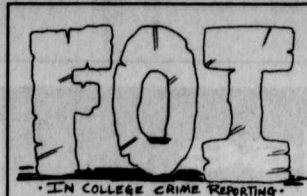


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Taizé worship service planned for today

University Ministries will sponsor an ecumenical Taizé worship service at 6 p.m. today in the Reed Hall Faculty Center.

Taizé worship, named for a world renowned city in France known for its unique worship style, incorporates singing and prayer, said Celene Welch, campus Lutheran pastor and assistant pastor at Fort Worth's Trinity Lutheran Church.

"The Taizé community is ecumenical, and people from all over the world go there to experience worship in that context," Welch said.

She said music at the service will be simple and somewhat repetitive or chantlike in style, so people experiencing it can meditate while singing along.

Some of the lyrics in music sung at Taizé worship are in Latin, Welch said. Using a dead language that is familiar to many cultures makes the music universal, the worship experience can be shared by people from all over the world.

Though musicians and soloists will perform, the service will not be led by any one person.

For more information about the Taizé service, call University Ministries at 921-7830.

Lambda Chi donates 1,480 pounds of food

TCU's Iota Pi chapter of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity raised 1,480 pounds of food this year, all of which was donated to the Fort Worth Area Food Bank.

Ricky Paradise, chairman of the project, said he was surprised and slightly disappointed by the amount of food given by the community.

"People just didn't give as much as they normally do," said Paradise, a senior accounting major.

The chapter collected about 2,000 pounds of food from the community last year, and Paradise said the men had hoped to meet or exceed that amount in this year's drive.

Fraternity members placed bags with an attached information sheet at residences on each of the access streets that branch off Hulen Street, from TCU to the Colonial Country Club area.

Residents were given one week to fill the bags, which were retrieved by the men on Saturday.

Lambda Chi members distributed 1,500 bags to area residents for this year's drive.

On Nov. 1, each chapter calls the group's national headquarters to report the amount of food collected. This makes the food drive the world's largest single-day fraternity philanthropy.

The fraternity hopes to raise 1 million pounds of food this year, an increase from the 850,000 pounds that were collected last year.

Colleges

Survey: student debt doubled over 6 years

(U-WIRE) CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — The average college student's debt has more than doubled over the past six years as students increasingly resort to loans rather than grants to pay rising tuition fees, according to a national survey released earlier this month.

Average student debt has risen to \$18,800, up from \$8,200 six years ago, according to figures provided by Nellie Mae, the nation's largest nonprofit provider of student loans.

Nellie Mae compiled these figures from a pool consisting of 65 percent undergraduate borrowers and 35 percent graduate borrowers.

This increase in student debts can be attributed to a change in federal financial-aid policies.

"Government policy has shifted in the last 20 years from providing about 80 percent grants and 20 percent loans to just the opposite," said James S. Miller, Harvard University's director of financial aid.

—Harvard Crimson
Harvard University

Man arrested for indecent exposure

Suspect discovered in bushes by Waits Hall resident Tuesday night

By Rhonda Dickens
STAFF REPORTER

Campus Police arrested a 28-year-old man at about 11:30 p.m. Tuesday after a Waits Hall resident complained of a nude man masturbating in the bushes on the northwest corner of the residence hall.

Campus Police Chief Steve McGee said the suspect is the same man that another resident saw squatting in the bushes and masturbating near the northwest entrance to Waits Hall on Oct. 21.

Officer Bryan Goode, Detective Kelly Ham, Cpl. Ramiro Abad and

two security guards searched the perimeter of the building twice after the first complaint but found no sign of the suspect.

Campus Police had a description of the suspect after the first incident and have been patrolling more heavily in the area since then, McGee said.

"Everybody was looking for him," he said.

According to a Fort Worth police report, the suspect, a Fort Worth resident, had warrants out for his arrest from Dallas and Arlington. Fort Worth police charged the suspect

based on warrants for his arrest issued by Arlington and Dallas.

The warrants included one for failure to maintain financial responsibility, one for failure to appear in court and two warrants for animal at large. Warrants out for the suspect's arrest totaled \$1,475.

