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Golfing safety is new concern

By Deborah Ferguson
Staff Writer

Golfing safety on campus is a problem the TCU community has had to confront after a senior coed was seriously injured by a golf ball in Worth Hills.

Tuesday, Jan. 27, was an average day for senior psychology major Susan Bellamy. She went to classes, had lunch with a friend and then walked home around 2:30 that afternoon.

As she walked toward the Chi Omega sorority house, she didn't give much thought to the young man driving golf balls in the direction of the Sigma Chi house.

"I noticed he was driving the golf balls, but I knew they did it there all the time, and (I) didn't really think about it," Bellamy said.

She was about 10 yards from the stairs leading to the sorority house when she was hit on the left side of her head.

According to Dean of Students Libby Proffer, this is the first golf-related accident to be reported to her office.

"The girl hit suffered a serious injury," Proffer said. "As far as I know, I cannot remember another one like that."

Frank Reynolds of Benbrook Lake Driving Range in Fort Worth said 1.6 ounce golf balls, as well as the club, can reach high speeds.

"The ball is traveling at 50 to 55 mph when it leaves the club," Reynolds said. "The club head that hits the ball is traveling about 100 mph when it hits the ball."

"A golf ball can be a deadly weapon," Proffer said.

Proffer said the university has tried repeatedly to keep people from driving golf balls in the Worth Hills area. Campus Police has also been notified to stop people they see from shooting golf balls, she said.

"We have made announcements to Panhellenic and IFC—both boys and girls—asking their help to say, 'Please, this is not the place to be shooting golf balls,' because it is dangerous," Proffer said.

Bellamy said the man seemed unaware of where his shot landed. Knowing she needed help, she continued walking toward the Chi Omega house and made it to her room.

Bellamy said she may have passed out for some time, because her room was the first thing she remembered after being hit.

Bellamy said she experienced nausea, haziness and disorientation before being taken to the infirmary.

Immediately, the doctor on duty said Bellamy should go to the hospital.

Bellamy was in the Harris Hospital emergency room for six hours under-

going tests and X-rays. She was told she would have to stay overnight. That one night stretched into seven days as a result of her injury.

Proffer said she has some concerns about the safety of students so close to the golf course.

"It is very dangerous when people are shooting golf balls, especially down in the area catty-corner from the Rickel Building," she said.

"Putting is not a problem," Proffer said. "It is where individuals come out and practice driving that is really a problem."

A long-driving professional on tour can reach club-head speeds of about 120 mph, Reynolds said.

The ball that hit Bellamy had enough force to cause a severe concussion.

"It hit me so hard that it knocked the brain from the left side to the other side of my skull, and it bruised that side worse," Bellamy said.

Bellamy shares the same concerns as Proffer regarding use of Worth Hills as a golf course.

"I think it's OK if they want to putt there, but that is not a driving range."

"There are buildings, streets, and there are people walking back and forth. I think it's extremely dangerous," she said.

A fine or a sign that says "This is not a driving range" were two suggestions Bellamy recommended.

Proffer said there are no fines because "you can't fine non-students, and we try not to fine students."

"We're doing everything I can think of to get people off of there," she said.

Students, Campus Police and the administration need to all be involved, she said.

"It takes everybody's effort to be aware of the situations that are dangerous," Proffer said.

For Bellamy, it was an incident whose impact still remains.

