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Web site gives study abroad hopefuls the facts

By **IZUMI COUCH**
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Richard Bennett, a junior Latin American studies major, had a difficult time getting information on study abroad programs in Peru, so he chose to study in Spain instead. "Originally I wanted to go somewhere in Peru," Bennett said. "I found it to be too complicated a process. I didn't find a lot of infor-

mation on the country, and I often got the runaround. Maybe through the new study abroad web site I would have found what other choices I could have had for Peru."

Studyabroad.com, a new World Wide Web Internet site, makes its official debut today. It can be accessed on the Internet by pointing a web browser to <http://www.studyabroad.com>. Students interested in study abroad programs can now browse over 500 listings of institu-

tions which provide international education opportunities.

Mark Landon, co-owner of Liberty City Promotions, which operates the studyabroad.com site, said although the service went on—line Sept. 4, today is the official grand opening.

"We have been working on this with different institutions," Landon said. "We have been working on developing the system and

selling advertising. But it is now available for student use. It can be used as a starting point for students looking for programs."

Studyabroad.com allows students to select their country of interest and download listings of all the institutions offering programs in that country. Many institutions have their own web sites, which can be accessed through hyper text link from studyabroad.com.

Amy Ray, a sophomore business major,

looked into a similar type of Internet site which helped solidify her decision to study in France.

"There is so much information on the Internet," Ray said. "It was neat to see the extra information that I could get in addition to what was provided from TCU's study abroad office. I could actually look into

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Controller's office hours to be changed

By **KAREN KASSEBEER**
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The TCU Controller's Office will extend its hours of operation beginning today.

The office's new hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday. The office previously closed at 4 p.m. daily.

Jo Anna Shipe, staff accountant in the Controller's Office, said TCU Controller Larry Calloway made the decision to extend the hours.

"The purpose of extending the hours is to try to better meet the needs for students and staff," Shipe said.

Calloway said he was not sure whether or not the change will be successful, but the Controller's Office will try the new hours until February 1.

"If the longer hours do not work out, beginning February 1, the hours will be continued from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. from Monday through Friday," Calloway said. "But the longer hours on Monday will be dropped."

Though students had no direct influence on Calloway's decision to change the hours, he and Shipe both agreed the change will better serve the needs of the students and staff, particularly those taking evening classes.

"The purpose of extending the hours is to try to better meet the needs for students and staff," Calloway said. "We are not just staying open later to cash checks for students and staff. That is not the purpose of the changes."

"What we had in mind was to use the extended hours to take care of student payments and accounts, being mainly geared for the evening college

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Liz Spradley, a senior chemistry major, hands out candy to children trick-or-treating at the Fort Worth Zoo Tuesday night as part of the "Boo at the Zoo" program.

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Fee increase vote Nov. 14

Referendum must pass students

By **CHRISTI GIFFORD**
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Students will vote to increase the student activity fee from \$20 to \$30 a semester over the next two years when they vote for student body officers on Nov. 14.

The results of the election will then be handed over to the administration, which will have the option of refusing the increase. The Board of Trustees will then ultimately decide whether to raise the fee.

The House of Student Representatives passed a bill to raise the amount by \$5 a year for the next two years to help pay for big name entertainers and general budgetary needs which have not been met due to inflation, according to the bill. The bill was submitted to the House by the 1995 Executive Board, the 1995 Finance Committee, the 1995 Programming Council Executive Board, and the 1995 House Administrative Cabinet.

"I think this is really not so much money to ask from the students for all the services the House and Programming Council provide," said Jill Majors, a Colby Hall representative.

The dissenting vote was made by Tracey Lawler, a Brite Divinity School representative, who said her constituents had informed her they did not see a need for the increase and thought it did not affect them.

Shawn Groves, House treasurer, said the bill had been a "long time coming."

In 1986, the House proposed an

activity fee increase of \$5. By the time the proposal was passed by the student body, approved by the administration, placed on the univer-

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The student body officer elections are Nov. 14 and the runoff elections will be Nov. 16. Candidates had to have filed by 5 p.m. Tuesday. The following people submitted applications for candidacy.

Candidates for House president include Frank DeLukio, Christi Campbell, Sharon Selby, Steven Wheelock, Hutch Pine, and Jeff Deal.

Candidates for vice-president include Michael Parsons, Thomas Kunkel, Clement Ouda, Michael Symons and Stoney White.

Candidates for vice-president of programming are Chad McBride and Robert Wolf.

Candidate for House secretary is Julie Markus.

Candidate for House treasurer is Brian Spindor.

Four more years?

AddRan program gives grad school info

By **CHRISTI GIFFORD**
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Students, especially sophomores and arts and science majors, are invited to attend a graduate education program to prepare them for graduate school.

Priscilla Tate, associate dean of AddRan College and assistant professor of English, said the program would give them some advance information, even if students do not know if they want to attend graduate school.

Charles Lockhart, professor of political science, will speak about preparation for graduate programs in the arts and sciences.

He said it is discouraging when seniors approach him to ask about graduate school after application

deadlines have passed.

AddRan invites students to the graduate education program early in their undergraduate education, Lockhart said. It is difficult to impress upon sophomores the importance of planning their undergraduate programs to improve their chances of getting into graduate school, he said.

Tate said it was important to inform students about the application process early in their academic careers.

"What we're trying to do is catch people in the sophomore year," Tate said.

AddRan faculty members try to identify interested students and encourage them to think about

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Gun law gives school refusal rights

By **MARK MOURER**
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The recent passage of the Texas Concealed Handgun Laws by the State Legislature has drawn criticism as being a regression into a system of chaotic protection.

Others contend that the implementation of the bill that passed Sept. 1 will decrease crime rates and increase the amount of protection offered Texas residents.

Regardless, TCU students will not be eligible to carry or possess a concealed handgun on campus, said Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Don Mills.

Law
"The passage of the laws will not affect our policy on having guns on campus," Mills said. "Texas law grants private institutions the ability to refuse the right to allow handguns on private property."

Mills said he thought the decision

to keep firearms off campus was the best course of action for the university.

However, as of Jan. 1, 1996, Texas residents will be legally able to carry a concealed handgun upon reaching the age of 21, completing a gun safety course and passing a state and Federal Bureau of Investigation background check.

Mills said the university will issue a public statement regarding the administration's decision later this semester.

Sales
Area gun owners have noticed a recent rise in handgun sales since the bill passed. Mike Effertz, sales clerk for Cheaper Than Dirt Inc., said the increase has been modest but steady since the passing of the bill.

"I wouldn't say its been a huge increase, but you can definitely notice more sales," Effertz said. "Sales are probably up five or ten percent."

More importantly, enrollment figures for required handgun safety courses have been increasing as well, said Eric Walsh, general manager of Elk Castle Shooting Sports.

Safety Course
"A majority of the people who already own guns are coming back to take the safety course," said Walsh, who is an instructor of the 10-hour course. "Not everybody who owns a gun has taken the course, but we have seen more of an increase in enrollment than in sales, which have only begun to rise as of late."

Walsh said he was impressed with the design of the safety course and the requirement of the new law for carriers to complete it. He said Texas' concealed handgun permits are the most stringent among the 41 states where carrying a concealed weapon is legal.

"The course is not designed to teach people how to use the weapon," Walsh said. "It's main focus is on

teaching nonviolent dispute resolution. The course has more instruction on how to effectively diffuse a violent situation than on how to shoot, though it does emphasize gun safety and precautions."

He said the Texas Department of Public Safety had done a tremendous job putting emphasis on the nonviolent resolution part of the course.

After completing the 10-hour course, applicants must show proficiency in using handguns. They must also pass a state-run background check as well as an inspection by the FBI. Both institutions check the individual for the type of previous arrest, if any, as well as mental conditions and past substance abuse problems.

"If the FBI can't find a reason for precluding you from owning a handgun, no one can," Walsh said.

Background Check

Some claim that all the back-

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NEWS DIGEST

Lone Star Card begins today

AUSTIN (AP) — Beginning today, all food stamp benefits in Texas will be delivered using the Lone Star Card instead of paper stamps.

Comptroller John Sharp says the debit-type card has helped eliminate fraud associated with stolen stamp coupons since it first was implemented in Harris County on Feb. 1.

When fully implemented, nearly 1.3 million Texas households, or nearly 3 million recipients, will be using the cards, Sharp said Wednesday.

Klein features new risqué ad

NEW YORK (AP) — Calvin Klein is back on the wrong side of underwear P.R. with a new ad campaign featuring a young man clad only in briefs, his legs spread wide to show off his crotch.

"This is nothing more than pornography," said Donald Wildmon, head of the American Family Association. He said Tuesday his organization will ask consumers to boycott Klein products.

The ad is on the back covers of the November issue of Esquire and the December issue of Playboy.

Whoopi to host Oscars

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Whoopi is back on tap for the Oscars.

The actress was selected by Quincy Jones, who is replacing Gil Cates, the producer of the past six Oscar shows.

"I'm back and I'm thrilled, honey," Goldberg said in a statement. "Thank you, Quincy." Goldberg, who starred in "Ghost" and "Sister Act," presided over the 1994 Academy Awards ceremony.

Last year's host was David Letterman, who had mixed reviews and was not asked to return.

Mexican economy suffers

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Despite government measures to bolster Mexico's sagging economy, gloomy traders and investors sent Mexico's stock and currency markets tumbling Tuesday.

Both stocks and the peso ended sharply lower after recovering Monday. On Sunday, President Ernesto Zedillo announced a package to spur employment, raise wages and encourage industrial growth.

Mexico has lost an estimated 2.5 million jobs since December, when the peso lost 40 percent of its value.

Eating fish reduces risks

CHICAGO (AP) — The latest study to explore the question of whether eating fish reduces the risk of heart disease found that it does — in modest quantities and for a certain type of the illness.

The study found that people who ate the equivalent of three ounces of salmon a week were only half as likely to be stricken with cardiac arrest as those who ate no fish.

