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Fraternities
bring fight
to campusBy CHRIS NEWTON
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Fort Worth and TCU campus police broke up a fraternity brawl between the TCU chapter of Phi Kappa Sigma and the SMU chapter of Alpha Tau Omega, according to campus police reports.

The fight began at Big Dogs Bar and Grill on South University Drive and ended at 2 a.m. Saturday at Tomlinson Hall, according to campus police reports.

Kristen Kirst, assistant director of fraternity and sorority life said the university was investigating the incident.

"We are definitely in the investigation stage right now," Kirst said. "We just received the incident report this morning and are just trying to determine what happened."

Campus police reported breaking up a crowd of 20 to 30 Phi Kaps gathered in front of Tomlinson Hall. The crowd told the officers that members of the Alpha Tau Omega house from SMU were coming to TCU to finish a fight that began at Big Dogs Bar and Grill.

Sean Craig, president of the Phi Kaps, said his fraternity was not involved in the incident.

"No member of Phi Kappa Sigma instigated or partook in the barroom brawl at Big Dog's Friday night," said Craig, who was at Big Dogs on Friday but not present outside Tomlinson Hall when campus police were called.

Police prevented several vehicles that were marked with SMU stickers and license plates from entering the campus, the report said.

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Freshman
becomes ill
after taking
medicationBy CHRIS NEWTON
TCU DAILY SKIFF

A student whom campus police found laying on his back in front of Brachman Hall at 2:33 a.m. on Feb. 10 said he believed medicine prescribed to him by the TCU Counseling Center might have caused his dizziness.

Lucas Gueller, a freshman nursing major, told police he was dizzy but refused their offer to call an ambulance.

"It effected me stronger than I expected, I took the correct dosage, but I just couldn't make it back (home)," Gueller said.

He said the medication was a mild tranquilizer that would help "clear his mind."

The doctor who Gueller said prescribed him the medication declined to comment on the grounds of patient confidentiality.

Gueller said he had not contacted his doctor yet but had scheduled an appointment.

"I didn't fall," Gueller said. "I was able to lay down. There was no harm done, I just think the medication was a

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Dan Rather smiles at Peter Couser's impression of George Bush during an interview on KTCU Monday.

TCU Daily Skiff/Layne Smith

Newsman says
press straying
from purposeCBS anchor warns of entertainment
overruling journalism's news valueBy CHRISTY HAWKINS
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Entertainment values overwhelm news values in journalism today, CBS anchorman Dan Rather said in his speech Monday at Ed Landreth Auditorium.

"American journalism, both print and electronic, is straying from its mission of fairness and accuracy," Rather said. "Instead journalism has gone Hollywood with glitz, glamour and sleaze."

Journalists can fight the problems they are facing today by staying true to what got them into the journalism field in the first place: their ideals.

"Journalists are idealists. We want to contribute to societies right to be informed because we can write and speak well," Rather said.

Rather stressed to those who wanted to be journalists the importance of reading and learning to write well.

"Make yourself a lifetime reader," Rather said. "Writing is the core of the craft of journalism."

Journalists believe foreign news is a sure-fire loser both money-wise and viewer-wise, Rather said.

"Foreign news is perceived as confusing, boring and a long way from Broadway. Fear says stay away from the issues," Rather said.

Rather also addressed those who were not aspiring to be journalists.

"For those of you who have no intention of being a journalist, Rather said. 'Well, good for you.'"

Citizens should stay informed of their choices and keep questioning journalists as to their accuracy and fairness.

"There are no bad questions only bad answers," Rather said.

"It takes courage for reporters to tell someone they are wrong, but even more courage to tell them how to fix it."

Rather spoke of his friend and colleague, Bob Schieffer, who he said was TCU's biggest alumnus booster.

"Bob Schieffer is the only man or woman I know who will get up if they hear an unkind word about a friend," Rather said.

Rather joked that Schieffer said on his news program "Face the

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Rather recalls reporting, railroad songs

By CHRISTY HAWKINS
and R. BRIAN SASSER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Dan Rather has written stories about the Vietnam War and President John F. Kennedy's assassination. He has interviewed Saddam Hussein and every U.S. president since Dwight D. Eisenhower.

And he sings railroad songs.

Rather, an anchor for the "CBS Evening News," and radio-TV-film Green Honors Pro-

fessor, visited the campus on Monday. He talked to students and faculty about his life as a television journalist and gave some advice for career success.

Rather began his day on the airwaves of KTCU FM 88.7 by interviewing with senior RTVF major Peter Couser.

"It was an action packed 10 minutes," Couser said.

Rather talked about his appearances on David Letterman, the high points of his journalism career and changing role of the media

in today's society.

"I've learned to fear Letterman," Rather said. "You have to stay alert or otherwise you won't stay alive."

Rather said one of his most memorable moments as a journalist was covering John Kennedy's death.

"Those four dark days in Dallas when Kennedy died have been burned in my memory," Rather said.

Rather also talked of his coverage of the civil rights movement, Hurricane Carla, Sad-

dam Hussein and Washington politics. He said journalism was all-consuming and unpredictable.

"I happened to be at the right places, at the right times and did the right things," Rather said.

In an afternoon meeting with the media, Rather said students today were better educated, but sometimes lacked a strong work ethic.

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'Symbol of peace' Carter signs poetry books

By R. BRIAN SASSER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Gwenda Barker and her Keller High School government class visited the symbols of justice and law Friday, but they ended their field trip with a symbol of peace.

After visiting the county jail and courthouse, Barker and her class joined more than 2,000 people lined up at Border's Bookstore to meet former President Jimmy Carter.

Carter signed around 2,100 copies of "Always a Reckoning," his 1995 book of poetry.

Barker said seeing Carter was an opportunity for her students to see a piece of history.

"We did the field trip all at once," Barker said. "We came to see a great peacemaker that he was and has become."

Many of Barker's students were born the year Carter took the presidency. Some of them said it was "pretty cool" to see a former president.

"Just seeing a president is an honor," Senior Suzy Bayer said. "We've seen him over in Bosnia and Haiti."

Other students liked hearing the former president was a poet.

"I think it shows he's human," said Tom Burgett, a senior who will attend TCU next year. "He's not just a political figure."

