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Are you blue at the thought of filling those little essay test books?

By CHRIS LESCHBER
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Your desks should be cleared of everything except your blue book and a pen.

Have your palms started to sweat yet? Many students like Katie McBride, a sophomore communications major, say they have taken their least favorite exams using those little blue notebooks.

"I hate blue book tests," she said. "It is really nerve-racking to see an empty book in front of you and knowing you have to fill it up."

Other students say they do not understand why their teachers use blue books. Sophomore education major Jill Adams said she thinks

using blue books for tests is unnecessary.

"I really think it's kind of pointless," Adams said. "What's wrong with just writing your test on regular notebook paper?" James Conway, a junior sociology major, said blue books are just one more thing to remember to bring to exams.

"Well, half the time I'm the guy who forgets to bring one," he said. "I always feel like an idiot having to borrow one from the teacher or somebody else."

If blue books cause students so many additional exam worries, why use them at all?

Religion professor Nadia Lahutsky said she uses blue books for her tests for two reasons.

"Number one, it's tradition," Lahutsky said. "I used blue books when I was an

undergraduate student. Number two, it's lined paper. They are neat and all the same size. It makes it easier to take the tests home and grade them at night."

Lahutsky said a fellow member of the religion department, retired adjunct professor Ambrose Edens, is rarely seen without a blue book in his hand. Edens likes using blue books for a more sinister reason.

"They give my students a chance to show me how much they know," Edens said.

Edens has been teaching since 1952 and said he has used blue books to give his exams the entire time.

"I even used them when I was in school, and that was in the '40s," Edens said. "They used to give them to us for free."

Why blue?

Professor Edens has a possible explanation for that as well.

"My unofficial theory is that it goes along with the reaction they give the students," Edens said.

Tom Lucey, a representative from The Roaring Spring Blank Book, the company which produces the majority of the blue books used in the country, also could not say why the books were blue. His company has been in business for 108 years and printing blue books for the last 40 years. Lucey did not have the exact number of blue books Roaring Spring printed each year, but said it was in the millions.

"The number each school orders depends

on the kind of institution it is," Lucey said. "Some schools order as few as 1,000 per year and some order hundreds of thousands every year."

That's a lot of paper, but Lucey said all the blue books they make are made from recycled paper.

It is hard to pinpoint the exact introduction of blue books into university life, but they have been around for quite a while. It is likely they will be around for much longer, to the dismay of many students like Jean Simms, a senior movement science major.

"I didn't even know what a blue book was when I came to school, but I do now," Simms said. "A blue book is a teacher's favorite little instrument of torture."

Looking at the Western Athletic Conference

Small sports study options before deciding fate in WAC

By CAROL ANN COOKSEY
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The fate of small sports is uncertain until the new WAC coaches get a chance to meet, said Glen Stone, sports information director.

"In the area of small sports, we really do not know what we are up against regarding the format of play or even who we will play until conference time," he said.

Small sports will also not know if they will receive funding for traveling until conference and TCU school officials meet.

"I don't think the competition will be as challenging as in the SWC, although there are some good teams in the WAC," Stone said.

In certain sports, TCU excels, he said. "TCU's baseball team is now 16th in the nation while no schools in the WAC are even in the Top 25," Stone said.

"At this point in time I think the athletic department should take Chancellor Tucker's advice to study our options first, before making decisions prematurely," he said.

Coaches say they are not expecting much change despite facing long road trips and schools that may or may not have certain sports. Tulsa and the University of Texas at El Paso, for example, do not have swimming and diving programs.

Bubba Thorton, TCU's men's track coach, said looking at the overall program, TCU will be able to compete at a higher level.

"TCU has tremendous depth compared to some of the schools in the WAC conference," Thorton said. "In fact, some schools in the WAC don't even have a track program."

He also said moving to the WAC will give the track team

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TCU Daily Skiff/ Brian Bray
A member of the TCU diving team catapaults through the air in a competition against Texas. Smaller sports, including diving, face an uncertain future in the WAC.

Private schools increase group's academic prestige, says TCU athletic official

By DAVID JIMENEZ
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Adding TCU to the Western Athletic Conference makes it a powerful academic conference, said the university's assistant athletic director, Jack Hesselbrock.

Hesselbrock, who is in charge of academic services in the athletic department, said the addition of Rice, Tulsa, SMU and TCU, along with current WAC members Air Force and Brigham Young, makes the conference stronger academically.

"The WAC has a large contingent of private schools," he said. "I see the influence of the three Southwest Conference private schools, which have a good rate of graduation, making the WAC a strong academic conference."

Currently, Hesselbrock said the TCU Athletic Department follows the academic code outlined in the Student Handbook. TCU athletes need at least a 2.0 GPA to participate in intercollegiate athletics.

Hesselbrock said the minimum GPA varies among the schools in the SWC.

In the WAC, athletes must maintain a minimum GPA that goes up slightly every semester the athlete is participating in sports.

After two semesters, an athlete must have a 1.7 GPA to participate, a 1.75 after three semesters, a 1.8 after two years, a 1.85 after five semesters, 1.9 after three years, and a 2.0 after four years.

Jim Kimmell, BYU's head athletic academic advisor, said each school sets its own minimum requirements for athletes.

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Affirmative action suit to be filed

Profs claim denials of tenure gender-biased

By RICK WATERS
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Donna Hall and Kenya Taylor said Tuesday they plan to file separate affirmative action complaints against the university next week which would cite examples of gender discrimination that occurred during their quests for tenure.

The complaint will be filed with the university's Human Resources Office early next week, said Shirley Goldsmith, who helped Hall and Taylor file their tenure grievances as a representative of the Texas Faculty Association.

