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Survey says cost of Thanksgiving meal increased

By KIM I. MILLS
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WASHINGTON — Thanksgiving dinner may wing Americans for a little extra money this year, thanks largely to an increase in the cost of the meal's star: the turkey.

In fact, most items on the traditional menu are up, says the Ameri-

can Farm Bureau, which issued its annual Thanksgiving survey Tuesday.

It found increases in almost every item on its list, no change for a handful and a decrease in only one: A gallon of whole milk was \$2.29 this year, down a penny from 1994.

The bureau calculated that a traditional holiday meal for 10 — includ-

ing turkey, cranberries, pumpkin pie and what it considers all the trimmings — will cost \$29.64. That's \$1.24 more than last year.

But the farm bureau isn't exactly serving soup to nuts. And one-and-one-tenth dinner rolls may not be everyone's idea of Thanksgiving bounty. (That one package of brown 'n' serve rolls costs \$1.24, up 15

cents from last year.)

While the bureau did price fresh cranberries — \$1.95 for a 12-ounce package, up 9 cents from last year — it didn't take into account the fresh orange juice and slivered almonds Aunt Zelda uses for her special recipe.

It also priced just one 14-ounce package of stuffing (\$2.39, up 13

cents), and nothing exotic to dress it up like sausage, oysters or dried apricots.

And did we mention the absence of those mini-marshmallows for the sweet potatoes, and the obligatory casserole of green beans, mushroom soup and onion rings? And if you eat at the farm bureau's house, don't ask for anything to drink besides milk or coffee.

As for turkeys, at 79 cents per pound, the average cost of a 16-pound tom was \$12.68, an increase of 67 cents compared with last year, the farm bureau found.

But none of this seemed to faze shoppers, who were loading up their carts pretty much without regard to

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High hopes



TCU Daily Skiff/ Mimi Mayer

Amy Lundington, a freshman premajor, registers for next semester with the help of Norma Bradford, an employee of the registrar's office.

House suffers lack of quorum

By CHRISTI GIFFORD
TCU DAILY SKIFF

If one more member had shown up to the Tuesday meeting of the House of Student Representatives, the group could have conducted business as usual.

For the House to have a quorum, which is necessary for a vote, there must be two-thirds of the members present. There are 69 members on the House roll and two-thirds of that number is 42.

Forty-one House members attended the meeting Tuesday.

Scott Wheatley, House president, said, "Personally, I was not surprised at all that we did not meet quorum."

He said the House still had to have a meeting this week.

"As far as I am concerned, the lack of quorum did not pose any problems," because there is another meeting to finish the semester's business, he said.

A bill requesting \$840 for the Brachman Hall annual Christmas party for orphans and underprivileged children was tabled because

the group could not vote.

Three other bills were introduced to the House and were tabled to the Finance Committee. They will be debated and voted on Nov. 28.

One of the bills, submitted by Shawn Groves, House treasurer, and the Finance Committee, asks to revise the fiscal policies and procedures of the House.

The bill states there has been concern over the accumulation of money in the General Reserve Fund, and the Finance Committee must review the financial bylaws of the House every two years.

The change the bill requests is to distribute unused funds at the end of the fiscal year differently.

"Fifty percent of the balance of the unbudgeted and unearned funds shall be distributed to the following year's budget for allocation," according to the bill. "The remainder of the balance of the unbudgeted and unearned funds revert to the General Reserve Fund."

Another bill introduced was written by the House Executive Board. It

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TCU variety show returns in January with new name

By MARGARET MAXEY
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Students who have always wanted to be in the spotlight will get their chance when the popular Frog Follies return under the new image and a new name — Spotlight TCU.

Spotlight TCU will give students a chance to sing, dance and even do a little acting.

The theme this year is "Spotlight: Decades." Participants pick a decade they want to incorporate into their act, and include a TCU perspective, said Jessica Lowry, and chairwoman of Spotlight TCU.

Lowry, a junior sociology major, said they are "looking at building a tradition."

Auditions for Spotlight TCU will be held at 5 p.m. Jan. 23 in the Student Center Ballroom.

Amy Gafford, a senior studio art and psychology double major and chairwoman of the Fine Arts Committee, said the Spotlight TCU organizers will not turn anyone away as long as they are prepared and their skit conforms to the theme.

"We want everyone to be involved," she said.

The first representative meeting is at 3 p.m. Nov. 29 in Student Center 222. A list of songs and lyrics used in each skit, as well as the general story line, is due at the second representative meeting Dec. 6.

Lowry said the list of songs and story line are required before auditions so songs will not be repeated and each skit will be different.

Participants will choose the top three decades they want, and the decades will be assigned to the groups on a first-come, first-serve basis, she said.

Lowry and Gafford conducted a Frog Follies Task Force to restructure the event.

Lowry said at the beginning there was a lot of participation in the task force, but not as much at they would have liked from non-Greek organizations.

She said the task force is personally meeting with organizations encouraging them to participate.

Students voted to rename the event Spotlight TCU at the beginning of November.

Gafford said it is being held in

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TCU to shine in Parade of Lights

Procession in downtown Fort Worth to launch holiday season

By IZUMI COUCH
TCU DAILY SKIFF

For the first time, TCU will be visible in the downtown Parade of Lights, an event which kicks off the holiday season for Fort Worth and Tarrant County this Friday.

Starting at 6 p.m., TCU's new purple and white Chevrolet Frog Truck will be pulling the Frog Horn. A Christmas tree will be in the back of the pickup, and TCU cheerleaders and Superfrog will walk beside it.

Larry Teis, director of marketing for the athletic department, said although the Parade of Lights has been going on for years, TCU has never actively participated.

"With our 'TCU - Your Home Team' theme, I think it's a great opportunity to showcase TCU in our hometown," Teis said. "Hopefully we can make this an annual event."

Teis also said marketing has enabled the school to be exhibited in many more ways.

