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Journalism experience carries alum far and wide

BY CHRISTY HAWKINS
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In the late 1950s, TCU student Gary Cartwright was just another journalism major ready to start applying to law schools.

He had no intention of pursuing a journalism career, but took a job at the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* as a night police reporter while he was still a student at TCU.

After a few days on the job, Cartwright said he fell in love with journalism and never thought about attending law school again.

"I never dreamed I would like journalism," Cartwright said.

After he graduated in 1957, he decided to

test his love for newspapers by moving to California to work at a public relations firm.

"I hated it," Cartwright said.

Today, TCU alumnus Gary Cartwright is a senior editor for *Texas Monthly* magazine.

Cartwright said, in general, newspapers in the 1950s were not very appealing, but one thing changed that fact.

"After Watergate, journalism became sexy and sensational," Cartwright said.

Cartwright is an experienced Metroplex reporter having worked as both a general assignment and sports writer for the *Star-*

Telegram, the *Fort Worth Press*, the *Dallas Times-Herald* and *The Dallas Morning News*.

Cartwright said when he was on staff at the *Dallas Times-Herald*, it was one of the best times for quality sports writing at that paper.

Outside of the Metroplex, Cartwright worked at the *Philadelphia Inquirer* for a few months, but he said he couldn't stay away from the Metroplex too long.

After ten years as a journalist, Cartwright said he wanted to change gears.

"I wanted to do something in a broader

sense," he said. "I proved that I could do newspaper journalism, and there was a sameness about it."

He decided to write a novel. His first, "The 100-Yard War," was published in 1968 and centered around professional football in Dallas.

Cartwright said he never finished his second novel. However, in 1971 he published his third, "Thin Ice."

During this time Cartwright freelanced for major U.S. magazines including *Sports Illustrated*, *Esquire*, *Rolling Stone*, *Life* and *The New York Times Magazine*.

Cartwright wrote a freelance article for the first issue of *Texas Monthly* in 1973. He became a staff member in 1982.

His most successful novel was "Blood

Will Tell," a 1978 nonfiction book about the Cullen Davis murder trial in Fort Worth.

The novel was made into a successful television mini series titled "Texas Justice," starring Heather Locklear.

Cartwright said the success of the mini-series was due to renewed interest in true crime cases.

"The public's general appetite for this genre has increased," Cartwright said.

Cartwright said he has reached a point where he enjoys writing because he has total freedom to write according to his interests.

"I enjoy writing because it is not restrictive," Cartwright said.

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Reps hail 'Hazzard' in passing resolution

BY ALISHA LAROCHELLE
TCU DAILY SKIFF

After a brief debate, a resolution commending the Nashville Network on its decision to bring "The Dukes of Hazzard" back into syndication was passed by the Student House of Representatives Tuesday night.

Another resolution encouraging the Department of Residential Services to purchase 22 new vacuum cleaners for the residence halls passed unanimously at the meeting.

Resolution 96-2, "The Dukes of Hazzard" resolution, was introduced by House Treasurer Brian Spindor.

Spindor said he was really excited about the show's return. He said he knew some people had parties celebrating the series premiere, so he thought there was a lot of student support.

Leon Reed, a town representative, said the show was taken off the air for a good reason and should be left off the air. The General Lee flag is outdated, he said.

"A lot of the student body isn't going to like the resolution, especially in the middle of black history month," Reed said. "I think this is just the wrong time."

Spindor said he understood the show was taken off the air because some people felt there were racial undertones, but he didn't think that was what the show was about. The show is about a way of life, he said.

"Passing this resolution shows the House gets things done but also knows how to have fun," Spindor said.

The resolution passed 22 to 19. Spindor said the House would send a copy of the resolution to the Nashville Network.

The resolution encouraging the purchase of new vacuum cleaners was also introduced by Spindor. It

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Buchanan hits a 'Gramm slam'

Underdog deals Texan huge blow in Louisiana GOP caucus

FROM SKIFF STAFF AND
AP WIRE REPORTS

BATON ROUGE, La. — Pat Buchanan shocked Sen. Phil Gramm in Louisiana caucuses Tuesday, winning their battle for a conservative jump-start in the 1996 Republican presidential race. Other candidates boycotted the contest in deference to next week's traditional kickoff contest in Iowa.

Buchanan showed strength throughout Louisiana, dealing a strong and perhaps lethal setback to Gramm's presidential hopes.

Buchanan said he was "incredibly heartened" by the early results. "If this holds up it not only shows that we can beat Phil Gramm in his backyard but it shows we can win this nomination," Buchanan said in an interview with *The Associated Press*.

Tom Staley, Dallas area chairman for the Buchanan campaign, told the *Skiff* that Buchanan was successful because he spoke to the people of Louisiana.

"Pat came into Louisiana because Phil Gramm wanted to force a caucus before Iowa's," Staley said. "Pat communicated with people and got the governor's endorsement."

Gramm senior strategist Charlie Black refused to concede but said: "I haven't heard anything to make me happy."

Staley was even more pessimistic about Gramm's future.

"The Gramm campaign is pretty much dead — he's not popular and he's not a true conservative," he said.

"He's a lifetime bureaucrat and he's not going to do well (in Iowa)," Staley said.

Skiff phone calls to Gramm's campaign headquarters in Dallas went unanswered last night.

There were 21 Republican National Convention delegates at stake and AP's delegate survey

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A construction worker checks the steel beams that will become the Nancy Lee and Perry R. Bass Fort Worth Performing Arts Center downtown.

Two fine arts halls built in city

Competition between downtown Bass and TCU centers not foreseen

BY KIMBERLY WILSON
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Anyone who has tried to drive downtown lately has probably noticed that almost an entire block is under construction, bordered by wooden barricades with brightly painted children's murals.

The traffic nightmare will become the Nancy Lee and Perry R. Bass Fort Worth Performing Arts Center by late 1998.

At the same time, a new TCU performance hall is being built between Jarvis Hall and Ed Landreth Hall.

Robert Garwell, dean of the fine arts department, said groundbreaking for the F. Howard and Mary D. Walsh Center for the Performing Arts will be March 29, and construction is due to be completed in fall 1997.

Both projects have differing purposes; however, both buildings will have design members in common, said Paul Beard, managing director of Performing Arts Fort Worth.

"The two theaters are designed to do completely different things," he said.

Beard said it's unique to have two such projects going on at the same time in a city the size of Fort Worth, yet he doesn't foresee any competition between the two facilities.

The most dramatic difference in the two halls is theater capacity, he said.

Seating 2,052, the Fort Worth Performing Arts Center will welcome subscription performances of the Fort Worth Opera, the Fort Worth Dallas Ballet, the Fort Worth Symphony and the Fort Worth Orchestra, in addition to many other acts which are expected to keep the downtown center booked around 300 nights a

year.

"It is a multipurpose concert theater which is designed to do it all," Beard said.

The Walsh center at TCU will be a very intimate concert hall, seating almost 1,500 less than Bass Hall. The recital hall in the Walsh complex will seat 350 people, Garwell said.

"The purpose for constructing our building is for an educational facility," he said. "The facility downtown is strictly a performance venue."

He said there will be a flexible theater as part of the Walsh complex. This theater will offer opportunities for theater-in-the-round, as well as a thrust stage theater. Garwell said this will offer excellent learning opportunities for training in both theater and film.

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News Digest

Suspect wears victim's pants

LUMBERTON, N.C. (AP) — A man charged with killing Michael Jordan's father wore the dead man's pants to court last week, the state's key witness testified Tuesday.

Larry Martin Demery said two suits were taken from James R. Jordan's red Lexus after Demery and defendant Daniel Andre Green dropped his body in a South Carolina swamp.

Green, 21, and Demery, 20, were both charged with killing Jordan, who was shot to death July 23, 1993, as he napped in his car along a North Carolina road.

Police deaths rise in '95

WASHINGTON (AP) — A total of 162 law enforcement officers were killed in the line of duty last year, including 12 who died in the bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City, according to a report Tuesday.

The total represented a rise in deaths among police officers for the second straight year, although it was far below the highest number of 190 in 1989.

California led the nation in police fatalities with 18, and the Oklahoma bombing was the single deadliest day in law enforcement history, the report said.

Texan charged with smuggling

FALCON DAM, Texas (AP) — A Katy man has been charged with importation and possession with intent to distribute cocaine for allegedly smuggling 51 pounds of the drug across the border.

The U.S. Customs Service said the cocaine was worth an estimated \$2.3 million.

Jose Pena Morales, 36, was arrested Monday afternoon as he drove from Mexico into Texas with his family. With the help of a drug-sniffing dog, customs inspectors discovered 21 packages of cocaine concealed in the walls of the family's van.

Zoo pandas face starvation

BEIJING (AP) — It's worse than a simple food craving.

In serious need of more bamboo, 14 giant pandas at the Beijing Zoo are suffering digestion problems, losing weight and have become more susceptible to disease, the state-run Xinhua News Agency reported on Tuesday.

Giant pandas depend on fresh bamboo — at least 22 pounds per panda per day. Their keepers have tried feeding them beef, eggs, milk, apples, carrots and animal feed — but without success, the report said.

Teen sentenced for murder

HOUSTON (AP) — A teen-ager who said boredom led him to plot the robbery of an elderly couple now faces at least 40 years behind bars.

After jurors convicted Jason Quarcoo of capital murder, District Judge Ted Poe sentenced the 17-year-old defendant to life in prison. The punishment was automatic since Quarcoo was a juvenile at the time of the crime but was certified to stand trial as an adult.

Quarcoo had confessed to having plotted to rob Frank and Mercyde Tyson for about a month before he shot them to death May 6.

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ANONYMOUS EATING DISORDER SCREENINGS will be given from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. today through Friday at the TCU Counseling Center. Call 921-7863. An education presentation will be held from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. tonight.

PHI CHI THETA will go bowling at 5 p.m. Thursday. Meet in Dan Rogers Hall 264.

A SUCCESSFUL JOB INTERVIEWING WORKSHOP at 5 p.m. tonight in Student Center 203. Call Career Services at 921-7860 to register.

CAMPUS CRUSADE has a small group Bible study at 7 p.m. tonight in Student Center 205-206.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES will host Johnny Polk of T-Bar-M Camp tonight at the Coliseum.

THE PUBLIC RELATIONS SOCIETY OF AMERICA'S Fort Worth chapter will meet at 11:45 a.m. Feb. 8, at Colonial Country Club. Attorney Tom Williams will speak. Call 347-8649.

CANTERBURY EPISCOPAL STUDENTS will meet at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in Student Center 214 for dinner and a program.

LEARNING DIFFERENCES SUPPORT will sponsor informative meetings from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Feb. 9 and 16 at Starpoint School. \$2 for non-members. Call 737-4818.

WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE WORKSHOP will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 11 at the Modern Dance and Ballet building. Call 921-7130.

