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Safebreak program wins honors for safety awareness

By KATHERINE THOMPSON
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The Safebreak '90 program sponsored by ROAD Workers last spring will receive top honors at the BACHUS general assembly November 2-4.

The program involved several different aspects of safety awareness prior to spring break, including guest

speakers, awareness presentations, giveaways, and visual messages all over campus.

"The program went over really well," said Sarah Taha, junior dietetics major and chairman of special events for ROAD Workers.

Taha said the posters entitled "Is It Worth the Price?" went over very well. The posters included a list of objects and services one could buy

for the same price as a drunk-driving offense, including court costs, legal fees, fines, and increased car insurance. Some examples given were 200 concert tickets, 16 spring break vacations and one-half the cost of the funeral for the person killed in the accident.

ROAD Workers adviser Vicki Roper said the program's effort to get TCU students to sign pledge cards

promising not to drink and drive and to wear seat belts during spring break was one of their biggest successes.

"We were able to get 900 pledge cards signed, which represents one-sixth of the TCU undergraduate population," Roper said.

The seat belt issue has become important to ROAD Workers.

"We are really trying to stress seat belts now because last year five TCU

students were either killed or seriously injured because they weren't wearing their seat belts," Roper said.

Another aspect of the program that ROAD Workers said was very successful involved the black armband day.

Roper said, "Sixty prominent student leaders and administrators wore black armbands to represent the 60 people who die each day in alcohol-

related accidents."

Scott Murray, sportscaster for KXAS channel 5, was also on campus to share his personal stories of friends killed in alcohol-related accidents.

"We're trying to build a tradition with the program, especially the black armband day," Taha said.

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Carnival introduces activities

By ROBYN E. ADAMS
TCU Daily Skiff

For those who are looking for something new and exciting to do this semester as well as some free food and prizes, the annual Activities Carnival will be held in front of the Student Center from 5 to 7 p.m. today.

Carnival coordinator Susie Stapp said that the Activities Carnival is a great way to get freshmen as well as sophomores, juniors and seniors involved in groups on campus and for campus groups to publicize what they do.

"I think that anybody who goes will get something out of it," said Stapp, a junior advertising/public relations journalism major.

Wendi Taylor, who also helped coordinate the carnival, agreed with Stapp.

"I think the Activities Carnival is an event where transfer students and freshman students can learn about TCU organizations other than the Greek system," said Taylor, a junior advertising/public relations major. "It's kind of like rushing for all the non-Greek organizations — to be able to find out what they're all about and meet members. During Orientation, you don't really get a taste of the organizations."

Taylor said the carnival also gives people a chance to get to know the other organizations on campus.

Students who attend can register for door prizes, such as a gift certificate for the University Bookstore, the Book Gallery and the Packing-house Cafe.

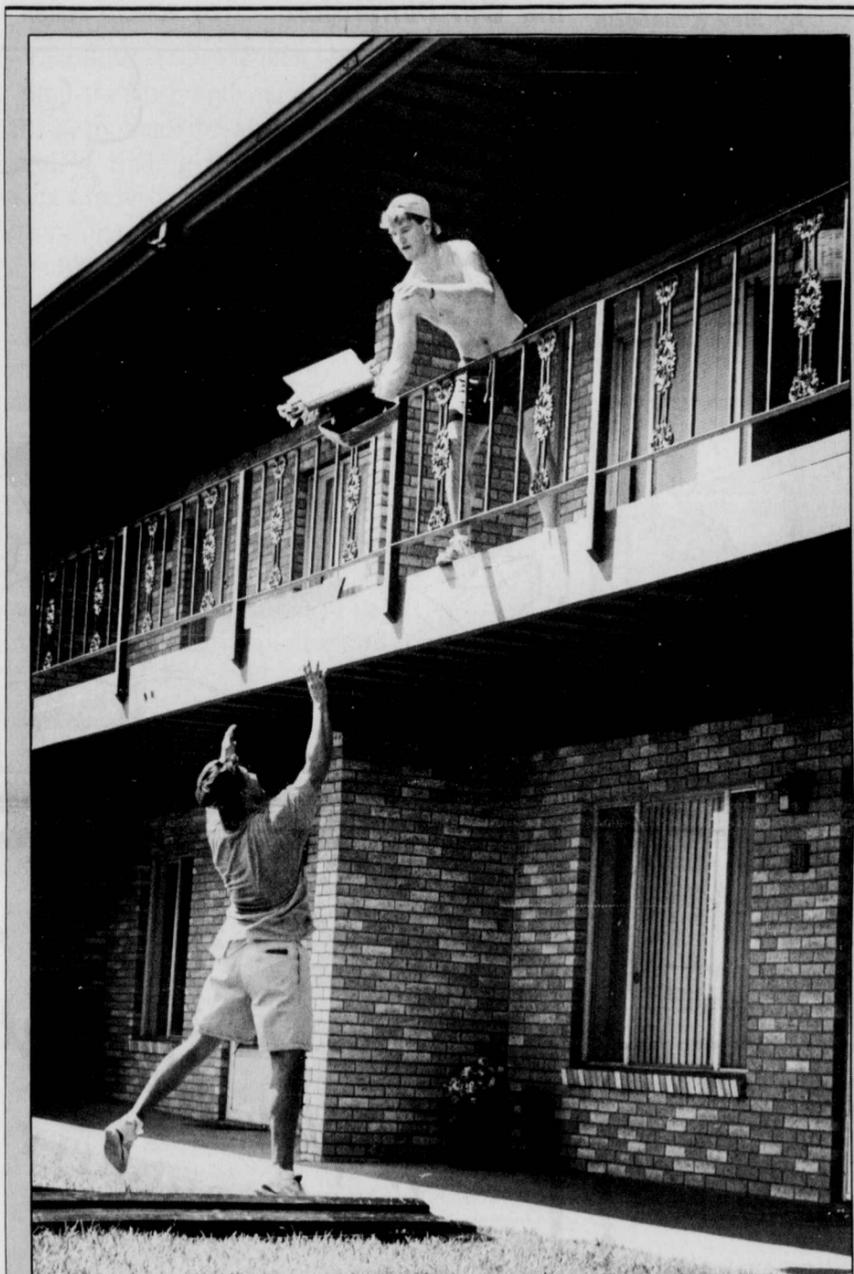
Free pizza will be provided by Domino's, Mr. Gatti's and Pizza Inn.

