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Siblings' Weekend offers final chance for fun before finals

BY TONY COVER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Although Spring Break has come and gone, TCU students will have one more chance to escape the stresses of class this semester.

The Department of Recreational Sports and Programming Council are throwing the annual Frogfest/Siblings' Weekend celebration this Friday through Sunday in front of Frog Fountain outside the Student Center.

"The idea of Frogfest is to have one major spring event before we head into the last

weeks of school," said Steve Kintigh, director of rec sports. "We're hoping students take this last chance for some fun before the end of the semester."

Events are scheduled to begin Friday evening in the Student Center lounge with sibling registration.

"We're going to have a coffeehouse motif set up with some music and snacks," Kintigh said. "It's going to be a pretty casual event."

"We've already got about 130 siblings registered and we expect more to come in that night," he said.

Registration will be followed by a show-

ing of the movie "Babe" at 9 p.m., he said.

On Saturday from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m., the official Frogfest celebration takes place in front of Frog Fountain.

"We'll have face painters, caricature artists, a bungee run, moon walk, velcro olympics, egg tosses and hippety-hop races," he said. "It's a number of nontraditional, non-competitive games that anybody and everybody can do."

Kintigh said there will also be a comic and deejay on hand.

Prizes from area businesses, including restaurants and carwashes, will be awarded to

the winners of the games.

On Sunday from noon to 6 p.m., Programming Council is sponsoring "Battle of the Bands," with six local bands performing outside of the Student Center.

Bands scheduled to perform include Drama Tiki, The Trey Gunter Band and Ten-53.

Kintigh said the Frogfest celebration originated nine years ago when Mike Gore, director of the TCU Bookstore, came to him with an idea for a major spring festival on campus.

"He put up some funds and actually began the whole idea," Kintigh said. "And then a

few years later, we added the sibling aspect. Not to change it, but enhance it."

But Kintigh said that Siblings' Weekend, in recent years, has unintentionally overtaken what is really Frogfest weekend.

"We want it to remain a TCU student event that siblings are invited to, not the other way around," he said. "So we're trying to refocus and let students know that they're welcome to come whether they bring a sibling or not."

Kintigh said he expects this year's event to be a success.

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'Showtime' offers local talent chance to find fame

BY NEELIMA ATLURU
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Rhythm and Blues solo acts, rap and instrumental music groups from TCU and the Fort Worth community will show off their talents tonight from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom.

This local talent will also have the opportunity to be recognized by different record label representatives who have been invited to check out what Fort Worth music community has to offer.

"Showtime at the Apollo" is the theme of the Black Student Caucus fundraiser for its spring formal dance in April, said Tenneil Terrell, a sophomore business major and secretary of BSC.

Tickets are \$3 at the information desk during the day and \$5 at the door.

The idea of a talent show had been used a few years ago, she said, and students decided to try it again this year.

However, one member decided that a simple talent show wasn't enough for the fundraiser.

Trey Johnson, a junior accounting, finance and computer science triple major and one of the organizers of the event, said, "I felt it could have been a lot larger than it normally has been."

In addition to raising money, this year's event will give Fort Worth talent the same chance to find fame as people in bigger cities like New York and Boston, he said.

The TCU Jazz Band is among the few TCU acts. The rest of the talent represents the parts of the Fort Worth community that have shown interest in the event.

"We wanted to reach out to the

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Raindrops kept falling on our heads — and the tulips, too — when showers drenched campus and the Metroplex Wednesday.

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Trustees to meet with committee

Students to air campus concerns

BY KIMBERLY WILSON
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Student concerns ranging from professors and class sizes to the possibility of a coffee house on campus will be considered by the Student Relations Committee of the TCU Board of Trustees.

The committee will meet at 3:30 p.m. today in the Woodson Room of the Student Center.

Sharon Selby, president of the House of Student Representatives, said she hopes to incorporate more discussion at this year's meeting with the Board. Selby said in the past, student representatives have had more of a presentation-style meeting.

"For us to make a presentation is all fine and good, but it also helps for us to get their ideas too," said Selby, a junior political science major.

Tony Hlavacek, president of the Student Foundation, said he will discuss maintaining small class sizes and the possibility of bringing more professors to TCU during today's meeting.

Hlavacek, a senior biology major, said it is good to have professors on the tenure track teaching students.

"We want to maintain a high quality of professors at TCU," Hlavacek said.

"We're also concerned about getting higher ratings for TCU academically," he said.

Selby said students will ask board members "what they think students need to know when they leave college" to determine possible changes in the core curriculum.

Selby said students will ask if there could be a multi-cultural component in the university core curriculum.

Chad McBride, vice president for programming, said other schools have a mandatory diversity class for freshmen to take. He also said the history requirement of the UCR will be questioned Friday as it can only be met by taking a class on American history, a subject which many students have taken in high school.

McBride said he thought many students would like to have more options to satisfy university requirements for graduation.

Selby said several students have said the physical education part of the university core is "high school-ish."

She said the effort to recruit more students from abroad to come to TCU will also be discussed, along with efforts to create more minority scholarships and encourage TCU to reach out to the surrounding community more.

The unavailability of the Student Center for booking club meetings and its lack of space will also be discussed, Selby said.

The widely-held student belief that TCU needs something to create a more collegiate atmosphere with more "hang-out" space will be addressed as well.

"We think it (the collegiate feel) is lacking on this campus," Selby said.

McBride said he felt the TCU community issues to be presented Friday will be the most important aspect of the meeting because they will directly affect the students.

Selby said the possibility of a Starbucks' coffeehouse located in Eden's Greens will be presented to the board members.

"This would extend students'

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Exhibit celebrates Texas women

BY TONY COVER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Students can journey into the lives and accomplishments of Texas women in two new exhibits on display in the lobby of the Mary Counts Burnett Library.

"Texas Women - A Celebration of History," will run through April 15. The exhibit highlights the historical impact of women on Texas culture, government and community through photographs and diary excerpts.

The display not only details the

state's most accomplished heroines, but also delves into the sorrows and hardships of the typical Texas woman.

"Ranch Women: Roles, Images and Possibilities," chronicles the rugged lifestyle of the Texas ranch woman through vignettes and pictorials.

"Historically, people think of ranching as being a male dominated area," said Kay Higgins, director of the Women's Resource Center. "But there have been a number of women who have made a real contribution to the ranching industry in the State of Texas."

"This is an opportunity to recognize those contributions and learn more about these women at the same time," Higgins said.

The display also looks at the roles ranch women created for themselves, as in Wild West shows and rodeos.

Both exhibits are produced by the Institute of Texan Culture in San Antonio.

The Institute, a part of the University of Texas system, is a learning center for Texas history and culture.

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University to break ground for performing arts center

BY JENNIFER LONGLEY
TCU DAILY SKIFF

TCU will continue its Next Frontier campaign Friday with the ground breaking of the F. Howard and Mary D. Walsh Center for Performing Arts.

The event will take place at noon on the lawn south of Ed Landreth Auditorium.

The new performing arts center will house a recital

hall, a studio theatre, an instrumental rehearsal hall, a choral rehearsal hall and a piano wing to accommodate the fine arts program on campus.

"It is a fantastic addition to the facilities we currently have available," said Robert Garwell, dean of the College of Fine Arts and Communication.

Edward P. Bass, a Fort Worth businessman, will be

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News Digest

Ryobi recalls table saws

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ryobi America Corp. is recalling 150,000 table saws, including some sold under the Sears Craftsman label, because switches supposed to lock them in the "off" position may not work, the government said Wednesday.

The 75-pound saws have 10-inch blades and a sliding miter table.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission said they were sold by home centers and hardware and Sears stores with the following names and model numbers: Ryobi BT3000 and Sears Craftsman Model 315.22185

Military won't fight drug war

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The war on drugs will be fought by teachers, families and judges, not the military, U.S. "drug czar" Barry McCaffrey said here on arrival for meetings with top Mexican officials.

McCaffrey arrived Tuesday and is to meet with President Ernesto Zedillo, Attorney General Antonio Lozano Gracia and others.

He ruled out joint military exercises between the United States and Mexico. Such exercises had been rumored last week but Mexico immediately rejected the idea.

Hormones may fight heart failure

BOSTON (AP) — Doctors seeking a new treatment for congestive heart failure have come upon an unlikely candidate — human growth hormone.

The preliminary study suggests that this genetically engineered protein makes the walls of the heart grow thicker so it will beat more strongly.

They found it appears to work impressively on people with dilated cardiomyopathy. In this disease, the left ventricle enlarges. But its walls do not grow thick enough to support its larger size.

Body believed to be missing teen

RIVERHEAD, N.Y. (AP) — A body believed to be a homecoming queen missing for nearly a month was found near a school athletic field — only 150 feet from where her belongings were discovered the day she disappeared.

Curtisha Morning, 17, apparently was stabbed to death, Lt. John Gierasch of the Suffolk County Homicide Squad said Tuesday. A passerby found the fully clothed body Monday evening, under some leaves along a fence bordering the Riverhead High School's running track.

Court rules on Indian casinos

WASHINGTON (AP) — States scored a huge victory over federal power Wednesday as the Supreme Court curtailed congressional authority to resolve disputes about gambling on Indian reservations.

The decision involves a \$6 billion-a-year gambling industry. The larger significance may lie in what it says about the balance of powers between state and federal government.

The court, by a 5-4 vote, ruled that Congress cannot expose states or state officials to federal lawsuits when negotiations break down over gambling activities on reservations.

