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# Students included in search for new program director

By ROBIN NOBLE Staff Writer

The sociology department will meet with and interview three candidates to fill Bill Head's position as director of the criminal justice department by the end of this week, said Jean Giles-Sims, chairwoman of the sociology department.

"I expect that by the end of March

we will have completed the hiring process," Giles-Sims said. "At that time we will work with Todd Smith (president of the Criminal Justice Student Association) to put together a letter to all the criminal justice majors that will address what impact the change will have on them.

"We were most concerned about people who are in the program right

now, and are too far along to turn back. They have a question mark on their future," said Smith, a senior criminal justice major.

Smith was involved in circulating a petition which acquired 233 signatures calling for retention of Head as director of the program.

Giles-Sims said the petition, which was presented to her on March 1, will

not have an impact on Head's status.

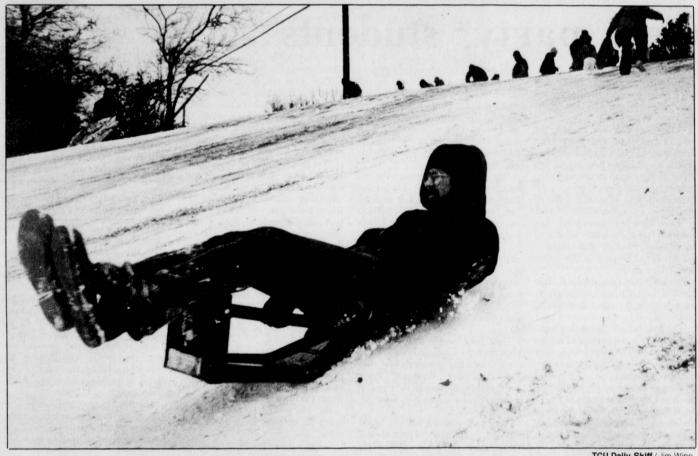
But student input is important to the sociology department, and students have been invited to help the search committee find a replacement for the position, Giles-Sims said.

"Two criminal justice students have been asked as guests to sit in on the class in which they (the candidates) will give their lectures," she said. "There are many other criminal justice majors who will be there because they are students of the course in which they will be lecturing.

Todd Smith had lunch and spoke to one of the candidates for about an hour (last week)," she said. "We listen to Todd. Our goal is to come up with a candidate that is the choice of the students, the faculty and the dean.

justice students have questions or concerns about the department, she is willing to consider them. All a student needs to do is get in touch with her, she said.

'Unfortunately there's very little we can do to keep Bill here," Smith said. "We hope to do the best we can to be a part of the replacement pro-



George Currin braves the cold with about 150 other Fort Worth residents on the slopes of Foster Park near South Drive. TCU canceled classes and

TCU Daily Skiff / Jim Winn closed offices until noon' Monday because of icy roads left behind by the

# Icy roads cause half-day closing

Offices, classes open at noon

By SCOTT HUNT Staff Writer

Spring break is only two weeks away, but you couldn't tell by the icy weather during the last few days.

Temperatures plummeted after a cold front moved through the area, said Brad Fujii, meteorologist for the National Weather Service.

The "late winter outbreak" was not quite as severe as the storm that struck the Metroplex last month, at least in terms of low temperatures and measured precipitation, Fujii said

The storm was still strong enough to form ice on the roads and make traveling hazardous.

Toward the end of last week, we weren't sure how strong it (the storm) would be," Fujii said. "But all the elements came together.'

University administrators responded to the weather change by closing the university until noon Monday

Chancellor Bill Tucker said the decision to close the university for a

half day was made Sunday.

'Generally, the university makes a decision before 6 a.m. on the day (the university closes)," he said. "This was an exception, because it was clear there was a good deal of ice, and the ice would not melt. We wanted to notify people early.

The decision, which Tucker made, rested on "weather expertise we had available," he said.

Since the forecast also called for temperatures to reach the 40s by Monday afternoon, Tucker said, he decided to close the university only until noon.

"We thought people would be able to (get to TCU) by noon," he said. "And looking out my window, it turned out all right.

University and general staff members, who were required to report before students during the last winter storm, were also excused from work until noon.

We thought this was an extraordinary morning with the degree of cold," Tucker said.

### Most students will file EZ income tax returns

By SCOTT HUNT Staff Writer

There are only 41 more days to put

off sending in your tax return. But for those who don't want to procrastinate until the April 17 deadline, it's time to be collecting those W-2 forms that list income from salaries and bank accounts.

Students who received financial awards, scholarships, or any other payments that aren't technically salary also need to collect Form 1099, said Otto Chang, assistant professor of accounting.