Freshman education premajor Carri Mack said she had no knowledge of the prior incident when she spotted the man in the bushes Tuesday evening.

Mack said Froggy Five-O had just dropped her and a friend off when they approached the west entrance

and noticed the leaves of a tree and some shrubs moving.

She watched the bushes upon approach and spotted the nude man. Mack said she realized what he was doing and started laughing.

"I was kind of freaked out," Mack said.

Froggy Five-O returned and the girls told the escorts about the man. Mack said the escort acknowledged that police had been looking for the suspect and notified Campus Police of the incident.

Mack said Campus Police and Fort Worth police arrived and

searched the area for about five to 10 minutes before they found him about 15 feet from where she saw him.

She said the suspect had left a trail where he ran through the bushes and hid from police. Abad followed his trail into the bushes and shined his flashlight on the suspect.

The Fort Worth Police report said Abad found the suspect crouched in the bushes with his knees to his chest facing the east wall of the building.

Goode and Abad handcuffed Davidson, according to the Campus Police report.

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Sounds of America to hit campus

Performances scheduled for week to honor music

By Erin Brinkman
STAFF REPORTER

TCU musicians will celebrate American Music Week Nov. 3-9 with concerts and other campus events that include composers from North, South and Central America.

Michael Meckna, an associate professor of music history, said Americans tend to overlook American music, focusing instead on European composers.

"When we focus on Beethoven and Bach we forget the good composers in our own back yard or over at the Aardvark," he said. "During American Music Week we focus on people we normally overlook."

American Music Week is a national event, and it's always celebrated during the first full week of November, he said.

Earlier this semester, TCU won a first place award from the National Federation of Music Clubs for performing and promoting American music. Meckna, who was responsible for entering TCU in the competition, said American Music Week events helped TCU win the award.

Rosemary Solomons, host of "Classical Excursions" on KTCU-FM (88.7), said she plans to feature American music from 10 a.m. until noon Nov. 4-7 on her program.

"This is a great opportunity to air American music on the radio program," she said. "It's important because we focus on Germanic traditions while ignoring our own culture. If we focus on American knowledge and what our country has to offer in serious music, there is a great wealth of skill to be discovered."

The TCU Chamber Orchestra will perform at 7:30 p.m.

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Coming up aces



From left: Fred Wright, a freshman engineering major; Jason Tucker, a junior psychology major; Charlie Owens, a freshman premajor; and Shallum Worthen and Shannon Brazzell, both freshman business majors, play blackjack in the Student Center on Wednesday. The casino was part of TCU's weeklong Homecoming celebration.

Homecoming highlights

The spirit of competition and school pride is becoming more prevalent in TCU students as the homecoming football game against the University of New Mexico Lobos approaches.

Attendance has been high at this year's events, said Programming Council's Homecoming Chairwoman Heather Jones, a junior business major.

Several campus groups participated in the Sidewalk Chalk competition in front of Sadler Hall on Tuesday. The chalk art illustrates the Homecoming theme, "Purple Reign."

The International Students Association won first prize in the event. United Asian Community won second, and Kappa Kappa Gamma and Pi Kappa Phi claimed third prize.

Preliminary queen and escort voting was held in the Student Center on Tuesday. Five finalists for both queen and escort have been chosen, and students may cast final votes in the Student Center between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. today. Winners will be presented at halftime at the game Saturday. (Please see page 2 for photos and affiliations of finalists.)

Homecoming 1997
Oct. 26 - Nov. 1



Today's Events:

- Queen/Escort Voting 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Lounge Act - jim squires band 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- Queen/Escort Meeting 5 p.m.

Students continued to show their competitive spirit Wednesday at the casino in the Student Center Lounge. Students stopped in during the lunch hour to try their luck and pick up some small prizes. Games included blackjack, roulette and slot machines.

Randy Naugle, a sophomore marketing and finance major and a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, said competition among the Greek community is fierce.

"Homecoming is really bringing out spirit that I haven't seen this year," he said. "I've been impressed by the diversity of the events and the friendly competition among groups on campus."

New book presents advice on investing in growing markets

By Mitch Youngblood
STAFF REPORTER

Investors from around the globe are concerned about the emerging market structures in developing nations, primarily in Latin America, because they stand to make a great deal of money if the developing country's stock markets are strongly founded.