The complaint comes exactly one week after the Faculty Senate determined Hall and Taylor's tenure grievances did not contain enough evidence to support their claims that procedural errors occurred in their tenure processes.

"This (complaint) gets more at the nature of the decision and why the decisions were made rather than the procedural errors," said Taylor, an assistant professor of speech pathology.

According to the Handbook for Faculty and University Staff, the Faculty Senate's ruling ends the grievance process.

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Five groups to get office space

Biology, religion, journalism professors named year's best

By MARK FLANAGAN
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The House of Student Representatives passed a bill at Tuesday's meeting allocating office space to on-campus organizations and naming the professors of the year.

The House voted unanimously to give office space in the Pit to five student organizations next fall.

J.R. Greene, chairman of the permanent improvements committee, announced Alpha Phi Omega, Black Student Caucus, Interfraternity Council, Panhellenic and the Organization of Latin American Students as the five organizations that will receive the office space.

Scott McLinden, House president, said those five organizations were the ones that the entire House wanted to get the offices for the upcoming year.

"We have left the office space situation open, so new organizations have the opportunity of receiving space in another year," he said. "At this point next year the House will review applications for the following year."

For now, the House is excited to be providing office space to organizations who really need it, McLinden said.

In other business, the House announced the professors of the year.

Anantha Babbili, chairman of the journalism department; Philip Hartman, associate professor of biology; and Kenneth Lawrence, associate professor of religion, were selected the professors of the year, McLinden said. The House held a student vote earlier this month to select the professors.

Also, the House voted on its committee chairmen and women for next

year.

The only contested election for the committee leaders was for the Student Concerns Committee. Jeff Benson defeated Todd McCollister after three rounds of voting. The House had to revote two times because the first time was a tie. The second time more votes were cast than people were present.

The following people will return as the chairmen and women of the House: Sharon Selby, chairwoman of the Academic Affairs Committee; Amy Godlewski, chairwoman of the Finance Committee; Greene, chairman of the Permanent Improvements Committee; and Jennifer Kolb, chairwoman of University Relations.

In addition, the House passed a resolution to commend the men's tennis team on an outstanding semester.

Bernstein tells media to refocus

By CHRISTY HAWKINS
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Journalist Carl Bernstein said the media need to focus more on pressing news issues rather than sensationalized events.

"Journalism today has little to do with the truth and is disconnected with the context of life," he said.

Bernstein on Tuesday night told an audience of an estimated 400 people that journalists need to find the best attainable truth in an era where they must cover scandals ranging from Watergate to Whitewater.

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Hailstorm spares facilities, dents cars in campus lots

By STAGI HALE
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The hailstorm that moved through the TCU campus Monday night damaged some students' cars but did not cause major damage to university property.

Buck Fielding, assistant director of building maintenance at the Physical Plant, said the campus sustained damage from the hailstorm. Damage reports will be available today.

Robert Sulak, assistant director of landscaping and grounds at the Physical Plant, said he walked the grounds but didn't find many problems.

"There were a lot of leaves and small twigs on the ground, but there was nothing significant," he said.

The Campus Police did not receive any reports of hail damage to students' cars or property, said Thomas McGaha, assistant chief of police.

"It looks like my car rolled around in a gravel pit for a couple of hours. It might as well be totalled."

CARRIE PALIN,
Senior,
speech communications

Campus Police usually does not receive reports about hail damage because the damage is usually reported to insurance companies, he said. He has heard about some hail damage to cars parked on campus, McGaha said.

"If you were parked on campus," he said, "it's more than likely your

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NEWS DIGEST

Plane crash in Japan kills 259

NAGOYA, Japan (AP) — A Taiwanese jetliner crashed and burned while trying to land at an airport in central Japan on Tuesday night, killing at least 259 people.

The China Airlines A300-600R Airbus had 271 people on board. Airport officials said 10 were being treated in hospitals and two were unaccounted for.

Minutes before the crash, pilot Wang Lochi radioed that he would abandon his landing attempt and try again, the Transport Ministry said. The pilot did not give a reason or indicate any trouble.

Serbs remove heavy weapons

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Serb forces withdrew all known heavy weapons from around Gorazde ahead of a NATO deadline on Tuesday, U.N. officials said, indicating that new air strikes by the alliance were unlikely.

NATO has given the Bosnian Serbs until 2:01 a.m. Wednesday (7 p.m. CDT Tuesday) to withdraw their large artillery 12.4 miles from the center of the eastern Muslim enclave.

U.N. military observers in Gorazde reported about four hours before the deadline that all known heavy weapons had been cleared from the exclusion zone.

Purple one sued for song

EVERETT, Wash. (AP) — What? Barney the dinosaur without the "I Love You" song? Everett music publisher Jean Warren has sued Barney's owner, alleging copyright infringement. She says she bought the rights to the song in 1983 and wants a cut of the profits.

The U.S. District Court lawsuit was filed by Warren Publishing House Inc. against the Lyons Group of Dallas, Barney's owner, and companies that have marketed musical Barney products, including Time-Life Inc. and J.C. Penney Co.

Tornado hits Gainesville

GAINESVILLE, Texas (AP) — The second tornado in as many days slammed through North Texas on Tuesday, tearing apart billboards and making the afternoon "seem like midnight."

There were no immediate reports of injuries after the twister struck around 3:45 p.m. Three people died Monday when a tornado touched down twice south of Dallas.

Several cars and 18-wheelers were flipped on Interstate 35. Dallas radio station KDFE (94.5 FM), which has a transformer in Gainesville, was knocked off the air for about 15 minutes as the storm blew through the town.