"But it will go fast!" Stapp said.

KTCU will be providing entertainment with a live show featuring a variety of music.

KTCU Student Program Director Scott Kuehn said that he and other KTCU deejays will give students an

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TCU Daily Skiff/Suzanne Dean

Junior David Bentancourt made moving into the Bel Air Condominiums easy Saturday by throwing his belongings up to senior Kyle Caple on the second floor.

Brite welcomes 60 graduates

By ROB ELSTON
TCU Daily Skiff

Brite Divinity School officially welcomed its 60 new graduate students, the most in recent years, at its fall convocation Tuesday night at Robert Carr Chapel.

"Convocation is a chance to welcome new members and to get together and break bread together," Brite student Michael Allan said. "It is a time to invite God into our midst and start off the year on a pleasant note."

Allan said that the increase in enrollment may be because of an added amount of funds available to students.

About 150 students, faculty, staff and their spouses attended the service and the preceding banquet at Weatherly Hall.

The convocation, which is sponsored by Brite Divinity School and funded by ticket sales, is held at the beginning of each semester to allow the new students to familiarize themselves with the other students and faculty of the school.

"It is a way to cement the community together," Brite student Dennis Wendling said. "Perhaps the most important thing is the chapel service because it binds us together."

Brite student Brad Stagg said, "Tonight is mentally a time to meet new students in worship and to celebrate the new semester, a new beginning."

The service differed from past convocations in that the sermon is traditionally given by Dean Perdue. This semester the sermon, "New Passions, New Minds," was delivered by David Gouwens, associate professor of theology and interim Assistant Dean of Academic Affairs.

Gouwens came to TCU in 1983 as the assistant professor of theology and became an associate professor in 1989.

Gouwens said that he was chosen to speak because it was a good way to introduce him to the community as interim dean. He said that he wanted

to address the "kinds of passions and enthusiasms needed to make transitions and get oriented with (the Brite program)."

Several students said that they were pleased to have Gouwens as the speaker because of their relations with him in class.

"He is very scholastically inclined," Allan said.

Brite Divinity School Dean Leo Perdue presented senior Lisa Davidson as this year's moderator for the Brite student government during the banquet. He referred to the new students as "60 souls."

Perdue also introduced Brite faculty, Brite emeritus faculty and such distinguished guests as Chancellor and Mrs. William Tucker, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs William Koehler and his wife Connie, Director of Admissions J. Stanley Hagadone, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Sharon Iverson and Gouwens.

Hagadone introduced each of the new students who attended the convocation and described them as "an interesting class representing Disciples of Christ, United Methodist and other denominations."

Chancellor Tucker concluded the banquet portion of the evening by recalling the 108 years of the Brite Divinity School.

"From day one, when people tried to get away from sin in 1876, the church's ministry has been the focus and commitment of the university," Tucker said.

Tucker, who attended Brite Divinity School from 1953 to 1956, also recalled his experiences with the program.

"Those were three very important years in my life," he said. "Several professors who are here tonight helped see me through."

"Divinity schools are not spontaneously combusted," he said. "Just as we seek to understand the Christian tradition, we must understand Brite tradition — tradition sitting in this room tonight."

New groups offer chance to perform

By KENDRICK BLACKWOOD
TCU Daily Skiff

TCU musicians will have a chance to perform "fun music" this semester as members of two new groups sponsored by the music department.

Auditions for a vocal jazz ensemble will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday in the band room in the basement of Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium, and auditions for a show choir will be held at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the band room. Auditions are open to anyone on campus, and call-backs will be held Sept. 6.

Both groups will have 12 voices, in addition to a rhythm section and piano.

"It's a new area of interest for the music department and an outreach to the university as a whole," said Kenneth Raessler, chairman of the music department. "To my knowledge, TCU has never had a show choir or vocal jazz group."

"There has always been a lot of push for this kind of group," said Jimmy Taylor, a senior music education major.

The problem in the past has been finding someone to direct such a

group, Taylor said.

Janet Herrick, a music department graduate assistant, is the new director of the groups. Herrick taught for 19 years in Pennsylvania before coming to TCU, and her students have performed at state and national music conferences.

Kurt Wilson, professor of music and director of the jazz studies program, will sponsor the vocal jazz ensemble as an extra-curricular activity.

The group will be called the Purple, White, and Blues.

Wilson is also the director of the TCU Jazz Ensemble and is very supportive of the new group as well as Herrick.

"It will be very positive for the department," Wilson said. "I think she's very talented."

The new group will be part of an expansion of the jazz program, Raessler said.

"In the past we have concentrated on instrumental music, but groups like Manhattan Transfer have made vocal jazz a legitimate musical offering," he said.

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Today's weather will be clear and hot with a low of 75 degrees and a high of 102 degrees.
Tomorrow's weather will have a high of 102 degrees, with an excessive heat advisory for both days.