Mauricio Rodriguez

But these emerging markets pose a question to the potential investor: How much money will I get in return for investing in these countries?

A new book by Christopher Barry, Mauricio Rodriguez and John Peavy, "Emerging Stock Markets: Risk, Return, and Performance," was written to address such questions and more.

"We wanted to develop a book to make it easier for people to understand emerging market structures," said Barry, a professor

of finance. "We think the understanding of the Latin American markets is a prime example."

The book is being heralded by its publisher, the Association for Investment Management and Research, as a "bible" for financial planners. It is aimed primarily at investors, analysts and portfolio managers in both the professional and academic business worlds.

Once it was published, copies of the book were sent to 30,000 CFAs, or chartered financial analysts, in the United States. The CFA designation is the highest title a financial analyst can achieve.

Barry, Rodriguez and Peavy, the chairman of the board of Founder's Trust in Dallas, finished writing the book this spring and it was published late this summer.

"It's early to predict how the book will do because this is something that affects people over a long period of time, but feedback to the book has been very positive," Barry said.

Perhaps the most useful aspect

of the book is the history it gives of emerging markets from 1975 to 1995. According to Rodriguez, an assistant professor of finance, the conventional wisdom about the structure of emerging markets praises the strategy of taking risks to ensure high profits.

But the reality of the situation is that high risks only obtain low returns, Rodriguez said.

"People base their expectations of the future on the past," he said. "The book helps (investors and portfolio managers) gain insight into how much money to put into emerging markets."

PBD Distributors is distributing "Emerging Stock Markets." To obtain a copy of the book, which is only available through the distributor, call PBD toll free at (800) 789-2467 and ask for the book by name. It costs \$30 plus shipping and handling and can be paid for by check or credit card.

"The book will help everyone in the business world, people just entering it and the people who have been in it for a while and are planning their futures," Rodriguez said.

Pulse

Announcements of campus events, public meetings and other general campus information should be brought to the TCU Daily Skiff office at Moody Building South Room 291, mailed to TCU Box 298050, or e-mailed to skiff@gamma.is.tcu.edu. The Skiff reserves the right to edit submissions for style, taste and space available.

THE MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM will sponsor a blood drive administered by the Carter Blood Center from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. today in the parking lot near Tandy Hall. For more information and to schedule a time to donate blood, call Deb Baker at (817) 924-5042.

TCU STUDY ABROAD CONSORTIUM will host an open house at 4:30 p.m. today in the Student Center Ballroom. Professor Yves-Henri Nouailhat from Nantes, France, will discuss culture shock and how to minimize it.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION will meet at 5 p.m. today in Student Center Room 222.

THE WESLEY FOUNDATION UNITED METHODIST FELLOWSHIP will meet at 5:30 p.m. today at the Wesley Foundation Building for a meal and a program. For more information, call (817) 924-5639.

HOUSE OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES filing for executive officer positions begins today and will last until Nov. 7. Interested students can pick up a filing packet in the House office in the Student Center Annex. For more information, call Ben Alexander at 920-3936.

THE GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT will host a Halloween costume contest open to all students from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday. Geology department faculty and graduate students will award prizes to the winners. The contest will be sponsored by Sigma Gamma Epsilon, the earth sciences honor society.

TCU TRIANGLE will meet at 5 p.m. Sunday at the Wesley Foundation Building. For more information, call Priscilla Tate at 257-6164.

STUDENT AMBASSADORS will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday in Sid Richardson Building Lecture Hall 2.

LEADERSHIP LONDON, a study-abroad program for students of all majors, will hold a meeting at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in Student Center Room 205. For more information, call Chuck Williams at 921-7216.

Investors see market fluctuations as normal

By Mitch Youngblood
STAFF REPORTER

Even though the New York Stock Exchange has recovered from Monday's record-breaking 554-point drop in the Dow Jones Industrial Average, which is used to gauge the performance of the stock exchange, the aftershocks of such a plunge are still being felt around the globe.

Analysts have blamed the steep fluctuations in the New York exchange and other global markets like the London and Paris stock exchanges on investor panic and widespread concern over unpredictable Asian markets.