CampusLines

CampusLines is provided as a service to the TCU community. Announcements of events, public meetings and other general campus information should be brought to the Skiff office, Moudy 2915 or sent to TCU Box 298050. The Skiff reserves the right to edit for style and taste.

"SHOWTIME AT THE APOLLO," sponsored by the Black Student Caucus, will be from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. tonight in the Student Center Ballroom. Tickets are available for \$5 at the door.

A BIOLOGY SEMINAR will be at noon Friday in Sid Richardson Lecture Hall 4. Dr. Steven J. Norris of the University of Texas-Houston will present "The Emperor's New Clothes: A Tale of Antigenic Masking and Variation in Syphilis, Relapsing Fever and Lyme Disease."

TCU TRIANGLE, the gay, lesbian and bisexual student group, meets at 5 p.m. Sunday. Call Priscilla

Tate at 921-7160.

THE DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM is collecting non-perishable food items and letters as a token of support for Candace McAdams' brother, a sergeant with the U.N. peace keeping troops serving in Bosnia. The care package will be mailed April 8. All students, faculty, staff and student organizations are welcome to lend a hand in this effort. Call 921-7425 or bring donations to Moudy 2565.

HUMAN RESOURCES will host a brown bag seminar at noon on April 12, in which Greg Stephens will cover tips for traveling in Mexico. Call 921-7790.

TCU'S STUDENT FOUNDATION will accept new member applications for the 1996-97 school year through Friday. Student Foundation is a service organization that promotes the welfare of the university by volunteering in the Admissions, Alumni and Annual Fund offices.

Members must be classified as a sophomore in the fall after the application is made and must maintain a 2.5 GPA. Interviews will be held in mid-April. Applications may be picked up at the Student Center Information Desk, the Admissions Office or the Alumni Office. Call 921-7803.

A RAPE AGGRESSION DEFENSIVE SYSTEMS class will be offered for female students from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays from April 1 through April 17. The cost is \$15. Call D.J. Swiger at 921-7777.

ALL STUDENTS PLANNING TO STUDY ABROAD during the summer and fall should stop by the Study Abroad office, Reed Hall 113, to obtain pre-departure information and academic approval forms.

THE RAPE/SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVOR GROUP is now forming at the Counseling Center. Contact Dorothy M. Barra at 921-7863.

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by Don Frederic



PurplePoll

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

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the guest speaker at the ground breaking. Bass has made a \$1 million commitment to the performance center.

John V. Roach, chairman of the TCU Board of Trustees, and Chancellor William E. Tucker will also speak at the event.

Richard Walsh, son of F. Howard and Mary D. Walsh, for whom the building is named, will also participate. The Walshes contributed \$3.5 million toward the fine arts center.

Ma'Lisa Mann, TCU internal communications editor, said that invitations were sent to friends of the university and the fine arts community of Fort Worth. However, anyone can attend the event, she said.

The new facility will feature several concepts that are unique, Gar-

well said.

"The piano program has been given some special resources," he said. "It has been named a center of excellence in the last five years."

Garwell said the piano program now has 32 students from 16 different countries and will be housed in the piano wing of the Walsh Center.

The 325-seat recital hall will have a more intimate setting than Ed Landreth Auditorium, he said.

"The concept being used in the new center has never been used in a new building," Garwell said. "It is unique to TCU."

The recital hall will be a room within a room and will have a false ceiling, he said.

The instrumental and choral rehearsal halls in the new center will be able to accommodate the campus programs. Choral students currently rehearse at University Christian

Church.

Garwell said the idea for a new performing arts center started with the students and faculty.

"It has been a need for a long time," Garwell said. "A new complex will heighten the opportunity for performance both for the student and the observer."

Garwell said the new center will also give the university a competitive edge in recruiting fine arts students. He said the new center will be able to meet the needs of both current and future students.

"The creative world of the arts can survive in all kinds of conditions," Garwell said. "But something special happens when your needs are met in such a dynamic fashion."

Garwell said that the architects and contractors project the building will be completed in the beginning of the Fall 1997 semester.

Weather Watch

Today will bring decreasing cloudiness and a high of 62 and a low of 44.

Friday will be partly cloudy with a high of 66 and a low of 42.

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"It seems our work with Programming Council this year has never been better in terms of coordinating the event with them," Kintigh said. "So we're real optimistic that everything is going to go well this year."

Patti Edmundson, Programming Council co-chairwoman for Frogfest, said she hopes students will take advantage of this last opportunity to have a good time this semester.

"It's going to be a fun and relaxing day where students can get to know others on campus and have a good time before they have to start thinking about finals," Edmundson said.

Registration for siblings is \$35 and includes lunch and a Frogfest T-shirt. The event is free to all TCU students.

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community as far as talent is concerned," Johnson said.

Stacy Henderson, a freshman pre-major and a member of the group, said the event will help BSC prove it cares about the community.

"We're building up a name and reputation for ourselves," she said.

Henderson said she expects the event to be a success because the group has gotten a lot of work done in a three-week period.

"It's come so far and it's so much bigger than we expected," she said. The show will feature about 10 musical acts.

Terrell said she hopes the event will have a big enough response to continue it in the upcoming years.

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gathering time after 5 p.m. and would give students who live off-campus another place to go between classes," Selby said.

Other issues to be discussed at the meeting include funding for equipment in the weight room, the lack of a study area in Worth Hills and the security aspects of that part of the campus. This includes a proposal that would provide lighting for the intramural fields.

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Larry Adams, associate vice-chancellor for academic affairs, inquired bringing the display to TCU after he had seen the exhibit while in San Antonio.

"Educational communities as well as the larger communities need to be mindful of the many achievements of women in Texas," Adams said. "That was my interest."

"I think as students pass through the exhibit and see the memorabilia, photos and names of Texas women, they will be reminded of these extraordinary women and their hard work and contributions," Adams said.

Higgins said that there will be a reception, open to anyone on cam-

pus, celebrating the opening of the exhibit from 4 to 5 p.m. next Tuesday in the library.

"Since it opened the day before Spring Break started, this is really the first time we've had an opportunity to recognize it publicly," Higgins said. "It's open to anyone on campus and we encourage everyone to attend."

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John Lamberth

Why let classes interrupt sleep?

Hey, you! Yeah, you reading this column. Since you're probably reading this during class, stop and look to the back of the room. Is anyone asleep? If not, then I'm probably not in your class.

I will now publicly declare to everyone that I sleep during class. Since admitting you have a problem is the first step to recovery, I admit that I can't stay awake during class.

I don't try and fall asleep, I just do. It doesn't matter what class it is or what's going on, I'm going to fall asleep. Granted, some of the professors on campus are a teensy bit boring, but that isn't really a factor. The only class that I haven't fallen asleep on yet is tennis. Of course, the semester ain't over.

The worst part about the whole thing is that not only do I sleep, but I snore, too. According to other classmates, I snore loudly. Apparently, my style of snoring is strange, because people make a point of saying "Hey, you were sleeping and making some weird snoring sound." No one wakes me up. Where is the fun in that? It takes the edge off another dull lecture if you have someone to laugh at. So most of the time, they let me sleep.

In my German class, I think I'm something of a legend. Aside from being one of the worst students in there (No Habla Deutsche), everyone knows

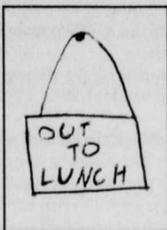
me as "the guy in the back corner sleeping." If I were asleep and got called on, the professor would wait for a little while, just to see if I was "resting my eyes" or something. Then he would move on. The class members would point and giggle, and I would be oblivious as my head rolled around and I made that weird snoring sound. Now every time I get called on in that class, everyone turns to see if I'm awake.

The cause of this problem is a mystery to me. I tend to fall asleep whether I've had two or nine hours of sleep the night before. It seems to happen whenever I'm sitting quietly listening to someone talk. The human voice puts me to sleep. This also seems to have something to do with television. Whenever I watch TV, I tend to get sleepy. Maybe watching a teacher talk is too much like TV for me. Whenever we have a video in class, I'm out like a light before the opening credits are finished.

I really want to stay awake because occasionally, someone is saying something I want to hear. I realize I have a short attention span, but I don't see how sleeping became the easy alternative to everything.

Now at the beginning of each semester, I warn professors of my situation. As I told one prof, "Even if you set yourself on fire and start throwing

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chickens at your students while singing calypso songs. I will still fall asleep."

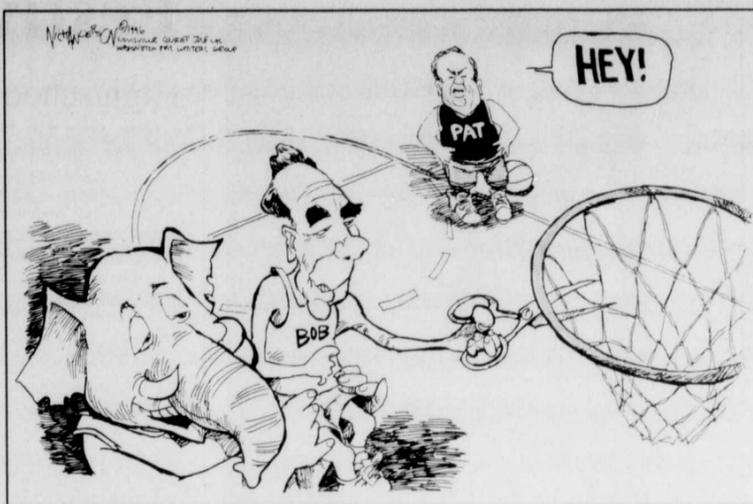
This is also a warning to anyone who might sit next to me. Take note, I will fall asleep. If you

don't want attention drawn to yourself, stay away! Nothing helps! I'm immune to caffeine!

