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Soviet defector, dancer recalls flight to freedom and Fort Worth

By SARAH RAACH
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Clad in cut-offs and an inside-out T-shirt, listening to rock 'n' roll while puffing on a Marlboro Red, the man relaxing in his den appears to be your average American bachelor at first glance.

But take a closer look around his apartment and you'll find Mikhail Gaidamakin is not an average American at all.

Look hard and you'll notice that half the books neatly lining his shelves are titled with unknown words comprised from a foreign alphabet. Listen closely and you'll realize the lyrics coming from the music are sung in an unfamiliar tongue. Gaze into his ice-blue eyes and sense the unmistakable feeling that there's more to this man than

meets the eye.

In July 1989, Gaidamakin, who prefers to be called Misha, defected from the Soviet Union while performing in New York City with the Kirov Ballet. One year later he found himself auditioning for the Fort Worth Ballet Company and has been dancing there for the last four years.

Speaking slowly and with a thick accent, Gaidamakin says he finds it difficult to talk about his defection. "It's so hard for me to remember ... I was unhappy and under a lot of stress — I just wanted to start all over," he said.

Gaidamakin said he had never seriously considered defecting until the night before he actually did, when he was having dinner with a Russian-American family in Manhattan. Throughout the entire meal,

Gaidamakin said, the family tried to persuade him to defect. They told him what he would need to do and offered their help.

"My defection was not premeditated," Gaidamakin said. "I just saw an opportunity and had to take the chance."

The next morning, equipped with only a duffle bag stuffed with possessions, Gaidamakin sneaked out of his hotel and never looked back.

FBI agents surrounded him the moment he stepped outside and then assisted him to their headquarters where he was questioned for the next five hours. "They wanted to make sure I wasn't a spy," he said.

From there he was hooked up with the Tolstoy Foundation, an organization that helps defectors and artists like Gaidamakin who come to this country knowing no

English and nobody.

For the next few months Gaidamakin lived in constant fear of being followed and caught by the KGB.

"The KGB accompanied the ballet wherever we toured — I think even some of the dancers worked for the KGB," he said. "If they suspected that a dancer was thinking about defecting, that person wouldn't be allowed to tour."

Gaidamakin said it was this lack of trust and freedom within the system that made him realize he wanted to defect.

He spent the next year working odd jobs and making guest appearances for ballets throughout the United States.

A year after he defected he heard about the



see Defector, page 6 Mikhail "Misha" Gaidamakin



A half-completed billboard at University and Park Hill Drive creates an interesting juxtaposition of surgical procedures and meat. TCU Daily Skiff/ Brian Bray

Student chiefs, Trustees meet

Enrollment, academic standards, campus environment are topics

By SARAH YOEST
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Student leaders and members of the university's Board of Trustees will discuss how to improve TCU at this afternoon's Student Relations Committee meeting. This semester's committee meeting will be different from meetings of the past, said Scott McLinden, president of the House of Student Representatives and a member of the committee.

"In the past, what I've heard is where the students go in and present their case on why they want change," he said. "It's almost like they're demanding that something be done."

"We're not going to use that approach," McLinden said. "We're just going to present what the student body's needs are and see if we can offer some suggestions to the Board of Trustees so in the next five years they can move towards addressing those needs."

Brian McCormick, president of Student Foundation and a committee member, said the meeting will focus on three issues: enrollment, the campus environment and academic standards.

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Eden's buffet goes on endangered list

All-you-can-eat program given three weeks to prove itself profitable

By JODI WETUSKI
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The long-anticipated all-you-can-eat buffet in Eden's Greens is in danger of extinction due to lack of student interest, said Stephanie Duncan, freshman premajor and co-chairwoman of the House of Representatives' Food Service Committee.

The buffet will be served for only three more weeks unless attendance starts picking up, Duncan said.

Jim Fjelstul, director of Food Services, said attendance in Eden's on buffet days

averages 190 students. On non-buffet days the average is 250. Last year at this time, without the buffet, the average was 475, he said.

The decline from last year is probably due to the inconsistent format, Fjelstul said. The buffet is offered only on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Fjelstul and Duncan said one reason for the low attendance on buffet days may be the pay-at-the-door policy. Students must pay the \$3.99 buffet price in order to enter Eden's. This prevents people from hanging out with their friends without eating.

Duncan said the same groups of people would eat at Eden's every day, but those groups left because the social atmosphere is gone.

Many of the women who ate in Eden's may have stopped because they felt they were not eating \$3.99 worth of food, she said.

Duncan said that during the three-week trial period, the buffet will be advertised in the House of Student Representatives newsletter. Fliers will also be posted in residence halls to advertise to those students most likely to eat on campus, she said.

Investigator says people don't see danger of pot

By STACI HALE
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Larry Ansley, criminal investigator for the District Attorney's office, will speak at 5:30 tonight in the Student Center Ballroom about the facts and fiction of marijuana.

"People have a blase attitude about pot," he said. "They don't know the dangers of the drug."

Americans live in an environment that does not consider marijuana illegal, Ansley

said. The younger generation is being raised by parents who smoked pot in the 60s, so that younger generation does not see anything wrong with pot, he said.

"In a few years their parents are going to develop cancer, and they're not going to understand that marijuana smoke caused it," Ansley said.

"Marijuana seems to be a problem everywhere," he said. The majority of the population does not realize the consequences of smoking marijuana, Ansley said.

The marijuana on the streets today is much more potent than it was 20 years ago, said Betty Benison, professor of physical education. Marijuana is being used in a purer form, she said.

"If it is on the streets, it is on campus," Benison said.

Larry Ansley was a narcotics detective for 22 years for the Fort Worth Police Department. He is now a criminal investigator for the District Attorney's Office.

The lecture is sponsored by the Safe Break Committee and Campus Mentors.

By CHRISTY HAWKINS
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Everette E. Dennis, Green Honors Professor for the journalism department, urged students to be versatile in their chosen careers if they want to be successful.

Dennis said during a Tuesday interview that new graduates should be flex-

Honors professor offers career advice

ible and not depend on finding and sticking with one job for the rest of their lives because the entire field a student may choose to enter could die out.

Students should be able to go with the flow of change when obstacles get in the way, he said.

The journalist of today is different from journalists of the past, Dennis said.

"They travel more, increasingly live abroad and do not hold the same job their whole career," he said.

As the Green Honors Professor, a visiting position which is endowed by Cecil H. and Ida Green, Dennis spent Tuesday speaking and lecturing in various classes and meeting with faculty members.

Dennis' goals as the Green Honors Professor are to interact with faculty and

students of the university and discuss issues such as the information super-highway, changing media industries and ethics and the media.