The people who were hit hardest by the drop were short-term investors, people who buy and sell stocks by the day. Long-term investors, the people who will buy stock and hold on to it for years, were also affected. They viewed the situation differently, however, because the stocks they bought at ultra-low prices in the morning were trading at very high prices by the end of the day.

"Christmas came early this year," said Ash Huzenlaub, a senior finance major at TCU. "People who are in (the stock market) for the short-term are bound to get frazzled by it, but people who are in it for the long-term view it as Christmas. This is nothing scary, I think."

"It's fun, and it's what makes it interesting. People who were scared by this don't need to be in the market."

The TCU Educational Investment Fund, the student-run investment and finance program in the M.J. Neeley School of Business that handles around \$1.5 million in stocks, bonds and municipal funds, was barely affected by the plunge. The fund deals primarily with long-term investments, and even then only a unanimous vote from the members can determine what stocks will be bought or sold.

"We're basically looking at this as a short-term correction in the market," said Steve Brown, an Educational

Investment Fund analyst. "We were affected, but it's nothing drastic, especially with the resurgence today. We're still well off for the year, as is the market."

In response to the Dow point drop, IBM bought back \$3.5 billion worth of its own stock Tuesday morning, which signaled a huge amount of confidence in the market and ultimately

helped the market recover.

There was so much confidence in the market by the close of business Tuesday afternoon, yet another record was broken.

For the first time in the history of the exchange, just over one billion shares of stock were traded on the market. At about 3 p.m., when the tally rose toward that figure, traders on the floor of the stock exchange were heard chanting "Go, go, go." The closest the market has ever come to the billion-share mark was Monday, when 685.5 million shares were traded.

"I think long-term investors should not be concerned because the economy is good right now," said Mauricio Rodriguez, assistant finance professor

Dips and upswings during that period have never been as dramatic as they were this week, but this trend is viewed as proof that the market is not only safe, but is doing well.

Upswings have followed each downsweep during the current bull market, which can serve as an indicator of a healthy economy, and investors predict that the market will stay healthy as long as the economy continues to grow.

Huzenlaub said fluctuations are a fact of the stock market.

"I don't think this is the last time we will see something like this in the near future," Huzenlaub said. "Watching this last night on TV was more interesting than watching Monday Night Football."

1997 Homecoming Court



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MUSIC

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Nov. 4, conducted by the director of orchestral studies at TCU, German Gutierrez, and will feature Argentine composer Astor Piazzolla's "Adios Nonino."

Gutierrez said American Music Week ensures a big exposure of American music.

"We have a responsibility to play American composers in the United States like other countries have a responsibility to play composers from their region," he said. "It's our responsibility to play our music all the time,

not just during American Music Week."

Gutierrez, who is also the director of the Latin American Music Center at TCU, said he tries to always perform a work by a Latin American composer in the United States. When he goes to Latin America, he makes sure to perform an American work, he said.

"It gives people the opportunity to be exposed to music from other cultures," he said.

A student recital hour, from 3 to

3:50 p.m. on Nov. 5 will feature compositions by American composers. Judy Solomon, an associate professor of music and the faculty member in charge of the event, said she doesn't know yet who will be on the program.

The Fort Worth Chamber Orchestra will perform "Commedia for (Almost) 18th Century Orchestra" by American composer William Bolcom at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 6.

Michael Yukich, a music theater major, will give his senior recital at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 7. Called "Love

American Style: from Broadway to the Silver Screen," it will feature songs by Rogers and Hart, Lerner and Loewe, Johnny Mercer, George Gershwin and Stephen Sondheim.

Yukich said this recital is the culmination of many years of work, and it's a happy coincidence that it falls during American Music Week.

"American music has a lot to offer," Yukich said. "It's one more thing to be proud of as Americans. We have excellent composers and need to let their music be heard."

The last event of American Music Week will be an "American Music Recital" featuring compositions by local Delta Mu chapter members of the Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, a fraternity for music lovers, at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 8 in the North Moudy Building Room 141.

All other events take place in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium.

Meckna said in relation to similar concerts and recitals, American Music Week events are usually better attended.