TODAY ON CAMPUS

Wednesday, Nov. 1

Panhellenic meeting
 Homecoming: Yesteryear Antique Photographers, Multi-cultural Reception
 GSP Test
 All Saints Day
 American Marketing Association guest speaker
 noon TCU Chapel service
 3 p.m.: Uniting Campus Ministries meets in Student Center 211
 4 p.m.: Phi Upsilon Omicron chapter meeting in Bass Living Room
 4 p.m.: Into the Streets organizational meeting. Check UM office for location
 4 p.m.: Food Service Committee meeting in Eden's Green
 5:45 p.m.: Christian Science Organization meets in Student Center 215
 7 p.m.: TERRA, the TCU environmental club, meets in Sid Richardson Lecture Hall 4

7 p.m.: Campus Crusade for Christ meets for "Prime Time" in Student Center 205
 9 p.m.: Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meets in the Varsity Club Room of the Coliseum

Thursday, Nov. 2

Homecoming: Queen/Escort Elections
 noon: Annual Alumni Awards Dinner
 GSP Test
 Women's soccer: SWC Tournament at Dallas
 Brite Board of Trustees Meeting
 5 p.m.: International Students Association will meet in Student Center 222
 5 p.m.: TCU Catholic Community will meet in Reed Hall Faculty Center
 5:30 p.m.: Canterbury Society for Episcopal students will meet in Student Center 214
 5:30 p.m.: Wesley Foundation will meet in the Wesley Foundation Building at 2750 W. Lowden

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CELEBRATION OF WOMEN IN ATHLETICS on Tuesday, Nov. 7 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. There will be music, food, face-painting and Superfrog. A women's hoops game will take place at 7 p.m. and the women's sports teams will be introduced at half time.

TCU ECONCLUB, along with Economics Department faculty, will hold a class preview for all students interested in taking an economics class next semester. The meeting

will be held at 3:30 p.m. this Thursday in Dan Rogers Hall Room 271.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM is hosting a Criminal Justice Career Fair at 7:30 p.m. today in the Student Center Woodson Room.

FREE BABY-SITTING for TCU faculty and staff is being sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Nov. 11. For more information, contact Nicole at ext. 3295 or Kace at ext. 2141.

MUSICIAN MAGAZINE is now accepting entries for its 1996 Best Unsigned Band Competition. The program offers unsigned bands and artists the opportunity to get their music heard by people in the music industry — from top music critics and editors to established artists and

producers. Deadline for entries is Dec. 31, 1995, and interested bands/artists can receive information, rules and official entry form by calling 1-800-BUB-7096.

PSI CHI PSYCHOLOGY HONORS 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 for donations. Contact Jenny at 738-3538 for more information.

TARRANT COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION offers a FREE Legal Advice Hotline between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Call (817) 335-1239. Lawyers and callers remain anonymous.

The Adventures of Superfrog

by Ben Roman and Adam Wright



Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



WEATHER WATCH

Today will be mostly cloudy, with a high in the mid 70s and a 40 percent chance of early showers. Tonight will be mostly cloudy and cooler, with a chance of rain and a low in the lower 60s. Thursday's skies will be mostly cloudy. Highs will reach the mid 60s but will drop, with later afternoon temperatures in the 40s.

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students," Calloway said. "This is the reason we are extending the hours of the Controller's Office."
 The function of the Controller's Office is to take care of all cash transactions and payments, Shipe said.

Some students said the extended hours will not have much of an affect on them.

"The longer hours are not vital to many students situations," said Regina Simpson, a freshman nursing major. She said she does not need to go to the controllers office, because her scholarship money from ROTC goes directly into her tuition fund or checking account.

Martha Tjarks, a freshman journalism major, expressed an opposing view.

"Extended hours would be very helpful for the students who conduct business there," she said. "I go to the controller's office to pay my bill, cash my paychecks, or personal checks. Frequently I need to carry my student loan check from the financial aid office to the controllers office."
 "Sometimes classes keep me from doing this before 4 p.m.," Tjarks said.

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■ KEVIN ARCENEUX

The United Nations needs to become more democratic

Fifty years ago, the United Nations was founded by the victors of World War II. It was founded as the force behind international law. Its purpose was to stand up for the weak, the innocent and the downtrodden worldwide, through democracy.

However, it hasn't quite turned out that way. The U.N. has some serious problems that need to be addressed.

Maybe we aren't particularly fond of Cuban President Fidel Castro, but he had a point last Sunday when he gave a speech at the U.N. headquarters.

He asked the onerous question, "How long shall we wait for the democratization of the United Nations?" Well, I think he deserves an answer.

The U.N. is basically divided into two bodies. The upper body is the Security Council. It has five permanent members —



citizens of the United States, Great Britain, France, Russia and China — each of whom have veto power. The Security Council is the only body that can pass resolutions binding all members. And resolutions can only pass if all five permanent members unanimously agree.

The lower body is the General Assembly. There, each country has one vote and no veto power. Resolutions, therefore, are passed with majority vote, as opposed to unanimous vote. And the resolutions aren't binding to the other members.

The problem is all the power is concentrated in the hands of rich and powerful countries. India has a population of one billion, which accounts for about 16 percent of the world's population, and yet it does not have a seat on the Security Council. What about the Southern hemisphere? For years it was the target of colonization and the "white man's burden," yet still today it does not have a voice on the Council.

Before World War II, Africa, South America, Latin America and the South Pacific were all sources of cheap labor and natural resources exploited by northern countries.

Since then, European countries and the United States have admitted they were wrong. However, they have done little to correct it.

The Southern hemisphere is the slum of the world. It is extremely poor, unindustrialized, torn by civil strife and other fun evils.

Meanwhile, we stand by and exacerbate the situation.

For example, we were quick to prop up dictators in countries like Zaire and South Vietnam in the name of fighting communism. We did it for the people. Of course, we forgot that tyranny is tyranny, whether under a communist or a U.S.-backed dictator.

Also, we continue to exploit these countries under the guise of international trade. We build factories in their countries without regard to safety. Then we hire its citizens at inhuman wages to work extremely long days without health benefits, sick leave, vacations or any of the things our workers expect.

And there is not a thing these countries can do to stop it. They have become a dime a dozen. If they protest by demanding workers' rights, the companies can simply move to another country that will be more submissive.

It is a textbook example of the he-who-has-the-gold-makes-the-rules phenomenon.

Of course, as a nation which purports to defend freedom and the "self-determinations of peoples" everywhere, we could demand better treatment for these countries. We could start by requiring our companies to provide workers in other countries with the same rights and protections they afford workers here. Giving these countries more power within the U.N. would also help.

If our world is so advanced, it is time we all pay our share. It is time we seek the cooperation and involvement of everyone; otherwise, the U.N. will become only more of a facade which mocks true freedom and democracy.

Kevin Arceneux is a junior political science major from Fort Worth.

■ SCOTT BARZILLA

House needs to cut budget, not raise fees

This week, the House of Student Representatives passed a bill to put a referendum on the ballot for November 14th. This referendum will accompany the election of officers for the House and Programming Council.

The referendum, if passed, will raise the student fee from \$20 to \$30 over the span of one year. This is an issue of which every student should take notice. This will actually take \$10 more of your money every semester by the time it takes full effect.

The Republican revolution proved at least one thing. Legislators should make sure they are not wasting any of the money that they already have before raising taxes.

If the problem is how you spend the money and not how much money you have, then bringing in more money can actually exasperate the problem.

Before the House talks about bringing in more of our money, let's take a look at how they have spent our money in the past. We may not like what we find.

Last spring, we saw the House appropriate \$150 for an escort program which is now bunk. It is gone because Campus Police has started to use Workstudy students instead.

This semester, we have seen the House appropriate more than \$4,000 for its own computer and for a laser printer for the MBA program. Both of these appropriations demonstrated to the casual observer that the House could not get the best deal possible.

These examples show that the House does not always spend its money wisely. This is certainly not always the case, but it happens often enough to where it would seem logical that they should try to spend their budget more efficiently before raising the student fee.

The executive board of the House cited two major reasons for raising the student fee. The first major reason is the matter of inflation. Inflation does occur and it is a fact of life. However, if inflation is used as a cover for inefficient spending then that is a fallacious argument.

Reports show that the House had about \$70,000 left over in their General Fund. In light of these facts, it seems that inflation really isn't hitting the House that hard.

However, probably the most important reason for the fee hike is that it would enable TCU to get better musical acts, comedians and speakers. This is a very logical point.

Many unknowledgeable students wonder why universities such as SMU get acts like Pearl Jam while TCU does not. On this misleading fact alone, it would seem very logical to support a fee increase.

However, there is often more than meets the eye. Major musical groups don't come to TCU because Daniel Meyer Coliseum is unfit for concerts, and there is no other auditorium big enough to support such an act.

Secondly, SMU and other universities really don't pay for Pearl Jam and other big groups. There is often a special deal that simply allows them to perform in their auditorium.

In light of these facts, it seems there is a lot more to TCU failing to get high profile acts than simply not having the money. However, a fee increase should allow them to get more expensive comedians and speakers.

In short, the point is that if you vote for the fee increase then don't expect the world overnight. Unfortunately, there are outside forces that the House and Programming Council can't control.

If you are voting on election day, give careful consideration to the referendum. You don't have to necessarily vote against it, but make sure you know what the consequences are. If you do choose to vote for it, then you need to keep a more careful eye on how the House and the Programming Council spend their money.

Scott Barzilla is a junior political science major from Houston, and is the Opinion Editor of the Skiff.



■ EDITORIAL

EXPRESSION

Not every opinion on this page is the Skiff's

Students often look at the Opinion Page with disgust and often wonder why the "Skiff" would believe something like that." Well, often times we don't believe it either.

The opinions given by the columnists on this page are not the opinions of the Skiff editorial board (unless otherwise stated) and they are not the opinion of everyone who works at the Skiff; they are the opinions of the person who writes the column and their picture is attached to show that it is their opinion.

At the beginning of the semester, the Skiff editorial board decided, as most editorial boards of past years have, that the opinion page should be an open forum for columnists to write about whatever they see fit. We rarely censor the ideas of our columnists and only edit for grammar, taste and libel.

We believe that opinions should be

discussed, not censored, and that even opinions that the editorial board does not agree with can be helpful to the campus dialogue.

It's called freedom of expression, and it is one of the founding principles of this nation. Freedom of expression is essential if democracy is going to flourish.

