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## Career-minded mom balances books with parenthood

By KRISTEN GOULD  
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It's difficult enough just being a college student. Combine that with motherhood and a career, and you've got one busy person. Terry Miller, 32, is a single mother and a sophomore political science major taking 21 hours at TCU — and running her own business. Miller is taking a heavy class load so she can graduate in December 1992, she said. After that, she plans to pursue an M.B.A. in international business and a master's in area studies with a con-

centration on Eastern Europe or Africa. "It feels to me that I've waited 10 years (to go to school) and now I don't want to wait anymore," Miller said. She plans to make a career of educating students and businesses about other cultures. "Businesses make a terrible mistake in thinking they are the only ones who dictate how things should be around the world, and that's just not true," she said. Miller wants to teach businesses what other cultures are like since all businesses operate in a multicultural environment.

In November she started her own non-profit organization in Fort Worth, the Center for the Study of International Cultures, to educate the community about different cultures. "I researched about 100 businesses to find out what they felt was needed in the area of cultural diversity," Miller said. "It (the center) is embryonic right now, and that's the way I want it right now. It's nothing like it's going to be in the next five years. It's preparing me for graduate school and the kind of work I'd like to do in the long run." The center holds classes at Fort Worth churches, schools and businesses

to teach the cultures, histories and business etiquettes of different cultures, she said. Recently, the center presented a discussion about Japan by a Japanese woman who held a tea ceremony with her original family tea pots, Miller said. "There are a lot of things we can do as educated people for those who don't have the opportunity to get that (education)," she said. "Even if that means inviting people into your home to sip tea and talk about the tribes of Africa." In addition to her other activities, Miller is preparing to intern in Washington this summer.

She has been awarded the Minority Leader's Fellowship to participate in the Washington Center internship program. Sixty-five out of about 200 nominees were awarded the fellowship, Miller said. Miller said she does not know what business she will work for in Washington, but she hopes to work for an agency that aids in education development for South Africa. "I want to get some hard experience in doing some international economic development," she said. "I want to

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Moncrief residents pause for a photo while enjoying the new but short-lived lake on Stadium Drive. The students were helping pull cars to dry ground so they wouldn't float away. The storm last night caused the water level to swell to 4 feet at the deepest point.

## Literature a key to viewing people equally, poet says

By RACHEL BROWN  
Special to the Skiff

Appreciating poetry and music from minority groups reduces prejudice within a society, said a visiting Honors Week scholar. Nikki Giovanni, who has written 17 books of poetry, prose and children's stories, will be the featured speaker at convocation at 11 a.m. today in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium. "You cannot be educated, here at TCU or anywhere else, without knowing what they (African-Americans) have to say," Giovanni told a capacity crowd Wednesday in the Student Center Woodson Room. Giovanni, a professor of English at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, said studying the history behind African-American writers' works helps explain the African-American tradition. Those who came to the United States as slaves often could not read or write and were not allowed to learn, so they passed on their traditions through songs known today as "spirituals," Giovanni said.

The songs allowed slaves to express themselves honestly and fully, she said. "They carried the soul of a people," Giovanni said. "There is no experience comparable on earth." Giovanni suggested that school years be lengthened or curricula be changed so all students have more time to read and learn about African-American intellectuals in U.S. history. "We do not want you to be so busy that you do not and cannot have time to read," she said. "We're not going to let you whites grow up thinking that everything was done by whites because it wasn't." Giovanni used Martin Luther King Jr. as an example of someone who brought great change in the United States. "America was very lucky to get (him) because we needed him," she said.

**HONORS  
Convocation**

**Thursday**

TCU's 29th annual Honors Convocation begins at 11 a.m. today in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium. Visiting Green Professor Nikki Giovanni will present her lecture, "Accepting the Challenge: Books, Dreams and Freedom." All classes are dismissed from 10:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Books and poetry are good insights to understanding people because words and the way they are crafted represent humans, Giovanni said. "It is a privilege to be able to read a book," she said. "It is a privilege to be able to understand." "Our job as human beings is to know that we have done the best that we can," she said. "The only thing that you control is your life. The only way I know how to teach you that is through literature." Learning poetry and prose by people of all cultures teaches a society to value an individual's life and contributions at all times, not just when he or she dies, she said. "Why do we have to wait for a tragedy before we're wonderful?" she said. "We should be in front of the good that we do and not behind it."

