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## 'Differently abled' student lends a helping hand

By CAM JOHNSON  
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"Differently abled" is the term a 23-year-old social work major with cerebral palsy uses.

Laura White wants to help others through social work and public health after she graduates from TCU in May, she said.

White, who is 5 feet 1 inches tall with dark shoulder-length hair, rides to her classes on a motorized scooter or walks with crutches.

Some students leave for class

at the last minute, but White must prepare and plan her schedule from the moment she wakes up, she said. If she forgets something, an extra trip across campus could throw off her entire day, she said.

White looked for a university that was not too big and had a warm climate and a good social work department, she said, and TCU was just the school she was looking for.

White planned to go into social work for several years before coming to TCU, she said.

"My life experiences have sort of pushed me in the direction of helping people who are differently abled," White said. "I have grown up seeing both perspectives. There aren't many people in the medical field who can offer this."

White is working part time as a social work field student at Cook-Fort Worth Children's Medical Center. The work is required for a social work degree.

Most people accept her different abilities, but some people do not know how to react to her,

which is one of the most frustrating problems with being different, White said.

"It's interesting how many attitudes you run into," White said. "It's far from being everyone, but some people treat me as if I'm five."

For example, an usher at a movie asked one of White's friends whether she would be able to get to the balcony instead of just asking White herself, she said.

"When people refer to you in the third person like that, you

feel like asking, 'Do you realize what you just said?'" White said. "But I know that people mean well; they're just not always aware of their actions."

Independent and stubborn are how she describes herself. People often offer to help her because of her disability, but she usually says no thank you, White said.

"I think a lot of people are taken aback by my independence," she said. "I'm just a college student. I want to be treated like other college students. Even though I can't get around the

same way the other students do, I try not to make excuses for myself."

Some students found her determination both an inspiration and a cause for worrying about her, White said.

"Some of my friends say, 'Laura, don't push yourself too hard,'" she said. "But most people would do the same thing if they were in my shoes."

"Sure, it takes more effort to do things, but that's the way it

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New House President Ernie Ross (left) is sworn in by former President Matt Hood at Tuesday's House meeting.

## House to finance jazz performance

By JON MARTZ  
TCU Daily Skiff

New officers and representatives were sworn in and a \$3,000 allotment for the TCU Jazz Ensemble was announced Tuesday at the first House of Student Representatives meeting of the spring semester.

The money has been set aside for a special concert on campus by the Jazz Ensemble in the first week of April, said Ernie Ross, who was sworn in as the new House president.

The meeting, which was held in the Student Center Woodson Room, was called to order by for-

mer president Matt Hood who then proceeded to swear in Ross. Ross then accepted the gavel from Hood and began to swear in the new officers of the House's 1991 executive board.

In his first report as president, Ross mentioned several programs that already are being sponsored by the House this semester. The programs ranged from the question and answer forum about the war in the Middle East, to providing television sets in the Student Center Lounge. Ross encouraged all students with questions or fears about the war to make use of the Counseling Center.

All of the new representatives

from across campus also were sworn in and encouraged to sign up for the special committee of their choice.

"The committees are where the bulk of the work in the House is done," said Ben Walters, vice president of the House.

The individual committees will begin to meet regularly Feb. 6. The student concerns committee is already at work on bills dealing with topics like recycling and limited parking on campus.

All town students are encouraged to sign up as representatives before the Feb. 5 deadline. Applicants will be reviewed on a first-come-first-served basis, Walters

said. Jeri Sias, of the Black South African Scholarship Committee, discussed projects the committee is currently working on.

For the past four years the committee has sponsored a scholarship for a black South African student to attend an open university in South Africa, at a cost of \$4,200 a semester, she said.

The group is currently \$600 short of its goal and is seeking help from campus organizations. The money is needed by Thursday to ensure that the student receives her money on time, Sias said.

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## Allied planes attack convoy

### WAR

IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Associated Press

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia — An all-out ground offensive to drive Iraqi forces from Kuwait is not expected until well into February. But stepped-up reconnaissance and patrols along the front lines apparently are producing more direct clashes.

A news pool dispatch from the front said allied warplanes caught an Iraqi convoy of tanks, armored personnel carriers and supply trucks moving across the open desert in southern Iraq late Monday, and destroyed 24 vehicles. It was the largest such "kill" reported thus far.

Farther east and a few hours later, 1st Marine Division artillery and mortar crews opened up on suspected Iraqi bunkers and observation posts in Kuwait. Marine officers said they believed the 300-round barrage destroyed an Iraqi complex.

The Iraqis issued communiques claiming that two columns of their forces thrust nine and 12 miles south of the border and killed "large numbers" of enemy troops on "the Ar'ar axis." Ar'ar lies in Saudi Arabia's far northwest. All units later withdrew.

A senior U.S. officer said an Iraqi officer was killed during a botched ambush of three Saudi border guards that apparently involved a dozen Iraqis who crossed into Saudi territory. A Baghdad communique claimed an Iraqi border patrol from Kuwait stormed a forward observation post and killed all those manning it.

Little further detail was available on these ground actions, and possible connections among them remained unclear.

In partly cloudy skies, Operation Desert Storm launched more than

2,600 air sorties Tuesday against Iraq and Kuwait, the U.S. command said, and no coalition warplanes were reported lost.

Bombers focused again on the dug-in Republican Guard, elite units that are the backbone of Iraq's defense of Kuwait. Stevens said the attacks had "severely degraded" bridges, roads and other supply routes to the front, but he conceded, "I can't tell you it's cut off."

The U.S. command reported that Navy jets again struck vessels at the Umm Qasr naval base in southernmost Iraq, and hit two launchers for Iraqi anti-ship Silkworm missiles.