The idea that "because we don't like an opinion, we are going to hide or censor it," is irrational.

Not only do we use it, but we allow it to be used even when it does not directly benefit us. At anytime that someone disagrees with the way we do things at the Skiff, they can write in a letter and make a reasoned protest, an unreasoned protest, or just say that, in general, we do a bad job. That is what freedom of expression is about. It is an ideal worth believing in.

■ LETTERS

Promise Keepers does not exclude women

I am writing in response to Mr. Barzilla's column in Tuesday's Skiff. It is apparent that Mr. Barzilla was not at Promise Keepers, nor is he informed about its purpose.

If Mr. Barzilla had been in attendance at Promise Keepers, he would know that one of the speakers that addressed the crowd was in fact a woman. Also, many of the full-time Promise Keepers staff members who put on the conferences are women. I find it hard to believe that if Promise Keepers is trying to keep women from developing society, they would invite women to be speakers and to help organize the events.

Furthermore, I found it appalling that Mr. Barzilla used Christ's teachings to rebuke Promise Keepers. It is very true that Christ taught equality; however, nothing about Promise Keepers teaches against equality. Many of the speakers at Promise Keepers talked about the lack of respect, dignity and praise that is given to women today.

One of the "Promises" that we committed to this past weekend was to honor and cherish

women in society. One speaker went so far as to have every married man in the audience stand up and say their wedding vows again, to remind them of their obligations to their wives. If Mr. Barzilla wants to see where Promise Keepers gets the foundation for its teaching on men and women, it can be found in Christ's teachings: Matthew 19:1-12, Ephesians 5:22-33, Colossians 3:18-25 and 1 Peter 3:1-7.

I also find it very disturbing that masculinity has become so politically incorrect that every time a group gets together to celebrate it, the group is immediately under fire from the press. Can you imagine the press asking Patricia Ireland, president of the National Organization of Women, "Why is NOW just for women?" I would suggest to Mr. Barzilla that he publicize the organizations that focus on women rather than bashing the organizations that focus on men.

In short, Promise Keepers can be summed up in one sentence. The Bible, both New and Old Testaments, is very specific on how men should behave in society. Promise Keepers simply encourages men to fulfill these commands.

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■ MATT PEARCE

Davis is the key to TCU's chances for a bowl game

For TCU, the Southwest Conference is going to end on a sour note. Whether or not Andre Davis is punished further for what he supposedly has done, the allegations will put a nail in the SWC's coffin.

I seriously hope that the situation can be resolved. My feelings aren't just for Davis and the football team, but for TCU's dignity as well. TCU is finally gaining some national attention, and much of that attention has been credited to athletes such as Davis.

The NCAA recently allowed a Nebraska football player who was accused of rape to return to his team. In a separate event, a player from another school almost had to quit because a TV movie was being made about an accident in which he was involved. The accident left several people, including the athlete, badly burned.

The NCAA does not know how to set priorities. It has been known to give different penalties for similar offenses. It has created many heinous rules for its players to follow, and most of the rules seem pointless.

This year, the NCAA has adopted new rules on what it calls "showboating," or drawing attention to oneself. While excessive gloating should be cut down, heavy restrictions are not necessary. Under the new rules, a team can be penalized if a player waves his hands in the air after a catch. After complaints from evangelist Jerry Falwell, the NCAA loosened its ban on prayer in the end zone.

The NCAA apparently feels that players should not be able to have fun on the field. After a great play, it is only natural for a player to wave his hands in the air or signal another player for a high-five.

The charges against Davis, who is accused of receiving money and benefits from a Houston sports agent, remind us strikingly of what caused the downfall of the Southwest Conference. From SMU's attempts to buy a national title during the mid-1980s to Texas A&M's whining over five teams with a 4-3 record sharing last year's title, the SWC has lost its pride.

Seven of the SWC's eight current teams were found guilty of some sort of violation in the past decade. In 1985, TCU starting running back Kenneth Davis was thrown off the team for accepting donations from local businessmen. TCU was also sanctioned and forced to rebuild again. If the situation involving Davis isn't resolved, the Frogs could find themselves in *deja vu*.

The demise of the Southwest Conference should work to TCU's advantage. The Western Athletic Conference has no currently ranked football teams, so TCU should be able to succeed and return to a bowl. The SWC will definitely be missed, but the legends and fame will always exist. A new era can only be a positive change.

I have confidence that Davis will be reinstated. Without him, TCU has no chance of beating Texas or A&M, and the team will have as much chance of going to another bowl game as Louis Farrakhan has of being named B'Nai Brith Man of the Year. Andre Davis is TCU's chief contributor both athletically and inspirationally.

With NCAA officials who are stuck in a head-through-the-gluteous-maximus position, we can only hope for the best. The main question isn't whether or not Davis is guilty, but how the NCAA will treat the situation. All TCU can do is appeal the current penalty and wait for the NCAA's decision.

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Humane Society offers prime pets at paltry prices

By SHANNON WALLER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

They say it's a dog-eat-dog world, and that could not be more true at the Humane Society of North Texas, where kennel competition is fierce.

Toothy grins, furiously wagging tails and plaintive yips fight for the attention of every prospective owner.

Krystal Daniel, a volunteer who works in adoptions, said the center in Fort Worth alone receives between 200 and 400 animals each day. Of these, she said only about 25 percent are eventually adopted.

Although the Humane Society places no limit on the amount of time an animal may stay at the shelter before it is adopted, Daniel said many of the animals become sick in the kennels, mainly from contagious upper respiratory diseases.

Of the animals that are eventually adopted, Daniel said the quickest to go are usually puppies, cats and purebred dogs.

Every person who brings in an animal is required to go through a check-in process that starts with a series of questions. These determine what the animal has been fed and where it was kept. Owners are asked to describe the animal's personality, its manners and its ability to get along with other animals and children. All of this information goes on a card which will eventually be placed on the door of the animal's cage.

After the animal is admitted, its adoptability is determined. It is checked for disease, sickness and personality defects. If the animal meets the standards, it is then taken to a kennel where it will stay for prospective owners to visit.

Tammy Hawley, the assistant operations manager for the Fort Worth center, said people bring animals in for a variety of reasons. She said about half are picked up by the Fort Worth Animal Control. The rest are brought in by owners or by people who pick up strays. She said owners

have often moved where they cannot keep the pet, found they cannot afford it or experienced problems

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TAMMY HAWLEY,
Ft. Worth Humane Society

with the animal's behavior.

Although it is not easy to resist those sad puppy eyes, not just anyone can adopt a pet from the Humane Society.

"There's a lot of questions we ask," said Daniel. "It's real strict, but a lot of them are state rules."

Some of the requirements are previous pet ownership, consent of roommates and landlords and the

monetary means to care for the animal.

Although some may argue the adoption process is too tough considering the number of animals that need homes, Hawley said she thinks it is fair.

"I wouldn't think that it would make it any better to reduce that procedure, because if they don't have a few minutes to wait and fill out those papers, they're not going to have the time it takes to wait in the veterinarian's office," she said. "If they don't have the patience to do the housebreaking or to wait through the puppy training."

Daniel said many potential owners are also turned down because they refuse to consent to some of the pet health requirements. The Humane Society requires that all adopted pets receive rabies shots and be spayed or neutered.

Adoption forms also ask people

why they want to adopt, what they would do if they found they were unable to keep the pet and what they know about common animal diseases.

Once an adopter is approved, all that is left to do is choose a pet. The adoption fees are \$75 for dogs and \$65 for cats over three months, and \$70 for dogs and \$60 for cats younger than three months.

Hawley said those prices actually are not paying for the animal. They are paying for the services, which include the first series of shots, the first wormings, spaying or neutering procedures, contract tags and a leash.

"Those fees are high, but if you compare them to what you would be paying at a regular veterinarian to get the same services, people would be surprised at how much cheaper it is to go through us," Hawley said.

Hawley encourages people who are looking for a pet to consider the Humane Society before buying from a pet store.

"Our selection is much better than any pet store will ever offer," she said.

Daniel said about one in every four animals at the Humane Society are purebred.

Hawley also said buyers will save an average of \$100 on services by going through the Humane Society. She stressed the fact that these animals have been cared for and need a home.

"There's just too many of them here," Hawley said, "and you know when you get here that they're all needing and deserving, and they all need somebody to take care of them."

The Humane Society is a non-profit organization that operates entirely on donations. Hawley said they receive less than \$1 per animal for every animal brought through the door. The center employs 22 people, and the rest are volunteers.

There is a volunteer orientation every second Sunday of the month, and anyone is welcome to participate.

Diet group gains campus support

Weight Watchers invites students and faculty to join program

By MARK MOURER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

A group of TCU students, faculty and staff are attempting to start a Weight Watchers at Work program on campus, providing professional consultants and covering the latest trends in weight control, said Yvonne Mann, program participant.

The program was held on campus last semester, and, if enough interest is generated through contacting Mann, it will continue to offer programs focused on eating healthier as well as losing weight, Mann said.

The Weight Watchers at Work program is an eight-week program that aims to meet every Monday at noon. Mann said the sessions offer on-site confidential weigh-ins, group support and advice on what to eat and what not to eat.

"The purpose for Weight Watchers at Work is to allow students, faculty and staff to have meetings on-site with confidential weigh-ins,

group support, food/behavioral training and lectures," Mann said.

Lectures throughout the duration of the course will include such topics as how to choose healthy items at restaurants, how to eat quick meals that are healthy, how to eat healthily over the holidays and how to discover weak spots in appetite control, Mann said.

She said there must be at least 15 people interested in the course for Weight Watchers to offer it. The program is being instructed by group leader Roianna Albert, a 25-year lifetime member.

The eight-week course is being offered to TCU students, faculty and staff for a discounted price of \$80. This fee is being offered minus the usual \$30 joining fee because the course is being offered on campus.

The program has two areas of focus, Mann said. The first one teaches participants to weigh food measurements and makes the individual aware of what they are eating

with regard to fat and calories and how food consumed will affect weight.

The second focus is geared more toward the individual with a fast-paced lifestyle, Mann said. It deals with reading labels on food and paying particular attention to fat grams and fiber content. Each participant develops a standard for both variables regarding how much intake is allowed in either category.

