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Board of Trustees votes to raise tuition

By Melissa Wills
Staff Writer

TCU Board of Trustees voted Friday to increase tuition by 8.3 percent, raising undergraduate tuition from \$180 to \$195 a semester hour beginning next year.

This increase in tuition is necessary to pay for improvements in the academic area of the university, Chancellor Bill Tucker said.

The budget will increase 6 percent above the one approved a year ago, and there will be a 10 percent increase in expenditures for academic programs.

"The budget reflects precisely the priority which I think we should give to the academic enterprise," Tucker said.

"The total budget is not going up that much," he said. "The significant increases in expenditures are on the academic side."

Bill Koehler, vice chancellor for academic affairs, said more money will be spent in graduate studies.

"There was a significant increase in stipends for students in our doctoral programs," Koehler said. "Stipends increased a little over 20 percent."

The library acquisition budget was increased more than 25 percent,

Koehler said.

Research and institutional equipment, which includes many teaching aids used by professors, almost doubled, he said.

An academic services center offering students help in writing skills and academic counseling was also added.

"We re-allocated four positions from other units to the department of English and the Center for Academic Services," Koehler said.

Five new faculty positions were also added: two in the school of business, two in the school of sciences and one in fine arts and communications, Koehler said.

The board promoted three faculty members to the rank of professor and 14 to the rank of associate professor.

Tenure was granted to 17 faculty members, and emeritus status was granted to seven.

The approved budget also provides for an increase in funds averaging about 5 percent for all continuing personnel, said Leigh Secrest, vice chancellor for Finance and Planning.

"We told the board we were looking at a merit-based salary increase on campus of about 5 percent," Secrest said.

The budget also provides funds for the maintenance and staffing of the

new Tandy Hall and Moncrief Hall, he said.

Tandy Hall is scheduled for completion in mid-July, and Moncrief Hall should be ready for occupancy this fall.

Tucker said he was happy with what the board voted on because it was in line with his "Vision of the Future" speech, which was presented to the Faculty Assembly earlier this month.

Tucker said the board does everything it can to keep the tuition increase as low as possible.

"The budget recommendation reflects the best judgment of the admi-

nistration and takes into account both the needs of the university and the strong conviction of the trustees that tuition and fees should be raised no more than absolutely necessary," Tucker said.

He said this has been the biggest increase in tuition in three or four years because the increase was on the low side last year and the year before.

"Tuition went up very modestly last year," he said. "It went up about \$5 on a \$172 base, which is about 4.6 percent," Tucker said.

The cost of attending TCU is slightly below the middle when compared

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Just a swingin' - Brian Starnes, sophomore pre-med major, poses for artist Carol Ann Paikowski, sophomore business pre-major, for her art assignment.

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House bill to fund R.A. Council event

By MariCarmen Eroles
Staff Writer

President Lee Behar announced the Board of Trustees raised tuition from \$180 to \$195 a semester hour in the meeting that took place during Spring Break.

He also said during the House of Student Representatives meeting Baylor and SMU had a 10 percent increase this year, but TCU's increase was only 8 percent, which is below the national average.

The bill to allocate \$900 to the Resident Assistant Council to attend a regional conference at North Texas State University passed after being postponed at the meeting March 15 for lack of quorum.

Mike Kerner, co-vice president of the R.A. Council, said allocating the money was a good idea, because the 25 R.A.'s attending the conference would promote multicultural awareness, leadership and publicity for TCU.

"We'll be bringing back new ideas and programs and counseling techniques," he said. "I don't know exactly what right now, because we don't know what other universities are going to be presenting."

Last year about 30 schools attended the conference, and it was a good experience for the newly appointed R.A.'s, he said.

Seth Winick, Town Student repre-

sentative, said, "R.A.'s are some of the first leaders new students meet on this campus. We should support R.A.'s and that form of leadership on campus."

Bill 88-9, to revise and correct the election code, was tabled to be voted on during next week's meeting.

Sarah Normand, Colby Hall representative and chairperson of the Big/Little Subcommittee, said the program has gotten underway and fliers and applications will be out Wednesday and due April 13.

"I'm really excited about it (Big/Little program) because it is one more way beyond orientation and Howdy Week to make freshmen feel welcome," Normand said.

The street dance planned for the big brothers and sisters to meet their little's is the only thing that has been changed so far in the program, she said.

The dance was not a success last year because of the weather, but this year it will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., she said.

Amy Stevens, Colby Hall representative and chairperson of the Frog Finder Subcommittee, said Frog Finder is now available at the information desk and will be available throughout registration.

"Certain teachers didn't think it's a worthy project and won't cooperate," she said, "but students should be able to know as much as they can about their classes."

Campus Circle K receives honors

By Nancy Andersen
Staff Writer

TCU's chapter of Circle K, the international college service organization, walked away with an award for the most improved chapter, and junior Abby Shughart walked away as lieutenant governor from district convention March 11-13 in Houston.

Shughart, active in Circle K for three years, said as lieutenant governor she oversees six chapters within Central Texas.

"I make sure they're doing what they're supposed to do with officer training and leadership," she said. "I'm also in the process of laying the groundwork for chartering two more chapters."

She said she filed for lieutenant governor in February because she wanted to be more involved at the district level.

"I have been president, secretary and treasurer of Circle K, and I felt I could better use that experience in district," she said.

Each chapter of Circle K, she said, is sponsored by a local chapter of Kiwanis, the international service organization of businessmen and businesswomen. The chapters are divided into 30 districts, including Canada, Jamaica, the Bahamas, Mexico and South America.

Shughart said her involvement in Key Club, the international

high school organization also sponsored through Kiwanis, led to involvement in Circle K.

"I really enjoyed being in the K family," she said.

She said she was "ecstatic" that TCU won "Most Improved."

"It's one of the highest honors," she said. "I've seen the club grow and develop from where we were when I was a freshman to where we are now."

Jack Reed, adviser for Circle K, agreed.

"This is a tremendous thing," he said. "Last year we were much smaller. This year we have really exploded in membership."

