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Life in the fast lane

A TCU graduate forsakes an advertising career for a guitar

By SARAH PETERS
Special to the Skiff

Most university students enroll for traditional studies like accounting, political science or biology.

But for Paco Koehn, lead singer of local band Lizard Ranch, a "traditional" major hasn't prevented the performer from pursuing "non-traditional" job avenues.

Koehn, 25, lead singer of the band, graduated from TCU with an undergraduate degree in advertising—public relations.

Although some individuals may not agree with Koehn's choice, there is a method to his madness, he said.

"My parents think I'm ruining my life," Koehn said.

"But I'm just postponing a career, he said. "I still feel like I'm going to be marketable if this doesn't work out, but I wouldn't trade this for anything."

Lead singer Koehn said he never thought he would forsake an advertising career for a guitar and some gigs.

But the young musician did just that when he joined Lizard Ranch with aspirations of leading the band to new heights as well as the top of music charts.

"It seems like a dream to take the band to the fruition I want to take it to—which is making a very good living and being well known for it,"

Koehn said.

"But college seemed that challenging and I did that."

Koehn joined members of a previous local band, The Lones, after their singers moved to California. Now Koehn and band members Peter Merideth, Bill Hammon and Sean Shallegger call their alternative band Lizard Ranch.

"When I heard what my songs sounded like with what they did, I said, 'That's it—this is what I want to do forever,'" Koehn said.

If their initial success qualifies as any indicator, the group may be performing for quite a while.

Since the band formed in August, Lizard Ranch

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Paco Koehn

Student attacked; police seek suspects

By COTY LONG
TCU Daily Skiff

A TCU student was attacked late Saturday night while walking down Berry Street with a friend.

Jeanne Schroeder, a junior economics major, said she and a friend were headed for the Dunkin Donuts store when a man approached them from behind.

"He grabbed my purse from under my coat and pulled me to the ground," Schroeder said. "We fought until the strap of my purse broke and he ran."

"At that point I was more angry than scared," she said.

Schroeder said she tried to follow the man but her friend stopped her.

"I could have been in big trouble if I had followed him," she said. "He ran around the corner where another man was waiting."

The reality of what had happened so quickly didn't sink in until Schroeder took off her coat and saw the purse strap still on her shoulder, she said.

"We just sat on the floor of Dunkin Donuts and almost hyperventilated," she said.

A police officer in a nearby Sound Warehouse store saw the attack and tried to follow the men in her car but lost him behind the buildings south of Berry Street, according to police reports.

Other police units, a helicopter and police dogs were called in but the men were never found.

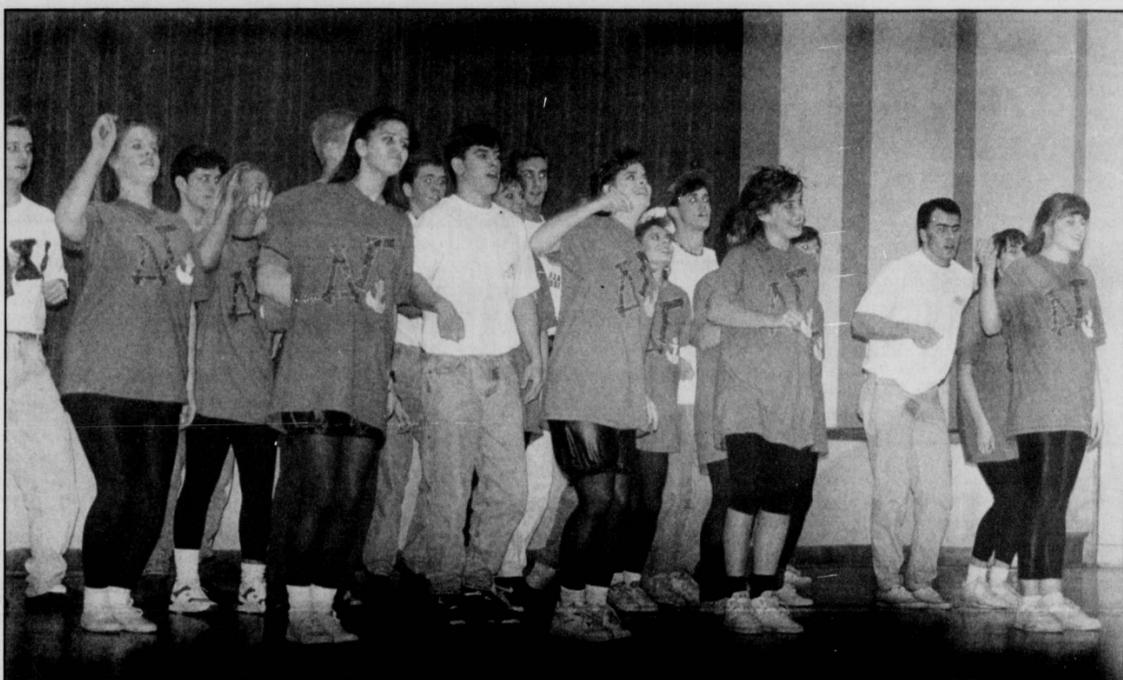
Schroeder's purse was later found by a woman walking on Cockrell Street but her money, I.D. and keys were missing, she said.