"Each person has a maximum number of fat grams they can eat and a minimum number of fiber grams," Mann said. "For example, someone might have a 20/20 limit. That means they can eat no more than 20 grams of fat per day while needing to get 20 grams of fiber. It's a great program for people on the run, because they can just read the labels and see what is within their range."

Mann said she can be reached for information at 921-6054 almost anytime, or by E-mail at ymann@tcu.edu.

Grieser plays dorm matchmaker

By JOHNATHAN WALBURGH
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Nancy Grieser likes to play matchmaker to students living on campus. As Coordinator of Housing Assignments, it's her job to pair residents up with potentially compatible roommates.

"Spring housing applications come out Wednesday," Grieser said. "I read every application personally. I make notes of all the comments on them. I think assigning a roommate is very important."

Grieser also applied this personal touch to her work last summer when an increased freshman class necessitated assigning roommates to upperclassmen with single rooms.

"It was a challenge," Grieser said. "The most difficult thing for me was contacting upperclassmen who wanted singles, some of whom had single rooms before, and telling them that they had been given a roommate."

Residential Services Director Roger Fisher said Grieser also wanted to make personal contact with parents during the summer.

"She wanted to meet all the parents at orientation," Fisher said. "She wanted to be present at the housing presentations at orientation."

Grieser said her work calls for personal attention to the needs of others.

"My job involves student housing assignments," Grieser said. "I also act as a customer representative for TCU. I speak with students and parents about housing problems and their satisfaction."

Grieser first became interested in working at TCU during a Monday at TCU session she attended with her son.

"I came to Monday at TCU with my son and I was impressed by the atmosphere, the feeling of team spirit," Grieser said. "I was at the time in my life when I was doing so much volunteer work, 40 hours a week, that I thought I'd go to work instead."

Grieser began working in the controller's office in 1989 but joined the Residential Services staff six months later when a job was available.

In 1993 Grieser won a Student Affairs Staff Development Com-

mittee Award for Special Contributions for her volunteer work. She helped TCU employees gain English skills and helped coordinate a field trip that allowed international students to visit her daughter's sixth grade class.

"I volunteered to bring a little bit of TCU into the community," Grieser said. "I think both the international and elementary students benefited from seeing a little of each other's world."

Grieser said the biggest change in housing since she began work in Residential Services was the addition of CampusLink this semester. She is also looking forward to future changes in housing at TCU, she said.

"I think it will be exciting to have the halls updated," Grieser said. "One of the things I'd like to see is building a quad bedroom where four to eight students would live. It would be like an apartment on campus."

Fisher said he is glad to have Grieser as a member of the Residential Services department.

"I've been here just about a year and four months as a director, and I have found her to be an exceptional employee," Fisher said. "She is very enthusiastic about learning about the housing program. She's an extremely positive person, and we're glad to have her."



Nancy Greiser

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graduate education, she said.

Lockhart will speak about what forms of graduate education are available and what criteria graduate programs require for admission. He said he wants to help students lay out a procedure for gathering informa-

tion and filling out forms.

There will also be a booklet available to help students. After the presentation, there will be time for students to ask questions.

"We would never try to tell people what to do," Tate said. But she thinks students should take advantage of as many learning opportunities as they can while in college.

Because the program focuses on

sophomores and juniors, Tate said there will be things discussed that seniors will be too late to act upon, but she encouraged all interested students to attend. She also said the program was based on arts and sciences because AddRan it.

This is the third or fourth time AddRan has done the presentation, Tate said. The number of students attending has varied.

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more details."

Although there are thousands of pages of information relating to international education available on the Web, studyabroad.com brings much of this information to one location.

According to a press release, the studyabroad.com site also provides the Study Abroad Forum, which allows students, educators and administrators to share their experiences and opinions on topics relating to studying abroad. Anyone wishing to submit information to the forum can e-mail them to forum@studyabroad.com.

Larry Adams, associate vice chancellor for academic affairs, said he approves of this new method of looking at study abroad choices.

"I think those kinds of opportunities and that medium for conveying information is effective and timely for student use," Adams said.

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State to gain from spending report

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Senate has sent to President Clinton a spending conference report that includes more than \$58 million in funding for Texas transportation projects.

The Senate's approval Tuesday of a \$37.5 billion transportation appropriations package on an 87-10 vote finalizes congressional action on the measure. Clinton has indicated he will sign the bill, which was approved last week by the House.

The conference report is the result of negotiations by the House and Senate over their separate transportation spending blueprints.

According to the office of Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, the following Texas projects were funded in the conference report:

—\$22.6 million for Houston Metro's regional bus plan, the amount included originally by both the House and Senate.

—\$16.9 million for Dallas' DART South Oak Cliff light-rail project in Dallas, the full amount initially funded by the House and Senate.

—\$6 million for Railtran, the commuter rail service being developed between Dallas and Fort Worth. The Senate had initially agreed to fund \$7 million, the House \$5 million.

—\$5.2 million for the El Paso Sun Metro bus facility. The House had funded \$10.4 million but the Senate didn't include any funding. Conference negotiators agreed to split the difference.

—\$3 million for DART's North Central extension. The Senate had initially agreed to fund \$3.5 million, the House \$2.5 million.

—\$2.4 million for Corpus Christi bus facilities.

—\$2.2 million for Houston intelligent highway systems research. The House had funded \$2.4 million, the Senate \$2 million.

—\$600,000 for the Texas Transportation Institute at Texas A&M. The House had included the full \$600,000, the Senate initially hadn't included any appropriation.

The conference negotiators didn't include \$3 million the Senate had initially approved for a railroad relocation project at the port of Brownsville. They also didn't fund \$500,000 for the city of Brownsville for the 6th and 7th street extension. Neither project had been funded by the House. Mrs. Hutchison will work to obtain the funding through a different bill, said spokeswoman Missi Tessier.

The overall appropriations bill cuts mass transit and Amtrak subsidies, streamlines the Federal Aviation Administration and eliminates the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The appropriations bill covers expenses for the fiscal year that began Oct. 1.

City settles in discrimination suit

ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT WORTH — The City Council voted on Tuesday to pay \$75,000 to settle a white lawyer's lawsuit, in which she alleged she was denied appointment as a municipal judge because of her race.

The council approved the payment by a vote of 8-1 without comment, said council spokesman Pat Svacina.

Council member Virginia Nell Webber voted against the payment, he said.

Katherine Smith alleged she was a victim of reverse discrimination.

A four-member council commit-

tee initially recommended that Smith be appointed in 1994. But the full council later voted, 7-2, to appoint Francine Lyles, who is black.

The Tarrant County Black Bar Association and the Black Women Lawyers Association of Tarrant County opposed Smith's appointment because it would have left the municipal courts without a black judge for the first time since 1977.

In defending their vote for Lyles, followed by the appointment of a Hispanic woman to another municipal court seat, council members cited a desire to have the bench reflect the ethnic makeup of the community.

They said they believed that Lyles and Smith were both qualified.

Council members Chuck Silcox and Becky Haskin voted for Smith, saying they believed that the former assistant U.S. attorney was best qualified based on her legal experience.

Gary Ingram of Fort Worth, who represented the city in the lawsuit, advised the council that it probably gave "undue consideration" to the race of the applicants, as opposed to primarily focusing on qualifications.

Smith, 45, is now an assistant general counsel to the Texas Public Utility Commission.

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ground checking or proficiency examinations in the world could not warrant the legal ownership of a concealed handgun.

Former Speaker of the House Jim Wright said the issue was not so much on what people have to do to get certified, but more on the fact that handguns will be made more available.

Killing

"In my opinion, more people carrying handguns will lead to more people killing," Wright said. "Killing has always been associated with widespread accessibility of handguns."

"The movement to authorize the use of handguns is a digression of society. We're reverting back to an Old West style of living and defense."

Ron Young, an officer with the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, disputed the Old West visitation idea. He said with the possibility of legally owning a gun, criminals might be less apt to pull a gun on someone for fear of retribution.

"Now we have law-abiding citizens able to fend for themselves," Young said. "Maybe criminals will be more cautious when committing a crime if they think that someone has a gun on them. The bad guys are probably carrying anyway. Hopefully now it'll just raise their awareness."

Oklahoma recently passed a bill similar to Texas' which will also go into effect Jan. 1.

Walsh said he believes the recent trend in allowing concealed handguns (five states have passed similar legislation this year) is due largely in part to a self-preservation trend in government.

Government

"There are groups of politicians who are taking a stand for a less active role of government in society," Walsh said. "They are looking at society and saying that they are going to stay out of our lives a little."

Wright said he agreed there is a recent trend in government to offer a more hands-off approach, though he did not agree with the philosophy himself.

"It's anarchy," Wright said. "Anytime the government gives up its responsibility to the people, that's the reverse of civilization."

Walsh said the police officers he has talked to are pleased with the new legislation. He said the part the officers were most pleased with was the upward swing in gun safety course enrollment.

"I think most police officers are encouraged," Walsh said. "They'd rather have people committed to the safety aspect of the course."

Aside from the safety course, some officers are concerned about the general accessibility of handguns and the fact that more people will now be able to obtain them.

Walsh said statistics in Florida show crime rates have gone down there. He said the main targets in Florida are tourists and foreigners who are not licensed by the state to carry a concealed weapon and therefore pose much less of a risk.

"Statistics are out approving that the crime rate has dropped when citizens are allowed to carry a concealed handgun," Walsh said. "You get your tourists in Florida or your foreigners and they're the target of crimes. Why? Because they are the ones who aren't licensed to carry."

Wright said that tourists and foreigners are often the more targeted victim group, especially in heavily toured areas like Florida. He said tourists are always more vulnerable when out of their own element and that the findings are coincidental.

National anti-gun control activist Gary Kleck said he has seen research indicating that legally carrying a handgun reduces crime rates of certain areas.

Kleck used research from Kennesaw, Ga., where on March 15, 1982, a bill was passed requiring every household in the city to maintain a firearm and a supply of ammunition. The goal of the legislation was to deter potential offenders. Within a year, burglaries dropped 53 percent and by 1985, the results were within 20 percent of their original estimation in 1981.

Kleck attributed this decline to greater awareness of the law among potential offenders.