Air attacks also set a petrochemical complex ablaze in the southern port city of Basra, Iran's news agency reported, and an anti-Saddam Kurdish resistance group reported heavy damage to military targets in the northern oil city of Kirkuk.

Refugees reaching Jordan told of ceaseless air attacks and devastation. "There is a lot of destruction everywhere in Baghdad. I have seen many houses flattened, as well as factories on the outskirts of the city," said Noor Mohammed, 37, a Sudanese tailor. He also said he saw at least 25 damaged vehicles, including a bus, along the desert highway west to Jordan.

"Anyone who now lives anywhere in Iraq must be crazy," said a Jordanian woman who drove through Iraq from Kuwait. "It is really hell, bombs are falling all the time and there is fire everywhere."

The U.S. military has said it is targeting only military and other strategic targets, but acknowledges that unintended civilian casualties may be occurring.

The Pentagon said Tuesday about 90 Iraqi fighter-bombers and transport planes, more than one-tenth of the Iraqi air force, have flown to Iran in recent days, seeking refuge.

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## Peace, justice group strives for recognition

By JAMIE McILVAIN  
TCU Daily Skiff

Despite low student turnout at an organizational meeting of the Peace and Social Justice Committee on Tuesday, the group's coordinators said they will continue their efforts to begin the new group.

"What we're looking for right now are people who want to get together and talk about anything related to peace and social justice," said Peter Vandenberg, coordinator of the committee.

The need for an organization to discuss issues in an informal manner inspired Vandenberg and Colette Connelly, who are both working on their doctoral degrees in English, to begin the group, they said.

The group, which has not yet been officially recognized as a campus organization by the Student Organizations Committee, is not being formed to deal solely with war issues, they said. Topics of discussion for the group could range from the war to domestic violence in the home, Connelly said.

"This would be an umbrella group, dealing with many issues," Connelly said. "I hope the group will grow and over time find a long-lasting identity not rooted in one particular issue."

Harry Opperman, assistant professor of English, would be the group's faculty sponsor.

Students interested in forming the group should leave their names and phone numbers in Connelly or Vandenberg's mail boxes in the English department.

Requirements for recognition of a new organization include the expressed interest of at least 10 students, the announcement of an officer slate and the naming of a faculty sponsor, said Susan Batchelor, director of student activities.

The special interests subcommittee of the SOC reviews the applications for the formation of new groups, Batchelor said.

Once an application has been submitted, the group may meet on campus and post signs about its activities, she said.

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### Outside

Today's weather will be cloudy with light snow possible and a high temperature of 35 degrees.

Thursday's weather will be sunny and warmer with a temperature of 50 degrees.



## Counting the cost

### Students not immune to consequences of DWI

By TERI LEE YANKOWSKY  
TCU Daily Skiff

Beer bottles lay scattered around the table and in the grass. Phil, who asked that his last name not be printed, had changed into dry clothes after swimming in Lake Whitney, where he had spent the Fourth of July partying with friends. About 6 p.m., Phil, who had been drinking since noon, climbed into his car — tired, wet and drunk — for the trip home.

Phil was pulled over by police in Weatherford about 9:30 p.m. for driving 93 mph. The state troopers questioned him about his drinking. After failing a sobriety test in which he was asked to stand on his right leg while counting to 10 and touching his finger to his nose, Phil was arrested for DWI.

The next 17 hours of his life were spent in a 12- by 6-foot cell with three other prisoners in the Parker County Jail.

"Jail is the nastiest thing," Phil said. "It made me feel so dirty. I didn't sleep or eat the whole time. I was so terrified and ashamed."

Phil, who graduated from TCU in 1989 with a degree in marketing, is typical of many college-age drinkers who think they will never get caught drunk behind the wheel.

"Alcohol is definitely a problem here at TCU," said Vicky Roper, project coordinator with TCU Alcohol and Drug education. "Seventy-five percent of the students here drink. Nationally, 90 percent of the students drink."

In 1989 there were 22,415 alcohol-related crashes, which account for 50 percent of the total traffic fatalities, said Tammy Weddel, national media communications assistant for Mothers Against Drunk Drivers.

"There were more DWI arrests, 1.7 million, than any other violation in 1989," Weddel said. "Alcohol-related injuries average 345,000 a year."

When a person is stopped for any traffic violation, police always check for signs of alcohol, said David Walter, a DWI officer in the Fort Worth Police Department.

If alcohol is seen in the vehicle,

then the officer will perform sobriety tests on the driver, Walter said. Tests include checking the driver's eyes to see if they are bloodshot, having the driver count out loud while standing on one leg, and requiring the driver to walk a straight line heel-to-toe and touch a finger to his or her nose, Walter said.

When it is determined that a driver is intoxicated, the person is handcuffed and taken into the station, Walter said. Police have his or her car towed to the pound, he said.

The person has a mug shot and fingerprints taken, performs all of the sobriety tests again on video tape and goes to jail, Walter said.

"A DWI is a big deal," he said. "Even a regular Joe Citizen with no previous record could be in jail a day or more."

DWIs are costly. Phil said he has paid over \$3,500 for tickets and lawyers and has had to leave work for more than 20 hours to meet with his lawyers.

Two TCU students died and one was paralyzed in accidents that involved alcohol last fall, Roper said.



**CAMPUSlines**

**House of Student Representatives** Town Student Applications for students who live off campus, are available in the Student Activities Office. Applications are due at 5 p.m. Feb. 5. Call Dave LeBlanc at 921-7924.

**Brandenburg Middle School A Cappella Choir**, directed by Debbie Helm of Garland, will perform at noon today in Robert Carr Chapel. The choral group is the only middle school group nationwide to be selected to attend the American Choral Directors Association Convention in Phoenix in March.