Former Speaker of the House of Representatives Jim Wright introduced Carter at the signing. He talked about Carter's presidency and his role as a negotiator.

"Above all, he showed the skills of a peacemaker," Wright said.

Fort Worth Mayor Kay Granger praised Carter for his accomplishments . . . and his poetry.

"He is a man who is sensitive and brave enough to bare his soul in poetry," Granger said.

Carter described his book as a collection of feelings and concepts he felt. He said his teachers made him memorize poems in grade school,

and he learned to love the expression of poetry.

"Poetry is the most revealing word," Carter said. "I'd show Rosalyn a poem, and she'd say, 'I never knew you felt that way.'"

Carter urged readers of his book to read the poems and apply them to their life and feelings. He said people could apply "even the life of a peanut farmer" to their own lives.

The line to meet Carter snaked around bookshelves and magazine racks, went out the door and wrapped around the back of the building.

TCU graduate Gray Butterfield was near the front of the line. He said he was a Republican, but it was his "civic duty" to see a former president.

"This is a once-in-a-lifetime chance," said Butterfield, who graduated in 1994.

Linda Foley worked as a volunteer for the signing. She said she was a

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TCU Daily Skiff/R. Brian Sasser

Former President Jimmy Carter signs copies of his poetry book at Border's Books on Friday.

NEWS DIGEST

Counselor charged in killing, rape

MIDLAND, Texas (AP) — A substance-abuse counselor for the state has been charged with capital murder in the killing and rape of a 10-year-old girl.

Autopsy results indicated that Julianne Powell was strangled or suffocated, said police Sgt. David Garcia.

Garcia said the girl's nude body was found in a hamper at a neighbor's apartment.

That neighbor, Henry Ortiz, remained jailed without bond. He was acquitted in 1991 of sexual assault.

Gingrich says no to presidency

SMYRNA, Ga. (AP) — House Speaker Newt Gingrich ended a brief flirtation with the 1996 presidential race Monday, saying he had decided to concentrate on the ambitious GOP congressional agenda.

"I think I should stay and focus on what I am doing and get things done," Gingrich said. "I hardly need to run for president to get my message out."

Few Republicans believed Gingrich would run. But many activists had urged him to run, especially after former vice president Dan Quayle said he would forgo the 1996 race.

Serbs accused of war crimes

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — Setting the stage for the first war-crimes trial since World War II, a tribunal on Monday accused 21 Serbs with committing atrocities against Croats and Muslims interned in a Bosnian prison camp.

Dusan Tadic, a former police officer, is the only suspect in custody, and may be the lone person to come to trial for crimes that include killings, torture, rape and beatings at the Omarska camp.

The indictments cap a five-month inquiry by investigators, attorneys and analysts.

Couple loses battle to keep baby

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Illinois couple who have raised Baby Richard since he was born nearly four years ago lost a Supreme Court battle today in their struggle to retain custody of the boy.

The justices, on a 7-2 vote, refused to block an Illinois Supreme Court ruling that gave custody of the baby to the biological father he has never met.

The Chicago couple, known as John and Jane Doe, have raised Richard since he was 4 days old, can still file a formal appeal of the Illinois court's decision.

Post office offers moon stamps

WASHINGTON (AP) — Moon landing commemorative stamps that have flown in space are being offered by the post office.

A half-million moon landing stamps were carried aboard the Space Shuttle Endeavour last year, and thousands were purchased by collectors.

But postal officials said Monday that they still have many of the stamps available, including about 5,000 signed by artist Keith Birdsong, who painted the space scene on the envelope used to mount the stamps.

CAMPUSLINES

Campuslines is provided as a service to the TCU community. Announcements of events, public meetings and other general campus information should be brought by the Skiff office, Moudy 2915 or sent to TCU Box 32929. The Skiff reserves the right to edit for style and taste.

"HOW TO APPROACH RECRUITERS" is today at 4 p.m. in Reed Hall 165.

YEARBOOK PICTURES are today from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Student Center Lounge.

CARNATION SALE from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today in the Student Center. Flowers cost \$2 each, or \$3 if delivered. Each comes with a card and ribbon. Flowers will be delivered Tuesday after 2 p.m. Sponsored by Baptist Student Ministries.

PERSONAL JESUS RALLY is at 7 p.m. today and Wednesday in the SC Ballroom. Special guests include Judah on Monday, George Louterback with Larry Tardy on Tuesday and Wednesday. Sponsored by Baptist Student Ministries.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES UNT quarterback Mitch Maher will be the speaker Wednesday at 9 p.m. in the coliseum.

TAU CHI UPSILON rush information meeting is Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Student Center 204. Refreshments will be provided.

TCUWOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER sponsors the first annual Women's Symposium on Wednesday and Thursday. It begins at 11 a.m. with "A Woman's World" interpretive reading in SC Lounge.

MOO-U AT TCU will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Wednesday in the Writing Center. Make your reservation now for a demonstration by Cynthia Haynes-Burton from the University of Texas at Dallas. Call 921-7221.

CAREER NIGHT is Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the SC Ballroom. More than 30 Metroplex organizations and companies will be there. Students are invited to bring their resumes. Call 921-7860.

PSI CHI will host the Sixth Student's Convention on Friday and Saturday. It costs \$8 and may be put on students' meal cards by signing up in

the psychology office. Call Shannon at 346-2767. The next general meeting is at 6:15 p.m. Wednesday in Winton-Scott Hall 215. All members need to attend.

CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST Prime Time meeting is 6 p.m. Wednesday in Student Center 205. Todd Stewman will speak on sex, dating and relationships.

STUDY ABROAD open house/information session with Dr. Michael Steinberg of the Institutes of European and Asian Studies will be 3 p.m. Friday in Reed Hall 117. UNITED ASIAN COMMUNITY meets at 5 p.m. Thursdays in SC 203. Call Dui at 263-6201.