TCU Calendar

Today:

•Noon, University Chapel, Robert Carr Chapel.

•3:30 p.m. House Of Representatives Academic Affairs Committee Meeting, Student Center Room 204.

•8 p.m. TCU Theatre production of Tennessee Williams' Tony Award winner "The Rose Tattoo," through May 1, in the University Theatre. For reservations call 921-7626.

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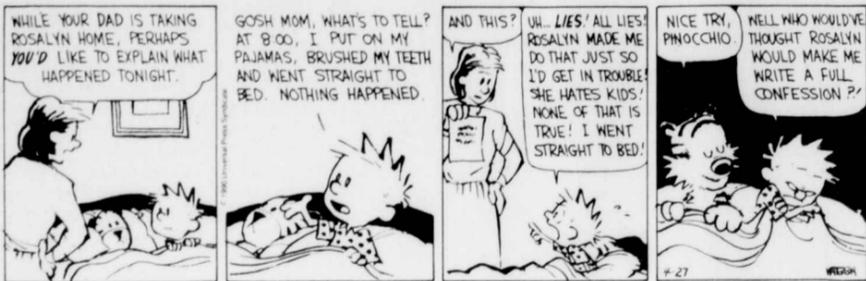
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an opportunity to develop more. "It is easy for team members to lose their confidence when competing against tough teams like the University of Texas in the Southwestern Conference," Thornton said. "When we join the WAC, I think Fresno (State), UTEP and BYU (Brigham Young University) will be our major competitors."

Swimming Coach Richard Sybesma said the swim team will not be affected as much because the competition will basically be the same.

"Our biggest competitors will still be SMU and Rice, but Utah, UNLV, BYU and Colorado State will give us competition because of their ranking," he said.

"Even though the Southwest Conference is one of the toughest conferences in swimming, the WAC might give us more competition because there are more schools," Sybesma said.

Men's tennis coach Tut Bartzon said the conference change will mean a whole new ball game for his tennis players.

"In order to improve our team we cannot restrict ourselves to just competing in our conference because the better tennis teams are not in the WAC," he said.

Even though New Mexico's tennis program is highly ranked, Texas A&M and the University of Texas will still be our main competitors, he said.

WEATHER

Today will be mostly cloudy with a high of 81. Thursday will also be cloudy with a high of 76.



CAMPUSlines

CAMPUSlines is provided as a service to the TCU community. Announcements of events, meetings and other general campus information should be brought by the Skiff office, Moudy 291S, or sent to TCU Box 32929. The Skiff reserves the right to edit for style and taste.

The United Asian Community will hold its last meeting at 4:30 p.m. Thursday in Student Center Room 207. For more information call Duc at 926-0165 or Toin at 2929-6036.

ROAD Workers, OLAS and Sigma Lambda Alpha are sponsoring a study break party on Cinco de Mayo. There will be free food, volleyball and a special musical guest. For more information call Penny Woodcock at 921-7100.

The Society of Professional Journalists' last program, "Breaking Into News," will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Moudy Room 265S. WFAA-TV News Director John Miller and Star-Telegram Editorial Director Paul Herral will critique resumes, resume tapes, clip files and answer questions on getting into print and broadcast journalism. Call Camie Melton, 923-7570 with questions.

Avant Garde Publications is sponsoring a literary contest to publish students nationally. The company is looking for original,

nonpublished essays, anecdotes and short stories of any length pertaining to the title "The Ultimate College Guide." Entries may be of a humorous or serious nature and should deal with topics that will provide assistance to a new college student. Entries must include name, address, school's name, telephone number and be postmarked by June 1. Entries must be submitted to Avant Garde Publications, 104 Laburnam Crescent, Department J, Rochester, NY 14620, Attention: College Talent. Call (716) 242-0830 for more information.

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 if possible. For more information, contact Kyle Watson at 370-7428, Alan Droll at 346-0799 or John Azzolina at 921-0557.

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

Video contest is open to college students with cash prizes ranging from \$500 to \$3,000. The contest is sponsored by The Christophers, a New York-based international media organization. For more information call (212) 759-4050.

The deadline for entry is June 10.

Student Concerns Committee meets at 4 p.m. every Wednesday in the Student Center Room 218. Anyone may attend. Contact Jeff Benson at 923-5553 or P.O. BOX 32326.

Permanent Improvements Committee meets at 4 p.m. every Thursday in Student Center Room 204. Suggestions and comments welcome. Contact J.R. Greene at P.O. BOX 29321 or 926-1272.

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

The Organization of Latin American Students invites all students to its weekly meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays in Student Center Room 202.

Rape/Sexual Assault Survivors' Group is forming at the Counseling Center. The group will meet from 2 to 3:30 p.m. every Friday. For initial screening appointment, call Dorothy M. Barra at 921-7863.

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

House needs workers for service project

BY KATHY CALDWELL
TCU DAILY SKIFF

TCU students and faculty are needed to help with a community project that is being sponsored by the House of Students Representatives.

The House is assembling volunteers for work in organizations such as Habitat for Humanity, homeless shelters and nursing homes, in a communitywide effort that will take place Oct. 8.

Scott Wheatley, vice president of the House of Student Representatives, said although the project does

not take place until the fall, volunteers are needed now because a lot of work goes into putting the event together.

"We need help in getting the event off the ground," he said. "A lot of the work happens way in advance of the actual project."

The project is done in conjunction with Community in Schools, a state program that gets disadvantaged youngsters involved in their community, Wheatley said.

"The TCU students join these kids in going out and making a difference in the community through volun-

teerism," he said.

