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Radio personalities host weekly sports talk show

By SUSAN SHOULDERS
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It's a familiar sight. A group of college guys sitting around a table and talking about sports. But this table has microphones on it instead of chips and dip, and the conversations are being broadcast live on the radio. Mike Becker, Richard Durrett, Shawn Flanery, and Alex Geesbreght meet at KTCU every Wednesday at noon to do their show, Sports Talk. Geesbreght, a senior radio/televi-

sion/film major and the host of Sports Talk, said the show is a round table discussion modeled after the television show, "The McLaughlin Group."

"We try to pick one controversial sports issue a week and discuss it on the show," Geesbreght said. "It's always interesting, because it's seldom that all four of us agree on any one topic," he said.

Geesbreght said they discuss scores from previous games and also offer predictions for upcoming ones. "It's really a seasonal show,"

Geesbreght said. "Right now we are mostly focused on football, but we throw in some pre-season stuff, too."

Flanery, a senior radio-tv-film major, said they mainly talk about professional sports, but they do talk about TCU as well.

"Sports is a lot of fun to discuss, and it's fun to hear

people your age giving their opinion," Flanery said. "We try to talk about things that are hot topics for our listeners and we really want to get the campus listening."

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ALEX GEESBREGHT,
host of Sports Talk

Geesbreght said they encourage call-ins and questions from listeners.

"I hope we put something on the air that TCU can be proud of, because Sports Talk is as good as any 'professional' radio sports show," he said.

"Because we don't have all the commercials, people don't tune out," Geesbreght said.

Becker, a junior broadcast management major said, "It's very focused and there aren't a lot of distractions. It's just good sports commentary."

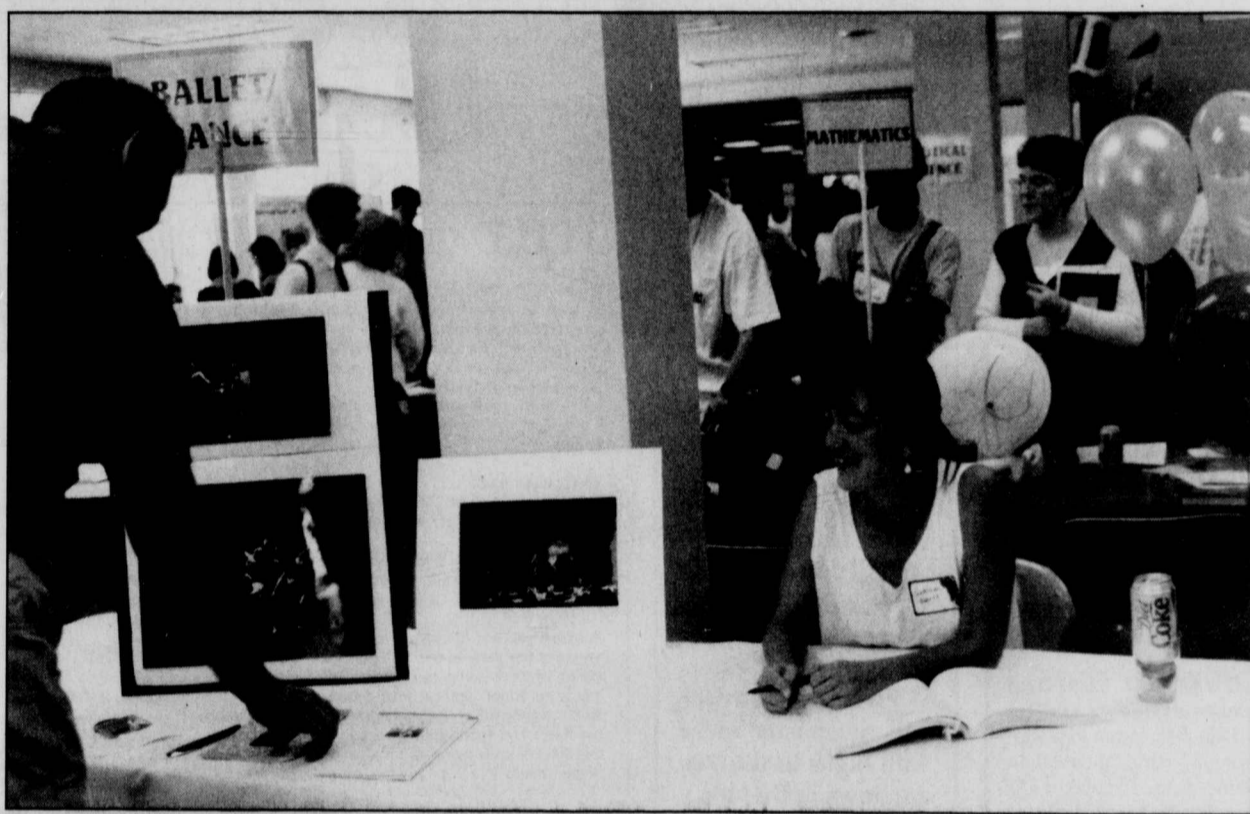
But not all of the commentary comes from the hosts. Sports Talk has had over 40 guests since it began

almost two years ago. The guests are mostly other students who want to be involved in sportscasting, but Geesbreght said he would like to have the athletes come and participate.

"We've had players on the phone before, but we would really like to have them in the studio," Geesbreght said.

All four hosts said they watch a lot of sports and also read the paper to keep up with the statistics and the

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Andrea Harris, a graduate student of ballet and modern dance, shares information about the ballet and dance department with Major/Minor Fair participants.

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Faculty faces housing issue

By HEATHER HOGAN
TCU DAILY SKIFF

A resolution to encourage the administration to give off-campus housing priority to international graduate students will be presented at the Faculty Senate meeting at 3:30 p.m. today, said Sally Fortenberry, chairwoman of the Senate.

Fortenberry said TCU owns apartments off campus which they rent to the community. This resolution would ask the administration to give international graduate students priority in renting these apartments, she said.

Fortenberry said this measure would be an easy, immediate solution that would help the international students, but would not take up space in the dorms for undergraduates, which is already tightly stretched. In the long run, she said, another solution would be an "international house" or a residence hall wing where the graduate students could live.

"These students are not used to the

U.S. or TCU yet, and come here with no guarantee of a place to live," she said.

Accessibility issues and the staff-to-faculty-to-administration ratio will also be discussed at the meeting, Fortenberry said.

Don Palmer, assistant physical plant director, will speak at the meeting about the American Disabilities Act and answer questions on how TCU facilities comply with ADA standards.

Palmer said the physical plant is responsible for completing an audit of the entire campus to determine if TCU facilities meet the ADA requirements.

Some facilities at TCU were built according to the handicap accessibility provision from the 1970s, which predates the ADA, Palmer said. Though not all regulations in the old act meet ADA requirements, such as the slope of some ramps, facilities meeting the old standards are still

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Jurors say Fuhrman, bloody glove led to O.J.'s acquittal

By MICHAEL FLEEMAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES (AP) — One cop lied, another was a racist, the gloves didn't fit on O.J. Simpson's hands and one was planted on the grounds of his estate — so Simpson had to be acquitted, a juror said Wednesday.

Brenda Moran, a black computer technician from South Central Los Angeles, said a glove found behind Simpson's mansion was key to her decision to vote to acquit Simpson on charges of killing ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman.

"Somebody planted it," Moran said, signaling she agreed with the defense contention that Simpson was framed by rogue cops.

The juror discussed the case with more than 100 reporters, who were assembled on the roof of a Beverly Hills parking garage because there wasn't enough room inside the offices of Moran's attorney.

Another black juror, Gina Rosborough said a straw poll taken less than an hour into deliberations was 10-2 in favor of acquit-

tal. One of those voting guilty was black or Hispanic and one was white, she said. The next vote was unanimous.

Rosborough said on "Oprah" that jurors had "a lot of reasonable doubt from the beginning" about the prosecution's evidence, including the blood.