Director of Bands Gregory

Clemons said playing American music is important even if we don't care for it at first.

"There was a time when we (Americans) didn't have a culture of our own," he said. "We had to absorb culture from Europe. We have produced our own musical culture, like jazz, and we need to focus on that. If we want composers to write for us, we have to play their work."

Staff Reporter Beth Wilson contributed to this report.

College News Digest

Michigan State student charged with attempting to murder girlfriend

EAST LANSING, Mich. — The boyfriend of the Michigan State University student who was stabbed Monday during a domestic dispute in Spartan Village was charged with the crime Tuesday.

Jirapat Praepetch, a freshman computer science major, is charged with assault with the intent to commit murder. If convicted of the felony, the Thailand native faces a maximum penalty of life in prison.

Akiko Oyaizu, a 23-year-old communication graduate student from Kanagawa, Japan, was identified as the woman who was stabbed. She remained in critical but stable condition Tuesday at Lansing's Sparrow Hospital.

Praepetch, 19, was upgraded from critical to serious condition. He allegedly stabbed himself.

Both are expected to survive, police said. Officers have not yet been able to interview either Oyaizu or Praepetch.

The motive for the attack is unknown, police said.

—State News Michigan State University

Iowa student suing sorority over initiation accident

AMES, Iowa — Jennifer Stingley, an Iowa State University senior, filed suit Oct. 3 in Story County District Court against her sorority, Alpha Gamma Delta, for injuries she received as the result of an accident during initiation on Oct. 13, 1995.

The suit alleges the 50 new members of Alpha Gamma Delta had to "run around the house through the back yard to the street. While participating in the required initiation, Stingley caught her foot on a defect in the pavement in the parking lot."

Stingley's attorney, Robert Sikma of Sioux City, said the paved area in question was covered with leaves, obscuring a section of concrete which had settled and become indented. He said the sorority is "negligent in not repairing this defect, which would trip someone as they went by."

Sikma said his client suffered "substantial injury to her knee and leg," had to have surgery on her knee and missed over a month of class.

—Iowa State Daily Iowa State University

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World Report

Nation

Woman chosen to lead New York tabloid

NEW YORK — Debby Krenek, a 10-year veteran of the *New York Daily News*, was named editor in chief Wednesday — the first woman to hold the post in the tabloid's 77-year history.

Krenk, who had been executive editor, becomes the paper's third editor in chief in the last 12 months, and replaces Pete Hamill, who left last month after barely eight months on the job.

Hamill's predecessor, Martin Dunn, left last October. *Daily News* chairman and co-publisher Mortimer B. Zuckerman, in announcing the appointment, said Krenek "has proven to be a gifted leader and motivator."

Krenk takes over the *News* as a circulation war with the *New York Post* is heating up. The *News*' tabloid rival recently slashed the price of its Sunday paper from 50 cents to 25 cents, forcing the *News* to cut its Sunday price by 50 cents to 15 cents.

In the period that ended March 31 — the latest figures available — the *News*' average daily circulation was 728,000, off 30,000 from a year earlier.

Money Drawings deemed contraband

WASHINGTON — Artist J.S.G. Boggs said he only wanted to express himself with his hand-drawn images of paper money.

But a federal judge ruled Wednesday that his artistic renditions were so close to the original that they represent contraband subject to seizure under federal counterfeit laws.

To the consternation of the Secret Service, Boggs often reproduces actual-size but one-sided, color replicas of currency and then barbers his hand-drawn "Boggs bills" for goods and services, such as meals and hotel rooms.

Federal law makes it a crime to possess or produce any likeness of currency.

Boggs, who had moved from Pittsburgh and set up a studio in New York, argued that his drawings are not an exact copy of real money because he signs his own name on the bills and uses Pittsburgh, Pa., instead of Washington, D.C. Furthermore, the bills are printed on thicker paper.

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The TCU Panhellenic Council would like to extend Congratulations to these sorority women who achieved a 4.0 for the 1997 spring semester.