Publications gain new adviser

LaRocque brings professional, academic balance

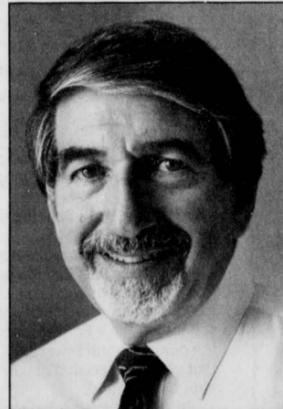
By JOHN MOORE
TCU Daily Skiff

The TCU Daily Skiff and Image magazine begin the fall semester with more than new student editors and staffs. Student Publications also has a new director.

Paul LaRocque, most recently an assistant professor of journalism at Southern Methodist University, joined the TCU journalism department as a member of the university staff on Aug. 20. LaRocque replaces former Director of Student Publications Mark Witherspoon, who left TCU on July 31 to become media adviser for Student Media Company, Inc. at SMU.

LaRocque's primary duties will include working as faculty adviser for the Skiff and Image and teaching the journalism department's reporting class.

"Skiff and Image have been excellent publications, and we're going to continue that excellence," LaRocque said. "Both have won awards and have good staffs, and we'll work to



Paul LaRocque

continue to improve the writing and editing of stories. As far as any major changes go, I don't see any that need to be made right now — and if it's not broken, don't fix it."

LaRocque was chosen from more than 70 applicants by a search committee of four TCU faculty and staff members and one student. Final selection of the new Student Publications director was made by Anantha Babbili, chairman of the journalism department. Babbili is out of the country and was unavailable for comment.

"Paul was by far the best qualified for this position," said Jerry Grotta, associate professor of journalism. "He has a very rare combination of academic qualifications and professional experience. Since he is widely known and respected nationally, he brings a great deal of prestige to TCU."

LaRocque holds a master's degree in journalism from North Texas State University and a bachelor's degree in journalism from Michigan State University.

He is a member of the national board of directors of the Society of Professional Journalists, the board of directors of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas, the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communications, and Associated Press Managing Editors.

In addition to his teaching responsibilities at SMU during the past three years, LaRocque was also a consultant for the *The Daily Campus*, the student newspaper of SMU.

"Paul is a very polished professor who made significant contributions to the department," said Darwin Payne, chairman of the journalism department at SMU. "He worked well with students and faculty and left us with no hard feelings whatsoever. I was sorry to see him go, but

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Other activities during the Safe-break '90 week included a spring break bag giveaway. In the bags, students found suntan lotions, pens, buttons and brochures on different aspects of safety.

President of ROAD Workers Keith Loudon, a senior biology major, said the Safebreak program is the major focus for the group during the spring semester.

Loudon said this year's group will try to address safety "through a wellness perspective" in other projects as well, including Health Enrichment Week and the Safe Holidays program.

Loudon said the group also sponsored a designated driver program and peer education programs to public schools last year.

The peer education program included about 30 presentations to

fourth through twelfth grade students at local schools given by TCU students, Loudon said.

The Chrysler Corporation through the Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students sponsored the national competition last spring in which 350 groups participated.

The number of participants was way up from 35 last year, Loudon said.

ROAD Workers, which stands for Responsibility of Alcohol and Drugs, is a campus organization that encourages responsibility and awareness in making decisions about alcohol and drug use.

The ROAD Workers received a check for \$250, which they will use to send one officer to the general assembly in St. Louis, Missouri, this fall.

\$30,000 water damage in studio Fair/ from page 1

By GREG LYNCH
TCU Daily Skiff

Hundreds of gallons of water poured into the control room of one of the RTVF department's two television studios on the afternoon of Aug. 19, causing about \$30,000 worth of damage to the equipment, said Larry Charlesworth, chief engineer of the RTVF department.

The water damage occurred after a part broke loose on the inside of the air conditioner and ruptured a water pipe, Charlesworth said.

"It was a really unusual event," he said.

John Freeman, assistant professor of RTVF, discovered the flooding on the afternoon of Aug. 19, shortly after the leakage began.

Water poured from the ceiling onto the audio and video consoles of

the control room for studio B, Freeman said. Water was also flowing half an inch deep beneath the floor, where much of the studio's electrical wiring is laid.

"Nothing under the floor is seriously damaged by being wet," Charlesworth said.

The TCU Physical Plant brought in Blackmon and Mooring contractors on the same day the flooding was discovered, to dry the equipment and remove the water under the floor, Charlesworth said.

"I'd say it was at least a few hundred gallons," he said.

TCU is currently meeting with insurance agents to determine the extent of the damage, Charlesworth said.

"We won't know anything firm about replacing any equipment until

we hear something definite from the insurance company," Charlesworth said.

R. Terry Ellmore, associate professor of RTVF and chairman of the department, said the flooding was affecting the practical experience classes held in TV studios A and B.

Freeman said he had to cancel all the labs in his Introduction to Production class for the next five to six weeks. He said the lecture portion of the class would remain the same.

Other classes had to be moved into studio A, changing some students' schedules.

The control room will not be open for at least two months, Freeman said.

"I'm almost positive the studio will be back in operation by the spring semester," Freeman said.

overview of the late night programming that will be offered this semester.

Kuehn said that he hopes the carnival will provide more listeners for KTCU.

Taylor said that she asked KTCU to play because in the past bands have played and the music was too loud for the people participating in the carnival to hear each other talk.

"I think a lot of people wonder about KTCU and I don't think it's been promoted as much in the past as it probably will be this year," Taylor said.

Interlock is sponsoring the carnival this year.

Stapp said that Interlock's purpose is "to unite and inform the TCU campus of things going on and to bridge Greek/Independent relations," Stapp said.

