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## U.S. warship leaves Haiti

By ED McCULLOUGH  
Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Hundreds of militant right-wingers cheered Tuesday as an American warship left Haiti in a retreat that marked a major setback for the U.N. mission to restore democracy here.

The aborted troop deployment threatened to derail international efforts to prepare for the return of exiled President Jean-Bertrand Aristide on Oct. 30, U.S. officials in Haiti said.

The National Coalition declared Tuesday a "day of indignation," stopping buses to keep children out of school and urging their army to resist a foreign "invasion."

"We're ready to die!" said Jacques Robert, 32, an engineer who with scores of others stayed through an all-night "patriotic vigil" at the dock.

"We'll stay here till Oct. 30," he said. "We're mobilized. We don't want Aristide back!"

The USS Harlan County pulled anchor just minutes after the Pentagon ordered it to withdraw to international waters.

Among the crowd of applauding, cheering people at dockside was a beaming, gun-wielding senior aide to Haitian army commander Lt. Gen. Raoul Cedras, who ousted Aristide in 1991.

In the match between Haiti and the international community, "Haiti has just scored the first goal," said the aide, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Although U.S. officials say that only a minority of Haitians oppose Aristide's return, military-supported

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TCU Daily Skiff/Alex Taliervo  
Marie Camacho, a senior psychology major, takes a Taste of Mexico on Tuesday in the Student Center. The event was the last for the Hispanic Heritage celebration.

## HIV-positive doctor speaks about disease

Professional interest changes to personal after needle prick

By TASHA ZEMKE  
TCU Daily Skiff

When Patti Wetzel became a doctor, she wanted to work with patients carrying the Human Immunodeficiency Virus. She knew the job had its risks, but she cared for those whose disease had no known cure.

Three months into her work with HIV-positive patients, Wetzel was accidentally stuck with a needle that had been exposed to infected blood.

Suddenly her patients became her tutors.

The "needle stick," as Wetzel said, happened two years ago. Today she is a woman with HIV who makes the most of her situation. She tours the country, speaking about the misconceptions about HIV and what the truth about the virus is.

At 7 p.m. Monday, the Fort Worth Delta Gamma Alumnae and Delta Gamma House Corporation Board sponsored a talk by Wetzel in the Student Center's Woodson Room.

Wetzel said she wanted people to have a healthy respect for the disease and rid themselves of misconceptions.

"Most of all, I don't want you to leave afraid of HIV," she said.

Wetzel was working in John Peter Smith Hospital when she was accidentally stuck with the infected needle while working exclusively with HIV patients. It was September 1991.

People think HIV is not something they have to worry about, Wetzel said. They think it's not here but somewhere out there, she said.

"But the disease went from being merely a professional matter to an intensely personal one," she said. "My life was never the same."

Wetzel continued to work with HIV-positive patients in the hospital after she was diagnosed with the virus, but soon transferred into outpatient work.

"My work was psychologically stressful," she said. "I had to be equipped with death and dying everyday, and that just wasn't a good place for me. I lost my clinical objectivity."

The first decision Wetzel faced was whether she should hide her condition to the public. In March 1992, she went public with the fact that she carries HIV.

"That day was the right move," she



Patti Wetzel

said. "It was important for me to tell people. I felt at that moment like a million pounds had been lifted from my shoulders and I could take a deep breath."

From that day on, she has become an HIV educator to the American public. She travels around the country answering questions and lecturing to those who will hear her warning about the virus.

One of the most important things to know is that no one is immune to the virus; it does not discriminate, she said.

Wetzel said women are the most rapidly growing segment of HIV carriers, especially women between the ages of 18 and 25. In fact, women are 4 to 20 percent more likely to contract the HIV virus through male semen than a male is to contract the virus through vaginal secretions.

"The virus can be transmitted through only four body fluids: blood, breast milk, vaginal secretion or seminal fluid," she said.

It exists in urine and saliva, but there have been no reported cases where individuals have contracted the virus other than through the basic four fluids, she said.

Infected blood is usually spread through transfusions or through sharing unclean needles. Until 1985, blood and blood products were not tested for the virus, but today all blood is screened for safe usage. Today the risk of finding an infected pint of blood is one pint in 250,000

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## Attorney fights for children's rights

By GINGER RICHARDSON  
TCU Daily Skiff

Gregory Kingsley had spent three years in foster care when he decided he wanted to sever his mother's parental rights and become a permanent member of the Russ family.

His decision was based on his constitutional right to protect himself from abandonment and abuse, said attorney George Russ, Gregory's adoptive father.

"It's important that everyone understand that Gregory is just exercising his constitutional rights," Russ said in a telephone interview. "This is not a case of 'child divorce' because there is no such thing.

"That is simply a media myth — a fallacy," he said. "This is simply a lawsuit by a child to protect himself."

Gregory K., known to his family

as Shawn, sparked a national controversy over whether children have the same rights as adults in the courtroom — a debate Russ said will end only when people's perceptions about children change.

"Our constitution says that all citizens or persons have rights," Russ said. "This includes children as well; they are individuals. We have a very stiff hurdle to overcome in that we need to change how we perceive children in this country."

Russ is also the attorney for Kimberly Mays, the 14-year-old girl who first made headlines in the Florida "baby-swapping" case. Kimberly is now trying to sever ties with her biological parents.

Kimberly's case is based on her "constitutional right to happiness and privacy," Russ said.

"The guiding light of our Consti-

tion is to protect individuals; children are the most vulnerable of all individuals," he said. "Unfortunately it's a proven fact that adults do not do what is in the best interest of those children."

Harry Baker, a clinical psychologist who often testifies in children's custody cases, said the phrase "the best interest of the child" is the phrase most closely linked with children's rights.

"My understanding of the law is that children do not have the same status of legal rights as does an adult," Baker said.

Russ said all persons or citizens have the same rights under the Constitution — including children.

"My job is to go in and convince the judge that the child is a human being entitled to constitutional rights," he said. "Unfortunately, this

is both a difficult and expensive battle to fight."

Russ said part of this problem stems from the way U.S. citizens view parenting in this country.

"One of our basic problems is that we see parenting in this country as a right, instead of what it truly is — a privilege," he said.

"Parents must fulfill their fundamental duties and responsibilities to the child, and when they don't, those rights should be terminated."

Russ, whose law practice is based in Florida, said more than half of the kids who are in foster care in that state are in violation of the state statutes.

"The statutes here state that after a child has been in foster care for a period of 18 months, there will be a

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## Campus Police arrest man for trespassing

By CHRIS NEWTON  
TCU Daily Skiff

A faculty member's report of a suspicious person roaming the halls of the Sid Richardson Building led to an arrest Monday morning.

