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## Amendments at polls today

### Student loan issue highlights Texas voter's ballot

By CHRIS HAYS  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Texas voters will go to the polls today to vote on 14 proposed amendments to the already bulging Texas constitution.

Most voters have shown little interest in the amendments, which cover a variety of topics, including the abolishment of state offices and providing aid for veterans' housing.

But one proposition has a large interest in the college community.

Proposition one, if passed, will authorize issuance of \$300 million in general obligation loans to finance student loans.

Many Texas college students, including 40 to 50 TCU students, depend on this money to finance their education. Thus, the fate of their college education may lie in the hands of the voters when they go to the polls next week.

The TCU students most affected by the program are typically independent, adult students, said Mike

Scott, interim director of financial aid and scholarships. These students have borrowed the maximum allowed from the federal programs and depend on the state to finance the remainder of the costs.

"We have a number of students right now who TCU has approved for state loans, but they cannot get their money unless this proposition passes," Scott said.

The state has provided the loans for Texas students since 1965 through the Hinson-Hazelwood

Loan Program. This program, which is operated by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, has provided more than \$900 million to more than 240,000 Texas students.

The money the state uses to back the loans is issued through general obligation bonds, which must be paid from general funds. Under Texas law, the issuance of these general obligation bonds must be specifically authorized by Texas voters.

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#### If Proposition one passes:

- It will authorize issuance of \$300 million in general obligation loans to finance student loans.
- \$75 to \$80 million would initially be sold to provide loans for about four years.

#### If Proposition one fails:

- At TCU, about \$200,000 could be lost by students.
- Statewide, the pool of student loan money would drop from about \$80 million to about \$20 million per year.
- About 15,000 students receiving loans would lose funding in the spring.

## House to vote on conference funding

By CHRISTI GIFFORD  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The House of Student Representatives will vote on only one bill at its meeting tonight. Another bill, which was tabled Oct. 31 to be represented to the House today, was killed by the finance committee last week.

The bill that was killed asked for the House to help pay for the making of new uniforms for the Concert Choral.

Shawn Groves, House treasurer, said the Finance Committee wanted to help fund the group's new uniforms, but felt giving the group money was not under House ideals.

The bill requested \$750 to pay for about one-third of the total cost of new uniforms for the choir.

Groves said because the group was essentially funded by the university, it did not fit with the House concepts that the House should fund campus organizations which do not receive money from specific departments.

"You pay tuition to be a part of Concert Choral," and the music department has a budget to help support the group, Groves said.

The committee also thought it was similar to paying for new football jerseys or the Showgirls, which is not necessarily House policy, Groves said.

He said he would help Ava Mason, the Waits Hall representative who wrote the bill and a member of the Concert Choral, to petition other groups for money for the uniforms.

The House will debate and vote on a bill to help fund the 1996 Texas Catholic Student Conference, which is being hosted by the TCU Catholic Community March 15-17.

The bill originally requested the House give \$3,904.33 to pay the budget deficit of the TCSC.

The Finance Committee decided the speaker stipend of \$1,000 was the most important aspect of the

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Homecoming escort J.R. Greene, a junior business major, and Chancellor William Tucker watch as 1994 Homecoming Queen Dana Cummings crowns Gina Blackstone as the 1995 queen. Cummings is a senior coordinated dietetics major and Blackstone is a senior majoring in fashion promotion.

## Controversy abounds with TAAS test

### People question Texas schools' modification of curriculum to help prep students

By CHRIS HAYS  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Teachers in Texas's public schools are expected to teach the basics: reading, writing and arithmetic.

However, some experts are bothered by a trend that may be directly taking time away from these essential elements.

Students in Texas are required to take the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test periodically throughout their school careers. However, over the past few years, more and more emphasis has been placed on the test by the school districts and the Texas Education Agency (TEA), which governs the test.

As a result, teachers and educators are debating the importance of the test. Some feel the test is simply a measure of skills that should be taught anyway, so there is no conflict between test preparation and the teaching of traditional subjects.

Others believe there is danger in teachers "teaching the test" and devoting weeks or months of classroom time to the TAAS.

"The TAAS test in Texas is now overemphasized," said Nancy Meadows, assistant professor of education at TCU. "The test is given to assess

the performance of the teacher, and with so much focus on the test, they are beginning to devote a significant portion of class time to it."

The TAAS test is the third test of its type administered by the TEA, following the Texas Assessment of Basic Skills (TABS) and the Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills (TEAMS) tests. The first two tests measure minimum skills in reading, writing and mathematics, said Deatta Albertson, spokeswoman for the TEA.

She said the changing requirements of education in recent years have caused the TAAS, which was designed in 1990, to extend and expand on the previous tests.

The TAAS test follows the pattern of its predecessors in that it is criterion-referenced, linking test items to specific learning objectives, Albertson said.

These criteria are drawn from the essential elements outlined by the state. A certain number of broad objectives are consistent from grade to grade, but the essential elements that comprise each target vary from grade to grade.

All Texas high school students must score at least 70 percent on an exit-level TAAS test in order to receive their diploma. Beginning

with their sophomore years, students are given as many opportunities as are needed to pass the test.

"It is intended that students have multiple opportunities to meet expectations on the exit level during their sophomore, junior and senior years," Albertson said. "Beginning with the class of 1995, students have up to eight opportunities to pass the exit-level TAAS before the end of their senior year."

In addition, a student who has not passed the TAAS but has fulfilled all other graduation requirements may take the failed section(s) as many times as needed.

At Lamar High School in Arlington, assistant principal Mike Pringle said the school has responded by setting up classes in the afternoon that help students who have failed the test prepare for retakes.

The students all take the classes after their normal schedule and receive no high school credit, he said. In addition, the teachers of the courses are not paid extra.

"The classes give the students the opportunity to improve their performance," Pringle said. "So far, many students have responded by giving up their time, and the tutorials have helped many students pass the test."

Examples such as this demonstrate

the change in focus of the test, Meadows said. Originally, the primary purpose of the TAAS test was to evaluate teachers in the public schools, she said.

The state has placed greater emphasis on the test recently in comparing schools based on overall test scores.

This concept is furthered by the recent reforms under Senate Bill 1. Schools are categorized according to their scores, and if a certain percentage of students in each grade level do not pass the exam, the school is labeled "low performing."

Under the reforms, a student may opt to transfer out of such a school and into any other school in the state.

"The changes under Senate Bill 1 make the test all that more important because, for the first time, low scores can financially hurt a particular school," Pringle said, "because if a student leaves, the money the state allotted for that particular student is transferred along with him or her."

Pringle said, however, that most teachers and administrators at Lamar High School recognize the necessity of the TAAS test. He believes the test helps stabilize the districts statewide by making sure that the state-man-

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## APO members offer professors a night off

By BARBARA KASUJJA  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Members of Alpha Phi Omega, a national co-ed service fraternity, will baby-sit children of TCU faculty and staff at the Rickel Building Saturday night.

