

Smithsonian lecture series coming to FW

The Smithsonian Institute, as part of its National Outreach Program, is presenting a lecture by historian and author Oscar P. Fitzgerald 7 p.m. Thursday in the Dorothea Lendhardt Lecture Hall at the Fort Worth Botanical Gardens.

The event marks the first time in 10 years that the Smithsonian Institution has visited Fort Worth. Its National Outreach Program hits about 10 cities nationwide, presenting lectures, seminars and workshops from the Smithsonian.

Fitzgerald, an adjunct professor at George Washington University and a visiting professor at Marymount University, will speak on "An Antique Lover's Tour of American Museums and Restorations."

He has written two highly acclaimed books on American furniture and a two-volume history of the United States Navy in the Vietnam War.

Those attending the lecture will have the opportunity to meet Fitzgerald at a reception following his presentation.

Tickets for the lecture and reception are \$40 each. The ticket price includes admission to the Antiques Fair Sept. 10-12 as well as an evening reception on Sept. 12.

For more information, call 429-5699.

College

Ohio student charged with sex assault

(U-WIRE) ATHENS, Ohio — An Ohio University student charged with committing one of two sexual assaults that were reported to have occurred early Sunday morning in Athens was arraigned yesterday morning in Athens Municipal Court.

William B. Spath, a sophomore, was charged with acquaintance rape Sunday after the Athens Police Department collected evidence and interviewed the woman who was assaulted, according to a news release.

Judge Douglass Bennett set bond yesterday at \$25,000. Spath could have been required to pay 10 percent of the bond to be released from prison, but Bennett released him on his own recognition into his parents' custody under conditions that he attend his preliminary hearing Monday and not contact the victim, according to court documents.

If Spath violates this agreement, his parents must pay the \$25,000 bond.

On Sunday, Athens police responded to a 2:30 a.m. call reporting an Athens woman had been sexually assaulted at Spath's residence, according to a news release.

The woman was treated at O'Bleness Memorial Hospital then released.

—The Post

Ohio University

Two date rapes reported at Indiana

(U-WIRE) BLOOMINGTON, IND. — Two Indiana University students have reported cases of date rape within the last two weeks, according to police reports.

The most recent case was reported to the IU Police Department Monday night. According to a police report, the victim, a 21-year-old woman, said the assault took place at around 6 a.m. Sunday at a fraternity house.

The suspect, 22, is an IUPUI University student and was in Bloomington for a visit.

The victim said she told the suspect, an ex-boyfriend, no fewer than six times she did not want to have sex. Despite the victim's protests, the suspect held her down and forced himself on her. The victim said the suspect left only when she began to cry.

On Aug. 31, a 19-year-old female student reported she was sexually assaulted by an acquaintance at Forest Quadrangle. Lt. Jerry Minger of the IUPD said the cases are unrelated.

Minger also said both cases are still under investigation.

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Man charged in residence hall assault Ex-boyfriend had been warned to stay off campus, report says

By Rhonda Dickens
STAFF REPORTER

The suspect in the assault of a Foster Hall resident Thursday evening, Brandon B. Rice, 26, was charged with assault with bodily injury and was being held in the Tarrant County Jail as of 10:30 p.m.

Rice was arrested after choking a former girlfriend with a curling iron cord in her room and then hiding from police under a pile of laundry in the girl's closet, according to police reports.

Campus police reports said campus officers responded to the incident at 12:55 a.m. Friday when another Foster resident notified them that she heard crying from the victim's room.

The suspect had been issued a criminal trespass warning last spring. Campus Police Chief Steve McGee said. He was warned that if he returned to the campus, he would be arrested, McGee said.

Rice was issued the warning on March 1 for threatening an office worker in Foster Hall, according to campus police reports.

The report said Rice entered the office and tried to attack the worker. When the victim tried to call police, Rice fled the scene, according to the report.

Rice called the woman in the office and said he wanted to talk, the report said. When the woman told Rice she did not want to talk, the report said the suspect told her he

would be "waiting to take care of her after she left the building."

The report said the woman was afraid of the suspect because he had assaulted her and others before. She told police that the suspect might have gone to Clark Hall to visit friends, according to the police report.

Detective Kelly Ham asked former Clark Hall Director Vincent Pryor if he had seen the suspect enter the building, and Pryor told him the suspect had left shortly before police arrived, the report said.

Other Clark Hall office workers said the suspect came into the office and asked for the Foster Hall office number at 2:45 p.m. before making a call, according to the report.

At 4 p.m. a Clark Hall office worker called police to notify them that the suspect had returned to the building, the report said. Officers immediately returned and took the suspect into custody, according to the report.

Fort Worth police came to investigate further and issue a general complaint citation for assault by threat, Det. Ham said.

Campus police issued Rice a criminal trespass warning, and he was released, the report said.

Rice's criminal record shows he was charged with assault with bodily injury in May 1995. He has also been charged in three other cases.

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Brandon B. Rice



Blair Pearce PHOTO EDITOR

Mourners gather in Robert Carl Chapel to remember Mother Theresa on Wednesday. The Nobel Peace Prize-winning nun died Friday at age 87.

Mother Teresa given multicultural farewell Campus honors nun with candle vigil, music

By Danielle Daniel
SKIFF STAFF

Hindu, Muslim, Buddhist and Christian religions united Wednesday in the Robert Carr Chapel honoring a small 4-foot-11-inch woman who dedicated her life to nurturing and loving the poor, abandoned, sick and dying people of the world, primarily in India.

The service, planned by Students for Asian Indian Cultural Awareness, celebrated Mother Teresa of Calcutta's legacy of love to all people regardless of social, political and cultural differences.

Professors, students and community members spoke in reverence of the life of Mother Teresa at the service.

A candle procession began the service. Attendants placed lighted candles in a tray of sand directly under a portrait of the nun holding a baby in her arms.

Following the candle vigil, the 45-minute service represented differing cultures. Indian instrumental music

and traditional Christian hymns filled the air. Speakers read passages from the Bhagavad-Gita, the Koran, and English and Indian Christian texts.

"I thought it was wonderfully done, very spiritual in nature, very ecumenical in that it involved Hindu and Islamic and Indian texts; it just didn't focus on Christianity," said Joel Penrod, a sophomore religion studies major. "I like the fact that we put the candles in the sand, signifying that we can have an impact on this world, that we have a part."

Richard Sampson, a member of SAICA and a senior marketing major, said the service, planned in about a day, brought about 180 people together and received a lot of publicity.

"I was impressed with the media coverage and the speakers we were able to get," he said. "More so, I was

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Wellness programs help students improve health

By Andy Summa
STAFF REPORTER

A new program designed to promote wellness among students will be presented on the first Thursday of every month at the Rickel Building.

The program, called the TCU Wellness Series, is designed to educate students about nutrition, psychology and stress management. The series is being presented by the Alcohol and Drug Education Center and the Recreational Sports Department.

"It gives the student more awareness of college," said Tom Von Ruff, a personal trainer at the Rickel Building. "It helps combat the 'freshman 15' and other problems. It'll help this semester and through all four years of college."

Von Ruff, who has trained celebrities such as Hakeem Olajuwon, Bob Lanier, Courtney Gibbs and Rudy Tomjanovich, said the program will also strengthen

the relationship between students and the university.

"It shows that the school is looking after the student both academically and health-wise," he said.

The September program, presented by Von Ruff, featured an introduction to the Rickel's new \$50,000 weight-training equipment. The program also included demonstrations and opportunities for the students to test the equipment.

"It allowed students to try out the equipment and get a feel for the weight room," said Mary Ellen Milam, head of Rickel facility reservations. "It can be kind of intimidating at first."

Future topics will include massage therapy and swimming conditioning. The instructors of the series will be experts, Milam said.

"All of the programs will be educational," she said. "But they'll also be participatory. We're planning some

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Convocation to begin 125th academic year Chancellor will describe state of TCU

By Adriana Torrez
STAFF REPORTER

This year's Fall Convocation will incorporate some changes in an effort to increase student interest and involvement and to celebrate the university's 125th academic year.

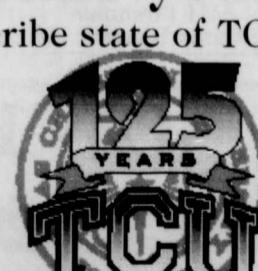
The convocation, beginning at 11 a.m. Thursday, will be part of the first State of the University Day and will include the first ever State of the University speech by Chancellor William E. Tucker.

Tucker said the idea of a State of the University Day is a response to a request from faculty.

"It seemed appropriate to combine State of the University Day with convocation," he said, "especially since TCU is launching its 125th year."

Tucker said the theme of convocation will revolve around the university's anniversary.

"I think anniversaries are times to celebrate the past, assess the present



and affirm the future," he said. "That's what we do during anniversaries, whether it be a birthday, a wedding anniversary or the centennial of an institution."