Campus Police arrested a man for criminal trespass at 11 a.m. Monday on the fourth floor of the Sid Richardson Building.

According to a Campus Police report, when police found the suspect and began to question him, the man voluntarily turned over a ring of keys to most of the offices and rooms in the Sid Richardson Building. The suspect said he found the keys on the fifth floor but did not explain why he picked them up.

The suspect then became irate and hostile, and the police decided he needed to be detained for questioning, according to the report.

When asked what he was doing on campus, the suspect said he was looking for John Williams, who he said was a friend and a university employee. The Campus Police were unable to locate any employees or students by that name who knew the suspect. After a background check was performed on the suspect, the

police determined he had been arrested for theft and burglary in Ohio and Texas.

Sgt. Connie Villela said that when the suspect surrendered the keys he might have done so to avoid incarceration.

"When he gave us the keys, he knew that he was at least going to be patted down (hand searched) and that if we found them on our own we would might have cause to arrest him for theft," she said.

Another problem with arresting the suspect was the low monetary value of the keys, Villela said.

"Even if we had found the keys in a search," she said, "there's no way the district attorney is going to press charges for a theft of under \$25."

Campus Police Chief Oscar Stewart said the police take all trespassers seriously.

"What we're probably dealing with here is someone who has no reason or right to be wandering around the university and could pose a threat to campus security," he said.

Stewart said the suspect will probably be back.

"We issued him a criminal tres-

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### METROPLEX

Today's weather will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 83 degrees.

Thursday's weather will also be partly cloudy with high temperature of 85 degrees.



## Got a problem?

Alumnus offers students free legal advice every Wednesday

By TASHA ZEMKE  
TCU Daily Skiff

Students with lease, speeding tickets or other legal problems can receive free legal advice from a TCU alumnus every Wednesday night.

TCU graduate and attorney Thomas W. Lowe III handles these in the Student Activities Office every Wednesday from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Lowe's services cover a range from speeding tickets to divorce cases to murder. Lowe has offered his services on the TCU campus since 1979 and said he enjoys helping the TCU community.

Lowe said he is more of an objective listener because he is not employed by the university. That makes him a safe outlet students can turn to with their legal problems, he said.

"The advice I give is well-grounded in reality. It's based on real knowledge," he said. "My role is part counselor, part adviser. I inform students of their legal rights and responsibilities, explain the system and present the best option

on how to deal with the problem."

Lowe said he tries to help students handle the problem themselves and give them confidence.

"I try to put students' problems in perspective, let them know the seriousness of the problem and then help them get through it," he said.

**"The advice I give is well-grounded in reality."**

THOMAS W. LOWE III

Attorney

Students come in with problems ranging from consumer disputes, and family law to felonies, stalkers and speeding tickets. Lowe offers free counseling that would usually cost \$150 to \$200 an hour.

Lowe said he tries to make the environment as casual as possible for students. He said he will stay later than 7:30 p.m. or will come to TCU on days other than Wednesdays if his services are needed. TCU students are also welcome to

call his office in Fort Worth for consultation or to set up an appointment.

Lowe is a sole practitioner and is board-certified in family law and civil trial law, which make up 70 percent of his work. The other 30 percent of the time Lowe practices criminal law. He is a trial lawyer with his own general litigation practice.

Lowe was TCU's student body president and graduated from the university with a degree in history in 1972.

Lowe went on to the University of Texas Law School where he passed the bar examination his first time.

Lowe remains a loyal and devoted Horned Frog and said he enjoys helping TCU students as a part of his job. Students are also welcome to talk with Lowe regarding questions on being a lawyer or if they're interested in law.

But he wouldn't recommend the law profession to others.

"The field is horribly glutted," he said. "There are too many lawyers already, and there aren't as many opportunities."



**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.

**Campus Awareness Week**, hosted by Golden Key National Honor Society, will begin today. Membership deadline for the honor society is Oct. 25. For more information, call Pam at 924-8014.

The **Management Department** is forming the Society for Human Resource, a student organization. Students of any major are welcome. The first meeting will be at 3:30 p.m. today in Dan Rogers Hall Room 264. For more information, call Stu Youngblood at 921-7562.

**Mayor Kay Granger** will speak about the city's All-American designation Thursday at a Public Relations Society of America luncheon. The luncheon will be held at noon at Colonial Country Club. Lunch is \$16 for PRSA members with reservations, or \$19 for nonmembers or PRSA members without reservations. Call 735-2552 before Oct. 12.

The **Biology department** will hold a seminar on "The Biology and Ecological Consequences of Large Lizards" by John Phillips at noon Friday in S R Lecture Hall 4.

**Learning Differences Support Group** is sponsoring a seminar on improving a child's self-esteem. The seminar will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at the Starpoint School. There is a \$2 fee. For more information, call 923-8689 or 737-4818.

**Psi Chi**, the national honor society for psychology, is accepting applications through Friday. Pick up applications from the Psi Chi bulletin board in Winton-Scott Hall. For more information, call Shannon Red at 346-2767.

The **Society of Professional Journalists** will meet at 9 p.m. Wednesday in Moudy Room 265S. Members and nonmembers are welcome.

A **club for adult students** will meet at 11 a.m. Oct. 22 in Sadler Hall Room 212. Students age 25 and over or students who have significant off-campus responsibilities are welcome to attend.

**Professor's Night Out**, hosted by Alpha Phi Omega, will be held at 6 p.m. Oct. 22. TCU faculty and staff are welcome to bring their children to the Rickel Building for an evening of free babysitting. Please respond to Erin Brubaker by Wednesday at 926-7091.

**Psi Chi** is accepting donations for a fund-raising garage sale. Call Sue at 921-7410 for more information.

**Goldwater Scholarships** are available to students interested in careers in mathematics, natural sciences or engineering. The scholarship covers expenses up to \$7,000 per year. Interested sophomores and juniors should contact Priscilla Tate by Oct. 15 in Reed Hall Room 111.

**AIDS Outreach Center** now offers a toll-free phone line for informational calls. For information about HIV testing, AIDS statistics, safe sex, local resources and more, call 1-800-836-0066.

**Chi Alpha**, a Christian group focusing on worship, fellowship, evangelism, discipleship and prayer, meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays in Student Center Room 218.

**International Students Association** meets at 5 p.m. every Thursday. Check at the Student Center Information Desk for location.

**Rape/Sexual Assault Survivors' Group** is forming at the Counseling Center. The group will meet from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Fridays. For initial screening appointment, call Dorothy M. Barra at 921-7863.

**Women's Eating Disorders Group** is forming. The group will meet from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Fridays. Call Dr. Lisa Rollins-Garcia at 921-7863 for an initial screening appointment.

