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Drummer to display TV talent to campus

By BRIAN WILSON
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Dan Wojciechowski, an internationally known drummer, will demonstrate the talents that have landed him spots on various local and national commercials at a drum set and percussion clinic tonight.

Wojciechowski, who has performed in commercials for corporate giants such as American Airlines, Budweiser, Coors Light, Pepsi and Bannigans, will lecture to students at 6:30 p.m. in Room B-1 of Ed Landreth Hall.

Wojciechowski will help aspiring drummers with a performance and discussion of the various aspects of electronic percussion, said Michael Kingan, TCU's director of percussion studies.

Kingan said the interaction with a professional musician is a good opportunity for his students.

"They're going to hear it (the music) from someone who's actually using this technology on a professional level," he said.

Although students are able to understand music enough to dabble with it, it is not until they start applying it that they really start learning it, Kingan said.

Kingan said he hopes those who attend the clinic will learn some of Wojciechowski's tricks of the trade.

"He's been doing it for quite some time, so I think we're going to learn a lot of secrets," Kingan said. "He's just a real refreshing drummer to listen to. He plays time real well and his

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Steve Hacker, a junior radio-TV-film major, disc jockeys for an afternoon show at KTCU Tuesday.

House okays new budget

Unanimous vote approves \$220K for next fiscal year

By ALISHA LAROCHELLE
TCU DAILY SKIFF

A \$220,000 budget for the 1996-1997 fiscal year was passed unanimously by the House of Student Representatives at its meeting Tuesday night.

The budget was increased \$20,000 over the last fiscal year because of the increase in enrollment.

Treasurer Brian Spindor said overall the budget is unchanged from last year. He said extra funds were given to Permanent Improvements fund, Special Projects fund, Sports Clubs fund and Programming Council.

The Permanent Improvements fund is used by the Permanent Improvements Committee to make physical changes to the campus.

The Special Projects fund supplies the majority of the funding for bills introduced at House meetings by student groups. These include bills to send students to conventions.

The Sports Club fund provides money for clubs such as the Lacrosse and Rugby clubs and also gives some money to Recreational Sports, said House Vice President Clement Ouda.

Spindor said these funds were increased because they most directly benefit the student body.

Also at the meeting, Permanent Improvements Chairman Stoney

White explained the status of the TCU Coffeehouse project.

White said he and House President Sharon Selby met with Don Mills, vice chancellor for student affairs, Tuesday to discuss plans.

Selby said there should be a coffeehouse on campus by August if all goes as planned.

White said right now they are looking at bringing a big name coffee vendor, such as Starbucks, into Eden's Greens under Reed Hall. He said eventually a more permanent facility may be built.

In other business, two bills were passed unanimously. Bill 96-8, which provides \$474.80 for Students Reaching Out members to attend the Peer Educator Conference at Baylor, was introduced by White.

White said the conference is a great opportunity to unify the group and get ideas from other schools. "As we are going into a new generation, we need to find new and innovative ideas," White said.

The Peer Educator conference will be held at TCU next year. Bill 96-9 provides \$545 to help fund the "TCU-School is Cool-Jam."

Sharon Waigand, a Brachman representative, said she works with students who have never been to TCU and don't know what college life is

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Senate race a tight battle

Contenders Morales, Bryant scrap for voter support

By MICHAEL HOLMES
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — School teacher Victor Morales, making a fairy tale bid for the Democratic U.S. Senate nomination, clung to a narrow lead at prestime Tuesday night over Dallas Congressman John Bryant.

With 88 percent of precincts reporting, Morales led by about 2,000 votes out of 426,000 counted.

"I'm just hopeful. We've done all we can do," Bryant said as he arrived at his election night party in a Dallas hotel.

Morales, who campaigned from his pickup truck, remained optimistic. "Am I confident? Yes. I've put in a lot of work," he said.

The winner faces a well-funded Republican Sen. Phil Gramm, who's seeking a third term after his failure in the GOP presidential race.

With returns showing them neck and neck, Bryant said he understood the popularity of his opponent.

"I think a lot of people very much love the idea of a guy who's not connected in any way to an organized effort doing well. That's really an irresistible type of an image, and I understand completely," the congressman said.

Morales said he had a strong message and people responded.

"They are saying: 'Yes, we will back a man even if he

doesn't have all the right tools. . . . You know, money, organization. Yes, we're very tired of the status quo. Let's send somebody different'," he said.

Morales, 46, a high school government teacher who rolled up more than 60,000 miles campaigning in his pickup truck, was the surprising first-place finisher in the March 12 primary. His 36 percent of the vote led the four-way race.

Since then, he capitalized on his outsider image while Bryant, 49, of Dallas, rolled up a list of endorsements from fellow Democrats, including former Gov. Ann Richards, former U.S. House Speaker Jim Wright and U.S. Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez of San Antonio.

Morales said he wasn't surprised. "That's something you'd expect from the very beginning, that the establishment people were going to go with

Bryant," he said.

For his part, the congressman insisted he was the only Democrat who had a chance against Gramm. The Republican has reported having about \$3.5 million already in the bank for his re-election bid.

A last-minute Bryant mailing to Democratic voters likened Gramm to an 800-pound gorilla and said, "It takes strength of character and experience to take on an 800-pound gorilla like Phil Gramm. In the April 9 runoff for the U.S. Senate, only one Democrat has it — U.S.

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Former Speaker to start book tour at local store

By RYAN J. RUSAK
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Jim Wright, former U.S. House Speaker-turned-TCU lecturer, will kick off a national book tour tonight at the Barnes & Noble Bookstore in the University Park Shopping Center.

Wright will sign copies of his latest book, "Balance of Power: Presidents and Congress from the Era of McCarthy to the Age of Gin-

grich," from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wright recalls his impressions of politics between the 1950s and '90s in the 514-page book.

Norma Ritchson, a spokeswoman for Wright, said the former speaker wanted to begin the tour in Fort Worth.

"He preferred to kick off in his hometown," Ritchson said. "We've done signings in the past at Taylor's, and we've been approached by Border's, and

we've had a formal kickoff in the TCU library."

Carrie Smith, community relations coordinator for the Barnes & Noble store, said she expected about 300 people to turn out for the signing.

Ritchson said Wright spent Tuesday giving radio interviews by satellite from his Fort Worth home. A production company

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New exchange program begins

By ANDREA DAUM
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Six TCU business students are currently in sunny Mexico at Monterey Tech University-Chihuahua campus, visiting with foreign business students and employees of U.S. companies based in Chihuahua.

Jan Titsworth, assistant dean of administration, said the goal of the program, sponsored by the M.J. Neely School of Business, is to let students experience cultural differences.

"Because the environment we live in is getting more and more global, we think it is important to maximize the number of students who experi-

ence a different culture," she said.

Titsworth said the program is a chance for students to go outside the United States if they are unable to take advantage of the summer programs.

"We know that costs and summer jobs can prevent a student from going

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News Digest

36 missing after rock slide

LA PAZ, Bolivia (AP) — Some 200,000 tons of rock and dirt buried more than 100 homes in a poor La Paz neighborhood Tuesday, and at least 36 people were missing, Mayor Ronnie MacLean said.

A steep cliff with homes built on its face collapsed, creating a storm of rocks and dirt that buried the dwellings. A loud rumble minutes before 2 a.m. landslide woke a number of families, enabling them to flee the scene uninjured.

Officials held little hope for those missing, including many children, who were believed to be trapped under the soil and rocks.

Falling rock kills Texas woman

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A Waxahachie woman riding back from an Easter trip to Mexico was killed when a large rock dropped from an overpass crashed through the windshield and struck her in the head, police said.

Mary Saucedo Torres, 43, was airlifted to Wilford Hall Medical Center in San Antonio, where she died of massive head injuries, officials said.