## Committee to hear feedback on MLK holiday

By CARRIE BREWER  
TCU Daily Skiff

Campus groups, organizations and students will have the chance to present their opinions about the proposed TCU Martin Luther King Jr. holiday to a nine-member committee next week. Three times have been set aside for the presentations. Students and organizations can sign up in the office of William Koehler, vice chancellor for academic affairs, to offer their recommendations to the committee at 5:15 p.m. April 24, 7 a.m. April 25 or noon April 26. Koehler, chairman of the commit-

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**TITO GARCIA,**  
political science major

tee, was unavailable for comment before Skiff deadline Wednesday.

Ted Klein, chairman of the Faculty Senate and a member of the committee, said the committee has designated Koehler spokesman for the group. Tito Garcia, a sophomore political science major, who made a presentation two weeks ago to the Faculty Senate on the observation of holiday, said he has not yet signed up for a designated time. Garcia said he was hoping to collaborate with the social work class 4843 to present a more organized group presentation. The social work class, "Community Intervention," initiated the attempt to recognize King with a campus holiday as part of its semester

project. "We need to show a more unified effort than just one individual talking for five minutes," Garcia said. Garcia said he is waiting for an answer from the social work class before he signs up for a time. "I'm afraid that this committee is a stall tactic," Garcia said. "Half of the students in the social work class are seniors. They (administrators) may think this will just blow over after they graduate." "We want to try to speak from a group standpoint," Garcia said. "We're trying to combat it now and not wait until later."

## Marksman shooting for spot in Olympics

By SCOTT WALLACE  
Special to the Skiff

Mark Rash will be on the firing line this weekend. The TCU freshman hopes to earn a rifle spot on the 1992 U.S. Shooting team and a possible shot at next year's Olympic team. Rash, the captain of the ROTC firing team, left Tuesday to compete in the National Junior Olympic Rifle Championships in Colorado Springs, Colo. Rash said he will compete against state champion riflers from across the nation. The top two finishers gain automatic bids to the U.S. Shooting Team, he said. The U.S. Shooting Team travels to competitions in Munich, Zurich, Cuba and throughout the world in addition to the chance for Olympic competition, Rash said. ROTC captain Mark Martin said even if Rash finishes with only one of the top three scores, he can virtually assure himself of a '92 Shooting

Team spot and a chance to make the Olympics. "This (competition) is, in effect, the most important factor in deciding who is the best (rifle) shooter in the nation 20 and under," Rash said. Members of the U.S. Shooting team qualify for a chance to compete on the Olympic team, Rash said. The Olympic team will select the top 12 riflers from the 25-person squad during Olympic trials, he said. Rash qualified for the competition by setting state records in the men's air (.177-caliber) and small-bore (.22-caliber) rifle competitions at the State Junior Olympics. He tallied scores of 386 out of a possible 400 in the air rifle and 584 out of 600 in the small-bore contests. Rash's score will come from a combination of performances in the air and small-bore contests, Martin said. Rash could score a possible 400 points on 40 shots in the air rifle and 1200 from 120 shots in the small-

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### Outside

Today's weather will be cloudy with a chance for severe thunderstorms and a high of 85 degrees. Friday's weather will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 82 degrees.



## Professor to tell shirt tales

Speech to outline history and significance of Hawaiian attire

By STACEY KOSIER  
Special to the Skiff

Roger Thomas, an assistant professor of psychology and 1990 Honors Professor, will discuss "A History of the Hawaiian Shirt" tonight at the Honors Banquet. The banquet will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Tickets are \$9 and are available in the Honors Program Office, Sadler Hall Room 207. Thomas, who is well-known for his wardrobe of Hawaiian shirts, said the speech will show "some of the influences that came together to produce the Hawaiian shirt and how those influences are of symbolic importance." The theme for the evening, "Shrinks in Paradise," is in honor of Thomas as the 1990 professor of the year, said Deena Brodsgaard, chairman of the Honors Banquet Committee. In keeping with the Hawaiian theme, the banquet will feature food