Stapp said that Interlock is open to any interested students.

Over 50 campus organizations will be represented at the carnival, Stapp said, including University Ministries groups, fraternities such as Alpha Phi Omega, Beta Upsilon Chi and Tau Chi Upsilon; and professional groups such as Students in Design and Student Nursing Association.

Other groups represented will include Alpha Chi Omega, Amnesty International, Angel Flight, Black Student Caucus, Campus Crusade for Christ, College Republicans, Habitat for Humanity, House of Representatives, Hunger Week committee, Interlock, International Students Association, Organization of Latin American Students, Programming Council, ROAD Workers, TCU CAN, Terra, Student Foundation and Young Life.

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by Stev KlineToBe



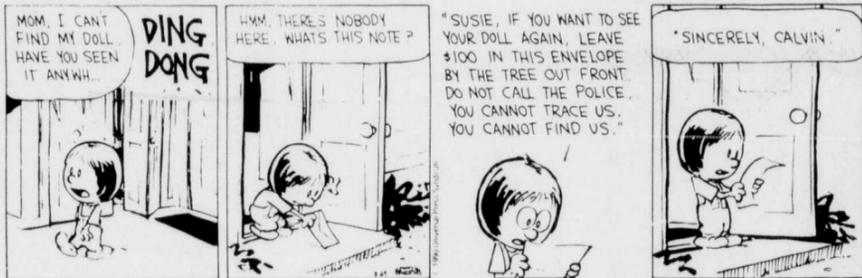
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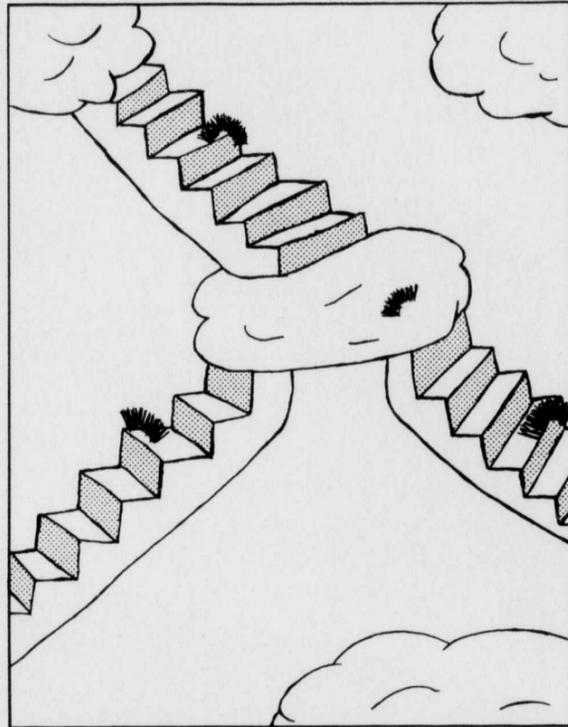
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Stink-free society

Researchers ready to rule out the rank

Fabulous findings sure to frustrate the foul and fickle facets of fetid females and malodorous males was made at the Monell Chemical Senses Center in Philadelphia, Penn., where scientist George Preti and his laboratory team have identified for the first time exactly what it is that makes us smell, in the plug-the-nose-and-make-rude-facial-expressions-sense, the perpetrator being identified as 3-methyl-2-hexenoic acid, a finding that may well undermine the entire deodorant industry and result in untold quantities of Secret becoming solid waste and Ban rolling on into dumpsters, dumpsters that, at least in the Greater Philadelphia area, are now filled with putrid pads which previously resided under the arms of multiple male volunteers who, after making T-shirts musty and suit coats stinky, turned the super-absorbent pads in to MCSC researchers, who then put them to intense chemical analyzation intended to, in the long run, help poor souls who are unable to sniff their stench and prevent social offense, efforts which, by all means, are applauded, albeit a bit bewilderingly, by the members of civilized society, who dream of the bathed and the unbathed one day walking arm-in-arm and hand-in-hand toward a free-thinking, fragrant society.

Hair in mouth prompts dining and dashing

By SCOTT WALLACE
 Columnist

You're sitting at a restaurant on a typical Saturday night. You and four or five of your best friends are eating some good Tex-Mex food, enjoying some good drinks, and watching a little college football. My God, for once, all seemeth right with the world.

Then, as you uncork to take a mega-bite out of a juicy taco, you notice it.

Wrapped around your tongue is a long and wet fiber. You've noticed that taste before, and baby, it ain't lettuce. Suddenly, your appetite dissolves and your throat shrivels up.

With all the courage you can muster, you pull it out — every bit as disgusting an experience as you feared. It's shiny and jet-black. In fact, it kinda reminds you of a black widow. But don't worry, it won't bite you.

We are talking, of course, about "the hair."

I like to think of myself as a relatively laid-back, easygoing guy. Apart from decapitations and other purges of gore, not a whole heck of a lot grosses me out. Not a whole heck of a lot really gets under my skin and annoys me, either.

Finding hair in or near my food does both — severely.

Maybe it's just me, but I really feel a good bit better knowing that whatever I put in my mouth for breakfast, lunch or dinner is well-prepared, produced in a clean, fresh manner and served on sanitary tableware. In fact, if I spend hard-earned money for that food, I wonder if it is really too much to ask or even expect my food in that manner.

Lately, however, such as not been the case.

The biggest problem I have with finding hair in my food is that I start looking for the dad gummed things. It only gets worse, because the more I am psychologically obsessed by them, the more they turn up. It's like an Alfred Hitchcock movie or a really

bad nightmare.

