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Campus crime down, report says

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Even six is too many when it comes to crime.

The annual campus security report shows burglaries were down from eight the previous year to six, which is still too many for Felisa Barnes, campus security manager. Aggravated assaults were also down to two from the previous year's three.

"Most people would think our

numbers would be higher," Barnes said. "I think the community respects Wesleyan, and it brings respect."

Barnes credited Wesleyan's low numbers to its small student population compared to that of other universities.

"It's like comparing Los Angeles to Louisiana," she said.

While many complain that Wesleyan security does not possess guns, Barnes said the attitude and perfor-

mance of Wesleyan's security shows they are unnecessary.

"[Texas Christian University] has armed officers and their [crime rate] numbers are up," she said.

Many people also underestimate the close relationship Wesleyan security has with the Fort Worth Police Department, Barnes said. She cited the President's Honors Concert as an example of increased FWPD presence, though it wasn't blatant.

On-campus liquor-law violations

plummeted from 18 to four while drug abuse violations skyrocketed from four to 16. Unless it is a significant amount of contraband, security turns offenders over to Dean of Students Cary Poole.

"The law only gives them a slap on the hand," said Barnes in reference to minor infractions. "I'm totally against drugs, but sometimes it's just residue and a lot of it is drug paraphernalia."

Poole said the punishment tradi-

tionally depends on the type of violation and quantity of substance. If students are caught with marijuana considered for personal use they are put on probation.

"We're able to salvage their academic career," he said.

Students who are suspected of dealing or trafficking, or are caught with more severe drugs like meth, are suspended.

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Basketball team puts up record numbers

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The Rams snapped their 32-game winning streak.

The men's basketball team's first loss in 738 days came Feb. 4 at the hands of Texas College who beat the Rams 82-69.

The previous loss was to Jarvis Christian College Jan. 28, 2008. After that, the Rams surpassed their record of 23 straight wins set in 1942.

"It was a nice ongoing record to have," said Head Coach Terry Waldrop. "I don't think it affected our game in any way, though. We just did all the little things you need to win, that is, mainly rebounding and defending."

During the streak, the Rams defeated some of the best teams in the country, including Oklahoma City University, LSU Shreveport, Oklahoma Baptist University and Oklahoma Christian University.

With the return to NAIA and under the lead of Waldrop and Brennen Shingleton, a program built on character, hard work and consistency led to success.

In 2006, the Rams not only qualified for the national tournament for the first time since 1983 and thus ended a 23-year drought, but went all the way to the national title.

Having established themselves as regulars on the na-

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About a foot of snow blankets the campus and closes the school Feb. 12. For more pictures see page 4 or go online for videos.

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Wesleyan glows with snow

Coffee Shop boasts new menu items

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The best part of waking up might be some more coffee in your cup.

And some breakfast.

The Coffee X Spot has extended its hours to include Saturdays from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and expanded its menu.

"The hours are awesome," said Leslie Elston, junior music education major. "I live on campus so it's good to have another option of where to eat."

Quentin Myers, senior social science major, agreed. "I think having Saturday hours is a good idea, especially because of the students who have Saturday classes," he said.

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"Now they have somewhere to go eat before or after their classes instead of starving all day."

New menu choices include a chai latte, coffee cake and breakfast burritos. According to the Coffee X Spot newsletter, egg and cheese burritos with either sausage or bacon are \$2. As with all items, non-pork eaters can substitute turkey or beef.

Rosedale revitalization continues

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Sandwiches aren't the only thing coming to the Wesleyan neighborhood.

Subway, scheduled to open by the end of the month adjacent to the bookstore, is merely another step in revitalizing the Wesleyan area along Rosedale Street.

"It's a great opportunity not only for me but for the community to have more brand-name fast food on the street," said Ricky Harden, Subway manager for the upcoming Rosedale location. "It seems like it's been nearly 20 years since Mama's Pizza was here."

The nearly 2,000 square-foot space will seat 46 to 48 people, offer wi-fi access and have a contemporary feel, Harden said.

"The store will be bigger than most," he said. "When

other restaurants check it out it's going to bring more."

TownSite, a real estate development firm, received \$1.25 million in federal grant money to remodel the Rosedale area between Nashville and Collard streets.

"We're trying to make the university more prominent," said Phillip Poole, managing partner for TownSite, "and knit the university and historic edge of the neighborhood again like it was in the Poly heyday."

Set to begin in the fall, Poole said, the remodeling includes narrowing Rosedale by 20 feet, installing pedestrian-controlled crosswalks and trees along the curb opposite of Wesleyan.

The narrowing will include curb bulbs that stretch the sidewalk into the street, making it easier for pedestrians to cross, and allow parking along



TownSite

Curb bulbs will create parking along Rosedale Street.

Rosedale.

"It creates more of a pedestrian feel," Poole said. "People will just naturally go slower and [the street] will seem tighter. It will feel more like Magnolia Street in Fort Worth South."

After the new bookstore opened, Poole said, the revitalization commotion died down for a period of time. The long-term lease with Subway is a sign that investor's

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