

# TCU Daily Skiff

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## Women making gains in hunt for gender equality on campus

By BEN JOHNSON  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Women have seen their numbers slowly but surely increase in holding higher positions on campus, and most agree that the attitude toward women in the TCU work force keeps getting better.

Some faculty and staff have seen definite improvements in the perception of women in the campus work force over the years. Jill Laster, assistant vice chancellor for business services, said gender bias on the whole is much less noticeable now than when she first came to TCU.

She said she saw much more bias toward women in the work force when she was director of use of facilities and rural property in the

early 1980s, but not with staff on campus. "Internally, I've never experienced a problem," Laster said.

She did have some bad experiences in her earlier staff job with ranchers and other non-TCU personnel who were not used to dealing with women in high positions, she said, and often received phone calls asking for Jim instead of Jill. The callers assumed a woman would not occupy her position.

One of the most memorable incidents of sexism Laster encountered was when a man came into her office soon after she started work at facilities and rural services, she said.

"He took one look at me, and said 'My God, you're a woman,'" she said. "I just said, 'Yes, I am.'"

He told her he knew this was going to hap-

pen someday when women were given the vote and promptly left her office, she said.

Laster said she does not see much overt sexism on campus anymore. However, co-workers are sometimes unsure how to relate to women in certain situations, such as in informal meetings away from the office, she said.

"You kind of get that unease of, 'We don't know how to react here,'" she said.

The administration, and work force on campus in general, she said, is very sensitive to women's issues now, though.

The administration usually deals with these sort of concerns not as specifically a women's issue, she said, but as doing what is appropriate for the students and faculty as a whole.

"It's a more inclusive approach," she said.

Emma Baker, director of scholarships and student financial aid, said she has found the environment at TCU to be very supportive of women in staff positions, although she could not compare it to other places, since this is the only place she has worked.

Baker said some of her associates in the corporate world have had less pleasant experiences than herself, however.

"I know when I talk to women in corporate America, I'm glad to work here at the university," she said.

Priscilla Tate, associate dean of the university's AddRan College of Arts and Sciences, said the role of women in the work force at TCU has changed over the years.

"There have been some changes in atti-

tude," she said. "People are becoming more aware of what's appropriate as opposed to a few years ago."

For example, Tate said she does not hear men refer to women in the office as "hon" or other potentially sexist terms as much.

Some departments, such as English, have always had a larger than average number of female faculty members, due to the nature of the field. Recently, however, some departments, such as those in the physical sciences, which are traditionally dominated by males, are trying to attract qualified women.

"By and large the departments are pretty good at considering when there's an opportunity to hire women and minorities onto the

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## House hears dating code suggestions

By MARK FLANAGAN  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The House of Student Representatives discussed Tuesday changes in the university's sexual harassment policy, and members were briefed on the March 10 meeting of the Student Relations Committee of the Board of Trustees.

A question and answer session concerning the consensual dating rule within the sexual harassment policy was also held. Director of Student Activities Susan Batchelor and Faculty Senate Chair-elect Gregg Franzwa were present to answer questions about the faculty's proposal.

The Student Concerns Committee and the Academic Affairs Committee discussed a resolution to support the changes in the sexual harassment policy, said Jeff Benson, student concerns chairman and a freshman pre-major. The Faculty Senate, the Student Concerns Committee and Academic Affairs Committee submitted resolutions about the policy to the House.

The current policy allows students to date their teachers or advisers, Benson said. The proposal is a compromise between the existing policy and the policies of other universities.

The proposed changes would allow students and faculty to date, as long as the student is not under the direct or indirect supervision of the faculty member, he said.

An indirect supervisor would include a dean of a college, chair of a department or another instructor within a student's major.

The proposal will be debated and voted on at next Tuesday's meeting.

In other business, House President

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Rob Laney, right, graduate student in music education, spins "The Price Is Right" wheel during the CBS College Tour Monday at Frog Fountain. Laney won five boxes of candy, three of which he threw to the crowd.

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## Three companies offer cable deals

### Mills hopeful university's needs are met by out-of-state proposals

By RICK WATERS  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

University officials are reviewing the cable television proposals received Friday from three out-of-state companies, said Don Mills, vice chancellor for student affairs.

"Right now we have people in the physical plant, financial offices, Tager TV and student affairs looking at the proposals," he said. "We have about eight or nine people total reviewing the proposals."

Among the companies which responded were Antenna and Satellite Technologies from Louisiana, College Cable Services from Kentucky and Campus TeleVideo from Connecticut. University officials expected to receive between three and five proposals Friday, which was the deadline for companies to respond to the university.

Mills said all three proposals were

about what the university expected, but he would not comment specifically on the proposals' content.

"I think what we asked for, we have pretty much got," he said. "I feel like we are making progress on this issue. I feel good about it."

The cable companies' proposals likely include how the company plans to install cable TV, what programming students would receive and what it would cost each student, Mills told the Skiff March 10.