The free baby-sitting, which marks the fraternity's sixth biannual Professors' Night Out, takes place every fall and spring semester and gives TCU faculty and staff an opportunity to enjoy a night on the town.

Nicole Miller, a sophomore speech pathology major, said the fraternity's baby-sitting event would be fun for the students and useful for the faculty and staff that choose to participate.

"I think it's a neat idea and a great thing to do," said Miller, who is also one of the organizers of the event. "This is our way of saying thank you and also of giving the professors and staff a break."

According to Katie Thorp, vice president of Alpha Phi Omega, the baby-sitting corps expects around 40 to 50 children. The fraternity should be able to match that total

with members, allowing close supervision, Thorp said.

"There will be at least 50 Alpha Phi members to help out with the kids," Thorp, a senior education major, said.

Parent participants include writing center employee and Alpha Phi Omega adviser Steve Sherwood.

Sherwood, who has been a member of the fraternity since this semester, said the program allowed him and his wife to have a "rare night out without paying for a baby sitter."

He also said one of the reasons he joined the fraternity was because of its involvement in service.

"It's one of the few service fraternities on campus that directly seeks to benefit the faculty and staff at TCU," Sherwood said.

Andy Fort, associate professor of religion and adviser of Alpha Phi Omega, will also be participating. Fort has been a member of the fraternity for 10 years and said the Professors' Night Out program is fun for the children who partic-

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#### NEWS DIGEST

#### Clue to Alzheimer's found

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — The discoverer of a genetic trait linked to Alzheimer's says he has now figured out how the trait causes the disease — by weakening the microscopic "plumbing" that carries nutrients to brain cells and flushes out the waste.

The new understanding offers numerous possibilities for the development of drugs that might not "cure" the disease but could delay it for 20 years, meaning most people would not live long enough to get it, said Dr. Allen Roses of Duke University.

#### UT bat mascot attacked

AUSTIN (AP) — Rex L. the Bat, a fuzzy costumed mascot who appears at University of Texas football games under sponsorship of the Austin American-Statesman, was attacked by Texas Tech band members at Saturday's game against the Longhorns.

But newspaper employee Rosevelt Hawkins, who wears the bat costume, said that won't stop him from appearing at games.

UT Police Capt. Silas Griggs said Monday the incident still was being investigated, but that it apparently stemmed from a Red Raider band ritual.

#### Gates buys Hermitage art

NEW YORK (AP) — Software billionaire Bill Gates' connections to the world's great art broadened Monday with a deal to make electronic images from the collection of Russia's famed Hermitage museum.

Corbis Corp., the digital media company Gates owns, will be able to make computerized versions of several thousand pieces of art at the museum in St. Petersburg, Russia.

The Hermitage is perhaps most famous for its collection of impressionist and post-impressionist paintings, including works by Edgar Degas and Henri Matisse.

#### Banks to adopt new ID system

AUSTIN (AP) — Beginning in December, banks across the state will take the fingerprint of non-account holders who request check cashing services in an effort to reduce check fraud.

The program, dubbed Thumbprint Signature, was announced Monday by the Texas Bankers Association.

As part of the program, non-account holders seeking to cash a check will be required to apply their right thumb to an inkless fingerprinting device that leaves no ink stains or residue.

#### Gov't approaches debt limit

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government indefinitely postponed \$31.5 billion in borrowing Monday, avoiding violation of the federal debt limit but raising new talk of the first default in the nation's history.

House Republican Leader Dick Armey of Texas predicted that Congress would raise the limit this week. But the issue is tangled with the dispute between Congress and President Clinton over federal spending, making the long-range outcome less certain.

The debt ceiling, which cannot be raised except by Congress, is now \$4.9 trillion.

## TODAY ON CAMPUS

### Tuesday, Nov. 7

**Schedule advising for Spring 1996**  
**5:30 p.m.:** Organization of Latin American Students (OLAS) meets in Student Center 202  
**6 p.m.:** TCU Circle K International meets in Student Center 205  
**8 p.m.:** TCU Democrats meet in Student Center 203  
**9:30 p.m.:** TCU College Republicans meet in Student Center 202

**3 p.m.:** Uniting Campus Ministries will meet in Student Center 211  
**4 p.m.:** Into the Streets will hold an organizational meeting, check University Ministries office for location  
**4 p.m.:** Food Service Committee will meet in Eden's Green  
**5:45 p.m.:** The Christian Science Organization will meet in Student Center 215  
**7 p.m.:** TERRA will meet in Sid Richardson Lecture Hall 4  
**7 p.m.:** Campus Crusade for Christ will meet for "Prime Time" in Student Center 205  
**9 p.m.:** Fellowship of Christian athletes will meet in the Varsity Club Room of the Coliseum

### Wednesday, Nov. 8

**Schedule advising for Spring 1996**  
**TCU Symphony Concert**  
**12 p.m.:** TCU Chapel service

## DATES AND SERVICES

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**THE TCU INTERIORS ASSOCIATION** will be sponsoring a talk from Wilson and Associates, a leading interior design firm, from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 8, in the Bass Living Room. Refreshments will be served.

**HAROLD KUSHNER**, author of "When Bad Things Happen to Good People," will speak at 7:30 p.m. tonight at the Ahavath Shalom Synagogue, 4050 S. Hulen. Tickets are \$5 and are available at the Campus Ministries office in the Student Center. Contact Bruce Miller at extension 7123.

**PORTRAITS** for the 1996 Horned Frog Yearbook will be taken in the Student Center Lounge from 9 a.m.

to 1:30 p.m. for students and from 1:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. for faculty today and tomorrow.

**TCU BASKETBALL** and a spring break trip to Cancun: what a combination! The 1995-1996 basketball season includes a promotion designed for TCU students only. Grand prize is a trip for two to Cancun. To be eligible, students must register at tonight's season opener. Registration will begin at 6 p.m. in front of Daniel Meyer Coliseum. This is a one-time registration opportunity; if you fail to register on this night, you are not eligible to win. Call 921-7965.

**CELEBRATION OF WOMEN IN ATHLETICS** from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. tonight. 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.

**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. 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 more information 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 Winston Scott Hall for donations. Contact Jenny at 738-3538.

**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.

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by Ben Roman and Adam Wright



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by Bill Watterson



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## WEATHER WATCH

Today's skies will be partly cloudy with a slight chance of rain. The high will be in the lower 70s, turning cooler this afternoon. Tonight will be clear and cool, with a low near 50.

Wednesday will continue to be cool, with highs in the 60s and overnight lows in the 40s.

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## Loans

At TCU, Scott said about \$200,000 could be lost by students if voters do not approve the bonds. Scott said if this happens, the financial aid office will try to get loans for the students from private institutions.

These loans often come at much higher interest rates, he said.

Statewide, if the proposition fails, the pool of student loan money would drop from about \$80 million to about \$20 million per year. Up to two-thirds of future loans would be eliminated, and about 15,000 students receiving loans would lose funding in the spring.