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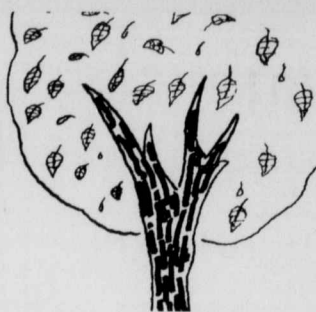
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by Bill Watterson



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Today
1 p.m., Baseball vs. Tarleton State, Stephenville

5 p.m., GSP Test, Moudy 279S
7:30 p.m., Men's Basketball vs. Baylor, Daniel Meyer Coliseum

Wednesday
noon, University chapel, Robert Carr Chapel

5 p.m., GSP test, Moudy 279S
7 p.m., Women's basketball vs. Baylor, Waco

Thursday
3:30 p.m., GSP test,

Moudy 279S

Friday
3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Study Abroad open house, Reed Hall Room 117.

Saturday
Women's Basketball, TCU vs. Rice, in Houston
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Fight

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The fight broke out at Big Dogs Bar and Grill, according to the report. A manager at the bar, who did not want to be identified, said the fight began inside the bar, but then moved outside.

"There was a lot of pushing and shoving," he said. "I saw a lot of scuffling, but I have no idea as to what may have started it. I just called the police."

The manager did not know what groups were involved in the incident, he said.

The bar was not damaged in the fight, but a waitress reported that two tip jars containing over \$120 were stolen during the fight.

The Alpha Tau Omegas did not return calls from the TCU Daily Skiff on Monday.

In an unrelated event, a female student called campus police 2 a.m. Saturday after returning from a Pi Beta

Phi sorority party to claim that a male student hit her during the bus ride home from the event, according to a campus police report.

Both the complainant and the suspect were intoxicated, according to the report.

The complainant told police she was walking down the aisle with a trash bag asking for trash when a man hit her.

The suspect denies hitting the student and said she tried to strike him.

"I made a joke about how the people on the bus couldn't hold their liquor and that was what the bag was for," the suspect said. "She took offense to it and tried to hit me. She kept hitting me on the head."

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No charges have been filed at this time.

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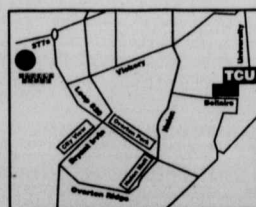
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■ BECKY PRETZ

Valentine's Day is chance for insight into female mind

My most memorable Valentine's Day happened five years ago. I went shopping with a friend of mine who wanted to buy her boyfriend a present. She chose the ever-popular condoms.

We hid the package in case we saw anyone who might recognize us behind our wigs and mirrored sunglasses. We finally reached the cashier, and as she scanned the condoms, we noticed that the price didn't register.

We heard a loud voice, almost as though it came from God Himself, over the P.A. system: "I need a price check on the condoms at register five." Needless to say, I've never bought another package of condoms again.

In honor of Valentine's Day, this column is designed to help out all of you confused Y-chromosomers, who will never understand us Xs. I'm going to share some of those all-time



secrets that we women possess. Don't worry girls, I won't spill the good ones.

We never go to the bathroom alone, because it's the perfect opportunity to talk about YOU! It's too difficult to comment

about your beautiful eyes or your nasty outfit in front of your face, so we must excuse ourselves.

The reason we despise your eyes drifting to other subjects of our gender is that it makes us feel somewhat inferior. After all, you're in our company, so your attention shouldn't drift. If you feel the need to gaze

away, then it says that you aren't interested enough in us to stay focused.

We like to buy a CD to listen to that one love song over and over because it probably reminds us of you. Maybe it was during the first movie we saw. Perhaps it was playing on the radio during our first date. One of my all-time favorite movie scenes is from *Say Anything*, when John Cusack plays "In Your Eyes" to Ione Skye in remembrance of one of their most memorable dates.

Yes, PMS does exist. It's not a myth concocted to give us an excuse to be moody. It's a hormonal change that sometimes causes such extreme cramps that you can't help but be a little less than chipper. Guys, imagine a knife jabbing in and out of your stomach for three days. See how cheerful you'll be.

We really can speak to each other without moving our lips. I have no idea why an arched eyebrow can say, "Becky, this guy's breath is so bad that it sings my eyelashes." It just does.

There's an article in the November 1994 issue of *Glamour* magazine called "The World According to He & She." I dare you to count how many of these statements that you've often wondered about:

"She has the hardest time believing: that it really is hard to pick up the phone and ask a woman out; that he can't read her mind the way she can read his; that he simply doesn't see the mess; that he can own the same underwear for years; that if it seems like he's angry and doesn't want to talk, it means he is angry and doesn't want to talk."

"He will never understand: that she can simultaneously drive on the freeway and put

on makeup without crashing; that just because she has a closet full of clothes doesn't mean she doesn't need more; that she really is full after a salad; that if it seems she's angry and doesn't want to talk, it means she is angry and DOES want to talk."

I hope that these little insights into the female mind have enlightened those of you who had given up on us. Don't forget that it's never how much you spend on us; it's what you put into it. If any girl isn't appreciative of your effort, then she isn't worth your heart.

A last bit of advice for those of you who have to run to Albertson's to snatch that last decrepit rose: Please take the price tag off of the wrapper.

Becky Pretz is a junior advertising/public relations major from Mililani, Hawaii.

■ BRIAN WILSON

Liberal attacks on Limbaugh are overblown

Late in 1988, as America was about to move away from the staunchly conservative policies of Ronald Reagan, listeners of talk radio were introduced to Rush Limbaugh, who would soon become famous as an ardent supporter of Reagan.

Armed with a unique combination of wit and wisdom, Limbaugh soon began to gain popularity with conservatives all over the country, causing hundreds of stations nationwide to pick up his daily radio program.

In spite of all the success enjoyed by Limbaugh over the past six years, he has attracted a great deal of criticism from various special interest groups, the mainstream media and liberal voters, who love to point out the fact that he failed to receive a college degree. They claim he lacks credibility without a college education. Apparently, the people who feel this way have forgotten that in America, we have the freedom to choose.

College is not a prerequisite for success. People who decide not to continue their education after high school just have to work harder to realize their dreams than the average college graduate does.

Like most people, Limbaugh was not born a success. In fact, there were times during the 1980s, he has recalled, when he could hardly afford to put food on the table. Until he found his success in radio, Limbaugh often had to choose between paying his bills and eating, he has said.