The university sent a proposal in February to five cable TV companies explaining the campus residence halls' layout and students' programming preferences, Mills said.

Mills said university officials plan to choose the best proposal for both TCU and students and will contact that company by the end of the semester.

"Assuming we like one (proposal)

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By CHRISTY HAWKINS  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Roderick P. Hart, visiting Green Honors Chair Professor of speech communications, said Tuesday that television has had a negative influence on politics.

Hart, a scholar of political communication and the presidency, told about 50 people that television has taken the focus of politics away from the issues.

"The simple argument is that we live in a clever age and this age has changed politics," he said.

Hart said television has increasingly made politics busy, pretty, cozy and clever.

## Speaker explores media's negative effect on politics

"Television has made people feel good about feeling bad about politics," Hart said.

Television has made politics busy by focusing on appearance instead of issues, he said. By

watching political action on television people feel they are participating enough and do not go out and vote.

That factor may explain the apathy of Texas voters in the primary election last week, Hart said.

Television is also making politics prettier by showing public figures in more ceremonial or ritualistic settings, he said, and not in vulnerable positions, such as press conferences.

"Press conferences make politicians more vulnerable since they are being questioned and do not necessarily control the agenda," Hart said.

Television also causes something Hart calls "categorical blurring," or making it hard for Americans to distinguish politicians from entertainment figures, since both are highly visible on television, he said. Examples of categorical blurring include Bill Clinton playing the

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## Campus police thwart auto theft; thief gets away

By HEIDI MCINTYRE AND CHRIS NEWTON  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Campus Police spotted a man trying to break into a student's car in the University Christian Church parking lot at 1:45 p.m. Monday. Before police could apprehend him, he disappeared in the parking lot.

Four Campus Police cars approached the scene as officers searched the parking lot at McPhearson and Rogers streets for the man.

The officer on patrol spotted the man attempting to open the left rear window of a vehicle. Two other officers and Campus Police Chief Oscar Stewart came to the scene to assist.

Although the reporting officer had the suspect in sight, by the time he pulled his car to the other

end of the lot the suspect disappeared, Stewart said.

"He must have eased out of the lot car by car because we searched the entire lot closely and no one was there," he said.

The four officers searched every car underneath, all around and inside, Stewart said, but the suspect was already gone.

Students walking to their cars were advised that an officer had spotted someone attempting to break into a car and to be sure to look in their cars again to make sure everything was safe, Stewart said.

The suspect was described in the police report as a Hispanic male, 5-foot-7, between the ages of 16 and 20.

Stewart said it was lucky that the suspect was

seen before he was able to break in.

"It's good that the officer was checking down there," Stewart said. "It's out of the normal route, but officers make a sweep through there once in a while because students park there."

The owner of the vehicle was contacted and appeared on the scene. The student said the frame of the driver's side back window and the window itself were the only parts damaged and estimated the cost of repairs at about \$500.

Chief Stewart said attempted car break-ins happen "quite often."

"We've caught quite a few," he said. "We don't catch all of them, but we've caught quite a few."

Crime Prevention Sgt. Connie Villela said stu-

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### NEWS DIGEST

#### Teen held for shooting

FORT WORTH (AP) — A 16-year-old was taken for questioning about the shooting of a 10-year-old boy hit by a stray bullet during a gang fight, police say.

The teen-ager was taken on Monday night on a warrant for carjacking and was being held in juvenile detention.

Jessie Torrance was shot Sunday afternoon and is recovering in a hospital, officials said.

#### Protest follows escort service bust

AUSTIN (AP) — About a dozen people demonstrated outside the Travis County Courthouse to protest the police department's handling of a prostitution case.

Two 24-year-old women have been charged with prostitution in connection with the operation of Aimes Escort Service.

The alleged owner of Aimes, James Bunch, 45, was found shot to death Feb. 18, in an apparent suicide. Days earlier, he was charged with aggravated promotion of prostitution.

#### Bullet train project may end

AUSTIN (AP) — A bullet train that hasn't gotten on track may be near the end of the line.

State officials Tuesday notified Texas TGV Corp. that it will consider termination of the franchise to build an \$8.4 billion high-speed rail system connecting the state's major cities.

But before a termination proceeding can be started, Texas TGV will have a chance to show it has done what was required to keep the franchise, said Marc Burns, executive director of the High-Speed Rail Authority.

#### U.S. gunship crashes off Kenya

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — Seven crewmen who died when a U.S. gunship crashed off Kenya may have tried to parachute too late. Rescue teams searched the waters offshore Tuesday for a missing crewman who reportedly jumped clear of the aircraft.

Lt. Col. Mike Gannon, speaking from the scene, said six crew members survived, including three who stayed in the Spectre gunship when it ditched in the Indian Ocean late Monday 75 miles north of Mombasa and just 200 yards offshore.

