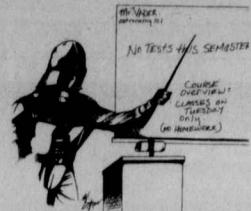


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Women Marines begin full combat training

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. (AP) — The first women to undergo Marine combat training alongside their male comrades threw live grenades and fired big guns Monday on a remote corner of this sprawling base.

"We're getting just as dirty as they are," said Private Jessica Greer of Silver Spring, Md., after firing a grenade launcher.

Previously, women in the Marines received only limited combat training as part of boot camp. They are still banned from combat assignments in the Marines, which have been the most restrictive policy on women in combat.

The Army, Air Force and Navy allow women in combat aircraft; the Army and Marines bar women from serving in infantry, artillery and armored units.

ABC, Discovery Channel to join in programming

NEW YORK (AP) — ABC News and the Discovery Channel announced a two-year deal Monday to collaborate on science-oriented TV programming, including a weekly newscast that begins this week.

The half-hour news program, "Discovery News," will use ABC correspondents and air Fridays at 9 p.m. EST on the Discovery Channel.

ABC will also produce nightly science "news breaks" for the cable network and provide live coverage of major science news such as space launches and natural disasters.

"Almost every story today has some scientific angle to it, and more often than not, there is some major science story breaking during the week that we'd like to cover more than we do," said ABC News chairman Roone Arledge.

The agreement won't result in any new programming at ABC.

Air Force declares war on birds around B-52s

BOSSIER CITY, La. (AP) — The Air Force has unveiled a new weapon aimed at a troublesome enemy: birds that collided with B-52 bombers in flight.

Twenty-four propane-fueled cannons are being used to scare the birds away from the flight line.

Air Force officials say about 60 to 70 birds collide with bombers each year. Last year, such incidents caused about \$150,000 in damage. In one incident, birds punctured a bomber's nose, while another B-52's engine cowling was damaged by another.

The 3-foot-tall, swiveling cannons positioned along the flight line are fired as needed to roust nearby birds, mainly blackbirds and cowbirds. They can be set off individually or in waves via remote control.

Man arrested in beating of photographer

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — One man was arrested in the mob beating of a Sacramento Bee photographer who was taking springtime pictures of children at a playground.

Police and neighborhood residents speculated that the photographer, John Trotter, was the victim of drug dealers who feared being photographed.

Orson Robinson, 31, was arrested at a hospital, where he underwent treatment for a bullet wound unrelated to the earlier beating of Trotter.

Robinson was charged March 29 with attempted murder, police spokeswoman Pam Alexandre said. He was shot the previous day at a park.

Trotter, 36, was taking pictures of children March 24 when he was attacked by eight to 12 men who demanded his film, according to a witness.

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Tucker to resign as chancellor

After 18 years, TCU's leader announces he will retire in summer of '98

By Kimberly Wilson and Neelma Atluru
SKIFF STAFF

As he walks across campus, almost everyone knows who he is.

And to those who have come into contact with the chancellor, his eloquence and TCU spirit are somewhat contagious.

But someday, one face that has been associated with TCU for at least the last 18 years may not be seen quite as often on the Sadler lawn.

At Thursday's Board of Trustees meeting, Chancellor William E. Tucker said it will soon be time for him to walk out of his office on the third floor of Sadler Hall for the last time.

Tucker, who is the just the eighth chancellor in TCU's 124-year history, announced that he plans to vacate his office in June of 1998.

Rumors had circulated that the chancellor had waited to resign until the Next Frontier campaign had been completed. The campaign has already reached its goal of raising \$100 million but will continue to seek funds for several projects.

"I thought it was important to have continuity in leadership through the Next Frontier campaign," Tucker said.

He said board members had mixed reactions to the announcement.

"There were many of them that were shocked," he said. Although some expressed their dislike for the decision, Tucker said he felt it was time to open the door for someone new.

"In an era where there is no mandatory retirement age, I think it is wise for the CEO, the chancellor of a university, to follow good management practice rather than be an exception to it," he said.

He said TCU will benefit from new



William Thomas Burdette SKIFF STAFF

Chancellor William E. Tucker rolls up his sleeves and delves into his work Monday afternoon. After 18 years at the helm of the

university, Tucker announced Thursday that he will retire in June 1998.

insight provided by the new chancellor.

Tucker said he has cared deeply about TCU since 1953, when he was a student here, before attending graduate school at Yale.

But he never left TCU.

"While I was at Yale, I was a TCU alum," he said.

Being chancellor has required intense energy and dedication, but as a self-declared "workaholic," Tucker said the time he has put into his job has been his choice.

"It hasn't been just a job for me; TCU has been my life," he said.

But the job has been one that has lent itself to the support of TCU by a very significant TCU alumna, Tucker's wife, Jean, whom he first met on the TCU campus.

"I cannot imagine a stronger advocate, a more loyal supporter of TCU than Jean Tucker," he said.

Tucker said his wife has been a "wise listener and a good partner"

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House Executive Board to consider budget

By Ryan J. Rusak
SKIFF STAFF

With a small debate about increases in officers' salaries resolved, the House of Student Representatives Finance Committee will recommend the \$235,000 budget to the Executive Board next week.

The Executive Board will consider the budget April 7 and is likely to forward it on to the full House. The body will vote on the budget April 8.

The Board originally planned to

meet Monday to consider the budget, but the meeting was canceled because members were planning for a trip to Austin to lobby the state legislature on behalf of tuition grants for students.

The House Finance Committee has recommended a few changes to the budget that Irish submitted. The most significant change is the cuts the com-

mittee made to officers' salaries. The budget originally called for the president to receive \$2,350 and the vice president, vice president for programming, treasurer and secretary each to receive \$2,000.

The committee recommends cutting those amounts to \$2,050 and \$1,750, respectively.



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The committee also recommended that \$500 of the remaining \$1,300 be provided to the Programming Council, as it requested slightly more than the 60 percent it usually receives. Under the committee's proposal, the remaining \$800 will be put in the newly created Conference and Convention Bills Fund.

These bills have traditionally been financed through the Special Projects Fund. Noel Pretilla, a committee member and an MBA representative,

said the new structure will free up the Special Projects Fund for on-campus projects.

Irish said the \$235,000 total is a "conservative" estimate of what student fees will be, based on the assumption that admissions and enrollment will not change significantly. Larry Markley, director of the Student Center and an adviser to the House, said about \$245,000 in student fees was collected in 1996-97.

Trustees raise fees

Board also increases financial aid rate

By Kelly Melhart
SKIFF STAFF

TCU students can expect a 5 percent raise in tuition effective in the fall semester, said Bill Adams, chairman of the Student Relations Committee of the Board of Trustees, on Thursday.

This would up the current tuition to \$330 per semester hour for undergraduate students and to \$335 per semester hour for graduate students.

The board also decided to increase student financial aid 5 percent to compensate for the rise in tuition, Adams said.

Applications on the rise

Tuition and financial aid aren't the only things on the rise; the number of TCU applicants is increasing as well.

TCU received 16 to 18 percent more applications this past year than the year before, Adams said. Out of the 4,476 applications TCU has received thus far, only 1,000 will be accepted, he said, thus



Anne Drabicky SKIFF STAFF

Bill Adams, chairman of the Student Relations Committee of the Board of Trustees, informs student leaders of the board's decisions at Thursday's Intercom meeting in the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center.

increasing the quality of new students.

"It's a very healthy sign that a lot of people out there are getting the word on TCU," Adams said. "We're not getting a deterioration in quality."

Finances

The question facing the board was "What can we do with the assets available to us to make this the best environment for everybody?" Adams said.

The executive committee reported TCU is in the black, it is not run on a deficit.

With \$133 million in revenue

and \$132 million in expenditures, TCU, the business, is generating a profit of \$1 million.

TCU's current investments are at \$575 million, which is up 15 percent from last year, Adams said.

Although TCU, overall, might operate in the black, the athletic department experienced some over-budgeting to the tune of some \$5.1 million. The budget was \$4.9 million, and the department spent almost \$10 million.

Adams said this is due, in part, to the breakup of the Southwest Conference.

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Students, trustees meet

By Ryan J. Rusak
SKIFF STAFF

Student leaders who spent two days last week meeting with the Board of Trustees Student Relations Committee agree that the meetings were productive, though the results may not be noticeable right away.

Three of the main topics discussed were potential teaching improvements, such as changes to professor evaluations, a new student center and improvements in technology.

Ben Roman, vice president for programming of the House of Student Representatives, said trustees apparently were unaware that student evaluations are not passed on to professors' superiors.

"The big thing was they seemed surprised that students' comments (on professor evaluations) weren't read by department chairs," Roman said.

Roman said he suggested offices to help students with work in math and science, much like the Writing Center helps students with writing assignments.

"You saw a light bulb go off in their heads when we told them the UCRs require math and science but they don't have labs, even though writing is required and there is a writing lab," Roman said.

House President Andy Mitchell said he urged the trustees to stress the

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Car burglaries are up near TCU

By Ellena Fortner
SKIFF STAFF

Car burglary rates have been skyrocketing in the areas surrounding TCU, said Fort Worth neighborhood police officer Matt Welch.

"There is a disproportionate rate of part-one crimes going on in this area," he said. "Especially on the east side where a lot of students live off campus."

TCU is part of the Mary district, which is broken into 11 beats. Beat 11, in which TCU and the surrounding areas reside, is where the largest percentage of car burglaries have

been occurring.

More than 2,000 part-one crimes, consisting of theft, burglary, murder and similar crimes, occurred in the Mary district in the past five months, Welch said. Of those crimes, one-fourth were motor burglary crimes. Of the motor burglary crimes, 25 percent occurred in beat 11.

One suspect was taken into custody and questioned concerning the burglaries, Fort Worth police officer Ward Robinson said, but was not convicted of the crime. The suspect

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CAMPUS LINES

FREE STUDY SKILLS WORKSHOP will be offered at 7 p.m. today in Rickel Building Room 106. Topics covered include time management, study skills and test taking. The workshop will stress creating effective schedules and developing comprehensive academic skills. For more information call 921-7486.

FRENCH CONVERSATION TABLE meets from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday in Reading Room A. For more information call Ext. 6366.

Christian Science Organization will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday in Student Center Room 214. All students are welcome. For more information call Brian at 920-9731.

TCU HOUSE OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES offers free legal counsel from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the House office. Advice is confidential.

CONTEMPORARY DANCE/FORT WORTH and TCU New Century Danscene will present DanceArt, a dance company from Hong Kong, at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Orchestra Hall on 4401 Trail Lake Drive. Tickets for students are \$6 each.

ALPHA CHI OMEGA STYLE SHOW will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday in the Round-Up Inn at Will Rogers Memorial Center. Tickets are \$30 and proceeds benefit the Women's Haven. For more information call Shelly Jordan at 370-1363 or Ryan Schultz at 920-8081.

CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS will be prefaced by an informational meeting at 6 p.m. April 11 in Rickel Building Gym 3. Candidates must attend the meeting to try out. Tryouts will be held at 6 p.m. April 18 in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. For more information call John Finke at Ext. 5462.

MINORITY AFFAIRS needs TCU acts for its "Showtime at TCU" annual talent show on April 26. For more information call Ext. 7855.

INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL EXCHANGE SERVICES needs an area representative for Tarrant County and surrounding areas. The representative selects and screens prospective host families for exchange students who will stay for five-month or 10-month periods. For more information call the national recruiter, Linda Daugherty, at 1-800-981-6801.