Each chapter in the Texas/Oklahoma district sends monthly reports to the district office, he said, and a board compares the reports and votes on the most improved chapter.

Circle K's main purposes are leadership, service and friendship, Reed said.

Shughart said among the activities Circle K has planned for this semester include the Muscular Dystrophy Bowlothon April 17, the March of Dimes Walk-America, a district officer training session April 9 and 10 and a district motivation rally April 23.

An ongoing project, she said, is Puppies Uplifting People, where members take animals from the North Texas Humane Society to nursing home residents.

Board honors faculty members

By Jennifer Romero
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Staff Writers

TCU Board of Trustees granted promotions, tenure and emeritus status to faculty members Friday at its annual spring meeting.

Seventeen faculty members were promoted, and 13 of them were granted tenure. Four additional faculty members who were not promoted were granted tenure.

Over the last eight years an average number of faculty members tenured has been 12.2, said Bill Koehler, vice chancellor for Academic Affairs.

Instructors are hired as assistant professors and have six years to become associate professors, he said.

"Since we evaluate teachers annually, after two or three years we

should know if someone is making adequate progress toward tenure," Koehler said.

Qualifications for tenure and promotions at TCU are based on faculty members' accomplishments in research, teaching and community service, Koehler said.

Andrew Miracle, a sociology/anthropology professor promoted from associate professor to professor, said teaching is more than class time. He said teachers need to share their talents with the community, the university and their discipline.

"It's a selfless dimension of teachers. You have to decide if you are willing to make a contribution to your profession with no (immediate) payoff," Miracle said.

During the 12 years Miracle has been at TCU, he has served on committees throughout the university,

has published about 50 journals and edited three books.

Miracle said, "It's nice to enjoy what you do and be rewarded for it."

Associate professors Don Coerver of history and Lawrence Peters of management were also promoted to full professors.

Coerver has been at TCU since 1973. He is working on proofs for a book coming out in the fall and an article going into the Library of Congress.

Peters has been at TCU for three years. He has written journal articles and given presentations about employee retention, work obstacles and memory organization.

"The promotion signifies accomplishment in (research, teaching and community service) over a long period of time," Peters said.

Events promote Yucatan-Mayan week

By Chuck Hendley
Staff Writer

TCU Spanish Club, Spanish department and Organization of Latin American Students began a week-long series of events to promote Yucatan-Mayan Culture Week on Monday.

Events for the week include a concert on Wednesday night and a booth in the Student Center to sell Mayan products.

On Monday, Carlos Armando Dzul Ek, founder and director of the pioneering Doroteo Arango Primary

Bilingual School in Mani, Yucatan, spoke on "Bilingual/Bicultural Education Among the Maya."

On Tuesday, Fort Worth City Council members joined officials from Merida, the capital city of Yucatan, to proclaim the week "Fort Worth-Merida Friendship Week."

Dignitaries visiting included Carlos Ceballos Traconis, mayor of Merida; Alfonso Hiram Garcia, director of culture for Merida, and Jose Adonai Cetina Sierra, director of the Institute of Culture of the State of Yucatan.

Wednesday, Los Magana, the hosts of a weekly radio program popular throughout southern Mexico and

Central America, will play at 7 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. The duo, who play Yucatecan guitar and vocal music, called "trova," use their music as a way of preserving the Yucatan's musical heritage.

A booth has been set up in the Student Center throughout the week by Organization of Latin American Students and Spanish Club students to sell Mayan goods brought back by Don Frischmann, associate professor of Spanish and organizer of the week.

Norman Boyd, a senior history major, said the money raised from the sales would go to a bilingual Spanish-

Mayan school in Merida.

"So far, the response from students has been encouraging, and hopefully having a table in the Student Center will help raise awareness for the week," Boyd said.

He said schools in Merida have a lot of problems getting supplies because of budget cuts, so the money raised will be sent to such schools.

Items for sale at the table include Mayan bracelets, shells, ducks, gourds and necklaces.

The two groups also have a video on display to show scenes from the Yucatan. The video was provided by the Yucatan Ministry of Tourism.

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TODAYliving

Director grows with his hall

By Todd Camp
Staff Writer

During Jim Moore's five-year reign as a residence hall director, he's seen Tom Brown Hall go through quite a few changes. And he's changed with it.

"One of the great things about living in an environment like this is that it promotes personal growth," Moore said. "And I had a lot of growing I needed to do."

Moore sat on one of the chairs of a matching living room set in his small apartment on the first floor of the hall. Though the room isn't spacious, it has a comfortable lived-in look with plants everywhere. It has a pleasant, clean smell, unlike the rest of the dorm, which smells like old pizza.

His bushy moustache made him look like a brown-haired Chuck Norris. But his eyes were friendly and he didn't look like the kung fu type.

"One of the best things about the job is getting to know the guys that live here," he said. "I've seen how much they've changed and grown. And I've grown with them."

Moore said when he first took the job, he had been about 70 pounds heavier and smoked two packs of cigarettes a day. To serve as a role model for his residents he gave up smoking and lost the weight.

Moore graduated from TCU in 1979, double majoring in history and English.

"It was a totally useless degree, but it made for good conversation," he said.

After graduation, Moore went to work for the circulation desk of the *Houston Chronicle*. He said living in Houston, which was then in the middle of its big boom period, was an exciting time for a person his age. He made a decent living and bought just about anything his heart desired, he said.

But he wasn't pleased with his job, and, though the pay was good, it seemed to be all he was working for. When his best friend, who was the hall director of Jarvis, told him about an opening at TCU, he applied.

In the fall of 1983, Moore returned to school, became Tom Brown's hall director and also began to work on a masters degree in communications in human relations.

At the time, Tom Brown was beginning to fade out of what was called the Tom Brown/Jarvis Living Learning Experiment. The program began in the late '60s/early '70s. The two dorms had a history of group activities ranging from campus protests to a joint literary magazine called "The Portable."