This is not confined to school either. I fall asleep at movies, at friends' houses and at church. My mom is the minister of my church, too. Imagine how proud she must feel to have her own kid fall asleep on her sermons.

So, just a reminder to everyone out there — if you hear a strange sound coming from the back of the room, it's probably just me, asleep again. Please, don't wake me, just ignore me. Laugh if you must, but let me sleep. I hate to get up on the wrong side of the desk.

John Lamberth is sleeping. Shhhh!



Matt Pearce

Powell's best VP choice, but probably won't run

Now that the Republican presidential nomination has been settled (Pat Buchanan, get a clue), the real campaign is set to begin. Bob Dole has started to prepare for the task he came into the race to do: send Bill Clinton packing.

Over the past two weeks, the most intense focus has been on potential vice presidential nominees. The most popular choice, without surprise, is Colin Powell.

Dole simply couldn't go wrong with Powell. He is arguably the most popular person in the country today. Powell is capable of bringing support from voters who are disenchanted with traditional Washington politics, and he could sway voters from Ross Perot's Reform Party, whose main objective, as you could easily guess, is to reshape the federal government.

In some polls, a Dole-Powell ticket easily defeats Bill Clinton. Several Republican politicians have expressed support for Powell and predict Dole will choose him as his running mate. Many who believe this also think Powell will accept.

Unfortunately, Powell has shown little interest in becoming the next vice president. He knows that if he had entered the presidential race, he'd almost certainly be where Dole is now. Powell has said he does not want a public office of any kind.

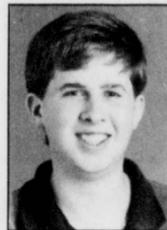
Without Powell to rely on, Dole does not have anyone to look to that would secure victory for him. Dole needs to pick a running mate with charisma and energy to balance the ticket. He also needs to choose someone who Republican voters would support hands down.

Of the other Republican hopefuls in the race, most have said they would not be interesting in being vice president, and those who haven't wouldn't be suitable anyway. Lamar Alexander would be a perfect choice, perhaps a better choice than Powell, but he has said he wouldn't be content as second in command.

Many political experts believe that Dole would be best off picking someone who's not currently in Washington. Former Housing and Urban Development Secretary Jack Kemp was once believed to be a top choice for vice president, but his last-minute endorsement of Steve Forbes virtually killed his appeal.

Several people have suggested choosing a state governor. There are several governors who would be worthy of consideration and would accept the nomination, but they all have their glitches.

Mass Conceptions



Two governors that have been mentioned frequently are Wisconsin's Tommy Thompson and Michigan's John Engler. Both men are conservative and would have no problem maintaining support from the Republican party. Both also have impressive

records. Thompson is one of the nation's leading governors in welfare reform, and Engler eliminated his state's \$1.8 billion deficit in his first term as governor.

The problem with Engler and Thompson is that neither one ranks high on the charisma meter. Political scientist John Pitney said a potential Dole-Engler ticket would be described as "Dole and Dull," a label that has "redundant" written all over it.

Several governors with more personality have been mentioned, but most do not share all the traditional views of mainstream Republicans. One popular suggestion is New Jersey's Christine Todd Whitman. She could help extend support from female voters, but her support of abortion rights could hurt her appeal.

Another popular governor is William Weld of Massachusetts. He pulled the state out of deep recession in his first term, and won a landslide victory for a second term despite running a state made mostly of Kennedy-loving, McGovern-picking socialists. But Weld is also pro-abortion, and he backed affirmative action in a speech last May. These views, along with his current run for U.S. Senate and early support for Pete Wilson's presidential campaign, virtually remove Weld from consideration.

Unless Powell changes his mind, there is no clear choice for the vice presidential nominee. My first choice would be for there not even to be a vice president and save an unneeded bureaucracy, but the v.p. is still a vital factor in the campaign. Since there is no striking figure to choose, I will not endorse anyone at this moment. The best thing to do now is to keep begging Powell and hope he gives in.

Matt Pearce rules.

Visitation

Policy outdated, underestimates students

Shacking is fun. Anyone denying this statement has either never tried it or is a member of the administration.

The university's current visitation policy is at best an ineffective attempt to ensure harmony between roommates. At worst, the policy is an oppressive nuisance to students who are otherwise expected to act as adults.

Many students assume that the "shacking policy" is a rule imposed by a stodgy administration to try and curb very un-Christian premarital sex. So it must be peachy for same-sex partners to party all night long, right? Try pitching that to a hall director.

That leaves roommate comfort as the only viable reason for the existence of a visitation policy. Few students would not admit to feeling uncomfortable with the notion of trying to fall asleep while a roommate is having sex in the top bunk.

But do we need a policy to keep our roommates from playing obnoxious music — softly during quiet hours, of course — while we try to study? How about when one roommate snores, or smells like sweaty socks?

Of course not. Students are expected to solve these problems responsibly. Part of the college experience is getting along with a roommate. Some may use reason, others may yell and scream (some have even been known to resort to fisticuffs).

The TCU Student Handbook advises roommates

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to, "Establish House Rules," at the beginning of the semester. If an argument is big enough, the hand-

book recommends the following: "If a difficult roommate conflict should develop at any point during the year, do not hesitate to go to your Resident Assistant, Hall Director or Greek Residential Adviser . . . Your hall staff is experienced in dealing with the problems and can probably give you some pretty sound advice."

Sounds like a good start, doesn't it?

Why not replace the by-the-book visitation policy with one that encourages students to make and abide by their own responsible decisions?

Roommates would outline acceptable behavior right off the bat. When conflicts arise, they would have three options: resort to their original agreement, sit down and negotiate an amicable compromise, or call in the RA.

This policy could even be applied to entire residence halls. Tom Brown Dormitory once acted, in open defiance of the administration, to expand visitation hours beyond what was allowed at the time.

So to recap: A large group of men living together in a dorm voted to establish acceptable living guidelines . . . And this is bad?

The point is simple. The administration should have enough faith in students as adults to make their own living rules, and enough faith in its residence hall staffs to enforce them.

Chris Smith

"Why can't we embrace an alternative rock star not angry at the world?"

We can do lunar landings; why can't we . . .

Humans have proved themselves worthy of the evolutionary process they have undergone with advances in mathematics, medicine and civil liberties. However, humankind lives in the dark ages when it comes to certain issues. This is why I have come up with a comprehensive list of things on which humankind has failed to improve.

I dub this list "If humans can put a man on the moon, why can't they . . ."

If humans can put a man on the moon, why can't they create a plumbing system that prevents scalding hot or freezing cold water from being emitted by showers whenever the toilet is flushed? Someone in Thailand has a dream about flushing the john, and an unsuspecting victim in Canada gets blasted with 400 degree water.

. . . create a soda cup that doesn't have massive amounts of condensation? Most companies manufacture cups that sweat their weight in soda and form that vast reservoir of water between one's legs during long trips.

Modern Angst

. . . have heavy metal bands in which the word "death" is absent from the title (e.g. Death's Head, Megadeth, Death, Angel of Death, Nocturnal Death, Screaming Death and my favorite, Death By Death).

. . . restrict country music to only 1,000 references to love, beer or Texas in each song.

. . . have bad guys in films who realize that it's probably better just to shoot the hero than tell him the intricacies of his diabolical plot to destroy the world then leave him



ample time to escape.

. . . have a Die Hard movie in which Bruce Willis' character does not kill a couple thousand highly trained soldiers while dodging explosions and an infinite amount of bullets.

. . . have a movie with Steven Seagal containing no broken arms (fractures as well).

. . . embrace an alternative rock star who isn't angry at the world.

. . . make a food that everyone loves, tastes great and has less than eight billion grams of fat and cholesterol.

. . . have a Star Trek episode that does not contain a holodeck malfunction trapping one or more members of the crew in a whacked-out simulation, possession of the ship's computer by some malevolent being who realizes, at the end of the show, it has misunderstood the human race and restores everything back to normal, or a journey into an alternate time/dimension/parallel universe where they boffo the timeline, meet a future or past version of themselves and in less than

one hour, correct the time anomaly.

. . . pass a law dictating that if one wants to make a book into a movie and said book is a classic or important piece of literature, the plot and ending are not to be changed to satisfy some insane Hollywood formula of happy endings (look for Demi Moore's new movie, "Bartleby the Scrivener," in which Bartleby is rescued from his job by savagely beautiful Indians who take him to therapy).

As humans progress and move into the 21st century, great leaps in technology are guaranteed to follow. However, at some of the more simple things in life, those having less visibility in the span of time, mankind balks. When the question of improvement is these areas arises, humans respond with a resounding, "I would prefer not to."