"With new marketing efforts and the Committee of 100 (a group of business leaders who help

promote TCU athletics), we've been able to showcase TCU in many new different areas and Parade of Lights is one of them," Teis said.

The parade starts on Main Street and proceeds on Weatherford, 8th and Houston streets.

According to a press release, the Parade of Lights features over 100 lighted floats, antique cars, clowns, bands and Santa Claus. The Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will follow Santa's arrival.

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College Bowl offers academic competition

By MARGARET MAXEY
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Maintaining a wealth of knowledge on subjects such as history, sports, entertainment and current events can win students prizes in this year's College Bowl.

Sign-up for College Bowl will be today through Dec. 1 at the Student Center information desk. The sign-up fee is \$20 before Dec. 1 and \$30 after Dec. 1.

TCU's College Bowl will be held Jan. 24 and 25 in various rooms in the Student Center.

Andrew Rhodes, an admissions counselor and coach of the all-star

College Bowl team, said College Bowl is a chance for students to use what they are learning in the classroom.

He said it is an opportunity for "formulating what you know and going with that instinct."

Robert Wolf, a junior political science major and past chairman of College Bowl, said it is a typical quiz game. He said two teams, each made up of four to six people, compete against each other in a double elimination competition.

Wolf said, "It is a friendly competition, but it can get vicious sometimes."

Rhodes will choose five people from the winning team and from the

people with the highest individual scores to represent TCU at the regional competition. The regional competition will be Feb. 23 and 24 in Dallas, he said.

Rhodes coaches the team that goes to the regional competition. He said his responsibility entails preparing the team for the tournament. He goes through questions and strategies with the team, he said.

He said there is more to it than just buzzing in. Rhodes teaches team members how and when to guess.

The questions come from College Bowl, Inc., which is based in California. The sign-up fees paid by the participants go toward the purchase

of question packets and a small prize for the winner.

Wolf said the questions are hard but not impossible.

Wolf said the team "finished in the middle of the pack" at last year's regional competition.

Rhodes said the University Bookstore donated sweat shirts for the team to wear to the regional competition.

He said College Bowl is really important because TCU is looking at raising its academic reputation, and this is a truly academic program.

Rhodes said his goal is to have 20 to 25 teams competing in the TCU competition.

NEWS DIGEST

Quebec succession bid promised

MONTREAL (AP) — Lucien Bouchard, whose charisma nearly lifted Quebec separatists to victory last month, plunged deeper into the fray Tuesday, saying he would become premier of Quebec and prepare a new secession bid.

The 56-year-old separatist, who now leads the opposition in the federal Parliament, indicated another wrenching independence referendum could come within two years.

Balkan leaders agree to end war

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — Balkan leaders agreed to end 3½ years of savage fighting and carve Bosnia into two ethnic zones. President Clinton renewed his pledge to send U.S. peacekeepers to the former Yugoslav republic despite congressional opposition.

The dramatic agreement, which remained elusive up to the last moment, came after 21 days of hard bargaining among the leaders of Bosnia, Serbia and Croatia.

The three Balkan leaders initialed the accord Tuesday afternoon. A formal peace agreement is to be signed next month in Paris.

Peres names new government

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Prime Minister Shimon Peres, a peace visionary who succeeded the slain Yitzhak Rabin, named a new government Tuesday as he prepares to accelerate the peace process, especially with Syria.

Peres believes a deal with Damascus will put an end to the Arab-Israeli conflict, a coup that could persuade his skeptical countrymen to pay the painful price of withdrawing from the strategic Golan Heights.

Peres has moved swiftly to form a new government, naming Cabinet members and signing coalition agreements Tuesday.

Teacher salaries rise slightly

WASHINGTON (AP) — Teachers' salaries rose an average of 2.7 percent last school year, a rate just behind inflation, a teachers' union said Tuesday.

The average teacher salary nationwide from fall 1994 to summer 1995 was \$36,744, according to the American Federation of Teachers. Inflation for this year, through August, was running at 2.8 percent. It was 2.7 percent in 1994.

"The salary gains of the 1980s could quickly be lost if the trend continues," said Edward J. McElroy, the union's secretary-treasurer.

FBI compiles suspect list

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Investigators have compiled an updated list of about 200 top Unabomber suspects, but so far the FBI isn't singling out anyone.

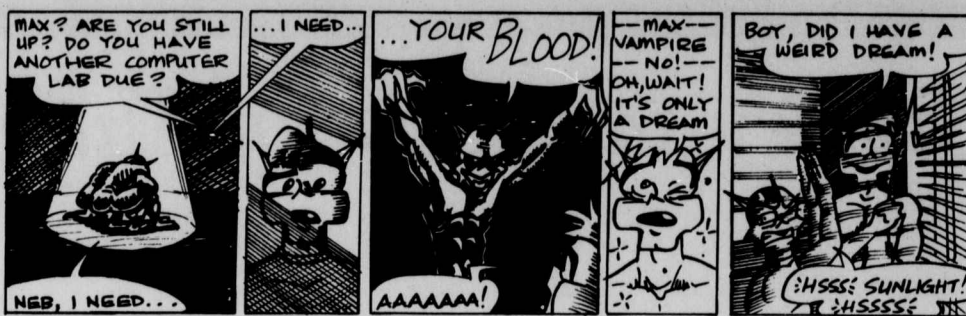
Left off the list are two men recent reports have suggested are possible suspects: a fugitive anti-war radical and a Symbionese Liberation Army bomber who was active in the 1970s.

"If we had an individual who rises to the level of significant scrutiny, at some point the public would be advised," FBI spokesman George Grotz said.

