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## Bush plan not enough to stimulate slow job market

By MEREDITH CAWTHON  
TCU Daily Skiff

President Bush's new economic plan does not bring with it much hope for graduating seniors, a university economics professor said Thursday.

Richard Waits, chairman of the Economics department, said the president's plan, outlined in his State of the Union address Tuesday night, is unlikely to boost the domestic economy because the president's focus does not do enough to aid industrial businesses in the private sector.

"With no industrial growth taking place, it could be two, three or four years before we see any major turnaround," Waits said.

The president sent a \$1.5 trillion budget to Congress on Wednesday for fiscal 1993 that forecasts sluggish economic growth and predicts record deficits despite trims in defense spending and the absence of deep tax cuts, according to *The Dallas Morning News*.

Bush's new plan includes a \$50 billion cut from the defense budget and gives more money to domestic programs with tax credits to spur consumer spending.

Some Republican leaders have said the president's plan is "comprehensive" while some analysts have criticized his effort saying Bush did not have an effective strategy for curing the country's ills.

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Chairman,  
Economics department

Americans would start spending more money in U.S. markets. But with people making less in jobs today, they are not willing to spend more.

One of the elements in the plan calls for an adjustment of withhold-

ing tables that increases take-home pay for more than 90 million low- and middle-income wage earners.

The change, which will result in a smaller tax refund for the same people, will give the average person only about \$7 more a week, and that is unlikely to spur any immediate spending, Waits said.

Waits said he believes that the economy will not simply recover by itself.

"We've got to restructure the economy to somehow encourage the necessary industrial growth," he said.

A focus on international trade could be an area emphasized in a restructuring plan.

Waits said such a plan could help improve industrial growth and increase the number of jobs and the wages that people earn.

Changing the foreign currency rate, for example, would be one way of becoming more competitive internationally, he said.

"By changing the (foreign currency) rate, American goods would appear cheaper and more appealing to foreign buyers," Waits said.

Placing an investment restriction on foreign investors could be another way of boosting the U.S. market and consumer spending. Although these restrictions would be a long and difficult process, Waits said it would be beneficial to focus more on Ameri-

can investors.

Although the president's plan lacks hope for graduating seniors who seek employment immediately after graduation, there is encouraging news, however, for graduates who decide to enroll for advanced degrees.

While the economy is improving, students would have the opportunity to receive an advanced degree and be ready for a much improved job market after graduation, Waits said.

He said the paramount fear facing job seekers is not finding a job while looking or changing occupations.

"People are afraid of changing jobs and going to ones that will not pay as much," he said.

## Increased diversity

### Mexican scholars to attend university

By JOHN J. LUMPKIN  
TCU Daily Skiff

The university's goal to increase campus diversity took a giant leap forward yesterday when officials from Mexico's school system arrived on campus to initiate an agreement that should increase study opportunities for Mexican students.

A delegation from Mexico's Secretariat of Public Education will meet with university administration officials today to sign an official declaration that allows up to ten Mexican state college faculty members to attend TCU as graduate students.

The first graduate student should arrive on campus next fall, officials said unless complications develop.

Mexican school officials Maestro Alberto Mavarrete Zumarraca, director of support and dissemination of teaching, and assistant Maestro Julio Cesar Dozal are in the process of touring the campus to meet with academic deans and department chairs.

The university is the first institution in Texas to initiate such a plan with Mexico.

"This is part of TCU's initiative of increasing the diversity on campus," said Joseph W. Helmick, dean of graduate studies and research affairs. He also serves as the program's campus coordinator.

Program participants are selected by administrators in Mexico. The

university then chooses ten members who are invited to matriculate for advanced degrees.

The foreign students who participate in the program are given 24 hours of tuition credit by the university.

The government of Mexico and program participants share costs for living and travel expenses.

The arrangement has dramatic benefits for Mexico and the university, Helmick said.

Mexico's universities gain more professors with graduate degrees and the university is one step closer to achieving its multicultural goals, he said.

Bringing these professors to TCU is part of the university's plan to become a multicultural university, said Larry Adams, associate vice chancellor for academic affairs.

The unique arrangement also has global implications for the university.

"This program is part of a larger effort on the part of TCU to foster relationships with higher education in Mexico and develop cooperative efforts," Adams said.

"We are hoping to be a contributor to and a participant in international education," he added.

To ensure the visiting students receive an enriched academic stay,

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Jodi Burg, a senior psychology major, at the Career Week booth for the Warm Place, a haven for children whose parents or guardians have passed away. Burg is a volunteer for the agency and receives academic credit for her work.

TCU Daily Skiff/Kandy Hale

## Housekeepers recognized at banquet

By SARAH YOEST  
TCU Daily Skiff

Two university housekeeping employees were named "employee of the year" by the Worth Metro Chapter of the National Executive Housekeepers Association, Inc.

Housekeeper Filomena Juarez and Supervisor Thomas P. Scantlin received the Housekeeping Employee and Housekeeping Supervisor of the Year 1991 awards Jan. 17 at the second annual Housekeepers Awards Banquet.

Employees were selected for the awards on three criteria: their attendance records, above-average performance ratings and exemplary conduct during the year of the award.

Juarez has "consistently earned

high marks on her performance evaluations," said Russel Gray, assistant director of facility services.

She has been with the university since 1975 and currently works in the library.

Scantlin supervises 15 housekeepers who clean eight buildings ranging from a carpentry back shop to Chancellor Tucker's Executive Suite in Sadler Hall.

Scantlin "goes that extra mile and spends time off the job without compensation," Gray said.

He has been at the university since 1987 and has worked as a housekeeping supervisor for the Fort Worth I.S.D.