Once the event is organized, the volunteers will spend one Saturday next fall working in different community organizations, Wheatley said.

The event is associated with the annual University Leadership Retreat, he said.

"Leadership through community involvement is the theme of this year's retreat," Wheatley said. "Because effective leaders have to be educated about community problems and how to help solve those problems."

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EDITORIAL

Taking issue with time

Maybe the class would work better if it were in the fall.

The social work Community Intervention class meets every spring to point out injustice at TCU. The idea in itself is tremendous: once a year, TCU is guaranteed its own Ralph Nader of social justice, if you will. Until TCU is a perfect place, the class will be kept busy. Good idea so far.

But by the time the class knows enough about an issue to hit the streets campaigning, it's about time for graduation.

Here we have a problem.

This year, the class asked the administration to bring its sexual non-discrimination policies in line with each other. The student policy and general staff policy, unlike the policies for faculty and university staff, do not protect students from discrimination based on sexual orientation.

Just before Spring Break, the class

wrote a letter to the administration asking that the students' standard be brought up to date, but Chancellor Tucker wrote back saying that very little could be done to address the issue this semester.

It's a very reasonable reply. Yes, we have a right to be heard. Yes, we have a duty to inspire institutional changes. But, no, we should not make all-or-nothing, do-it-now demands and cry, 'Foul,' if we don't get our way, now, this semester, before our final exam in the Community Intervention class.

If its goal was to see the policies change overnight, the class fell short. The class has stirred up controversy to that effect, saying the administration 'didn't have time to see us,' according to a class member.

But if its goal was to teach the campus community about an issue with serious merit, it succeeded.

COLUMNIST CRAIG A. McNEIL

And take Roe with you



Associate Justice Harry Blackmun has announced his retirement from the U.S. Supreme Court. If only there were some way we could make him take Roe vs. Wade with him.

Roe vs. Wade, the 1973 ruling that in essence legalized abortion everywhere in the first trimester of pregnancy, and in many places in the second, is bad law that was falsely enacted and is bound for the dust bin of American history.

Roe is based, according to its author, Mr. Justice Blackmun, on the 1965 Griswold vs. Connecticut ruling. Griswold, which I agree with, ruled that the state of Connecticut had no business restricting a married couple's access to contraception. I agree that a state has no compelling

interest in whether or when a married couple conceives.

Unfortunately, the court held that the Connecticut law violated the Griswolds' privacy, a finding not substantiated by the facts of the case. Additionally, because this presumed privacy was in the realm of reproduction, later courts applied a new principle that they conjured from air: Reproductive privacy.

Mr. Justice Blackmun, in asserting this privacy precedent, must have realized that he was on shaky legal ground, so he went the Fourteenth Amendment, found its "equal protection" clause and created the logic that the state of Texas, in asserting its interest in the potential life of her fetus, was violating Miss Roe's (Norma McCorvey's) right to equal protection.

This is, of course, after Justice Blackmun reaffirmed, in his majority opinion, that the state did have a compelling interest in the potential life of the fetus. However, Justice Blackmun argued that the state's interest in the potential life does not begin until the third trimester of pregnancy.

The trimester divisions, which were not established in law until Roe, have become less and less realistic as pre-natal technology has increased the potential for a healthy premature child.

Although then Chief Justice Warren Burger wrote in a concurring opinion that Roe would not create abortion on demand, it has. As a result, abortion is usually used as contraception.

With 1,600,000 abortions annually by 1991, it is evident that many Americans find that sexual intercourse which leads to pregnancy is terribly inconvenient. Yet most Americans claim to only support abortion in cases of rape, incest, and danger to the mother.

This issue has yet to be addressed by Congress in a direct way. You remember Congress, they make laws in this country when the Supreme Court is busy. Their proposed Freedom of Choice Act has yet to be addressed in any significant way. The Freedom of Choice Act would make the provisions of Roe vs. Wade federal law.

Leaving Roe vs. Wade court decision as law on as divisive and controversial an issue as abortion is politically expedient. It is easier to blame the 1973 Supreme Court than a member of Congress or the sitting president for the legality and extent of abortion.

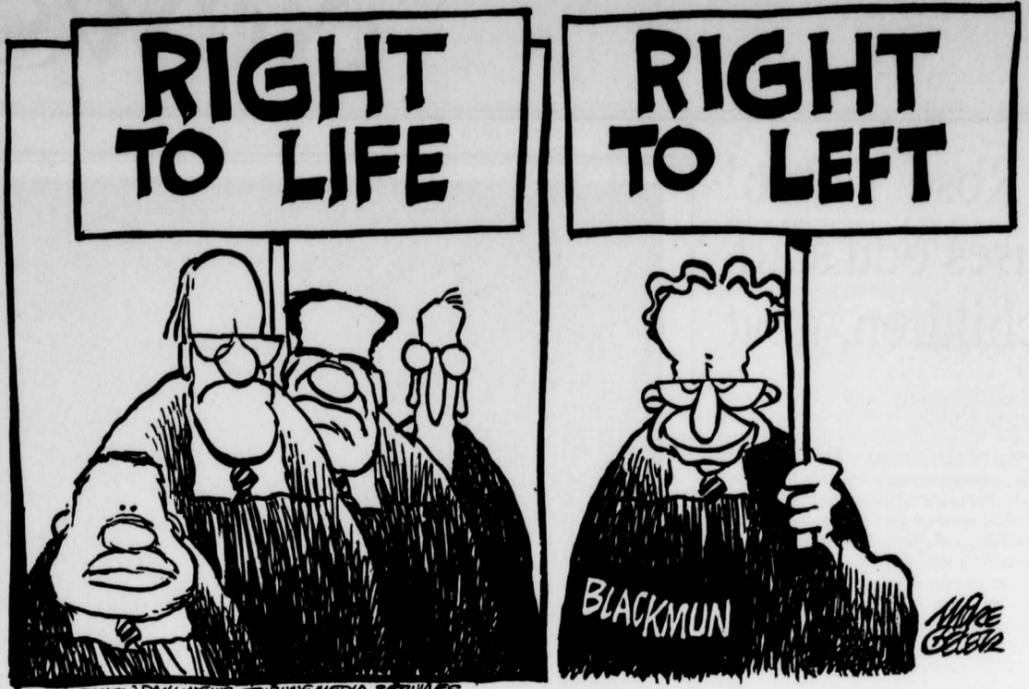
Many claim that this made-up Constitutional right is a cornerstone of our democratic society. And yet we seem to fear putting the issue up for a vote in Congress.