Although there were witnesses at Dunkin Donuts and Sound Warehouse, no one was able to give a complete description of the suspects, police officials said.

"I can't believe he attacked us in front of so many people," Schroeder said.

"Friends have told me it's dangerous going out that late," she said. "We go for donuts every week and

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TCU Daily Skiff/ Kandy Hale

Members of the Delta Gamma sorority and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity participate in Frog Follies tryouts Monday night. The annual competition will be held April 3 in Ed Landreth.

KTCU programming shifts; more variety

By DANI KUNKLE
TCU Daily Skiff

"College radio the way it was meant to be."

KTCU's new slogan reflects a variety of changes in format and programming on 88.7 FM.

The changes, which involve the playing of more alternative and contemporary music, were made in response to a survey taken by station officials last fall.

Station managers polled the campus community to determine the musical tastes of listeners. The survey also questioned if the campus was tuning into the station.

"It (the survey) was taken to get an idea of what students want to hear so that we can meet that need," said Constantino Bernardez, KTCU station manager.

Approximately 200 students

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Black Student Caucus Upcoming Events

Feb. 25 7:30
The biographies of
Malcom X and Dr.
Martin Luther King
will be shown fol-
lowed by a discussion.

Feb 25 12:00
BSC will sponsor
"Black Facts" a trivia
game open to all
students.

House to sponsor ISA booth

By MEREDITH CAWTHON
TCU Daily Skiff

The House of Student Representatives voted unanimously Tuesday to pass legislation that establishes a House booth during International Student Association's annual Taste of the World festival to be held Friday at noon.

The act gives \$75 from the Special Projects Fund for a table representing the House of Student Representatives. For the event, student organizations serve food samples from a particular country. The food is catered by Marriott.

"The House attempts to promote diversity and multiculturalism at TCU, and I think that this is one way to do that," said House member Scott Davis, a sophomore business major.

ISA's Taste of the World is expected to attract more than 300 people in the Brown-Lupton Student Center lounge, said Isabel Casas-I-Klett, ISA president and a junior advertising-public relations major.

"We have more than 215 international students representing 56 countries at TCU, and this program helps us see and relate to their cultures," she said.

The House booth will represent

Hungary. Nine other booths representing countries from around the world will be set up in the lounge as well.

Student representatives said the legislation urges House members to encourage cross-cultural exchange.

"This is a way for the House to actively participate in International Week and allow us to set a good example on campus," said Tiffany Swayze, chairwoman of the Finance Committee.

"Since only four organizations have offered to help out so far, I think

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AIDS report criticized

School counselor stands by original student total

By JAY JORDEN
Associated Press

The counselor who reported dozens of Northeast Texas students tested positive for the AIDS virus said Tuesday she wanted to educate the public about the deadly disease, and blasted what she called attempts to discredit her.

Dona K. Spence, who went to New York Monday for a television talk show appearance, also denied a magazine report that she may have filed false information on grant applications.

"The real point is that we have an epidemic here," Spence told the Associated Press Tuesday. "And it looks to me like we have an epidemic of ignorance in the media, too. Children are our future. But they (media) choose instead to speak of the negative."

Spence said reporters urged her to release the names of the teens reportedly infected with the AIDS virus, but she refused. She criticized a People magazine account which stated she was the subject of a federal investigation.

"Those people threatened me that they would smear me if I didn't produce those kids," she said. "I have a witness that was here during the whole interview last weekend. They threatened to go to the FBI, and with smearing me."

A spokeswoman for People magazine was out of the office when contacted by the Associated Press Tuesday.

The magazine reported this week that the U.S. attorney's office in Beaumont was investigating whether Spence, 40, filed false information on applications for state and federal grants.

"They are welcome to do anything they wish," she said in an interview from her Bogata home Tuesday. "I have never applied for funding for a state grant — or any other grant."

"I just haven't. There were no documents to falsify."

Ark-Tex Council of Governments, based in Texarkana, has received state grant funds for the past five years. But it is not known who actually filled out the grant applications.

A spokeswoman for Bob Wortham, U.S. attorney for the east-

ern district of Texas, said in Beaumont she could not confirm elements of the investigation. Wortham did not immediately return a telephone call Tuesday from the AP.

Spence said she has done nothing wrong, and that she did not misrepresent her background and qualifications, as People magazine had reported.

"I am not a licensed nurse in the state of Texas," she said. "I do not claim to be a licensed nurse in the state of Texas. My job does not require me to be a nurse."

Spence told the magazine earlier she had a nursing degree and had reached the rank of Army captain, serving two tours of duty in Vietnam and receiving a Purple Heart. But the report said college and military records did not support the claims.