Juarez was nominated for the award by her co-workers.

University housekeeping supervi-

sors selected the university's finalists from the nominees, and judges from area hospitals and hotels selected semi-finalists and finalists for the Housekeeper of the Year award.

Housekeepers Teresa Balandran, James Fernandez, Ila Graves and Ruth Tate were chosen as semi-finalists for the award.

Gray, who is secretary for the Worth Metro Chapter, nominated Scantlin for the supervisor's award.

Scantlin was one of six finalists for the Housekeeping Supervisor of the Year award.

University employees won both of the housekeeping awards last year.

Last year's winners were Supervisor John Venema and Housekeeper Teresa Martinez.

## Campus police tow vehicles in response to city ordinance

By COTY LONG  
TCU Daily Skiff

Campus Police began enforcing a city ordinance Tuesday that prohibits cars from parking on private property, said Oscar Stewart, chief of the Campus Police.

All vehicles left in the University Christian Church parking lots after midnight will be towed at the owner's expense, Stewart said.

The church parking lots are considered private, commercial or business property under the Fort

Worth ordinance.

The lots must be chained and locked at midnight under the provisions of the ordinance. All cars that are left in the lots after that time will be towed.

The city ordinance has been enforced by the Campus Police since Stewart has been the chief of the Campus Police, he said.

The Campus Police stopped enforcing campus traffic regulations in the church lots last year until the parking lot warning signs were replaced and the parking

space lines were repainted, Stewart said.

The university maintenance branch will repair the signs in the church lots to alert those who park there of the enforcement, Stewart said.

The Campus Police stopped enforcing traffic regulations, but did not stop responding to crimes committed in the parking lots, he said.

Stewart said he wanted to pro-

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## Obscene telephone calls disturb students

### Campus police offer advice

By COTY LONG  
TCU Daily Skiff

Every year, students who are troubled by obscene phone calls say they are angry and unsure what to do about them.

"The best way to deal with an obscene call is to say nothing and hang up," said Sgt. Pat Jones of the Campus Police.

Persistent calls can leave students feeling helpless, but Jones said there are options. Campus Police and the phone company have developed

guidelines to help stop unwanted calls.

Jones suggested putting initials rather than a full name in the Frog Calls directory to deter callers who call only women. She also recommended never speaking to the caller or giving out any information.

Jones said there are some tricks to try if the phone calls become a nuisance.

"If the calls continue you can push one of the buttons on the phone and speak as if an operator were on the line," she said.

Campus Police guidelines suggest equipping the phone with three-way calling or call forwarding. Three-way calling would allow you to con-

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Campus police

nect a third party. The police department or Campus Police could then be connected to the caller.

The call forwarding function would allow forwarding to a non-existent number. The caller would hear a recording that the number is no longer in service.

If all other attempts fail, the phone company can put a tracer on any phone. Each call made must be documented and reported to the phone company. After three calls from the same caller the suspect's name can be released to the police.

Jones said that while it is not mandatory to prosecute the caller, the phone company can issue deterrent letters requesting that the calls cease or service will be discontinued.

Tracers are handled through the service department of the phone company, at 1-800-773-5550. Questions about call waiting or three-way calling can be answered at 817-376-2888.

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### Outside

Today's weather will be partly cloudy with a high temperature near 68 degrees.

Saturday's weather will be partly cloudy with an expected high temperature of 70 degrees.



### CAMPUSlines

**CAMPUSlines** is provided as a service to the TCU community. Announcements of events, meetings and other general campus information should be brought by the *Skiff* office, Moudy 291S or sent to TCU Box 32929. The *Skiff* reserves the right to edit for style and taste.

**Tau Chi Upsilon**, a local social fraternity, begins spring rush today. For more information come by the rush table in the Student Center or contact John Gaetz at 926-5718.

**\$1,500 Scholarship** available for an English graduate or undergraduate student who plans formal study in Great Britain in the summer of 1992. For application information call Keith Odom or Neil Daniel at ext. 7240.

**Graphics Contest** offers a \$100 award for the best logo design for the 1992 Battle of the Bands. Entries are due Feb. 17. Contact the PC Concerts chair at 921-7926.

**Mortar Board** information sheets are available in Room 101 of Sadler Hall. Application are due Feb. 21. For more information contact Jennifer Burgess at 926-2548.

**The University Christian Church** holds a weekly college fellowship at 7 p.m. every Sunday. For more information call 926-6631.

**Chi Delta Mu** meets at noon every Monday in Weatherly Hall in the basement of Brite Divinity. For more information call David Nolan at 921-0393 or 332-4197.

**Congressman Joe Barton** is now taking applications for summer internships in Washington, DC. Students interested should call Sharla Metz at (202) 225-2002.

### HELPlines

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

**Volunteers are needed** to coordinate and help organize a historical library for a Fort Worth agency. Available from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays or on weekends.

**Volunteer drivers are needed** to deliver library materials to homebound people and return previously delivered materials to the library. Available from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Must use own vehicle.

**Volunteers are needed** at a Fort Worth museum to assist with a special hands-on children's "discovery area." Must be available on weekdays and weekends. Training begins in September.

**Volunteers are needed** to assist with a recycling program on the East Side. Help is needed on Saturday mornings to sort the recyclables and help carry them from cars to the recycling area.

### CRIMELINES

The **Campus Police** reported the following offenses and violations at and around the university from Jan. 23 to Jan. 28:

**Theft:**  
Jan. 23 - A visitor's car parked in the tennis center parking lot was broken into, damaging the door and breaking the window. An estimated \$1,000 in electronic equipment was stolen.

Jan. 25 - A man's alpine 28" mountain bike was stolen from the Sherley Hall parking lot. The student's bike has a yellow frame, a black seat, standard mountain tires and a racing seat.

