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CAMPUS NEWS

Flu season continues through peak

By TAYLOR FREETAGE

STAFF WRITER

The months of January and February are commonly known as "flu season," and based on the percentage of sick students on campus, these months have lived up to their name.

According to statistics from the Tarrant County Health Department, this year's flu has been particularly hard on 5- to 24-year-olds.

Although TCU does not report flu statistic specific to campus, the campus does participate in the Flu surveillance project with Tarrant County and the State of Texas," said Kelle Tillman, associate director of the Brown Lupton Health Center.

Flu season typically

starts in October and peaks in February, a time when the semester starts to pick up and healthy habits become scarce.

"Midterms are stressful for a lot of people and as a college student it's hard to balance tests and projects with getting enough sleep and taking care of yourself," said junior writing major, Mason Ledonne.

According to Tarrant County Public Health, the first week of February showed a spike in reported influenza-like illnesses from 3.59 percent to 5.02 percent, which is higher than the Tarrant County baseline of 3.89 percent.

The following week increased to 5.47 percent, especially for those between the ages of 5 and

According to the graph from the Tarrant County Division of Epidemiology and Health Information, the Texas state line for influenza like illnesses is 7 percent, making the second week in February the closest it's been to the state baseline this year.

Tillman said that although there has been an increase in influenza-like illnesses on campus, there is not a specific percentage of students who have reported missing class due to the sickness.

While sickness has been spreading on campus, so has a rumor about a class cancellation policy if too many students get sick at one time. Tillman said the rumor that classes will be cancelled for 48 hours if 20 percent of students

get sick is not true, and that TCU does not have a policy regarding the issue.

"If a significant number of the student population is sick, we would consult with the Tarrant County Health Department and follow their advice and directions regarding any communicable diseases. said Tillman.

Although there is no one reason that causes the flu, Tillman said students should be doing all they can to be preventative by getting vaccinated against the flu, getting plenty of rest, practicing good hand-washing, and not drinking out of shared containers.

The TCU Health Center offers free flu shots that are available to all students until June 1.

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CAMPUS NEWS Sherley Hall buys resident new bike

By MICHELLE ROSS

STAFF WRITER

When a careless decision cost a Sherley Hall resident his bike late last semester, a resident assistant decided to work a little magic.

Edwin Jimenez, a first-year engineering major, said he was running late one day and parked his bike near the Sid. W Richardson Building without locking

"It was dumb I didn't lock it," Jimenez said. "I was pretty much asking for my bike to be stolen."

Jimenez said all he could do was make the best of the situation because he couldn't afford to buy a new bike.

"I'm pretty optimistic," he said. "When I figured my bike was stolen for good, I decided I'll just grow bigger calves from walking.

R.A. Erick Andrade



PHOTO BY MICHELLE ROSS First-year Edwin Jimenez and his new bike.

said he wanted to help Jimenez as soon as he realized Jimenez was not riding his bike every day.

"I felt bad for him because I saw him ride his bike to class, to visit friends and to go off campus," Andrade said. "He's had a rough semester and the stolen bike didn't make it any

To help Jimenez,

Andrade said he wanted to use a portion of Sherley's "magic money" to buy his resident a new

Magic money is an allocated budget in every dorm to help students who are going through challenging times and who are in need of things, Andrade said.

Sherley's magic money wasn't enough to buy a decent bike, Andrade said. So he told the Sherley staff "if all 15 staff members donated \$7 or \$8, Jimenez could receive a bike that could last him a while.

He said he was only expecting \$60, but the staff raised \$250 by the end of the week.

Andrade and Sherley's hall director took the money to WalMart and polled the Sherley staff to vote on their favorite bike. he said. The majority of the staff liked the black mountain bike.

A week later, the Sherley staff surprised Jimenez with a new bike in the dorm lobby, Andrade said.

"This was one of the nicest things people have done for me," Jimenez said. "TCU is a family and it's so satisfying to know people who don't even have to care for me did."

Andrade said moments like this are why he is an R.A. for first-year students.

"The opportunities this job gives me to love and care on people is limitless," he said. "I have tools to give people a light at the end of a tunnel."