like "Poi, Son (An Oedipal Edible)," "Pavlov's Mouth-Watering Pork Kabobs" and "Cognitive Coffee." Entertainment for the evening will be provided by members of the TCU Honors Program performing a variation of the "Saturday Night Live" theme called "Live from Hawaii: It's the Honors Banquet." Members of the Banquet Committee also will distribute leis at the front door, Brodsgaard said. Thomas, who has received numerous teaching awards since he came to TCU in 1984, was not granted tenure by the university last spring. He will teach his last semester at TCU this summer. Thomas' tenure denial brought about protests and demonstrations from students last spring. Students from Psi Chi, the psychology honor society for which Thomas was sponsor, circulated a petition against the decision. About 80 students with signs reading "Change the Tenure Policy" and "Abolish Publish vs. Perish!" staged

a sit-in on the third floor of Sadler Hall. Other protests were held outside the Worthington Hotel during the 1990 Alumni Awards Banquet and during meetings of the Board of Trustees. Thomas' application for tenure had been approved by the tenured faculty in the psychology department; Norman Remley, who was then chairman of the psychology department; the departmental advisory committee; and Michael McCracken, dean of AddRan College of Arts and Sciences. Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs William Koehler, who makes the final recommendation for tenure, announced his decision that Thomas would not receive tenure or promotion. A week later, Remley announced his resignation as chairman of the psychology department saying Thomas' tenure denial "was the straw that broke the camel's back."



**CAMPUSlines**

TCU Waterski Club will meet at 9 p.m. Tuesdays in Rickel 316. New members are welcome. For more information, call Robert Campbell at 924-8818.

"Children in Poverty", a live satellite videoconference/debate, will take place from 6:30 to 8 p.m. today in Dan Rogers Hall Room 134. For information, call TAGER-TV at 921-7632.

Co-dependents Anonymous meets at 12:30 p.m. every Thursday in Student Center Room 202. For more information call University Ministries, 921-7830.

The TCU Research Fund Lectureship will sponsor a seminar entitled "Hormonal Regulation of Reproduction in Crustacea" by David W. Borst of Illinois State University. The seminar will be held from noon to 1 p.m. Friday in Sid Richardson Lecture Hall 4.

5K Fun Run will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday in front of the Student Center. Entry forms are available at the Student Center Information Desk or in Winton Scott Room 118. Participants need to pay either a \$2 pre-registration fee before the race or a \$3 registration fee on the day of the race.

TCU CAN Day is coming soon. Anyone interested in community service from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday please contact Jennifer O'Loughlin at 294-8329.

Advanced sculpture class will show original works in the Mary Couts-Burnett Library lobby. The exhibit will run from April 19 through May 11.

Town Students can see copies of bills from the House of Student Representatives in the Extended Education Office at Sadler Hall Room 212.

Adult Children of Alcoholics is an educational support group which will address the negative consequences of being raised by an alcoholic parent. If interested, please contact Larry Withers at the Counseling Center, 921-7863.

**HELPlines**

The Volunteer Center, a service of the United Way, needs volunteers. Call the Volunteer Center at 860-1613 for information about the following or other opportunities.

Volunteers ages 17 and older are needed to supervise a group of children ages 6 to 10 in activities at a local community center. Available between 3 and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Volunteers are needed to serve as court-appointed guardians for elderly who need assistance with their personal and/or financial affairs. Training begins in May.

Volunteers are needed to answer phone calls from children who are staying home alone after school. Training provided.

Volunteer youth group leaders are needed to conduct life skills sessions for boys and girls. Leaders may be flexible in scheduling regular meetings.

Volunteers are needed to answer phone calls from individuals who are in crisis, give referrals and provide informal counseling directed at suicide prevention and intervention. Training begins May 2.

Volunteers are needed to help welcome visitors to the "Soviet Space" program at the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History. Hours are flexible. For more information, call (817) 347-4090.

**Corrections**

In the House story in Wednesday's Skiff, House President Ernie Ross was incorrectly quoted as saying if the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday is not declared the university's committee to study the merits of the holiday would request a written explanation. Ross actually said the House would request the explanation. The Skiff regrets the error.

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bore competition. The winner is determined from the highest point total combined from the two events, Martin said.

Rash said this will be his sixth entrance in the Junior Olympics. He said he was disappointed with his shooting last year and wanted to redeem himself this time.

"Last year I was third, the year before I was second," Rash said. "This time, with my experience, I think I can take it."

Rash said his chief competition should come from only three or four other sharpshooters. There is a possibility a Junior Olympic newcomer might shoot higher scores and win the match, he said.