William H. Koehler, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, said the faculty talked about starting a tradition of the chancellor speaking to students about the State of the University, much like the president speaks to the nation in the State of the Union address.

"This is a very special convoca-

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Leigh Wilson SKIFF STAFF

Rocky Collins and Shelly Weir of a Fort Worth Police Explorers post simulate a domestic violence situation at the TCU Police Explorers informational meeting Wednesday.

Williams said the department looked at the working relationship between the campus escort service and Campus Police and thought the Explorers program would be an expansion of the relationship.

Young people in the community looking for activi-

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Students explore law job choices Group teaches enforcement skills

By Rhonda Dickens
STAFF REPORTER

Men and women 14 to 20 years old will be able to explore college life and a possible law enforcement occupation through the TCU Police Explorers program.

Campus Police and interested young people from the community gathered at the Rickel Building pool Wednesday to discuss the program.

J.C. Williams, assistant chief of Campus Police, said, "We are completely supportive at the TCU police department to make this a success."

Sgt. Connie Villela, the liaison between Campus Police and the Boy Scouts of America, said Campus Police Chief Steve McGee suggested to her that Campus Police get involved in the Explorers program.

"We wanted to give something back to the community," said Villela, the campus crime prevention officer.

Villela said the program will offer both exploration into the law enforcement profession and an opportunity to learn about campus life.

Chad Edwards, a spokesman for the Boy Scouts of America, said Explorers is the young adult division of Boy Scouts of America.

Pulse

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WORD OF TRUTH GOSPEL CHOIR invites all interested persons to rehearsals at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays in Student Center Room 222. For more information, call Stephanie McCray at 920-3219.

A MULTICULTURAL MIXER for faculty, staff and students will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday in the Student Center Ballroom. For more information, call Robbie Morganfield at 921-0782.

PRESBYTERIAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP will meet at 10:30 a.m. Sunday in front of the Student Center to visit Hemphill Presbyterian Church. A free lunch will be provided after the service. Also, students are invited to meet at 3:30 p.m. in the Student Center to go to the Logos Bookstore to hear former mayor Bob Bolen speak. For more information, call Becca Bartlett at 927-5574.

TCU TRIANGLE will meet at 5 p.m. Sunday in the Wesley Foundation Building. For more information, call Priscilla Tate at 921-7160.

A HIGH SCHOOL CONFERENCE planning meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Monday in the Student Center Room 211. For more information, call Zoranna Taylor at 920-3002.

A STUDY SKILLS WORKSHOP will be held at 7 p.m. Monday in the Rickel Building Room 106. For more information, call Jeremy Poynter at 923-8792.

ORDER OF OMEGA will meet at 10 p.m. Monday in the SAE chapter room.



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Nation

Actor Burgess Meredith dies at 89

LOS ANGELES — Burgess Meredith, who played a crusty old pug in "Rocky" and waddled with aristocratic elan as the Penguin on TV's "Batman," is dead at 89.

The actor, who died on Tuesday at his home in Malibu, had melanoma and Alzheimer's disease.

"Rocky," in which Meredith played Stallone's scowling, gravelly-voiced manager, was the actor's first smash hit in a 60-year film career filled with memorable roles: guardian of the dimwitted giant in "Of Mice and Men," Ginger Rogers' suitor in "Tom, Dick and Harry," war correspondent Ernie Pyle in "The Story of G.I. Joe," James Madison in "Magnificent Doll."

GOP: Gore should have known calls were illegal

WASHINGTON — Challenging the legality of Vice President Al Gore's fund-raising calls, Senate Republicans disclosed memos Wednesday that they said indicated he should have known some money he solicited was covered by a law barring such calls on federal property.

Democrats and the White House argued that the memos were not specific enough to raise warnings for the vice president, who faces the possibility of a

special prosecutor being appointed to investigate his calls.

The documents showed that Harold Ickes, then White House deputy chief of staff, advised both Gore and President Clinton that the Democratic Party media fund — for which Gore solicited money — was using "hard money" donations.

A February 1996 memo indicated that the party was allocating the first \$20,000 of large donations to "hard money" accounts, those that are directly for a federal candidate.

State

UT law professor says blacks, Hispanics can't compete

AUSTIN — Racial diversity among students adds little to their education, a University of Texas law professor said Wednesday, adding that "blacks and Mexican Americans can't compete academically with whites" and come from cultures in which "failure is not looked upon with disgrace."

Marlen Whitley, a black student and president of the UT student government, declined to comment on Graglia's statements. He said he was taught not to respond to ignorance.

Law School Dean M. Michael Sharot said he was sorry Graglia's comments would again draw negative attention to the school.

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Students defend prof criticized for Diana comments

(U-WIRE) BERKELEY, Calif. — Students in a University of California-Berkeley anthropology class have signed a petition defending their professor following a departmental investigation of what one student complained were tactless comments about the late Diana, Princess of Wales.

More than 150 students signed the petition supporting the free speech rights of visiting Professor Jonathan Marks.

Marks said he was told by anthropology department chairman Stanley Brandes that the university's vice chancellor of academic affairs, Carol Christ, wanted to investigate a student's complaints that comments in his lecture included off-color comments about Princess Diana.

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Volunteers search for donor to give prof bone marrow

(U-WIRE) BERKELEY, Calif. — In one of the last major efforts to find a lifesaving bone marrow transplant for leukemia patient Alan Kuo, University of California-Berkeley friends and volunteers launched an extensive bone marrow donor drive on campus yesterday.

Volunteers for the Asian-American bone marrow registration drive said they hoped to register at least 1,000 new donors by Thursday, when the drive will end. At the end of yesterday's campaign, exactly 256 potential donors

had been tested — an unprecedented response, event organizers said.

Kuo, a 33-year-old Berkeley resident and biomedical researcher at UCSF, was diagnosed with leukemia two years ago. Kuo has a complex tissue make-up that requires any possible donor to be of Asian descent.

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Ex-defense secretary, senator argue presidents' power

(U-WIRE) COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Although former Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney and retired U.S. Senator Paul Simon agreed the U.S. president should be the authority on military decisions in crisis situations, they differed on the decision-making process.

Simon and Cheney's discussion Tuesday night on the Texas A&M University campus concluded an academic conference held Tuesday to dedicate the Bush School of Government and Public Service.

Cheney, who was Secretary of Defense during the Bush administration, said the president is the best authority to decide upon the use of force.

Simon said the president should serve a six-year term so the president would be less worried about re-election.

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editorial

ATTEND CONVOCATION

TCU has drawn its share of criticism in recent years for being an apathetic campus. Student attendance at university events has waned, and more students can often be found at the movie theater or at Billy Bob's than at Programming Council events or organizational meetings.

One of the clearest signs of this apathy can be seen in the attendance at previous Convocations. While speakers such as the president of the American Council on Education (1995) and the rector of TCU's sister school in Mexico (1996) may provide thought-provoking and substantive speeches, they are unfortunately not the names that will attract all students.

But this year, following the advice of faculty and trying to draw a greater student reaction, the structure of Convocation has been altered to reflect a "State of the University" theme. Chancellor William E. Tucker will present the speech, one of his last addresses to the TCU community before his retirement. (His last speech will come at graduation in May.)

The change to a State of the University address by the chancellor is also intended to be permanent. We applaud the change and believe students should as well.

Our hope now is that students will not shrug off the university's effort to make Convocation more attractive and more informative.

The cancellation of classes at 11 a.m.

is not an excuse for students to catch up on sleep or take an extra-long lunch at The Main (although we're not sure what the motivation would be behind the latter). Because they attend TCU and giving about \$15,000 to the university each year, students should be concerned with how their money is spent and where the university is headed. One extra hour of zzz's is a lame excuse for missing an annual update on how the university is performing.

By restructuring Convocation, the university is making a good effort to combat campus apathy.

Students should take a renewed interest in attending the annual event.

to develop relationships and foster learning outside the classroom.

The only down side to the day's celebration is that the fellowship event will be brief, as many students and faculty must head back to class at 12:30. Despite this, the university should be lauded for the changes.

This week is filled with events for students to become further involved in campus spirit, culminating with the home football opener Saturday. Show your support for this campus and for the new Convocation by attending the Thursday festivities.

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WILLIAM THOMAS BURDETTE

This is not a column about Princess Diana because, frankly, I do not care about her. I am sick of hearing about her, and I think many other people are too.

This is not a column about O.J. Simpson. It's over.

This is not a column about the Timothy McVeigh trial.

This is not a column making the death of a person into a three-ring circus.

This is, however, a column about news judgment, or the lack thereof, in the media.

News should be covered, and death is news. No one is disputing that. But the old adage of, "If it bleeds, it leads," has mutated to, "If it bleeds, you will hear about it until your ears bleed, too."