Limbaugh realized there was a demand for his talents as a talk radio host, worked hard to reach the top of the industry and is now reaping the benefits financially. Liberals call this "benefiting unfairly." I call it realizing the American dream.

More than anything else, liberals love to call attention to Limbaugh's "dishonesty." Every mistake he makes seems to lead his critics to accuse Limbaugh of "brainwashing" Americans. Sometimes, liberals become so frightened that they mention Limbaugh in the same breath as Adolf Hitler. Liberal opponents harp on Limbaugh's "mistakes," but when the mainstream media is able to speak the truth about what is happening in America, then they can begin to complain.

Periodically, Limbaugh will let his listeners know why he is so successful, by making reference to his "talent on loan from God." This really creates a stir among liberals. They seem to think that by saying this, Limbaugh is proclaiming himself God.

Liberals couldn't be further from the truth. Everyone has God-given talents. Limbaugh just chooses to tell millions of people each day of the ones with which he has been blessed.

Limbaugh's fondness for controversy has caused his detractors so much heartache that certain special interest groups have called for boycotts of products he endorses. For instance, last year, the National Organization of Women attempted to organize a boycott against Florida citrus growers because they had hired Limbaugh to advertise Florida orange juice on his radio program.

Other related incidents indicate similar trends. Every time liberals try to discredit Limbaugh, he only gets stronger.

The reason for Rush Limbaugh's meteoric rise to the pinnacle of his profession is his ability to instill optimism in his listeners about the direction of America by reminding them of the great things they can achieve by combining the virtues of hard work and personal responsibility with a strong faith in God.

I have got a great moneymaking idea for Marriott: Let's turn the Main into a "Rush Room" between 2 and 4 every afternoon, where people can hang out with their friends and listen to America's most-listened-to radio talk show host. Rush Limbaugh will make the students at TCU feel better about themselves, their families and their future in this great nation of ours.

Brian Wilson is a sophomore news-editorial major from Parkersburg, W.Va.



■ EDITORIAL

DAN RATHER

Anchorman's suggestions are valuable advice

Becoming well-read and learning to write are two of the most enriching, educational and beneficial skills students can acquire during their college years.

That was the message Dan Rather, CBS news anchorman and radio-TV-film Green Honors professor, wanted students to remember from his visit to the university on Monday.

"You haven't kept faith with yourself if you don't learn to read and to write," Rather told approximately 100 students during a morning reception.

"In order to write, you have to learn how to think," he said. "If you learn to write, you are also learning to think."

Students should take his mind-enriching words to heart. Rather's success shows his message comes from personal experience.

He regrets not having more knowledge of warfare and history when he covered the Vietnam War early in his career, he said.

"I didn't prepare myself (for covering the Vietnam War)," he said. "I wish I would have been a student of the ancient Greeks and understood the history of warfare. My knowledge of the culture of the region was less than it should have been."

But after decades of reporting, writing and reading, Rather, who was educated at Sam Houston State University, is a Green Honors professor and considered the paramount authority on American government and journalism ethics.

Rather developed that wealth of knowledge and depth of understanding not only from living through events, but also from writing and reading about them.

Reading about history, politics, the sciences and current events is a method of self-education. And if students would make reading a habit during their college years, they would adopt a method of learning to last a lifetime.

■ LETTER

Pranks are serious offenses

I am writing in response to the article on Jeff Deal and Michael Symons' "pranks." I find it disturbing that the *Skiff* treated the incident so nonchalantly, and that these two delinquents will walk away unscathed. Admittedly, there is a sliver of humor in the situation, but that is only because they got caught. The silverware was funny — we did have replacements. But one has to draw the line somewhere. If the administration does not act accordingly, I will personally be very disappointed as will a number of other students.

If the "food sucks and is overpriced," then the little prank these two pulled was definitely the wrong way to go about bringing change. Would the administration or the *Skiff* treat this so lightly if the pranksters had robbed the Bookstore to protest the high cost and low quality of their goods? I think not.

What if they stole all the money from the Controller's Office to protest high tuition? Would we be laughing? If that were the case, then we all

would have had a good laugh at those other two fools who burglarized Ed Landreth Hall to the tune of \$10,000. If Jeff Deal and Mike Symons are allowed to stay on as students after their obvious display of immaturity and lawlessness, then I think we might as well send the Ed Landreth robbers a cordial invitation to return here, and hold a parade in their honor.

Despite the fact that these two "students" had nothing better to do than steal from the university and Marriott, regardless of the fact that they stole from the chancellor and tired to overindulge in campus coupons, there are still a few questions which have yet to be asked.

I am forced to wonder just what the neon sign had to do with protesting food quality. And if the food is so bad, then why did they take two of the only spices which could immediately improve the taste for the students? Did they steal the ISA flags in hopes that we could eliminate the mini-Mexican dishes or the Oriental express? Perhaps the cow-

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■ SCOTT BARZILLA

Pranksters should be appropriately punished for acts

The TCU campus has been in an uproar for the past few weeks over the two pranksters responsible for the heist of Marriott and campus property who were caught. Numerous letters have poured into the *Skiff* condemning and condoning their behavior.

Those who condemned the pranksters claimed that these two students were kleptomaniacs who should be punished for stealing, or be forced to work in the Main. Those who condoned the pranks cited that the students returned some of the items and were going to return the rest. The pranksters' defenders said that since the pranksters apologized and were genuinely sorry for their actions, they should go unpunished.

Whether or not the two students stole the forks because of an addiction or because they were playing an "innocent" prank on Marriott is not the point. Even the fact that they returned the forks and later apologized does not matter either.

Some who defended the pranksters, as well as the pranksters themselves, claimed they were protesting the poor service of Marriott. If that is true, then they certainly felt that their actions would somehow improve the service.

One letter claimed that the two pranksters were honor students and that they could have a bright future in student government. If their efforts as student body officers were the same as their actions in the past, then it is doubtful that there would be any kind of meaningful reform on campus.

Student body officers effect changes by acting like adults, because they have to get the changes on campus we want through adults in the administration. Childish pranks will accomplish little to effectively change the food service, or anything else on this campus.

More than likely, the fork heist and the other heists were nothing more than college pranks. However, even though it was a prank, the pranksters stole Marriott and TCU property. Whether or not it was to enact change or just for fun should not matter.