The 10-inch rock fell on Torres, whose head was resting on her husband's lap, officials said. No arrest have been made.

Arab heir killed by firecracker

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Sheik Mohammed bin Khalid al-Qassimi, son of the Crown Prince of Sharjah, died after being seriously injured by a firecracker that exploded near his head during a soccer match.

The firecracker was thrown across a Dubai stadium on March 22, and exploded in air beside 28-year-old Sheik Mohammed, ripping off his right ear.

Sheik Mohammed underwent surgery in a local hospital and was recovering. He went to Scotland for plastic surgery, but died Monday, apparently of unspecified complications.

Massacre site to be destroyed

DUNBLANE, Scotland (AP) — Parents of 16 children killed by a gunman have given the go-ahead for the destruction of the gymnasium where the massacre took place.

The gymnasium where Thomas Hamilton killed 16 children, their teacher and then himself last month will be torn down by Monday.

It will be replaced for the time being by a garden of spring flowers. A decision will be made later on how to replace the gymnasium, the statement said.

Some politicians had proposed that the gymnasium be maintained as a memorial.

Veto pens to become souvenirs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Alternating pens with nearly every stroke, President Clinton laboriously created mementos for his predecessors while signing the historic line-item veto bill Tuesday.

In keeping with tradition, the president signed the legislation a letter or two at a time — using enough pens to hand them out later as souvenirs.

He had plans for 16 pens: One each for the 12 Oval Office guests and former Presidents Reagan, Ford, Carter and Bush — all of whom sought the line-item veto.

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SHELDON HACKNEY, chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities, will speak on "The American Identity," 7:30 p.m. tonight in the Student Center Ballroom. Hackney is also the speaker for Honors Convocation.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES meets at 9 p.m. tonight in the Coliseum.

A **FREE STUDY SKILLS WORKSHOP** will be held at 9 p.m. tonight in the Center for Academic Services, Rickel 106. Call 921-7486.

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

A **TCU BIOLOGY SEMINAR** will feature Peter Murphy of Michigan State

University presenting "Tropical Forests as Resilient Ecosystems," at noon Friday in Sid Richardson Lecture Hall 4. The public is invited.

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN meets at 5:30 p.m. at Luby's Cafeteria, 251 University Drive, on the third Wednesday of each month. On April 17, Attorney Art Bender will present a program on sexual harassment and discrimination laws.

THE FIRST ANNUAL TCU "SCHOOL IS COOL" JAM, a field day for 4th and 5th graders from Como and Dezavala Elementaries, will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 18 at the track field. Volunteers are needed to make this day memorable for these kids. Call Leticia Cavazos at 920-3591 or look for sign-up sheets with campus organizations.

AN ROTC REUNION will be held for all former members of TCU Army Rotc Horned Frog Battalion at 7 p.m. April 19 in Austin. Contact Nick Padilla at 512-418-9857 or Stephanie Anderson at 817-634-0540.

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.

UNITING CAMPUS MINISTRIES meets Mondays at 4 p.m. in Student Center 211. All interested students are welcome.

TCU UNIVERSITY CHAPEL is at noon Wednesdays at Robert Carr Chapel. All students are welcome.

TCU COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK meets at 6 p.m. Wednesdays in University Ministries. All students are welcome.

FREE LEGAL CONSULTATION is available from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Center Annex. Call 921-7924.

CAMPUS CRUSADE has small group Bible studies at 7 p.m. Wednesdays in Student Center 205-206. All students are welcome.

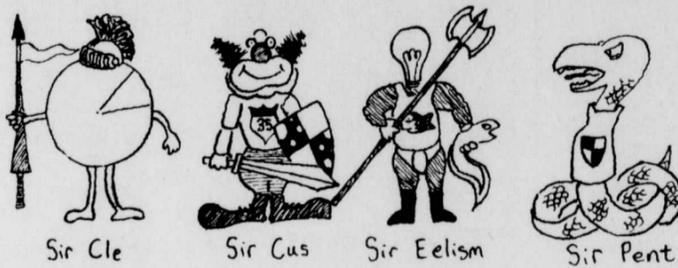
The Adventures of Superfrog

by Ben Roman & Adam Wright



The Beaten Path

by P. D. Magnus



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Ninja Verses

by Don Frederic



PurplePoll

Will you graduate in four years?

YES	NO
64	31
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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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associated with Turner Publishing of Atlanta broadcast the interviews to stations in Cleveland; Palm Springs, Calif.; Atlanta; St. Louis; Providence, R.I.; Houston and San Diego.

After tonight, the book tour moves to Dallas for a signing at the Barnes & Noble store in the Preston Creek Shopping Center. Wright will also make stops in Austin, Los Angeles and Washington, D.C., and has other stops pending, Ritchson said.

Smith said the book lists for \$25.95, but Barnes & Noble will take 10 percent off the cover price because the book is in hardback.

Wright, 73, has taught a TCU political science course, "Congress and the Presidency" since fall 1991.

Wright began his congressional career as a Democratic representative from Fort Worth in 1955. He became majority leader in 1977 and served as Speaker from 1987 to 1989.

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soloing ability is really creative." In addition to his performances on advertisements, Wojciechowski has played with several well-known

artists and bands in recent years. His greatest success internationally came when Andru Donald's "Mishale," a track for which he played drums, reached number one in Canada and Japan, Kingan said.

The clinic will be offered free of charge to the public.

Senate from page 1

Rep. John Bryant." Morales also was battling the odds.

Texas has elected only two Hispanics statewide in 150 years. One of them is current Attorney General Dan Morales, but the Senate candidate insisted that the similarity of their names had nothing to do with his success.

Weather Watch

Today will be partly cloudy and windy with a high of 80 and a low of 56.

Thursday will be partly cloudy with a high of 81 and a low of 59.

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■ Ryan J. Rusak

Race should fade to background

Several news items from the past few weeks have pushed the catalytic issue of race relations to the front of the American agenda. Chief among these is the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeal's decision that the University of Texas Law School's admissions standards violate the Constitution, rekindling the affirmative action debate.

Affirmative action is the single most divisive racial issue. Every time it's mentioned, tempers flare on both sides of the debate, and people react in a ridiculous, overemotional manner.

But it need not be this way. It's time that race relations assume considerably less importance. It's time to move closer to Martin Luther King, Jr.'s dream of a nation comprised of human beings judged on their character, not their skin color.

The chief obstacle to this noble goal is the tendency to view people as members of groups instead of individuals. Political correctness and multiculturalism have clouded the nature of humanity.

We have come to a point where judging and interacting with people based on their individual qualities is considered offensive. The cry is that you cannot possibly understand their background, culture and heritage, ergo you cannot understand them.

Perhaps not, but this is not the crite-

ria on which we want to base interpersonal relationships. People are people before they are members of groups. I, for one, don't want people to look at me and think, "there's an orthopedically-challenged Caucasian Slavic-American." I prefer they think, "there's Ryan Rusak."

To fulfill the dream of a colorless society, we must be willing to meet someone, acknowledge and respect his or her racial background — and then forget about it. It should have no role in how we treat each other.

Our generation is in a better position to achieve this goal than any before us. We are the children of the children of the 60s, and, despite some of the horrific ideas that generation inflicted upon American society, the one thing they gave us is an understanding of equality and tolerance. In the infancy of the civil rights movement, race had to be at the front of that generation's minds. Now, thanks to their accomplishments, it no longer requires such a prominent place.

There is less prejudice in American society now than there has ever been. Many people still hold disgusting biases, but each generation improves. Our children will have less biases, just as we have less than our parents.