The Constitution clearly states that all legislative powers belong to the Congress, so let them legislate. We should call for a vote on the Freedom of Choice Act. We should see if Congress will vote to continue to allow abortion on demand to be the ultimate safety net for sexual irresponsibility.

This great nation is a democracy and if the Freedom of Choice Act becomes law, I will shut up. Either way, it is time for bad law, like Roe to be abolished.

I say to Harry Blackmun the same thing Oliver Cromwell said to the Long Parliament, "you have sat here too long for any good you have been doing. Depart, I say, and let us have done with you. In the name of God, go!" And take Roe vs. Wade with you!

Craig McNeil is a senior general studies major from Fort Worth.



LETTERS

Tribute to a president

Many of our presidents have become more popular after leaving office. Herbert Hoover, Harry Truman and Jimmy Carter were all very unpopular when they left office but were able to improve their images after leaving office. Herbert Hoover was blamed for the Great Depression when he left office after losing the 1932 election. Harry Truman was unpopular when he left office in 1953 for the Korean War and the firing of Gen. Douglas MacArthur. Jimmy Carter was unpopular for inflation and the Iran Hostage Crisis when he left office after losing the 1980 election.

Herbert Hoover and Harry Truman lived a long time as former presidents and were able to rehabilitate themselves before they died. Jimmy Carter has been able to improve his image as a former president. So too has Richard Nixon.

In the 20 years since he was forced to leave the White House because of Watergate, Richard Nixon has been able to influence foreign policy as a former president. He has become a respected elder statesman. His successors have consulted with him for advice and counsel on many occasions.

President Carter consulted with him in 1979 before giving China formal diplomatic recognition. After all, it was Nixon who opened diplomatic relations and trade with China in 1972. President Reagan invited Nixon along with former presidents Ford and Carter to fly to the funeral of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in 1981. Nixon also mediated between Reagan and Gorbachev in 1987. President Bush, who served as ambassador to the United Nations during the Nixon administration, also consulted with his mentor a number of times. And most recently President Clinton sought Nixon's advice on dealing with Russian President Boris Yeltsin.

President Clinton will be the last president to have been able to draw on the expertise of Richard Nixon. I regret that he will not be there to advise future presidents. I do hope that he will still be able to have some influence through his writings.

Richard Nixon has written a number of books and articles. He has also made numerous speeches and done a number of interviews. I hope that his books will be studied by future leaders. Richard Nixon is gone, but his principles concerning foreign policy and leadership style will live on. Just as the writings of Winston Churchill, the speeches of Charles de Gaulle, Abraham Lincoln and Thomas

Jefferson are studied, I hope so too will be the writings of Richard Nixon.

I am convinced that the world is a safer place because of Richard Nixon and I am convinced that he helped end the Cold War. History will treat him more kindly than his contemporaries just as it has many other presidents who were unpopular when they left office. I believe the same will be true for George Bush who was also a great foreign policy leader. It is true that Richard Nixon is the first president to resign from office and he will always be remembered for that but hopefully he will also be credited for his great accomplishments in foreign policy.

John Duck, senior, political science and history double major

Editor's note: Flowers and other condolences extended in honor of President Richard Nixon can be sent to the following address:

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DWI names are nobody's business

I am writing in response to the article published in last Tuesday's Skiff, concerning the two TCU students who were convicted of drinking and driving. I am appalled and, frankly, a little angry. I cannot believe that the Skiff would publish such an article on the front page and mention the names of the two people who were involved.

I don't think this incident is anyone's business. Getting a DWI is a personal matter, not one to be known by practically everyone on the TCU campus. It's bad enough to have a DWI on your personal record, but it's even worse to be publicly recognized for receiving it. Think of it as getting an "F" on an exam and having your grade with your name beside it posted outside of the classroom door for everyone to see. It's public humiliation.

I am surprised the Skiff would make news out of others' unintentional mistakes, especially at their own expense. I thought the Skiff had more class than that.

Jenni Simpson, senior, English and French double major

COLUMNIST CLAY GAILLARD

When the geezers remember grunge



As senioritis sets in, I seem to be going out with my friends more and more, as though we're trying to get a few more good stories for the reunions. So last Wednesday, my friend Derek invited me to attend a

concert in Deep Ellum with him and his chick Jamie (lay off, that's her self-description).

As one might guess, I'm not known as the most alternative man on campus, or in almost any room, so I didn't know what to expect when they came to pick me up.

I let them ruffle through my closet to pick out my clothes. They came out with a pair of old Levi's that I spilled battery acid on once, my only black T-shirt (from some bar in Colorado), and pair of combat boots I'd bought for some theme party a couple of years ago. I put the stuff on and looked in the mirror: Perfect — my dad would've had a heart attack.