"If he committed such a bloody crime, then there should have been more blood in that Bronco than this just little speck that we saw," she said.

At Simpson's estate, more than a hundred reporters gathered outside the wall that Detective Mark Fuhrman scaled the morning after the murders.

Simpson was nowhere to be seen. A rumored news conference never materialized. Simpson's business attorney, LeRoy Taft, emerged from the mansion after a four-hour visit and delivered a brief report to those waiting.

"He's doing fine," Taft said. "You'll hear from him when he's ready."

Simpson representatives have suggested if he speaks at all it will be on a pay-per-view TV special, similar to those staged for boxing

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A&M College Republicans charged with violating fund-raising policies

By AMANDA BRONSTAD
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The A&M College Republicans are being charged by the university for fund-raising violations and mismanagement originating from a June 6 fund-raising letter.

According to *The Battalion*, A&M's student newspaper, the organization asserts that the letter, written by last year's president of A&M College Republicans Lydia Percival, was

within their rights of free speech.

A&M President Ray Bowen, was quoted in *The Battalion* saying, "The only real issue that I think is completely relevant here is that they did violate our fund-raising policy."

A&M's university organization 1995-96 Policies and Procedures Manual states that "it is important to coordinate all fund raising efforts so that the private support Texas A&M receives is not jeopardized. As a guideline, any new fund-raising

effort anticipated by any group...should be coordinated through the director of student activities."

Kimberly Rogers, vice president for publicity of the A&M College Republicans, told the *Skiff* that writing the letter was an acceptable means of fund-raising.

"Percival was right in what she did," Rogers said. "One of the only ways to keep the administration from doing something is to get the alumni

aware of what's going on."

Rogers said College Republicans have followed this policy and have always submitted copies of their mail outs.

In addition, Rogers said the fund-raising policy is not new.

"We've been sending letters for the past five years and we've never had a problem with it before," she said.

A&M College Republicans say

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Josten's makes annual Parents Weekend visit

By KAREN KASSEBEER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

A sales representative from Josten's, a class ring distributor, will be on campus today and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon to sell class rings.

The sales representative will have a ring sizer available to measure finger sizes, or students can use the paper sizer in the ring catalog.

"The Josten's company has been selling class rings to TCU students

for over 22 years," said Jim Taylor, a sales representative for Josten's.

Rhonda Blanchfield, telemarketer, said there are no requirements to order a class ring through Josten's, and even freshman students can order. It takes about six to eight weeks for the ring to be ready, which will be sent to home addresses, she said.

Blanchfield said the minimum deposit is \$50, or students can opt to use any major credit card for interest-free payments for six months.

For most class rings, students have a

choice of simulated birthstones and their name in script, although some ladies' styles only allow initials. Students can also choose to represent their academic degree on their ring, she said.

Blanchfield said the prices for all lestrum class rings start at \$200.

Blanchfield said the price range for ladies' rings is from \$257 to \$427. The prices for men's gold rings range from \$287 to \$560.

Blanchfield said most of the styles have been around for a while and there are no new designs this year.

"There is a wide range of class rings to choose, from fashionable to more traditional style rings," she said.

Taylor said, "The most popular ring for men and women is the traditional style, which is based on the class ring from 1922."

Blanchfield said there is a lifetime warranty on all Josten's class rings. The warranty covers sizing, workmanship, scratches in simulated

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NEWS DIGEST

Board member expected to quit

DALLAS (AP) — A resignation is imminent from a Dallas school board member who was secretly taped on the telephone using racial slurs to describe students and teachers, according to a televised report Wednesday.

A tape containing snippets of several of Peavy's phone conversations was mailed anonymously to some board members and a transcript was read at a Sept. 28 board meeting. Peavy described schools filled with "little niggers," according to the transcript.

Woman acquitted in kids' deaths

McMINNVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A 20-year-old woman who left her toddlers in an overheated car while she partied at a motel was acquitted of murder Tuesday but found guilty of lesser charges.

Jennie Bain Ducker, a manic depressive with a history of alcoholism, was convicted of two counts of aggravated child abuse in the deaths of Devin, 2, and Dustin, 1.

Ducker claimed the deaths were an accident. The children died of hyperthermia when Ducker left them in the car for eight hours as the temperature inside reached about 120 degrees.

Search narrowed for Unabomber

CHICAGO (AP) — FBI agents searching for the Unabomber are scrutinizing records of a handful of students at three suburban schools in the 1970s, The Chicago Tribune reported Wednesday.

FBI spokesman Bob Long would not confirm or deny the report, noting that agents have interviewed academicians and are looking in the suburbs, the city, and other cities as well.

The FBI believes the Unabomber may have attended high school in the north suburban Niles Township district in the 1970s.

Shots required for AFDC

AUSTIN (AP) — Parents receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children benefits have six months to get their children immunized or they will be fined, officials said.

The Texas Department of Human Services commissioner and the Department of Health commissioner announced the sanctions as part of a new program designed to get more children immunized.

The goal of the program, is to have at least 90 percent of the state's AFDC children under the age of 6 current on their immunizations by December 1996, the officials said.

Potential jurors complete survey

HOUSTON (AP) — Potential jurors for the Selena murder trial were called to court Wednesday to fill out a seven-page questionnaire.

The 49-question survey was distributed to help expedite the selection process. Yolanda Saldivar is charged with the March 31 murder of Selena Quintanilla Perez, the Tejano music star.

Some 200 potential jurors were asked whether any were members of the Selena Fan Club or whether they attended any memorial service for Selena.

TODAY ON CAMPUS

Thursday, Oct. 5

4 p.m.: International Opportunities at Home and Abroad program will be held in Reed Hall 117
5 p.m.: International Student Association meeting in Student Center 222
5 p.m.: Le Cercle Francais will host a reception in Student Center 204
5:30 p.m.: Canterbury Episcopal student fellowship will meet in Student Center 214
5:30 p.m.: Wesley Foundation (United Methodist Campus Ministry) meets in the Wesley Foundation building at 2750 W. Lowden for a meal and a program
7:15 p.m. Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship meets in Student Center 218

Friday, Oct. 6

Student account payments due
 Homecoming applications deadline
 PC Fine Arts: Sculpture Unveiling
Women's soccer: TCU vs. Tulsa (here)
Parents' Weekend: A TCU Family Tradition
noon: Hollywood Welcome Center in Student Center
noon: "All That Jazz" Band performance in Student Center
1 p.m.: TCU Studio Tours — Open Campus
6 p.m.: "Fame" Ballet and Modern Dance Studio Performance in the Ballet Building
8 p.m.: "Star Search" Variety Show in Ed Landreth Auditorium

DATES AND SERVICES

Dates and Services 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.

LE CERCLE FRANCAIS will be hosting a reception for French majors and minors and all others interested in French culture and fun. The reception will be held today from 5-7 p.m. in Student Center 204. Call Zein Kharrat at extension 3783.

INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM will be held at 4 p.m. today in Reed Hall Room 117. Topics will include careers, volunteer work camps, internships, short term work and teaching abroad and graduate study opportunities. All interested students are welcome.

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ORS SOCIETY is having a Christmas book drive to benefit a downtown homeless shelter. Anyone with new or old, adult or children's books is encouraged to donate. There will be a box in the Psi Chi library in Winton Scott Hall to drop donations in. Contact Jenny at 738-3538.

TCU TRIANGLE, TCU's gay, lesbian and bisexual student group meets at 1 p.m. Sunday for a car pool to the State Fair of Texas. Call Priscilla Tate at 921-7160.

R.O.A.D. WORKERS Health Enrichment Week has been postponed from Oct. 9-14 until January to kick off the "Get a Life" campaign.