#### TCU Calendar

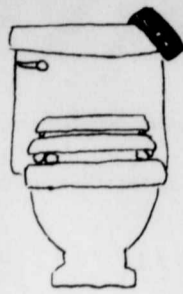
Today:

•Noon, University Chapel, Robert Carr Chapel.

•2:30 p.m. TCU Baseball vs. Mississippi, TCU Baseball Diamond.

•7 p.m. Lecture by Green Honor Chair John A. Moore, "Creation I: The Religious Paradigm," Sid Richardson Lecture Hall I. Admission is free. ("Creation II: The Scientific Paradigm" is Thursday).

### The Beaten Path



For when regularity is like a candle in the wind . . .

by P.D. Magnus

### Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



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

Let's Go Abroad will be meeting at noon today in the Pit for "Free Your Mind." Anyone interested in discussing international affairs is invited.

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.

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. Call 921-7803.

Learning Differences Support Group seminar from 7 to 9 p.m. March 25 at the Starpoint School, 2829 Stadium Drive. The topic of discussion will be "Parenthood: LD/ADD Style." The fee is \$2 per person. Call 923-8689, 737-4818 or 732-8846.

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.

Habitat for Humanity groups will leave for work by 8:30 a.m. Saturdays from the front doors of the Student Center. Participants are encouraged to wear old clothes, thick-soled shoes and work gloves

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

Drinking and driving don't mix.

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saxophone on "The Arsenio Hall Show" and the comments Dan Quayle made regarding fictional TV character Murphy Brown, Hart said. "The politicians' attempts to be pretty hinder their jobs," he said. Television has made politicians "more cozy," Hart said, as the public becomes increasingly interested in politicians' personal lives and not issues. There is no need for party allegiance when we have television to send candidates, he said. Hart said that television satisfies what he called people's "arrogance of the eye." "We trust our eyes," he said. "Television gives us a sense that we are there, but we really are not."

Television also increases the cleverness of politics by allowing cynical commentary about politics, Hart said. "We live in an age of cynicism," he said. "Cynicism is the natural human response to the absurdities of life." Hart said Dennis Miller, formerly of "Saturday Night Live," is a popular cynic for three reasons: "When you speak cynically you can prove you are young, contemporary and communal." Cynics are system-threatening because they comment without participating, he said, but cynicism is reversible. "People need to remember that politics is their business and that the media drives people out of politics," Hart said. Hart is Lidell Professor of Communication and Professor of Government at the University of Texas at Austin.

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dents can improve their chances of avoiding a car burglary by investing in various crime prevention devices. "The Club, an alarm system and car-marking are all good ways to keep your car from getting stolen or burglarized," she said. "Having your car marked by the Fort Worth Police Department, which etches in code numbers into the glass, makes auto thieves a little more cautious about stealing a car," she said. "They know that if they steal it, they will have to replace all of the windows." While it is safer to park on campus than off campus, there are also some campus parking lots that are safer than others, Villela said.

"The Student Center parking lot is obviously the safest, then the Colby lot and the Moncrief lot," she said. "The parking lots around the coliseum are also under a great deal of surveillance." Villela said the best thing everyone on campus can do is to "Watch out for car burglars and call the police when they see someone acting suspicious in a parking lot."

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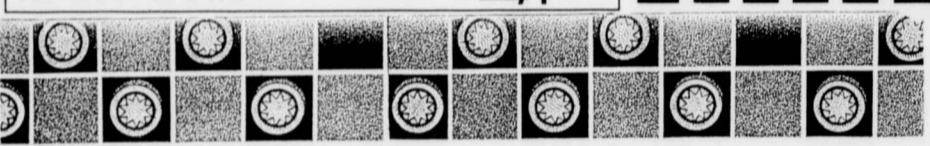
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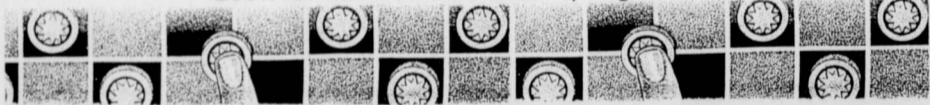


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### EDITORIAL

## Deserving a voice

Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes in 1919 outlined a theory for freedom of speech and expression that college students today should remember and put to use to improve their education and ultimately find solutions to the many problems that face our nation.

"When men have realized that time has upset many fighting faiths," wrote Holmes in his dissenting opinion in *Abrams v. United States*, "they may come to believe even more than they believe the very foundations of their own conduct that the ultimate good desired is better reached by free trade in ideas — that the best test of truth is the power of the thought to get itself accepted in the competition of the market and that truth is the only ground upon which their wishes safely can be carried out."

Holmes believed the U.S. Constitution allows all ideas — no matter how loathsome, prophetic or imperfect — to be introduced into the general society. Then, once the ideas are presented, the citizens are free to discuss, question and investigate them. In addition, citizens have the responsibility to decide whether to accept or reject the ideas.

As a result of Holmes' and others' insight, citizens gained the opportunity and liberty to consider solutions to problems, think of different methods and examine unexplored paths without the fear of being suppressed before being heard. When exercised, the theory stimulated intellectual thought, carefully conceived opinions and problem-solving.