Jan. 26 - A student reported a Panasonic typewriter stolen from her room in Moody Hall. The model number is SN KYR355.

Jan. 28 - A car parked in the tennis center parking lot was broken into. The window was broken. An Alpine stereo and a Cannon camera were stolen.

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special plans are being developed. "A variety of agreements and programs will be provided for our students and several opportunities for faculty members to do international work," Adams said.

The initiation of this program heralds the beginning of a bold new chapter in TCU history, Helmick said.

"This is a new start for us," he said. "The fact that Mexican officials are looking to the United States and TCU, obviously suggests that higher education in the U.S. and TCU enjoys a good reputation," Helmick said.

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vide proper notice to the university that the Campus Police would begin enforcing the city ordinance.

Warning notices were placed in all residence halls advising students that cars left in the lots after midnight will be towed.

The church parking lots are on the corner of University Drive and Cantey Street, between Wabash and Rogers Streets, and between Shirley and Wabash Streets.

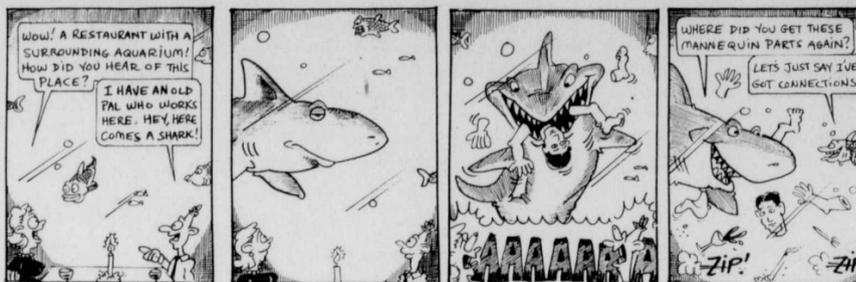
### Ye gods & little fishes

by *Stev Klinetobe*



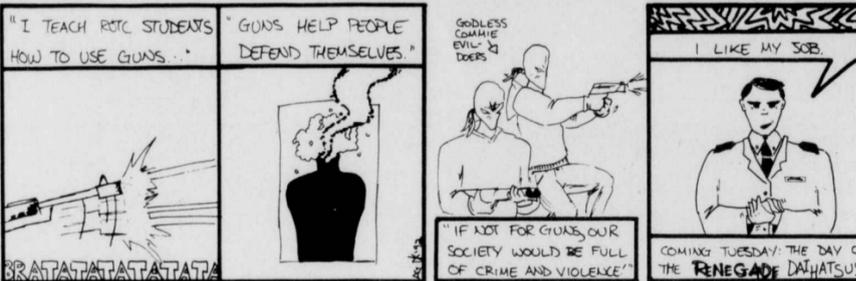
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by *Joe Barnes*



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by *Andy Grieser & Kall Loper*



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## Support

### Basketball team deserves student support

Saturday night is an important time for TCU and the Frog Basketball team. The Frogs face the Houston Cougars Saturday at 7:30 in Daniel Meyer Coliseum in the most important game of the basketball season. The winner gains sole possession of first place in the Southwestern Conference.

It is vital that the entire campus turn out and show our support for the Frogs in this crucial game. Many times it seems that all we do is complain about our athletic teams and wonder why they cannot get any better. It is different this time. The Frogs are on top and with strong support from the fans, can continue to be on top.

The basketball team has not been receiving the fan support they so much deserve this season, but it is not too late. When the Frogs take the floor Saturday night against the Cougars, the Coliseum should be filled to capacity with enthusiastic Frog fanatics, ready to cheer the team onto another incredible victory.

And a public service message to the students — get to the game early enough to ensure that you do indeed have a seat that is not occupied by some fan from UT.

Now is the time to show our support for the Frogs. Remember, it's your team.

## Letters to the editor

### Country club

Hooray to Joey Martinez's article on frog fashion! Finally, someone else realizes the fact that our wonderful school is a country club. One needs enough money to join, then it's just another great place to get together and socialize while comparing new Harold's outfits.

We feel if a student is going to the game, the reason should be to have school spirit and enjoy the game, not impress the guys. The most hilarious part of these people dressing up in wrapskirts though, is seeing how uncomfortable and overdressed they look. Just look at the Super Bowl — people have sweatshirts on with their team name. Wear something comfortable and maybe a little spirited (God forbid). We're sure that all of those who are dressed up look at us at the games, as we're wearing jeans and a TCU t-shirt, and think that we are some kind of poor people who can't afford new Harold's outfits, and that we're committing a fashion faux pas.

Football games should be fun, not just another sporting event at the country club

where girls go to see, be seen, and talk about their weekend with their new guy.

The only advice we can give the new coach, Mr. Sullivan, is may you have the control to not fall down laughing at the first game and not be able to finish coaching. And by the way, there are some students at the game in normal clothes to watch the game and support you as you lead our team through the year. You may not spot us right off in the midst of the great fashion competition we call a student section, but we are there.

**Tiffany Doyle**  
Sophomore  
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Sophomore  
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**Eric Letsche**  
Sophomore  
RTVF

### Wrong note

This letter is written in response to the general approach taken by the Skiff in an article printed on Thursday, January 30, regarding the future of music majors in the job market.

First of all, I am very disappointed with the editing skills of our beloved newspaper. On more than one occasion, the Skiff has made blatant errors in spelling and the definition of specific musical terms. Perhaps the Skiff should look into hiring an editor who is familiar with musical terms and the fine arts.