Poisonous ideas and programs that shove race forward as the only quality that matters in one's life, like affirma-

From the Hip

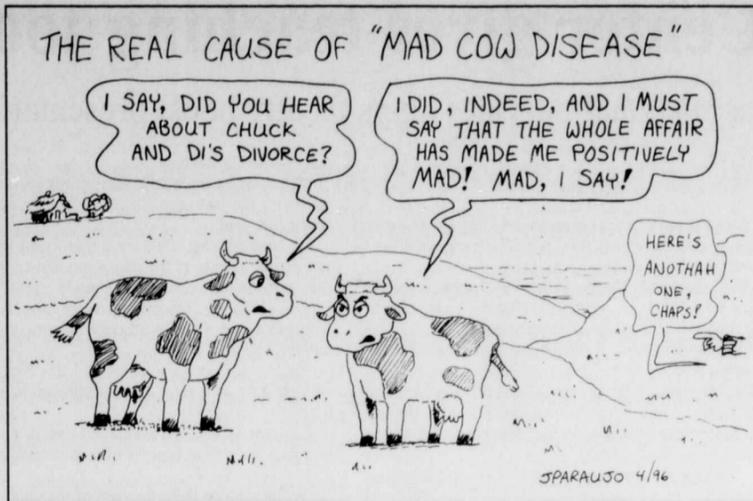


tive action, work against the goal of a colorblind society. When there is a perception that certain groups are awarded jobs, scholarships and other items that should be

merit-based simply because of their race, people get angry. This happened when discrimination benefited whites; it's happening now that the situation is reversed.

It's time each American takes a long hard look in the mirror and loses the chip on his or her shoulder about race — especially one's own race. Thirty years ago, Dr. King's dream was just that — a fantasy. Now, it is visible on the horizon and within our reach. We need only the will to set race aside and grasp it.

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■ Sebastiano Leoni

Interviewing techniques include cliched answers

With the end of this spring semester approaching, many of us full-time students begin looking for summer internships to enhance our work experience. Regardless of our major, before securing the job of our choice we all inevitably have to go through an interviewing session. As the nature of business in the United States has gone through a series of changes, interviewing has changed as well.

From an informal, strictly informative meeting, interviewing has shifted to a more complex and structured process. Somewhere along the way, the conversational nature of the meeting faded away. Questions are more common and standardized, and consequently, so are the answers.

I was recently visiting a local bookstore when on the "Career Guides" shelves I noticed a number of books focusing on interviewing. The one that particularly caught my attention was "The Complete Q & A Job Interview Book" by Jeffrey Allen. This manual lists a series of questions most often asked, followed by the "correct and proper" answers. It covers Q's and A's pertinent to all sorts of job interviews and is designed to provide the most standardized responses to best deceive the interviewer. As I skimmed through its pages, I couldn't help but laugh at the many cliché responses suggested by the author. Two random examples follow:

Q: "Would working for a female executive be a problem to you?"

A: "I am an equal opportunity employee. I enjoy working for anyone who practices good management and knows how to tap the potential of team members. Talent has no gender!"

Q: "Are you afraid of traveling by air?" Before responding, the author kindly need not apply for an astronaut's job if an enduring phobia of traveling by air is suffered. The answer then follows: "Not at all. I have always recognized that the speed of air travel is necessary to business, and I have traveled routinely in past jobs. The most important thing is to get in front of the customer and solve the problem, and I view it as all in a day's work!"

As I read these answers, I tried to imagine myself attempting to deliver the suggested response while maintaining a straight face. I guess my acting skills don't reach such high levels of proficiency. Then I asked myself, "How would have I really answered?" For both questions, I probably would have smiled and frankly responded "Not at all!" The brief nature of this answer can be explained by the fact that I find

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both ideas (not being able to work for a woman and a fear of flying) medieval and therefore inconceivable concepts for today's society. I would consider a formal explanation not only unnecessary, but inappropriate.

I then asked myself who would have been offered a position if, given equal qualifications, in the case of a real interview, I were to compete against one of Allen's disciples. Based on my interviewing experience, it seems clear I wouldn't have been invited back for a second interview, not even if my qualifications exceeded those of my competitor.

Interviewing has become an art form, in which only the best actors can succeed — a farce in which well-trained interviewees deliver the correct responses to the same questions over and over, complementing their carefully paced words with the proper tone of voice and adequate hand gestures.

Are interviewers really this naive? Are they aware of such hypocrisy? I was recently speaking to a friend who interviews prospective employees. I was not surprised when, as I exposed her to this dilemma, she responded that she was aware of the fact that most of the so-called "good interviewees" were far from being genuine in their answers. She continued by arguing that regardless of this fact, the best interviewee was still the most likely to be offered the job because through the act he or she had conveyed great determination and desire to obtain the position. When I asked whether this presumed determination was enough to justify the rejection of a better qualified applicant, she did not know what to respond.

On the same line of thought, why isn't lying in a resume considered to be a sign of great determination as well? In light of these facts, before your next interview, don't forget to pick up a copy of Allen's precious guide... and start rehearsing your lines!

Sebastiano Leoni is an MBA student from Milan, Italy.

Grab a pencil

Test your news knowledge with our quiz

How much do you keep up with things?

As people who live in a newsroom, we are amazed by the level of apathy at this university. But instead of shaking a disapproving finger at you guys, we've devised a news quiz. All the questions are relatively current, and the answers *should* come easily, since you're in college and all. So here goes:

- 1.) Who is Nelson Mandela? a) vice president of the United States, b) the suspected Unabomber or c) the current president of South Africa.
- 2.) Who is Larry Don McQuay? a) a dean at TCU, b) a released sex-offender or c) lieutenant governor of Texas.
- 3.) Who is the likely Republican candidate for president? a) Bill Clinton, b) Newt Gingrich or c) Bob Dole.
- 4.) Who are the Freemen? a) an anti-government group in Montana, b) an anti-government group in Hawaii or c) Russian separatists
- 5.) What is Mad Cow Disease? a) stomach sickness caused by eating Main hamburgers, b) a new rock band or c) a bovine illness that has caused a British beef ban.
- 6.) What is Whitewater? a) that Richard Nixon scandal, b) a new ride at Six Flags or c) questionable financial dealings by the Clintons.
- 7.) Who is Jodi Wetuski? a) the Skiff editor-in-chief, b) a famous supermodel or c) the Honors Convocation speaker.

■ Editorial

8.) Which major league team is off to the best start in baseball?

a) the San Diego Padres, b) the Brooklyn Dodgers or c) the Texas Rangers.

9.) Which Clinton cabinet member died in a plane crash in Croatia last week? a) Hazel O'Leary, b) Ron Brown or c) Janet Reno.

10.) Who won the best actress Oscar last Monday? a) Traci Lords, b) Uma Thurman or c) Susan Sarandon.

11.) Which senatorial candidate recently visited TCU? a) Victor Morales, b) Phil Gramm or c) Jim Wright.

12.) How much is tuition going to be next semester? a) \$300/hr., b) \$314/hr. or c) 75 mph.

13.) Where were 16 kindergarteners recently murdered? a) Oklahoma City, b) on the Barney show or c) Dunblane, Scotland.

14.) What actor/comedian died last month at the age of 100? a) George Washington, b) George Burns or c) George Bush.

15.) Who is Ted Kaczynski? a) the suspected Unabomber, b) Ted Nugent by his real name or c) chairman of the Joins Chiefs of Staff.

Okay, score yourself. We're not going to give you the answers, since you can probably find them in a week's worth of newspapers or even *Skiffs*.

If you got 12-15 right, you're cool and deserve a college education. If you got seven to 11 correct, we hope you're just having a bad week. If you got six or less right, pull the plug, 'cause you're done.

■ John Lamberth

"You haven't lived until billboards go by faster than you can read them."