**College**

by Dan Killeen



**Calvin and Hobbes**

by Bill Watterson



**UNT sorority may be banned on charges of hazing pledges**

Associated Press

DALLAS — The University of North Texas could ban a sorority for hazing incidents which already have brought jail terms to five of its members.

The university's dean of students was scheduled to meet Wednesday with national representatives of Alpha Kappa Alpha. Dean Greg Sawyer said he would then announce his decision about the sorority's future at the Denton school.

The sorority's UNT chapter has been suspended from group activities since April, when the hazing was first reported.

Criminal charges were filed against seven sorority members after accusations that pledges were struck with paddles and food and forced to eat hot peppers.

Phillip Bustos, associate dean of students, told *The Dallas Morning News* that UNT could expel the sorority from campus, place it on disciplinary probation or impose other sanctions.

"There were allegations of physical hazing, specifically paddling," said Phil Reynolds, Denton County assistant district attorney. "They were hitting them with eggs, breaking raw eggs over their heads."

"They were making pledges eat certain foods that they most probably wouldn't have eaten otherwise, like hot peppers," he said. "It was verbal, mental and physical hazing."

A Denton telephone number for the chapter was not listed. Officials at the sorority's Dallas office and Sawyer did not immediately return telephone calls Tuesday from The Associated Press.

In September, five sorority members were convicted of hazing, which is a misdemeanor charge. Each woman was sentenced to 90 days in jail and one year of probation, as well as 24 to 40 hours of community service. Two were also assessed \$500 fines.

Two other sorority members also faced hazing charges but have not yet been tried.

The university will consider the sorority's hazing record when deciding whether it should be allowed to continue functioning on campus, said Sawyer.

"They had just got off suspension when this latest one was reported," he said.

Sawyer said national sorority rules and UNT regulations ban physical and psychological hazing that was once considered traditional.

**Hutchison pre-trial hearings postponed**

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Pre-trial hearings in cases alleging official misconduct against two former aides of U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, have been postponed.

State District Court Judge Mike Lynch on Monday re-scheduled the initial hearings for Michael Barron

and David Criss to Nov. 8. Both worked for Hutchison when she was state treasurer. All three were indicted Sept. 27.

Hutchison was indicted on charges that she used state employees and equipment for personal and political gain while treasurer, and then helped destroy documents as part of a coverup.

Barron, former deputy treasurer of operations, was indicted on official misconduct and tampering charges. Criss, who served as Hutchison's policy and planning director, was indicted on one charge of official misconduct.

Hutchison's pre-trial hearing has already been set for Oct. 28, with a trial scheduled for Nov. 29.

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pints of blood.

This screening method is not 100 percent safe due to a latency time called the window period, Wetzel said. The window period is the time between when a person is infected with the HIV virus and when he is diagnosed as a positive carrier of the virus. This period usually lasts about six months.

It can take up to six months for a person to test positive for the HIV antibody, but it can take up to 10 years before the symptoms start to appear, Wetzel said.

Babies are also not immune to the virus. Mothers can transmit it through breast milk, through pregnancy and through delivery. Not every baby will become infected when born, but 30 percent of infants born to already infected mothers are HIV-positive.

"We don't know what protects the other 70 percent," Wetzel said. "But

those 70 percent who aren't born with the virus can still get it through infected breast milk."

HIV can be contracted through both homosexual and heterosexual intercourse. Because the virus is spread through vaginal secretions and seminal fluids, men and women can come into contact with it during penile-vaginal intercourse, anal intercourse and oral sex.

Women are more likely to become infected by the virus during these situations than are men, Wetzel said.

Condoms are a good means of protection against HIV.

"They're not foolproof, and they're not safe sex. They're safer sex," Wetzel said. "The only safe sex is none at all or sexual contact within the confines of a monogamous, long-term relationship where both partners are sure of each other's past sexual history and present view of the relationship."

Free, confidential testing is available at the Public Health Department, John Peter Smith Hospital and Planned Parenthood. No one is denied, and the test can be done anonymously. People can also be tested through their own doctors.

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# Opinion

## No Toto, we're not in Kansas anymore; you'd better get used to it



**RYAN McCARTHY**

Texas. I'm finally getting used to it. It's taken me at least a year to make this place feel in any remote way like home. And still, I have a hard time gripping onto the idea of country music, cowboy boots and hats, and veils (whoops, I'm thinking of India.)

You see, I'm from above the Mason-Dixon line. Not far above it, but far enough to get hit with culture shock when I moved here. Moving from Kansas City (the land of ahhs) doesn't seem like it should be that different. There's no giant East-West coast change, just an 8-hour drive in a southern direction.

The geography or general appearance isn't that different; it's the people. People talk to strangers here no

matter what. It's not just that, it's what they talk about.

Many of my close friends at home were drummers or musicians. We would end up talking about things like which drummer did the best job with a certain musician, or what was odd about the chorus on a particular song. If it wasn't music, it was some sort of regional topic. Interesting, right?

Conversation topics in Texas seem drastically different. When I met people, it was assumed that I had been hunting on several occasions or understood cars inside out. The knowledge they had on these subjects was amazing, and I felt 100 percent in the dark. But at the same time, I could imagine the response I would receive if I asked them what

they thought of Bill Bruford's polyrhythmic drum fills.

This move made me understand that every part of our country contains some pretty different cultures. My roommate, Tom, is from Boston. He doesn't talk. It's that simple. Bostonians only talk to people they know really well. I would walk into my room, coming inside from the most outgoing part of the world, to be greeted by... silence.

A friend of mine called me from New York a couple of days ago. He was excited because he had received an autographed picture of Tony Bennett! He's a jazz pianist, so I can see why that was noteworthy to him, but the first thought that went through my mind was "Who Cares!" It made me realize something. It's

pretty easy to isolate ourselves by consuming our lives in a particular field of interest. We are so driven to succeed that it can lead us to spend 110 percent of our time furthering our knowledge in a specific area.

This doesn't happen to everyone, but it happens to many. The people who it does happen to probably don't know how much they need to expand their fields of knowledge. When it comes to strangers, very few people are interested in the same things.

When it comes to job interviews, very few employers need someone with one specific mastered skill or knowledge. When they do need them, they are either geniuses or relatives.

One also needs to expand their

zone of comfort. Interests are often regional, and that makes different parts of the country seem like different parts of the world. Look at it this way. A "Dead Head" from Boulder, Colorado, would have about as much in common with an accounting major from New Jersey as he or she would with a mime from London.

I could have drifted into Kansas University, and I would be even more of a single-minded student than I was my freshman year. By getting a good dose of culture shock, I learned quite a bit, and I know a little more about cars... Whoopie!