SUNDAY MORNING SPORTS CAR broadcasts on Sunday mornings on FM 88.7 The Choice. Tune in from 8-9 a.m. for the latest information on all sports. Stick with KTCU from 9-10 a.m. for a review of Saturday's college football action, and from

10-11 a.m. get a preview of Sunday's pro football match-ups. Call in all morning with your questions and comments. Contact Brett Van Ort at 922-9967.

TCU CATHOLIC COMMUNITY meets every Thursday for Mass at 5 p.m. followed by supper at 5:30 p.m. in the Reed Hall Faculty Center.

DE ZAVALA AND COMO ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN FWISD are looking for young adults to mentor their students. The only requirement is a one-hour commitment per week to talk with, have lunch with and listen to a little child. Call Kathy Williams at extension 7141.

GRADUATING SENIORS December degree candidates should file their intent to graduate promptly in the office of their academic dean. October 13 is the deadline for the Registrar to receive names of candidates from the deans.

The Adventures of Superfrog

by Ben Roman and Adam Wright



Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



WEATHER WATCH

Today's skies will be partly cloudy and cooler, with highs near 80. Tonight will be clear and cool, with temperatures dropping to the upper 40s.

Friday's weather will be mostly clear with highs in the 70s and lows in the 40s.

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they believe the issue at hand is not the fund-raising policy, but that the administration is abridging the organization's freedom of speech. The faculty advisor for A&M College Republicans, Richard Stadelmann, said in *The Battalion* that very little was discussed about rules violations during a meeting held in late August between members of the administration and College Republicans.

"We were essentially quizzed about our letter and the content of the letter," Stadelmann said, in *The Battalion*. "It's a First Amendment issue, and I'm amazed that the administration didn't grasp that." Chad Cantella, TCU College Republican chairman, said, "A&M College Republicans have a tremendous national reputation. This is the first event I'm aware of that's driven a lot of controversy." The A&M College Republicans are also being charged for not conducting their activities in a manner

that reflects the "highest ideals of the university," because the administration also found falsities in the letter concerning the number and type of multicultural classes required at the university. The fund-raising letter said the administration's proposed multicultural requirements would make A&M "just another college" having to learn about "the abuses of the white male in America." The letter said students must take a six-hour multi-cultural class and may be punished with sensitivity

requirements mentioned in the letter, according to *The Battalion*. Cantella said, "If they spread false information, then that is wrong. They should apologize to everyone they could have or did offend." If the A&M Student Organization Hearing Board finds the charges true, the punishment for College Republicans may range from "as light as a verbal reprimand or as severe as losing its status as an on-campus organization," according to *The Battalion*. Currently, A&M College Republicans are enlisting the help of three lawyers to defend them, two of which are from the Rutherford Institute, which is involved because the issue is about free speech, Rogers said. According to *The Battalion*, the Republican Party of Texas passed a resolution on Sept. 16 to suspend any action from the Board of Regents until the charges can be investigated.

stones, degree letters and graduation date changes. If students return to school and want to upgrade their ring from a bachelor's to a master's degree, they can do so for a small fee, she said.

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■ BRIAN WILSON

Alan Keyes is the best candidate for the Republicans

As the 1996 presidential election draws near, we are faced with the great responsibility of electing the first president of the 21st century.

Do you want a president who is afraid to take a stand on controversial issues and has waffled back and forth on every foreign policy issue imaginable? Or would you prefer a leader who is not afraid to stand on principle and speak out in defense of America's rich religious heritage?

If your answer is the former, you may want to turn the page. However, if you would like a president who fits the latter profile, Alan Keyes is the candidate for you.

Although he lacks the financial backing of his better-known opponents for the Republican nomination, no one articulates the moral issues better than Keyes.



Furthermore, Keyes seems to understand better than anyone else involved in the race for the White House that the best solution to America's social problems is a moral solution. He is also aware that parents must play a bigger role than anyone else in righting the wrongs of society because no one has a bigger influence over their children and the actions of their children.

If we are serious about curbing the social problems currently plaguing our society, we must begin at the dinner table. Parents must

teach their children that there is a right and a wrong way to live.

One of the many quarrels I have with the mainstream media is their insistence on calling the 20-somethings "Generation X." Apparently, they have decided on this rather appalling designation because there is no great international crisis that has united us.

There may not be a World War I or a World War II to rally us, but our generation faces a battle much greater than any on foreign soil. We are involved in a ferocious culture war with the relativists who have attempted for 30 years to take over America.

To them, it is the situation, not the teachings of the Lord, which determines what is right or wrong. One of the biggest criticisms liberals have of cultural conservatives is that morals cannot and should not be leg-

islated.

They certainly cannot be preached by our president, because the United States is so diverse that what might be right for one person's culture, might be strictly forbidden by another person's. This is an utterly pathetic argument.

While it is true that the biggest responsibility lies with the families, I have yet to discover a culture which frowns upon a leader capable of exhibiting great character and moral leadership.

During the 1992 campaign, President Clinton tried to convince the American people that a person's character does not affect his or her ability to lead. But, as many of Clinton's executive decisions have proven, character does matter.

Until we elect a president of impeccable virtue who can lead America toward a spiri-

tual and moral rebirth, we will never come close to solving our social problems.

President Clinton has proven through his inability to make a decision and stick with it that while character may not be a prerequisite for the presidency, it is an essential element of success.

If we are to emerge victorious in this internal war, we must elect a president who understands this nation's religious and pro-family roots and who is not afraid to go against the grain and see that the families are given more power to make their own decisions.

After all, American families know much better than Washington what it takes to survive.

Brian Wilson is a junior news-editorial major from Vienna, West Virginia.

■ LEIGH ANNE ROBISON

We need to find answers, not excuses

I met Darryl at the Water Gardens last weekend. He was tall, well-groomed and walked with his eyes focused on the ground. He spoke softly when he asked me if I had any spare change I could give him.

As I fished through my pockets, I asked him where he slept. He told me he moved around, but usually spent his nights somewhere on Lancaster.

I asked him where he ate dinner. Darryl said there were several shelters and soup kitchens in the downtown area and he usually went from place to place. Our conversation was innocuous until it was interrupted by two bicycle cops who approached us.

They were abrasive to Darryl, but super-polite to me. Someone had reported he'd been asking for money, and they wanted to know if he was bothering me. I said no, we were just talking. I had already given him a couple of dollars, and I was glad they hadn't seen that.

They told me to leave so they could talk to Darryl. As I watched from across the fountains, they interrogated him for quite a while.

When they finished, they wanted to talk to me. I felt as if I were being called to the principal's office. Had I done something wrong by being civil to a homeless person?

They "reassured" me that they had ticketed Darryl and that he wouldn't "bother" me again. The Water Gardens are apparently a big hangout for the homeless, and they often target the sightseers who are unaccustomed to people asking for money.

It seemed preposterous to me that they had given a homeless man a ticket. He had asked me for money so he could eat. How was he supposed to pay a citation? Did they really expect him to show up in court? I wondered exactly how they planned to find him if he didn't clear his name.

What a stupid system. Homelessness is a huge issue in Fort Worth that no one seems to address. Since I came to college three years ago, I have been approached by homeless men and women numerous times.

There was a woman in Whataburger who bummed a cigarette from my friend, proceeded to break off the filter and explained that she knew all the governor's secrets.

Sure, some of these people are downright scary. Sometimes they smell, have no teeth or don't make any sense whatsoever. These are the ones we think of when we dismiss homelessness from our list of top priorities.

But all these people have stories. Homelessness isn't something you're necessarily born into. I don't believe it's a choice people make, either.

Fort Worth's Transit Center is a soup kitchen that serves meals to the homeless in our area. It serves approximately 150 people on a cold day, and it is just one of many food services in Tarrant County. The fact that there are dozens of shelters in our area indicates what a growing problem this is.

The homeless issue is a situation our governments — local, state and federal — virtually ignore. It is bound to heighten as long as the mentality continues that the homeless are just a lazy bunch of dirty people who deserve their lot in life.