Dennis expects interactive television to be the major technological development for the future in media.

"Television will be able to talk back to you," he said. "It will be more sophisticated than television now, and someday we will be doing our shopping, public opinion polls and voting at home in front of the TV."

Dennis has lectured at more than 250 colleges and universities in the past nine years. He is chief executive officer of the Freedom Forum Media Studies Center.

The center is the country's first institute for the advanced study of mass communication and technological change.

Dennis' duties at the center include administering programs, directing the technology department and overseeing conferences and seminars.

"The Freedom Forum Media Studies Center is a media think-tank," he said.

Dennis said the university's global orientation impressed him. He said the TCU at Oxford and Mexico programs are positive international programs for the university.

"I like the balance TCU has between different aspects of the media industries," he said.

NEWS DIGEST

Post office wants 32-cent stamp

WASHINGTON (AP) — Paying bills, writing to aunt Maude or sending out a Valentine will cost a bit more next year. The post office wants to boost the price of first-class stamps to 32 cents.

That three-cent increase will cost the average household between 60 and 75 cents a month, the agency said Tuesday.

But it means nearly \$3 billion in added revenue for an operation that lost \$1.7 billion last year and is struggling to hold the red ink to \$1.3 billion in 1994.

Gun seekers rejected in Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — Nine percent of Houston's would-be gun owners were rejected in the Brady law's first week. Fifty-five of the 606 applications submitted to the Houston Police Department last week did not qualify for a firearm under the new law.

The most common reason the applications were rejected was outstanding municipal warrants.

The law took effect Feb. 28 and requires a five-day waiting period and background check for anyone seeking a gun permit.

Snowstorms hit Panhandle

PAMPA, Texas (AP) — Blowing snow fell at the rate of an inch every hour Tuesday across parts of the frigid Texas Panhandle in a storm that closed schools, made driving deadly and kept some voters away from the polls.

An Amarillo man was killed and three people were injured when a Chevy pickup collided with a Ford Tempo about 18 miles northwest of Amarillo, Department of Public Safety communications officer Jerry Hatley said.

Clinton fills counsel post

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton acknowledged additional White House contacts with federal regulators about the Whitewater investigation Tuesday. He said his administration would cooperate if Congress held Whitewater hearings.

Clinton appeared at a press conference to announce the appointment of respected Washington attorney Lloyd Cutler as senior counsel, replacing Bernard Nussbaum, who resigned under fire.

TCU Calendar

Today:
•Noon, University Chapel, Robert Carr Chapel.
•3 p.m. Lecture by Gerald Ferris, "The Politics of Human Resource Systems: Theory, Research and Practice," Tandy Hall Room 120.
•5:30 p.m. Safe Break Lecture by Larry Ansley, "Marijuana: Fact and Fiction," Student Center Ballroom.
•7:30 p.m. TCU Symphony Orchestra Concert, Ed Landreth Auditorium.

The Beaten Path



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Call 921-7461.

Biology Seminar "Reforming the Teaching of the Sciences" by John A. Moore from the University of California at Riverside at noon March 18 in Sid Richardson LH3. Moore is the biology department's Cecil H. and Ida Green Honors Chair.

Suzette Lomax or Clay Hancock at the Recreational Sports Department, 921-7945.

TCU's Student Foundation will be accepting new member applications through March 29 for the 1994-1995 school year. Student Foundation is a student organization that promotes the welfare of the university through volunteering in the offices of admissions, alumni and development. Members must be classified as at least a sophomore in the fall of 1994 after application is made and must have and maintain a 2.5 GPA. Interviews will be held April 11-13. Applications may be picked up at the Student Center Information Desk or the Alumni Office. For more information, call 921-7803.

Psi Chi will have its general meeting at 6:15 tonight in Winton-Scott Hall Room 247.

Le Cercle Francais meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Student Center to go to Brix End. Call AJ at 927-8871.

PRSSA meeting at 6 tonight in Moody Room 280S to discuss interviewing. "Shadow Day" is Thursday.

TCU Fencing Club meets from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday in Rickel Room 317. No experience is needed to attend. Call Dave at 923-9477.

Graduating Seniors Spring Break is the deadline for participating in the 1994 Senior Appreciation Program. Forms are available at the Student Center Information Desk or call 921-7800.

Frog Fest/Siblings Weekend will be April 8-10. Registration materials and information have been sent to all parents. For further information, contact the Recreational Sports Office at 921-1945.

Vapor Trail 5K Run is Saturday, March 12, on the east side of Amon Carter Stadium. Late registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. and the 5K run/walk will start at 9 a.m.

Student Organizations interested in fund raising by sponsoring a booth at Frog Fest should contact

Peer Counselors are accepting applications for helping skills training. This group provides basic skills needed in client-counselor relationships. Training is from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. every Thursday from March 31 to April 21. Apply at the Counseling Center, 921-7863.

WEATHER

Today's temperature should reach a high of 46 with decreasing clouds in the afternoon. Thursday will have higher temperatures in the 60s as sunny skies return.

House plans for town-hall, Trustees committee meeting

By DENA RAINS
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The House of Student Representatives finalized plans Tuesday for its town-hall meeting with students.

Also discussed at the meeting were revisions to the university's Sexual Harassment Policy and today's meeting of the Board of Trustees Student Relations Committee.

The town-hall meeting, which will be held at noon Monday in the Student Center Ballroom, will include

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Don Mills, head football coach Pat Sullivan and other coaches and professors, said House Vice President Scott Wheatley. Chancellor William Tucker may also attend.

"It's going to be a chance for the entire student body, faculty and administration to come together and pretty much talk about what they want to talk about," Wheatley said.

Wheatley encouraged the representatives to attend the meeting and to spread the word about the meeting.

A Student Concerns Campaign will also begin Monday. More than 2,000 surveys will be distributed between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Main and Worth Hills cafeterias. The surveys will contain questions about pertinent student concerns.

President Scott McLinden said he would suggest changes in academic standards, enrollment and environmental issues at today's Student Relations Committee meeting.

Proposed changes include more opportunities for study abroad programs and increasing international student enrollment.

The suggested changes to the sexual harassment policy presented by the Faculty Senate include changing the rules about student-faculty fraternization and complaint procedures.

The House Student Concerns Committee will meet at 4 p.m. today in Student Center Room 218 to discuss the proposals and decide whether to support or reject the Faculty Senate's proposals. The committee will also look at SMU's sexual

harassment policy, which allows no dating between faculty or staff members and students.

John Breyer, president of the Faculty Senate, will attend next week's House meeting to answer questions about the Faculty Senate's proposed revisions.

In other House business:

•The all-you-can-eat system at Eden's Greens is not doing as well as hoped, McLinden said. He encouraged members to advertise the system.

