

## Underground Faculty Parking Garage Discovered

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Students have frequently grumbled about the lack of parking available to them on campus. Even with the additional spaces opened in Thomas Garage during the middle of the 2015 Spring semester, commuters still have to race around West Parking Garage searching for an available space.

However, faculty members have been less vocal about this conundrum seemingly as if it does not affect them. We all know professors, administration, and campus workers drive in from all over the greater Tampa Bay area to fulfill their working adult duties. The question is where do they all park?

At first glance, it may seem all members of the UTampa faculty can comfortably nestle their mid-sized sedans and shiny sports cars in front of Jenkins and Vaughn, upon further inspection it's obvious there are less cars than faculty on campus. Ignoring the possibility of carpooling (because who does that) and biking (definitely no one "cool" enough for that on staff), it only leaves one option. There is an underground garage for faculty that has been kept from the student body.

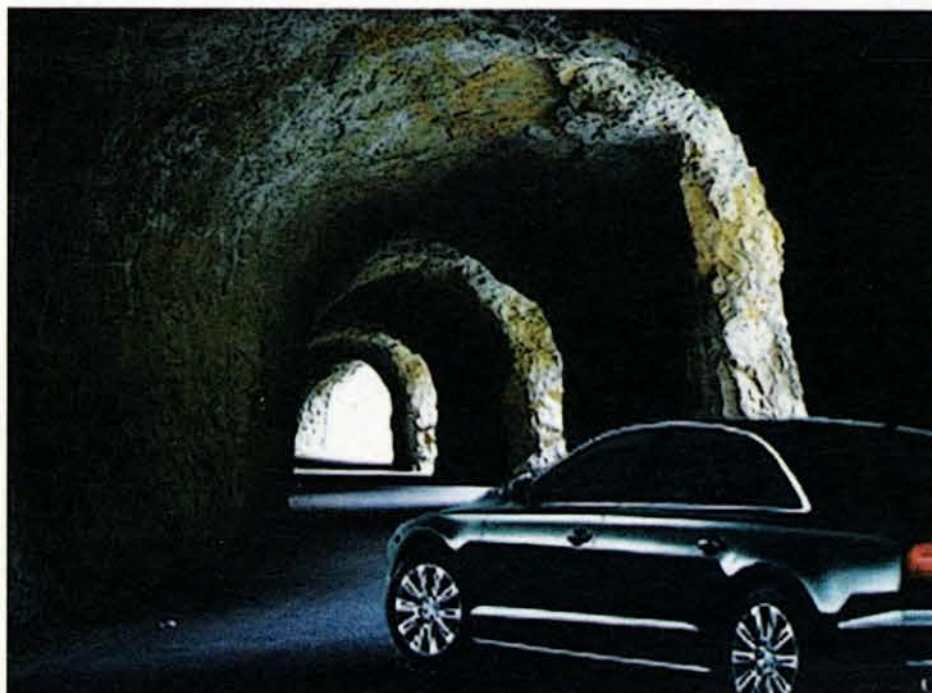
Currently under investigation,

it is believed the garage is located somewhere between Cass Street and Kennedy Blvd and the Hillsborough River and North Boulevard. This gives us a relatively large area to work with, but when we study the behavior of professors exiting buildings to head home we can find the entranceways. Many professors use the side entrance to Plant Hall, which is conveniently located above the back end of the Rathskeller.

The basement doors leading down into the old speak-easy are always secured when students are present, but with a certain password (or series of taps; still investigating this as well) the doors will quickly open. Faculty members can jump into what looks like an open cellar from the platform above and be transported via swirly slide to the garage below.

It is unclear if there are other amenities available to professors in this underground labyrinth, but their inability to comment on the food selection available on campus leads one to wonder. If we want to be taken seriously as young adults in charge of our lives we must demand this space be made available for our use.

Disregarding the updated dorms, state of the art business school, and



Actual shot of the underground garage. This what they're keeping from us.

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newly renovated pool what has the administration really provided us? An upper level education many Americans are throwing thousands of dollars into the corrupt system we call government aid? Maybe. Either way, we must stick our nose in this if we want to fully enjoy the college experience we were promised. There will be a

petition signing in Vaughn Lobby (free baked goods for all those that sign) that demands president Vaughn give students access to the underground inter-workings of UTampa. Show your support for your fellow Spartans by signing today!