It is debatable whether pranks enhance the college experience in any significant way, but a part of any prank is the possibility of getting caught. People who commit pranks have to accept the responsibility for their actions if they do get caught. Pranks that involve criminal behavior are criminal acts.

There is always a flip side to pranks. Whether it is Marriott or just an individual, there is always a someone who has to be the victim of the prank.

If the people who defend the pranks had their own property stolen as a prank, it's a safe bet they wouldn't be so forgiving. They would, in all likelihood, demand punishment, even if the pranksters were going to give the stolen items back.

Contrary to popular belief, things would not be better on this campus if pranks went unpunished. Everyone on campus had to suffer the hardships of pranks, even if it is only as small as not having any salt and pepper to put on the food.

Whether or not someone should commit a prank is not for anyone to say. Sometimes, the threat of being caught can lure people into committing pranks.

Unfortunately, even the most innocent of pranks negatively affect the people they are committed against. If caught, pranksters should have to accept punishment just like average criminals. They should be punished appropriately.

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Mills to discuss hall renovation

House to also hear 'surprise resolution,' escort bill

By DENA RAINS
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Don Mills, vice chancellor for the Office of Student Affairs, will announce to the House of Representatives tomorrow that the university is discussing the renovation of residence halls with an architectural firm, said Scott Wheatley, House president.

Mills will also speak about the "current state of the university" at the 5 p.m. meeting, Wheatley said.

Wheatley said the following agenda items will be presented to the House:

- House members will vote on a "surprise" resolution as well as a bill to create a House historian position.

- A bill will be presented to the House which will ask for \$97.50 to send the TCU College Bowl's trip to Norman, Okla. for its regional competition. The bill will be tabled to the Finance Committee for one week.

- Clark representative Thomas Kunkle might re-submit his bill to

fund the Student Escort Service.

The bill to fund the Student Escort Service was submitted two weeks ago but was scuttled in the Finance Committee because of technicalities.

The House was unable to fund the service because it wasn't an official university organization, the group did not submit a budget report and a representative from the group was not present at the committee meeting, Wheatley said.

The House would like to give the group funding, but the technicalities of its bylaws hold it back, he said.

"We will probably be sending the organization to (the House's) Student Concerns (Committee) which will sponsor his (Kunkle's) efforts," Wheatley said.

If the group comes under the supervision of the House, "there are certain aspects of (the Student Escort Service) we would like to change," he said.

For example, if Kunkle re-submits his bill, he will ask for money to buy

beverages for the escorts, Wheatley said. The House does not have enough money to fund such extravagancies, he said.

Wheatley also said the House might "change the route of publicity" for the Student Escort Service. Not enough people are using the service and that might be attributed to publicity, he said.

The House executive officers will also be attending the Conference of Student Government Association at Texas A&M this weekend where they will attend workshops on student government trends, Wheatley said.

Last year, the officers came back with ideas which prompted the town hall meetings and other student discussions, he said.

Wheatley said the ideas came just in time for the House.

"It had been spiraling into the pits of disorganization" and the House's involvement in student discussion helped pull it out, he said.

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boy hat was a protest of the Chuck Wagon. Even after we examine the items taken, we are still forced to wonder how "Jeff 'n Mike" were planning to meet their remaining goals.

The student handbook clearly states that students "are obliged to conduct themselves in a manner that is compatible with the university's function as an educational institution," as well as "comply with all federal, state and local laws." These two derelicts obviously couldn't read when they were given the handbook and must be held accountable for their actions.

Jennifer Fontana
Junior, biology

Carter from page 1

lifelong Democrat and local precinct chairwomen and wanted to see Carter because she admired him as a person and a poet.

"He tried to tell people the way it was," said Foley, who wore a green "Carter for President" button on her shirt. "I think his poetry reflects something about his spirituality and him as a person."

Tas Shore and Dwayne Todd, both hall directors at the university, were all smiles after Carter signed their books. Todd said it was an overwhelming feeling to meet a person who influenced world politics.

"I don't usually go to book signings," Todd said. "But this was too

good to pass up."

Shore said she enjoyed Carter's writings.

"It's hard to put emotions into words," Shore said. "You really feel like you know him."

Ann Rickerman, a senior news-editorial journalism and English double major, said she took Wright's political science class and felt she had to come see Carter.

"I wanted to tell him he's one of the great leaders of our era," Rickerman said. "He's a very philosophical and deep-thinking man."

Ola Finley and Patsy Sams waited at the end of the line. They said they weren't sure if the store had any copies of the book left, or if they could get them signed.

"I just wanted an autographed book," Finley said. "I collect them."



TCU Daily Skiff/ Blake Sims

Aruna Murthy, Fort Worth resident and University of Texas student, participates in "Experience India" on Saturday.

'Experience India' raises \$9,000 for Mother Teresa's orphanages

By NEELIMA ATLURU
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Cheers, applause and laughter filled the Student Center Ballroom Saturday for "Experience India," a fund-raiser for Mother Teresa's orphanages in India.

More than 400 people from the Fort-Worth/Dallas area Indian community, TCU, Southern Methodist University and the University of Texas gathered to raise around \$9,000 for the orphanages, said Anantha Babbili, chairman of the department of journalism and faculty advisor for Students for Asian-Indian Cultural Awareness.

"I know of no campus organization in the U.S. which is as small as SAICA and managed to do so many things with one event," Babbili said.

Aashish Patel, a junior neuroscience major and president of SAICA, said the crowd was larger than expected.

"The turnout was quite impressive," Patel said. "I was quite impressed at the number of TCU students who came."

The event began with a "classical vegetarian" buffet. A video presentation of "Mother Teresa," and a band that played Indian music provided entertainment for the crowd.

Ryan Pfeiffer, a junior religion major and student House chaplain, gave the invocation. He said the program was an opportunity to "allow us to share love with others."

Darron Turner, coordinator of Minority Affairs,

gave the introductory remarks.

"It's always good to see this many people of different shades in one place," he said.

The entertainment included energetic Indian dances, soft Indian songs and an Indian fashion show. The Word of Truth Gospel Choir also sang.

Delta Airlines donating two tickets for anywhere in the continental United States. The tickets were auctioned for \$650.

