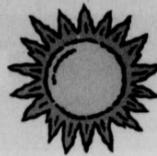


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Israeli police question naval officer
JERUSALEM (AP) — A senior naval officer suspected of involvement in a scandal surrounding the sale of American helicopters to Israel was questioned Thursday by Israeli police.

Rear Adm. Alex Eyal was questioned for seven hours in Tel Aviv by the police fraud squad, police spokesman Ofer Sivan confirmed.

Israel has signed a contract to buy five Panther helicopters for use on its missile boats from the American Eurocopter Corp. of Grand Prairie, Texas, at a cost of \$60 million.

NATION

Pena to leave Cabinet; Christopher resigns

WASHINGTON (AP) — Transportation Secretary Federico Pena is leaving office after bringing small airlines under strict safety rules, but he may be best remembered for standing in the Florida Everglades defending ValJet.

A senior department official said Thursday that Pena had informed the president that he planned to depart.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher also announced his resignation Thursday, saying, "The time simply has come for someone else to pick up the baton" at the State Department.

STATE

Reformers file for control of funds

DALLAS (AP) — A group of Reform Party members is trying to wrest control of the infant party — and any federal campaign dollars it may qualify for — from founder Ross Perot.

The group, made up primarily of supporters of onetime Perot rival Richard Lamm, filed a request with the Federal Election Commission this week seeking recognition as the party's national governing body.

The designation could help determine who controls the party's money, including federal dollars that the party expects to qualify for in the next presidential election.

Rapist caught south of the border

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — A man wanted since May on charges of raping his 9-year-old niece has surrendered to authorities.

Robert Ramirez, 40, of Brownsville was arrested Wednesday at the international bridge connecting this border city to Matamoros, Mexico, where Ramirez had been hiding out.

"It was a voluntary gesture on his part to turn himself in," said Ramirez's attorney, Abel Limas.

Despite his surrender, Ramirez denies the charges, Limas said.

Ramirez is accused of raping his 9-year-old niece after taking her out of school on May 13 with the consent of officials at El Jardin Elementary.

The child told authorities Ramirez took her to his house, tied her up and raped her. After several hours, she freed herself and escaped, running to a nearby mobile home for help, authorities said.



The Everman High School Choir backs up Christina Chrochette (right) as she prepares for a solo Thursday night in the Student Center ballroom. The choir participated in the High School Gospel Extravaganza, sponsored by the Programming Council's Multicultural Committee.

Gospel choirs perform Extravaganza highlights area high school groups

By Bobbie Ann Stroud
SKIFF STAFF

Sounds of songs and music dedicated to God filled the Student Center ballroom Thursday night as hundreds of people from TCU and the Fort Worth community gathered to celebrate the common theme.

The audience and singers clapped, sang and cried together as five school choirs performed at the High School Gospel Extravaganza.

The event, sponsored by the Programming Council's Multicultural Committee, featured the gospel choirs of Dunbar High School, Everman High School, Trimble Technical High School and Western Hills High School. TCU's Word of Truth Gospel Choir also participated.

Each choir performed two songs with their own bands and conductors for a full audience.

Chanda Brown, a sophomore advertising/public relations major and a member of the Word of

Truth Gospel Choir, said the event represented every denomination at the TCU campus.

"The Word of Truth Gospel Choir has been working hard to create a more diverse choir," she said. "We now have three Hispanic members and a Japanese member in the choir. We're working hard to represent every nationality on the TCU campus. We have many different religions in the choir, but if we're all celebrat-

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Materials policy tabled in Senate

By Angela Seutter
SKIFF STAFF

A new teaching materials policy was proposed, discussed and then tabled at the Faculty Senate meeting Thursday.

Kathleen Martin, chairwoman of the Faculty Senate and a professor of education, said the Executive Committee tried to research how other universities dealt with faculty teaching materials.

"There was a wide spread of ways that universities deal with this from one end of the spectrum, saying it is all a matter of faculty discretion and professional ethics to the other end, where almost everything you do in a class to some extent, belongs to the university," Martin said.

Upon opening the discussion to the floor, there were a number of suggestions to the policy that was

proposed by the Executive Committee and the Academic Affairs Committee.

William Koehler, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, put the discussion to rest when he disclosed why the policy was initially proposed by the deans.

Koehler said the instance that led to the policy dealt with a TCU faculty member who had a book published through a publishing house and charged a price above the norm for that type and level of book.

"When the chair and dean asked about conflict of interest, the individual responded, 'There is no rule or policy against this,'" Koehler said.

He said the individual was then able to dictate what the students had

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House candidates to debate issues

By Kelly Melhart
SKIFF STAFF

The national election is over, but things are just getting started in the House of Student Representatives elections.

The University Relations Committee will sponsor two debates to educate the student body on the candidates and their positions on the issues.

The vice presidential debate will take place from noon until 1 p.m. today in the Student Center lounge. The debate will include three candidates: John Christensen, a senior biology major; Becca Gardner, a sophomore radio-TV-film major; and Kevin Nicoletti, a sophomore business major.

The presidential debate will occur from noon until 1 p.m. Monday in the Student Center lounge. It will feature five candidates: John Lamberth, a junior radio-TV-film major; Julie Markus, a junior speech-communication major; Andy Mitchell, a junior accounting and finance major; Chris Smith, a senior history and sociology major; and Stoney White,

a junior political science major.

The debates will be moderated by Theresa Singleton, a sophomore advertising/public relations major and the Political Activities Subcommittee chairwoman of the University Relations Committee.

Singleton will be joined by three panelists in the vice presidential debate: Rob Sherwin, a junior news-editorial major and the Skiff House reporter; Matt Rosine, a senior radio-TV-film major and a representative of University Ministries; and Adele Nandan, a senior political science major and a representative of the Minority Council.

Caroline Nixon, a senior social work major and the president of the Alpha Delta Pi sorority, will join the panel for the presidential debate.

Sharon Selby, House president, said including panelists at the debate will give it more order.

"We wanted to impose a little more structure to make sure the issues were there," she said. "If there are any questions left unanswered, they can be asked at the end

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SWAT team to swarm Student Center at fair

By Kimberly Wilson
SKIFF STAFF

Students will have the opportunity to see a SWAT team repel off the walls of the Student Center Tuesday while learning about the latest anti-theft devices from experts from the Tarrant County Sheriff's Department.

The TCU crime prevention fair will be held near Frog Fountain from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday.

Campus police Sargeant Connie Vilella said the event will give several Fort Worth organizations an opportu-

nity to show off their equipment and inform the students of different resources available to them.

"We want to show people the safety part — what we (police) do to keep them safe," she said.

Vilella said members of the Fort Worth police department's Mounted Patrol will also attend the fair.

Officer Maurice Floyd of the Fort Worth police department Mounted Patrol said his group will bring some of its quarter horses to the fair.

"Our main function is crowd con-

trol, but we still work like anybody else," Floyd said.

Fort Worth police department's traffic department will provide their Camaro and motorcycle for display.

The sheriff's department will bring a trailer full of different anti-theft alarms, locks and other devices, Vilella said.

Care Flite, an air ambulance service for the critically ill, will also be on campus. Care Flite transports patients to Fort Worth who need treatment that smaller hospitals in the sur-

rounding counties do not have the facilities to provide.

Mothers Against Driving Drunk will bring a car that was involved in an alcohol-related accident to show the dangers of driving under the influence of alcohol.

Matt Welch, a neighborhood police officer for the TCU area, and the TCU Student Escorts will be available to answer any questions students have.

"Each of the departments works very hard to keep their area safe," Vilella said. "This is a way to show

people the partnership between the various departments in working to create a safe community."