FEB. 12 is the last day to choose the pass/no credit grading option for a course. Feb. 26 is the last day to

withdraw from a class.

APPLICATIONS FOR FALL 1996 STUDENT TEACHERS are available in the Bailey Building 102 or 304. Applications are due Feb. 28.

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TCU CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL meetings are at 6 p.m. Tuesdays in Student Center 205. Call Chris Alexander at 920-2458.

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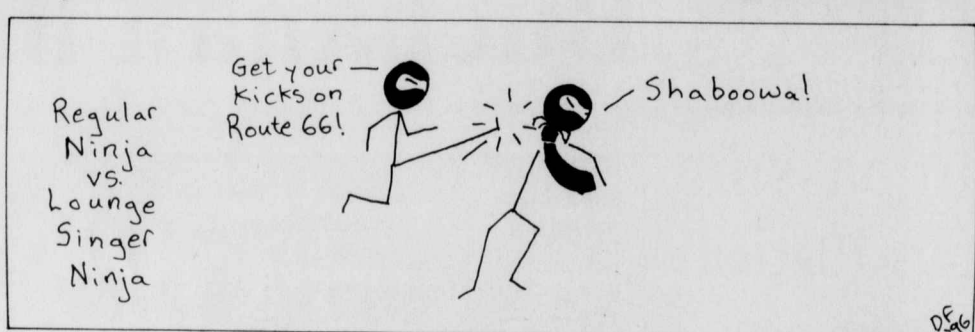
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Are you pro-life or pro-choice?

Today's Purple Poll question was asked of 100 people in the Main Cafeteria last evening by a Skiff pollster.

Ninja Verses

by Don Frederic



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Garwell said the piano wing of the complex will house five studios for the piano instructors and nine additional practice rooms. It will also include an instrumental rehearsal room and a scene shop.

The university choir, which previously rehearsed at University Christian Church, will also benefit from a choral rehearsal room in the Walsh complex.

Garwell said the project committee had received a great deal of input from the chairpersons of both the music and theater departments.

Garwell said the last meeting between architects and faculty members was very successful. He said the architect of the complex, Malcolm Holzman, received congratulations from the faculty, and everyone left the meeting "quite enthused."

"We're looking for ways in which the two halls can support each other," Garwell said.

Beard said the famous Van Cliburn Piano Competition, which normally brings many talented musicians to the TCU campus, may even-

tually move part of the series to the Bass hall, perhaps as soon as 2001, the next scheduled competition, due to the excellent acoustics that the new hall will have.

Garwell said he understood the preliminaries of the Cliburn competition will still take place at TCU.

"The quality of the Cliburn series is really second to none," Beard said.

Garwell said the addition of the Walsh complex will open up many opportunities at Ed Landreth Auditorium.

"Ed Landreth will be much more flexible with scheduling," Garwell said.

Beard said both projects will make a significant impact on fine arts offerings in Fort Worth.

"It says something about the importance of the arts to Fort Worth," Garwell said.

Beard said, "This is another testament to the quality of life in Fort Worth."

Beard said TCU's own Jean Tucker, the chancellor's wife, is on the board of directors for Performing Arts Fort Worth and that she is not only very supportive of both projects, but is also extremely knowledgeable.

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But, he said, he faces challenges in the future because he is running out of things that interest him to write about.

He will probably expand and write more screenplays with his friend, Bud Shrake, another TCU alumni.

Cartwright and Shrake have already written three screenplays, two of which were ABC movies of the week.

Journalism is a training ground and a way to meet contacts, he said.

"Being on staff at *Texas Monthly* is great," Cartwright said. "The quality of writing is as good as any magazine in the country."

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Weather Watch

Today will be partly cloudy with highs in the lower 60s and a low in the 40s.

Thursday will be partly cloudy with highs in the lower 70s.

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■ Leigh Anne Robison

Special months can be a pickle

Happy February, everybody! As I perused my *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* yesterday, I realized I had forgotten to send out my Happy Potato Lover's Month cards as we turned another calendar page.

Yep, February, although often remembered and revered as Black History Month, as well it should be, is also host to a varied and sundry plethora of useless celebrations.

Perhaps the most logistically absurd "Month" is American History Month. So how do high school social studies teachers treat this monumental event — stop everything and teach the Pledge? Why is this celebrated in *February*? If we must designate a month to emphasize American history, how about November, when we instruct our kiddies on Native American Humanitarian Relations?

February is also National Cherry Month! There are a buncha ways we can honor the fowl little fruit... drink a Shirley Temple, play Heigh-Ho Cherry-Oh, learn to spell maraschino.

Valentine's Day lands smack in the middle of International Friendship Month, a.k.a. Human Relations Month, a.k.a. World Understanding Month. In fact, those are much better things to celebrate than that detestable holiday of doilies and sickeningly-messaged candy. But if you resent Valentine's Day,

don't despair. Today's your lucky day. You've found yourself in the midst of National School Counseling Month! How do they celebrate this — a free bottle of Prozac with every visit?

After you've made the appointment to get your head shrunk, be sure to send your dentist and toothpaste manufacturer a lovely floral arrangement (or maybe a bowl of cherries?) in the spirit of National Children's Dental Health Month.

The point is, do we really need to recognize every occupation, food and phenomenon in the world by giving it a month? When I was in high school, we had Black History Month celebrations, which consisted of art and essay contests. Also, every day we read a short biography of a significant figure in black history. We learned from it.

Some say in our effort to globalize, it's necessary to call attention to events we may not otherwise ever know about. To an extent, this is true. But, as in almost every arena of life, this can easily verge on ludicrous.

Some of these events haven't even been deemed worthy of an entire month. Right now, we should all be remembering this is National Crime Prevention Week. (Is that really less important than dental health?) Next week, call up those siblings, because it's Brotherhood and

Generation Why



Sisterhood Week. How exactly do we decide what gets a day, a week or a month? We joke that it's always Something Week at TCU, but our school is no more guilty of

this excessive celebrating than the rest of the country.

In our rush to "raise awareness" on every issue, let's not forget our country has more important things on which to focus. A sense of humor is integral to a healthy nation, but sometimes this can spill over into nothing more than silliness.

On that note, don't forget that Party Time is Pickle Time, a month brought to you by Pickle Packers International.

The Opinion Editor of the Skiff hopes that everyone remembers and heartily celebrates April as Leigh Anne Robison month.



■ Andee Moore

Valentine's Day Advice: improve the dating scene

It's exactly one week from today, folks. You guessed it: Valentine's Day. And with Valentine's Day comes many different emotions. The spectrum includes everything from bliss to disgust and, for some, indifference.

I have recently noticed that this widely recognized holiday seems to be getting a bad rap. I've heard it been called "Satan's Day" and "Black Wednesday," and the question is why.

One obvious reason might be a slight case of bitterness due to being single on such a fun day. However, another possible reason is what some consider a big problem at TCU: the dating scene.

Although my opinion may seem somewhat biased, because I am female, my purpose is not to condemn the men on our campus. Instead, I want to clear up some common misconceptions and take my male readers into the female mind for a moment.

Women do have the short end of the deal. At last count the female to male ratio was close to three-to-one — an immediate disadvantage in the dating world. This makes for much competition among the females.

You know what I mean, girls. You're at a party, and you manage to grab a few minutes of a potential guy's time. You're talking, laughing and receiving some not-so-kind looks from girls who had dibs on him when he first walked in. According to many guys, this makes girls seem a bit pushy, which is maybe one of the reasons why the guys hold some negative opinions about dating the women of TCU.

I have heard more than once from guys that after perhaps going out once, the girl will often become "clingy," acting as if they are now a couple. Supposedly, this happens enough for guys to be scared into not asking girls out. I've even overheard extreme comments from them such as, "All TCU girls are looking for husbands."

In actuality, guys, most girls just want to go out in groups of friends and have a good time. Most women aren't necessarily looking for a ring and a wedding date just yet. However, most agree that every once in a while an actual date — one boy, one girl, dinner and a movie — would be nice. And guys, it's important for you to know that we really don't expect much. Heck, if you buy the movie tickets, we'll buy the concessions.

Regardless, most guys I know don't ask girls out because they know girls will eventually come to them. But fellows, why not take the

No Holds Barred



initiative? I know that some guys find girls intimidating but, truth be known, it is the men who are more imposing because there are less of them and more of us.

If you're a guy, then you may be asking, "Why can't a girl ask a guy out?" And you're

right. Many girls have no problem with that. However, although women today are more confident, stronger and brighter than ever, most still prefer the guy to do the asking. Why? Because it shows that a guy has confidence and security in himself, and these are very attractive characteristics. And yes, part of it does have to do with society's traditional views that still exist.

And so, with Valentine's Day a week away, I hope I have cleared up any common misunderstandings you may have. Of course, as we all know, many books can and have been written addressing the differences between the genders. I know I can't solve the problems through a column, but anyone can offer advice, right? And so, some words of advice in regard to the impending holiday for the men of TCU: ASK HER OUT! And for the girls: SAY YES!

Single or not, or dateless or not, Valentine's Day does not have to be a drag. It's supposed to be a day of love, so why not pamper yourself? Buy yourself something new. Take a three-hour nap. Make a tape for a close friend. Plan an outing with just the guys or girls or throw a "singles" party. You never know who you might meet — maybe next year's Valentine!

Whether we have a significant other or not, each of us has someone — a parent, sibling, relative or friend that loves us. Why not give that person a call and tell him or her that because it's Valentine's Day, you were thinking about them and wanted to say hello. You just might be the reason someone had a good Valentine's Day.

Andee Moore is a sophomore advertising and public relations major from Austin.

Lady Frogs

Support for basketball would bolster performance

It's a pretty sad season when the TCU women's basketball team can only manage a little over 200 fans for a game. Granted, this is a higher attendance than most other women's sports get at their home events, but it's not excusable.

Where's that Frog spirit? Riff, ram, bah zoo?

It's apparent that women's sports at TCU don't get the same support as men's sports. You can see it in the stands.

There are logical reasons for the lack of Lady Frog support. First, most women's sports at TCU have had losing seasons over the past year, and it gets tough for fans to stomach loss after loss.

Second, there are more females at TCU than men, and watching the other sex seems to be more popular than watching women play, even if those

women are your friends.

But all logic aside, any team and any athlete performs better with a crowded stadium or packed

bleacher full of fans screaming in his or her favor.

If you've ever been to a Lady Frogs game, you will notice that head coach Shell Robinson always looks up at the semi-full bleachers when her team enters the game. Wouldn't it make her day to enter Daniel-Meyer Coliseum and see a full crowd rise to its feet roaring "Go Frogs!" That's a reason to upset any opponent.

There is still a season full of events and live sporting action: basketball is in full swing, women's tennis and lacrosse just began and golf will start in March. All are free. So pick an event and support your local Lady Frog.