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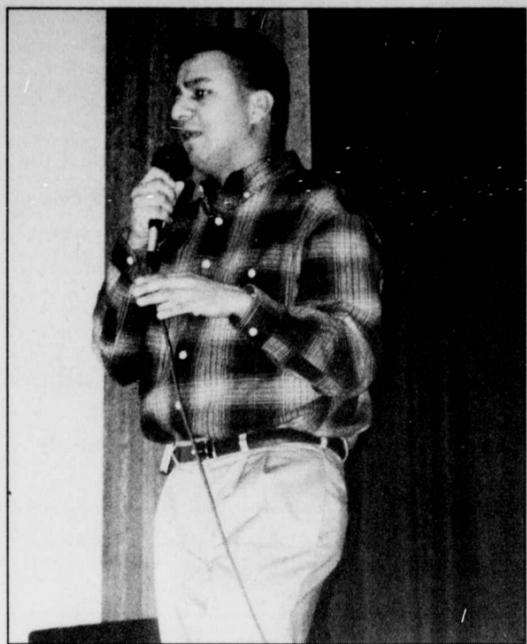
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Ken Martinez, the program coordinator of the Coming Up program, spoke about gangs and brought some local gang members to campus Monday night.

Festival showcases student talents

High school bands get chance to 'strut their stuff' in jazz competition

BY BRIAN WILSON
 TCU DAILY SKIFF

Ed Landreth Auditorium will be filled with the tension of competition Saturday as 16 state-wide high school bands strut their stuff as part of the 19th annual TCU Jazz Festival.

Their levels of talent will be judged by four area jazz aficionados, with the trophies being awarded during the evening.

Curt Wilson, TCU director of jazz studies, said he sees this event as one of the jazz program's biggest recruiting tools.

"They have a chance to see the campus, hear my band and also hopefully (experience) a wonderful night of entertainment," Wilson said.

The high school bands will join the TCU Jazz Ensembles, a vocal Jazz Ensemble and a Jazz Combo Group in the yearly event showcasing the talents and work of those

involved with the TCU Jazz Program.

Renowned saxophonist Tony Campise, considered by many to be one of the finest reed blowers alive, will lend his talents with performances during the evening concert, which begins at 7:30 p.m. in Ed Landreth.

"(Campise is) one of the greatest living jazz saxophonists," Wilson said.

Wilson said the Festival gives students and jazz enthusiasts a chance to hear a type of music to which they are not often exposed.

"What they're going to hear is America's first art form," he said. "And it is not a popular music, so it's not heard that often. So they're going to get a chance to hear American art performed."

The Jazz Ensembles will perform a new arrangement of the late Henry Mancini's "Charades," as well as pay tribute to recently deceased composer/baritone saxo-

phonist Gerry Mulligan with a rendition of "Walkin' Shoes."

The jazz bands will also play a good amount of original arrangements, Wilson said.

The TCU Jazz Combo will perform "Baila Conmigo" and "20 Billion and Three," both composed and arranged by freshman pianist Michael Riggs.

Campise will join the TCU Jazz Ensembles to play "Stairway to the Stars" and "Cherokee," both of which are from the Stan Kenton Library.

Campise will also perform an original composition, titled "Hogfat Blues," and the popular song "Georgia on My Mind" at Saturday's concert.

Admission to the festival is \$8 for the public and \$5 for TCU students and senior citizens.

"We hope we get real good support from the TCU community on this," Wilson said.



Tony Campise

Pre-med honor society causes stir at convention

BY NEELIMA ATLURU
 TCU DAILY SKIFF

For some members of the Alpha Epsilon Delta pre-medical and pre-dental honor society, Spring Break wasn't entirely a time to break loose and party.

It was a time to make a name for TCU.

On Thursday, about 25 students drove to the biannual national AED convention in Birmingham, Ala. The convention took place on Friday and Saturday.

On those two days, AED faculty adviser Phil Hartman said TCU delegates "brought the house down."

Hartman, a professor of biology, said the TCU chapter won first place in the two categories for which they were eligible: attendance and programming of events in the past two years.

"At the banquet on Saturday night, we were sitting at three tables," he said. "When Laila Wang (TCU's official delegate at the convention) went up to accept the award, everyone at each of the tables stood up and one after the other yelled out 'TCU.'"

Also, Hartman said the national president of AED, in his final announcement, asked to speak to TCU's chapter.

"He tentatively asked us to host the 1998 convention," he said.

Hartman said the convention hosted different speakers who discussed health care, workshops and meetings. He said there was also a tour of the University of Alabama's medical school.

At one of the meetings all chapters had to answer to roll call, he said. TCU began to make itself known from the beginning, he said.

"It just so happens, we were sitting in two long rows and wearing our blue AED T-shirts," he said. "We started a wave on the back row from the right side to the left. Then it continued from left to right in the front row."

He said TCU has let itself be seen and made itself known in Alabama. "There will be a lot more folks on the east coast that know about Texas Christian University," he said.

Manfred Reinecke, a professor of chemistry and regional director for AED, said the 1998 convention will be the main focus for TCU's chapter in the next two years.

He said the award for AED's programming was the more significant of the two awards the group won.

AED is a service organization for pre-med students and the medical profession, Reinecke said.

"We have set up all kinds of programs like observations for hospitals and dentistry and volunteer work," he said. "The students take part in Career Day and are active in the admission process."

Wang, a junior chemistry and French major, said the awards and the invitation to host the next convention are an honor for TCU's AED chapter.

She said TCU made a positive impression on everyone at the convention.

"The national officers were really impressed with our groups," she said. "We represented TCU well."

Senate passes line-item veto

BY JIM ABRAMS
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — In an unprecedented shifting of power from Congress to the White House, the Senate passed line-item veto legislation Wednesday that would allow presidents to strip individual items from spending bills.

Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, who helped craft a House-Senate compromise version of the bill, called it "the most significant delegation of authority by the Congress to the president since the Constitution was ratified in 1789."

The 69-31 vote came after the bill's chief opponent, Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., conceded he didn't have the votes to stop it and signaled he would not filibuster the measure.

President Clinton, like past presidents, strongly supports the legislation, and has waited impatiently for the Republican-controlled Congress to act.

Final passage has been stalled for more than a year by differences in the House and Senate approaches and — according to Democrats — GOP reluctance to give the new veto power to a Democratic president.

The bill could be taken up in the House as early as Thursday, and the GOP "Contract With America" provision should pass with ease.

Senators on both sides of the issue agreed that it could have major repercussions on White House-Capitol Hill relations.

"Those who think change is good will clearly understand that this is a formidable event in the ever-changing landscape of the legislation that Congress considers and finally passes," said Budget Committee Chairman Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., a supporter.

"This is the greatest effort to shift the balance of power to the White House that has happened since

"This is the greatest effort to shift the balance of power to the White House that has happened since Franklin Roosevelt's attempt to pack the Supreme Court."

SEN. MARK HATFIELD,
 Appropriations Committee Chairman

Franklin Roosevelt's attempt to pack the Supreme Court," said Appropriations Committee Chairman Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., an opponent.

The bill has an eight-year lifetime, giving Congress a chance to take another look at it if it's found that the balance of power has tipped too much toward the executive branch.

For the first time, the president would be able to pencil out individual programs in appropriations bills. Under current law, he can only veto entire spending bills, making it tougher to target low priority or pork-barrel projects for elimination.

The bill also allows the president to cancel targeted tax benefits to groups of 100 or fewer beneficiaries and to cut out spending on new entitlement programs and the food stamp program.

"The president can no longer say, 'I didn't like having to spend on that wasteful project, but it was part of a larger bill I just couldn't say no to.' Under a line-item veto, no one can hide," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a longtime advocate of the legislation.

But Byrd, a tenacious foe of the line-item veto, said Congress was "on the verge of making a colossal mistake."

Chlorine spill forces evacuation

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ABILENE, Texas — Nearly two dozen people were injured Wednesday in a chlorine spill at a welding supply company's plant that forced many nearby residents to evacuate their homes.

The incident occurred about 10 a.m. at Paul Carroll Welding Supply Inc., when a worker loosened a valve on a one-ton tank and was sprayed by liquid chlorine, said Ken Dozier, division chief of training and safety in the fire department. The unidentified worker was burned, Dozier said.

Part of the chlorine turned to a gaseous cloud and drifted into a north Abilene neighborhood. Authorities evacuated a number of residents around the company.

Twenty-three people were treated for chlorine exposure at Hendrick Medical Center, said hospital spokeswoman Celia Davis. Of those, seven were admitted, one in guarded condition, said another spokesman, Tom Craig.

"The injuries are mostly from exposure to the chlorine instead of burns," Davis said.

An official at the company said the leak had been contained.



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Juvenile arrest rate leaps by 44 percent, report says

By PEGGY FIKAC
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AUSTIN — A new report shows an exploding juvenile arrest rate in Texas, with the increase in youngsters' offenses far outstripping their population growth and outpacing adult crime.

The population of youngsters ages 10 to 16 in Texas increased by 11 percent between 1990 and 1994, while juvenile arrests went up by 44 percent, according to the report released Wednesday by the state Criminal Justice Policy Council. By comparison, the adult population and adult arrests in Texas both increased by 8 percent.

If current arrest trends continue, juvenile arrests are expected to increase 86 percent between 1995 and 2010, to 332,810, the report said.

"Texas already has the highest adult incarceration rate in the country. Attention directed primarily at continuing to increase the incarceration rate for adults at the expense of funding higher levels of juvenile services would be extremely shortsighted,"

Tony Fabelo, executive director of the council, wrote in the report.

"If we ignore the future impact of demographic changes on the juvenile system, and we fail to enact policies that are effective in curbing juvenile crime, the wave of criminals replenishing the adult system will create another major and costly criminal justice crisis in just 10 to 15 years," he wrote.

Total juvenile arrests increased 56 percent for Hispanics, 43 percent for African-Americans and 33 percent for Anglos, according to the report.

