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Board recommends four-year suspension

Phi Deltas will appeal peers' 'death sentence'

By GINGER D. RICHARDSON
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The Phi Delta Theta chapter room is dark, the chapter doors are locked and a phone ringing off the hook in the back of the room goes unanswered.

It will stay that way for at least the next two weeks.

Monday, the Fraternity and Sorority Judicial Board officially notified the Phi Deltas by letter that it had recommended the fraternity be suspended for a period of four years. According to the letter, the recommendation was based on "the information presented by your chapter and the written reports reviewed by the Board."

The fraternity now has 14 days to appeal the recommendation and present that appeal to Don Mills, vice chancellor for student affairs.

"It's very simple," said fraternity president Rob McClane. "This is far from over."

After its meeting last Thursday, the Judicial Board, a peer organization, found the Phi Deltas to be in violation of the following sections of the Code of Student Conduct, as outlined in the university handbook:

- Section 3.2.6 Dishonest Conduct
- Section 3.2.11 Alcohol
- Section 3.2.13 Disorderly Conduct

The violations stem from charges that a fraternity member or members verbally hazed a pledge, participated in underage drinking in front of the house and at a party, caused a disturbance on campus, failed to pay more than \$4,000 in housing fees and failed to keep up high academic standards among its new members.

The Judicial Board's recommendation was presented to Mills Monday afternoon. Mills can choose to uphold or disregard the recommendation.

"At this point, I don't have any opinion on what I am going to do," Mills said. "I want to talk to the fraternity, board members — do my own information gathering first."

Mills said he would also wait for the Phi Delta Theta national office to file its appeal on behalf of the chapter before rendering any decision.

If the Phi Deltas are unhappy with Mills' final verdict, they have the option of appealing to Chancellor Tucker.

McClane, a senior finance major, said the fraternity and its national

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Claire Elizabeth Bedell, a senior music major, and Patrick Pummill, a senior vocal performance major, rehearse for TCU Opera Theatre's "The Dress," playing at 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

Questions continue about culture class

By NEELIMA ATLURU
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The question of having a required class on multiculturalism is a recurring one at TCU.

William Koehler, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, said there isn't a required class for many reasons.

"Many of us are of the opinion there should be a marketplace of ideas," he said. Rather than having requirements forced on the students, he said students should have the opportunity to choose what they want to take.

Koehler said core curriculum classes offer the students a larger variety of topics to choose from.

"Some of us are concerned that when you have a course that is required, the quality of the course starts to deteriorate," he said.

He said the teachers begin to want to do something different, and student interest sometimes wanes when the course is a requirement.

"Therefore, we've resisted the concept, not the content," Koehler said.

Al Mlandenk, director of international student services, said a multicultural course should be offered to incoming students. He said he supports the class being a requirement for freshmen.

"It would support our principle that we want all our students to be multiculturally aware," he said. "Hopefully

it would include global aspects as well."

Morrison Wong, an associate professor of sociology and chairman of the sociology department, said the idea of a required multicultural class is a good idea but it should consist of a number of courses to choose from.

Currently, Wong teaches "American Minority Groups," a sociology class that also fulfills a social science requirement.

According to the Undergraduate Studies Handbook, the class covers "... aspects of minority group relations, with emphasis on Blacks, Chicanos, and American Indians."

Some students said they feel having a required multiculturalism class at TCU would benefit students and prospective students.

Heather Klemcke, a sophomore English major, said she thinks such a class would show incoming students "TCU isn't the all-white, Protestant school that it's made out to be."

"We should learn to blend the cultures instead of isolate them," she said.

Jeston George, a freshman pre-major, said he would be interested in taking the course if it were offered.

"People act out the things they learn in class," he said. "If this class allows us to learn about others, that would be a good thing for us to use now and in the future. College is the time to learn about these things, if we haven't already."



Women's new coach arrives

By TASHA ZEMKE
TCU DAILY SKIFF

When you ask players and the athletic administration to describe the newest women's basketball coach, the first phrase out of their mouths is the same:

"He can turn programs around."

Never mind that Mike Petersen, former women's basketball coach at New Mexico State University, is "honest," "straight-forward," "committed" and "a proven winner" — all adjectives used to describe the 37-year-old. What the Lady Frogs and TCU are looking for is someone who can turn a No. 8 Southwest Conference team into anything better than last place.

Petersen was hired as TCU's new women's basketball coach on Friday out of 60 applicants by TCU Athletic Director Frank Windegger and his advising committee. Their selection was passed on to Provost William Koehler and Chancellor William Tucker, who approved the choice.

Petersen fills the spot of former coach Shell Robinson, who was fired in March after a cumulative three-season record of 8-72 with the Lady



Mike Petersen

Frogs. Petersen's contract begins immediately, but Windegger would not disclose the terms of the contract or his salary.

The first thing that needs to be done, Petersen said, is change the attitude around TCU about the women's basketball team.

"I'm excited to be here. The team offers a lot of potential, a lot of growth. But right now, we need to improve the state of mind and make significant improvements in attitudes."

Petersen said that attitudes are the hardest things to change, but he plans on getting everyone involved in the process — the players, the student body, the administration.

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Freshmen retention solutions considered

New and old programs being evaluated

By JODI WETUSKI
TCU DAILY SKIFF

From 1984 to 1994, 24 percent of TCU freshmen did not return for a second year, a fact that has prompted faculty and administration to examine whether the university keeps its promises to incoming students.

"If we're not presenting reality on this campus, we either need to, one, change the presentation, or two, change the reality," said Leo Munson, dean of admissions.

For years, faculty, administration and the House of Student Representatives have discussed ways to improve the "new student experience" at TCU

in order to increase the retention rate.

"The problem is not a critical one," said William Koehler, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs. "... It's an attempt to improve a situation."

From 1984 to 1994, the freshman retention rate has ranged from a low of 71 percent in 1990 to a high of 80 percent in 1994, according to statistics from the Department of Institutional Research.

"We need to help TCU become more of what it promises," said Andrew Fort, an associate professor of religion and a member of the Faculty

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Representatives to vote on registration resolution

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The House of Student Representatives will vote on a bill requesting \$1,481 as well as on two resolutions at its meeting tonight.

The TCU Rugby Club will receive new uniforms if the bill is passed.

One of the resolutions, written by Todd Watson, University Relations Committee chairman, asks for the support of representatives for voter registration.

The resolution requests that on-campus representatives spend one hour on the first Monday of each October in their residence halls to register students and offer informa-

tion about voting, said Sharon Selby, House president. Town representatives would spend an hour in the Student Center on the same day, doing voter registrations and providing voting information.

The other resolution will officially recognize the House's Computing Affairs Committee, which has been a working committee in House this school year. The resolution would not change the House's bylaws, but would allow the committee to receive House funding in the future.

House members will also intro-

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News Digest

Kazakhstan creates national park

MOSCOW (AP) — Kazakhstan has established a vast national park to protect endangered species including the barbery falcon and the fabled snow leopard.

The State Forestry Committee announced on Monday the creation of the Zailisky Alatau National Park, which is to cover about 600,000 acres of land south of the Kazakh capital Almaty.

The park is intended to protect endangered species like the Tien Shan bear, the golden eagle, the barbery falcon and the snow leopard.

Police guard killed in Egypt

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Security forces on Monday killed a police guard suspected of helping Muslim militants fighting the government in southern Egypt, according to police sources.

Ahmed Mohammed Salama was killed in the village of Badari, 215 miles south of Cairo, when a clash erupted as police tried to question him, the sources said.

One of Salama's nephews is believed involved in the killing of some 37 police and Christians in Assiut, the sources said on condition of anonymity.

Minority scholarships scrapped

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas Commissioner of Higher Education Kenneth Ashworth will scrap a minority scholarship program following a court ruling that limits affirmative action.

Ashworth will inform the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board on Thursday that the state no longer can use affirmative action to desegregate Texas colleges and universities.

Last month, the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals struck down the University of Texas Law School's admissions policy, saying it wasn't justified.

3 die in Army chopper crash

FORT BLISS, Texas (AP) — Two Army helicopters crashed on the sprawling Fort Bliss military reservation, killing three crew members and injuring a fourth, Army officials said Monday.

The OH-58 Kiowa helicopters went down at about 9:50 p.m. MDT Sunday on McGregor Range, a firing range and training area on the northern portion of Fort Bliss, said post spokesman Capt. Thomas Collins.

Details of the crash were not released and officials said they could not immediately determine whether the aircraft had collided.

Airline service better, study says

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's airline service got better in 1995, the first improvement in five years, a research group says.

The industry "seems to have turned a minor corner in performance and quality," said researcher Dean Headley of Wichita State University.

Southwest Airlines turned in the best performance, taking the top spot from American Airlines, according to the analysis released Monday by Headley and Brent Bowen of the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

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CampusLines

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

DENNIS FRAILEY, a software engineer for Texas Instruments, will give a lecture titled "An Industry View of Computer Science Education and Accreditation" at 8 p.m. tonight 16 in Sid Richardson Lecture Hall 3. All are welcome to attend.

THE SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT will tour the Miller Brewing Company at 1:15 p.m. Wednesday. The tour is open to all students. Call Barbara Snell at 921-7537.

THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SOCIETY will hold a meeting at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Sociology Building. Everyone who has an interest

in criminal justice is invited to attend.

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. This Wednesday, 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. Thursday 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. Friday 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.

The Adventures of Superfrog

by Ben Roman & Adam Wright



The Beaten Path

by P. D. Magnus

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DAY I



Austria's Jan "Stumpy" Geller is a favorite for the Men's Low Jump.

PurplePoll

Who is your favorite character from "Gilligan's Island?"

<u>GILLIGAN</u>	<u>SKIPPER</u>	<u>MR. HOWELL</u>
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<u>MRS. HOWELL</u>	<u>GINGER</u>	<u>PROFESSOR</u>
1	8	13
<u>MARY ANNE</u>	<u>NO OPINION</u>	
16	17	

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

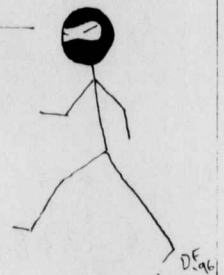
Ninja Verses

by Don Frederic

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Peterson page 1

"That sounded simple, didn't it?" he asks. "But it's a lot of work, and I'm excited about the challenge." "TCU deserves a top-notch program," he said.