■ Editorial

Skiff misled readers

I must clarify the extremely misleading headline in Tuesday's *Skiff*. "Close to Home," the soap opera produced by the radio-TV-film department, was definitely *not* "canned." "Canned" would imply that the show was intended to continue, but was cancelled due to the "hectic pace" described in the article. The project, which was a huge success on every

■ Letters

level, was never intended to last for more than one semester. The whole idea of the project was to complete our work before the semester was over. This was accomplished with professionalism and quality. All seven episodes were screened on campus and have aired on local Cable TV. The story was purposely left

open-ended, in case future classes wished to continue the project.

On a larger level, I am concerned by the sensationalist tone of the headline. A careful reading of the article itself, which was accurately reported, indicates the show was not "cancelled." I am surprised the *Skiff* would choose to "create" news by misleading its readers about a student project.

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■ Kevin Arceneaux

Forbes' tax guarantees Clinton's re-election

I've just found a sure-fire way for President Clinton to put himself back in the White House, and the funny thing is, the Republicans are the key. Two words: Steve Forbes.

Last week, a poll conducted by the *Boston Globe* reported Forbes was ahead of Bob Dole by nine percent in New Hampshire.

Big deal, right? Who cares what people in New Hampshire think? Well, when it comes to presidential politics, it means a big deal.

On Feb. 20, New Hampshire will hold the first presidential primary in which Republicans and Democrats will choose who they want to be their party's nominee. Generally, if a candidate does not win New Hampshire, he can kiss it goodbye. If Steve Forbes can pull an upset here and beat Bob Dole, the chances of other states nominating him becomes brighter.

So what does all this have to do with the price of tea in Tibet? Let's take a look at Mr. Forbes, and we shall see.

For all intents and purposes, Steve Forbes is "Mr. Flat Tax." Granted, he is not the first

Entropy in Eden

to push this idea, nor the loudest, but he seems to be the most genuine.

After all, Forbes hasn't been in Congress for 20-plus years, working under the status quo and being a part of the "back room deals" that have kept that oh-so-heavy hand of government on our backs.

No, Steve Forbes is the embodiment of the American Dream. He is a successful businessman who works hard to keep America going; he loves his mom, baseball and apple pie, too. He's proud to be an American,



because at least he knows he can inherit his wealth from daddy, gorge himself with the excesses of that wealth and stay as distant from the real America as possible.

So when Forbes says flat tax, people listen. Well, let's see just how nifty this flat tax is. Under Forbes' plan, everyone will be allowed a one-time, generous exemption (e.g., a family of four would have the first \$36,000 of their income exempt from taxes), then anything above the exemption would be taxed at a flat 17 percent — unless it's income from stock dividends.

There will be no more loopholes, such as, deductions for charitable contributions, interest on mortgages, state or local taxes, you name it. Forbes says this will only cost the Treasury \$40 billion, which will be made up by an economy expanding like wildfire in his supply-side economics city-in-a-vacuum.

Besides the fact supply-side economics failed to create such an economy and tripled the national debt in the 1980s, a conservative institute estimates the Treasury's revenue

shortfall will actually be \$182 billion under the Forbes plan. Even if supply-side theory worked, I doubt it would correct for such a loss.

But all this aside, the real question is, who does this plan benefit? Answer: Mr. Forbes. The Republican-controlled Committee on Taxation says those making \$219,000 pay 27 percent in taxes under the current system, whereas those Americans making the median income of \$32,000 pay more like five percent. So in effect, Forbes' flat tax will give people near his tax bracket a 10 percent tax cut, while middle America (those who are "fed up" with the heavy hand of Uncle Sam) will get a 12 percent tax hike. Great plan, Steve.

With Forbes in the presidential race, it would be hard for President Clinton to lose. He's the only one keeping his hand out of the majority of tax payers' pockets.

Kevin Arceneaux is some guy from somewhere.

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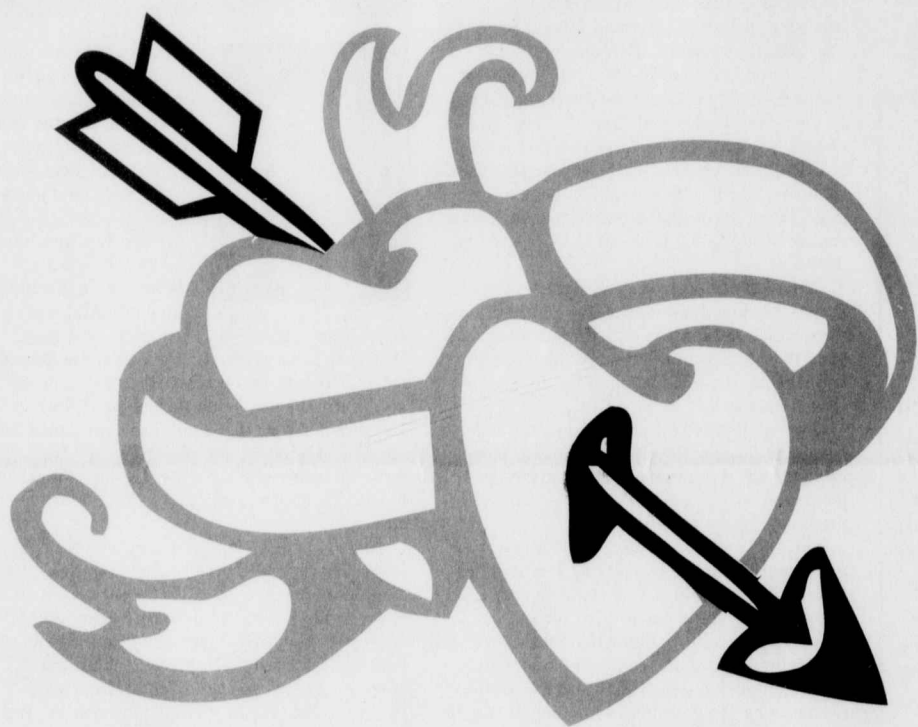
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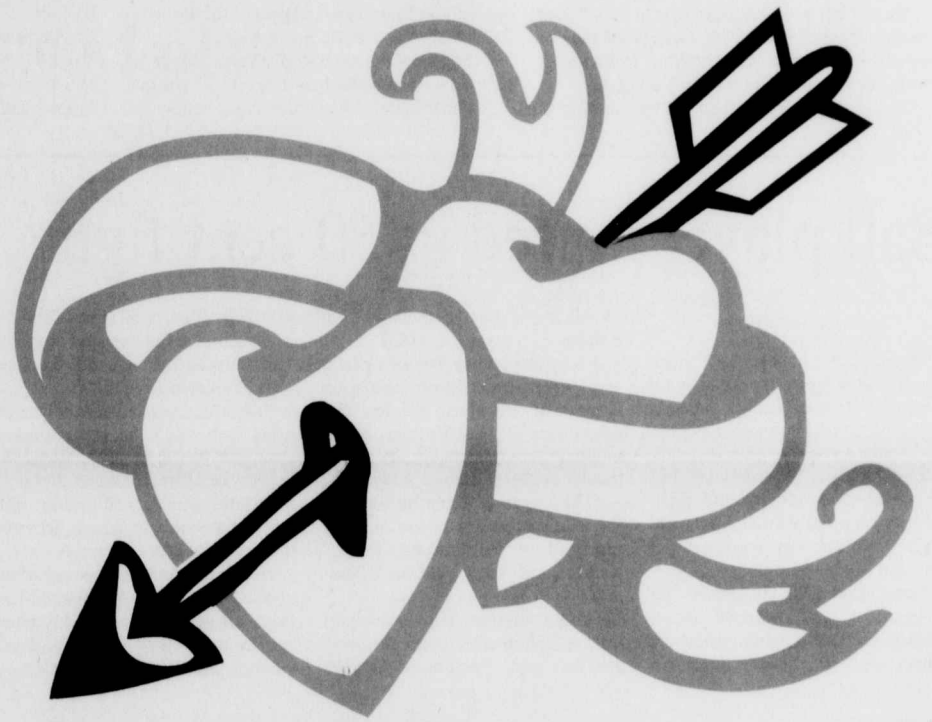

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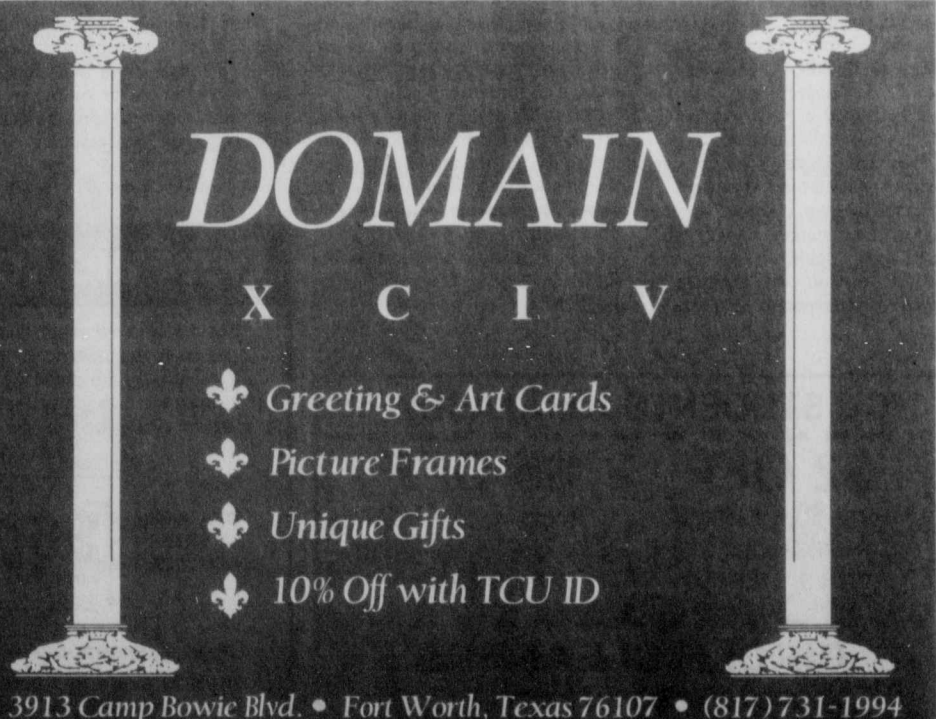
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Police department offers counseling Austin's Victim Services program provides solace to friends, family

BY CLAIRE OBORN
AUSTIN AMERICAN STATEMAN

AUSTIN — Shaken relatives slowly stepped into Brackenridge Hospital late on a recent rainy night. Blinking under the glare of bright lights, they drifted about, lost in their grief.

Tello Leal was waiting for them. "I'm sorry this has happened to you," he told an older woman. "It's a tragedy."

The woman's teen-age nephew had accidentally shot and killed himself. His body lay in the hospital's emergency room.

Now it was Leal's unenviable task, as a Victim Services counselor with the Austin Police Department, to offer comfort to the family.