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF TARRANT COUNTY needs volunteers for the Long-Term Care Nursing Home Ombudsman Program. An orientation for prospective volunteers will be held from 9 a.m. to noon May 7 at Arlington Human Service Planners. For more information call Sherry Walker at (817) 335-5405.

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Ballboys and girls are unsung heroes

Youths enjoy learning and seeing basketball teams up close and personal

By Jill Taylor
SKIFF STAFF

It's a scenario from any basketball game: Players power down the lane to jockey for a position and fight for rebounds, and sometimes someone ends up on the floor.

Mere seconds later, the play ends with the swoosh of the net or the squeak of tennis shoes on the polished wooden floor as the ball changes hands.

As the audience's attention shifts to the action moving up the court, some unsung heroes go to work mopping up pools of sweat from the floor.

Ballboys and ballgirls, youths who assist the men's and women's basketball teams, are seldom recognized, but the services they perform are vital, said Jacob Fitzhugh, a sophomore premajor and a manager for the men's team.

"They really help a lot," Fitzhugh said. "It's a lot better than me having to run all over the court picking up basketballs and wiping up sweat."

Adam Nichols, a ballboy and a 15-year-old student at Paschal High School, said a typical game for a ballboy or ballgirl consists of arriving at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum well before game time, rebounding balls during the warm-up period, mopping the court during timeouts and providing game officials with water and towels as needed.

Nichols, who started his ballboy career when he was in the third grade, said his position has diversified as he has grown.

"The first time I was a ballboy, I was just a little guy," Nichols said, "and now I train the little ones."

Fitzhugh said the training of new ballboys and ballgirls is not a compli-

cated matter, but more experienced helpers sometimes forget that younger ones may not know the intricate rules of basketball.

"It's pretty cut-and-dried work," Fitzhugh said, "but some funny things do happen."

"The time we played Purdue and the game was on television, one 7-year-old boy was out on the court wiping up sweat when a turnover brought the play back down to his end."

"All of a sudden, he was left in the middle of the floor during the turnover, and that was on national television," he said.

Another time, Fitzhugh said, the urge to help the team out was too great for one ballboy.

"After the ball went through the net, he grabbed it before the referee could stop play," Fitzhugh said. "Everyone just stopped and looked at each other for a minute, and the kid realized what he had done."

Kelli Montigel, a 10-year-old ballgirl, said her only problems have come from off the court.

"One time someone in the stands spilled Dr Pepper on my head," Montigel said.

She said the unexpected shower was worth the chance she gets to spend time with the women's team.

Most ballboys and ballgirls find the experience a fun and positive one.

Ashley Nichols, 12, said working as a ballgirl has been a good learning experience.

"I enjoy meeting players and being where the action is," Nichols said.

She said she plays center on a basketball team at the YMCA, and she can sometimes pick up ideas by watching the center on the



A ballgirl awaits the opportunity to put her helpful hands to use in mopping the court at timeouts during basketball games at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

women's team.

Her brother, Adam, said the experience has helped him gain a better understanding of how college basketball works.

The Nichols' mother, Karen, said her children have experienced multiple rewards from the program.

"They get to see some of the discipline the players have, and they also

gradually feel like part of the team," she said. "They develop role models, and they get to see a side of the game you don't see from the stands."

While the basketball team welcomes help from area youths, most other athletics departments at TCU cannot have similar programs because of recruiting guidelines imposed by the NCAA.

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was, however, sent to jail for other outstanding warrants.

A plan is in the works to increase the number of police officers in the area and to continue putting together burglary details, Robinson said.

A burglary detail consists of putting bait vehicles on the streets where the crimes are being committed and having officers watch the cars.

The burglars usually look for cars with good stereos parked on the streets, Robinson said.

"TCU students are prime victims because all the people have to do is to look for the (parking) sticker," he said. "Then, they are

pretty much guaranteed a good stereo."

In most incidents the cars have simply had their stereos taken and have not had damage, Welch said.

Campus Police sergeant Connie Villela said one reason the crime rate has been so high is that many of the cars are found unlocked, making them easy targets.

"Students get a false sense of security because they feel TCU is so safe," she said. "The actual TCU campus is very safe, but the outer areas are not patrolled as heavily. No matter how safe any area is, though, people need to take basic safety steps."

Beat 11 is bordered on the east side by

Forest Park Boulevard and by Rosedale Street on the north up to the Interstate 30. Then, it follows the natural line of the Trinity River up to Hulene Street and down to Bellaire Drive. From Bellaire, it runs to Benbrook and back to Forest Park.

The areas for the beats and districts are decided by a census of the crimes occurring, so the higher the crime rate, the smaller the area, Welch said.

"For instance, you could fit several beats close to the hospital district into the area of beat 11," he said. "Typically (this area) has had a low crime rate, but this will definitely change some of those statistics."



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TCU lost much of the SWC-generated revenue, he said, and now sports teams are forced to travel to far-off places to compete with Western Athletic Teams, causing a significant increase in travel expenses.

A new concern facing TCU athletics is Title IX, a federal law which basically says a university's athletic scholarships must be proportionate to the student body.

Adams said this poses a problem for the department because TCU is 59 percent female and a significant number of athletic scholarships are given to males.

"If it comes down to that (Title IX), we will have to drastically alter what we do," Adams said. "Perhaps drop some men athletics, and we are adding women's scholarships."

The alternative is to lose federal money, which amounts to a couple of million dollars, he said.

Dorm renovations

TCU is using some of the money to upgrade the residence halls over a four to five year period.

"This will make TCU competitive in the marketplace for students," Adams said.

However, many of TCU's costlier projects are underwritten by private investors, and Adams said it is difficult to find people interested in funding dorm upgrades, so TCU is looking at borrowing money.

A new addition to the residence halls will be a mandatory telecommunication system in every room. The

system will include cable television, Internet access and basic phone operations, leaving long distance as the only thing students will have to pay for on their own. The package will cost each student \$125 per semester.

"Virtually everybody had it (the various telecommunications), and it was much more expensive," Adams said. "Now it's a community utility that some might use more than others, but is basically better for everybody because it will even out overall."

The building and grounds committee announced that the first two buildings to have restoration work will be Wiggins Hall and Brachman Hall.

Upcoming projects

The committee also selected architects to build the baseball and track facilities and named an architectural firm to design the new technological center that has been proposed.

"We need to get down what the new technology center looks like on paper before we can move forward on this project," Adams said.

Another \$13 million has been allocated to replace the existing air conditioning system university-wide, Adams said.

The development committee reported that it is contiguing to raise money for the university's annual fund, which is currently running 5 percent ahead of last year. The goal of the fund is \$3.5 million, and currently 29 percent of alumni are giving to the annual fund.

"That fund is so important," Adams

said. "You'd be surprised how many things we couldn't do if we didn't have that annual fund money."

In other fund-raising, The Next Frontier campaign has surpassed its goal of \$100 million, with the current amount standing at \$104.9 million.

However, money will continue to be raised because some projects have been overfunded, Adams said. For example, there has been \$17.8 million invested in new scholarships.

"Once a donor gives money for a chair or a scholarship, that money cannot be moved," he said.

Academics

The faculty relations committee reported that the faculty strongly support the student suggestions, including the suggestion that tenure doesn't mean lifetime employment.

The faculty committee is also concerned with academic excellence and the quality of instruction.

Adams said this is because of the efforts of the student board, which raised concerns about teaching quality, that the problems have been addressed.

"I'm convinced we're going to end up with a better system than we've had because of your attention in this matter," he told the student leaders at the meeting.

Adams said he also asked the buildings and grounds committee to keep residence hall computer labs in mind when they revamp the dorms.

He also said the Student Center is on a list of projects to be addressed in

the future.

"We know the university needs a bigger and better one (Student Center), but I can't say for sure when that will happen," Adams said.

What has been decided upon is an increase in technology.

Don Mills, vice chancellor for student affairs, said \$60,000 has been set aside for a computer lab in the Bailey Building. More than that amount has been set aside for a computer lab in the engineering department, and several thousand dollars have been allocated for university-wide computer lab upgrades.

A \$1 million concern facing the university is the problem of the how the year 2000 will be displayed on computers. Mills said all computers are set to display 19-- dates, and when it becomes the year 2000, the computers will reset themselves to 1900, he said.

Mills said while this problem is being taken care of, "TCU will move from a mainframe system to a client-server environment so multiple users will have access at information services."

The board also elected three new trustees, William (Billy) Rosenthal, Alan D. Friedman and R. Scott Colglazier; awarded honorary status to Bayard Friedman, a TCU trustee since 1971 and the board chairman from 1979 to 1990, after he asked to be relieved of board duties; re-elected 11 trustees for four-year terms; and re-elected John V. Roach as the chairman of TCU's governing board.

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importance of teaching.

"The emphasis has always been on Ph.D.-level professors," Mitchell said. "They should try to put more emphasis policy-wise on teaching."

Mitchell also stressed the need for a replacement for the Student Center. "The point we made with the trustees was that it's no longer something the students want but something the university needs to remain competitive with other universities," Mitchell said.

Roman said the university center is planned in the Next Frontier fund-raising campaign but has not drawn as much support from donors as other projects.

"The Next Frontier campaign is prioritized. Donors give to specific projects," Roman said. "My impression was that the university center wasn't up on the list, but they're in total agreement that we need one."

Mitchell said one of the technological improvements Intercom pushed for is later hours for computer labs.

"We really pushed that computer labs be open late," he said. "They considered it notable and advised the Executive Committee to look into it."

Mitchell classified the meeting as successful overall.

"We didn't get everything we wanted, but you never do," he said. "The trustees were responsive that students were taking an active role in the university," he said.

House Vice President Kevin Nicoletti said the trustees were responsive to the students' sugges-

tions, though the board is sometimes accused of ignoring students.

"They were really responsive," Nicoletti said. "They've got this stigma attached to them that they don't care about students, but I don't think that's true."

He said it's important to judge Intercom's success or failure based on long-term evaluation.

"Our job is to get things in the Board of Trustees' minds," Nicoletti said. "They don't deal with day-to-day problems."

"You have to look at long-term progress. Past programs are starting to come to light. An example is housing renovations. Right now, we're pushing for a new student center for the years down the road. It just takes time."

Mitchell said the Intercom meeting provides trustees with a perspective of TCU that they wouldn't otherwise have.

"The reason the link with Intercom is so important is because Intercom is a time when the trustees sit down and we say, 'This is what's important in the spring of 1997,'" Mitchell said. "We can talk about things that Chancellor Tucker or the provost may not bring up with the trustees."

Roman said the meeting gives students a chance to provide the trustees with subtle input.

"We're the ones that say, 'This is what's going on with the students.' As they go through the budget and decide how to get things sorted, we're the ones whispering in their ears," Roman said.

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and said she has been a "marvelous unpaid representative of TCU in the community."

Mary Nell Kirk, executive assistant to Tucker for the past six years, said Tucker is a great man.

"I hate to see him go," she said. "But I certainly understand his readiness to go on to other things. He's already put his life into this and he wants to move on now."

Sharon Selby, a senior political science and French major, said Tucker has always been open, accessible and friendly toward students.

"He's willing to get involved in stu-

dent lives," she said. "I hope (the university) finds someone just as good."

Selby, who served as president of the House of Student Representatives last year, said she first interacted with Tucker when she got involved in the House during her freshman and sophomore years.