Secondly, our fearless leader (as opposed to "lieder"), the chairman of the music department, Dr. Kenneth R. Raessler, was obviously misquoted and/or misinterpreted. The College of Fine Arts and Communication DOES offer graduate degrees in music, including a Master of Music with an emphasis

in performance, pedagogy, musicology, and theory, and a Master of Music Education. There are approximately 23 students currently enrolled in our graduate programs. I only hope that prospective graduate students are not discouraged by the mistake made in the article.

Furthermore, I hope the Skiff will try to report on the events concerning those who "live" in Ed Landreth Hall when they occur instead of slipping in an article or two when it is a slow news day. Please print the corrections in your next edition in some other place than an empty space among the advertisements as you normally have in the past.

**Elizabeth Robertson**  
Sophomore  
Vocal Performance

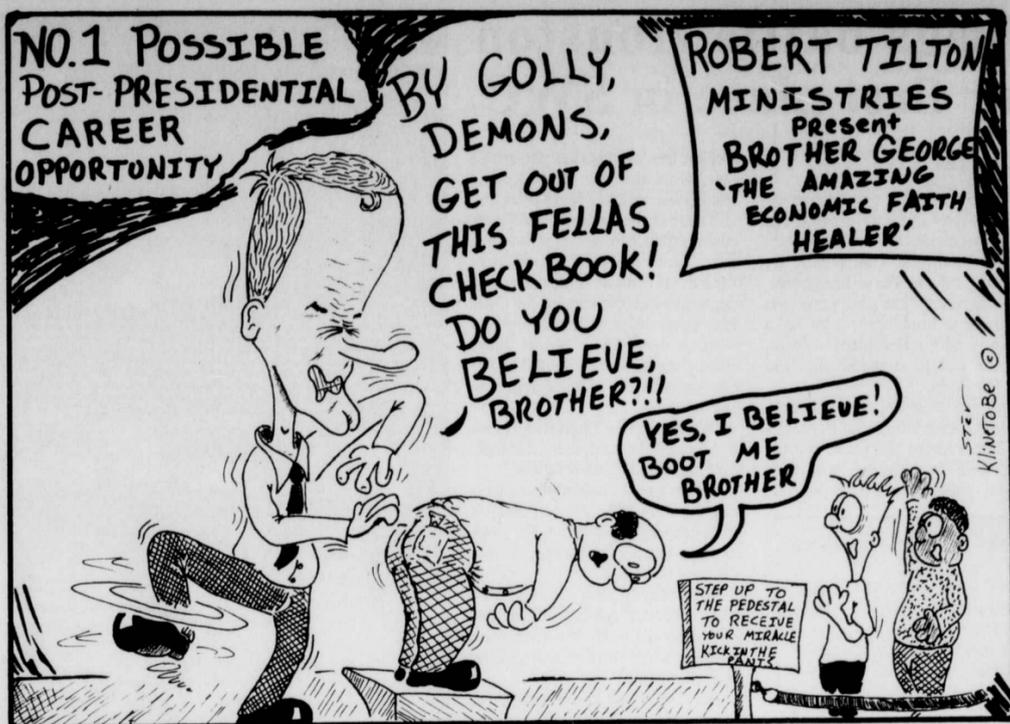
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## Defense budget presents problems

by  
**ANDY HERNANDEZ**  
Columnist



Ask anyone you see what they thought of President Bush's State of the Union address. If you happen to have the same luck that I did, no fewer than seven out of ten will immediately ridicule Mr. Bush's economic "initiatives," or lack thereof. I, as a loyal member of the left side of the field, would readily and wholeheartedly agree with these sentiments. Indeed, I could easily write pages and pages of sarcastic criticism. However, for the purposes of this editorial, I will take the road less travelled. Instead of adding to the criticisms of Mr. Bush's economic measures, and thus contributing to the flogging of a soon-to-be dead horse, I will scrutinize his proposed changes in defense.

The President has very graciously decided to procure only 20 of the B-2 stealth bombers, instead of the original 75. Granted, this will save taxpayers over \$33 billion over the next five years. However, is this necessary?

The original purpose of the B-2 program was to guarantee that the United States would have the premier military force in the world. The B-2 program was the product of a long and expensive arms race with the former Soviet Union. An arms race implies competition by definition. With whom are we competing for military supremacy now?

For about a decade before Operation Desert Storm, strategists complained that B-52 bombers were nearly obsolete. Yet, in Desert Storm, these pilots repeatedly demonstrated

that they and their aircraft were very capable of blowing bad boys to bloody bits. Moreover, B-52 pilots did not even fall into the high-casualty region of American forces in Desert Storm. I ask again, why are the very expensive, combat untested B-2 bombers necessary?

Unfortunately, the token cuts in defense spending do not end with the B-2 program. In his speech, the President stated that the Department of Defense would procure no new warheads for sea-based missiles, cancel the Peacekeeper and small ICBM programs, and end research and production involving advanced cruise missiles.

Furthermore, he pledged to reduce virtually all multiple warhead missiles to single warhead missiles if President Yeltsin would promise the same for all Commonwealth nations that possess ICBMs. Sadly, the President is not doing this to ensure a nuclear-free tomorrow as much as he is doing this because of economic pressure. Additionally, many of these nuclear forces are obsolete and should be eradicated anyway.

For almost 45 years, the United States' nuclear defense policy has been based on the triad. That is, if the bad guys shoot their nuclear weapons at us, then at least one arm of the triad, either the ICBM's, nuclear submarines, or bombers would be able to respond. This idea worked great until recently.

Last year, however, for the first time in these 40 some-odd years, American nuclear bombers were given the order to stand down. The United States would no longer have approximately 25 percent of its nuclear bomber forces in the air and ready to respond to a nuclear sneak attack. Thus, in the event of a nuclear sneak attack tomorrow, two-thirds of our nuclear triad would make one nice, neat ground target. Because of this, two arms of the American

nuclear triad have become a deterrent that can not possibly act to deter.