*Ryan McCarthy is a sophomore premajor who can't change a tire.*

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### Stereotypes wrong!

Everyone get out their tissues and violins, it's that time of year again. Time for Dennis Watson's annual whiney column about the Greek system. Every year this guy bashes the Greek system with an article that can best be described as redundant. Although this year, since he is in such a "bitter" mood, he has graced us with his own personal opinion of each fraternity.

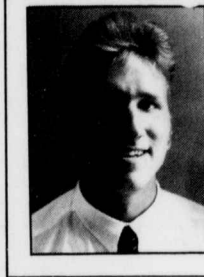
Wait a second, where are the sororities? Why is it that Dennis condemns the whole Greek system, yet only unleashes his journalistic wrath on the fraternities? This bitterness you spoke of wouldn't be personal now, would it Dennis? As an impressionable freshman, were you permanently scarred by your rejection in rush? Was this the cause of the bitterness which haunts you, or was it because when you took your "respective navy blazer down University and grabbed a fajita," there was no piece of paper for you to sign... poof... instant bitter journalist and

champion of all things nonGreek?

Got it! Wake up, Dennis. The seniors, juniors and sophomores have heard it all before, and the freshmen, I'm sure, need no help from you to recognize the stereotypes placed on each fraternity and sorority. Your first one or two columns bashing the Greek system might have come out smelling like roses, but the rest reek of personal insecurity.

My whole purpose behind writing this response (other than it being a farewell tribute to your not-so-opinionated opinion articles) is not to prove to everyone that Greek is great. I'm sure everyone will be resigned to their own opinion regardless of what you or I say. Nor is it a personal attack on your integrity. After all, I don't even know if you went through rush. I merely wanted to show that it is easy to bash something (the Greeks) or someone (Dennis Watson) without really knowing what it or he is all about.

Roland Ingram  
Senior, psychology



#### Lasting peace lies in hands of embalmer

The skies opened up that Saturday. The rain was appropriate, it came down so hard. Funerals are supposed to be celebrated on rainy Saturdays. Rain washes away the tears, the sorrow, the pain, the questions.

I have faced death before. At my great-aunt's funeral, the embalmer had made her look so nice and restful. Embalmers are good at that. No matter how someone dies, they always seem nice and peaceful in the coffin.

I faced death again my first year out of high school: Two friends died in separate drunk driving accidents. Their deaths were different than my great-aunt's. She was old, near death; my two friends were young, full of potential. I don't know what I think of death, but I have always faced it without tears. I have always hid the pain.

He was a family friend I didn't know. I saw him for the first time as he lay peacefully in the coffin. He, like my two friends who died drunk, was young, too young to die. So much potential snuffed out, so much hope that should be anywhere other than six feet under the ground on a rainy Saturday.

My mother had called me a week earlier to tell me of his death. The shock hit. I was concerned about my family. I could only feel their pain over the impersonal telephone line. The shock turned to grief the next day as I sat listening to a preacher talking about God's love. I had to rush out of church, there were so many unanswered questions.

If God is so full of love, why had my family friend been shot? Why did it have to be a friend of my family? Why do young black men continue to rob their race of such potential through murder? When will this end?

The tears flowed that afternoon. For the first time in my life, I cried over death. My great-aunt didn't get my tears; I hardly knew her. My two high school friends saw no tears. I had felt as though I was watching the whole thing on a movie screen — it wasn't real. I had been an inactive participant with no tears.

A week after my shock turned to grief, his

family filed slowly past the coffin. There must have been 50, 100 people paying their final respects to a loved one. A sister broke down, near hysterics. Four or five brothers carried her to a seat. Some of the children didn't want to confront his death and ducked out of the procession, while others in mothers' or grandmothers' arms just looked around in amazement. I stood with my solemn face, and my first tear at a funeral trickled down my cheek.

I wasn't crying for his death; he was gone. I was crying for what his death symbolizes. It symbolizes a country where a black man has a better chance of being murdered or being sent to prison than he does a job. It symbolizes a society that claims to be equal, but offers no opportunity for those same men.

It symbolizes little black children who must grow up without a father. Little black children who later find that father in the form of a gang. Little black children who end up selling drugs to get out of a ghetto our country seemingly ignores. Little black children who enter a cycle of death only to emerge looking peaceful at the hands of an embalmer.

Several preachers spoke that day. The last one spoke of the prodigal son. He was a short black man, fiery, moving in a melodic way. He yelled, "This must stop, this must end! Black men don't need to kill other black men." He began to bounce with emotion. The organ swelled softly in the background, and the short black, devout man softly whispered, "God did this for a reason. It's time for the killing to stop."

I hope it will. All there is is hope: hope and us. Only we can feel the same anguish over a black's murder as we can a white's. Only we can find time for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters program. Only we can educate youth about the dangers of drug abuse. Please do something, do anything, but don't do nothing. The next rainy Saturday could find your family friend looking peaceful in a coffin.

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#### Planes, family and football make fall break 'normal'

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For my birthday a while back, my parents told me part of my gift was a plane ticket home for fall break. I asked them if they'd rather just shoot me in the foot.

Seriously, I enjoy going home to see the folks and old friends, even if home is in the semi-Godforsaken panhandle. But this trip, like most of my trips anywhere, followed Murphy's Law to the letter.

Since I do live in the exact center of nowhere, I have to fly into Amarillo, then hook up with a cattle drive as a manure shoveler for the final 100 miles north to Texhoma. As you might imagine, the Concorde doesn't fly that particular route, so I was left with a commuter airline that might have been better named "Hope We Stay Up Airlines," serving the brave people of Texas for more than three weeks.

First, they play with your mind a little by having you walk out on the jetway, like you are going to board an actual jet, only to motion you down a set of stairs where the plane oughta be. At the bottom of the stairs, all 43 of us got on a bus built for maybe 20 people. It took about five minutes to pack us all on, and about 10 seconds to drive probably just more than 50 yards to a little plane.

There was some guy in a greasy Texaco shirt looking at one of the propellers and scratching his head.

Now, I know my columnist picture is deceiving, but I'm really not very tall. However, upon entering the plane, I was forced to either take off my hat or walk to seat 9A on my knees.

The most surprising thing, though, was the incredible noise the plane made as we fluttered into the air — the rattle of the plastic interior along with the roar of the engines made me wish I had paid more attention during the safety procedures. About then we leveled out, except of course for a 5- or 10-foot plunge every few seconds to remind us just how fragile life really is.

Then the flight attendant came down the aisle with the drink cart.

"Are these planes always this loud?" I dared to ask.

"THIS IS ONE OF THE QUIET ONES," she screamed back, as if I was sitting, say, on the wing instead of two feet from her.