"I think that the TB/J program was a reflection of the way students were in the '70s," Moore said. "They were more oriented toward public service involvements of a type that got that started. Now I think that students are more interested in their own universe. But I think that that's changing gradually back to more of a broader interest in the world about them."

The program was discontinued the next year due to lack of interest on the part of both dorms.

"That was a rough year. Once the program was gone, I think that Tom Brown began to function as an entity on its own," Moore said. "And that's what I had hoped for and felt was the healthiest thing for the hall."

It was after the demise of the program that Tom Brown went through a number of phases.

Phase one was the introduction of a satirical group called Beta Phi Delta, which parodied the workings of the TCU Greek system with such events as "Amoeba Awareness Week," held during "Greek Week."

Since then, the focus has shifted. "The interesting thing is that the leadership of the hall sort of determines the personality of the hall," he said. "Different presidents did different things. I think what goes on is a general reflection of the people who live here."

Right now, the interest in watching movies and the Carnegie Committee is the general interest of the leadership of the hall. And I think that's good.

Moore said he's not sure things have changed all that much. The dorm has been physically improved with new ceilings, lighting, carpeting and a new lobby. But he said the biggest changes he's seen are in the people who live in the hall.

"Many people come in here boys, and they slowly transform into men," he said. "They go out, and they come back, and they're not the same at all."

Moore said that college is one of the few places where you don't have all

the worries and responsibilities, and you can worry about having a good time rather than the utility bill.

"But when they get out there and they're faced-in the real world-with real concerns and ambiguous sorts of things that aren't so easy to say what's right or what's wrong, it changes people," he said. "I suppose, in a way, being here is like being Peter Pan."

And it is this security that makes Moore reluctant to leave. After five years, he has completed his masters and is ready to get back out and do some growing. But it's frightening.

"It's time to go back to a world that's a little more ambiguous, where things are not so clear cut, and be challenged a little more," he said. "But I'm not embarrassed to say it, I'm scared. As scared as I was when I was a senior here before. And I'm 32."

Moore said the job has brought many benefits. He's watched people develop leadership skills through running hall council meetings; he's watched others go off and make successes of themselves, and that is what he's interested in.

There are a lot of people here who have lived through some pretty tough times, and when they overcome them, those are wonderful things to see," Moore said. "I guess that's the wonderful thing about living in a community, anyway. You get to share people's lives and you grow up with them."

Record collections play the past

By Troy Phillips
Staff Writer

Looking at people's record collections is sometimes like taking a trip through the past.

While most of us are caught up in the '80s eraze of heavy metal, technorock and the basic all-around modern sound, rock's nostalgia and roots seem to lurk in many dusty corners of this generation's record collections. Many of our parents would be proud of us.

Sophomore finance major Byron Simpson owns three crates of records that span six decades of music. Even so, finding Glenn Miller and Duke Ellington in a collection with Kiss, AC/DC and Motley Crue is a bit of a shock.

"It's different for one, and at the same time you don't hear this stuff anymore," Simpson said.

Simpson's collection of big band albums is interesting but peculiar for someone with a modern taste for hard-driving rock music, but he's flexible.

"The instruments all work together," he said. "The only music recorded like it now is symphonies. There are so many old voices you don't hear now."

While digging further through the crates, Simpson ran across a record that is secure, yet fascinating. The "Rare Recordings of Marilyn Monroe" features the legendary actress'

singer's nude photo on the album's cover.

"Here, check this out," he said. "That was before she got her nose fixed."

Simpson described Monroe as an O. K. singer at best.

"Back then everyone had to be able to sing and dance in motion pictures," he said. "Today all you need is a good hairstyle, chest hair, or a body."

Among Simpson's collection also lies Nat King Cole, an artist who hit the charts in the 1930s, '40s, '50s and '60s.

"How can you not call that a great voice?" he said. "It's all screaming and chanting now without really carrying a note."

There's a definite taste of the youthful '50s in Simpson's collection, with selections from the late Buddy Holly, Dion and the American Graffiti album, which contains a plethora of '50s and early-'60s hits.

"I like records like that one because you get more of a feel for the times instead of just one artist's work," he said.

For a more recent trip through time, sophomore broadcast journalism major Brett Ballantini has a collection of classic rock from the '60s that might put others to shame.

Ballantini knows his old music. His KTCU "Feast of Friends" rock show on Saturday nights features classic rock of the '60s and early '70s. The

show's name is taken from a song by his favorite classic group, the Doors. He has all ten of their albums, too.

"There's a mystique that's been created by Jim Morrison's death," Ballantini said. "The fact that his writing pushed lyrical boundaries is intriguing. He was willing to write or do anything to take his audience into his own fantasy world."

Running a close second behind the Doors in Ballantini's collection is legendary guitarist Jimi Hendrix, with nine albums.

"I think he's one of the figureheads of rock," he said. "Musically, he revolutionized the rock sound of the '60s, even though the Beatles did contribute a lot."

Hendrix's success was a paradox of sorts. He was a black artist, but his audience was predominantly white.

"He was one of the first artists to transcend racial boundaries," Ballantini said.

As he spoke, an album by the Monkees played in the background. Ballantini joked about the Monkees, but half seriously.

"If bands like them hadn't succeeded, we wouldn't be listening to the more simple pop music," he said. "They were the Top 40 of the '60s."

With all the hits the Beatles churned out in the '60s, you might think that title belongs to them. But then there's more to the Beatles than just a bunch of hits. Just ask sopho-

more business premajor Robert Hill. From "Meet the Beatles" to "Let it Be," Hill owns all the Beatles' originals, except for three or four somewhere in the middle. John, Paul, George and Ringo cover every wall, and Hill is a walking encyclopedia on "Beatletrivia."

Since the Beatles' breakup, Capitol Records has released numerous collections of songs on various "greatest hits" albums, Hill said.

"I don't count the ones that Capitol has thrown together over the years," he said.

The Beatles' "Live at the Hollywood Bowl" is Hill's favorite in the collection.