Hair can turn up just about anywhere these days. No milkshake is safe. You can't always be too sure what is buried at the bottom of a salad. It's also wise to check out a ketchup bottle ahead of time as often as possible (which means God only knows about the mayonnaise). Heck, I've even noticed a nice strand of hair blatantly sharing the plate with my steak. The nerve of the thing!

It is not only the food, but the apparently fine establishments that actually serve these nasty threads that blow my mind. No names shall be mentioned, but perhaps it would best serve the public if they were. Could you imagine a restaurant being judged as having "The Best Hair In Texas?" How about a hair buffet? Or "All-You-Can-Eat Hair Night?" Imagine ordering a hamburger to go with extra hair.

Perhaps we could have a hair market. All shapes and colors of hair, neatly cropped and readily packaged at low prices for our convenience. Fresh hair, old hair, oily hair, dry hair. You can buy hair with various hair-sprays to spice up a casserole, or sprinkle grounded hair on spaghetti. Perhaps cookbooks could start offering recipes.

Could it be that I am going about all of this the wrong way? I mean, it's only a hair. We all have hair (or at least we'd like to). Heck, if I can acquire a taste for beer or some of the really horrid things I gulp down regularly, then why shouldn't I be able to for a little bitty thing like hair?

It is just that I fear the worst is yet to come if I don't swallow my pride, shall we say, and speak out about this impurity. What's next for the eating establishments of this great nation — fingernails?

Perhaps since so many in America are concerned with the idea of censoring what comes out of our mouths, perhaps we should take a long, hard look at what goes into them in the first place.

Letter policy

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Bad marks fore Bush on Iraq

By ANDY BLACK
 Columnist

President Bush sure is lucky, isn't he? Anytime his popularity wanes or his power dwindles, a Wall falls, an Evil Empire weakens, or a Democratic Party messes up, thereby shifting our attention and providing the White House a boost.

Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait came at a great time for Washington, D.C. Instead of hearing about savings and loan estimates, budget difficulties and inevitable taxes, Americans now are told of the need to stop the aggression of our latest enemy madman. Try to find anything else in the newspapers — you won't.

The current tensions with Iraq may actually be another saving grace for Bush. But his adventure's likely benefits are overshadowed by less possible, but far heavier, losses.

• George's Top Reasons to Encamp Saudi Arabia — are primarily political and have little to do with 7,000 square miles of Persian Gulf borderlands:

• Patriotism — Presidents always gain popular support when a foreign threat emerges "against our interests." Nothing unites like a common foe. If Reagan can convince us that Cubans in Grenada are threatening, certainly a large and brutal Iraqi force along the Saudi border can be fearful. We were in need of an enemy. Now we can use all of our racist and culturally shallow rhetoric and justify flexing our muscles. And, oh, it feels good.

• Saving the Defense Budget — Congressional erasers kept shortening the Pentagon's allowance. Resistance from the White House could not be forceful when no danger was apparent. Sending the boys and girls out with guns and then asking legislators for more money will bring better results. Two days before Baghdad's movement across the Kuwaiti border, the B-2 Stealth project lost money up on Capitol Hill. It's already been put back.

Saddam Hussein has gotten what he wanted. Kuwait was easily conquerable and full of oil. Iraq has indeed become the Big Guy in the Middle East. He is not a madman but a smart and charismatic yet violent leader of a nation with a different culture. He will not soon expand again.

• Maintaining U.S. World Leadership — That the United States took so personal a role in a far away conflict is nothing new. We have continued as global policeman and interpreter of wrong and right even after the bipolar Cold War days. An effective world front against Iraq under U.S. leadership will help Washington remain the World's Most Important City. As our economic and political leadership is falling, we seek to assure ourselves of our Number One position.

Our extended position, though, also endangers us with large potential losses:

• American Life — If our role causes any American soldiers or civilians to be killed, this, of course, would be the greatest tragedy. Japanese hostages are not in great peril. German soldiers are not a desert strip away from death. The Americans are the ones in the precarious spot.

• Arab Political Support — Americans are not being cheered today in Arab nations because we are not allowing an "Arab solution" to happen. Anti-American sentiment could grow such that Arab leaders are forced to publicly disclaim support for the U.S. Those that don't could be replaced by Islamic fundamentalists who do not bow to Washington. An entire region passionately against us

would damage our security, our business, and the diplomatic peace we have sought. The Shah of Iran was "too American." Remember how nice Khomeini was as his successor.

• End of America's Leadership Role — Imagine our team falling apart. Japan can't take the embargo anymore and France finds a way to get their hostages back. Britain quiets down and Egypt stops their own military posturing. Embarrassment would ensue as we become unable to hold the alliance together. The next crisis would see an American call to arms evoke only chuckles and independent responses. Will they still look to Washington if our Iraq policy doesn't work?