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## UT Cats Help Easter Bunny Rescue Bunnies

By ZOE FOWLER  
It's Always the Quiet One



Here comes Peter Cottontail, hopping down to bust some animals out of the zoo. The Easter Bunny is now being hailed a national hero after successfully

orchestrating the rescue of hundreds of bunnies who call the UT campus home. The rescue mission went down at the Charity Animal Zoo.

Sean Fort, detective of the Animal Rescue division of the FBI, discovered the zoo was corrupt. The funds that were donated to the zoo by patrons and visitors were used to pay for vacations and the worker's bonus. The zoo is listed as a non-profit organization on charitychecker.org, a website that lists charities' audits and rates them according to how they run their business. The zoo is now a 3.5 rating.

"I'd gotten several tips from my informant, The Big EB. I looked at their audits and those documents seemed suspicious, so I continued to search."

The Easter Bunny supported Fort's statement. "As soon as I heard from the inside what was happening at the zoo, I told Sean that something needed to be done," he

said. "He gave me the OK to go on a mission to release the cats. According to Jesus and the Easter holiday, bunnies aren't allowed to be zoo animals."

The zoo denied the accusations of cruelty. "All of our funds come from animal owners, local charities and business owners who sponsor us," the owner of the Charity Animal Zoo, Mike Will said. "There is no way we would do something so unjust. We care about our animals."

The animals at the zoo are available for adoption, according to the Charity Animal Zoo. At their annual charity event dubbed "An Animal for All," animals are auctioned and other prizes in order to keep the zoo in business.

Those who bought animals from the event in the past, and who still support the zoo have expressed that they're surprised and doubtful of the allegations.

"I rescued my bunny in September. I named him Dave after Dave Chappelle. He's my favorite comedian," Shirley Thompson, 21 and florist shop owner. "Anyway, the workers at Charity Animal Zoo have been nothing but kind to me and my Dave. I highly doubt they could ever use my hard-earned money for selfish purposes."

One of the fellow partners of the zoo wished to remain anonymous for fear of losing his job. "I suspected something was wrong when we didn't have enough money to keep some of the animals in the zoo, which is why many dogs, tiny elephants and

tigers were auctioned off," the partner said. "I also witnessed the animals being abused. The workers didn't give them enough food, whipped them with a makeshift wire whip when they refused to comply with demands. It was horrible."

The zoo houses dogs, tiny elephants, tigers, pigeons, parrots and zebras among many other animals. The variety of animals that are at the zoo is what makes it such a big attraction for children and the elderly. They are allowed to personally interact with the animals and feed them.

Patricia Hart, 61, is a bank owner who frequently visits the zoo. She said her mundane life at the Remington Bank is what attracts her to the zoo.

"If I'm having a terrible, which is kind of every day, I go to the zoo after work. The close interaction we're allowed to have with the animals lifts my spirits," Hart said. "Although the animals look happy when visitors are at the zoo, I saw one bear who was trying to escape. That was suspicious to me at the moment, but I just shrugged it off."

The cats who helped with the mission weren't allowed to comment. The bunnies were too traumatized to give a comment to *The Minaret*.

The Animal Charity Zoo is required to reimburse the visitors, animal rescue centers and business owners' their money.

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# Metro Market is Culinary Genius

By GRIFFIN GUINTA

Lord and Savior

When I strolled into the West Kennedy Metro Mart this past Tuesday at 11:53 p.m., I had no idea what to expect. Surely a place with such fine culinary standards would cost a fortune, and by no means be suitable for my peasant taste buds. Much to my surprise, the fried chicken was not only economically priced, but also just the right amount of delicious. All kinds of flavor erupted in my mouth that I could hardly comprehend what sensation I was feeling. Was it salty, then greasy, then salty again? Or was it greasy, salty, and greasy again? The world may never know.

I had a chance to sit down with Metro Mart's head chef, Mike (he refused to give his last name for "security" reasons), to discuss the intricate process a bona fide fried chicken chef goes through on a daily basis. Mike has been making the popular gas station's chicken as of yesterday.



"First you take out the chicken. Then you dip it in the batter. Then you fry it," he said. "Really, that's all you do. I'm not making this stuff up."