Handing out tickets to people who ask for money doesn't solve anything. It adds paperwork to our local courts that will never see the light of day. Darryl probably has a stack of tickets in his back pocket. If he chooses to pay them, he will probably just ask another stranger for spare change.

It's not really why Darryl is homeless that matters. It could be a result of poor family values, drug abuse or any number of catch-phrase social ills. Arguing about the origin of his problems is a favorite hobby of many conservatives, but it doesn't accomplish much of anything.

We have to stop pointing fingers and start lending a hand.

Leigh Anne Robison is a senior English and history major from Houston.



■ ADRIAN LARSEN

Advancements cloud humanity and its purpose

Time. The very word makes people nervous because they believe it is fleeting. From the moment of our birth we have been made to understand the concept of "perpetual time." We are all made to understand that time is always moving forward and that it will leave us behind if we do not seize it.

Everything around us reinforces this belief: clocks, grade levels, birthdays, wrinkles, sickness and death. We cannot escape it! Our lives are to be regimented and defined by the universal law of time. So the question must be asked: what have we done with our time?

Many of us have set out to experience all that this life has to offer. The perception is that more is better, therefore accumulating as many memories and experiences as possible is the reason for living.

But is this really what life is all about; the amassing of as many experiences as we can and the recording of these experiences onto various forms of media? I call this the immortality complex, whereby we as humans, given our present technology, seek to leave something behind that will transcend time.

The idea is not new. Cultures throughout time have sought to leave a legacy behind them in their art, music, traditions, literature, etc. What will we leave behind for the next generation? The combustible engine, silicone chips, microwave able meals, liquid-crystal imaging, remote controls. All of these things and many others have a place in our society, but only in terms of their technological contributions. It seems to me that no matter how many marvelous technological advances we make as a society, we do not address the human condition.

Somewhere along the line, we humans have lost the ability or desire to address what it means to be human. We have relied on the advances in technology and science to define our civilization. It seems that progress is only defined in terms of breakthroughs in technology and science. Maybe we believe technology and science will ultimately provide us with all the answers.

So, what happened to the "human equation?" Have we really advanced so far as a civilization to say that we understand ourselves any better? Can we say with any degree of certainty that life is better now than it was before?

To an extent, we can say that our civilization has progressed in meaningful ways. We do not have to go hunting for our food. We have developed sophisticated governmental mechanisms that protect our rights. We have made tremendous advances in the field of medicine that have enhanced our quality of life, but I believe we have relied too heavily on these accomplishments. And we have become increasingly arrogant to the extent of believing sheer scientific breakthroughs and new technologies will improve the human condition.

Within these great achievements in science and technology lie the many difficulties of our civilization. I believe many of our difficulties stem from our quest to, somehow, escape the constraints "time" has placed upon us. We all seem to be in such a hurry to live life to the fullest with the latest technology that we have forgotten ourselves. And although science and technology allow us to understand a very complex world, they have not proven to be worthy substitutes for human introspection.

Adrian Larsen is a political science/economics double major from Oklahoma City.

■ EDITORIAL

HEAR NO EVIL

The administration needs to listen when spoken to

A series of events over the past several weeks has demonstrated that the TCU administration seems to not particularly care what faculty, students and a variety of outside critics say or think. If the administration does care, it doesn't do a very good job of showing it.

A few weeks ago, the Faculty Senate expressed discontent because of an independent study that showed TCU has more administrators proportionally than Baylor, Rice and SMU. Many faculty claim that instead of looking at administrative positions that could be cut, the administration continues to try to cut some of the "waste" out of other departments.

Some faculty members said they feel as if the administration has ignored them. It sure seems like they could have a point.

The House of Student Representatives has passed resolutions twice to get the administration to put an elevator in Reed Hall. They obviously failed to budge the administration the first time, and chances are they will be in no hurry now.

The administration also ignores groups from outside TCU as well. The myriad of college rating systems all have TCU ranked closer to the bottom than to the top. Instead of addressing these issues, the administration continues to assert it they have no relevance to TCU.

The administration can certainly do whatever it wants, but its unwillingness to respond to representative bodies like the House and the Faculty Senate is counterproductive. Ignoring representative bodies makes the administration look bad.

Ignoring the college rating systems also gets nothing done. When several different groups reach the same findings, something is definitely wrong. Ignoring it or discounting it will only exacerbate the problem.

The administration needs to listen to other people in deciding what is in the best interest of the university. After all, we all have a stake in the vitality of this institution, so everyone's concerns should be given more consideration.

■ LETTERS

Marriott should respect students as well as parents

Over the past two weeks, my friends have complained about the attitudes of the workers in the Main. I did not notice this treatment myself until the past weekend.

I arrived at three o'clock, and when I walked in, I found one person working. There was nothing out to eat except salad and sandwich bread. The hamburger line was not prepared and no one seemed to know why. A few students waited in line in the hopes that someone would do something. No one seemed to care.

My friend grew tired of waiting and said he'd get something when he got back to his apartment in Richardson. That was fine for him to do, but because I am paying so much for the food in the Main, I'm expecting something to be there for lunch. I can't go off campus all the time because I do not own a car.

Then it occurred to me that this weekend is Parents' Weekend. Were the workers trying to

concentrate their efforts for the upcoming weekend?

Last year I often found myself walking in there and just wondering what was going on. It would be immaculate and you could tell they took time preparing the meals. I asked one of the workers why this was and he said it was because they were trying to get an account at another school.

Don't get me wrong, I'm not saying everyone that works for the Marriott Corporation has an attitude. There are some who are just pleasant to begin with. I will give them credit. But mark my words, you will walk into the Main this week and little by little the food service will get better. Soon after the hoopla of Parents' Weekend is over, we'll be right back to calling Domino's for dinner.

Maybe next year we'll have a Students' Weekend, when the students get decent meals and friendly attitudes. If only for a weekend.

Janeene Yarber
Sophomore, radio/television/film major

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Weis named director of human resources

By KRISTEN ROGERS
TCU DAILY SKIFF

John Weis, the new director of human resources, began his work at TCU on Monday. Weis said the new job is exciting because TCU "is a very fine university and a real good opportunity for me, career-wise."

Weis has 26 years of experience in human resources that have taken him "all over the map," he said. Previous employment for Weis include Tulsa Junior College, Florida Atlantic University, the University of Texas at Arlington and the University of the Pacific.

He said he has been dealing with personnel and human resources for the majority of his career.

Weis said he has enjoyed working in human resources at various universities because it supports the whole college environment.

"Universities are in the business of educating people and training people to go out into the world," Weis said. "I think that the human resources function is very important in an organization such as this."

According to the Director of Human Resources position description, one of Weis's many functions is to serve as deputy affirmative action officer for the university. Weis said that in the past, affirmative action has been productive in maintaining a work force that adequately represents

many cultures.

"I have some concerns with what's happening to affirmative action at this point in time," Weis said, "but I think it's important that we have a work force that is representative of the community."

Weis said affirmative action does not necessarily mean placing someone who is unqualified in a job position because of a hiring quota. He said the results of affirmative action, however, may benefit equally qualified members of minorities seeking the same job.

"Affirmative action isn't really taking somebody who's unqualified and putting them in over someone who's qualified," Weis said. "If you have individuals who are similarly qualified, then the preference may be given to the minority or the female."

"I don't particularly believe in strict quotas," Weis said, "but I do think that we ought to promote affirmative action in hiring so that we can have a representative work force."

Edd Bivin, vice chancellor for administrative services, said that he has no specific plans for Weis to make changes in human resource policy.

"His first assignment is to become acquainted with the university and the operations," Bivin said. That is Weis's plan also.

Weis said he is unsure of any changes that will need to be made because he hasn't even had a chance to really evaluate TCU's policies.

In Weis's first week at TCU, he said that he hopes to observe the human resources department.