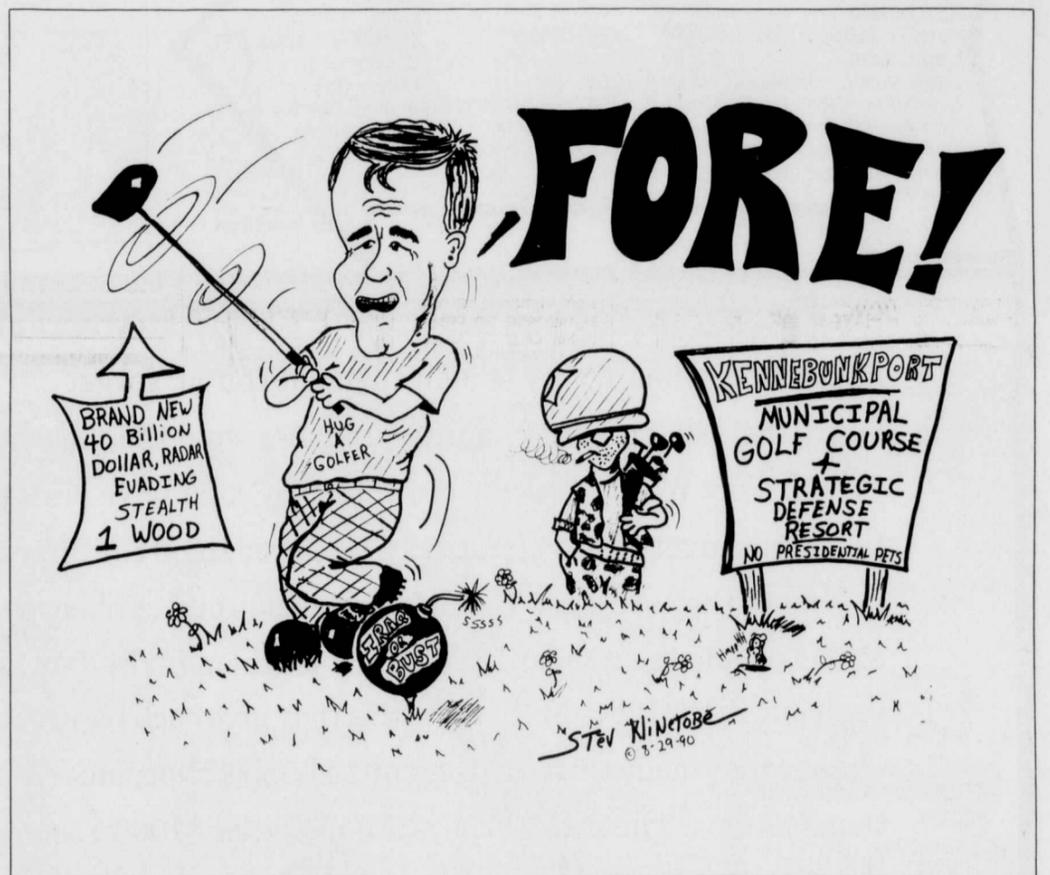
Yes, we also have a goal of No Iraqis Across This Line. But Hussein is not dumb enough to attack Saudi Arabia, Turkey, or Israel. Our massive military presence there now could be unnecessary. He probably wouldn't have gone against any respectable force in a region alerted to his desires.

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Beware the sparks of the American hostages and the Iraqi oil tankers. Should either be hurt or detained for a long time, the crisis will deteriorate and engines will roar. In that case, we will acutely feel all of those losses.

Most likely, though, the U.S.-Iraq standoff has already reached its climax. Nothing will happen. But we will have been spared two weeks of news about our encroaching domestic problems.

Bush will hopefully escape this crisis unscathed by its potential scars. No great victory but no real defeat. And that's just what his Presidency has been about — no Giant Leaps For Mankind, just Staying Out of Deep Doo-Doo.



Male bonding at Camp Razor Burn

By STUART MINNIS
 Columnist

Male bonding is a curious phenomenon. You may have heard that it is best achieved by playing team sports (doubles tennis not included), or through group B-movie watching. These are indeed two of the most tried and proven methods. Other high rankers include a pass-around stogie smoke and the notorious beer guzzle — best when directly followed by a soulful albeit atonal rendition of "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling" (a.k.a. Top Gun Syndrome).

All of the aforementioned are legitimate forms of machismo; however, none can compare to the most peaceful and sublime bonding experience . . . the group shave. Now, don't panic. It's not as strangely Freudian as it may at first sound. We don't shave each other or anything like that. The simple act of shaving in the same general space is all it takes. I bring this topic up only because 15 of the most interesting minutes of my summer were taken up by just such a shave. Please allow me to build the scenario.

Three other TCUites and I did a week-long stint as church camp counselors at Camp O' the Pines, a Presbyterian camp near Hot Springs, Ark. There we met two amiable fellas, Evan and Dave.

Evan was our camp lifeguard. It wasn't hard to tell. He looked, walked, talked, dressed, and, I believe, even thought just like what modern American media has told us a

lifeguard should be like. Perhaps American media isn't always wrong.

Dave, a Presbyterian minister, was the camp director. There were two things that surprised me about him: he was young, and he was the only clergyman I had ever met who used tobacco. And it wasn't just any type of tobacco, it was the most disgusting type of all — Red Man Chew.

Now, Dave had two cups, color coded for our convenience. The blue one usually had Coke in it, which he shared with us and which the campers were forbidden to drink (we kept them in the dark by referring to it as "special dark tea"). The other cup, a red one of similar make, was Dave's spittoon. We soon adopted a variation on the "Animal Farm" motto, "Four legs good, two legs bad." Our reminder became, "Blue cup good, red cup bad" or sometimes simply, "Red cup: Just Say No."

Anyway, about halfway through the week it became obvious that a shave was going to be necessary. With grim aspect I made my way to the washroom, where I met Dave and Evan, both ready to begin slicing. I say grim to emphasize the peculiar paradox involved here: group shaving is the ultimate male bonding experience, yet all men hate to shave. It's true. I have yet to meet a man who wouldn't rather just go Cro-Mag. And all that silliness we see on TV when the woman strokes the cleanly shaven man's face while he responds with a seductive smile is all fantasy. Women, don't be fooled by that lie. It

hurts to have your face stroked just after a shave, and most guys just don't get into the pain thing.

