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Cotter, Hall are Queen, Escort

By GINGER RICHARDSON
TCU Daily Skiff

Royalty. Seniors Ben Hall and Lesli Cotter were crowned Homecoming Queen and Escort on Saturday during the halftime ceremonies of the TCU-University of Houston football game.

Cotter, a senior social work major, described the experience of being crowned queen as one of great honor.

"It was truly wonderful to be recognized in that way," she said. "I've made such great friends here and this is a great way to remember my senior year."

Cotter said being selected was not a calming experience.

"It all went by so fast, I don't really remember anything except for being called," she said. "I can tell you that it was very nerve-racking, standing on that field and knowing that everyone was watching you."

Cotter, who represented the Panhellenic Council, said the exposure the organization has given her was a key factor in her selection as queen.

"Being on the Panhellenic Council has been one of the greatest experiences of my life," she

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Above, 1993 Homecoming Queen Leslie Cotter (right), a senior social work major, is crowned by Kristen Fowler, last year's queen. Left, Homecoming Escort Ben Hall and Cotter are presented during halftime of the TCU-Houston game.

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16 amendments go to voters today

Officials say they fear low turnout

By MICHAEL HOLMES
Associated Press

AUSTIN—Texans go to the polls today to decide whether to ratify 16 proposed constitutional amendments, but elections officials fear the turnout will be low.

"We're giving an election and no one's coming," Secretary of State John Hannah said late last week.

Hannah's spokesman, Mark Bell, said Monday that during the 2½-week-long early voting period, only 1.93 percent of the state's 8.5 million registered voters cast early ballots.

That compares with 33.45 percent who voted early in the November 1992 election, and 24.74 percent in the May 1 special U.S. Senate election that included three school-related constitutional amendments, Bell said.

"I don't suppose I've ever been more disheartened than I have been in the last two weeks to see the lack of people participating in early voting, which indicates to me that they also will not participate on election day," Hannah said.

Few of the 16 amendments generated much public campaigning, including Proposition 4, the proposal to give voters the final say if the Legislature ever wants to impose a per-

sonal income tax.

Under that amendment, at least two-thirds of all net revenue from the tax would be used to reduce the rates of public school maintenance-and-operations property taxes. The net revenue remaining after such property tax relief would have to be spent

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for education.

State leaders from the governor down lined up behind Proposition 14, a \$1 billion bond issue to build more prisons.

The new "state jail" system for nonviolent offenders, along with tougher sentencing laws, were approved by legislators earlier this year based on the bond issue winning approval.

Gov. Ann Richards, campaigning in Dallas on Monday, said passage of the prison bonds is so important that she couldn't imagine what would happen if Proposition 14 were rejected.

"I can't even think about that. If it fails, we are in such serious jeop-

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Arlington deputy chief brings experiences to classroom

By CARRIE SCHUMACHER
TCU Daily Skiff

He's ready to teach class after a full day of working. There isn't a wrinkle in his overstarched shirt or a scratch on his shiny shoes.

Theron Bowman, deputy chief of the Arlington Police Department, represents order and authority from his deep, clear voice to his stylish but conservative outfit.

On Oct. 11, Bowman was promoted to deputy chief of the administrative bureau. But that is only one of several jobs where he has gained practical experience to bring to the classroom. Bowman also teaches two criminal justice classes at TCU: Police in a Free Society and Police and the Commu-

nity.

"I've always enjoyed teaching," he says. "I knew when I was completing my undergraduate work in college that I wanted to teach. But I also wanted to police. Now I'm doing both. I guess you could say I have the best of both worlds."

Bowman also advises criminal justice students about internship programs throughout the Dallas/Fort Worth area. Bowman says field experience is encouraged so that students can make sure this is the job they want to be doing. Many students receive offers for permanent positions after their internship, he says.

Bowman says his classes rely mostly on interaction between him and his students.

He shares stories from more than 10 years' experience and several different positions at the Arlington Police Department. Bowman has worked as a patrol officer, an undercover narcotics agent, a recruiting and training officer and a member of the SWAT team.

Bowman says his years as a patrol officer helped his teaching the most. His students can relate to patrol officers and T.J. Hooker types because they are seen the most.

"Patrol is the point of contact between the police and the majority of the public," he says. "Being a patrol officer I can understand what it is like from the police officer perspective but I'm also sensitive to the communities needs as well."

Many students come to class with misconceptions about a police job, Bowman says. He mixes his experience and textbook material to give students a better idea of a career in criminal justice.

"It's one thing to read the book, but it's another thing to live the life," he says. "My experience along with my knowledge allows me to make the book come alive for my students."

