History (Kentucky, Kansas, North Carolina and Duke) all wear blue. Four of the top five teams with the most NCAA Tournament titles are blue as well. If that isn't enough reason to pick a team that wears a shade of blue, 11 of the last 12 champions have worn blue.

local community



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STRONG RELATIONSHIPS TCU volunteers, Delight members and members of The Net, a Fort Worth non-profit, build relationships with refugee children.

Volunteers work with refugees through non-profit

By Emily Laff

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Once a month, the tennis courts of the Ladera Palms apartments are filled with laughter.

Children chase each other across the pavement playing “sharks and minnows,” tap each other on the head playing “duck, duck, goose,” and listen intently to Gospel stories.

The Net, a Fort Worth non-profit, believes in the power of relationships.

The play dates have been a time for building relationships between refugee children and many TCU students who volunteer with The Net.

“We kind of base ourselves off this idea that people need people a lot more than they need stuff,” said TCU alum Sarah Adams, assistant director and volunteer coordinator of The Net.

While Adams said there are organizations that provide material necessities, The Net goes a step further.

“We see ourselves providing that missing piece, which is development...us walking alongside people over a long period of time in relationships with them,” Adams said.

Aside from monthly play dates, The Net hosts a weekly discipleship program with kids at the Ladera apartments. It’s a time for members of The Net to mentor refugees and teach them about God.

TCU senior Connor Close started working with The Net his sophomore year. He said a majority of the refugees that participate in the weekly mentorship program and play dates are from a Hindu background.

“For the older kids, we are getting to the point where we actually discuss the difference between religions and why we believe that Jesus is the only way,” Close said. “It’s getting more difficult, but that’s

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Adams is not the only member of The Net from TCU. Most volunteers are current TCU students who found out about the program through their churches.

This month, The Net collaborated with a new women’s ministry on TCU’s campus.

Delight is a program on many college campuses. Last year, sophomore Brooke Ingram brought it to TCU.

In an effort to find a community service project, TCU sophomore Maggie Strelman reached out to Ty Bowden, the Ladera Kids Program Manager.

“A huge part of delight is encouraging us to not only build community between the women on our campus, but to take that community and serve the local community in whatever way we can come up with,” Strelman said. “Had I not sought out the opportunity to do this community service type thing, I probably would not have known what they do here.”

Strelman also said this play date allowed her to see what lies outside of the “TCU Bubble.”

The play date program consists of playing games and coloring with volunteers after listening to and briefly discussing a Bible story.

Lending direction and support to the refugees in the Ladera community is meaningful for both the children and volunteers.

The mentorship and play date program is just one of many services The Net provides. They also work to raise awareness about sex trafficking and share meals and play games with the homeless.