Perhaps it is time to retire this old news-

room maxim in favor of a more sane and newsworthy approach. How about this:

"If it is important for the public to know, and if we haven't already sensationalized it and beat it into the ground, it leads."

The news media are a pack of no-brained, wild dogs foaming at the mouth and tripping over each other in order to cover stories that people are already sick of hearing about.

I am not talking about the paparazzi, either. I am talking about the mainstream media.

I know I said this is not a column about Princess Diana, and it's not. However, I would like to point to her death as an example of how the media, in addition to not using their brains, have absolutely no creativity, no imagination and no guts when it comes to news coverage.

Diana died, and it was a big deal — *in Great Britain*. We in the United States should have covered it like we would cover the death of any other world leader. And even that would have

been generous, considering Diana was not really a world leader. Her death, tragic as it was, should not have consumed the lead story space in every paper for a week straight.

She may have been a nice person and a humanitarian, but she was no Mother Teresa.

Now that Di's funeral is over and the media

week is that the same people who own newspapers often own TV stations as well. By keeping her on the front page, they were simply insuring good ratings when they aired her funeral.

That is part of the problem.

I am sure Mother Teresa was a nice person as well. But I do not want the wonderful per-

son she was to be contorted into some larger-than-life pop culture icon whose most important accomplishment in life was dying.

It happens time and time again.

Kurt Cobain's record sales skyrocketed after all the publicity he received when he shot himself in the head.

The death of Elvis is still hyped, and his estate rakes in millions of dollars every year on the moribund anniversary.

Tupac Shakur hyped his own death with the release of his final album.

By publicizing, nay, hyping, the death of great and not-so-great people, the media is only making a mockery of their lives. What "respectable news organizations" are essentially doing by covering death in this fashion is saying, "Dying was the most important thing this person did."

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The first *TCU Daily Skiff* Issues page will run Friday. But be sure to keep the next topic in mind. The Sept. 19 Issues page will focus on:

UCR classes

Core classes are a major part of studies at any university, and TCU is no exception (core classes are known as University Curriculum Requirements at TCU). Many students spend only one-quarter of their time in classes dealing with their major. Are UCR classes beneficial to diversify education and expand opportunities? Or do they hinder students' abilities to choose classes for themselves? If you have an opinion on UCR classes and would like to express that opinion on next week's Issues page, contributions will be taken from now until noon Wednesday. Please submit letters according to the guidelines printed above, but please limit pieces to 200 words.



Solo not so bad

Knowing self before finding mate important for relationship

Last year, two young men handed me an invitation to a gathering for "college career adults and young singles." It was to be held downtown and would feature a band, barbecue and broom hockey.

Not written on the piece of paper, but implied in the tone of the words, was the tantalizing idea that I would meet a significant other there. The primary group that would be in attendance was, as the invitation said, "young singles."

These men meant well, and they didn't know whether I was single or not because they approached me at random. However, they missed the real point: They had no idea that the recipients of their invitations might have been perfectly happy on their own.

Somewhere along the line, someone decided that being single was bad and that the problem deserved a solution, if not just a clever marketing ploy. The data — average age of marriage, percentage of students who graduate from college married — were analyzed, and an answer was born: singles groups. These low-key social organizations would be comprised of people with the same problem of singularity and would combat the universal ailment of loneliness.

There are, however, some odd variables in this equation. The peo-

ple in the groups frequently don't know each other at all. The object is to find someone with whom they have a lot in common, but from the outset the only qualities shared by all members are their ages and their participation. The system seems rather flimsy already.

I realize that the people who operate singles groups often have good intentions and also have to make a living. But have they considered that perhaps being single isn't an ailment waiting to be cured?

Singles groups and their advertisements simply don't take into account that not everyone is unattached by default. Some people have made the decision not to get married because they prefer the single life or because they don't want commitment. Others are literally too busy for a romantic relationship. And many just haven't found the right person yet and don't want to rush things.

If the average age of marriage is getting older, so what? With any luck, we're using those extra years to get to know ourselves better. And people who know themselves well will provide a much more solid foundation upon which to build future relationships. Doing a sloppy job on that initial foundation has in recent decades contributed to the collapse of more than half of the households in America.

Having grown up in the age of divorce, our generation should have a particular concern for knowing one's partner well and avoiding mistakes. It is difficult for me to believe that romances found-

ed in singles groups or through dating services afford the same degree of familiarity as those created in everyday interaction where conversation is spontaneous and settings are varied. Most organizations are founded on the common interests of their members. But when the primary interest is the desire to find a mate as quickly as possible, a great potential for heavily contrived relationships exists.

The last time I checked, there was not a timer ticking down the seconds to the day when marriage was no longer appropriate. There was not a proclamation that said bonds established after the mid-20s don't count. It is instead groups that present independence as a fault which endorse these perceptions.

I thought love was something that developed, not something that had to be plotted and searched out. I thought romance was based on a spark of chemistry and common beliefs, not on desperation to escape from a label. I thought life was about following your heart, not following a timetable. Singles groups and dating services defy all these ideas.

Being single, in any sense of the word, is not a problem, and a dinner companion or a ring on the finger is not a solution. The real answers to our identity are within the people most of us are still meeting: ourselves.

Robyn Ross is a junior news-editorial journalism and English major from Marble Falls, Texas.

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Duo to perform at gallery

Pianist, singer part of downtown performance series

By Erin Brinkman
STAFF REPORTER

Kate Stevens will tickle the ivories while Ava Mason sings a soprano tune at the second installment of the TCU Performance Series at noon on Thursday at the Contemporary Art Center of Fort Worth.

Mason, a senior music major, and Stevens, a graduate student of instrumental performance, are a part of the second season of the lunchtime performances, which are free to the public. The performances are scheduled to take place on the first, second and fourth Thursdays of every month this fall.

Mason's 45-minute performance is a shortened version of her senior recital, which is scheduled for Sept. 20. The program is a sampling from different musical eras in four small sets, she said.

Mason said she is excited about her performance.

"People have been asking me about it and saying they're going to come," she said. "This is a wonderful opportunity to have."

John Burton, associate dean of the College of Fine Arts and Communication and an associate professor of music, coordinates the performances.

"It's done on a volunteer basis," Burton said. "I've been lucky to have so many talented performers volunteer. This semester we're using strictly TCU personalities. Next semester we plan to have performers from both TCU and the Fort Worth community."

Burton said he has a personal interest in the Oct. 2 performance given by Tomasz Zieba, a senior cello performance major and one of Burton's students.

Zieba said, "Dr. Burton chose me because he thinks it's

important I play a lot before my senior recital (on Oct. 15). It's good to play a lot and to feel comfortable playing in front of an audience."

The TCU Performance Series was established to enhance the Contemporary Art Center and provide another spectrum for audience participation, Burton said.

"TCU has always wanted a presence downtown," he said. "The art center approached us about doing the performances, but it's mutually beneficial."

Mason said she's looking forward to performing at the venue.

"It's very informal, very intimate," she said. "I can see everyone's faces. They're right there. It's not like Ed Landreth (Auditorium), where all you can see are the lights and the exit signs."

Burton said Contemporary Art Center performances are interesting because the show changes from month to month.

"When you go to performances in Ed Landreth, only the performer changes," he said. "At the Contemporary, every month you're in a different hall with different art."

Burton said the performances are held at noon because in the evening they would compete with too many other downtown attractions like restaurants, movies, theater and programs at other museums.

"Downtown picks up in the evenings," Burton said. "This way we pick up the downtown lunch crowd."

The down side, he said, is that it's hard for other people to get downtown just for an hour. Burton said he thinks that's why few TCU students attend the performances.

The Contemporary Art Center is located in the Gainsco Building downtown at Fourth and Commerce streets.

Downtown

TCU Performance Series at The Contemporary Art Center of Fort Worth

Sept. 11 — Music students Ava Mason, soprano, and Kate Stevens, pianist.

Sept. 25 — Faculty Roger Bryant, tenor, and Judith Solomon, piano.

Oct. 2 — Cello student Tomasz Zieba.

Oct. 9 — Ballet and modern dance department presentation.

Oct. 23 — Faculty Jazz Combo.

Oct. 30 — Students Todd Prickett, voice, and Kate Stevens, piano.

Nov. 6 — Violin professor Joni Baczwski.

Nov. 13 — Students Kris Cook, viola, and Arturo Rodriguez, piano.

Dec. 4 — Student chamber ensembles.

Dec. 11 — Theatre department presentation.

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ties outside of sports will have another opportunity for community involvement through the Explorers program, Williams said.

"We felt the Explorers program was a perfect match for the police department and the community," Williams said.

Fort Worth explorer Scott Elmore said preparing for Explorers competitions teaches program members much of what they would learn at the police academy.

Members of the Fort Worth Weed and Seed group, led by Officer Shelby Sullivan, demonstrated their training through a domestic violence mock scenario.