TCU groups that will take part in the event include the Acquaintance Rape Committee, the Women's Center and R.O.A.D. Workers.

A few area restaurants will show their support of the fair by handing out refreshments.

Jack in the Box will provide free samples of cake and milkshakes. Domino's Pizza will also be on hand to offer refreshments.

Panelists discuss capital punishment, Christianity

By Matt Pearce
SKIFF STAFF

Close to 100 students heard arguments for and against the death penalty Thursday from several panelists, including the wife of a man currently on death row.

The discussion, "Capital Punishment and Christianity: An Even-handed Open Forum For All," was sponsored by Uniting Campus Ministries.

Panelists for the discussion were Bill Tillman, an associate professor of Christian ethics at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Don

Peavy, a Brite Divinity student; and Shari Bower, an Arlington woman whose husband has been on death row since 1984. The discussion was moderated by Don Jackson, Herman Brown professor of political science.

Jackson began the discussion by giving a brief synopsis and history of the death penalty. He said the United States is the only Western nation that still practices it.

Jackson said states with the death penalty today use guided discretion, with capital punishment being used only in certain cases of murder, such as those accompanied by another

felony. He said the Supreme Court says the death penalty is constitutional and that vengeance can be justified as a motive.

Peavy, who supports the death penalty, said it would be unfair not to execute criminals who murder others. He said denying a convicted murderer an execution would be like denying a diploma to a college student who has met all the requirements for graduation.

"Most people who deserve the death penalty worked hard to get it," Peavy said. "To deny them the prize



Shari Bower shares the story of her husband's experience as a death row inmate Thursday night. Bower spoke at a discussion about capital punishment and Christianity, which was sponsored by Uniting Campus Ministries.

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CAMPUS LINES

ROAD WORKERS will sponsor Walking Dead Day today in honor of those who have died due to alcohol-related tragedies. For more information call the Office of Alcohol and Drug Education at 921-7100.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY will host a retreat from 5 p.m. to 11 a.m. today and tomorrow at Camp El Tesoro. Cost is \$5. Sign-up is in the University Ministries office.

PHI THETA KAPPA will sponsor a dinner at 6 p.m. Sunday at the Back Porch on 2500 W. Berry. For more information call Joael McMillen at 921-7490.

TCU INTERIORS ASSOCIATION will host a tour of two Dallas Showrooms at 3 p.m. Monday. For more information call Kay Schultz at 263-4409.

ORDER OF OMEGA will hold a meeting at 10 p.m. Monday in Beckham/Shelburne Hall. For more information call Holly Lieder at 923-5910.

TCU SHOWGIRLS will hold tryouts for basketball season from 5 to 7 p.m. Nov. 13 in Gym 3 of the Rickel Building. Dance experience is suggested. Dance attire is required. For more information call Danielle Veau or Cally Mills at 920-3622.

Pulse

POLICE BLOTTER

Campus Police reported the following offenses and violations from Oct. 29 to Nov. 7:

THEFT

Oct. 29: A scooter used to carry ice around the stadium during the football games was reported stolen from Amon Carter Stadium. Two scooters were dropped off for use during the game, but only one was present when it was time for them to be used. The missing scooter was a red, white and blue Cushman and weighed approximately one ton.

Nov. 2: A TCU staff member reported some items stolen from a TCU van after five students who were helping him unload it left.

Nov. 6: A witness reported seeing three Hispanic males with buzz haircuts between the ages of 13 and 15 looking into a student's vehicle. The student's passenger side window was broken but nothing had been taken. Officers were unable to find the suspects.

ALCOHOL VIOLATION

Nov. 1: Officers were called to Sherley Hall when 13 people were found drinking alcohol in a room. Eight students were issued alcohol violations. The other five people were not TCU students and were dismissed.

MEDICAL EMERGENCY

Nov. 1: A TCU employee reported having chest pains at the Student Center. The man said he was late taking his medication for his heart problems. The man's supervisor took him to Harris Methodist hospital downtown.

Nov. 6: Officers were called to the front yard of Tom Brown Hall to assist a student who was laying down on his back. The student had injured his neck and back when he collided with another student during a frisbee game. After being stabilized by medical personnel, the student was taken to Harris Southwest hospital by ambulance.

VANDALISM

Nov. 3: Vandalism was reported at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity house. The doors to the house were locked, but windows were found to be unlocked.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Nov. 7: Students reported damage to the window of their room in Clark Hall. Officers reported that the damage appeared to be the result of a BB gun being shot from the inside.

Compiled by Kimberly Wilson.

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to pay for the book.

Koehler said the dean came to him with the problem, he looked through the university's policies and there was not one concerning teaching materials.

Koehler said he then raised the issue with the Executive Committee and the deans proposed a policy.

Nowell Donovan, a professor of geology and chairman of the department, said many people thought the problem was that students were charged more than the production cost of materials reproduced for class distribution.

After the origins of the proposed policy were explained, the policy was

tabled.

Martin said the Executive Committee would try to create a few suggested formats for the policy before the next Senate meeting.

Koehler said he is concerned that departments function as appropriately as possible but that faculty members may have good reasons for not getting along with their colleagues.

"How it is done does affect departments and departments can literally be split apart," Koehler said. "Students involved in the debate and the effectiveness of the department is dramatically diminished, literally for years, because of these interpersonal dynamics."

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ing God, then why should it even matter?"

Brown said coordinating the extravaganza was a challenging task because of the conflicting schedules of the participating schools.

"We invited every high school in the Fort Worth area, but these schools were the only ones that could fit in their schedules," she said.

"I think it was a very positive thing, because we were all celebrating one common theme," Brown said. "It's not very often that you see that these days."

Nicole Edwards, a sophomore broadcast journalism major and event coordinator, said she felt it was important to hold the event at TCU because it provides students with a common place and theme.

"When you are going through hard times in your life, it's good to know that you have somewhere to turn to for comfort," she said. "It's important when people can come together and can identify with one common thing. Why not that common thing be God?"

Edwards said she and the other schools involved in the program worked hard to establish a unified meeting ground for people.

"It is a very important time when you celebrate God, but it also seems to be the most segregated time in our lives," she said. "You're either Baptist, Catholic, Lutheran, etc., but in the choir it doesn't matter what religion you practice. As long as you believe in the Lord."

Edwards said the program was successful

"I think this program was a good example that everybody from anywhere can worship in the same place and have a wonderful time," Edwards said. "I'm very proud of what happened here tonight."

Jeanette Anderson, a senior speech pathology major, said the extravaganza was one of the best events she has ever been to on campus.

"It was a unified effort, and I've never seen anything like it before," she said. "I just hope that TCU will continue to sponsor programs such as these."

Jacqueline Williams, a junior nursing major, said she can't wait for next year's Gospel Extravaganza.

"I felt so inspired throughout the entire program," she said. "I felt like the Lord was right there with all of us."

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EDITORIAL

CABINET MAKING

A few recommendations for Clinton's second term

Insiders speculate that several Clinton Cabinet members will leave soon. President Clinton should use this as an opportunity to rebuild his entire Cabinet, and we recommend the following appointees:

State Department. Tonya Harding. With her diplomatic skills, she'll either convince foreign officials to accept our offers, or she'll beat the crap out of them.

Defense Department. William "The Refrigerator" Perry. He's got experience with defense, and with the other William Perry retiring, it won't cost a dime to change the name on the office door.

Treasury. Brian Spindor. The secrecy of the nation's financial records will be assured with the House of Student Representatives Treasurer in Washington. And, he's a finance major, and he's got the perfect last name.