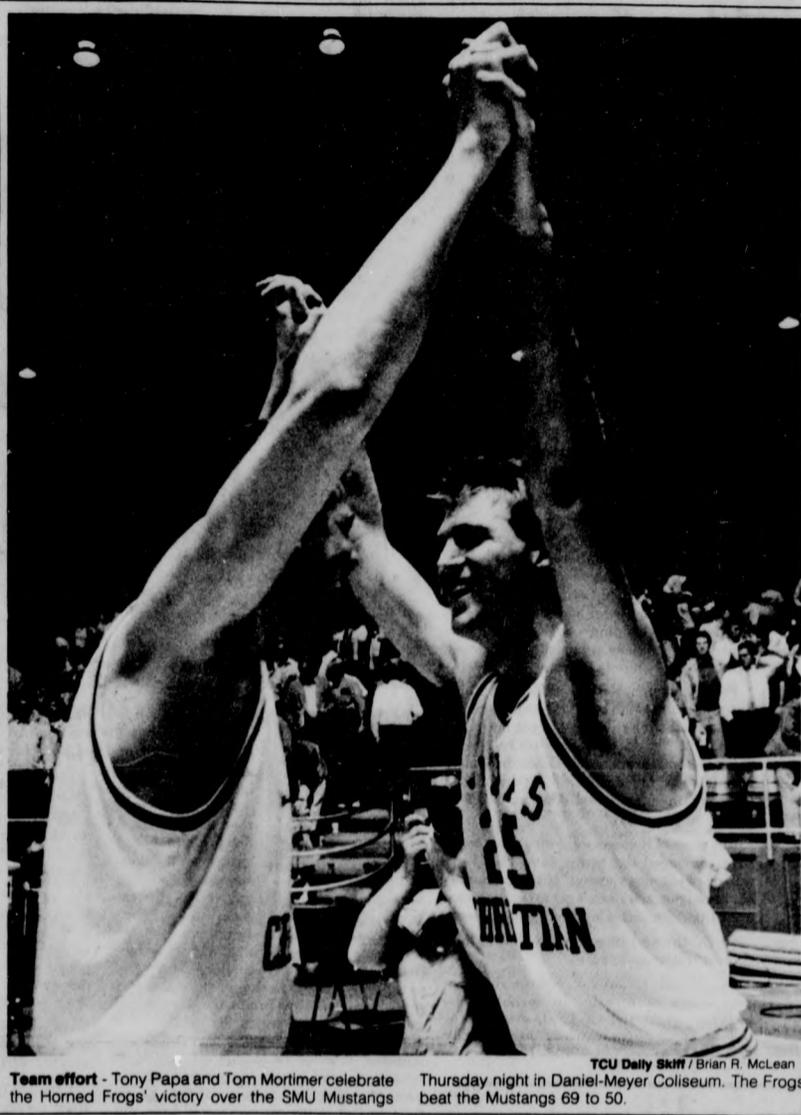
Bellamy said she has a constant headache, which her doctor said would last six months. It will be three months before she is steady on her feet. When she walks she is slow and gets dizzy.

She said she cannot offer advice to others because "it shouldn't be going on in the first place."

Proffer encourages students to not just look out for themselves but for others as well.

"If students see something going on, either confront the individual or call Campus Police," she said.

"I would think that the fact that she could've been critically injured would remind people (to be careful), but I don't think it will," Proffer said.



Team effort - Tony Papa and Tom Mortimer celebrate the Horned Frogs' victory over the SMU Mustangs Thursday night in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. The Frogs beat the Mustangs 69 to 50.

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Campus potholes irritate

By Todd Camp
Staff Writer

The driver slowly backed his burgundy Nissan Sentra from its parking place in the quad and prepared to exit when a quick dip of the left front tire, followed by the distinctive sound of metal scraping against pavement told him he had just fallen prey to a TCU pothole.

The driver of the Nissan is Alan Richey, sophomore finance major, and the story he tells is a familiar one.

"I was driving along, minding my own business, and then I hit this hole. My glove compartment is crammed full of papers and junk and stuff, and it flies out all over the car," Richey said.

"If it's not jarring my glove box open, it's rattling my car to death," Richey said. "Some day I think the whole thing's just gonna fall apart in the middle of the quad."

Richey also raised a point that many TCU students agree with. He said that although campus parking lots and roads are in poor condition, they come nowhere close to being as bad as the streets of Fort Worth.

"One time when I was coming back to campus from a ski trip, I hit a pothole on Berry (Street) that caused my car to make this funny metallic sound like I was dragging my engine behind me or something," Richey said. "When I got out to look, I saw that it had knocked off my rear bumper on one side, and it was dragging along behind me."

Martin Payne, freshman psychology major, rides his bike along several Fort Worth roads as well as campus roads, and he has discovered that what is bad for cars is even worse for bikes.

"Every time I finish a bike ride, I'm positive that my tires are ruined, and

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Study abroad enhances communication

By Jacquelyn Torbert
Staff Writer

Opportunities for students to study abroad enhance communication between nations, said Ken Lawrence, chairperson of religious studies.

"It simply helps people to understand cultures different from their own," Lawrence said, "and to develop an understanding of the cultural perspective and values of a people other than their own."

But the most important aspect of foreign study is that it "helps to eradicate parochialism in one's attitudes and thinking," Lawrence said.

The opportunities available for stu-

dents to study abroad begin in high school with American Field Study (AFS).

AFS is a national, non-profit organization that allows high school students from the United States to attend school in other countries and students from other countries to study in the United States.

AFS representative Wilene Berber said there are approximately 100,000 AFS volunteers throughout the world, working in 70 countries.

There are 300 AFS chapters in the United States and approximately 3,000 "support systems" working abroad, Berber said.