Columnist says better move it or lose it

Attention drivers: I like to drive fast. Really fast. Really, really fast.

I'm not talking about some wimpy 10 or 15 miles per hour over the speed limit. I'm talking like warp nine, Mr. Sulu.

Unlike some people, who admit they get a little wild and occasionally drive five miles per hour over on those barren stretches of interstate highways, I will proudly admit that I drive 90 down I-35 on the way to class. Every Sunday, I drive to Hillsboro, that great Metropolitan area about an hour south of here. Sunday mornings on I-35 are about as dead as they can be, so I just cruise on down at a leisurely 100 or 110 mph. You haven't lived until billboards go by faster than you can read them.

You may think I have a speeding ticket collection the size of Alaska and that my speed dialer is set for one of those low-budget lawyers who can get the nasty buggers off your record for \$45. Well, you would be WRONG! As a matter of fact, I've been pulled over exactly twice since I got my

The Dark Side Beckons

license five years ago. I convinced the Texas Highway Patrol not to give me one, and the ticket I actually got was in Arkansas, so it doesn't really count. An interesting note about these two incidents: I was clocked at 77 mph both times. In Arkansas, I had been going with the flow of traffic. The Highway Patrol had just missed me doing 115 mph.

Want to know my secret? No, I don't have a radar detector. I wouldn't put my fate in one of those technological pieces of junk. Instead, what you should do is find



the fastest person on the road, match their speed, stay ten car lengths behind and use them for a blocker. Then either watch them slow down really fast or get pulled over. I had a blocker doing 110 mph who got busted, and I kept on going.

You used to get away with an extra 10 mph on the highway. But now that those infernal speed limits have been raised, Officer Unfriendly has been less lenient. It may surprise you to know that I was against the raising of the speed limit. Mainly because I knew "the man" would be stricter, but also because the reasoning was faulty. "Well, since everybody is going 10 mph over the limit anyway, why not raise the limit?" Well, because everybody will then go 10 or 15 mph over the new limit. Duh! This also happens to be why the fuzzi are being less tolerant.

I'm not the least bit concerned about safety. If I fly out the window at 65 mph or 95 mph, what's the difference? I might be able to keep more of my skin and internal organs from painting the road, but I'll still be dead. I really

don't care what I'm gonna look like when I'm dead. And yes, I do wear my seat belt.

As for the other people involved in the accident, well, your car is toast pretty much any way you look at it. As for pedestrians, what the hell are you doing walking on the highway anyway!?

I've only had one accident that involved speed as a factor. Ironically enough, I was driving UNDER the speed limit. It was wet, and I took the necessary precautions because my piece-of-crud Hyundai had the crummiest brakes any car ever had. To make a long story short, wet road, Dallas, rush hour, big hill, traffic stop, brakes lock, Hyundai totaled. I can't say I miss that car, although its ability to go from 0 to 60 in a week was fairly impressive.

I am proud of my lead foot and will continue my speedy ways. You can call me stupid, you can call me a moron, you can call me Al. Just don't call me slowpoke.

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Center gives teaching tools

Instructional Services helps faculty boost presentations

BY TONY COVER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Tucked away in a far corner of the Mary Coats Burnett Library is a department that is rarely recognized but is essential to TCU academic life.

The Center for Instructional Services, located in room B-16 of the TCU library, brings together the users, materials and methods of instructional technology.

"We're in the direct support of the instructional and research mission of the university," said Larry Kitchens, Center director. "What we try to do is provide the university with the leadership and resources so that they can implement instructional technology into the academic program here at TCU."

"The support we try to provide is fairly comprehensive," he said.

Kitchens said classroom services, where different forms of media are distributed to classrooms, is the center's most popular service.

"We offer a wide range of equipment for classroom use such as laserdisc players, camcorders and VCRs," he said. "The equipment is provided free of charge for use by faculty and students. But students must work through their instructor to order the equipment," he said.

The center has had over 2,500 equipment requests this year as of April 1.

The center also offers computer-based survey services, computerized test scoring and calculations of instructor student evaluations.

"We are also involved in working directly with individual faculty members on how they can improve their instructional process in the classroom," Kitchens said. "From time to time, I may be called in by a faculty member to observe

their method of teaching.

"I'll try to ascertain what their needs are and develop a plan with the instructor that is unique to that particular course," he said.

Kitchens said that while the center's primary focus is to support the faculty in the classroom, the center also provides support to students on campus.

"If students need material produced for a classroom presentation, we try to provide them with instructional graphic support," he said.

Graphic support for students includes computer-generated graphics, two-color thermal transparencies and lamination.

A design staff is also available to assist students in the planning and design process of instructional graphics, he said.

"We do charge them the cost of materials but not the labor involved," Kitchens said.

The center also handles instructional television, housed in the TAGER-TV Building.

Deana Muirheid, coordinator for instructional television services, said TAGER-TV is involved in video taping academic activities including marketing presentations, nursing classes and social work role playing.

"We have a small studio here in the building where we do some of the taping," Muirheid said. "But we do most of our work out in the field with dance performances and workshops."

Muirheid said TAGER-TV also tapes events for archival purposes.

"We typically tape Jim Wright's class every fall," she said of the political science course taught by the former

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Unabomber suspect linked to victims, authorities say

BY MICHAEL J. SNIFFEN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The names of Unabomber victims have turned up in Theodore Kaczynski's writings found at his wilderness cabin, and federal agents have discovered possible casual contacts between him and four victims, officials said Tuesday.

These were among a mounting list of apparent links between the reclusive, 53-year-old former mathematics professor and the Unabomber's 18-year string of bombings as investigators settled into what one called "a painstaking, methodical investigation that will take weeks."

"There is a general consistency in the written plans and the physical evidence found at the cabin scene, with the Unabomber's work," said a law enforcement official in Washington, commenting only on condition of anonymity.

"The names of some victims were found in the cabin," he said, declining to disclose them or in what form they appeared.

A second federal law enforcement official said the notebooks that Kaczynski wrote by hand and some printed material at the cabin near Lincoln, Mont., do mention some of the Unabomber's victims

but also include references to many other individuals and organizations.

Most of the references are handwritten but none specifically mentions Unabomber victims as targets, the second official said. "The idea that there is a list of victims or targets is not correct."

Elsewhere, federal agents scouring the Unabomber's suspected haunts and target sites across the nation have turned up evidence that Kaczynski may have actually crossed paths with four Unabomber victims, according to a federal law enforcement source. Three people have been killed and 23 injured in nine states in Unabomber attacks.

These are the possible casual contacts:

- Hugh Scrutton, killed in his Sacramento Calif., computer store in 1985, took classes at the University of California at Berkeley math department when Kaczynski taught there in the late 1960s, the source said.

- Vanderbilt University computer science professor Patrick Fisher, wounded by a 1982 bomb, frequently visited his father, a math professor at the University of Michigan when Kaczynski was a graduate student in that department.

- James McConnell, wounded in

a 1985 attack, was a psychology professor at the University of Michigan when Kaczynski was a student there.

- United Air Lines Pilot Percy Wood, wounded in a 1980 bombing, was a member of the Bay Area Air Pollution Control Board advisory committee when Kaczynski was teaching in the same area at Berkeley.

Those interviewed so far remember mostly hallway encounters or casual contact with Kaczynski rather than any close association, the source said. Other victims are being checked for similar possible contacts.

Meantime, officials were growing more and more confident that they will be able to make a case that Kaczynski, so far charged only with possessing bomb components, is the Unabomber.

There was a meeting Monday at the Justice Department with federal prosecutors from seven states where there has been Unabomber activity. At that preliminary discussion, Sacramento and northern New Jersey emerged as the leading sites for a federal Unabomber prosecution because two killings, in 1994 and 1995, occurred there after the federal death penalty was restored to laws that might apply, a federal official said.