The obvious choice for the President is to keep the submarine ballistic missile forces and eliminate the rest. This itself would eliminate millions of dollars from an already oversized defense budget. Unfortunately, instead of effecting these measures, Mr. Bush has only promised to gradually convert some of our bomber force from nuclear to conventional missions. Hazy promises and half-measures neither save money nor contribute to the likelihood of a future balanced budget.

Make no mistake. I am not some hemorrhaging valentine who wants to recklessly slash the Department of Defense budget and spend it all on refurbishing Lawrence Welk's home. Rather, this country needs a long-term and far-reaching national defense policy. Once this nation has such a policy, strategists can sit down and figure out what is wasteful and what is not.

The examples I have cited would be a first step toward having a highly mobile, rapid deployment force. This is an example of a military suited to the new world order and would be a move away from a style of military in which generals and admirals alike love to buy even more impressive nuclear weapons, high-tech invisible bombers, and massive aircraft carriers in lieu of less glamorous things like transports and mine-sweepers. Sadly, Mr. Bush does not appear to have the leadership or the desire to lead this country well, and may have sacrificed much in the name of short-term solutions, appearance, and a chance for reelection.

● Andy Hernandez is a junior Political Science major from Shreveport, Louisiana.

## A sucker is born every minute

by  
**GREG WEED**  
Columnist



**T**hat's right, advertising. What a wonderful way of manipulating and selling people on your ideals without having to write 15 inches every week — just a 30-second spot.

We've got a Big Mac and some fries I tellin' you no lies We've got onion rings and chicken things And really weird-looking apple pies. (chorus)

Welcome to McDonald's Welcome to McDonald's. And don't forget about our Quarter Pounder with Ch-Ch-Ch-Ch-Cheese. Cheese.

(loud, quick obnoxious yelp) Pardon me while I sneeze.

O.K., maybe the final line needs a bit of work, but I've already submitted it to the McDonald's corporation. Well, I couldn't figure out who to send it to, so I put it in the "Suggestions Box" in the McDonald's in Pflugerville, Texas, where I came up with this brilliant scheme.

But writing the commercial is just part of my plan. I've got a whole campaign planned out using Guns n' Roses as spokeswastes for McDonald's. Of course, I haven't quite sold the guys in the band the idea yet. To be honest, they don't even know the opportunity exists for them. When I got a hold of their management, I was just about to spew my idea to him when something went wrong with the

phone. All I could hear was "You have the right to remain silent..."

Then I tried to reach the actual guys in the band during a concert, but all I got was a kick in the face.

But I'm still not discouraged. I'm sure they'll want to become cultural icons selling the true American food. And they'll be perfect for the kids' market.

But there's more to this plan. First of all, we have to create a food for each of the band members. I haven't got all of the ideas worked out, but I have come up with the McSlash burger. It has mustard and ketchup smothered on so much that you can see if there really is meat in between the bun (as if you could anyway). Then I have the AxelPie, which has a special filling which can't be discussed yet because it's not quite legal.

These and other food will be stuffed in a Guns n' Roses Happy Meal, charging about seven dollars apiece.

But the profits don't stop there. Really, we'll only sell them half of the meal (half a burger, half a pie, etc.), since we've got so much food that not everyone will want the full 3/16 lb. of meat on a full burger. But for those who do want it, we'll sell them the other half for the same price as the first.

What an idea! I can feel the money raking in! I'm so excited that I'm going to begin writing another commercial jingle. I'm thinking about "Losing My Religion" for the Word of Faith ministries.

● Greg Weed is a junior RTVF major from Dallas, Texas.

# Sports

## Frogs battle Houston for first place in SWC

By JEFF LEA  
TCU Daily Skiff

Two weeks ago the Horned Frogs made a legitimate claim to first place in the Southwest Conference by knocking off the Texas Longhorns, 80-76, at home. Then a one point loss to Baylor at home gave way for a four-way tie for first place—Texas, Houston and Rice shared the lead with the Frogs.

And now there are two. The Baylor Bears helped the Frogs by upsetting Texas earlier this week. But the Frogs helped themselves with their biggest conference win on the road

been the best the team has played this year. Consider that both Reggie Smith (19) and Michael Strickland (21) were on the mark. Off the bench, Thomas punched in 16 points, his best in conference play. A productive offense and, more importantly, an aggressive defense handed the Owls their worst defeat at home and held them to their fewest points under fifth-year head Coach Scott Thompson. It was TCU's first win at Rice in five years.

"We thought we could win, but we didn't think it would be by that margin," said head coach Moe Iba.

The Frogs have not only been winning this year, they've been doing it on the road. Nine wins on the road, six more to go. Seven wins at home, and only five to go.

"It's a very difficult schedule," Iba said. "We've played exceptional basketball on the road. It's a situation where you got to play well on the road or at home."

The Frogs' only loss this season at home came to Baylor. The Frogs can't afford to let their close games like that slip away again.

"It's going to be a close game," Strickland said. "We're not going to do anything out of the ordinary."

Houston brings in a tough, athletic team including two of the conference's top 10 scorers in Sam Mack and Craig Upchurch. Mack is averaging 16.7 points per game and is the most consistent shooter in the league at 66 percent. On defense, Charles Outlaw leads the league in blocked shots with almost three a game.

"Houston has a lot of athletes," Smith said. "They're going to come the boards strong. We have to box out."

The Cougars will throw a big and fast lineup at the Frogs. TCU will have to hope that Smith can continue his feverish pace (15) on the boards and the rest of the team can control the tempo of the game.