Hailing from Las Cruces, N.M., Peterson has coached the New Mexico State Lady Roadrunners for the past four seasons and has a record of 81 wins and 38 losses. His 1993-94 team went to the National Women's Invitational Tournament.

Before his term at New Mexico State, he was an assistant men's basketball coach at the University of Oregon in Eugene. And before that, Peterson was the women's head basketball coach at Gonzaga University,

where he took the team from NAIA to Division I. The first year in Division I, Gonzaga won the West Coast Conference, he said.

Windeger said Peterson's coaching experience at both private and public universities will be an asset; his knowledge of the Western Athletic Conference will also bring in recruits from that part of the nation, he said.

"We need to get some more players," Peterson said. "And take and improve the existing ones."

The WAC is a great league, and it has tough, top-level competition, he said. There will be opportunities in travel and expanding the recruiting base, he said.

Jennifer Hickman, a freshman guard for the Lady Frogs, said she has confidence in her new coach.

"I think he's professional, he has a lot of direction and can turn programs around," she said. "Next year's gonna be a lot different. Better."

Hickman said Peterson met with the entire team on Friday to make introductions. On Monday, he met with each player individually to find out where everyone was coming from, find out their thoughts on the season and answer questions, Hickman said.

"He's straight-forward. Blunt. He doesn't beat around the bush," she said. "He's also honest. That's good. I think he's gonna be a great coach." Peterson said he's not the type to ease into a position and that he plans to "jump in with both feet."

While he becomes situated in Fort Worth, Peterson's wife and two sons will pack up for the move in July.

Peterson is a native of Eureka, Calif. He played basketball and graduated from Northwest Christian College in Eugene, Ore., in 1983.

Weather Watch

Today will be mostly sunny with a high of 78 and a low of 46.

Wednesday will be partly cloudy and windy with a high of 82 and a low of 55.

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■ Todd Jorgenson

Voting abstinence not excusable

This week's column is what we call an evergreen — it involves an ongoing issue with continued relevance throughout the year. It could be addressed at virtually any time, now being as good as any.

It involves our very own House of Student Representatives, that bastion of logic in the Student Center Annex, with about as much power as a kangaroo court and as much economic influence as monopoly money.

Many may think it a stretch for me to criticize the House. For I, a seemingly innocuous radio-TV-film major, know relatively little about the political realm and have no political aspirations of my own. So consider my point one from the common constituent — one who puts the "represent" back in representative and the "stud" back in student.

The House tries. I'm sure they do. I don't think the members of the House mean any ill toward the student body or the administration. Their little weekly playtime is spent toying with laughable bills and hysterical resolutions, few of which have any real bearing on average students like myself.

So why do I take my time and yours discussing the House? Because I wish to give our representatives some advice. Actually, just one simple piece of advice: don't abstain. Not at all. Never.

Contrary to what we were taught in

our high school sex education classes, abstinence is not best for all situations. When a bill or resolution hits the House floor, each present member of the House should vote "yes" or "no" on it with no exceptions.

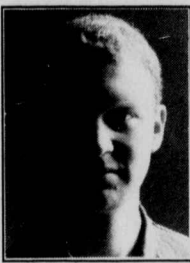
The House members were chosen and voted into their positions to represent their constituents by keeping their best interests in mind — doing what is best for them. They are elected to have an opinion, to make a decision.

Abstaining only says to a representative's constituents, "I don't care." Many House members will probably argue that abstaining is done if you are unsure of how to vote on an issue, you can see both sides of an issue or you have a personal conflict of interest with an issue.

None of these reasons are acceptable because it just shows the arrogant attitude of House members, and it doesn't take into consideration the campus as a whole, the general apathy of the student body notwithstanding. Since a majority "yes" vote is required to pass any piece of legislation, an abstention is as good as a "no" vote. If you are unsure or can see both sides of an issue, continue the debate until the issue is resolved in your mind.

Recently, a member of the House approached me with an appalling example of routine House practice. Appar-

Poor Man's Pacifier



ently, most House members are under the impression that a bill that is not well-written must be forgiven and voted based on the issue alone if that bill is presented at the

last meeting before said legislation must be enacted. You mean if a bill is poorly written, and thus normally unacceptable, but is presented at the last minute, then it's okay?

If that's the case, then our bill allocating funds for the columnists' convention in Vegas next week will be on the House floor tonight, written by a four-year-old with a periwinkle crayon on green construction paper. I guess I'll start packing my bags.

Todd Jorgenson is a senior radio-TV-film major from Minneapolis, who, to clear up confusion, would like to point out that while St. Olaf is an actual college, Minnesota State is not.



■ Scott Barzilla

Morales may surprise Gramm in November

This Tuesday, one of the greatest stories in politics occurred when Victor Morales won the Democratic Primary runoff. Unfortunately, his toughest battle lies ahead. Morales will be taking on Sen. Phil Gramm in November. He will need all the help he can get.

At first glance it would appear that Morales, while a great personal story, has little or no chance to give Gramm a run for his money. If I were to put any money on the election, I would be hard pressed to go against Gramm, but there are a few reasons why Morales has a decent chance.

The story. Who can't feel good about this guy's story? He has no money and he drives around the state in an old pickup truck. This is the stuff of which dreams are made.

This will encourage traditional Democrats to lend him more support. One of the best campaign gimmicks is the word-of-mouth campaign, and his story just magnifies this phenomenon. His story will also result in some extra votes from the Independents.

Outsider Advantage. You can't get more outside than Morales. Over the past couple of years, Washington insiders have been viewed in a very negative light. Phil Gramm has been in Washington since 1978. You don't get much more inside than that.

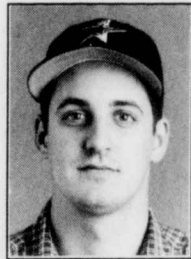
Mudslinger. The only thing that Gramm can latch onto is Morales' lack of experience. Morales on the other hand has a wealth of material to work with. Read on for a few examples.

Absenteeism. Gramm was too busy campaigning for the presidency to show up for several important votes in the Senate. He had one of the worst voter attendance records in the Senate this year. Voters don't like it when their representatives are absent.

Charisma. This category is related to the first one. Morales is an average guy. He can relate to the voter. Gramm has "negative charisma." Listening to him for five minutes is enough to make half the voters hate him, while the other half wants to kill him.

The Hypocrisy Factor
On the Docket. Over the past several years, Gramm has been talking repeatedly about "pulling the wagon instead of riding in it." Unfortunately, it looks like Gramm has been doing a lot more riding than pulling. He was born in a military hospital and went to private school with GI insurance money. The National Defense Fellowship picked up the tab on gradu-

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ate school. He worked as an economics professor at a state-run college, and then he went to Congress. I think some voters may want him to do some pulling, too.

Chicken hawk. For those of us less advanced out there in Readerland, a hawk is someone who generally

supports military engagements. Gramm says he supported Vietnam, but strangely enough, he never bothered to show up. He was busy finishing his graduate work. At least Clinton admitted he was opposed to the war when we found out he got a deferment.

Boob Fetish. Stay with me here folks. Larry King once asked Gramm if he would accept a woman as a running mate. Gramm responded by saying, "Sophia Loren is not a citizen." Gramm has also admitted that he used to go to the library as a youngster to look at the naked ladies in *National Geographic*. However, the biggest indictment is his \$7,500 investment in a soft-core porn film in 1974. His former brother-in-law, George Caton, often recalled how interested Gramm was in frontal nudity. I rest my case.

For someone who snuggles up to the Religious Reich, supports war at every turn and complains about people who ride in the wagon, he still found a way to skip Nam, have a "boob fetish" and ride in the government wagon.

Gramm has always been impregnable before now, but it's amazing how much information comes out about a person when they run for president. Voters may think twice after learning some of these facts, and they certainly have a positive alternative in Morales.

Victor Morales may actually have a chance this November to pull off one of the biggest political upsets of all time. A victory would restore our faith in our political system. It couldn't come at a better time.

Scott Barzilla is a senior political science major from Houston.

Commencement speaker

Editorial staff offers list of alternative guests

TCU's May graduates will hear Robert D. Krebs, the president and chief executive officer of Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroads, give the commencement address. There seems to be disappointment circulating about the university's choice, but all the talk is a bit melodramatic.

Think back to your high school graduation. It's a big, stressful blur of trying to see all your friends for the last time, keeping your estranged family members from killing each other and making sure that stupid, pointy hat stays on right.

Just to show how little a "famous name" matters to us, we've compiled a list of people we would like to hear at graduation. Some are serious, some are tongue-in-cheek. You be the judge of which is which.

Besides, graduation speakers can include all different types of people. They don't have to be Bill Cosby or a former president.

1) **John Madden.** We could give him a telestrator: "Okay, when you leave the auditorium, you'll go this way . . ." We'd sure be able to hear him, and he'd have concrete advice.

2) **The teacher from "Peanuts."** Mwaaa-mwaaa.

3) **The Unabomber.** Of course, he wouldn't want to use a microphone, and he might ramble. But hey, *The New York Times* would cover it!

4) **Sam-I-Am.** The little guy from Dr. Seuss's "Green Eggs and Ham." Hey, you can't deny it;

he's certainly motivational.

5) **Jack Kevorkian.** Alternatives for when that job hunt just doesn't work out, and he may even hand out coupons.

6) **Erma Bombeck.** Now this is someone who has survived everything and can still laugh about it.

7) **Bob Dylan.** No one listens anyway, so incoherence wouldn't matter. (See #2)

8) **Dr. Ruth Westheimer.** Anyone who's two feet tall and makes a living at what she does has some serious career luck we could all use.

9) **Johnny the "I-love-you-man" guy.** This is a guy who just refuses to quit.

10) **Barbara Bush.** She takes amazing fashion risks, ghost writes books for a dog and lives with George. Enough said.

11) **Brett Butler.** No fear of pretention there.

12) **Queen Elizabeth II.** SMU probably already has her booked.

13) **Nolan Ryan.** Hey, he's employed by us and put his kids through this school. It sounds only logical to us!

14) **Pauline.** The Ol' South waitress everyone loves to hate hear sing. "Beaver one, beaver all, let's all graduate, ya'll."

15) **Ross Perot.** But then again, we wouldn't be able to see him over the podium. Maybe he could stand on Dr. Ruth's shoulders.

The point is, how big of a difference does a commencement speaker make in your life? After all, it's the graduating that matters.

■ Editorial

■ Kevin Arceneaux

As a black man in a white world, he served as an inspirational figure...