"Besides their Hamburg tapes, it's their only live recording," he said. "For the equipment they had, and all the noise, it's incredible how the record turned out. They couldn't hear themselves at all, and every vocal and harmony is perfect."

Because he listened to nothing else before he was eleven, Hill began his collection several years ago.

"If I was to start over with the collection again I probably wouldn't do it," he said.

"Sometimes we're forced to look back to music that stood the test of time," Ballantini said. "But no matter how satisfied you are now, you can't deny rock's past."

CAMPUSLINES

Box rentals

In an effort to avoid the end-of-semester rush to re-rent post office boxes, post office manager Charlotte Dubra urges students to re-rent their boxes in April. As a service to students, the post office can guarantee the same box number next school year if it is rented early.

Dubra said she hopes to get to the point where students can have the same box number throughout their stay at TCU. The \$18 rental fee will be accepted any time during the month.

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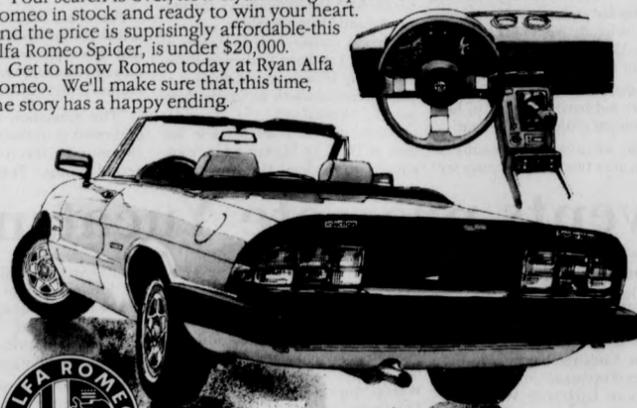
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COMMENTARY

JPS nurses should perform abortions

By William D. Beach
Guest Columnist



A few days ago, a friend of mine who works at John Peter Smith Hospital and I were sitting around drinking a few beers and talking about his job. He mentioned to me that the hospital had nurses who refused to do elective abortions.

They could get away with this because nurses are in high demand, and, because of the low pay and long hours they put up with, they could pretty much have things as they saw fit.

This I could see as a policy in a private hospital, but in a facility supported by taxpayers?

A county hospital is the last resort for many who cannot afford the expenses of private health care. People who do not have insurance or full pockets have no choice but to go there.

Granted, abortion is an emotional issue, but as long as it is legal, then the staff at public facilities should recognize where they work and act accordingly.

Before I venture further, I might add that I am a Catholic and personally despise abortion. Before I venture into hypocrisy, I might also add that, two years ago, I found myself paying for one. I am also a realist.

As I was going through this experience, I found myself thinking that I was happy that this operation was legal and that competent medical personnel were available to perform it.

At age 24, I was not ready to get married, nor was I willing to pay child support to a woman I realized I could not stand to be around. Because of her job, it would have been impossible for her to remain pregnant, and we both agreed that this was for the best.

I know of several people, actually many more, who have had abortions. Most have no negative repercussions

arising from the incident. One does. This one was so damaged from I don't know how many of these procedures that she was not capable of having children, and when her husband found this out, he promptly (albeit unfairly) divorced her.

The emotional damage stemming from terminating a pregnancy can be severe. How much more severe if there were no means of obtaining one without endangering one's health?

The religious far right would have abortion outlawed. Seems like the personnel at a tax-supported institution have already passed the mandate making it illegal.

As a realist, I know that people are going to have their good times, married or not. On some form of birth control or not. When you get just so close, logic and good judgment seem to fall off the planet. That's human nature.

If the fundamentalists (and some folks at JPS) get their way, then housing at universities is going to be a real problem. The people who come in at 2 or 3 a.m. are going to be waking a lot of infants.

A few TCU students would no longer be able to afford the cost of all those traffic tickets that seem to find their way onto every windshield—those bucks would be wrapped up in day care.

Pregnancy termination has been a political choice, a religious choice and a social issue. In my short-sighted view, it should be the choice of the ones that are pregnant. No more, no less. It is they that have to bear the load.

If they refuse, and abortion is not available or costs too much, then the taxpayers must shoulder the responsibility. They already have. They support a county hospital.

The no-abortion policy at JPS must be challenged. Those nurses work for a public facility and should understand that the people who come to them have nowhere else to turn.



The cost of a tan runs high

By Lucy Calvert
Columnist



You can always tell when spring break is over because half of us are walking around five shades darker than before we left.

But why this burning desire to be bronzed?

Why do so many people worship the sun with a truckload of oils, lotions, tan enhancers and heaven knows what else is on the market?

It seems like most people today gauge status by how tan the skin is.

It was not always that way.

In fact, women "back in the old days" valued fair skin, and took great pains to keep it that way. Wide-brimmed hats and veils were "in."

This is because, if your skin was tanned, that meant you had been outside—working in the fields, most likely. If you had to work, then you probably came from a low social class.

People with fair skin could afford to stay inside and have someone else do the work.

Then, I suppose, as time went on, the elite took vacations to exotic island resorts where, naturally, they got tan. So being bronzed became a symbol of wealth. You could afford to take trips to the tropics.

Nowadays all you need is a backyard and a towel to lay on to get that darker hue. Shoot, tanning salons have made waiting for warm weather obsolete. We can be tan year 'round!

There is just one little problem.

Skin cancer. "Oh great, she's starting to sound like my mother!"

Well, I got news for you: Mom is right. And she's got an entire army of dermatologists and skin surgeons on her side.

I won't bother giving you the statistics on the risks of skin cancer or a course on how to use and choose the best sun blocks. You probably wouldn't read them anyway.

The point is, while being brown as a roasted nut may seem "cool" now, it won't seem so cool when you are 35 or 40 years old and soaking in gallons of anti-wrinkle cream.

It won't seem like such a good idea when you live to get treated for melanoma.

Don't get me wrong—I like "getting a little color" as much as the next person. It's when you work hard to turn your skin so brown that you could be mistaken for an illegal alien that you start asking for trouble.