"It (AFS) is an organization that is

entirely non-profit, designed to provide opportunities for students from other countries to come to the United States, live with a family and attend school for one year," Lawrence said, "and for Americans to go abroad for a year or a summer and live with a family someplace else."

The family structure of AFS is what makes it such a unique experience for students, Lawrence said.

"If the family is receptive and willing to spend extra money, then they will be interested in everyone having a good experience," Lawrence said.

Although AFS concentrates mainly on high school students, it now sponsors six or eight (depending on the

year) programs for young adults, Berber said.

These programs are sponsored by AFS but differ because the students do not stay with families.

AFS is not the only organization interested in enhancing communication between nations.

TCU is affiliated with the Institute of European Studies and provides students many opportunities to broaden their horizons.

Religion studies offers classes abroad in Italy, France, England and Germany.

Other departments at TCU are designing summer programs for students to study abroad, Lawrence said.

Dealing with student deaths hard

By Karee Galloway
Staff Writer

Although an average of three to four students die each year at a university the size of TCU, dealing with student deaths never becomes any easier.

"It always tears me up," said Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Peggy Barr. "I always want it to have an impact on me, because we're dealing with people and people's lives."

As head of the student life division, Barr is responsible for attending to next-of-kin, coordinating details with police officials and relaying information to the chancellor and the Office of University Relations. Barr also appoints a staff member to coordinate professional and staff support systems to help students who were friends of the deceased.

"We focus on trying to get skilled people to help with the grief," Barr said. "We try to get someone who can go in and respond to the situation with the advantage of knowing the student involved and what is going on."

Other steps, such as informing professors and university business offices, are covered by TCU's policy on student death procedures, which Barr wrote in January 1986. Although student deaths were handled about the same way before

the policy was written, Barr said she saw a need for formal guidelines.

"When you're dealing with tragedy, everyone needs a clear direction of what's being done," she said.

The amount of interaction between the university and family varies with each case, and each case must be treated individually, Barr said.

"We try in any way we can in tragic circumstances to take the burden off of the family," Barr said.

Barr arranges airport pickups and hotel reservations for the family when needed. Also, a member of the clergy is arranged for, depending on the family's religious beliefs.

"Some families are not at all religious and are not interested in that dimension of response," said university minister John Butler. "I can think of other families where it was a daily and ongoing contact for a long time."

In order to keep statements centralized and accurate, Barr said, the only information released to the press is provided by the Office of University Relations. If a press release concerning the student's death is issued, the university informs the parents to prepare them for possible phone calls.

Barr said she believes the university has an obligation to explain

to family members their rights in dealing with reporters.

"People are very vulnerable at that time," Barr said. "We have to let them know they don't have to respond. They don't have to answer every phone call."

"Something that seems to the family to be very private suddenly becomes a public event," she said.

While keeping in mind the family's needs, the university must also provide a support system for students affected by the death. For many college students, this is the first time they have encountered the loss of someone their own age.

Barr said because of TCU's small size, there is more of an impact on the university as a whole when a student dies.

"Most students recognize each other by the end of the year," she said. "If they didn't know that person, they know someone who did."

Butler said the university takes the initiative in seeking out roommates and close friends of a student who has died.

"After the memorial service and after we have made ourselves known, then we give people the freedom to come on their own," he said. "In some cases, people have brought in their friends who they thought were having a hard time."

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Gorbachev promotes arms control

MOSCOW (AP)—Mikhail S. Gorbachev told an international peace conference Monday the Soviet Union is changing its approach to human rights "for all to see," but not because of Western pressure.

The Kremlin leader also repeated Soviet opposition to the American space-based defense project known as "Star Wars" and accused the White House of "trampling" on agreements he and President Reagan reached at their 1985 Geneva summit to spur arms control negotiations.

There will be "no second Noah's Ark for a nuclear deluge," he said. "We (have) rejected any right for leaders of a country, be it the U.S.S.R., the U.S. or another, to pass a death sentence on mankind."

"We are not judges, and the billions of people are not criminals to be punished, so the nuclear guillotine must be broken."

Soviet arms control proposals show his government's preparedness to give up its status of a nuclear power and reduce all other weapons to a minimum of reasonable sufficiency.

Gorbachev delivered his hour-long address in the Grand Kremlin Palace on the final day of a world forum on peace and disarmament that brought about 1,300 Soviet and foreign scientists, film stars, doctors, businessmen

and other public figures together in Moscow.