Bowman is dedicated to both his jobs and his students. He says wants to provide better informed students to his profession.

"Sharing my experience with them gives them a better chance of understanding what they're getting into," he says.

His teaching and police work compliment

each other, Bowman says. He learns as much from his students as they learn from him, he admits.

"I can't really separate teaching criminal justice or police classes from being a police officer," he says. "It's my job to do everything I can to make sure the citizens are served."

Bowman will continue teaching and wants to add more current criminal justice issue classes to the program. He says he will receive his doctorate degree next year, part of his continuing education and responsibility to his profession.

"I see myself as benefiting the students on one hand, but also enhancing the quality of people entering the profession," he says.

Guest science lecturer will speak about drugs

By ROBERT WOLF
TCU Daily Skiff

Barry Brown, a senior scientist at the Institute of Behavioral Research, will speak Tuesday about drug use in today's society.

Brown's lecture, titled "The Impact of Drug Use in Today's Society," will begin at 3 p.m. in Sid Richardson Lecture Hall 4. Brown will summarize trends in drug abuse policy development and programming while discussing the relation of drug use to other public health issues.

Both AIDS and the criminal justice system will be analyzed and discussed.

According to a Time magazine article, drug use among Americans has declined in each of the past five years, yet AIDS cases related to drug use was on the rise in 1989 and 1990. "Barry has devoted his life to improving the care and treatment of addicted people and their families,"

said Dwayne Simpson, director of the Institute of Behavioral Research (IBR), in the current issue of the institute's newsletter.

Brown's career has included 15 years of service with the National Institute on Drug Abuse in several of its divisions. Most recently, he was its director of the Division of Epidemiology and Prevention Research. He has also headed research divisions within Washington, D.C.'s Department of Human Resources, Narcotics Treatment Administration and Department of Corrections.

His early work as a psychology intern and clinical psychologist in private and state institutions led to his concern for and commitment to better evaluation of drug treatment.

Brown has witnessed and studied drug abuse, treatment and aftercare among several populations and has shared his findings through author-

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METROPLEX

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

Wednesday's weather will be partly sunny with a high of 62 degrees.



House officer filing ends at 5 p.m. today

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Officer filing for the House of Student Representatives ends at 5 p.m. today. Applications should be turned in to the Student Activities office.

Student Body President Matt McClendon said he wants to see more students apply for the House's top four positions. So far, McClendon said one applicant has filed for

president, four for vice president, one for treasurer and two for secretary.

Campaigns will begin after the deadline today, McClendon said. The student body president said he wants to see the election process "spiced up" this year.

For instance, McClendon said he would like to see a candidate debate led by students and Skiff columnists.

'Brothers' unveiled

Chancellor praises school's founders, dedicates scholarship to artist

By TASHA ZEMKE
TCU Daily Skiff

Braving cold temperature and chilling wind, more than 100 TCU alumni, faculty and students attended the dedication and unveiling of the Addison and Randolph Clark statue at 11 a.m. October 30th.

Chancellor William Tucker gave the opening remarks to the group of mostly older TCU alumni and members of the Clark family.

"It was a hostile time when Addison and Randolph Clark founded the Add-Ran Male and Female College in Thorpe Spring, and today we remember them," Tucker said. "Had it not been for them and their wives, TCU would not be here today."

Addison and Randolph Clark's families sold their homes and much of their land to establish the college in Thorpe Spring, the chancellor told the crowd.

Tucker went on to point out the original cornerstone of the college in Thorpe Spring which was brought to TCU and placed at the base of the statue.

Much of the idea behind the statue of the brothers was attributed to Vice Chancellor William H. Koehler, who worked on the project for two years, Tucker said.

The bronze sculpture was created and completed by artist Carol Loafman Thornton, a 1948 TCU alumna who "spent two years in historical research and creative effort to capture the physical images of the young Clark brothers as well as their frontier spirit," according to a biography of the artist.

"(The statue) will grace your alma mater," Tucker said to Thornton.



TCU Daily Skiff/ Jenny Putschinski
Chancellor Tucker dedicates the "Brothers" statue.

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 2915, or sent to TCU Box 32929. The Skiff reserves the right to edit for style and taste.

If you have a "sponsor record sheet" from the Crop Walk, whether you have money or not, bring it to University Ministries.

Student Fashion Association will tour the Dallas Apparel Mart today. Members should meet at 3 p.m. in front of the Student Center.

Society of Professional Journalists will meet at 8 p.m. today in Moudy Room 265S. Pizza will be provided.

Psi Chi will hold a general meeting at 6:15 p.m. Wednesday in Winton-Scott Hall Room 215.