Sullivan said the explorers are trained to handle situations that range from handcuffing suspects to talking with children. She said they learn law enforcement terminology and experience the profession by riding along with officers.

Elmore said, "Explorers is not just for high school kids. College people need to get out and do this too."

Edwards said once the TCU group gains members and begins working, many of the decisions about the group and their activities will be up to them.

Elmore said, "You have a cool opportunity being the first members of your post."

TCU Police Explorers advisor Officer Laurie Cook said she thinks there are a variety of opportunities for the program because it is on a college campus.

Jimmy Brown, 16, of Western Hills High School, said he thinks he would rather be involved in the campus Explorers program than a city program.

Cook said, "It will be good for high school kids to go on a college campus and see what it might be like."

Shelly Weir, a Fort Worth explorer, said the program has allowed her to decide whether law enforcement is an occupation she wants to pursue.

The explorers said the group becomes a family. They also said through the program they have been involved with people in the community.

"It think its got great potential to be a positive experience for the youth and the officers to be role models and mentors," Williams said.

Students who are interested in joining the program can call Villela at 921-7930.

Student engineers take project to California

By Anne Drabicky
STAFF REPORTER

Shock tubes and pressure sensors are not the typical dreams most people have of California.

But five senior engineering students could dream of nothing else as they prepared to take their Cold Gas Shock Tube to San Juan Capistrano, Calif.

This summer, those dreams came true.

As part of their senior design project, Charles Butzky, Jason Carter, Michael Charlie, Dinesh Fernando and Manoj Gopalan made the 3,700-mile trip to San Juan Capistrano to install their product.

Originally, the 10 men in the senior engineering class worked on the project. Since five of them graduated in May, only five were able to make the trip to deliver the shock tube. The remaining five will graduate in December.

Pat Walter, senior design lecturer-

is, accompanied the men as their adviser and said the experience is similar to what student teachers have.

"The students get technical skills from their courses," he said. "We wanted to introduce real-world experiences."

Walter said the students had to set up their own company, choose their project leaders and work within the \$14,200 budget given to them by Endevco, the California-based project sponsor.

"This particular company is the largest manufacturer of dynamic measuring instruments in the world," Walter said. The students' product "will help the company to be able to characterize the responses of pressure sensors that they manufacture."

He said the specific pressure sensor the students used was going to be used by General Electric Co. to measure the changing pressures in gas turbine engines.

One of the focuses of the project is to develop teamwork skills.

"When you leave here, you always have to be part of a team in the real world," Walter said.

Gopalan said that learning to work closely with other people was one of the most difficult aspects of the project.

"It was very stressful, but it was very rewarding," he said. "The project itself was very fulfilling and I really enjoyed pulling my weight."

Charlie's job was "to be the go-between guy between the shop guys (at Endevco) and the engineering students."

"I learned quite a bit about teamwork," he said.

He said he felt the best part of the project was "seeing how they (Endevco) responded to the shock tube and how excited they were to use it."

"It was great to see something other than the classroom."

Gopalan agreed. "In the class-

room, you can afford to be late or not do your homework, but that was not the case with this."

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New minority club forms for fun, culture

By Amy Tubbesing
STAFF REPORTER

LEGACY — or Leadership, Education, Growth, Achievement, Community and You — is the new minority affairs organization on campus.

Sheriann Spicer, a sophomore English and broadcast journalism major and the president of LEGACY, said the new organization is focused on having self-confidence as people and as African-Americans. It is about having fun and learning about African-American culture, she said.

Anyone who is interested in having fun and gaining a better knowledge of African-American culture can join the organization, Spicer said. All TCU students are encouraged to get involved with LEGACY's meetings and activities, she said.

Meetings will be held the first and third Wednesday of each month. Every second and fourth Wednesday, interested students can join LEGACY in different activities, she said.

Spicer said she hopes the organization will improve race relations on campus as well as cultural awareness. LEGACY is a result of the learning experiences from last year's Black Student Caucus, she said.

Darron Turner, director of minority affairs,

said LEGACY's move from the caucus is a good move. He believes this move will give the organization a fresh start of its own.

Darryl Williams, a senior business management major and the student adviser to LEGACY, said, "LEGACY is about having people together, doing what they like."

About 50 prospective members attended Wednesday's meeting. Those attending participated in an icebreaker to become acquainted before discussing events for the upcoming year.

Officers said in order for minority students to make a difference within the TCU community, they need to work together.

Anthony Johnson, a senior psychology major and LEGACY's vice-president, said, "LEGACY is a celebration of African cultural awareness, and we think the best way for us to relate to the TCU campus is to first unite as one."

This year, LEGACY will have a board of officers, but the members are the ones who will run things, Spicer said.

The officers may set times and dates for meetings, but the members will come up with the ideas and have the majority voice, she said. There are five officers and one student adviser on the board.

Spicer said, "LEGACY is going to offer TCU

an opportunity for more diversity. It will offer students a chance to learn about someone you otherwise wouldn't get to know very much about."

Turner said the organization allows African-American students to voice their concerns about life at TCU, or any issues.

This new organization is not about teaching black history, it is about learning about each other's differences and accepting them, Spicer said.

The organization also encourages its members to get involved with the community, Spicer said. Community service activities already planned include "Dancing for the Homeless" on Dec. 5, and tutoring one Saturday each month with the YWCA AIMS program.

Other programs LEGACY is planning include a pen pal program with students from an alternative high school in the Fort Worth area and as a visit to TCU by minority high school students so they can learn about college life.

Dues for LEGACY are \$15 by Oct. 15, or members can pay \$5 for each of the next four months.

Without the dues, there will not be any events or activities for members or other students to enjoy, Spicer said.

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tion because it is a celebration of our 125th year," he said. "We're hopeful that we'll have good attendance . . . as we celebrate the school's longevity."

Part of the university-wide celebration is having the most prominent figure speak on campus, said Rick L'Amie, director of communications.

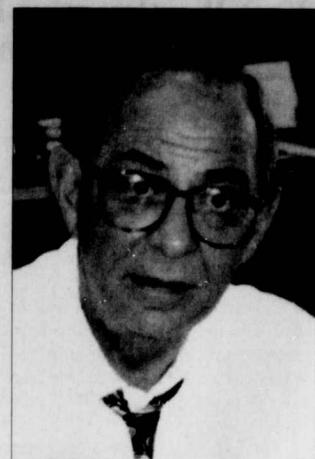
"In previous years we've had guest speakers," he said. "This year, Chancellor Tucker is the speaker. This is significant because this is his last year here."

The State of the University Day will begin with the convocation, but other activities, such as the celebration on the lawn, will make up the rest of the day.

L'Amie said the celebration on the lawn replaces the private luncheon of previous years in efforts to open the celebration to the public and to give students the opportunity to mingle with faculty as they never could before.

"It becomes a campuswide party," he said. "(It's) an effort to try and get more people involved and also to celebrate TCU's 125th year."

L'Amie said that convocation is traditionally the start of the academic year, when faculty and stu-



William E. Tucker

dents come together to celebrate the new year.

Tucker said, "Convocation has become part of the fall fabric of the university. We want students to participate because this is a university celebration and therefore their celebration."

An important part of the convocation will be the presentation of the Chancellor's Award for distinguished research to one of eight nominees. The winner will receive \$20,000 along with the award.

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including one charge of theft and one of unlawful carrying of a weapon.

When asked if police were aware of Rice's criminal record when they issued the warning, McGee said Campus Police don't have the ability to check his record at the scene.

McGee said Rice would have been arrested for simply returning to campus because he had been warned in the spring not to return.

Rice returned to campus Thursday evening after meeting the student at a downtown club, the reports said. They had dated off and on for several years prior to the

incident, according to the report.

The suspect and the woman returned to her room that night, where they ate and talked until the woman asked him to leave, according to the report.

When the woman asked Rice to leave, he wrapped a curling iron cord around her neck, bit her above and behind the ear, poured water on her and kicked her, the report said.

The woman falsely named another suspect but identified Rice as the man who assaulted her after police took found him and took him into custody, the report said.

Texans greet Clinton testing plan with doubt

By Peggy Fikac
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — President Clinton's proposal for voluntary national testing of fourth-grade reading and eighth-grade math skills is getting a cold shoulder from Texas leaders.

"I am very skeptical about the federal government becoming involved in a state and local matter, and as importantly, I'm skeptical about a national test which the federal government could use to promote a feel-good curriculum or mushy curriculum," Gov. George W. Bush said in an interview.

Texas already has "a very good accountability system" for public schools, Bush said.

In the state system, schools are ranked based on student performance on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills, dropout rates and attendance.

House Public Education Committee Chairman Paul Sadler (D-Henderson) said he has been concerned about the Clinton proposal.

"We do a very thorough job of testing our Texas students, and I don't want to see, particularly, a national test on top of what we're already doing," Sadler said.