Though modest on the exterior, Mike is quite gleeful about the amount of attention Metro Mart has been getting. Just last week, renowned chef/hardass Gordon Ramsay stopped by to see what all the buzz was about. Before threatening to burn down the gas station for its "putrid" smell, the fiery Brit indulged in the #3 Drumstick Combo Meal, which comes with two whole drumsticks, a side of mashed potato substitute, and a cherry slushie. Said Ramsey, "This is easily the most terrible meal I've ever had. Terrible in that I wish I'd had it sooner. Only a world



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class chef could have known how much pepper to inject into this tender cut of poultry. Only a world class chef would know that the mysterious sweetness of the cherry slush coupled with the gooey consistency of mashed potatoes is an ingenious combination. Brilliant. Absolutely brilliant."

As for my personal experience, I have to say that the ambience lended itself to be the most enjoyable part. When you walk in, nobody even looks up to acknowledge your presence, which is fantastic. We all know how annoying it is when the front desk host hassles you about how many people are in your party. You don't come to a restaurant to count—you come to eat. Some may take the Metro Mart workers' aloofness as rude, but I found it to be oddly comforting. It's like somehow they know you're going to get fried chicken without you even saying a word.

And if you're seeking entertainment,

look no further. In my brief stay at the 'Mart, I was graced with the musical stylings of Billy Bob Jackson, a janitor who plays harmonica while simultaneously using his mop as an air guitar. His soothing rhythm of "She'll Be Comin' Round the Mountain," transported me into a distant, empty land of hay bales and corn bread, which eventually made me realize "hey, this would be the perfect spot to propose to my future wife."

All in all, Metro Mart tops my list of restaurants I've reviewed thus far. (This is my first restaurant review.) The discolored meat that falls right off the bones, the endless variations of the same fried chicken, and an ambience comparable to a Parisian cafe—all of these are components that make Metro Mart the prime dining destination of Tampa.

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# Creed Serenades Us Into Clay

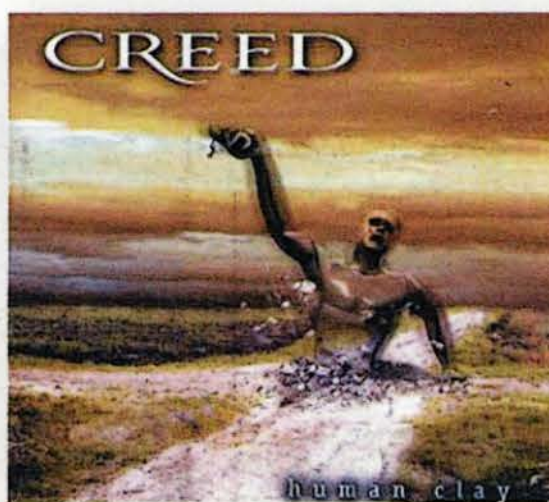
By JORDAN WALSH

Lives in a Box

Nevermind the fact that it came out in 1999, Creed's "Human Clay" is the best record of 2015. In fact, it is the best record of all the years since 1999, and I'll even say that it was the best record of 1998--because it's that good.

This guy, Scott Stapp, has this beautiful voice-- a vaguely southern twang that kind of sounds as if it's been soaked in egg yolk. And the way his melodies somehow never stop climbing higher and higher is a testament to his ability to sing about going higher and higher, like in the song "Higher." I just listened to this record for almost three whole minutes and I feel like I have actually become higher somehow, like I'm on a mountain and about to pass out or I'm in outer space and starting to suffocate. This is a testament to music's ability to make listeners really feel something, and remind us that death and dying in the hands of faux-threatening post-grunge hooks are just beautiful parts of life.

One of the reasons why Creed is so great is because they're from Florida. I mean, who else so completely embodies the humid, hellish atmosphere of America's



most offensively shaped state? They say that if you go to the Everglades on a warm, lonely, foggy evening, you'll be able to hear "Human Clay" just ever so faintly, rising from the mouths of the alligators. It doesn't get more Florida than that. Also, without Creed, we would never have our modern heroes in Nickelback. So there's that.

Oh, and the music videos--have you ever seen that one for "With Arms Wide Open?" At one point, Stapp actually is singing with his arms wide open. That's some kind of meta-performance, that's art right there. Like it says that in the song and ah you get it.