But this is why a group shave is so meaningful. It lets us console each other and rationalize the act. If we can put some meaning to the madness, then it seems far less ridiculous. We can complain about how all women have to shave their legs (as if that could possibly be any easier). It's also an opportunity for even the more equal-rights minded of us to tell shamelessly sexist jokes and feel justified in doing so.

So there were Dave, Evan and I, telling those sexist jokes and complaining about the task we ourselves had chosen to undertake. All the while a few of the women were next door shredding their legs, and we laughed about it. A connection was made. For that brief span of time, we placed aside any preconceptions or difficulties with each other. In that place at that time we were manly men doing manly things in a manly way.

Evan and I made fun of Dave's dipping. Dave and I made fun of Evan's oh-so-lifeguard-like demeanor. Evan and Dave made fun of my hair. All three of us lamented the fact that Ed and Matt (the two other manly men at camp) weren't there. Of course, there were only three sinks, so that probably would have been awkward. And it didn't matter that our faces would hurt later. All the campers would tell us how clean and nice we looked, and the women would say, "It's about time you boys shaved." Boys?! We're MEN, and we've got the razor burn, and the egos, to prove it!

Choir/ from page 1

Eventually the department hopes to offer credit for vocal jazz, Raessler said.

"More vocal jazz is the direction TCU is going," said Rob Laney, a junior music education major who intends to try out for the group.

"It is a musical outlet that I've been looking for for a long time and a lot of other people feel the same way," Laney said.

Herrick said the show choir will have costumes, movement and entertaining staging.

"It's fun music," said Stephanie Robertson, a junior theater major. "It's something the campus would enjoy."

For the vocal jazz ensemble, students will be asked to sing a ballad in a jazz style and are encouraged to attempt some improvisational singing.

For the show choir, students should bring a pop tune and wear something comfortable.

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Pac Man, MTV may sink SAT scores

By **LEE MITGANG**
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Warning that reading could become a "lost art" among high school students, the College Board reported Monday that SAT scores sank for the third consecutive year. Verbal averages dropped to their lowest levels in a decade.

Scores on the verbal section of the Scholastic Aptitude Test last year fell 3 points to 424 — the lowest since

1980 and equal to the lowest levels since annual averages were first compiled in 1971.

Scores on the math section averaged 476, unchanged for the fourth straight year.

The steady, four-year slide in verbal scores from a recent peak of 431 in 1986 is "disturbing but not particularly surprising," said College Board president Donald M. Stewart.

"Students must pay less attention to videogames and music videos and

begin to read more."

Blame for the poor verbal scores rests with parents and schools, Stewart said in an interview.

"The requirement to read through homework has been reduced. Students don't read as much because they don't have to read as much," he said.

"Reading is in danger of becoming a lost art among too many American students — and that would be a national tragedy."

Among the few bright spots in the gloomy report: Women's math scores reached their best levels in 16 years, scores of American Indians rose a combined 13 points, and African American test-takers continued a 15-year trend as the most improved ethnic group.

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Donation improves Sadler Hall

By GREG LYNCH
TCU Daily Skiff

An anonymous gift has provided TCU with the money to fund improvements to Sadler Hall.

An enlarged employee lounge area will be ready for use by the beginning of September. The women's restroom on the ground floor is being converted into a non-smoking area, providing both men and women access to the smoking lounge located at the back of the women's restroom. The men's restroom is being converted to a women's restroom.

The TCU news service reported that Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services Edd Bivin said that although there will be no men's restroom on the ground floor, there will

be a comfortable meeting area for employees, which there has not been in Sadler Hall.

Donald Palmer, director of facilities planning, said the lounge will be open to everyone.

"Anybody can use that room as a smoking lounge," Palmer said. "We now have a designated smoking area in the building."

Palmer said the lounge is finished except for laying the carpet and will be open Sept. 4.

In addition, the waterproofing in the basement of Sadler Hall was repaired over the summer, Palmer said. The landscaping around the building was torn away to waterproof the outside of the basement walls.

The main lobby is also being remodeled. Minton-Corley, an interior

design company, has been hired to renovate the lobby. The goals for the renovated lobby include raising awareness of the university's history with a gallery of historical photographs.

There are also plans to remodel the admissions office area between the fall and spring semesters, Palmer said. The cost of these renovations has not yet been determined.

The cost for remodeling the women's restroom and smoking lounge will be \$5,200. The cost for repairing the waterproofing in the basement to Sadler Hall was \$35,750, Palmer said.

According to the TCU News Service, Bivin said that the improvements are the result of suggestions by TCU staff and friends.

Adviser/

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TCU is very fortunate to have him."

LaRocque is not new to either professional or student journalism. He has 32 years of professional journalism experience, including four years as Editorial Page Editor of the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, and has taught journalism for the past nine years at

Grayson County Community College, North Texas State University and SMU.

During the summer, LaRocque was intern coordinator and writing coach for college students interning at the *Omaha World Herald* in Omaha, Nebraska.

This is not his first time to work at TCU. LaRocque taught opinion writing as an adjunct instructor in jour-

nalism at the university in 1981. His wife, Paula, was director of Student Publications at TCU from 1979 to 1980.

"This position is the best of all possible worlds," LaRocque said. "It gets me involved with both my loves — news and teaching. At SMU, I was involved with the student newspaper as a consultant. Here I'll be working directly with the *Skiff* and *Image*."

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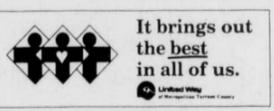
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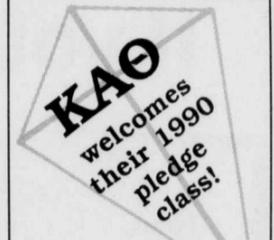


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Sports

Dream seasons on the agenda of TCU, Texas Tech

By JEFF BLAYLOCK
TCU Daily Skiff

This is the second part of a series previewing the 1990 SWC football season.