"I would hope that if Congress decides to do something like that, there's some way at least we can utilize our existing testing scheme to fit into their program. I frankly am a little skeptical of national testing standards," he said.

U.S. Senate Democrats have worked to try to save the proposal in Congress from a Republican amendment that would prevent the U.S. Education Department from going

forward with the tests. They are scheduled to be introduced in 1999.

Clinton said the proposed tests would be voluntary on the part of states and school districts.

"I'm not sure a voluntary program is a meaningful program. I think it makes great press," Sadler said.

Sadler said the more appropriate role for the federal government would be to encourage states to develop their own accountability systems, as Texas has.

State Board of Education member Robert Offutt of San Antonio said Texas' assessment could best be done through a national standardized exam with a long track record, such as the Iowa basic skills test, which would show where Texas students rank in comparison to the rest of the nation.

Offutt said that would be preferable to the current state TAAS and the Clinton proposal.

"I find it analogous to the state of Texas needing to buy vehicles for the Department of Transportation. Do we look to the federal government to produce those vehicles for us, or does the state of Texas decide we're going to produce those vehicles . . . or do we look to private contractors, like General Motors and the Ford Motor Co.," Offutt said.

State Board of Education Chairman Jack Christie, a Republican from Houston, said: "I would be somewhat concerned about who writes the standards, and I would be concerned about political interference with the process."

Christie said he was concerned that rather than focusing on education, it will be "a conservative vs. liberal, Democrat vs. Republican, President vs. Congress" debate.

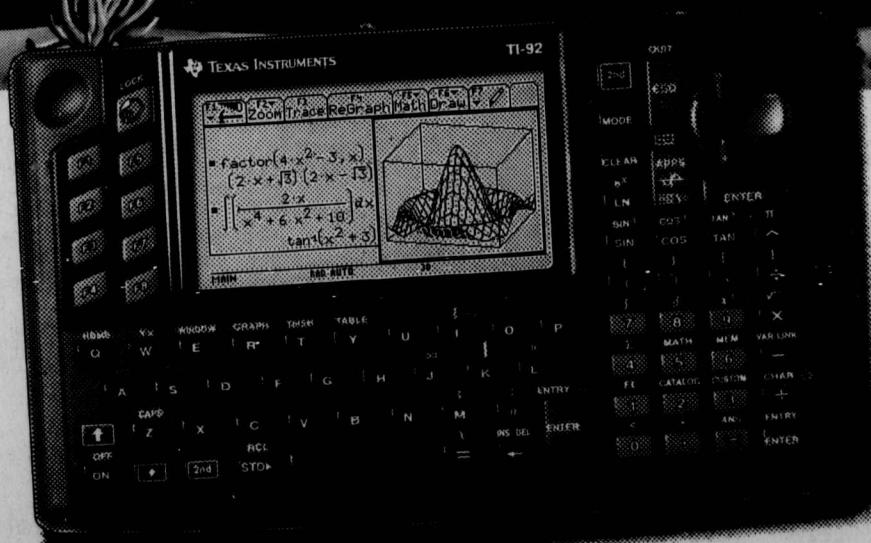
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Company adds to area modern dance scene

Fort Worth native brings dance troupe from Austin to 'grow up' with city

By Erin Brinkman
STAFF REPORTER

Job opportunities in Fort Worth for graduating modern dance majors have increased with the recent arrival of the Bruce Wood Dance Company.

Wood said he formed his modern dance company in Austin two years ago.

"I got tired of the dance I was seeing," he said. "No dance companies or choreographers were doing what I wanted to see. Finally, someone asked me, 'Why not do it yourself?' I asked myself, 'Why not?'"

Wood said Austin was a great place to start such a venture, but he said the city doesn't support large organizations.

"Austin allows people to do and try anything, but that's as far as it goes," Wood said. "People go there to learn how to do something for the first time. Once Austin's served its purpose, you need to find a community that will cultivate further growth."

Wood said Fort Worth was the perfect place to move his company after he outgrew Austin. He said his dance company and Fort Worth are on the same cultural wavelength.

"There is a renaissance going on in the cultural aspects of Fort Worth," he said. "Fort Worth and the Bruce Wood Dance Company

can grow up together."

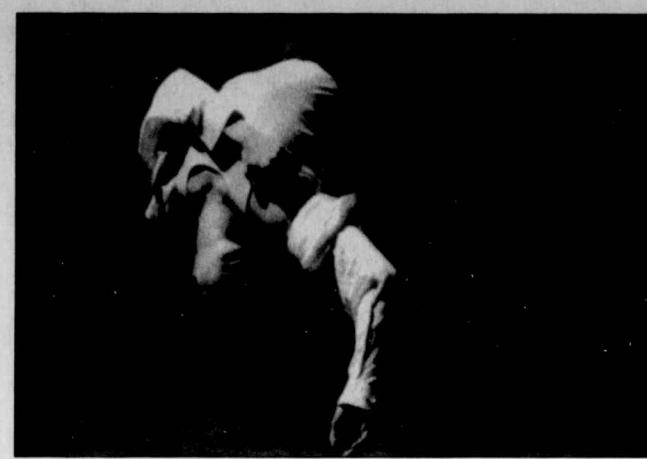
Wood, a Fort Worth native, studied dance at New York's School of American Ballet. He's worked with George Balanchine and the New York City Ballet, and has performed with the San Francisco Ballet, Les Ballets Jazz de Montreal and the Lar Lubovitch Dance Company. He's also been a guest artist with several internationally recognized dance groups, including the Twyla Tharp Dance Company.

Although Wood's company could be seen as competition for existing modern dance companies, such as Contemporary Dance/Fort Worth, both Wood and Susan Douglas Roberts, co-artistic director of Contemporary Dance and an assistant professor of modern dance, said the new company will only enrich Fort Worth's already existing dance community.

Roberts said when she helped found Contemporary Dance, there were no other modern dance companies in Fort Worth.

"We wanted to produce more choreographers and to increase modern dance in the area," she said. "We always looked for new modern dance and welcomed more artists into the community."

She said TCU has a great modern



The Bruce Wood Dance Company may help TCU dance graduates stay in the area.

dance program, but there were no opportunities in Fort Worth for the dancers after graduation.

"We've worked long and hard to create opportunities for people to get involved in modern dance," she said. "The creation of Bruce's company can only support and enhance our vision."

Wood said comparing the different companies was like comparing apples and oranges.

"We're not similar at all," he said. "Each company has a different vision and is fulfilling it as best they can without stepping on each other's toes."

We empower each other."

Wood said the next performance of Wood's company will be in the William Edrington Scott Theatre at 3505 W. Lancaster in the cultural district. After that, he said his goal is for his company to become a resident company in Fort Worth, which means having between eight and 10 dancers on salary all year, having three or four performances a year and having the resources to go on tour.

"If we stay small enough we will actually be able to tour," Wood said. "Then we'll be able to export Fort Worth art to the world."

Michigan student leader resigns over misuse of letterhead

By Fred Woodhams
STATE NEWS (MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY)

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Facing two bills designed to remove him from office, a Michigan State student government officer resigned his position Tuesday before the student assembly could take action against him.

In his resignation statement at Tuesday's assembly meeting, Academic Assembly Chairperson Kevin Harding apologized to the assembly and students for writing a letter on assembly letterhead to a judge on behalf of a friend who pleaded guilty to fourth degree criminal sexual conduct. Sean O'Neil, Academic Assembly internal vice chairperson, became interim chairperson effective immediately.

"(Leaving) upsets me very much," Harding said. "(I'm) not going to be vindictive or bitter."

After announcing his resignation, Harding said he was leaving office because his apology would not be enough for some members and students. Harding handed over control of the meeting to O'Neil and then left the meeting.

Harding said he does not condone sexual assault in any way and cannot take back writing the letter. Harding, a junior criminal justice major, drew fire from some members of the assembly after it was revealed he used letterhead from the Assembly of Students at Michigan State University to write Ingham County Circuit Court Judge Thomas Brown a letter on behalf of his friend Chris Schafer, who

pledged guilty to sexual assault.

Schafer, a junior mathematics major first charged with third degree criminal sexual conduct, pleaded guilty over the summer to fourth degree criminal sexual conduct and was sentenced to 90 days in jail and 36 months probation.

Harding said he wrote about his position at ASMSU and his friend's character in the letter. The former North American Indian Student Organization representative asked that people not hold writing the letter against him and hoped the assembly could "rise above this."

O'Neil said the assembly will hold the election as soon as possible but will likely wait to do so until the assembly appoints new representatives to fill 12 vacancies. At the meeting, Waseya Cornell,

a current organization representative, said her group was saddened by the loss of a capable leader and wished the assembly had "not tossed (Harding) away so callously."