The report noted that between now and the year 2010, the Hispanic juvenile population is projected to increase 42 percent and the black juvenile population by 13 percent, while the Anglo juvenile population is projected to decline by 4 percent.

"A greater proportion of Hispanic and African-American juveniles will be growing up in urban households likely to be poor and in environments that more frequently expose them to conditions that increase their probability of becoming involved in delinquent behavior," says Fabelo in the report.

The report shows, however, that the arrests of black juveniles for violent and drug crimes increased by a smaller

percentage than for Anglos and Hispanics between 1990 and 1994.

There was a 50 percent increase in violent crime arrests for black juveniles, compared with a 60 percent increase for Anglos and 63 percent for Hispanics.

The increase in drug crime arrests was 108 percent for blacks, 141 percent for Anglos and 168 percent for Hispanics.

Disease deadlier for blacks, study says

By DANIEL Q. HANEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORLANDO, Fla. — Heart disease is far more likely to be deadly in blacks than in whites, even when they have equal access to the best high-tech care, a study found. And the reasons may be medical as well as cultural.

Diseases of the heart and circulation are the biggest health problem of all Americans, no matter what their race, accounting for nearly 1 million deaths annually. But researchers have long noticed that when heart disease strikes, its impact is harder on blacks.

Sorting out why is difficult, although the latest research provides some important clues.

Researchers from Duke University followed up on 12,402 patients at their hospital — 10 percent of them black — who had blockages in their heart arteries, the major underlying cause of heart disease.

Five years later, 27 percent of the blacks had died, compared with 20 percent of the whites — a 35 percent difference in mortality.

"The effects of socioeconomic status can explain only a minor part of the difference," Dr. Eric Peterson said Wednesday at a meeting of the American College of Cardiology.

In his study, insurance was not an important factor, since everyone was already in the care of a cardiologist and had received an angiogram, a common test that takes X-ray movies of the heart arteries.

Peterson said the team explored three possible reasons:

- Blacks delay going to the doctor, so their heart disease is worse by the time they start treatment.

- Blacks have more underlying diseases that complicate their cardiac care.

- Blacks are less likely to get bypass surgery or angioplasty, two procedures that reopen the clogged heart arteries.

To the researchers' surprise, severity of disease could not explain the mortality differences. Blacks got to the doctor sooner after the start of chest pain and turned out to have less extensive blockages in their arteries.

However, black people were almost two times more likely than whites to have high blood pressure or diabetes, which make heart trouble tougher to treat.

The researchers concluded that these complicating diseases could explain about one-half to two-thirds of the increased mortality among the black patients.

They also saw that blacks were 40 percent less likely than whites to get bypass surgery or angioplasty. This difference could explain perhaps 25 percent of the increased risk of death, the researchers said.

The study could not sort out why blacks were less likely to get these expensive procedures, but insurance is not the sole reason.

Dr. Charles Curry of Howard University in Washington noted that even in veterans' hospitals and among elderly patients covered by Medicare, blacks are less likely to undergo these treatments.

"Some feel that culturally blacks are less likely to accept such an invasive procedure as bypass surgery or angioplasty," Curry said. "Others feel that maybe the doctors are not good at communicating to many black patients the need for surgery. Some say most of the cardiologists are white, and maybe blacks are less likely to trust them."



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Scoring system aids treatment for cancer

Breast tumors could be evaluated by number

By MALCOLM RITTER
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SAN FRANCISCO — A researcher says he has developed a scoring system for small and very early breast tumors that might help doctors decide whether to recommend mastectomies or less drastic treatment.

The tumors — called ductal carcinoma in situ, or DCIS — are contained in the milk ducts of the breast. Most are too tiny to be felt and show up only on breast X-rays.

Choosing a treatment for DCIS is controversial because doctors can't tell which cases will become life-threatening. Earlier this week, other researchers expressed concern that too many cases are treated with mastectomies, in which the breasts and not just the cancerous tissue are removed.

"We may be over treating many patients" with radiation or mastectomies, Dr. Melvin Silverstein said Wednesday at a seminar sponsored by the American Cancer Society. Silverstein is medical director and senior surgical oncologist at the Van Nuys Breast Center in Van Nuys, Calif.

His scoring system depends on three characteristics of a DCIS lesion that become apparent after it has been removed: the size of the tumor, the width of normal tissue surrounding it in the removed sample, and the appearance of the tumor cells.

Researchers ranked each characteristic on a 1-to-3 scale and summed the scores for an overall score of 3 to 9. Then the usefulness of the scale was tested in 333 women who had been treated with breast-sparing

surgery, with or without radiation afterward.

The researchers looked at the women's medical records to see if DCIS or invasive cancer later appeared in the same breast.

The researchers found that women with scores of 3 or 4 had virtually no risk of recurrence, whether or not they had radiation after the tumor was removed. Women with scores of 8 or 9 had a high recurrence rate regardless of whether they had radiation therapy.

For those scoring in the middle, radiation therapy made a significant difference in the risk of recurrence.

That suggests that women in the lowest-scoring group can be treated with DCIS removal only, that women in the middle should get radiation in addition and that women with the highest scores should get a mastectomy, Silverstein said.

He cautioned that the scoring system should not be used until other researchers confirm its usefulness in predicting outcome.

More than 30,000 cases of DCIS will be diagnosed this year in the United States. The number has been rising in the past decade because of greater use of mammography, Silverstein said.

Dr. Ann Thor, professor of pathology and surgery at Northwestern University, called the results interesting. But she noted that the study looked at so-called local recurrence in the same breast rather than death or the dangerous spread of cancer cells.

It's not clear what local recurrence means for a woman's risk of life-threatening disease, she said.

Governors to set academic standards

By DEB RIECHMANN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PALISADES, N.Y. — As President Clinton complained about giving students "free passes" to the next grade, the nation's governors ended a two-day education summit Wednesday with a pledge to set tough academic standards in their states.

Clinton said students, teachers and schools need to be more accountable, and the governors promised to set up, within the next two years, tests that will assess whether students are meeting higher standards in their states.

After late-night partisan bickering, the governors issued a six-page policy statement aimed at rekindling the academic standards movement in the states — a grassroots campaign, not one coming from Washington.

"The choice is clear," said Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson, chairman of the National Governors Association, who led the summit with IBM Corp. Chairman Louis Gerstner. "By setting standards for our schools, our students will graduate with the skills they need to succeed."

"They will know how to write, how to read and how to compute, as well as how to comprehend. They will be able to command good jobs, good wages."

At the summit, 49 business leaders agreed to look at the high school transcripts of prospective hires, push parents to get involved in schools and play an active role in getting technology in the classroom.

They also agreed to make a state's academic standards and student performance a high priority in deciding where to build or expand operations.

Efforts to reach a consensus nearly collapsed early Wednesday. Some conservative Republican governors, including Virginia's George Allen, threatened not to sign the policy statement because they thought it did not adequately acknowledge state control over education.

"There were a few governors who stomped around," Thompson said. "I even lost my temper."

In his keynote address, Clinton expressed no support for stepping up the federal role in education. He conceded that efforts to set national standards for certain subjects, such as history and English, have been disappointing, although he said ones for math and science were more useful.

"I think we ought to have standards," Clinton told the governors. "You should set them. We'll support you however you want. But they won't work unless there are consequences. You have to reward good teachers and facilitate the removal of those who aren't performing."

Clinton said he thinks the states need to require students to pass tests to graduate from elementary, middle and high schools. Only Arkansas and four other states require such tests, he said.

Gov. Tom Ridge, R-Pa., called Clinton a supporter of the status quo in education.

"Clinton is praised as a pioneer for getting testing in Arkansas," Ridge said. "I'm going to go back and see how tough those tests are and see how the reading and math proficiencies have gone up since he tested them."

The governors and business leaders also agreed to set up an independent, nongovernmental effort to measure and report each state's annual progress in setting standards. To review student academic progress, the group agreed to explore the use of an international assessment.

Details about this entity that Thompson has called the "war room" or "clearinghouse" are to be outlined within 90 days, likely under the close scrutiny of Republican governors.

"I don't want this to turn into a quasi-governmental authority — not something that usurps the rights of the people or the states in charting the course of their own schools," Allen said.

"I don't want it to be some super school board that says if you want to put standards in, you have to go through us."

House plans to send budget measure to Clinton

By ALAN FRAM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Republicans will ship President Clinton stopgap legislation to keep government running if budget differences haven't been settled by week's end, House Speaker Newt Gingrich said Wednesday.

The two sides narrowed some disputes as they continued their marathon battle over a \$160 billion measure financing dozens of agencies for the remaining half of fiscal 1996. But though major divisions remained over social spending and environmental restrictions, Gingrich, R-Ga., said the

GOP would not allow a new federal shutdown to begin this weekend.

"We want to make sure we keep the government open and pass the appropriations bills, which would be ideal," or a short-term measure, he told reporters. "We don't want the government to close under any circumstances."

Gingrich's comments reflected an election-year determination by GOP leaders to avoid a repeat of the first two partial shutdowns, which shuttered agencies a total of 27 days.

Sharing that view, House Appropriations Committee Chairman Bob Livingston, R-La., prodded his colleagues in a letter announcing, "It's time to declare victory!" He noted that whatever compromise Congress and the

administration concoct, the 1996 spending bills will save at least \$23 billion from 1995 levels — more than what would have been required under last year's failed budget-balancing effort.