Of course, my mom says any sun is bad sun. She's probably right.

But who wants to look like Casper the Friendly Ghost in July? Well, we might wish we had when we are wrinkly, leather-skinned and middle-aged.

Final exam encouragement

By John Moore
Guest Columnist



Well, friends, here we are back in school once again.

Spring break '88 is now history, but take heart. In the not-so-distant future lie those glorious "dog days" of summer.

Yes sir, three months of basking in the warm afternoon sun, traveling with family and friends and enjoying a carefree existence are just what the doctor ordered to cure the "college blues."

Imagine — a quarter of a year to unwind and forget about textbooks, lecture notes and exams.

But that long-deserved rest from

college life will have to wait until later. The most important thing in all our lives right now should be—oh, nē, here comes that word again—finals!

We have all been slaving away for months in an attempt to keep our grades up and our hopes high. I hope each and every one of us has succeeded in these attempts.

If both your grades and your hopes have survived the storm, congratulations are in order — but don't let it go to your head.

If, however, you are running a little low in both areas, cheer up. All is not lost.

Final exams, as repulsive as they may seem, may very well prove to be a blessing in disguise for many of us.

For those with low grades, finals are a last chance to bring your grade up. Imagine what an A could do for even the lowest class grade in a course, especially since most final ex-

ams are worth more points than other tests.

For those who already have high grades, making an A on a final exam would be a way to make your GPA really shine.

If you are a freshman, it really pays to start building up that GPA as soon and as high as possible. It will make your work load seem a lot easier when you start to take upper-level courses later on in your college career.

But final exams can also work against you. It is always possible to go into finals with a high grade in a course, mess up royally and end up in bad shape. Usually, though, if you have high grades and keep studying the way you have been doing, disaster will not strike.

No matter what your grade is now, concentrate on your work and keep in mind the prize that awaits you at the end of it all — summer!

Letters to the Editor

Lucifer the bigot

WHO: White America
WHAT: Tryin' to keep Afro-America down
WHEN: Every chance she gets
WHERE: Makes no difference
WHY: Crazy!!!
P.S. And a little insecure maybe.

Perhaps this explains why most major American heroes are white folks. Maybe this is why Christianity's Savior of the World is often presented as a white, blond-headed, blue-eyed Jesus. Hallelujah!

And maybe this explains why Santa Claus is depicted as a fat white man with white hair and a long white beard, steering his reindeer over fields of pure white snow. Meanwhile, Bing Crosby, bless his heart, dreams not of a black Christmas, but sings: "I'm dreaming of a white Christmas."

As Bing entertains Santa, Uncle Sam, a tall white gentleman with a long white beard, points his long white finger at Americans and says: "America wants you!"

Meanwhile, back in the Old West, the Lone Ranger (a majority), along with his faithful assistant Tonto (a minority), rides his great white stallion across the territory, fighting for the law and order America loves so well.

On another channel, Lucifer sends Superman and Wonder Woman (both white folks) on a mission to save Earth from space invaders. In the meantime, Aquaman, a handsome white gentleman, combats giant sea monsters who are trying to eat America for breakfast.

While Earth is being taken care of by capable white individuals, Captain Kirk and Mr. Spock "boldly go where no man has gone

before," proclaiming America's gospel of justice and equality.

In the early days of television, there was hope that Lucifer would promote world peace, harmony, goodwill and understanding. In actual practice, however, he fell from glory.

Stay tuned for Soul Trek: The Next Generation."

Pax.
Barry Glynn Williams
Senior/English-RTVF

More Olympics

This being an Olympic year, I think everyone has been touched by the "Olympic spirit" at least once. I mean, whose heart didn't break when we saw Dan Jansen fall twice during the speed skating competition, and didn't every American's heart burst with pride as Brian Boitano won the gold in the men's figure skating? Of

course, everyone remembers Debi Thomas. She gave an unforgettable performance — one that was scarred with several mistakes. Her performance wasn't the only thing that was unforgettable, but the way she acted afterward seems to be the only thing some people care to remember.

In a recent Letter to the Editor, Debi was accused of pouting, acting rude, being a bad sport, and being a bad reflection on the United States. I personally feel this is an unfair accusation, obviously made by someone with no experience in sports competition.

Debi's actions were definitely misinterpreted by many, but definitely justifiable. Everyone could tell she was very upset and a little mad, but she wasn't mad for getting the bronze. Instead, she was mad at herself for not performing as well as she knew she was capable. This was her last amateur competition of her career and of course she wanted to end it with an

Olympic gold. It was a goal she had been working for since she was seven years old. By skating numerous hours every day for several years, she had to make enormous sacrifices, including taking a semester off from her pre-med classes at Stanford.

So much pressure was put on the Witt vs. Thomas battle for the gold, that a bronze medal had to be a disappointment for Debi, especially when she knew she was better than that. She must have experienced such a tremendous let down that she got terribly angry with herself, which explains the way she appeared during the awards ceremony.

Instead of saying Debi's behavior was a bad reflection on the United States, maybe you should consider that she was disappointed in herself for letting her country and herself down.

Lacye Osborn
Freshman/Pre-major

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SPORTS

Volleyball and other ocean fun

By John Paschal
Sports Columnist



Volleyball — Probably the quintessential (big word which really doesn't mean much) beach sport, volleyball has been a vital component of the beachbum agenda since the first itty-bitsy granule of sand said, "Here's a spot." Other granules would follow (most granules aren't much on leadership) and behold, The Beach.

But it was beach volleyball that gave sand a purpose in life and which gave rise to bitchin' terms like "Spike," "Set-up," and "You're no good, get out of here." And it was beach volleyball that prompted most California universities to consider large blond fellows an important part of the overall student body.

Today, beach volleyball can be found, accordingly, on most beaches, excluding those along the Strait of Hormuz and the Gulf of Sidra. The notable exception is the Iran-Iraq beachfront resort where volleys are a daily requirement and cause much sand to fly.