One year later, David McDowall, Brian Wiesrema and Colin Joffin determined that the original findings were not reviewed as carefully as they should have been. According to their study, Kennesaw produced relatively few crimes anyway, and with minor differences in the amounts of crimes being committed, statistics can be construed to show a greater change in percentages.

City Statistics
Statistics from city to city continue to be evaluated in search of statistics showing whether or not concealed weapons decrease crime in areas. As of now, most people rely on speculation.

"From the standpoint of whether or not we'll have lower crime rates, I don't know," Gasowski said. "I have seen results on both sides, some

where the numbers changed, some where they didn't.

"All I know is that this new law gives citizens the right to protect themselves," Gasowski said. "It puts everything on a much more even playing field," Gasowski said.

Protection

Austin Cooper, a senior criminal justice agreed, saying the ability to carry guns will give "the honest people" a legal chance to protect themselves.

Junior criminal justice major Doug Copeland said the gun control laws in the past have by and large been an obtrusive measure to responsible gun owners.

"Gun control laws usually end up persecuting the responsible gun owner and giving an inspiration to illegal sale and distribution of guns to criminals," Copeland said. "Gun ownership by potential victims is a deterrence to crime and violence. There are two sides to every story, however, and, in this case, both have evidence to support their arguments."

One final point to be considered is the possibility of the law's registration process being able to deter gun acquisition by people who might be dangerous and do not obtain their handguns illegally.

Young said the registration process involves not only state and FBI background checks but fingerprinting and photographing as well. There will be a way to track who purchases the guns. He said if the person commits a crime, it will be easier to identify the assailant because they are on record.

However, by this point, the crime has already occurred and the point may be moot, according to some gun control activists. Wright says that as long as people are allowed to carry the guns, regardless of what preventive means are established, the fact remains that with more accessible guns, crime is itself more conceivable.

HOUSE OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES — HOW THEY VOTED OCT. 31, 1995

Taken from House questionnaires recorded by the representatives themselves after the vote and turned in after the meeting. The voice vote by the representatives is the official vote, not the questionnaire vote.

	Bill 95-26	Bill 95-25	Bill 95-27		Bill 95-26	Bill 95-25	Bill 95-27
Town Reps				Sherley Hall			
KaRon Burell-White	abstain	aye	aye	Julie Larson	abstain	aye	aye
Tedi Donevka	aye	aye	aye	Morgan McGiffin	nay	aye	aye
Martin Graul	abstain	aye	aye	Theresa Singleton	aye	aye	aye
Tim Hardman	aye	aye	aye	Tom Brown Hall			
Michele Linn	abstain	aye	aye	Kenny Baird	aye	aye	aye
Margaret Maxey	aye	aye	aye	Chris Haynes	aye	aye	aye
Todd McCollister	absent	absent	absent	Willy Pinnell	aye	aye	aye
Dennis O'Laughlin	aye	aye	aye	Waits Hall			
Amy Smeltzer	nay	aye	aye	Alison Aldridge	aye	aye	aye
Laila Wang	absent	absent	absent	Ava Mason	aye	aye	aye
Adam Zerda	aye	aye	aye	Christine Spencer			
Brachman Hall				Wiggins Hall			
Lindsay Dayton	abstain	aye	aye	Adrienne Elrod	aye	nay	aye
Danni Geleva	nay	aye	aye	Elise LaMontagne	aye	aye	aye
Sis McCambridge	nay	aye	aye	Ashley Russell	nay	aye	aye
Brite Divinity School				Alpha Chi Omega			
Tracey Lawler	aye	aye	nay	Julie Street	absent	absent	absent
Jennifer Schooley	aye	aye	aye	Alpha Delta Pi			
Clark Hall				Leslie Horton			
Chad Davis	nay	aye	aye	Chi Omega			
Thomas Kunkel	aye	aye	aye	Ann Thames	absent	absent	absent
David Quinlan	nay	aye	aye	Delta Delta Delta			
Todd Watson	nay	aye	aye	Caryn Conwell	aye	aye	aye
Colby Hall				Delta Gamma			
Mandy Cofer	abstain	aye	aye	Jill Grimley	absent	absent	absent
Renee Foster	absent	absent	absent	Delta Tau Delta			
Becca Gardener	aye	aye	aye	Brad Singleton	nay	aye	aye
Krystal Holster	aye	aye	aye	Kappa Alpha Theta			
Jill Major	aye	aye	aye	Libby Baird	aye	aye	aye
Chanel Schrier	aye	aye	aye	Kappa Kappa Gamma			
Foster Hall				Stacey Holmes			
Heather Anderson	nay	aye	aye	Kappa Sigma			
Donna Burg	absent	absent	absent	Chad Parsons	nay	aye	aye
Meredith Harrison	aye	aye	aye	Lambda Chi Alpha			
Theresa Hill				Greg Leet	nay	aye	absent
Francis Sadler Hall				Phi Delta Theta			
Karen Humphrey	absent	absent	absent	Greg Vier	nay	aye	aye
Jarvis Hall				Phi Gamma Delta			
Jennifer Bedell	aye	aye	aye	Carl Stensberger	nay	aye	aye
Sarah Gullett	aye	aye	aye	Phi Kappa Sigma			
Mindy Markland	aye	aye	aye	Clement Ouda	aye	aye	aye
Milton Daniel Hall				Pi Beta Phi			
Todd Chicano	nay	aye	aye	Carey Baker	aye	aye	aye
Mark Lankowski	nay	aye	aye	Zeta Tau Alpha			
Brian Petrucci	nay	aye	aye	Trifany Ungelieder	absent	absent	absent
Will Pryor	aye	aye	aye	Voting Officers			
Antonio Romero Jr.	abstain	nay	nay	Shawn Groves	abstain	abstain	abstain
Tim Watson	absent	absent	absent	Kelley Pelton	aye	aye	aye
Moncrief Hall				Leon Reed			
Desiree Martinez	aye	aye	aye	Sharon Selby	aye	aye	aye
Sherley Hall				Chris Smith			
Marny Brum	nay	aye	aye	Greg Trevino	aye	aye	aye
Andrea Kinder	aye	aye	aye	Stoney White	abstain	aye	aye
Hollie Langlais	aye	aye	aye	Steven Wheelock	aye	aye	aye

Bill 95-26: to give \$1,200 to help fund NSSLHA students' attendance at the convention of the American Speech Language Hearing Association

Bill 95-25: to give \$540 to fund the purchase of twenty wooden boxes to serve as concerns/suggestions boxes

Bill 95-27: to increase the student government fee

* - no recorded vote

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city's budget, and approved by the Board of Trustees, the amount was reduced to \$3. In 1991, the fee was increased \$2 more. It took seven years for the full increase of \$5 to be implemented, said Scott Wheatley, House president.

The student body will vote on the proposal Nov. 14, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Next week, House members will be distributing information concerning the fee increase in front of the Main.

The original amount the bill requested \$2,130, but was decreased to \$1,200 by the Finance Committee.

The students are members of the National Student Speech Language

Hearing Association, which is a strong organization on campus, said Brian Bray, a student who was invited to attend the convention. Bray is a senior speech pathology major.

"It is really an honor for us to get to go," said Melinda Nasir, a graduate student in speech pathology who is also going to the convention.

Chad Parsons, the Kappa Sigma representative, said "I can't justify spending 10 people's money (from the student activity fees) on four people."

The money will come from the Special Projects Fund, which has \$4,500 a semester. The remaining money in the budget for this semester is about \$1,900, Groves said.

The bill passed 40-17, with eight abstentions.

A third bill passed at the meeting was to give \$540 to buy 20 wooden student concerns boxes. The boxes will be mounted on the walls of each of the 16 residence halls. Two will be placed in the Student Center, one will be in the mail room and one will be on reserve, said Leon Reed, chairman of

the Student Concerns Committee, which submitted the bill.

The information gained from the boxes will be put into categories in a database to help determine improvements the House can make, he said.

"Communication to the student body has to be one of our major concerns," said Steven Wheelock, Permanent Improvements' chairman. "The money will come from the Permanent Improvements budget."

The bill passed 61-2, with one abstention.

A bill to request \$3,904.33 to help fund the Texas Catholic Student Conference, which is being hosted by the TCU Catholic Community in March 1996, was introduced to the House. It was tabled and will be debated and voted upon Nov. 7.

A bill asking for \$750 to help pay for Concert Chorale uniforms was also introduced. It was tabled and will be presented for debate and a vote at the next meeting.

Kimberly Wilson also contributed to this report.

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Clinton warns of talks' importance

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DAYTON, Ohio — A somber President Clinton, hoping to set the stage for a settlement, warned the leaders of Serbia, Croatia and Bosnia Tuesday that they were undertaking what could be "the last best chance we have for a very long time" to end Europe's deadliest conflict since World War II.

Delegations headed by Presidents Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia, Franjo Tudjman of Croatia and Alija Izetbegovic of Bosnia were arriving separately Tuesday night for the U.S.-run talks opening Wednesday at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

Accused of starting the war in Bosnia 42 months ago, Milosevic was the focus of U.S.-peacemaking efforts. And as he left Belgrade, the ardent Serbian nationalist called for "a spirit of impartiality and objectivity," saying an accord should treat all sides fairly.

At the height of his eight-year reign of a shrunken Yugoslavia, Milosevic is thought by American officials to be capable of arm-twisting Bosnian Serbs to accept a peace treaty. The inducement for them is an ethnic republic covering about half of Bosnia-Herzegovina; for Milosevic, it is an end to a U.N. trade blockade that has decimated Serbia's economy.

The State Department's spokesman, Nicholas Burns, gave Milosevic credit for releasing 324 Muslim prisoners who were exchanged Tuesday for 125 rebel Serbs but was reserved in his praise.

"I don't think it's possible to say that someone who championed a war three and four years

ago has gone through a process of complete redemption and is an entirely different person," Burns said in Washington.

The Bosnian Muslims, all civilian males, were taken into custody by Bosnian Serbs several weeks ago after being forced from their homes in Banja Luka. Thousands of others are still unaccounted for.

"So much is riding on the success in Dayton, and the whole world is watching," Clinton said at the White House in a send-off for Secretary of State Warren Christopher and U.S. mediator Richard Holbrooke.