Though no final decisions had been made, some lawmakers and aides said if no final agreement had been reached by Thursday night, Congress would send Clinton a measure keeping agencies open through April 20. If so, that would be the 12th short-term bill enacted since fiscal 1996 began on Oct. 1 — and it would let Congress commence a two-week Easter break this weekend and give them a week of bargaining when they return.

Senate Minority Leader Tom

Daschle, D-S.D., accused Republicans of intransigence in insisting that the bills retain language allowing increased logging on federal lands, easier development of wetlands and California's Mojave Desert.

"So as long as that continues, the prospects for any resolution seem to be very dim," he said.

Besides eliminating the environmental language, the White House has been seeking an additional \$8 billion for education, high technology and other Clinton priorities, much of it to keep spending at 1995 levels.

The Senate has restored nearly half of that amount, but the administration is insisting on \$1.8 billion more for Head Start, veterans medical care and other programs.

Drinking and driving still don't mix.

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Two Student Foundation information sessions will be held this week for those students seeking more information regarding the organization. Sessions are scheduled for Thursday, March 28, at 5 p.m. in room 203 and Friday, March 29, at 1:30 p.m. in room 222 in the Student Center.

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Rabin's assassin sentenced to life behind bars

By DAN PERRY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEL AVIV, Israel — Even as guards hauled him away to a life behind bars, convicted assassin Yigal Amir showed no remorse about gunning down Israel's prime minister.

The 25-year-old former law student told the Tel Aviv court in his final statement Wednesday that Rabin had to be killed because his efforts to make peace by giving up land to the Arabs were a calamity for the Jews.

"Everything I did, I did for God, for the Torah of Israel, the people of Israel and the land of Israel," Amir said. He dismissed the three-month proceedings as a show trial and told Judge Edmond Levy: "May God help you."

It was a typical proclamation by the determined young man who shocked the world and exposed the deep rifts in Israel by walking up to Rabin, reaching between security men and shooting him twice in the back with hollow-point bullets on

Nov. 4. The three-judge panel convicted Amir and ordered the maximum sentence — life in prison for murdering Rabin, as well as six years for wounding his bodyguard.

Parole seems out of the question for the slightly built defendant, who throughout the trial exasperated his judge and many Israelis with his apparent indifference and unrepentant attitude.

Looking at his sister Hadas at his sentencing, Amir pointed upwards, as if to suggest that everything was in God's hands.

His black curly hair covered by a

black skullcap, Amir yawned as Levy described him as a "wild growth" and suggested Israel must reevaluate an educational system that was failing to instill sufficient values.

Levy noted Amir is highly intelligent — his lawyers say tests placed his IQ at 144, far above average. But he also "has narcissistic and schizoid tendencies and sees the world in terms of black and white," Levy added, summarizing a court-ordered psychiatric exam.

"With premeditation and amazing calm, he decided that the death of the late prime minister was the only way

to stop the peace process he opposed and he took this path to its very end," Levy said.

Amir tried to yell something after the sentence was pronounced, but guards quieted him and hustled him out of the courtroom.

The conviction and sentence were hardly a surprise: Amir was caught at the scene and confessed. An amateur video shows Amir loitering by Rabin's car and shooting the premier as he was about to leave a Tel Aviv peace rally.

Still, the trial transfixed Israelis, who were deeply shaken by the first high-level assassination in their

modern history. Rabin's widow struggled to find the right words.

"What was left to prove?" Leah Rabin asked. "I have nothing to say about the verdict or the sentence. I do not wish him (Amir) anything because . . . for me he does not exist."

Prime Minister Shimon Peres, who shared the 1994 Nobel Peace Prize with Rabin and PLO chief Yasser Arafat, said the punishment "pales in comparison to the crime."

Wednesday's four-hour session ended a trial that at times seemed like a circus.

Levy would often groan as witnesses struggled to understand the broken Hebrew of defense lawyer Jonathan Ray Goldberg, an American immigrant. At times Amir himself took over cross-examination, earning more scorn from the judge.

Amir told the court he did not mean to kill Rabin but only to paralyze him, a statement that was entered as a not guilty plea.

Attorney Shmuel Fishman tried to the end to argue that Amir should only be convicted of the lesser manslaughter charge, which carries a

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Censored David statue arrives in Holy Land

By CAROLINE GOLDMAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JERUSALEM — David has finally come home to Jerusalem.

Last year, the holy city rejected a replica of Michelangelo's statue of David proffered by the Italian city of Florence, where the original is displayed, for fear the nude figure would offend Orthodox Jews and Arabs.

On Wednesday, a replica of Andrea del Verrocchio's more modest David — clad in Roman skirt — was unveiled in the stone gardens of the Tower of David Museum in the Old City of Jerusalem.

"This is the special message of a city which is said to be the city of beauty — Florence. And it is a special gift to a city which is really unique in the world, which is Jerusalem," said Florence Mayor Mario Primicerio, presenting the gift.

"The love for the memory of King David is something that binds us together," replied Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmert.

"Thank God there is more than one statue of King David," he added.

The 3-foot David statue by Verrocchio, a 15th century Florentine sculptor and painter, depicts the Jewish king holding a sword in his right hand while Goliath's tortured head rests at his feet.

Olmert presented his guest with seven silver coins issued for this year's celebrations marking 3,000 years since David declared Jerusalem as the capital of the Jewish kingdom.

Primicerio returns home Thursday after a week in Israel.

Cow disease continues to scare Londoners

By ROBERT BARR
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — The bad news for Prime Minister John Major is that restoring public confidence in British beef after the mad cow disease scare may take \$4.2 billion and five years.

The worst news is that after a politically disastrous week, his Conservative Party probably won't be in power that long.

Major is trying to assure people that British beef is safe.

"We have said so and the scientists have said so," he said in a television interview Wednesday. "What has happened is collective hysteria, partly media, partly opposition (politicians), partly European."

But at supermarkets and fast-food counters across Britain, consumers have returned a resounding vote of no confidence in Major's assurances.

Beef sales have slumped in Britain and its largest former export markets. The McDonald's, Burger King and Wimpy fast food chains are withdrawing British beef.

And on Wednesday, the European Union ordered Britain to stop exporting its cattle, beef and beef products to any part of the world. Greek authorities confiscated more

than 50 tons of British beef stored at warehouses around Athens. And the Dutch Agriculture Ministry ordered the slaughter of up to 64,000 British calves imported in recent months to the Netherlands.

The revolt against British beef was ignited by the government's disclosure last week that its scientific advisers believe that mad cow disease "most likely" was the source of 10 cases in Britain of Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease, which kills people by destroying their brains.

British beef farmers, as they watch their \$6-billion beef industry disintegrate, are pressuring the government to do something.

The National Farmers Union is pressing for the destruction of all cattle older than 30 months — up to 15,000 animals a week for five years.

Agriculture Minister Douglas Hogg told a parliamentary committee Wednesday that such an action would cost \$825 million a year.

A Scottish meat processor called for even more drastic action — destroying any herd in which even a single case of mad cow disease is found. That could cost \$9 billion in all.

"There has to be a deliberate policy to end BSE (mad cow disease), or it will recur again and again," said Fred Duncan, chairman of Grampian Country Food Group Ltd. of Aberdeen.

His company, which normally sells 650 tons of beef a week, has sold only 12 tons in the past week. Duncan said he has laid off 150 workers and expects to lose more than \$2 million by mid-April.

Tens of thousands of jobs are at stake — on farms, in slaughterhouses and at trucking companies. The developments dominate newspapers and news broadcasts.

It's an easy issue for opposition parties to exploit.

Following the government announcement last week, Labor Party leader Tony Blair said that he, like Major, was confident in the safety of British beef and would continue to eat it.

On Tuesday, however, Blair rattled Major in the House of Commons by first reciting the scientific reasons for not being afraid of beef, then inviting Major to reassure everyone by "quantifying" what the government means by an "extremely small risk."

It's a question that can't be answered by scientists — who still know very little about how the disease spreads — and certainly can't be answered by a politician.

So Major accused Blair and his party of "trying to create health scares," and Blair accused Major of "quite mind-boggling incompetence."

In an editorial Wednesday, *The London*

Times said Major's handling of the beef crisis seemed to fit a pattern of political misjudgment.

"Too often Mr. Major has held to a position long after it should have been abandoned, and then when the maximum disadvantage has accrued, he has folded," said the newspaper, which generally supports the Conservatives.

It cited the government's attempt to shore up the pound in 1992 to keep it within an EU currency stabilization system. The Treasury blew more than \$7 billion before admitting it was beaten by the market.

Since his come-from-behind election victory in 1992, Major's majority in the House of Commons has dwindled from 21 to just two. After a special election next month, it's likely to be one.

The Conservative Party's hopes of surviving the next election had picked up earlier this year, as it drew closer to Labor in opinion polls. A Gallup survey of 9,000 voters in February, which had a margin of error of three percentage points, found that 23.5 percent would be "most inclined" to vote Conservative in the next election, compared to 43.5 percent for Labor.

It's a mark of the Conservatives' desperate position that the 20-point deficit was its best showing in a year.

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Old friends to face off in 'Final Four' match

Pitino, Calipari share special friendship

By JIM O'CONNELL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Rick Pitino, dedicated alum of the University of Massachusetts, has no one to blame but himself for the predicament he faces this weekend as coach of the Kentucky Wildcats.

When his alma mater was looking for a basketball coach eight years ago, Pitino had a candidate he was willing to go to the wall for, even offering a little financial assistance in his pursuit.