**Psi-Chi** will hold a meeting at 6:30 p.m. today in Student Center Room 205. For more information call 926-1186.

**Summer travel/study program financial aid** deadline is Thursday. Applications are available from Mary Alice Oatman, Extended Education, Sadler Room 212.

**Seminar for Mature Frogs** will hold a brown bag luncheon at noon Friday in Reading Room A (note change). A video on utilizing the Writing Center will be shown.

**High Adventure Club** will be horseback riding Saturday. For more information call Bryan at 924-6881.

**The Biblical Arts Center** will hold a reception from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Feb. 7 at the Biblical Arts Center, 7500 Park Lane at Bodecker in Dallas. The reception will be held in celebration of the "It Is Finished" exhibition.

**Encouragement** for soldiers may be given by mailing a letter, card, postcard, drawing, or something from Fort Worth or Texas to: Any Soldier, Operation Desert Storm, New York, N.Y. 09135-0000.

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When the committee approves a group, it is listed in the TCU curricular bulletin.

Additionally the group's activities must differ from existing organizations' activities.

"If there are too many groups all alike, none will be successful," Bachelor said. "We want to make sure there are plenty of students to sustain each group."

About four applications to recognize new organizations are currently being considered by the subcommittee, she said.

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"This semester's student is named Shamiela Frieslaar who is currently studying accounting," Sias said.

Any donations may be delivered to the University Ministries Offices in the Student Center. Students are encouraged to attend meetings of the Black South African Scholarship Committee, which are held at 4 p.m. Thursdays in Student Center Reading Room A, Sias said.

The House is scheduled to meet next week in the House Chamber, room 222 of the Student Activities Office, Ross said. Remodeling of the chamber should be completed by then, he said.

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is," White said. "Everyone would change some things about themselves if they could, but you've got to go on. There are still a lot of things out there to enjoy."

"I'm just like everyone else, I have my good days and bad days," she said. "We all have limitations, some are just more visible than others."

**Baltic tensions lessen**

By BARRY SCHWEID  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Soviet Union, in a dramatic move to improve relations with the United States, has promised to remove airborne and other troops from the Baltic Republics and to reopen talks with independence-minded leaders there, U.S. officials said Tuesday.

The move to lessen tensions in the Baltics were described to President Bush in a message from Moscow carried by Soviet Foreign Minister Alexander A. Bessmertnykh, the officials said.

The message did not promise to remove all outside military from Latvia and Lithuania, where 21 people were killed this month in clashes, and yet some units have been detected moving back from the Baltic Republics, the officials told The Associated Press.

On the other hand, some of the Interior Ministry's "Black Berets," which played a key role against the independence drive, are from the area and apparently will remain there, said the officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Bush and Baker have been sharply critical of the harsh tactics used against the independence movement. But there was an odd silence on the subject Monday when Baker and Bessmertnykh announced the postponement of the Feb. 11-13 Bush-Gorbachev summit in Moscow.

Their joint announcement said simply that it would be "inappropriate" for Bush to go to Moscow in the midst of the Persian Gulf war. The other reason cited in a joint statement was that a treaty to slash U.S. and Soviet long-range nuclear weapons would not be ready for signature at the summit.

**ECHO ECHO**

by Stev KlineToBe



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## Not enough

### President's address lacking information

President George Bush's state of the union address Tuesday night was vague, shallow and ambiguous.

The hour-long speech touched on a vast range of topics, both foreign and domestic, but the only subjects the president dealt with in any detail were domestic in nature, centering on the budget and reformation of federal programs, rather than with the pressing issue of the war in the Middle East.

Bush gave only cursory acknowledgement of the problems of drugs, AIDS and hunger. He gave only a few moments' consideration to the problems in the Baltic countries of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, stating that the United States desired only to help the Baltics, not punish the Soviet Union.

It was the war in the Middle East on which the most time was spent, and ironically, about which the least was said. Bush spoke of the dedication of the troops, the occupation of Kuwait and the number of countries allied in the coalition against Iraq.

Bush spoke of the moral obligation of the United States to drive Iraqi troops out of Kuwait by military force, and he spoke of the justness of the United States' cause and mission. But he said little beyond that. He did not explain what the mission was, it has been changed several times. He did not explain how the United States has the moral obligation to determine the destiny of nations whose value standards differ from the United States' values.

The American people deserve more than this. Considering the sheer amount of human life and financial resources dedicated to the war in the Middle East, a few ambiguous political statements and polite rounds of applause from Congress are not sufficient. The American people deserve to know exactly why the war is being waged, exactly why the United States is a moral watchdog and exactly what will be done when the war is over.



## Anti-war protesters are patriots

By PATRICIA PATTISON  
 Columnist



With the recent turn of events in the Middle East, journalists have documented the re-emergence of national pride. A kind of pure and simple patriotism moving people to stand behind their elected officials and support the move to war.

As far as the majority of the American public is concerned there is no flag waving mentality behind the thoughts of dissenters. A poll reported in *Newsweek* three days after the conflict began showed 52 percent of the people surveyed believed war protesters were giving Saddam Hussein reason to feel confident about his chances of pitting the American people against one another. More frightening, however, was the belief of 28 percent of those polled that the government should ban war protests all together.

Wait a minute, President Bush said we were going to Iraq to protect freedom for all people. Or was it freedom for all people that believe what he believes? Those are two very different things, and unfortunately, as the war continues it is becoming glaringly apparent America is moving closer to latter rather than the former, the principle our country was founded on.

No doubt Bush is pretty pleased with the way things are shaping up. He has been successful in getting public opinion on his side and he's done it all through manipulation.

Bush knows his use of nebulous terms like "naked aggression" help instill a sense of fear in his constituents. Bush wants us to be afraid, he wants us to buy into the belief we are responsible for protecting nations completely out of touch with our values of human rights. He hardsells it all to us under the umbrella of fighting for freedom. When what it really is, is fighting for control of other people and their rights to self-determination.