"He always stopped by to chat," she said. "And after a House election, he came down to congratulate everyone."

In addition, Selby said Tucker is attuned to student concerns.

"Whenever I had a problem or question, I would get a prompt letter

or phone call," she said. "And when we would disagree, it was never a problem. He was always quick to point out that he understood our side or would explain his side."

But Selby also said Tucker's involvement reaches far beyond relations with the House.

"He gets to know everyone," she said.

Andy Mitchell, the current House president, said Tucker has been a valuable asset to TCU.

"Chancellor Tucker has surpassed anyone equivalent to his job, and he will be difficult to replace," he said.

"To find someone who loves TCU as much will be extremely difficult. To find someone who's given as much to TCU will be hard."

Bill Harrell, president of TCU's national alumni board and a member of the Board of Trustees, said Tucker's retirement will certainly be a loss to the university.

"I don't know that we can go out and find another Dr. William Tucker," he said. "The search committee's first charge should be that it can't find another Bill Tucker and that it would be impossible to replace him."

Harrell, who has gotten to know Tucker through working on the Board of Trustees for the past eight years, said Tucker's influence has permeated all facets of the university.

"His love of the university and depth of knowledge made him the chancellor he was and run (the university) the way he did," he said. "(The Board of Trustees) really had to rely on him because he made TCU such an important part of his life. He has been directly responsible for the major strides in all the facets of the university."

While much has changed since he

became chancellor, much has remained the same. Looking at his first speech to the Board of Trustees from November 9, 1979, Tucker read "these are interesting and exciting days at TCU."

And Thursday, when he addressed the board for the 36th consecutive time, Tucker discussed projects he hopes to see worked on during his last year as chancellor, including the dedication of the Walsh Center for the Performing Arts.

"I'd rather leave when big things are going on than when nothing is happening," Tucker said.

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EDITORIAL

END OF AN ERA

The Skiff thanks Chancellor Tucker

Chancellor William E. Tucker will retire next summer, and the Editorial Board would like to congratulate him on a job well done and thank him for his years of service.

Since 1979, Chancellor Tucker has practically donated 18 years of his life to TCU as chancellor, never asking for a raise. In fact, when he accepted the position, he didn't even know how much it paid.

During his tenure he has helped to increase the university's endowment from \$52 million to \$575 million. In addition, he helped raise funds in excess of \$100 million for the Next Frontier campaign.

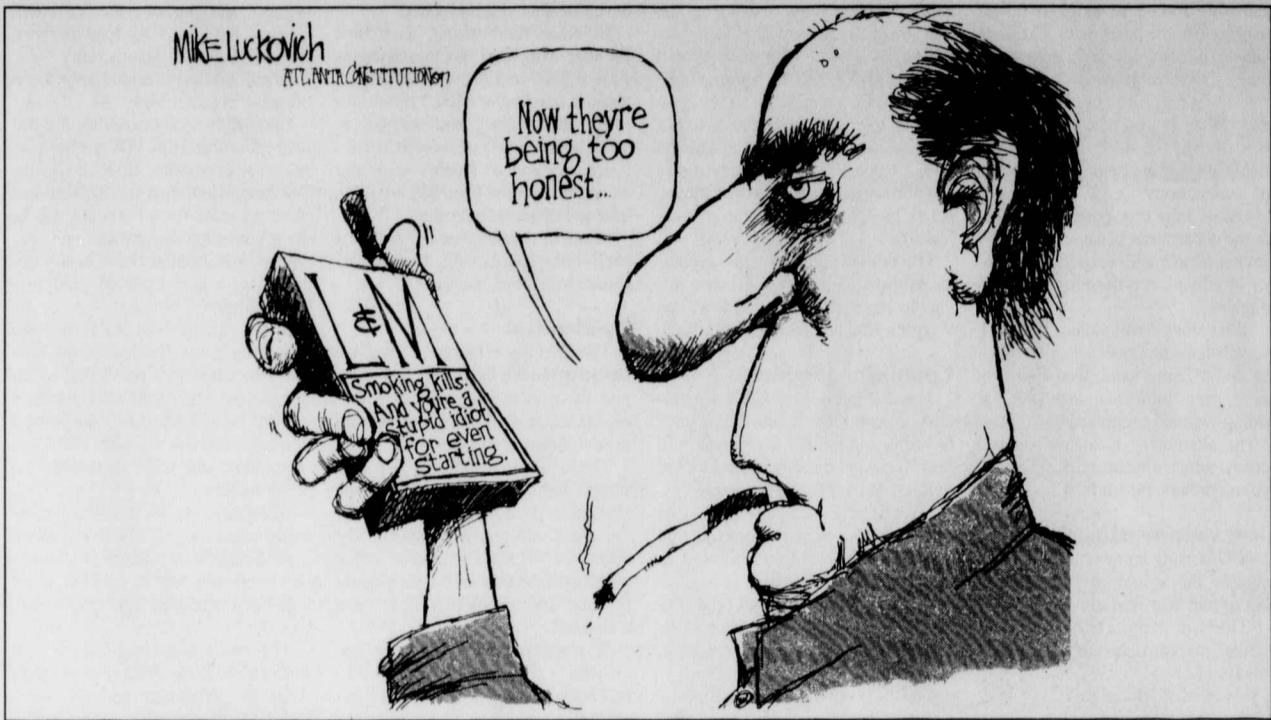
His reputation on campus and in academia is excellent, and he is a well-respected member of the community. He has lasted longer than most chancellors of private universities in Texas and, even in the face of adversity, has remained composed and has kept a positive demeanor.

And he has appeared to enjoy every minute of it. While others would have grown tired of the challenges and the rigor of the job, he has never lost faith in TCU, and that undying devotion is surely why the university has come as far as it has. TCU and Tucker go together just as well as purple and white.

Not to take all the credit for his achievements, he has made sure to give credit to his "partner," his wife, Jean, whom he met right here on campus.

He is a good role model. A leader who seems to thrive on the never-ending days and nights, Tucker has been known to work weekends and late nights, and he always has time to welcome a student.

He says he will continue to be a cheerleader and a volunteer for TCU. For that, the students, faculty and staff will all be grateful.



Showgirls show way too much

Team's uniforms, dances and music detract from TCU's image

The song "Dancing Queen" by ABBA should be used throughout today's column like a mantra. Other good choices would be Rod Stewart's "If you want my body and you think I am sexy," as well as "Pump up the Jam." This musical enhancement will only make this column a better experience.

My friends and I are always amazed that no one has asked these girls to tone down their musical expression to fit in with the particular venue at the time. Case in point: the NIT basketball tournament.



Theresa Hill

Never have I seen so many people utterly surprised, yet

mostly disgusted, at the brashness and carelessness with which these women move their bodies to music, as if they are seducing the floor of the coliseum. It is a bad sign when people are running over each other to leave a "performance" to grab a soda or go to the bathroom. I thought the point was to help elicit spirit from the audience, not to cause a spirited getaway. "They must be cold a lot of the time." Comments like this describe the costumes these young women choose to wear.

I have no problem with wearing

short skirts and flesh-revealing outfits. I sometimes wear these sorts of things when I go dancing at a club (a place where I will be unlikely to run into the chancellor, TCU alumni or a camera crew), but I think that when I see personal parts while sitting next to my parents, MAYBE the outfit shows a little too much skin.

There is a time and a place for everything, and when we are trying to uphold a certain image for the university at a nationally televised basketball game or postseason tournament, that is neither the time nor the place.

Please leave the bloomer-showing to Madonna or Marilyn Monroe.

I would also like to take this opportunity to suggest that the Showgirls should watch crowd response to the cheerleaders.

I must commend these young women (not referring to the men folk on the squad because they wear slacks) for wearing movable, yet respectable, outfits in which to cheer. These are short but still cover enough skin so as not to offend spectators.

Many of you who do not agree with my position on the above two matters may feel that it is gender-based. Males must like to see bosoms and

bloomers at a sporting event. Right?

Well, I took an informal poll of some of my male friends and co-workers. The overwhelming response, with a few deviants, was that they would prefer these women to leave some things to people's imaginations. In summation: Please put on more clothes.

Also, I must respond to the musical selections chosen by the Showgirls. Look, I realize that your job, as a dance group, is to do things a little more provocatively. To give the fans a good dance show with great techno and hip-hop/dance music is the goal.

But when I see other routines performed by peers of the Showgirls at universities across the country, I have to ask myself why their shows do not offend me. They take the performance in a different direction, including more fun and audience response in their exhibitions and less gratuitous sexual displays.

The middle of a basketball game is not the time to display sexual prowess.

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Alien visit draws parallels to cult



Steve Steward

This weekend, I was visited by an entity known as Muftak, from the fourth level of the planet Talz. He informed me of a once-in-a-lifetime chance to leave this mortal shell and join his people in their spaceship, so that we might cruise the galaxy in complete happiness. As I am a compassionate columnist who cares for the welfare of my readers, I thought that it would be a good idea to share this opportunity with you, so that you may join Muftak and me in our eternal bliss and cruising.

In order to take advantage of this offer, you must follow my instructions, the first of which is to purchase an authentic Hawaiian shirt so that you might be known as a follower of Muftak. Because he delivers a message of peace, you must be peaceful and stress-free. To meet this stipulation I suggest, nay, command, that you shall subject yourself to three hours of Bob Ross, visualizing happy little trees and lakes, creating your own little world.

To augment this meditative and relaxing experience, you must also involve aromatherapy, particularly with paint thinner.

If you continue this practice, you may find yourself in such a comfortable state that you cannot move about to perform the perfunctory

duties of mortal existence.

To counteract the effects of the Bob Ross meditation sessions, you are to consume copious amounts of orange juice and Marriott hash browns. In fact, eat these items for every single meal. If you eat nothing but orange juice and hash browns, you will also show your devotion to the cause.

By now, you are probably flocking to Thrifty Corner to buy up their Hawaiian shirts, and you have emptied the Main refrigerator of its Tropicana supply. I congratulate you and welcome you to the next step in preparing to join our extraterrestrial saviors in the sky. This next step involves money, specifically your money. For your soul to be harvested by the people of Talz, your money must become my money.

Muftak said Talzians eat U.S. legal tender, and since I am your liaison, I should harvest your money to prepare it for Talz consumption. I am not lying about this; remember that the printed word never lies, and these words are certainly printed. I know that I will lose some of the flock with this commandment, but it is a necessary step in the path toward ascension. I would also like to have your TCU ID cards, so that I might purchase even more orange juice and hash browns.

I could go on, but I see that only a few of you have been following my instructions. This is disappointing, as it points to my lack of skill in fooling others; I suppose I am never going to be a false prophet. On the other hand, my asinine waste of Opinion-page space raises a question: What in the world are cult followers thinking?

If you have been under a rock for the last few days, I'm referring to a



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bunch of people who committed a mass suicide in order to have their souls harvested by aliens trailing comet Hale-Bopp.

I realize that comets are a big deal, and the people of antiquity really worried when one came around. I also understand that in times of social turmoil (which seem to be all the time), people will look toward anyone with a speck of charisma to offer respite from life's little pressures.

When comets (or other celestial anomalies such as eclipses, meteor showers or Michael Jackson) and social turmoil come together, I guess certain people are bound to

get a little weird. I just can't understand why people lose common sense. It is even more mind-boggling when people kill themselves in the name of some preposterous doomsday theology.