Martin said TCU adjunct professor Bill Kovacic, a winner of 23 national shooting championships and men's ROTC rifle team coach, has groomed Rash for a potential slot on the Olympic team.

Rash, however, said his chances will be much better for an Olympic spot in 1996 than in 1992. Graduation from college will give him the opportunity to either serve at the Marksmanship Unit at Fort Benning, Ga., or two years of training at the U.S. Olympic Center, Rash said.

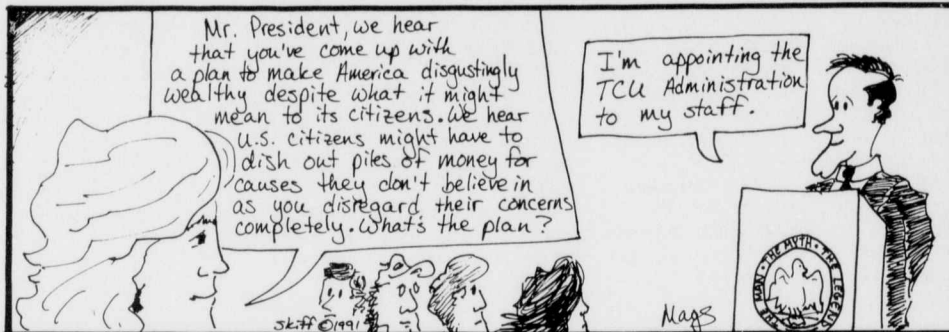
**ECHO ECHO**

by Stev KlineToBe



**Weezie**

by Tom Maglisceau



**Calvin and Hobbes**

by Bill Watterson



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know how policy is made in relation to who gets development aid."

Miller lived in Washington for 13 years and moved back to her hometown of Fort Worth in February 1990 to live with her parents, she said.

Miller said she and her 8-year-old daughter, Pia, are excited about going back to Washington. Pia will attend summer camp at her old school while her mother completes her internship, she said.

Miller admitted that being both a single mother and a student is difficult.

"If I didn't have my parents to be able to pick her up from school and feed her for me," she said, "I'd be jumping off every roof in town."

Although she sees her daughter very little during the week, the two spend time together during the weekends, she said.

"There's always this question about quality time versus quantity time," Miller said. "Children like quantity. They don't care about this quality stuff."

With that in mind, she devotes Saturday afternoons and church on Sundays to her daughter. But Pia knows Sunday afternoon is mom's time to study, Miller said.

"It's a delicate balance," Miller said. "I don't sleep much."

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## Drug trade

### New agreement will help two countries

It's nice to see constructive negotiations with a formerly-invaded country. The agreement struck yesterday between Panama and the United States will clear the way for future progress on the international drug trafficking problem.

The treaty signed one week ago in Panama City provides for the sharing of information in investigations into drug smuggling. Government records, accounts of large currency transactions, and other bank documents will be viewable by American law enforcement authorities.

Access to Panama's database information will provide strategies for combating forces that are now untrackable and, hence, untouchable. Upon capture of such criminals, the prosecution will be easier and more just.

Upon ratification in both nation's capitals, the arrangement will aid efforts to stop the importing of products that hurt our youth. True "solving of the drug problem," if possible, must include these at-the-source measures, not just public abstinence pleas and the apprehension of on-the-spot dealers.

The amount of drugs coming into our nation must decline. The recent treaty with Panama offers a needed step. The Central American nation's government should be thanked for its cooperation. The U.S. Senate should ratify the treaty. And our government should then further direct its drug enforcement investigators to the Panamanian books and to wherever they lead.

## Worth Hills

### Greek cafeteria should have extended hours

A shortcoming must be resolved. Residents and visitors in the southwest section of campus will be helped by an extension of hours at the Worth Hills cafeteria.

Two committees in the House of Student Representatives have a good idea. The Academic Affairs Committee suggests the eatery should be open later for studying purposes. The Student Concerns Committee thinks students should have a longer chance to get food.

The installation of a gate in the Student Center by last year's Permanent Improvements Committee and negotiations to keep Pizza Hut upon until midnight have proved successful. Many students use the Reading Room and Lounge for late-evening studies. Pizza Hut business, it seems, is profitable even at such a late time.