Today, though citizens freely express their thoughts and opinions, some, especially college students, are failing to uphold the second obligation of Holmes theory, the duty to question, investigate and consider ideas.

For the marketplace of ideas theory to work, we should be inquisitive, pensive, tolerant and active in the pursuit of debating and investigating issues that surround our community and the world today.

The theory calls for letters to the editor, discussions at the dinner table, voters at polling booths and attendance at school board and city council meetings.

Unfortunately, though the technological revolution has brought thousands of new ways to communicate ideas and opinions, some students no longer possess the thoughtfulness to question new ideas, the energy to debate opinions or the ingenuity to solve problems.

Students, it seems, are perfectly willing to bury their heads in the sand and let others decide whether to remedy the ills of society, such as deteriorating cities, genocide in Bosnia or guns in school, or

simply ignore them.

For example, in the classrooms at TCU, often the most difficult task facing an instructor is not synthesizing answers to students' tough questions, but rather getting students to ask questions.

Over 100 students fill the lecture hall to attend The Congress and the Presidency, which is taught by former Speaker of the House of Representatives Jim Wright. Wright spent more than 30 years in Congress and had a hand in such major political events as helping negotiate the peace settlement between Israel and Egypt and overseeing democratic elections in Nicaragua.

But when the chance at the end of class comes for students to ask questions and tap into the mind of one of the most influential political leaders in recent American history, most of the time Wright must require students to ask at least two questions before he dismisses them.

Monday the House of Representatives sponsored a town-hall meeting for students to ask questions of the administrators of our university.

In attendance to answer student queries were Vice Chancellor for Advancement Bronson Davis, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Don Mills, Athletic Director Frank Windeger and head football coach Pat Sullivan.

The students who attended the meeting asked good, thought-provoking questions, but unfortunately the administrators' answers were weak and evasive.

The House gave a good effort, but next time, it should invite some administrators who will give strong, frank answers. The students have made the attempt to break the barrier between student body and third-floor Sadler; now the administrators should take us seriously.

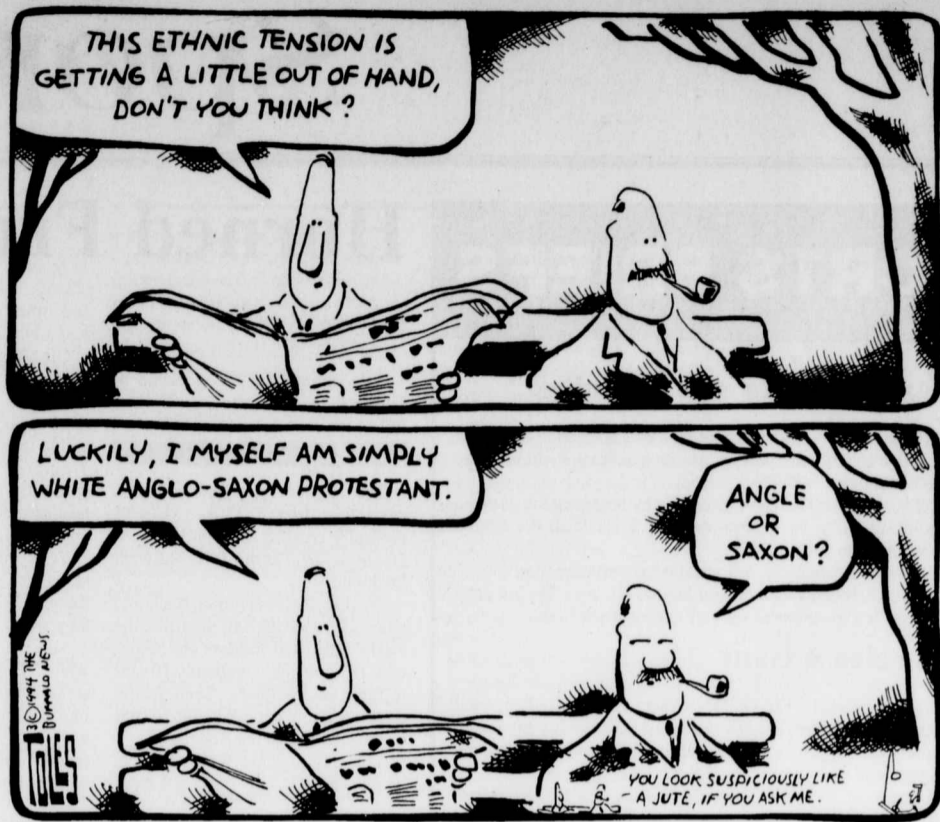
Maybe thinking of ideas, discussing opinions or examining issues requires too much time and effort, or maybe searching for questions and stretching for answers upsets comfortable routines. Maybe we fear their opinions simply do not count.