Jimenez said because of the magic and love from his R.A.s he now doesn't have to wake up so early to walk to class. One day, he hopes to use his cycling skills to compete in an Ironman competition.

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COMMUNITY

Students volunteer with nonprofit to eliminate 'dream deserts'

By RYDER BUTTRY

STAFF WRITER

Low-income neighborhoods lacking access to fresh fruit, vegetables and other whole foods important to a young child's health are often called "food deserts." These communities can also lack access to educational and extracurricular opportunities, another crucial element of a child's success.

Dream Outside the Box, a national nonprofit headquartered in Fort Worth, dubbed these neighborhoods "dream deserts."

A group of TCU students are working with the organization to bring more opportunities to the children of Como Community Center.

Eighty-nine percent of the students at the neighborhood school, Como Elementary, are considered "economically disadvantaged," according to the 2015-2016 school report card from the Texas Education Agency.

The school only met 1 of 4 performance indexes on the report card and received an accountability rating of "improvement required."

The students of TCU's chapter of Dream Outside the Box meet at the center every Wednesday evening to lead an afterschool program focused on a particular field of study.

At the program a professor or student from the major speaks about their industry and the job opportunities within it. Then, students participate in a hands-on activity relating to the line of work.

Blake Bengtson became president of the TCU chapter this January and is already trying to introduce new programs, such as fashion merchandising activities.

"We were experimenting with it [fashion merchandising activity] to see how successful it could be," Bengtson said. "Since the national office is in Fort Worth, we get the benefit of being a chapter who works with a lot of new ideas before they get rolled out to other campuses."

Throughout each semester, the TCU students said they see the kids' passions and dreams evolve and flourish.

"[My] favorite part is at the end of the semester when you're talking to a kid who at the beginning of the semester had no idea what they wanted to do, but at the end of the semester they're constantly giving you the same answer on a week in and week out basis," Bengtson said.

Sophomore biology major Eli Reynolds said he loves seeing the kids' energy focused in on the new fields they're exposed to through the program.

"The kids have so much energy," Reynolds said. "It's just cool to see once that energy is kind of focused in on a passion. It's really cool to see them get excited about things they don't normally see."

The program doesn't just benefit the younger children, though.

Bengtson said volunteering with the program has made him realize how sheltered he was in his own community growing up.

"Having that experience of being exposed to a background other than my own and realizing that it's not necessarily better or worse, it's just different," Bengtson said. "I think that's a huge learning experience for me, personally."



PHOTO BY RYDER BUTTR

A student ties a bracelet on a volunteer during the fashion merchandising programming.

GREEK LIFE

Pi Beta Phi sorority raises money for Cook Children's Medical Center

By SHELBY KITSON

STAFF WRITER

The TCU sorority chapter Pi Beta Phi was the top fundraiser for Dance Marathon, they raised \$13,402 for Cook Children's Medical

Pi Beta Phi spent six months putting together a team to fundraise for the children at Cook Children's Medical Center. Pi Beta Phi was the fastest growing team this year for TCU's Dance Marathon.

"This year, Pi Phi was able to take the No. 1 spot in both fundraising and total people registered," the President of TCU Dance Marathon, Lexie Perez, said. "They had 73 people registered for the Pi Phi team. This is a huge increase from last year with only 56 registered,

raising \$7,881."

Their goal for this year was to raise \$10,000 but they surpassed it by \$3,402. Pi Beta Phi raised money by reaching out to family and friends in person, as well as through email and social media. They asked for donations to support their participation in the 12-hour event.

Pi Beta Phi's team captain, Paige Krieger, said, "As a sorority, we attended many benefit nights at local restaurants and received donations from members of our chapter who couldn't attend the event but still wanted to contribute to such an amazing cause."

Pi Beta Phi also had the girls who were unable to attend the event donate money through the TCUDM Venmo account. The Pi Beta Phi team got credit for each donation through Venmo when they mentioned "Pi Phi."

During the event, Pi Beta Phis were involved with many things, such as spending time with the children and their families, participating in the yoga and Zumba sessions and teaching the 10-minute morale dance that is taught throughout the event and performed at the end.