Efforts to do the same for Worth Hills should be continued. The seven-o'clock closing time can be quite a squeeze. The college lifestyle, it should be acknowledged, often dictates late dinners. Asking Worth Hills residents to come to the Student Center for food is unreasonable.

Many on this campus know that heavily-attended chapter meetings, with a large number of potential food customers, frequently end only after the cafeteria has closed. Requests for alleviation of this problem should be continued by the House committees and should be heeded by Marriott and TCU decision-makers. Their best interests, it seems, would be served better when food is served later.

## Letter to the Editor

### Resignation

In response to Mr. Jeter's article on Chief Darryl Gates, Mr. Jeter misses the point of the calls for the resignation of Chief Gates. Mr. Jeter argues that no hard evidence exists of explicit departmental policy encouraging "the bunkhouse-style beating of a random black man." The issue has nothing to do with express policy, but with the philosophy of the LAPD. Gates has a history of racial bias. For instance, when the LAPD developed dangerous chokeholds to be used by police officers, Gates argued that minorities had a particular throat structure that was perfect for this kind of restraint. Mr. Gates' "tough" philosophy breeds the violence that occurred when Rodney King was beaten. The police officers are shaped by the philosophies expressed by the leadership. The officers, produced in a ra-

cially biased and violent environment, believed they were justified in their actions. Why not? The leadership encourages this sort of violence, NOT in express policy, but in departmental philosophy.

Corruption starts at the top. The LAPD needs more conscientious leadership: leadership that encourages effectiveness AND respect for the rights of all citizens. People across the nation call for Gates' resignation not because he could not account for the vast numbers of policemen on the beat, but because his leadership encourages brutality. Leadership MUST encourage the respect of our civil liberties. Gates has failed to do so. The result is the brutal violence that Rodney King suffered.

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## Letter policy

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## Canceling classes not a necessity

By JOHN HARTIG  
 and RICH ROGERS  
 Columnists



An open letter to the "Committee to Find an Appropriate Way of Recognizing Martin Luther King, Jr.":

The committee has asked students to write letters outlining their feelings about a university holiday recognizing King. We must request that our words and the words of others who will write not be taken into strong consideration when the committee decides on the proper way to honor King. Why do we wish for something so contradictory?

The reason is twofold. First of all, there is a lesser tendency to respond among those not favoring a King holiday. There is more emotion among those supporting King day, so the majority of those motivated to write will favor the holiday. The second reason we feel our words are in vain is that the committee has denied confidentiality. We believe this will further depress the number of anti-holiday responses due to racial implications. Charges of racism have been leveled frequently on this campus, and the fear of the same will limit responses against the day.

The recent threat by Tito Garcia to leave if the school does not approve the King holiday proves that emotion has taken the place of logic. Calmer heads must prevail in this decision. Students who rally to support the King resolution will vastly outnumber those who rally against King, for obvious reasons.

We want to strongly urge that the committee place little emphasis on the decision reached by the Student House of Representatives. At the time this article was written, the House had not formed a consensus; however, both of us have served as representatives, and we know its debate is not always logical and emotion-free. The House is frequently guilty of tokenism, as evidenced by its "support" of world AIDS day and other causes. The House passes resolutions, but seldom acts on them in tangible ways.

Our strongest opposition to the King holiday is due to its symbolic significance. The passage of the holiday would mean that the only two individuals celebrated with university holidays would be King and Jesus Christ. We don't think anyone would want to put King on such a parallel. TCU's mission is a religious one, which creates the need for religious holidays. King's work is significant, but it is not worthy of the same type of recognition.

King was a great man. However, there are many individuals who furthered the cause of

freedom and equality, including George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. Washington's birthday has been recognized nationally since 1796, and Lincoln's since 1866, but TCU does not recognize either man with a university holiday. Many students have personal heroes whom they respect and admire, yet it is impossible to honor all these individuals on the school calendar.

Jewish religious holidays are not recognized as official university holidays despite the presence of Jewish students at TCU. Jewish students are not required to attend class on these days. Other students are expected to be in class, and that is the way it should be.

A dismissal from classes would detract from King rather than honor him. Our high schools had a day of classes off for King day, and few gave a second thought to the reason for the dismissal. If the university seeks to honor King, it should pursue a more significant way of doing so.