TCU sophomore forward Kurt Thomas shoots a jump shot during Thursday's practice as the Frogs prepare for their Saturday night game against Houston.

TCU Daily Skiff/ Victor Hotho

## Lady Frogs visit Cougars; hope to end losing skid

By ALAN DROLL  
TCU Daily Skiff

Looking for an altered pace, the TCU woman's basketball team faces the run and gun Houston Cougars Saturday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. in Houston.

The Lady Frogs (4-13, 0-5 SWC) are floundering in the midst of a nine-game losing streak heading into their clash with the 16th ranked Cougars (15-3, 4-1 SWC). Coach Fran Garmon's troops will try to throw a monkey wrench in the Cougars' high-powered fast break, keeping Houston out of its preferred break-neck pace.

"What we have to do is control the tempo," Garmon said. "That's our chance to beat Houston, and if we can't control the tempo, then Houston is very capable of lighting it up on us. They're very quick, they're very aggressive, and their transition game is very good."

Garmon's women have seen their season unravel before their eyes.

See Cougars, page 5

### SWC Men's standings

	SWC	ALL
Houston	4-1	15-3
TCU	4-1	15-4
Texas	4-2	11-8
Rice	3-2	13-6
Baylor	3-3	10-7
SMU	2-3	8-9
Texas Tech	1-4	9-8
Texas A&M	0-5	3-12

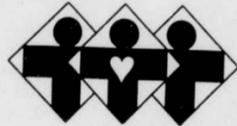
### Saturday's games

Houston	at TCU
SMU	at Rice
Texas A&M	at Texas Tech
Texas	at Rhode Island
Baylor	at Missouri-K.C.

so far this season when they shelacked the Rice Owls, 76-50.

The conference stage returns to Daniel-Meyer once again to see who can lay single claim to first place when the Frogs (15-4, 4-1) host the Houston Cougars (14-3, 3-1) tomorrow night.

"This is one of the biggest games of the season," said guard Albert Thomas, who scored 16 points off the bench against the Owls. "If we play defense like we did against Rice, we're going to come out victorious." The game against Rice may have

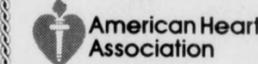


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MAJOR: Finance

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## Cougars/ from page 4

After a 3-1 start, the Lady Frogs have managed only one victory in their last 13 ball games. Their confidence has been shaken, and the Lady Frogs are in desperately in need of a rallying point.

"They're very frustrated, they've got to be, because we started out so great," Garmon said. "We won that one tournament (the Freedom Classic) and, even though we lost, we played a great game against UCLA, and UCLA is very, very good. It's frustrating, especially when you thought you were going to have the best season ever."

Rachel Hesse returned to the Lady

Frogs lineup against Rice Wednesday, but she is still hampered by the injury to her back. Usually a point guard, Hesse has been moved to left wing until she completes her recovery. Still, her presence and intensity was a welcomed boost for the beleaguered squad.

"Rachel is real consistent and calming," said sophomore post player Kim Venik. "It's good just to have her out there again."

Hesse was second on the team in scoring and rebounding to Liz Zeller in 1991. Zeller, another of TCU's limping wounded, is out for the season with a knee injury.

"We're having trouble because of our injuries," Garmon said. "We're also having trouble scoring, and another thing we're facing is the confidence factor."

"You keep complaining, 'Why me? Why me?', but there's nothing you can do about it. You can lose players, but ultimately we've got to decide, 'Well, okay, what do we have to do now?'. We're going to have to do a better job inside, and right now we're struggling," she said.

Garmon has had a hard time replacing Zeller inside, and although Andrea Boris has stepped up admirably in Hesse's absence, the Lady Frogs miss the fiery point guard's leadership and superior ball-handling skills. Unfortunately, Garmon singled out good post play and ball control as keys for the Lady Frogs to have a chance to unravel the Cougars' man-to-man press.

"Inside play will be a key for us against Houston," said Garmon. "Also, they love to force turnovers. That's how people score on you when they have a good transition game. They get the steal and then take it to the hoop on you, so we've got to really take care of it."

## Frog track teams back in action this weekend

By HOLLY C. LOHREN  
TCU Daily Skiff

The TCU track and field team is back in action this weekend as the Frogs compete in the Quad Meet in Norman, Oklahoma.

TCU will run against host Oklahoma and Baylor in a tri-meet format.

"This meet is another opportunity to meet qualifying standards for the National Championships," coach Bubba Thornton said. "It's also a chance to improve some events from last week's meet in Oklahoma City."

The Frogs will take the same approach in this meet as last week's, he said. "We won't overrun people. No more than two events per person."

Thornton has made some adjustments for Saturday's meet.

Dennis Mowatt, the National Junior College 100 and 200-meter champion, will open in the 55-meter. He didn't feel ready to compete last week, Thornton said.

Ralston Wright, senior All-American, will run the 600-meter race and Jimmy Oliver, freshman triple-jumper, will make his first appearance on the mile-relay team.

"We're excited about watching Jimmy," Thornton said. "The neat thing about our team is even though you may have a distance runner, a weight-man, or a sprinter, when they see a new member of the team really come in and it looks like they're going to make an impact, it's exciting for the whole group."

"In high school I was always the fastest," Oliver said. "I had to get used to coming here and just being

one of the guys. I have great respect for the team and the coach."

Since this is the Frogs second meet, any first meet jitters will be out of the way. This should result in a better tri-meet for TCU, Thornton said.

"This week will be better," said Sonja Franklin, senior 55-meter runner. "We're looking forward to running on a rubber track instead of the boards we ran on last week."

The indoor season will allow the Frogs to get ready for the outdoor meets.