"I was in the service during the Vietnam area. But they are trying to make things look ridiculous," she said. "The Purple Heart is baloney. The only Purple Heart I deserve is for what I went through the past week."

By contrast, she said her interview

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Conspiracy?
Columnist delves into the world of "investigative journalism" to uncover the truth behind recent paint pellet attacks.

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Going for 20
The TCU men's basketball team will meet St. Louis tonight in hopes of getting their twentieth win.

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Outside

Today's weather will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 59 degrees.

Thursday's weather will be partly sunny with a high temperature of 61 degrees.

Faculty, staff to donate; annual campaign begins

By MEREDITH CAWTHON
TCU Daily Skiff

Faculty and staff members give their time and talents to TCU year-round, but this week they will be reaching for their pocketbooks.

The 10th TCU Annual Fund campaign for faculty and staff members is under way and showing a good response, said Jill Mira, Annual Fund officer.

"Many people are increasing their past gifts, and we're getting new gifts in all the time," Mira said.

Last year faculty and staff members contributed more than \$84,000 through pledges to the university. The goal for '91-92 has been set for \$87,000.

The campaign began by sending a letter and a pledge card to all employees encouraging them to give a gift to the university.

The letter was written by one faculty and one staff member who both serve as chairs of the 1991-92 effort.

Betsy Colquitt, professor of English, and Oscar Stewart, Campus Police chief, urged employees to continue giving and encouraged new participants in the program.

The campaign allows employees to give a one-time gift to the Annual Fund or give through a payroll deduction, Mira said.

Most of the 35 percent of employees who contribute give through the payroll deduction method, she said.

"It's more convenient for them to have a little taken out of their check each month," Mira said.

Faculty or staff members may restrict their gift to a certain department or college, or they may give generally to the Annual Fund.

The Annual Fund, which goes toward the university operating budget, is made up of such large groups as faculty and staff, alumni, friends of the university, parents and church related groups.

The faculty and staff contributions make up a substantial part of the fund, Mira said.

"Through giving, we suggest to communities beyond TCU that there is support within the university for its programs," said Colquitt.

Those who contribute are able to support private institutions like TCU that are substantially financed by

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has gained a group of loyal Austin followers that turn out to hear the band perform at local clubs on weekends.

The response from fans has surprised Koehn, who said he would still go back to advertising if the band did not prove successful.

The option of pursuing employment in corporate America is one benefit the university provided for him, he said.

"I'm glad I didn't take my playing and singing seriously while at TCU," Koehn said.

"I wouldn't have finished my degree. I would have nothing to fall back on and that's got to be the worst feeling. That, to me, is a lot more scary than what I'm doing now," he added.

Although school did not come easy for Koehn, a university degree has helped him to handle some of the band's dilemmas.

"Going to TCU was the hardest thing I've ever had to do. I'm not by nature a good student," Koehn said.

"But by achieving that, I realize that now I'm going through another

tough thing." Koehn compares performing for a paying crowd to performing for professors and teachers in school.

"I don't have a problem talking to anybody," Koehn said. "The hardest thing to do as a TCU student is to go into a professor and say that you're not prepared to turn in a paper."

"That's a sick feeling, but once you do that, you can conquer anybody," he said. "I can go into a club now and I'm able to sell the band," he added.

An education has increased Koehn's ability to write and compose music, he said.

"I can express myself in a way I wouldn't be able to without learning literature. Education can be a really cool thing," he said.

Besides entertaining the masses, music allows Koehn's band to reach listeners while he performs.

"Music is a medium to serve my purpose. I talk about all my views and I may just influence someone to think of something in a new way," he said.

Student response to the band has been positive, Koehn said.

"When I went to TCU I didn't see the interest in music that I do now," he said.

"People went to the Hop just to see

each other and hang out together. I never thought TCU students would be supportive, but now I see more and more students coming to our shows," he added.

Student response inspires Koehn because a number of listeners may take his messages to heart, he said.

"I love music and performing, but at the same time, I'm giving a lot to a lot of people," Koehn said.

The band's growing popularity and its ability to reach a wide audience pleases band members, Koehn said.

"The people in the band are just beginning to realize that secondary function. Not only do they get to eat when the band is more successful, but they reach more people and make them really happy," Koehn said.

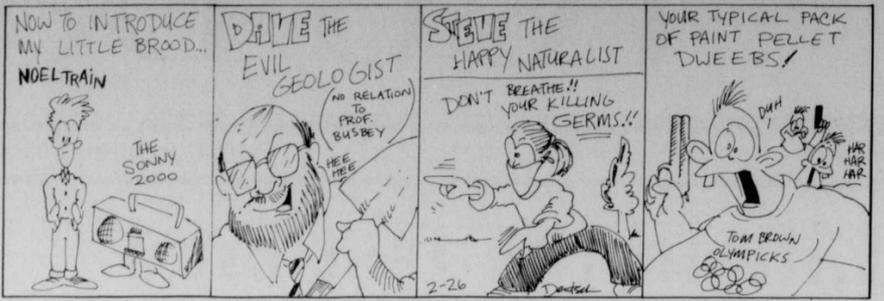
Making people happy and using their music as a conscience raiser is the band's goal, Koehn said.