Ron Brown deserves respect from Republicans

Just two weeks ago, Ron Brown and 32 other people stepped on an Air Force T-43 and embarked on a noble mission. The charismatic secretary of commerce was heading up a trip of powerful U.S. business leaders to the Balkans. They were hoping to start laying the plans that would help reconstruct the economy of a shattered Bosnia. It was a sign of America's commitment to a true, lasting peace in a country ravaged by war.

On Wed. April 3, Brown had just visited a group of U.S. troops in Tuzla. The always-cheerful and confident Brown did more than just speak to the troops; he imparted them with the joy of his presence — along with Big Macs he had cajoled out of a Croatian McDonald's manager. Those who had met Ron Brown said it was hard to escape his charm. The man was said to exude energy and confidence.

No one could have guessed this all would end in tragedy. Only hours later, the plane on which he was flying slammed into the side of a rocky hill only two miles from the airport,

Entropy in Eden

killing them all. Not only did we lose an effective secretary of commerce, we lost a man of astounding ability, leadership and intelligence who had triumphed over many challenges.

Ron Brown had many achievements in his short but fruitful life. He had transcended the depths of Harlem and dedicated his life to community involvement.

As a black man in a white world, he served as an inspirational figure to the black community. He became the first black chief of counsel to the Senate Judiciary Committee, first



black partner to his Washington law firm, first black Democratic Party chairman — the list continues.

He had amazing drive and talent. He completed law school at night while working as a welfare caseworker for the National Urban League. In 1988, he acted as a mediator between Jesse Jackson and the Democratic leadership. Some say he saved the party from a major schism. It was his amazing ability to strike up compromise that allowed him to deal with people effectively — he had an uncanny ability for uniting unlikes.

He, like the rest of us, had skeletons in his closet. Nagging accusations of unethical financial dealings lasted until his untimely death. So far, none have been proven. It only shows Brown was human.

Last Wednesday, I watched his funeral on TV in awe as prominent people spoke of him. They each saw him in different roles: father, colleague, etc. Yet they all saw him as a friend. I saw the number of people who attended as the cameras panned the audience.

But I was baffled by those I didn't see. It was no surprise when I read in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* the next day that no Republican leaders attended his funeral. Instead, they sent their condolences.

I'm disappointed they couldn't make time to pay homage to this great American who served his country as best he could. Maybe they didn't agree with his ideology; maybe they felt awkward given their plans to eliminate the Commerce Department. Yet these are reasons, not excuses.

I never met Ron Brown, but if I had the opportunity to work with him, I certainly would have been in that church last Wednesday. Just as I would for Dick Armey or Newt Gingrich, if I had the pleasure of working with them. Maybe I don't agree with them, but I believe they would deserve at least my respect. I bet Ron Brown would be at their funerals . . . if he could.

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duce several bills to be tabled and voted upon at its meeting April 23. These include:

- A bill asking for \$2,500 from the Permanent Improvements Fund to purchase a new Stair Master for the Rickel Building
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- A bill to revise the House's fiscal policies

In other House business, it will elect new committee chairpeople for its five administrative cabinet positions. These include Academic Affairs, Elections and Regulations, Student Concerns and University Relations. The Finance Committee chairman is House Treasurer Brian Spindor.

The two remaining committee chairpeople were appointed by Selby Monday. Andrea Kinder will be the fall Computing Affairs Committee chairwoman and Jennifer Bedell will continue as Food Services Committee chairwoman.



TCU Daily Skiff/Blake Sims
Jim Wright, former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, shows off his new book in the Mary Coats Burnett Library room where he wrote it.

Surveys to help answer concerns

By NATALIE GARDNER
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Students have the opportunity to express their concerns about the future of TCU's information technology by filling out a survey by Friday.

The student services subcommittee of the university's newly formed Information Technology Steering Committee is busy sending out surveys via post office boxes and e-mail to every student on and off campus.

Carolyn Ulrickson, director of career services and chairwoman of the student services subcommittee, said the student surveys will help the subcommittee create a report of recommendations to give to the steering committee. The report will include recommendations for e-mail and Internet access, card entry into residence halls, registration

through web pages and computing and audiovisual aid in the classrooms.

"The goal of this committee is to build a long-term technology plan for the university," Ulrickson said. "It's the equivalent of the university's master plans for new buildings. The goal is to be wherever technology is five years from today."

Ulrickson said the committee has received about 60 to 70 responses so far and is looking to get many more.

"Certainly we need to hear from a lot more students," she said. "The students — that's why we're here in the first place. If we don't hear from the students, we may miss something big."

Sharon Selby, House of Student Representatives president and member of the subcommittee, said the surveys ask students what they

think TCU ought to do to be on the cutting edge of technology.

"Transfer students are really useful, because they can tell us what we're doing well or where we're lacking," Selby said.

Selby said this semester will only be used to gather information and compile the report.

Reports from all six subcommittees will be turned in by May to the steering committee. The six reports will be compiled into one plan and then given to vice chancellors for review in September, Ulrickson said.

"Because of the rapid changes in technology, this document will never be finished," she said. "It will just give us a framework. It will be looked at and revisited annually or more often than that."

Students can send completed surveys to Career Services, Box 297300 or e-mail responses to technology@tcu.edu.

Book looks at past from Wright side

Former House speaker, TCU prof tells stories of days in Washington

By ROB SHERWIN
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Students enrolled in former House of U.S. Representatives Speaker Jim Wright's political science course this fall might want to consider doing some outside reading this summer.

Wright, who has taught the "Congress and the Presidents" course at TCU since 1991, is currently on a nationwide tour promoting his new book, "Balance of Power: Presidents and Congress from the Era of McCarthy to the Age of Gingrich."

The 514-page book recounts Wright's 34 years in Congress, spanning from the Eisenhower days to the Bush administration. Wright also gives insight into the current Clinton administration.

"It's targeted to everybody as a citizen, everyone who is interested in America and how it works," Wright said. "It covers the better part of 40 years, and that's a long stretch of history."

Wright said the book follows the same pattern as his class, but provides more details and anecdotes than students would get from just a lecture.

"The thing is, I always run out of time," he said. "I don't have time to tell all these stories, so I put them in a book."

Wright said he started the book over five years ago, but soon found himself sidetracked.

While looking at Wright's outline for the book, his publisher asked him to write a chapter on his efforts to bring peace to Central America. Before Wright knew it, he had written over 140 pages. This gave birth to his book "Worth it All: My War for Peace," published in 1993.

After that, Wright continued to work on "Balance of Power," but said the majority of the book was written between May and November of 1995.

Although the book has already received rave reviews from critics,

Wright said he doesn't consider himself to be a great writer.

"I don't have any illusions as a great author," he said. "I just have tried to record events as I saw them, in a way that would be interesting and enlightening to people."

In fact, Wright said "Balance of Power" will most likely be his last book.

"I've told the main story now," he said.

Wright said he has no definite plans for the future. After he finishes promoting his book, he will return to Fort Worth to teach his course, write his syndicated newspaper column and pursue some "minor business interests."

With that, Wright said he is as busy as he wants to be.

"I'm enjoying life now, far more than I did when I was in public office," he said. "I enjoyed that and thought I was reaping the apex of fulfillment. I really thought that was the greatest thing on earth."

"But there is something better about having more control over your own life. You don't belong to everyone," he said.

Part of Wright's newly discovered freedom comes from teaching his TCU class.

"I have always enjoyed the opportunity to talk with college-age students," he said. "During all the years I was in Congress, I preferred the questions they asked to the questions that sophisticated journalists asked. Students ask the intelligent, meaningful questions that have a bearing on the future of our country."

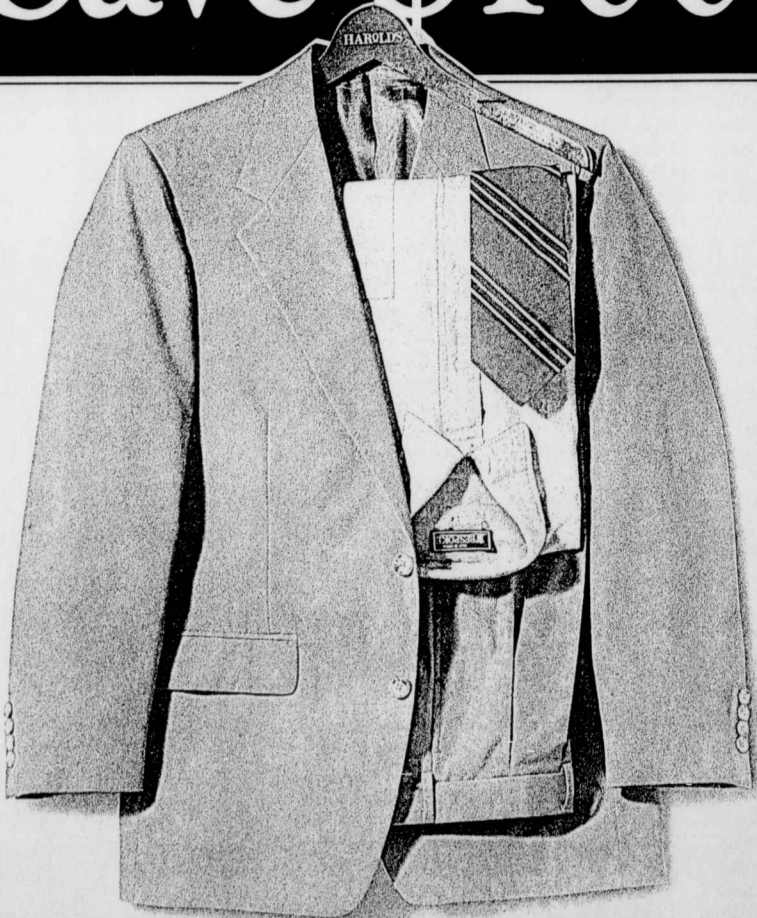
"Professional journalists were always hooked on the hole in the doughnut and never saw the doughnut," he said.

Wright also said he feels a deeper responsibility to provide students with a fun education.

"I've got a notion that education should not be taken like a dose of medicine but rather like a big ol' bowl of ice cream. It's the kind of thing that ought to be made fun," he said.