The aunt looked away and, with a voice cracking with emotion, told Leal about her nephew's life. Leal simply listened.

"Sometimes there's not a whole lot you can do other than listen or hold someone's hand," he said later.

Recognized nationally as one of the first police departments to send counselors and volunteers directly to crime and accident scenes, Austin's Victim Services has been providing solace and counseling to victims and their families for 16 years.

Its 16 counselors and 110 volunteers annually help 10,000 to 12,000 people at crime and accident scenes and later with short-term counseling and referrals, said Ann Hutchison, the 45-year-old founder and director of Victim Services.

"In our society, you're taught to solve your own problems, but a lot of people when they're raped, robbed, etc., have nothing to handle it with. We provide information," said Leal.

Austin taxpayers pick up the tab for Victim

Services, which is administered through the Austin Police Department budget and cost \$628,000 in 1995.

Its paid counselors have master's degrees in social work, family therapy, psychology and counseling, Hutchison said. Volunteers, like all crisis team members, are required to complete 70 hours of training.

The sheriff's departments in Travis, Williamson and Hays counties as well as the Georgetown Police Department, send volunteers or staff to help victims at crime scenes.

Providing counseling at crime and accident scenes is important for healing, said Dr. Frank Ochberg, a former chairman of the American Psychiatric Task Force on Violence and a former director of health for the state of Michigan.

"A victim often feels ostracized, shamed and doesn't have an adequate opportunity to talk through feelings," said Ochberg, now an adjunct journalism professor at Michigan State University.

Austin police say the immediate response of counselors and volunteers is invaluable because police officers receive little training on victims' needs.

"We couldn't do without these guys (Victim Services). They take control of a victim at a scene where a victim is distraught and stay with them," said Lt. Alan Riske.

When Fay Babazadeh's husband was killed in 1990 during the robbery of a convenience store, a Victim Services counselor showed her how to apply for aid for funeral expenses, then referred her and her two sons to a psychiatrist.

"They gave me some kind of hope. Mentally, they helped me as much as they could," she said.

Victim Services has three crisis teams that

work in different parts of the city. It also has a criminal investigation bureau, a child services unit, a family violence bureau and a mass disaster crisis team.

Crisis team members are required to have degrees in mental health or two years of paid counseling experience before they even start training, said Donna Greenberg, volunteer coordinator.

During each eight-hour shift, a volunteer and counselor from each team work together, driving in unmarked police cars equipped with computer screens and keyboards that provide information about crime scenes. Police contact the volunteer and the counselor through the terminals or by radio to request their assistance at a crime scene.

Two crisis teams provide assistance 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The third team provides around-the-clock assistance four days a week and will expand to seven days this spring when new volunteers finish training, Hutchison said.

Although many police departments nationwide now provide counseling at crime scenes, Victim Services is unique because of its long-term success with volunteers, said Cheryl Tyiska, director of victim services for the National Organization for Victim Assistance in Washington, D.C.

Volunteer Craig Bickerton, 50, said the work gives him "more of a chance to experience trauma" than in his practice as a clinical social worker.

The work of counselors and volunteers at Victim Services runs the gamut — from talking to victims of child abuse or family violence to helping police clean up a murder scene.

Texans escape ammonia fumes

ASSOCIATED PRESS

STRATFORD, Texas — About 900 residents returned home early Tuesday after evacuating to wait out a fog of anhydrous ammonia that leaked from a ruptured tank line.

The nonflammable gas, which is used as fertilizer, leaked during transport from a 17,000-gallon railroad tank car into a bulk tank at Panhandle Agri-Tex, said Texas Department of Public Safety spokesman Jerry Hatley.

The Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad tracks remained closed and state environmental regulators were on the scene in the Texas Panhandle town of 2,000 people.

Three people were in stable condition at Memorial Hospital in Dumas, and 20 others who inhaled the gas Monday night were treated.

Three others were treated and released from Coone Memorial Hospital in Dalhart, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Health workers say the gas is poisonous in large concentrations.

"It can cause a burning sensation and can irritate the skin," said Wanda Clark, director of nursing at the Dumas hospital.

Patients complained of chest pains and breathing trouble as well as nausea and vomiting, she said.

"Some people say they have lost their animals," Clark said. "But it

could have been a lot worse."

A spokesman for the Fort Worth-based railroad said the bulk tank collapsed and the two-inch line ruptured, causing the leak.

"The fire department used a fair amount of water, which reacts in such a way that it causes a corrosive solution... and it's a very pungent aroma," said Burlington Northern Santa Fe spokesman Jim Sabourin.

Sabourin said the tracks remained closed Tuesday while railroad crews assisted the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission and the Texas Railroad Commission. He did not know how much gas escaped.

"It was enough to leave a visible cloud," said DPS trooper L.B. Snider.

High school sophomore Ashlie Lasley said she was attending a night class for the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test when the incident occurred.

"All the sophomore class was there, and they were having basketball games for the seventh- and eighth-grade and freshmen teams," she said. "About 20 people ran right out the door. People were scared."

Students and visiting basketball players were immediately returned home, officials said.

Those asked to evacuate were taken to the local courthouse and then moved to the Sherman County Exhibit Building. They were allowed to go home just after midnight.

Ball player knifed in 50 cent fight

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McALLEN, Texas — A high school football player was in good condition Tuesday after he was allegedly stabbed by another student to whom he refused to give 50 cents.

Jesus Heredia, 19, was stabbed in the upper chest during the fight Monday in a hallway at Memorial High School. He was recovering at McAllen Medical Center.

Three other male students — an 18-year-old, a 17-year-old and a juvenile — were in police custody in connection with the stabbing, said

McAllen police spokesman Mitch Reinitz.

The youngest boy was being held at a juvenile detention center on charges of attempted murder. The others were in custody at the city jail awaiting arraignment on attempted murder charges, Reinitz said.

"They were all three involved in the incident, and one was actually involved in the stabbing itself," Reinitz said. He would not elaborate.

School district Superintendent Robert Schumacher said the incident occurred when one of the boys

asked Heredia for 50 cents. Heredia said no, and a fight ensued in which Heredia was stabbed with a pocket knife, Schumacher said.

"Apparently a boy asked for 50 cents and when the other student said he didn't have any change, the boy stabbed him," Schumacher said.

Several students allegedly witnessed the stabbing, which occurred while school was in session.

Heredia, a senior, was an offensive lineman for the Memorial Mustangs last season. Friends described him as a talented football player who was an all-district selection.

Autopsy says girls shot in woods

Rangers, sheriff may have identified suspect, but no arrests made

ASSOCIATED PRESS

CLEVELAND, Texas — Two girls found shot to death last weekend were probably killed in the wooded area where their bodies were discovered, a preliminary autopsy shows.

Justice of the Peace Fred Dishong Jr. said Monday preliminary autopsy results showed that Lynette Bibbs, 14, and Tamara Fisher, 15, died in the wooded area where Liberty County residents found their bodies Saturday.

Liberty County sheriff's deputies and Texas Rangers may have identified a suspect in the La Porte teens' slayings, Dishong said. No arrests had been made as of Tuesday morning, a sheriff's spokeswoman said.

Officials thought at first the two girls could have been sexually assaulted. But Dishong said the coroner's office told him there were no signs of rape.

Detectives found shell casings or bullets in the woods off U.S. 59 south of Cleveland where the teenagers, who had been missing since Thursday, were found by a woman who lives in the area.

Dishong said Fisher, who had been shot in the forehead and below the left ear, wore only a cotton blouse and clear plastic sandals.

Bibbs, who was shot in the back of the head, was fully clothed but missing one tennis shoe.

A trail of blood led from the dirt road to Fisher's body as if she had been dragged. But no blood led away from Bibbs' body.

Dishong said the two were discovered about 150 yards apart.

Investigators told family members Bibbs was killed first, and Fisher tried to run away before being caught, beaten and shot.

Houston gets space control

NASA moves authority for shuttle, station to Texas

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPACE CENTER, Houston — Johnson Space Center director George Abbey on Tuesday confirmed NASA's quiet shift of authority for the space shuttle and planned international space station from Washington to Houston.

An internal memo from NASA headquarters in Washington late last week designated Johnson, which has shepherded all manned spaceflight operations since the 1960s, as the "lead" NASA center.

Abbey, appointed Jan. 23 as center director, will oversee both programs. That authority previously was held by the Office of Space Flight under the jurisdiction of a NASA associate administrator in Washington.

The Office of Space Flight will now focus on policy issues, Abbey said.

Shuttle program manager Tommy Holloway and station program manager Randy Brinkley, both of whom work at Johnson, will continue in their posts and report to Abbey. Both

previously answered to Washington.

"Really in taking on this responsibility we have to take on more of a national perspective, a perspective that is more programmatic and what's good for NASA and the country," Abbey said Tuesday.

The shift of responsibilities by NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin is an attempt to give agency field centers a bigger say in how space operations are conducted, Abbey said.

He added the change is a move back toward the early days of NASA, when field centers in Florida and Houston oversaw program operations and agency headquarters focused on formulating policy.

"What Mr. Goldin is trying to do is go back to that mode of operation and really put the responsibility for the program implementation out to where the work is being done," Abbey said.

"This is really a new change for NASA, at least in the space shuttle program."

Johnson has had the designation as lead center for the shuttle and station programs intermittently since the 1970s, but administrative authority was shifted to Washington after the 1986 explosion of shuttle Challenger. Management mistakes and poor communication later were blamed as indirect causes to the disaster, which killed seven astronauts.

Laurie Boeder, a NASA spokeswoman in Goldin's office, said the current management approach is different to that used before the Challenger disaster.

While Johnson previously had been called a "lead" center, authority always stemmed from Washington and responsibilities for various shuttle components were spread around several centers, Boeder said.

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Governors favor Medicaid changes

BY HARRY F. ROSENTHAL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The nation's governors unanimously recommended changes in the \$155 billion-plus Medicaid program today that they say would guarantee coverage for the nation's most needy and would give states flexibility to design their programs.

"This is a huge step in the right direction," President Clinton told the governors shortly after their vote.

After the president spoke, the governors also unanimously approved a list of suggested changes to the federal welfare program that include an additional \$4 billion for states to finance child-care programs.

Clinton cited inadequate support for child care as a reason for vetoing a welfare reform bill in December.

The governors' welfare proposal also adds \$1 billion to compensate states for increased caseloads.

The proposal also would provide cash bonuses exceeding specific employment-related performance

goals, would give money to states that reduce out-of-wedlock births and would leave to states the option of restricting benefits to children born while a family is on welfare.

The state leaders said the bipartisan agreement and another one expected on welfare reform would go a long way toward breaking the current stalemate over a balanced budget between the White House and Congress.

Medicaid funding for states would be based on a state's need under the governors' proposal, but states would be able to tap into a separate pot of federal money for emergencies or during economic hard times.

States also would have more freedom to design programs that fit their needs.