"We had so much fun dancing for the kids who can't and it was truly an honor to support Lexie and be the team captain of a group of girls that were so excited about and dedicated to the cause," Krieger said.

Perez and Krieger said they hope the Pi Beta Phi team can increase the amount of money they fundraise for next year's Dance Marathon.



PHOTO BY SHELBY KITSON
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CAMPUS NEWS

TCU's Spectrum organization holds first LGBTQIA rally

By TAYLOR FREETAGE

STAFF WRITER

TCU's campus organization Spectrum held its first LGBTQIA rally and parade as a part of TCUnity week.

TCU Spectrum is a club with a mission to establish LGBTQIA visibility on campus by providing resources on gender identity, sexual identity and expression to undergrad and graduate students.

Students and faculty who are a part of the LGBTQIA community or advocates of it gathered in the commons to listen to speeches and march in a parade supporting the club and the community.

LGBTQIA stands for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender. questioning, intersex and asexual communities. The LGBTQIA community

on TCU's campus wants everyone to know that "we are here, we are queer, and we are frogs," said the Spectrum Vice President, Rachel Heffelfinger.

"There is a stereotype that TCU is a closet campus, and I want to shatter that idea and tell people that it's not true.'

The main goal of the rally was to establish LGBTQIA visibility on campus and to make it known that students who identify as such are welcomed, valued and respected.

The rally, "is a way to let anyone else who is in the closet and is questioning coming out know that they have a community here at TCU they can go to," said Spectrum's president Isaac Portillo.

"I think that's really important because when I came here, TCU was

called a 'closet campus' and I knew that had to change," Portillo said.

Chuck Dunning, Spectrum's faculty staff advisor, said that most students experience apprehension of coming out when they first get to school because they aren't sure if it is going to be welcomed.

"We are in an institution where the words 'Texas' and 'Christian' are right next to each other, and for a lot of people that raises many stereotypes that suggest hostility towards the LGBTQ communities," said Dunning.

The main purpose of the Spectrum rally was to educate students on the matters of sexual orientation while giving students who are a part of the LGBTQIA community resources that help them feel more comfortable and



Students gathered in front of Scharbauer hall for the LGBTQ rally as a part of TCUnity week.

accepted on campus.

"It's easy to think of this type of thing as primarily benefiting the people who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender, but it also benefits the other students who have some of those misunderstandings." Dunning said. "It gives them an opportunity to see that this institution is welcoming."

Students can expect to see more visibility like this, he added.

"I think you are going

to see them doing a lot of things to make it clear to a larger percentage of the population that it's okay to be out," Dunning said.

Spectrum meets in Carter Hall every other Wednesday at 7 p.m.

SPORTS

Horned Frogs top Dallas Baptist 3-2 in 10 innings

By BRANSON NELSON

STAFF WRITER

TCU won an extra-inning contest for the second time in three games as it defeated Dallas Baptist University by 3-2 in 10 innings at Lupton Baseball Stadium on Tuesday.

Senior second baseman Cam Warner delivered a walk-off infield single with two outs in the bottom of the 10th to give the Horned Frogs (11-1) their seventh straight win.

Sophomore Luken Baker drew his team-leading 14th walk, and third of the game, with one out in the 10th. Sophomore Josh Watson then struck out for the second out before redshirt senior Nolan Brown rolled a ground ball up the middle to move Baker all the way to third ahead of Warner's at-bat.

"We definitely needed to score pretty soon because we had two arms left," said Head Coach Jim Schlossnagle. "If we had run into another one of those long ones, we would have been in trouble.'

The Horned Frogs spent the majority of the game trailing after the Patriots scored the first run of the game in the second inning. DBU's lead hitter, clean-up batter Devlin Granberg, doubled to open the inning before advancing to third on a ground ball and then scoring on a RBI single by Garrett Wolforth.

Sophomore starting pitcher Dalton Horton was huge for the Frogs as he made his first start of the season and his second appearance overall. Horton picked up a no-decision after giving up one run on two hits and a walk in four innings while picking up eight strikeouts.