Attorney General. O.J. Simpson.
Interior. Ralph Lauren.

Health and Human Services. Dr. Jack Kevorkian.

Education. Bill Nye the Science Guy.

Energy. Robin Leach. Hey, he's got almost as many frequent flier miles as Hazel O'Leary.

Commerce. James McDougal. Of course, President Clinton will have to pardon him first, but it's for the good of the country. And, he's got plenty of trading experience.

Transportation. Any Washington Metro conductor.

Housing and Urban Development. Any construction worker who's been working on the decade-long project of completing new TCU parking lots. Talk about working at government speed.

Labor. Madonna.

Agriculture. The Florida middle school student who was suspended for bringing a hot pepper to school.

Veterans' Affairs. It's about Bob Dole!

Forkless share tines that bind

There are two types of people in this crazy, mixed-up world: people who are alive and people who listen to Barry Manilow.

On a planet where a guy named Newt influences the future of the world, these two groups need to be further broken down.

The demographics obtained from breaking down a multi-faceted society such as the United States could be beneficial to someone who is contemplating whether to run for political office, or for someone who, in precise medical terms, ought to get a life.

Now the imminent question remains: How can an entire population be dissected effectively?

One method of breaking down the world's culture, using highly-advanced equipment and a staff of exceptionally well-trained sociologists, is to categorize us into two

groups: forks and non-forks.

I am not suggesting that a portion of the American public has the intellect of a fork. Ha, ha! Of course not! Ha, ha!

Just because millions of Americans have bought Kenny "Zzz" G and Snoop Doggy "Don't Call Me Snoopy" Dogg albums, I am not implying they are idiots for purchasing such diaper fill. What I am saying is this: Some of us use forks, and some of us don't.

Those of us who use forks, called "forkers," are refined and dignified when they sit down for a meal. While dining at ritzy restaurants like El Mucho Dinero, forkers use "proper etiquette" by utilizing the proper eating utensil to eat a \$59 fish stick.

The rest of us, called "non-forkers," don't use such a well-refined method to get the food from the plate into our mouths.

Usually a non-forker will attempt to shove the food — even if it's an entire watermelon — into his or her mouth. Obviously, a fine restaurant like El Mucho Dinero is not the ideal dining establishment for us.

We opt for less dignified establishments such as The Hamburger Hut,

The Processed Chicken Carcass Stand or Pork R Us.

While dining at these exquisite establishments, non-forkers don't worry about forks or manners. Of course not! We are utterly devoid of manners and are entirely classless at the dinner table.

When eating mashed potatoes or soup, we use our bare, bacteria-ridden hands and — this is the key to understanding the difference between forkers and non-forkers — we enjoy it.

We non-forkers also:

- put our elbows on the table.
- belch aloud (sometimes in chorus with fellow diners).
- chew with our mouths wide open.
- throw food when the conversation accidentally turns to politics or when somebody gets bored.

Yes, we non-forkers are a proud bunch. We may not be as refined as forkers. We may not be as dignified at the dinner table as forkers. But I can guarantee one thing:

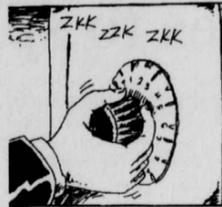
We never listen to Barry Manilow, except on weekends or on a dare.

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Your agenda, sir

Clinton has a lot of issues to address, promises to fulfill in upcoming term

We now know that President Clinton has been re-elected. The following is some friendly advice for the president about issues that he should address in his upcoming term.

One of Clinton's campaign promises of 1992 was that he would make abortion rare. He had the opportunity to fulfill that promise (I know what you're thinking: A politician who didn't keep a campaign promise. D-uhh!), but he instead vetoed the partial-birth abortion ban.

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This is probably the cruelest of abortion techniques, as the unborn child is mere inches from birth when a pair of scissors is stabbed at the base of his or her skull and the child's brains sucked out. Even pro-choicers were uncomfortable defending that, but Clinton chose to toe the party line rather than live up to the Declaration of Independence's principle of the inalienable right to life (without which no other right can exist).

If the president cannot uphold a basic principle in one of our founding documents, then how can we expect him to uphold others? Clinton must hold fast to the belief in the sanctity of life; otherwise he becomes an agent in the culture of death.

Another Clinton promise was a middle-class tax cut. Did it ever happen? Why did Clinton take offense to Dole's promise of a 15 percent tax cut if he promised something very similar four years ago? It's tiresome to be paying so much in taxes while the government seems unable (and worse,



unwilling) to restrain its spending habits.

Clinton must persuade Congress to spend more wisely and be less partisan. The executive and legislative branches owe it to the American people to secure a financially sound and stable economy for the country, and that begins with spending wisely the taxes it receives from us. I realize that it's naive of me to believe that politicians can look past partisanship and consider instead the good of the country, but a change must start somewhere.

Education is indeed the "bridge to the future." No politician dares not to have some plan for education. Yet just having a plan is not an assurance that it is a good one. Too many times our educational system has been swayed by the latest gimmick or half-baked theory that comes down the road. Our children need to learn to read and write!

True self-esteem comes from the fruits of study, research and experimentation. A hard-earned "A" is much more personally satisfying than a similar grade received without effort. These habits of study must be learned early on; otherwise the child will be playing catch-up for the rest of

his or her life. An educated and informed citizenry is the best insurance for maintaining a healthy democracy.

Jesus once said the poor will always be with us. Who is best suited for implementing and maintaining programs for the poor, the church or the state? That is a question that seriously needs to be addressed by the elected president. Should the state be involved at all in such activities when it cannot even recognize life in the womb?

One recent misguided effort was the attempt in Colorado to pass legislation that will allow the taxation of nonprofit organizations. Some of these organizations operate on a shoestring budget and would be taxed out of existence under such a plan. How would taxing nonprofit organizations out of existence benefit the individuals the organizations are trying to help? The elected president should address this issue immediately.

There are many other issues, of course, but addressing these will go a long way toward revealing the intentions of the president and his responses to other similar issues.

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Graduation deliberation leads to registration aggravation

Classes close in a hurry, causing students to beg professors for their gracious mercy

On your mark. Get set. Go! Everybody run to the registrar's office and pick up the advance registration booklet for the spring semester.

While you're at it, go through and mark those classes that you simply must have. Find those teachers today. Hunt them down, if you have to, and beg. Beg until they think you're a lunatic for worrying about the class two weeks before your registration day.

As students, we know this is not irrational behavior; rather, it is precautionary. No matter how early your registration date, it's inevitable that the one class essen-

tial to your major field of study is going to have that one dreaded word next to it on the computer monitor — CLOSED. And so, before everyone simultaneously begins to complain, I say we take action.

If all of us collectively decided to bombard TCU faculty members today, then maybe, just maybe, we would finally be heard. Imagine the chaos if every professor had at least 10 students at his or her door on their knees on the same day. Come on, we can all fake crying.

Try something like this: "Please, oh please, Doctor X (fill in variable with prospective teacher's name). I simply have to take your class. If I don't graduate next May, my parents will have to put the family cat to sleep. They won't be able to afford to feed him anymore if they have to pay for another semester of college for me." Don't forget to sniffle and look at your feet. Hey, even if it's

not believable as you stand there in your expensive button-down shirt and designer loafers, it does show creativity and desperation.

Unfortunately, this group effort is not really going to happen, but we will wish that it had in a couple of weeks. We'll be sporting our "begging faces" at this point and trying to convince deans to allow entrance into closed classes. I can't wait.