"The indoor season is so short that you're not ready for it," Franklin said. "But you're ready for the outdoor season."

"Running indoors gives us chance to evaluate ourselves," said Joi Lampkin, sophomore hurdler. "Racing against five other girls makes you improve on what you do wrong so that you're ready for the outdoor season."

The biggest difference for the The Lady Frogs is that they seem more dedicated this year than they were last year, Franklin said.

"Everyday at practice everyone is working harder," said Veronica Dowell, senior 55 and 200-meter runner. "We motivate each other to run harder."

"At this point we're not world-beaters but we're going to get there," Thornton said. "We showed all the signs last week. What we have to do now is be consistent and try to improve a little bit each week."

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By LEIANNE SIMPSON  
TCU Daily Skiff

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# MOSAIC AT THE MOVIES

## Christmas might be over but the movies live on

By CARL KOZLOWSKI  
TCU Daily Skiff

Christmas — 'tis the season of warmth and love, hearth and home, kith and kin. It is also the time when Hollywood presents its Oscar hopefuls and big-budget extravaganzas to the American public.

Sometimes these films work, sometimes they don't. The following is a rundown of five films that do work particularly well and shouldn't slip past movie buffs.

The first and most intriguing film of the holiday batch was the Oliver Stone spectacular "JFK." At more than three hours, this film extends star Kevin Costner's winning streak. An incredible supporting cast, including Joe Pesci, Kevin Bacon and John Candy, added color and texture to the film. Every inch of the film's dialogue is excellent. The riveting visual style constantly flows between the film's present and flashbacks, between actual footage of Kennedy's assassination and personal recreations to the event. Regardless of whether you agree with the film's politics or conspiracy theories, this is a must-see for its art and entertainment value. Score: A.

Warren Beatty's starring performance as "Bugsy" was perhaps the most far-ranging of the year, as he alternated between suave seductiveness, psychosis, and befuddle-

ment. The story of the man who basically invented Las Vegas, "Bugsy" also had one heck of a supporting cast and a fiery performance from Annette Bening as Bugsy's mistress. Director Barry Levinson, whose career has included everything from "Diner" to "Good Morning Vietnam," may be the most diverse filmmaker working in America today. Score: A-

"The Prince of Tides" was the one film that I didn't want to see this Christmas, due to a preview that featured endless soulful gazing between stars Nick Nolte and Barbra Streisand, cheesy jokes, and the swell of romantic music as the camera flew over beautiful shots of Southern wetlands. What a surprise. This was a really moving tale of Nolte's redemption as a husband and a human being, switching between the actually good romantic plot and the tense flashbacks to Nolte's abused childhood. Streisand also directed this film with perfection, or at least until the last 20 minutes' worth of self-glorifying sex scenes between her and Nolte. Could have easily been a half-hour shorter, but it will be one of the Best Picture contenders come March. Score: B+

"My Girl" isn't a film that most reviewers have singled out for year-end Ten Best consideration, but it was enough of a good surprise to mention. Even though the ad campaigns trumpeted the return of "Home



Alone" star Macauley Culkin, the film didn't focus on action antics or his piercing scream. In fact, Culkin isn't even the star of the film, which turned out to be a surprisingly moving drama of a young girl learning to deal with death. Anna Chlumsky debuts as the real star of the film, and her performance is a winner. Dan Aykroyd, in a supporting role as Chlumsky's mortician father, follows his Oscar-nominated turn in "Driving Miss Daisy" with another fine dramatic performance. After comedic junk like "Loose Cannons" and "Nothing But Trouble," maybe it's time for Aykroyd to make a career switch. Score: A.

The final film of the bunch, and a real change of pace from the Oscar-styled fare, is the crowd-pleasing thriller "The Hand That Rocks the Cradle." Rebecca DeMornay, of "Risky Business," continues her career resurrection with a subtle yet chilling performance as a nanny with revenge on her mind. Annabella Sciorra from "Jungle Fever" plays the mother and victim of DeMornay's cleverly plotted tactics. Sciorra's character reported DeMornay's obstetrician husband after he seems to cross the line of appropriate medical behavior during a prenatal examination. "Hand" is a



rarity among thrillers: its subtle plotting works its way up to full-throttle tension and doesn't cheat the viewer's intelligence. It earns its thrills, and director Curtis Hanson's followup to his riveting "Bad Influence" will help establish him as the Hitchcock of the '90s. Score: A.

Kevin Costner stars as New Orleans District Attorney in Oliver Stone's "JFK." (Top photo, courtesy of Warner Brothers.) Barbra Streisand and Nick Nolte star in "The Prince of Tides." (Lower photo, courtesy of Columbia Pictures.)



Alex Furlong (Emilio Estevez) and Julie (Rene Russo) face a strange new future in "Freejack."

## Emilio Estevez battles to save his body, mind in future of "Freejack"



A gang member (Daryl Wicher) and Alex Furlong (Emilio Estevez) fight their way out of a tough situation in "Freejack."

By DAVID MORGAN  
TCU Daily Skiff

Freejack: (n) Any person brought from the past and who escapes custody.

With such a simple definition, good stories may be told. "Freejack" is the latest picture from Morgan Creek and is directed by Geoff Murphy. It tells the story of Alex Furlong (Emilio Estevez), an up-and-coming race-car driver. During his biggest race, Furlong's car flies into a wall at about 140 mph. Moments before the fatal crash, however, Furlong's body is brought through time to the year 2009. He is revived in a mobile lab but manages to escape.

Now Alex Furlong is trapped in the 21st century and hunted by "bone-jackers," bizarre bounty hunters led by Vacendak (Mick Jagger). Furlong must stay alive long enough to figure out where he is and why he's been brought to the next century.