After receiving these forms, students then need to get one of the three tax return forms

Most students will file a 1040EZ

The 1040EZ form is for those students who are single, don't claim any dependents, don't have interest income of more than \$400, don't have taxable income of more than \$50,000 and don't itemize deductions, Chang

Itemized deductions are taken for items such as medical expenses, casualty losses, property tax expenses and mortgage payments, he said.

Students who do not meet these

form or the 1040 form, the "so-called

long form," Chang said. Students who are married, claim dependants or both cannot use the 1040EZ form but can use 1040A. To use the 1040A, filers still must not exceed \$50,000 in taxable income and cannot itemize deductions, he said.

Those who make more than \$50,000 or wish to itemize deductions must use the regular 1040 form, Chang said.

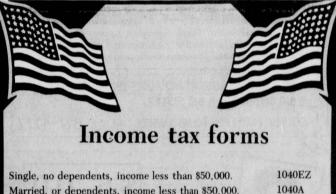
All students who had income deducted from paychecks during the year must file a return to get a refund, Chang said. Also, students who are single and made more than \$4,950 last year, or married couples who made over \$8,900 com return, he said.

Returns should be mailed to IRS Center; Austin, Texas; 73301.

International students have a different set of circumstances, said Ken Bus, assistant director of the international student affairs department.

Bus will be conducting a workshop for international students at 4 p.m. March 14 in Student Center Room

The workshop is designed for international students in the United States on student visas. These students are criteria must use either the 1040A termed "non-residents" and are only



Married, or dependents, income less than \$50,000. Income more than \$50,000, itemized deductions. International students with student visas.

Scholarship students and those receiving financial awards will also need form

Deadline: April 17, 1989

in the United States to get a degree before they return to their own country.

These students are allowed to work only on campus and cannot work more than 20 hours a week. Only this income and any interest earned on accounts in U.S. banks will be taxed by the U.S. government, Bus said.

International students should use the 1040NR form, Bus said. This form is designed for non-residents.

'Sometimes they (international students) are misguided, and they think they use the same form Americans use," Bus said. "Students typically use the 1040EZ, which would be a mistake (for international students).

Bus encouraged any of the 197 students who fall into this category to register for the his workshop in his office, Sadler Hall Room 16.

But international students aren't the only ones who can be confused by the required forms and calculations.

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1040

1040NR

### Tuition, endowments sources of revenue same. I don't know whether that's be-

By KELVIN ANDERSON

Student tuition and endowments to the university are the two major sources of revenue at TCU, said William Koehler, vice chancellor for academic affairs, in a news conference

Some would argue - and I think I would argue - that there are many times when the more you spend, the better you become," Koehler said.
"The choice really becomes how we spend the money that's generated.'

One of the goals of the university is to increase the number of minority faculty. Koehler said.

Many would argue that the more culty positions the university has. the better the university is," Koehler said. "When I speak of minority faculty and students, I speak of those that can succeed at TCU

Koehler said, "It would be absolutely reprehensible to bring in either minority faculty or students that were set up to fail.

While 3.7 percent of the students at TCU are black, Koehler said he isn't sure if the minority faculty should be at that percentage.

We may need 6 percent black faculty," Koehler said. "I don't know if the percentages need to be the cussion," Koehler said.

neficial.

"I think we as an institution need more minority students and more minority faculty," he said. "I think TCU as an educational institution has something to offer certain minority faculty and minority students. To increase minority faculty, TCU

is identifying universities that have significant minority population now in graduate programs. The university is targeting those in the process of getting their doctorate, Koehler said.

'I think the type of place we are, what we offer as an educational experience can be as valuable to minorities as it is to non-minorities," he

Koehler said students and faculty are better off in a mulicultural environment because the world isn't monolithic.

But Koehler was not ready to say that multiculturalism at TCU meant recognizing Marin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. King's birthday is a national holiday that is not recognized by the university because it has not been talked about, Koehler said.

"If someone wrote the chancellor, or if some official, recognized body on campus made a recommendation, that would probably prompt the dis-

### Speaker offers pointers on how to be successful

By SUZANNE DEAN Staff Writer

"Changing the world is what makes

life worth living," said speaker Dan Hayes at a leadership breakfast Thursday in the Student Center. Hayes offered four points on "How

to Avoid Being a Successful Failure.' Hayes is a graduate of Northwestern University and a staff member of Campus Crusade for Christ, the orga-

nization that sponsored the annual breakfast attended by about 85 student leaders. Resident assistants, Greek officers

and students from the House of Student Representatives, Student Foundation, Mortar Board and other organizations on campus finished their buffet breakfast as Hayes described what he was like as a college

'My life was full of wine, women

and song, until it affected my health, Hayes said. "Then I gave up singing.