Hopefully, all of you will be more discerning in what you read, see and hear. Just in case you are watching "The Joy of Painting" and sniffing paint thinner, I have not made contact with any alien being, other than the one on my T-shirt. As for sending your ID cards and money, you can keep the ID cards.

Steve Steward is a freshman political science major from Lodi, Calif.

Republican leaders have lost their zeal

Following the watershed election season of 1994, the Democratic Party looked as if it were on its deathbed.

President Clinton's failure to deliver on his promise of a middle-class tax cut deserved much of the blame.

Perhaps more at fault, however, was the outright failure of the liberal agenda, which was brought to the attention of the American people by, among other things, the failure of Clinton's health care reform package.

Democratic candidates for Congress were avoiding Clinton like the plague. Many members of the left, already on Capitol Hill, crossed over to the other side of the aisle.

But conservatives in Middle America are not too happy with how their friends in Washington are acting. The lack of courage shown by Republicans since they retained their majority in Congress certainly makes one wonder who is in control.

This timidity is pronounced enough to lead Michael Reagan, son of the Great Communicator, to defect from the party his father helped redefine nearly 20 years ago.

Reagan is upset with the GOP's treatment of the grassroots, which he calls the backbone of the party.

"The Republican Party needs to find its backbone and remember the people in this country are con-

servative."

Reagan recently told listeners of his radio program. "They elected conservatives to Washington, D.C. They elected conservatives to lead."

Reagan's move provides yet another example of a belief that has sadly become all too common in modern America. Too many people have the impression that, by running away from their problems, they will find a quick and easy solution.

In Reagan's case, as with anyone else who may be considering backing away from the Party of Lincoln, the problem will only get worse if not met with an aggressive solution.

It cannot be denied that leaders of the majority have lost much of the zeal they showed so passionately at the outset of the Republican Revolution.

They have kissed up to Democrats in a way that would make even Rodney King proud. But, instead of leaving, Reagan should use his forum to hold Republicans accountable for their failure to articulate the ideas of their political allies.

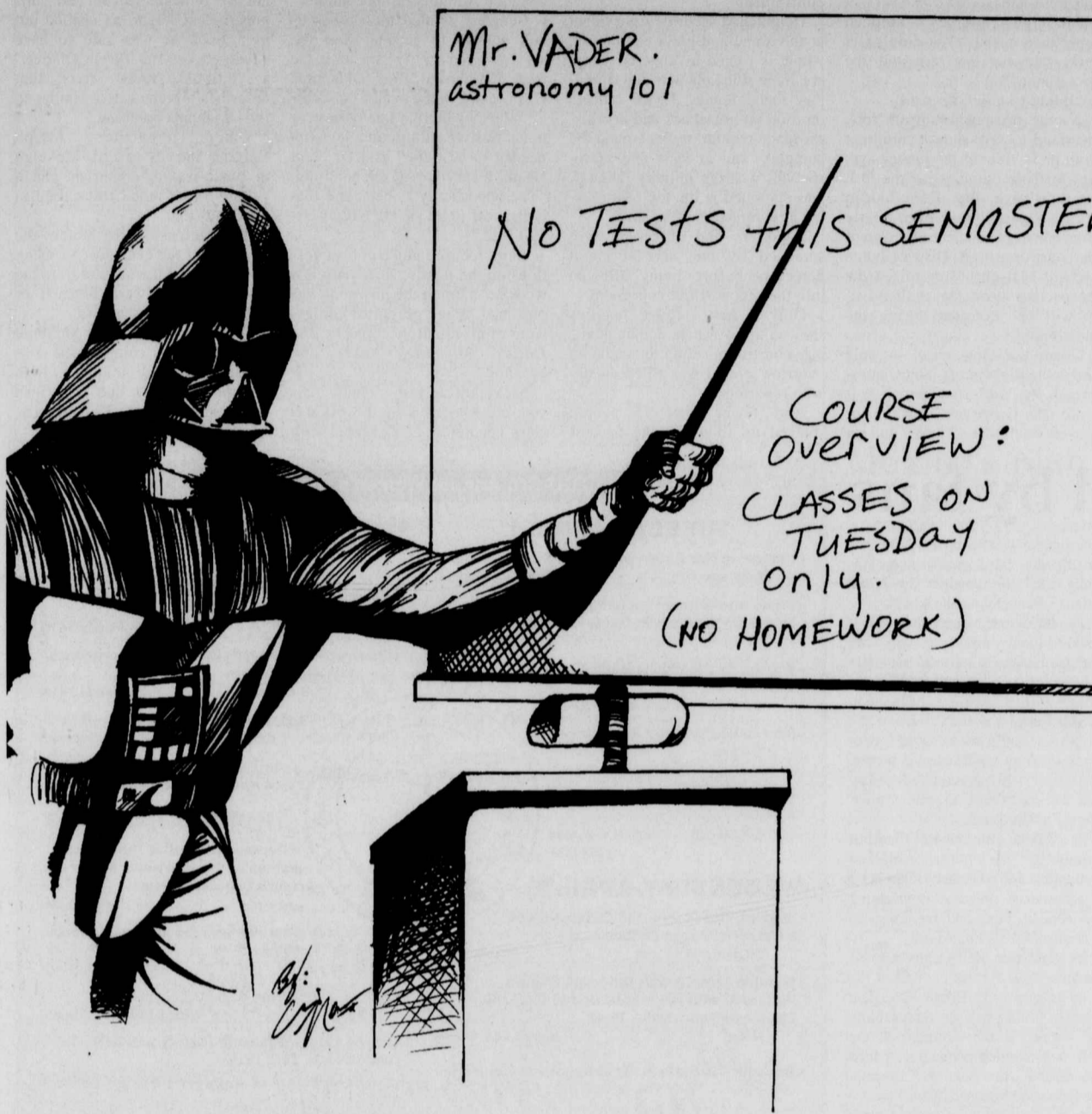
If, as Reagan says, talk radio is where conservatives go to get their news, maybe their friends in Congress will respond to the chastising they deserve.

Brian Wilson is a senior news-editorial major from Vienna, W. Va.



Brian Wilson

Students call the shots with new program



In a surprising yet much anticipated announcement released earlier today, TCU confirmed reports that it is switching to a radically alternative education program, effective immediately.

University spokesman Jack Dupp outlined the details of the new program at an early-morning breakfast attended by all major media outlets.

"It is time that the students be heard," said Dupp, cloaked in a purple and white TCU flag. "This is an institution run in the interest and common good of the students, and this privilege has been made possible by the students and their tuition fees. For the first time in the history of higher education in the United States of America, the students call the shots."

The new policies and procedures outlined in Dupp's elaborate (though insistently random) speech include the following areas of heated contention between students and the administration:

•Tests — As recent studies by the American Society of Hypochondriac Practitioners have proven, tests and the common practice of cramming for exams are unhealthy. Tests have always been a controversial subject among students and professors, as there is no uniform, consistent method for administering them. If a student gets a "D," he or she didn't study enough, but if the mark of an "A" is earned, it doesn't necessarily mean the student studied any longer or learned more. He or she may have had the good fortune and loose morals to buy a copy of the test from deviant teaching assistants.

But no longer will students and faculty clash over exams. Testing in all forms, from exams to pop quizzes, has been banned from TCU. Professors run the risk of losing their tenure if they don't comply to this regulation.

•Class Lectures — In an attempt to modernize class time and make it more effective for stu-

dents, classes have been shortened from 50-minute durations to the average American attention span of 19 minutes. Class will be held only on Tuesday. This gives students a five-day weekend to recover from any mental anguish experienced or contracted in class. No classes on Mondays will make dealing with Mondays a whole lot easier. Attendance will be kept by the student honor system, and all excuses are acceptable.

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Lecturers — Because many students believe their poor grades are at least partially due to boring teachers, the whole teaching staff will be reviewed. All professors who fail a mandatory "Excitement and Relate-ability" exam will be suspended indefinitely. Their positions will be held instead by popular cultural icons and heroes. Darth Vader, Beavis and Butthead, Willis from "Different Strokes," Pamela Anderson, Homer Simpson and the late Richard Nixon have already been confirmed for next semester.

•Coaching — Students are armchair quarterbacks too, deserving equal voice. For this reason, students of TCU will have direct control in the role of TCU athletics. By voting in a weekly review of sporting events, students can select the fate of players, whether it be trades, suspensions, additional playing time or death sentencing.

•The Skiff — Perhaps the most surprising aspect of TCU's makeover is the shift in the role of the *TCU Daily Skiff*. Members of the *Skiff* staff will receive extensive training in order to help them differentiate between news fit to print and gossip that makes it to print. The watchdog of society is returning and the *Skiff* is the first in line to be bit in the rear.

Michael Kruse is a freshman advertising/public relations major from Overland Park, Kan. He'd like to wish Marcus Kain a happy April Fool's birthday today.

Commentary



Michael Kruse

Being Christian means acceptance, not conformity

Commentary



William Thomas Burdette

Over the Easter weekend my thoughts were turned, like many people who grew up in various factions of the Christian Church, to the issue of what it means to be a Christian.

Here at TCU, the term "Christian" is thrown around like any other buzzword. "Abortion," "diversity," and "Greek" are all words that seem to have one purpose: to label people.

If you call yourself a Christian at TCU, it is like being in a club. You are automatically deemed acceptable to be consorted with by other Christians and you are automatically taken under the wing of one or more of the various Christian organizations. As long as you conform to the unwritten (or sometimes written) rules that the organizations set forth, then you are in.

But heaven forbid you curse in front of a TCU "Christian." You will burn in hell if you have sex with your girlfriend. And if you are gay (gasp),

you might as well start digging because you have no hope of being accepted by the "Christians" on this campus.

Does anyone see any irony here? Because we are human, we all sin. We all fall short of the glory of God. So why is it that "Christians" at TCU find one sin worse than another? How do you know which parts of the Bible are to be taken literally and which ones are not?

If Christians were always to follow literally every word of the Bible, then they would not get tattoos, they would not shave their sideburns and they would not eat certain things, because all those things are strictly forbidden in the Leviticus Holiness Code.

Are we, as Christians, not to

embrace fat people because eating too much fat is bad for your body? After all, the Bible says that the body is the Lord's temple, and therefore we are destroying his property if we are clogging our arteries. Thus, fat people, if unrepentant about their eating habits, are living in sin.

The problem is this: Many of the pressures and rules Christians set as the framework of their organizations are simply that group's interpretation of the Bible. Yet, by being Protestant, all people have the right and the responsibility to interpret the Bible for themselves. And by being Catholic, people relinquish to the pope their right to interpret the Bible. Either way, just because you call yourself a Christian does not mean

that you have the right to tell anyone else what it means to be a Christian.

This urge to point fingers and to determine what it means to be a "Christian" is a repercussion of the lack of balance many "Christians" on the TCU campus have in their lives. They have blinders on for God. That is fine, but Jesus didn't wear blinders.

He didn't only hang out with people who were following the rules. In fact, he came for the sick and the poor. Christ himself said that he desires mercy, not sacrifice. Look that up in your concordance.

How many Christians make sacrifices, like abstaining from sex, not drinking, swearing or going to R-rated movies, in the name of the Lord, but fail to have mercy on their

brethren?

How many of you who call yourself "Christians" have ever even taken the time to learn about another religion? How many of you have ever talked to a homosexual or a drug user or alcoholic without using it as an opportunity to put another notch on your holy belt of conversions?

The essence of Christianity is having a personal relationship with Christ. That means that it is personal. Like, for example, getting dressed. Even if you do it every day and it's a vital part of your life, you don't tell others how to do it.