TODAY ON CAMPUS

<p>Wednesday, Nov. 22</p> <p>Exhibit—Thomas Walsh: Sculpture and Drawing, final day Advance Registration for Spring 1996</p> <p>5 p.m.: Thanksgiving Recess begins</p>	<p>Thursday, Nov. 23</p> <p>Thanksgiving Day Men's Basketball: Great Alaskan Shootout (there)</p>	<p>Friday, Nov. 24</p> <p>Men's Basketball: Great Alaskan Shootout (there)</p> <p>University Offices closed</p>
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ORDER OF OMEGA will meet at 10 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 27, in the Zeta Tau Alpha house. All members are required to attend.

STUDY ABROAD All students planning to study abroad in the Spring 1996 semester should stop by the Study Abroad office in Reed Hall 113 by the end of the day to confirm their acceptance, receive credit approval forms and pick up the schedule for pre-departure orientation.

TCU STUDENT ALLIES, a group for students who wish to learn more about and support gay, lesbian and bisexual students, meets at 7:30 on Tuesdays in Student Center 204. Everyone is invited. Call Joel at 336-2431 or Carrie at 926-7257.

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.

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WEATHER WATCH WEATHER WATCH WEATHER WATCH

Today's skies will be partly cloudy and windy, with a high in the mid 70s. Winds will be from the southwest from 15 to 25 mph and gusting. Tonight will be increasingly cloudy, with a low in the 50s.

Thanksgiving Day will be partly cloudy and windy, and cooler, with a high near 70.

Friday will be fair and cool, with a low in the 30s and a high in the 60s.

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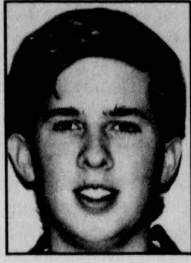
■ **MATT PEARCE**

Cynicism is the best way to deal with 'courtesy callers'

In this world, one can be patient for only so long. For me, general patience lasted only twenty years. I've now found cynicism can enhance your life and keep you out of trouble.

A few weeks ago, I began receiving a series of so-called "courtesy calls," which are basically phone calls from people you don't know asking you to buy something you don't want. These zealots are after you to apply for credit cards and buy magazine subscriptions and other kinds of crap.

At home, my family has found a very easy way to deal with these callers. Most strangers who discover and read our surname have no clue how to pronounce it (it rhymes with "hearse"). When we receive a call asking for "Mr. Matthew J. Pearce," my parents know to say, "He's not here, would



not usable in my dorm room.

Many people with whom I come into contact at TCU don't immediately learn my last name. When someone here calls me and asks for Mr. Pearce, I have to listen. But I have a new system to detect these intruders to my privacy and well-being. There are only five words you need to

you like him to call back?" even if I'm only two feet away.

If the call turns out to be legitimate, I then call back. I was taught many years ago to use this system to help my parents.

Unfortunately, it is

hear to realize someone is trying to rip you off: special deal for college students. The translation of this phrase is "we believe college students are the only people naive enough to fall for what we are about to offer you."

In one recent call, I was told that I had been pre-approved for a credit card that I never ordered or even asked about. The fact that I was pre-approved could mean one of two things: either the credit card company illegally researched my background, or it is dumb enough to give a credit card to anyone with a pulse and thumbs.

When the caller mentioned the "special deal," I knew it was the latter. I then hung up without saying another word.

There is one effective way to ensure that a certain telemarketer never calls you back. It is known as pure cynicism. This

can only work to your advantage. For example, when you receive a call about one of the special deals mentioned above, you can tell the person that you are a disgruntled extremist with the desire to sacrifice young children. In the same manner, you can attempt to strike up a conversation about seldom-explored religions. If you are successful, the salesperson will actually hang up on you.

Whoever came up with this type of telemarketing deserves to be bludgeoned. If this person has already passed away, we should find and sacrifice the next of kin. The telephone was invented for quick communication between two parties, not as a means of intrusion of privacy and personal rights to tranquility.

Cynicism itself does not need to be limited to encounters with telemarketers. It can

be used in almost any facet of life. In a political discussion, for example, you can use cynicism to denounce your opponents and force them to defend themselves against disparaging attacks. Cynicism can also add enough confusion for you to gain an advantage against whoever you're debating.

Whenever you feel tired of showing empty consideration, remember that there is an escape. You don't have to be friendly to the next person who pre-approves you for a special deal only available to college students. The easiest and most time-conserving way out is to simply hang up. If cynicism gains more popularity, "courtesy" calls may be eliminated forever.

Matt Pearce is a sophomore news-editorial major from Wenham, Mass.

■ **SHANNON WALLER**

Drugs should be legalized by Congress

Each year, America continues to pour more and more money into controlling the illegal drug market and the crime that goes along with it. However, the rate of violent crime continues to rise, and we seem to be spinning our judicial wheels.

The best way to solve a problem is to look at it from its most basic level, and work upward from there, not the other way around.

America has made recreational drugs illegal. People like these drugs, and they want them. Their desire to get drugs is stronger than their inhibitions to obey the law, especially law that is traditionally lenient on minors or first-time drug offenders.

Since the risk of distributing drugs is higher due to their illegality, prices soar. Drug sales become a huge, profitable market. So much money is involved and so much is at stake, the business often turns violent when it is threatened.

This trend can be easily compared to the days of Prohibition. When alcohol was made illegal, there arose a huge underground market. The violent crime rate rose dramatically as the illegal trade expanded.

We call drug users "criminals" because our laws define them in that way. However, we might learn some lessons in effectiveness from the varied approaches of some European countries.

The Netherlands has allowed open marijuana use for years. Authorities there consider people who become addicts patients.

Many Americans are astounded and shocked by this, believing it will lead to a decline in morals or "family values."

The number of high school students who have used marijuana in the Netherlands is less than half of that in the United States. It cannot be denied that human nature pulls us toward those things which are expressly forbidden, as these numbers show.

Meanwhile, America spends billions of dollars trying to stop the flow of illegal drugs, and fills its prison cells with drug violators. However, we have very little to show for this rehabilitation progress. It is ridiculous to think that as drug use rises, we can just continue to put users in jail. How much space do we think we have?