Hayes said a Campus Crusade for Christ staff member greatly influenced him at college, and now his life purpose "is to share ever more broadthe love of God.

Most college students say success comes from a career, relationships and marriage, Hayes said. While working with business and political leaders around his home in Atlanta, Hayes said, he had a hard time finding people in their 50s and 60s who define success in the same terms.

Hayes outlined four "pursuits" to help students find the success that older people still have not found.

The first pursuit involves emphasizing purpose, he said. Emphasizing goals over purpose is futile because goals never satisfy, Hayes said. He said the business people that he

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#### Lawyer notes strict laws

By PAUL MOUNT Staff Writer

International students need to be aware of changes in immigration laws if they want to be able to stay in the United States, an immigration lawyer said Wednesday Samuel M. Tidwell, of the law firm

of Samuel M. Tidwell & Associates, spoke to about 30 international students with an emphasis on changes due to the 1986 Immigration Reform and Control Act. 'Immigration now has enacted a

strict policy toward international students," Tidwell said. "Because during the Iran hostage crisis, U.S. immigration had no idea of the number of international students in the United

Tidwell gave an explanation of what types of visas are offered to students and what they allow the students to

The F-1 visa, which most students

have, allows students to remain in the United States for eight years as long as they complete their degree within the required period, Tidwell said. If you (international students)

don't complete the degree within the time, you must request permission (to stay longer) from immigration, he Tidwell said immigration now has a

tight policy toward practical training. which is any job training the student might need to complete a degree in a field. The practical training must be in a field that is comparable to a student's major.

'A student majoring in computer science who gets a job as a computer programmer will be denied by immigration because one could go to a trade school to be a computer programmer," Tidwell said.

Students who have completed a bachelor's degree can get an H-1 visa. It gives students opportunity for employment while still going to school, Tidwell said.

"The only problems with the H-1 are the specifics it has, and that if a student has used all his practical training at the undergraduate level, they have to apply for more time," he said.

Tidwell stressed the importance for students to not make any false statements in order to gain a visa or benefits because it will result in them not being able to return to the United

'Universities need to identify immigration on the number of international students at their school," he

Tidwell discussed the ways in which international students could gain permanent residence in the United States - through family relationships and offers of employment but he said immigration is not kind to those who seek marriage to acquire residence.

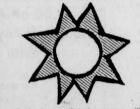
'If immigration finds that someone got married only to obtain residence, it will usually result in immigration exiling them from the United States.'

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Today's weather is sunny with highs in the 50s, lows in the 30s Wednesday's weather will be mostly fair with highs in the 60s

and lows in the 30s

#### **CAMPUS**lines

Delta Sigma Pi Business Week Tuesday Recruiters reception, 4-5:30 p.m. Tandy Atrium. Call David at 927-246 for more in-

March is Women's History Month - For information call the YWCA at 332-6191 and ask for Ann Cook.

Writing about Small Towns will be the topic of a lecture by novelist R. Clay Reynolds at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Center Woodson Room. A reception will follow the free event.

TCU Student Foundation Applications for membership are now at the Information Desk in the Student Center or at the Alumni House. Applications due by March 17.

Pre-Law Association meetingat 5:15 Thursday in Student Center Room 203. Amy Ayers Anderson, Parker county D.A., will be guest speaker. Anyone interested in law invited. For information call 924-3846.

Creative Writing awards will be presented at 3:30 p.m. Thursday to winners of this year's competitions. Poet Walter McDonald will read from his poetry at the ceremony. The event will take place in the Student Center Ballroom.

Study Abroad Reception: Go International! Learn about multicultural educational opportunities at TCU and abroad. Meeting Saturday at 3 p.m. in Student Center Room 205-6. RSVP in Reed 113 or 921-7289.

Graphic Art Design Contest sponsered by PC Concerts Committee for the first ever Battle of the Bands. If interested, submit an entry by March 10. Winner will receive

Horned Frog Yearbook needs writers for 1988-89 edition. Anyone interested can call 923-4137 and ask for Melissa.

The Microcomputer Lab located on the lower level of Mary Couts Burnett Library, is available for use by anyone with a valid TCU ID. The lab provides MSDOS, Wordperfect, and Lotus 1-2-3 Software. Scholarship software available. Hours vary. For information call 921-7117.

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# Students end road trip with award

By BRETT BALLANTINI Staff Writer

Keith Louden and Spiro Lempesis hit the road two weeks ago to attend the Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students Convention at Texas A&M, representing the TCU Responsibility of Alcohol and Drugs Workers orga-

They hit the road home Feb. 25 after being awarded most outstanding chapter in their area. And the TCU R.O.A.D. Workers

started driving only two years ago. "It just goes to show the overall

increase of campus awareness, and it's a tribute to the excellent advisers and

staff we must have to win an award like this in our second year," said Louden, a sophomore biology major who is the Texas State coordinator for BACCHUS and R.O.A.D. Workers co-president.