"Medicaid is strangling state budgets. It badly needs to be fixed," said Utah Gov. Mike Leavitt, a Republican and one of six governors who worked on the proposal over the past two months.

The agreement "has the right kind of guarantees to the right kind of population," said Colorado Gov. Roy Romer, a Democrat and another one of the six governors.

Republican Governors George Allen of Virginia and Pete Wilson of California expressed reservations but voted for the plan nonetheless.

Clinton said he wanted the proposal scored by the Congressional Budget Office and had concerns about a few details, including its definition for disabled people who qualify for Medicaid. He said there must be a "clear, enforceable" guarantee of medical benefits to people who need them.

"But I am convinced we can work these out," Clinton said. On welfare, he praised the governors for insisting on provisions providing day care to people moving from welfare to work. He predicted that the welfare reform provision would pass this year.

Speaking just before Clinton,

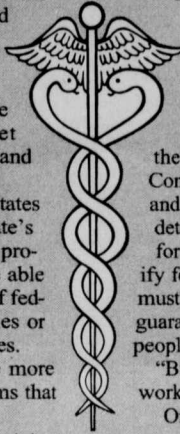
Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., praised the governors for their bipartisan action and promised that, given good will on all fronts, Congress will work with them and the White House to come up with a workable Medicaid program.

To applause, Dole said: "If you want to be the honest brokers, we're prepared to act. And we believe the president will be prepared to act, too."

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., promised prompt hearings on the governors' proposals.

"The goal of the congressional majority is that the final legislation reflect the values of family, restore the dignity of work and provide the flexibility for states to design innovative solutions for their local communities," Gingrich said in a written statement.

"It's the break that they're looking for and hopefully we can convince our colleagues of the importance of passing it," said Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson, the Republican chairman of the governors' association.



Payment, trip raise suspicion

Special prosecutor looks into Commerce Secretary's activities

BY JOHN SOLOMON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — A special prosecutor looking into the activities of Commerce Secretary Ron Brown has "an open criminal investigation" into an Oklahoma gas company that made a \$160,000 payment to Brown's son and paid for travel involving a top Commerce aide.

The former president of Dynamic Energy Resources and his wife have alleged in court testimony that the payments were designed by key company officers "to gain influence" with Brown and his agency, according to court records obtained by The Associated Press.

The payment to Michael Brown, 30, a Washington lobbyist, was made three months after he was placed on the board of Dynamic, a natural gas company owned by prominent Democratic donor Nora Lum in Tulsa, Okla.

Ron Brown's lawyer said the secretary has "never been involved in any way with any decision by Dynamic to compensate Michael Brown." But he declined to answer whether the secretary got any money from his son about the time of the April 1994 payment.

"The occasions upon which Secretary Brown, like other parents, may have provided loans or gifts to his children to help them get started as young adults, and occasions upon which they may have sought to repay their father's support and good will, are private family matters," attorney Reid Weingarten wrote in a letter to the AP.

In a letter Tuesday to a Senate subcommittee, the Commerce inspector general wrote that the contacts with the company were part of "an open criminal investigation" referred to independent counsel Daniel Pearson.

Michael Brown's lawyer, William Taylor, said his client "categorically denies that any of his conduct in connection with Dynamic Energy Resources violated any law" and predicted that Brown will "be completely and thoroughly vindicated in all respects."

Internal company records and court documents obtained by AP also show that a top aide to Brown at the Commerce Department, Melinda C. Yee, accepted at least two trips from Dynamic or the Lums since 1994. None were reported on her financial disclosure statement to the government, as required for travel valued at more than \$250.

During one of the trips, in January 1994, Yee attended a Dynamic board meeting at which her mother, Helen, was also put on Dynamic's board and awarded stock that earned her \$14,500 in dividends the first year. Records show Melinda Yee appeared "on behalf of" her mother.

A lawyer for Yee, Nancy Luque, said Tuesday: "Melinda Yee has done nothing wrong. And the record will bear that out."

According to court records and interviews, investigators for the Commerce inspector general met with Dynamic's former president, Stuart Price, last summer to discuss concerns about the contacts between Dynamic and Commerce officials.

Price, who was helping his wife pursue a lawsuit against the company for alleged mismanagement, told investigators, "There's been some potential illegal — you know — communications or what I think — you know — breached that level between Melinda Yee and Dynamic," according to court testimony.

Price also said in a state court hearing that Michael Brown "absolutely is there for them (Dynamic) to gain influence with the Department of Commerce, and that's it."

Price's wife, Linda, Dynamic's second largest shareholder, charged in a lawsuit in Tulsa County District Court last year that the Lums were looting the company to benefit friends and that Michael Brown was being paid for work "for which the corporation did not receive value."

Price alleged that one of the trips in which Yee and the Lums traveled to Massachusetts was taken "under instructions of Commerce Secretary Ron Brown to go help Ted Kennedy win his Senate seat."

Mrs. Price testified that Mrs. Lum told her that by putting Michael Brown on the board "she could that way get Ron Brown's involvement." As for Yee, Mrs. Price testified: "Nora told me that she really wanted to give the stock to Melinda Yee, but since Melinda was an employee of the Department of Commerce, she could not, so she gave it to Helen Yee instead."

Pearson was appointed last year by a federal court to investigate why Ron Brown received \$500,000 from a business associate since taking office and whether he intentionally falsified his financial disclosure report to the government.

The FBI recently sought copies of some court records in Mrs. Price's lawsuit in Tulsa, according to a notation in the court file.

Price, an Oklahoma oilman, is a prominent Democrat who assisted President Clinton's 1992 election effort in Oklahoma. His wife is a niece of former Senate Democratic Leader George Mitchell.

Price left the company in 1994 to run for Congress. He returned after losing but was fired last spring by Mrs. Lum.

The legal dispute between the Lums and Prices recently was settled out of court. Under the agreement, neither the Lums nor Prices will discuss the case.

Hero in hijacking incident dies at 68

ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. — John Testrake, the pilot hailed as a hero of the 17-day hijacking of a TWA jet in 1985, died Tuesday at a hospice. He was 68 and had battled cancer since 1994.

He gained worldwide fame in 1985 as he sat in the cockpit of a Trans World Airlines jet parked for more than two weeks on the tarmac at Beirut International Airport in Lebanon.

The Boeing 727, with 145 passengers and eight crew members, was hijacked on June 14, 1985, by Shiite militiamen while en route from Athens to Rome. The hijackers, demanding the release of hundreds of Lebanese from Israeli jails, often kept a cocked pistol at the nape of Testrake's neck.

One passenger — a Navy diver — was killed, but the rest of the passengers and crew were eventually released unharmed after 17 days.

The most enduring image of the ordeal was Testrake being inter-

viewed in the cockpit with a terrorist's pistol held at his temple.

Testrake credited his strong religious faith for helping him withstand that ordeal, as well as the cancer that was discovered in 1994.

"The thought I get is that I was held hostage there on an airplane. Now I feel like I'm being held hostage in this body," Testrake told *The Kansas City Star* in a recent interview.

After age restrictions forced him to retire from TWA in 1987, Testrake flew relief missions for several years for a ministry, Mission Aviation Fellowship.

He also had been urged to enter politics and was the 1992 Republican nominee for a Missouri House seat from the Gallatin area. He lost in the general election to the incumbent Democrat.

Testrake and his wife, Phyllis, had moved last year from their home on Lake Viking to St. Joseph, about 40 miles west, to be near medical treatment.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

Computer sex causes problem in workplace

BY ELIZABETH WEISE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO — No one would dream of sending one of those raunchy "I never thought I'd be writing this..." letters to Penthouse on the company letterhead. Nor would many employees take out a subscription to *Hustler* and have it delivered to the office.

That's pretty close to what some employees are doing on their computers at work these days. Using their corporate e-mail addresses, they're sending letters to sexually explicit bulletin boards or downloading material such as the "Hottest Babes of Amsterdam."

Employers are getting wise to the situation, and in some cases are warning their staffs to knock it off.

In its extremely detailed eight-page memo, "Acceptable Internet Usage Policy," Texaco Inc. tells employees straight out that they're being watched via the computer activity logs and that no funny business will be tolerated.

Texaco expressly bars employees from downloading offensive material from the Internet. Violators can be fired.

"The user should consider their Internet activity as public information, and limit their activity accordingly," the memo reads.

Louis Maltby of the American Civil Liberties Union's Workplace Privacy Taskforce said: "It's the company's computer, and they have the right to tell you what you can do with it — and they certainly have the right to tell you can only use it for work."

"When you walk into the work-

place, you check your privacy at the door," said Beth Givens, director of the University of San Diego Center for Public Interest Law. "In numerous court cases, employers have retained the right to monitor the work product of their employees — and that included electronic mail, voice mail, telephone conversations and keystroke monitoring."

Not all employers are as concerned as Texaco. At the Boeing Co. in Seattle, where about 10 percent of employees have Internet access, Lee Lathrop, Boeing's Web master, said: "Our experience has been that when people first get on, they do spend a lot of time looking around and learning to use it. After about 30 days, it falls off and they're very responsible."

An acceptable-use policy is being written, however, and Boeing is considering some type of filtering program to bar access to certain key words.

"There's no business reason why anybody might be looking at sex pages at work," Lathrop said.

As for computer giants IBM and Microsoft, neither has specific policies in place.

Washington lawyer Mark Rasch, who specializes in computer and Internet security, recommends companies come up with a policy on what is permissible and make sure everyone knows about it.

Computer privacy advocate Jim Warren called the whole matter an issue as old as the notion of paid employment.

"It's pilfered time," he said. "If you don't let me pilfer time watching alt.sex.superhunks, I'll do it around the water cooler — the old-fashioned way."