The United States has over three times the incarceration rate of any other industrialized country in the world. Of these inmates, 27 percent of robbers admitted they had committed crimes to buy drugs; 30 percent of burglars did so; as well as five percent of convicted murderers, according to an international victimization survey.

America's yearly arrests for drug possession, sale or manufacturing reached 1.1 billion in 1993. At the same time, the U.S. has increased the federal drug control budget from \$1.5 billion in 1981 to \$13.3 billion this year.

If nothing else, this trend should demonstrate that the methods we have been using are failing. For some reason, though, we continue to pour more and more of our limited resources into the drug control budget.

The Netherlands, on the other hand, has the lowest incarceration rate of any industrialized country. They have actually seen a decrease in drug abuse and drug-related violence.

Jan Van Dijk, head of the Dutch Justice Ministry's crime prevention division, said in a statement to the *Dallas Morning News* "the crime rate is going down substantially in all of Amsterdam."

There is obviously a break in the chain somewhere that connects drug use to violent crime.

It will be impossible to cure widespread social problems until their most basic causes are pointed out. We cannot expect to cure a broken bone by taking aspirin, just as we cannot expect to cure a serious social problem by treating only its outward manifestations.

Shannon Waller is a senior broadcast journalism major from Austin.

■ **EDITORIAL**

OFF TRACK

House should fund something that affects everyone

At Tuesday's House meeting, a bill was introduced by the House's Executive Board that would help fund the construction of a jogging track around the Worth Hills part of campus. The bill requested \$40,000 from the House's General Reserve Fund for the track, which would be the students' contribution to the Next Frontier campaign.

While the track is estimated to cost between \$78,000 and \$100,000, the bill stated the university would provide the necessary funding beyond the \$40,000.

The bill also stated the project was chosen by students at this year's University Retreat.

The \$40,000 given by the House and the other moneys promised by the university could be used for a more worthwhile project that could benefit the entire student body.

Couldn't the student body as a whole

better benefit from projects such as constructing an elevator in Reed Hall, repairing the elevator and handicapped door in the Moudy Building, constructing an outdoor amphitheater, helping Programming Council bring in "big names," creating additional scholarships or painting the seats of Daniel-Meyer Coliseum in the school's colors?

The student body as a whole should have been polled (possibly in a referendum like the one to increase the student government fee) to truly get a feel of the entire student body's feelings.

It's wonderful that the students are being included in the Next Frontier campaign. It's wonderful that the House wants to fund a permanent and expensive addition to campus. But the entire student body should have been asked about the project since it's *our* money and it's *our* gift.

TOP TEN LIST

Skiff's alternatives for \$40,000 track fund

Since the TCU House of Student Representatives has proposed to spend \$40,000 of our money on a jogging track in the Worth Hills Area, we have decided to come up with a few alternative uses of our own for that money.

TOP TEN ALTERNATIVE USES FOR \$40,000

10. Transform the Frog Fountain area into a miniature golf course.
9. Pay off bad professors who remain on tenure so they will leave.
8. Buy parking places for students from the faculty parking lot.

7. Give bonuses to Marriott employees for courteous service.
6. Bribe trustees so they will allow students into their meetings.
5. Find a company to replace CampusLink.
4. Pay students to vote in student body elections.
3. Buy computers for every campus organization instead of just the House.
2. Pay students to ride the bus to the football game in Austin.
1. Create the *Skiff* silverware fund (Oneida is nice, service for 30 would work).

■ **LETTERS**

Phi Kappa Sigma's Manday is beneficial

Anyone who believes "the ideas behind Manday are sexist" is downright wrong and ignorant of the facts.

Manday is a week-long fund raising event serving as a vehicle to raise a large sum of money entirely benefiting the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA). The event raised approximately \$1500 to send kids to a long-awaited summer camp. Phi Kappa Sigma invited sororities to compete. We did not twist any arms.

This year 10 sororities volunteered to participate, and all of the judging criteria was presented to the Panhellenic Council prior to the start of Manday. No sorority was ever encouraged or made to break the rules. The incentive to put forth the most effort and win Manday relied on the desire to help MDA and the opportunity to attend our annual Toga party. Good sportsmanship and a little friendly competition

were encouraged throughout the week. We are apologetic if a few ladies felt degraded. This was not our intention, although I would like to point out we did not make any sorority member do anything she didn't want to do; everything was strictly voluntary.

The integrity of Phi Kappa Sigma has not only been insulted, but also challenged, all due to accusations and anonymous letters. Because I am a member and representative of Phi Kappa Sigma, I felt a personal obligation to set the record straight. The men of Phi Kappa Sigma are gentlemen. We strive daily to grow through our brotherhood and experiences. This growth opens new vistas of learning, allows us to be ambitious and is the heart and soul of our institution. Let there be no mistake about it.

Manday is not designed to insult or belittle anyone. It is simply a week of healthy competition and harmless fun for the direct benefit of a needy charity.

Michael Ryan
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■ **KEVIN ARCENEUX**

Criticism can help improve the university

There seems to be some angst among people at this campus aimed at the *Skiff*.

Many complain that the *Skiff*, through the guise of the opinion page, is bent on denouncing the Student House of Representatives, the Administration and anything else campus-related by inundating its readers with as much negative coverage and commentary as possible.

Granted, the *Skiff's* editorial page does feature columnists (myself included) who tend to focus on the negative aspects of this campus (and the world). What many people want us to do is stop being so pessimistic and "become a part of the solution."

Well, I firmly believe in the old axiom: if you are not part of the solution, you are part of the problem. Yet, I don't think it is accurate to berate the *Skiff* and its columnists for making this mistake.

The role of the journalistic establishment is to report news and keep the public informed, not solve social problems. This is why news stories are supposed to be objective. However, since columnists deal with topics in a subjective manner by giving opinions, it is their duty to explain their opinions in a constructive way.