Horton was a prominent arm for the Horned Frogs in their run to Omaha as a freshman in 2016. He made 13 appearances including 12 starts. He threw 59.1 innings to the tune of a 2.58 ERA while earning eight wins and zero losses.

"He hasn't thrown well most of the fall and certainly not in the spring," Schlossnagle said. "For him to come out there and do that today against a really good offensive team. and strike out eight; he probably could have kept going, but I felt like he had done his job.'

Redshirt freshman Austin Boyles pitched a scoreless fifth inning and picked up an out in the sixth before he gave up an infield single. Schlossnagle called on

redshirt junior Ryan Burnett who got both of the batters he faced out to end the sixth.

Freshman Charles King, who entered the game with a 2.31 ERA in 11.2 innings, pitched the seventh for TCU. DBU took a 2-1 lead as a lead-off double turned into a run after a sacrifice bunt and a RBI ground out.

The Frogs stranded eight runners in the game including Watson in the bottom of the eighth who singled and stole second.

Both teams went in order in the ninth. TCU called on sophomore stand-out closer Durbin Feltman who picked up a strikeout in the inning.

Feltman remained on the mound in the 10th, striking out two to work around a one-out walk. The Horned Frogs clinched the 3-2 win with



PHOTO BY MICHAEL CLEMENTS

Pitcher Austin Boyles pitched a scoreless fifth inning.

the walk-off in the bottom half of the inning. In the last three games, Feltman has won twice and picked up a save in the other. He earned the win against Texas A&M on Saturday and a save against Ole Miss on Sunday.

Tuesday night's game was a quick pit-stop in between last weekend's

trip to Houston and the upcoming four-game road trip to California. The Frogs will play a three-game series this weekend at the University of California, Irvine before taking on California State University, Long Beach on Tuesday. Friday's first pitch is set for 8:30 p.m.

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CAMPUS NEWS

Hate speech fliers found

By EMILY LAFF

STAFF WRITER

TCU police are reviewing video as they try to determine who posted fliers promoting white supremacy and urging white people to "take back America," and "Imagine a Muslim free America."

The posters, which were found in the Mary Couts Burnett Library and the Bass Building, were stamped with bloodandsoil.org. Vanguard America, which describes itself as a "white nationalist American youth organization," on the site.

The site claims: "Our religion, our traditions, and our identity are dragged through the mud by the globalist establishment while millions of nonwhites flood our nation every year. If current trends continue, white Americans will be a minority by 2044. It's time to take a stand."

Video footage from the Bass Building and the library is being reviewed



This poster was one of many found on campus promoting white supremacy and anti-Muslim rhetoric.

as part of the investigation, said Detective Stephen Hall.

"It's not a crime, but it is against school policy," Hall said. "If the flyers were distributed by students, the campus can address it with them." Photos of the fliers were posted on Snapchat before they were removed.

The bloodandsoil.org domain was registered two weeks ago; its Youtube channel has been active for at least six months.



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This year you move to a new level of understanding when relating to different personalities. You learn to judge others less as you accept new ideas and different cultures. You relax with the moment and are more spontaneous. If you are single, try not to push someone to commit too soon. You will meet people more easily than in the recent past. If you are attached, the two of you connect on an even deeper level. Work through any nervousness by taking on a new hobby or sport together. LEO often makes you daydream.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ You will note a change in your energy and in what you can accomplish. You will want to work with others, but might not want to be the go-to person if your finances are involved. You tend to say "yes" too often, especially now. Tonight: Time for some fun and games.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Mars enters your sign today,
and extra energy becomes accessible to
you. If you don't have a good outlet for
your energy, you could become more
quarrelsome than you realize. This
planetary change also could add to your
magnetism. Tonight: Run an errand or
two.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ You might become rather self-destructive right now. If you can't have your way, you will internalize your feelings. You might want to update or revitalize an important relationship in your life. Take some much-needed personal time. Tonight: Not to be found.