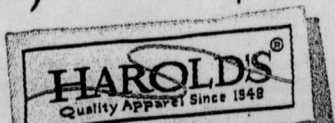
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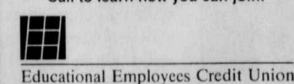


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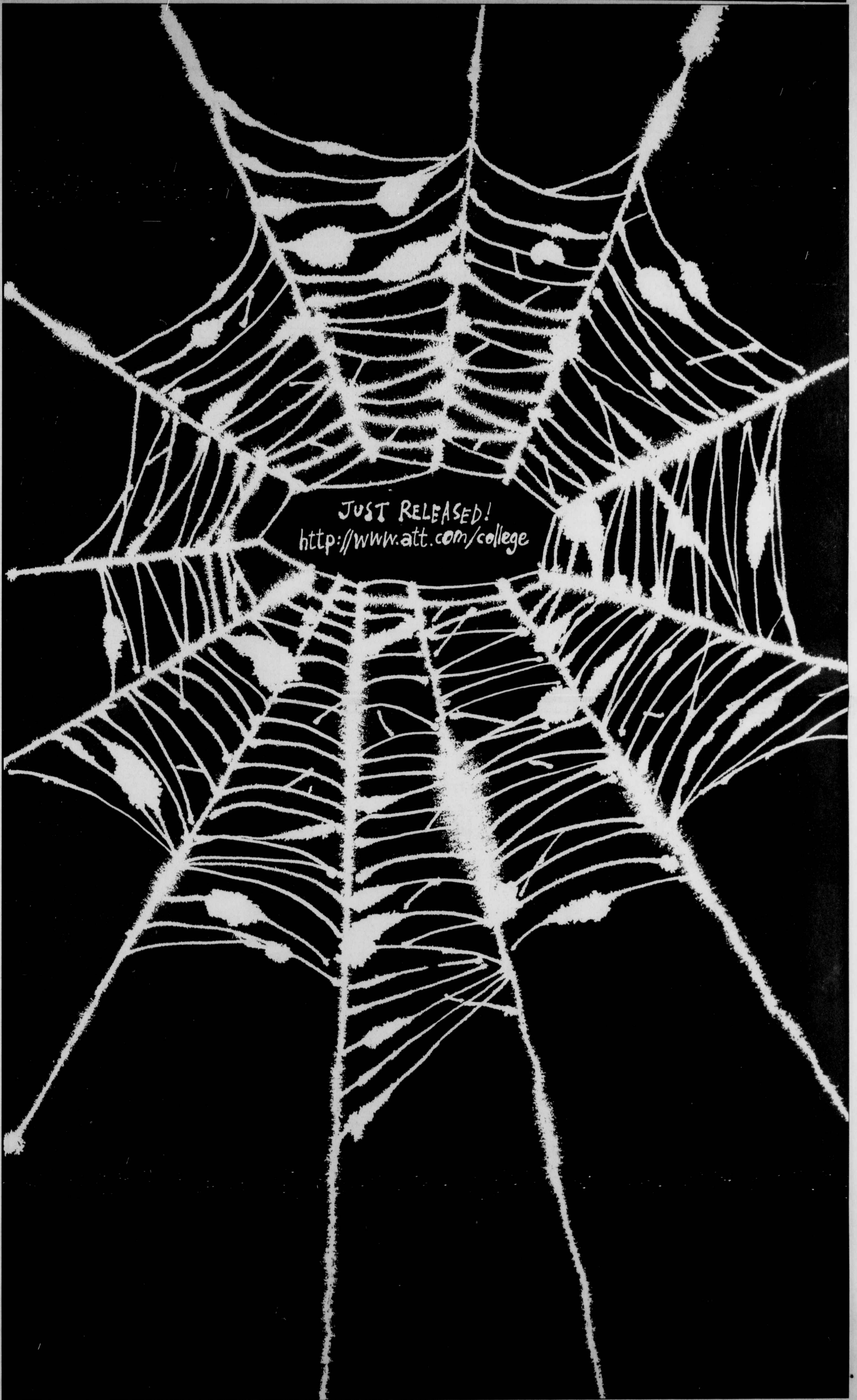
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Guides share tourist 'wonders'

By MICHELLE BOORSTEIN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK, Ariz. — Just another day on the job for Grand Canyon mule guide David Rodriguez — until he watched a one-legged man hop his way more than 10 miles to the bottom of the canyon.

When the hiker got to the bottom, he got on his crutches for the trip back up.

"You can't believe the things you see in here, I tell you," Rodriguez said.

For the hundreds of people who work at the Grand Canyon, the tourists are often more of a spectacle than the 10-mile wonder of the world.

"They'll swear they heard there was a Taco Bell down there at the bottom," said mule guide

Lisa Hunter. "Or sometimes you see clothing strewn along the trail. If there's a backpack, that means they're naked in the creek."

Guides have seen people hike in high heels and bare feet, or while playing the saxophone or violin, or while belting out hymns in Latin.

Canyon workers circulate among themselves a list of dumb questions from visitors. Among them: "What time does the geyser go off?" (Sorry, that's Old Faithful at Yellowstone National Park) "Where are the four faces?" (South Dakota's Mount Rushmore) And: "Is there going to be a sunset tonight?"

Park employees retelling Grand Canyon stories mention those hikers who venture off the main trails without proper training, clothing or food.

"Usually people just panic. They think they're

going to die," said Andrea Lankford, a National Park Service ranger who oversees 70 percent of the canyon's backcountry.

Such cases are so common the rangers know them as "Code W," for wimp, said the super-fit Lankford, whose attitude is summed up by a poster in her office that reads, "Tact Is for Weenies."

Nearly five million people visit the canyon each year, and rangers make 300 to 400 rescues.

According to the Park Service, the average visitor spends 17 minutes looking at the canyon and the rest of the time shopping and eating.

Litterbugs pose a problem, but it's not just trash that gets left behind. A ranger recently found a working video camera with a note that read, "I don't want to take it out."

New editors, ad manager chosen

TCU DAILY SKIFF

The *Skiff* and *Image* editors and the advertising manager have been selected for the fall 1996 semester.

Brandy Butler, a senior advertising/public relations major and current creative director of advertising for the *Skiff*, will be the new advertising manager.

Natalie Gardner, a senior advertising/public relations major and current campus editor of the *Skiff*, will be editor-in-chief for the *Skiff*.

Karl Stenske, a junior news-editorial journalism major and current writer and graphics artist for the *Skiff*, will be next year's *Image* editor.

"I see being editor of *Image* as a challenge," Stenske said. "I hope I can follow in the footsteps of my predecessors and produce a good magazine. Hopefully, along the way, I can win a couple of awards with the help of the people working with me."

Butler said she was looking forward to her new position.

"I think we can make a lot of good changes in the department," she said.

The Student Publications Committee, which consists of students and faculty members, met Friday to interview the student candidates and choose the new editors and manager.

Linda Curry, faculty chairwoman of the committee, said it was a difficult decision, which is beneficial because it shows there are people who want to give time and energy.

"It's good to have competition," she said. "There were two very qualified people applying for editor (of the *Skiff*)." Gardner said she was extremely excited about the coming semester.

"My main goal for the paper is to do a redesign, including the front page," Gardner said.

"I also hope that the TCU community, including faculty, staff and students, will contribute new ideas for the *Skiff*."

The *Skiff* is accepting applications for advertising salespeople and editorial staff positions, such as campus, sports, news, opinion, photography and managing editor.



Natalie Gardner



Brandy Butler



Karl Stenske

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Senate's academic excellence committee. "... For example, in the AddRan College in the core courses, a freshman has a 50 percent chance of getting an adjunct. That's not what TCU promises."

One recently implemented program targeted to freshmen is Frog Camp, a summer camp designed to boost school spirit and knowledge about TCU before students even attend their first class.

But Frog Camp alone won't fix the situation. Many school officials agree the first step to finding solutions is identifying the problems.

Targeting the problem areas

Beginning in July, the enrollment management office will implement a new "exit interview" program to find out why students leave TCU prematurely. University employees will call every student who leaves TCU, and their parents, to find out what students expect when they first enroll, and how the reality differs from their vision of the university, Registrar Pat Miller said.

"The way we do things now is so haphazard because we don't have contact with all the students who

leave," Miller said.

Currently, Miller said, there is no formal interview process for non-returning students. Students who approach the registrar's office and say they are going to leave mid-semester are directed to the dean of students. They then go through a type of counseling process to see if their problems can be dealt with through university resources, he said.

However, TCU rarely hears from those students who complete their first year before transferring.

"We have no follow-up on some students," he said. "We need to be more formal in identifying reasons (why they are leaving)."

Koehler said that since 1989, the university has attempted to conduct a retention study to see what students do and where they go after leaving TCU. The study included both mail and phone interviews.

"Results from mail can be biased because you only hear from those who care enough to send the survey back," he said.

Koehler said his goal for the study is twofold: to target intervention strategies that will prevent students from transferring, and to find similarities between students who prosper at TCU so the university

can pinpoint the best recruits.

The results of the interviews will be shared not only with the recruitment office but with campus programs as well, Miller said.

"We'll identify programs that need to be changed and share the information with them," he said. "We hope they'll be responsive."

Freshman seminars

The Board of Trustees recently displayed its commitment to the two-year-old freshman seminar program when it approved the addition of 10 new faculty members at its March meeting. The new faculty will take over some of the course loads of the professors who teach the seminars, thereby allowing more experienced faculty members to bond with the freshmen.

"The student that is most likely to stay here... is the student who has some type of bonding relationship," Koehler said.

Freshman seminars are classes that consist of one faculty member and no more than 15 freshmen. They incorporate class discussions and field work to ensure the student participates more than just by taking notes.

"The students really love them from what I hear," Sharon Selby, president of the House of Student

Representatives, said about the seminars.

Vanguard program

The House is trying to improve the social bonding of the freshman by initiating the "Vanguard" program, designed to take the place of the TCU Big/Little program, Selby said.

"We've heard of students who didn't get letters (from their TCU bigs) or their big didn't show up for the socials," Selby said.

Selby said the Vanguard program will be limited to 100 people. Frog Camp counselors, Student Orientation Assistants and other students who already work closely with freshmen will write the letters and meet with the new Frogs during the semester.

"We're going to use people who have already made an effort to keep up with the freshmen," she said.

Another important aspect of the Vanguard Program is that the meetings with the freshmen will continue throughout the semester.

"After the hoopla of moving in and Howdy Week is when you need a group to meet with and keep up with," Selby said.

The Vanguard Program will be implemented during the fall semester.

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Ebola virus confirmed Monday in Texas

By LAURAN NEERGAARD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The deadly Ebola virus has struck several monkeys imported into Texas from the Philippines, public health officials confirmed Monday as they worked to contain the outbreak at a primate quarantine facility.