The state bond is important because the federal government is considering cutbacks in its students loan program, said Ray Grasshoff, spokesman for the Texas Higher

Education Coordinating Board.

If the proposition fails, great changes would have to be made in the state program, which could make it significantly more difficult for Texas students to get government loans.

"If the bonds do not pass, the state would have to convert to a revolving loan program," Grasshoff said. "We would only have the money that is coming in as students repay the loans."

Some of those opposed to the proposition claim the state should not be in the business of collecting money. They feel plenty of money is

available to students through private institutions, and the elimination will help reduce government waste.

However, Scott said what many critics do not realize is that the state student loans not only do not cost the state any money, but over the long term actually turn a profit because the bonds are paid back by the students with interest.

The program has only a five percent default rate, Grasshoff said. The loans are also backed by the government, which gives additional security to the state.

Since the first bond 30 years ago, Texas voters have elected three times to add money to the Hinson-Hazelwood Program. If this bond passes, \$75 to \$80 million would initially be sold to provide loans for about four years.

Despite the critics, Scott said he is confident the voters will pass the amendment.

"I believe that the bond will pass," Scott said. "Texas voters generally realize the importance of an education, and, bottom line, this program will also make money for the state."

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■ SCOTT BARZILLA

## Professional sports have been replaced by circus acts

"The Barnum and Bailey Circus proudly presents, Houdini and his magical disappearing act." Well, not exactly.

As every fan of magic knows, no magician can make anything disappear, they just put it in a place that the average layperson wouldn't look for it. Such is the state of professional sports today.

For the past century, Americans have been captivated by the exploits of people on the diamond, gridiron and parquet floors across the country.

Professional sports have been the most popular entertainment business in this country for the past hundred years. Millions of tired workers have come home from a hard day's work to turn on the tube and release their frustrations by watching football, baseball or basketball.

Unfortunately, many of these people turn



on the TV set only to find that their team has disappeared. Many others look at their team and wonder who in the heck most of the players are.

The last couple of months are evidence enough to demonstrate that the entertainment of sports is eroding into the very thing that fans strive to get away from every time they leave the office: business.

The most prime example is football. If it isn't enough that players have now been granted free agency, rendering some teams completely unrecognizable, it appears that

even some owners have become free agents.

For example, yesterday the Baltimore Bishops (presently the Cleveland Browns) went to battle against the Tennessee Twisters (presently the Houston Oilers.) Both Los Angeles teams fled the coup, Seattle and Cincinnati have made murmurs about moving and the Tampa Bay Bucs are certain to move to one of any number of places.

Meanwhile, the lone reason given for every one of these moves is the almighty dollar. Players will come and go, but the organization's loyalty to the city is sacred, right? Wrong.

Jumping cities is not exclusive to the National Football League. Some baseball teams like the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Houston Astros have threatened to move as

well. Reportedly, the Astros would move to northern Virginia where they would be called the Virginia Statesmen, or something like that.

The owners' recent attempts at moving were caused by the growing demands of their employees. The owners claim they just can't afford to make ends meet where they are. Even though the idiocy of owners now overshadows that of the players, some players still manage to be the focus of attention.

Alonzo Mourning, now of the Miami Heat, demanded a \$14 million per year contract. He was traded and probably disrupted the entire Hornets season because of it. He ended up getting only \$11 million, which means, I guess, he can still pay the rent.

The ones who suffer out of all of this are the fans. Poor Houstonians such as myself

might end up with only one major sports team when it is all said and done. Houston is the fourth biggest city in the country, for crying out loud.

The entertainment of sports has ceased to be entertainment. The owners and players' livings are based on the entertainment value of their industry. People watch sports because of its entertainment value. If they wanted more business, they would stay in their office all day.

Soon enough, their actions will serve to slit their own throats. If you are one of the many unlucky ones whose act is moving out of town, don't fret. The circus will be back in town soon enough.

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

■ BECKY PRETZ

## Academics and athletics can't exist together

Pop quiz: you have a full scholarship to give to only one student. You must choose between a student who scored 1200 on his/her SATs, maintained a 3.9 GPA in high school and was involved in a fair amount of activities. The other student was an all-state athlete who barely scored an 800 on the SAT, only reached pre-algebra in the math curriculum and graduated with a mere 2.1 GPA, just enough to play sports.

Who do you choose to give it to? What's more important, academics or sports? Or, perhaps you may choose the TCU route and try to excel in both. How can it be done? Not easily. Emphasis in one program only dilutes the other, as TCU is learning through its continuous absence in the high ratings of colleges and universities.

This is an obvious catch-22 in the difference between the requirements for athletic scholarships versus academic. Those with academic scholarships must maintain a 3.25 and athletes must have a mere 2.25. My question is: how can TCU expect to prepare athletes for future jobs when they aren't

equipped with the proper tools?

High collegiate GPAs can generally assume one has absorbed a large amount of knowledge and can effectively function in the outside world. I once edited an athlete's English paper and the poor boy didn't know how to properly construct a thesis statement. How in the world can this person ever compete in the real world, if he can't even accomplish one of life's most simple tasks?

The percentage of those athletes who are actually drafted into the professional leagues doesn't make up for the amount that is invested into their education. What happens to those who maintained the bare minimum GPA requirement? How are they going to find a job? What kind of employer hires someone with such a low GPA? What happens if an athlete gets injured? What sort of foundation will that person have to fall back on?

Many have brought up the idea that it's the athletic department that brings the money into the school. I've even heard athletes say this in class. What about all those students who actually have to pay for their tuition? Doesn't that constitute income?

I'm not saying that all athletes just get by with the minimum GPA. There are some that branch out into the more difficult subjects in which to major. But it's no secret that when a class is easy, it's a "football players' class." My old roommate had a psychology class with a bunch of athletes and she became friends with them. She said these athletes knew this class would be "easy for them."

Another argument many people give for the lower requirement for athletic scholarships is the amount of time athletes spend in practice and training. It's a small price to pay for a fully-funded education. Besides, I personally spend at least five hours a day at work or doing some sort of other activity related to TCU but not academics, and I don't get any sort of leniency for my scholarship.

One person told me it's my choice to do more than just study, but is it really? The things I do are giving me the necessary experience to find a job and they are preparing me for future leadership functions in the workplace.

One of TCU's major problems is the high attrition rate. A large number of freshmen don't return to TCU for their sophomore year. The nonathletic activities that many of us participate in keep the rest of us here. That is, those who have to pay to attend this school.

TCU must choose between the two, academics or athletics, in order to fully promote TCU to the general public. To insist that TCU be ranked academically among the best higher institutions is hypocritical when those who get PRAs are on full scholarships only have to have a 2.25 GPA.

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



■ CHRIS SMITH

## Survival of the fittest is making a new comeback

Ah, America, the land of the free. The United States is the last bastion of freedom and chance for equality, that is, if one happens to be within the borders.

If a country is involved in a war that conveniently threatens our oil imports or, now in an archaic sense, is besieged by a communist force, then America is quick to strike, claim some sort of victory, and leave the country to rebuild itself.