Two kinds of people play beach volleyball. Fortunately for beach volleyball, both groups include a majority of people who aren't dead or anything. The first group, and most annoying, is the group of men and women who stop at nothing to win. Call them "competitors," but most people just call them "jerks," or variations of harsher tone and meaning.

The second group includes most everybody else. Usually they lose, but they have more fun doing it.

Finally it must be said of beach volleyball that what goes up must come down, but sometimes it goes way over there and somebody has to go chase it.

Frisbee - Whoever started the notion that frisbee is a beach sport must've enjoyed bowling in Jell-O brand gelatin. Here in windy Texas, anyway, it just doesn't work. Sure, the person *with* the wind looks like Mighty Man, flinging the Whammo disk to and fro with astounding speed and accuracy, but woebegone is the poor, distant chap on the other end, left to knock to the ground his buddy's tosses without losing a finger, and attempt to return to said buddy in fewer than six throws.

Scores of prostrate beachgoers have suffered rude awakenings at the hands of the guy against the wind, his errant throw skipping the hill and dale and honing in on sunburned shoulders, scourging them in manners too hideous for print.

Such militant strafing is usually followed by a sincere, heart-felt, "Whoops, sorry about that!"

Finally, it must be said of beach frisbee that what goes up doesn't necessarily come down in the appointed fashion, and somebody must go chase it and say "Whoops."

Football - It can be sort of fun or sort of laborious, depending on whether it is of the pigskin or Nerf variety. The pigskin variety is sort of fun until somebody sort of slices his foot wide open on a bottle cap.

The Nerf variety isn't quite that enjoyable. A Nerf football (which is made of Nerf football stuff) tends to follow the path taken previously by the frisbee, and one "Whoops!" too often usually ends the game sometime in the second quarter.

Baseball - Though usually just a simple game of toss, beach baseball can turn ugly. In this case, to "Whoops!" is attached an interrogative statement much to the effect of, "Should I drive you to the clinic?" Victims often are forced to answer non-verbally, a simple nod of the head or pool of blood with bits of teeth sufficing well.

Horseshoes - Ain't quintessential, but probably the best all-around beach game in the world. On the layman level it takes little skill, less practice. It sounds cool when you hit a ringer. You don't have to run.

And best of all, you can, if you wish, and most of us do, hold a beer in the other hand.

Frogs hit losing streak

By Jerry Madden
Sports Writer

The TCU baseball team had a rough time of things over spring break, winning only one game out of the nine they played against New Mexico, Hardin-Simmons and Texas.

TCU began their "vacation" on a high note, winning the first of a four-game home stand against the Lobos of New Mexico 15-2 here Friday, March 18.

Pitcher Kerry Knox picked up TCU's only victory by allowing only one hit while being backed up by 16 hits from the Horned Frogs' offense.

But things went sour from there on out. New Mexico swept the next three games in Fort Worth 4-2, 11-5 and 9-8. What made things worse for the Frogs is they were out-hit only once in the three-game span (14-11 in the final game).

TCU pitcher Tim Mauser, who entered the spring break week with a 4-0 record, said the team got off on a bad

foot with the New Mexico series.

"Losing to New Mexico three times was a big letdown," Mauser said.

The series also marked the first time all season the Frogs had fallen to below .500 (14-15 at the end of the series) all season.

The Frogs took their losing ways on the road with them as they traveled to Hardin-Simmons for two games on Wednesday, Mar. 23.

Hardin-Simmons won the first game of the double-header 9-3 and the second game 8-7. In the second game the Horned Frogs once again out-hit their opponents, this time 16-12.

It has been this inability to turn hits into runs which has plagued the Frogs throughout much of the season.

The Longhorns of Texas came to town Saturday and Sunday, March 24 and 25, to continue TCU's spring break blues. Texas, among the top-ranked teams in the country, swept the three games from TCU 3-2, 10-3 and 11-10.

"I know we didn't give up," Mauser said of the Texas series. "We fought the whole way. I think we were mentally ready for Texas."

In the 11-10 loss, TCU held a 10-1 before succumbing to a Texas comeback.

"Losing a lead like that just never should have happened," Mauser said. "Overall we should have come out of the series with at least one game, if not two."

He said the team needs to know it can still win games even when they fall behind early.

"When we get behind early, I sense a feeling of let down instead of picking up the pace and getting back into the game," Mauser said.

"I guess we need to tighten up the ship a little bit," Mauser said.

The Frogs will have to do quite a little bit of ship tightening if they wish to get back into the SWC race which they are still a big player in.

TCU next travels to Arlington to take on the University of Texas at Arlington today at 2 p.m.

Bowl seeks sponsor

DALLAS (AP) - The list of corporate-sponsored post-season collegiate bowl games may soon include the Cotton Bowl, officials say.

The Cotton Bowl Athletic Association on Monday announced the hiring of Sports Marketing & Television International, a Connecticut-based sports consulting firm, to work to find corporate sponsors for the 53rd Cotton Bowl Classic.

"We're excited over the opportunity," said Jim Brock, executive director of the Cotton Bowl. "It's the No. 1 priority of our association. It's a sign of the times. Any major sporting event will have to have a sponsor to keep identity with television."

SMTI will help the Cotton Bowl obtain a sponsor and assist in the coordination of television activities with CBS, which has broadcast the bowl for 31 years.

SMTI performs marketing and TV consulting services for the College Seagram Beverage Company and maintains marketing associa-

tions with Mobil Corporation, Anheuser-Busch, Inc. and Merrill Lynch, among others.

Cotton Bowl officials say the game is not financially troubled. The reason for a sponsor is to offset television revenue declines of the past few years, officials said.

"The money is there for sponsors," said Field Scovell, a member of the Cotton Bowl board of directors. "To be competitive moneywise, we've got to do it."

"The TV money is now, no doubt about it. We could go on without it (corporate sponsorship), but in a couple of years we wouldn't be competitive with the Orange and Sugar bowls."

The association has been studying the possibility of securing a corporate sponsor for a year.