But Carrie Jackson, a representative of the school's Residence Hall Association, said her group supported removing Harding from office. Speaking for herself, Jackson said Harding's letter further hurt Schafer's victim.

"I feel as though this was a violation of her again," she said.

However, Sara Kellogg, the assembly's director of minority and progressive student affairs, said she was hurt by personal attacks toward her friend Harding. She said people do not know Harding and should not be person-

ally attacking him.

Kristen Hintz, complex director of Snyder and Phillips residence halls on the campus and part of a sexual assault awareness and assistance group, encouraged the assembly to sponsor a program about sexual assault "to get their reputation back" as more "victim-friendly."

Nathan Harris, 1996-97 internal vice chairperson and an international relations senior, said it was important that the assembly now support the current vice chairpersons. Harris said Harding's resignation and related issues are a "terrible thing that happened" to ASMSU and saw it as a "great potential to grow."

If he had not resigned, Harding faced two bills at the meeting designed to drive him from office.

One bill, sponsored by representative Adam Herringa, asked Harding to resign his position as chairperson. Herringa ran against Harding in April for the position of chairperson.

Another bill, sponsored by representative Jamie Czekai, would have recalled Harding, a move that requires a two-thirds majority of the assembly's elected representatives.

The chairperson is elected by the members of Academic Assembly and is paid \$1,500 a year.

In addition to leading the North American Indian Student Organization before becoming chairperson, Harding also served as ASMSU director of minority and progressive student affairs.

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Fraternity damages sorority house during date 'capture'

Women note officers of Depauw chapter have apologized

By Jessica McCuan
THE DEPAUW (DEPAUW UNIVERSITY)

GREENCASTLE, Ind. — The plan for Alpha Tau Omega's "Commando" informal was for Depauw University ATO members to storm into sorority houses, "capture" their dates in a rented Ryder truck and haul them to a dance in Jaycee Park. But the camouflage-clad crew never made it to its final destination.

In the process of retrieving their dates Saturday night, groups of fraternity members damaged at least three sorority houses. Greencastle, Ind., Police Officer Mike Hanlon later pulled the Ryder truck over because three people were riding on top of it, he said.

Hanlon called Depauw police Officer Ron McGuire to assist at the scene. McGuire said he followed the truck back to the ATO house and advised the group to leave the truck parked in the parking lot.

According to police reports, ATO members shattered a corner of Kappa Alpha Theta's front window. They also toppled trash cans and furniture and set off a fire extinguisher at Alpha Phi. Junior Susan Bender said ATO members tore down bulletin boards at Alpha Chi Omega.

Senior Cassidy Ruschell, president of Pi Beta Phi, said ATO members have come to Pi Phi and apologized twice since Saturday, but she didn't specify any damage they had done to her house. Senior Leanne Bailey, president of Kappa Kappa Gamma, also said ATO members have come by and apologized. She said they hadn't done any damage, and had returned pictures they took from the house that night.

Hanlon said Officer Scott Fitzsimmons found a group of approximately 20 people — ATO members and their dates — in the truck 30 minutes later. They were stranded en route to the park when the driver had run the truck into a concrete island.

The crash damaged parts of the truck's undercarriage, including the drive shaft and wheel axle. No one was seriously injured.

Though Hanlon said he thought many of the party-goers had been drinking alcohol when he pulled the truck over, he didn't arrest anyone and didn't perform a breath test on the driver. ATO president Mike Curley, a senior, said the house had designated a sober driver to operate the truck all evening.

Curley said the ATO house has offered to pay for damages to the

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— Theresa Loser,
Depauw University
dean of Greek affairs

Ryder truck and to sorority houses, and that members are attempting to make amends for their behavior. He would not comment on the incident beyond that, except in a written statement.

"Alpha Tau Omega would like to apologize for the accidents that caused damage to sorority houses on Saturday night," Curley wrote. "These incidents were in no way premeditated and we are taking steps to make amends for any damage that may have occurred.

Our house will work hard to assure that no incidents like this occur again."

Senior Megan Hamilton, Alpha Phi's president, said she was impressed by the efforts ATO has made in the past two days.

"What happened on Saturday was inappropriate and unfortunate," she said. "But ATO has made a real effort to make amends since the incident."

Theta president Lora Chio said Curley "has been really cool" about the situation and that she harbors no hard feelings toward him or his house.

"The whole thing probably got out of hand, but you never know what triggers people," she said. "ATO is not a bad house, but when there's property damage done, you hope that something could have been controlled."

Rebecca McCann, Alpha Phi's house mother, said she didn't understand the idea behind the whole event.

"I don't understand the concept of damaging other people's property as being fun," she said. McCann said that, although ATO members were willing to help clean up the next day, she and the Alpha Phi members had already cleaned up most of the mess.

As of yesterday morning, Depauw's dean of Greek affairs, Theresa Loser, said she didn't have all the details surrounding the event and wasn't sure if ATO would be disciplined.

"There were no people hurt and no one in the hospital, and that's the good news," Loser said. "What ATO has done already is important. If they can take care of themselves, it's not our responsibility to do more than that."

Loser said the event was certainly not a good idea and didn't think ATO would hold the event again next year.

Curley refused to comment about whether the event would be planned again next year.

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Law school guide incorrectly lists TCU; other Texas schools' listings include errors

ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — TCU hasn't had a law school since 1920. But there it is in "The Insider's Book of Law School Lists."

"We appreciate getting national recognition, but unfortunately the facts are wrong," a TCU spokesman told the *Texas Journal of the Wall Street Journal* in Wednesday editions.

That's not the only error in the new guidebooks on medical, law and business graduate schools, published by New York-based Kaplan Educational Center.

Under the "near the beach" heading in the medical school guide, there's no mention of the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston. Graduate schools at Rice University and the University of Houston also are omitted.

The books also list the University of Texas-Pan American in Edinburg as one of seven universities in Texas "where they have a bounty on liberals." Truth is, the Lower Rio Grande Valley area is a Democratic party bastion.

Baker says readers shouldn't take his books too seriously.

Houston didn't make the grade under schools listed as close to "great basketball," despite the Houston Rockets' NBA championships in 1994 and 1995. The Houston Comets' WNBA title this year came after the guides were published.

And Texas Tech University in Lubbock is described as "ugly" and "in the sticks."

The guides' author, Mark Baker, lived in Lubbock as a child and defends the portrayal, saying he remembers his parents' car being pelted with mud drops when dust storms would be followed immediately by rain.

But Baker concedes his errors on TCU's phantom law school and Houston's basketball prowess. As for Texas Pan-American, he says he improperly presumed that all Texas cities are conservative redoubts.

In his book on law schools, he also identifies St. Mary's University in San Antonio, another Democratic stronghold, under the heading of "schools for archconservatives."

Baker says readers shouldn't take his books too seriously.

"Keep in mind, this is done in fun," he says.

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impressed with the speakers who spoke from their heart and touched the lives of everyone."

John Butler, university minister and a speaker at the service, praised the Albanian-born nun, who achieved great deeds by helping the "poorest of the poor."

"It was very much a reflective opportunity for us to include our relationship with not only Mother Teresa but our brothers and sisters around the world," he said.

Anantha Babbili, the sponsor of SAICA, said "I think it was very a

solemn and very appropriate occasion. The turnout was very impressive and I hope everyone here shares in the loss of a great soul."

Babbili, a professor of journalism and chairman of the department, reminded people to remember the Nobel Peace Prize winner's words, not just the images. He commended Mother Teresa for the tremendous impact she made on millions of lives.

"In my opinion she is the greatest woman of the century," he said.

Some of the students attending

the service had met Mother Teresa, Babbili said. He said the ceremony enabled them to share their feelings on the icon.

Rupa Basu, a graduate student in media studies, said the service brought her closer to Calcutta, a place where she met the nun while working with a leprosy mission.

"I just had a few seconds with her," she said. "All she could tell me was 'God bless you, you have a beautiful smile, and keep the smile on your face.'"

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good programs."

Though only about 10 students came to the first program, Von Ruff said the number should increase each month.

"The first meeting was competing with a few sorority events and a volleyball game," he said. "Plus, at the beginning of the semester, students have a lot of things on their minds. As the semester goes on, and with more advertising, we should have more (attendance) for future series."

Recreational Sports Director Steve Kintigh said wellness programs are gaining popularity on college campuses around the country.

"(SMU) Southern Methodist University has a great program," he said. "But they have an entire faculty for it. The programs are really gaining popularity around the state, too."

The next program, scheduled for 8 p.m. Oct. 2 in the Rickel Building, will focus on a topic relevant to

TCU students, Von Ruff said. The exact topic is yet to be determined.

The programs are open to all students. No pre-registration is necessary.

"Students should take part," Von Ruff said. "It's a really good thing, and (it) offers good insight. A lot of other campuses have added wellness series. It's really catching on."

For more information, call the Recreational Sports Department at 921-7945.