He did not make new proposals on disarmament, as some had predicted, but stressed Soviet proposals made at the Reykjavik summit last October and a plan he announced in January 1986 for eliminating nuclear weapons by the year 2000.

Gorbachev indicated the Soviet Union would resume nuclear tests following an 18-month freeze.

Actor Gregory Peck, writer Norman Mailer, economist John Kenneth Galbraith and musician Yoko Ono were among Americans who sat at burnished wood desks in the room where the Supreme Soviet, the nation's nominal parliament, customarily meets.

Andrei Sakharov, who won the 1975 Nobel Peace Prize and is the best-known Soviet dissident, sat in the middle row of the hall. He shook hands with other delegates and signed autographs on business cards and scraps of paper.

The 65-year-old physicist, attending his first Kremlin-sponsored conference, called in a speech Saturday for "an open and democratic" Soviet Union as a way to increase trust between the superpowers.

Gorbachev did not address human rights in detail, but said, "our new approach to the humanitarian prob-

lems . . . is there for all to see. And I must disappoint those who think that this has been the result of pressure on us from the West, that we want to gain somebody's fancy in pursuit of some ulterior motive. No, we do not."

About 140 dissidents have been freed from prisons or labor camps in the past two weeks, and the Kremlin has said as many more cases are under consideration.

In Washington, White House spokesperson Daniel Howard said: "We will study the speech carefully and may have some response to it later in the week."

An administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Gorbachev's remarks "seemed to be surprisingly short of substance."

Sakharov sat up in his straight-backed chair as the 55-year-old Kremlin leader spoke. The Nobel laureate joined in the applause, his hands held high in front of him.

It was the two men's first public encounter since Gorbachev telephoned Sakharov in December and told him he could return to Moscow from Gorky, a closed city to which he was confined for nearly seven years after criticizing the December 1979 Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan.

OPINION

Only fleetest of hoof make it to the Pork Chop Downs



John Paschal

Perhaps, if luck has smiled on you, you've seen that legendary "Muppet Show" mini-series, "Pigs in Space," featuring the space adventures of the lovable Miss Piggy and a whole cast of cuddly sows 'n hogs.

Fellow pig fanatics, I must now solemnly report that I have discovered its sequel: "Pigs in Hyperspace," the disturbing epic drama of a young college lad mentally and emotionally trashed by a gang of vanishing swine.

The sad-but-true story centers around those swine who race annually at the Fort Worth Stock Show—but here's the twist—only when I'm not there to see it.

When I arrive, wide-eyed and full of unbridled hope—as I did two weeks ago—the pigs invariably dematerialize and relocate to that void of nothingness known to you galaxy buffs as "hyperspace."

You see, for the second year running, I flat-out missed those pig races down at the Fort Worth Stock Show, and woe is me because of it. These Pork Chop Downs Pig Races—where legitimate pigs run legitimate races—have been the most popular thing in Fort Worth since Wacker Backer bumper stickers and Skip Bayless dartboards.

Scores of folks who dig pigs have sat spell-bound in Barn 8 on the Stock Show grounds, cheering for their favorite stumpy-legged little animal. Thousands of lucky fans have witnessed this pinnacle of piggdom, the best of the bacon, the premier porkers in Cowtown. Countless have enjoyed the pigeantry. While I, despite my considerable efforts, have languished in the misfortune of piglessness.

This hurts me; I feel like the Freedom Train came through town, and I missed it. It's because there's nothing more all-fire American than the competitive running of domesticated, barrel-bodied, omnivorous artiodactyls with broad snouts, small tails and 44 teeth. Nothing, I believe, could be as harmonious as the pigger-patter of little pig feet and the

grinding snort-snort of oscillating piggie nostrils. Pigs pitted in competition, striving to be their best, becoming better, thicker slabs of bacon with each step. And I missed it all. Again.

Last year, fighting back tears and thoughts of self-mutilation, I wrote a frightfully similar woe-is-me column for the very same reason. In unrequited glee I had taken my seat in Barn 8, waiting for that moment when the pigs would trot onto the track, limber up, take their places at the starting gate and rumble toward the finish line. But somehow the whole event avoided me completely, and thus I was one despondent whippersnapper.

Now, a year later, I sit writing in the same seat, fighting back more tears and those same thoughts of flogging myself to delirium, trying to reason why this has happened.

Sure, I try to remember all the good things. I have my health. I have my family. I have Velveeta Processed Cheese Spread. I have tiny friends from Mars.

But for some reason I am being punished by a greater being than myself, probably the Grand Imperial Swine Lord. I did something bad to a pig some time, and rather than gastroenteritis, whooping cough or old, hardened Velveeta, my punishment is no pig races.