•The administrative cabinet and other members of the House plan to draft a letter to the administration urging it to appoint a black professor to the history department and to establish African-American history

courses to be taught by the proposed professor. No African-Americans teach in the department, and no African-American history courses are taught at the university.

•A proposal by the Faculty Senate to revise the academic conduct policy was presented to the House. Suggested revisions include changes in the academic appeals committee and amending infraction rules to include those who falsely accuse students of cheating.

•A resolution was also unanimously passed to commend the International Students Association on the success of International Week.

•The second House newsletter will also be distributed today in the boxes next to the Skiff.

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EDITORIAL

Insist on peace

Two weeks ago, Dr. Baruch Goldstein took a Galil assault rifle and slaughtered dozens of Muslims while they were praying in Hebron's Tomb of the Patriarchs. They had to beat the man to death to make him stop.

Palestinian Muslims rioted. Israel responded by sending troops out to shoot 30 more.

Atrocities all. Utter waste.

This week, in east Jerusalem's main Muslim shopping area, United Nations officers ran back and forth between Israeli troops and Muslim rioters. Amid stones and tear gas, one officer yelled at an Israeli major: "Try to control your men."

The major replied, "I don't want to control my men."

That event exemplifies the relationship between the United States and Israel.

Israel is like a defiant child, who the United States helped create and still supports militarily. But many of Israel's people are out of control.

The violent fringe of West Bank settlers, of which Goldstein was a member, should be controlled — even disarmed — by the government of Prime Minister

Yitzhak Rabin.

The United States should use its diplomatic weight to force Israel to protect the Palestinians from this fringe.

But peace between the Arabs and Israelis will not come easily; the historical conflict between them is a serious obstacle to overcome.

Rabin and Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yassir Arafat came to the diplomatic table to create a workable solution for both peoples. The leaders of Israel and Palestine want to talk, not kill.

They should reassert the need for peace because they are the only ones who can influence their countrymen.

And the United States should use its influence to see that they do.

FAX SUBMISSIONS

The Skiff invites its readers to submit letters to the editor by fax, 817-921-7133. Letters are still welcome by U.S. mail, campus mail, and walk-in submission. The letter requirements listed above are the same.

COLUMNIST BEN JOHNSON

I am my own roommate



This semester, I've finally achieved what everyone dreams about at some point.

I'm living alone.

I haven't had a place to completely call my own in a while. Even when I first moved off campus, I still shared a room. My summers at home weren't like they used to be either. I had to share my room with the family computer, so some member of my family would be there at all hours of the day, invading what used to be the privacy of my room in the days I still lived at home.

Living by myself has been very interesting. I never really realized just how different it would be. It has a number of advantages, as well as problems, that aren't experienced by those of you with roommates.

There are some obvious things that single people don't have to worry about. For starters, there aren't nearly the interruptions if you've got a paper or test you're starting to panic about. You also don't have to talk to anyone in the morning until you're good and ready. Not everyone will be able to fully appreciate that, but to those who can, it's one of the biggest advantages to going it on your own.

Another big one is music. No more races to the stereo to play the music you want to listen to. And if you want to listen to your favorite CD for 10 hours straight you can, safe in the knowledge that you're not going to drive anyone to cutting their ears off.

Same thing with the thermostat and the lights. Living by yourself means not having to sweat to death because your roommate is from the tropics and can't sleep unless there's a heavy mist in the room. And if you like to have the room fairly dark, except for a few candles, there's no problem of roomie coming home, destroying the ambiance by turning on every light in the house and saying, "Why is it so dark in here?"

The only mess in the place is yours. I've found I'm a lot more tolerant of my lapses in cleanliness than of those of anyone I'm living with. And no one's going to accidentally toss out something you need.

You don't run out of regular household items nearly as fast. Last year I lived with three other people, and we had to buy toilet paper practically every week. At the rate I'm going now, I won't need to get any until at least July.

Another big plus is you don't get teased by the answering machine. When you come home, you can be assured that any blinking light means that you have a message. No more coming in and getting a ray of hope by seeing the light flashing, only to have it dashed because it's for your roommate.

No more walking in on your roommate when he has a friend over. Enough said. Living alone isn't always fun and games, though. Of course there's no one to split the bills. And it's always your week to clean the bathtub.

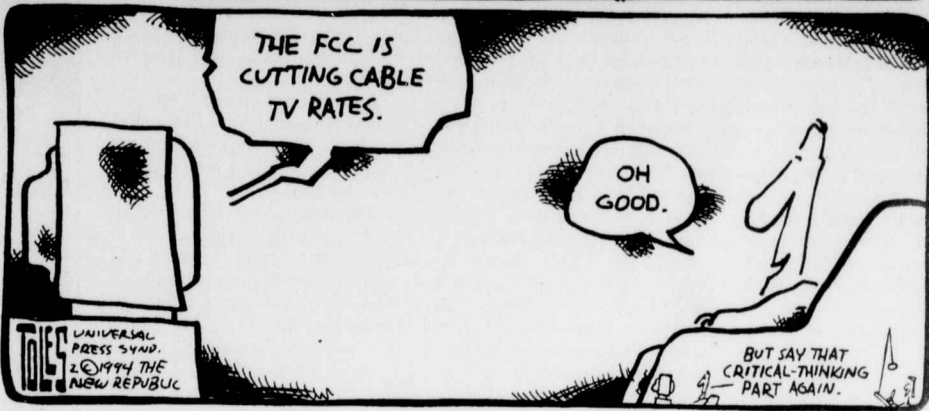
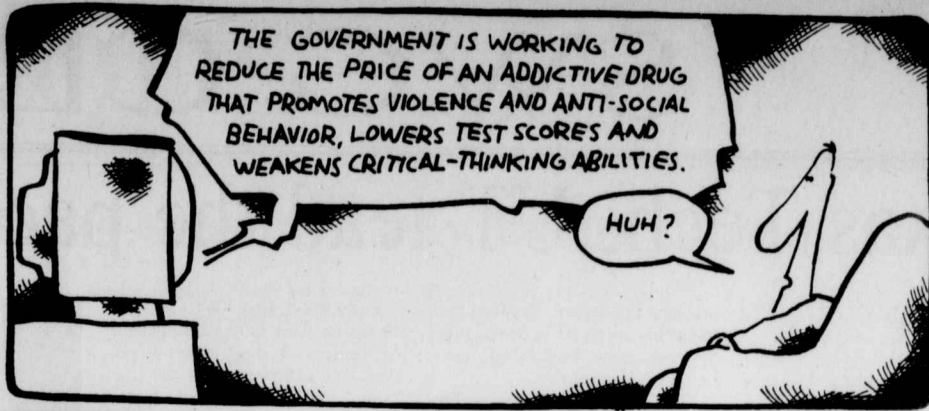
Staying a part of the rest of the world is a little more of an effort. I've made a lot of frantic phone calls to people when I've felt lonely and out of touch with society. And so far I've had all of three people see the inside of my apartment. One helped me move in when I was on crutches and couldn't even get up my stairs, and one just needed a place to stay for a couple of days while she was in town.