The United States should not be fighting

the war in the Middle East. I don't think peace can come of war and so I am one of many people who are attending protests, praying and working for peace.

Whether or not Bush would like you to believe it, war protesters are patriots. We believe strongly in the Constitution and Bill of Rights. Because of our understandings of what a true world order would be we will not defend the actions of our president or the military in the past two weeks.

The protesters are not against the troops. We are in fact the opposite. We are men and women, many of whom remember vividly the horror of Vietnam, who want our service men and women home alive.

Bush wants you to believe Hussein is Hitler. And that leading the nation to war is the appropriate response. He doesn't want to be questioned. He wants blind obedience and if we give it to him we will inevitably get what we deserve.

Tens of thousands of service men and women arriving home from the desert in plastic bags.

## Letters to the Editor

### President Dukakis

I would like to congratulate Jeff Jeter on a job well done. His column on Michael Dukakis was not only insightful, but witty as well. Jeter has taken the press to a new level during this otherwise dull period of history. Not many writers are perceptive enough to take cheap shots at an ex-presidential candidate, 15 months after the election. Pure genius.

Jeter has asked us to "count our blessings" during this time of war. I have trouble being thankful for "microwave popcorn" while my friends are in the midst of Operation Desert Storm. I guess "Providence" is not looking down on Saudi Arabia because I certainly would not call our soldiers "lucky."

The next assumption Jeter makes is "President Dukakis" would have gotten himself into the same trouble "George Herbert Walker Bush" is in right now. The column continues to take Dukakis through the motions of George Bush. This was very clever indeed. I found the references to Jimmy Carter, in particular, quite humorous. I see he failed to recognize Ronald Reagan as "arms trading czar." A small oversight I am sure. I do not think that Dukakis could actually "tax 'em back to the stone age." This must be a reference to Bush's well kept promise of "No new taxes." At least he was not lying when he promised "1,000 points of light."

It really is quite difficult for most novice minds to analyze what Dukakis would have done. Luckily, we at TCU have experts in that field such as Jeter. He may be right that Dukakis' "formidable eyebrows" would be a hindrance to his presidency. Anyone with a peculiarity

would have a tough time doing their job (no names mentioned). Who knows what Dukakis would have done? If you think Bush has handled the crisis flawlessly, then count your "blessings." The only "blessing" I have counted so far is that Bush is still alive. Can you say "president" and "Quayle" in the same sentence? Let's bring our troops home alive! Give peace a chance.

Joshua Cordonnier  
 Sophomore  
 Business

### Stand up

I want to commend Robert Holdsworth on his article "Americans won't express their views."

Why won't we stand up and say anything? The *Skiff* tried to make the TCU population express their opinions by submitting a survey in the paper Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. 11,400 surveys were distributed, and 31 were returned! Are we, as a student population, even concerned with the Persian Gulf war? How long would it have taken to fill out a survey and drop it in a box? This was a very easy way to express your view without being hounded.

I feel the TCU population should do something, whether it is demonstrating or buying a flag! Let us remember what Martin Luther King Jr. said, "What is so disturbing is not the appalling actions of the 'bad' people, but the appalling silence of the 'good' people."

Samantha Wager  
 Sophomore  
 Social work

## Letter policy

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## Battle of sexes moves to restroom

By JEFF JETER  
 Columnist



Build it and she will come. Denise Wells was a little ahead of her time. She is the Houston woman arrested last year during a concert in Houston for illegally using a male restroom.

Many deemed the arrest a travesty of justice, and she was subsequently "released." Still, there was debate about the merits and problems of males and females sharing the same facilities. At many sporting events, concerts, and similar public shindigs, male restrooms remain virtually empty. Across the way, lines miles long — some resembling Soviet cheese lines — lead up to the female restrooms. Surely this should not happen in America.

In the last 20 years, females have made great inroads into corporate America, great strides in professional sports and are even fighting shoulder to shoulder with their male counterparts in the military. Now, one of the last great bastions of male dominance is crumbling before our very eyes. And it can all be attributed to female urinals.

Build it and she will come. Saturday, an Associated Press story re-

ported that Urinette, Inc. will begin marketing a female urinal under the name of Sheinal this year. The Baltimore Orioles baseball organization will be the first lucky group to "use" this new device. They are expected to be installed throughout the new Orioles stadium by 1992.

Build it and she will come. Even to those of us who are not biology majors, the concept of a female urinal seems almost contradictory. Nevertheless, the AP reports, "The device resembles a urinal for men, but has a hose attached instead. Women simply stand in front of the urinal, pull the hose toward them, and a sanitary paper covering drops into a funnel at the end of the hose. When finished, the woman hangs the hose up and flushes."

Who says American ingenuity is a thing of the past? First we put a man on the moon, and now we are designing latrines literally fit for a lady.

Kathie Jones of Pensacola, Fla, is the proud inventor of this new petticoat port-o-let. Jones believes the problem with long public potty lines is not the number of toilets, rather the amount of time spent on them. She cited a 1988 survey by two professors at Virginia Tech University that determined women need up to 50 percent more time to use the restroom than men do — regardless of the number of toilets in operation. According to the study, women needed an average of 153-181 seconds to use a restroom. It also

found that on average, men needed between 84 and 113 seconds. True equality may never come until women can clock in restroom times under the magical minute and a half mark.

Build it and she will come. A larger, darker cloud looms on the horizon. What are the possible ramifications of separate-but-equal toilets? Will the courts decide that the long-standing usage of gender segregated facilities violates some great constitutional right? Will men be forced to relieve themselves in sub-standard facilities? Urinals for females will be newer and have the most up-to-date designs in terms of comfort and efficiency. Given the right tax package, Congress might even devote several weeks of debate and several billion dollars toward a stealth potty.