We arrived at Trees during the opening band and had a couple of drinks, then we staked out a spot right up by the stage for Paw, the main event. Before the show a

radio station raffled off a \$900 Gibson guitar which was won by a guy who looked like he'd just stepped out of a concentration camp with his burr haircut, apparently prison-issue pants and canvas belt to hold them on his 110-pound-soaking-wet frame. We agreed that he should sell the guitar and buy a little food and some better clothes.

Paw started playing a little later and they sounded really great except for the fact that it was so loud I couldn't understand a damn thing they sang. Then the mosh pit started just behind us. People were slamming all around and hitting a lot of innocent bystanders in the process. One young lady was just walking by and got hit so hard that she started to fall down. I saw this over my shoulder, turned around and caught her by the back of the arms. She looked up and swore at me. I was so surprised I dropped her on her ungrateful little butt.

Then the crowd-surfing started. This one really smelly, long-haired idiot (sweaty with no shirt, of course) would surf onto the stage, then security would throw him back out into the crowd. The first time he did this, I was looking the other way and got a busted lip and smashed nose from an errant combat boot. Everybody else was paying better attention, I guess, and held their hands up to push him somewhere else. The next time I

was watching and he was heading for me again. Only this time I grabbed somebody in front of me and pulled us both aside. The smelly surfer fell head first into the hole we left and plowed into the concrete. That taught him — it was at least two minutes before he was doing it again.

After the show, we walked back to the car, yelling at each other because we couldn't hear a thing and laughing about the guitar winner getting thrown almost into the drummer when he surfed. And about me going to a grunge concert instead of to see Jerry Jeff Walker or somebody like that. Jamie suggested we stop and get my belly button pierced like Paw's lead singer in commemoration of the event, but I declined on the grounds that it might get caught on something and it sounded painful.

It was a different kind of a night for me, but it was having fun with good friends, and that's been something I have learned to appreciate the most from college.

Ten years from now, Derek and I will be at a reunion or something here and we'll probably tell that story. But by then the story will have improved a bit, saying we were the ones to crowd surf and that we got on stage and sang with the band.

By the 20th reunion, girls will have thrown their underwear.

Gaillard has just left the building.

News

'Rose Tattoo' uses odd staff, children, goat

By SHERILYN SHAW
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The theater production of "The Rose Tattoo" required an unusual staff.

An Italian instructor, playful children and a mild-mannered goat were needed to complete the production. Vincent Russo, TCU assistant professor of music, provided the lead actors with a tape teaching them Italian diction. Russo, who teaches Italian and French lyric diction, learned Italian from his Sicilian grandparents.

"The student actors walked around with their walkmans learning Italian," said George Brown, the production director and assistant professor of acting and directing. "They are committed to their roles."

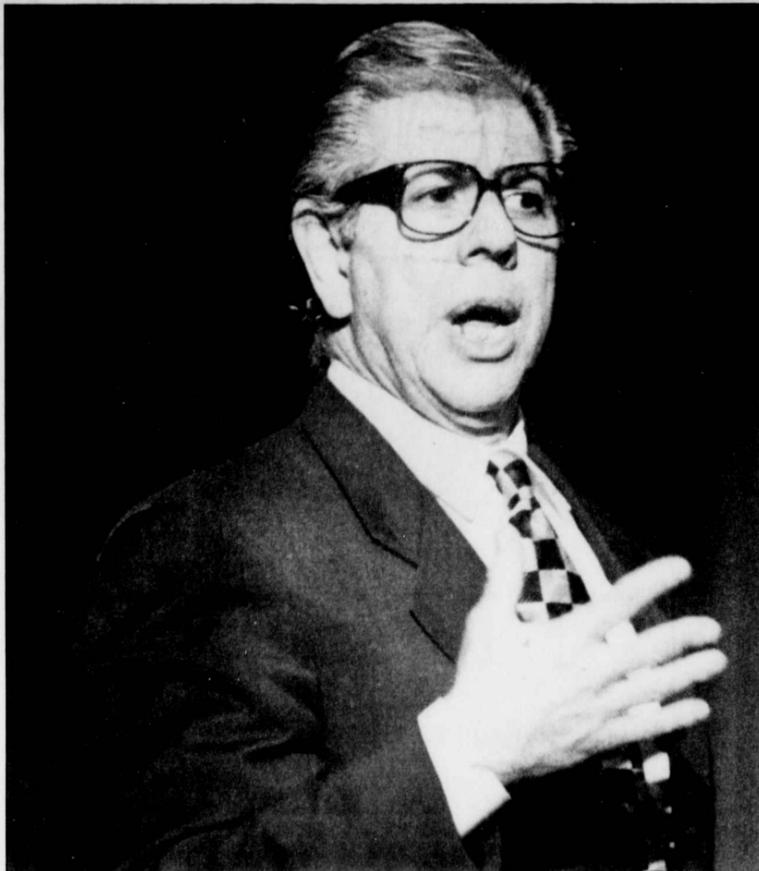
To get 7- and 8-year-old actors, Brown placed a notice in the University Bulletin requesting children to perform. Several parents replied and brought their children for auditions. During the audition, Brown played games such as catch and hide and seek with the children, he said.

"The great thing about the children in 'The Rose Tattoo' is that they get to be children," he said. "They get to play hide and seek, fly kites and chase a goat across the stage."

Brown selected children that he believed would not be intimidated to play before an audience, he said.

Besides recruiting an Italian instructor and energetic children, Brown had to find a black goat. While walking his dog through his neighborhood, Brown saw a goat in a neighbor's back yard.