"Music is my ministry," Koehn said. "It is medicinal for me and I think I can express myself a lot more through this than with advertising."

"Writing about my own personal ideas is my catharsis and I hope I can keep speaking out to people all my life," he said.

Campus Man

by Andrew Deutsch



Insanity Fair

by Joe Barnes



Siege

by Andy Grieser & Kall Loper



Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



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on "Sally Jessy Raphael," to be broadcast March 5, is positive. "It's message is that we just need to educate our children about AIDS," Spence said.

She said she took a vacation day to travel to New York for the TV interview. But Ark-Texas officials said they didn't know about Spence's plans to appear on the show.

Spence's direct supervisor, Janell Browning, said the counselor called in sick Monday.

"I am sick now," Spence said Tuesday. "And I am also tired."

She cut short the interview, saying that her Methodist minister was at her home for a prayer session.

Spence reported earlier this month that six students at Rivercrest High School near Bogata had tested positive for the human immunodeficiency virus that causes AIDS.

An AIDS-HIV counselor with the

Ark-Tex Council of Governments, Spence said a total of 36 teen-agers from a nine-county area in Northeast Texas are HIV-positive. They are among 144 people with AIDS or who are HIV-positive in the area, the council said.

State Health Department officials said Monday they have completed an initial review of Spence's case management files at the request of Ark-Tex.

State Sen. Bill Ratliff on Monday asked Gov. Ann Richards to overturn a health department decision against releasing specific information from its review of Spence's files. Richards said she would look into the case.

"I don't think it (the review) is really necessary. And I don't believe the health department thinks it's necessary, either," the counselor said. "But they have to try to calm this hysteria that has arisen."

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nothing has happened so far." "My mother was in town so I almost didn't go," Schroeder said. "But I didn't want my friend to go alone."

Schroeder's knee and chin were scratched in the scuffle but she was not seriously hurt.

"He didn't try to hurt us—he didn't even say anything to us," she said.

The locks in Schroeder's dorm were changed the next day because her keys and other belongings have not been returned, she said.

"I was lucky this time but I won't be walking that late ever again," she said.

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it is our responsibility to lend a hand," said Jay Warren, vice president of programming.

In other business, student representatives discussed legislation that will help members of the TCU Concert Choral attend the Southwest Region Convention of the American Choral Directors' Association.

The House was asked to give \$2,000 from the Special Project's fund to help cover expenses of the six-day convention.

The total cost of the trip will amount to over \$13,000. The Choral has already raised over half of the amount needed for travel, lodging and food expenses for more than 50 people that will go during spring break.

It is estimated that during the six days on tour, the Choral will perform before thousands of people

from all over the region, said House member Christian Ellis.

"Such exposure will gain recognition of TCU and will benefit the recruiting purpose," he said.

The House has provided funding to the TCU Choral for exposure in other Choral conventions.

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endowments and donations, Colquitt said.

"Through the years, faculty and staff members have been very generous with their time and money," Mira said. "We are thankful for their continued support."

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returned the survey requesting more country and western, reggae, rock, and contemporary Christian music. KTCU has tried to incorporate some of these interests into its new program.

Although the station has played mostly classical music in the past, KTCU now has a College Music Jam program from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. Monday through Friday. The programming schedule also has shows devoted solely to morning and entertainment shows, Christian rock, and country music.

"The actual changes are designed to appeal to TCU students more than in the past," said Jeff Cunningham, program director and a junior radio-television-film major.

"We've taken the results of the survey and our own interests and put together a very diverse program. KTCU now has something to offer every student here."

The new programming will also provide practical applications for the 15 student air personalities in the future.

"These changes will help the students on the staff 100 percent," said Shannon Campbell, promotions

director. "We want something that they are interested in."

"Classical programming didn't give them any real skills that they could use in the future," Campbell said. "Now they'll have better experience and, in turn, they'll be able to get better jobs."

As promotions director, Campbell was largely responsible for implementing better sports coverage, including baseball coverage.

He coordinated communications between the athletic department, the baseball team and KTCU to arrange for coverage of all major Southwest Conference games and important non-conference games as well. Campbell travels with the team to their away games.

"The baseball programming has made a major contribution to the promotion of the station because students tend to be interested in the games," Campbell said.

Overall, students have responded very positively to the recent changes.

"The number of phone calls we receive has skyrocketed," Cunningham said. "An incredible amount of people have called in support of what we're doing."

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Victory

Local plant wins battle, still faces war

Monday, General Motors announced that its plant in Arlington will remain open while the factory in Ypsilanti, Michigan, will be closed by the summer of 1993. This announcement, which came out of Detroit following months of rumor and speculation, is a major victory for Arlington and the entire Metroplex. The local plant will add a third shift and there is a strong possibility that this will create new jobs for up to 1,000 workers.