Build it and she will come. The legal implications of urinals for women are endless. No one can argue that these urinals are not a right worth "standing up" for, but several issues must be adequately addressed before anyone will feel comfortable. Certainly everyone is concerned with the AIDS epidemic. How can the public be certain they are fully protected?

Build it and she will come. Female urinals are an idea whose time has come. Male-only urinals have got to go. And male or female, we can all agree that when it has got to go, it has got to go.

Build it and she will come.

## Oil slick assault on environment

By MATT HUNT  
 Columnist

War has been treated many ways by many people. Perhaps the most accurate is the way television has treated it.

With comedy. This shouldn't be very surprising, as we seem to have a need to laugh at the grimmest of situations. When faced with disaster, we need to make jokes and laugh. So to make sitcoms about war seems a natural idea.

One of the more popular of these sitcoms was "M\*A\*S\*H," a unique show in that while it made people laugh, there were times when it made them cry. Sometimes, it did what only the best comedians can do, it opened our eyes.

For example, we have a war in the Gulf. Oh sure, Congress hasn't officially declared war yet, but it is a war for all intents and purposes. And as in all wars, the innocent suffer.

Normally when we think of innocents we think of civilians caught in the crossfire, but let's think of victims even more innocent. Let's think of who has been hurt the worst by this war.

Let's think about the environment.

Let's think about the oil Iraq spilled. The slick is about 10 miles wide and about 40 to 70 miles long. Not only is it a danger to the drinking water of Saudi Arabia, but also to the animal life in the Gulf.

Eight endangered species of marine life live in the Gulf, including humpbacked whales, and sea turtles.

In some ways this spill is similar to the mess in Alaska. The damage in the Gulf, however, is farther reaching and the clean-up process will be far more difficult.

However, there is one major difference. This spill was intentional, and for that reason alone it should be considered worse.

Already many people have condemned this action of Iraq. But the reason why is puzzling. Yes, it is a repulsive act, but it's war, and everybody knows it.

Like it or not, it is perfectly acceptable in war to do whatever it takes to win. Most likely Saddam wanted to try and contaminate the Saudi Arabia's water supply. It's an old tactic, to disrupt the food and water supply of the enemy. And it didn't bug him that he was

doing ruining the environment.

People are beginning to say this is breaking the rules of war.

The United States government has done it plenty of times. During the Revolutionary War, we broke the rules. We used guerilla warfare, which was not done back then. And yet we glorify doing that. And condemn someone else when they do it. When you get down to it, there are no rules for war.

Maybe that's why so many people are working for peace. Maybe they know this deep in their hearts, because somewhere along the line they had their eyes opened.

People have been demonstrating for peace, not as many as one might think, but a very vocal few. For example, last week some one slipped some pro-peace fliers under people's doors in Clark residence hall.

This offended a few people, and others just couldn't understand why these people would want peace. Perhaps the war is justified. On the other hand, maybe there is nothing which can truly justify war.

It doesn't matter, because knowing the war is justified just doesn't help the animals who have fallen victim to the oil slick.



# News

## Allies will win, Bush says

By TERENCE HUNT  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush assured Americans Tuesday night that the war against Iraq will be won and the recession at home will recede in short order.

"We stand at a defining hour," the president said in his State of the Union address.

"The winds of change are with us now. The forces of freedom are united," Bush said in remarks prepared for a nationally broadcast address to a joint session of Congress.

It was the first wartime State of the Union address since Vietnam.

"For two centuries, we've done the hard work of freedom. And tonight, we lead the world in facing down a threat to decency and humanity," Bush said.

"As Americans, we know there are times when we must step forward and accept our responsibility to lead the world away from the dark chaos of dictators, toward the brighter promise of a better day," Bush said.

The president delivered an assessment of the war to date: "I'm pleased to report that we are on course. Iraq's capacity to sustain war is being destroyed."

With Americans' attention focused on the almost half-million troops risking their lives in the Persian Gulf, Bush devoted the heart of his annual address to the two-week-old battle to force Saddam out of Kuwait.

He also paid tribute to the democratic aspirations of the people of the Soviet Baltic states and said he remained "deeply concerned" about the Kremlin's crackdown.

## 'Chance' baby makes motherhood a reality

By WENDI TAYLOR  
Special to the Skiff

The medical books say it is a one-in-a-thousand chance. Lynn Newman's obstetrician says it is a baby.

Newman, program coordinator of Student Activities, has dreamed of having a child ever since she held her first teddy bear. After four miscarriages, she thought her dream would never come true.

Newman believes a miracle, prayers and hope have helped her dream become reality. She had her first child on Dec. 3, 1990.

Last April, Newman became pregnant.

As the adviser for campus organizations including Interlock, Golden Key National Honor Society and Programming Council, she received support from students and fellow faculty workers. A few weeks later, she miscarried her child.

Everyone was supportive, but Newman felt that it was her last chance at becoming a mother.

"When negative things happen to me, I always try to look for the positive aspects of the situation," Newman said. "I just couldn't seem to find a positive aspect in the miscarriage."

In mid-May, seven weeks after her

miscarriage, Newman went back to her obstetrician because she had not been feeling well. Her doctor, Dr. Joseph McWherter, did a sonogram on her. It revealed that a two-month-old baby was growing inside her.

The baby was never identified during the sonogram of Newman's original pregnancy. McWherter said that the baby could have been up inside her uterus when the sonogram was taken.

Newman was surprised and shocked when she found out that she was still pregnant. The baby is possibly a twin from the original pregnancy.

"It was a miracle," she said. "By the time I found out I was still pregnant, the first trimester was over, which meant I was in the clear for possibly miscarrying this child."

McWherter said that he has never seen a case like hers in his career. It is the first case that he finds difficult to explain.