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Carl Bernstein said Tuesday in the Student Center Ballroom that the media should stop pandering to the public and report more relevant issues. Bernstein, with Bob Woodward, broke the Watergate scandal that ended with Richard Nixon's resignation from the presidency.

TCU Daily Skiff/ Brian Bray

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As a *Washington Post* reporter Bernstein won a Pulitzer Prize for his role in exposing former President Richard Nixon and his staff's roles in the Watergate cover-up.

"I am not a historian or a philosopher," Bernstein said.

Bernstein said journalists are losing sight of the best attainable version of the truth.

Bernstein feels news coverage has been distorted by celebrity, gossip and sensationalism. He discusses these topics at length in his current essay "The Idiot Culture: Reflections of post-Watergate journalism" which appears in the June 8, 1992 issue of *The New Republic*.

Bernstein said he and his partner, Bob Woodward, went about finding their information about the Watergate break-in and cover-up by doing basic police reporting and talking with clerks and chauffeurs, who were close to Nixon and his staff.

"Nothing was fancy about the way we covered the story," he said. "The FBI interviewed the same people we did but they did so in an atmosphere of intimidation."

Bernstein said when he called then-Attorney General John N. Mitchell to read the story he had written disclosing Mitchell's role in funding the Watergate plumbers, Mitchell said all of the contents of the story had been repeatedly denied by the White House.

Bernstein said Nixon dominated post-war political history and demonstrated his recuperative powers after his resignation from the

presidency. Nixon wrote several books and gave speeches around the country to change his political image from scandalous to one of a strong foreign policy president, Bernstein said.

When asked if the public will ever know who Deep Throat (the code name for Bernstein and Woodward's anonymous source who leaked information about the Watergate scandal) is, Bernstein said the informant's identity will be released after his death. Deep Throat's identity has remained a mystery due his desire for anonymity.

"Many of the sources we had gave us permission to use their names, but some wanted to remain anonymous. Deep Throat's identity will be honored until his death," Bernstein said.

Bernstein co-wrote "All the President's Men" and "The Final Days" with his partner Bob Woodward. Most recently he has written "Loyalties: A Son's Memoir," in which he tells of his parents' encounter with McCarthyism during the Cold War era.

Bernstein said the current White-water scandal, which continues to be an issue for the Clinton administration, will not result in the impeachment of President Bill Clinton.

"Clinton did not do anything illegal while in office," Bernstein said. "Whitewater is a conservation of our worst fears. It should have been settled in the 1992 presidential campaign."



Courtesy of TCU News Service

TCU education students Paula B. Pozzi, Russell A. Baker, Holly Dalfares, Grace Simmons and Laura Youdan spent six weeks in Canada teaching there.

Neighboring nations school student teachers

By CHRIS LESCHBER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Nine TCU education students have recently returned from teaching experiences outside of the United States.

The student teachers, five of whom went to Canada and four to Mexico, made up the largest group to participate in the university sponsored program in a semester.

Luther Clegg, professor of education, is the faculty adviser for the program and traveled with one of the groups to Canada to help set up the

program.

This semester is the fourth time TCU has sent student teachers to Canada and the second time the school has sent them to Mexico. The teaching abroad experience offers the students a unique environment in which to learn, Clegg said.

"The Canadian education system is far ahead of our own American system," he said. "They emphasize the whole language approach, which involves more reading and literature and cooperative learning. They (the

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Courtesy of TCU News Service

Ronda Hopton-Jones, Wendy Candles, Heather Borja and Diana Nefkens spent four weeks teaching students in Mexico.

Former teacher of year to lead Starpoint School, will focus on computer education

By GINGER RICHARDSON
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Starpoint School, the academy for children with learning disabilities located just west of the Brown-Lupton Health Center, has a new director.

Kathleen Williams, who is currently serving as principal of Carroll Intermediate School in Southlake, will replace Henry Patterson, who is serving as interim director of Starpoint, in August.

Douglas Simpson, dean of the School of Education, said Williams will bring great experience and enthusiasm to the position.

"Kathy (Williams) has a rich back-

ground in the area of classroom teaching and administrative leadership," Simpson said. "She works very well with parents, students and teachers, and I think she'll be a great asset to the school and the university."

In addition to serving as principal, Williams was the teacher of the year in 1987 for the Grapevine-Colleyville School District.

"The majority of my career has been spent serving students in a teaching or administrative capacity," she said. "I have taught special education students from early childhood to adults and have also worked as a diagnostician."

Williams was selected by a commit-

tee after a nationwide search, Simpson said.

"After we narrowed the search down to two or three applicants we chose Kathy because we wanted someone with administrative experience and after her work in Southlake, she certainly qualified," he said.

Simpson said Williams' teaching experience and interest in current technology will prove a valuable asset to the Starpoint School.

"She will be involved in all activities surrounding the school," he said. "She places a tremendous emphasis on technology and current research and I believe she will emphasize those things in the

program at Starpoint."

Williams said she places a high emphasis on technology and computers because they will be vital to our survival in the next century.

"I think the Starpoint School already provides an atmosphere that is conducive to this kind of research and learning," she said, "and that is going to be important for the students."

"I believe in the next century, and I believe it will be impossible to be employed without a basic knowledge of computer technology," Williams said.

"These students have to be able to communicate on that level, and I intend to help them do so," she said.

There are 40 students enrolled at the Starpoint School, which is a part of the School of Education, Simpson said.

Students are broken up into 4 classes of 10 each and usually remain there for 4 years, he said.

Williams said she is looking forward to being a part of the school and working with the students.

