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Spring Sports at TWC

By Brandon Keys
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Its finally March and you know what that means? No, it's not just time for you to enjoy your favorite Irish Holiday. No, it's not just time for you to get ready for your team to dominate in the NCAA tournament. March is important for another reason: Lacrosse and baseball.

The Lady Bulldogs Lacrosse team began the

season with a 17 to 6 whipping of Kennesaw State. Domination occurred in all parts of the field. Offensively, Whitney Dixe and Tess Sasse registered 6 and 5 goals respectively. Even though they have only played one game improvement has been shown by this team. They have learned how to deal with pressure and rely on each other. Because the Lady Bulldogs only have the mini-

mum requirement of players on the team, it requires them to play well together and stay healthy. Team Captain Emily Clevenger and Defenseman Bobbie Newcomb both agree that execution will be the key to their success the rest of the season. "We just have to practice and play hard in order to win" said Newcomb.

If they play as well as they did against Kennesaw State they will have

no problem doing just that.

The TWC Men's Lacrosse team is just 2 and 4 on the young season, but don't let their record fool you. Their competition has been excellent all year playing teams like Pfiffer, UNC Charlotte, and defending National Champion West Minster. They gave West Minster all they could handle finally falling at home by a 10 to 8 final.

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An Ambitious 100 Days

By Ashley Ham
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President Barack Obama made many promises to the American people while on the campaign trail. Now, we are witnessing his ambitious agenda to pull our country out of its recession and reestablish our nation as top dog in the world. The President addressed Congress in February with the intention of explaining and promoting his billion

dollar economic stimulus package as well as his initiatives for the next four years. President Obama will be spending roughly \$1.7 trillion to support a universal health care plan, better education, clean and independent energy sources, and other initiatives on his agenda. Despite his massive projected spending, President Obama announces a decline in our nation's debt from the

already \$1.5 trillion to an estimated \$533 billion by the year 2013. Obama told Congress and Americans, both of whom are skeptical of the budget plan, that we are making long-term investments and most of his projects will not begin to take effect for a couple of years. In addition to health care and education, Obama promises tax cuts to working America.

Important!

The Career Center and the Business Department will host its second Career/Job Fair on Wednesday, April 8, 2009 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm in Elliott Hall.

Junior and Senior Business students are encouraged to attend. For additional information, please contact Mrs. Vibbert (746-5224) in Townsend Hall or Mrs. Kathy Mashburn (746-5211) in Elliott Hall.



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Dr. Doug's Dozen

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Twelve Ways to know your mobile device (i.e. I-DooDah) is out of control:

12. You sleep with your I-DooDah
11. You talk to your I-DooDah whether it's on or off
10. Naturally, your I-DooDah is never off
9. Your I-DooDah has a seat at your table
8. Your thumbs are uncannily strong
7. You can't pay rent, but, you can afford your I-DooDah
6. T9 is no longer the halfway point of a golf game to you
5. You text people sitting right beside you
4. You no longer recognize the human voice
3. You have trained your pets to text
2. For the shower, you invent "I-DooDah on a Rope"

And the number one way to know your I-DooDah is out of control....

You have no real life – dude, get a life – it's a machine!!!

Making the Most of Your Refunds

By Mallory Hayes
Staff Writer

Each year the Internal Revenue Service distributes tax refund checks to millions of Americans. In 2006, over \$110 million was given back to the American people. As for the 2009 tax season, who is to say you might not be one of those fortunate recipients, and what exactly do you plan to do with all that extra cash?

The first instinct of many may be to book it up to Turkey Creek and take a spending spree. Before you do this, however, ask yourself if you can afford to spend it? It is not advisable to frivolously dish out money for a new MP3 player if you are already up to your ears in credit card debt. The first course of action when

unexpected money falls into your pocket should be to reduce or eliminate your debts (personal or to the credit card companies). Taking care of debts sooner rather than later will cut down on the money you will spend on interest in the long run.

Another worthwhile use for the money would be improving or maintaining the value of your assets. Use the money to take care of your car or house. Change the oil in your vehicle to protect your engine from wear and tear—taking care of it now may keep you from having to replace it later. You can also increase the value of your home by spending a small amount on internal repairs and

improvements. These few and relatively inexpensive actions will easily pay for themselves over time.