Soon, Furlong hooks up with his old race manager, Brad Hines (David Johansen). Brad explains what happened to the world and why Alex was brought to the future. The world's ozone layer has been all but stripped away, and most of the people of Earth are ill or dying. However, the ultra-rich have a chance to living beyond their years because of the "Spiritual Switchboard," an electrical computer interface where their personalities may be temporarily stored. Bodies are brought back from the past, snatched from the

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When his manager betrays him, Furlong barely evades pursuit and makes it to the house of his old girlfriend, Julie (Rene Russo), who is now 18 years older and a vice president for the world-dominating McCandless Mega-corp. With her help, Alex contacts McCandless (Anthony Hopkins) in an attempt to get out of an impossible situation. "Freejack"

offers a rich backdrop, full of impending doom for the human race, on which an interesting bit of drama may be played out. Emilio Estevez does a good job of portraying the lost Alex Furlong, and Mick Jagger's performance is surprisingly good.

The movie doesn't rely on special effects too much, which gives the audience a chance to get to know the characters. Anthony Hopkins' appearance in the film is far too short. Although he deserves more screen-time, Hopkins' character in one of the most memorable from the film.

However, it's not surprising that Hopkins has few appearances when you consider the impressive list of minor characters which includes people like Amanda Plummer of "The Fisher King." In this film she plays a nun who helps Alex.

The story of "Freejack" is interesting and inventive, while the acting is fresh. Give this film a B-

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# Texas Supreme Court overturns public school funding system

By PEGGY FIKAC  
Associated Press

The Texas Supreme Court on Thursday declared unconstitutional the state's new public school tax system and gave lawmakers until June 1, 1993 to fix it.

"There remains for the Legislature and the governor the responsibility for reforming the public school system to comply with the sovereign will of the people expressed in our constitution," said Justice Raul Gonzalez, writing for the majority.

The court deferred the ruling's effect so that it will not interfere with the collection of 1991 and 1992 property taxes in the new county education districts (CEDs).

The court voted 7-2 against lawmakers' latest effort to meet its mandate to equalize school funding. Justices Lloyd Doggett and Oscar Mauzy joined in a blistering dissent. The court has twice before, unanimously, struck down previous school funding laws.

Justices Bob Gammage and John Cornyn wrote separate opinions. They agreed that the regional property tax system was unconstitutional,

but they disputed the majority's decision to defer the order's impact for so long.

"The court veers from the straight and narrow path of judicial propriety... by, in effect, telling taxpayers that an unconstitutional CED tax must be endured for an additional tax cycle because this is an election year," Cornyn wrote.

Doggett called the decision "an immense wrong" and raised the spectre of a state income tax.

"For the school children, there is delay — perhaps infinite delay — in achieving equal educational opportunity; for the taxpayers, most probably an income tax," Doggett wrote.

Gonzalez said that an income tax is not the only remedy.

Doggett and Mauzy also charged that the majority "turns a deaf ear both to the commanding voice of the law and to the whispered pleas of the children." They said that in devising the new system, the Legislature and the governor had followed prior court instructions.

The new school funding system is designed to shift hundreds of millions of local property tax dollars from wealthier to poorer school dis-

tricts within 188 new taxing regions, made up of one or several counties.

The court ruled that the plan violates the Texas Constitution by imposing a statewide property tax, and by levying a property tax without voter approval.

Despite state leaders' call for the Supreme Court to give them clear direction if this latest plan failed constitutional muster, Gonzalez said:

"Our role is only to determine whether the Legislature has complied with the constitution. We have not, and we do not now, suggest that one way of school funding is better than another."

The decision came in a legal challenge filed by more than 50 property-rich school districts — and just one day before the deadline for paying the school property taxes.

The court's opinion said it "is not to be used as a defense to the payment of any such taxes."

Hundreds of taxpayers, including many of the state's largest businesses, had filed lawsuits challenging the tax. They had said the suits were meant to ensure they could get a credit or refund on the CED tax if it

is replaced with another levy, and avoid double taxation.

Doggett and Mauzy said that the majority had been unfair to taxpayers, and possibly invited a federal court challenge, by calling the tax unconstitutional but requiring it to be paid.

Gov. Ann Richards said that as

state officials answer the latest ruling, "I am determined that we will do right by the schoolchildren of Texas."

"We are grateful that the court has allowed us almost two years to come up with a new plan because we need to examine very carefully where we go from here," Richards said.

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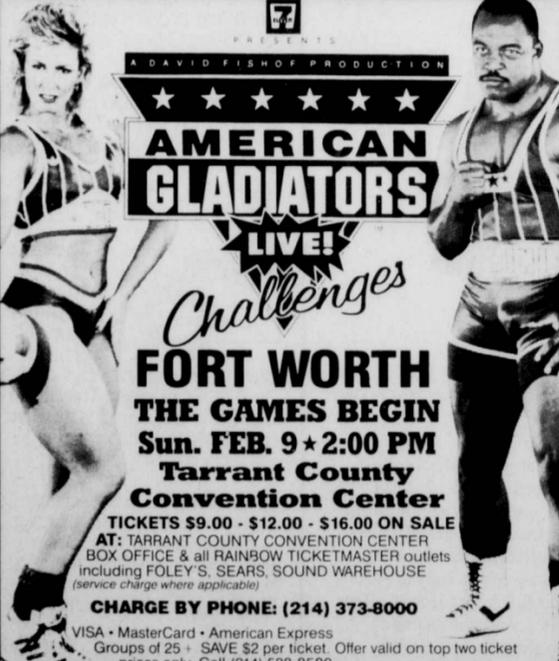
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