Fact is, though, I've never done anything but promote and advocate the swine genera. I've worked tirelessly to get a pig into Congress. I've stayed up nights—really—researching methods to eradicate roundworm, mange mites and other parasitic pig enemies. I carry my tiny friends from Mars around Fort Worth on piggyback.

But none of these—even if they were true—have convinced the Swine Lord that I am worthy of pig race viewing. His Imperialness has hexed me, and I won't get to see a pig race until I perform some kind of piggic service.

So, for the next year, I will wallow in mud and eat rotten apple cores.

I am looking for any pig or reasonable likeness, male or female, preferably non-smoking, quiet and studious, graduate or undergraduate, with which to share a pigsty efficiency; just one block from TCU.



Blowing a gasket can blow the mind



Craig Winneker

A friend convinced me that I should save money and change my own oil.

She reasoned that it only cost a few bucks to do and that, even if I messed up, I would be richer for the experience. I believed her.

So early Sunday morning was set as oil-change time. My friend's car needed one, too, so we were going to do them both together. I got my old clothes and brand new filter and oil and we started working on her car.

I figured that if we were going to make any mistakes, it would be on her car. My brain reminded me of the old adage about practice making perfect, and I reasoned that by the time we got to my car, we would have this oil-change business down. This, as you'll soon see, was not to be the case.

We finished the job on her car in about 30 minutes without a hitch. I was already worried because I knew my friend had to leave for work soon, and I would be left alone with 2,000 pounds of thirsty, 8-year-old Japanese metal.

We did the dirty work on my car rather quickly, and my friend, thinking I no longer needed her help, started getting ready for work. I was busy pouring oil into the car, basking in the success of a job well-done. I filled it up, started the car, and then everything fell apart.

Four brand new quarts of 10W-40 gushed out onto the street. There was definitely something wrong with the way I put the filter on.

Meanwhile, my friend had to go to work. Because my car had been rendered immobile,

which is the opposite way a car should be, she lent me her freshly oil-quenched car, and I dropped her off at work.

I was on my own now, and I had to figure out what to do with my car.

Should I push it to a gas station, where people are skilled at such endeavors? Or should I tighten the filter and try again? You guessed it. I took the road less taken.

I tightened the oil filter with a wrench, which is a no-no. I thought, mistakenly, that by using a crude tool I could force the beast to work properly. You probably know what happened when I put more oil in and started the car again.

Two more quarts of crude found their way to the pan I put down (I may be dumb, but I'm not stupid). And, what's worse, I had damaged the filter by tightening it too much.

I was really beginning to have doubts now about my mechanical ability. My car was perfect before I began this operation, I whimpered. All it needed was some new oil, and I was sure that I had ruined it.

I didn't look too good, either. My old clothes were now covered in oil and leaves and rust. My hair was in knots from squirming around underneath the car. My arms were scratched and covered with grime. There was even oil on my glasses.

But I promised myself I would not get upset. My car blew a gasket; I was not going to let myself do the same.

I found out from another friend what the problem was: the gasket from my old filter was stuck on the car, and when I put the new filter on, there were two gaskets where there should have been one.

So I went to Target, bought a new filter and some more oil, and within half an hour my car was running perfectly.

And I felt good. Because after all that, I didn't go running to the mechanic in tears and paying 30 bucks to see how stupid my mistake was. Instead, I found out what it was and fixed it myself.

True, I found out what the real problem was from someone else, but I had plenty of chances to back out before then. Usually I would have found an easier way out, but something about that day made me want to solve the problem myself.

Sometimes the only person you can turn to with a problem is yourself. Friends, lovers, clergy and family all provide support when you need it. But they don't know who you really are; only you do.

Your car is like your existence in that they are both extremely complicated and both products of superior beings, but both are dependent upon you for everything.

I found out what the problem with my car was and fixed it. From now on, I'm going to confront personal obstacles in the same way.

I know this must sound like "Zen and the Art of Toyota Maintenance" to you, and that's fine with me, because I really do believe that we have control over our destinies. And only by harnessing the powers within us can we come to realize them, grasshopper.

I see a lot of people running around looking for jobs or cars or hairstyles that are going to solve their problems and make them better people. These can only serve as distractions.

I admit, money and companionship are conducive to being happy, but only by loving ourselves and looking to our own minds for answers can we become truly fulfilled.

My favorite line in the movie "Easy Rider" is when Peter Fonda says to Dennis Hopper, "I'm just tryin' to get my thing together, man."