So what can TCU do to combat this problem? One solution is to hire more faculty members and offer more class times. However, this would increase the student-to-teacher ratio, which many want to keep at a minimum. A cheaper solution would be for the departments to take on more teaching assistants. Professors could offer more times for their classes and hand much of the extra workload, such as paper grading and test writing, to these TA's.

As students who are busy with

tests and papers as the semester winds down, we don't have time to worry about getting the classes we need. Many of us chose TCU, a small school, to avoid the aggravation of registration problems. We pay a great deal more to avoid being a number and to have a better chance at graduating in four years. We pay for the close relationships that are easy to form with professors in our departments. We shouldn't have to fork over another semester's worth of tuition because there wasn't enough room in a required course. It's not our problem. We con-

cern ourselves with much more than just tests and papers. Many of us also balance school and a job. We are here because we want a successful future and are planning for one now. But not getting the classes we need now can slow down our plans, especially those of us who are upperclassmen.

The administration needs to do something about this growing problem soon, preferably before I graduate. Whenever that is.

Andee Moore is a junior advertising/public relations major from Austin.

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Texas students to finally receive updated textbooks

By Peggy Fikac
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — Outdated social studies textbooks would be replaced in public schools next year under a preliminary vote by the State Board of Education.

"It's time to update history," said Jack Christie, chairman of the State Board of Education.

Books currently in classrooms are too old to include the collapse of the

Berlin Wall, breakup of the Soviet Union and election of presidents Bush and Clinton.

The only proposed new social studies book not endorsed Thursday was a fifth-grade text by Harcourt Brace School Publishers.

Board member Donna Ballard of The Woodlands said she believed there were 50 uncorrected errors in that book, so board members put off action to allow the alleged errors to be checked.

A final vote on all the books is scheduled Friday.

Joe Bill Watkins of the Association of American Publishers said he hadn't had a chance to see Ballard's list but that any errors would be corrected.

Ballard contends that there are wrong dates and other inaccuracies in the fifth-grade book. She also says the publisher's proposed social studies books at all grade levels represent an attempt at "rewriting of history."

"If there were situations in history

that show that we made mistakes, we need to say that but you can do that and still promote patriotism," she said.

Ballard said negative aspects such as treatment of American Indians and blacks shouldn't eclipse efforts to remedy wrongdoing.

"We want to make sure that when we talk about cruelty to special groups we don't want to ignore the fact that there have been people of all

different ethnic backgrounds who

have worked very hard to stop prejudice in the world," she said.

Ballard added that she is particularly concerned about the effect of a negative view on younger students.

"There will come a time in their life when they are going to have to be and should be exposed to those things that are highly controversial and that have promoted some things that are negative in our country," she said.

But for those as young as age 5, she said, it is important to teach them in a

way "that provides for security for them, love for their country and love for mankind, not a sense of militancy and hatred."

Watkins said a textbook committee appointed by the board and a social studies group had reviewed the books and found they met state requirements.

"These materials have been developed over a very long period of time, this is a little late to be talking about problems, it seems to me," he said.

Mission to Mars takes off

By Marcia Dunn
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — The Mars Global Surveyor rocketed away today on a 435 million-mile, 10-month journey to the Red Planet, the first step in a decade-long exploration effort by NASA to determine whether there was ever life on Mars.

The Delta rocket carrying the spacecraft blasted off precisely at 50 seconds past noon, one day after strong wind scuttled the first launch attempt. Today, the weather was perfect.

"We are always relieved when we see one get off the ground as nice as this one did," NASA scientist Mario Acuna said. "This is a very happy occasion."

Less than an hour later, the last rocket engine fired and propelled the Global Surveyor toward Mars at a speed of 24,000 mph. Launch controllers applauded and shook hands.

The Global Surveyor replaces a Mars probe that mysteriously disappeared three years ago. It should reach Mars in September 1997 and, after six months of easing into a mapping orbit, begin scrutinizing the Martian surface and atmosphere.

"It's the beginning of a long sequence of missions ultimately whose goal must be to determine whether or not life was ever on Mars or even perhaps exists now," said Wesley Huntress Jr., NASA space science chief.

The Global Surveyor is the first of 10 U.S. spacecraft to be sent to Mars over the next decade. It is the long-awaited successor to NASA's last Mars probe, the Mars Observer, which never reached its destination for reasons still unknown.

NASA expects to launch a pair of relatively inexpensive spacecraft to Mars every 26 months through 2005, including a robotic mission to return Martian soil and rocks to Earth that should settle the is-there-life-on-Mars debate.



William Thomas Burdette SKIFF STAFF

Debra Longwell, a sophomore nursing major; Dannie Cross, a sophomore radio-TV-film major; Amy Willis, a sophomore nursing major; Marleah Webster, a freshman nursing major; and Stephanie Goodrum, a sophomore biology major, practice ROTC maneuvers Thursday afternoon in front of Sadler Hall.

Waldholtz sentenced to 37 months Criminal charges not filed against Congresswoman Enid Greene

By Harry F. Rosenthal
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — As his congresswoman ex-wife dabbled at her eyes, Joseph Waldholtz was sentenced to 37 months in prison Thursday for felonies that included a \$3 million check-kiting scheme in her 1994 campaign.

"I'm relieved my long nightmare is over," said Rep. Enid Greene, R-Utah, afterward. She wept openly during the court session, twisting a handkerchief as she listened to the judge chastise the man she divorced in June.

"This is a very sad day for me," she said outside the courtroom. "It is the end of my marriage, the loss of a

father to my daughter." She said she felt the need to be there because it "closed a chapter in my life."

The couple has one child, Elizabeth, about a year old.

At least four months of the sentence was imposed by U.S. District Judge Norma Holloway Johnson because Waldholtz continued to write bad checks and used heroin while awaiting sentencing.

"You admit you committed numerous offenses," Johnson told Waldholtz, explaining the longer sentence. "You did perpetrate fraud on family and friends."

After he pleaded guilty in June to four felony counts, the 33-year-old Waldholtz was free on personal

bond, agreeing to live with his father and stepmother in a Pittsburgh suburb. A standard clause barred him from committing further crimes. In September, he was hauled back into court and was jailed by Johnson until Thursday's court date.

The offenses included using heroin daily, forging a pain-killer prescription on the pad of his dentist-father, stealing checks from his stepmother and forging his father's signature, writing \$24,600 in bad checks to his parents, charging money on his father's credit card and writing a bad check for eye-glasses.

The government had asked for a 33 month sentence, the maximum

under federal sentencing guidelines. "You continued on your illicit course, you abused the public trust," Johnson said.

Waldholtz said his misdeeds "will haunt me for the rest of my life." He expressed regret to his former wife, family and friends.

"I am responsible for everything alone," he said.

Johnson rejected the plea of A.J. Kramer, the public defender, that Waldholtz be sent to a "boot camp" in Pennsylvania. But she said she would recommend that he serve his term in the federal institution in Allenwood, Pa., referred to by former inmates as a "country club" among prisons.

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by the audience."

Singleton said the panelists were chosen because they "are well versed in the news of student government and the needs of the university."

Singleton will begin each debate with two questions followed by questions from the panelists.

"I asked each panelist to keep their questions directed strictly to the candidate's qualifications for the position and to the current election," she said. "There will be no character related questions. This will be a clean debate. No trash."

Each debate will conclude with five minutes devoted to questions from the audience.

Christine Spencer, a junior political science major and the chairwoman of the University Relations Committee, said students should come to the debates to become better informed about the candidates and the issues.

The committee deals with relations between students and different organizations on campus.

The candidates who are running unopposed for the other positions will each have a few minutes to state their platforms at the debates today.