Yet if that same country is losing thousands of dollars a day to starvation, then instead of sending Jimmy Carter to resolve the situation, America exports the sobbing, bloated visage of has-been actress Sally Struthers to beg, plead, and annoy the hell out of American citizens via infomercials stuffed with enough swollen-bellied children with flies landing on their eyes to make even the toughest of stomachs queasy.

Third world status of a country is not defined by its unemployment rate but by its number of starving people. The truth is that as a first world nation, America needs starvation to separate it from the others and to provide a tangible gap from our "home of the brave" to their "den of squalor."

For without hunger, these nations could have a substantial work force, and that leads to a self-sufficient economy that no longer needs the kind hand of America.

As long as their people keep dropping like flies with a life expectancy of two seconds, the good Samaritan mask is maintained. But as soon as Habib gets a mouthful of rice, our stature as do-gooders starts to falter.

The lowliest morons know that world hunger could be wiped out in a day with a concerted effort from the first world nations. America subsidizes farmers not to plant crops. Our surplus alone could alleviate the suffering of thousands, if not millions, of people worldwide.

Instead of dropping a 40-pound bag of gruel on their heads and calling it good, a revitalization of their agriculture is as easy as saying "North-South Gap."

It is odd that as soon as a country's freedom is at stake, American sends in the Leathernecks to kick some commie butt, but when basic human needs (i.e. food) remain unmet, we wedge the tale of their mass starvation between the 3 a.m. showing of *Snackmaster* and *The Juice Man* infomercials (all of which are conveniently related to food.)

Yet are we willing to recognize the true plight of the hungry and sacrifice our status as the elite come-to-our-country-to-escape-your-evil-government nation? The obvious answer is a fervent "No!" Hunger is now understood to be an unsolvable equation of life.

Just as there will always be the haves and the have nots, America must do its best to combat the efforts of the humanitarian and wage war on the philanthropic.

The Communist threat to make everyone equal has been defeated. Hunger is the last barrier between the rich and the poor. The hungry are much less likely to revolt and become a menace to beloved "democracy" of the wealthy nations.

Keep the bellies of the rich full and satiated. It is the fault of the poor that they are hungry, homeless and dying. Social Darwinism is making a comeback, my friends.

And as the peasants starve outside the castle walls, we will hold huge banquets featuring entrees like misery a la king, exploitation cordon bleu, and suffering tar tar. Bon appetit!

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■ EDITORIAL

## YITZHAK RABIN

### Prime minister's death slows peace process

Thousands mourned the death of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin this week. He dedicated his life to peace, and millions wonder why he was needlessly shot down.

Yigal Amir, the man who has been accused of killing Rabin, is a fellow Israeli. Over the past several decades, it seems that a lot of peacemakers are shot down by people from their own nation.

Amir gave an interview where he criticized the government for making too many concessions for peace. His statements highlight the unfortunate fact that some do not want peace. Some people profit from the absence of peace.

As Americans, it would be much more comfortable for us to believe that a foreign enemy of Israel assassinated Rabin. The fact that someone from

Israel may have killed him makes us consider that maybe someone from our country could assassinate our leader.

Rabin was a good leader and led Israel down the road of the peace process. For many years, the Israelites have been in conflict with their neighbors in the Middle East. Rabin was beginning to make progress.

Hopefully, the peace process will continue in the Middle East and throughout the world. Rabin's loss will be a grave one. We can only hope that Israel will be able to make a quick recovery.

Rabin's assassination proves that peace is not as easy or as popular as we would like to believe. Hopefully, this fact will not deter the leaders of all the nations from working towards that goal.

■ LETTERS

### The football team can win without Davis

I would like to respond to the *Skiff's* Editorial about the eligibility of Andre Davis. For the most part I agree. TCU has handled the problem quickly and fairly. However, I completely disagree with the statement that if Davis never puts on a TCU uniform again TCU would probably lose its next four games.

Last time I checked Andre Davis was one player out of 80 some-odd football players. Not to take away from Davis' contributions on the field, but let's give some credit to the entire team.

### Changing Honors Program is wrong

I join Professors John Bohon and Emmet Smith (letters to the *Skiff* of October 24 and 31,) as well as countless others who have been dedicated to the high standards of academic excellence in TCU's Honors Program, in vigorously protesting the dismantling of the course "Honors Humanities" from the Honors curriculum.

For more than two decades, this course has been cited as a superb model of interdisciplinary

scholarship, and it is recognized nationwide as being unique to TCU. It is the product of incredible commitment on the part of its faculty and the students who have been enriched by it, and it continues to evolve in a dynamic fashion.

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## Walsh to lead student workshop

By SUSAN CLARK  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Professional metal caster Thomas Walsh is visiting TCU this week to teach metal casting workshops for art students from TCU and other Texas schools.

Walsh will not only teach sculpture, but will have one-on-one sessions with students to discuss and critique their work, said Thad Duhigg, TCU assistant professor of art and a former student of Walsh.

"This week is not as much about teaching as it is about the experience," Duhigg said.

The workshops will include TCU art students as well as students from 20 area junior colleges. Each college can send a sculpture professor and two students, said Ron Watson, art department chairman.

"We are trying to make him as available as possible to students on campus as well as students from other colleges," Watson said.

Walsh said he has taught sculpture at Southern Illinois University for 29 years. He has had 50 solo exhibitions in museums, commercial galleries and university art department galleries, Walsh said.

"I hope the students come away with at least one idea or attitude that they didn't have before, whether it's a way of working or looking at things," Walsh said.

Walsh has put together a 50-piece exhibit specifically for TCU that can be seen in the TCU gallery through Nov. 22, he said. The exhibit includes the preliminary drawings and the finished sculptures, Watson said. This allows students to see Walsh's thought process all the way through to the finished work, Watson said.

"Sculpture students are very close because they need to help each other out to get the work done," Walsh said. "It's not like painting."

"If I need to pour metal, I need three other people to help me," Duhigg said. "This workshop strengthens our ties within our college populations."

There will be 50 students attending the workshops, Duhigg said.



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Sculptor Thomas Walsh helps Tarrant County Junior College student Karmein Bowman in a metalworks workshop Monday. Walsh is conducting workshops and one-on-one sessions with students from TCU and several other Texas schools this week.

The students create wax molds that will eventually result in another mold to be cast in bronze, Walsh said. By the end of the workshops the students will have nearly finished a bronze sculpture, Walsh said.

"I jumped at the chance to come

take this workshop," said Mark Traynham, a third year art student at Tarrant County Junior College. "Getting to work with a nationally acclaimed artist is really great."

Traynham is sculpting a 40s-style lady in bronze, he said.

"The workshop will help stu-

dents understand the intensity and focus involved in creating a piece in a very short time," Duhigg said.