I've also been talking to myself a lot more. I don't know if this is normal or the first sign of psychosis. At least I'm a good conversationalist.

Living alone isn't the kind of thing I'd recommend for everyone. You have to be the type of person who can really appreciate solitude.

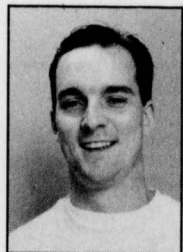
But it's the best way I know to find out if you can live with yourself.

Ben is a senior broadcast journalism and political science double major from Edmond, Okla.



COLUMNIST CLAY GAILLARD

Athletics demand higher commitment



Everybody has quite a bit to say lately about the demise of the Southwest Conference and TCU athletics; about how they got in their current state of affairs and how to pick up the pieces.

Bud Kennedy, the resident guru of the *Startlegram*, and I were talking the other day and he had the best idea about what TCU should do that I have heard to date. He said we should form a two-school conference with Tulane University. We play five football games here and five in New Orleans. Best record wins the conference, the other school takes second. But the most beautiful thing about it is no matter if we go eight and two, five and five or one and nine, we still get to go to New Orleans five times a year. Now, go ahead and try to tell me how we could have a bad year in that set-up. The only possible downside might be a bad year for crawfish.

We all have our fantasies.

Now that the collapse of the SWC seems imminent, we have the usual aftermath of destruction, but it's time to move on. We must figure out why our athletic program, excluding track, golf and tennis, is in such a dismal state.

Since the fall of 1990, when this year's graduating class entered TCU, we have had one winning football season (fall of 1991),

two winning men's basketball seasons (1990-91 and 1991-92) and NO winning women's basketball seasons. None of these winning seasons have occurred in the last two years. To somebody who didn't know any better, that might be construed as a lack of commitment to winning athletics by the university.

All schools in all sports have their up and down years, but rarely does a school have a sustained, substantial drop-off in the quality and competitiveness of three of its most visible sports.

Lois Kolkhorst, director of marketing for the athletic department, says that the drop-off did not occur because of a lack of commitment by the TCU. That may very well be true, but the perceptions the students and the community in general are getting are leaning toward the contrary.

Many parents visit every fall and spend \$18 to \$22 per ticket for the Parents Weekend game only to see scalpers next to the baseball field selling tickets in similar locations for 10 bucks. The parents feel like they were gouged on their tickets and TCU loses face. Then the university wonders why it can't get good fan support.

To get the average working guy with a wife and two kids to a TCU football game, the university has to do one of two things: either lower ticket prices enough to make it competitive with the other entertainment avenues, such as movies or the zoo, or better still, build a program that everybody wants to see perform and will shell out the extra cash for tickets.

While Kolkhorst maintains the theory

stating "that if you lower ticket prices, the world is going to beat a path to your door, is not always altogether true," it seems probable that it would be a good way to bring the people who have no formal affiliation to TCU into the stadium.

To be blunt, the administration seems to have forsaken all others for the high-fiber fans over on the shady side of the stadium; the older, established fans who are writing pretty good-sized checks to the university, anyway, so they don't really care what it costs them for the game. Those people are very important, but TCU has forgotten that their support wasn't won by catering to parents and grandparents. It was won by great football teams and great men; Sammy Baugh, Dutch Meyer and Bob Lilly, for instance. Production on the field won the fan base, but there are fewer and fewer diehard fans filling the spaces of the older ones who move away or pass on; nobody wants to ally themselves with a team that has beaten its biggest rival once in that person's lifetime. Or a school that is apparently not all that concerned about the present situation.

Kolkhorst seems to be exactly what TCU needs. She's of the new breed of athletic administration, upbeat and seemingly willing to go to great lengths to cater to the younger fan. As for filling the stadium, she quotes "Field of Dreams": "If you build it, they will come."

Let's just hope that there is something left to build on when the university decides to start construction.

Clay is a senior English major from Texhoma, Okla.

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST JEFF GREENFIELD

How could Clinton fire his wife?



fire her?"

At the time, that question seemed to many — OK, it seemed to me — a clever but misplaced point. In a time when more and more political figures were married to high-powered spouses, it seemed foolish as well as old-fashioned to bar that spouse from the corridors of power.

Now that the Whitewater issue has reached a kind of critical mass, those objections to spousal clout have taken on new force.

Why? Suppose for a moment that the worst suspicions about Whitewater prove true.

(Note to sloppy readers: I have no idea whether Hillary Rodham Clinton did anything wrong; I am making a hypothetical supposition. Got it?)

Suppose that we learn that Hillary Rodham Clinton behaved unethically during

her years at the Rose law firm. Suppose we learn that she represented a federal agency against the same clients she once did business with. Suppose it turns out that she engineered financial transactions that were somehow wrong.

(Note to sloppy readers: See above concerning "hypothetical supposition.")

What does the president do? We know what other presidents do when a close, powerful aide becomes a political embarrassment. No matter how close or how powerful the aide may have been, that aide goes.

That's what happened to Ike's Sherman Adams, to LBJ's Bobby Baker, to Ford's Earl Butz, to Carter's Bert Lance, to Reagan's Don Regan, to Bush's John Sununu. (By the time Nixon left town, he'd cleaned out too many others to count.)

If a key adviser "blots his copy book," as the British like to say, or if he simply makes too many political enemies, he takes a dive off the ship of state in order to save the captain.

Question: How, exactly, is that supposed to happen if a president's spouse is involved? It's not the same as any other close relative, because past presidents have indeed had to distance themselves from their brothers. Remember Sam Houston Johnson? Don Nixon? Billy Carter?

But how does a president distance himself from a spouse? Does he move to a separate

bedroom? Does he take the Nelson Mandela route, and legally separate?

These may sound like flip responses, but the issue couldn't be more serious. If it turns out that Hillary Rodham Clinton — who was a much more active participant than her husband in most key phases of what is now formally known as "the Whitewater mess" — committed a legal, ethical or political misdeed, I'm hard-pressed to figure out what the president could do about it.

I don't suggest for a minute that such questions mean that presidential spouses ought to confine themselves to greeting the Queen of the May in the Rose Garden. Future presidential families are likely to be much closer to the Bill-and-Hillary model than to Ron and Nancy or George and Barbara.