Admissions video wins nat'l award

BY JENNIFER LONGLEY
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The introduction of a TCU admissions video last fall has not only helped reach prospective students, but has also gained national recognition for the university.

The video was a winner in the Telly Awards, a program that gives recognition to outstanding non-network and cable commercials, as well as film and video productions.

"This award makes us feel great," said Allison Holt, director of admissions marketing. "We are proud of the work that the entire university put into the video."

The admissions video was entered in the recruitment video category. Holt said the Tellys have 30 categories with close to 9,500 entries total.

TCU worked with Phillips Production, Inc., to produce the video. The company handles many large companies, including American Airlines and Southwest Airlines.

Phillips entered the video in the competition, Holt said.

Holt said the Tellys have become a well-known and highly respected national competition in their 17 years in existence.

She said certain criteria must be met and entries must score within a

certain range to be a finalist.

The video is not typical of recruitment style, said Holt, who oversaw the video's production.

"It's a cross between Dateline and MTV," she said.

The video was shot like a documentary. It shows all aspects of TCU, including classrooms, social events and dorm rooms.

Holt said she and a committee of faculty and staff decided on the video's format and content.

She said they looked at what students responded to on television and combined that with what people wanted to know about TCU.

The video's viewers can hear from professors, students and parents about the university.

"The video shows it all, from football games to physics lectures," Holt said.

She said the admissions video is part of the university's overall marketing plan.

The tone and message of the video are similar to those of other marketing publications, but it uses a different media, Holt said.

Admissions uses the video to advertise TCU to high school students. The video is used in the TCU Today programs which travel to about 30 markets, Holt said. These programs are for

high school seniors and their parents.

TCU also sends the video to target markets in different geographical areas, Holt said.

"It is a teaser to get students to come look at TCU," Holt said.

The video is also available to high school students through a company called Search By Video, Holt said. This company has hundreds of university videos available to students free, she said.

"People usually call to request a video early in the college search process," Holt said.

Holt said the Telly Award shows that the video was high quality.

"We made a big commitment, not only in funding, but in the production of the video," Holt said. "We made the right choice for the money."

TCU will receive a Telly statuette for their winning entry. The statue is produced by the same firm that makes the Oscar and Emmy awards. The statue will be displayed in the Admissions Office in Sadler Hall.

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like. Fourth and fifth grade students from Como and DeZavala elementary schools will participate in the event. The event will take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 18 at the TCU track field.

"By inviting them into our home and showing them around, maybe we can help encourage them to stay in school," said Thomas Kunkel, a Clark representative.

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Hospital beefs up security for babies

ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Hospital officials are hoping to prevent baby snatchings with a system of electronic alarm bands placed around the ankles of newborns.

With the new system at Memorial Hospital Southwest, an alarm will go off if a baby comes within a certain distance of stairs or an elevator or if someone unauthorized tries to remove the band. A central monitoring system alerts the hospital staff of the baby's whereabouts.

"The technology is the same as what is used at department stores to prevent shoplifting," said James Eastham, chief executive officer at the hospital. "The elevators will deactivate; doors at exits will lock."

The \$70,000 monitoring system was installed Monday, and officials plan to begin issuing babies the white, cloth-wrapped bracelets later this week, Eastham said. About 4,000 babies are delivered annually at the facility.

The monitoring comes in response to last October's abduction of a newborn girl by a woman posing as a nursing student at Memorial Southwest.

The woman stayed in the mother's hospital room for nearly seven hours before sneaking out with the baby stuffed in a large handbag.

Police arrested the woman later that day; the baby was not harmed. A hospital surveillance camera had recorded her departure.

From 1983 to 1995, 155 newborns were abducted from hospitals across the country, according to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in Arlington, Va.



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Robert Garwell, dean of the College of Fine Arts and Communications, awards Marty Haag the 1996 Media Ethics Award at Tuesday's journalism awards banquet.

Banquet speaker wins award

BY RYAN J. RUSAK
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The journalism department presented Marty Haag, senior vice president for broadcast news at the A.H. Belo Media corporation, with its 1996 Media Ethics Award at its annual award banquet Tuesday.

Haag said the award was a validation of his work in the field.

"There's nothing more satisfying than recognition like this from an institute of higher learning and your peers," Haag said. "There's times you wonder whether you're making a difference. With this type of recognition, maybe you are."

Haag has worked at Dallas-based WFAA-TV, leading it to several

distinguished industry awards including four DuPont-Columbia Awards. Haag was also named "Journalist of the Year" in 1978 by the Dallas chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists.

Haag also received the J.B. Marryat Memorial Award from the Dallas Press Club in 1981, and the William H. Seay Award from Belo.

Journalism department chairman Anantha Babbili called Haag "a risk-taking innovator *par excellence*."

"He was selected for his contributions to responsible broadcast journalism and civic-minded devotion to the highest ideals of the free press," Babbili said.

Haag said the reputation of jour-

nalists is at an all-time low, but he is optimistic about the future of journalism.

"I think things are going to get better because there's going to be a combination of the print and TV as we know it now," he said.

Haag attended TCU as an undergraduate, but earned his bachelor's degree at the University of Missouri. He also supports the Lynn Swagg Haag Memorial Scholarship, a departmental scholarship named for Haag's late wife.

Haag offered some final advice for improving journalism's reputation.

"You'll never go wrong overestimating the intelligence of your reader or viewer," he said.

Emissions testing criticized

Bush says new program more convenient for motorists

ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — A slimmed-down program for testing motor vehicle emissions in Texas drew mixed reviews at the first public hearing on the issue, but a state official promoting the plan said Tuesday that didn't surprise him.

John Steib, director of the mobile source division of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, said he expected some criticism of the plan, reworked from a version blocked by the Legislature last year amid complaints from motorists.

"I know that we have, somewhat, a divisive program," Steib said. "Most of the citizens are interested in cleaning up the air... but there are a number of special-interest groups that want it done in particular ways to suit their interests. What the state has done is try to strike a balance."

The TNRC began a series of public briefings and hearings Monday in Houston. Further hearings were set for Tuesday night in El Paso and tonight in Irving.

The revised plan was unveiled last November by Gov. George W. Bush, who said it would be more convenient for motorists than an earlier program but would still clean up the air.

The plan covers Dallas, Tarrant, Harris and El Paso counties and would incorporate a smog-testing program with the annual safety inspections already required.

Gasoline-powered vehicles 24 years old or newer would be tested either annually or every two years. Annual tests could be conducted at local shops where safety inspections already are performed. Two-year tests would have to be done in a specialized facility.

At the Houston public hearing

Monday night, the program was criticized by some who said it was too weak and others who maintain no program is needed.

Frank Goggins said the plan is open to fraud because it will be administered through decentralized sites that would also do repairs.

"It's not about clean air," Goggins said. "I personally don't think we need it, but if we do, we can leave it up to the Department of Public Safety or Houston Police Department."

Brandt Mannchen, meanwhile, criticized the program because it wouldn't apply to motorists commuting from outside Harris County. Much of the region's population resides in outlying counties.

"Ozone is a regional problem. There are ways to get around this program," Mannchen said. "I don't think remote sensing by itself can do the job."

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Speaker of the House of Representatives. "Those lecture tapes then become part of the Jim Wright Archives in the library."

The TAGER Building is also the head end for the TCU Campus Cable Network which provides electronic bulletin board services on campus cable Channel 3.

The Campus Bulletin Board is available, free of charge, to any TCU academic or administrative department and all university-recognized student organizations who would like to post announcements.

Kitchens said that the center has some areas that are beginning to develop and will be very popular for the future.