Ben Roman, a junior radio-TV-film major, is running for vice president of programming.

Mark Irish, a junior finance and accounting major, is running for the office of treasurer.

Sarah Schoper, a sophomore political science major, and Angela Sifuentes, a junior history and political science major, are competing for secretary.

Singleton said there will not be a debate between the secretarial candidates because there were too many scheduling conflicts.

She said the committee did not feel the position was any less important than the offices of president and vice-president.

Spencer said the debates are part of the committees "Get Out The Vote" campaign, which is geared toward decreasing student apathy in any elections and increasing student voter participation.

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Psychotica, 8:30 p.m. Friday, Galaxy Club.

Art lectures

"The Image of the African-American in Prints of the Thirties and Forties" by Reba Williams, 7 p.m. Monday, Amon Carter Museum.
"Living Luxury — Lacquer and Momoyama Life" by Andrew J. Pekarik, 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dallas Museum of Art Horchow Auditorium, \$8 for general public.
"Laura Gilpin's 'Navaho Madonna': The Mixed Blessings and Responsibilities of a Photographic Bequest" by Barbara McCandless, 12:15 p.m. Thursday, Amon Carter Museum.
"Isamu Noguchi's 'Constellation' (for Louis Kahn)" by Linda S. Powell, 12:30 a.m. Wednesday, Kimbell Art Museum.
"Value of arts education" by Leilani Lattin Duke, 7 p.m. Friday, Dallas Museum of Art Horchow Auditorium, free to the public.
"Learning from Works of Art" by Terry Barrett, 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Dallas Museum of Art Horchow Auditorium.
"An Evening of Dazzling Animated Shorts" by Bart Weiss, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, free to the public.

Theater

"Sweeney Todd" by Irving Community Theater, today through Nov. 23, Dupree Theater, Irving Arts Center, 972/252-ARTS.
"Laughter on the 23rd Floor" by Stage West Theatre, 8 p.m. Friday and 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, 3055 S. University Dr.
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"Angels in America, Part 2: Perestroika" by Tony Kushner, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. matinees Saturday and Sunday, today through Nov. 17, Dallas Theater Center, \$6 student "rush" tickets available one hour prior to each performance, (214) 522-TIXX.
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Exhibitions

"Japan's Golden Age: Momoyama," today through Dec. 1, Dallas Museum of Art.
"The Shores of a Dream: Yasuo Kuniyoshi's Early Work in America," today through Nov. 17, Amon Carter Museum, free.
"The Women of the Pleasure Quarter: Japanese Paintings and Prints of the Floating World," today through Dec. 1, Kimbell Art Museum, \$2 to \$6.
"Folk Art from the Collection," today through Nov. 17, Amon Carter Museum.
"Masterworks of the Photography Collection: Thirty-five Years of Collecting," today through Jan. 5, Amon Carter Museum.

'Ransom' worth the ticket price

By Andy Summa
SKIFF STAFF

Besides having to pay a \$15,000 college tuition, a parent's worst nightmare is probably kidnapping. Parents are left helpless, unable to do anything to save their child. All they can do is sit and wait.
"Ransom" is a movie which explores this fear. In a sense, it's very similar to "Philadelphia" (which exploited our fear of AIDS), "Goodfellas" (fear of the Mafia) and "The Fugitive" (fear of being wrongly accused). That's what good movies do: They explore our emotions and personify them. Though "Ransom" isn't as issue-oriented as "Philadelphia," violent as "Goodfellas" or exciting as "The Fugitive," it's just as emotionally manipulative.

"Ransom" also marks the next step in the evolution of Ron Howard as a director. His ability behind the camera can be seen in his past few films. His last five ("Backdraft," "Far and Away," "The Paper," "Apollo 13" and now "Ransom") show the maturation of one of the finest directors in the business.

In terms of craftsmanship and bite, "Ransom" is a step up from "Apollo 13." Though "Apollo 13" utilized an outstanding ensemble cast and a terrific true story, "Ransom" is fundamentally a better film. It examines the characters motives and emotions, whereas "Apollo" focused on an event.

The big event in "Ransom," of course, is the kidnapping of an airline mogul's son.

Along with his beautiful wife Kate (Rene Russo) and his son Sean, Tom Mullen (Mel Gibson) sits atop a commercial empire. He has a prestigious position in New York society, a lush Fifth Avenue penthouse and



Mel Gibson (left) and Rene Russo (right) star as Tom and Kate Mullen, who face the unthinkable when their young son, Sean, is kidnapped in Touchstone Pictures' riveting drama, "Ransom." Gibson devises a plan to use the \$2 million ransom as bait to catch the kidnapper.

high media visibility. But when his son is abducted and held for a \$2 million ransom, his world comes crashing down.

Tom goes to the authorities for help. But when the FBI rescue operation fails, Tom devises his own countermeasure in a last-ditch effort to bring his son back to safety.

His idea — to use the \$2 million ransom as a bounty on the kidnapers

— is a little hard to swallow. Though it works on screen, the scheme probably would have led to catastrophe in the real world. But, as we all know, Hollywood doesn't operate in the real world. With that in mind, the bounty twist works well for the movie.

There are several other surprising twists in the film as well. Though the ending is a little too commercial, "Ransom" avoids usual suspense

movie cliches with fresh angles and interesting character development. This is where Howard baits his hook.

Instead of focusing on gruesome consequences, Howard zooms in on the parents. With keen craftsmanship, he exports Kate and Tom from Movieland and makes them real-world personalities — ones for whom we feel empathy.

Though you don't realize it while

watching the movie, there's very little bona fide action in "Ransom." Would it have been a better movie with more action? Possibly.

But if Howard had relied on car chases, sex scenes or gratuitous violence, the movie would have been cheapened. He didn't need tasteless ploys to heighten the movie's affect — you're on the edge of your seat the entire two hours.

Hawke's book falls flat

By Neelima Atluru and Kelly Meihart
SKIFF STAFF

Boy meets girl. They date. They break up. The end.

Yeah, sure, this is the typical relationship story everybody has experienced, but actor Ethan Hawke turns the story into an angst-driven plot for his novel-writing debut, "The Hottest State."

Hawke took a boy on the brink of manhood, actually his 21st birthday, gave him a Fort Worth background, set him up in an apartment in New York City and named him William Harding.

William meets singer/pre-school teacher Sarah Wingfield through mutual friends at "The Bitter End," a local bar.

William narrates the typical, not-quite love story between Sarah and himself and sprinkles it with flashbacks of his childhood and his parents to give the novel a realistic quality.

Actually, the characters in the novel seem real enough. William describes himself as a good-looking guy, but he falls short of perfection because he has crooked teeth.

William thinks Sarah is sexy but doesn't know why. He attributes this to her being more natural and human than the perfect blond beauties he usually encounters.

Her crazy hair and slightly overweight body are the two main images that recur in the book. These attributes seem to strengthen his attraction.

The two get together even though they don't seem like a typi-

cal couple. This attracts William to Sarah even more.

The novel is not limited to the boyfriend and girlfriend, though. Hawke includes Decker, William's best friend, and Samantha, William's ex-girlfriend.

Decker disappears almost as quickly as he is sprung on the reader, except for a few cameo flashback appearances and token situations in the novel.

Samantha comes into the book to demonstrate the gorgeous females William has the capability of sleeping with. She and William dated in high school and her goal during their junior year was to "take cheer-leading more seriously."

She and William lost their virginity to each other, but other than that, he seemed to have no more feelings for her.