"I sensed in them (the school) a real dedication and commitment to the future of these students," she said. "I think this will be a wonderful, professional opportunity for me."

"I can't wait to be a part of the administration and serve the youngsters and the students at TCU."

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car got some dings in it from the hail."

Students said their cars that were parked uncovered on campus did receive hail damage.

Carrie Palin, senior speech communication major, said her car was parked in the Worth Hills campus area when the hailstorm hit. Her car received extensive damage on the trunk, hood and side areas, she said.

"It looks like my car rolled around in a gravel pit for a couple of hours," Palin said. "It might as well be totaled."

Whitney Morris, senior advertising and public relations major, said her car was damaged while she was in night class.

"I came out of class and the hail was the size of golf balls," she said. "My car was already damaged. There was nothing I could do to protect it."

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"I knocked on the front door and said 'this is probably the strangest request that you're ever going to hear but can I borrow your goat for a play?'" he said.

The neighbor agreed and loaned Brown his black goat, Melba, for the theater production. Melba attended two rehearsals and has worked well with the other cast members, Brown said.

"The Rose Tattoo", a Tennessee Williams classic, is the story of a young widow who re-discovers love. The 30-year-old widow honors her deceased husband by keeping his ashes under the Madonna where she prays. Her life is without significant meaning to her until she rediscovers how to both live and love.

Performances of "The Rose Tattoo" will be at 8 p.m. April 27-30 in the University Theater. There will also be a matinee performance at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 1. The performance is free for TCU students and faculty with TCU identification. Tickets are \$3 for non-TCU students with their college I.D. and \$5 for the public.



TCU Daily Skiff/ Tina Fitzgerald

As final exams draw closer and term projects are due, a few more students are filing into the library to study.

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student teachers) had better exposure to that in Canada. Both countries gave the students a unique cultural experience to take with them the rest of their lives."

Because of scheduling problems, the group in Mexico spent only four weeks abroad while the Canadian student teachers spent six weeks there. Both groups of students spent an additional six weeks practicing their teaching techniques at Lily B. Clayton Elementary School in Fort Worth before traveling abroad.

Senior special education major, Paula Pozzi and senior child studies majors Holly Dalferes, Laura Youdan and Grace Simmons, taught in an elementary school in Quebec City, Quebec. The fifth student teacher, who traveled to Canada, Russell Baker, a senior double major in history and French, worked in a secondary school in Montreal, Clegg said.

"In Quebec City, the girls stayed in resident housing facilities on the campus of LaValle University," he said.

Heather Borja, a senior Spanish major; Ronda Hopton-Jones, a graduate student studying history; and senior special education majors, Wendy Canales and Diana Nefkens, spent four weeks teaching at an elementary school in Mexico. The student teachers lived on their own and with host families in Puebla, Mexico about 60 miles south of Mexico City, Clegg said.

The student teachers worked in English speaking schools in both countries to limit the language barriers, he said.

"I think they managed the language all right outside the classroom," Clegg said. "There were two girls in Mexico who spoke Spanish and two, that I know of, in Canada spoke French."

If you didn't read it in the Skiff, it wasn't worth reading.

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But Goldsmith said the professors are willing to seek the help of state and federal agencies to achieve tenure.

"I know what the Faculty Handbook says, but we (Taylor and Hall) have every intention of following every avenue that we can to reach an equitable situation here," Taylor said.

Hall, an assistant professor of speech communication, agreed.

"We've known the whole time we would pursue this as far as we could," she said. "There are many stages in this whole process (of appealing tenure decisions) and we're just hoping that at one of these stages something good will result."

Goldsmith said a representative

from the human resources office heard Hall and Taylor's complaints Tuesday and will begin to investigate the professors' claims when the official complaint is filed next week.

Goldsmith said the human resources office will attempt to find an agreement between the professors and the university.

Lois Banta, who handles affirmative action complaints, confirmed she met with Goldsmith, Hall and Taylor, but Banta said she could not comment specifically about the meeting.

Banta said professors can file an affirmative action complaint if they feel they were treated differently than others because of their gender,

race or a disability.

"Typically we handle them (affirmative action complaints) by investigating the claims that are made and interviewing those people named in the complaint," Banta said. "Then a conclusion is reached. If there are problems, then we negotiate to correct them. If there are no problems, then we notify the ones who are filing the complaint and they can go outside the university for help."

Goldsmith said if Hall and Taylor do not receive a decision which would help them get tenure, they might contact the Human Resources Commission or Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Neither Hall nor Taylor would

comment specifically about the content of the complaint, but Taylor said the complaint would detail the tension between the two professors and their department leaders. Taylor said the complaint would also include comparisons with other tenured faculty in the College of Fine Arts and Communication.

Jennifer Watson, chairwoman of the communication sciences department, and Paul King, chairman of the speech communication department said they had no comment about Hall and Taylor's plans to file the complaint.

Robert Garwell, dean of the College of Fine Arts and Communication could not be reached for comment.

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Kimmell said athletes at BYU must keep a 2.0 GPA after three semesters.

Kimmell said BYU does not admit partial graduates to enter the school. Partial graduates would not meet one of the following conditions: a score of at least 700 on the SAT, a 2.5 GPA and a minimum number of English or mathematics courses.

Hesselbrock said the SWC does not allow partial graduates to enter school.

Hesselbrock said the addition of the four private schools may cause the WAC to re-evaluate its academic requirements for athletes.

"The WAC's reputation as an academic conference has been improved," Kimmell said. "It is a very healthy move for the WAC."

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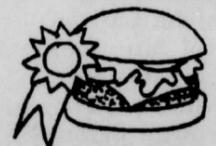
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