All of this is a tribute to the hard work and efficiency of local automobile makers. Corporate executives recognized and rewarded the Arlington plant for its solid performance record.

However, a victory such as this would not have been possible had it not been for the influence and the help of many of Texas' political leaders, including Arlington Mayor Richard Greene, Texas Governor Ann Richards, and Texas' congressional officials. They went the extra mile to sell the Arlington production facility, and now we are all reaping the fruits of their labor.

Now, it is up to the Arlington plant to reassure GM that it made the right decision. Arlington workers must not slow down the pace — efficiency and productivity must continue to increase while quality is also increased.

But make no mistake about it, the automotive industry in the United States is still in serious trouble. Despite our good news of the Arlington plant remaining open, we have to note that in Michigan, more than 4,000 workers will soon lose their jobs. It seems that this has become an almost daily occurrence somewhere in the country. The economy is in bad shape, and the recession has battered the automotive industry.

Congress and the Bush Administration must begin to act today to secure American jobs — not just in the auto industry, but throughout the private sector. Whether this means enacting stricter trade regulations or reducing government intervention — something must be done immediately to ensure that American jobs remain secure.

The Arlington General Motors plant is in good shape for now, but the future remains unclear. Until the economy improves and American automobiles become more competitive with those produced by the Japanese, the jobs of 3,750-plus workers in Arlington are far from safe.



Take me out to the ball game

by
TODD
TURMAN

Columnist



A few weeks before the presidential primaries began, it appeared that the presidential fall classic was already set up. To the victors, it was simply a foregone conclusion that the Bush team would take the Republican pennant and the Clinton squad would win the Democratic pennant. The primary season was expected to be little more than a succession of scrimmages for the championship series.

Now, however, thanks to the voters of New Hampshire and Maine, the race for the presidency has become a whole new ball game. In the Republic League, Buchanan's strong showings are already forcing the presidential team to call on the bullpen more than expected. Desperate for new ideas and new strategies, Bush is hoping his relievers can hold off the hot-hitting Buchanan team until his starters can once again establish themselves. In the Democratic League, the Clinton squad is also struggling early. With the emergence of Tsongas and Brown as potent Democratic sluggers, Clinton's squad is

frantically scouring the minors for defensive help in order to fill their gaping holes.

To the Bush and Clinton faithful, this is bad news. To the followers of Buchanan, Tsongas, and Brown, however, these developments are generating tons of enthusiasm for the home team. To this non-partisan spectator though, the increasing parity in both leagues is just plain exciting.

First, these recent developments are great for the game of politics itself. With the rapid development of the long-shots into contenders, the game has become less predictable than in years past. Now, every team must put out 100 percent every time they play. No more is it acceptable for the favorites to simply stick with traditional campaign styles and strategies. It is sometimes becoming necessary for the front-runners to squeeze in the winning votes by spending extra time with the voters. Also, the challengers are becoming more apt to take risks. They are now less afraid to advance their points by swinging for the fence instead of bunting every time. All in all, this new brand of politics has made the game more challenging to the players and, perhaps, less routine.

Second, these recent developments are great for the fans. Because of the more aggressive and serious character of play, the candidates are now beginning to play the game for the fans instead of for themselves.

With each pitch, they are showcasing the extent of their knowledge, and with each hit, they are demonstrating the depth of their character — all for the benefit of the voters who are reacting by flocking to games and following the action.

The significance of this is clear in that the fans will now be more able to rightfully award the title to the most competent candidate instead of the usual pretender. All in all, this new brand of politics has made the game more fan-oriented, which will likely produce a better presidential choice next fall.

Clearly, this spectator is glad to see the game improving itself. After many years without a more strenuous primary season, this country has rarely had anything to get excited about in the fall.

Also, without having previously geared itself towards the people so intently, this country has rarely had anyone to vote for in the fall.

Let's just hope the early leaders can continue over the next few months. If they are not able to sustain their current pace, the nation will once again miss out on the thrill of a true Fall Classic and will have to hope for another Braves-Twins match-up to stir the nation.

● Todd Turman is a senior Political Science major from Cleburne, Texas.

Verbosity rears its ugly head again

by
JEFF
JETER

Columnist



(The following is a special investigative pseudo-expose, exclusive to the Skiff. Any similarities to persons living or dead is coincidental, although you are probably getting the joke.)

I was sitting at my desk in the Skiff office when an out-of-breath reporter burst into the newsroom to declare, "A faculty member has been shot!" We all looked at each other and I tried to suppress a tear, all the while wondering if classes would be cancelled the next day.

The news reports came pouring in — "People were waving, students were smiling between classes, and then suddenly, several shots rang out. One, two, three — it was difficult to say how many because there was such an echo coming from the nearby buildings. Then the crowd saw him slump. It was unnerving, alarming..."