BACCHUS has 375 chapters nationally, 40 of which are in TCU's area, "Area 6," which includes all chapters in Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana.

'I feel that R.O.A.D., because of what it's trying to do, is the most important organization on campus," said Spiro Lempesis, R.O.A.D. Workers co-sponsor and Tom Brown Hall director. "It gives us a motive to keep

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gives us recognition within BAC-CHUS and gives the members of R.O.A.D. Workers a boost.

R.O.A.D. Workers membership has grown to 125 this semester, with about 25 members being active throughout the semester, Louden

Since beginning as a fraternity representative to R.O.A.D. Workers two years ago, when the Alcohol and Drug Education Office first opened, Louden has become one of the leading peer counselors and BACCHUS members in the nation.

He is part of a group of nine students - the National Student Organizational Network for Alcohol and

what they do. Sometimes I feel peo-

ple are uncomfortable because I'm

not drinking. I'm comfortable with

my abstinence. If they're not comfort-

able with their drinking, maybe they

Because they know the reasons

they don't drink, they are comfortable

"My family has a strong religious background," Wise said. "I just never

drank at all, ever. I think it (alcohol)

tastes horrible. If I drink something

and don't like the way it tastes, I don't

cause it was illegal, and I was underage," Adams said. "I've tried sips, but

I don't really like it. It's not like I'm on

don't drink to understand why others

Still, it's often hard for those who

"You hear people talk about the

great time they had, and you listen to

their voice, and it sounds like they

had a great time," Wise said. "But if

you listen to the words they use, it

makes no sense - smashed, bombed,

"And I've seen friends get totall"

When I see people puking, I don't

bombed to the point where they're

throwing up, and I don't understand

see the point," Pagan said. "And I hear that people have regrets, and if

why they do that," he said.

wouldn't have done it.'

'I just started out not drinking be-

need to re-evaluate.

with their decision.

keep drinking it.

plowed, trashed.

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Vicky Roper added that "the award Drug Education - who hope to meet with President George Bush this summer.

'I believe in the ideals of R.O.A.D. Workers," Louden said. "Responsible decision-making is the most important skill to develop in college.'

Roper pointed out, however, that co-sponsoring events with other organizations, in part out of financial necessity, helped R.O.A.D. Workers build a strong support network.

'I learned that we were successful because of the support of other groups, something I don't think other schools are as lucky to get," she said.

"With this kind of positive reinforcement, we just might have to become the best chapter in the nation.

They said people may drink be-cause it's the thing to do, because

drinking provides an escape from the

pressures of school for a while, be-

cause drinking is like forbidden fruit

or because drinking is glamorized by

"For me, it's illogical," Werth said.

'I don't know what redeeming qual-

ities there are. It seems like the dis-

advantages outweigh the advantages.

But in today's society, it's an integral

part and it's accepted. And it seems

like a competition: who got the most

drunk or the most sick. It seems to me

lege that don't drink," Wise said. "It's

important because they share the

same belief I do. It seems I'm closer

to my friends that don't drink. It's

important to have people around you

don't surround myself (with drink-

enough to have a boyfriend who

But Pagan said non-drinkers can

"I had a friend from my hometown

learn something from those that

who drank - a lot," she said. "He

asked me if I ever got drunk and I said

no. He looked at me and said, 'Don't

'I think because I don't drink, I

Adams said. "And I'm lucky

'I have really great friends in col-

advertising and the media.

people are proud of it.

that don't drink.

doesn't drink.

drink, also.

ever start.

of bizarre to me.

### Taxes/from Page 1

Nora Martinez, media specialist for the Internal Revenue Service, said the IRS will conduct several programs to help taxpayers with their returns. On March 14, the IRS will sponsor

"IRS. . . traviganza" from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Texas Stadium gate eight in Irving, Texas.

The day will feature refreshments and two radio stations, which will sponsor various events, Martinez aid. Also, IRS employees will be available to fill out tax returns free of charge, she said.

We understand taxes are boring, but we're trying to make it more exciting," Martinez said.

On Saturdays in different locations in Fort Worth, assistance from IRS employees and IRS-trained volunteers will be available to help in filling out tax returns, Martinez said.

The IRS also has a walk-in office at 801 Cherry St. in downtown Fort Worth where assistance is available. At this office, returns won't be completed by workers, but workers will answer questions and help with problems encountered while trying to complete returns, she said.

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Students also may call 1-800-424-1040 from 8:15 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays or Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. to receive tax assistance.