What Whitewater does tell us, however, is that the dismissal of hard questions many of us — OK, I — engaged in a year or so ago was too quick a response.

Maybe Whitewater will turn out to involve no misconduct of any sort on the part of Hillary Rodham Clinton. But if it turns out otherwise, this president is going to be confronted with a question none of his predecessors has ever had to ask: What do you do with a close, powerful, discredited adviser who happens to share your bed and your life?

Jeff Greenfield writes for the Universal Press Syndicate.

SWC CLASSIC

Texas Tech, UT lead the pack in Women's Classic

BY DAVID JIMENEZ
TCU DAILY SKIFF

There will be no Sheryl Swoopes in this year's Southwest Conference women's tournament. However, the SWC will still display some of the top college basketball players in the nation.

The winner of the tournament gains an automatic berth to the NCAA tournament.

Here's an overview of the teams participating:

TCU (5-19, 1-13 SWC) has the dubious honor of facing the Texas Tech Lady Raiders in the first round. The Lady Frogs finished the season with 13 straight losses.

It is going to be difficult for any team to beat the Lady Raiders in the tournament. The Lady Frogs will be overmatched by Texas Tech. It will take a near miracle for TCU to upset the Lady Raiders on Wednesday.

Baylor (13-13, 4-10 SWC) brings in perhaps the best player in the conference this year in sophomore Mary Lowry. She led the conference in scoring with a 22.9 average. Baylor's season highlight came when Lowry scored a career-high 54 points against Texas on Feb. 16.

Baylor will not likely get past its first round game against Texas A&M on Wednesday. However, the Bears could cause problems in the tournament if Lowry gets hot and sophomore post Amber Seaton (15.4 ppg and 8.4 rebounds per game over the past 11 games) gives Baylor an inside game to complement the perimeter game.

Rice (13-13, 5-9 SWC) has played good team defense all year long. The Owls rank second in the conference in points allowed per game (65.3 ppg), field goal percentage defense (39.2 percent) and steals (11 per game).

However, Rice has had offensive

problems this season. The Owls rank last in the conference in scoring (68.2 ppg) and next to last in field goal percentage (41 percent).

The Owls will need strong offensive performances from posts junior Brenda Conaway and Nicki Manzo in the tournament. However, expect Rice to lose to Texas in the first round of the tournament.

Houston (11-14, 5-9 SWC) comes into the tournament playing well. After starting 1-5 in the conference, the Lady Cougars have won five of its last nine games, including a 74-63 win over Texas A&M.

Houston is led by freshman forward Pat Luckey. Luckey is averaging 19.1 ppg and 8.6 rpg. Luckey, along with Texas freshman guard Danielle Viglione, is a top candidate for SWC newcomer of the year.

Houston will lose to SMU in the first round unless the Lady Cougars get a stellar team defensive performance.

SMU (17-7, 8-6 SWC) is coming into the tournament on a roll. The Lady Mustangs lost sophomore post Kim Brungardt (12.3 ppg and 7.2 rpg in 1992-93) to a leg injury in January, and they started off with a 1-4 record in conference play.

However, SMU has won seven of its last nine and Brungardt is back in the lineup.

Sophomore guard Jennifer McLaughlin (16.9 ppg) and senior forward Leslie Frazier (14.6 ppg and 24 three-pointers made) are the keys to SMU's perimeter offense. Sophomore post Kerri Delaney (15.6 ppg, 51 percent from the field and 7.9 rpg) paces the inside game.

SMU is a real sleeper in the tournament. The Lady Mustangs played the entire conference season without Brungardt and still finished in fourth place. They should be inspired to play well since they are playing for an NCAA tournament berth.

Texas (18-8, 10-4 SWC) finished the season with a third place finish in the conference, their lowest finish ever. The main reason is that the Lady Longhorns have three freshmen and one sophomore in the starting lineup. But despite the youth movement, Texas still won 18 games.

Texas finished second in the conference in scoring with 81.2 points per game. The Lady Longhorns are led by Viglione (20.8 points and 98 three-pointers).

With head coach Jody Conradt running the show, Texas is a threat to win the tournament. Viglione will need help from her supporting cast of freshman forward Amie Smith (10 rebounds per game) and sophomore guard Nekeshia Henderson.

Texas A&M (20-6, 11-3 SWC) finished the regular season in second place, its highest finish ever. The Lady Aggies have the top inside-outside punch in the SWC.

Sophomore post Martha McClelland (17 points and 8.5 rebounds per game over the past four games) is difficult to stop when she gets close to the basket. Sophomore guard Lisa Branch (15.8 points per contest, 44 3-pointers made and 6.7 assists per game) is Texas A&M's career leader in assists.

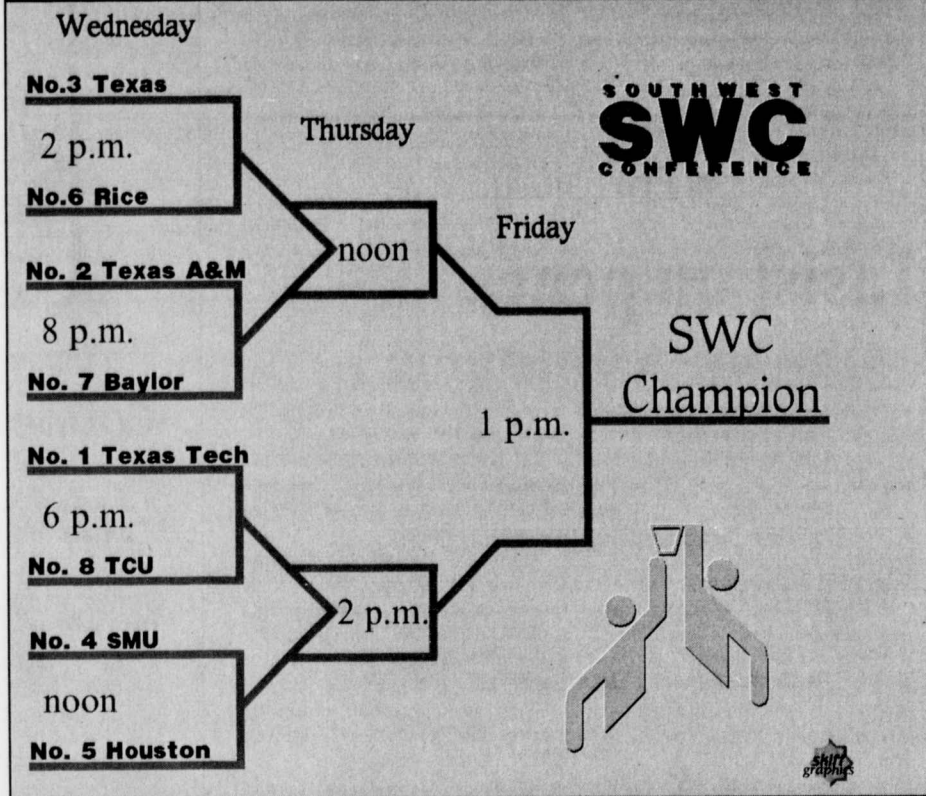
Texas A&M had a great year, but it will be difficult for the Lady Aggies to win the tournament. The Lady Aggies are still suffering from a 109-75 loss to Texas Tech on Saturday.