University Ministries will hold a Muslim service Wednesday in Robert Carr Chapel.

College Bowl applications are due by Friday to the Student Center Information Desk. There is a \$30 discount entry fee. The deadline to pay the full \$40 fee is Nov. 24.

Japan Club will meet at 3 p.m. Nov. 6 in the Student Center Lobby. From there they'll go to Don Carter Lanes on Oakmont. All

TCU students are welcome. For information, call Yumiko Keitges at 921-6096.

Tour de TCU will kick off Hunger Week at 1 p.m. Nov. 14 at Frog Fountain. There is a \$5 fee to compete. Points will be awarded to intramural teams. Sign up in Rickel Room 229 by Nov. 11. For more information, call 921-7945.

The Society for Human Resource will meet at 6 p.m. Nov. 9. Peggy Freeby from Freese and Nichols will speak. For more information, call Richard Brown at 346-8749.

POW/MIA Memorial Service will be held at noon Nov. 10 at Robert Carr Chapel. The service is sponsored by Army and Air Force ROTC.

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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.

Pet Bereavement Support Group is forming. It is open to anyone grieving the loss of a pet. The group will meet from 4:30 p.m.

to 6 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Jan Dalsheimer at 921-7650.

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 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.

The Butler Housing Area needs volunteers willing to tutor school-age children (grades 3 to 8) from 4 to 6 p.m. one or more afternoons per week. For more information, call Sonja Barnett at 870-2046.

Adult Children of Alcoholics groups are being organized at the TCU Counseling Center. For more information, call Larry Withers at 921-7863.

College

by Dan Killeen



Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



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said. "It has given me the opportunity to work with all Greeks as well as the administration and I've met some great people."

In addition to being a part of Panhellenic, Cotter is a member of Delta Delta Delta and Young Life.

For Ben Hall, this year's Homecoming Escort being selected definitely has its pros and cons.

"On one hand, being crowned king was very exciting and a terrific honor, but on the other, all the exposure is going to force me to have to give up my dual role as the Reed (Hall) Flasher," Hall joked.

Hall, who represented the Inter-Fraternity Council, said the selection came as a complete surprise.

"I really had no idea that this was coming and the only thing that went through my mind when they called my name was that it was going to take a long time to pay off all the people who voted for me," he said.

Hall, a senior psychology major, said the camaraderie of the students and the size of TCU made it possible

for him to get involved in a great many activities.

"TCU is one of the friendliest campuses around," he said. "As a result, you can do a lot of different things and meet a lot of people."

"I think that definitely helped me," he said.

In addition to being president of the IFC, Hall has been an Orientation Student Advisor for the past two years and is a member of Mortar Board and Golden Key Honor Society.

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Thornton said the statue represents the possibilities that students can turn into "tangible realities" in the years to come.

The TCU Board of Trustees then presented a letter to Thornton stating that beginning in the fall of 1994, a scholarship awarding \$50,000 to undergraduate art students would bear her name.

The scholarship links heritage to destiny and is a symbol of the university's personal appreciation of Thornton, Tucker said.

Polly Clark Moss, a representative of the Clark family, spoke on behalf

of the 55 Clark family members who showed up to attend the ceremony.

"This is a special day," Moss said. "It's a great joy and fulfillment and dream for the Clark family. (Addison and Randolph Clark) see their dreams fulfilled when they look from their statue across campus."

Moss said the Clark legacy will be the university's legacy and a shared legacy between the two in years to come.

Board of Trustees Chairman John V. Roach then expressed his compliments to Carol Thornton and to the Tuckers, who also made the statue possible.

The Tuckers have strong dedications for tradition and heritage in TCU, Roach said.

A plaque opposite the statue donated by the Tuckers reads, "We are grateful for the privilege of remembering Addison and Randolph Clark, founders of Texas Christian University in honor of all TCU students past and present."

Then the purple veil covering the statue was removed, and the statue of Addison and Randolph Clark was greeted with applause and smiles.

University Minister John Butler offered a prayer of dedication, which was followed by the TCU Pep Band's performance of the alma mater. The guests sang along.

Addison and Randolph Clark were surely at the ceremony, Tucker told the audience.

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ship and co-authorship of more than 75 journal articles. He has also contributed to and edited several books and special journal issues and has presented papers on the subject.

Brown also writes contemporary fiction. Since 1985, his stories have appeared in the South Carolina

Review, Minetta Review, Agada and PulpSmith.

"IBR and the students at TCU are very fortunate," Simpson said. "We have the chance to collaborate with and learn from one of the top scientists in the field of drug abuse treatment and research."