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knows are never really satisfied because once they have achieved one goal, they find other goals that they need to achieve.

All people should have a purpose for living, Hayes said.

"Purpose answers the questions, 'Why am I here?' 'Where am I going?' And into which do I have to fit and prioritize my goals?" Hayes said.

The second pursuit, seeking love over superficial relationships, involves practicing the kind of love found in passages from the Bible, Hayes said.

The third pursuit is choosing courage of personal convictions over pleasing others, a problem often faced y students in leadership positions, Hayes said.

Courage is not the absence of fear, but courage is doing the thing you fear," Hayes said. He cited Martin Luther King Jr. and John F. Kennedy as examples of people who had "the guts to go against the mainstream and do the right thing.'

The fourth pursuit, Hayes said, is to seek impact over comfort.

### Non-drinkers party, students say

By SCOTT HUNT

The party is winding down. Just about everyone has done his or her best to uphold the "eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow we shall die" ideal - especially the second part.

A group of people are still hanging around as the host heads over to their table to see if they need another beer. To his surprise, they turn down the offer of a free "brewski," and he also notices they all seem pretty sturdy after three hours of the partying.

Finally, someone lets him in on their secret. They don't drink. They are a part of the approximtely 900 students at TCU that do not

drink A decision to not drink, however, does not relegate them to only spending time alone in dorm rooms watch-

ing TV.
"I don't sit around," said senior Kirk Wise. "I do get out. I go out with friends; I just don't drink.

Debbie Pagan, sophomore theatre major, said not drinking really doesn't greatly affect her social life, or that of

other non-drinkers.
"I go to parties," she said. "People still invite me to parties, but that's not my thing anyway. My friends that don't drink and I go out and have as much fun as people who get plastered, and we remember what we

"No, I don't think it's a license to boredom," said junior Nancy Adams. You have to be more creative to have fun. You just don't pull out the bottle

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every Friday night."

Sometimes, though, being in a place where everyone is drinking and you're the only one who isn't can be awkward. Wise said.

"I did (feel awkward) at first," he said. "I'd go to parties, and I didn't drink anything, so I felt out of place. People see you don't have anything to drink, so they keep on you and keep pressuring you. Now, I take a glass from home and fill it with Coke or something, and nobody bothers me.

There have been times when I felt awkward and out of place because of not drinking, but that's just a signal to me not to put myself in that situation," Adams said.

However, after you make it clear that you don't plan to drink at a party, most people will respect that, Adams

"I've been at parties where people are drinking, but the people I'm with aren't drinking. I've had people offer me drinks, and I just say no. I've never been pressured.

"The pressure hasn't been there as much as I thought it would be," said junior Jim Werth. "Sometimes people bring over beer or something, but it doesn't bother me. It doesn't bother me if I'm the only one sober.'

Others who don't drink also said it really doesn't matter if others drink or

'Most people think I'm offended because I don't drink, but it's their decision," Wise said. "I don't care, but they're always real apologetic."

'I feel it's a personal choice," Pagan

said. "I don't condemn anyone for

ALL IT TAKES IS A BIG HEART AND A LITTLE TIME TO BECOME

people I know tend to disrobe when intoxicated," Werth said. "That's kind

they wouldn't have been drunk, they "I wish there were more things (events) on campus that were nonalcohlic so people wouldn't feel the need to go out and get plastered," she

"I don't know what it is, but a lot of

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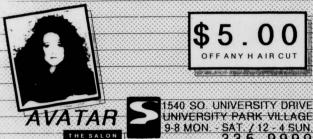
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## Commentary

# Our View Closing all offices treats staff fairly

When TCU decided to close the university until noon Monday, it made a fair and wise choice to close all offices, giving university staff and general staff the morning off also.

The last time TCU closed because of poor road conditions, general staff members were required to show up for work or take a

This time, the university apparently realized that if travel conditions are unpredictable enough that students and faculty cannot reasonably be expected to get to a given place at a given time - the reason Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs William Koehler gave for the last closing - then secretaries and other general or university staff shouldn't be expected to do so either.

While Monday's closing decision is a step toward recognizing the valuable role of university and general staff, the university has not yet made a commitment to such a policy of nondiscriminatory closings.

TCU should be commended for its commitment to closing classes during extraordinary weather. And it should be commended for closing offices this time also.

However, students, faculty and staff should demand a full-time written commitment to a policy that doesn't discriminate against university and general staff.

## Seeing Tower drink chases doubts away

By MEGAN LEE



nizing" and "excessive drinking" of Secretary of Defensedesignate John Tower is national news, and that's by his own

As the Senate confirmation hearings drag on, Tower is unsuccessfully defending himself against these allegations, dragging President George Bush down along the way.