Why not stop 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. classes in order to read a prepared statement honoring King, dismissing one class for a memorial service for King, and/or setting up an exhibit in the Student Center Lounge during that week to publicize his life and work? These would certainly be more productive and meaningful than simply skipping classes "in honor" of Martin Luther King, Jr.

## Remember all the consequences

By CARL KOZLOWSKI  
 Columnist



The story was stark, bold and incisive. The topic was infant mortality in Fort Worth, and it hit hard in Sunday's edition of the Star-Telegram.

Infant mortality rates deal with babies that don't survive their first year, and in Fort Worth it is a problem of staggering proportions. There are 28.5 infant deaths for every 1,000 births — the second highest rate in the nation.

There are many causes for this epidemic, just as there are many proposed solutions. Most of the experts call for increased city funding to provide more prenatal care in the city's free health clinics, and to provide more doctors and nurses who are willing to treat people under Medicaid.

Currently, only one percent of Fort Worth's city budget is earmarked to deal with the problem. That is far too small an amount, but beyond all the statistics lies a far deeper root to the problem that money can't

solve.

The reporter involved in this massive expose paralleled these cold stats with the personal stories of some of these mothers. One of the most disturbing examples featured two girls in a side story that listed an innovative attempt to solve the problem of these teen mothers dropping out of school.

The New Lives School is a Fort Worth special public school that allows pregnant girls to attend classes for an average three-month stay while providing virtually every possible prenatal and day care service on campus for just \$10 a week. Two of these mothers were 12 and 13 years old.

What all of this points out is a vast national problem that destroys lives while draining away taxpayers' money for "solutions" that don't work. When a woman has her third unwed pregnancy at age 18, it reveals a basic lack of concern for her own life and the lives of others. Yes, all of these situations reveal an ignorance of sexual responsibility. But these are really problems that tossing out condoms won't solve.

America is dealing with its devastating drug problems by teaching kids to just say no, and in many ways, this approach is working. Teenage sexual activity and repeated un-

wed pregnancies are just as serious, if not more so. We are all paying the financial price for the care of these frequently premature babies, and a moral price for the staggering abortion rates in an overall upswing of violence and lack of respect for human life.

More abortions will not solve this problem, and neither will more condoms or more welfare care. To deal with this problem, America must return to at least some degree of moral teaching and parental responsibility, both of which are sorely lacking.

Many experts have felt that the reason many impoverished girls get pregnant early is a need to have something of their own to hold and receive unconditional love from. What our social services and poor families of every race must do is deal with the problems of low self-esteem and depressing social conditions that lead to such a need.

Handing out condoms to deal with teenage pregnancy is like providing filters for crack pipes. None of the liberal social policies have worked so far. Maybe it's time to supplement the call for increased teen prenatal care funding with a modified message from the anti-drug battle; just say no if you can't handle the consequences. All of the consequences.

## Tips for a better dining experience

By ABIGAIL DALBEY  
 Columnist



Dining out is perhaps the most popular group activity among college students. But, most don't put very much thought into their dining experience other than the type of food the restaurant

serves. However, with a few pointers, you can drastically improve your dining experience. It matters not what class of restaurant you go to, be it the Palm in New York City or Bob's Bar and Grill in Nowhere, Texas, there is a key to dining out.

Before I get too far along, I must come out of the closet and tell you, I am a waitress, but I assure you my pointers are not too biased.

The key element in any restaurant setting is the waitperson. Remember this. He or she can make your dining experience pleasurable or disastrous. Establish a good rapport with your waitperson from the start and you are bound to be greatly rewarded.

Although a waitperson is defined as one who waits on a table, he or she is not your

personal servant. The job description, which varies from restaurant to restaurant, is to take your order, place your order, serve your food and deliver your bill. That's all. He or she is not your maid, so treat him or her accordingly.

The most common complaint is slow service. However, more often than not, if you look around, your waitperson is busy waiting on other tables, and is not neglecting you on purpose. Yes, their job is to serve you, but you must remember you are not the only one in the restaurant. In most cases, it will not help matters to wave your arms in the air or to stare-down your waitperson, just wait. Patience is a virtue.

If your waitperson is late acknowledging you, he or she will be (should be) very apologetic. Accept his or her apology and move on. You will most often, but not necessarily, be compensated for your graciousness. Notification of special discounts and free drinks or desserts are most common.