"There has been a growing need for additional, newer types of instructional technology equipment such as computer-based technology and video projector systems," Kitchens said. "And we're beginning to accommodate that need."

Susan Holland, coordinator for the center's media distribution, said much of the instructional equipment they offer is rapidly changing.

"We have something that some of the professors have just now realized that we have, called an LCD panel," Holland said. "It fits on top of an overhead projector and hooks into a laptop computer."

"Not until recently have they started taking advantage of that," Holland said.

Kitchens said the center continues to discover that there are some people on campus who need to become better acquainted with the services and resources the center provides.

"We have a number of brochures that we provide to everyone, as well as a (World Wide) Web page outlining our services," Kitchens said. "But I think that there's always going to be a continuing effort on our part as a support function, to educate faculty, staff and students as to what we have available for their use."



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Clinton gets new authority

Line-item veto had been long-sought by previous presidents

By Ron Fournier
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a dramatic shift of purse-string power, President Clinton signed a line-item veto bill sought by presidents since Ulysses S. Grant. He promised unprecedented scrutiny of "the darkest corners of the federal budget."

Opponents accused Congress of surrendering a precious piece of its constitutional prerogative to spend the people's money. Federal employees immediately filed a court challenge.

Tipping his hat to Republican and Democratic predecessors, Clinton kept four pens used in Tuesday's signing and dispatched them to former Presidents Reagan, Ford, Carter and Bush — all of whom had pleaded for the power to slash specific provisions from spending bills.

"Their successors will be able to use this power that they long sought to eliminate waste from the federal budget," said Clinton, who won't be able to use the line-item veto unless re-elected.

The bipartisan bill will be a fixture in the presidential election, with Clinton and Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole both claiming credit. "It will help put Washington on a pork-

free diet," Dole said Tuesday.

Clinton, who seldom used the line-item veto as Arkansas' governor, noted that 43 of the nation's 50 governors can carve away at budget bills. "They have used it well and without any upsetting of the constitutional framework," Clinton said.

Under the new law, presidents can sign spending bills and — within five days — cancel specific items, including appropriations, narrowly targeted tax breaks covering 100 or fewer people and new or expanded entitlements.

It does away with a requirement, in place since the nation's founding, that a president must approve or reject legislation in its entirety.

Congress still gets the last word on spending: A line-item veto can be overridden by a two-thirds vote of both houses of Congress.

The bill, part of the GOP "Contract With America," passed Congress easily despite a rich history of failure. Congress has jealously guarded its spending powers, turning back more than 200 attempts in the last 120 years to give presidents a line-item veto.

Rep. Marge Roukema, R-N.J., said the bill will prompt "more partisan bickering, legislative horse-trading and even more pork-barrel

spending."

She noted that a line-item veto can be sustained with the support of just 34 senators. "In the real world of Washington politics, this gives the president a new tool to punish and reward lawmakers by threatening to line-item veto spending in their districts," Roukema said.

Federal judges are concerned the courts would have no recourse if the president vetoes their budget. The judges say that would improperly weaken the judiciary's standing among the federal government's three branches.

And a federal employees union said it fears "a hostile president" will veto pay raises for bureaucrats. The National Treasury Employees' Union filed suit in U.S. District Court, calling the law "a device that subverts the Constitution's separation of powers."

Clinton said Congress' power to override line-item vetoes will protect against a president abusing the new tool. Presidents also will be wary of the public scrutiny that comes with the issuance of a veto, he said.

Seated at his desk flanked by bill supporters, Clinton said, "For years, presidents of both parties have pounded this very desk in frustration at having to sign necessary legisla-

tion that contains special-interest boondoggles, tax loopholes and pure pork."

Ronald Reagan made the same case more than 10 years ago. Pleading for a line-item veto, he said: "Then I'll make the cuts; I'll take the responsibility — and the heat ... and I'll enjoy it."

Clinton has long supported the measure. But as Arkansas' governor, he used a line-item veto just nine times in 10 years — a period in which about 2,500 spending bills crossed his desk.

Clinton suggested Tuesday that the line-item veto may not be used much in Washington. The veto threat alone, he said, should keep a lot of fat out of the budget.

"The exercise of this veto — or even the possibility of its exercise — will throw a spotlight of public scrutiny onto the darkest corners of the federal budget," Clinton said.

White House press secretary Mike McCurry ticked off several instances in which Clinton signed a spending bill and publicly expressed reservations with specific items. Two examples: \$70 million in military construction that the Pentagon deemed unnecessary and spending on the "Star Wars" missile defense system.

Smoking deadlier than alcoholism, findings suggest

By Lindsey Tanner
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Alcoholics who smoke are more likely to be killed by the cigarettes than by the liquor, a study suggests.

The findings indicate treatment for nicotine addiction should be a vital part of substance abuse programs, Mayo Clinic researchers said.

The researchers examined medical records for 845 male and female patients admitted at Mayo Clinic's Inpatient Addiction Program from 1972 through 1983. Most were white and over 21 when admitted, with an average age of 41.4.

Seventy-eight percent were admitted for alcoholism, and about 75 percent of all the patients were smokers.

Through December 1994, 222 of the patients died — more than double the number that would have been expected in the general population.

Tobacco-related causes of death, such as heart and respiratory diseases and lung cancer, accounted for 109, or 50.9 percent, of the deaths.

Alcohol-related conditions accounted for 34.1 percent.

"We expected people who had been

treated for alcoholism before to have higher death rates. The surprise was that over half the mortality was related to tobacco," said Dr. Richard D. Hurt, director of Mayo's Nicotine Dependence Center in Rochester, Minn.

The tragedy was that many of the patients conquered their alcoholism only to die of nicotine dependence, Hurt said.

"The smoking rate amongst alcoholics is very high, but the treatment community has just tended to ignore this as a major issue," he said Monday. There's a "treatment myth," he said, "that we shouldn't do something about their smoking because it might jeopardize their sobriety."

Dr. David Lewis, a board member of the American Society of Addiction Medicine, said Hurt's findings are not surprising since it has long been known that most alcoholics smoke.

Alcoholism is generally considered more urgent to treat because it tends to involve more disruptive behavior, such as drunken driving, abuse and violence, Lewis said.

Health complications linked to smoking generally don't develop for several years, and thus tobacco addiction frequently is overlooked, he said.

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abroad, and that is why this is a good opportunity," Titsworth said. "We view this as a way to get our students involved and experience another culture for a short time to see what it is like to live in a place with a language barrier and where people do things differently."

The goals for both the American and Mexican students are to learn about culture differences, destroy stereotypes and examine how foreign businesses are run, she said.

Titsworth said the students from Mexico will live on campus, own a student identification card and attend business classes.

"We want them to get the feel of living here, and maybe they will like TCU enough they will come back here for graduate school," she said.

TCU students are in Mexico this week and the Mexican students will be here next week.

"We could do an exchange program where our students are in Mexico while the Mexican students are here but that would defeat the purpose of helping develop friendships and building international networks," she said.

The ultimate goal of the program is to network and have partner schools in other countries such as Universidad de las Americas in Puebla, Mexico, which will enable students and faculty members to travel abroad and experience the differences, Titsworth said.

"Clearly what we want is to work

toward offering more opportunity for students and faculty to go outside the U.S.," she said. "I look at volume and how many people we can get outside the U.S. The more the better."

Titsworth said it is hard for faculty to globalize their courses if they have never been abroad.

"With major companies like Coca-Cola going outside the U.S., we need to equip our students to succeed after graduation," she said. "I think it is important for the campus overall to become globally minded as possible. The world is getting smaller all the time."

FDA debates olestra labels

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Procter & Gamble Co. is asking the government to ease proposed labeling rules on snacks made with its fat substitute olestra to soften graphic descriptions of side effects.