Carpe Diem by Niklas Eriksson



Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



Intelligent Life by David Reddick



CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ A new friend could enter your life in the next few weeks, or an existing friend might become more dominant. Be willing to set boundaries, especially if this person's requests make you uncomfortable. Explain where you are coming from. Tonight: Treat yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Others see you as highly capable and very magnetic. Your creativity

I DON'T LIKE TO KEEP BOOZE IN THE PLACE WITH A KID AROUND.

emerges, no matter which way you turn. You would like to have someone understand you better, but the drive to do so needs to come from that person. Be reasonable with a request. Tonight:

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★ You are all smiles as you
attempt to have a discussion. You could
be dealing with a personal or work-related matter. You are likely to make quite

an impression on someone who seems sophisticated or knowledgeable. Tonight: Say less and listen more.

YOU'RE A GOOD DAD, SKIP.

LET'S MIX CHOCOLATE
MILK AND ALL THE
SODA TOGETHER AND
GET THE BIGGEST
SUGAR BUZZ

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ You will want to connect with
someone you care a lot about. This
person might be more divisive than you
realize and could be a source of stress.
Your best bet would be to do little and
detach. See more of what this person is
made of. Tonight: Opt for dinner for two.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ You have an unusual
opportunity to move forward, despite
someone else's opposition. In fact, this
person's reluctance often pushes you to
move forward. Stay clear of this negative
energy, and make choices for you.
Tonight: Say "yes" to a friend's somewhat

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Take an overview. You might opt
to make a resolution or get a fresh start
in an important area of your life. Do not
hold back if you're interested; dive right
in. You might need to use caution around
spending, especially if you're considering
making a change. Tonight: Say "yes."-

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ You could be sorry that you have
missed out on so much in your life. You
know what is necessary and worth doing.
Stay on top of a project, and don't let
others distract you. A partner will work
with you to achieve more of what you
desire. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ If you make the first move, you
might not like the results. If you hold
back, you will love all the attention and
flattery you receive. Clearly, there is an
interest in what you are doing, as others
want to get to know you better. Tonight:
Go along with what someone else wants.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ You know what you want to
do. When passion is behind a project or
a decision, you are likely to get better
results. Others appreciate your authenticity. Be careful in the next few weeks
about how you express your anger or
frustration! Tonight: Take time for some
personal matters.

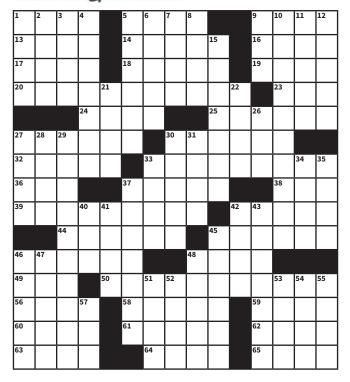
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TCU Trivia

Building Report: Moncrief Hall was built in 1988.

TRUE OR FALSE?

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- 1 Echoing sound in a hallway, mavbe
- 5 "Not this again!," e.g.
- 9 Idle laughter source?
- 13 Call with a raised hand
- 14 Clear, as a printer
- 16 Lyra's brightest star
- 17 British crown colony from 1937 to 1963
- 18 Animal that resembles a raccoon
- 19 Grp. that promised Trump "We'll see you in court
- 20 How a book in Hebrew is read [watch out now!]
- 23 London lav
- 24 Part of a bomb
- 25 Language in which "hello" is "annyeonghaseyo"
- 27 Proverb
- 30 Showed, as in a showroom
- 32 Zellweger of "Chicago"
- 33 Wagon train cry [you can relax

- 36 18-wheeler
- 37 Boxer Lennox
- 38 Really long time
- **39** Ready to leave the garage [here we go again!]
- 42 Little hoppers
- 44 Whole
- 45 Recently
- 46 Kind of bike
- 48 Some line cutters, in brief
- 49 Treatment for a sprain 50 How people are usually listed in photo captions [phew, all
- **56** Stretchers may touch them
- 58 Mr. Bean portrayer Atkinson
- 59 Crime film genre
- 60 Bone in a wing or arm
- 61 Like some moussed hair 62 Become
- clumped
- **63** William ____, early British P.M.
- **65** February 13, e.g.
- 64 Part of a flower