Waitpeople get a minimum wage of \$2.09 per hour plus tips. Thus, their primary source of income comes from your tips. This is important for you to realize not so you can hang it over the waitperson's head all night, but to give you a general understanding of where

they are coming from. Obviously, your waiter or waitress wants you to be as happy and comfortable as you want to be. But we all have our days and you can't make all of the people happy all of the time.

If you are having waiter trouble you should not "stiff" him or her. You should as a general rule tip 15 percent no matter what. However, if at the end of your meal you are unhappy do not hesitate to ask to speak to a manager. The manager will know how to correct the situation and you may even get a free meal on your next visit if he is sympathetic. If, however, you opt to under-tip or skip tipping altogether you are not helping the situation. Most often, low tips or no tips demonstrate to him or her that you don't know any better, not that he or she did a poor job.

Waitpeople deserve to be treated as humans, and humans are not perfect. Remember their job, remember they are not perfect, and think of how you would feel doing a job and not being compensated for it. That is what it feels like when you don't tip.

As with everyone in life treat waitpeople with respect. Remember the golden rule and they will probably serve unto you as you would like to be served unto.



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## Former TCU standout finds place on mound, not behind pulpit

By ALLISON FISHER  
Special to the Skiff

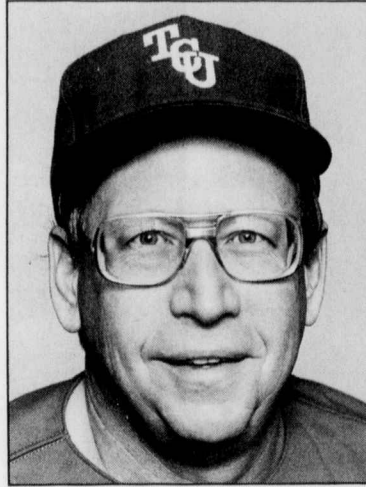
When a chubby 18-year-old freshman came to TCU in 1960 with high aspirations of being a man of the cloth, he was unaware his greatest impact would be made atop a mound of dirt rather than behind a pulpit of mahogany.

TCU baseball coach Lance Brown was led from West Plains, Mo., to TCU as an undergraduate student by the Disciples of Christ. "I originally had planned to go into the ministry," Brown said. "TCU was one of few schools that had an affiliation with my denomination." After completing his undergraduate degree and attending one year at Brite Divinity School, Brown soon saw the light: the ministry was not his game. Baseball was.

thought it would be," Brown said. Being a Horned Frog at heart, Brown came back to TCU in 1987 after coaching at Arlington Sam Houston High School, Irving MacArthur High School, Carrollton Newman Smith High School and a stint as pitching coach at Rice. "Coaching at TCU was something I always wanted to do," Brown said. "I've grown to like what we try to do here."

The philosophy held by Brown and his coaching staff is to develop each team member to be the best so when a player leaves, he is prepared to play at a higher level if he continues on to a professional baseball team, Brown said. "Here at TCU, we're not a numbers game like at UT (Texas), where players must either produce or get out," Brown said. "We have close relationships with the players."

Sophomore pitcher Jon Mock said his pitching has gotten better because of Brown, who pitched at TCU and in the major leagues. "He's an expert at the game and certainly knows what he's talking about,"



Lance Brown

Mock said. Scott Malone, a right fielder in his second year on the team, agreed with Mock about their coach's work with individual players.

"At the beginning of the season, I wasn't playing too well," said Malone, the SWC's top hitter this season. "Coach Brown worked with me by myself for an hour after practice one day and afterwards, I felt much more ready."

The past four baseball seasons have not been successful for the Frogs, but Brown still insists on perfecting the players rather than the team's position in the SWC standings.

"We don't like to dwell on the losses," Brown said.

Who can blame him? The players certainly don't. Mock and Malone hold true to the idea that the players make the team what it is.

"He can make us run and work hard in practice, but we're the ones who have to show what we can do on the field," Malone said.

Brown's wide field of experience has put the humble Missourian high on a list of honors. SWC Player of the Year, All-America honors and a 1964 TCU pitching record he holds and now shares with former TCU pitcher Tim

Mauser are just a few of his praises. Brown's latest accolade came in 1989 when he was inducted into the TCU Letterman's Hall of Fame.