William Thomas Burdette is a sophomore news-editorial major and Opinion editor of the Skiff.

Letters to the editor

Mezel shouldn't expect others to follow him

I am writing this letter in response to Tanner Mezel's recruitment letter on Wednesday, Tanner, are you sure you are a marketing major, or have you missed your calling and really should be enrolled at Brite Divinity School?

Maybe Christ can fill the hole in your feeble soul, but can he fill the hole in your head? You have the right to believe in any myth you want, but when you start reaching out to the disturbed or the easily influenced with your promises of eternal happiness, I have a problem.

Are you so gullible that you actually believe that by just professing Jesus as your "Lord and personal savior" that all your cares and concerns are cast at his holy feet? Come on, man, the only reason Christianity works is because you have faith in something you have never seen.

Instead of focusing all your attention and strength into an invisible entity, why not work on yourself? Why is it that every time someone has recently "discovered" the Lord they feel compelled to "go tell it on the mountain?" If that is what you believe, Tanner, then how fun for you! But I promise that there is only a small population of people who care, and I am certainly not one of them. So have a good life, live forever and worship something you have no proof exists, and I'll do whatever I have to do to deal with reality the best I can.

Guy Housewright
TCU University Store

Right or wrong, Smith has a right to write

Freedom of speech — what does that mean? Does it mean anything to some of the people who are students here? Apparently not. Chris Smith has another opinion that needs to be heard. He is not the antichrist or a devil worshiper, but even if he is, it should not matter. When dealing with the real world you will come across many people of different colors, and to succeed you will have to learn how to deal with these various types of people.

Not that I agree with Chris, but we must be presented with this type of personality — it only makes us smarter. Are we, as college students, not mature enough to read something and try to develop a point out of what is being said, or are we still at the age of chastising someone for being different?

So this is TCU; it is part of the United States, and everyone has a right to speak his or her mind. But, at the same time, it is not someone else's place to call someone names for doing just that, because that is just plain immature.

Dominick Marsala
freshman political science major

To regret is not rape

On February 3, 1996, Adam Lack, a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity at Brown University, found an intoxicated co-ed passed out on a bed in his fraternity house. After offering her some water, Lack said the woman accompanied him to his own room without any assistance, where the two had intercourse.

The next morning, Lack said, he found a note next to his bed with the woman's phone number. Six weeks later, Lack was slapped with charges of rape and received a six-month probation sentence for "flagrant disrespect for the well-being of others."

The woman claims she can't remember anything past 10:30 p.m. That story was told on 20/20, and when I heard about it I was shocked.

The only person I see showing a flagrant disrespect of others is the woman who is not taking responsibility for her actions.

Crying rape does not make the previous night disappear. No matter how difficult it is, we

women must take responsibility for what we do. It is unfair to both the men accused and the true victims of rape to do anything less.

Obviously the woman regrets sleeping with Lack, but I find it hard to believe she didn't consent. She followed him to his room and, according to Lack, helped him undress and left him her phone number. These are hardly the actions of an unwilling female. They resemble more the actions of a consenting adult.

As a result of the woman's allegations, Lack has been ostracized and become a social pariah. He has recently left Brown because he has been unable to cope with the late-night phone calls, the threats, the stares and the loss of friendships he has experienced since he has been accused. You tell me who the real victim is.

What really disturbs me about his situation is the assertion that Lack was taking advantage of a drunk female.

Commentary



Kelly Melhart

Theoretically, women should feel assured that they are able to drink and have a good time without being taken advantage of, but the reality is that we must consider that everything we do has a consequence. If you drink, the consequence could be doing something you regret. That doesn't make it rape; it just makes it bad judgment.

There is something to be said for drinking responsibly. Most of us know that if we drink, we may lose a little control. It is not fair to blame that lack of control on others when we refill our keg cups and down just one more.

It is not right for women to assume that a guy is going to look at us and know that we aren't in control of our actions, especially when we are talking and acting coherently. To assume otherwise is foolish.

Hey, guys are only human. They take the information presented to them and process it the same way we do. If you follow a guy to his room, help him disrobe and proceed to have sex with him, it is not rape. We need to remember that when we regret last night.

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Although it is April Fool's Day, we at the *Skiff* would honestly like to say, "We care."

McVeigh listens as jury prospects discuss death penalty

By Michael Fleeman
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER — In a courtroom protected by barricades and armed guards, Oklahoma City bombing defendant Timothy McVeigh gazed intently at potential jurors Monday as they spoke of their willingness to impose the death penalty for the deadliest terrorist attack ever on U.S. soil.

McVeigh, wearing a buzz haircut, an open-collared blue shirt and khakis, smiled and shook his attorney's hand as he was brought into the courtroom from a basement holding cell for the start of jury selection. He nodded and mouthed "Good morning" through a smile when the judge introduced him to jurors.

But during detailed and excruciatingly slow questioning, McVeigh's glare tightened over his folded hands as prospective jurors

discussed how they could recommend execution if he is convicted in the April 19, 1995, blast that killed 168 people and injured hundreds more.

"It's hard to place yourself in the role of deciding the fate of another human being on these terms," said a middle-aged man identified only as No. 858. "Yet there has to be some ultimate price to pay."

The man, a self-employed financial adviser, said he has not formed an opinion about McVeigh but believes there may be other suspects who have not been arrested.

"There are elements, potentially people out there that are ancillary to this case, that might want to make their strength and presence felt," he said.

The second prospective juror questioned, a grandmother in her 60s, said her dominant memory of McVeigh was the footage of him in an orange jail jumpsuit being led

out of a county jail in Oklahoma.

"I felt very sorry for him," she said, "for such a young man to waste his life."

McVeigh attorney Stephen Jones then asked: "You didn't feel sorry because they arrested the wrong man?"

"I didn't know," she said.

As the prospective jurors took the stand to talk about everything from their view of the justice system to their opinions on the O.J. Simpson case, they were hidden behind a partial wall from nearly everyone in the audience section of the courtroom. U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch has promised the prospective jurors that their privacy will be protected during the questioning.

Given the slow pace — only four potential jurors were questioned by mid-afternoon — it could take two weeks or more for lawyers to choose 12 jurors and six

alternates from a pool of hundreds, and all those picked must be willing to consider the death penalty as punishment.

Heightened security was evident at the stone-and-glass courthouse, which is ringed by concrete barriers, huge stone planters and temporary metal fences. Police officers on foot, on horseback and in cruisers made regular passes around the complex, and at least one sharpshooter, wearing military fatigues, was stationed at the top of a parking structure across the street.

Reporters and observers were screened by two sets of metal detectors before being allowed into the second-floor courtroom.

Only a few victims' families showed up to watch, and an auxiliary courtroom set up to handle an overflow crowd was filled mostly with reporters.

And fewer than 75 people showed up to watch the telecast

600 miles away in a 320-seat auditorium set up under tight security at Oklahoma City's Federal Aviation Administration complex.

Congress created the closed-circuit hookup to accommodate the survivors and the victims after the trial was moved from Oklahoma City because of the intense publicity.

"Whether there's one person or none, this closed-circuit television needed to be held," said Dr. Paul Heath, a survivor of the bombing. "The opportunity is here, and that is the real point of the closed-circuit feed."

Jones focused much of his questions on the media, since only last week he claimed the jury pool was poisoned by the purported confessions of his client in stories by *The Dallas Morning News* and *Playboy*.

McVeigh, a tall, slender 28-year-old who grew up in working-class Pendleton, N.Y., served with

distinction in the Gulf War.

Prosecutors intend to show that, after the war, McVeigh embraced a culture of hate, racism and anti-government fervor, as spelled out in a book he was said to have devoured — "The Turner Diaries," a fictional, racist tract that describes a scene eerily similar to the Oklahoma bombing.

Chief prosecutor Joseph Hartzler intends to link McVeigh to bomb-making materials and a yellow Ryder rental truck used in the explosion.

The defense will attack the integrity of the evidence, focusing on allegations that results from the FBI crime lab were botched or altered to suit prosecutors.

Jones may also depict McVeigh as a patsy in a complicated conspiracy involving Iraq, the Irish Republican Army and American white supremacists. The prosecution has belittled that theory.

Selena remembered by fans

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CORPUS CHRISTI — Tejano star Selena lives on in the memories of her fans, who have been making pilgrimages to her grave to mark Monday's second anniversary of the singer's death.

"For me, believe it or not, it's a sense of closure," said Daniel Mares, manager of a car audio store in Galveston. "I never really got to say goodbye to her before."

Mares once thrilled at watching Selena Quintanilla Perez perform at Houston nightclubs. On Sunday, he traveled to Seaside Memorial Park in Corpus Christi where Selena is buried.

About 5,000 people have done the same in the past five days to pay tribute to Selena, who was gunned down at a Corpus Christi motel on March 31, 1995. Yolanda Saldivar, the former president of Selena's fan club, was convicted of murdering her and is serving a life prison sentence.

As many as 50 people at a time have visited the grave, said Stella Hernandez, a cemetery representative who has seen visitors with license plates from New York,

Illinois, Arizona and Mexico.

A 5-foot chain-link fence is erected around the burial site to keep people from disturbing a large arrangement of white roses, purple flowers and palm leaves that adorn the spot. Fans have decorated the fence with bunches of flowers, stuffed Easter bunnies and written homages to Selena.

In death, Selena has achieved a celebrity status she only could have dreamed of in life: She is the subject of eight books, new musical releases and a full-length movie.

And, since her murder, Selena has been the focus of numerous legal confrontations over rights to her music, name and image and the merchandising of products bearing her name.

"Ballpark, I'd say there have been 20 lawsuits filed, not counting the cease-and-desist letters that our attorneys send out to other parties who give up at that point," said Bert Quintanilla, marketing director of Q Productions, the family business. He also is a cousin of Selena's father.

"It's an ongoing battle. We have law firms in California, San Antonio and Corpus Christi, and we have

investigators constantly trying to stop the pirating. Some people even blatantly tried to copyright the name Selena," Bert Quintanilla added.

The latest and biggest lawsuit is a purely local affair, pitting the Quintanilla family and band members against television station KIII in Corpus Christi, owned by McKinnon Broadcasting.

At issue is the ownership of videotapes taken by a KIII television crew of a Feb. 7, 1993, concert by Selena y Los Dinos at the Corpus Christi Memorial Coliseum.

In a federal court lawsuit filed last month by her father, Abraham Quintanilla Jr., and others, Channel 3 is accused of illegally copyrighting the concert tape and breaking an agreement for its limited use.

In its answer, KIII claims it owns the tape.

In an odd twist, Jorge Rangel, a Corpus Christi lawyer representing the station, is the chairman of the Selena Memorial Committee, which has renamed the Bayfront Coliseum for Selena and eventually will erect a bronze statue on the Corpus Christi Bay shoreline.