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	Resolution 96-1	Resolution 96-2		Resolution 96-1	Resolution 96-2
Town Reps					
Adrienne Elrod	absent	absent	Waits Hall	absent	absent
Martin S. Graul	yea	nay	Sara Carpeaux	yea	nay
Michelle Linn	absent	absent	Christine Spencer	yea	nay
Dennis O'Loughlin	absent	absent	Wiggins Hall		
David Quinlan	yea	nay	Elise LaMontagne	absent	absent
Leon Reed	yea	nay	Alpha Chi Omega		
Angela Sifuentes	yea	nay	Julie Street	yea	yea
Amy Smeltzer	yea	nay	Alpha Delta Pi		
Brachman Hall					
Danni Geleva	yea	abstain	Lauren Dedecker	yea	yea
Brite Divinity School					
Tracey Lawler	absent	absent	Amy Dula	absent	absent
Monica Myers	absent	absent	Delta Delta Delta		
Jennifer Schooley	yea	nay	Caryn Conwell	yea	nay
Clark Hall					
Thomas Kunkel	absent	absent	Delta Gamma		
Ryan McNutt	*	*	Kim Jones	yea	yea
Geoff Mitchell	absent	absent	Delta Tau Delta		
Colby Hall					
Renee Foster	yea	yea	Chris Holbert	yea	nay
Kristen Nygren	yea	yea	FIJI		
Chanel Schrier	yea	yea	Todd Chiscano	yea	yea
Foster Hall					
Heather Anderson	yea	nay	Kappa Alpha Theta		
Meredith Harrison	yea	yea	Libby Baird	yea	nay
Nightingale Ngo	yea	yea	Kappa Kappa Gamma		
Janet Spugnardi	yea	yea	Monica Avila	yea	nay
Francis-Sadler Hall					
Karen Humphrey	yea	yea	Kappa Sigma		
Jarvis Hall					
Jennifer Bedell	yea	abstain	Stewart Hamel	yea	yea
Elizabeth Faucette	absent	absent	Lambda Chi Alpha		
Wanda Kadlec	yea	abstain	Greg Leet	yea	yea
Mindy Markland	absent	absent	J.B. Cheatham	yea	yea
Milton Daniel Hall					
Giovanni DiGiacomo	*	*	Phi Delta Theta		
Mark Imig	*	*	J.B. Cheatham	yea	yea
Mark Irish	yea	yea	Phi Kappa Sigma		
Kevin Nicoletti	yea	yea	Chris Brooks	yea	yea
Moncrief Hall					
Joe Briggs	absent	absent	Pi Beta Phi		
Khadevis Robinson	absent	absent	Christine Neiner	yea	nay
Sherley Hall					
Marny Brum	yea	yea	Sigma Alpha Epsilon		
Andrea Kinder	absent	absent	Brian Krpec	yea	nay
Morgan McGiffin	yea	yea	Zeta Tau Alpha		
Tom Brown Hall					
Kenny Baird	yea	abstain	Kiplyn Lively	yea	nay
Chris Haynes	yea	nay	MBA Association		
Willy Pinnell	yea	nay	Eric Chang	absent	absent
Voting Officers					
			George Fassett	absent	absent
			Becca Gardner	yea	abstain
			Theresa Hill	yea	yea
			Chad McBride	yea	yea
			Clement Ouda	yea	abstain
			Ashley Russell	yea	yea
			Brian Spindor	yea	yea
			Todd Watson	yea	nay
			Stoney White	yea	abstain

Resolution 96-1: to encourage the Department of Residential Services to purchase new vacuum cleaners for the residence halls

Resolution 96-2: to commend The Nashville Network on bringing "The Dukes of Hazzard" back into syndication

* denotes no recorded vote

Iraq, U.N. talk oil, food trade

BY ROBERT H. REID
ASSOCIATED PRESS

UNITED NATIONS — U.N. and Iraqi officials began talks Tuesday on resuming limited Iraqi oil sales to buy food and medicine, and Baghdad's chief negotiator pledged to cooperate with the world organization.

Western diplomats have made clear that the Security Council will not permit any major changes in the limited sales formula repeatedly rejected by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as an infringement of Iraqi sovereignty.

Speaking to reporters before Tuesday's closed session, Iraqi negotiator Abdul-Amir al-Anbari said he had "come with the full commitment to cooperate with the United Nations Secretariat."

Asked if he was optimistic, he replied, "Frankly, it's better to be realistic." The council imposed the sanctions after Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990, and says the embargo will remain in place until it is satisfied that Iraq has complied with U.N. orders to dismantle its program to build weapons of mass destruction.

The U.N. offer allows Iraq to sell \$1 billion in oil every 90 days to buy food and medicine for its people. The sales would be closely monitored to ensure the revenues don't wind up funding Saddam's regime, and some of the money would pay compensation for Gulf War victims and fund U.N. monitoring programs in Iraq.

Al-Anbari said Tuesday the U.N. conditions were "not a problem." He said talks were expected to last seven to 10 days and would likely be followed by a second round at an unspecified venue.

Saddam agreed last month to talks with the United Nations on resuming sales. It remains unclear whether Iraq is prepared to accept the U.N. plan in full or is using the talks to rally world opinion for a broader easing of the sanctions.

Western diplomats have made clear the talks would be limited to "technical matters" concerning implementation of the U.N. plan, and not making any changes to it.

Before the Gulf War, Iraq, which sits on one of the world's largest oil reserves, pumped about \$10 billion in oil each year.

Permitting Iraq to open its taps could further flood an already saturated oil market, forcing prices down and costing oil-exporting states billions of dollars.

Analysts say Iraqi oil sales might result in a price drop of up to \$2 a barrel, which could translate into savings of 2.5 cents to 5 cents per gallon of gasoline in the United States.

In a statement Monday, the international medical group, Doctors Without Borders, said medicine is in such short supply that Iraqi hospitals were able to perform only emergency surgery.

Dr. Renaud Tockert, the group's former coordinator in Iraq, said cholera, measles and polio had reappeared through much of the country. But talks have already brought short-term relief to many Iraqis.

The Iraqi dinar has strengthened, leading to a drop in the cost of food during Ramadan, the Islamic month of fasting. The dawn-to-dusk fast is traditionally broken by lavish feasts and festive parties.

Saddam's willingness to talk follows U.N. reports that Iraq lied to and misled U.N. weapons monitors, dashing any hopes the sanctions would be lifted soon.

Those reports, which followed the defection of Iraq's weapons chief, squelched French and Russian efforts to push for an easing of the embargo.



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showed Buchanan leading for at least 15 delegates.

That would represent a stunning setback for Gramm; for weeks he had been predicting he would win most if not all of the Louisiana delegates in an event engineered by his allies in the state Republican Party.

If the Louisiana returns weren't enough bad news, Gramm will have plenty of explaining to do Wednesday when he returns to Iowa: He missed a critical Senate vote on the farm bill so he could campaign in Louisiana.

Most of the GOP candidates stayed away from Louisiana in homage to Iowa where party activists jealously guarded their franchise as the early caucus state.

Those boycotting Louisiana included frontrunners Bob Dole and Steve Forbes, as well as former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander and Indiana Sen. Dick Lugar. Anti-abortion candidate Alan Keyes filed partial slates in Louisiana.

Exit polls showed Louisianans who turned out for the GOP caucuses were overwhelmingly conservative, according to the poll. Half of voters described themselves as part of the

religious right political movement, and Buchanan beat Gramm 2 to 1 among Christian conservatives.

More than half said the most important factor in their vote was that the candidate they supported "best represents conservative values." Nearly six in 10 of those voters supported Buchanan. Gramm held a narrow edge among the one in seven who said the most important factor was picking a candidate who could beat President Clinton.

Gramm was heavily favored but Buchanan relished the head-to-head matchup and suggested Gramm was hardly as conservative as he would have Louisiana voters believe.

Buchanan spent the entire day in the state, expressing confidence but making no firm predictions. Before heading to Louisiana, Gramm said he would consider getting 11 delegates a victory. That was a far cry from earlier predictions he would get all or most of the 21 delegates.

Although the event was dubbed a caucus, it amounted to a mini-primary. The state GOP set up 42 voting sites around the state and polls were open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. local time. In one last tweak at Iowa Republicans, who tried unsuccessfully to derail the Louisiana event, polls opened a half-hour earlier in tiny Iowa, La.

Separatists gun down prominent Socialist

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN SEBASTIAN, Spain — A well-known member of the governing Socialist Party was killed in this Basque city Tuesday, shot in an attack that police said was characteristic of Basque separatists.

Fernando Mugica Herzog, an attorney and brother of a former justice minister under Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez, was shot in the back of the neck near his law office by two young people who escaped on foot. He died shortly afterward in a hospital.

The afternoon shooting resembled tactics used by the armed Basque separatist group ETA, police said.

The ETA, an acronym for Basque Homeland and Freedom, has killed more than 750 people in its 28-year

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was written by the executive board. Spindor said there had been complaints from students about the lack of vacuum cleaners in the residence halls.

"The vacuum cleaners on campus suck or, pardon the pun, don't suck enough," he said.

The resolution states that "Residential Services has included a proposal in their fiscal budget for 96-97 to purchase 22 new vacuum cleaners for the dorms."

Spindor said the budget proposal must be approved by the Student Affairs office before the vacuum cleaners can be bought. Student Affairs would probably cut the money to buy the vacuum cleaners unless the resolution passed, Spindor said.

Spindor said the Greek residence halls would get the best vacuum cleaners from the other residence halls if new vacuum cleaners are purchased.

"The Greeks are getting the short end of the deal because there is no accountability in the Greek dorms," Spindor said.

Greek residents don't have to check out vacuum cleaners, and the vacuum cleaners there have to be replaced more frequently than the ones in other residence halls, he said.

Spindor said if students will notify their resident assistants of problems with the vacuum cleaners, they should be repaired.

A bill asking for \$1,400 to send 10 engineering students to a conference in San Antonio was presented by Stoney White, Permanent Improvements chairman. The bill was tabled to the finance committee for one week. The House will vote on the bill at its next meeting, Feb. 13.

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Tennis teams continue to excel, place in top spots

Ladies tennis nets first victory

By ERNESTO MORAN
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The TCU women's tennis team opened its spring season strong, shutting out North Central Texas, 9-0, at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center on Tuesday.

The Lady Frogs did not drop a set in the non-conference match. "We were ready to play," TCU head coach Roland Ingram said. TCU raced out to a quick 3-0 lead as freshman Natalie Balatoutis, sophomore Patty Vital and freshman Rachel Niwa won at the Nos. 3, 4 and 5 positions, respectively, losing a total of only three games between them.

Junior Deirdre Walsh (No. 1), sophomore Annika Kjellgren (No. 2) and senior Cristina Stangeland (No. 3) finished the singles sweep. Walsh said the team was anxious to play after three weeks of practice. "We'd been waiting a while," Walsh said. "We just wanted to start playing and get one over with. The first one's always hard."

The Lady Frogs' three doubles pairs of Kjellgren/Stangeland, Walsh/Balatoutis and freshmen Stacey Sabala and Leonie DeLorain also had little difficulty in finishing off NC Texas. Ingram said he was especially pleased with the depth the team displayed in doubles action. "I think we've got four good doubles teams," he said. "I've never had four doubles teams, so I'm excited about that. They can push each other



TCU Daily Skiff/Blake Sims

No. 2 singles player sophomore Annika Kjellgren returns the ball to her opponent. Kjellgren went on to beat Natalie Pola from North Central Texas, 6-2, 6-3.

and help each other get better."

The Lady Frogs said they hope to improve on last year's record of 9-12 overall and 2-5 in the South-west Conference.

Stangeland said one of the reasons for that optimism is because this year's team is a more close-knit group than last season's squad.

"I think we have more harmony on the team this year than last year," Stangeland said. "Last year everyone was so competitive that we had problems off the court."

The Lady Frogs will host Texas-Pan American at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center.

Men's tennis looks to Rolex

Team takes No. 5 ranking to championship tourney

By ERNESTO MORAN
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The TCU men's tennis team, ranked No. 5 in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association poll, heads into the Feb. 8-11 ITA Rolex National Indoor Championships in Dallas with five chances to come out with a title or two.