Why even talk about any record

that's come out since? "Kid A" is literal garbage when held up next to this work of art. Bon Iver? Never heard of him. Kendrick Lamar, do you even "Human Clay?" Do you even post-grunge? Didn't think so. And the guys in Creed have way better hair than the dudes in The Beatles. I don't know how, but that makes "Human Clay" better than "Sgt. Pepper."

Also, "Human Clay" is almost an hour long. It's kind of incredible, it's a testament to the talent that is Creed, that they can make a record that just keeps going and going and going and really, when you think about it, never seems to end. I can hear it now and it's not even playing....it's in my brain...it's like, a part of me. Oh my god, am I "Human Clay?"

Uh, anyway. Great record. Pick it up. There might be around 30 copies shoved into the sparse music collection at your local thrift shop or in your dad's glovebox. Don't be alarmed when it starts playing. That's just the music turning your brain to mush-- a totally legitimate side-effect of great art.

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# University of Tampa to Ban All Alcohol: Effective As Soon As You Read This

## CAMPUS

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### NO ALCOHOL FOR YOU

Effective immediately, the University of Tampa will be banning all alcohol possession and consumption on campus. An official announcement will soon be made about this amendment to the Student Code of Conduct and thereafter all students, including those 21 and over, will be subject to room searches. If alcohol is discovered in your room after the announcement is made, you will be sent to the Office of Student Conduct and will be subject to fines, mandatory community service hours and/or counseling sessions. UT's student drinking habits have gotten out of control and as much as it may be unfortunate to hear, our school needs this new policy for the betterment of our campus life.

Students go to university to get an education, not to binge drink, but all too often students can be seen stumbling back onto campus after a late night bender and it has become a disruption to our learning environment. The new drinking policy will be fully realized next fall and will also prohibit drunkenness on campus. If you are stopped by a security guard after returning from an off campus party intoxicated, you

will also be subject to punishment via the updated drinking policy. The goal is to increase student productivity and to foster a generation of well-adjusted and healthy students as they become adults. Some may view this new policy to be too strict or even unreasonable, but if students knew how to drink responsibly in the first place there would be no need for UT to step in.

After reviewing this semester's incoming My Student Body results, an online course students are required to take before entering UT, the Office of Student Conduct realized that the drinking habits of incoming students are dangerously high. As a result, RAs will soon be prepared to perform more thorough room searches to prevent on campus drinking. "Personally, I'm glad that we're becoming a dry campus," said Gwen Fitzgerald, a botany major and RA in Vaughn. "I see so many intoxicated freshman everyday and it just makes my job harder." It's awful to see students who believe that you can't have fun without being drunk. This way of thinking can have a negative impact on how they view the world and can even lead to drinking problems in the future.

I know what you might be thinking. Is a dry campus, especially for those who are 21 and older, even legal? Yes, it most certainly is. Since UT is a private university, they reserve the right to implement policies such as this at their own discretion. And apparently they aren't the only ones: "The Princeton Review recently named 10 of the



Photo courtesy of Sam Allen  
All booze will be banned for all students, especially those who are over 21, starting four minutes ago.

most "stone-cold sober" schools. The list -- a mixture of women's colleges, religious institutions, military academies and the occasional random selection -- was compiled using student reviews," writes *The Huffington Post* in their article "Stone-Cold Sober Schools: Princeton Review List."

With UT as a dry campus, students will have a safer environment where they can focus on what really matters:

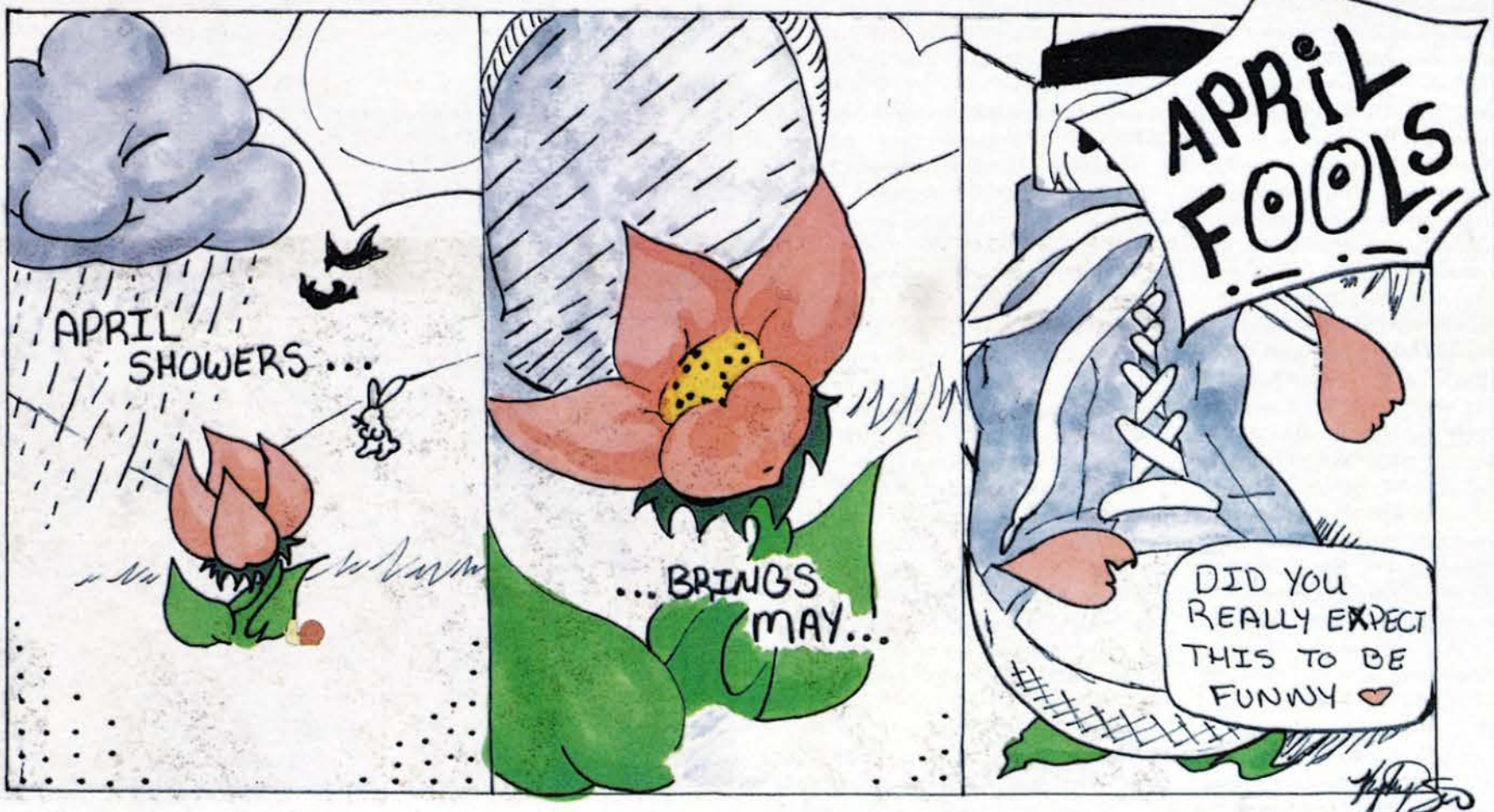
education. This new drinking policy is necessary if we are going to uphold UT's reputation as an outstanding school that values scholarship and student safety over all else. Employers won't take you seriously if you graduate from a "party school," so throw out your booze and hit the books. You'll be better for it in the end.

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## Commentary:

NOW THAT IT'S THE SECOND

By Kaytlyn Sims





# Dunk Squad Tops University of Kentucky

UT intramural basketball takes the ball to the wall

By GRIFFIN GUINTA

These youngbloods don't know it's all about the baskets

In a surprising twist of fate, UT Intramural team Dunk Squad beat Kentucky 83-82 last night in the Final Four, leaving many gamblers out in Las Vegas very unhappy.

Dunk Squad sophomore Samuel Boatwright led the charge for the Spartans, scoring 25 points to go along with 11 rebounds. Guard Marcus Mitchell chipped in a career high two points.

Kentucky's Willie-Cauley Stein went 11-of-14 from the field and tallied 18 points in the losing effort. Phenom twins Aaron and Andrew Harrison did not play due to sabotage "the flu."

UK Coach John Calipari described the loss as "unacceptable," and is pressing the NCAA on how a non-NCAA certified, pickup basketball league team could have possibly been allowed into the March Madness tournament.