Texas Tech (24-3, 12-2 SWC) is on the verge of creating a dynasty in the SWC. The Lady Raiders are looking to capture their third straight post season title.

Texas Tech has a dominant inside game, led by junior forward Connie Robinson (18 points and 7.5 rebounds per game) and senior post

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Dr Pepper Southwest Conference Women's Classic



Lady Frogs looking to shock Texas Tech in SWC tourney

BY DAVID JIMENEZ
TCU DAILY SKIFF

It is a new season for the TCU women's basketball team.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The new season begins for the Lady Frogs Wednesday night at the Dr. Pepper Southwest Conference Women's Classic at Moody Coliseum in Dallas.

The Lady Frogs (5-19, 1-13 SWC) will face the No. 6 Texas Tech Lady Red Raiders at 6 p.m.

TCU currently has a 13-game losing streak. Its last win came on Jan. 6 against the Houston Cougars at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

The Lady Frogs finished the regular season with a 99-70 loss against the Texas Lady Longhorns on Sunday in Austin.

TCU has not had any success against the Lady Raiders over the past two years. The Lady Frogs were 0-5 against Texas Tech during that span. The Lady Raiders have won those games by an average of more than 41 points a game.

Last year in the SWC tournament, Texas Tech defeated the Lady Frogs 107-50 in the first round. The 57 point margin is the largest in SWC tournament history.

This year, TCU lost both games to Tech by more than 25 points, including an 89-63 loss to the Lady Raiders on March 2.

TCU head coach Shell Robinson said playing in the conference tournament will be similar to playing in the regular season.

"There is no difference," Robinson said. "We're playing the same teams we've playing all year."

Texas Tech (24-3, 12-2 SWC) comes into the tournament as the No. 1 seed and the favorite to win the tourney.

The Lady Raiders, ranked sixth nationally, earned the No. 1 seed by

winning the regular season championship with a 109-75 victory over the Texas A&M Lady Aggies on Saturday in Lubbock.

Texas Tech is led by its strong inside game. Junior forward Connie Robinson and senior post Michi Atkins pace the Lady Raiders' post game.

Robinson scored a career-high 34 points on Feb. 26 against the Rice Owls. She has averaged 18 points per game in the two meetings against the Lady Frogs this year.

"We have to contain Connie Robinson," Shell Robinson said. "We can't let her get out of hand."

Texas Tech head coach Marsha Sharp said her team will need to play a strong game to beat TCU.

"We need to make them take perimeter shots," Sharp said. "We also need to keep them out of transition."

The winner of TCU-Texas Tech game will play the winner of the SMU-Houston game on Friday at 2 p.m. at Reunion Arena in Dallas.

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Sports

SPORTSBRIEFS

Baseball game rescheduled

The TCU-UT-Arlington baseball game, scheduled for Tuesday, has been moved up to Wednesday due to weather. Rain forced the postponement of the Tuesday game. The two teams will meet Wednesday at 2:30 at the TCU Baseball Diamond.

Tennis team reschedules match

The men's tennis match between TCU and SMU, originally scheduled for Tuesday, has been changed to March 29. The match will be played at SMU's Haggard Tennis Stadium in Dallas. The No. 17 Frogs will still host Illinois on Thursday at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center.

Texas cracks Associated Press poll

The University of Texas' men's basketball team is ranked No. 25 in the latest Associated Press Top 25 poll. The Longhorns have won 15 of their last 16 ballgames, and claimed the SWC regular season title last week. The Longhorns will open the Dr. Pepper Southwest Conference Classic against TCU Thursday. Arkansas remained No. 1 in the poll, with Connecticut, Missouri, North Carolina and Duke rounding out the top five.

Men's tennis team to battle Arkansas

By LEE PENDER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

This week will be busy for the TCU men's tennis team. TCU will make its home debut against Illinois tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center.

MEN'S TENNIS

The Frogs will then play Arkansas in Dallas Sunday. Illinois are not as good as Arkansas, TCU head coach Tut Bartzan said. Having that match to prepare for Arkansas will be good for the Frogs.

"I'm really glad we've got matches this week to keep sharpening," he said. "Our guys play better when they play more."

The first match will serve as a warm-up for Sunday's match against Arkansas. TCU sophomore David Roditi said.

"We can play a little better and get a little more confidence," Roditi said.

The match against Arkansas will be the toughest and most important of the week, Bartzan said. Arkansas is ranked No. 22 in the nation in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association poll. TCU is No. 17 in the poll.

TCU and Arkansas could meet again later in the season with an NCAA Championship tournament berth at stake.

The two schools are in the same region. The top four teams in each region in the nation are selected by the National Tournament Committee to compete in the

NCAA regional qualifying tournament, which TCU will host May 13-15.

The winner of this tournament receives an automatic bid to the NCAA Championships to be held May 20-29 in South Bend, Ind.

TCU beat Louisiana State last Saturday, 5-2. It was the third win in a row for the Frogs. But TCU suffered a rare doubles defeat to the Tigers.

"We thought we had to win the doubles to beat them," Bartzan said. "The surprising thing is that we lost the doubles and played well in the singles."

LSU's style of doubles was different from what TCU has seen before, Roditi said.

"They play a very different style of doubles," he said. "You don't have any rhythm."

TCU needs to work more as a team to play better doubles this week, he said.

Despite losing season, Lady Frogs show promise



by Rick Waters
Sports Columnist

The TCU women's basketball team will probably conclude another losing season Wednesday in a loss to nationally-ranked Texas Tech at the Dr. Pepper Southwest Conference Classic in Dallas.

Oh sure, an unknown assailant could hit each Lady Raider on the leg with a pipe just before tip-off, but even then, odds makers would still take Tech.

But don't chalk up the season as another sad chapter in the annals of TCU women's basketball. The Lady Frogs (5-19, 1-13 SWC) have taken baby steps to respectability — something they've never had before.

Whether Wednesday's game is a blowout or single-digit loss, the Lady Frogs will not disgrace themselves. They have yet to do so this season.