Southwest Conference commissioner Fred Jacoby said the conference is interested in talking to the bowl's sponsor, once one is settled on, about working with the conference on promotions.



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SPORTS

Playoff possibilities jumbled

By Jerry Madden
Sports Columnist



The end is near, the end is near. Yes, the NBA marathon season of 82 games is finally nearing a close. And, as the season finales draw closer and closer, the teams that have sewn up a spot in post-season play now begin to jockey for playoff position.

Some teams don't have to worry about their position. The Boston Celtics and Los Angeles Lakers, barring catastrophic losing streaks, will end up in first place in their respective conferences. As a result, they'll hold the home court advantage throughout the playoffs and will begin the post season taking on the playoff patsies.

But beyond those two teams, it's still anyone's guess who will end up where playing whom wherever.

In the Western Conference, the Dallas Mavericks are, and have been throughout most of the season, the Lakers' tail-chasers. If the season ended today, the Mavs would take on the seventh-place Seattle Super-sonics, last year's first-round oppo- nents.

For the Mavs, the possibility of playing Seattle again is bittersweet. The possibility of revenge for last year's playoff humiliation is sweet, but Dallas is afraid history could raise its hideous head and repeat itself.

In third are the Portland Trailblazers, the year's most surprising team. Despite being hampered by injuries throughout the year to star starters, Portland has put together a solid season and promises to make it to the second round of the playoffs at least.

Right behind the Trailblazers are the Denver Nuggets and Houston Rockets. The Nuggets have been consistent most of the year, accounting for their fine record, while the Rockets go hot and cold for sizeable stretches. The race between Portland, Denver and Houston for third place, and maybe even second, will go right down to the end of the season.

The Utah Jazz have sixth place sewn up and are going nowhere fast, while the San Antonio Spurs look like they will win eighth place and first shot at being devoured by the Lakers in the first round.

In the Eastern Division, the results will end like this: The Boston Celtics, the Central Division and one other team from the Atlantic Division.

The Detroit Pistons are in second place in the Eastern Conference and are the only team that has a legitimate

shot at overtaking Boston before the end of the season. They have the best overall team in the conference, bar none, and plan to figure prominently in the playoffs.

The Atlanta Hawks and Chicago Bulls are hot on the Pistons' trail, but both teams are inconsistent with their wins and haven't proved they are capable of beating Boston or Detroit in an extended series. Both should, however, survive the playoff's first round.

The Milwaukee Bucks, Cleveland Cavaliers and Indiana Pacers trail the pack considerably. All three have proved they are good teams but none, with the possible exception of the Bucks, has much of a chance of extended playoff action.

And that leaves last place open. Either the Philadelphia 76ers, the Washington Bullets or the New York Knicks will finally take the final spot. But all the teams are horrible road teams and should be taken easily by the Celtics, unless the Celtics continually blow 30-point leads.

Having all the Central Division teams and only two Atlantic Division teams make the playoffs is a flip-flop from previous years where the Atlantic Division was the toughest in the league.

It's anyone's guess who will emerge in what position at the end of the season.



Strike out king - Mark Livingston of Sigma Chi tosses in a pitch during Monday's softball action.

Rangers cut four pitchers

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (AP)—Pitcher Ed Vande Berg was released, and seven other players were sent to the minor leagues Tuesday as the Texas Rangers set the roster for the opening of the season.

The moves leave the Rangers with a nine-man pitching staff, a decision Manager Bobby Valentine said he felt comfortable with because the team expects reliever Dale Mohorcic to re-join the active roster by April 10.

Mohorcic underwent surgery for the removal of four bone chips from his right elbow 10 days ago, and initially was expected to be out until May 1.

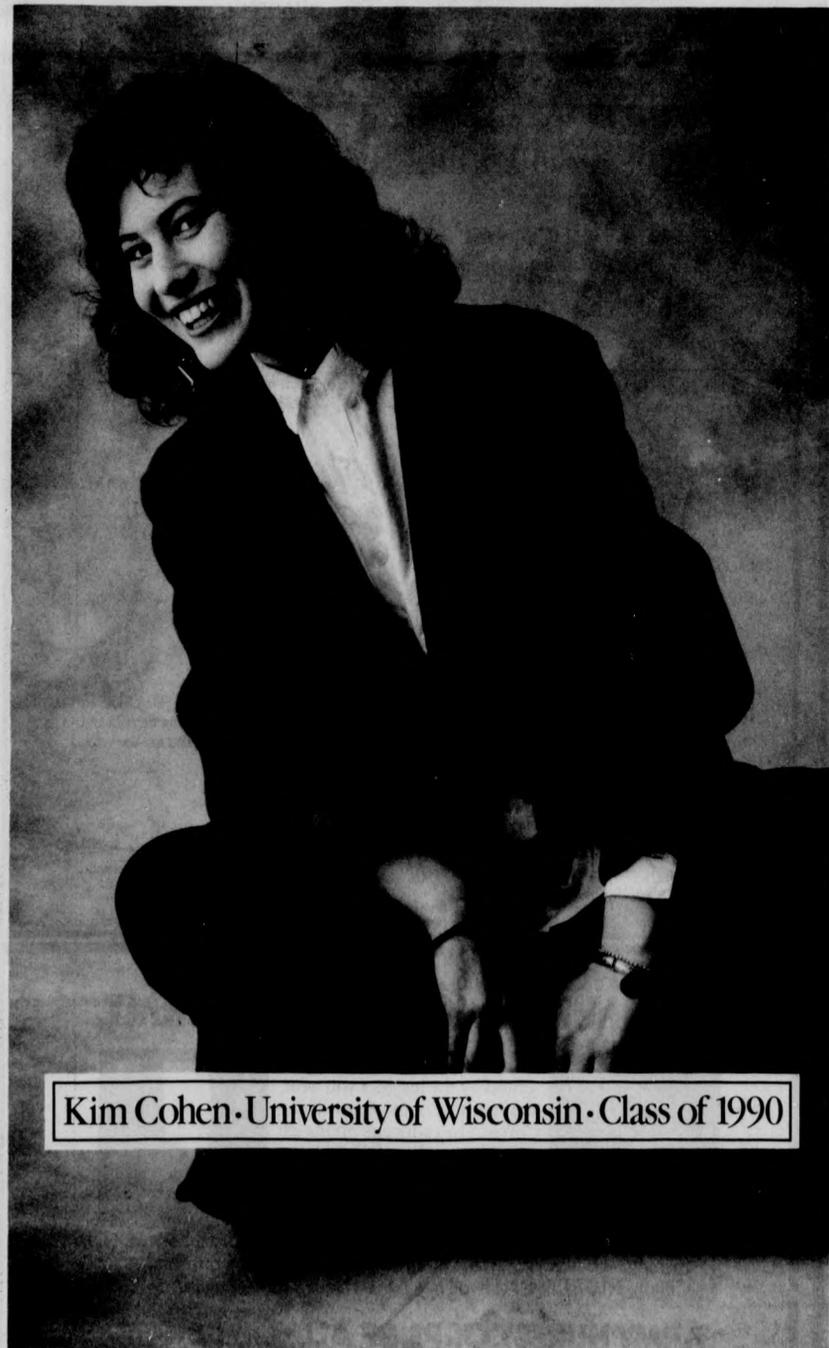
At the time, Valentine said he might go with 11 pitchers to make up for the loss of Mohorcic, who was placed on the 15-day disabled list effective Saturday.