A consumer group, however, says the label should be even more explicit.

The company is preparing to test-market its Pringles potato chips with olestra, also known under the brand name Oleo.

The synthetic chemical, made of sugar and vegetable oil, looks like regular fat but its molecules are too large for the body to digest, so it passes through the digestive tract without being absorbed or adding calories.

Following an eight-year study, the Food and Drug Administration approved olestra on Jan. 24 as a calorie-free ingredient in salted snacks.

The FDA suggested a requirement that such foods carry a warning saying: "Olestra may cause abdominal cramping and loose stools. Olestra inhibits absorption of some vitamins and other nutrients. Vitamins A, D, E and K have been added."

P&G said in a letter it prefers this wording: "Because it is not digested, olestra may cause discomfort or a laxative effect."

P&G also said there is no need to disclose that vitamin absorption can be reduced and vitamins have been added.

The Center for Science in the Public Interest told the FDA there should be more warnings about olestra's possible gastrointestinal side effects. The label should warn of possible diarrhea, loose stools, nausea, gas

and bloating, the center said.

P&G also asked the FDA to drop a requirement that the warning label be enclosed in a black box. The company said its consumer tests showed that makes buyers perceive the product as unsafe.

P&G said consumer panels participating in its olestra research said they found the FDA-proposed labeling to be confusing.

The FDA expects to decide whether to change the language before olestra-based snacks hit the market, said spokesman Arthur Whitmore.

P&G spent more than \$200 million developing olestra and hopes to license it to other food makers. Snack-food leader Frito-Lay Inc. plans to test olestra in its products.

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Walter Soza swims his way to Olympic dream

By ANDREA DAUM
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Standing on the starting blocks, anticipating the sound of the buzzer, Walter Soza looks into the pool and thinks about his next race.

"I just always want to swim my best," he said. "You can't always control what happens, so I just want to do my best."

Whatever becomes of his next race, Soza will always know that swimming has led him to past glory and that in the future it will lead him to the 1996 Summer Olympics.

Soza, a senior communication graphics major, qualified for the Olympic swim team of his native Nicaragua in the 100- and 200-yard individual medleys and in the 200-yard butterfly.

"I am excited," he said. "Going to the Olympics has been a goal of mine for a long time. When I was in high school, our coach used to make us write down our goals and mine were to get a scholarship to college, go to the NCAA championships and to swim in the Olympics. Now I have accomplished all three."

Soza said he started swimming when he was six years old and has enjoyed it from the beginning.

"We went swimming because it was so hot and there wasn't much else to do," he said. "I loved it."

He said when he was 12 years old, his family moved from Nicaragua to San Antonio, Texas, and he stopped

swimming for a while. He did not start again until he was a freshman in high school.

"I just got back into it, and my strokes were decent enough to where I could compete well and be a good swimmer," he said.

At age 17, Soza went to the Junior National Championship to swim the men's 200-yard individual medley, where he did better than expected.

"That was a really great meet for me," he said. "I went to that meet not expecting anything. I just wanted to better my times and swim well. I was seeded third going into the race, I ended up winning it and became Junior National champ."

That was a point in his life when he realized he could really succeed in swimming, Soza said.

The road to the Olympics has not been without sacrifices, though.

Soza said the thing he missed the most while concentrating on his swimming career was his social life. He said he wasn't able to go out and do things that everyone else was doing.

"I couldn't go out on Friday nights with my friends," he said. "Well, I could, but I would have to get up early the next day and go to practice."

That doesn't mean that Soza's life is without friends or fun.

Soza said he and his teammates have built strong friendships because they spend so much time together.



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Faster than a fish: Senior Walter Soza swims the butterfly, one of his best events. Soza's 1995 best time in the 200-yard fly was 1:47.85.

At one swim meet, Soza and a friend roomed together and instead of being in bed when the coach checked on everybody, Soza and his friend were in the middle of an ice fight.

"It was a great time," he said. "Coach caught us, though, and at the next meet I had to room with him."

Soza said that unlike many college students, he does not get many school breaks.

"I have never had a spring break," he said. "I am usually training. My friends go off and call me from wherever they are, tell me what a great time they are having, and I am here practicing."

"It's the same for Christmas. We only get two weeks and then we have to come back to practice," he said.

Soza misses some school for his swimming, also.

"I have already missed two weeks of school," he said. "I miss out on the class time and instruction, too. Now I have to catch up on all my classes."

I try to keep everything in perspective and remember that I am at TCU for an education, too."

While wanting to swim his best ever at the Olympics, Soza said he wants to have fun while competing at the Olympic level.

"Right now, I am just having a great time," he said.

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Boston Marathon denies runners

Early deadline disappoints many; pleas fall on deaf ears

By JON MARCUS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON (AP) — Peter Cooper qualified easily for next week's 100th running of the Boston Marathon. But then he missed the application deadline, which had been moved up to handle the deluge of entries.

"During my lifetime, for a non-Olympian, this is the race to run," said Cooper, a Pontiac, Mich., dentist and veteran of 39 marathons who wrote a fruitless letter begging for a second chance. "If there were at most 1,000 stupid people like myself, they should still let us in. I don't think it would make that much of a difference."

In fact, nearly 40,000 disappointed runners have appealed for a spot in the race since the Dec. 31 cutoff.

Schoolchildren have conducted letter-writing campaigns on behalf of teachers, parishioners for priests. Husbands wrote to beg for numbers for their wives, and wives for hus-

bands. Women sent in photos of their children, adding the words "Please let my mommy run."

One man furnished X-rays of his feet to show why he had failed to qualify; others offered full-color pictures of injuries, and notes from their doctors.

Then there was the man who broke down in the office of the sponsoring Boston Athletic Association in January, saying he was dying of cancer and had three months to live. He wanted to drop dead on the finish line like the original marathoner of ancient Greece, Pheidippides. Officials turned him down.

"We have hundreds of very special stories of why people ought to be allowed to run," said Guy Morse III, director of the world's oldest annual marathon. "But you have to draw the line somewhere, and it has not been easy. We feel we've made every opportunity to let as many people run as possible."

More than 75,000 people applied to enter the centennial edition of the

marathon April 15 — three times the usual number. The narrow 26.2-mile course has room for only half that many. Most entrants qualified by finishing another marathon within set times based on their age and sex. The last 5,000 were chosen by lottery.

Some of those who weren't chosen have taken out classified ads offering to buy a number for up to \$500. Race organizers say the numbers are not transferable; anyone caught with one will be turned away at a registration check.

Ann Phillips of Sanger, Calif., will have to watch her husband, brother and best friend run past her. She couldn't get a number in the lottery.

"For me, Boston is the epitome of the marathon," Phillips said. "I was the one who wanted to go so badly and got my husband to train for it, and he qualified and I didn't."

Teresa Egan of Avon, N.J., coaxed her husband into running, though neither met the qualifying time. He got a number through the lottery; she didn't. He sent his back after their appeal failed.

One would-be entrant promised to wash the race director's car every week for a year. Others offered cash

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Freshman golfer first in tourney

By TASHA ZEMKE
TCU DAILY SKIFF

TCU freshman golfer Susan Horton is tied for first place with 156 points after two rounds of play at the Susie Maxwell Bering Classic in Norman, Okla.

Horton, who shot 83 during the first round and 73 during the second round of a 72 par course, is in a five-place tie with two Texas Tech lady golfers and two golfers from Tulane University.

The Lady Frogs are currently holding onto third place out of 12 teams with a cumulative 641 points. Texas Tech is in second with 638 points and Tulane is in first with 633 points.

Three other TCU women are in the Top 25 of the tournament. Freshman Shannon Fisher is tied for 10th place with 158 points, junior Dana Schmid is tied for 19th with 163 points and freshman Amanda Workman is tied for 23rd with 164 points.