A Central Texas College professor, Amy Isett, is taking advantage of the TCU art department's facilities

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## Profs share joy of music with local school youth

By HEATHER HOGAN  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Two TCU music professors shared their expertise with a young crowd Monday in a performance at T.A. Sims Elementary School.

Stephen Weger, associate professor of trumpet, and Jan Eberle, part-time faculty member, are both members of the Fort Worth Chamber Orchestra, which sponsors an educational series that introduces elementary school students to classical music, Weger said.

Weger said Ron Spigleman, associate conductor of the Chamber Orchestra, put the program together to get kids interested in classical music without overwhelming them with too many details. Weger said Spigleman understands the TV medium and knows well how to reach kids who are growing up in the "TV age."

"If we tell them they're expected to know all the details of the pieces, we'll lose them," he said.

The student performances are a

collage of quick bytes of different pieces of music arranged to keep the students entertained, he said.

In part of the program, Weger said he and Jonathon Fields perform Vivaldi's double trumpet concerto, choose one child to carry an olympic torch and allow all of the children to march around the room to the music.

"The kids don't even know they're hearing great music," he said.

Weger, a native Texan, has been part of the Orchestra since 1982 and a member of the TCU faculty since 1989. He said the small size of the Chamber Orchestra allows for the artists to do more solo work and a great deal of touring. Weger said he has toured China and Spain with the orchestra and plans to do more in the future.

According to a Fort Worth Symphony release, the 36-member Chamber Orchestra annually performs in more cities than any other Texas ensemble. The orchestra also presents seven subscription performances in Fort Worth every year in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

## Music Week begins

Campus celebrates American songs

By HEATHER HOGAN  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Through music we can find out who we are, said Michael Meckna, associate professor of musicology.

Meckna, coordinator of American Music Week events at TCU, specializes in American music as a discipline and said as Americans we need to know who we are and from where we came.

TCU began American Music Week celebrations Monday with an afternoon lecture and an evening concert and will continue to sponsor events throughout the rest of the week. According to a university press release, TCU is the most active participant in American Music Week in the Southwestern United States.

On Monday afternoon, Beth McGinnis, a music history instructor, began the week's events with a lecture titled "And Called it Macaroni: Common Character Songs as a Portrait of America." The lecture drew a crowd of 32 which filled the room,

said Meckna.

Meckna said the events, which have been publicized throughout the metroplex, are geared toward exposing the public to the beauty in American music. He said some people see Americans as artistically second-class citizens, but when they really listen, they can discover American music is surprisingly good.

"Even look at rock-and-roll," he said. "Who in the world makes rock music like America?"

At 3 p.m. on Nov. 8, the regular student recital hour will highlight American music.

The TCU symphony, under the direction of John Burton, will perform Aaron Copland's "Quiet City" as part of its Fall concert at 7:30 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium. Meckna called "Quiet City" a wonderful, typical piece of American music.

"It's sensitive and artistic, not a piece that's heavy-handed," he said.

The week concludes with an all-American recital on Nov. 9, presented by Phi Mu Alpha Symphonia.

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dated curriculum is followed.

"If the teachers teach the essential elements like they are supposed to, then they are preparing students to take the test," Pringle said.

He also said there is no danger in devoting some class time to TAAS preparation.

"As long as the state sets requirements for student testing, it is wrong for the public schools not to teach it," Pringle said. "To work within the system, you have to play by their rules."

Meadow feels that much of the problem within the TAAS and other standardized tests is the possibility that because of a student's background, he or she may not score well on the test even though he or she may be proficient in other areas.

"Standardized tests only get you in the ballpark as to how the students and teachers are performing," Meadow said. "All the kids are coming in within different backgrounds. The students who have traveled, gone to art museums, etc. are naturally going to do better than those who were not so fortunate."

Language can also be a determining factor, she said.

"There are also those students who do not have a solid grasp of the English language who may know the material, but will not do well on the

test because of their language deficiency," she said. "Even portions of the math section are worded, which can cause problems for students who are learning English as a second language."

Problems with the test are ironed out by National Computer Systems, which was contracted by the TEA to write and administer the test, Albertson said. The company administers similar tests nationwide and cross-checks the test given to Texas students with that of tests given to students in other states.

The key to measuring the performance of the students and teachers is that standardized tests should only be one aspect of the evaluation, Meadow said. She said she believes other aspects of a student's work, such as their grades and portfolios of work, should also be considered.

"I often tell my students that it's not the use of standardized tests that's the problem. It's the misuse of them," she said. "All the student's work should be examined, not just their test scores."

At this point, though, Albertson said the TAAS test is the best way the state has to ensure the curriculum is being followed.

"The TEA believes that the essential elements should determine the testing program and provide a direct linkage among curriculum, teaching, assessment and instructional materials," she said.

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ipate. His nine-year-old daughter will be participating this year, he said.

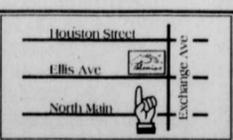
"It's a great opportunity for the faculty to go out, and the kids love it,"

Fort said. Activities scheduled for the evening include Disney movies, volleyball, basketball and other games.

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## Student assists in Fort Worth curbside recycling program

By LAURA WADE  
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Junior finance major Ted Murphy places his green recycling bin, filled with newspapers, some plastics and aluminum cans, curbside of his duplex once a week.

Even though Murphy and his roommates recycle religiously, their efforts seem small to Murphy.

"We still have a lot of waste even though we are recycling," he said.

Murphy's efforts seem small to him because he has worked in the heart of recycling. Last year, he ran a recycling company in Calgary, Alberta, that served about 200 households and businesses for recycling waste pick up.

Murphy collected recyclable materials every two weeks from households, as opposed to the weekly pick up in Fort Worth. Still, Murphy said that in Calgary, his business collected a great deal more. The results were more recycled materials and less waste.

Murphy said he was aware Fort Worth has an ambitious curbside recycling program. The program began in 1992 when the city of Fort Worth contracted with Waste Management Inc. to begin curbside recycling, director Ron Stults said.

"We're the largest city in the Southwest to do so," he said.

Stults said the city provides every household, whether a single-family home, duplex or four-unit apartment, with a promotional brochure to encourage recycling. If a resident decides to participate in the program, as Murphy did, the resident receives a green bin and a \$3 per month charge on their monthly water bill.

The results have been successful, Stults said. Almost 128,000 households in Fort Worth recycle at some time. To Stults, that means 80 percent of residents are recycling once a month, while 40 percent recycle weekly, he said.

Although the program looks ambitious, some problems still exist, Murphy said. One of the problems Murphy pointed out is that recycling is not a profitable business.

Lorrie Anderle, recycling coordinator for the city of Arlington, said the expenses of running an effective recycling business outweigh the gains the company sees financially.

"Curbside recycling doesn't pay for itself because there are so many transportation and labor costs," Anderle said.

Those transportation costs include purchasing new garbage trucks that allow for separating recyclable materials. In addition, labor costs increase

a great deal because people must be available to sort the materials once they are taken to a recycling center. Anderle said.