Vande Berg was offered a contract with the Rangers Class AAA Oklahoma City team.

The Rangers optioned pitchers Ray Hayward and Gary Mielke and outfielder James Steels to Class AAA Oklahoma City.

The Rangers also placed pitcher Brad Arnsberg, who will undergo surgery on his right elbow next week, on the 60-day disabled list.

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Organizations to sponsor Easter egg hunt

By Suzanne Lorton
Staff Writer

Colby Hall and Panhellenic are sponsoring a B.Y.O.B. party 5 p.m. Wednesday.

But the B.Y.O.B. stands for Bring Your Own Basket, and the party is only for children of TCU faculty and staff.

Children through the 5th-grade age will bring their own baskets to search for Easter eggs at Colby Hall.

The event will have prizes, and the Easter Bunny will be hoppin' along to join in the festivities.

Kristie Chandler, Colby Hall resident director, said the egg hunt will provide fun and activity for the children and also bring excitement to the Colby residents.

The residents will have the chance to win \$25 for the best decorated window.

Children will be divided into two age groups and can win an Easter basket if they find the most Easter eggs.

Steve Kintigh, director of Recreational Sports, who is taking his 5-year-old daughter to the event said he is pleased anytime TCU sponsors an event that focuses on the family.

NEWSLINES

Justice resignations

WASHINGTON (AP) - In a move that reportedly shocked Attorney General Edwin Meese III, the Justice Department's No. 2 official and the head of the department's criminal division abruptly resigned Tuesday amid a nearly year-old criminal investigation of Meese.

Deputy Attorney General Arnold Burns said in a letter to President Reagan that "Unfortunately, I have regretfully concluded that I must return to private life at this time." He did not elaborate.

William Weld, who as an assistant attorney general oversees all federal criminal investigations, resigned effective at the close of the business day Tuesday, despite a personal plea from other department officials that he remain on for several weeks.

Two of Burns' aides and two of Weld's aides also quit simultaneously.

The decision by Burns and Weld, who refused to say why they are resigning or to discuss their plans, leaves a gaping hole in the

leadership of the Justice Department.

Meese's continuing legal problems have "everything to do with" why the two men quit, said a department source familiar with the reasons for the resignations who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Burns and Weld arrived at the decision to resign independently of each other but agreed to quit during conversations Monday, said two sources who demanded anonymity.

Blood samples

AUSTIN (AP) - Blood samples drawn from University of Texas students will be tested for the virus that leads to AIDS as part of a nationwide effort to collect statistics on the fatal disease, school officials say.

The campus Student Health Center, which takes about 400 samples a month for routine blood tests, will send a portion of each sample to the Centers for Disease Control for testing. UT will be one of about 25 colleges, and the only one in Texas, included in the study.

To keep individual students' re-

sults anonymous, the samples will be labeled only with the person's sex, race and age, and date the sample was taken.

Also, the CDC will throw out every 10th sample submitted.

Dr. Scott Spear, a health center physician who is an organizer of the study, said individual students and individual universities will not be able to find out results of the tests. Each university is supposed to collect about 1,000 samples.

UT will begin sending blood samples to CDC in April and continue through November, with the exception of the summer months.

Amtrak sentence

TOWSON, Md. (AP) - A former Conrail engineer was sentenced today to the maximum term of five years in prison and fined \$1,000 for causing 16 deaths in Amtrak's worst train accident.

Rick L. Gates, 33, of Essex, pleaded guilty Feb. 16 to the single misdemeanor manslaughter count and admitted in a statement of facts to smoking marijuana on the train and failing to make several safety checks that might have prevented the accident.

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to other private universities, he said.

The cost of attending SMU is \$352 a semester hour and will increase in the fall, according to a spokesperson in the registrar's office at SMU.

The cost of attending Baylor is \$135 a semester hour now and will go up to \$142 in the summer, according to a spokesperson in the registrar's office at Baylor.

Tucker said only 60 percent of the total budget generated for TCU comes from tuition and fees, and 40 percent must come from other sources, such as endowment and gifts.

"The yield from endowment is used every year to lessen the cost of a student's tuition," he said. "If we received no gifts, a student's tuition would be astronomical."

Tucker said the part of TCU that has grown most rapidly in the 1980s is endowment.

"Between 1980 and 1988, the book value of TCU and Brite Divinity's endowment quadrupled from \$53 million to \$213 million," he said.

Tucker also said money used to build new buildings did not come out of a student's tuition but had to be raised separately by the chancellor and the development committee.

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