The TCU 3rd Annual Women's Symposium

TUESDAY, APRIL 1

• **Removing Her Shoes** with Susan Douglas Roberts
9:30 a.m. Ballet Building, Studio C

• **Primetime Women: Capturing the Female Television Viewer** with Ginger Clark and Marcy Paul
12:30-1:45 p.m. Moudy 1565

• **Women and the Military** with Cassandra Thomas
2-3 p.m. Winton Scott Room 165

• **Information Fair and Reception**
2-4 p.m. Student Center
2nd Floor Mezzanine

• **Women's Religious Journey Panel**
4-5:30 p.m. Student Center
207-209

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

• **Women: Reflections and Conversations, a Reader's Theater Performance**
10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Moudy 141N

• **Worship Service with Reverend Sheron Patterson with the Jubilee United Methodist Church in Duncanville, Texas**
Noon Robert Carr Chapel

• **Beneath the Surface: What Reporters Learn By**

• **Going Undercover — Reality Versus Impressions** with Grace Halsell
12:30-1:30 p.m. Moudy 279S

• **Virgins and Goddesses: Old Models for the New Woman** with Mercedes Olivera
2 p.m. Moudy 141N

• **Constructing a Woman-Centered Jurisprudence** with Judith Baer
3-4 p.m. Moudy 141N

• **Dinner (reservations required)**
7 p.m. Student Center Ballroom

• **In Their Shoes** with Grace Halsell
8 p.m. Student Center Ballroom

THURSDAY, APRIL 3

• **Representations of Third World Women in the U.S. News Media** with Anantha Babbili and Panel
11 a.m. Moudy 141N

• **Cindy Sherman and the Images of Women** with Mark Thistlethwaite
12:30 p.m. Moudy 132N

• **Choices: Living Free** with TCU Alumni
2 p.m. Student Center 205-206

• **Unsung Lives: Women in History** with Julie Hardwick and Delia Pitts
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Minor injuries caused by air bags

Most drivers suffer scrapes, bruises or facial or eye problems after crashes

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WASHINGTON — Nearly two-thirds of drivers in crashes of air bag-equipped cars were injured by the deploying bag, according to an analysis by University of Michigan researchers.

Most of the injuries were minor scrapes and bruises, but 3 percent of the drivers suffered broken bones in the forearm or hand, according to the university's Transportation Research Institute, where researchers studied 540 crashes.

The fractures were caused by the deploying air bag, the air bag cover, or the air bag flinging drivers' arms and hands into the instrument panel or windshield, Donald F. Huelke, a lead researcher, said in a telephone interview.

Several of the breaks happened during a left-hand turn when a driver's right hand was over the steering wheel, where the air bag deploys, Huelke said.

Nearly two-thirds of the drivers had injuries to the arms, hands,

face or upper body, and most injuries were minor scrapes, bruises or cuts, Huelke said. "They are primarily scuffs and scrapes to the forearm or face," he said.

Air bags have saved more than 1,700 lives, according to government estimates, but have been blamed for the deaths of 38 children and 24 adults.

The researchers found that 38 percent of the drivers suffered forearm and hand injuries, while one in three drivers sustained a facial injury, according to papers the researchers published this year.

Huelke and other researchers at the institute in Ann Arbor, Mich., looked at 540 crashes involving the deployment of driver-side air bags in a variety of vehicles through mid-1996. Most of the crashes were in Michigan; about one-fifth were in other states, mostly the Great Lakes states.

About 2 percent — or 11 drivers — sustained eye injuries from air bag deployment, primarily scuffs on the eyeball or some blood in the eye, Huelke said. "In

almost all the cases, the driver recovered from the injury and there were no long-term effects," he said.

However, a report published in March that reviewed five cases of air-bag injuries treated at the University of California, Los Angeles ophthalmology trauma center, concluded air bags could be hazardous to the eyes.

"The study highlights that air bags need some changes in design," said Dr. Edward E. Manche, the paper's lead author and director of cornea and refractive surgery at Stanford University Medical Center.

In one case, a woman became legally blind in one eye. In another case, a woman's contact lenses broke and she needed surgery to repair a detached retina in her right eye and a torn retina in her left eye.

All five patients suffered bleeding in the eyeball, and three later developed angle-recession glaucoma, a pressure in the eye due to rips in the eye's drainage system.

Women and shorter drivers are more likely to receive facial injuries from an inflating air bag, Huelke said.

Nearly 42 percent of the female drivers sustained facial injuries — again mostly cuts, scrapes and bruises — compared with about 24 percent of the men.

Half of the drivers under 5 feet 5 inches received facial injuries, while about 18 percent of drivers 5 feet 11 inches or taller suffered facial injuries.

Drivers wearing lap and shoulder belts were no more likely to be protected from facial injuries from deploying air bags than drivers who did not wear seat belts, Huelke said.

"If you're where the air bag deploys, whether you're belted or not, the belting isn't going to do anything to get your face out of that area," he said.

Because short females sit closer to the steering wheel to reach the pedals, they are more likely to be close to the air bag when it deploys, he said.

Court tells cable to carry local channels

By Laurie Asseo
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The government can force cable television systems to carry local broadcast stations, the Supreme Court said Monday in a decision that could serve as a stay of execution for small, independent channels.

The 5-4 ruling rejected cable companies' argument that a 1992 federal "must carry" law violates their free-speech rights by forcing them to carry stations they would rather drop.

The justices said the measure is a lawful effort to preserve broadcast television and ensure public access to information from a variety of sources.

More than 60 percent of American households subscribe to cable TV. The decision means those customers will continue to receive local broadcast stations on their cable systems.

"Broadcast television is an important source of information to many Americans," Justice Anthony M. Kennedy wrote for the court. "For decades now it has been an essential part of the national discourse on subjects across the whole broad spectrum of speech, thought and expression."

"Congress has an independent interest in preserving a multiplicity

of broadcasters to ensure that all households have access to information and entertainment on an equal footing with those who subscribe to cable," he said.

There is heavy competition for space on cable systems because many new cable networks have been created in recent years.

Cable companies voluntarily carry network-affiliated broadcast stations because of their large viewership. But smaller, independent channels feared that without the must-carry rule, cable systems would drop them. The stations then could lose advertising and face going out of business, the broadcasters contended.

In other action Monday, the court:

—Revived the federal government's efforts to return to prison a former Tennessee judge accused of assaulting five women. The justices said a lower court used the wrong legal standard when it struck down the judge's criminal conviction. They told the appeals court to restudy its ruling.

—Reinstated a Montana law that requires unmarried girls to notify a parent or get a judge's approval before undergoing an abortion.

—Agreed to decide whether, or to what extent, states' wrongful-death laws control lawsuits alleg-

ing that someone died because federal rights were violated.

Broadcasters praised the cable TV ruling, while cable TV industry officials were disappointed.

"We're elated the Supreme Court has recognized the historic importance of preserving free over-the-air television for all Americans," said Eddie Fritts, president of the National Association of Broadcasters.

But C-Span Chairman Brian Lamb said, "More than 3.5 million viewers have lost access to all or part of the C-Span networks since the 'must carry' rule became law in October 1992... Today, the court has basically guaranteed that the information gap will widen for many more."

The 1992 Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act requires cable operators to set aside part of their channel capacity for commercial and public broadcast TV stations.

The law was challenged in court by the National Cable Television Association and cable companies including Turner Broadcasting System and Time Warner Entertainment Co.

The companies said they should not be forced to carry broadcast stations instead of new cable channels such as the History Channel,

the Sci-Fi Channel and the Cartoon Network.

A three-judge federal court upheld the law in 1993, but the Supreme Court ordered it to restudy the issue. The lower court upheld the law again in 1995, and Monday the Supreme Court affirmed.

"Significant evidence indicates the vast majority of cable operators have not been affected in a significant manner by must-carry," Kennedy wrote. "We must conclude must-carry is narrowly tailored to preserve a multiplicity of broadcast stations for the 40 percent of American households without cable."

His opinion was joined in full by Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and Justices John Paul Stevens and David H. Souter. Justice Stephen G. Breyer also joined most of Kennedy's opinion.

Dissenting were Justices Sandra Day O'Connor, Antonin Scalia, Clarence Thomas and Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

Writing for the four, O'Connor said, "Congress has commanded us to one-third of each cable system's channel capacity for the benefit of local broadcasters, without any regard for whether doing so advances the statute's alleged goals."

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Former professor dies

By Kimberly Wilson
SKIFF STAFF

Joseph B. Cowan, a former member of the TCU journalism faculty, died Thursday at his home. He was 90.

Cowan became the second member of the TCU journalism faculty in 1929, when he was 22. He taught the school's first advertising class and was in charge of the copy desk for the *Skiff*. He left TCU in 1933 and eventually owned and operated Cowan Gilliam Advertising Agency in Fort Worth. He retired from the advertising business at age 86.



Joseph B. Cowan former journalism faculty member

Bill Cowan, Cowan's son said Cowan became involved in journalism when he was 6. It was then that he set type by hand for his parents' newspaper, *The San Saba Star*, in San Saba, Texas.

In 1929, Cowan graduated from the University of Missouri with a degree in journalism.

William B. Cowan, of Fort Worth, said his father's legacy is still a part of TCU; many of his advertising books can be found at the Mary Couts Burnett Library.

Other survivors include Cowan's wife, Mary Louise Cowan, also of Fort Worth.

Flyin' Frogs sprint to Austin

The TCU track and field teams are preparing for this year's Texas Relays, hosted by the University of Texas at Austin April 2-5, after a strong performance at the University of Texas at Arlington this weekend.

At UTA, TCU men's sprinter Percival Smith posted a time of 10.03 seconds in the 100-meter dash — the fastest time in the NCAA in that event this season. Spencer is an automatic qualifier for the NCAA championships in the 100- and 200-meter dashes.

TCU's 4x100-meter-relay team is the defending Texas Relays champion for that event. The team of Spencer, Warren Johnson, Syan Williams and Chris Allison hopes to improve its season-best time of 40.19.

The Lady Frogs' track squad is led by Tinesha Jackson, who has posted the NCAA's fastest times in the 100- and 200-meter dash, with times of 11.38 and 23.24, respectively. She is a provisional NCAA qualifier in those events, along with fellow sprinter Giesla Jackson, who has also posted some of the nation's fastest times in the 100 and 200.

The women's 4x100-meter-relay team of the two Jacksons, Shareen Sharrief and Catoshia Lewis is also a provisional qualifier with its best time of 44.84 this season.

Tennessee nets women's crown

The University of Tennessee successfully defended its national championship in women's basketball with a 68-59 win over Old Dominion University at the women's Final Four in Cincinnati Sunday.

The Lady Vols' fifth championship in 10 years was the second back-to-back championship winner ever in NCAA women's basketball. The University of Southern California won it all in 1983 and 1984.

Tennessee's Chamique Holdscaw led all scorers with 24 points, 14 of which came in the second half, in which the Lady Vols (29-10) pulled away from Old Dominion.

UT coach Pat Summitt's fifth national championship gives her the most ever in women's basketball and puts her behind only UCLA's legendary John Wooden for national championships won in men's or women's college basketball.

Portugal native Tich Penichero, Old Dominion's strongest player throughout the tournament, was held scoreless in the first half and committed a season-high 11 turnovers against a Tennessee defense focused on keeping her in check.

Hawaii football player drowns while trying to save coach's son

LIHUE, Hawaii (AP) — Shannon Smith, a kicker on Hawaii's football team, drowned over the weekend while trying to save coach Fred vonAppen's 6-year-old son.

Police on the island of Kauai said Smith and the vonAppen family were on an outing at Waipahee Slippery Slide Saturday when the drowning occurred. Smith and the youngster, Cody, were sucked into a whirlpool after going down the natural slide together.

Police Sgt. Cecil Balaris said Smith, who would have been 21 Tuesday, saved the boy by pushing him toward a large branch that was used to pull the boy out of the water.

He said Smith was then pulled under. His body was found 90 minutes later.

"Mrs. (Thea) vonAppen jumped in to try to render aid, but the whirlpool was too strong," Balaris said. "Family members helped get her out with a big branch or stick."