If all else fails, feel free to take your check straight to the mall and spend it on a nice pair of fuzzy socks. During America's current economic struggle, spending money on life's little extras will do nothing but help the situation by providing stimulus to many faltering companies.

Regardless of what you do with your tax refund, make a careful and thoughtful decision that is best for your situation. Do not be too hasty to spend every cent the day your check comes in the mail—you can always save it for a rainy day.

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“Prepare yourself.”

Spring Sports

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Despite this tough schedule the Bulldogs have been very competitive. Last year's NAIA Rookie of the year Joel Gossner headlines the offensive attack while Goalie Jonathan Lemoine shuts down teams by posting a great save percentage, ranking 5th in the nation in that category.

With these team leaders the Bulldogs should have what it takes to get over the hump. In order to do that though, they have to play better as a team. "We are easily over .500 if we play as a team" said Long Stick Middle Philip Hamilton, adding "We have

a great offense and defense, we just have to play together." There is only one more game in Athens for the Bulldogs, but they do have a key matchup against UTK in Knoxville.

The baseball season at TWC is well under way, and some surprises have happened early on. The Bulldogs have gotten off to somewhat of a slow start at 9 wins and 7 losses. Most of these losses though can be attributed to the tough schedule the Bulldogs have played. Three of their seven losses have come to teams in the top 25 in the country.

In order for the Diamond Dogs to get back to their winning ways they

have to do a few things. "Hit & Runs, stealing bags, and you know just playing small ball is what we need to do" says OF/DH Brian Miracle. The Bulldogs will look to rally behind this mindset as they get ready to enter conference play; one that they have dominated over the last 7 years. In addition to this way of thinking they will look to get solid play from their leaders. With the stellar pitching of Jonathan Swartout, who has posted an astounding 1.19 ERA, and Matt Stanley who has a batting average of .417 the Bulldogs should be able to experience the same type of success over recent years.

Did You Ever Wonder?

By Lonnie Mays
Staff Writer

Why do we wear green for St. Patrick's Day? March 17th is St. Patrick's Day, and tradition requires everyone to wear the color green to avoid getting pinched.

St. Patrick is the Patron Saint of Ireland. He was kidnapped from Scotland and taken to Ireland around the year 403 AD. He was sold into slavery to tend flocks of sheep until six years later when he escaped to the

coast. St. Patrick joined the Catholic Church and returned to Ireland with his apostles and performed many miracles over his long life.

Ireland is known as the Emerald Isle. The rolling hills and vast valleys of Ireland are beautifully green. One third of the Irish flag is green.

Shamrocks are a type of clover that were first named in Ireland. St. Patrick used the shamrock to teach the Holy Trinity to the people of

Ireland. This has become an international symbol for people of the world to associate with Ireland. Of course shamrocks are green.

So why do we wear green for St. Patrick's Day? Green is usually only worn in the United States. The tradition of pinching those who didn't wear green started was by school children.

An old Irish toast May you be in Heaven half an hour before the devil knows your dead.

Arts Center Happenings

By Gray Wattenbarger
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You're probably getting emails about what all is happening at The Arts Center, but here is an in-depth look at what all is going on.

Coming up on March 13th there will be a special show! This concert will reunite three musicians who have not played together in over 35 years! RoadApple, the band's name, has only had one concert to date. This concert will be a special one for TWC students, especially since the one and only concert was in 1974 in Townsend Auditorium.

SGA decided to find some local talent as a warm-up band for a symphony concert, and it just so happened RoadApple was it! RoadApple will perform on Friday, March 13th at 7:30 PM at The Arts Center.

Throughout March, an assortment of watercolor paintings will be on display at The Arts Center. The artist, Sandy Brown, has enti-

tled her gallery Unmapped. The Arts Center says, "The focus is upon painting relationships rather than things and personifying or giving shape to emotions."

Ms. Brown is the watercolor instructor at The Arts Center, so be sure to check up on when watercolor lessons will be taught! The show will end on Friday, March 27th.

On Thursday, April 16th, Chapter 6 will be performing live at The Arts Center! Chapter 6 will be performing an array of songs, including a capella, jazz, rock, gospel, pop, and classical! The event, sponsored by Tennessee Wesleyan College, is sure to be a crowd pleaser! The Arts Center is very excited about having such a dynamic and exciting group! Don't forget to check it out- Friday, March 16th at 7:30 PM!