A painting of Mother Teresa, a graduate student studying art, painted a portrait of Mother Teresa, which was auctioned for \$800.

The event was very important to the Indian community around the world, Babbili said. During the show, he announced that TV Asia was filming the event for possible worldwide air play.

Babbili also expressed thanks for the many different corporations and individuals who donated money to the cause.

Students who attended the event said they left with a positive attitude of the Indian community.

Andrea Daum, a sophomore advertising/public relations and Spanish double major, said she enjoyed the show.

"I thought it was an interesting way to raise money," she said.

Babbili said he felt the university as a whole also benefited from the event.

"It enhanced the cultural diversity of the campus even as it raised the consciousness of the university community for a philanthropic activity," he said.



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Lady Frogs fall again, lose 91-68

By BRAD HORN
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The TCU Lady Horned Frogs continue to stare defeat straight in the face after the team's 19th consecutive setback Saturday night.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

A 91-68 loss to the Houston Lady Cougars dropped the Frogs' record to 1-20 overall and 0-9 in the Southwest Conference with five conference games left in the season.

The Cougars (12-9, 6-3 SWC) jumped on the Frogs early as Houston opened the game with a 13-1 run. Several miscues by the Cougar offense kept the game within reach throughout the first half, but Houston extended its lead to 16 by halftime, 41-25.

In the second half, the Cougars kept the Frogs in the ballgame by allowing TCU to pull within 11 at 57-46 with nine minutes to go in the game.

Houston's Pat Luckey led all scorers with 33 points. Cougars' Jerrie Cooper and Jennifer Jones added 19 points apiece as Houston shot 48 percent from the field on the night.

Freshman guard Stephanie Harms had a team-high 14 points for the Frogs before fouling out with three minutes to play in the game.

The Lady Frogs travel to Waco to play Baylor Wednesday night before returning home Saturday against Rice.

Frogs face rematch with nemesis

Men's basketball hopes to avenge Baylor's only conference victory

By DAVID JIMENEZ
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The TCU men's basketball team looks to build on Saturday's victory over Houston against the Baylor Bears at 7:30p.m. today at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

TCU (14-7, 6-3 Southwest Conference) hopes to improve on its 9-0 home record tonight.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Horned Frogs also want to avenge a 98-90 loss to the Bears in Waco on Jan. 18.

In that game, senior center Kurt Thomas was ejected midway through the second half after scoring 20 points, more than nine below his average, and senior forward Michael Thoele did not play against Baylor due to an ankle injury.

The Horned Frogs are coming off a 106-95 victory Saturday against the Houston Cougars in Houston.

Thomas led TCU with 43 points and 19 rebounds in that game. Sophomore guard Jeff Jacobs added 21 points and nine assists while freshman guard Juan Bragg chipped in 20 points.

TCU led 45-38 at halftime and the Horned Frogs stretched their lead to 21 points in the second half.

The Cougars were able to get no

closer than nine points — and that came with less than a minute left in the game.

The win over Houston broke a two-game losing streak for TCU. The Horned Frogs came off road losses against the Texas Tech Red Raiders on Feb. 4 and the Texas Longhorns Wednesday night.

TCU head coach Billy Tubbs said his team faced the toughest road schedule of anyone in the conference since they had consecutive road games at Texas Tech, Texas and Houston.

He said Saturday's victory was crucial for the Horned Frogs.

"I thought the game was a critical one for us," Tubbs said. "It got us back on the winning track."

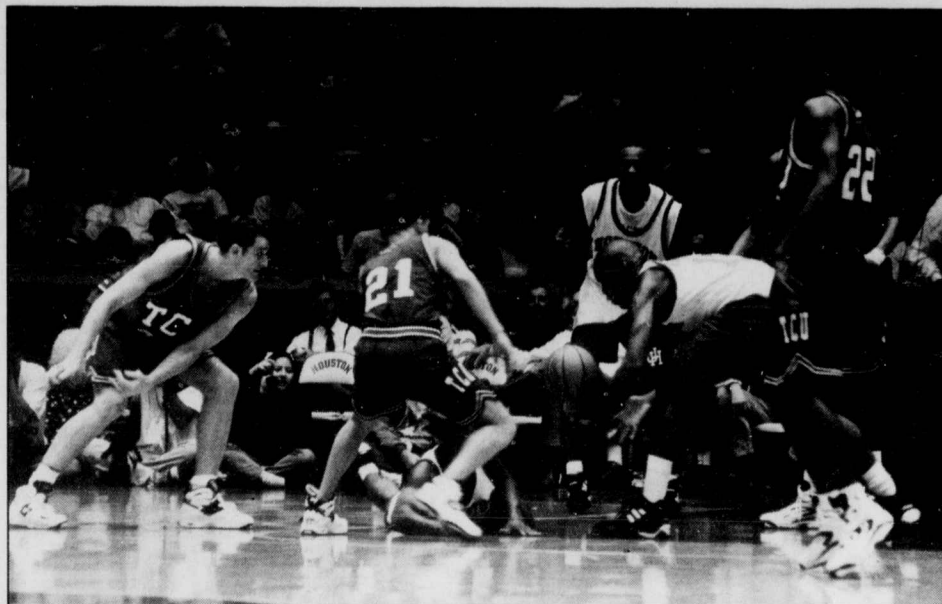
The Horned Frogs are currently in third place in the SWC and one game behind Texas Tech and Texas who are each 7-2 in conference play.

Baylor (7-15, 1-8 SWC) is in last place in the SWC. Baylor has lost six straight conference games.

The Bears only victory in SWC play came against the Horned Frogs.

Baylor is coming off a 122-91 loss at home to the Texas Tech Red Raiders.

Senior guard Aundre Branch leads the Bears in scoring with an average of 22 points a game and also leads Baylor with over 3.5 three-pointers a game; the Baylor team averages over



TCU Daily Skiff/Layne Smith

No one can get a handle on the ball Saturday in the Horned Frogs' 106-95 victory over the Houston Cougars.

nine three-pointers in a ball game.

Tubbs said Baylor's ability to shoot the three-pointer could cause problems for TCU's defense.

"The three is a difficult shot to defend," he said. "They shoot it off the break. If they are on, they will be hard to stop."