The next day, all the headlines told the story of a paint pellet sniper attacking campus. Yes, friends, the body count now stands at three people and numerous automobile quarter-panels. Indeed, a drive-by paint pellet sniper struck an ROTC faculty member on West Cantey Street. Then a week later, a graduate student standing on the sidewalk of the same street was struck by another paint pellet. More reports of paint shots continue to emerge.

Clearly, paint pellet shootings have caused much strife and angst across the campus in recent weeks. It is as if we have lost our innocence, our security. Concerns such as these prompted Campus Police Chief Oscar Stewart to immediately order an investigation of the campus paint attacks. The findings of the investigation were released in the Stewart Commission Report on Paint Pellet Assassinations. The Stewart Commission found that two TCU students had been shooting red paint pellets at parked cars. However, the question remains: were there only two lone gunmen?

What follows is my detailed conspiracy theory, documented largely with unsubstantiated accusations, but tinged just a bit with actual facts. Minutes, nay hours, of exhaustive research and random finger-pointing have led me to determine there has been a conspiracy and a cover-up of the paint pellet assassinations within the TCU administration.

The two students arrested and charged by

campus police with the paint pellet shootings were merely ignorant patsies, used by those higher up to take the fall and shoulder the blame for this violent act.

Several witnesses to the various paint assaults told Campus Police that they heard several shots ring out, but not all of them came from a moving car on the street. Most witnesses pointed to another area — the grassy knoll behind Ed Landreth Auditorium. But, Campus Police never took any of this testimony down and put it in any of their reports.

One music major told me he was blinded by the glare coming off something that resembled a rifle from the grassy knoll area. After the shots rang out, the witness said the gun and its gunman were gone. Another witness who lives in one of the neighborhoods adjacent to campus, says she saw a strange man across the street from Sherley Hall carrying around a gun and a gallon of maroon Sherwin Williams flat latex. However, this information was never mentioned in the Stewart Commission Report either.

Taking a map I found in an old registration booklet, I was able to construct a diagram of the various alleged gunmen. Just as I thought, it all points to a triangular crossfire pattern — one in which the target was sure to be hit.

Next, I was able to find footage from a security camera at the Circle K on Berry Street. By taking it to a special lab for processing and scientific analysis, we were able to blow up the image and zoom in on West Cantey Street. Based on this, it was easy to see that the victim's leg went forward (not backward) in reaction to the fatal third shot coming from the street. This would indicate that the shot came from the rear. Ah ha, just as I thought — the grassy knoll.

Wanting to test my hypothesis further, several of my friends and I went to the site of the paint pellet shootings and tried to recreate the shots, this time with rubber bands — not just ordinary, newspaper-binding rubber bands mind you, but special, office-strength rubber bands — the ones the pros use. It was impossible for us to hit one another from the angle supposedly taken by the lone gunman (well, except for Ben, but he was always good at rubber-band shooting).

And how could one paint pellet strike all these people and cars? This was the question that the detractors of my conspiracy theory could not address. Keeping in mind that there was only one paint shell found, perhaps there was a magic paint pellet. The magical paint blast came out of the gun barrel at 25 miles per hour and traveled along a path approximately 45 degrees to the horizon and struck the ROTC

faculty member, entering and staining the victim before heading away from the individual at approximately 60 degrees to the horizon, pausing for an instant to avoid a nice, little squirrel gathering nuts in front of Sadler Hall, and then accelerating again to several thousand times the speed of the planet, going back in time, and reentering campus airspace at approximately 54 degrees to the horizon and decelerating again to 25 miles per hour, and along the way, striking and grazing off of numerous campus vehicles, while retaining enough paint and enough mass to make it to its second victim. Oh yes, entirely plausible.

But who could have benefited most by having these individuals painted? I found evidence that the alleged students found with the alleged paint guns had attended several alleged meetings prior to the alleged assassinations. One such meeting was for advising with the economics department.

You see the entire paint-pellet assassination of several students and faculty was a military-style coup orchestrated by the TCU administration with the economics department at the head, waiting in the wings for the opportunity to seize power.

This is based largely on information I received from a secret informant, Colonel Z, a man reportedly linked with the sociology department. He confirmed my suspicions that the economics department had targeted individuals who held that economists were verbose. With these rabble-rousers out of the way, economists could return to being wordy without fear of ridicule from these individuals. So the department found two students they could use to take the blame if things went wrong. How else could you explain two underclassmen meeting with professors in the middle of a semester?

But the student body never knew of any of these hidden details because all records were destroyed and the police files were sealed by Add-Ran and Campus Police. These are not to be opened until the year 4246.

Now is the time for the administration to release the sealed Stewart Commission Report evidence to the student body.

Is this being written so that the author may receive wonderful awards for investigative journalism? (Hopefully). Is this being written to right a wrong on campus? (If you want to believe that). Is this being written so the Skiff receives no more abortion letters? (Probably). Let justice be done, though the heavens may fall.