Be sure to be on the lookout for more emails about The Arts Center that are sure to come your way!



Crosswalk Dangers

By Shana Mathis
Staff Writer

Have you walked on the crosswalk by the gymnasium and almost get hit by a car? If so, how does that make you feel? Does it make you feel invincible because you have yet to get hit by a car? Hopefully, you are concerned for your safety. If you are concerned about whether you will get hit going to or from classes, then here are some tips in order to keep yourself safe and cautious given to Mrs. Marsha Zaleta from the Public Works Department of Athens.

- When approaching the crosswalk, DO NOT stand in front of the infrared bollards unless you are ready to cross.
- Avoid using any cellular devices or music devices; you need to keep your eyes and ears open as you cross the street.
- DO NOT step onto the crosswalk until you

see that you have an adequate gap in traffic or all four lanes of vehicles have stopped COMPLETELY.

- On bad weather days (ice, snow, etc.) allow enough time for vehicles to stop.
- DO NOT run for you may trip,

I'm sure all of you have felt a draft up the back your shirt from a vehicle that zooms right by, or you had to jump back because they either did not see you. Or, perhaps they were traveling too fast to stop. When interviewed about what most worries her as she crosses the road, Brittany Verner answered, "[I'm worried about] getting sideswiped by an automobile that couldn't see you crossing because of another vehicle." Just follow these simple steps and you will be safer each and every day!

Driving Hazards

By Jon M. Heatherly
Editor-in-chief

Okay, I'm going to be as apparent as I can about this. There are many different kinds of drivers out there. You have those who are very fast and love to lead the way. Others just follow and use the fast person(s) as an example. However, there is a third group, among others, that I wish to discuss.

Personally, I am a quick driver. I do about 10 mph more than the speed limit on average, but who doesn't? There are simple rules about

the road everyone should know. You should stop at stop signs and red lights, yield the right of way, and follow the speed "limit" (suggestion). Yet, there are those who don't completely understand.

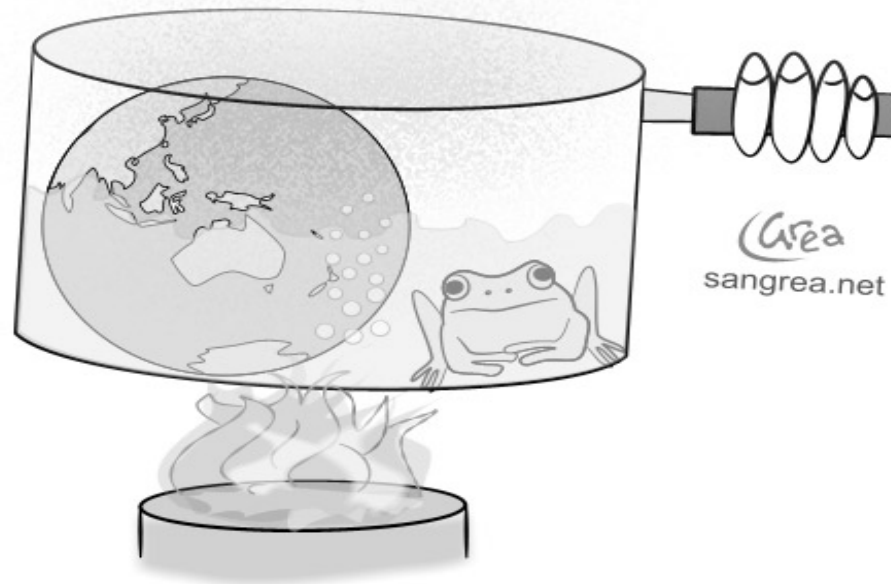
To be very frank, the left lane is the FAST LANE. It is for those who are maniacal in their driving and want to get somewhere fast. Yes, it is sometimes bad for the environment and may cause accidents, but the slow drivers of the road are a danger, too.

My point is that the left lane of the road is not there to go the

same speed as the right lane. You stay there on 3 conditions:

- 1) You are going quickly.
- 2) You are trying to pass.
- 3) Someone is merging onto the interstate, and you are trying to allow them passage.

Unless you are following these conditions, stay out of the left lane. This is my one and only warning before your backend gets a personal introduction to my front bumper. Have a nice day.



All you need to do is boil it slowly