Tower said on Feb. 26, on ABC's "This Week With David Brinkley" he gave up hard liquor 12 years ago, except for "perhaps an occasional martini" or "occasionally a little vodka with smoked salmon and caviar

A year ago, I was at the 1988 Texas Gridiron Show where Tower was drinking, yes, hard liquor. True, it could be an isolated incident, except for the fact Fort Worth Star-Telegram columnist Katie Sherrod said the same of another Texas Gridiron Show a few years back.

Tower's reputation preceded him. A group of journalists told me Tower had a reputation for drinking and especially for "flirting" with the women at the show.

Koki Roberts, questioning Tower women know it when they see it" when asked to define womanizing. Well, I saw Tower, not married at worse.

the time, moving in on one of the women journalists. It could nicely be called "womanizing."

I was humorously shocked by the reputation and actions of the senator, and, after the party, told my parents and friends what had happened. It was tongue-in-cheek gossip then; now, I realize it is serious.

Whether morals should be scrutinized and hung out as dirty laundry is a difficult issue. It depends on how ou feel about a cabinet member with those qualities.

As secretary of defense, Tower would represent our country traveling and meeting dignitaries. He would control all areas of the armed

It makes you think twice.

We must stop and think of the qualities we expect from a person in this position.

Tower's dilemma is not partisan. It is much more significant.

"Excessive drinking" and "womanizing" are not qualities Republicans or Democrats want in a secretary of defense. More so, I cannot stand to see someone deny accusations of actions which I have seen.

It bothers me that I, a 20-year-old college student, have seen Tower drink and "flirt" with women, and people in higher positions have not stepped forward to say the same.

The question of Tower's nominaour country, and until Tower steps down as a nominee, it will just get



# Veggies' that cause cancer

By NICK EASTHAM



Remember the saying, "An apple a day keeps the doctor away," or, "You can't grow up to be big and strong if you don't eat your

Usually the highest penalty paid for not listening to the advice was no dessert or TV for a week.

When I was a kid, I missed countless desserts and months of TV, but I know I might be healthier for skipping servings, even if I deprived myself of vitamins and minerals.

A study by the Natural Resources Defense Council, a New York-based environmental group, shows some foods preschoolers love to hate but still eat are treated with unacceptable levels of cancer-causing pesticides.

The study is based on federal data of children 5 years old or younger, the type and amounts of foods they eat and the types of pesticides sprayed on those foods. The long-term risks of cancer and brain damage are alar-

Of the pesticides tested, eight are labeled carcinogens. Unfortunately, most of the fruits and vegetables children eat are treated with toxic che-Adults do not have as much to wor-

ry about, because they do not eat as much of the treated foods. In fact, adults eat a fourth of the volume children eat. Children need more food to grow up to be big and strong.

The greatest health hazard is posed by Daminozide, also known as Alar. It is used mainly on red apples and works by being absorbed into the skin of the apple.

Children who eat treated apples increase the risk of cancer by 240 times the standard considered safe by the **Environvental Protection Agency** 

It sounds like kids may do better at the local hamburger joint, but beef served there might be treated with hormones and antibiotics, a possible health risk countries in Europe have dealt with by not buying U.S. beef. Parents of the children have asked

for stricter standards on amounts of pesticides used on produce. They say the levels must be set according to standards safe for children, not adults, because the children are exposed so much to the chemicals and cannot metabolize the chemicals as safely as adults

We should be able to eat food without worrying that we are sowing the seeds of cancer," said Janet Hathaway, a member of the NDRC

Texas State Senator Hugh Parmer introduced legislation that bans the pesticides in Texas and places the burden of proof of chemical safety on the companies. It is a small step in the direction of improving food quality, but a giant leap towards keeping America's most valuable resource, our children, in good health.

### Sound loans may cause inequality

By LEIF ANDERSON Columnist

With the shaky foundation of some of America's banks and savings and loans at stake, many financial institutions have been forced to tighten their requirements for lending money. With stricter requirements to ensure "safe loans," many financial institutions may inadvertently discriminate against borrowers to meet those requirements.

The United States government, through the Home Mortage Disclosure Act, requires financial institutions to report their lending activity by census tract. This way, the government can determine whether or not a financial institution is "ignoring" one

If a lender denies an unusual proportion of loans in a single area, this may be discriminatory. Discrimination by area may occur based on the condition or prosperity of its neighborhoods.

One major dilemma lies for financial institutions: Is it their role to make lending possibilities equal for everyone regardless of area, properity, etc., or is it their primary responsibility to issue nothing but "safe loans"? By law, the first choice is the correct answer.