Regardless of the reasoning, whenever we accept without question any theory or opinion thrown our way, our opportunity to learn lessons and the standard of education lowers.

Whenever opinions are neither tested nor questioned, the free exchange of ideas disappears and democracy suffers. Students should take note.

Currently we are responsible for the quality of our education.

And soon we will be responsible for the quality of our freedom.



### LETTERS

#### You with the hole in your pocket: the money is yours to claim

Around 3:30 on Tuesday, March 15, my friend and I found some money around the Student Center. Because there was not a security guard, or a police officer near to ask what to do with the money, we decided to keep it. The purpose of this letter then, is to tell whoever lost this X amount of money that I have it and will gladly give it back to them if they call me and guess where we found it, and how much it is. I will keep it until the end of the week, after that I will be enjoying Spring Break with it. My phone number is 926-9510.

Honestly,  
 Paul Flowers, history

#### Approach religion responsibly

During the last few weeks the students of TCU have been bombarded with different opinions and views concerning the future of TCU as the Southwest Conference crumbles. Yet none of us have paid much attention to the challenging question of whether or not we should continue using the word "Christian" in between Texas and University. After all, any university whose newspaper allows students to publish the image of God as being a cute, furry Australian animal, sitting on a eucalyptus tree cannot be considered Christian. Or can it?

If for some reason you have no idea as to what I am writing about, I beg your forgiveness. Maybe I have failed to make myself clear as to the subject of my essay. I am referring to the most immature attempt by Mr. P.D. Magnus to get a few laughs by depicting Islam as a religion where God is referred to as an animal called Ko-Allah (Koala-Allah, get it? Ha, Ha. If it sounds the same, it must be the same.) This cartoon appeared in the TCU Daily Skiff, March 10, 1994.

The problem with today's average college students is that they tend to comment about subjects they have absolutely no knowledge about, and they do not care who they offend with their opinions. The word Allah is not a patented Islamic name for God. Allah is Arabic for God. Arabic Christians as well as Muslims pray to Allah. Thus, this cartoon is a slap in the face to all Christians and Muslims.

TCU spends a lot of money recruiting foreign international students to come to TCU. The cartoon's depiction of God as an animal will not only undermine TCU's reputation abroad, but locally as well. After all, there are more than twenty-three million Muslims in America alone. No one would choose to go to a university where their religion is ridiculed.

What is even more amusing is that in the exact same issue of the Skiff there is an article about four TCU students who were going on a tour to different countries, including Islamic countries, such as Malaysia. If these students wish to receive respect when they arrive there, then they will do so only by showing proper respect to the countries' religion. What the Skiff does not realize is that its articles influence the way a lot of TCU students think. The newspaper must show respect to the public by not publishing articles

and jokes ridiculing the race, color, that we must love our neighbors. How can we love each other when we don't even respect each others religion?

The future of TCU lies in the responsibility of its faculty to teach its students that "Christian" is more than just a word; if it cannot, then it should remove the "Christian" from its name. In the long run what will make TCU great will not be its football or basketball scores, but the high moral and social values of its graduates, and the way the respectfully conduct themselves among others.

Ali Asad Osmany, sophomore, accounting; from Islamabad, Pakistan

#### Alcohol-related violations are more than campus incidents; bring in the police

This letter is a response to the CRIMelines that appeared in the Skiff on Friday, March 11. In the first incident, it is reported that an officer stopped a car for driving on the grass and refusing to stop. According to the article, the driver was, by the officer's judgement, intoxicated. Of the seven students in the car, it seemed that he was the only one the officer suspected of being intoxicated. Ignoring for a moment the complete stupidity of the six other passengers who would let someone who is drunk to drive them anywhere, let's focus on the officer. Why would he advise the student to stay indoors for the night and then allow the student's companions to escort the student inside after the officer had just observed the student to be driving while intoxicated?

Why did he not detain the student until Fort Worth P.D. could arrive and give a breathalyzer test, to confirm or deny the student's state of sobriety? How does the Campus Police justify its duty to protect TCU students when they allow students to get away with DWI?

If the student was not guilty of DWI, then why did the officer arrest him minutes later for public intoxication, after the student was creating a disturbance in the same parking area, and then take the student to the Campus Police station?

To examine the role of the other passengers in the vehicle, why did they allow someone whom they might suspect of being drunk, or know was drunk to drive them? Did they ignore the Safe Break messages all week in the Student Center? Just because it appears that the university ignored its own program does not mean that students should follow that example. And even if it is not Spring Break, hey, the ideas presented by the program are a good idea year round. With the rash of crime recently reported on campus, and the hiring of more security for the campus, the failure of the Campus Police to detain the student for DWI seems to be inconsistent with their (and the university's) public pledge to increase the safety of students on campus.

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### COLUMNIST CLAY GAILLARD

## Making light of a very touchy subject



Finally, after three and a half years of diligent college study, yours truly is getting to somewhere besides the frozen Panhandle for Spring Break.