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COSTUMES ON PARADE

With Halloween quickly approaching and the mid-semester doldrums in full effect, the *Skiff* editorial board proposes that those on campus Friday should come in costume. Here are our suggestions for a few groups:

Administrators: Your costumes will be pretty inexpensive this year. We suggest you get rolls of red tape and wrap yourselves up in it real tight. Maybe then you'll know what it feels like.

Football team: Trade the old purple and white regalia for some red and white University of Nebraska duds. At least you'll look like winners... maybe it will be inspirational.

Journalism faculty: We all know we're not the paparazzi — we don't make nearly as much money as those guys — but why not dress up as them? If you go trick-or-treating, however, we suggest you pack some mace just in case your costume is too good. Most people don't love the paparazzi these days.

Marriott staffers: We challenge you to dress up as chicken strips. Tough costume, we know, but students will feel like they've walked into heaven when they enter The Main. If you can't figure out the chicken strip costume, we suggest dressing up as your favorite condiment. No particular reason. We just think it would be funny.

Geology faculty: We think you should dress as miners. Those rocks came from somewhere. In honor of those who have collected the rock packets students often buy to help with lab, don a hard hat and headlight for a day. Work in the dark. Climb around in a confusing place with lots of misleading turns — the Sid W. Richardson Building, for example.

Computer science faculty: End the mystery

and bring your field down to the level of the masses — dress like a megabyte or a bip, so we can see exactly what the hell it is that has made Bill Gates richer than God.

Radio-TV-film faculty: Men are all about popcorn bowls and Junior Mints boxes. Women in the department simply must dress up as huge purses — we know you've smuggled a Hershey's into the theater at least once in your life so as not to pay the \$2.75. You may as well publicly fess up.

Sociology faculty: The whole campus thinks you need a real building instead of a trailer, so why not dress as a construction worker, as if to begin the imaginary project which should have been more of a priority than an apartment complex for students.

Opportunities abound for campus groups to sport creative Halloween costumes.

Philosophy faculty: How exactly does one dress up as the omniscient? But since you know everything, we're sure you already know what we want you to be.

Froggie Five-O drivers: Surely you've seen the crash test dummies on the commercials. At the speed you people drive, we're surprised you don't already know how they feel. We recommend you shop Target for gray sweats, and then pick up some yellow tape in the hardware section.

Programming Council: Here's a how-to for your costume. Buy a long-sleeved shirt and attach several cheap dolls. We rarely see a crowd at any of your events, so why don't you show us what one looks like. For added effect, you could carry a jam box with a tape of people yelling and cheering.

Have a happy Halloween, and watch out for those people on campus not in a costume — they are the people with real problems. Did anybody see "Men in Black?"



America needs Brits' election fun

Monster Raving Loony Party livens campaigns, provides alternative to staid mainstream groups

As disappointed as you all are, this is not an election year. Outside of gubernatorial elections in New Jersey and Virginia and House runoffs in certain New York and Texas districts, this year's Election Day has as much meaning to the nation as Arbor Day or Flag Day.

This is the first time in three semesters that I have not been a close witness to a national election. Last May, I had the opportunity to witness the madness and rancor that surrounds elections in Great Britain's House of Commons, one of the two branches of the British Parliament. While American election campaigns can be cumbersome and seem to drag on for an eternity, the British have found ways to keep people not only interested in the process, but to keep them entertained as well.

Anyone who's seen the prime minister's "Question Time" on C-SPAN knows that the House of Commons is more amusing than the funniest Monty Python sketch. This weekly session is intended to allow members of Parliament to ask the prime minister about various policies and to allow opposition members of Parliament to voice their grievances.

Members of Parliament address each other as "my right honorable friend" and then proceed in cutting each other down with disparaging remarks, while others moan and shout

like drunkards. In the United States, even Ted Kennedy usually has the decency to wait until after Senate sessions to head to the pub.

Unlike U.S. elections, British elections are not set in stone every few years. In Britain, the prime minister can set an election date anytime within five years of the past election. This rule is designed to save money by eliminating unending campaigning and to keep members of Parliament focused solely on doing their jobs when an election is looming.

Campaigns also present less of a financial burden on candidates. For a deposit of about \$800, any crackpot or individual with way too much free time can run for Parliament. This lenient law opens the floodgates for several special-interest groups and other offbeat parties. Some of the parties, such as the Natural Law Party and the Green Party, can be found on ballots in the United States.