"While it is unfortunate for discrimination to occur, it is a reality we must accept. The government, through Bush's goals, has answered our dilemma: The revival and stability of our financial institutions must come first.'

So it should be. The current problem lies with a shaky institution trying to satisfy both ends of the dilemma.

Let's use, for example, a man trying to buy a \$75,000 house in a belowaverage urban area. In this area, most homes are worth less than the one he's trying to buy

A lender may reject this man's attempt to borrow simply because the property he's buying is not comparable in value to the rest of the area. The lender's argument is valid: the property may not have a high resale value because of the surrounding area. Thus, a lender may lose money if the borrower can't pay his loan off after he

sells his property for a low price. Unfortunately for the lender, such a decision is "against the law" and can be considered discrimination.

Obviously, there are advantages to the current law. Encouraging lenders to lend money in run-down urban areas gives those areas a chance to develop to a higher standard.

During the first month of his administration, President George Bush has stressed the importance of reviving the savings and loan industry. With the restructuring of many institutions' lending habits, loans may be more difficult to obtain. Because of the administration's goals, discrimination may result.

mination to occur, it is a reality we must accept. The government, through Bush's goals, has answered our dilemma: The revival and stability of our financial institutions must come The government must, of course,

While it is unfortunate for discri-

continue to uphold its beliefs in equal lending opportunities. Race or sex should never become a factor. We must realize discrimination in

urban areas, whether it be in a rundown or undeveloped area, is bound to occur Bush, whether he realizes it or not.

has taken a firm stand on this question. Through his efforts, he may help the many shaky financial institutions of this country. We need to realize the costs of his

plan may involve more than money.

### Letters to the Editor

#### Unprofessional column

When I first read Brad Vanderbilt's column on March 3 about his driving experience with "The Fool," I had two reactions. One was wondering how "The Fool" felt about having his car accident ridiculed in the Skiff. The other was annoyance that a column was run on what was obviously an inside story one that most students on campus would know nothing about and would probably have no interest in.

Since then I have discovered that "The Fool" is a friend of mine, and I know more about the incident Vanderbilt described. This makes me feel even more that the column was insensitive and in poor taste, as well as unprofessional. If a column cannot be of benefit to a number of people, it should not be run. The Skiff is not a place for airing dirty laundry, and it should not be a place for inside

Melissa Webb Senior, journalism major

#### Cheaters' punishment

I strongly agree with the TCU Daily Skiff that students who are caught cheating should pay for their crime. This is a university, tolks. We should know right from wrong.

It is time for TCU to come up with a punishment, but not one as drastic as the one described in the TCU Daily Skiff editorial on Mar. 2. I

their exam or paper. Second-time offenders should fail the course. I have been anxiously waiting for

think the best thing to do is give

first-time offenders a big zero on

someone to come up with a punishment for cheating. Ever since grade school, I have not had a year go by without a fellow student asking me if he or she could copy my assignment or test answers I am very tired of it. It is another

issue of peer pressure that must stop. Whatever happened to "Honesty

is the best policy? Think about this for a moment.

How would you feel if your doctor cheated on his medical exam?

vices Edd Bivin, whose office over-

Write him. Call him. He probably

thinks he has better things to worry

about, but what's more important

than the sanity of students and the

smooth functioning of classroom ses-

Tell him to give the little blower

Meryl K. Kaplan Freshman, business pre-major

sees the Physical Plant.

# Leafblowing machine a student's nightmare

#### By MICHAEL HAYWORTH



I don't even know him. I don't have anything against him personally. Occasionally, however, he brings out my

fleshly nature, my baser instincts - more specifically, my homocidal tendencies. My reaction to him is support for

Thomas Hobbes' claim that life in the state of nature would be, among other things, "nasty, brutish and short." Of course, in the state of nature, I wouldn't have to deal with him.

He is capsulized in my mind as "the little blower guy," the one who walks around blowing leaves and dust off sidewalks and stairways with the blower machine that howls like a

Of course, "the little blower guy' isn't really an accurate description. He's not really a guy; he's one of a team of men employed by the Physical Plant and trained to annoy students and faculty. As far as I can tell, most of the men on the team are at least average size. The team may not even be all guys - there might be some women. on there, too.

It doesn't matter. They're a team.

They work as one man, toward one specific goal - making us miserable.

I've seen him start as early as 7:30 a.m. Nothing like getting a good start on the day and making a few thousand dorm students dream of chainsaw murderers or some other appropriately noisy torture. Not only does he start early, but he

works all day. Go to an afternoon class he's there Try to study in your dorm room -

he's there too. Go to sleep under a tree on a nice day, and his shadow looms large over

your inert form.

Like Jason in "Friday the 13th" parts one through 400, he never dies and rarely gets tired. Wherever you are, he can find you.