"Medicine is an art, it is not a science," he said. "Anything can happen."

Dr. J. Carter, an obstetrician/gynecologist from Dallas, said only one in thousands of cases does the second twin survive to be carried to

term. Carter also said that the majority of these special cases are written up in medical case reports in medical journals.

Newman and her husband Cam named the baby boy Chance because they felt the name fit their particular situation, she said.

"It was such an unlikely chance that he exists," she said.

Newman continued to work until she felt her first labor pain. TCU does not provide time for maternity leave, so she will use three months of vacation time and sick leave to stay at home with the baby, she said.

## Iraq/ from page 1

American officers have expressed satisfaction at seeing the Iraqis grounded in neutral Iran, whose government says it will impound the aircraft until war's end. But the warplanes might still pose an eventual threat to Desert Storm units.

Stevens, asked what would keep the planes from returning to Iraq, replied, "Us. We'll get them."

Commanders of America's top-of-the-line M-1 tanks will need all their technological advantages and strong air support to successfully wage war against Iraq's massive, modern and battle-tested tank corps.

A land offensive to drive Iraq from occupied Kuwait will test the mettle of the M-1 Abrams, a \$3 million piece of technological wizardry named after the late Gen. Creighton W. Abrams.

Iraqi tank corps hoping to smash an allied ground assault contains the Soviet-made T-72, a powerful and respected vehicle the Iraqis used to good advantage in its 1980-88 war against Iran.

American military analysts say it could be the biggest tank confrontation since the Allies took on German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel and his Africa Korps in World War II. The number of tanks could be greater than in the 1943 battle of Kursk in the Soviet Union. In that engagement, 3,000 Soviet and German tanks were deployed.

In this war, the crucial factor in a tank battle will be air support, and it is here that the United States and its

allies should have an overwhelming advantage.

A-10 attack planes armed with Maverick missiles and armor-piercing cannons and Apache helicopters firing Hellfire missiles will be swooping down on Iraqi tank positions, while reconnaissance aircraft will be calling in positions for ground artillery.

The analysts express confidence that M-1, developed in a \$20 billion program over the last two decades, has the firepower to prevail. But the Iraqis will also be going into battle with several key factors in their favor.

Iraq will field some 4,000 tanks, compared to about 2,200 American tanks and 1,200 tanks from its allies. The modified T-72's 125mm main gun is slightly larger than the 120mm guns mounted on the M-1; The T-72's three-layer, 200mm armor compares with the best American equipment.

"These tanks are designed not to be easily destroyed," Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said of the Soviet vehicles.

The T-72 is "the best export model the Soviets have," said Maj. Peter Keating of the Army's Public Affairs Office. "It's a good tank, a formidable piece of equipment."

Iraq has only about 500 T-72s, which it calls the "Babylon Lion." The rest of its tank corps is comprised of less lethal T-55 and T-62 Soviet models dating back 30 years and more. Iraq's best fighters, the Republican Guard, are believed to be equipped with the newest machine. Military experts also say that the

threat of the older T-55s should not be ignored. The Iraqis have reinforced the armor on the original Soviet model and, while most carry 100mm guns, some reportedly have been fitted with the big guns used by the T-72.

Pentagon sources say the M1-A1, the latest version of the Abrams tank, will lead the way in any offensive. The Army also has older M-1s, and M1-A1s are being shipped in from Europe to replace the Marine Corps' force of about 200 M-60s, an older tank with equatorial communications company module.

One of Iraq's "human shields" — captured allied pilots — was killed in a Baghdad air raid, the Iraqis said Tuesday. Other Desert Storm fliers struck anew across Iraq, and reportedly stopped an Iraqi armored convoy dead in its tracks.

The Iraqis countered with an unverified report that their forces knifed 12 miles into the Saudi desert and killed "large numbers" of enemy troops before withdrawing.

Refugees fleeing to Jordan told of non-stop bombardment, "fire everywhere" and civilian casualties in Iraq. "It is really hell," one woman said.

The U.S. command still seemed puzzled by the getaway flights of Iraqi warplanes to Iran. But an American general warned the Iraqis that if they tried to return to their home bases, "we'll get them."

The Iraqis, who claim to hold more than 20 downed pilots, said Jan. 21 they were dispersing the prisoners to potential target sites in an effort to ward off allied air attacks.

On Monday, Iraqi broadcasts said an unspecified number of POWs had been wounded in air raids. On Tuesday, the official Iraqi News Agency said one was dead.

"One of the raids hit one of the departments of the Ministry of Industry, killing one of the captured foreign pilots, who had been evacuated to that department," the agency report said.

Iran's news agency quoted Baghdad Radio as saying the victim was an American. But no Iraqi broadcasts monitored by The Associated Press mentioned the nationalities or identities of any of the reported victims, and the reports were otherwise unconfirmed. Fifteen Americans are listed as missing or as prisoners.

The Geneva Convention on treatment of prisoners of war prohibits placing prisoners at likely target areas. The U.S. government has denounced Iraq's handling of the captured pilots, and on Tuesday the State

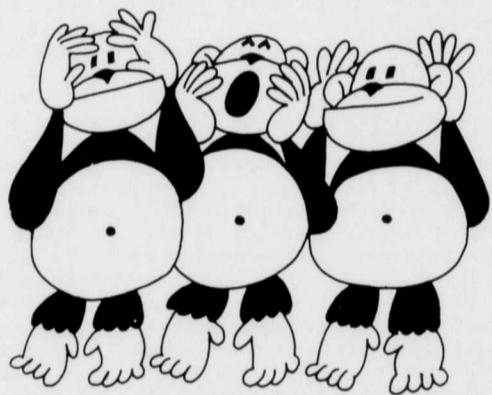
Department said it was summoning Iraq's ranking diplomat in Washington "to raise concern" about the pilots.