"What I'm wanting to do is to jump in and learn as much as I can as quickly as I can about what the operation here is doing and how it's serving the campus," Weis said.



John Weis

Sponsors call major fair a success

By CHRISTI GIFFORD
TCU DAILY SKIFF

TCU's first Major/Minor Fair filled the Student Center Lounge as students got a chance to speak with faculty, explore various departments and fill out paperwork at the registrar's table Wednesday.

Vanessa Lanzarotti, assistant registrar, said the registrar's table saw many students who wanted to declare or change their majors, and answered many questions.

"We were very happy with the work Academic Services did," she said. Academic Services planned the event.

"In years to come, as students are more aware of the convenience, they will take advantage of the fair," Lanzarotti said. She said the registrar's office would have liked to have seen more students declare a major.

Starting this fall, for the first time at TCU, students must declare a major after taking 54 credit hours.

Heather Gary, a sophomore radio/television/film major, said the

people at the registrar's table made the process of changing her major easy.

"I did it all today," Gary said.

Gary said she thought the fair was a good idea, and she talked to many students who got information about majors in which they were interested.

"Some tables were empty," she said. Not all majors were represented, and Gary said she talked to some students whose majors or interests were not there.

All departments at TCU were invited to set up a table at the fair to

recruit students, said Donna Jackson, an adviser for Academic Services. She said all departments were represented at the fair except art, biology and English, which chose not to participate.

Lanzarotti said she thought the fair was a success.

Door prizes such as a Frog Fit membership, bookstore gift certificates, first-day registration passes, a challenge course for 12 and a sideline pass to a football game were awarded at 2:30 p.m.

Precautions taken to reduce E. coli threats

By SHANNON LOCKE
TCU DAILY SKIFF

While the possibility of Americans consuming infectious bacteria from undercooked meat does exist, TCU and Marriott take great precautions in preventing their meat from containing the deadly E. coli bacteria, according to Marriott official Pete Johnston.

E. coli is a bacterium that is believed to cause about 20,000 cases of diarrheal illness in the United States and 250 deaths annually, according to *The New England Journal of Medicine*.

"We only buy our ground beef from Monfort/Excel," said Johnston, Marriott's executive chef. "This meat packing company has an FDA and Marriott representative at the packing company, and all of the meat delivered to us comes with a Marriott E. coli stamp."

Tarrant County also has avoided problems with the bacterium, said

Dr. Bobby Jones, epidemiology coordinator for the Tarrant County Health Department.

"We have not had a problem with E. coli in Tarrant County," he said. "We have only had two reported cases this year, and we only had three last year."

E. coli poses a serious threat to health, according to *The New England Journal of Medicine*.

Dr. Richard Shafer, consumer health administrator for the Tarrant County Health Department, said he agrees.

"E. coli is not uncommon in ground beef nationwide," he said, "but we haven't had a problem in the county."

The most common method of

transmission of this bacterium is consuming undercooked fresh ground beef, according to *The New England Journal of Medicine*. It may also be transferred through drinking or swimming in contaminated water, or through contact with an infected person.

Symptoms of diarrheal illness due to E. coli in milder cases are an upset stomach and diarrhea, Shafer said.

"In more severe cases, however," he said, "infected persons may see bloody diarrhea, which is the most prominent symptom. This may be the symptom of the fatal form of the disease."

The E. coli bacteria gets into fresh ground beef during the grinding

stage of its processing, according to *The New England Journal of Medicine*. E. coli contaminates the outside of the cow carcass. When grinding the meat, the bacteria transfers from the outside, where it would be killed when cooked, to the inside.

A way to avoid this bacteria is to cook ground beef at the proper temperature, Johnston said.

"We can no longer cook-to-order," he said. "We cook hamburgers at 165 degrees until the juices run clear."

Marriott follows a process called Hazardous Analysis Critical Control Points to ensure proper temperature levels and proper storage of food, Johnston said.

"We follow HACCP which is a seven- or eight-step project," he said. "This begins from the moment the food arrives until it's served, including such things as temperature logs."

Most infected persons recover within about a week, *The New England Journal of Medicine* reports.

Faculty

allowed, he said. "The ADA, as many laws of this

type, is still evolving, and we continue to identify ways we can better comply," he said. "We try to target more specific needs and complete the improvements as funds are available."

Pat Jolley, human resources director of compensation, will address the faculty's questions regarding the ratio of administration-to-staff-to-faculty and discuss how employees are designated according to federal guidelines for employee classification, Fortenberry said.

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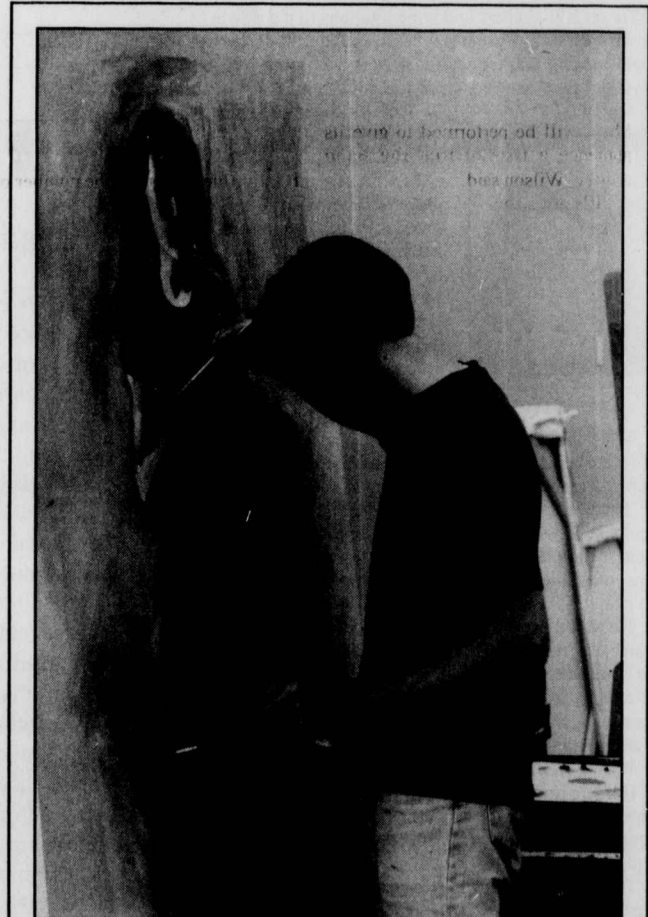
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Chi-O 'Carousel' aids children's dental clinic

BY MARK MOURER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Members of TCU's Rho Epsilon chapter of the Chi Omega sorority will be volunteering at their alumnae's annual fund-raiser, "The Chi Omega Carousel," which starts today and runs through Saturday.

Kristen Brazzel, Rho Epsilon president, said that the TCU chapter volunteers and works at the event, which raises money for their local charity, the Child Studies Center Dental Clinic.

Brazzel, a senior marketing major, said that 1980 TCU graduate Kim Eppstein was the ringleader of the whole event this year, and that she contacted the chapter about working at the Carousel. Eppstein said the Carousel's big push this year was to involve the students' parents, since the event coincided with Parents' Weekend.

The Carousel, which will be held at the Amon G. Carter, Jr. Exhibits Hall in the Will Rogers Memorial Center, will feature opportunities to shop at vendor booths that offer everything from Christmas decorations to Nicole Miller ties, Brazzel said.

The Carousel will kick off at 9 a.m. Thursday with a special advance shopping time for Carousel-goers, Eppstein said. Admission for the advance time will be \$7 and will be good until

12:30 p.m. when admission will be \$4 in advance and \$5 at the door.

The chapter has been sponsoring the dental clinic for the past 10 years, during which time 2,300 children have received dental care. Sorority events have raised over \$170,000 for the project in the past, she said.

In addition, some funding will go to help Camp Aurora, which is a day camp for diabetic children ages four through 11. Eppstein said the chairman got to pick another local charity that would receive some of the benefits this year, and diabetic issues were a particular interest of hers.