That man was John Calipari, and on Saturday night he and Pitino will lead their teams against each other in the Final Four, a familiar spot for a traditional program like Kentucky's, a first-time event for Massachusetts.

"I've seen a lot of great programs develop, John Thompson at Georgetown, Jerry Tarkanian at UNLV in the desert," Pitino said Wednesday, "but John took a program that didn't have money for a secretary, nothing, got an arena built when the state was broke and got them to No. 1 when I thought Top 20 was an impossible task."

"To say I'm a happy alumnus is putting it simply and there's nothing I wouldn't do for him and I'm sure he feels the same way for me."

Calipari took the Massachusetts job in 1988, after the program had experienced 10 consecutive losing seasons, six of which had victory totals in single digits.

Pitino had played there in 1973 and 1974 when the team went 20-7 and 21-5.

"We were a New England program, a regional program," Pitino said of his years in Amherst. "I get the Boston Herald and Boston Globe sent to me now. I don't remember ever seeing a Herald or Globe reporter when I was there. Now there are big inserts all over and there's the television. Winning was difficult but he created an image and that's truly remarkable."

Pitino was the coach of the New York Knicks when he was asked to be on the search committee as UMass looked for a replacement for Ron Gerlufsen. He knew who he wanted

and he even came up with an extra \$5,000 to entice Calipari, then an assistant at Pittsburgh, to take the job.

"My relationship with coach Pitino is based on the fact that I'm the head coach at the University of Massachusetts because he was on the selection committee and felt I would be good for the job and he made the calls to make sure it was done," Calipari said Wednesday. "I never worked for or played for Rick but he's somebody anytime I've had a problem or needed help I've been able to pick up a phone and he's given me

great advice and I hope he feels that way even though he doesn't need anything from me."

Calipari talked of the upcoming matchup of his top-ranked Minutemen and the second-ranked Wildcats.

"This week he's the other coach," Calipari said. "But, win or lose I'm going to hug him and tell him how much he means to me."

The two have been on opposite sidelines four times and the first victory for Calipari came this season in a 92-82 win in November that vaulted the Minutemen to the No. 1 ranking. Only Massachusetts, Kentucky and Kansas held the top spot this season.

The intensity of running high-profile programs hasn't stopped Pitino and Calipari from remaining close friends, often talking during the season.

"We have a mutual friend who we're always talking with and both of us have so much fun coaching," Pitino said. "We are not similar in the way we coach but we are similar in that we both absolutely love the game of basketball. You have three, four, maybe five good friends in the business. You don't have a lot, but you do have some special relationships."

Calipari sounded a lot like his mentor.

"I talk to maybe Rick and three other coaches on a regular basis," he said. "I need to do that especially as a young guy going through things I've never seen. I have to talk through those things with somebody. I haven't experienced what coach Pitino has experienced. I need that."

"Winning was difficult but he (Coach John Calipari) created an image and that's truly remarkable."

RICK PITINO,
UMass basketball coach

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Magic drop first home game to Lakers

By FRED GOODALL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORLANDO, Fla. — Sitting in the losing locker room at Orlando Arena for the first time this season, Shaquille O'Neal turned philosopher.

The second longest regular-season home winning streak in NBA history was over, ruined by the Magic Johnson-led Los Angeles Lakers on a night the Orlando Magic hardly resembled themselves.

Coach Brian Hill talked about the law of averages. Anfernee Hardaway suggested it may even be a blessing in disguise. O'Neal just

promised that the Atlantic Division leaders will move on.

"We're not going to dwell on losing one stinking home game," the All-Star center said after the Lakers stopped Orlando's string of home-court dominance at 40 games, including 33 straight this season, with a 113-91 victory Tuesday night.

"You know, I once went five years without a flat tire. I didn't think I'd ever have a flat tire. Then I got two in one week. All good things must come to an end."

But no one expected the Magic's streak, the longest in league history before Chicago won its 41st consecutive regular-season home

game last week, to end the way it did.

The Lakers shot better from 3-point range (11-for-18) than Orlando did from the free-throw line (8-for-18) and beat the Magic into submission after building their lead to 14 in the third quarter.

"I haven't seen a team be that aggressive or play as well as they did all season. They kept coming at us and coming at us, especially on offense," Hardaway said. "We normally make a run on teams at some point in the game. But they have to miss or make some turnovers somewhere along the line. The Lakers never did."

Horace Grant, who had 26 points

and 17 rebounds in Orlando's one-point victory over the Lakers in Los Angeles earlier this month, sat out Tuesday night because of back spasms.

The Lakers said it didn't matter. "Even if Horace had played, we would have gotten them the way our shooters were shooting," Johnson said. "I only ended up with 14 points, but we had it all going. We were working on all cylinders."

Orlando's Dennis Scott made a game-winning 3-pointer in the earlier meeting between the teams, but was held to six points this time on 2-for-11 shooting. He missed eight

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Bam Morris not the first Steeler with drug problem

By ALAN ROBINSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers, synonymous with Super Bowls for so many years, are acquiring a less-enviable reputation: the NFL's most drug-troubled franchise.

Running back Bam Morris' arrest on marijuana and cocaine charges is the latest unsavory episode for an organization that takes pride not only in its involve-

ment in the community, but also in its unusually close relationship between ownership and players.

Despite the seriousness of the Morris charges — both are punishable by two to 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine — the Steelers are asking their fans to let the case be decided in the judicial system, not in the public forum of call-in shows or letters to editors.

But privately, the Steelers are troubled that yet another player has ignored repeated warnings by the

team and the NFL that players be mindful of their enviable position in society and the responsibilities that go with it.

"Bam is a member of our football team, and a member of the Steelers family, and we're trying to do what we can to support him," director of football operations Tom Donahoe said.

Steelers president Dan Rooney also spoke to Morris after his arrest Friday and pledged the organization's support.

"Bam is confident that when the entire story comes out and the whole story is told, hopefully, everything will work out for him," Donahoe said.

Morris must be hoping it works out better for him than it did for Terry Long, Carlton Haselrig and Tim Worley, past Steelers whose off-field substance abuse problems effectively ended their careers in Pittsburgh.

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Columnist picks best National League baseball teams

Every team in the National League will struggle again to keep up with the Braves, as they have for about the past five years. However, there are always a few surprises in baseball, so we will have to just wait and see. Here goes.

National League East

Atlanta: 1st place It should be illegal for any team to assemble a staff this good. Greg Maddux and Tom Glavine will continue to dominate, but if Steve Avery comes back from a poor season, then the Braves could be even better. Scary, isn't it?

Some key bats struggled last season, even though the Braves won the championship. Look for Fred McGriff, Dave Justice and Marquis Grissom to come back strong this season. This team is one of the few locks in baseball.

Florida: 2nd place The Marlins may have a chance to win the wild-

card spot this season. The Marlins bolstered their pitching staff by adding Kevin Brown and Al Leiter, both notorious underachievers, but they should give the team much more depth.

Devon White is the leadoff hitter and center fielder the Marlins have desperately needed. If Gary Sheffield can remain healthy, then the Marlins' offense will be very strong. Jeff Conine continues to knock in runs, and the ageless Terry Pendleton provides veteran leadership.

New York: 3rd place The Mets have one of the best young rotations in baseball with youngsters Jason

Isringhausen, Bill Pulsipher and Paul Wilson. Bobby Jones and Pete Harnisch aren't too shabby either. John Franco and Doug Henry give the Mets a solid bullpen.

The Mets' lineup isn't as impressive. It added Lance Johnson and Bernard Gilkey, but neither of those guys really scare opponents. Jeff Kent, Rico Brogna and Todd Hundley are solid but this team will still struggle to score runs. If its young pitchers dominate, the team may steal

the wild-card.
National League Central
Houston: 1st place The Astros are one of the most underrated teams in baseball. Sean Berry was added to a

lineup that already includes the killer B's: Craig Biggio, Jeff Bagwell and Derek Bell. If Brian Hunter continues to develop, then this offense will be downright dangerous.

The pitching staff of the Astros remains intact with youngsters Mike Hampton and Shane Reynolds. However, the key for the Stros is getting Darryl Kile, Doug Drabek and Greg Swindell to come back from off seasons. John Hudek and Todd Jones bolster a pen that will sorely miss David Veres, but the Stros should have enough pitching to win the Central.

Saint Louis: 2nd place Tony La Russa has brought in some familiar faces to help improve the Cardinals. La Russa has added veterans like Ron Gant, Gary Gaetti and Royce Clayton to the lineup. Scoring runs should not be a problem for the Cards.

Pitching will be a problem, though. Todd Stottlemire and Andy Benes are solid additions, but Alan Benes (Andy's kid brother) is the only other healthy starter. If Mike Morgan, Donovan Osborne or Danny Jackson come back from injuries and pitch well, then the Cards can compete. Dennis Eckersley is also way past his prime. The Cardinals pitching staff may just turn into a disaster zone.

National League West

Los Angeles: 1st place The Dodgers are the class of the West. They have the last three NL Rookies of the Year, and they may have the fourth in Todd Hollandsworth. Raul Mondesi, Mike Piazza and Eric Karros give the Dodgers enough punch, and Greg Gagne fills the gaping hole at short previously occupied by Jose Offerman.

The Dodgers also have the best

staff in the West. I wouldn't want to face Ramon Martinez, Hideo Nomo and Ismael Valdez in a three-game series. Tom Candiotti will also eat up innings for you. Todd Worrell bolsters an above average bullpen, but their games will be won before then anyway.