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Spurrier inks deal as highest-paid coach

(U-WIRE) GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Florida coach Steve Spurrier became the highest paid coach in college football last week, signing a contract with the University Athletic Association through the 2002 season.

Spurrier inked the deal on Sept. 3, and it was finalized Monday, making him the third-highest paid coach in all of football. Only the New York Jets' Bill Parcells and the Miami Dolphins' Jimmy Johnson will earn more than Spurrier.

"The contract is a reflection of our success and the times in sports now," said Spurrier, whose Gators are 2-0 in his eighth season.

The six-year deal is worth about \$11.7 million and includes base salary, clothing contracts, television and radio shows, speaking engagements and a \$275,000 signing bonus. In addition, the 52-year-old Spurrier gets two cars, insurance, 12 prime tickets to Florida home football games and an expense account.

—Independent Florida Alligator
University of Florida

Aggressive style helps UT defender excel

(U-WIRE) AUSTIN — Thanks to an awkward formation by Rutgers' punt unit, Texas kamikaze specialist Brandon Nava was able to make some spectacular over-the-top block attempts while trying to deny punter Jared Slovens' boots Saturday.

The Knights used a spread formation on the line, then lined up a wall of three blockers in front of Slovens, giving Nava the chance to run and — literally — dive over their heads trying to block the punt. Nava ended up tipping two punts, but he also ended up spinning out of control in what would have been perfect NFL Films style.

Nava said his dive-bomber approach to the game was representative of his tenacious playing style.

"There's never going to be a time when I let up, whether it be a blocked punt, pass defense or run defense," he said. "It's going to be 100 percent all the time."

—The Daily Texan
University of Texas

Yale signal callers plagued by injuries

(U-WIRE) NEW HAVEN, Conn. — Jack Siedlecki's first season as head coach of the football team is off to an auspicious start.

Less than two weeks after starting quarterback Ben Steinberg was lost for approximately a month with a dislocated right throwing shoulder, two other Yale signal callers left Saturday's scrimmage against Union (N.J.) College due to injury.

In their first contest under Siedlecki, the Bulldogs lost 17-12 to Division III Union. But the outcome of the game is the least of the team's concerns.

Sophomore Joe Walland, Steinberg's replacement at quarterback, left the game with a knee injury after just one series. The next Bulldog quarterback, Chris Whitaker, was sidelined with a concussion, forcing freshman Mike McClellan into action for the entire second half after only five varsity practices.

Walland, who was converted to quarterback from wide receiver last spring, hit Jake Borden on a 30-yard scoring strike to cap off a 7-play, 60-yard drive to open the game. In that series, Walland completed 3-of-4 passes for 48 yards and scrambled for nine more yards on one carry.

On the fourth play of that drive, however, Walland strained his medial collateral ligament. He completed the drive but left the game after the touchdown pass and expects to be out two to four weeks, pending an MRI exam this week.

—Yale Daily News
(Yale University)

Soccer team defeats UT-Dallas

Players say recent wins prepare them for two-week road tripBy Kevin Dunleavy
SKIFF STAFF

The men's soccer team played a strong game and sent the University of Texas-Dallas Comets home with a 4-0 defeat Wednesday at TCU's soccer field.

Assistant coach Blake Amos, substituting for head coach David Robinson, who is with the women's team in Hawaii, directed the Frogs' victory over the Comets.

"It was a good game, and we got the result," injured freshman defender Chris Hamilton said.

TCU performed well in the first half on offense. The Frogs had many opportunities to score but not capitalizing until 15 minutes before the half, when freshman forward Aaron Grieshaber scored on an assist from sophomore midfielder Nic Finn.

The Frogs attempts to increase their lead were thwarted by the posts until Finn sent one into the net with an assist by junior midfielder Mark Papini to up the score 2-0. The Frogs defense performed strongly enough that senior goalkeeper Brandon Jones practically stood alone for a quarter of the half, batteing away the occasional errant shot from a Comets forward.

The Comets frustration began to surface during the second half. Dallas freshman defender Sammy Downs continually harassed Frog players, while junior midfielder Doug Mercer kicked the legs out from under junior defender Jaime Noris, earning a yellow card. Ten minutes later, senior midfielder Kevin Spath was handed a yellow card for punting the ball away after disagreeing with the referee.

Fifteen minutes after junior defender Darin Hogue slipped the



Freshman forward Aaron Grieshaber, (left), fights for the ball during Wednesday's game against UT-Dallas. Grieshaber scored a goal in

ball by the opposing goalie, Comets sophomore defender Henry Nguyen accidentally kneed the ball past his own teammate into the net. Dallas aggressively tried to score, but the players' efforts were in vain as the horn sounded, signifying a 4-0 win for the Frogs. The win evened TCU's record to 2-2.

"Our defense was much more organized and we possessed the ball for the majority of the time," said senior captain and sweeper Heath Driver. "There were no threats. Overall, it was a good game and got us in the swing of things. These games help us get organized to prepare for our road trips.

TCU's 4-0 victory. The win evened the Frogs record at 2-2 as they gear up for a two-week road trip.

Patricia Crooker SKIFF STAFF

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The Frogs have a two-week road trip scheduled, with games at Oral Roberts, Centenary, UT-Pan American and Southwest Missouri. Amos said the first four games of the season are softer, and the two losses shouldn't have happened.

"The season begins next week, and these games gave us a chance

to clean things up. Today (the score) should have been 8-0, but 4-0 works good too," Amos said. "We had a new strategic defense in action which worked well and it was nice to give everyone time today. But the preseas ends today. We're getting closer to (Western Athletic Conference play), and that is the top priority."

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Tim Skaggs is a senior speech communication major from Fort Worth.

WNBA about more than basketball games

It occurs to me that history may be repeating itself. Ever since the WNBA popped up on my television screen about three months ago. I've been pondering the effect its long-term success could have on humanity.

Wow, heavy!

I've concluded that the WNBA could have a positive effect not only on women's sports but also on the perception of women in society.

I've bounced this idea off a few people, but the reaction has been the same in each case. Negative.

I contend that perceptions change over time, and this may be a prime

opportunity for it to happen again. Exactly 50 years ago, a young African-American man stepped up to a baseball plate and took a swing at his entire country's belief system. Jackie Robinson brought about one of our nation's biggest, most positive changes in human stereotypes by simply putting on a Brooklyn Dodgers baseball uniform.

The WNBA and the American Basketball League (also a women's league) could have the same positive effect on humanity. What's to say that a healthy exposure of women competing in a tough, physical sports activity, might not cause us or future generations to adjust our thinking for the better?

Consider this: Most people today never think twice about seeing

women vote. Until 1920, however, that never happened. The common belief among men was that women couldn't understand the voting process.

Today, women asserting their power is not restricted to professional basketball. The Fort Worth Star-Telegram ran an article Sunday supporting the idea that young girls are becoming more active in sports without having to endure the "tomboy" label. The article reported that girls now make up 37 percent of high school athletes. In 1971, only one of every 27 high school girls participated in sports at all.

What about the WNBA's chances for survival? Well, never mind that Cynthia Cooper scored 25 points in Michael Jordan-esque fashion to lead

the Houston Comets to a 65-51 victory over the New York Liberty. What's really important is that a sellout crowd of 16,285 fans watched her perform the feat. Fans are supporting the leagues now. The question is, will fans continue to do so?

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Women's golf team takes 2nd

By Wendy Bogema
SKIFF STAFF

The women's golf team began its season on a good note by finishing second in the Mackenzie's Ram

Fall Classic in Fort Collins, Colo. The team finished 11 shots behind tournament winner Campbell University and eight strokes ahead of the third place

team, Arkansas-Little Rock. Head coach Angie Ravaoli-Larkin said the Lady Frogs played well, but Campbell just played a little better.

"We stayed in contention and had a chance to win going into the third round, but they just stayed ahead of us," Ravaoli-Larkin said.

All five Lady Frogs finished in the tournament top 30. The highest finisher was junior Amanda Workman, who tied for sixth.

"Amanda really played consistently, had a strong finish and is off to a great start," Ravaoli-Larkin said.