Doctors have no reports of bites or scratches to monkey handlers at HRP Inc. in Alice, Texas, but are watching the employees carefully as a precaution, said state epidemiologist Dr. Diane Simpson in Austin.

"There were two monkeys out of a shipment of 100 that have become ill," she said. "The first one died; the second was euthanized."

She said the virus is "not identical but very, very close" to the one that affected monkeys previously in the U.S.

"These monkeys have been in quarantine and are still in quarantine. They are being contained and we're watching very carefully. We're watching any people who may have come in contact with them."

Asked if there's any danger to the public, she said, "We don't think so. We're watching anybody who may have been in contact with them."

Federal experts diagnosed the Texas illnesses Monday as similar — although not an exact match — to the Ebola strain that decimated a Reston, Va., monkey facility in 1989. That's good news because the Reston strain appears less deadly to people than the killer Ebola found in the wild, explained Bob Howard, spokesman for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

In Reston, four people were exposed to the bloody virus but never got sick. However, federal disease fighters protected by airtight

suits had to kill every monkey and destroy the remains.

This strain "is clearly less pathogenic to humans . . . but we can't say it's completely innocuous," Howard said.

"Once again, Ebola has proven it's quite capable at any time of stepping out of the jungle in any species, both man and primate."

Ebola is one of the world's deadliest diseases, causing 80 percent of its victims to bleed to death. It is spread through bodily fluids, commonly through a break in the skin. It has no treatment and no cure.

Last year, in the central African nation of Zaire, Ebola infected 316 people and killed 245. Earlier this year, at least 13 people died from Ebola in Gabon in western Africa.

But there are strains of the mysterious virus that seem less deadly. The one that struck the Reston importer of Filipino monkeys in 1989, killing dozens of primates, is one such strain.

Four people were known to have been exposed to the Reston virus, but none became ill.

A few months later, the Reston facility had a second monkey outbreak, and a Philadelphia importer found sick monkeys in early 1990. Again, no people were sick.

In Texas, doctors sought a CDC diagnosis immediately when one monkey died with bloody diarrhea. A second monkey with similar symptoms was killed, and the CDC now is diagnosing it.

The Texas strain is slightly different from the Ebola that killed the Reston monkeys, but the differences are those normally found in viral evolution, Howard explained.

However, the sick Texas monkey apparently came from the same Filipino exporter as the Reston monkeys did, and CDC officials will investigate that connection this week, he said.



Police suspect 15-year-old in infant's abduction, death

By MELISSA WILLIAMS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

POTTSBORO, Texas — A 23-month-old girl was abducted from her bedroom and killed Monday, allegedly by a teen-age boy whom neighbors regarded as dangerous, authorities said.

Tabitha Baker apparently was taken from her bedroom before dawn, two weeks before her second birthday. Her body was found in a storm cellar in the backyard of a nearby home several hours later.

The 15-year-old boy was arraigned on a murder charge, but he had not been charged formally as of late Monday afternoon. The suspect, whose name was withheld because of his age, faces a detention hearing within the next 10 days, Grayson County District Attorney Bob Jarvis said.

Jarvis said he would ask a judge to certify the boy to stand trial as an adult. He said an autopsy by the Dallas County medical examiners office will determine whether the girl was sexually assaulted.

"It looks like we're going to have that (evidence of a sexual assault)," Jarvis said.

Pottsboro is a town of about 1,700 residents near the Red River, located 70 miles north of Dallas.

Officials said they were notified of the girl's disappearance and had begun a search before her parents knew she was gone.

"There was a person who said he saw something hap-

pen to a little girl, and that's when we started looking for her," Jarvis said at a Monday afternoon news conference in nearby Sherman, the county seat.

Jarvis refused to discuss details of the investigation, but said: "I saw the body. It was not very pretty."

The boy originally was arrested as a witness but became a suspect. Because he is a juvenile, a district judge read him his rights.

"After his rights were explained to him by the judge, he was placed under arrest for murder," Jarvis said.

Authorities said they believe they have the only person involved in the girl's disappearance and death.

The FBI and Texas Rangers were called in to help in the investigation.

A hand-lettered sign at the restaurant where Tabitha's parents work read, simply, "Closed Today." Inside, family and friends sought solace from each other.

Jarvis described the family as "devastated" when he met with them early Monday.

"They're sitting in the coffee shop, freaking," he said. "They can't hardly stand or sit."

A woman who lives on Grayson Street, where the body was found, said she had often warned her sons, ages 12 and 13, to stay away from the 15-year-old suspect. Neighbors said he was known as more than just a troublemaker.

"Be nice to (him), he could probably kill you," Reana Phillips said she warned her sons.

Two men acquitted in bald eagle death

ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Like most proud hunters, James Edward Tyson wanted to capture his prized trophy on film.

So with quarry in hand, he quickly found friend Donald Edwin Gladden Jr., and asked him to take pictures.

But one look at the negatives spurred a quick-thinking film processor to contact authorities.

The reason? There — in 10 color photographs — was the body of a dead American Bald Eagle.

On Monday, Tyson and Gladden pleaded guilty to violating the Golden and Bald Eagle Act in the Jan. 2 shooting and dismemberment of the bird.

Their arrests came after an employee at a Huntsville film processing shop called authorities, said Karen Broussard, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Tyson, a 27-year-old state corrections officer, was sentenced to four months of home

confinement and 200 hours of community service for pleading guilty to shooting and killing the eagle. He must also pay \$19,000 in fines, restitution and probation expenses.

Gladden, 23, pleaded guilty to possessing and transporting the dead bird, which he had dismembered, Broussard said. He was sentenced to 200 hours of community service and ordered to pay \$5,240 in fines, restitution and probation costs.

U.S. Magistrate Frances H. Stacy ordered that the photo store employee, who has asked not to be identified, receive \$2,000 of the fines.

"My client, of course, is very chastened by the sentencing," said Dale Duff, Tyson's attorney. "We feel like it's strong, but it's an appropriate sentence. I think he will modify his future behavior accordingly."

Gladden's lawyer, Margaret Ling, did not immediately return a telephone call seeking comment. Directory assistance does not have a listing for Gladden.

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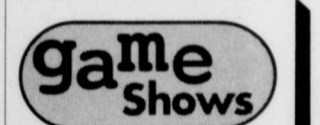
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office felt the Judicial Board's recommendation was unnecessarily harsh.

"Let's just say that we don't feel the punishment fits the crime," McClane said. "Let's face it, a four-year suspension is a death sentence to the fraternity."

Judicial Board members would not comment on the proceedings other than to say they had notified Phi Delta Theta of their recommendation.

If Mills chooses to uphold the recommendation and suspend the fraternity for four years, the Phi

Delts would not be able to conduct any business during that time period — that would preclude them from scheduling meetings, attending or throwing parties and holding rush.

It would also mean that fraternity members scheduled to reside in the Phi Delta Theta house next fall would have to make other living arrangements.

"That's a real problem right now," McClane said. "There's just a lot of uncertainty in the air about how this whole thing is going to turn out."

McClane said he and the other fraternity members had spent the weekend on the phone, planning strategy and garnering support.

"Our alums and our parents have reacted extremely strong," he said. "They've been making phone calls and backing us up 100 percent, and now we just have to go through the appeals process."

In the meantime, the fraternity remains suspended indefinitely and will not be recognized by the university until a final decision is made in the matter, McClane said.

The Texas Zeta chapter of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity has been on campus for 41 years.

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Cabin inventory released by feds

Details on suspected Unabomber's possessions remain inconclusive

By BOB ANEZ
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HELENA, Mont. — FBI agents searching Unabomber suspect Theodore Kaczynski's cabin found addresses of corporate executives, maps of San Francisco, bus schedules, guns and a bottle of antidepressant medicine, according to an inventory released Monday.

In a filing released in federal court, the FBI also confirmed published reports of three typewriters found in the cabin, as well as several unspecified documents and notes.

However, none of the documents were identified as the original text of the Unabomber manifesto, the 35,000-word tract published in *The Washington Post* last year. A source told *The Associated Press* last week that agents found what appeared to be the original of the Jiatribie against modern technology.

Kaczynski, 53, was arrested at the cabin near Lincoln two weeks ago and is being held on charges of possessing bomb components. He has not been charged with any of the Unabomber attacks, which have killed three people and injured 23.

In its list, the FBI did not specifically link any of the more than 600 items to the Unabomber or his crimes and did not even use the word "Unabomber."

One item simply read: "One 'Calumet Baking Powder' can containing soldering wire." Another specified a pair of brown and green hiking boots with a brand name, Northwest Territory. One entry said "letters"; another read simply "documents."

Dozens of the entries were for

chemicals. A pipe bomb was found, as was an "improvised explosive device" in a cardboard box, and five guns. Among the weapons were a .25-caliber gun, bolt-action .22-caliber rifle, Remington model .30-06, .22-caliber black-handle revolver and a handmade gun.

The list doesn't identify the corporate executives or list the addresses.

A bottle of Trazadone, a prescription antidepressant drug, was found.

The list also described a hooded jacket, a blue zippered sweat shirt and hood and two pairs of plastic glasses. A witness who saw the Unabomber plant one bomb described him as wearing a hooded sweatshirt and aviator glasses, resulting in the widely circulated composite sketch.

The references to San Francisco and to corporate executives were cryptic. The item was listed as: "One 'Aldrich' box containing misc. papers, newspaper clippings, bus schedule, addresses of corporate officials and maps of San Francisco."

However, the references may be significant because the Unabomber, who raged against modern technology, targeted executives.

Three of the bombings occurred in the San Francisco Bay area and two in Sacramento. Five of the bombs were mailed from Northern California, including two from Oakland and one from San Francisco.

The FBI list was ordered released by U.S. District Judge Charles Lovell, who authorized the original search.

House aims to make tax hikes harder

By DAVE SKIDMORE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — With an eye toward Election Day, House Republicans spent Tax Day debating a constitutional amendment that would make it much more difficult to raise federal taxes.

GOP leaders had scheduled the vote for a few hours before the midnight filing deadline for 1995 income tax returns. Democrats said that was aimed at attracting maximum news coverage and began a series of procedural maneuvers designed to delay the vote as late into the night as possible.

Supporters conceded their chance of victory was slim but said the vote would illustrate the difference between Democrats and Republicans.

"The overwhelming majority of Republicans will vote for it. I think it's a question of how many Democrats vote for it," House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., told college students and business leaders in Atlanta.