This duty does not preclude negativity. In fact, it is through negativity we gain insight into our faults. The trick is we must also suggest possible solutions to the dilemmas we raise.

A column may be positive and yet raise negative points. The only way we as a society can fix our problems is to admit we have problems (through negativity) and then find solutions for them (through positive suggestions).

It seems people who are critical of the *Skiff's* so-called negativity want us to shut up and only talk about the positive aspects of the world. Well, I'm sorry; we are not going to get anywhere if all we do is ignore reality and pat each other on the back. This may be college, but it is not some adolescent tea party. We have real problems that need to be addressed. We don't have time to hold hands and make everybody feel "good."

If it looks like the House spent too much money on a computer and we have supporting evidence, we should expose it. Students deserve to know if their money is being spent efficiently.

If Marriott's prices seem to be twice the amount of comparable food anywhere else in this city, and the fact they have a monopoly might be the reason, it should be discussed. If the administration seems unresponsive to students and faculty, and the House seems to be inept and ineffectual, it should be explored.

Unlike what Student Body President Scott Wheatley believes, we should not be in the business of making news. We report the news so others can be informed and better able to help solve vexing problems. But that can't be done without admitting there are problems in the first place. Moreover, we should not obsequiously follow the powers-that-be by either "staying out" of the House's "business" or only praising its scant accomplishments. If something is in the public domain (like the House), it is *our* business, whether Mr. Wheatley likes it or not.

Our columns may be negative, but it is the only way we are able to exhort people's consciousness into a state of awareness.

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



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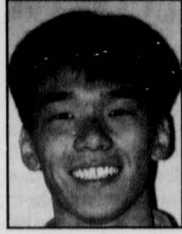
By Izumi Couch
TCU Daily Skiff

Yuji Nishimura, a senior computer science major, felt he had nothing to lose when he filled out the application to attend an international conference in New York City. "I didn't really expect I'd be accepted," he said. Nishimura, however, was chosen out of hundreds of applicants to represent TCU as one of 200 students at the Foundation for Student Communication's 7th International Conference. He was the only TCU

student chosen to attend.

"I'm excited," he said before he left. "This is an opportunity to meet other students from other countries. I also look forward to meeting company executives."

The conference, which took place Nov. 19 through 21 at the Marriott Marquis Hotel, had a twofold purpose. The first was to complement the teaching of college professors with practical



Yuji Nishimura

advice and knowledge executives can provide. The second purpose was to give top executives at national corporations the opportunity to better understand a younger generation. Major topics covered in the conference included "Diversity and Innovation," "Evolving Management Styles and Corporate Structure" and "The Changing Corporate Culture: International Challenges." Al Mladenka, director of Inter-

national Student Affairs, recommended Nishimura, along with several other students.

"We considered not only GPAs, but also the involvement of students in campus activities," he said.

"Yuji has always been very involved as a student assistant and he currently works for the Intensive English Program," Mladenka said. "He has also been involved in the activities of the International Student Association since he arrived. Yuji has a very pleasant character, is friendly and gets along well with students, faculty

and staff."

Nishimura, who is from Kyoto, Japan, said he came to the United States because of its university education system.

"I think that the quality of undergraduate study in America is better," he said. "Although high school education is extremely competitive in Japan, college students tend to spend time doing activities other than studying."

Yumiko Keitges, an instructor of Japanese, said Nishimura was her teaching assistant during the fall semester of 1994.

"He is a hard worker and well

adjusted to American culture yet he tries to maintain his Japanese identity," she said.

Nishimura said his student life has been enriched not only by schoolwork, but by professors and faculty and outside activities like the International Student Association.

"I couldn't have done as much without these people," he said. "I'm a pretty quiet person in general, but I have a positive attitude for everything I do in life. It's nice to finish my undergraduate schooling by being chosen for this conference."

Banking executives take part in business school program

By Jonathan Walburgh
TCU Daily Skiff

The M.J. Neeley Business School will welcome two senior vice presidents from Texas Commerce Bank today as part of their continuing Executive-in-Residence program. Ray Kingsbury, who deals with commercial banking, and Stuart Henderson, who deals with private banking, will speak on relational marketing to Dr. Charles Lamb's services marketing class. Lamb said relational marketing is a change from past marketing principles. "Traditional marketing has been concerned with the transaction," Lamb said. "The sale's over when the buyer leaves the place of business. In banking, companies are more interested in a long-term rela-

tionship with the customer. In banking we've learned that it costs more money to attract new customers than it does to keep current customers." Lamb said the Executive-in-Residence program, which brings executives into the business school to meet with students, staff and faculty, is beneficial to the classroom. "I think the real key of the whole thing is to bring executives into the classroom to heighten the educational experience," Lamb said. "In this case we have two individuals who are with a financial institution that has made advances in relational banking." Lamb said the Executive-in-Residence program also helps add legitimacy to the professor's teachings. "One good thing about bringing in these speakers is that it bridges the gap and brings in the practical appli-

cation of the textbook," Lamb said. "In the classroom the professor talks about it and the students kind of yawn. These people reinforce what the professor says and the students say 'Hey, maybe this professor knows something.'" Kingsbury and Henderson are not the only officials from Texas Commerce Bank to be involved with the Neeley School of Business's Executive-in-Residence program. Assistant Dean Linda K. Smith said Texas Commerce Bank's chief executive officer Elaine Agather sits on the school's International Board of Visitors. According to the TCU Undergraduate Studies Bulletin, this board "provides valuable feedback and program support and serves as a vital link between the School and corporate constituents."

Show

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conjunction with Super Frog's Birthday, which is Feb. 16. The two shows will be held at 6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. on that day. Gafford said she wanted to target more campus organizations, so the task force created a small and a large group category for the competition. Four to 15 people can be in the small group category and 16 to 35 can be in the large group category.