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Opinion

Don't deny Limbaugh and Stern their first amendment rights



LAYNE SMITH

The First Amendment has come under attack recently, and while the question isn't as dynamic as, say, a tyrannical them versus a peace loving us, I'm inconvenienced, so naturally I'm upset.

The problem is one as old as the radio itself: Who decides what is suitable for my listening pleasure? I'm afraid I'll have to dawn my Libertarian cap for this one because no one, no man or woman of a governmental agency, should have the right to tell me what I can or cannot listen to! Censorship. OK — there I said it!

Two of my most beloved entertainers are under pressure: Rush Limbaugh, the most dangerous man in America, and Howard Stern, the king of all media. Most people would shriek in horror at the sound

of just one of these media giants, but two in the same breath? Break out the nitro!

A number of factions are threatening these individuals and their livelihoods. Howard Stern is a little upset with Dallas' Channel 8 for not running a supposedly controversial Donohue episode and Rush Limbaugh is watching the Congress contemplate the Fairness in Broadcasting Act of 1993. I apologize, Howard, but I feel that governmental intervention is the one area which should be the legitimate concern for the First Amendment and free speech. Unfortunately for some, I feel that Channel 8 has all the right in the world to show whatever they want on television.

The Fairness in Broadcasting Act

of 1993 is going to make "a broadcast licensee afford reasonable opportunity for the discussion of conflicting views on issues of public importance." The important thing to remember is this, we had a fairness doctrine once before and President Reagan chose to let the free market determine what would be available for us to watch way back in 1987. He stepped on the Democrats' toes when he did that because there went one of their favorite things in the world, power over the people.

You see, Democrats think we are stupid and, because of our stupidity, we become mindless automatons plugged into the radio. The Fairness in Broadcasting Act will kill Rush's show because it will force him to broadcast a more liberal opinion in

order to keep his license. No one should be forced to play things they don't want to play.

I want fairness, fairness from the national media who portray gun owners as racist sociopaths. I want fairness from my MTV — if anyone needs it, it's them! However, I don't want it if it would be the result of governmental coercion.

Governmental coercion is an important thing to consider when you talk about constitutional freedoms as the controversy surrounding Channel 8 has clearly shown. Channel 8 appears to have a bad habit of protecting us from the evils of television. While anger is certainly understandable and cries of tyranny almost expected, I support Channel 8. I support their right as a

private corporation to withhold a show they deem to be controversial. While I disagree that the shows they withhold are controversial they have the right none the less.

With regard to Rush Limbaugh, we must beware of a tyrannical government that disregards constitutional freedoms. The Fairness Doctrine does just that. This abuse of power must not be tolerated and the free market must be the only determinant of what is and is not broadcast. Sorry Howard, your troubles represent how the free market should work. Channel 8 turns you off, turn them off.

Layne Smith is a senior criminal justice and journalism double major from Sugar Land, Texas.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A station for the students

In reaction to the article in the *Skiff* titled "Former KTCU disc jockey fights to regain radio show" (Oct. 28, page 1) and on behalf of the student body of Brite Divinity School, I am concerned with the general philosophy seemingly at work in the recent decisions of the station manager of KTCU, Andrew Haskett.

Beyond the issue of whether or not TCU students are willing to listen to a Christian music program airing at 8 a.m. on Sunday mornings is the underlying problem of station management for a college radio station responding in a heavy-handed manner to the students working at the radio station and the TCU student community serving as the primary audience for the station. Several articles published in the *Skiff* this semester have presented a series of decisions made by station management that portray this management as possessing a callous disregard for the

supporting student community.

I suggest that a college radio station be the product of the TCU student environment and not the product of station management's mandate seeking to obtain a polished and professional sounding radio format. If the operative philosophy for student activities at TCU followed the direction that KTCU management has seemingly taken this semester, perhaps only polished and professional preachers would be allowed access to the pulpit at Robert Carr Chapel or only professional journalists would be given a byline at the *Skiff*. Somehow, I don't believe that college education implies error-free and risk-adverse approaches to learning at TCU and at KTCU.

Don C. Bright
Moderator, Brite Student Government

Editor's note: La'Netia Taylor will be interviewed on KTCU at noon today.



'Stupid people' see decorations as being 'evil'

I've never been one for holidays. To me, they usually involve getting all giddy about the great time you're virtually guaranteed of having and then spending the rest of the evening wondering just when that great time is scheduled to start.

DENNIS WATSON

But Halloween is different. I guess it has something to do with the fact that people are all too willing to spend a lot of money on an outfit that will make them look like the respective idiots that they all are. Or maybe it's the fact that the cops don't consider Halloween to be a "drinking holiday," thus eliminating driving hazards such as check points for the alcoholically advantaged.