Fort Worth pops into the novel as a key setting for the novel, as all of William's childhood memories take place in Fort Worth. His parents met and conceived William there, and he and his mother moved away when the parents divorced.

Fort Worth is also the setting for 7-year-old William's poem, "The Hottest State." Had Hawke elaborated more on this aspect of William's life, the reader might have been able to connect it to the present state of William's life. But, alas, Fort Worth is merely a memory.

The book touches on the emotional aspect of a male character trying to come to grips with a relationship that includes more than sex and drinking.

It attempts to use emotional



Ethan Hawke ("Reality Bites") debuts as a novelist with "The Hottest Estate."

detail but fails to capture the essence of William's feelings. Instead, the reader only gets the superficial detail that surrounds William's feelings.

The book was well written and the characters seemed real, but it had no real point other than the haphazard relationship of William and Sarah, two people on their own surrounded by the possibilities of New York City.

Will this book change your life? No.

Will it give you a deep insight into human nature? Probably not.

But if you happen to have a free afternoon and feel like reading a story about a typical failed relationship, then you might grab this book and settle down for a few hours of pleasure reading.

Master Masen New style fixes cross rock

By William Thomas Burdette
SKIFF STAFF

Maybe Sarah Masen will be the artist that can remove some of the cheesiness from contemporary Christian music.

It's no secret, even to the novice music connoisseur, that the contemporary Christian section of the local CD store should be avoided if one has a lactose intolerance.

Traditionally, contemporary Christian music has been plagued by cheesy artists who skirt issues that real people deal with and choose instead to paint a rosy picture of life. While lyrically the songs have often been superficial, musically, Christian pop has always been less than cutting edge.

Recently, however, there has been rapid growth in the number of artists in the category of contemporary Christian music. More importantly, however, the quality of music, although still perhaps a step or two behind the current trends, is getting better.

Artists of the Cheese Era such as Michael W. Smith, Amy Grant and Stryper have been thrown into the "good laugh" bin along with Michael Bolton. In their place, a new group of talented musicians who have the potential to appeal to people other than 40-year-olds and youth group leaders has emerged.

Masen is one of the most refreshing of the latest envoy of Christian pop artists.

Her Sarah-McLachlin-style

vocals somehow give credibility to her lyrics. It actually seems as if she put some thought into her lyrics rather than just stealing Bible verses and using them as convenient lyrics.

While her lyrics are unmistakably Christian, she avoids using cliches or hackneyed catch phrases that have, in the past, helped to give contemporary Christian music a bad, or rather a sickeningly good, reputation.

Her self-titled album is divine "Fly baby" is an especially bright spot in the album which fuses sensitive lyrics with a catchy chorus. "This bond's been misunderstood/yeah, the dreams we make are paper kingdoms/friend, if only we could/reach beyond ourselves for some understanding."

Perhaps the best writing in the album appears in the song "love." Unfortunately, "love" was written by Victoria Williams and not Masen; however, it shows Masen's willingness to expand her repertoire to something more than major chord ballads. While this song has a catchy major chord chorus, the verses and the bridge are different enough to break up the monotony.

While Masen would not be out of place in a contemporary church service, she also appears to be comfortable playing the coffee-house scene. Masen will make an appearance in Fort Worth at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 14 at Borders Book Store, 4613 S. Hulen St.

Pop-rock band covers timely topics in foxy debut

By Ernie Moran
SKIFF STAFF

When the press release for a debut album says "best band ever" and that the album is "the best ever," one is inclined to approach it tentatively.

Unless the band was an all-star lineup of members from R.E.M., Hootie and the Blowfish and U2, or something along those lines, it would be difficult to live up to that kind of hype.

That said, the self-titled first effort from the San Francisco quintet Stonefox (Rockstar Records) is nothing short of impressive.

The band, which has opened for the likes of L7, among others, is fronted

by Jorjee and her amazing vocals. This woman was put on this earth to do one thing: sing in a rock 'n' roll band.

Jorjee gets solid backing from a band that is all over the map musically and changes paces from song to song — sometimes within a single song, such as "Sandwich King" — with ease.

There's plenty of variety within the pop-rock genre, from the straight-ahead rock of the first track, "Jarvina," to the funk of "Two Solid Weeks of Menstruation," to the blazing opening pace of "Sandwich King" and the sweet balladry of "HIV+."

But while the musicianship is solid, the real talent lies in the songwriting.

The lyrics tell stories that don't always have happy endings, tackling issues such as homelessness, drug overdoses, spousal abuse and AIDS. "HIV+" is the best take on the subject of the disease since Concrete Blonde's version of "Tomorrow Wendy."

And yet the work is not bland or without some ambiguity. The message is not too obvious — it makes the listener meet her halfway to get the point. When, on "Tiny Box of Lies," she sings "If you think my bed is empty, well we're one and the same," it's unclear if she means herself and the emptiness or herself and her former lover.

Jorjee's ability to convey the pas-

sion is the key. There's no doubting her conviction when she opens "Sandwich King" with the line, "I'll let you come back when Hell freezes over."

The highlight of the album may well be the third track, an acoustic beauty titled "Lambly's Legs." The guitar and vocals complement one another, neither overshadowing the other. The song is about a relationship based on an unplanned pregnancy that results in a Vegas wedding.

The story continues with the character in the song eventually telling her daughter, "You weren't like the others." The mother, however, professes her unconditional love for her daughter. Yet when the child, in a clever

twist on a lullaby, asks, "If I fall down from this tree, will you break the fall for me?" the mother replies, "We'll just have to see," and there's no mistaking the doubt and despair in her voice.

This is by no means a flawless debut. "Poach," a song about a dog by the same name, is far too silly to be placed in the middle of several serious themes.

No, it's not the greatest album of all time, but with this kind of debut, one can't help but anticipate great things in the future. "Jesus set me free so I can live my life the way I think it should be," Jorjee sings softly on "HIV+," and it's obvious she's doing the right thing with her talents.

Oates, Torre share AL manager award
NEW YORK (AP) — Johnny Oates and Joe Torre were voted co-winners of the AL Manager of the Year on Thursday, the first tie in the 14 years of the award.

Oates and Torre each received 89 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers Association of America.

"The only guy happier than me is Joe Torre, and that's because he won the World Series," Oates said. "He's the only one in the major leagues who can say he did it. But to be recognized by the writers is an honor and I'm very proud of it."

Torre, who guided the Yankees to their first World Series title since 1978, received 10 firsts, 12 seconds and three thirds. Winning the World Series made the award special, he said.

"It's really magical," Torre said. "It's unbelievable. It's probably the happiest time of my life. There's a bizarre plan out there somewhere and I'm glad to be a part of it."

Oates, who led the Texas Rangers to their first postseason appearance, got 12 firsts, eight seconds and five thirds.

Nomo wows fans as big leaguers win

NISHINOMIYA, Japan (AP) — Hideo Nomo had a big homecoming Thursday.

The Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher wasn't especially sharp, but the fans thought he was great.

Not even an 11-8 victory by a team of major league stars over a Japanese all-star team dampened their enthusiasm.

They were delighted to see the local kid who made good in the big leagues go into his famous "tornado delivery," and gave a big welcome to Nomo, who left Japanese baseball two years ago. The Koshien ballpark, packed with 55,000 fans, is close to Nomo's hometown of Osaka.

"I really wanted to pitch in Osaka, and I'm more than happy," Nomo said after the game. "I'm glad I could pitch before so many people."

Never mind that Nomo gave up four hits and four runs in the top of the third inning.

"Nomo was great. His pitching was a lot more powerful than it looks on TV," said Kazumasa Takeshi, who took a day off to see the game.