"We declare to the world public opinion that the United States bears responsibility for the consequences of the ugly crimes it is committing against our people and the captured pilots who are hosted by Iraq," the news agency said.

The Iraqis were accused of another "war crime" Tuesday when the parliamentary branch of the Council of Europe declared that the huge oil spill threatening the Persian Gulf constituted an offense against humanity.

The black slick began a week ago when Iraqi forces opened up valves at Kuwait's main offshore loading terminal, the U.S. command says. Over the weekend, U.S. Air Force F-111s bombed key pipeline junctions to stem the flow.

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# Sports



**Batter Up**

The TCU baseball team opens the 1991 season Saturday with a double-header against Northwood Institute. The season's first pitch will be at 1 p.m.

## Forgetting losses in time for Tech

TCU hopes to leave Texas in past

By JEFF BLAYLOCK  
TCU Daily Skiff

Moe Iba and the rest of the Frogs have been trying to forget last week's two game road trip: an overtime heartbreaker loss at Houston and a blowout loss at Texas.

Their therapy has been preparing for Texas Tech, who will play the Frogs at Daniel-Meyer tonight starting at 7:30 p.m.

Iba said the 91-88 overtime loss would be harder to forget because it had been a close game. The 90-49 loss to Texas Saturday wasn't as close.

"We just got annihilated at Texas," Iba said. "It's harder for me to forget about it, but I think it's easier for them to forget about it because they can't look and say, 'If we had done this or if we had done that.'"

But Iba said the overtime heartbreaker was long enough ago that his players probably have gotten it out of memory, too.

During this week's three practices, the Frogs have come in and practiced hard and concentrated, Iba said.

"I think they realize the importance of the Tech game," Iba said.

TCU is tied for third place in the SWC with SMU and Houston. The Frogs, 12-5 overall and 4-3 in the SWC, have lost three of their last four. Texas Tech, 6-14 and 2-5 in the SWC, had lost five straight before Saturday's 94-66 win over SIU-Edwardsville, a Division II team, in Lubbock.

The Raiders are the worst offensive team in the conference, hitting just 43.7 percent from the field and scoring just 66.6 points per game.

**Texas Tech at TCU**

**Records:** TCU 12-5, 4-3 in SWC; Texas Tech 6-14, 2-5 in SWC.  
**Where:** Daniel-Meyer Coliseum  
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**TV/Radio:** None/KTCU 88.7

But Iba is worried about them just the same.

"I don't worry so much about the execution of the offense as I do . . . the defense, because our defense is going to set the tempo of the game," Iba said.

Texas Tech will try to push the ball inside to center Steve Miles, Tech's leading scorer, quickly. If the Frogs get back into a tight man-to-man defense fast enough, then Tech will try to pass the ball to an open man for the shot, Iba said.

Miles is the only regular in the Raider lineup shooting better than 50 percent, and he is averaging 14.1 points and 6.7 rebounds a game.

Forward Will Flemons was shooting at a 54 percent clip, but a leg injury suffered a week ago ended his season early. Freshman Brad Dale is expected to get his second start in place of Flemons. Dale is averaging 1.1 points per game.

The other forward, Derex Butts, a 6-5 senior, has been sharing the inside scoring load with Miles. Tech has been averaging 19 points off the bench, most of them from guards Bernard Saulsberry and Stacy Bailey.

Miles has scored 20 or more points in three straight ballgames, including



Allen Tolley looks on as center Reggie Smith finishes off the fast break with a layup during Tuesday afternoon's practice.

## Overcoming losses a must for Frogs

Injury leaves leadership, scoring void

By JEFF BLAYLOCK  
TCU Daily Skiff

The Lady Frogs will be trying to rebound from back-to-back beatings when they host the Texas Tech Red Raiders tonight at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

But they will have to do it without guard Liz Zeller, the team's top scorer and rebounder. Zeller did not play in the Lady Frogs' 84-58 loss to Texas Saturday because of an injury she sustained when her thumb got caught in another player's jersey.

Doctors will examine her right thumb today, and head coach Fran Garmon said Zeller might miss the rest of the season.

"I'm really frightened about the prospect of losing Liz, because Liz does so many things well for us," Garmon said. "She's just a steady player — not flashy — just steady."

With Zeller out of action, someone else has to rise up and become the team leader. That person might be point guard Rachel Hesse. Hesse scored 10 points against Texas.

"One of the greatest improvements on our team right now is Rachel Hesse," Garmon said. "Point guards are out there to make everyone look good and to take care of the ball, and she's doing so much better."

Hesse had problems with turnovers early in the season, but she has committed only 14 over her last four games. Garmon said most of her turnovers were caused by opposing defenses' cutting off inside passes.

"You know your point guards are going to have some turnovers," Garmon said. "Right now, Rachel is doing a good job cutting those down."

TCU leads the SWC in turnovers, but a bigger concern has been poor shooting from the field. The Lady Frogs have hit just 37 percent from the field this season, and they hit 21.5 percent against Houston and 30.5

**Texas Tech at TCU**

**Records:** TCU 5-13, 2-5 in SWC; Texas Tech 14-4, 5-2 in SWC.  
**Where:** Daniel-Meyer Coliseum  
**Tipoff:** 5 p.m.  
**TV/Radio:** None/None

percent against Texas.

"It's a miracle that we've gotten as close as we have to other teams with our shooting and out turnover ratio," Garmon said.

The Lady Frogs are 5-13 on the season and 2-5 in the SWC.

Garmon said the Lady Frogs commit too many turnovers by making bad passes and trying to force the ball inside when the defense has the post double-teamed.

"We hesitate a lot," Garmon said. "I'm pleased inside, but I'm not pleased outside. Our people inside are just worn flat out."