Who knows? Anyway, a weird thing happened on our all-too-hip campus this year: Those oh-so-scary Halloween decorations that adorned the campus were removed from certain buildings since, unbeknownst to most of us, such depictions of evil don't belong at such a Christian university.

I'm assuming that the people who called to complain were vacationing from high up in the hills of West Virginia because it is simply inconceivable that anyone so STUPID could hail from the great state of Texas.

Please, allow me to explain this to you: A.) Halloween is, for the most part, a children's holiday. Kids dress up in politically correct costumes, march around a mall or a "safe" neighborhood collecting goodies, wait impatiently for their parents to examine the night's rewards for razor blades or cyanide, and then stuff their little faces with enough sugar to make a hypoglycemic explode.

B.) When establishing what is "proper" for a child in such situations, one should never use the perceptions of elderly Southern Baptists from towns where bingo is the No. 1 pastime as a benchmark. This would

eliminate anyone who believes the witches, ghosts and goblins actually exist from destroying what is, from a child's perspective, a truly harmless holiday.

C.) If you are so insecure about yourself or your faith that the mere thought of a witch being hung upon the facade of a chapel makes your blood pressure rise, give the rest of us a little break and do some serious self-evaluation.

D.) And lastly, get over the idea the TCU is, first and foremost, a Christian university. I thought we had rid ourselves of that silly notion a long, long time ago.

Personally, I don't see the purpose in covering the entire campus with orange and white trash bags in the first place (I guess it had something to do with that Howl of a Good Time we all had at Homecoming). But if you must decorate, what in the hell is so wrong with witches, ghosts and goblins? Haven't they been the primary symbols of Halloween since the advent of fire? Yes. Do they actually exist? No. So WHO CARES?!

Well, obviously more than a few people (with far too much time on their hands) believe such images are symbols of evil and don't belong in this little land of Christian bliss. Correct me if I'm wrong, but aren't we getting a little reactionary about any and everything these days? Putting the branch of a tree over a witch on Robert Carr Chapel to protect the building from the evil spirits?! Oh, PLEASE! GET A GRIP!!!!

Folks, it's Halloween. It's nothing more than another stupid, stupid holiday. Let kids be kids and quit making such a big stinking deal out of a bunch of trash bags and banners. Okay?!

By the way, did the Greeks not show up for Homecoming or did the ISA simply kick some butt? I'll vote for the latter... Good job, guys.

Dennis Watson is a senior accounting major from Overland Park, Kansas.

LETTER POLICY

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New perspective obtained from death of family friend

Don't take time on earth with loved ones for granted

SHOCK. I couldn't believe the news. Was this really happening? It must have been a dream. "No, no way, not him," my speech stuttering over the phone to my parents.

Did the conversation end? I couldn't think. Everything was a blur. I stumbled helplessly out of my dorm room to the bathroom down the hall.

I lay on the toilet with the lid down in the bathroom stall. I was crying beyond comprehension. No, change that. I was bawling. And bawling, and bawling and bawling.

A friend heard my cries. He tried to ease my pain, but I kept bawling. A few minutes later, another friend. He said a prayer, but I kept bawling. 15 minutes? A half hour? I couldn't stop.

A basket case, I meandered outside. My skin never felt colder in my life. I ended up on a bench by Frog Fountain. My tears were giving it a run for its money, and I was winning, still bawling.

What was the big deal? Rob Branham had died. Had he just become another leukemia statistic?

Yes, that Rob. The Rob that would always make you smile, that loved to smile and that always smiled.

Yes, that Rob. The Rob that would always give the bums on the corner some change.

Yes, that Rob. The Rob that was a very close family friend. The Rob that emphasized family like the Mafia does. Problem was, he would love everybody in the opposing mobs as well. I never could see Rob and John Gotti seeing eye to eye.

Yes, that Rob. The Rob that even had a zest for life at the dinner table. The dinner table? Yep. You see, Rob didn't just love food — Rob craved food. At the sight of food, Rob would literally seethe and foam at the mouth.

Yes, that Rob. The Rob that loved to run. Fall, winter, spring,

summer — it didn't matter. Rob would run for miles every day at the crack of dawn. I can still see him, his running shoes crunching against the crisp autumn leaves amongst the beauty of the fall foliage in Simsbury, Conn.

Yes, that Rob. The Rob who was healthy, who at 43 had fought his darndest in the trenches, but ultimately lost the war. I must have played that Cat Stevens song half a dozen times that night: "Oh Very Young, what will you leave us this time? You're only dancing on this earth for a short while..."