"Really?"

"WHAT?"

"Never mind."

By this time, passengers were freebasing Dramamine without shame and ordering tequila shots in pairs.

Miraculously, we hit the runway in scenic Amarillo with little incident, and my aunt and uncle were waiting there to take me home.

They're great people, but my aunt is so far to the right she makes me feel like Jerry Brown. For an hour and 45 minutes, she showed me various articles from the National Review and pointed out the various ways I could increase the morality at "that liberal TCU."

Friday night, my hellion little brother had a football game, so I turned out with the rest of the town to watch. In addition to nearly freezing to death, I had to endure about a dozen people asking me why I wasn't playing this year. Insulted, realizing they thought I was my younger brother, I told them after three and a half years of college I had decided to give up on high school football.

I finished the evening at a party with my parents where I was not only the youngest in attendance, but less than half the age of the next youngest. I ended up tending bar and taking drinks to them to lessen the possibility of someone falling and breaking a hip.

It's good to see the people, my age and otherwise, who were part of my growing up, but going home serves as a reminder of the importance of broadening your horizons and taking in a little more of the world, even if it is just going to Fort Worth to school.

And that although my family's home will always be home, it's not my town anymore.

*Clay Gaillard is a senior English major from Texhoma, Oklahoma.*



### PURPLE POLL

**Are your parents coming for Parent's Weekend?**

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100 students were polled outside the Main at dinner on Tuesday



# News

## Rep. Geren honors TCU cadets for helping town after tornado

By JOHN J. LUMPKIN  
TCU Daily Skiff

Rep. Pete Geren honored 31 TCU Reserve Officer Training Corps cadets Monday for their cleanup work in Cleburne following the Sept. 13 tornado that tore through the town.

Cleburne Mayor Katherine Raines and Chancellor William Tucker also attended the ceremony, which took place at 4:30 p.m. in the Daniel-Meyer Coliseum Letterman's Lounge.

Geren, D-Fort Worth, recruited the Army and Air Force ROTC cadets to work at the Sept. 18 cleanup. Cadets moved debris, assessed damage to homes, and dived into a swimming pool to retrieve pieces of fallen roofing.

"I am proud of these young people and their commitment to help others," Geren said in a press release. "Neighbor helping neighbor is a

great Texas tradition, and I know that the city of Cleburne found their efforts invaluable."

The 22 Army cadets came from TCU's 42nd Horned Frog Battalion and the nine Air Force cadets — including some from other universities in the area — came from AFROTC detachment 845. Several ROTC staff members worked alongside the cadets.

Tucker said the cadets acted not only in the ROTC way, but in the TCU way.

Geren said the cadets' actions show today's younger generation is capable of good deeds, despite negative press.

"That Saturday tells me what young people are all about," Geren said. "It's a real tribute to this school."

Geren and Raines presented plaques to the TCU cadets, and the cadets gave Geren two T-shirts and a coffee mug and made him an hon-

orary cadet in the Horned Frog Battalion.

Cadet Lt. Col. Brian Axelsen, the battalion commander, said the cadets merely did their duty.

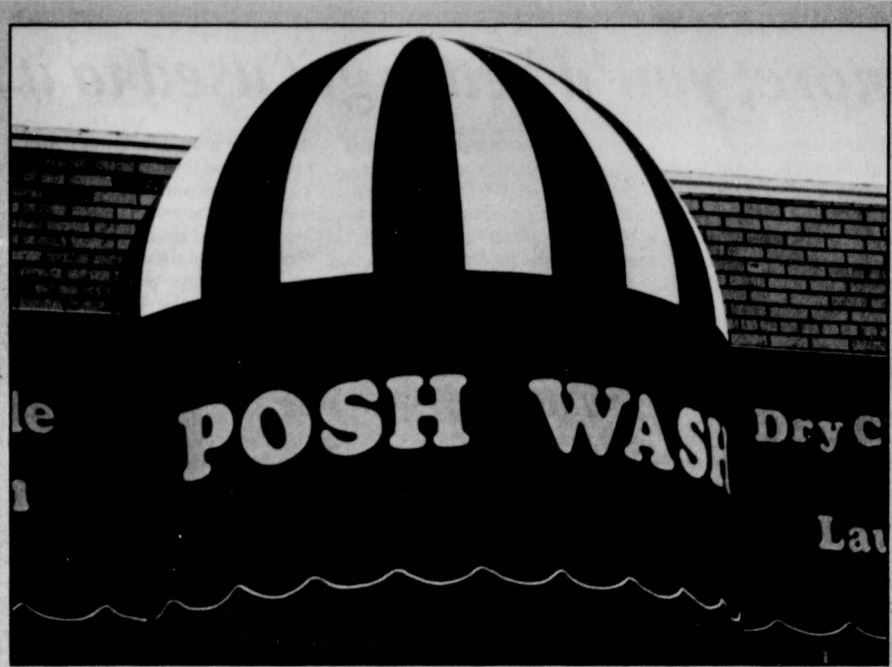
"We got a call from the congressman," Axelsen said. "We told him we'd get together a task force. I think they really helped out."

Damage to Cleburne was estimated at \$8 to \$10 million by state emergency workers, according to the Associated Press. About 70 businesses and 250 to 300 homes were damaged.

Following the ceremony, Raines said cleanup efforts in Cleburne were proceeding. The wreckage has been cleared from the roads, but in some areas of the town the debris hasn't been cleaned up, she said.

"It's not a job equipment alone can take care of," Raines said. "It needs the help of individuals."

Cleburne is 30 miles southwest of Fort Worth.



## Just like Mom . . .

Alum opens laundry service for Frogs sick of scrounging quarters

By GINGER RICHARDSON  
TCU Daily Skiff

Martin Wollman says he has the perfect solution for students who are sick of scrounging for quarters and lugging bags of dirty laundry up and down stairs.

Wollman, who graduated from TCU last May, recently opened "POSH WASH," a full-service laundry in Bluebonnet Circle.

"Since I went to TCU, I know what a pain it can be to do your own laundry or how hard it can be to find a clean, reputable place to get laundry done," Wollman said. "That's why I opened POSH WASH."

Students can bring all of their laundry to the store in a big laundry basket and POSH WASH will separate, wash and dry the clothing for 75 cents a pound, Wollman said.

"The average load is generally about four pounds, and we provide all the soap and detergent and separate all the loads so none of the colors run or bleed," he said. "I think it averages out being \$1.50 extra a load each week, but you

don't have to buy any cleaning supplies or waste your weekend doing laundry."

POSH WASH offers a full dry cleaning service as well, Wollman said.