Holbrooke, author of a basic agreement on the division of Bosnian territory and postwar power-sharing, spoke cautiously about the chances for peace after four years of war.

"We have a very tough job ahead of us, we are not here to promise success but only our best efforts," he said on his arrival at Wright-Patterson.

Some of the toughest issues awaiting negotiators are map boundaries, the status of Sarajevo, practical steps that must be taken to separate hostile forces and procedures for free elections.

They also will have to address "a bundle of human rights issues," including the plight of refugees and justice for war atrocities, said Anthony Lake, Clinton's national security adviser.

The austere military base, far from Washington, was chosen to keep the negotiations private.

On the eve of the talks, there was a sense of foreboding and reservation in Congress about sending up to 25,000 American troops to Bosnia as part of a NATO force to enforce any peace settlement.

Quebec premier resigns after failed vote

By DAVID CRARY ASSOCIATED PRESS

MONTREAL — Stung by defeat in the secession referendum, Quebec Premier Jacques Parizeau said Tuesday he plans to resign. He also apologized for blaming the loss on non-French immigrants.

Parizeau maintained staunch support, however, for the separatist cause that has been at the heart of his long political career. He said his Parti Quebecois would choose new leadership capable of achieving independence for the mostly French-speaking province.

Parizeau, 65, was elected premier last year after promising to hold a referendum on secession. His side lost Monday, but only narrowly — 50.6 percent to 49.4 percent.

But at a time when the separatists could have been taking heart at their strong showing, Parizeau shocked even his allies with a bellicose speech at campaign headquarters, blaming the defeat on immigrants.

"It's true we have been defeated, but

basically by what?" Parizeau said. "By money and the ethnic vote."

Parizeau's co-leader in the separatist camp, Lucien Bouchard, distanced himself from the ethnic remarks Tuesday, signaling that the premier's position had become untenable.

Parizeau expressed regret for his phrasing, saying he used terms "that could have been much better chosen." But he reiterated his view that Quebec's French-speaking majority had, in effect, been thwarted by non-francophones.

About 90 percent of English-speaking and immigrant Quebecers opposed secession, while French Quebecers — who make up 82 percent of the population — voted for independence by a 60-40 margin.

Earlier Tuesday, Bouchard — a possible replacement for Parizeau — scoffed at an offer from Prime Minister Jean Chretien to negotiate a new status for Quebec.

"Never again will sovereigntists be begging for anything from the rest of Canada," declared Bouchard. He said

Quebec would sit down for talks with Canada only after winning a future independence referendum.

Chretien, chastened by the razor-thin federalist victory Monday, said he would try to get other provincial premiers to support changes that would decentralize the government and recognize Quebec as a distinct society.

Bouchard described his reaction to Chretien's offer as "boredom" and "big yawns."

"Nobody's going to get us sovereignists involved in another 30 years of sterile discussions," he said.

Bouchard reiterated the separatists' promise to mount another independence drive. Current Quebec law bars a new secession referendum until after new legislative elections, but separatists control the legislature and could change the law.

Though most of Canada welcomed the outcome of Monday's vote, Quebec was uneasy. Montreal police reported 40 arrests after supporters of the rival sides brawled, and a homemade bomb was found at

offices of the federalist Liberal Party. No one was seriously injured in the street fighting, police said.

There was little celebration in the federal capital, Ottawa, where Chretien met with his Cabinet to discuss the impact of Monday's referendum.

The federalists' victory kept Canada intact but drove home the fact that Quebecers, and many other Canadians, want changes in the federal system.

"The No forces may have won the referendum, barely, but they clearly lost the broader battle," commentator Alain Dubuc wrote in La Presse, a French-language Montreal newspaper.

Federal leaders "didn't understand the depth of Quebecers' dissatisfaction," Dubuc wrote. "They were incapable of proposing a message of hope to them and giving their vote some meaning."

Parizeau caused a furor with his bitter non-concession speech Monday night, in which he blamed big business and ethnic minorities for thwarting the will of the French nationalist majority.

Colombians protest DEA work in their country

U.S. agency has too much autonomy in their work there, taped conversations show

By ANDREW SELSKY ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOGOTA, Colombia — U.S. drug agents operate more independently in Colombia than they've acknowledged, in one case searching a Cali cartel leader's farm for bodies, according to taped conversations between American officials.

The tapes, which Washington privately acknowledges are authentic though possibly edited, also discuss efforts to have cartel figures and witnesses against them sent, or lured, to the U.S. for trial.

The revelations come as U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration operations are under increasing criticism by some Colombians.

Colombian Congressman Carlos Alonso Lucio released excerpts of the tapes in early October and later gave reporters copies of the tapes in full. Although Lucio said the tapes indicate the DEA operates with too much autonomy in Colombia, U.S. officials have accused the congressman of being an ally of the Cali cartel.

It would be in the interest of drug traffickers to diminish the DEA's role in Colombia, which supplies 80 percent of the world's cocaine and has a police force riddled with corruption.

Though the DEA officially claims its agents merely accompany Colombian forces on missions and provides intelligence, the taped conversations, elements of which were confirmed by U.S. Ambassador Myles Frechette, show they sometimes plan and lead operations.

The tapes also suggest that U.S. officials are making plans to bring captured drug traffickers to the United States, even though Colombia's constitution bars extradition of its citizens.

One conversation alluding to this point is between Robert Nieves, director of the DEA's International Affairs office in Washington; Tony Seneca, the DEA chief in Colombia; and a woman identified on tape as Mary Lee Warren.

Sources in Washington identified Mary Lee Warren as a deputy assistant attorney general who supervises international drug trafficking cases. Her office refused to comment.

DEA spokesman James McGivney said Nieves retired last Friday, but that it had nothing to do with the disclosure of the tapes.

Nieves introduces Mary Lee into the conversation with a warning that he and Seneca have been speaking cryptically because they are not on a secure telephone.

NIEVES: ... I shared with you a memo that Tony wrote a while back where he talked about doing some innovative and bold things, and possibly relaxing certain, um, prohibitions we are currently working under ...

They confirm they are on the same wavelength, then discuss ways they could proceed, in Nieves words, "if we actually get our backs against the wall on some individuals."

NIEVES: We can find creative ways of accomplishing some things, perhaps?

MARY LEE: I want to find — let me just be

clear. First in my mind is finding creative ways of getting bodies here.

NIEVES: Yeah, okay, I'm with you (laughs). That's the goal.

MARY LEE: Bodies to help and bodies as targets ...

A U.S. official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the three were not discussing plans to snatch traffickers to the United States. However he conceded it was possible they were talking about luring them to America.

Colombia's drug lords are terrified of trial in the United States, where they face stiff sentences. Traffickers fought a war against Colombia's government in the 1980s to force it to ban extraditions.

But the United States has sometimes circumvented extradition restrictions and U.S. courts have consistently supported the kidnappings of suspects abroad for trial, notably Panamanian President Manuel Noriega.

Another section of the tape, a conversation between Nieves and Seneca, refers to an operation on a farm.

U.S. Ambassador Frechette confirmed Monday that the operation occurred: The search in August by a DEA team, flown from the United States with dogs trained to detect bodies, of a ranch owned by Cali cartel leader Helmer Herrera.

On the tape, Seneca says Colombia's national police chief and the head of narcotics police have been briefed on the operation. Rank-and-file police agents, however, don't know the details.

After disasters, Mexicans turn to Day of the Dead

By BILL CORMIER ASSOCIATED PRESS

MEXICO CITY — The timing was eerie: A powerful earthquake rattled this capital on Sept. 14, five days short of the 10th anniversary of "El Temblor," "The Great Quake" that killed at least 9,000 people.

The same day, Hurricane Ismael smote Mexico's Pacific coast, drowning scores of fishermen. Two days later on Sept. 16, four military jets collided during an Independence Day air show, killing six pilots.

October brought more bad luck. Hurricane Opal flooded the Gulf Coast, followed by Hurricane Roxanne, which lashed the coastline around Friday, Oct. 13th, doubled back and struck again.

Now many Mexicans are wondering if misfortune might become routine, their thoughts turning to the

supernatural as this country of 90 million celebrates Halloween to some degree and a more native Day of the Dead.

"I'm not superstitious but there are things going on you just can't explain," said Jeronimo Millan, a 58-year-old bricklayer. "In all my years I've never seen so many things happening at once."

As Mexicans celebrate the Day of the Dead on Nov. 1-2, a time of honoring deceased ancestors with offerings of candy skulls, Danish pastry and vigils at cemeteries, they are troubled about the 10-month-old economic crisis.

"Maybe God isn't listening to our prayers," said Constantino Aguilar, a candy vendor perplexed by the country's misfortunes. "These kinds of things are happening almost daily now — our daily bread."

Since the earthquake in Septem-

ber, there have been two other earthquakes, including one that toppled a Manzanillo resort hotel on Oct. 9, claiming more than two dozen lives.

Then on Oct. 23, Popocatepetl, a 17,991-foot (5,452-meter) volcano located 55 miles (88 kms) southeast of the capital, ominously belched white smoke for a day. Scientists said there was no cause for alarm. But people watched TV footage warily.

The volcano had spewed ash in December 1994, forcing thousands to evacuate just three days after the peso began a major devaluation. This time, the volcano's activity preceded yet another big devaluation, days before a 6-percent drop against the dollar.

"Scientifically they give us explanations about sulfur and ash and say the volcano is acting normally, but at least in my lifetime Popocatepetl has never thrown off smoke," said historian Jorge Hernandez.

Popocatepetl has erupted at important times before, in 1920 at the end of the Mexican revolution and in 1519, around the time of the Spanish conquest.

"Our national mood is gloomy," said Hernandez. "And since the economic situation is critical right now, anything can be turned into a bad sign."

The worries are evident in the main capital plaza, site of the ancient Aztec ruins of Tenochtitlan, where people lined up Tuesday to receive a "limpia" or ritual cleansing with burning incense by Indian spiritualists.

And at the nearby Sonora market, housewives spent hard-earned pesos Tuesday on white and red candles to light on homemade altars this week to remember dead relatives for the Day of the Dead.

They also tucked into shopping bags good luck amulets, quartz stones said to provide energy and

"Indian Herb" and "Sandalwood" aerosol sprays that promised to draw money, jobs and health.