Garmon said she expects her inside people — Joi Wells, Amy Bumstead and Laurie Berlinn — to carry the offensive load against the Red Raiders. But she said she hopes the outside players will be able to take some of the pressure off the posts and forward Deana Giles.

"It's a confidence factor," Garmon said. "You can talk and talk and practice your (shooting) form, but you really have other things you need to work on. You can't spend all your time on shooting in practice."

Garmon said it will take her players' practicing their shooting on their own time to start shooting better. Although she has encouraged it, Garmon said she hasn't seem much of it. "As a coach, there's just not a whole lot you can do about it," Garmon said.

Whether the Frogs can shoot better tonight or not is one key, but the other

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# TCU pair defeated in Adidas semifinals

By ELVIA PADILLA  
TCU Daily Skiff

TCU tennis players Luis Ruetter and Tony Bujan won their way into semifinal matches but could not get to finals at the Adidas International Tennis Championships, which concluded Sunday.

Both Bujan and Ruetter made it to quarterfinals in the singles matches, but only Ruetter saw the semifinals. Bujan lost to USC's Byron Black, who was seeded number one at the tournament. Ruetter met the same fate when he met Black in the semifinals, losing 6-1, 6-2.

"Black was seeded number one and went on to win the tournament," said TCU tennis coach Tut Bartzan. "There was just no question going into the tournament that he was the best player there."

"Tony played an excellent match," he said. "He's played Black before and beaten him in straight sets."

In doubles, Patricio Gonzalez and Ricardo Rubio didn't make it past the first round, losing to Cali-

fornia's Pete Fitzpatrick and Matt Stroyman.

Ruetter and Bujan, however, made it all the way to the semifinals, winning with straight sets in the first round and beating Chris Dunk and Jon Leach from Laguna Beach, 5-7, 7-6, 7-6 in the second.

They won with straight sets again in the third round, beating Arizona's Doug Livingston and Jeff Spier, 6-2, 6-4. But the duo lost to Pepperdine's Ari Nathan and Cary Lothringer in straight sets, 6-2, 6-3.

"This was the first match Bujan and Ruetter have lost since September," Bartzan said. "Prior to this tournament, they have gone to two others and beaten some really good teams."

"I think our guys probably thought it wasn't going to be too tough a match and, evidently, it was tougher than they thought," he said. "Those guys from Pepperdine played really well."

"We could have done better," Bartzan said. "We just weren't playing as well as we could have been."

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will be playing a tight person-to-person defense against the Red Raiders. Texas Tech has too many scoring threats, some of them who don't even start, to play a lax defense.

Post Jennifer Buck and guards Tammy Walker, Alexis Ware and Stephanie Scott are all concerns for the TCU defense.

After a 20-11 campaign last year that included a third place finish in

the SWC and a spot in the NCAA Tournament, the Red Raiders are not resting on any laurels in 1991.

Texas Tech is 14-4 and is in third place in the SWC with a 5-2 conference record. The Red Raiders are coming off a heartbreaking loss at home to Texas, but they rebounded to beat Louisiana Tech Monday night.

Staff writer Greg Riddle contributed to this report.


SWC Women's Basketball			SWC Men's Basketball		
	Conf.	All		Conf.	All
Arkansas	7-1	16-3	Arkansas	8-0	20-1
Texas	6-1	12-5	Texas	6-1	12-5
Texas Tech	5-2	14-4	TCU	4-3	12-5
Houston	4-3	12-8	Houston	4-3	12-6
Texas A&M	4-3	9-8	SMU	4-3	9-9
Baylor	2-5	8-8	Baylor	2-5	7-10
SMU	2-5	7-10	Texas Tech	2-5	6-14
TCU	2-5	5-13	Rice	2-5	7-10
Rice	0-7	6-10	Texas A&M	0-7	5-13

Tuesday's Game		Tuesday's Game	
	at Texas		at Texas A&M
SMU		Houston	

Tonight's Games		Tonight's Games	
	at Rice		at Arkansas
Baylor		Aia-Birmingham	
Texas Tech	at TCU	Baylor	at Rice
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Houston	at Texas A&M	Texas Tech	at TCU

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# Men/ from page 5

an 83-65 loss to Texas in Lubbock. The Red Raiders' strength has been inside, and inside strength was TCU's only flicker of offense against the Longhorns Saturday.

Center Reggie Smith scored 18 points, but he was the only Frog to score more than seven.

Iba said he expects the Texas Tech defense to close in around Smith, thus giving TCU the perimeter jumpshot. All TCU has to do is make them.

"They need to recognize their shots better and to be ready to shoot the ball," Iba said.

Point guard Albert Thomas has seen his shooting percentage drop since taking over the point from Michael Strickland. Thomas struggled from the perimeter against Texas, and Strickland was allowed only four shots by the Texas defense.

Strickland is also still recovering from a sprained ankle. Trainer Chris Hall said Strickland is wearing a new

cast that is attached by velcro and it should be more flexible.

Strickland said the cast didn't give him any more flexibility but it would keep him from reinjuring the ankle.

"It still swells up on me," Strickland said. "It's hurting me. I'm a step slower than how I really want to play."

Iba said Strickland's injury hasn't affected the execution of the offense.

Strickland said the Frogs would play well against the Red Raiders if they stayed focused and stuck to the gameplan.

They would also be better off against the Raiders if they could sink a few more free throws. TCU, at 60.8 percent from the line, is the league's worst when it comes to free throws.

"They've concentrated harder this week on them, and it looks better to me," Iba said. "How it will be in a game, I don't know."

"We just keep patting them on the back to get their confidence up."



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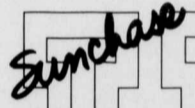
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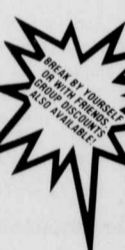
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