"I just don't understand," he said. "They're not even a real team."

The NCAA defended its decision to retain Dunk Squad in the tournament in a press release published this morning.

"The NCAA stands by its decision to retain this intramural team in the tournament," NCAA president Eark Memmert stated. "They won our #jointournament Twitter contest fair and square, so they have every right to be here. Did anyone expect them to win? Absolutely not. But the rules are rules, and we never break those."

Despite the controversy surrounding their win, the boys from UT are elated after the momentous win. When asked what his favorite memory from the game was, sophomore forward Phil Novotny recalled his game-winning dunk with few seconds to spare.

"Dunking over Willie-Cauley Stein will be forever etched in my mind. He was all 'You can't take me bro,' so I just leapt on top of his shoulders, spun in the air for a few minutes, and threw down an earth-shattering dunk. It literally defied physics," Novotny said.

Now that Dunk Squad has proven themselves a legitimate program, sponsorships are slowly starting to trickle in. For instance, their home arena, the Bob Martinez Athletics Center, will be changing to Sodexo Arena this Friday. Tony, the notorious omelette maker from the Café, is slated to become the first PA announcer in Dunk Squad history.

UT alumni were also abuzz following the historic victory. Miles Parks, class of 2013, was in attendance at the game and recalled his experience as the only Dunk Squad fan in the entire arena.

"It was surreal being the only UT fan there," he said. "I mean sure, I had beer poured in my hair on multiple occasions, but none of that mattered when the final buzzer sounded and I triumphantly stormed the court to embrace my boys. They didn't say anything, nor did they have any idea of who I was, and that's totally cool. I'm sure they were just caught up in the moment. What a win. What a game."

All this hype could easily go to the players' heads, so Dunk Squad head coach Jordan Llanes is ensuring that his players stay humble.



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Dunk Squad forward Phil Novotny scores the game winning points over UK's Willie Cauley-Stein.

With a Final Four matchup against Frank Kaminsky and Wisconsin looming, Llanes has been implementing rigorous practices every day.

"Yeah, uh, first we play some NBA 2K15 to warm up our shooting. Afterwards, we hit McDonalds to stock up on protein, and finally I have the guys play HORSE to get into that competitive spirit," he said.

Dunk Squad has done the improbable. Every day, their story develops more twists than a Disney sports movie. Blink twice and you might just miss them winning the NCAA tournament.

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# UT Baseball Makes the Move to the Majors

Spartans Go Pro, Yo

By JORDAN LLANES

Assistant to the assistant who is the assistant who assists that guy Phil

After defeating the Philadelphia Phillies 6-2 in an exhibition matchup last month, Major League Baseball has decided that the University of Tampa Spartans will be invited to join their ranks as the 31st franchise in major league history.

"It was definitely a surprise when we got the call from Commissioner Manfred," said Athletic Director Larry Marfise. "However, the amount of revenue that this move would create, plus the opportunity to play as a major league team, was just too great of an opportunity to pass up."

Once the NCAA season ends for the Spartans, they will begin their transition towards the MLB. They will be renamed the Tampa Spartans, and plans for a new stadium in Channelside are already being planned, with Tampa Bay Lightning owner Jeff Vinik in talks to purchase the Spartans' rights as an MLB team. Vinik's ownership of the Lightning only serves as a plus in the eyes of Commissioner Manfred.

"I am excited for the Tampa Spartans to join Major League Baseball as our 31st team," Manfred said in a press conference yesterday, alongside prospective owner Vinik. "Jeff Vinik, the owner of the Lightning, is in talks to buy the team's rights from the University of Tampa. This will create a strong revenue stream for Major League Baseball in Tampa, as the city of St.

Petersburg just won't let the Rays leave for some odd reason."

After the announcement that the Spartans will be making the leap to the major leagues, Vinik announced that he would hire Rays General Manager Matt Silverman to the same position with the Spartans. Furthermore, the future owner announced manager Joe Urso would serve as the club's manager after his highly successful tenure at the university, and Vinik believes that those skills will translate to the major league level.

"Joe has a lot of the skills that I saw in Joe Maddon when the Rays first hired him," said Vinik in the same press conference with Manfred. "His ability to communicate with his players is second to none, and his winning pedigree and calm demeanor will be a great influence for our young team."