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Letter to the editor

Support

Nelson Mandela was set free just two years ago. President de Klerk has continued to support changes in South Africa's government. Apartheid laws have been dismantling. So why is it still important for the TCU community to continue providing a scholarship of \$4200 for a black student in South Africa.

Because now, even though race laws are changing, the economic, social, and political disparities between the races still pervade the society. According to a recent *Washington Post* article, "apartheid's legacy — squalid ghetto housing, separate and unequal schools, rampant unemployment and personal humiliation — remains the central enduring fact of black life." An estimated 1.6 million children ages six to 17 are not at school and 59 percent of the adult black population is not working. The need is greater than ever to educate black leaders.

Education can be an instrumental tool in confronting the heritage of apartheid. In order to actively respond to this need, the TCU community organized the TCU Black South African Scholarship Committee (BSASC) five years ago. The committee is responsible for raising \$4200, the cost for one year of education at an open university in South Africa.

Currently, BSASC sponsors Shamiela Frieslaar, an accounting student at the University of Cape Town.

Most of the recent funds have been obtained from donors outside of the university. Support on campus has been limited to a small group of organizations and faculty/staff. We need people to generate new ideas on the campus for fund raising and increasing awareness. It is important to continue the work of the committee. Along with Hunger Week and other similar events, the BSASC forms practical connections between individuals and the global community.

Be a part of the commitment to education as a means to obtain dignity and freedom. The Black South African Scholarship Committee will meet today, Wednesday, February 26, at 5:00 p.m. in Student Center room 202. Any interested students and faculty/staff should attend. If there are any questions, please drop by University Ministries or call 921-7830.

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Sports

Frogs try for 20 victories tonight

By TY BENZ
TCU Daily Skiff

Revenge can have a sweet taste. The TCU men's basketball team will hope to enjoy this sweet taste when the Frogs look to avenge an embarrassing upset earlier this season by St. Louis when they host the Billikens tonight at 7:30 in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

Two weeks ago, the Frogs visited St. Louis. They came out of the locker room flat, played terribly, and was routed 89-69 by a team that had only a 4-15 record and an eight game losing streak going in.

The last time the two teams played, TCU (19-7, 8-3 SWC) was coming off a SWC victory (a 77-55 win over Texas A&M) while the Billikens had hit an eight game skid. The game looked like a cakewalk for the Frogs. But TCU shot an icy 37 percent while St. Louis (5-19) scored 89 points, tying an opponent's high this season. The loss extended TCU's frustrations with the Billikens as St. Louis has won all eight meetings with TCU.

"We got a superlative effort from everyone last time," said St. Louis head coach Rich Grawer. "We will need another superlative effort to beat them."

U's Top 25

U, the National College newspaper, compiles the top twenty-five through sports editors of college newspapers all over the country. The poll is compiled by Jeff Newton of U. First-place votes are in parentheses, and total points are based on 25 points for a first place vote through one point for a 25th place vote. Possible points is 400 with the previous week's ranking.

	Pts	Pvs
1. Duke (11)	392	1
2. Indiana (4)	374	4
3. Kansas (3)	371	3
4. UCLA	361	2
5. Arizona	328	5
6. Missouri	310	8
7. Ohio State	281	7
8. North Carolina	277	5
9. Arkansas	257	9
10. Kentucky	252	13
11. Oklahoma St.	239	6
12. UNLV	232	14
13. Michigan St.	223	11
14. USC	211	15
15. Alabama	164	16
16. Tulane	147	12
17. Michigan	130	16
18. Cincinnati	90	17
19. Georgetown	83	23
20. St. John's	82	19
20. Syracuse	82	10
22. Florida St.	67	20
23. Connecticut	62	23
24. Oklahoma	32	25
25. Nebraska	21	nr

Tonight's game seems like an exact copy of the last meeting as TCU is coming off of a 73-63 win over Baylor last Saturday, while the Billikens have a four game losing streak.

"Since we've beaten TCU once, we should be able to go in with some confidence," Grawer said. "On the other hand, we've gotten their attention and they will be looking to avenge their earlier loss."