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Passing offense: It seems clear that Jeff Dover is Pat Sullivan's first choice at QB, but Sullivan has said Fred Taylor will get playing time as well. Neither turned the ball over against UNLV last week. The return of WRs Jason Tucker (seven catches for 114 yards and a TD) and John Washington has added some life to the passing attack.

Passing defense: UNLV's Jon Denton continued the season-long trend of big passing performances against the Frogs. TCU improved its pass rush in the second half, but cannot wait that long against Tulsa, which has more balance than UNLV did. The Frogs also cannot afford to give up big plays again.

Rushing offense: Whereas Sullivan is shuffling quarterbacks looking for some production, he has a trio of solid tailbacks, led by Basil Mitchell (21 carries, 151 yards vs. UNLV) and John Williams (11-111 and two TDs). Lance Williams also contributed in short-yardage situations. The offensive line has been more consistent in its run blocking than its pass protection.

Rushing defense: The front seven were hardly tested against the Rebels, helping TCU jump to sixth in the WAC against the run (165.8 ypg). The Frogs must stop Tulsa in a similar way to force Tulsa to pass. FS Chris Staten and Jay Davern lead the team with 67 and 66 tackles, respectively.

Special teams: PK Michael Reeder missed what could have been a crucial game-clinching 35-yard FG against UNLV, continuing a three-game slump. P Royce Huffman (43.7) continues to pin opponents deep in their own territory.

Intangibles: With the conference championship out of reach, the Frogs are now playing primarily for a third consecutive winning season. They cannot afford to look ahead to their game against Rice.



Passing defense: The Golden Hurricane rank 13th in the WAC against the pass. DE Salifu Abudulai leads the team with 10 sacks this year. Tulsa has given up 12 TD passes this year while picking off only eight passes. Therefore, the front four must get pressure on the TCU quarterbacks because the secondary is poor.

Passing offense: Both John Fitzgerald and Troy DeGar have been productive at QB this season. Fitzgerald was 22 of 37 for 357 yards and a TD in the win over Iowa. DeGar has the ability to make things happen and has thrown 5 TD passes. WR Wes Caswell is fifth in the pass-happy WAC in receiving yards per game (79.3).

Rushing defense: The Golden Hurricane rank just a few notches above TCU's opponent last week, UNLV, in stopping the run: UNLV was last (111th) in Division I—A, Tulsa is 106th (251 yards per game). LB Muadianvita Kazadi leads the team in tackles with 84 (10.5 per game). CB Jeremy Bunch is second with 80.

Rushing offense: RB Reggie Williams is a mild threat on the ground, averaging 87.3 yards (seventh in the WAC) and 4.9 per carry. Williams suffered a broken hand that kept him out of last week's 34-23 loss to New Mexico. Charlie Higgins filled in adequately (14 carries, 106 yards).

Special teams: PK James Anderson is a semifinalist for the Lou Groza Award and leads the team in scoring with 63 points. He has made 16 of 20 attempts. P Kirk Myrick ranks eighth in the WAC, averaging 39.6 yards per kick.

Intangibles: Tulsa, like TCU has been inconsistent this year, with impressive wins over Iowa and Colorado State and an inexplicable blowout loss against Oklahoma State, 30-9.

By Gregor Esch
SKIFF STAFF



TCU sophomore fullback Lance Williams is met by a Nevada-Las Vegas defender on his way to a touchdown during the Frogs' 42-34 win Saturday over UNLV. The Frogs go on the road to face Tulsa on Saturday.

Frogs hope to tame Hurricane, keep momentum on Saturday

By Gregor Esch
SKIFF STAFF

The TCU football team will try to even its conference record and keep hopes for a third consecutive winning season alive when it travels to Tulsa, Okla., for a 1:35 p.m. kick-off Saturday against the University of Tulsa in a Western Athletic Conference contest.

TCU hopes last week's 42-34 victory over the University of Nevada-Las Vegas was the confidence builder the team has been needing for weeks, head coach Pat Sullivan said.

"This football team badly needed a win and the confidence that goes with it," he said.

"The thing that pleased me the most was the way we responded after UNLV would get some momentum," Sullivan said. "Each time, we would tighten up a notch and regain control of the ballgame."

The Horned Frogs (3-5, 2-3) face the Golden Hurricane (3-5, 1-4) knowing that one of Tulsa's wins was a 27-20 triumph over No. 23-ranked Iowa University, which means the Frogs will be in for a battle, Sullivan said.

Both the Frogs and the Golden Hurricane will start quarterbacks who haven't started in every game this season. For Tulsa, senior quarterback Troy DeGar and sophomore John Fitzgerald have been sharing the signal-calling duties this year. DeGar has started in five games.

DeGar has thrown for 963 yards and five touchdowns, while Fitzgerald has thrown for 720 yards, including a 357-yard, one-touchdown performance in the upset against the Hawkeyes. DeGar's ability to improvise is reminiscent of Texas Tech University quarterback Zebbie Lethridge, who the

Frogs are familiar with, Sullivan said. Both teams have not decided who will start at quarterback, but TCU is leaning toward Jeff Dover, Sullivan said. Fred Taylor is also expected to see occasional action, Sullivan said.

The favorite receiving target of the Golden Hurricane quarterbacks is junior wide receiver Wes Caswell. Caswell, who missed all of last season due to injury, is in eighth place on the school's all-time receiving list with 132 receptions for 1,758 yards. This season he has 36 receptions for 580 yards, an average of 16.1 yards per catch.

The defensive tone for the Golden Hurricane is set by the performances of senior defensive end Salifu Abudulai and senior middle linebacker Muadianvita Kazadi, Sullivan said. Abudulai has a team-leading 10 quarterback sacks this season, one shy of the school's single season record. Kazadi has had games of 10, 11, 12 and 13 tackles this season.

Besides overall records, Sullivan said there are other similarities between the Frogs and the Golden Hurricane.

"In a lot of ways they have experienced a year like we have," he said. "They have enjoyed three big wins (Iowa, Oklahoma and Colorado State) and yet, at times, they have seemed to struggle. I am certain that Tulsa is anxious to get another win under its belt at home."

TCU's injury problems continue going into this week's contest. Safety Joseph Phipps (separated shoulder) had surgery this week and will not play. Defensive linemen Chance McCarty (shoulder) and Michael Janak (knee) and free safety Barry Browning (back) all will be game-time decisions. Linebacker Scott Taft (ankle) and Kam Hunt (knee) are listed as probable.

Men's tennis hosts regionals

Doubles pair tries for third consecutive title beginning today

By Ernie Moran
SKIFF STAFF

The No. 7-ranked TCU men's tennis team will welcome some of the finest collegiate players in the nation this weekend when play begins in the main draw of the Rolex Southwest Regional Championships at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center. TCU will have six singles entries and four pairs in the doubles draw.

The University of Texas, ranked No. 9, the University of Southwestern Louisiana (No. 44) and the University of Arkansas (No. 51) also have representatives at the tournament.

TCU seniors Ashley Fisher and Jason Weir-Smith, the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's No. 1-ranked dou-

bles pair, have won the tournament two consecutive years and will try to defend their title as the No. 1 seed.

Though the two have struggled at times so far this fall, Weir-Smith said he expects things to turn around.

"This is a really tough region, but we've won it the last two years by playing really solid doubles," Weir-Smith said. "I think if we win this tournament we'll be in good shape."

"The way we've been practicing, I feel confident."

In the singles draw, sophomore Talito Corrales is the top seed, despite being out of action for the last seven weeks, while Fisher and Weir-Smith are seeded third and eighth, respectively.