I know what he means, because I've seen what happens when you blow a gasket.

Letters to the editor

Senate should leave

I am writing in response to the Feb. 11 article, "Faculty Senate discusses withdrawal policy problems."

I would like to cite two comments—one from Gerry Dominiak, professor of accounting, complaining the drop date is after midterm, and the other from Ed McNertney, associate professor of economics, concerned with students dropping just to save their GPAs.

In relation to the first, I have found in most classes, one cannot determine how he or she is progressing until just after midterm. The majority of courses involve three exams and a final. Students often use the first exam as an example of a particular professor's testing style and thus know how to better prepare for the following tests.

To force students to make a decision con-

cerning withdrawal before midterm—the usual time for the second exam—is to do them a great injustice.

As to Professor McNertney's statement, the purpose of withdrawal is to allow students the option to correct—or at least compensate for—mistakes they have made that could otherwise prove "fatal" to their chances of moving on to graduate school or nailing down that much-competed-for first job.

At this point in an academic career, the student is expected to make several tough decisions. Withdrawal from a class is one of those decisions, and students should not make it prematurely or have it ruled out as an option just because they want the best chance for success in their post-graduate careers.

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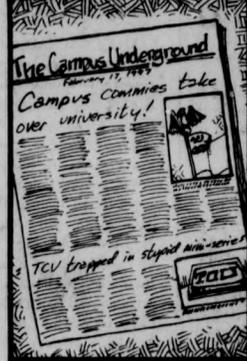
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Staff there to help when student dies

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Depending on circumstances, Butler said, he or others experienced in counseling lead discussions for residence halls or other organizations on different ways of responding to death and grief. Butler said he also helps students plan a memorial service if it does not interfere with the family's wishes.

Kappa Alpha Theta president Holly Neal said allowing students to plan or participate in a memorial service gave those who couldn't go to the funeral a chance to say "goodbye."

Neal was Theta pledge trainer last November when Kristen Hillemeier, a freshman pledge, died of a rare form of meningitis. She said Butler provided a basic format for the memorial service and then let Hillemeier's friends plan the rest.

"He (Butler) was very open to what we wanted to do," Neal said. "He wanted everyone who wanted to say something, say something. People want to get a chance to share their feelings with 200 other

people who cared for her," she said. Neal said the university handled Hillemeier's death well.

"At first, I was surprised at how they knew what to do," she said. "Afterward, I remembered that they probably have to do this every semester."

Kathy Pitner, a senior advertising and public relations major, said RAs and residence hall directors were competent in handling student deaths. During the first semester of her freshman year, Pitner's roommate, a friend since sixth grade, committed suicide.

"The whole impact of it never really hit me until later," Pitner said. "They kept checking on me that semester and the whole year to make sure I was OK."

"My teachers were all informed by the dean," she said. "They were all completely understanding."

Barr said teachers are informed of roommates and close friends of students who have died. However, it is the obligation of the student and the professor to work out any special arrangements.

Texas crime solutions unreasonable

By Melissa Webb
Staff Writer

Several TCU professors say solutions to the Texas crime problem offered by a group called Associated Texans Against Crime are not feasible.

Goals the organization would like to accomplish include:

-Repeal of the 95 percent occupancy limit in Texas prisons.

-Allowing evidence police obtained without a legal search warrant to be admitted in court as long as the search was conducted in "good faith."

-Revising the "good time" regulations that allow inmates to be released from prison early for good behavior.

These proposals are "noble and understandable, but not realistic," said Bill Reese, assistant professor of sociology.

Reese teaches a criminology class that discusses such issues, and is working on a paper that includes a discussion of how length of a criminal's incarceration relates to the severity of a crime.

Reese said ATAC's requests would do nothing to deter crime and could be seen as a violation of prisoners' rights.

Nothing indicates that prolonged incarceration helps reform criminals, he said. In fact, some evidence says the opposite is true, because inmates may leave prison with a great desire for revenge and become repeat offenders.

The United States hands out some of the longest sentences for crimes in the world, but it still has one of the world's highest crime rates, Reese said.

The trend toward longer sentencing is also the major reason for overcrowding in prisons, he said, as new inmates are added to already crowded facilities.

"Eight out of 10 homicides are 'crimes of passion,'" Reese said, and no punishment will deter them because the offenders who commit this type of crime do not consider the consequences of their actions.

Reese said changing "good time" laws makes sense until one considers that the most effective way to control inmates' behavior is with promises of leniency.

If ATAC's revisions were put into effect, they would result in still more overcrowding of prisons and "terrible discipline problems behind bars," he said.