"People have been coming here since the economic crisis looking for help," explained one vendor, Rosalinda Cuesta, in stalls crowded with plastic pyramids and smiling Buddhas.

A psychoanalyst, Dr. Antonio Santamaria Fernandez, said many people were struggling to seek spiritual help because of an economic crisis that has disordered their lives since December.

"Economic uncertainty turns people to supernatural thoughts. People are seeking answers to their fears and insecurities and they do that by trying to interpret the signs," said Santamaria Fernandez.

A founding member of the International Association of Mythology, he said Mexicans were trying to create order in a disorderly world.

The Mexican writer Homero Aridjis agreed. He said people have yet to receive signs from their government that an economic recession that threw 1 million people out of work is near ending.

"We have the feeling that life in Mexico is devaluing, that the ancient gods are abandoning us, not just those of Christianity but of the pre-Hispanic world," said Aridjis.

"It's a kind of Greek tragedy that Mexico is going through: hurricanes, earthquakes, devaluations, assassinations and problems in politics. People are tired," he added.

But many still scoff at reading too much.

Fernando Pena sold Halloween masks of a now disgraced former president, Carlos Salinas de Gortari, on a downtown street corner and laughed at talk of things unusual going on.

"These are things that have always happened in Mexico," said Pena. "So why be scared?"

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Cubs' Sandberg ends retirement

By MIKE NADEL
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CHICAGO — The Hall of Fame will have to wait. Ryne Sandberg is ready to lace up his spikes, pull on his golden glove, range behind second base and make another great play for the Chicago Cubs.

"I was a baseball player. I'm still a baseball player. And I'll always be that," Sandberg, 36, said Tuesday after ending his 16½-month retirement by signing a one-year contract.

"I did the retirement thing. I did the summer activities and all that. It just got to the point where now it was time to go back and play baseball.

"This is something that I wanted to do and I needed to do. It was very important to me. I don't think it really left me."

But Sandberg — statistically the best fielding second baseman in major league history, a 10-time NL All-Star and the 1984 league MVP — left it.

In so doing, he walked away from the approximately \$17 million he had left on his contract.

When he stunned Chicago with his announcement on June 13, 1994, his Cubs were in last place. In his opinion, general manager Larry Himes had ruined the team. And his personal life was in turmoil; his wife would file for divorce later that month.

A lifetime .289 hitter with 245 career home runs, 905 RBIs and 325 stolen bases, Sandberg was batting .238 with five homers, 24 RBIs and two steals in 57 games and was in a 1-for-28 slump.

Baseball was no longer fun. So he

retired.

"That was something I had to do," he said. "I couldn't worry about what the public thought."

Some labeled him a quitter.

"He didn't like the front office, he didn't like losing, he didn't like the manager, he didn't like the things in his personal life," said Cubs first baseman Mark Grace, one of Sandberg's closest friends in baseball.

"It all just came to a head and he had to get out. I understand it. Whether I agree with it or not, who is Mark Grace to pass judgment on him? Yeah, we could have used him that year, but nobody could have saved that club. Ken Griffey Jr. or Barry Bonds couldn't have saved that club."

The Cubs were 49-64 when the strike ended the season.

Then, Andy MacPhail was hired away from the Minnesota Twins to run the team. MacPhail replaced Himes with Ed Lynch, who fired Tom Trebelhorn as manager and hired Jim Riggleman.

Once play resumed this season, the Cubs got off to a fast start. After an extended slump, they won eight consecutive late-September games to move into contention for a playoff spot and weren't eliminated until the second-to-last day of the season.

Sandberg, who had happily remarried, returned to Wrigley Field to tape some television commercials and watched the Cubs' late-season charge.

"I liked what I saw," said Sandberg, whose one-year deal reportedly is worth \$2 million. "It was really just after the season ended that it dawned on me that (coming back) was what I

wanted to do. The change of attitude and the feeling around Wrigley Field was something that I liked. I missed being at Wrigley Field every day, being part of the team, having fun. That's what I'm going back for."

While it has been suggested that Sandberg might play third base to save some wear and tear on his body, he said: "The intent for me signing the contract and coming back with the Cubs is to play second base. I want to play second base."

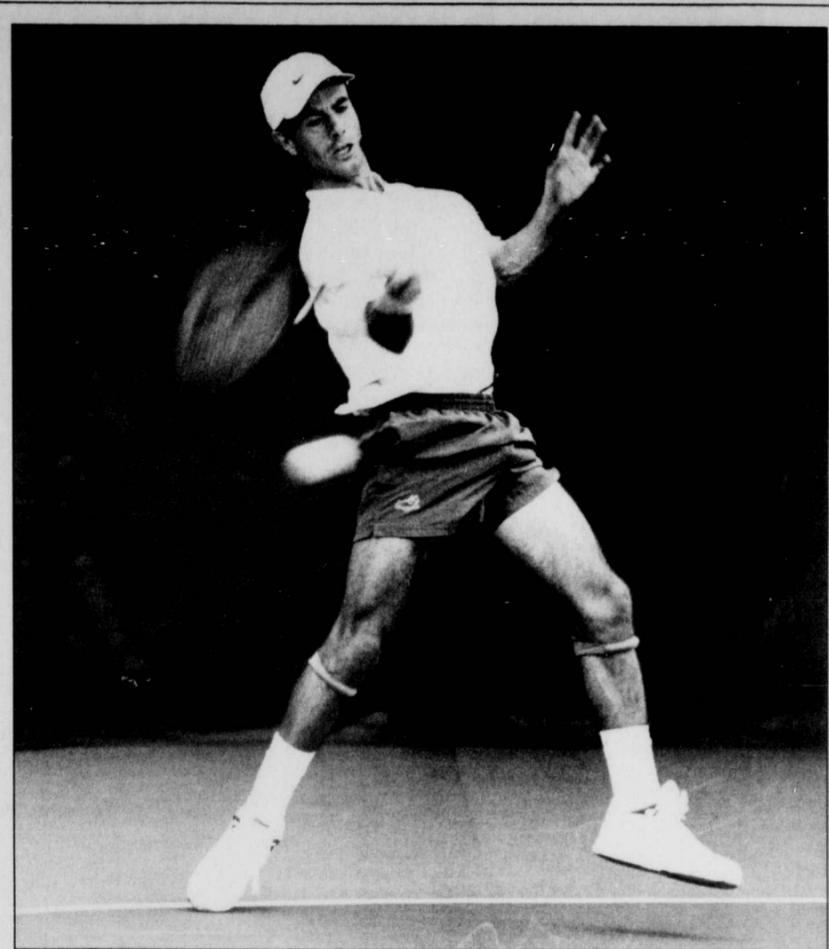
Lynch, who had the good fortune to pitch in front of baseball's best second baseman in 1986 and 1987, called it "flattering" that his former teammate frequently complimented the Cubs' new front office.

"And money wasn't his motivation for coming back," Lynch said. Noting that Grace, shortstop Shawon Dunston and pitchers Jaime Navarro and Randy Myers are free agents, the GM said: "He had no intention of doing anything to hurt our ability to sign our players."

Chicago fans — still giddy that Michael Jordan came out of retirement to rejoin the Bulls last March — already have the free agent baseball player they wanted most.

Full-season ticket packages had dwindled from about 16,000 in 1994 to 13,000 in 1995, ticket operations director Frank Maloney said Tuesday.

"But by 10 o'clock this morning," he said, "we already had three calls from people who had dropped their tickets because of the strike but now wanted to renew them because of Ryne Sandberg. These days, heroes are hard to come by."



TCU Daily Skiff/Blake Sims

Freshman Talito Corrales warms up before his final match Monday in the ITA/Rolex Region VI Championships. Corrales lost to teammate David Roditi in the final, but with his finish earned an automatic berth in the National Indoor Championships next year.

Fox, nation's No. 1 cable company form sports programming alliance

By SKIP WOLLENBERG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — In a challenge to ESPN, the owner of the Fox television network and the nation's biggest cable TV system operator have formed an alliance to obtain sports programming and televise it worldwide.

Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. Ltd., which owns the Fox Broadcasting Co., and the cable company Tele-Communications Inc. said Tuesday they will each own 50 percent of the venture.

The alliance is expected to become a formidable figure in bidding for sports rights around the world, competing with the likes of ESPN, the U.S. cable sports channel operator controlled by Capital Cities/ABC Inc.

"This is a commencement of a new era in televised sports," said Peter Barton, the president and chief executive of Liberty Media Corp., the programming arm of TCI, which is based in Englewood, Colo.

He said the alliance "will create a dream team in sports with a unique combination of strengths, assets and entrepreneurial will."

Both companies own a combination of TV channels and sports program rights that they will contribute to the venture. The partners said the

assets are valued at more than \$2 billion in all.

News Corp. will contribute its 2-year-old FX cable network that currently has about 25 million subscribers. The FX network currently airs entertainment programming but will add sports to the mix.

In addition, News Corp. has agreed to pay Liberty \$300 million in cash, said Chase Carey, chairman and chief executive of Fox.

Liberty is contributing its interests in 15 regional sports networks that often carry the Prime Sports banner as well as rights to televise soccer, boxing, college football, professional basketball and other sports.

The regional cable channels currently has about 50 million U.S. subscribers, and will continue to carry regional programming.

But it is expected the regional channels will provide added clout when the venture bids on sports rights.

Internationally, News Corp. will contribute various international sports rights and the Star sports channel that is beamed throughout Asia, while TCI's international division is contributing its Prime Deportiva Spanish-language sports service and an Argentinian sports programming and production business and various sports rights.

David Hill, president of Fox Sports, has been appointed chief executive of the new venture.

Fox's rights to broadcast the NFL and NHL are excluded from the venture. But the venture will give the Fox broadcast network an important ally when it bids for sports rights much as ESPN enjoys because of its link to ABC, the broadcast television network of Capital Cities/ABC.

John Reidy, media analyst for Smith Barney, said the News Corp.-TCI venture will find ESPN, with its two cable networks, a formidable force.

"These guys have locked up rights around the world," he said.

He said he questions what the new venture will offer that ESPN and a multitude of other channels aren't already providing.