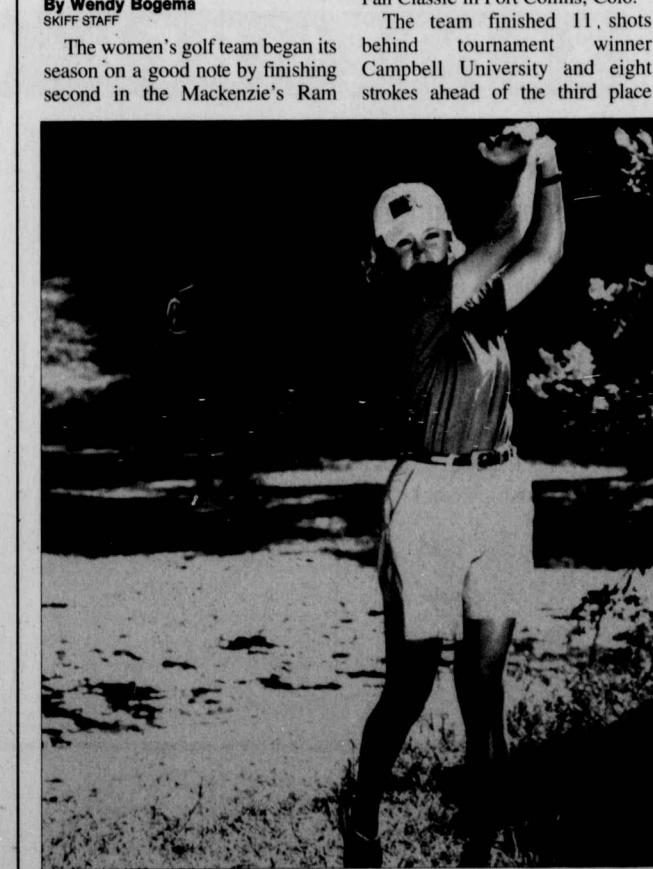
Juniors Susan Horton and Shannon Fisher tied for ninth. Freshman Brenda Anderson tied for 16th in her first tournament as a collegiate golfer, and sophomore Angela Stanford, who has a pre-season MasterCard Collegiate Golf ranking of 22nd, finished tied for 29th.

Ravaoli-Larkin said she wasn't worried by Stanford's performance.

"She just had a bad tournament. She didn't play that well, but that's just the game of golf," Ravaoli-Larkin said. "She'll get back on track."

The coach also said that Anderson was a big part of the team's success.

"She was a little nervous, but overall, she held up well. She knows what to work on now," Ravaoli-Larkin said.



SPECIAL TO THE SKIFF

Junior Amanda Workman perfects her stroke during a recent practice.

Workman finished sixth in a recent tournament held in Colorado.

Arizona State basketball coach Frieder resigns after 8 seasons

By Mel Reisner
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHOENIX — Bill Frieder, who only last week denied with characteristic vigor that he was going anywhere, resigned Wednesday as Arizona State's basketball coach.

A school spokesman confirmed that Frieder, 55, had resigned after eight seasons with the Sun Devils.

Arizona State was 10-20 last season and has been under the cloud of a federal point-fixing investigation.

Almost from the start, some of Frieder's best players turned up on police blotters, left the program or were injured. The latest incident came last week, when two players were accused of stealing a compact disc player from a dormitory room.

Frieder still won acclaim for coaching fast-breaking teams that relied on relentless, pressure defense to beat more talented squads.

The high-water mark of his eight years in suburban Tempe came in 1994-95, when the Sun Devils were 24-9, reached the round of 16 in the NCAA tournament and earned Frieder a two-year contract extension through April 2000.

While the FBI has denied that the school and athletic officials, including Frieder, are targets, a federal grand jury reportedly is looking into accusations that a gambler who bet heavily against the Sun Devils in 1994 paid one to three players to shave points in several games.

Frieder has ridiculed the suggestion, pointing out that his team cov-

ered the point spread, a double-cross of anyone who paid to make sure they did not.

"Do you think I'd be alive today if we had agreed to throw a game and then ran away with it?" he said in 1994.

Frieder announced the move before the Wolverines began NCAA Tournament play, and athletic director Bo Schembechler immediately declared the Saginaw, Mich., native persona non grata on a campus where Frieder had attended college and begun his coaching career.

Frieder was 15-16 in 1989-90, but recruits like Jamal Faulkner and Mario Bennett won consecutive Pac-10 freshmen of the year awards. The first season was his last losing season until the team went 11-16 in 1995-96.

Faulkner and Bennett also were bellwethers for the team's problems. Faulkner was involved with three other players in the misuse of an athletic department telephone charge card in 1990, then later was jailed after assaulting his girlfriend. He transferred to Alabama.

Bennett squeezed three seasons in between two knee surgeries, then left early for the NBA.

Point guard Stevin Smith was one of the other players disciplined in the calling-card infraction, which cost the university over \$13,000. And he is the focus of the point-shaving probe after allegedly taking thousands of dollars from the sports bettor.

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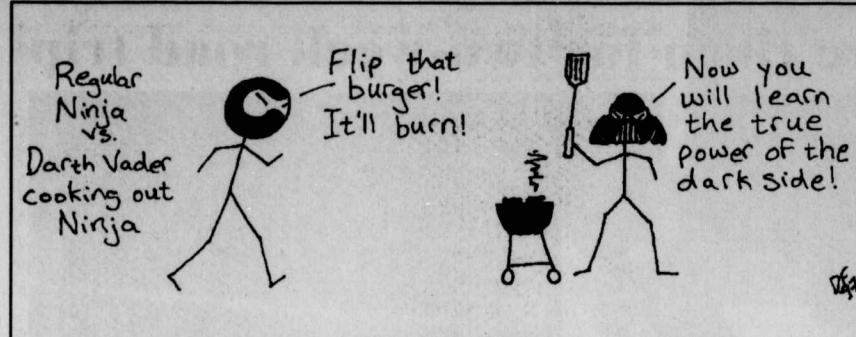
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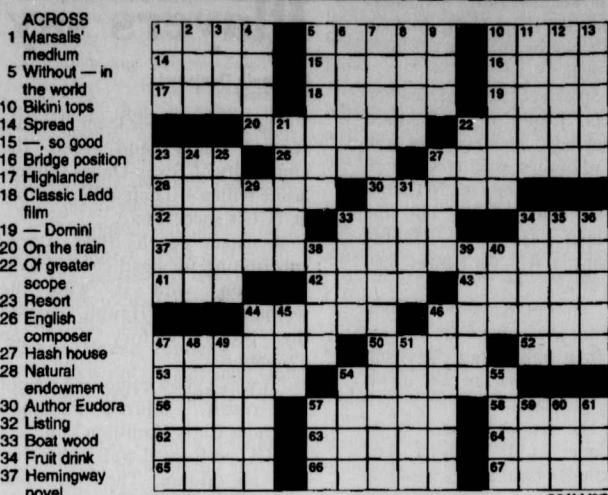
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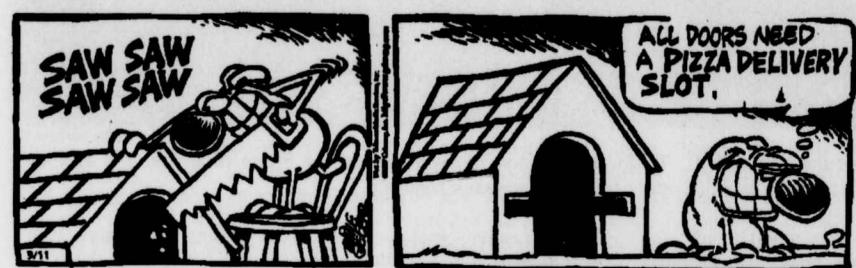


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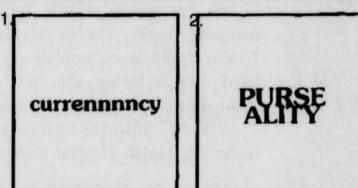
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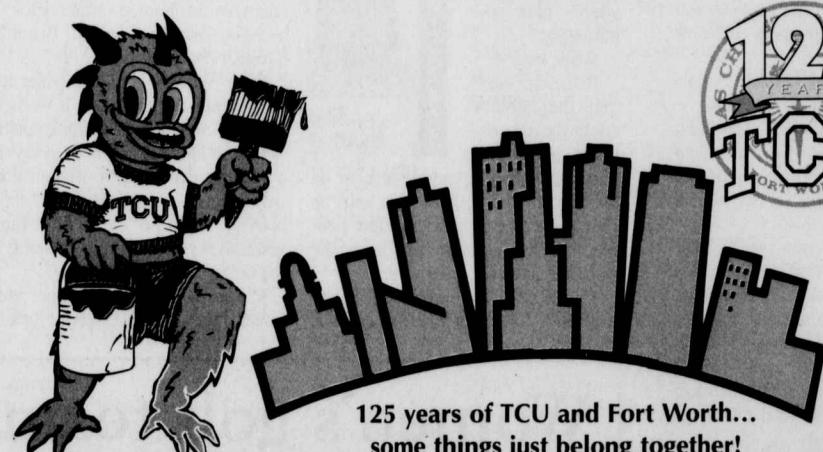
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Horned Frog Football!

TCU vs. Utah Utes
SATURDAY EVENING
Amon Carter Stadium

6 p.m.—Frog Alley
Fireworks Extravaganza
Face painters
Jugglers
Kalimbe Band

8 p.m.—Kickoff
Tickets: 922-FROG



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