Jim Riddlesperger, assistant professor of political science, said ATAC's proposals must be considered on the basis of their constitutionality and practicality.

Riddlesperger said none of the proposals directly violates the U.S. Constitution. For example, exceptions to the Fourth Amendment, which regulates search and seizure, have been made for years in cases such as searches of cars and open fields.

However, there would have to be limitations by the state on such proposals to prevent abuses of criminals' rights.

For instance, repeal of the 95 percent occupancy limit could result in overcrowding severe enough to be considered "cruel and unusual punishment."

There is nothing inherently unreasonable about ATAC's proposals, he said. "All they're trying to do is make it easier to convict criminals and harder for them to be released."

However, this type of legislation is not practical in Texas right now because of the costs it would incur, he said, and Texans might not be willing to pay for these reforms through raised taxes.

Without more money spent on prisons, serious problems will be inherent in the system, he said.

Bill Head, chairperson of the criminal justice department, said ATAC's proposals are "a reaction to the political climate and not the reality of the times."

He said the proposed revisions are "quick-fix solutions" and will not reduce the crime rate in the long run.

Many strategies such as this have been tried in the past 20 or 25 years and have shown no effects on crime, he said.

Groups such as ATAC do not seem to research their causes fully and do not really understand what would be needed to reduce crime, Head said.

"They let emotion speak more loudly than research," he said. Head said work camps or community corrections could be solutions to the Texas crime problem, although none of these ideas has been tried on a long-term basis or on a major scale.

Reese agreed that community corrections would be successful.

Criminals could work in the community and pay restitution to their victims in many cases, Reese said.

"I truly do believe community corrections will be increasingly popular for a lot of good reasons," Reese said.

CAMPUS NOTES

Martin Luther King Jr. scholarship

Applications for the Martin Luther King Jr. scholarship are available in the Financial Aid Office, Sadler Hall Room 108, until March 27.

Applicants must have at least a 3.0 GPA, must submit an essay of no more than 750 words focusing on how career goals relate to society, and must demonstrate financial eligibility. Preference will be given to minority students.

Orientation counselor applications

Applications for orientation counselors are available in Student Center Room 223. Those interested must have at least a 2.5 GPA and be free June 11 through July 3 and Aug. 10 through 20.

For more information, call Dottie Phillips at 921-7927. Deadline is today.

Kilbourne speech

"Under the Influence: The Pushing of Alcohol Via Advertising" is the topic of a speech to be given by Dr. Jean Kilbourne Monday, Feb. 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Kilbourne is a graduate of Boston University and has studied alcohol's effects on campus life.

Tickets, \$1 with a TCU ID and \$2 without, can be purchased at the Student Center Information Desk. Kilbourne's speech is sponsored by Programming Council's Forums Committee.

Nicaraguan speech

Senior political science major Mike Kirkpatrick will present his experiences from spending two weeks in

Nicaragua tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Student Center Room 206. Admission is free.

Political science programs

The political science department and the Washington Center will be offering academic programs at the 1988 national Democratic Convention in Atlanta and at the national Republican Convention in New Orleans.

Students must have at least a 2.5 GPA to participate. Information is available in Sadler Hall Room 205 until March 3.

Writing contests

Information on this year's TCU Creative Writing Contests is available until March 4 in Reed Hall Room 314. Open to all full-time students from freshman to graduate levels, the contest categories are poetry, fiction, drama and non-fiction prose.

Potholes potentially damaging

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"In some cases I've been correct," Payne said. "I've never gone out riding without hitting a pothole, regardless of how careful I'm trying to be."

Payne also agreed that though the lots and streets at TCU are in pretty poor condition, they definitely aren't as bad as the streets surrounding the campus.

Oscar Stewart, chief of Campus Police, has also seen the streets surrounding campus as potential traffic hazards.

"I haven't heard any complaints from the students about the condition of lots or streets, but I have reported a few of the streets around the campus to the city," Stewart said.

Stewart said he called the city to repair streets like Greene Street, which runs behind the Moudy

Building to Mary Coats Burnett Library as well as some other small streets in that area.

When Stewart speaks of "the city," he is referring to the street division of Fort Worth Transportation and Public Works Department. This is the office that receives all complaints on road conditions around the city.

Rose Keith, an administrative aid in the Transportation and Public Works Department, said the office gets quite a few calls from the TCU area.

Fort Worth is divided into three districts, and TCU is part of the district that covers most of the southwest part of the city. Each district has a certain number of people to work with on the road conditions, and the list for various repairs is quite a lengthy one, Keith said.