The Lady Frogs' hustle and determination have shone through this season despite their dubious record. Their pressing, never-say-die attitude adds to their underdog image. Too many times Lady Frog games have been tagged "close but no cigar." The improvement is obvious.

Sure, it doesn't look that way. The Lady Frogs are posting a similar win-loss result as they have the past 10 seasons. Women's basketball at TCU has been pathetic, to put it honestly.

The Lady Frogs are 83-215 overall during that 10-year span. Twelve

wins is the best anyone's gotten from them — and that came in 1987-88.

Conference play hasn't been any better. TCU has won only 28 games against SWC foes in 178 tries since the Lady Frogs joined the conference in 1982-83.

Conference play has been one big losing streak after another for TCU. The team broke a 38-game SWC losing streak on the final conference game of last season, a 76-60 win over Houston. Currently, the Lady Frogs have dropped 13 consecutive conference games.

But these statistics are meaningless, because change has been ushered in and given time will make a difference, said Athletic Director Frank Windegger.

"The (women's) team has played very hard and has made tremendous improvement," Windegger said. "They play very hard even up to the final 30 seconds. They're still diving for loose balls and hustling."

The changes began with a coaching change last spring. On March 30, former TCU coach Fran Garmon resigned unexpectedly after her 10th losing season as the Lady Frogs leader.

First-year assistant coach Shell Robinson became the new head coach almost two weeks later on April 12. Ever since, the Lady Frogs have taken the smart but painful steps to make TCU women's basketball a winner.

The Lady Frogs scheduled tougher non-conference opponents to prepare the team for SWC play, rather than fill up the early schedule with weak opponents just to get token wins. Real improvement begins with playing the best teams, the bullies, not the weaker foes from years before.

In 1993-94, TCU faced Colorado, Oklahoma State, Mississippi and Wyoming — all top 25 teams at some time during the year.

It is a cliché to say that these big games will give the younger players the experience they'll need for future seasons, but it is true.

Younger players like Nicole Perdue, Kayla Courtade, Marie Ramos and Christa Curtis will be the Lady Frogs that bring TCU out of the mire of the SWC cellar. Redshirt freshmen Leah Garcia and Stacy Price will add strength to the backcourt in future seasons.

Coach Robinson has shown her ability to recruit, an attribute that made her a natural choice to replace Garmon.

"Robinson is a proven recruiter and she has demonstrated her ability as a student-athlete," Windegger said in an April 13 *Skiff* article announcing Robinson as the new coach. "Those are the kinds of things we are looking for and want to continue in the women's basketball program."

Now, Robinson must prove her coaching ability in the coming seasons. With a solid senior duo of Stephani Gray and Janelle Hunter and the experience of the sophomores, TCU fans could realistically see the Lady Frogs finish in the middle of the pack in the SWC next season.

son. Robinson has contemporized the Lady Frogs' style, striving for hard-nosed, in-your-face defense and fast-breaking, up-tempo offense. Definitely 1990s basketball.

But with the improvement of the women's basketball team, fan support must also get better.

Attendance at women's home games is pathetic. This season an average of less than 500 fans cheered on the Lady Frogs each game. Sadly though, many of those few fans were supporting the opponent. Alumni comprised the majority of the Frog faithful. Students need to become more involved.

The sports promotions people have worked overtime to bolster support of both basketball teams, most recently giving \$150 cash to the charity of the most outrageous fans.

Lois Kolkhorst has come up with just about every possible game involving a basketball, some rope and a blindfold to give away textbook discounts at the bookstore and SWC Tournament tickets. But the support just is not there.

Come on fans, do we want a winner at TCU?

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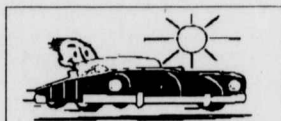


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News

Professor to speak on politics in business

By CHRISTI GIFFORD AND GINGER RICHARDSON
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Political influence and its affect on the business world is the focus of a seminar held by the M.J. Neeley School of Business management department.

The lecture, to be given from 3 to 5 p.m. today in Tandy Hall Room 120, features Gerald R. Ferris, professor of labor and industrial relations at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Ferris' lecture, *The Politics of Human Resource Systems: Theory, Research and Practice* discusses why certain decisions are made in the business world.

Ferris, also a professor of business administration and psychology and the Caterpillar Foundation University Scholar at the University of Illinois, is concerned with why decision

making is so subjective. "Over the year, a handful of scholars that are both nationally and internationally known visit with the faculty and students. Ferris is one of these," Stuart Youngblood, research professor of management, said.

"Ferris has been interested in how people get things done. Supervisors purposely distort information," he said. "There are cases where supervisors are motivated to make a biased decision."

Youngblood said that Ferris wants to explain the process rather than just accepting the current role that politics play in business.

"Rather than people throwing up their hands and saying, 'It's politics,' Ferris has tried to explain what the process is," Youngblood said.

Performance appraisal and how politics enter this aspect of business is Ferris' area of expertise, he said.

The Neeley School of Business

often invites scholars to speak at TCU because they are known in the department through professional activities and mutual acquaintances, Youngblood said.

Ferris and Youngblood became acquainted because they were previously employed together at Texas A&M.

"Usually academics are really good about coming and sharing their knowledge," Youngblood said. "The Visiting Scholar Program is an ongoing endeavor by Neeley."

"We try to announce it in as wide a fashion as possible, and invite anybody from campus," he said.

Other visiting scholars will be speaking at the M.J. Neeley School of Business in early April and May.

The seminar will be open to all faculty, staff and graduate students and a reception will be held immediately following the lecture.

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Michi Atkins (15.7 points per game and 6.8 rebounds). Add junior guard Noel Johnson to the mix (78 three-pointers made), and the Lady Raiders have good inside-outside combination.

The Lady Red Raiders come into the tournament as favorites to capture the crown. But they will get stiff competition from Texas A&M, Texas and SMU.

There should be no major upsets this year in the tournament. Texas Tech, obviously the best team in the field, should advance to the final with ease. Texas is the other strong contender, and the Lady Longhorns will be the Raiders main competition. In the end, Texas Tech will cruise to its third straight tourney championship.

Bush, Richards secure governor nominations

Senate: Hutchison gets wave for Republicans; Mattox, Fisher top two Democratic choices

By MICHAEL HOLMES
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN (AP)—Three Democrats duelled Tuesday for their party's U.S. Senate nomination as Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison waltzed to the GOP nomination over six little-known opponents.

TEXAS

Hutchison received 89 percent of the vote in the first returns.

Democratic Gov. Ann Richards and Republican George W. Bush, eldest son of the former president, had no trouble winning their respective party nominations to set up what is expected to be a heated general election battle.