"Most Americans agree that it's too easy for politicians to raise their taxes and that we need some kind of additional protection," he said.

A two-thirds majority of both the House and

Senate is required to send the amendment to the states. For approval, three-fourths of state legislatures then would have to ratify it within seven years.

Democrats complained the amendment was being brought to the floor without consideration by the House Judiciary Committee, where chairman Henry Hyde, R-Ill., opposes it. And they denounced the proposal as a ploy for votes in November.

"It deserves better treatment in the House than a rush job to meet a politically sexy vote deadline that the majority admits is a matter of symbolism. The Constitution should not be used to make political statements," said Rep. David Skaggs, D-Colo.

The amendment requires that any law "to increase the internal revenue by more than a de minimis amount" be approved by two-thirds of the House and Senate. Congress could waive the restriction for up to two years in the event of a declared war or other major military conflict.

Opponents, including the Clinton administration and the bipartisan anti-deficit group, The Concord Coalition, argued the amendment would make it harder to close tax loopholes and would cement

political gridlock in the budget deficit debate.

Thirty-four senators from 17 states — representing as little as 10 percent of the nation's population — could block a tax increase if the amendment were in the Constitution.

"A democratic majority rule is clearly preferable to rule by a minority in determining the direction of the nation's fiscal policy," Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin said in a letter to House leaders.

But supporters said the amendment would prevent what a lead sponsor, Rep. Joe Barton, R-Texas, called a "tyranny of the majority."

"You want consensus . . . You don't want a slim majority in the heat of the moment taking action that will affect future generations," he said.

A dozen states require a supermajority vote of their legislatures or voter approval of a tax increase and it's worked well for them, slowing but not preventing tax increases, Barton said.

About 20 people gathered at a noon rally in Lafayette Park, across the street from the White House, to support the tax limitation amendment. The third annual "Taxpayer Day of Outrage," was sponsored by Americans for Tax Reform, a conservative organization.

Court-martial opens for uncooperative Marines

By MEKI COX
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HONOLULU — A court-martial opened Monday for two Marines who refused to give blood samples for a DNA registry designed to help the Pentagon identify servicemen's remains.

Cpl. John C. Mayfield III, 21, and Cpl. Joseph Vlacovsky, 25, fear the "genetic dog tags" could be used against them in the future, though they haven't said precisely how.

They plan to call as an expert witness the co-author of a study that found that many people with genes linked to certain diseases have been discriminated against by insurance companies, employers

and others.

The Marines face six months in jail and a dishonorable discharge if convicted of willfully disobeying an order. The non-jury trial got under way in front of a military judge at Kaneohe Marine Base.

The Pentagon has been collecting DNA samples from service members for three years and has stored more than 1 million specimens in Gaithersburg, Md.

The plan was to save the samples for 75 years for use in identifying remains. But because of the legal challenge and congressional pressure, the Pentagon announced last week it will keep the samples for only 50 years, strictly limit the circumstances under which they can be released, and allow personnel to

have their specimens destroyed when they leave the service.

Dr. Paul Billings of the Stanford University School of Medicine, who will testify for the defense at the court-martial, said the Pentagon program still lacks safeguards to protect people's privacy.

"This is the very first case of anybody in the United States being threatened with jail time and potentially a fine for not contributing to a DNA bank," Billings said.

Billings was co-author of a study, published in *Science and Engineering Ethics*, that said 455 of 917 people who responded to a questionnaire reported they had been discriminated against for genetic reasons. Although not sick, they lost jobs, insurance, chances at adoption and educational opportunities.

Eleven states have passed laws making it a crime for insurers or employers to discriminate against people because of their genetic makeup. Twenty other states and Congress are considering such legislation as scientific breakthroughs make it easier to identify genes linked to disease.

In the Hawaii case, defense attorney Eric Seitz has said the order to submit blood samples was unlawful, and the American Civil Liberties Union of Hawaii has agreed, citing the Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable searches.

"The law is clear that . . . the mandatory compulsory taking of blood and bodily fluid constitutes a search, and is therefore subject to scrutiny," said Vanessa Chong, executive director of the ACLU.

Marine spokesman Capt. John Milliman said the case has nothing to do with the Constitution: "This is merely to find out whether or not these two Marines are guilty of disobeying a lawful order as given by a superior officer."

Seitz said Sunday he had hoped the Pentagon's softened stance would lead the Marine Corps to drop the charges. But Milliman said the decision was not expected to affect the trial.

The two Marines have also filed a class-action lawsuit to stop the program. The case is pending before a federal appeals court.

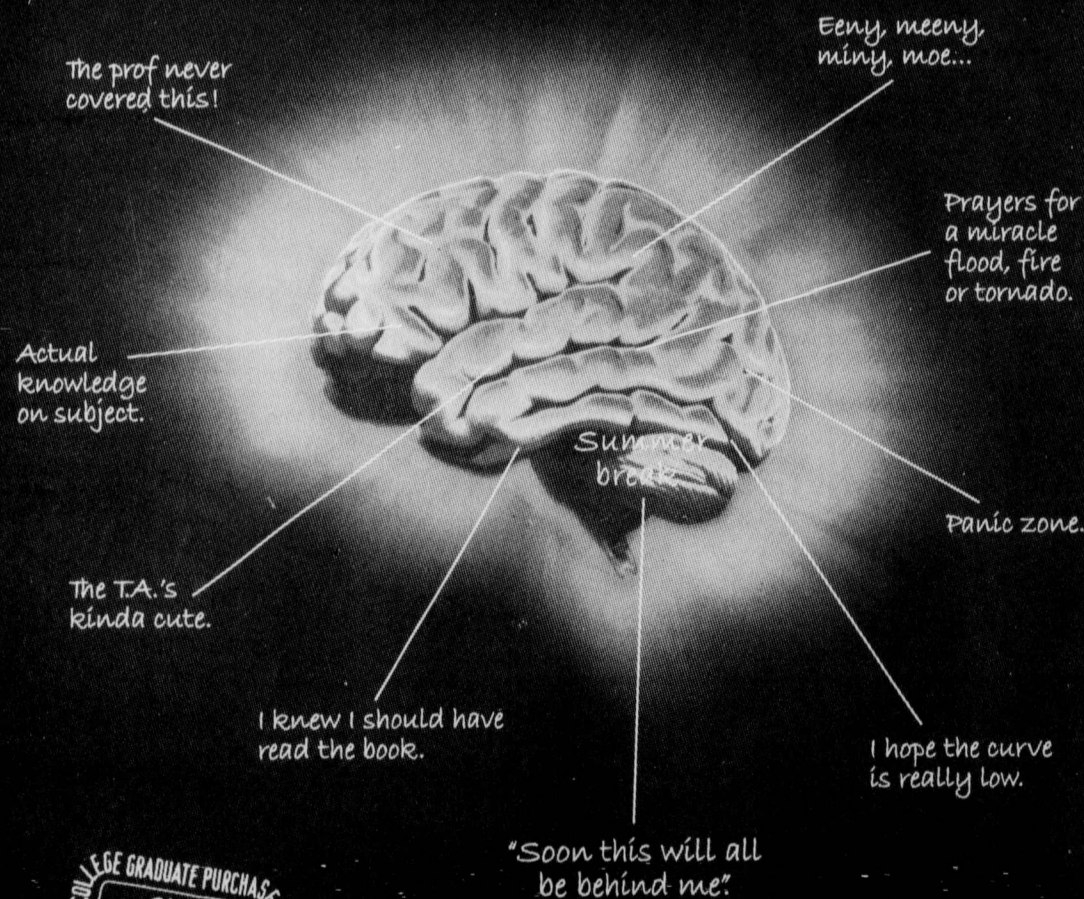
Another service member, Air Force Sgt. Warren Sinclair, faces a court-martial April 25 on the same charge for refusing to give blood for a DNA sample.

Sinclair, stationed at Scott Air Force Base in Illinois, told *The New York Times* he felt the order violated his constitutional rights. "I put a high value on my genes," he said.

Seitz said he expects the corps will punish his clients.

The Marines "feel the need to make an example out of my clients," he said. "And I'm not surprised. They are the military."

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Masters tough on Norman

By RICHARD DURRETT
TCU DAILY SKIFF

Choke. Such an ugly yet unfamiliar word to Greg Norman in championships. The Shark has experienced too many disappointments in the big tournaments that one has to wonder how much more the 41-year-old can take. It all started in 1986 when a younger Norman couldn't make a par on the 18th hole at Augusta to force a playoff with Jack Nicklaus and watched the Golden Bear put on his unprecedented sixth green jacket. Then a couple of months later, Bob Tway holed his shot from the bunker and stunned Norman by yanking the PGA Championship away from him. One year later, the Shark returned to the Masters and played himself into a playoff with hometown boy Larry Mize. On the first playoff hole, Mize chipped in from a horrible position off the green after Norman barely missed a long putt of his own, and the count was three seconds in majors. The losses haven't stopped there. In the 1993 PGA Championship, Paul Azinger took the trophy in a playoff after the golf gods lipped two Norman putts.

Sure, Norman has had success. He is the No. 1 player in the world and has won numerous tournaments in Europe and in the United States, including two British Opens. Who remembers the wins?

On Saturday night, the golf world went to bed with a slight smile on its face. Along with everyone else, I thought this would be the year that Norman got his much-deserved Masters victory. Entering the final round with a six-stroke lead, Norman looked absolutely unbeatable. No one in the history of this legendary tournament has lost after leading by six or more going into the last day.

The weather was perfect, Norman wasn't.