Another problem that stifles Fort Worth's recycling program is that selling the collected materials to companies that actually recycle them is not always profitable. Ron Hall, supervisor at Recycle America, said the amount of money they make from selling the plastics, newspapers and glass depends largely on which materials are in high demand.

"The market really drives recycling," Hall said. "There are lots of materials we have that there is no market for right now." Those materials must sit at the recycling center until the demand is high once again, Hall said.

The city of Arlington implemented a full-scale recycling program in May of 1994. Anderle said the city contracted with Arlington Disposal Company to collect recyclable materials from residents. Instead of making the program optional for residents, the city added \$1.61 to each household's water bill, Anderle said.

New residents receive information about the program when they set up water service and can pick up bins at twelve locations.

Anderle said Arlington Disposal contracted with Champion to handle the material once it was collected and ready to be sold. Although the city does not receive profits based on the amount of material recycled, the money made after selling the recyclable materials does effect the recycling program.

If more money is made when recyclable materials are sold, the program's operating costs are offset. Therefore, what the city of Arlington pays for service and what Arlington Disposal sells the materials for keeps the program running, Anderle said.

So far, Arlington's program has had "above average" participation, Anderle said.

"We are diverting about 25 percent of residential waste from landfills," she said.

Even with the success the Fort Worth and Arlington programs seem

to be having, there are some questions as to why more residents are not participating and whether the recycling business can ever be more profitable.

One way to get more residents involved in recycling would be to advertise the recycling program more and to educate the public about recycling, Anderle said.

"We continually try to educate the public about recycling and encourage them to participate," Anderle said.

In Fort Worth, residents are only informed about the recycling program when they set up water services, Stults said. Besides the one-time brochure, the city does not advertise the program.

Murphy said he thinks the public must be better informed about and be made more aware of the recycling program before more recycling will occur.

Community-driven recycling programs, such as the one in Murphy's hometown of Calgary, might also be better and more successful than the city-run programs.

With the responsibility to recycle placed on the residents, the city does not have to pay extensive costs for new collection trucks.

The problem still remains how to make recyclable materials in higher demand. If consumers buy more products made from recyclable materials, then there will be a greater demand for people to recycle, Murphy said.

That may also require more innovative uses for recyclable materials, such as city park benches made of recycled plastic, Murphy said.

Ultimately, then, garbage disposal companies would advertise and more aggressively encourage recycling, because the profit margin would be greater, Murphy said.

For now, though, Murphy said he will keep recycling as much as he can when he fills up his green bin. And, then, if consumers begin to purchase more recycled products and begin to take more responsibility for the environment, perhaps his small efforts and theirs will begin to truly make a difference.

## World leaders mourn Rabin

Slain Israeli prime minister leaves behind peacemaking legacy

By GWEN ACKERMAN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JERUSALEM — Yitzhak Rabin was laid to rest today at a remarkable gathering of world leaders who saluted the slain prime minister's unwavering courage in war and peace. His tearful granddaughter, in a moving eulogy, spoke of the pain of losing her "private hero."

Rabin, who led Israel to triumphs on the battlefield, then stretched out a hand of peace to his Arab neighbors, was buried with full military honors in a pine glade atop a hill overlooking the volatile city where he was born 73 years ago.

His funeral brought to Israel not only leaders of the West with close ties to the Jewish state, but also heads of state from the Arab world, testimony that Rabin's three years of peacemaking have changed the Middle East.

Shimon Peres picked up the burden of governing the shocked and saddened nation after Rabin was shot Saturday by a right-wing Israeli who opposed Rabin's concessions to Palestinians on the West Bank.

Peres looked over the crowd of dignitaries and mourners from around the world, and said: "This is the crowning glory of your efforts, all of us here together."

"The man who murdered you will not be able to murder the idea that you carried," Peres said. "You left us a road that we will follow."

"I see our Arab neighbors and I want to tell them that peace is attainable both here and with you," he said.

It was a remarkable sight to see the Jordanian king, in a white-and-red checkered Arab headdress, and President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt speaking in Jerusalem in praise of an Israeli leader.

"You lived as a soldier, you died as a soldier for peace," Jordan's

King Hussein told the 4,000 mourners at the Mount Herzl cemetery, under a bright Jerusalem sun. "I believe it is time for all of us to come out openly and speak about peace."

The most poignant words came from Rabin's 17-year-old granddaughter, Noa Ben Artzi, who said she wanted to speak of the man, not the peacemaker.

"You are our hero, lone wolf," the red-haired, freckled young woman said, weeping as she spoke of the laconic, intensely private man.

"You were so wonderful," she said. "Ones greater than I have eulogized you, but none knew the softness of your caress as I, or that half-smile of yours that always said everything, the smile that is no longer there. There is no feeling of revenge in me for the pain does not leave room."

Leaving the podium in tears, she was hugged by her brother, Yonatan, dressed in an olive-drab paratrooper's uniform and red beret.

President Clinton came at the head of an official American delegation of more than two dozen people, whose size signaled Washington's support for Israel and the peace process Rabin was not allowed to complete.

"Now it falls to all of us who love peace and all of us who loved him to carry on the struggle to which he gave life and for which he gave his life."

Clinton's tribute took a personal tone for the man he called a "chaver," Hebrew for friend. He affectionately recalled Rabin's lack of pretense and formality. Rabin, who always preferred the company of gruff soldiers to that of diplomats, had come to a black-tie dinner in Washington in September without the black tie.

"So he borrowed one, and I was privileged to straighten it for him," said Clinton, wearing a black skull-

cap. "To him, ceremonies and words were less important than deeds."

Rabin's widow, Leah, who had wept through most of the speeches, smiled at hearing Clinton's recollection.

More than 40 world leaders came to Israel in an outpouring of sympathy that would have been unimaginable just a few years ago, when the country had been a pariah in much of the world. Most striking was the presence of the Arab leaders, including Hussein of Jordan and Mubarak of Egypt, and ministers of Oman and Qatar, who attended even though their countries have no ties with Israel.

These Arab leaders came to Jerusalem for the first time since it has been under Israeli rule, despite the possible political price: Arab leaders do not recognize Israel's claims to sovereignty over all of Jerusalem, and visits to the city were avoided for fear of reinforcing Israel's claim.

Mubarak, the Egyptian leader, carried on Egypt's peace with Israel after his predecessor, Anwar Sadat, was killed in 1981 by Islamic militants who opposed the Jewish state's first treaty with an Arab nation.

"The best memorial for Yitzhak Rabin is to continue what he started, which is the peace process," he told the mourners. "Only through our unwavering commitment to this objective can we truly honor the memory of this fallen hero of peace."

The last man to speak was Rabin's aide, Eitan Haber, who had announced to the world that the prime minister had died Saturday night.

He took out the bloodstained sheet of paper with the words of the "Song for Peace" that Rabin had sung at the peace rally and put in his pocket just minutes before he was killed.