"We do have a competitive dry-cleaning service, too," he said. "I would say that our prices are probably about 15 cents cheaper than other area cleaners."

Wollman has also introduced a send-home system that allows students to send their parents their laundry bill.

"If students want to bring in their TCU I.D., we can set up a charge account whereby I send a bill to them or home to their parents if they want," he said.

Wollman said, unlike many other places in this area, his business is very clean, efficient and affordable.

"I think the strength in my laundromat lies in the fact that it is such a clean, neat-looking place — it is very posh," he said.

Students can get same day service for all clothes brought in before 3 p.m. and next-day service

for loads received after that time.

Wollman has received a very good response from TCU students thus far.

"I think I'll go there next week," said Tracy Rhodes, a sophomore advertising/public relations major. "It will certainly cut down on the hassles of having to do my own laundry — maybe I'll actually have some clean clothes for a change."

"Most of my customers at this point are TCU students," Wollman said. "I think this is going to be a very successful venture — I just opened last week and the first day I had 800 pounds of laundry to do."

Wollman said he hopes to expand his business in the near future.

"I don't want to cater to just college students," he said. "I want to target dual-income families and young professionals as well."

"In the next six months to a year I'd like to open another POSH WASH on Hulen, in Arlington and maybe on Camp Bowie."

POSH WASH is open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

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judicial review hearing," he said. "Unless there are highly specialized circumstances, all parental rights are supposed to be terminated."

"However, over half of the kids are in violation of those statutes because they have been in foster care for more than a year and a half and the agencies are refusing to terminate parental rights."

This "hopping" from home to home causes great amounts of stress on the children, Russ said.

"It's absolutely terrible for them," he said. "They just begin to get attached to a family when the system yanks them out again. As a result they feel abandoned and they are unable to love."

Feelings of abandonment and an inability to love are only a few of the

problems that children under extreme stress experience, said Swen Helge, a clinical and forensic psychologist.

"Children in these situations, who have spent their lives in and out of the courtroom, either going through bitter divorce battles or custody hearings almost always experience a lower self-esteem, and an increased stress level," Helge said in a telephone interview.

"In some cases extreme disinterest in friends, family and school is also apparent."

Baker agreed.

"Children can experience a wide array of emotions from abandonment to guilt, even divided loyalties — particularly in a situation where parents fight over custody and use children as pawns, spies or weapons," he said.

Russ admits that his son did experience some difficulties and was

troubled last year, but said he is doing much better now.

"Shawn was definitely troubled last year," Russ said. "Things were tough on him at school, but a lot went on, too. I mean, we were in and out of court, flying all over the country and doing media interviews — that is going to affect anybody."

"He's doing much better now; he has all A's and B's in school, even with his learning disability, and none of us have any doubt that we're going to get through this just fine," he said. "I think Shawn has handled the entire situation extremely well."

The family tries very hard to live a normal life and not dwell on the custody battle, even in light of all the media attention, Russ said.

"We just don't bring it up," he said. "We don't talk about it and we try not to worry about it, but rather just live our lives."

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pass and a verbal warning, but he seemed to be very smooth and will probably return," he said. "The situation could have cost the university a lot of money. An alert faculty member saw a suspicious person, decided to report it and might have saved the campus several hundreds of dollars in new locks."

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# Sports

## Questions & Answers with Coach Pat Sullivan

**Q: How did you feel overall about the play of the team last week at Rice?**

A: Personally I was very disappointed that we didn't win the football game, and so was the team. We worked very hard but just came up short again.

Let me just stop right now and say that I know that it is discouraging for students and for fans, because they can't see on a day to day basis what is happening with this football team. They really can

only see the wins and losses. But when you can see what is going on here day by day, you can see the good things that are happening with this team.

As I said going into the Rice game, this team is very very close to being a very good football team. There are still some areas that we have to work on, but we are very close. I like our team, I like our guys, and I like what is happening here. It is a situation where everybody is doing their job, and that is what needs to be done.

We had two or three things that did us in against Rice. I knew that there were a couple of areas where we could possibly be hurt, and those areas did indeed hurt us. One of those keys was the outstanding athletic ability of (Rice QB) Bert Emanuel. He is a great player, and he showed it last Saturday.

We also missed some opportunities in the game. We come out and score a TD and should be up 7-0, but we miss an extra point and its 6-0. Then we turn the ball over, they score and we're down. We just continue to miss some opportunities that cost us, but we will capitalize on them, and when we do the results will be different.

**Q: With the season at its halfway point, where are you as compared to where you wanted to be at this point, not so much with the won-lost record, but with the development of the team?**

A: I think overall we have a lot of people that have actually made more progress faster than I even expected, and that is encouraging. We have other cases where people have not progressed as fast as I had hoped. We have made so many strides when you look at the big picture. We are very, very close. And the biggest thing for us is to keep up the same effort and enthusiasm that we have had up to this point. And I know that we will do that.

The situation here is like a family. What we have to do is know that when we go through some disappointing stretches, we have to become closer as a team and do everything that we can. And that is what this team does. And that is why I see such a bright future for

the kids and for this team. I am very excited about this team. And while I am frustrated about the won-lost record, I can look past that and see where we are going, and that gets me excited about this team.

**Q: What will a win against Tulane this weekend mean for the team?**

A: A win right now will be extremely big. It will do a lot for this team. A win for this team will mean that the players will be able to get up on Sunday morning and walk around campus and go wherever they go with their heads high and their chests stuck out a little bit. And that is what this football team needs. It needs confidence. The players need to realize in a concrete way that they are a good football team that is going to win games.

**Q: A lot of people were surprised to see Chance McCarty get some playing time in last week's game. What was your reasoning in putting him in, especially considering his redshirt situation?**

A: One thing that we need on this football team is somebody to come in and make a big play for us. And Chance can do that. He has a lot of natural ability.

I want to make it perfectly clear that there is no quarterback controversy here. I am very happy with Max Knake and what he has done for us. Max is our starting quarterback and Scott (McLeod) is our backup. Both of them have done exactly what I have wanted.

Chance McCarty is a guy who can give us a spark. I talked to him

last Tuesday after practice and asked him to think about whether he wanted to play this year, and he came back Wednesday and told me that he did. And I had plans to play chance in both halves of last Saturday's ball game. But certain situations arose and I felt that it was better to keep him out of there for confidence reasons. I didn't feel that it would be fair to him, considering his lack of experience, to put him in a situation where he could make a mistake and lose some confidence.

I would not waste a redshirt year with Chance McCarty. I have plans for this week and for the rest of the year to use him in certain situations. And I feel that Chance knows the value of the experience that he can get this year, and the more he plays, the better he is going to be.