"My dad had juvenile diabetes," Eppstein said, "so this was a special project to me."

Additional money will also be raised by raffle tickets sold by the Child Advocates of Tarrant Counties, Inc. The group will be raffling three 50-square-foot play houses. Money raised will go to aid volunteers in the Tarrant County court systems who assure that special needs are being met for abused children.

Shopping times will be from 12:30 p.m. until 6 p.m. on Thursday, 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Friday, and from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Saturday. Advance tickets may be purchased from any Chi Omega alumnae or at the Child Study Center, Eppstein said.



Richard Durrett, a sophomore radio/television/film major; and senior radio/television/film majors Alex Geesbreght, Mike Becker and Shawn Flanery, talk live on the air at KTCU during Sports Talk. The show airs every Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m.

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Big Band to entertain weekend crowds

BY KRISTA TATSCHL
TCU DAILY SKIFF

An evening of nostalgia and exciting music from the 1930s and '40s will take place Saturday night courtesy of the Ronnie Martin 15-piece Big Band Orchestra, said Curtis Wilson, professor of music and a Martin orchestra member.

The Ronnie Martin Big Band Show will be performed to give its audience a taste of true Big Band artistry, Wilson said.

"It's not a rock 'n' roll or country western concert. It's music from 'Tin Pan Alley' and the Big Band genre," Wilson said. "It's the only place you can see the sort of stage show that was present in the '30s and '40s."

Wilson, a first-year member and saxophonist in the orchestra, said he joined the Martin band after ending an 18-year run under the direction of another band leader. Wilson said he is now a "free-lancing" musician and was approached by Ronnie Martin, the founder and director of the Martin Orchestra, to contribute to the band's Big Band sound.

Wilson said he has known and worked with Martin for nearly 30 years. This began when Wilson did his student teaching at the Fort Worth high school where Martin was head band director.

Wilson said jokingly, "I've worked with him on and off for the past 150 years."

The band has a definite Horned

"We're trying to educate a younger generation to the Big Band sound and the college crowd to jazz."

CURTIS WILSON,
Professor of music

Frog influence due to the number of TCU alumni who are orchestra members, Wilson said. Wilson, fellow saxophonist Bobby Hesch (who is also a former student of Wilson's) and several other Martin musicians graduated from TCU, he said.

Wilson said there are obviously "a lot of TCU connections" within the orchestra because of Martin's association with TCU as an alumnus.

"He hired us for this and said 'We're going to try and make it go,'" Wilson said.

Martin has been a professional trumpeter for decades and has been called "one of the most talented in America," a press release said.

The release also said, "When he speaks with his horn, you do more than listen, you become involved." Wilson said Martin personally covers the total expenses of the band and the performances, with little backing from outside sources.

Wilson said, "He does everything. It's just his private endeavor."

A few years ago, Martin took a "pretty scientific poll" to see if people in the Metroplex area would enjoy having Big Band music as an entertainment choice, Wilson said. He also said the response Martin received was positive, and his orchestra was developed to give the audience what they wanted to see.

"He's putting his money where his mouth is," Wilson said. "He's putting it out and seeing if people will come."

Wilson said the heavy expenses of producing a single show have caused the band to perform on a concert-to-concert basis, determined by how many people attend the concerts. The average audience size for each show has been 300 to 400 people, but Wilson said attendance has grown larger at every performance.

The Martin band is composed completely of professional musicians who are issued the musical numbers in advance, Wilson said. The musicians practice for four hours the same afternoon of the concert, take an hour break and then must give a two-and-a-half hour performance, Wilson said. The performance also includes popular vocalists whom Wilson said are "really hot."

The concerts take place on the first Saturday of every month, even on such holidays as Independence Day and Labor Day, when audience numbers were low, Wilson said.

Wilson also said he enjoys playing the Saturday concerts because he is a

"weekend warrior."

He said, "When you have five kids, you gotta do all the playing you can muster."

Wilson said he describes the band's sound as being "good and tight" because of the comfort level each musician has developed after playing many concerts with one another.

Wilson said he realizes the orchestra caters to an older crowd that grew up listening to the sounds of Big Band music, and the college crowd does not usually show an interest in such a genre of music.

"We're trying to educate a younger generation to the Big Band sound and the college crowd to jazz," Wilson said.

As the director of the TCU Jazz Ensemble and jazz studies, Wilson said he is reaching students who find they enjoy the type of music that was popular in the '30s and '40s.

He will be directing a special jazz ensemble performance on October 6 for Parents Weekend to celebrate the ensemble's 20th anniversary at TCU, Wilson said.

The Ronnie Martin Big Band Show will take place at 7:45 p.m. on Saturday at Shannon Auditorium in Haltom City. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and can be reserved by calling 595-3123 or 589-0267.

Wilson said he derives pleasure from playing the Big Band jazz sound and is confident that this type of music "will never die."

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prominent topics.

They said they are also getting good practical experience for their career fields.

"I really want to be a sportscaster and this is helping me to learn what it will be like to be live on the air," Flanery said.

Geesbreght said it is exciting because they write and produce all of their own commentary.

"The great thing is, we really are as good as the Ticket, for instance," Geesbreght said.

Flanery said, "Sports is something that everybody talks about and can relate to."

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Opal heads toward Florida

Hurricane called one of the worst storms in decades

By BILL KACZOR
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PENSACOLA, Fla. — Hurricane Opal roared toward Florida's north Gulf Coast today, spawning tornadoes that killed one woman as shore-dwellers braced themselves and their homes for one of the region's worst storms in decades.

"I think this one is going to clean our clock," said Tom Beliech, who was taking his family to ride out the storm in New Orleans. Hurricane Erin, which hit two months ago today, "gave us a deep respect for knowing when to leave," he said.

Thousands of residents who waited too long to run found themselves trapped in their homes as Opal — its winds weakening but still ferocious — began pounding the Panhandle's sugar-white beaches with waves 12 feet above normal. It was expected to hit land by sunset.

Justice Stroud and his family were stuck on Panama City Beach, a barrier island, when roads became too crowded to leave.

"This thing came down on us fast," he said. "We've got a large closet in the house, and we'll go in there and cover ourselves with mattresses if it gets that bad."

Opal's sustained winds belted up to 150 mph in the morning, well above the 131 mph threshold for a Category 4 storm, with gusts up to 185 mph. By mid-afternoon, the winds weakened to 125 mph, with gusts of 155 mph, as the storm neared shore.

"I don't think you want to be fearing this hurricane any less," said Mike Hopkins, a meteorologist at the National Hurricane Center in Miami. "Twenty-five miles per hour is a significant drop, but

you're still talking 125 mile-an-hour winds. You're still talking 10 to 15 feet storm surge. This isn't time to be taking down the boards off your house. You're still going to get pounded."

Ahead of the hurricane, tropical storm-force winds, slanting rain and pounding surf raged ashore, with storm-surge tides expected to reach as much as 20 feet above normal.

Opal also gave birth to tornadoes, one of which killed a woman in her 60s when it ripped through a trailer park near Crestview, destroying several homes, said Hank Christen, Okaloosa County's emergency services director.

"It is an extremely dangerous storm. It'll cause terrible damage," said Michelle Huber, a hurricane center meteorologist.

State emergency officials ordered residents to evacuate from a 150-mile stretch of Florida's Gulf Coast, from Pensacola to Wakulla Beach south of Tallahassee.

Residents of Georgia and Alabama also fled to shelters or fortified their homes and belongings. Alabama Gov. Fob James closed all of the state's public schools, issued a mandatory evacuation order and put all 67 counties under a state of emergency.

As tens of thousands began evacuating the Gulf Coast, major highways became crowded, almost bumper to bumper in places, and long lines formed at gas station pumps.

Some in the Panhandle boarded up their homes with plywood and planned to ride it out.