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Safety Rick LaFavers streaks down the sidelines after intercepting a two-point conversion pass by SMU's Derek Canine with 2:20 left in Saturday's game. The play made the score 19-16 TCU instead of 18-17 SMU, and saved the game for the Frogs. The play was the first two-point conversion run back for a touchdown in TCU history since the rule was implemented in 1980.

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the first time since 1958-59.

Wide receiver John Washington was the hero of the first 57:40 of the game for TCU Saturday. The senior turned in the seventh-best receiving performance in the country Saturday with his 12-catch, 156-yard performance.

With teammates Jason Tucker (out with a severely sprained ankle) and Chris Brasfield (who left the game early in the first quarter with an ankle injury) not there to share the receiving duties, Washington shouldered the load of TCU's offense throughout the game.

Along with his 12 catches, the senior rushed once on a reverse for six yards and complemented his offensive day with 49 yards returning punts on special teams.

Washington's grand totals on the afternoon: 211 all-purpose yards and two touchdowns (TCU's only two of the game). He also only missed one offensive play for the Frogs.

Washington seemed so astounded by his effort that he asked to take his shower before post-game interviews so he could get his thoughts together.

"They doubled me a lot today," he said. "Usually Tuck and Bras are out there and we share the receiving duties. But today they weren't and I just picked up the slack."

Also picking up the slack in the pass catching area were Tavarus Moore and Troy Williams, who each saw the most playing time of their collegiate careers Saturday. Moore threw a key block on TCU's first touchdown play, a 39-yard pass from quarterback Max Knake to Washington.

Washington, on the left side of Knake, came in on a hitch pattern. He caught the ball close to Moore, who made what Washington called a great block. Washington did the rest, avoiding SMU defenders on his way to the end zone.

SMU led 10-0 at that point and Knake was struggling. With the score 3-0 and the Frogs on their second offensive possession, Knake tossed his second interception of the first quarter and the Mustangs took over at the 50. Canine marched his team down the field on a methodical 8-play drive. But on the ninth play, disaster came quickly for the Ponies.

Canine, on 4th-and-2 from TCU's 4-yard line, ran a bootleg right and had the first down. He continued unimpeded until reaching the goal line, but once he got there a mass of purple greeted him.

Defensive end Chris Piland, safety Manvel Hopes and cornerback Godfrey White all hit Canine together. The collision jarred the ball loose, and LaFavers was there to pick it up in the end zone for a touchdown, saving TCU from an even deeper hole.

"We did a good job, but I fumbled

in two critical situations," Canine said. "The score should have been 31-17 (SMU)."

TCU's offense stepped up after the defensive stand, but only for one quarter. The offense scored 17 points on the day, with all the points coming in the second frame. The reason for the one-quarter explosion?

TCU's starting field position in the second quarter was their own 45-yard line.

In the second half, TCU's eight offensive drives gained a total of 107 yards, and resulted in six punts, a fumble and the final gun. The average starting position for those eight drives was TCU's own 28-yard line.

The ball will have to move more consistently this Saturday as TCU travels to Lubbock to face Texas Tech (5-3, 2-2 SWC). The Red Raiders are coming off a 48-7 loss to Texas which knocked them out of the Top 25 poll.

## TCU GAME NOTES

### Bruce suffers broken leg

Freshman running back Andre Bruce, whom head coach Pat Sullivan said would be getting more playing time due to Andre Davis' suspension by the NCAA, broke his leg on a running play in the third quarter.

Sullivan was visibly upset by Bruce's injury after the game.

"Andre Bruce is a wonderful, wonderful kid," Sullivan said. "It makes me sick that this has happened to him. He's a very confident kid and he's going to make some big plays for this football team in the future."

Bruce's injury comes at a time when healthy running backs are hard to find for the Frogs. Along with Davis being out, starting fullback Koi Woods has a bruised knee and is listed as probable for next week. And Sterling Boyd and Matt Moore suffered injuries during practice last week. Along with the running backs, receiver Chris Brasfield won't play in Lubbock because of a severely sprained ankle, and Jason Tucker is still questionable because of the sprained ankle that kept him out Saturday.

"Lord knows we've got to get some people back healthy for the stretch run," Sullivan said.

### Knake continues to climb charts

Quarterback Max Knake moved into third place on the Southwest Conference's all-time touchdown passing list with his second second-quarter TD pass to John Washington. Knake has now tossed 49 touchdown passes. He would need 42 more in his final three games (or 14 TD passes per game) to catch Houston's David Klingler, however. Klingler, in the Cougars' run-and-shoot offense, passed for an amazing 91 TDs from 1988-91. Another former Cougar, Andre Ware, is second on the all-time list with 75 TD passes from 1987-89.

How does Knake stack up with the rest of the best in the SWC? He is in the top five all-time in completions, attempts, touchdown passes, passing yards and touchdown efficiency (49 TD passes plus two runs). He is the only non-run-and-shoot quarterback in conference history to place in the top five in all those categories.

### Not a misprint

With all the controversy surrounding the senior tailback's four-game suspension by the NCAA last week, guess who appeared on the cover of TCU's game program, "Horned Frog Magazine," Saturday? You guessed it, Andre Davis.

No, the magazine staff wasn't playing a cruel joke. Covers for the magazine are determined weeks in advance, and last week was Davis' week. Ironic.

### SWC Standings

	SWC	Overall
	W-L	W-L
Texas	3-0	6-1-1
TCU	3-1	6-2
Texas A&M	3-1	5-2
Baylor	3-1	4-3
Texas Tech	2-2	5-3
Rice	1-3	1-6-1
Houston	1-3	1-7
SMU	0-5	1-8

### Next Week's Games (All games Nov. 11 unless indicated)

Texas A&M at Rice, Thursday, Nov. 9, 7 p.m. (ESPN)  
TCU at Texas Tech, noon (Raycom)  
Baylor at SMU, 1 p.m.  
Texas at Houston, 7 p.m.

## SPORTS DIGEST

### McGriff a free agent

NEW YORK (AP) — Fred McGriff, a key part of Atlanta's drive to the World Series title, and Eddie Murray, instrumental in Cleveland's first pennant since 1954, filed for free agency Monday.

Thirteen players in all filed for free agency Monday, raising the total to 119. Approximately 27 more players are eligible to file before Sunday's deadline.

Free agents may negotiate with any club starting next week. Until then, they can sign only with their former club.

### NHL Whalers fire coach

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Paul Holmgren was fired Monday as coach of the Hartford Whalers, who have lost six of their last eight games and missed the playoffs the last three years.

He was replaced by Paul Maurice, a former coach of the Detroit Junior Red Wings who at 28 becomes the NHL's youngest coach.

General manager Jim Rutherford, who said the players bear some of the responsibility for the firing, cited a "lack of production" in announcing the dismissal.

### Blazers guard arrested

NEW YORK (AP) — Rod Strickland, the star guard of the Portland Trail Blazers, was arrested Monday for allegedly giving his former girlfriend a black eye last month at her Bronx home.