**Q: Halfway through the season, what is the health situation of the team?**

A: We just played two games on artificial turf, and that has to affect a team health wise. We went through the first three games relatively injury free except for (running back) Derrick (Cullors). Obviously we have some people who are banged up, but it is good for the team to get home and get back on our home field.

We have got to be ready in every sense of the word to play Tulane this week. We have got to be healthy both mentally and physically. They are a very physical team, and next to Oklahoma they are the biggest team we will play all year. We have our work cut out, and we have to be at our best this Saturday.

## Lady Frog soccer team falls twice on Western trip

By TASHA ZEMKE  
TCU Daily Skiff

The TCU women's soccer team returned from its weekend road trip with two more losses after the team fell to the University of New Mexico and Colorado College.

The team needs a shove-it-down-their-throats attitude, and it just doesn't have it, head coach David Rubinson said.

"We need to put out more effort," Rubinson said. "Our results tell you that we're not getting into games. We've got to fight harder because if you fight hard, win or lose, the game takes care of itself."

Friday the team lost to the University of New Mexico, 4-1. UNM scored its first goal in the opening 38 seconds of the game, and finished the first half with a total of three goals.

TCU sweeper Clari Fennell scored the frogs' sole goal 33 minutes into the first half. She nailed the ball into the net, over the top of UNM's goal keeper on a corner kick.

"We just didn't have it together," Rubinson said. "It didn't seem like we came to play. We couldn't get into the attacking third and weren't intense enough."

"We didn't play well in back," he said. "Our defense gave balls away."

"Defense was slow," sophomore goalie Danielle Shaver said. "When our defense was beat in the back third, nobody fell back and helped. It just wasn't a team effort."

"Our problem is finishing on goals," said junior Suzi Honolka. "We had opportunities, but UNM came through in the end with the goals."

The Lady Frogs lost to Colorado College on Saturday in a 2-0 shutout.

Colorado scored both goals in the first half, but TCU couldn't make up the difference.

"We did some good stuff against them and had as much of the play as they did, but our second half was much better," he said. "We put more pressure on them."


With their fourth consecutive loss in hand, coach Rubinson says he plans to do some rearranging of his players on the field.

"With the new changes I'm going to implement, hopefully we'll see some spark in the women," Rubinson said. "We can try different things now that we're not going to make it to the play-offs."

"It has been a rough season," said Honolka. "The team tries to have a hard-working attitude, but it talks about it instead of doing it."

"I think a lot of players are getting burned out," she said. "We've travelled two weekends in a row and we need a break."


The team does not play its next game until next Tuesday at the home field against Oral Roberts University. It will be a week-long break the team can use.

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# News

## Unmarried Austin couples register for spousal benefits

Associated Press

AUSTIN — A dozen couples signed up on the first day of a new program under which the City of Austin will offer the unmarried partners of city employees spousal benefits.

The City Council adopted a policy last month offering the benefits beginning Jan. 1 if employees can prove they have a domestic partner.

Jan Wesson, a city firefighter, and Norma Scogin, an attorney, registered their seven-year relationship at the Travis County clerk's office Monday by signing the domestic partnership affidavit. Wesson said the affidavit gives her the chance to take care of Scogin should she become ill.

"If Norma decided to go into private practice at some point and didn't have coverage, she could obtain insurance on my plan," she said. "If she got sick, then I would be able to take time off legally, and that's important."

Local gay and lesbian leaders said they plan to use the partnership registry to approach employers statewide about providing spousal benefits for unmarried couples of the same or opposite gender.

"If we didn't have a registry, we wouldn't have a legally recognized definition of domestic partners and couldn't have proceeded to the

next step," said Dianne Hardy-Garcia, co-chairwoman of the Austin Lesbian and Gay Political Caucus. "The City of Austin is an example of what can be."

Texas recognizes common-law marriages. Heterosexual couples can sign common-law affidavits as legal proof of their relationships, said Ron Dusek, spokesman for the state attorney general's office.

The domestic partnership affidavit is not recognized by the state, Dusek said.

"What a domestic partnership is hasn't been determined," Dusek said. "We won't know until someone tries to use it in some fashion other than for getting health insurance for Austin city employees."

Several Texas cities provide spousal benefits to unmarried, heterosexual employees in common-law marriages.

Similar benefits are not and won't be made available to gay and lesbian couples based on Austin's new policy, some said.

"We do not extend benefits to same-sex partners in domestic partnerships, and the degree to which a policy body might be influenced by the action of another is questionable," said Susan Bulla, director of risk management in Fort Worth.

No other Texas cities have a policy like Austin's, although Atlanta, Seattle and several cities in California do.

Several private companies in Austin, such as Apple Computer Inc. and Lotus Development Corp., offer such benefits.

Under the Austin policy, about 470 of the city's more than 10,000 employees are expected to register domestic partners, said Galloway Beck of the city's human resources department.

The policy is expected to cost the city \$704,963 in medical payments the first year. It makes partners and children in their household eligible for the same benefits as employees' spouses: health insurance and the use of sick and personal leave.

Partners also will be considered spouses under provisions of a new federal law requiring employers to offer 12 weeks of unpaid leave for childbirth, adoption or care of an ill child or spouse.

Beck said city officials approached Travis County Clerk Dana DeBeauvoir about establishing a domestic partnership registry, and she agreed.

Couples pay \$9 to file the affidavit and must swear that they are over 18, unrelated and unmarried. Both partners must have been single for the past six months unless the spouse died.

If the relationship ends, they must file a dissolution affidavit notifying the employer or insurance company within 31 days, DeBeauvoir said.

## Debate over NAFTA continues in grassroots town hall meetings

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HOUSTON — Far from the halls of Congress, the battle for the North American Free Trade Agreement is being fought in school cafeterias and community centers.

While the trade deal's supporters say they still have a chance in the House of Representatives, many lawmakers report it's being trounced at town hall meetings, where representatives get a feel for what people think.

That's true even in Houston, which has already seen the benefits of growing U.S. trade with Mexico.

A show of hands at Rep. Gene Green's recent meeting at Travis Elementary School in the Heights indicated that sentiment among that group of constituents was running about 5-to-1 against the agreement, commonly called NAFTA, which will lower trade barriers between the United States, Mexico and Canada.

"At another town meeting, only one person raised their hand for NAFTA," said Green, a first-term Democrat who represents an ethnically diverse district that stretches from Spring Branch to Baytown. "If I keep getting this kind of response, it will make it a lot harder to vote for the treaty."

Green, who represented Houston's North Side in the Texas Legislature for 20 years, said he hasn't seen such an emotional issue since the fights over school busing in the 1970s.

Those fighting the treaty have been far better organized than the supporters.