"We are stressing people to pair up with other organizations," she said. Greek and non-Greek organizations are also encouraged to pair up, she said. Spotlight TCU is different from Frog Follies in several ways. The first, second and third place winners will receive cash prizes that will be donated to a charity of their choice. A spirit award will also be awarded to the group which shows the most effort, enthusiasm and good spirit. The participants will be judged on

vocal performance, execution of dance steps, creativity and overall performance. A student will serve as master of ceremonies for the show, Lowry said. She said she was not sure if the task force would choose different students to perform this duty for each show or not. Greg Trevino, vice president for programming, said many students assumed that Frog Follies was a Greek event. Frog Follies were canceled last year because of lack of participation from organizations.

Turkey

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the bottom line Tuesday. Paula Ackerman of Washington rooted around in the meat case at her neighborhood Giant supermarket, looking for just the right bird. Although it'll just be herself and her son for dinner Thursday, she picked out an 18-pounder. "I don't even look at the prices," she said. A few moments later, Maxine

Legall wheeled up and chose a turkey half that size, saying her family was making do with less because she'd just spent almost a week furloughed from her federally funded job. "Because of price, we're not having so many people over this year," she said. "So far, it's just the four of us." The highest turkey price on the farm bureau's survey was \$1.19 a pound, paid by shoppers in Indiana and Ohio. The lowest was 38 cents a pound, also paid in Ohio. But shoppers in Ohio didn't

seemed troubled by turkey prices either. At a Big Bear supermarket near Columbus, Thelma Huff said she wanted a fresh, 18-pound, name-brand turkey, and was quite willing to pay its \$1.39 per pound price tag. When there was none to her specifications, she chose a name-brand frozen turkey for 99 cents per pound rather than a generic fresh for 89 cents per pound. "I like to buy brand names, like Butterball," she said. Looking at the store brand, she sniffed, "I don't know anything about this."

Parade

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In addition, the press release said the parade will be re-broadcast to over 60,000 households on Community Cable TV Channel 45 in December. The event is expected to draw over 50,000 people, according to Karen Cochran, producer of the Parade of Lights. It is presented by Downtown Fort Worth, Inc., and Fort Worth Improvement District

No.1, Cochran said. "Parade of Lights was started in 1982 by Downtown Fort Worth, Inc., as a way to get people to come back downtown," Cochran said. "Its goal is to make downtown a clean, safe place to visit, work and live." Teis said the Frog Horn will be decorated with red and green lights. The Christmas tree in the Frog Truck will be decorated with purple bows and white lights. Cheerleaders will be passing out candy, he said. "The Christmas tree, lights, bows

and candy are all donated by Albertson's," he said. Kenny Vaughn, an electrician with TCU's physical plant, will drive the Frog Truck. Vaughn's nickname, the "Frog Man," was derived from the fact that he oversees the inflatable horned frog, the Frog Horn and the Frog Truck. "I just had a new PA system put in the truck so that we can play Christmas music in the parade," Vaughn said. "We want all of the Horned Frog supporters to be at the parade to cheer us on."

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Aggies supply Frogs' final SWC test

A&M brings nation's No. 1 defense to TCU

By Thomas Manning
TCU Daily Skiff

For the 15th time in the past 18 years, the TCU Horned Frogs will close out their regular season with a game against the Texas A&M Aggies. But this year's season finale will have a little more meaning, as the Frogs look to come away with a win in their final Southwest Conference game ever.

TCU played its first game against Texas A&M in 1897, and the Frogs beat the Aggies 30-6. They didn't beat A&M again until 20 tries later, when TCU won in Fort Worth 3-0 to put the all-time series at 19-2-1 for A&M.

But then the Frogs got the Aggies' number, and didn't lose to A&M from 1925-35 (TCU won nine of those meetings, and the two teams tied twice). From 1936-72, TCU won 24 times, A&M 19. Heading into the 1973 season, Texas A&M led the all-time series 32-29-7.

TCU hasn't beaten the Aggies since. 23 years later, the Frogs are still looking for their 30th win in the series, while Saturday at Amon Carter Stadium A&M will look to close out the all-time series with a 55-29-7 lead.

TCU head coach Pat Sullivan has only been around for three of TCU's 22 straight losses at the hands of Texas A&M. But he said despite the fact the Aggies haven't lived up to many's expectations this year, they still have all the tools that's made them the dominant team in the Southwest Conference during the 1990's.

"I don't see anything different from what I've seen since I've been here," Sullivan said. "You start with the great athletes they have, and then look at how sound they are at what they do, and it's easy to see they're one of the most dangerous teams in the country."

The Aggies, who were being projected as a national championship contender in the preseason, haven't lived up to those expectations. They lost to Colorado in what most thought was their biggest game of the year, 29-21 in Boulder. Then the unbelievable happened: the Aggies lost an SWC game. After winning 29 straight conference games dating back to 1991, the Aggies were beaten in Lubbock by Texas Tech, 24-21.

But the Aggies have rebounded and

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Texas A&M 7-2 (5-1 SWC)

have won their last five games while allowing only 11 points per game in that span.

Overall, the Aggies are ranked No. 1 in total defense, and Sullivan said it's that side of the ball where it all starts for R.C. Slocum's club.

"Defensively their the No. 1 team in the country," he said. "It starts up front with (defensive end Brandon) Mitchell, (nose guard Ed) Jasper and (defensive end Pat) Williams. Those guys are as good as anyone in the country. Their two cornerbacks, Donovan Greer and Ray Mickens, add another dimension to their defense because they can virtually nullify your two receivers. And the one guy that really catches your eye as an outstanding player is (inside linebacker) Dat Nguyen. He comes in and is just all over the field. It will be as good a challenge as anyone could have all year."

But it has been on the offensive side of the ball that A&M has struggled. The Aggies are fourth in the conference in total offense, and the potent combination of tailback Leeland McElroy and quarterback Corey Pullig hasn't been as dominant as expected. Still, Pullig is the second-rated QB in the SWC, and McElroy is third in the conference in rushing yards with 982.