Strickland surrendered at a police station where the ex-girlfriend, Judith Cruz, had filed a criminal complaint, police said.

Strickland, who used to play for the New York Knicks, was charged with misdemeanor assault and released, said detective Julio Martinez, a police spokesman.

### Piniella AL's best manager

NEW YORK (AP) — Lou Piniella, who guided the Seattle Mariners to their first post-season appearance, was voted American League Manager of the Year on Monday.

Piniella finished with 86 points, 12 ahead of Boston Red Sox manager Kevin Kennedy and 15 ahead of Indians manager Mike Hargrove.

Piniella was picked first on nine of 28 ballots cast by voters from the Baseball Writers Association of America. Piniella received 12 second-place votes and five thirds in the balloting, conducted on a 5-3-1 basis.

### Jordan's numbers lucky

CHICAGO (AP) — Hundreds of lottery players put their faith in Michael Jordan when the Chicago Bulls opened their season last Friday, and they really cashed in.

The winning numbers in the Illinois State Lottery's Pick Four game were 2345, a combination of the two numbers Jordan has worn on his Bulls' jersey — 23 and 45.

"A lot of people were playing MJ's numbers, and we paid out the third highest amount ever for the Pick Four game," lottery spokesman Mike Lang said Monday.

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- \* The registration process will begin at 6:00 pm in front of Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.
- \* To register, students must fill out a card identifying name, classification, address, phone number and school ID #.
- \* Upon registering on **NOVEMBER 7**, students are entered in the contest for the entire season.
- \* At each men's and women's games thereafter a registered student's name will be selected. The selected student, who must be present to win, will then be that game's "Horned Frog Fanatic Fan" winner.
- \* At the final men's home game (March 2), the winning names from each game will be thrown into a hat, and the selected student name will be the "Horned Frog Fanatic Fan of the Year."
- \* The winning prize is a Spring Break trip for two (2) to Cancun, compliments of Holiday Express, Inc. Prize includes: roundtrip airfare, hotel accommodations for five nights, airport transfers, welcome orientation and briefing, baggage handling and more.

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ties she doesn't have at her smaller school, she said.

"The students don't come at it with any inhibitions — they might try some things that I never thought of trying," Walsh said.

Walsh estimates he has done 80 university workshops similar to the one this week at TCU, he said. The TCU sculpture workshop is one of two that Walsh has scheduled for

the year, he said. Walsh just returned from a workshop for the Glasgow School of Art, the biggest in Scotland, one week ago, he said.

"I think the primary reason I don't want to quit teaching is that I would really miss the students," Walsh said.

According to Walsh, a good teacher spends time in the studio on his or her own work.

"You can't demand 100 percent from your students if you're not

demanding 100 percent from yourself," Walsh said.

Walsh spends afternoons and weekends in the studio on casting bronze, aluminum and iron, he said.

In addition to the workshops, Walsh will lecture at 6 p.m. tonight at the Fort Worth Modern Art Museum. He will also discuss his work with students at 11 a.m. on Wednesday in the TCU Gallery and again at 10:45 a.m. on Thursday in the Student Center.

## FDA considers approval of drug

By LAURAN NEERGAARD  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SILVER SPRING, Md. — The drug 3TC should be approved as the first new initial therapy to treat AIDS since the original AIDS drug AZT, scientific advisers told the Food and Drug Administration on Monday.

A combination of 3TC and AZT boosted the immune system of patients and lowered the amount of

the HIV virus, which causes AIDS, in their blood.

But more significantly, the drug combination showed more effect in patients who had never taken AZT than in those who have taken AZT alone, as is standard for most patients, manufacturer Glaxo Wellcome said.

The FDA advisers agreed, although they cautioned there are a lot of unanswered questions that

patients must be aware of before choosing to try the combination therapy over AZT alone.

"I am very uncomfortable giving this regimen in a widespread way" because of all the questions, said Dr. Douglas Mayers of Walter Reed Army Institute of Research in Washington.

Early data "support the argument for initial aggressive therapy," said Glaxo research chief Marc Rubin. "3TC-AZT was consistently associated with greater and more sustained response."

## House from page 1

budget, and reduced the amount requested to \$1,000, said Scott Wheatley, House president.

Other expenses on the budget include hotel rooms, mailings, housekeeping, entertainment and food.

Wheatley also said the House had a lot more on its agenda for the year, and the few meetings left would be important.

## Frogs from page 6

the continued absence of Andre Davis from the lineup.

With Davis and receivers Chris Brasfield and Jason Tucker non-factors Saturday, the Frog defense stepped up. Donte Womack, the Mustangs' leading rusher who is averaging just under 80 yards per game on the ground, was a non-factor rushing the ball Saturday. He gained just 34 yards on 15 carries, and Sullivan and players called his being shut down one of the big factors in the game.

"It's obviously very big when you can eliminate on facet of the other team's offense," Sullivan said of his defense limiting SMU to only 69 yards on 30 carries as a team. "We didn't give up the big play on the ground today and I was very pleased with the way we played run defense."

"They have a lot of tendencies, and we were able to tell what they were doing on certain plays, so we were able to focus on stopping the run," defensive end Chris Piland said.

But stopping SMU quarterback Derek Canine was a more difficult task for the Frogs.

With the running game held in check, Canine was forced to throw 50 passes. He completed 30 of those for 294 yards, but he only found the end zone once, on a 6-yard rollout pass to Kevin Thornal in the second quarter. That made it 10-0 SMU, and appeared to wake TCU quarterback Max Knake and the offense up.

The Frogs scored on their next three possessions, and it took only seven offensive plays for TCU to score 14 points on its next two drives. Knake, who had two passes picked off in the first quarter, finished both those drives with long touchdown passes to John Washington.

On the second TD pass, Washington's defender fell down and the senior was left wide open in the end zone for a 35-yard touchdown.

It was one of the few times Washington wasn't double-covered, but he still managed to catch 12 passes for 156 yards and the two scores.

"When you're two other receivers (Chris Brasfield and Jason Tucker) are down you tend to go to you're primary target," Knake said. "It was just really good playcalling, and John was able to make the big catches."

Knake rebounded from his slow start to complete 20 of 31 passes for 228 yards and the two TDs.

The Frogs' 6-2 record includes wins in their last three home games over Houston, Tulane and the Mustangs. In all three games, TCU was favored by more than 10 points. In all of them, the game came down to the fourth quarter.

Piland said despite the success in the won-lost column, fans haven't seen the best the Frogs have to offer.

"This win was a good one, but we still haven't played our best 60 minutes of football," he said. "We've got to keep working hard and try to take it to the next level."

Taking the level of play to the next level is something TCU will have to do next weekend in a big SWC battle in Lubbock with Texas Tech. Knake said the win over SMU did a lot for the team's confidence heading into next week's game, particularly after the tough 27-24 loss at Baylor last weekend.

"The thing about it is that it gets the sick feeling out of our systems from last week," he said. "Now we've got that winning mentality back and we can focus on winning our next three games."



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