"Shannon held the boy up to keep him from going under again. He pushed him toward the big branch and they got the little boy out, but Shannon was pulled under and drowned."

Balaris added, "... That young man was a hero. He gave up his life to save that little boy."

Frogs fall behind Rice in WAC

By Ryan J. Rusak
SKIFF STAFF

The Horned Frog baseball team fell two games behind Rice in the Western Athletic Conference South division this weekend after dropping two of three games to Fresno State at the TCU Diamond.

The Frogs (17-14, 9-6 in the WAC) lost 19-12 Thursday and 10-5 Friday before coming back to win 11-7 Saturday. Fresno State (22-14, 9-5) closed to within 1 1/2 games of San Jose State in the West division. Rice won two of three from San Jose State in Houston over the weekend.

The Frogs slipped back into the defensive woes that plagued them at the start of the season. They made 12 errors in the three games and surrendered 17 unearned runs.

TCU starting pitchers were the biggest victims of the defensive struggles. Senior left-hander Derek Lee, who started Thursday, was charged with only one of the eight runs he surrendered; Friday's starter, freshman right-hander Shawn Thompson was charged with one of seven runs; and senior lefty David Meyer was charged with only two of the six runs he gave up.

Junior right fielder Ryan Dunn said the Frogs were victims of unfortunate luck.

"There's some things going on like bad hops," Dunn said. "We do the right things in practice, we just don't do them on the field."

Dunn was one of the defensive bright spots, though. In Saturday's game, Dunn threw out a runner who tried to score in the second for the crucial second out. He also made a diving catch and threw out a runner who tried to take second base in the eighth inning.

"I haven't had many (defensive) chances this year," Dunn said. "They come in bunches. It was a situation where I had a chance to throw out some guys."

The Frogs could have used some of those situations in Thursday's game, when they fell to the Bulldogs, 19-12. Fresno State starter Jeff Weaver, a sophomore right-hander, dominated the Frogs through 7.1 innings. He struck out six of the first seven TCU



Sophomore catcher Mark Silva reaches for a Fresno State University player in action this weekend at the TCU Diamond. The Frogs dropped two of three games to the Bulldogs.

batters and did not allow a hit until the fourth inning.

Fresno State got to Lee and the TCU defense in the middle innings, scoring 4 each in the fourth, fifth, and sixth and 5 in the seventh. By the time the Frogs managed to erupt for five runs in the seventh themselves, they were down 17-1.

Dunn, who was named the WAC player of the week last week for his hitting show against Air Force, provided much of the offense in this game. He hit home runs in the seventh and eighth and drove in six runs overall.

TCU junior shortstop Jeff Yarbrough had three hits. Freshman center fielder Darren Wood had two hits, scored three runs and drove in two. Junior left fielder Chris Connally had two hits and drove in three runs.

Weaver (7-2) earned the win for the Bulldogs. Lee (5-4) took the loss for the Frogs.

In Friday's game, the Frogs took an early lead, only to see it washed away

by another big inning by Fresno State. The Frogs scored in the first when Wood, who had led off with a double, was driven in by sophomore third baseman Royce Huffman.

The Frogs got two in the second when Yarbrough tripled to score junior second baseman Sam Lunsford, who had led off with a double. Yarbrough scored when Wood grounded into a fielder's choice.

Then the trouble began. In the top of the third, Fresno scored 5 runs on four hits and two costly TCU errors. The Frogs never got any closer, as Fresno scored one each in the fourth and sixth, two in the seventh and one in the eighth.

Fresno State junior right-hander Kirk Griffin (3-1) got the win after entering the game in relief of freshman starter Casey Rowe, who left in the first with a knee injury. Thompson (1-3) took the loss, giving up seven runs (1 earned) on nine hits through 5.1 innings.

In Saturday's game, the Frogs and Bulldogs battled back and forth before the Frogs took the lead for good with three runs in the sixth.

With Fresno State leading 5-4, Lunsford singled to lead off the inning. Connally then drove his 13th home run to left field, giving the Frogs a 6-5 lead. The next batter, Huffman, also deposited one beyond the left field fence, pushing the lead to 7-5.

TCU added four insurance runs in the seventh. With one out and the bases loaded, Connally drew a walk to score freshman third baseman Craft Hughes. Fresno State got Wood at the plate on a Huffman ground ball. Lunsford scored on a wild pitch, and then Connally and Huffman scored on two errors by junior left fielder Darren Dyt. Dyt dropped a Dunn fly ball and made an errant throw, allowing the runners to score and Dunn to reach second safely.

Fresno added two runs in the top of the eighth to close the gap to 11-7, but

the Frogs held on to win. Meyer (4-0) earned the win, giving up 11 hits and six runs (2 earned) in seven innings. Fresno State sophomore reliever Randy Goodrich (0-2) took the loss.

The Frogs will face a tough test this week when they take on the Texas Tech Red Raiders at 3 p.m. today and Wednesday at the TCU Diamond. The Red Raiders are ranked in the top 10 by all three major college baseball polls. Tech (25-4, 9-3 in the Big 12) took two of three from Oklahoma State in Lubbock this weekend to move into the lead in the Big 12.

The Frogs and Red Raiders, former Southwest Conference rivals, last met Feb. 11 in Tech's season opener in Lubbock. The Horned Frogs won that game 10-1.

Dunn said the Horned Frogs are ready for their former conference foes.

"We've always done pretty good against Tech," he said. "We've got a good feel for Tech."

Tennis teams net two wins

By Kimberly Campbell
SKIFF STAFF

The men's and women's tennis teams brought two wins home to TCU last week.

The women's team continued its winning season with a 7-2 win against the Iowa Hawkeyes in Iowa on Thursday, and the men's team gained a 6-1 win in Houston on Friday against the Rice Owls.

The women came away from singles play with only one loss suffered by Jessica Kjellgren, who held on against Lisa Harris after a 6-3 loss in the first set to come back and win the second set, 4-6. She eventually lost in the third set, 6-4.

Deirdre Walsh, Annika Kjellgren and Daria Zoldakova all won in straight sets. Walsh beat Natalya Dawaf, 6-1, 6-1; Annika Kjellgren took down McCracken, 6-1, 6-4; and Zoldakova defeated Erin Wolverton, 6-1, 6-1.

Natalie Balafoutis started out rough but ended up beating Carolina Delgado, 3-6, 6-0, 7-6, and Rachael Niwa came back in the last two sets to defeat Shera Wiegler, 3-6, 7-5, 6-2.

TCU was able to win two of the three doubles points with the sister duo of Deirdre Walsh and Sinead Walsh leading the way and beating Harris and Dawaf, 8-1.

Annika Kjellgren and Dvorakova were able to give TCU its second doubles win, beating Wolverton and Wiegler, 8-5.

Jessika Kjellgren and Zoldakova took the doubles loss, falling 9-7 to McCracken and Delgado after a hard-fought match.

For the men, however, after a series of upsets, their luck has finally turned around.

The men took five of the six singles wins. Jason Weir-Smith led the way in the No. 1 spot, defeating Efe Ustundag, 7-5, 6-1.

Ashley Fisher won against Naisohn Arfai, 6-3, 5-7, 6-1.

Winning in straight sets were Talito Corrales, who beat Rico Jacober, 6-1, 6-0; Andres Urencio, who defeated Darin Mast, 6-2, 6-0; and Matt Walsh, who brought down Sasha Silver, 6-3, 6-3.

David Treadwell suffered TCU's only loss of the day against Kevin Hargrove, 6-3, 7-6.

TCU walked away with all three doubles wins.

The nation's No. 8-ranked doubles team of Weir-Smith and Fisher brought TCU a 9-8 win against Mast and Ustundag.

Jaideep Shetty and Walsh scored an 8-6 win over Arfai and Silver, and Corrales and Urencio came out of their match with an 8-1 win over Jason Felten and Jacober.

The men's team will go up against Tulsa University Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center. The women's team still has some time off before its make-up match against Baylor, which was rained out last Tuesday.

Arizona wins first-ever over Kentucky

By Jim O'Connell
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — Now there's only one No. 1 left for the Arizona Wildcats — themselves.

Arizona, the team that was supposed to be a year away, just needed an extra five minutes to win its first NCAA basketball championship.

Led by the backcourt of junior Miles Simon and freshman Mike Bibby, Arizona kept Kentucky from repeating as national champion with an 84-79 overtime victory Monday night.

With three juniors, a sophomore and a freshman in the starting lineup, next year was supposed to be the one for Arizona. Instead, the Wildcats (25-9) made their first championship appearance a thrilling one in a game featuring 20 ties and 18 lead changes.

Fourth-seeded Arizona became the first team in tournament history to knock off three No. 1 seeds — Kansas, North Carolina

and now Kentucky, the winningest programs in college basketball history.

"We just wanted it more than them," said Simon, the game's MVP. "Their legs were dragging, they were in foul trouble. We just wanted it more."

Kentucky was trying to become the second repeat champion since UCLA's stretch of seven straight titles ended in 1973. Duke repeated as champion in 1992.

"The thing that I'm so pleased about is this is a tough group of Cats," Arizona coach Lute Olson said. "At halftime, we talked about the toughest team mentally and physically would win the basketball game."

Simon, who missed the first 11 games of the season because of academic problems, finished with 30 points. Bibby, the son of former UCLA star Henry Bibby, who won three college championships himself as a player, had 14 of his 19 points in the second half.

Arizona became the losingest team to win it all since Kansas was 27-11 in 1988.

Coach to "pursue other job interests"

By Paul Corliss
SKIFF STAFF

On Thursday, TCU announced the resignation of men's basketball assistant coach Richard Bacon to "pursue other job interests."

Bacon, who came to TCU in 1994 after compiling an impressive won-lost record and two state championships at Dallas Lincoln High School, is best known for being the high school coach of TCU center Damion Walker, who followed Bacon to TCU in 1995 after graduating from Lincoln.

A 1995-96 freshman All-America selection, Walker equated his relationship with Bacon to that of a father and son in an interview earlier this season and said Bacon was the main reason he came to play basketball for TCU.

Bacon was credited as having excellent rapport with the TCU players, and many expressed disdain upon learning of Bacon's resignation.

"I'm upset, and I think everyone on the team is," junior center Dennis Davis said. "He was a good guy and a good coach who

was easy to relate to. We all got along with him."

"(Head) coach (Billy) Tubbs, coach Bacon, myself and (James) Penny all came in the same year, so we'll really miss him."

Davis and Penny both said they weren't told whether the resignation was Bacon's own decision.

"All we know is that he's leaving," junior forward James Penny said. "Everybody's got their part in our team's success, and now his part is leaving."

Sports Information Director Kent Johnson said the basketball program does not wish to elaborate on Bacon's resignation until Tubbs returns from the Final Four in Indianapolis and holds a meeting with the players.

Bacon had not returned phone calls to his home at press time.

As a member of the coaching staff at TCU in each of Tubbs' three seasons, Bacon has been a part of the rebuilding process that's taken the Horned Frogs from six wins in 1993-94 under coach Moe Iba to 23 wins and a National Invitation Tournament appearance this past season.

While at Lincoln, Bacon posted a record of 158-46 (.775 percent) and won the class 4A state championship in 1990 and 1993. Walker was a member of the Tigers' 1993 state championship.