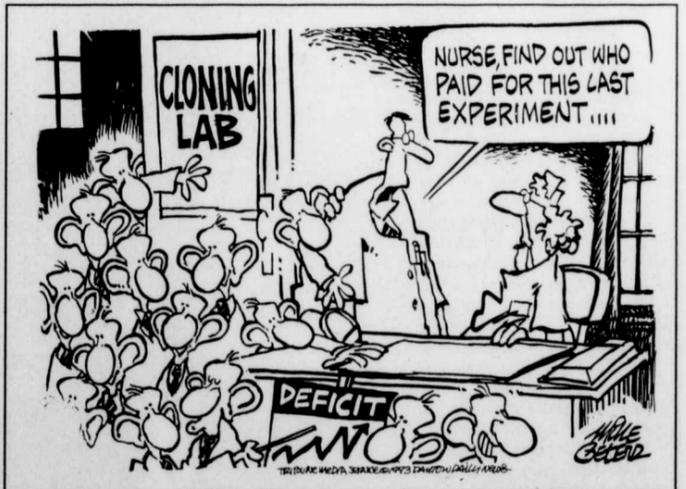
Yes, that Rob. The Rob that was so widely admired by his co-workers at the television station where he worked that they dedicated the evening newscast to him that day. What was all the fuss? Other co-workers had died. Rob wasn't even a newscaster. Why so much emphasis on that Rob?

Yes, that Rob. The Rob that literally loved everybody and whom everybody loved. And not because of the color of their skin, or because they had X amount of dollars or because they dressed like a yuppie or a hippie. Just the Rob that loved people because they existed. The Rob that based his short, but full life, on the premise that all people are basically good. That amongst all that is screwed up in our society, each person possesses love, kindness and warmth within himself or herself.

Yes, that Rob. The Rob that would say to my readers two very simple things so often overlooked in our culture. First, Carpe Diem. Simple. Every day, 24 hours a day. Second, Garth: "Tell that someone that you love, just what you're thinking of, if tomorrow never comes." Simple. Every day, 24 hours a day.

Yes, that Rob. The Rob that loved life, and oh, how I miss him dearly. But Rob, I keep on smiling in your name. Amen.

Joe Connor is a junior broadcast journalism major from Winter Springs, Fla.



PURPLE POLL

Did you go to the party at Caravan of Dreams Saturday night?

Yes - 21 No - 79

100 students were polled outside the Main at dinner on Monday.



Texans to vote on 16 amendments

'Zany' state constitution revised again

By **ROBERT WOLF**
TCU Daily Skiff

In a state whose constitution is already a little crazy, things could be getting a lot zanier before long, said Richard Millsap, instructor in political science.

On Tuesday, Texas voters will decide if 16 proposed constitutional amendments become part of the state's constitution. The amendments cover everything from income tax to the denial of bail to certain criminal offenders.

"I really don't think that constitutional law should be made in this way," Millsap said. "Turnout is historically low in Texas, so as little as 23 percent of those people eligible to vote might even show up at the polls. Of these, 12 to 14 percent of the population will be making extremely important decisions for the whole state."

Millsap, who ran for a seat in the Texas House of Representatives in 1988, said legislators should be responsible for amending the constitution.

"We hire them to make smart choices, and we can hold them accountable in the polling booths," he said. "That's what a democratic republic is."

"However," he said, "senators and representatives are generally gutless. When a controversial subject such as horse racing comes up, they don't want to take responsibility for any actions, so they pass it along to the people."

Millsap said special interest groups play a large part in legislation, even at the state level. The Farm Bureau has had a hand in convincing the state government to allocate \$100 million for farmers, he said.

"This state constitution is a special interest document," he said. "It is too long. How many people out there have ever read the lengthy Texas Constitution versus the shorter U.S. Constitution?"

It is vital that as many students as possible vote in this election, he said. University students must try to help make these positive changes in our world.

The book "Analyses of Proposed Constitutional Amendments" is available to students through either the library or their state congressional representative. Even the newspaper will tell you how to vote, Millsap said.

"However, if students vote according to how a newspaper tells them too, then they might as

well drop out of TCU and start digging ditches now," he said.

The Texas Constitution has several clauses which, Millsap said, are quite a bit out of date.

"In Article VI, I believe, the constitution says that idiots are not allowed to vote in the state of Texas," he said. "Additionally, dueling, which simply stated is legalized murder, was not repealed until 1969."

Until 1969, according to the Texas Constitution, he said, a student could say "Millsap, you are the worst lecturer that I have ever heard." The student could then legally proceed to take the matter outside and shoot Professor Millsap.

"This is just how wacky the state constitution is," he said.