Despite being hired by the Rays to fill former GM Andrew Friedman's shoes earlier this offseason, Silverman decided to take the Spartans' job after the overwhelming rumors that the Rays will move to Montreal following the expiration of their lease at Tropicana Field in 2022. A statement has not been issued by the Spartans' new general manager, but expect him to speak at length on the franchise's bright future in the Tampa Bay area at the team's first press conference on Sunday.

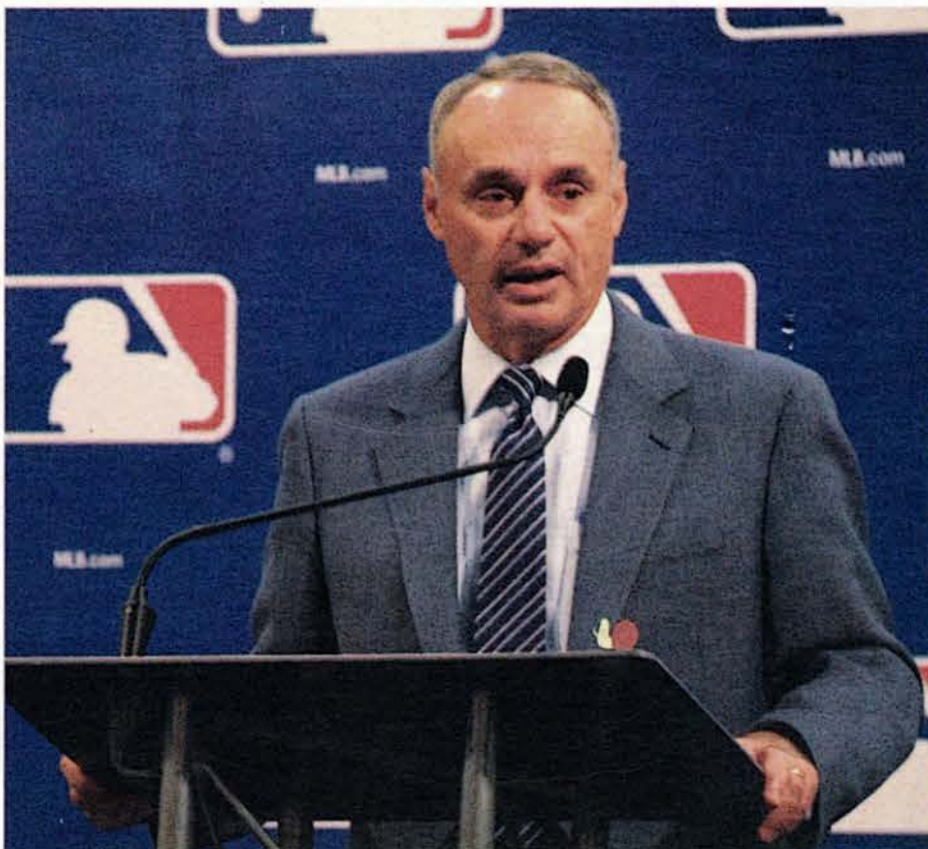
Even though it is essentially a "done deal that the Rays will move to Montreal after the 2022 season," according to CBS Sports' Jon Heyman, Rays principal owner Stuart Steinberg says there is a still some hope that the franchise will be able to stay in the Tampa Bay area.

"Although we have some competition across the bay with the installation of the Spartans, there is still hope for us the reach a deal for a new stadium here in the Tampa Bay area before the end of our lease at Tropicana Field," said Steinberg from his home in New York. "Even though we are continuously working on a deal to keep the team here, we have begun to look at other options. Montreal is one of those options."

Nevertheless, the Rays' presence on the other side of the bay in St. Petersburg provides an immediate rival for the Spartans for at least the

next few seasons. However, there is an issue with players. The team will have an expansion draft scheduled for after the upcoming MLB season, but current Spartans will also have Major League deals with the club once they graduate from the University of Tampa. This was one condition issued by Marfise and university president Dr. Ronald L. Vaughn before selling the team to the MLB, which Commissioner Manfred happily accepted at the press conference.

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MLB Commissioner Rob Manfred speaks at a press conference announcing the Spartans move to the MLB.