"Their quarterback is a very solid player," he said of Pullig. "You don't win as many games as he's won with-

out being an outstanding player. And there is not as good a tailback in the country as Leeland McElroy."

In assessing the Frogs' season heading into their final contest of the year, Sullivan said it's hard not to come back to a problem that has affected the team all year: injuries.

"Injuries have hurt us," he said. "As a football team as a whole you need to have all your parts working together, and we haven't been able to do that for much of this year. I don't want to beat a dead horse, but we've had injuries all year that have left us undermanned."

"But one thing it has done is get more time for some of our younger guys and get them the experience and confidence we're going to need them to have in the future," he said. "Guys like Cedric Allen and Dana Robinson have had to go in there and contribute, and they've stepped up."

With the injury problems and the four-game suspension of tailback Andre Davis keeping the Frogs undermanned, Sullivan said one thing hasn't changed throughout the year, and he expects it to continue in the future.

"One thing I have said all along is that I'm proud of this football team," he said. "The one thing this team has done is give maximum effort every week. To do what we've done with all that's been going against us this year, I have to say I'm very pleased with what this team has accomplished."



TCU Daily Skiff/ Micha Cortese

Defensive backs Chris Staten and Godfrey White and defensive end Chance McCarty receive instructions from defensive coordinator Pat Henderson in last Saturday's game against Texas.

After four years, Jones has become one of SWC's finest

By Gregor Esch
TCU Daily Skiff

Lenoy Jones' success is something people from a small Texas town can brag about.

The 6'1", 225-pound senior from Groesbeck, a small town 40 miles east of Waco, has evolved into one of the top defensive players in the Southwest Conference over the last four years.

Jones, 21, grew up in a family that stressed basketball as the primary sport. Jones did play basketball at Groesbeck High School.

His senior year was highlighted by his team finishing as state runner-up.

Despite his basketball talents, Jones still preferred to play football once in college.

"I chose football because of what I could do as an individual to



Lenoy Jones

help the team win," he said. "In basketball, others were going to decide what I was going to do or what role I was going to play. Football is more team-oriented because it's 11 guys working together."

Jones was heavily recruited out of high school by both TCU and the University of Minnesota, which had hired former TCU head coach Jim Wacker during Jones' senior season. Wacker had been recruiting Jones for TCU and then began trying to land Jones for Minnesota.

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Frogs open '95 regular season campaign against UConn at Great Alaska Shootout

By MARK MOURER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

TCU's second basketball season under head coach Billy Tubbs officially begins tonight in Anchorage at the Carrs Great Alaska Shootout. The Frogs will tip off against No. 6 Connecticut at 11:07 p.m. CST in the Sullivan Arena.

After winning both its exhibition games, TCU is making its debut in the Great Alaska Shootout. Tubbs has been to the tournament three previous times, twice with Lamar and once with Oklahoma. All three of those teams saw NCAA post-season playing time in those seasons.

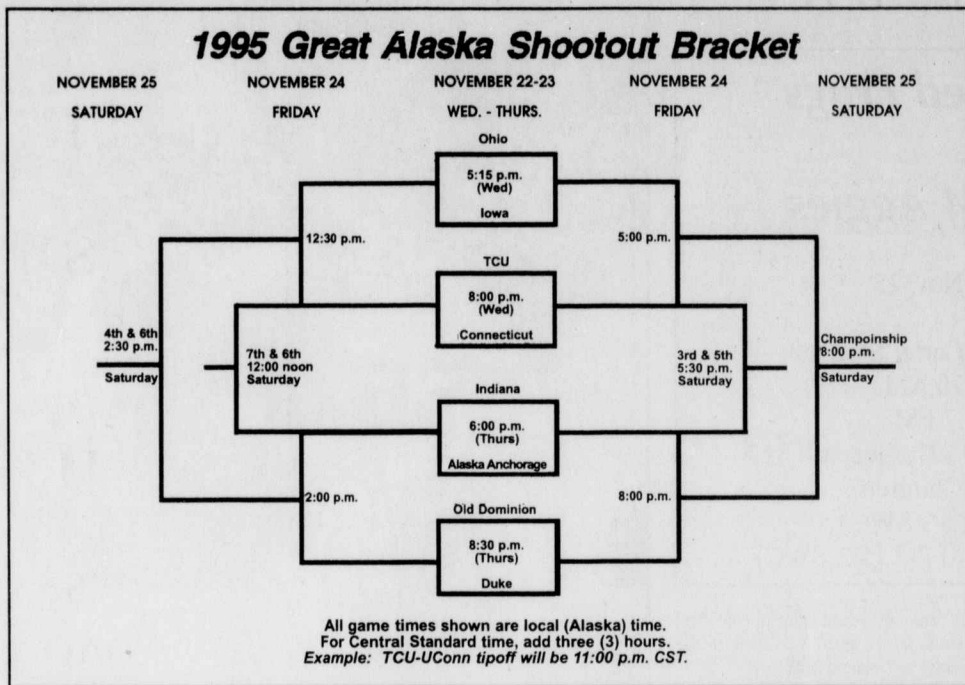
The series between the Frogs and the Huskies is tied at one game apiece. The Huskies are picked to finish atop the Big East prior to their season-opener tonight.

Other teams competing in the Shootout are Ohio and Iowa on TCU's side of the bracket, and Indiana, Alaska-Anchorage, Old Dominion and Duke in the other bracket.

TCU has tentatively scheduled the following players for tonight's starting lineup: at forward, sophomores James Penny and Dennis Davis; at guard, junior Anthony Burks and sophomore Juan Bragg; and at center, senior Byron Waits.

Waits leads the Frogs in scoring in their two exhibition games, averaging 20 points per game in the pre-season. Penny averaged 14.5 points per game in exhibition play and Burks averaged 10. Bragg, who did not play in the first exhibition game against the Conoco Oilers, scored 10 in TCU's win over the New Zealand National Team.