Somewhere between Cotton Bowl contention and futility are teams who look strong enough to contend on paper. Too bad it's turf they play on.

Two of these teams each had a dream season in recent years, and both could be on the verge of having another. Intangibles such as injuries, turnovers and having to settle for field goals instead of touchdowns may be all that keep them from it.

These intangibles, things unforeseen on paper, preyed on the Frogs during their 4-7 1989 campaign.

"We moved the ball well," said TCU head coach Jim Wacker, "but the problem was we didn't get it in the end zone. We stagnated, and we turned it over way too much."

Turn it over they did. The Frogs coughed it up 16 times on the ground and 24 times through the air. They did move the ball well, ranking fifth in the SWC in total offense, but they

couldn't get it in the end zone and ended up a distant eighth in scoring. These are the consequences of switching to a new offense, the Triple Shoot.

"It's fast-break football," Wacker said. "It's basketball in cleats."

It's a strange variation of the potent Run and Shoot. Wacker's offense does something no textbook

TCU Horned Frogs

1989 record: 2-6, 4-7.
Projected finish: Sixth.
Head coach: Jim Wacker, 8th season.
Offense: Triple Shoot returning 8 starters.
Defense: 4-3 returning 7 starters.

Run and Shoots, like the product of Houston coach John Jenkins, would ever do: use a tight end.

And with three tight ends that six other SWC coaches would sell their souls to have in their lineup, it's no wonder.

"We've said all along that tight end is our best position," Wacker

said. "These tight ends give us a much better running game."

"The one problem with the Run and Shoot is that you're spread out all over the field. Without a tight end, there are certain plays you can't run," the ninth-year coach said.

Kelly Blackwell, Mike Noack and Chris Thomsen are all solid blockers for the running backs and dangerous receivers with good hands. They augment a solid receiving corps that includes the likes of Stephen Shipley, Michael Jackson and Kyle McPherson.

"I'll be awfully disappointed if our receivers aren't much better than a year ago," Wacker said.

Improvement over last year at the quarterback position means the ball will get to the receivers' hands. Leon Clay, who was brilliant in last season's upset win over Air Force, is the Frogs number one QB going in to the season, and transfer Matt Vogler is pressing him hard.

"Right now everybody says that quarterback is the big weakness," Wacker said. "Wait until the end of the season. We're going to rate a lot better than people give us credit for. I

really believe we'll be in the top two or three in the conference."

That's what the Frogs need to stay competitive and to have any thoughts of repeating 1984's success.

The running backs appear strong as well. Tony Darthard is back from a season-ending injury in the first game last year. He is joined in the backfield by senior Cedric Jackson, another casualty from last year, and sophomore Curtis Modkins. Modkins' 522 yards in 1989 were the most ever by a TCU freshman.

The Frogs have more experience and depth on the other side of the line as well. They may need all of it to pull themselves up from eighth in the conference in team defense.

"We've got to be unbelievably physical. We need to develop a meaner, tougher, take no prisoners kind of attitude," Wacker said. "We've got to do a better job of making sure we tackle their people."

The Frogs are a difficult team to predict. Pegged to finish eighth by many writers, they are as likely to finish there as fourth. It was a surprise to all the analysts when TCU went to the Bluebonnet Bowl in '84. That's the kind of surprise Wacker's crew would like to be again.

The surprise season wasn't as long ago for the boys from Lubbock. Spike Dyke's Red Raiders went 9-3

last year, including an All American Bowl trouncing of Duke. But they've lost running back James Gray, whose 1,509 yards on the ground led the SWC.

Few injuries, strong senior leadership and a few breaks sent Tech to a final No. 16 ranking. With those intangibles, Tech could be there again. Without them, the Red Raiders will be the ordinary team they were during the rest of the 80s.

The defense is what might keep Tech perched on the fringes of the

defensive line has been depleted by the losses of three starters, and the lack of depth in the secondary are the Raiders' main defensive concerns.

The offense looms as a larger question mark in Lubbock. The entire offensive line is gone. The starting backs, Gray and Clifton Winston, are gone. Offensive coordinator Dick Winder has only flanker Anthony Manyweather and quarterback Jamie Gill left over from last year's starting lineup.

Gill's big play ability is well known, especially to the fans of Texas. He earned the nickname "Thrill Gill" against the Longhorns, who were stunned by his game-breaking 65-yard TD bomb to Manyweather on a third-and-26 with 4:26 to play.

And the running game isn't too bad, either. Anthony Lynn and Louis Sheffield will be called upon to replace Gray as the I-back, and Anthony McDowell is slotted as the fullback. McDowell will be Gill's favorite target for screens, Winder's favorite plays to call.

Dykes said his team was a lower-middle of the pack squad, but deep-down he sees them going back to a bowl game. They could just as easily be either one because, at least on paper, they're both.

Texas Tech Red Raiders

1989 record: 5-3, 9-3.
Projected finish: Fifth.
Head coach: Spike Dyke, 4th season.
Offense: I-Formation returning 2 starters.
Defense: 4-3 returning 8 starters.

top four. All-SWC linebacker Charles Rowe and All-SWC safety Tracy Saul anchor a defense that improved steadily over the course of '89. Dykes said he expects them to pick up where they left off. They'll need to. The Raiders first two are against Ohio State and Houston, and not far down the road are the national champions, Miami.

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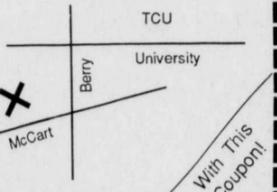
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