That's right, sports fans, Friday at approximately two minutes after

noon I'm hitting the road to Florida where the only ice in March is going to be in the cocktails. My parents weren't too keen on the idea of me and two of my friends with about the same amount of sense heading east for a week of R&R, but I put my foot down on this one.

And I had to promise to visit these rela-

tives of mine who live a little ways from where we are going to be staying. That way my parents can be sure I'm actually where I say I am and out of trouble for at least one day of the trip.

The other day one of my travelling companions kind of hinted around that it might be a good thing if I started working on a tan so my body and legs wouldn't produce a reflection that might cause blindness and so they wouldn't burn to the color of a fire hydrant. My girlfriend put me on the list to get a free seven-day membership at her tanning place, and I went in there and signed all the necessary paperwork so that if my skin mutated and a big horn grew out of my forehead I couldn't sue them. Anything to get a tan on my legs without anybody seeing them first.

The first time I tanned for 15 minutes, and after the initial feeling that you are in a

very well-lit coffin, it's not bad at all. The next day I went back in. If I wanted to get bronzed I'd have to tan a lot. Twenty minutes this time; it was going to be great.

Now it might be a good thing to explain at this point that my posterior has never seen the sun before, except for a couple of minor isolated moonings in junior high. When I got in the tanning bed the second time, I guess the back of my boxer shorts kind of rode up a little bit, but I didn't notice it until after I was done.

Later that night I was sitting around the apartment and had a burning sensation, like an ant had bitten me, on the aforementioned area. I finally dropped the Levi's and did a quick inspection and saw that the lower outside parts of my butt were pretty fried.

I gave my girlfriend a hard time when she complained about getting a little pink on the tanning bed, so when I mentioned my afflic-

tion, I got absolutely no sympathy. The burn itself is proof that there is a God and He's got a sense of humor. Later my mom called and I told her about it. She laughed until she cried into the phone and proceeded to tell her friends who were in the room about it while I stood there waiting on the other end of the line.

Oh, well, I guess that's what I get for trying to cheat and get a tan without being seen.

At least it wasn't as bad as the last time I went skiing without a hat and sunburned my scalp through my thinning hair. I couldn't keep that one from hurting just by standing up; it hurt every time I raised an eyebrow.

In case you're wondering, my friends and I are not going to Daytona or Destin or one of the other traditional Spring Break beaches; we're going to a little island off of Fort Myers where the locals don't wear shoes and everybody looks like Jimmy Buffett without even trying. And maybe there won't be any major social diseases just swimming around waiting for an opportune body to jump on.

And maybe I won't have to see the people who will be laughing at my legs ever again.

Clay is a senior English major from Texhoma, Okla.

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# Sports

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### OU-Texas game to stay in Dallas

Norman, Okla. (AP) — The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents sided with tradition Tuesday, voting unanimously to keep the annual OU-Texas game in Dallas.

Despite pleas to boost Norman's economy by changing the game to a home-and-away basis, the regents decided to establish the Cotton Bowl as the game site through 1998.

"There are very few traditions left around any university any more," board Chairman E. Murray Gullatt said before the vote. "We've got a chance to preserve a great one as far as I'm concerned."

### Braves release Gant

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Injured outfielder Ron Gant was released by the Atlanta Braves on Tuesday, throwing his future in doubt and touching off a dispute about how much money the team must pay him.

Gant, coming off career-highs of 36 homers and 117 RBIs last season, broke his right leg Feb. 3 in a dirt-bike accident. The injury came one week after he signed a one-year, \$5.5 million contract.

"Since he is unavailable to perform as a result of this accident and, according to our doctors, will be rehabilitating for an extended period of time, we have decided to take this action," Braves general manager John Schuerholz said. "This is an unfortunate and sad day for us, but nonetheless, this is our decision."

By cutting Gant before 2 p.m. EST, the Braves were to owe him only 30 days' termination pay, about \$906,593. Braves president Stan Kasten said the owners' Player Relations Committee had advised the team not to pay Gant at all.

### Rockets' Maxwell arrested

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Rockets guard Vernon Maxwell was arrested Tuesday after officers investigating a parking lot dispute found a handgun in the front seat of his car, a police spokesman said.

Houston police were called to a Luby's Cafeteria at about 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in southwest Houston, said Alvin Wright, a Houston Police Department spokesman.

Maxwell, 28, and a group of friends were driving in separate cars in the Luby's parking lot when another driver cut off the Maxwell group, Wright said. The cut-off driver complained to police that Maxwell waved a gun at him.

## Horned Frogs rock Ole Miss 19-6

By THOMAS MANNING  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

After struggling last weekend in Lubbock, the TCU offense is back in full swing.

### BASEBALL

The Horned Frog baseball team returned home Tuesday and promptly crushed nationally ranked Ole Miss, 19-6 at the TCU Baseball Diamond.

The Frog offense roared back into gear after struggling against the Texas Tech Red Raiders last weekend. TCU, which scored only 10 runs in three games against Tech, nearly doubled that in pounding out 19 runs on 21 hits against the Rebels.