The tournament, which is the third of four legs in ITA Grand Slam competition, features the top collegiate singles and doubles players across the nation. The winners of the first two Grand Slam legs automatically qualify for the third leg, and other entries are determined in regional tournaments.

TCU senior Paul Robinson, the No. 2-ranked singles player in the country, is also seeded No. 2 at the Rolex. Senior David Roditi and freshman Talito Corrales will also be playing in the 32-player singles draw.

Robinson, who has reached the

Rolex final the last two years, said competition is especially fierce this year.

"There are so many people that could win the tournament," Robinson said. "I think it's a higher standard than it's been both of the two years I've played. I'm going to go in just like I did last year, just hoping to try and win a few matches and then take it from there."

"It's going to be a very tough tournament," he said.

As good as the Frogs' chances are of coming away with the singles championship, their chances at the doubles crown may be even better. Robinson and Roditi, the nation's No. 1-ranked doubles pair, and juniors Jason Weir-Smith and Ashley Fisher, ranked No. 2, are expected to be seeded Nos. 1 and 2, respectively, in the 16-pair doubles draw. Both pairs reached the semifinals of the tournament last year.

"There are only 16 (pairs) in the doubles draw, and every (pair) is

really good," Weir-Smith said.

Robinson and Roditi are coming off an easy doubles victory at last weekend's Farnsworth Princeton Indoor Invitational in New Jersey. They knocked off the No. 17-ranked Harvard tandem of Mitty Arnold and Todd Meringoff, 6-2, 6-3, in the finals.

Roditi said the competition will be heated at the Rolex tournament because every player is aware that a victory means ratings points.

"Everybody wants to beat (Paul and I)," Roditi said. "Everybody wants to beat Ashley and Jason. If you don't play well, you're going to lose."

The tournament will be held at the Brookhaven Country Club in Dallas and is being hosted by Southern Methodist University.

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Owners, coaches struggle with football expansion

By DAVE GOLDBERG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NFL owners again face their most perplexing question this week — how to fit 30 teams into 32 cities.

The only feasible answer may be a new round of expansion, a solution cited this week by several team and league sources.

But the major business when the owners meet in Chicago on Thursday and Friday is likely to be approval of Cleveland's move to Baltimore — with the condition that the Browns' name and colors remain in Cleveland.

The meeting comes a week after the Seattle Seahawks became the fifth team in the last year to move or announce their intention to move. In the Seahawks' case, it's to the market opened up in Southern California by the moves last year of the Raiders and the Rams.

That turbulence has raised eyebrows — not only among the fans, but among the owners.

"I really don't know what's going on in this league," Buffalo Bills owner Ralph Wilson said Tuesday.

"I'm really sad to see what's happened to it. We don't have any rules and regulations anymore."

But Wilson appears to be only one of four potential votes against the move by the Browns. Eight are needed to block it.

Commissioner Paul Tagliabue would not disclose his recommendation on Tuesday, saying he'd make a final decision after a meeting Wednesday night in Chicago with the stadium and finance committees.

But sources say Tagliabue and Cleveland Mayor Michael White appear ready to accede to Art Modell's move of his team to Baltimore if Cleveland is guaranteed another team when Cleveland Stadium is renovated or a new stadium built and that the team is "the Browns."

That still leaves the NFL with 32 cities and 30 franchises — Tagliabue has said he's committed to teams in both Cleveland and Baltimore and in Los Angeles. If Seattle moves, that would fill a hole in Southern California but open one in the Pacific Northwest.

Tagliabue, who was in Washington on Tuesday again seeking

antitrust protection that would allow the NFL to block team moves, has said he doesn't expect expansion until after the turn of the century.

But some sources suggest he may moderate that position to fill the 32 markets in which he wants teams and stop what could be a chain reaction.

Tampa Bay could move if it doesn't get a new stadium, perhaps into the Cleveland void, maybe to Orlando, Fla., or even to Hartford, Conn. And the Cardinals, who moved from St. Louis to Arizona eight years ago, could be on the march again if Bill Bidwill doesn't get a domed stadium in the desert.

The problem is emphasized by the surprise announcement by Seattle. Last year, the owners, including Seattle's Ken Behring, passed a resolution giving the NFL control over the team that moves into the Los Angeles market.

"I do know," Tagliabue said "that there was a very strong consensus that the league would control and manage the process of re-entry of a team to Los Angeles. The Seahawks themselves voted for those two resolutions."

Teenage girls wrestle

Sport faces gender barrier questions, state laws

By KEVIN SHERRINGTON
DALLAS MORNING NEWS

DALLAS — The story line is familiar: A teenager short on self-esteem and long in trouble takes up a sport. Grades improve, mood brightens.

Toni Miller doesn't know what would have come of her daughter, Arlington Sam Houston senior Sandra Rogers, if it hadn't been for wrestling.

"This has turned her around," she said.

And the prospect of girls wrestling has turned the sport on its ear in the last year. In Philadelphia, a girl was kicked off the wrestling team because of her gender. A Colorado school board tried to keep boys and girls off the same mat, until the lawyers started circling.

But no state has gone as far as Texas, where the state-wide wrestling authority deemed last fall that girls should not wrestle boys.

Separate teams for boys and girls has its merits, both proponents and critics of girls wrestling say. All concerns about competitiveness, safety and modesty aside, women do not

wrestle men in international competition.

But, at the high school level, the decision to separate the sexes has at least one drawback: not enough girls to go around.

And some think Texas would like to make it even fewer.

"What Texas is trying to do," said Archie Randall, coach of an Oklahoma high school that has a female wrestler, "is eliminate girls from wrestling."

It wouldn't take much. In the North Texas area, only a few schools have females out for wrestling. Besides Sam Houston's Rogers and sophomore teammate Melony Monahan, the schools with female wrestlers are Irving Nimitz, Arlington High and McKinney, say Texas Interscholastic Wrestling Association officials. Lake Worth had a female wrestler until December, when the program was discontinued, boys and all, for lack of participation.

So a handful of Texas girls run, stretch, lift weights and practice half-Nelsons all week, just like the boys. But whether they'll get to compete, as former Lake Worth coach Al Woolum put it, comes down to a tele-

phone call between coaches.

"Hey, are you bringing your girls to the tournament this weekend?"

Arlington Sam Houston coach Tony Warren took Sandra Rogers to a tournament in Oklahoma in January. She could have wrestled a boy. TIWA rules do not apply to exhibitions, and there are no rules in Oklahoma against girls wrestling boys. But, because of the high level of wrestling in Oklahoma, Warren advised Rogers to watch instead.

Rogers had one of the two confirmed victories by a female in Texas last fall. But, unlike almost everyone around her, she seems unconcerned as to the sex of her opponents.

"I don't mind," she said, "as long as I wrestle."

She never wanted to do anything before she discovered wrestling, said her mother, Toni Miller. Part of her problem, Miller said, is that Rogers identifies closely with her older brother, Richard, a gang member who dropped out of school and is "on the run from jail."

"Sandra's got an image she thinks she has to uphold," Miller said.

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Emmitt Smith wants Olympic gold

By PAUL NEWBERRY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — Winning the Super Bowl wasn't enough for Emmitt Smith. Now he wants to go to the Olympics.

The Dallas Cowboys star took on a task Tuesday that will be much more difficult than setting a National Football League record for touchdowns: gaining a spot for American football in the Summer Olympics.

"My quest for the Olympics has begun," Smith said at a news conference held during a sporting goods convention. "My idea, my dream, my goal is to go out and legitimize this sport

and compete at the Olympic Games with my peers in the football arena."

The event had the definite air of nothing more than a promotional campaign to sell a product that Smith endorses. The announcement was coordinated by Reebok and held in the shoe company's exhibit area at the World Congress Center.

Still, Smith insisted his idea wasn't "tongue in cheek," though he undoubtedly would have a better chance reaching the Olympics trying to compete in another sport, as Herschel Walker did with bobsledding.

"I've seen Michael Jordan get the opportunity to go play basketball and come home with the gold," Smith

said. "I've seen the baseball players go play at the Olympics. I haven't seen football players competing for this country and competing at a high level with their countrymen for a medal."

Anita DeFrantz, a high-ranking U.S. member of the International Olympic Committee, said it was "highly unlikely" American football would ever be on the Olympic program. There are other sports, such as golf and surfing, that have more worldwide popularity, yet are not part of the Olympics.

"The best thing I can say is that football will have to take a number in line behind them," she said.

Sports Digest

Kidd named player of week

NEW YORK (AP) — Jason Kidd of the Dallas Mavericks, who averaged a triple double in three games, was selected Tuesday as NBA player of the week.

Kidd led the Mavericks to a 2-1 showing last week by averaging 27.7 points, 10.7 rebounds and 10.7 assists. He also shot .517, making 30 of 58 attempts — including 14 of 24 from 3-point range — and averaged 3.3 steals.

The Dallas guard ranked third in steals, fourth in scoring and assists and 19th in rebounding for the week.

Tagliabue faces House committee

WASHINGTON (AP) — NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue faced a skeptical, sometimes hostile House Judiciary Committee today and asked for a change in federal law that would make his job more powerful.

Court interpretations of antitrust law have made football owners reluctant to fight teams that want to change cities, Tagliabue said.

The committee stacked the hearing to give priority to cities that have lost or fear losing their professional football teams.

Hill pulls out of dunk contest

NEW YORK (AP) — Grant Hill of the Detroit Pistons withdrew Tuesday from the Slam-Dunk competition, part of the NBA's All-Star weekend in San Antonio.

Hill has a sore right wrist as the result of an injury in game Jan. 29, the league said.

He will start in Sunday's All-Star game, however, according to the league.

Hill led all players in fan balloting, which determined the starting teams.

Fort Worth honors MVP

The city of Fort Worth will present Dallas Cowboys most valuable player and ex-TCU football athlete Larry Brown with an award at 11:30 a.m. today.

The ceremony will take place in the Chisolm Trail parking lot of Sundance Square. TCU Athletic Director Frank Windegger will present a framed copy of a full-page advertisement that ran in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* not long after Brown was honored as Super Bowl XXX's MVP award. Radio station KPLX will also be there.

Aikman undergoes elbow surgery

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman underwent successful arthroscopic surgery to his right elbow on Tuesday in a 75-minute procedure in Birmingham, Ala.

Dr. James Andrews performed a "debridement" of the elbow, which included the removal of loose bodies, bone spurs and scar tissue.

Aikman will begin a rehabilitation program soon. He was scheduled to participate in Wednesday afternoon's Cowboys victory parade, but no decision will be made on his attendance until tomorrow.

Former tobacco exec sued for breach of confidence

By DAVID ROYCE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Jeffrey Wigand has been portrayed as a heroic crusader out to topple the American tobacco industry and as a liar with a shady past that includes shoplifting and spousal abuse.