"For the most part, the first guy who executes the project will get the spoils. Where is the added value here? What's the hook?" Reidy said.

Barton and Carey said both companies are prepared to spend money to obtain more rights and to broaden their collective distribution but declined to say how much had been pledged.

Barton said the venture's ambition is "to set up an important network of sports networks around the world. It's not a small ambition."

Thomas, Bagwell '95's "perfect" players

By RONALD BLUM
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NEW YORK — Frank Thomas and Jeff Bagwell on Tuesday became only the third and fourth players to achieve perfect scores in the annual baseball statistical rankings compiled by the Elias Sports Bureau.

The only previous players with perfect 100s were New York Yankees first baseman Don Mattingly in 1987 and Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripken in 1991.

Cleveland outfielder Albert Belle was third with a 97.143, followed by Atlanta Braves pitcher Greg Maddux at 95.883 and Francisco Giants outfielder Barry Bonds at 95.714.

Rankings are based on statistics over two seasons and Thomas led in all five categories used to sort first basemen and outfielders. The Chicago White Sox star was first in plate appearances (647), batting average (.308), on-base percentage (.454) home runs (40) and RBIs (111).

Bagwell also was first in all of those categories following an adjustment for the 32 days the Houston first baseman spent on the disabled list this year. He had 539 plate appearances this season and hit .290 with 21 homers, 87 RBIs and a .399 on-base percentage.

Thomas, third in the rankings last

year behind Bonds and Maddux, led AL first basemen for the fourth straight season. Maddux led NL pitchers for the third straight year, and Bagwell displaced Colorado's Andres Galarraga as the top first baseman in the NL.

Mike Stanley of the New York Yankees ended the two-year run of Chris Hoiles as the top AL catcher. Chuck Knoblauch of Minnesota was the top AL second baseman, stopping the three-year streak of Toronto's Roberto Alomar. Boston's John Valentin repeated as the AL's top shortstop and Wade Boggs of the Yankees was the top third baseman. He led the category four times in a five-year stretch ending in 1991.

Belle was among the top three AL outfielders for the third straight year. Tim Salmon of California was second and Paul O'Neill of the Yankees was third, displacing Ken Griffey Jr. and Kirby Puckett. Griffey, who dropped to fourth, had been in the top three for fourth straight seasons.

Mike Mussina of Baltimore displaced Jimmy Key as the top AL starting pitcher, with Randy Johnson in second place. John Wetteland, the top NL reliever in 1994, was the top AL reliever this year.

Edgar Martinez was the top designated hitter, ending the four-year streak of Toronto's Paul Molitor.

Philadelphia's Darren Daulton was the top catcher, replaced Rick Wilkins of the Cubs, who tied Daulton for the top spot in 1993. Houston's Craig Biggio led second basemen for the second straight year, Cincinnati's Barry Larkin led shortstops for the fifth time in six years and San Francisco's Matt Williams repeated at third base.

Bonds was among the top three outfielders for the fifth straight year, followed by Colorado's Larry Walker and Florida's Jeff Conine. Last year, Moises Alou was second and David Justice tied for third with Kevin Mitchell.

Jeff Brantley of the Giants was the top NL reliever.

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Kitagawa brings smiles, enthusiasm to Lady Frogs

By TASHA ZEMKE
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It's an unusual day for TCU's Nicole Kitagawa: She isn't smiling. Her face frowning with concern at her team's loss, the freshman midfielder walks off the TCU Soccer Field and slips a jacket over her sweaty No. 5 jersey.

The girl known to some as "Smiley" has no smiles to spare today. The grin that usually stretches her lips tight, showing all her teeth, is closed; the yells that cheer on her teammates as they play have been replaced with silence.

"I don't take losses lightly," Kitagawa said. "I put a lot of responsibility on my shoulders, and when I could have done better, I think, 'If I had done this, the team could have done this.'"

"After every loss I want to lay down and die."

If that's true, Kitagawa has had more lives than a cat this year. With a season record of 7-11, the Lady Frogs have had their share of losses, but that doesn't keep Kitagawa pessimistic for more than a few hours.

"Anybody can beat anybody on a given day," she said. "Every game I always think we're gonna win." Her smile is so wide she can hardly say the words.

Kitagawa, who is half Japanese, has known soccer as a way of life since age five, when she first joined a group of boys in a game on a Japanese naval base. Her family moved around when she was young because her father was in the U.S. Navy, but Nicole stayed with the sport of soccer and has always been a member of a team. As luck had it, she joined good teams, teams that went on to win regional competitions.

During her high-school days in Houston, Kitagawa played on both the Clements High School team and

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club teams. And one weekend in November of her senior year, she got on a guest team which was playing in the Dallas Cup.

Dave Rubinson, head coach of the TCU soccer teams, saw Kitagawa play in a tournament and called her the next day. But he wasn't the only one interested in the talented 17-year-old. Texas Tech. St. Edwards and Texas were also looking at Kitagawa, and she at them. And Mercer University in Georgia liked Nicole so much, it offered her a \$12,000 scholarship.

"Choosing a college was the most stressful decision I've had to make," she said. "I was overwhelmed. But I knew I'd play soccer wherever I went."

In the end, Mercer was just too far away for Kitagawa, and she narrowed the choice down to Texas schools. When Nicole visited TCU, she said she knew it was the university for her.

"Soccer first attracted me," she said. "I was glad it (TCU) was Division I-A." After that, she said, it was academics and the size of the campus which made her decision. She said she has no regrets.

College has not been a tough

adjustment for the freshman, even though spending more than 12 hours in practice and on the road each week isn't something every freshman does.

"A lot of freshmen I've heard about get homesick and call home crying," she said. "I haven't done that yet."

"I think I got the award for the lowest phone bill," she jokes.

Her room in Sherley Hall is plastered with posters of the U.S. National Women's Soccer team, Mickey Mouse playing soccer, and the Nike slogan "Just Do It," which hangs over the top tier of her bunk bed. They are all reminders of her first love: soccer.

Math comes in second. Kitagawa said she loves her Honors Calculus class and someday hopes to teach math and coach at a Texas high school.

"Even though I know college work is harder than high school, I wouldn't sacrifice soccer for anything," she said. "But it's hard because my frame of mind is always 'soccer! soccer!' On game days, I get so excited, I can't concentrate in class. Or I'll come back to the dorm after a trip and have things to do, and I'm like 'Agh!'"

Kitagawa has started in every TCU game this season, regardless of injuries she may have. The first day she found out she made the team, she sprained her ankle. Once she got her ankle taped, a rash broke out on her leg from the adhesive tape. Later in the season, her stomach muscles wouldn't relax and went into spasms. But the injuries didn't stop her from playing.

"I'm a sports fanatic," she said. She is also superstitious.

"We weren't winning," she said, "so I drew a tattoo on my arm and wore a wristband. And we won! I thought, 'if this works, let's do it



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Nicole Kitagawa (#5) may look intense here, but to her teammates "Smiley" is known just as much for her positive attitude as her on-the-field talents.

again,' but then we lost." So Nicole tried tattoo and wristband variations, but her technique still didn't always work.

Wins are produced by hard work, and Kitagawa knows it. She says she contributes most to the team through her efforts every day.

"I try not to slack off and try to keep playing, no matter what the score is," she said. "When I play bad, I know it, and it makes me

aged enough to give up and not play next year. But Kitagawa said she plans to stay for the four-year duration.

"There's just something about soccer I can't explain," she said. "You go out there and it's a thrill. All that open space. I love the running, the chase, the control."

"I just want to feel like everything is balanced, and soccer does that. Soccer is kind of my paradise."

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University of Miami admits to NCAA rules violations

By THOMAS MANNING
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CORAL GABLES, Fla. — The University of Miami publicly admitted guilt Tuesday on six of 10 NCAA charges but denied the most damning allegation — lack of institutional control.

School officials will attend a hearing Nov. 10 before the NCAA Committee on Infractions to discuss institutional control and three other allegations. Sanctions likely will be announced by the end of December.

"There is a relief," athletic director Paul Dee said, "in that we're finally going to get to the end of this, we hope."

Probation could include a ban on bowl game and TV appearances for one or more years, as well as scholarship reductions.

At a news conference, the university released a summary of the 10 NCAA charges. Three involve a Pell Grant scandal that prompted a federal investigation and led to the conviction of former university

academic adviser Tony Russell, who admitted falsifying the Pell Grant applications of 91 students, including 85 athletes.

The NCAA, which began its investigation four years ago, alleges a lack of institutional control made the financial fraud possible.

"That is the allegation that carries with it the most likely heavy penalty," university president Edward Foote said. "Our position is that there was extensive wrongdoing with the Pell Grants, but it was orchestrated by one employee who has admitted that he did it and who is long since gone. We know of no other representative of this institution who was involved in any respect."

"Our position is that is not a lack of institutional control."

Russell has said repeatedly he acted without the knowledge of anyone at the university.

The school also denies rap star Luther Campbell's special treatment of football players constituted an NCAA violation, saying Campbell wasn't affiliated with the school as a

booster or season-ticket holder.

Miami admits violating NCAA rules by failing to follow its own drug-testing policies. The school also acknowledges a play-for-pay scheme involving at least one former football player, inaccurate room and board calculations and excessive distribution of books to athletes.

"I'd be less than honest if I said this was a whole lot of fun sitting here," Foote said. "I'd rather be talking about the library or the physics department. I am disappointed in a sense that we didn't do a better job in some respects."

Foote and Dee declined to speculate on the severity of sanctions.

A list of the allegations was delivered to the university last week, and all of them were expected, Foote said. Most of the violations occurred during Dennis Erickson's six years at Miami, but Foote declined to blame the Hurricanes' former football coach for the trouble with the NCAA.

"I take responsibility for it. I'm the president here," Foote said. "The coach is gone. He served this university for a number of years and did a lot of good. I'm not about to look back and blame others."

Current Miami players shrugged off the latest disclosures. The Hurricanes are 4-3 and still in contention for a bowl bid — perhaps their last one for several years, depending on how the NCAA rules.

"There's nothing we can do about it," sophomore center Mike Wehner said. "We weren't here when the players did whatever. We've got to take whatever the NCAA gives us, and hope it's not much."

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