The Texas Constitution does not necessarily require that people be held accountable for their jobs. Businesses cannot be run in this manner, he said.

"In the legislature, several high ranking officials can choose to ignore each other and not carry out necessary duties that, in other states, officials must perform," Millsap said.

Imagine life like this at the Tandy Corporation: If Tandy chief executive officer John Roach were to tell one of his departments that he needed an extra dozen or so men to work on a special project, and that employer were to tell Roach to "go to hell," that person would be fired, Millsap said.

"Business can't operate in that way, so why should the government?" he said.

One problem with this upcoming election is that publicity has been extremely low, said Barbara Lewis, a representative from the League of Women Voters.

The set of 16 amendments includes several items which could prove to be quite controversial.

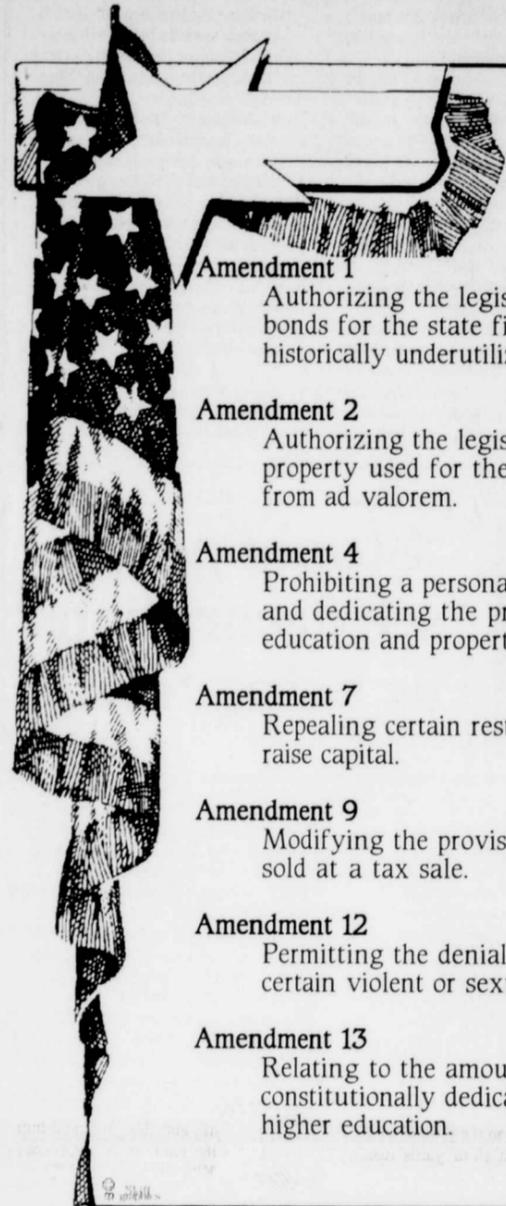
Lewis said that students should place special emphasis on Proposition One, which concerns the state's financing of start-up costs of businesses for women and minorities.

Millsap said students need to be careful of the wording of these proposed amendments, such as the phrasing of Proposition Four.

"While amendment number four would prohibit a personal income tax without voter approval, the wording could actually make things easier for the state legislature to enact taxes without specifying where these funds will

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The Ballot*



Amendment 1

Authorizing the legislature to provide for the issuance of bonds for the state financing of start-up costs for historically underutilized businesses.

Amendment 2

Authorizing the legislature to exempt real and personal property used for the control of air, water or land pollution from ad valorem.

Amendment 4

Prohibiting a personal income tax without voter approval and dedicating the proceeds of the tax, if enacted, to education and property tax relief.

Amendment 7

Repealing certain restrictions on the ability of corporations to raise capital.

Amendment 9

Modifying the provisions for the redemption of real property sold at a tax sale.

Amendment 12

Permitting the denial of bail to certain persons charged with certain violent or sexual offenses.

Amendment 13

Relating to the amount and expenditure of certain constitutionally dedicated funding for public institutions of higher education.

*These are only a portion of the amendments due on the ballot.

Proposal offers help for minority-owned businesses

By **SHERILYN SHAW**
TCU Daily Skiff

Prejudice has prevented females and minorities from obtaining the necessary funding to start their own businesses in Texas, said supporters, who advocate including proposition one to the Texas Constitution.

But after Tuesday's election, those supporters hope the disparity changes.

Proposition one would add a new section to Article 16 of the Texas Constitution authorizing the legislature to issue up to \$50 million in general obligation bonds.

These bonds will be awarded to mitigate the initial financial burdens minorities and women incur when beginning their historically underutilized businesses.