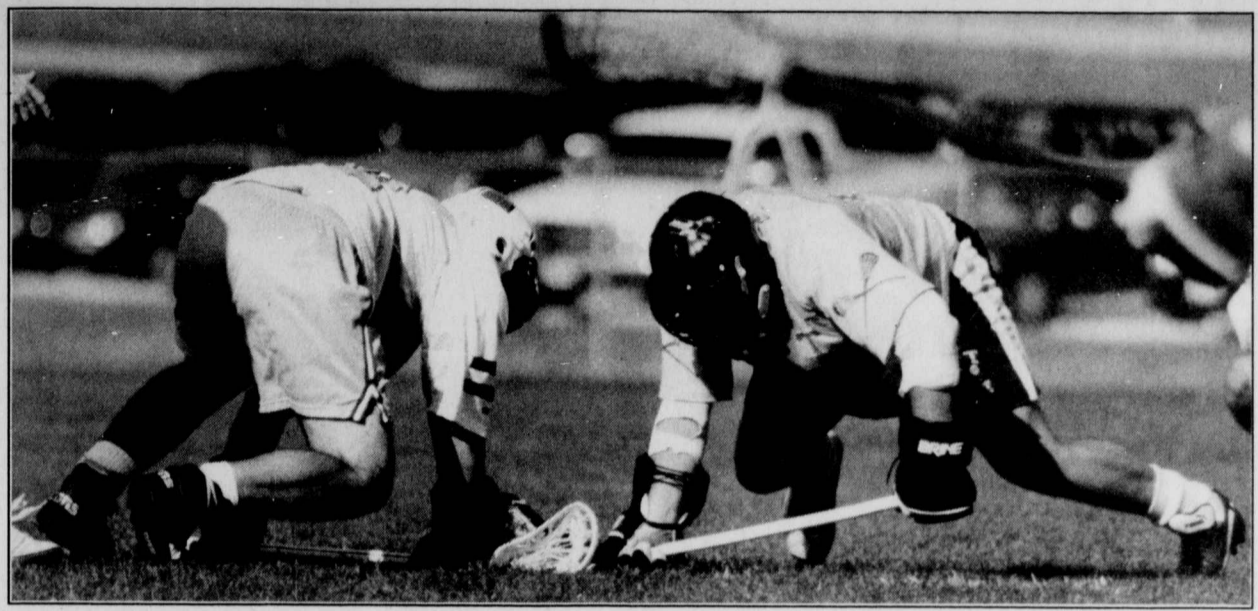
Nick Faldo was the only man with a realistic chance to catch Norman, and he would have to help. American Phil Mickelson lurked behind, but being eight strokes back, that looked like an impossibility. Then the collapse.

Faldo was solid while watching Norman get a little too aggressive at holes nine, 10 and 11. Then after the Shark's ball went in the water at 12, Faldo had the lead and never looked back. Ironically, Norman birdied the 18th to shoot a 78 and lose by five strokes.

The big difference between this Masters tournament and all the other golf disappointments was that this one was self-inflicted. Norman couldn't have



Richard Durrett
Sports Columnist



A TCU lacrosse player faces off against a member of the Southwest Texas team. TCU defeated Southwest Texas 14-2 on Saturday and went on to win the Cowtown Shootout Tournament, which was played from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the TCU Intramural Field.

Flyin' Frogs score second at UNT meet

By BRIAN WILSON
TCU DAILY SKIFF

The TCU women's track team turned in its most impressive statistical performance of the year at Saturday's University of North Texas Track Invitational in Denton.

The Lady Frogs finished second behind the University of Texas-Arlington with a total of 113 points.

Three women swept the top spots in the women's 100-meter dash, as all three women garnered provisional qualifying times for the national meet.

Sophomore Tinesha Jackson finished first with a time of 11.46 seconds, and freshman Cynthreese Spencer and sophomore Giesla Jackson ran close behind with times of 11.56 and 11.62, respectively.

Giesla Jackson and Spencer also paced the Flyin' Frogs in the 200-meter dash. Jackson finished first with a time of 24.13 seconds, and Spencer brought home second, completing the event in 24.26.

"The women really came through. We had a lot of improvement."

CINNAMON SHEFFIELD,
Assistant coach

Frogs lose 3 games to Aggies

Weak pitching hurts baseball team, drops SWC record to 7-6

By BRETT VAN ORT
TCU DAILY SKIFF

TCU saw its hopes of a Southwest Conference championship take a destructive blow this weekend after Texas A&M swept the Frogs in a three game set at Olson Field in College Station.

The series saw the Aggies (30-14, 8-7 in the SWC) take the series by scores of 13-3, 16-7, and 8-7. TCU (25-23, 7-6 in the SWC) actually had a lead in two of the three games, but a lack of strong starting pitching let the Aggies take control of every ballgame after the fourth inning.

The Aggies took control of the first game in the first inning and never looked back after scoring three runs.

TCU junior starter Flint Wallace (7-4) tried to keep his team in the ballgame, but the Frog offense lacked punch against A&M starter Shane King. TCU left only two batters on base while getting eight hits

through seven innings. Some baserunning mistakes and a triple play turned by the Aggies kept TCU threats to a minimum.

In Saturday's twin-bill, the Frogs came out looking like a rejuvenated team, but the result of the games was similar to Friday's.

TCU jumped on the Aggies early, scoring two in the second and third innings. The first two runs came off the bat of sophomore Keith Knoerr, smashing his seventh homer of the year.

The Aggies immediately rebounded in their half of the third inning, scoring six runs and taking a 6-4 lead. Texas A&M then poured it on TCU, scoring 10 runs in the middle innings. A&M won the seven inning affair, 16-7.

TCU lost to the Aggies 3-2 during spring break in the SWC First Pitch Tournament in Houston, and the Frogs were trying to avoid a season sweep from the Aggies.

In the second game of the twin-bill, The Frogs' hopes fell in vain. TCU scored two in the top of the first, but TCU junior starter Derek Lee could not keep the Aggie bats at bay and A&M responded in its half of the first with two runs to even the score.

TCU bounced back with three runs in the second inning off of Aggie starter Jamie Smith. With TCU leading 5-2, A&M manager Mark Johnson pulled his starter in favor of reliever Dean Mitchell.

Mitchell did not allow a run until the eighth inning when he gave up a home run to TCU sophomore designated hitter Casey Smith. The yard shot tied the game at 6-6 and gave TCU its chance to steal a game before leaving town.

TCU reliever Scott Atchison gave up a run in the bottom of the eighth to give the Aggies a 7-6 lead. Aggie reliever Matt Blank had to have three outs to bury the Horned Frogs, but he couldn't do it in the ninth.

TCU freshman third baseman Matt Howe led off with a flare down the right field line. Right fielder Johnny Hunter dropped the fly ball, and the

two-base error put Howe at second. Howe came around on Casey Smith's base hit, and the Frogs came back to tie the game again, 7-7.

Atchison (3-2) made his way out to the mound for the ninth inning. TCU head coach Lance Brown had a depleted bullpen to work with; normally junior Erik Brown would have made his way to the mound, but because of a sore right arm, Brown was lost for the series.

Atchison, in his fifth inning of work, gave up the winning run.

The sweep puts TCU in the middle of the pack for the final run of the SWC title. Texas swept Texas Tech in Austin last weekend, and the Frogs have little margin for error in the next few games.

With a four game series against Houston in Houston coming up, and Texas coming to town in little less than three weeks, the Frogs must win a majority, if not all of, its next few games to hang close to conference front-runner Texas.

Pippig, Tanui win Boston Marathon

ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — Weakened by an upset stomach and menstrual cramps, two-time defending champion Uta Pippig kept falling farther and farther behind in Monday's 100th Boston Marathon.

She almost dropped out after four miles and even after 24 it seemed as if maybe she should have. But Pippig, a heavy favorite to capture a third straight title, overcame a 30-second deficit with 2.2 miles to go and won by 1 minute, 25 seconds.

"I felt not nice," the 30-year-old German said. "I was thinking several times to drop out because it hurt so much. But in the end, I'm OK because I won."

Moses Tanui pulled away from three-time defending champion Cosmas Ndeti at the end of Heartbreak Hill and led a 1-2-3 Kenyan sweep of the men's race. He finished in 2:09:16, 10 seconds ahead of Ezekiel Bitok. Ndeti was third in 2:09:51.

"We feel that was the start of the race," said Tanui, who cramped on the 187-foot hill between the 20th and 21st mile last year last year and placed second to Ndeti by a minute.

They call the climb Heartbreak Hill because it can spoil the dreams of pretenders who think the course's worst is behind them. But Ndeti refused to be heartbroken.

"I'm not disappointed. Losing is not a big shock," he said after failing in his effort for an unprecedented fourth consecutive Boston Marathon crown. "I can still say I am the best because I hold the course record and I won here three times in a row."

This was the sixth straight year a Kenyan man has won in Boston. Kenya used this race for its Olympic trials. Tanui said he would skip the marathon at Atlanta in favor of the 10,000-meter run.

Pippig, who blew kisses to the crowd in her first two victories, hammed for the cameras with a mile to go before the finish in Copley Square. She was timed in 2 hours, 27 minutes and 12 seconds, short of her course record of 2:21:45 set in 1994.

Tegla Loroupe of Kenya was second among the women in 2:28:37, followed by Nobuko Fujimura of Japan in 2:29:24.

Kevin Collins of Cicero, N.Y., was the top U.S. finisher, in 31st with an unofficial time of 2:18:54. Sharon Stubler of Minnetonka, Minn., also finished 31st, coming in unofficially at 2:42:34 to lead the U.S. women.

Jean Driscoll of Champaign, Ill., won an unprecedented seventh consecutive wheelchair race and Heinz Frei of Switzerland took the men's wheelchair division, leading the official record field of 38,706 across the finish line.

Driscoll finished well ahead of her closest pursuer with a time of 1:52:56. Only Clarence DeMar, who won seven non-consecutive men's races, has captured as many titles in this race.

With some 1.5 million lining the course, Pippig fell 12 yards behind at 20 miles, then 80 yards, 190 yards and 220 yards behind Loroupe back at the 23-mile mark. But she sailed by the Kenyan as they crossed the Massachusetts Turnpike on their way into Kenmore Square.

Pippig's three consecutive victories is an official record for the women's division. But in fact it puts her only in the top three. Roberta Gibb won from 1966-68 — the first after a race official tried to chase her off the course — and Sara Mae Berman won it the next three years, when women were not yet allowed to race. The race was opened to women in 1972.

This year there were more than 9,800 women in the record field, and the progress did not escape Pippig.

"I thought a lot this last week about the whole situation, about the marathon, about Roberta Gibb," Pippig said. "It was a milestone that so many women could start here."

"I feel good about it, of course, because it's equal now. Men and women start together and run together. It's just nice because everyone should have the same right to do anything on Earth that he wants."

It was that kind of historical perspective that drew the largest field in race history — four times the previous record.

The race started in Hopkinton in excellent weather. After snow last week and rain over the weekend, the skies cleared and the temperatures warmed to the 50s for race day. Only a slight head wind was expected to slow the runners in their 26.2-mile commute of cuts, calluses and cramps.

As the leaders crossed the 5-mile

the men's team also had its share of top finishes.

Sophomore Khadevis Robinson blew the field away in the 800-meter run, winning it in 1:50.22, nearly five seconds faster than second place finisher David Plummer of UTA.