Bragg returns a preseason first team all-SWC selection. Damian Walker has received praise from



several publications as preseason SWC freshman of the year as well.

Expect junior guard Jeff Jacobs (9.5 ppg), Walker (11 ppg) and freshman guard Sharif Butler (3 ppg) to see considerable playing time off the bench.

TCU will begin its 84th year of competition with a 52-32 record in season openers, 1-3 on neutral courts.

The game against UConn will be televised on ESPN 2. All three contests will be broadcast on KTCU 88.7. The following times will be announced when available.

TCU will return to Daniel Meyer Coliseum Nov. 30 to host Middle Tennessee State University. Tip off will be 7:05 p.m.

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requests \$40,000 of the General Reserve Fund go to the Next Frontier Campaign, a \$100 million fundraiser by the university which is currently in progress.

The money would be designated for the building of a jogging track around the Worth Hills part of campus. The estimated cost of the track is between \$78,000 and \$100,000, according to the Physical Plant. The administration has agreed to pay the rest of the amount.

The final bill introduced to the House requests \$675 to help Psi Chi,

the psychology national honor society, fund its seventh annual student convention at TCU.

The total amount needed for the convention, according to the bill, is \$2,555. Psi Chi has a \$200 budget and participants in the convention must pay \$12 each. The estimated attendance at the convention is 140, according to the bill.

Other House business which was supposed to occur was the election of committee chairpersons for Academic Affairs, Elections and Regulations, Permanent Improvements, Student Concerns and University Relations for spring 1996.

Kimberly Wilson also contributed to this report.

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Despite the coaching changes TCU was experiencing at the time, Jones decided to enroll at TCU because he wanted to stay close to home, he said.

When he came to college, TCU coaches told Jones, who had played safety in high school, he would be switched to linebacker. Jones felt he would be small for a linebacker and would have to rely on quickness, but welcomed the change just for the thrill of playing college football.

"All I wanted to do was play," he said. "Coming in as a freshman, I just wanted to do whatever my job and role was for that year. Luckily, I got to play linebacker."

And play he did. What Jones predicted to be a gradual process as far as working into a starting role, quickly turned into reality. Jones started in his first game as a collegian. He said it was initially "a big shock" when coaches told him of his future status with the team.

"When we (the coaching staff) came here, we were very thin at linebacker," said TCU head coach Pat Sullivan. "Lenoy was not ready to play linebacker being a defensive back in high school, but he played awfully well. He's grown ever since then to where he is today."

Starting in his first game made Jones, who weighed 190 pounds at the time, a little apprehensive.

"I was surprised to see how many people showed up for the game," he said. "Coming from a 3A high school, you don't see that many peo-

ple inside one football stadium." Sullivan said the key to Jones playing as a freshman was the level of maturity he displayed to coaches and teammates.

"Some players come in and get awed by the new experience of college," he said. "Others say this is how life is supposed to be and go about their business. That's what Lenoy did. He had success early in his freshman year and realized he could play."

Jones moved from apprehension of his first game to being named SWC Defensive Newcomer of the Year as a freshman. Jones has since blossomed into the current team leader in tackles. He has had a hand in a total of 81 tackles this season. Jones currently ranks fifth on TCU's all-time list with 374 career tackles.

"He's been a big-play guy for us this year and has been since he's been here," said TCU linebacker coach Charlie Rizzo. "He's gotten a little bigger and a little stronger this year. He's been a good role model for some of the younger players as far as leadership. I couldn't be more happy with his performance."

Junior defensive tackle Gaylon Hyder said, "Off the field, Lenoy is one of the most positive people you can be around. On the field, he is a big inspiration for a lot of us younger guys because he always has an answer to our problems. He's just a fun guy to be around."

Despite his impressive career statistics, Jones said the key to his improvement on the field in the future will be a continued increase in strength and aggressiveness.

"Strength and aggressiveness are things I've worked to improve on ever since I've been here," he said. "I've added 20 to 30 pounds since I've been here, but I still don't think things have come all together for me quite yet."

Jones, a social work major, sees playing as a professional as a realistic goal, but if the pros don't work out, he would like to be a teen counselor. Jones has one basic message for today's teens.

"I'm just an example of what people can do if they keep trying and never give up," he said.

Jones' growth on the football field has coincided with the growth of the TCU football program. Jones has seen the highs and lows in his four years of football at TCU. TCU's record has improved every year over the last four, and Jones said it has been an honor to be an integral part of the program's growth.

"Just to see this program come as far as it has has been great. It's a great feeling to know that I have contributed to our success. Winning and having a successful program here is something we can all be proud of," he said.

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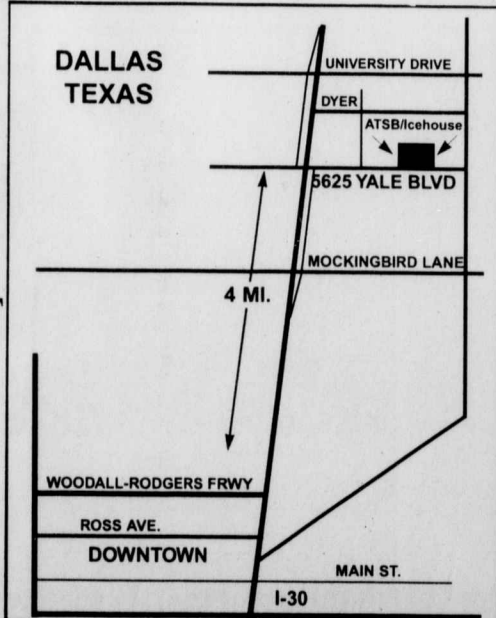
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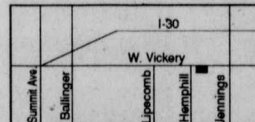
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