Corrales, who lost in the finals

last year, is ranked No. 32 in the ITA singles rankings but missed five weeks this fall with a pulled hamstring. After recovering, he has suffered from tendinitis in his right wrist the last two weeks. Despite doctors' advice that he rest it for five weeks, he plans to go all out.

"I should do well, but I'm not at 100 percent," Corrales said. "I'll try to do the best I can. I think it's going to be very difficult to make the semifinals or the finals."

Corrales is paired with redshirt freshman David Treadwell in doubles.

Junior Andres Urencio, though, said Corrales is playing well.

"I'm glad I won't see him until about the semis," Urencio said.

Urencio said that like many of his teammates, he is progressing with each week.

"I've been playing weak all semester, but I feel I've been playing my best tennis lately," Urencio said. "I think I'll be ready (Friday)."

Urencio and junior Matt Walsh will play in the doubles draw.

Texas junior, B.J. Stearns, ranked No. 20, is seeded No. 2. Stearns and sophomore Jack Brasington are seeded third behind teammates Nick Crowell and Paul Martin.

In qualifying action Thursday, freshmen Matt Bere and Zach Friedman failed to earn one of four berths into the main draw. Bere and Friedman will see action in the doubles draw.

Singles play today begins at 8:15 a.m. Doubles action starts at 3 p.m. The singles and doubles finals are scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday.



TCU sophomore Talito Corrales hits a baseline forehand during men's tennis practice Thursday. Corrales is the top seed at the Rolex Southwest Regional Championships, which TCU will host at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center.

BC cornerback cleared in scandal

By Jimmy Golen
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — Suspected but cleared in the Boston College gambling scandal, cornerback Kiernan Speight said he will skip Saturday's game against Notre Dame because "my heart isn't in it."

Speight, who turns 19 on Sunday, said he will return with his family to Washington, D.C., to rest and think about whether he'll rejoin the team for the season's last two games.

Boston College suspended 13 players this week for gambling, including two who bet against their own team. Although he was one of five players accused by teammates of gambling, Speight was not suspended, and his attorney said he has been exonerated

by Middlesex County District Attorney Thomas Reilly.

"I've done everything BC has asked me to do," Speight said Thursday in the office of lawyer John McBride. "When the situation took place, I felt like there was no one on my side. Somebody should tell me how my name was put in. Somebody should apologize."

Speight was identified in newspapers after reporters watched through a windowed door as coach Dan Henning and the team's captains confronted him and three teammates.

The other three players were among the 13 suspended Wednesday. Speight suspected he was included in the group because he was close friends with the other three.

"We were recruited together (and

came here together in a summer program," Speight said. "If I want to get a pizza, they'll spot me a little money. Next time, I might spot them. That hasn't changed."

But they never bet together, Speight maintained all along.

"If a campus bookmaker was sitting on your head," he said, "I wouldn't know it."

Speight's father, John, said he tried to talk Kiernan into playing, but respected his son's decision. Kiernan Speight said his decision was based on a combination of concerns: that he isn't physically ready after a week without practice; that he isn't emotionally ready; and that it wouldn't be fair to the player who has been practicing in his place all week and expecting to play.

Frogs in Action

TODAY

- MEN'S TENNIS AT ROLEX SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (all day, Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center)
- Men's golf at Golf World Palmetto Dunes (TBA, Hilton Head, S.C.)
- Volleyball at Brigham Young (8 p.m., Provo, Utah)*

SATURDAY

- MEN'S TENNIS AT ROLEX SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (all day, Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center)
- Football at Tulsa (1:35 p.m., Tulsa, Okla.)*
- Volleyball at Utah (8 p.m., Salt Lake City)*

SUNDAY

- MEN'S TENNIS AT ROLEX SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (all day, Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center)
- MEN'S SOCCER VS. SOUTHERN METHODIST (3 p.m., TCU soccer field)*

MONDAY

- MEN'S TENNIS AT ROLEX SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (all day, Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center)

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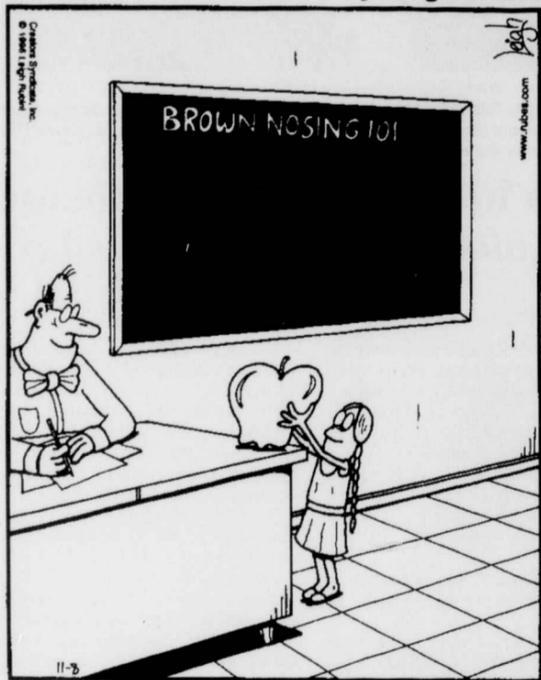
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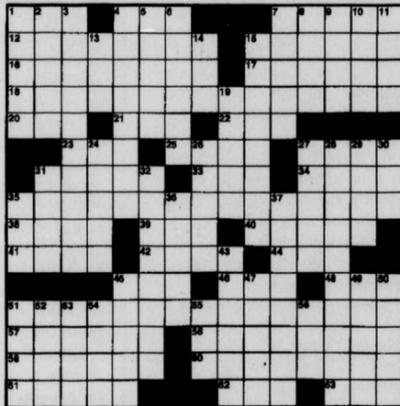
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- 1 O'Hare abbr.
 - 4 Brillo alternative
 - 7 Rumbles, as thunder
 - 12 Famous fumer
 - 15 Locale of 12 Across
 - 16 Like a lemur
 - 17 Some sheiks
 - 18 ANIMAL
 - 20 Long intro?
 - 21 Hurricane heading: Abbr.
 - 22 Tatum of music
 - 23 Fraternity letter
 - 25 Invests with a name
 - 27 Body
 - 31 Casino sights
 - 33 "Ligeia" author
 - 34 Old hands
 - 35 VEGETABLE
 - 38 Small dog
 - 39 Holm of Hollywood
 - 40 Swivels
 - 41 Quite impressed
 - 42 Louver part
 - 44 Gerundial suffix
 - 45 Peer Gynt mother
 - 46 Colorless
 - 48 Greenpeace prefix
 - 51 MINERAL
- DOWN**
- 1 Bowl over
 - 2 Less common
 - 3 Elastic
 - 4 Florida city
 - 5 Dairy-section purchases
 - 6 Got high
 - 7 Singer Bonnie
 - 8 Nocturnal, perhaps
 - 9 Headlight
 - 10 Place
 - 11 Falls from grace
 - 13 Negative conjunction
 - 14 Italian peak
 - 15 Most overtalked
 - 19 Cabinet department
 - 24 Improve an edge
 - 26 Once... Mattress
 - 27 Brush off
 - 28 Curaçao flavorer
 - 29 Rolling stone's lack
 - 30 Blonde shade
 - 31 Eject
 - 32 Clipper's need
 - 35 Spring's home
 - 36 More vigorous
 - 37 Object Lessons author
 - 43 Selkirk exports
 - 45 Heads-up
 - 47 Beginning
 - 49 du jour (menu)
 - 50 Bean of the screen
 - 51 Gaunt
 - 52 Author Wiesel
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