Down

- 1 Attack with a sword
- 2 "All done!" 3 Boardroom fig.
- 4 Conjunctivitis
- 5 Kind of membrane
- 6 Switch words
- 7 Open a bit
- **8** Grp. that has added 12 members since the end of the Cold War
- 9 Mendes of "2 Fast 2 Furious"
- 10 Aspiring band's goal
- 11 Brand of cooler
- 12 Leak fixer
- 15 Some baitfish
- **21** Bygone Winter Palace resident
- **22** Janowitz who wrote "Slaves of New York"
- 26 Poetic adverb
- 27 Spice Girl Halliwell
- 28 Rhineland
- 29 Food label listing
- 30 Divine water

- 31 Port with lots of lake-effect
- 33 Plant with spores
- 34 Its sound in old westerns was often simulated by a coconut
- 37 High school athletic awards
- 40 Southwest terminal?
- 41 Perfume container
- **42** Mix
- 43 "Vitruvian Man" artist
- 45 James Parkinson or Alois Alzheimer
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The newest film in Fox's X-Men franchise, "Logan" is a powerful and more mature take that borders the comic book and western genres.

The film follows an older and weary Wolverine (Jackman) as he protects the mysterious Laura (Dafne Keen) from a group of mercenaries with the help of his friend and mentor, Professor X (Patrick Stewart).

The plot is straightforward but contains surprisingly complex details and is worth emotional investment. The world of "Logan" has plenty of mysteries that encourage rewatching the film.

The main plot issues revolve around some specific story beats that may come across as cliché, but this never detracts too much from

its overall quality. It can also be slow at times, especially compared to other movies in the comic book genre, but these slow moments provide some nice emotional segments for the characters.

These small plot issues can be overlooked due to the extremely strong performances delivered by the cast. Jackman leads the way with his best performance as Wolverine, mixing the snark the character is now known for with a newfound weariness. Stewart also performs well as a weaker and more confused Professor X. The real standout, however. is newcomer Dafne Keen as Laura. Keen provides a tangible sense of strength and pure rage in her role, making her extremely fun to watch and easy to invest. Boyd Holbrook rounds out the cast as the villainous and arrogant

Pierce, making him a nice foil to Wolverine.

The character developments are the driving force of the film. Wolverine's arc is extremely well-done, feeling concise and believable. The heart of the film comes from the bonds that the three leads foster and develop through their journey. It is easy to care about what happens to them and leads to some satisfying payoffs in the end. The film also feels like a culmination of all the films featuring Wolverine and Professor X, making it even more impactful and conclusive.

"Logan" is also incredible visually. The film's lighting and color choices help emphasize the different locations and how they feel, ranging from the solitude of the desert to the hustle and bustle of the city.

These backdrops and locations also provide a sense of realistic wonder. emphasizing the natural and practical look of the film. The film also contains some beautiful shots that come across as simple yet extremely effective in their nature. The only detractor in the film's visuals come from some barely used CGI that seems out of place in comparison to everything else.

Overall, "Logan" is a must-see for fans of the character or comic book movies in general. Audiences should know that the film takes it's R-rating seriously; and ups the language and violence to "Deadpool" levels, which makes it inappropriate for younger audiences compared to the previous films.



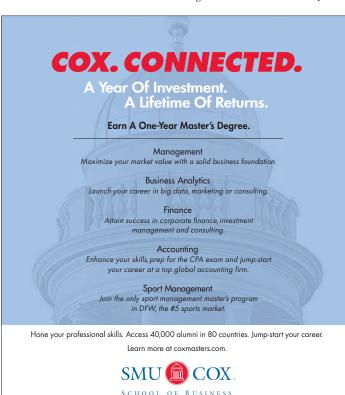
PHOTO COURTESY OF BEN ROTHSTEIN/TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX VIA AP Hugh Jackman said this would be his last time playing the

Verdict:

An emotionally compelling journey from start to finish, "Logan" blends powerful performances and stunning visuals to create an incredible send-off for one of cinema's most beloved heroes.







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