At a junior high school in Alvin, Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Sugar Land, mixed it up with members of Ross Perot's United We Stand America, who came loaded for bear with information from Perot's best-selling book, *Save Your Job, Save Our Country, Why NAFTA Must Be Stopped - Now!*

After reading what he calls "the book," United We Stand member Shawn Maynard said he fears the agreement will result in a flood of professionals moving north, taking jobs from Americans.

DeLay insisted *Save Your Job* is "so full of misinformation" like the rules on immigration. "It's unbelievable," he said.

Like most members of the Texas delegation, DeLay is planning to vote for the trade agreement.

Green, who is under pressure to oppose the trade deal from the labor unions that played a critical role in his 1992 campaign, said he is undecided and searching for information to help him make up his mind.

The pressure on the two Houston lawmakers is being felt by their colleagues all over the country.

Approval of the trade agreement in the House is possible, but the administration is substantially behind right now, said Rep. Tim Johnson, D-S.D., who is undecided.

"It's going to take a heck of a sales job back home," he said. "Despite the fact that the major farm groups are for (the trade agreement), the rank and file just isn't there. At the town meetings, it's like foreign aid: You can make the case, but it's a tough sell."

"If you want to look at the politics of NAFTA, I think you have to look at what's happening at the grassroots level," said Jim Jontz, a former Indiana congressman who is directing the Citizens Trade Campaign, which opposes the trade pact.

"The story in Washington is important, but the story out in about 100 congressional districts may be more important."

The free trade forces in the House believe they have about 65 Democrats and about 80 Republicans lined up to support the agreement right now. That leaves them about 75 votes short of approval.

A *Wall Street Journal*/NBC poll last month, before President Clinton launched his campaign for approval of the trade agreement, showed 36 percent of the people surveyed opposed it and just 25 percent were in favor of it.

A new poll by the Times Mirror Center for the People and the Press showed that slightly more people who were following the issue supported the agreement than opposed it.

But the Times Mirror survey showed that the opponents felt much more strongly about the threat to their jobs.

And those with strong feelings are the ones who traditionally turn out at lawmakers' town meetings.

"The constituents who are most concerned about issues like this are the ones who are against, not the proponents," said Bruce Oppenheimer, a Vanderbilt University professor and an expert on Congress.

"More people may be for (the trade agreement), but they aren't as intense," Oppenheimer said. "If a member votes for the trade agreement, it's not going to win a lot of votes."

While the attendance at town meetings may not accurately reflect popular sentiment, they are an important part of the political system.

"Town meetings are a way in which the intensity of feelings is expressed, and intensity counts in American politics," Oppenheimer said.

In recent weeks, the supporters of the trade agreement have realized they are losing at the grassroots level and have started to mount a counter-offensive to try to reshape opinion.

Kenneth L. Lay, chief executive of Houston-based Enron, returned from a recent trip to Capitol Hill with a message from pro-free trade lawmakers to work up grassroots support among business owners, managers and workers who think they will prosper through increased trade with Mexico.

"There is no doubt we have to do a lot better job," Lay said. "There is no doubt the labor unions have gotten an earlier and better start than the business community and the supporters of NAFTA."

"We are hearing in Texas, and elsewhere in the country, from congressmen who want to support NAFTA, but yet when they have town hall meetings, the people that show up are the anti-NAFTA crowd."

After the lawmakers lectured Lay, the Greater Houston Partnership, the city's largest business organization, announced its own grass-roots effort.

The business group has distributed briefing materials and tips for employees who want to write their representatives before the trade agreement comes to a vote in Congress, probably in December.

"We are convinced NAFTA will expand markets and create new jobs," Lay said. "We've not done a good job of making sure that story was heard everywhere it needs to be heard."

To be sure, the trade deal's supporters haven't been silent at the town meetings.

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The vehemence of the opposition, which alarmed the woman, is also felt by politicians.

"There is so much emotion, it's hard to reason with them," Green said. "People think it is a simple question. I wish it was that simple."

"That's why I am still in the middle," he told about 75 constituents, stuck in child-sized stools in the school cafeteria.

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violence has hindered the transition government installed under the U.N. plan to restore democracy.

In Washington, President Clinton said he thought the U.N.-brokered agreement to restore democracy "will come back to life, but right now it has been abrogated."

Clinton called for the immediate reimposition of U.N. economic sanctions against Haiti, targeted at military and police leaders trying to block Aristide's return.

Aristide, meeting with U.S. lawmakers in Washington, said he was confident that international pressure would impel the military regime to step down on Friday, as scheduled.

The Harlan County, carrying 472 servicemen from the United States and Canada, had floated 800 yards offshore since Monday, when military-backed port authorities, in a direct challenge to the U.N. mission, refused it a berth.

The troop deployment by 194 U.S. soldiers marked the beginning in earnest of the U.N. mission. About 100 U.N. personnel arrived earlier as an advance operation.

The withdrawal followed anti-U.N. demonstrations.

U.S. Sen. Bob Graham said Cedras refused to guarantee the safety of the troops aboard the Harlan County. Cedras also refused to resign by Friday.

Graham, D-Fla., said Haitian resistance has put the U.N. plan "into doubt," but Washington remains fully committed to the plan.

Haitian legislators have expressed doubt that they can pass a series of laws needed for the democratic transition.

Aristide's foreign minister said Monday night that the elected leader would not delay his return.

The port incident Monday was the first indication of serious resistance to the U.N. mission, a spokesman for the U.N. force, Army Maj. Jim Hinnant, told The Associated Press.

Since then, "everything has come to a severe slowdown," Hinnant said from a suburban Petionville hotel room. "Certain doors are not being opened. Calls are not being responded to."

Hinnant is one of 46 American soldiers in Haiti, part of an advance team that was supposed to grow to include 700 U.S. troops by month's end. That appears unlikely now.

Less than 24 hours before the USS Fairfax County was scheduled to leave for Haiti today, the Pentagon canceled the trip. The Pentagon said Hinnant's advance mission itself may leave Haiti by Monday if progress is not made.

Also Tuesday, a television crew from WSVN-TV in Miami was arrested and threatened with execution before being ordered out of the country, a station representative told The Associated Press.

Reporter Shepard Smith, cameraman Cesar Aldama and engineer Moreau Dugas had accompanied U.S. Sen. Bob Graham and U.S. Rep Alcee Hastings to Haiti, WSVN spokeswoman Peggy Phillip said.

The three were arrested at gunpoint and taken to a military barracks somewhere in Port-au-Prince, she said.

"They were told they were going to be executed because they were suspected U.N. military operatives," she said.

After Dugas managed to convince the soldiers that the three were indeed a television crew, they were ordered out of the country and driven to the airport, she said.

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