The crew that does this usually consists of two workers who fill the hole with a dirt mixture and pack it down until the hole can be properly mended, Keith said.

There is also an emergency number for large holes in the road that pose potential traffic hazards (870-7970).

All the streets surrounding TCU fall under city maintenance, but Keith said the office receives very few calls from the TCU area.

"We can't fix them if we don't know about them," Keith said.

As the driver of the burgundy Nissan Sentra races off in his car to some unknown destination, the ever-present pothole waits for its next victim. And potholes don't go away—they just get bigger.

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SPORTS



TCU gallops past SMU with second half run



By Johnny Paul
Sports Editor

For almost 14 minutes, TCU's basketball machine sputtered erratically before finally kicking in all eight cylinders and disposing of SMU, 69-50, at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum Thursday night.

The victory gave the 18th-ranked Frogs its 20th win of the season against only four losses. The 1986-87 edition of TCU basketball is only the fifth team in TCU history to complete 20 wins in a single season.

TCU raised its Southwest Conference record to 11-1, while also expanding its lead to three full games over Baylor. The Ponies dropped to 3-8 in conference play and 12-11 overall.

"We beat a good basketball team tonight," said TCU basketball coach Jim Killingsworth. "I thought our kids just played great. Rebounding and defense were the differences in the game tonight."

Killingsworth pinned the game in retrospect. TCU limited the Mustangs to 35.8 percent shooting, and outrebounded them 46-29 for the game.

TCU, meanwhile, hit 29 of its 65 field goal attempts to finish shooting 44.6 percent for the night.

Despite what statistics show at the end, SMU actually led the first 13:38 of the game.

"We realized we were pretty fortunate to have beaten SMU the first time (in Dallas), so we were a little nervous coming into the game tonight," Killingsworth said. The Horned Frogs didn't lead until

forward Larry Richard nailed a 17-foot jumper from the left side, making the score 18-17. Trailing once again at 24-23, TCU reeled off 9 consecutive points to end the half.

Richard connected on two jumpers, and guard Carven Holcombe hit two free throws after being fouled intentionally by SMU point guard Kato Armstrong.

With only four seconds remaining in the first half, Rod Jacques uncorked a 3-pointer from the top of the key to give the Frogs a 32-24 lead.

More of the same followed early in the second half. TCU opened by connecting on eight of 11 shooting from the field. Led by center Tony Papa's 6 points in the Frogs' 20-12 run, TCU established a 52-36 lead.

"We played an awful darn good basketball team tonight," SMU basketball coach Dave Bliss said. "The Frogs played lights out at the start of the second half."

"When they had that hot streak at the second half, however, it really put us in a bad position. We're not a very good come-from-behind team," Bliss said.

"We came out in the second half and got a big play from Tony (Papa). After that we just kind of swapped baskets for a while. But that was pretty much the end of the game," Killingsworth said.

With only four seconds remaining, senior reserve forward Tom Mortimer ended the scoring with a thunderous two-handed slam to give TCU its biggest lead and final margin of 19 points. After the buzzer sounded, the Frogs had given the crowd its 23rd consecutive home win.

"We love to come out and play in front of the home crowd," Richard said. "It's a great feeling to win here."

TCU was led by Richard, who completed his ninth double-double (double figures in points and rebounds) with 16 points and 10 rebounds.

Holcombe finished the night with 17 points and seven rebounds, and point guard Jamie Dixon added 10 points and dished out six assists.

Pony guard Scott Johnson led all scorers with 19 points, including five 3-pointers, an SMU team record. After Johnson though, there was little support.

SMU's four remaining starters, Terry Williams, Carlton McKinney, Reginald Muhammed and Armstrong, combined for only 20 points.

"I thought we played awful hard. Some people just weren't as productive as they have been tonight," Bliss said. "I'm pleased with the fact that our players tried hard. Scott Johnson had a hot night from the outside. Kato just over-tried, but that happens sometimes when you play a ranked team."

"I feel with 20 victories we should be able to get an NCAA bid now anyway, regardless of what happens (after tonight)," Killingsworth said. "We've had a tougher preseason than in the past. They'll have to think of another excuse to keep us out this year."

But as for the game, maybe Mortimer summed it up best for the Frogs.

"It was fun. I just went out and tried to have fun. I love to win," Mortimer said, adding special emphasis on the word "win."

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Are you ready to get up yet? - TCU's Jamie Dixon waits for SMU's Kato Armstrong to get up after falling over him in the second half of play Thursday night. TCU defeated SMU 69-50 at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

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