"It was really almost hard to imagine," Brown said. "I never dreamed of being in the Hall of Fame."

TCU athletic director Frank Windegger had especially fond memories of the induction because he was Brown's coach when he made his debut at TCU.

"He's one of the greats in TCU baseball history," Windegger said. "I think he belongs in there."

Off the field, Brown leads a relatively quiet — without his 38 rambunctious college boys — life of golf and traveling. He and his wife Molly have made vacations to Alaska, Hawaii and Acapulco.

But they can't book hotel reservations, pack the suitcases or board the plane until the last pitch is thrown, the last bat is swung and the last out is made for the season.

In the meantime, Coach Brown will be out playing with the "boys of summer" until summer strikes again.

## Showgirls, color guard to hold open auditions

By MARTHA HERNANDEZ  
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The 1991-92 TCU Showgirl and Color Guard auditions will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in the Rickel Building.

The competitions are open to anyone who is currently enrolled as a full-time student, said David Henning, associate director of bands. Incoming freshmen are also permitted to try out, provided that they have been admitted to TCU, he said.

"There are no specific requirements, but prior experience in dance classes is helpful," Henning said.

Over 60 candidates are expected to audition for the two groups, he said.

"We're really lucky here at TCU to have so many girls interested in the programs," Henning said. "They add a lot to the marching band."

The marching band is hoping to receive 32 candidates for each program, he said. Doing so would increase the programs by 10 to 12 girls each.

"We are trying to increase the size of both groups for the next season, so odds of getting in are better this year," Henning said.

No prepared routine is required for either audition, said Donna Mastan-

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**DONNA MASTANDREA,**  
director of TCU Showgirls

drea, director and choreographer of the TCU Showgirls. The candidates will be taught a routine once they arrive, she said.

"From 9 to 11 a.m., the Showgirl candidates will be taught a jazz routine that lasts approximately one and a half minutes, and tryouts will follow from 1 to 5 p.m. that afternoon," she said.

Candidates will have off from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to practice the routine, she said.

"The girls will audition in groups of four," Mastandrea said. "Besides the routine, the candidates will also be asked to demonstrate ability to perform kicks and splits."

Showgirl candidates must also adhere to a weight requirement which they must maintain throughout the

year in order to perform at games, she said.

"Weigh-ins will be held on tryout date," Mastandrea said. "Body structure is very important in deciding weight. It depends on the person's height, bone structure and overall appearance."

Color guard candidates do not have to meet a weight requirement, she said.

"It isn't a real intense tryout for color guard, but Showgirl auditions are pretty competitive," Henning said.

"The Showgirls are the primary dance group, although both groups are featured at halftime during football season," he said. "The color guard does dance, but not to the extent of the Showgirls. They (color guard) mostly perform with flags to add color to the band."

The color guard candidates will follow the same time schedule as the Showgirl candidates, Henning said. However, the color guard is expected to finish earlier because there are fewer candidates.

"From 9 to 11 a.m. they will be taught a routine using flags to per-

form basic fundamental moves," he said. "The candidates will have a break from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to practice, and they will audition from 1 to 2 p.m."

All candidates should expect to be notified of acceptance at the end of the day, Henning said.

The candidates will be judged on appearance, technique, execution and showmanship, he said.

Color guard candidates are requested to wear shorts and a short-sleeve top or anything that doesn't prohibit movement, Henning said.

The Showgirl candidates are requested to wear a leotard and tights or a unitard, Mastandrea said.

"Please no shorts or T-shirts," she said. "These tend to cover up the girls' movements. We need to be able to see the girls' figures while they are performing. It is important to see each girl's technique and style."

Henning said he will be one of the judges for the Showgirl candidates along with Mastandrea; Carol Bott, a dance choreographer; and Staci Stephens, a senior education major and current captain of the TCU Showgirls.

The judges for the color guard candidates will be Henning and Steve Andre, a graduate assistant in the band department, he said.

The TCU Showgirls and Color

Guard perform at all football games, both home and away, Henning said. They also participate in marching contests.

Showgirl tryouts are conducted twice a year and color guard auditions are held once a year, Henning said.

"Showgirl tryouts are conducted again in the fall," Mastandrea said. "They are conducted on a much smaller scale and the girls chosen perform during basketball games in the spring."

"Girls who participate in the programs gain discipline and learn how to get along with others," she said.

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