"Now the real race begins, and Ann Richards is going to work starting tonight," said Chuck McDonald, campaign spokesman for the governor.

In the Democratic Senate race, former attorney general Jim Mattox was vying with former Ross Perot adviser Richard Fisher and U.S. Rep. Mike Andrews of Houston.

Initial returns showed Mattox with 45 percent, Fisher with 35 percent, Andrews with 15 percent and the fourth candidate, Lyndon LaRouche follower Evelyn Lantz, at 5 percent.

If no candidate won more than 50 percent, the top two would advance to an April 12 runoff.

The election came just a month after state ethics charges against Hutchison were dropped.

Hutchison said the outcome proved that her case was politically motivated by Democrats resentful over the special election in which she got 67 percent of the vote against Democratic Sen. Bob Krueger.

Voting was reported slow across much of the state, partly due to snow. Secretary of State John Hannah, the state's chief election officer, forecast only a 16.5 percent turnout. Mattox and Andrews said they were concerned about how a light turnout could affect results.

While Hutchison had expected little

trouble, the Democrats fought to the wire. If no candidate won more than 50 percent Tuesday, the top two finishers would advance to an April 12 runoff.

Mattox, a two-term attorney general who lost the bitter 1990 gubernatorial primary to Richards, called the race "a referendum for the heart and soul of the Democratic Party in Texas."

Polis showed his chief rival for the nomination to be Fisher, former adviser to independent presidential candidate Ross Perot.

Primary voters also were filling out slates for the other six statewide offices, the 30 seats in the U.S. House, all 31 seats in the Texas Senate and all 150 seats in the Texas House, two seats on the Railroad Commission, and three seats each on the Texas Supreme Court and the Court of Criminal Appeals.

Five Democrats seeking statewide office were unopposed — Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, Attorney General Dan Morales, Land Commissioner Gary Mauro, Comptroller John Sharp and agriculture commissioner candidate Marvin Gregory.

Four Republicans also were unopposed: Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry, lieutenant governor candidate Tex Lezar, comptroller hopeful Teresa Doggett and land commissioner candidate Marta Greytok.

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Fort Worth Ballet through a friend who also defected a few years before. He came down and auditioned and was immediately offered a job by Artistic Director Paul Mejia. Gaidamakin has been a principle dancer with the company ever since.

Gaidamakin said he is very happy to be with the ballet here. "I am 38 years old and still learning new things every day," he said.

Ballet is not just a job for Gaidamakin. It's his life.

"You have to sacrifice everything in your life for ballet," he said. "In a sense, I died and then became a dancer."

A friend and former co-worker of Gaidamakin's, Perry Brown, said Gaidamakin's love and passion for ballet are clearly evident and revealed to his audience through his expressive dancing.

Gaidamakin said he loves dancing in America, but performances can be stressful and difficult.

"If you're Russian, the audience expects something special — they come looking to be impressed," he said.

Brown said Gaidamakin has never failed to impress an audience and that his incredible talent and technique have earned him many standing ovations for numerous lead roles.

When he is not rehearsing with the company Gaidamakin is busy pursuing a court case that he's been battling for the last five years.

Gaidamakin is not yet an American citizen. In 1989, the year he defected, he filed for political asylum, but the judge decided it wasn't necessary because at the time relations between the Soviet Union and America were good.

Although he does have a visa, until

he is granted political asylum Gaidamakin won't be eligible for a green card, which he needs in order to travel outside the United States.

Therefore Gaidamakin has filed again, this time trying to prove it would be in the United States' national interest to have him as a resident.

Joseph Nugent, also a Fort Worth Ballet dancer, believes it is in the United States' best interest to grant Gaidamakin political asylum.

"Misha has an inherent pathos about his art that cannot be emulated by any American," Nugent said. "He can suffer on stage better than anyone."

Nugent said he believes Gaidamakin's ability to move an audience makes him worthy of the political asylum he deserves.

Gaidamakin said that when he does finally get his green card he would like to visit his family in Russia, who he has not seen since 1989.

Although he said he would do it the same if he had to do it over again, even after five years Gaidamakin still finds his defection a difficult subject to talk about and even has recurring nightmares about that day.

"The day I stepped out of that Manhattan hotel to begin my new life is a day I will always remember, and a step I will never regret," he said.

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This broad focus is also a change from past meetings, McLinden said.


"Usually there are a number of imminent concerns the students want addressed — parking, food service — the general things you hear that are a problem for students."

"In the past two years the House has combined with other organizations to eliminate those concerns," he said. "There's nothing of major concern that can be changed immediately."

Some of the long-term issues that will be discussed are improving services and facilities for the handicapped, improving intramural and intercollegiate athletic facilities, bringing more international and male students to the university and determining the role of faculty in the future.

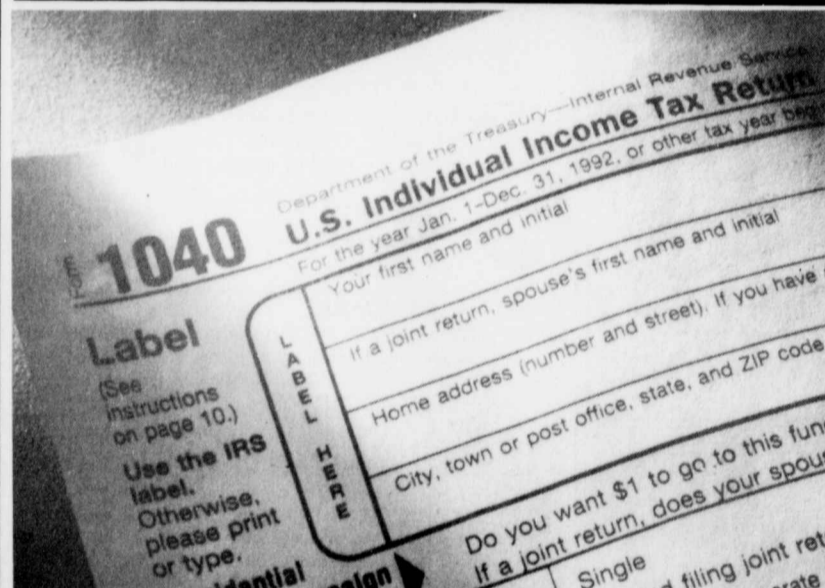
"During the past year we've changed the parking as much as we can until the money's available for a garage," McLinden said. "These are things where we'd like to see our university moving and to see if we can reach a common ground and move in a direction that both groups agree on."

The five trustees on the Student Relations Committee will present the issues raised to the full Board at its March 25 meeting.



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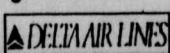
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