San Diego: 2nd place This off season, the Padres added Rickey Henderson, Wally Joyner and Bob Tewksbury. San Diego has a lineup that can jump up and bite you if you aren't watching.

The Padres also have a good, young staff that few people have heard about. Tewksbury is a solid veteran to go along with young fireballers Joey Hamilton, Scott Sanders and Andy Ashby. Trevor Hoffman is impressive in the bullpen and he has a couple of new, hard throwers to back him up. The Padres are a good, young team on the rise.

Sports Digest

Secondary coach leaves for pros

TCU is having bad luck retaining its secondary coach.

TCU secondary coach Rick Smith resigned Tuesday to take on a position with the National Football League's Denver Broncos.

Smith came to TCU earlier this year from Purdue and had planned to coach beginning this spring. Smith was replacing former assistant coach Chris Thurgood.

Smith will be replaced by Curtis Modkins, a former Horned Frog running back and graduate assistant for the football team last year.

Rockets sign guard for year

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Rockets on Wednesday signed guard Melvin Booker for the rest of the season.

Terms of the deal were not disclosed. Booker has been playing for Houston under two 10-day contracts. He has averaged 3.6 points, 0.6 rebounds and 1.3 assists in seven games.

Booker came to the Rockets from the CBA's Grand Rapids Mackers, where he averaged 13.7 points per game this season. The 6-1, 188-pound point guard also collected 4.8 assists a game. He split the 1994-95 CBA season between Hartford and Pittsburgh.

Teens charged with beating cat

EAST BERNARD, Texas (AP) — Four high school athletes accused of smashing a stray cat popular among visitors to a community baseball park were arrested on animal cruelty charges Wednesday.

Authorities say the members of East Bernard's two-time defending Class 2A championship baseball team admitted beating the gray, striped tabby with bats and running over her with a truck.

Three 17-year-olds, Ryan Walters, Britt Sensat and Danny Crane, were charged with animal cruelty. A 16-year-old also was charged with the Class A misdemeanor.

Rangers beat Red Sox, 7-4

FORT MYERS, Fla. (AP) — Kevin Mitchell homered twice for Boston, but Kevin Elster and Mickey Tettleton had homers among 14 Texas hits as the Rangers beat the Red Sox 7-4 Wednesday.

Elster's two-run homer off in the fifth off Bryan Eversgerd broke open the game. Mitchell's homers were his first of the spring.

The teams open the season against each other, so both held back their opening-day starters to avoid giving away a scouting advantage.

Tennis match rained out

The TCU women's tennis match against Southwest Conference opponent Southern Methodist University was rained out Wednesday afternoon.

The Lady Frogs (11-5) have rescheduled the match against the Lady Mustangs, and will play at 1 p.m. April 16 at TCU's Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center.

Three days later, the Lady Netters will compete in the SWC Tennis Championships, which will also be held at TCU.

The next match for the women's team will be at noon, Saturday, against Texas A&M. It will be held at TCU.

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going to the beach. Her car was found Saturday abandoned on a farm road near Edcouch. The motor was running and the doors were open.

Hidalgo's father denied any relationship between his daughter and Chavero, saying the police officer stopped her once for speeding. Edcouch police records show Chavero issued Hidalgo a speeding ticket on Jan. 22.

Chavero lives in McAllen and is married. His wife gave birth six weeks ago, Zavala said. At his arraignment, Chavero tried to have his bond reduced, saying his wife was in the hospital with a heart problem.

Both Chavero and Hidalgo attended McAllen High School. He graduated in 1991; she would have graduated this spring.

Students in bright purple letter jackets packed Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church to grieve the loss of their friend — a shy, intelligent girl who'd hoped to study business administration in college.

"She was very quiet, very nice, very sweet," said Richard Bard, who had several classes with Hidalgo last year. "She was also very smart. I used to be jealous of her."

Edcouch police officers also mourned for Hidalgo and her family, saying they were horrified that one of their own might have committed such a crime.

"It's a tremendous embarrassment for us," Zavala said. "It makes me mad as hell, but what can we do?"

Lt. Ventura Guerra, who has been with the force for 12 1/2 years, said, "It's a black eye on law enforcement."

The Steelers' rap sheet of drug or alcohol offenders has grown longer with each passing season:

—Long, an offensive guard, attempted suicide after being suspended in 1991 for violating the NFL's steroids policy. He later rejoined the team but was not re-signed after that season.

—Worley, a former first-round draft choice, drew a six-game suspension in 1991. He later skipped a mandatory drug test and was suspended for the 1992 season.

—Tight end Eric Green was suspended for a substance-abuse policy violation in 1992.

—Haselrig, a former Pro Bowl guard, made a series of stays in drug and alcohol treatment centers following a DUI conviction. He left the team during the 1992 season for treatment, then skipped training camp a year later following an apparent relapse and didn't play for the Steelers again. He later signed with the New York Jets, only to disappear again late last season.

—Morris, the leading rusher with 73 yards in the Steelers' 28-17 Super Bowl loss to the Dallas Cowboys, was arrested Friday in Texas after police discovered six pounds of marijuana stuffed into a gym bag found in the trunk of his luxury automobile. Police say a search of the vehicle later turned up a small amount of cocaine hidden beneath an ashtray.

Even if he escapes the charges with a fine and probation, Morris would be considered a first-time violator of the NFL's substance-abuse policy and would be subject to testing for the rest of his career.

Georgia guard eyes national title

By TOM SALADINO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — Upon her arrival at Georgia, Saudia Roundtree made a bold prediction: She would take the Lady Bulldogs to a national title.

That was two years ago. The All-American guard and Naismith winner as the nation's top woman basketball player is two games away from that dream.

The Bulldogs (27-4) meet Stanford (29-2) Friday night at Charlotte, N.C., in one of two NCAA tournament Final Four games. Tennessee (30-4) takes on defending champion Connecticut (34-3) in the other game.

Roundtree scored a career-high 37 points Sunday in leading Georgia to a 90-76 victory over Midwest Regional top seed and No. 1 ranked Louisiana Tech.

Roundtree, a 5-foot-7 senior from Anderson, S.C., was asked Wednesday during a teleconference call from the Athens, Ga.,

campus about that 1994 prediction.

"I wasn't being cocky. I knew he had the athletes that could do it. That's why I chose the University of Georgia,"

said Roundtree, recalling her words shortly after she was recruited by Georgia coach Andy Landers following two seasons at Kilgore, Texas, Junior College.

"I told him I would take us to the Final Four and then we would win the national championship," she said.

In her first season at Georgia last season, Roundtree averaged 14.8 points and led the Southeastern Conference in assists. The Lady

Bulldogs made it to the Final Four, losing to Tennessee in the semifinals.

"Last year was a lot different," said Roundtree. "You can't compare this team with that. Last year's goal was to make the Final Four. This year our goal was to win the national championship, not just make the Final Four."

The Lady Bulldogs also had an added incentive. The NCAA placed Georgia in the same region with Louisiana Tech, seeding the Lady Dogs second behind the Lady Techsters.

"This team has a lot to prove,"

said Roundtree, blaming both the media and the NCAA for not placing the Lady Dogs in another region and a No. 1 seeding, considering they had beaten Connecticut and Tennessee earlier in the season.

"Nobody believed in us. I'm not going to sit here and pretend like they did," she said. "We all won when nobody expected Georgia to make it to the Final Four when we were put in the bracket with Louisiana Tech."

"It's a shame. But our team is not a team that worries about what people think. We just want to go out and prove to ourselves that we can compete and should be in the Final Four," she said.

As for Friday night's opponent, Stanford, Roundtree says all she knows is that "they're aggressive and big. But I think we're a much quicker team. They have great athletes. We have great athletes. It's going to be a good game."

No need to ask her who will win. She answered that a long time ago.

Women's Final Four
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Game 1 (Friday 6 p.m.)
Tennessee (30-4)
vs.
Connecticut (34-3)

Game 2 (30 minutes after)
Georgia (27-4)
vs.
Stanford (29-2)

National Championship
Sunday (5:30 p.m.)

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of 10 from behind the 3-point line, and the Magic were 7-for-23 overall outside the arc.

"What can I say. It's over. The law of averages says you're going to have one really bad game in your building, and we had it tonight," Hill said.

"It was an incredible streak, but losing one was bound to happen. I'm one who looks for silver linings. Maybe it's good that we lost

now instead of in the playoffs. We just have to put it behind us and go out and try to start another one."

After going 39-2 at home last season, the Magic lost four times at Orlando Arena during the playoffs, including the first two games of the NBA Finals.

Now that the regular-season streak is over, O'Neal said the team can concentrate on more important things, like trying to win a championship.

"It's another distraction behind us," he said. "We just need to keep going. And, we will."

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20-year prison term, rather than life behind bars.

In Israel, a life prison term usually means a convict will serve up to 25 years, with the sentence shortened by the president and additional time off for good behavior. But Flishman admitted that was not likely in Amir's case.

"He committed an act and we must live with the verdict," added Geula Amir, the gunman's mother.

His father Shlomo, who spent much of the proceedings holding his head in prayer, termed the verdict "a very difficult moment."

Flishman said he would appeal the conviction and sentence to the Supreme Court within the 45-day period allowed.

But few thought Amir would see freedom ever again.

Eytan Haber, Rabin's closest friend for the past decade, said the gunman would "rot in jail" while watching Israel make peace with its Arab neighbors.

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