Other teams competing in the match are Wichita State, Oklahoma, Oral Roberts, Baylor, Kansas, Lamar University, North Texas, Kansas State and the University of Colorado.

Texans look good in green Can Rangers extend 7-0 record forever?

By DENNE FREEMAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Maybe by the back nine on Sunday a Texan will be there again, surviving the perils of Amen Corner and putting another Lone Star brand on one of the world's greatest golf tournaments.

Of course, Austin's Ben Crenshaw made the 1995 Masters one of the most memorable in the tournament's storied history.

The script, as written by the golfing gods, had the popular Texas Longhorn winning his second Masters with his late teacher, Harvey Penick, looking over his shoulder, and as some suggested, guiding his putting stroke on the back nine where the tournament is usually settled. Crenshaw had attended Penick's funeral earlier in the week.

Texans have always had their way at Augusta, winning a lot of crystal trophies and money at the event. Jimmy Demaret, Jackie Burke, Ralph Guidahl, Byron Nelson, Charles Coody and Ben Hogan have

won on Bobby Jones' hallowed grounds.

They have a tradition at Augusta at the champions dinner where the last winner orders the menu and paid for it. There has been a lot of barbecue and Tex-Mex served on the green grounds of Augusta National Golf Club.

To expect Crenshaw to successfully defend his title would be asking a lot for Texas golfing fans. His game hasn't been sharp.

Perhaps some other Texan can step forward. Tom Kite has come close many times only to fall victim to someone's hot putter. In fact, Crenshaw's putter edged out Kite in the first Masters that Crenshaw won in 1984. Kite was right behind Crenshaw when he holed a 75-foot monster on the 10th green that ignited a charge to the championship.

Kite, whose only major was the U.S. Open at Pebble Beach, isn't as good a putter as he used to be and putters on top of their game usually win on the slick greens of Augusta.

Kite knows the course but putting is the name of the game at Augusta.

Maybe young Justin Leonard of Dallas, a good putter who cracked the Top 25 in money winners last year, can upset the form charts. His weakness is that he is a low ball hitter.

Augusta National is easiest for those players who can hit the ball high and soft to the undulating greens. Maybe if the rains come and soften up the course, Leonard can find some of Crenshaw's magic.

Mark Brooks of Fort Worth is one of the best putters on the PGA Tour but he doesn't hit the ball far enough to be a threat on Augusta's Par-5s where the long-hitters have a big advantage.

Former Texas A&M star Jeff Maggett of Houston has an outside shot but he also was born out of state. Former Houston star Steve Elkington, the current PGA champion, was born in Australia. D.A. Weibring of McKinney is recovering from Bell's palsy and although he will play will not be expected to win. He's originally from the land of Lincoln.

Tune in Sunday for the run around Amen Corner. Maybe a Texan will be there again.

Columnist gives four reasons to contrary

So it's only seven games into the season. But unlike most Ranger fans, I'm not going to gloat because the Rangers are undefeated.

With a 3-2 victory over the Chicago White Sox yesterday, the Rangers raced out to their best start ever, 7-0. Don't get those hopes up too high though, folks.

There are four reasons why this Ranger team might not be able to lead the American League West from game one to game 162.

•Number one is very simple: There is no tradition of a baseball team winning in this town. Twenty-three years without a trip to postseason stands out much greater than a seven-game winning streak to open the season.

•Not winning leads to problem number two, which is, the Rangers play second fiddle to the Cowboys. There are some in the Metroplex that are, more than likely, oblivious to the fact the Rangers are undefeated. This is because they have been paying such close attention to the Michael Irvin case and not the game at hand during April — baseball. The Rangers might have to be 20-0 before they pry these freaks from the silver and blue.

•Problem three. Just remember an injury is always a pitch away from the Rangers.

Johnny Oates, the Rangers' skipper, and Doug Melvin, the Rangers' general manager, have installed a team at the major league level that looks as if it can compete with other powerhouse major league franchises. The quality of the Rangers organi-

zation at the minor league level is in a shambles, but it is slowly getting better, due to Melvin's moves.

•Herein lies problem number four. The other competition in the AL West — California — has products at the triple-A and double-A levels that are prime candidates for trade bait later in the season.

California has two young power hitters that could draw a starting pitcher for the stretch run. Todd Greene hit 40 homers at two different levels. George Arias is a third baseman that is getting exposure at the major league level right now and some scouts are eyeing the youngster who hit 30 yard shots in double-A.

At the Rangers' triple-A affiliate, Oklahoma City, the infield looks like this: Rene Gonzalez, Jon Shave, Jeff Frye and Luis Ortiz. That surely doesn't strike fear into the competition. The 89ers (1-4) are on their way to another 90 loss season.

The Rangers' only legitimate prospect to stir trade interest is righthander Julio Santana at triple-A. With Ranger trade mistakes in the past, Melvin and company will not trade the youngster unless a blockbuster deal comes around the bend.

With a shaky minor league system, the Rangers don't have the leisure of delving into a large talent pool like Atlanta or L.A. or California has.

Don't get me wrong, the 7-0 start is very impressive around these parts. But seeing what has happened to this franchise in the past, and what this squad has now in the minors, keeps this Ranger fan skeptical.



Brett Van Ort
Sports Columnist

Men's golf places 3rd at PING

By GREGOR ESCH
AND TASHA ZEMKE
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The TCU men's golf team brought home 3rd-place honors on Sunday after scoring 873 points at the PING Intercollegiate tournament in Chapel Hill, N.C.

TCU was only five strokes under 2nd-place Clemson and six strokes

away from 1st-place Wake Forest.

"We beat some real good teams," head coach Bill Montigel said. "They (Wake Forest) had a little advantage, playing on the East Coast, but I thought we played real good."

Eleven teams played against TCU on the 36-hole, par-72 MacGregor Downs course. The match was hosted by Wake Forest.

Sophomore J.J. Henry tied for sixth in the tournament with a score of 216. His teammate, junior Andy Aduddell tied for 10th with 217.

Henry is one of the team's most consistent golfers, with he has had seven Top 20 finishes this season,

Montigel said.

All the men have improved since the beginning of the school year, he said.

"We've been real consistent. We've improved on a lot of smaller things: we're doing a better job of being more prepared and more precise."

Montigel said that each player has come up with one to two things to work on individually and during practice, the players' emphasis is working out these weaknesses.

The Frogs leave Saturday for Stillwater, Okla., to play at the Karsten Creek Collegiate tournament.

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Some people managed to pull strings. The race's organizers insist that if it does happen, it is rare.

The Rev. Henry V. Petter of St. Paul the Apostle Parish in Dallas scored a spot in the race last week. The priest said the archbishop of Boston intervened on his behalf through a nephew at the BAA.

"It's a Sunday of rejoicing, after all," said Petter, who announced his good fortune to his congregation on Easter.

The first-graders at Palm Springs North Elementary School in Miami pleaded their teacher's case.

"Please let my teacher be in the Boston Marathon," one seven-year-old wrote in carefully drawn block

letters on lined paper. "I don't think she will win, but she'll try her best and have fun."

The teacher, Kim Ottaviani, didn't get in.

"I was devastated, but I really have adjusted to it," she said. "That's the beauty of Boston: It will always be there. When you hit Heartbreak Hill, it doesn't matter what year it is, you've set your goal and met it."

As for her students, she said, "They've learned that to make the effort is the biggest thing. If you gave it a shot, you have everything to be proud of. It's not the end of the world."

Ottaviani has cashed in her airline ticket to Boston and plans to frame the fancy \$50 application refund check with its centennial logo.

"It's almost as good as getting in," she said.



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