Richard Bacon assistant coach

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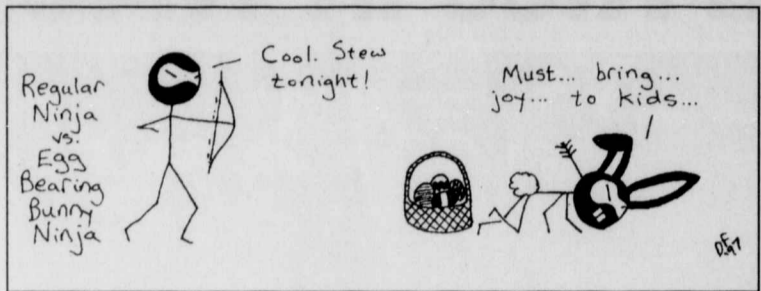
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1969 UCLA 92	Purdue 72	1984 Georgetown 84	Houston 75
1970 UCLA 80	Jacksonville 69	1985 Villanova 66	Georgetown 64
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1972 UCLA 81	Florida State 76	1987 Indiana 74	Syracuse 73
1973 UCLA 87	Memphis State 66	1988 Kansas 83	Oklahoma 79
1974 NC State 76	Marquette 64	1989 Michigan 80	Seton Hall 79
1975 UCLA 92	Kentucky 85	1990 UNLV 103	Duke 73
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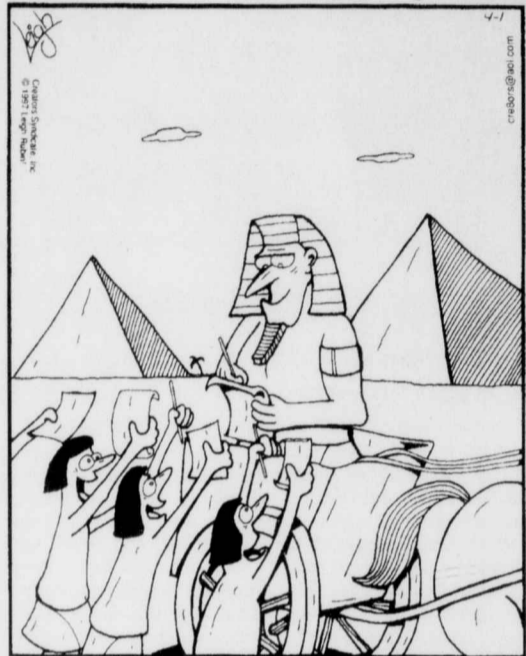
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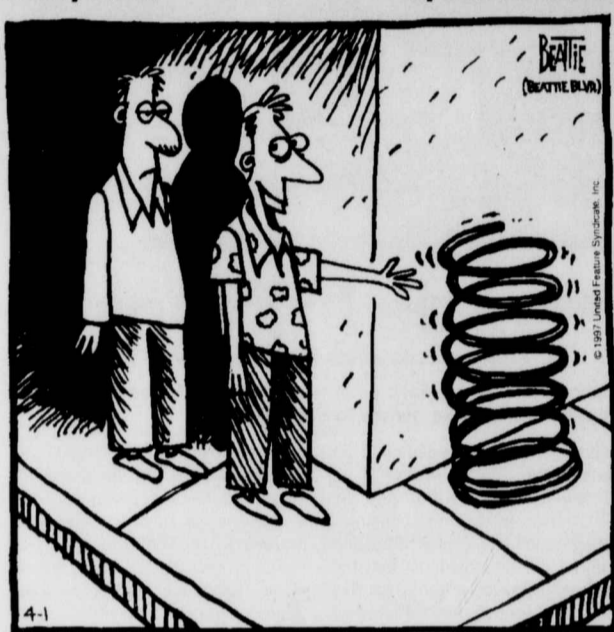
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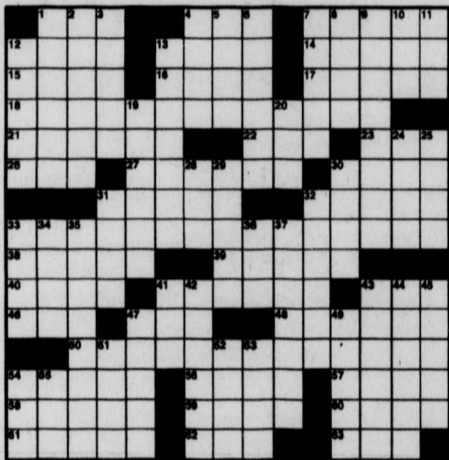
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"What did I tell ya? Spring's right around the corner!"

Newsday Crossword

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- 1 300, to Caesar
 - 4 Cabinet dept.
 - 7 Noodles
 - 12 Tiresome
 - 13 Overfill
 - 14 Peaks
 - 15 German article
 - 16 Verve
 - 17 "___ all, folks!"
 - 18 Honest one
 - 21 Disapproving sounds
 - 22 Your, Biblically
 - 23 Tic-___-toe
 - 26 Meet the bet
 - 27 Irritates
 - 30 Idée ___
 - 31 Cub Scout leader
 - 32 ___ and dined
 - 33 Area of eerie disappearances
 - 38 Cookie treats
 - 39 Camels' features
 - 40 Honky-___ piano
 - 41 Shrimp dish
 - 43 Red October is one
 - 46 Boo or yoo follower
 - 47 Big ___, CA
 - 48 Bring into harmony
 - 50 Unpleasant repetition
 - 54 Northern constellation
 - 56 Coagulate
 - 57 Bakery worker
 - 58 Helicopter part
 - 59 Les États-___
 - 60 Prying
 - 61 Tableau
 - 62 Gal of song
 - 63 Tax agcy.
- DOWN**
- 1 Coterie
 - 2 Danish king
 - 3 Don't play fair
 - 4 Painter Frans
 - 5 Western state
 - 6 Indicate
 - 7 Hamburger beverage
 - 8 Sore spot
 - 9 Feeling sore
 - 10 Asian holiday
 - 11 Beast of burden
 - 12 Defeats
 - 13 Billed
 - 19 Uproar
 - 20 Words of surprise
 - 24 Skater's jump
 - 25 Hand over
 - 28 Neighbor of Fla.
 - 29 Pianist Earl ___ Hines
 - 30 Shark features
 - 31 Out of control
 - 32 Elk
 - 33 The two of them
 - 34 Switch ending
 - 35 Overhaul
 - 36 Jamaican
 - 37 Effects
 - 41 ___ generis
 - 42 Spring bloomer
 - 43 Aid
 - 44 Weasel word
 - 45 Noah or Wallace
 - 47 Arena posting
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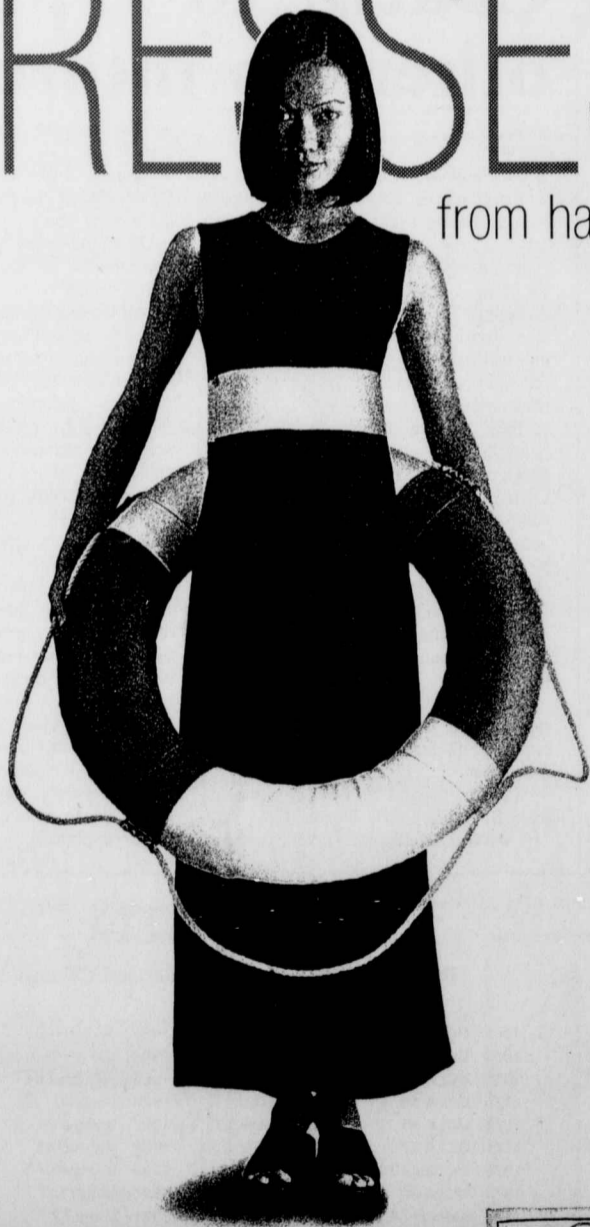
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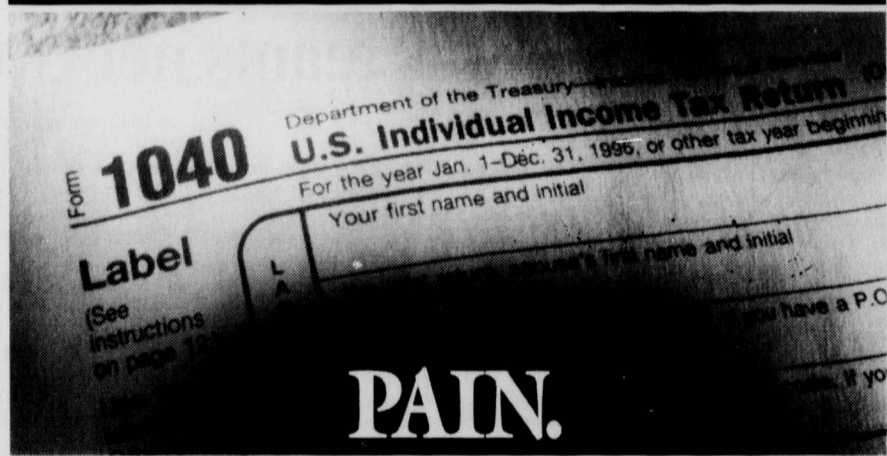
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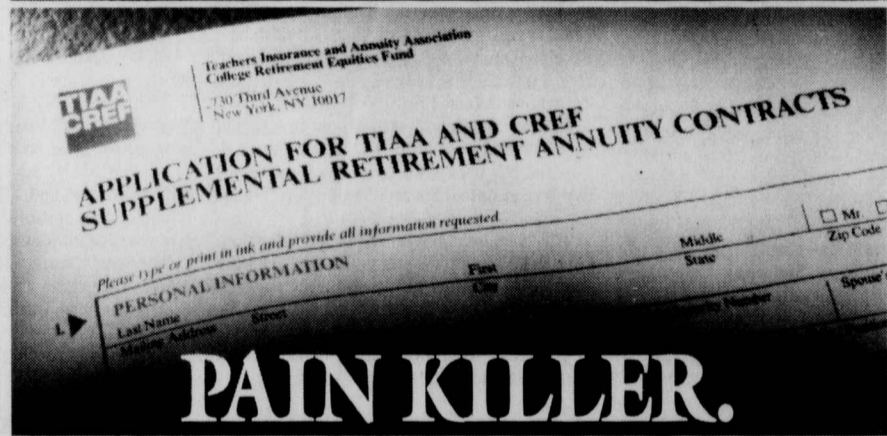
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