Baylor senior point guard Nelson Haggerty averages 11 points a game and leads the conference with over 10 assists a game. Haggerty has the

Baylor single-season record for assists in a season.

"He is a great ballhandler and is the man that distributes the ball," Tubbs said.

Baylor comes into tonight's game with a five-game winning streak, dating back to 1993 over the Horned Frogs.

TCU's last victory over Baylor came in 1992 when the Horned Frogs beat Baylor 73-63 in Waco.

SWC STANDINGS

	SWC			Total		
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Texas Tech	7	2	0	778	13	7
TCU	6	3	0	667	14	7
Rice	5	4	0	556	10	10
Houston	4	5	0	444	7	14
Texas A&M	4	5	0	444	11	13
SMU	2	7	0	222	5	15
Baylor	1	8	0	111	7	15

SPORTS DIGEST

TCU plays in doubleheader

The TCU Horned Frog baseball team (1-0) travels to Stephenville today for a doubleheader with Tarleton State (5-1).

Coach Lance Brown has named sophomore right hander Toby Dollar as the starting pitcher for the first game, and sophomore left hander Derek Lee as the starter for the second game.

The Frogs are 13-1 against the Texans, including two wins last year in Fort Worth.

TCU is ranked No. 28 in the first regular-season Collegiate Baseball poll.



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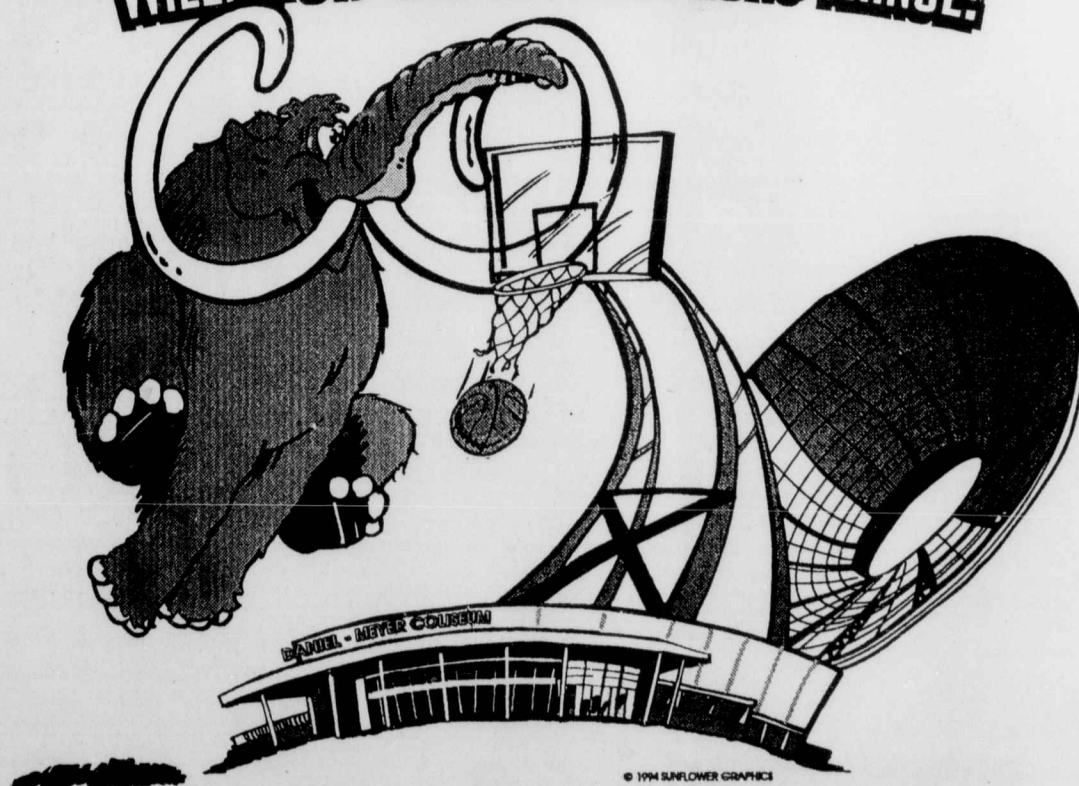
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Dorm plans all-campus pep rally

By JIM LADNER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

TCU basketball coach Billy Tubbs wants to pack Daniel Meyer Coliseum — and so do the residents of Milton Daniel Hall.

Tonight at 6:30, hall residents are sponsoring an all-campus pep rally designed to create some enthusiasm before the 7:30 p.m. game with Baylor.

Jimmy Flint, Milton Daniel hall director, said there will be free pizza and drinks in the lobby. There will also be a special video presentation Flint said would get the crowd pumped up before tip-off.

"The athletic department is putting

together a video with some of this year's highlights, and Coach Tubbs will speak to the fans through the tape since



he can't be there in person," Flint said. Tubbs said the rally was exactly the kind of support he wanted from the students.

"This is their (the students') team," Tubbs said. "What I'd like is at least 3,000 students to be there every night and get behind us. I love promotions that get the student body excited."

Tonight's game is also being billed as "Woolly Mammoth Shirt Night." Flint said his staff will be throwing new Woolly Mammoth shirts into the stands each time a TCU player hits a three-pointer.

The Woolly Mammoth is the hall's official mascot and tonight marks the introduction of the second design of

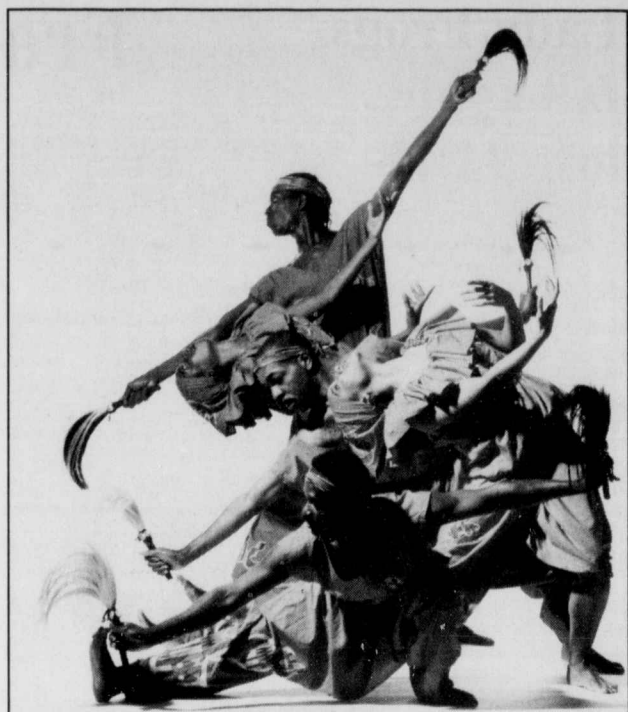
the popular shirt. Basketballs auto-graphed by Tubbs and Southwest Conference player-of-the-year candidate Kurt Thomas will also be handed out to spirited participants at the pre-game rally.