"I'm just going to shut down all my appliances, shut all my windows and pray," said Jackie Williams of Panama City. "Yeah,

I'm scared. It's very still and the skies are getting dark."

At 5 p.m. EDT, Opal's center was about 45 miles south-southwest of Pensacola, moving north-northeast at about 22 mph.

Forecasters said Pensacola was the most likely target for Opal's eye, but that the worst damage likely would be east of the center.

"Of course, we've had two hurricanes in the Panhandle already this year, but this one is certainly the biggest of them all," Harold Joyner of the state Emergency Operations Center said this morning. "So if people thought they had problems in those storms, multiply that two or three times."

Weeks after Hurricane Erin lashed Pensacola, it was followed by Tropical Storm Jerry. The first of this busy season's hurricanes, Allison, doused the area in June.

"By far, (Opal) is the biggest storm this year for Florida," Joe Myers, state director of the Division of Emergency Management, said late Tuesday.

Hurricane Camille, with maximum sustained winds of 200 mph, menaced the coast but did not come ashore there. Its worst damage was inflicted on Louisiana and Mississippi, where 256 people were killed when it hit in August 1969.

Andrew, the state's last Category 4 hurricane to reach land, blasted South Florida with sustained winds of almost 150 mph and gusts to 200 mph on Aug. 24, 1992. Andrew killed 55 people in Florida and elsewhere.

Sharron Dillon, 43, wasn't taking any chances and fled her home in Calloway, just north of Panama City. "I was in Camille. That's why I am leaving," she said.

Pope challenges America to become a 'moral superpower' for the world

By VICTOR L. SIMPSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEWARK, N.J. - Pope John Paul II returned Wednesday to America as a self-described pilgrim for peace, echoing Pope Paul VI's 1965 appeal to the United Nations: "No more war, war never again."

In remarks before President Clinton and about 2,000 Catholic schoolchildren, the pontiff said the ideals behind the founding of the United Nations 50 years ago are still needed in a world where "ancient rivalries and suspicions still compromise the cause of peace."

Unlike their meeting two years ago in Denver, the pope did not challenge Clinton on his support for abortion rights. But John Paul repeated his call for America to be a moral superpower in the post-Cold War era, and he reminded the nation's leaders not to forget the poor as Congress considers cuts in social spending.

"Your country stands upon the world scene as a model of a democratic society at an advanced stage of development. Your power of example carries with it heavy responsibilities," John Paul said. "Use it well, America! Be an example of justice and civic virtue, freedom fulfilled in goodness, at home and abroad."

The ruddy-faced pope was in good spirits as he began a five-day visit to New Jersey, New York and Maryland, his fourth trip to the United States.

"The pope is bringing you the rain. A very important event," he said with a smile at the conclusion of his address on arrival at Newark International Airport. The region has been plagued by a drought for months.

A leading figure in the fall of Communism in Eastern Europe, the pope will address the United Nations General Assembly on Thursday, exactly 30 years after Pope Paul VI delivered his injunction against war.

John Paul also will make pastoral visits in each of the three states, presiding over huge public Masses at Giants Stadium in New Jersey, Central Park in New York and Camden Yards baseball stadium in Baltimore. On a more personal level, he will meet with seminarians in Yonkers N.Y., and mingle with the homeless at a soup kitchen in Maryland.

John Paul comes to the United States at a peak of personal popularity, with a best-selling book, "Crossing the Threshold of Hope," and polling showing that he is admired by large majorities of U.S. Catholics.

Hours before the pope was to lead a prayer service Wednesday evening at Sacred Heart Cathedral, seminarian Robert Santamaria was bursting with joy.

"To be chosen to hold the Bible for the pope is much more than I can even have hoped for," said Santamaria from Redemptoris Mater seminary in Kearny, N.J.

Group says immigrant numbers may be higher

By MICHELLE MITTELSTADT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Nearly 400,000 people may be entering the United States illegally each year — an estimate one-third higher than numbers provided by the federal government, says a Washington research group that favors reduced immigration.

The Center for Immigration Studies arrived at the admittedly "soft" number by comparing 1990 Census data with recently released 1994 figures from the Census Bureau's Current Population Survey.

A comparison of the 1990 and 1994 data suggests that the foreign-born population has grown by 4.5 million, center research director John Martin said Wednesday.

During that period, the Immigration and Naturalization Service estimates 3 million people were granted legal residency status. That would mean some 1.5 million people entered the country illegally, he said.

INS estimates that 4 million people are in the United States illegally,

with 300,000 new undocumented immigrants entering each year.

Martin cautioned that his calculation isn't firm because the undocumented population — which by its nature avoids detection — is hard to quantify. Also, he acknowledged the numbers don't take into account illegal immigrants who left the country or who died.

"I'm not trying to suggest this is a precise number," Martin said at a news conference, calling it an "upper bounds" estimate.

INS director of research Robert Warren said his agency stands by its 300,000 annual growth estimate. "They haven't taken into account the people who were here in 1990 who left during the period," he said. "Once you do that, you would come out pretty close, we think, to the numbers that we've used."

Census Bureau immigration expert Edward Fernandez said Martin's comparison of the 1990 and 1994 data is "a good approach."

But he cautioned that the Current Population Survey, which polls only 60,000 households nationwide, has a

sampling error that makes estimates of illegal immigrants more difficult to quantify. Comparing the survey to the 1990 Census, which polled 20 percent of the population, creates other difficulties because of the different nature of the samples and the methodology, he added.

Martin said he hopes his analysis "will be focused on by both the (Clinton) administration and Congress as they are grappling at the present time with reform in the illegal immigration area."

Congress is considering bills that would cut the rates of legal immigration and seek to slow illegal immigration. The bills would provide more money for the Border Patrol, new technology and barriers along the Southwest border, and would seek to reduce illegal immigrants' ability to get jobs.

Martin said his numbers suggest that the current system of sanctions against employers who employ undocumented immigrants hasn't been successful.

"What I would suggest is the need for reform of this system is heightened by this data," he said.

Lawmakers are considering an employment verification system that would be tested in several states with large concentrations of undocumented immigrants. Employers would tap into a database to determine the residency status of prospective hires. If the pilot proves successful, the verification system could be expanded nationally.

Immigrant-rights groups and organizations ranging from the American Civil Liberties Union to the conservative Concerned Women for America have condemned employer verification as an invasion of privacy and a step that could lead to the issuance of national identification cards for every American.

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Houston QB becoming a major force in SWC

By THOMAS MANNING
TCU Daily Skiff

Through its first three games, the Horned Frog defense is ranked No. 4 in the nation in pass defense, giving up only 123 yards in the air per contest.

But Saturday, the Frogs will find out just how good they really are at defending the pass.

Houston's Chuck Clements has become one of the premier quarterbacks in the Southwest Conference this season. Despite his team's 0-4 start, Clements, a junior, has been the most prolific passer in the conference, leading the SWC in attempts (161), completions (94), yards (950) and completion percentage (58.4). He was 23 for 40 for 217 yards in Houston's 20-13 loss at Kansas Sep. 23, the Cougars last game.

"The one player that is making them go right now is Clements," TCU head coach Pat Sullivan said. "He's really their key player offensively right now."

On a team that has been known for its quarterbacks in recent years (Andre Ware and David Klingler put up monster numbers for Houston in the late 1980s and early 1990s), Clements has moved his way up the Houston career passing charts. After missing eight games last year with a broken hand, Clements has rebounded this year. His best game thus far in 1995 came against Louisiana Tech Sept. 9, when he completed 30 of 50 passes for 286 yards in a

19-7 Cougar loss.

He is currently fourth on the Houston all-time list in completions and attempts, and is ninth on the Cougar list in yards passing with 3,004 yards.

"It's nice to have a good quarterback who knows what he's doing," Houston head coach Kim Helton said.