Wigand, the former tobacco

executive now teaching at Louisville's duPont Manual High School, considers himself first and foremost a chemistry teacher.

"The most stable environment for me is coming here at 6 o'clock in the morning and leaving at 4 o'clock in the afternoon," said Wigand, who made headlines after accusing his former employee,

Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp., of misleading the public about the dangers of tobacco.

Wigand has contended that former B&W chairman Thomas Sandefur lied when he told Congress under oath that he did not believe nicotine was addictive, a charge Sandefur has denied. Wigand's claims have prompted

grand jury investigations of tobacco companies.

B&W, meanwhile, has accused Wigand of lying, shoplifting and wife abuse — charges Wigand's lawyer has denied. Now, a federal grand jury is reportedly investigating whether attempts by Brown & Williamson to discredit Wigand amount to intimidating a federal

witness.

In his first print interview, at the high school Tuesday, Wigand would not comment on B&W's efforts to discredit him, citing pending court cases.

Wigand, 53, acknowledged that his life in some respects has "fallen into disarray." He's received death threats, his wife has filed for

divorce and he's no longer living at his home.

But Wigand, who has a doctorate in biochemistry, said he leaves his personal troubles outside when he comes into the classroom.

"I try to deal with school as school. They deserve my 100 percent," he told The Associated Press.

Letters from page 3

I am always happy to talk to Skiff reporters and am pleased to support student publications. I only ask in turn that student journalists respect the work of fellow students in other departments. Many students worked extremely hard on "Close to Home," and their work was a triumph, with all the objectives of the project not only fulfilled, but exceeded.

Richard Allen
Assistant Professor, RTVF

Arceneaux wrong

I have not read the Skiff over the last few days, so I do not know if a response was made to Kevin Arceneaux's uniformed editorial, "Gingrich's vision embodies American greed." Well, I am responding.

Now, I realize editorials are meant to offend some and not others, as well as make people think and question their own beliefs. But upon reading this editorial, I was first shocked, then humored and finally angered. I am not a very political person, and I firmly agree that a majority of our great democracy is motivated by pure greed. Everyone knows power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely. Mr. Arceneaux is free to take any stand on politics, and I think most Americans would stand beside him in anger against the crumbling evolution of our political system that so much of the world admires and desires.

How this equates with Christianity remains a mystery to me. Coincidentally, many national leaders claim to be Christians. And they appear to be greedy little men looking out only for themselves. This may be true. But the capitalist "God-fearing Christians" are not to blame for our decaying government. We do elect them, remember? And what's this about Jesus Christ being a Marxist? Where did that come from? That is completely unsubstantial, and even more untrue. Are you a Christian, Mr. Arceneaux? Do you have evidence for this claim? I'd be delighted to read it.

True, the almighty dollar has taken priority over the needs of people in this country. True, greed can become a god. The Bible does say money is the root of all evil. It also says a man cannot serve God and money. So those capitalists you speak of couldn't be serving a God they claim to fear if they have their own personal agenda. So don't gripe about it; do something. President Kennedy said, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." So, vote wisely. Run for office. Elect people who aren't in it to serve themselves. But good luck. Remember, power corrupts. ANY-ONE. But please don't lump every Christian into a boiling pot of some Congressman's greed and mistakes. We aren't all out to rob America

blind.

Do any other Christians get angry about these statements, as made by Mr. Arceneaux in this editorial? You should get angry. God did not call us to remain passive and watch the world go down in flames or allow God's name to be rubbed in the ground with such men as who inspired the likes of Lenin and Stalin. We are to step out and be separate. Take a stand. Make "God-fearing Christians" have a different reflection. Our country has no hope if nobody gets angry about anything anymore. There is no hope for a country that believes nothing.

Molly Adams
junior, Spanish

Editor's note: Kevin Arceneaux writes a column, not an editorial, for the Opinion Page. In columns, the author's opinion is expressed. Editorials reflect the collective opinion of the Skiff editorial board.

Barzilla wrong

Fortunately, we all have the opportunity to better our minds and increase the quality of our lives through higher education. However, as any scholar will tell you, with this knowledge comes only more questions. This comment is specifically geared toward Scott Barzilla. In the past few weeks, we have read seemingly intelligent insights into the problems and solutions of our country. However, each article proves to be vastly oversimplified.

Initially, we saw Scott claim that life in America was brought down by the ignorance of many of its citizens. We responded to this article by pointing out that "idiots" were not the problem; they were simply slipping through the cracks of the justice system.

Later, Scott suggested that Reagan's economic policy directly caused the recession. John Duck responded that blaming the recession on Reagan is oversimplifying the problems brought on by the 70s.

This week we were all spoon-fed Scott's "voice of reason." Apparently, this week Scott feels many of the problems of the country are in fact caused by the Fourth Amendment. He would rather put an end to frivolous law suits and put O.J. Simpson behind bars. (I am not even going to touch that subject.) I guess the thesis of Scott's "article" is that we need to have the losers of nuisance lawsuits pay for court fees. This, once again, works great on paper, but in reality is vastly oversimplified. Insofar as civil cases are concerned, you are assuming the people who are in the wrong will always lose. Our system has its faults, the victims do not always get what they want, but it does not allow them to owe money should they lose.

Your problem with the Fourth Amendment is moot. I cannot argue with your intentions to protect the victims, but part of what made this country great is the fact that you will be treated like a citizen until it

is proven you have given up that right. If we rob people of their rights upon suspicion of having committed a crime, the system can surely find something they did wrong. Without the Fourth Amendment, I could prove you guilty of just about anything I wanted.

In conclusion, I would simply like to caution the Skiff, its staff, as well as its readers, to be wary of people offering quick fixes. They seldom work out. This world contains such diversity and complexity that nothing can be "boiled down to one thing." We have seen governments like the Third Reich wipe out sections of the populous to solve its own problems. There will always be problems and never a single solution. We cannot compromise the rights of so many so a few can have their vengeance.

Doug Kriz
senior, psychology/religion

Peter Jones
junior, management

Johnston wrong

I am writing in regard to Kylie Johnston's last article, "Gramm's regressive ideas . . ."

I quote: "to the legion of male chauvinists who fear the havoc that women wreak." Only a woman with unfounded statements can create havoc in the first place.

Firstly, I defy the fact that there are indeed "legions" of male chauvinists. Then, on the basis of your article, I would say that your definition of a male chauvinist is very different from mine. Just because Gramm does not plan to give his non-elected wife an official post, it does not mean that he disregards her as a person, as a professional or as a woman. And before you jump to the conclusion that I must be a militant phalocrat, let me say that I am a well-educated, "independent, autonomous woman." Speaking about autonomy: please, in the future, when you choose to address a topic such as this, don't kid yourself believing that what "you" think is what "women" think.

And with regard to your sweeping statement about Texas Christian University, and its "conformity-loving, choice-chopping, homophobic-supporting" people, pack it in! Prior to collecting your degree, I would suggest that you review your attitude. Don't bite the hand that has fed you with an excellent education, with the tools for analysis and with the opportunity to vent your opinions on the Skiff.

Lighten up! Life in the political world, as we all know, may be heated, but that of a student can be very enjoyable! Give it a chance!

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Winter attire foils burglar

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WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — A would-be burglar who was dressed for the weather froze to death after getting stuck in his bulky clothing while climbing through a basement window, authorities said.

Henry Carlton's body was found Monday by an employee of the Betty Steinbacher Real Estate Agency. He was wedged halfway through a basement window, his legs inside and his head and arms outside.

The 41-year-old man was reported missing by his family Thursday and probably died over the weekend, authorities said.

Carlton apparently thought he could squeeze through the 15-inch high, 18-inch wide window and drop to the basement floor, Lycoming County Coroner George Gedon said. The window was partially obstructed by a heating duct, and Carlton's two sweatshirts and a bulky coat stopped him.

"Now he's wedged in there, he's on his stomach, the more he strug-

gles, the more his clothing bunches up against him, his feet are off the ground and he can't get any leverage," Gedon said.

Authorities said shoe prints on the basement wall were a sign of Carlton's vain efforts to free himself.

The window had been broken by a tire iron. Williamsport police Sgt. Curly Jett said Carlton also had other burglary tools with him.

The coroner said Carlton probably passed out from the pressure on his chest and abdomen, then froze.

Wrestlers page 9

Wrestling has given her daughter's life purpose, Miller said.

"I've seen such a change in her," she said of her daughter, whom she adopted when Rogers was an infant. "She's focusing on things now. It's changed her outlook. She's not as gloomy as she used to be, or as argumentative."

"She knows this is what she wants to do."

The sport obviously has been good for someone like Rogers, said Tom Tutko, a sports psychologist at San Jose State. But Tutko, while conceding that females have the right to wrestle, said the practice of boys and girls wrestling is an "awkward" situation with ramifications for both sexes.

Several coaches and officials in Texas, Oklahoma and California expressed concerns about the effects on male wrestlers.

"A case can be made that you're teaching young men to respect young women, and, when those barriers are crossed, it becomes more and more difficult," said Don Beck, director of the National Values Center in Denton. "Especially when there is so much violence toward women, particularly by male athletes."

"There's always some gain or loss in any venture of this type. But it seems there's more to be lost when those lines are violated."

TIWA officials — volunteers who run a sport outside the sanctions of

the University Interscholastic League, which governs extracurricular activities in Texas — agree with Beck's contention.

The TIWA never has endorsed women wrestling, said executive director Jim Giunta. Before this season, the TIWA even ruled that, if a boy didn't want to wrestle a girl, he could withdraw without being penalized.

The rule never was invoked, as far as Giunta knows. But the separation of sexes altogether is a more effective means of avoiding what the TIWA considers, among other things, a "matter of etiquette."

"We do allow girls to wrestle boys in what amounts to our Pop Warner league," he said. "But, when they've gotten to that sensitive stage of their lives, when some are uncomfortable with their bodies, it might not be appropriate for boys and girls to be grabbing each other in front of the student body."

Giunta said the separation of sexes puts Texas "on the cutting edge." He came to the conclusion, even though the TIWA did not study what other states were doing to incorporate girls into wrestling programs.

Only Texas discourages girls from wrestling boys, said Fritz McGinness, associate director of the National Federation of High Schools.

Shooting from page 8

campaign for independence for Spain's three northern Basque provinces.

Mugica Herzog was a former Socialist party head in the Basque province of Guipuzoa.

The attack came one day after police found an ETA arms cache in an apartment in the Basque town of Pasai-San Pedro. The cache included explosives, detonators, timers, remote control devices and manuals for making bombs.

Gonzalez, who came to power in a sweeping Socialist victory in 1982, has called early elections for March 3. His administration has been beleaguered by political scandals, including accusations that a former Cabinet minister directed death squads against the ETA.

Most polls indicate the center-right Popular Party will win most of the 350 seats in the lower house of Parliament.

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