The Government Code defines historically under-utilized businesses as those owned by one or more persons who are socially disadvantaged because of their identification as female or members of minority groups.

The proposed amendment would correct historic injustices and encourage the development of business by providing the financial backing the owners need to get started, supporters of the amendment said.

"Anyone who knows anything about affirmative action programs knows that affirmative action programs, which in effect this is, are designed to try to repair several hundred years of discrimination," said Donald Jackson, political science professor.

The proposed provision would authorize the legislature to establish a historically under-utilized business capital growth and start-up fund.

However, opponents of the measure said it is unfair for the state to provide financial assistance to certain businesses just because minorities or women own them.

The financial assistance gives minority and women-owned businesses a competitive advantage, opponents said.

The proposition has been referred to as a "blank check" by the Dallas Morning News because the particular mechanisms and standards by which this money would be dis-

tributed are unspecified.

Jackson said the legislation that was to be attached to this proposed amendment specifying exactly how this provision would be implemented did not get through the legislature.

As a result, the amendment does not indicate whether the \$50 million in bond money would be loaned or given in the form of grants to minority and women-owned businesses.

Opponents said until Texans know

what specifically they are voting on, they should not support this proposal.

Jackson said failure to support the amendment because it is unclear as to how the money will be distributed is rational.

However, persons who fail to support the amendment because it will not directly benefit them is not, he said.

"Rationally, the only way that groups who have been the object of historic discrimination can catch up

is to be benefited by programs such as this," Jackson said.

Some information for this article was taken from the League of Women Voters' Voter's Guide published in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram Oct. 17.

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News



Mem'ries sweet, comrades true

Homecoming Weekend memories: Top left, spectators view the newly-unveiled "Brothers" statue Saturday (Photo by Jenny Putchinski). Bottom left, Ezra Idlet (left) and Keith Grimwood, also known as Trout Fishing in America, perform Friday in the Student Center Ballroom (Photo by Amy Shaw). Below, freshmen Kristin Stec (left) and Shelly Bone carve pumpkins at Jarvis Hall for the Honors Program Pumpkin Carving Contest on Sunday (Photo by Jenny Putchinski).



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go," Millsap said. Other amendments include abolishing the office of county surveyor in several Texas counties, permitting the denial of bail to certain persons charged with certain violent or sexual offenses and repealing certain restrictions on the ability of corporations to raise capital.

One proposed amendment concerns raising funds for prison construction.

Lewis said students must get involved or not complain about the state of affairs in Texas.

"Unless they are willing to get involved and make these controversial decisions, students are more a part of the problem than the solution," she said.

In order to be eligible to vote, students must be at least 18 years of age and fill out a registration form before the election.

The polling place for the campus and surrounding area is University Christian Church. Millsap and Lewis both said the this election is too important to ignore.

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ardy," she said. A second tough-on-crime amendment, Proposition 12, would give judges the option of denying bail to crime suspects who are accused of violent and sexual offenses committed while on probation, parole or mandatory supervision for another felony.

Three other bond issues also are pending.

Proposition 1 would provide \$50 million in bonds to help start businesses owned by women and minorities.

Under Proposition 10, another \$750 million in bonds would be approved to continue the land and housing loan programs for Texas veterans. The programs are self-supporting, paid for by loan repayments. And Proposition 16 would add \$75

million to provide loans and loan guarantees for development or expansion of businesses to produce, process, market or export agricultural products. The program already has \$25 million from a previous vote.

The constitutional amendments are the only issues on the statewide ballot, but several other elections also are being held.

In Houston, Bob Lanier is seeking re-election as mayor with a better than 80 percent approval rating and no organized or well-financed opposition.

Lanier, fulfilling campaign promises he made two years ago, juggled city revenues by getting the mass transit agency to scuttle monorail plans and diverted that money for street improvements and repairs. City cash normally earmarked for

those purposes went to pay police overtime.

Lanier faced token opposition from Brian Bowen, 27, a gay rights computer operator; Luis Ullrich, 43, a plumber and coffee house owner; and Jerry Freiwirth, 42, an oil refinery worker who is the Socialist Workers Party candidate in the non-partisan balloting.

Houston voters also will choose whether the city should adopt a zoning ordinance for the first time end Houston's designation as the largest city in the nation without zoning.

And Travis County voters are being asked to approve a \$48.9 million bond issue to purchase more than one-third of a 29,159-acre system of wildlife preserves for endangered species called the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan.

Frog Facts

♥ **41%** of TCU students say the **average number of drinks** they consume in a week is **zero**

♥ **35%** of TCU students indicate they would prefer **not to have alcohol available** at parties, which is about the same response from students across campuses nationwide

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