With the anchor of the TCU secondary, Mikyha Martin, out with a broken fibula, TCU will have to be especially wary of Clements' passing.

But Sullivan said that safety Rick LaFavers has been the team's defensive MVP thus far. LaFavers leads the Frogs in tackles with 25, and will be looked upon to stop Clements from putting up big numbers.

"He (LaFavers) has been solid as a rock," Sullivan said.

Still, the Frogs know they will have their hands full trying to control Clements.

"He doesn't make many mistakes," defensive end Chris Piland said.

Sullivan added that despite the Cougars winless record, the team will be harder to beat than it would seem.

"In Houston's case, change a play here or there, and they could easily have the same number of wins that we do right now," Sullivan said. "Their game films certainly show that. And, when you look at them, it is obvious that Houston has the players capable of making big plays."



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Tailback Andre Davis turns the corner on a run at practice Wednesday afternoon. Davis and the rest of the Frogs will open up Southwest Conference action this Saturday against Houston at Amon Carter Stadium.

NBA's No. 1 pick signs with Warriors

By ROB GLOSTER
Associated Press

MORAGA, Calif.— Sure, his contract is small compared with the huge deals signed by No. 1 picks of the recent past. But Joe Smith figures more than \$8 million for three years will be plenty to live on comfortably.

Smith, the top pick in last June's NBA draft, signed with Golden State on Wednesday and immediately joined other Warriors at a mini-camp workout.

Under the new salary scale for NBA rookies, the top draft pick is limited to a three-year deal worth from \$7.11 million to \$8.53 million. Smith reportedly got the maximum.

That's a fraction of the 10-year, \$68.15 million contract top pick Glenn Robinson signed with Milwaukee last year or the 15-year, \$74.4 million deal Chris Webber got from Golden State in 1993.

"The amount of money I'm making now is a lot of money," said Smith, 20, who would have been starting his junior year at Maryland if he had not entered the NBA draft, "so I can't really say I'm getting cheated."

The new rookie salary structure made negotiations extremely easy for Warriors general manager Dave Twardzik, whose only complaint while joining Smith at a signing ceremony was that "he didn't even buy me lunch."

The 6-foot-10, 225-pound Smith said he was glad the contract was signed and that he can focus on basketball when the Warriors open training camp Friday at San Luis Obispo.

"There wasn't much to discuss because of the signing situation," Smith said. "So it was just time for me to sign my name on the bottom line."

Second-round pick Andrew DeClercq watched Wednesday's workout and was expected to sign a contract before training camp opens.

Free agent forward David Wood signed a one-year contract Wednesday. Wood, who spent last season with the Warriors after previous stints with Chicago, Houston, San Antonio and Detroit, said he will get \$300,000 and incentives this season and that the contract includes an option year.

Smith, who averaged 20.2 points and 10.7 rebounds a game during his two years at Maryland, was accompanied — as always — to the signing ceremony by his mother, Letha, who will move from Norfolk, Va., to live with her youngest child during his first year as a pro.

The Smiths, who have been looking for rental apartments in the San Francisco Bay area, are not seeking anything too luxurious.

"After raising seven kids, I can't even find the time to splurge," Letha Smith said. "I've held on to the dollar and spent it wisely for many years, so it's going to be a while before I splurge. I'll still be looking for sales."

Mavs, Meyer agree to deal

Associated Press

DALLAS — The Dallas Mavericks believe they've added some of the frontcourt toughness lacking in recent years with the signing of Iowa State center Loren Meyer Wednesday.

"Adding another big man to our young team is exciting," said Mavs general manager Norm Sonju. "We think he's going to add strength and a new dimension to our frontcourt. We're delighted he'll be in camp on time."

Training camp begins Friday. Meyer was the second big man the Mavericks selected in the June draft behind Duke's Cherokee Parks. The 6-10, 261-pounder averaged 15.7 points and 8.9 rebounds last season for the cyclones.

As a junior, the 22-year-old had gotten off to a quick start in his first 12 games, averaging 22.3 points per game on .610 shooting before he broke his collarbone

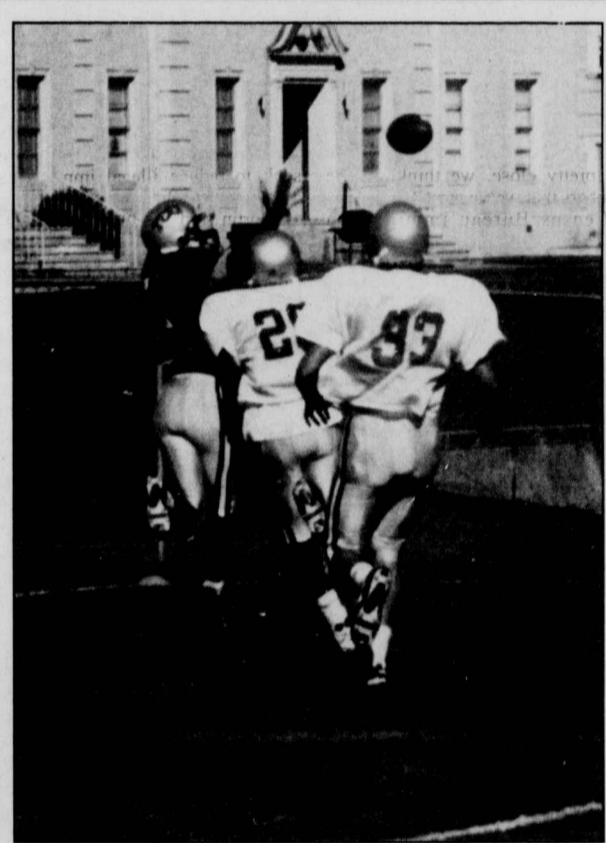
when a train struck the truck in which he was riding.

Meyer said he doesn't mind the "blue collar" description placed on him by people like Keith Grant, Dallas' director of player personnel.

"I'd rather be labeled a blue-collar, hard worker," said Meyer. "I'd rather play against a guy with a lot of talent who doesn't work hard than a guy with average skills that will bust his tail every night."

Meyer is the bulkiest Maverick, 30 pounds heavier than the 6-11 Parks, who will play both forward and post. Last season, the team often relied on 6-9, 213-pound Lorenzo Williams to fill the lane against the league's premier centers.

Meyer, who hails from tiny Ruthven, Iowa, said he and many of the 700 townspeople there watched the draft from the local firehouse. After not getting chosen through in the top 20 picks, Meyer said he lost interest in watching.



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Wide receiver Jason Tucker catches a pass in the end zone Wednesday afternoon at practice. Tucker is leading the Frogs in receiving yards with 234, and also averages the most yards per catch for TCU at 16.7 yards per reception.

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matches. The event could net Simpson millions of dollars.

Summations ended a week ago, but attorneys kept arguing — this time with each other. F. Lee Bailey responded to an interview in which Robert Shapiro attacked Johnnie Cochran Jr. for playing up race and vowed never to speak to Bailey again. Bailey called Shapiro a "sick little puppy."

In Lake Forest, Ms. Simpson's grave became a sort of memorial to battered women, with a quiet succession of well-wishers, most women, filing past to leave flowers and notes. "I have a sister who is in a relationship that is rocky at times," said Leanne Carlton, 26, who visited the site 50 miles south of Los Angeles. "I can relate to what the Browns are going through."

Only Camp O.J. was quiet. At the courthouse, the 12th-floor press room was empty. No court was in session in Department 103. The pool camera was off.

Judge Lance Ito, swamped with

more than 100 interview requests, issued a news release saying he couldn't talk because California law bars a judge from discussing a matter with litigation pending. Three wrongful death lawsuits have been filed against Simpson by relatives of the victims.

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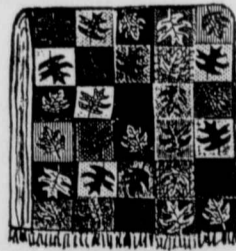
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