Junior Brashant Carter placed second in the 200-meter dash, with a time of 20.93.

The trio of freshman Warren Johnson and seniors Chris Allison and George Hackney all ran well enough to capture provisional qualifying marks in the men's 100. Johnson and Allison finished second and third in the event, and Hackney followed his teammates, with a fourth-place time of 10.40.

The men's team of sophomore Clayton Brookins, junior Alton Bozeman, junior Chad Voss and Robinson finished second in the 1600-meter relay with a time of 3:15.69.

"The men had a few problems," Sheffield said. "But, the mile relay did well."

Magic suspended for 3 games

NEW YORK (AP) — Magic Johnson was suspended for three games and fined \$10,000 by the NBA today for a bumping incident with referee Scott Foster during the Los Angeles Lakers' game against the Phoenix Suns on Sunday.

Johnson made contact with Foster after Johnson was whistled for a technical when he complained about a non-call with 4:13 to play in the second quarter of a game won by the Lakers, 118-114.

Foster immediately ejected Johnson from the game. The ejection also carries an automatic \$1,000 fine.

Top 15 baseball teams

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — The Top 15 college baseball teams as determined by the staff of Baseball America magazine with records through April 15 are:

1. Cal State Fullerton (36-4);
2. Southern California (31-9);
3. Florida (31-10);
4. Clemson (33-7);
5. Louisiana State (33-8);
6. Wichita State (27-5);
7. Miami, Fla. (33-8);
8. Florida State (33-8);
9. Texas (30-13);
10. Texas Tech (36-9);
11. Cal State Northridge (37-10);
12. Alabama (29-12);
13. South Florida (32-19);
14. UCLA (23-15);
15. Georgia Tech (25-12).

Tennis star has first child

NEW YORK (AP) — Tracy Austin, a two-time U.S. Open champion and now a tennis announcer for NBC and USA Network, gave birth to her first child, a boy, on Monday.

Dylan Matthew Holt was born to Austin and husband Scott Holt at 8:05 a.m. PDT in Torrance, Calif., weighing in at an even 7 pounds.

Austin, the former No. 1 player in the world, will resume her duties as a tennis analyst next month at the French Open, where she will be working for USA Network, and then at Wimbledon at the end of June for NBC.

Actor turns to soccer

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Andrew Shue, co-star of television's "Melrose Place," will have a second career as a soccer player with the Los Angeles Galaxy.

The 29-year-old actor/midfielder on Monday survived the final regular-season cut of the Galaxy of Major League Soccer.

Shue played the final 25 minutes of the Galaxy's 2-1 season-opening victory over the New York/New Jersey MetroStars on Saturday night at the Rose Bowl.

Because "Melrose Place" is on break until July, there are no conflicts between Shue's two jobs.

Pacers' Miller has surgery

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The Indiana Pacers have four regular-season games to get ready for, playing as many as two rounds of the NBA playoffs without Reggie Miller.

Doctors said Monday that Miller is progressing well a day after having surgery to reconstruct part of his right eye socket.

Miller, injured in Saturday's game against Detroit, was scheduled to be released from the hospital late Monday or Tuesday, depending on how he feels, team officials said.

Ophthalmologist John Abrams said Miller's double vision could take up to two months to completely clear.

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Horned Frogs beat A&M 6-1

Men's tennis team clinches No. 1 seed in SWC Tourney

By ERNESTO MORAN
TCU DAILY SKIFF

You'd think a team ranked among the Top 10 in its sport could find a place to stay almost anywhere it wanted.

But the TCU men's tennis team had trouble doing so before Saturday's match at College Station against Texas A&M.

"It was Parents' Weekend down there," TCU head coach Tut Bartzan said. "The whole scene was pretty charged up. We couldn't even get a room down there back in January. We tried 20 miles outside of town and couldn't get any rooms."

"Finally we got a place to stay at the University Towers, which is sort of a dormitory situation. So we were a little edgy going down there."

The Frogs had less trouble beating A&M than making a reservation.

The No. 5-ranked TCU men's tennis team clinched the fifth Southwest Conference regular season championship in school history Saturday, defeating the Aggies, 6-1. The team's last title was in 1994. It is TCU's fourth championship in the last six years and its first outright title since 1992.

The Frogs (19-2, 6-0 in the SWC) assured themselves of the No. 1 seed for the SWC Tournament, which TCU will host April 19-21 at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center.

TCU found itself in a similar situation in 1994, when it headed to College Station with a chance to clinch first place and lost forcing a three-way tie.

"I think they (Texas A&M) realized that — playing at home, under favorable conditions — if they could somehow snake out a win, it's a three-way tie again, just like it was

a couple of years ago."

TCU split the Nos. 1 and 2 doubles with the Aggies, and sophomores Andres Urencio and Matthew Walsh pulled out a victory at No. 3 to give the Frogs a 1-0 lead. The Frogs then won five of six singles matches.

Senior Paul Robinson, the nation's No. 1-ranked player, won at No. 1 singles, 6-0, 6-1, against Blake Arrant, a player with whom Robinson has historically had some trouble. The last three times the two faced off, the match had gone three sets.

"He didn't play very well, and I played a lot better than I'd played the last few times I played him," Robinson said.

Robinson has defeated all of his SWC opponents in straight sets.

"I've been playing better than I was earlier this year," Robinson said. "I'm more confident now."

Stars finish disappointing season, look to improve

By JAIME ARON
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DALLAS (AP) — If the Stars have learned anything living in Dallas, it's that Texas summers are long and hot. This one, however, probably will be the biggest scorcher since leaving Minnesota three years ago.

For starters, it's only mid-April and their season is over. The Stars made the postseason their first two seasons here, leaving their new fans believing the axiom that everyone in the NHL makes the playoffs.

Reality hit hard this year as Dallas went 26-42-14 to finish 11th among 13 Western Conference teams. The Stars were among 10 teams not advancing to the postseason.

Inconsistency was a big problem for Dallas. The Stars never won more than three straight, had losing streaks of five and six games, and won only twice between Dec. 5 and Jan. 17.

A big reason for that was players not knowing their teammates. Dallas set a franchise record by using 44 different players, yet still never found the right combination.

In-season additions Benoit Hogue and Joe Nieuwendyk were nice pickups, but not enough to fully complement Mike Modano, who led the team with 81 points and 36 goals.

"It was a frustrating year," Modano said following Sunday's regular season finale, a 5-1 loss at home to Detroit. "We lost the first game of the season, made a lot of mistakes and that dictated the rest of the season."

The turbulent season included changes in the front office. Bob Gainey stepped down as coach in January to concentrate on being strictly the general manager, and replaced himself with Ken Hitchcock. About the same time, Norman Green sold the team to Dallas businessman Tom Hicks.

Hitchcock came in with great credentials and high praise. But his .407 winning percentage in 43 games wasn't much better than Gainey's .395 in 38 games.

Hitchcock said he sees a decent foundation for success among the Stars, but additions are needed.

"There are people in that locker room who we need to get more out of," Hitchcock said. "We also need to figure out how to compete with teams in the higher echelons and what we need to do to become part of that group."

Todd Harvey was one of the players Hitchcock probably was referring to when he mentions playing below their potential. A big season was predicted for the rookie and he wound up spending time in the minors.

"We've got to think about what we did wrong and learn from our mistakes," Harvey said. "I think everybody has to have a better year. Obviously, we struggled and never got on track. A lot of guys didn't have the years they were supposed to have. It showed."

If signing free agents or trading for guys with big contracts is deemed the solution, then Hicks likely will pick up the tab. The multimillionaire and would-be Dallas Mavericks owner is dedicated to winning because he knows that is how to turn a profit.

Hicks paid \$84 million for the Stars and he didn't do it just for the notoriety.

Step one will be coming up with a solid roster, which is Gainey's job. Step two will be luring back the roughly 1,200 fans per game who stopped coming out to games between last year and this year.

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inflicted. Norman couldn't have been in a better position to win his first major on American soil. He simply screwed up.

So what happens now to the best golfer in the world who just can't win a major outside of the British Open? Nothing. That's right: nothing.

The greatest part of this 1996 Masters was the class of Greg Norman. Not once did he lose his cool, throw a club or yell in disgust. Instead, he tried to right the boat, and when he knew the game was finished he hugged Nick Faldo and congratulated him like only a true champion could.

Greg Norman's career has been defined by near misses in major championships. Norman's character is defined by his handling of those unfortunate circumstances. The Shark is a champion of character, and that matters a lot more than any green jacket. He didn't whine after the biggest collapse in golf history and one of the largest in sports history (it ranks right up there with the Houston collapse at Buffalo in the National Football League playoffs). He faced the press and said that he, "just didn't get the job done." This didn't look like a man ready to give up.

It's time to give Greg Norman a little credit. He has faced more than his share of adversity and every time has handled the situation with class. The Shark will win his major on U.S. soil, it's just a question of when.

Women lose to Baylor, Rice

Close losses becoming all too familiar for Lady Netters

By ERNESTO MORAN
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The TCU women's tennis team dropped two Southwest Conference matches last week, extending its losing streak to three with one match left in the regular season.

The Lady Frogs (13-9, 1-5 in the SWC) host Southern Methodist at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center. The match was originally scheduled for March 27 but was rained out.

TCU traveled to Waco on Thursday to face Baylor. Junior Deirdre Walsh said the windy conditions made things difficult.

"It was kind of gale-force stuff,"

Walsh said. "A disaster."

The Lady Frogs fell, 8-1. Saturday, TCU hosted Rice, and things looked promising early on. Walsh won at No. 1 singles, but it was sophomore Annika Kjellgren's win at No. 2 singles that the team said gave it confidence.

Both Walsh and Kjellgren had lost to Rice's Paula Myslivecek over the last two years. This time, however, Kjellgren narrowly beat Myslivecek, 6-4, 2-6, 7-6 (7-3).

"After losing all those close matches (recently), I felt good about it," Kjellgren said.

The win helped the Lady Frogs stay even at 3-3 after singles play. TCU then won at No. 2 doubles,

but was defeated at Nos. 3 and 1 for a 5-4 loss.

"We had a good chance to beat them," Ingram said. "We played really well. Rice is just a little bit better than we are."

Walsh said the close losses are becoming all too familiar.

"Same old, same old," Walsh said. "We were right there but not quite. We're getting better and better, which is why it hurts when we lose."

Walsh vowed things will be different this year against SMU, which has beaten TCU by 5-4 scores each of the last two years.

"We're not going to let that happen again," she said.



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