Tuesday's game was never in doubt, as TCU (17-7) scored early

and often against Collegiate Baseball's No. 27 team.

Ole Miss (9-2) starter Mickey Calloway did not make it past the first inning, as the Frogs pounded out three in the first and seven in the second to take a 10-3 after two.

Surprise Frog starter J.J. Gottsch (normally an infielder) took advantage of the early support and picked up the win, going three innings.

TCU head coach Lance Brown said that Gottsch was on the mound because he wanted to give his regular starters some extra rest.

"We've had J.J. throwing for a while," Brown said. "He's pitched in some intra squad games and we got him an inning at Tech. He throws well, and we wanted to get some innings out of him today. He gave us what we needed, and then we were

able to go to Jason (Carruth), Erik (Brown) and Derek (Lee) in the bullpen."

While the pitching got the job done, it was the Frog offense that took center stage.

Seven Frog batters had a multiple-hit game against the Rebels, with shortstop Shannon Coulter leading the way with four hits, five runs scored and a run batted in.

TCU got home runs from Adam Robson (his sixth) and Darren Tawwater (his fourth). Tawwater also had three hits and three RBIs.

Robson scored three runs and drove in two. Right fielder Gavin Millay had three hits and four RBIs. And the list could go on as the Frogs had one of their most potent offensive games of the season.

And yet despite the offensive power, it is the pitching that is on the mind of Brown.

"We've still got some things to iron out on our pitching staff," Brown said. "Flint Wallace and Jason Carruth have been struggling, and we've got to find a third dependable starter, or else we'll have to move Jeff Baker or Tim Grieve into the rotation."

And if the Frogs need to move Baker or Grieve into the starting rotation, it will hurt the bullpen, because those two pitchers have been the strength of the pitching staff this season.

The Frogs will get a shot to sweep their two-game series with the Ole Miss Rebels Wednesday when the teams hook up again Wednesday at the TCU Diamond.

## Women's tennis team comes close but falls to SMU

By LEE PENDER  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

It came down to the final match, but the women's tennis could not defeat the SMU Lady Mustangs Friday.

### WOMEN'S TENNIS

The Lady Frogs were close to winning, but TCU lost the final doubles match of the day and was defeated.

TCU is better than SMU and should have beaten the Lady Mustangs, said TCU senior Ellie Stark. TCU was not mentally tough enough to win, she said.

"The shots were definitely there," Stark said. "I just think it was our mental game."

TCU head coach Roland Ingram said last week TCU needed mental

toughness if it wanted to win matches. The Lady Frogs lack confidence, and this hurts their mental toughness, he said.

TCU is not a confident team, Stark said.

"I think our confidence was pretty much shot a couple of matches ago," she said.

The team met for 30 minutes after the SMU loss to discuss how to improve. The Lady Frogs focused their discussion on playing as a team, TCU freshman Asa Norinder said.

"We should work together toward the same goal, to cooperate with each other and cheer each other up," Norinder said. "We decided to work more as a team."

The Lady Frogs lost 5-4 to the Lady Mustangs. That narrow defeat follows losses to Texas and Rice, in

which TCU won only one of 18 total matches.

TCU and SMU were tied at four victories each entering the final doubles match of the day. That match would determine which team won.

TCU's Asa Norinder and Christina Stangeland had match point in that deciding match, but lost that point and could not overcome SMU's Elysia Thornton and Amanda Browne. The Lady Mustang pair won the match, and SMU claimed victory.

The close loss was disappointing for the Lady Frogs but provided the team with a learning experience, Ingram said.

"I was discouraged because we didn't beat SMU," Ingram said. "There were seven girls that were disappointed. This one's going to

leave such a taste in their mouths that if we get to that point again, we'll win it. I think we came out a better team. Our record may not be better, but we'll be better."

The Lady Frogs may not soon be that close to victory. TCU's next four opponents are all ranked in the top 25 of the Intercollegiate Tennis Association poll.

The Lady Frogs face Indiana Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center. They follow that with a three-day, three-match road trip beginning Monday. TCU will face Wake Forest, North Carolina and Virginia.

Indiana is a top-10 team the Lady Frogs do not expect to beat, Stark said. "I just hope we win a couple of matches," she said. "It'll be a real learning experience for us."

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# News

## Police capture 3 men for vandalizing bikes

By CHRIS NEWTON  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Three intoxicated TCU students were apprehended by Campus Police for vandalizing bicycles at 3:23 a.m. Friday in front of Brachman Hall.

According to reporting officer David Dennis, a student witnessed the vandalism. The witnesses identified two of the suspects by name and one by description.

"The three suspects were found in their room surrounded by beer bottles," said Dennis in the report. "All of the suspects smelled of alcoholic beverages and had slurred speech and none of them could stand up without swaying."

Two of the men blamed the vandalism on the third suspect. They were all over 21.