The Horned Frogs are looking to avenge the Jan. 18 loss to Baylor in Waco.

Tubbs said he's looking forward to playing the Bears in Fort Worth.

"It's a payback game," he said. "We need to win every game we can to stay in the hunt and get prepared for postseason play."

TCU is 6-3 in conference play and one game behind leaders Texas Tech and University of Texas.



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The Dallas Black Dance Theater will perform five pieces in Ed Landreth Auditorium tonight.

Black dance troupe to perform tonight

By KRISTAL GRIFFITH
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The Dallas Black Dance Theatre will perform tonight in Ed Landreth Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

The dancers will perform five pieces titled "Our Heritage," "Absolute Rule," "Tides," "Two Solos" and "Rose Permutation."

Theatre Director Karla Daniels said the company liked to present black choreographers during Black History Month.

"Four of the pieces showcase the works of black choreographers and the first piece was chosen because of its spiritual and gospel content," Daniels said.

Lisa Long, a dancer for the Dallas Black Dance Theatre, graduated from TCU in 1992. She has been with the company for three years and is performing in three of tonight's pieces.

Long said her 7 minute solo in Two Solos challenged her endurance.

"It is fun to play with," she said. "It is as if I am dancing in my room and someone is peaking in the window to

watch, but the whole audience is watching."

The Dance Theatre has operated 19 years, which is the longest of any professional dance company in Dallas.

Long said the Theatre was founded to give minorities an outlet to dance in the community.

"A lot of people think you have to be black to dance in the company," she said. "You don't have to be black to understand the soul of the movement."

Leilana McKindra, chairwoman of the Black History Month committee, said students should take their valentine to the performance.

"It's an excellent way to celebrate Valentine's Day and watch an incredible dance company," McKindra said.

Daniels said the performance will vary in music content and dance style and last an hour and 45 minutes.

Admission for TCU students, faculty and staff is free. Community members can buy tickets at the Student Center information desk for \$5.

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Nation" that instead of saying, "Hello it is good to see you," he would say, "Hello it is good TCU."

Jack Tinsley, senior vice president and editorial chairman of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, who introduced Rather before his speech, said storytelling comes naturally for Rather.

"Rather is the premier newsman

of his generation," Tinsley said.

Rather joked about the lack of criminals in Huntsville, the town in which his college, Sam Houston State, was located.

"Huntsville made 'Andy Griffith' look like 'NYPD Blue,'" Rather said.

The media is making a mistake by placing too much importance on O.J. Simpson trial, Rather said.

"You bet it is a big story, but are we missing out on other stories—yes," Rather said.

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"People are surprised when they are asked to work 60 or 70 hours a week," Rather said. "I'm glad I don't have to compete coming out of college today."

Rather said the role of the media has changed to include more entertainment and less journalism.

"Entertainment values have overwhelmed news values," Rather said. "The biggest change has been the 'Hollywoodization' of news."

During the morning KTCU interview, Couser played his impersonation of President George Bush's voice. Bush's voice asked Rather a

trivia question. Rather got it wrong.

Couser also asked what Rather liked to do off camera.

Rather said he liked to take long walks with his family, to read and to go bass fishing.

Rather also joked about what he would have done if he hadn't been a broadcast journalist.

"I really would like to be a Winnebago stunt driver," Rather said.

At the end of the interview, Couser coerced Rather into singing a railroad song.

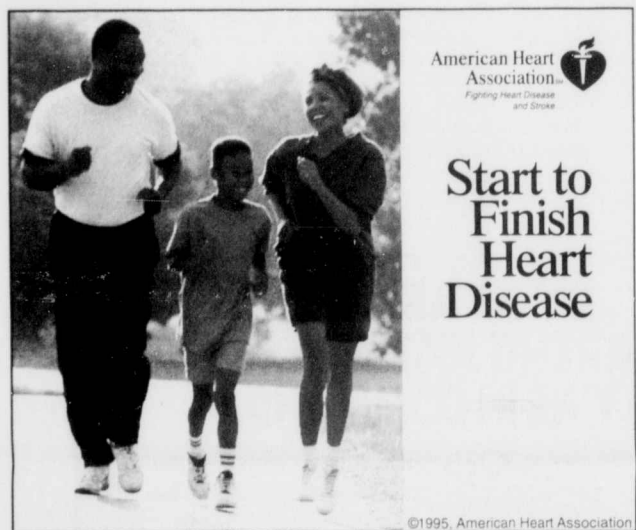
"I really can't carry a tune with a lid and a bucket," Rather obliged. "But here it goes."

After the radio interview, Rather attended an informal reception with radio-TV-film students.

He told students to study hard, follow their dreams and learn to love to read and write.

"It's unlikely you will achieve excellence in any form of communication unless you learn to write," Rather said. "You've gotta have it."

After the media conference, Rather had lunch with students and faculty. Later, he delivered his evening newscast from Fort Worth.



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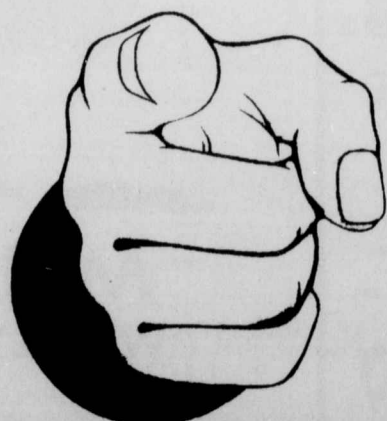
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