His machine was conceptualized in drawings by both the Marquis de Sade and the guy who invented the Chinese water torture. These men, however, lacked access to modern factories capable of building the machines.

Unfortunately, the Physical Plant doesn't:

The machines are being used in accordance with de Sade's instructions, however, which remind the user that the point of the machine is to create stress, anxiety and misery, not to clean sidewalks.

Thus, I saw the little blower guy outside my dorm window on Tuesday. He was blowing leaves off the sidewalks between Tom Brown and Pete Wright Halls, which had, as near as I could tell, about three leaves on the whole stretch.

He used the machine perfectly running it right to the snapping point of my mind, then shutting it off. I, of course, was fooled into thinking the torture was over. I would relax, breathe a sigh of relief and settle back to the joy of trying to translate ancient Greek sentences into modern English sentences in a coherent manner.

The second I was comfortable, he would start again with a vengeance. His technique for torture was perfect.

I was not alone in my anguish. Muffled curses and threats from down the hall confirmed that this was definitely a shared experience. Somehow, I have a feeling all of you

What I don't understand is why the little blower guy couldn't do just as well with one of those huge push brooms that's as wide as the sidewalk. He could walk just as fast as he does with the sadistic little machine actually, he kind of ambles along with the machine, so the broom might

even be faster Even though brooms wear out, the cost of the machines, maintenance and fuel can't be all that cheap.

So in the tradition of crusading journalists such as Mike Royko, who convinced thousands of readers to take their garbage to city hall in Chicago, and the staff of the Indianapolis Star, who convinced tens of thousands of readers to send letters to Mike Royko telling him he was a geek for impugning the dignity of the fair state of Indiana, I would like to start a campaign. Let's go right to the top. Well, not

quite the top.

Chancellor Tucker has enough to

worry about with the divestment Let's go right next to the top - Vice

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#### guy a broom. Tell him we want to study in peace, listen to lectures in peace and occasionally (ah, the sweet bliss of it) nap in peace. Let's not let that infamous TCU

I'm graduating. There's nothing in this campaign for me. Let's do it for all the generations who are to come.

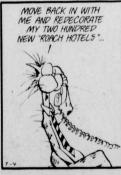
apathy allow the torture to continue.

Write that letter! Make that call!

#### by Berke Breathed

# out there know what I'm talking









### Frogs end SWC play on positive note

By ANGIE COFFMAN and REGINA ANDERSON Sports Writers

The TCU men's basketball team ended the season just as they began it- with a win.

The Frogs braved the cold and snow to end conference play with a 62-57 victory over the SMU Mus-

seniors Danny Hughes, John Lewis and Jeff Boutelle.

The win gave the Frogs a third place finish in the SWC with a 16-12 overall record and a 9-7 record in con-

Last year the Frogs finished in eighth place with a 9-19 overall re-

The Frogs led 34-22 at the half, but the Mustangs came back in the

This was the last home game for second half and scored 15 unanswered points.

But under the direction of senior guard Danny Hughes, the Frogs were able to re-take the lead and eventually win the game.

Hughes finished the night with 14 points while center Reggie Smith and forward Craig Sibley combined for 23 points before they both fouled out.

The Frogs will open the Southwest Conference Post-season Classic at

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noon on Friday against the Raiders of Texas Tech in Dallas.

#### **Lady Frogs**

Three Lady Frogs played their final

game Friday night for TCU. Seniors Michelle Henry, Beth Naughton, and Kathleen Olson gave their all and helped the Frogs beat SMU 78-65 at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

Senior Dana Hargrove missed the final game due to a torn ligament in her thumb suffered Thursday in prac-

Hargrove, who has been plagued with injuries in previous years, was on her way to an injury-free season when she deflected a ball in practice.

"I was really happy for our seniors," TCU women's coach Fran Garmon said. "They did an excellent job throughout the season.

Junior Janice Dziuk led the Lady Frogs with 22 points and seven rebounds. Four other Lady Frogs were in double figures.



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The TCU men's basketball team ended the 1988-89 season with a win against the SMU Mustangs

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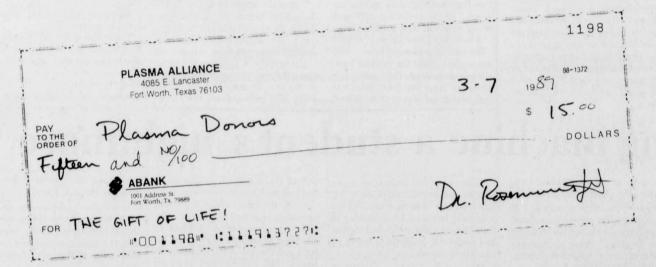
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