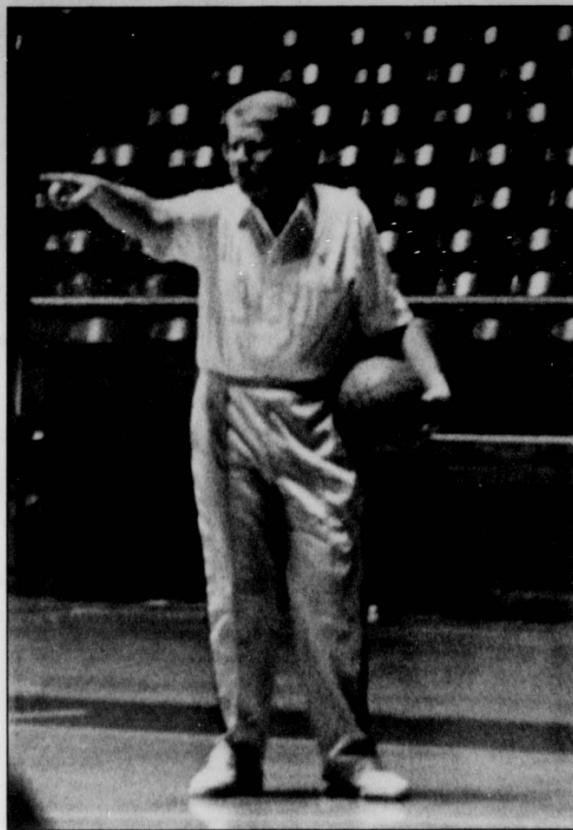
The key to tonight's game will be TCU's defense. Last time the Billikens had every starter score in double digits, and were led by Erwin Claggett, who scored 21 points. The Frogs must slow down the Billiken's offense.

Something that the Frogs hope will continue is the play of senior center Reggie Smith. Despite logging ironman minutes every game since reserve forward Kurt Thomas went down with a season-ending injury, Smith continues to be a force inside for the Frogs and is averaging over 20 points and 11 rebounds over the last six games. His play has kept the Frogs alive in the SWC race.

But teams have been sagging on Smith, which forces the Frogs to bomb away from three-point land. When the seniors Michael Strickland, Albert Thomas, and juniors Allen Tolley and Brent Atwater are hot, then TCU rolls to victory, but when they are cold, it dooms the Frogs to defeat.

Last Saturday against Waco was a prime example of this. The Bears were sending two and sometimes three people at Smith, limiting him to only three first half points, but Strickland and company answered by hitting jumpers from outside. This freed up the inside in the second half, and Smith scored 11 second half points. The result was a 73-63 victory.

A win tonight would give the Frogs 20 wins on the season, a feat they haven't accomplished since the 1986-87 season.



TCU Daily Skiff/ Jill Shuert
TCU head basketball coach Moe Iba makes a point during practice yesterday. TCU plays tonight at 7:30.

Gold medal skater visits Dallas

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Figure skater Kristi Yamaguchi will skate in Dallas next month, marking her first public performance since she won the gold medal at the Winter Olympics last week.

The 20-year-old U.S. and World Champion will perform two free shows at the Galleria Ice Skating Center March 6, center officials said

Tuesday.

Yamaguchi, from Fremont, California, became the first United States woman to win the Olympic figure skating championship since Dorothy Hamill in 1976.

Her artistry and arsenal of triple jumps moved her ahead of Japan's Midori Ito, who took the silver medal at the Olympics in Albertville, France.

Tennis team shines at ITSA Tournament

By TY BENZ
TCU Daily Skiff

The TCU men's tennis team soared to new heights when they advanced to the finals of the USTA-ITCA National Indoor Championship this past weekend and finished second after losing to number three Stanford.

The Championship, held in Louisville, Kentucky, is sponsored by the United States Tennis Association and is a tournament for the top twenty tennis teams in the nation.

Before losing to Stanford in the finals, the Frogs defeated three nationally ranked teams, including the number one team in the country, UCLA. But it was a series of changes, in personnel and to the playing surface, along with good play, that keyed the surge to the finals.

It was the playing surface that keyed the switch. Because the tournament is played indoors, the playing surface is a lot faster, which prompted the change. Also, each player's history in this tournament played a part.

"The indoor surface is a lot faster, which makes it an advantage for serve-and-volley players," said TCU head coach Tut Bartzten. "We made some changes after looking at the

style of each player."

Luis Ruette was moved from the second slot in men's singles to third, and led the Frogs' charge with four victories, he was the only Frog not to lose a match in the tournament. Laurent Becourt was moved up to second and played well, while Mark Tija and Ricardo Rubio were also switched around.

The Frogs opened the tournament seeded sixth and played against the host team, Kentucky, who is ranked number nine. After falling behind 2-0, the Frogs rallied to win with Tony Bujan's three set thriller (4-6, 6-1, 6-4) to finish the Wildcats off.

"I think the win over Kentucky gave us a lift of confidence," Bartzten said. "It gave us momentum right at the start of the tournament."

TCU's next two victories were very impressive as the Frogs stomped number one ranked UCLA 4-1 as David Bowen, Rubio, Tija, and Ruette all took their matches.

Notre Dame, ranked 10th, was TCU's next victim as the Frogs swept the Irish 4-0 to advance to the finals of the tournament for the first time in team history (coming in TCU was only 3-10 at the ITSA) where the Frogs came away disappointed losing to a powerful Stanford squad.

Baseball game postponed

By TY BENZ
TCU Daily Skiff

The TCU baseball game against Stephen F. Austin scheduled yesterday at 2:00 was postponed due to wet fields caused by

inclement weather.

The game has been rescheduled and will be played on Monday, March 3. The game will start at 2:00 at the TCU Baseball Diamond.

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