According to the Campus Police report, when the third man was asked to make a statement, all he was able to say or write was, "I drank the rest of the beer."

Campus Police Chief Oscar Stewart said although becoming intoxicated is not illegal if you're 21, it can lead to crime and is irresponsible.

"I don't feel it is safe for anyone to become intoxicated to that extent," he said. "You have no control over what you're doing or saying."

Stewart said being intoxicated is not a defense against committing crimes.

"Neither the law, nor the university, is going to go easy on students just because they may not have known what they were doing because they drank too much," he said.

In an unrelated case of vandalism on March 9 a TCU student found about 50 dents in her car's passenger-side door that were apparently made with a BB gun.

According to the Campus Police report the victim had parked her vehicle at 7:30 the night before.

The BB dents were all made on the side of the car facing Brachman Hall. There are no suspects at this time.

## Equality/ page 1

faculty," she said.

Tate said the introduction of a women's studies minor, scheduled for next semester, also shows that women's issues are important to TCU.

Jennifer Watson, chairwoman of communication sciences and disorders, said she has received more support than usual for working women, because her entire department is female.

She said the administration has been cooperative in its recruitment of females to higher staff positions, and has felt a greater sensitivity to women's issues as a whole.

Diversity in hiring practices, whether it be with gender or race, should be actively pursued with every new job opening, Watson said.

"We need to be continuously committed to it," she said.

At the same time however, she said, the most important thing is to continue to pursue excellence and quality in performance.

Watson said she knows of candidates for faculty positions inquiring about the number of women in higher positions at TCU. That shows that gender equity in hiring practices is clearly on the minds

of women around the country.

Susan Batchelor, director of student activities and sexual harassment officer for the university, said an increase in career-oriented women in the work force has caused a change in attitude.

"I see it as much more open and professional," Batchelor said.

An example of this, she said, is the development of a sexual harassment policy, which did not exist a decade ago.

However, Batchelor sees most topics defined as "women's issues" in a broader context, and considers issues such as day-care as family issues, and not just topics delegated to women.

"I want to prove myself, not by my gender, but by the job I do," Batchelor said.

Because of the makeup of the personnel at the highest positions at TCU, she said, it may still seem to an outsider that the university is predominantly run by white males. However, recent hiring searches have shown that the university is committed to improving diversity, Batchelor said.

While she is glad to see greater gender diversity, though, she hopes these gains will not be made to be at the expense of qualified men.

Many agree things could be done to ensure better equality among the sexes

on campus.

Tate said there should be more opportunities for new women on faculty and staff to develop campus mentors and role models. A faculty women's reading group is addressing that to a degree, she said. Doug Newsom, professor of journalism, said despite efforts to deal with pay equity, female professors are still paid less, on average, than their male counterparts.

She has also noticed that most women on staff are in lower positions on campus.

"I went through 'Frog Calls' once, and found that while TCU employs a substantial number of women, all of them are at lower levels of power," she said.

Newsom said so far, there are still not enough women in higher positions, as can be seen by the low number of female vice chancellors, deans and department heads.

Baker said although there are still disparities in pay between the sexes, her division is taking steps to address the inequities in salaries.

Although there are less women in higher positions on campus, Baker said, the numbers are definitely increasing.

"Maybe they're not at the levels we'd like to see, but there's definitely female representation," Baker said.

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Scott McLinden discussed the meeting between Intercom and the Student Relations Committee of the Board of Trustees.

"The meetings in the past were always just us going in and saying we want this and we want that," he said. "The meeting last week went really well because it was more of a discussion, not just us telling them what we think needs to be done."

McLinden said committee members talked about ways to make TCU a better-known academic university. By increasing the number of academic scholarships, raising the admission requirements and bringing more National Merit Scholars to TCU the university will become more reputable, he said.

Other concerns Intercom discussed were increasing the number of roving security guards, putting more emergency call boxes around campus, improving landscaping in the Worth Hills area and using a shuttle bus system so fewer students would have to drive to campus, he said.

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the best, then we'd go to that company and say we want a contract," he said. "It should be pretty easy because they would already know what our guidelines (from the university's proposal) are."

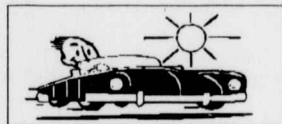
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by the Fall 1994 semester.

TCU administration has been searching for a cable television package since the Fall 1992 semester but has not found a "reasonably priced" cable service benefiting both TCU and its students, Mills said in a Jan. 26 Skiff article.

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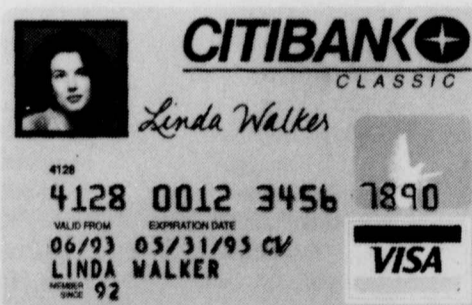
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