In addition, Britain boasts several bizarre parties, including the Common Sense Sick of Politicians party, the None of the Above Parties, Happiness Stan's Freedom to Party Party and a one-man party known as Space-Age Superhero from the Planet Beans. Candidates from these parties appeared on ballots in the May election and received several thousand votes in various constituencies.

The most notable of all these parties is the Monster Raving Loony Party. Founded in 1976 by Screamin' Lord Sutch, the Loonies' perpetual goal is "to take the looniness away from the unofficial loony parties (i.e. Conservative, Labor and Liberal

Democrat), and show them up for the boring parties that they are."

Loony candidates campaign in a wide array of weird costumes and generally make a mockery of the campaign system. The party reached its peak in 1990, when a Loony received more votes than a serious candidate in a special constituency election. The party's official slogan is, "Vote for insanity: You know it makes sense." Ross Perot comes to mind.

Despite the much-needed looniness, the British electorate system has several flaws. The first is that the prime minister is not directly elected by the people. He is the leader of the majority party in Parliament, which is currently the Labor Party. British citizens vote for the candidate in their constituency who represents the party they want to run the country.

British streets were bombarded last spring with billboard signs that read "Vote Labor" or "Vote Conservative," but during the whole time I was in England, I never once saw a sign supporting a particular candidate. Experience and political know-how are hardly necessary to mount a successful campaign, as long as people like a party's platform. A few newly elected members of Parliament who were part of the Labor landslide even admitted they had a lot to learn. In the House of Commons, bipartisanship is virtually nonexistent.

Though the United States has one of the best electoral systems in the world, it could benefit from a little British lightheartedness. Vote Monster Raving Loony in 2000!

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COMMENTARY
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Halloween nostalgia overshadows holiday's possible darker side

Fall is in the air. Along with the advent of cooling temperatures and falling leaves comes the appearance of paper skeletons in windows and those mysterious, taffy-like confections with the orange and black wrappers on store shelves. (You know, the ones in your trick-or-treat bags that you just kept ignoring until they got so stale they could easily pass for petrified wood and had to be thrown away.)

Yes, Halloween has arrived! Bags of Tootsie Rolls are being stockpiled in cabinets around the nation, and last-minute costume decisions are being made by ill-prepared youths. When at last the sun sets on Oct. 31, millions of anxious children will apply make-

up, slip into costumes and strap on masks to experience the thrill of being someone (or something) else for just one night, while simultaneously collecting a month's supply of assorted sweets and goodies.

What other event, besides maybe Christmas, can compare to Halloween in terms of nostalgia and childhood memories?

Though I tend to claim each passing season or holiday as my favorite, I have always been partial to Halloween. Despite the themes of mystery and surprise that are fundamental to this holiday, Halloween was always a time of strong tradition in my childhood. It began with a mid-September trip to Hancock Fabrics with my mother to select a costume pattern and purchase materials for her to sew it together.

Next came the period of anticipation, lasting from the car ride home until the act of walking out the door in costume on

Halloween night. Near the peak of the anticipation period came the school Halloween party, when cupcakes were distributed by PTA moms, games were played, crafts were made and costumes were worn to school.

Finally, the long-awaited night arrived. Dinner was served early so there would be time for putting on costumes and makeup.

My costumes were as varied as the flavors of Jolly Ranchers now available. One year I was a good fairy, the next a wicked witch. I have also been a princess, a devil, a mouse, Goldilocks and Smurfette. My annual costume choice was undermined by my ultimate goal: Did I want to dazzle with beauty this year or frighten with fiendishness?

I would collect my candy in a small plastic pumpkin with a handle. I now realize that a pillow case or grocery bag would have fit about four times as much candy, but, darn it, at the time, that pumpkin looked cool! When

the pumpkin was full, the neighborhood houses seemed like they were running out of the good stuff. My feet usually became tired by that point, and I would head home. Then the obsessive-compulsive side of me would dump the entire contents of the pumpkin onto the living room floor and sort the candy into neat little piles according to brand.

Yes, those were the days. More than just something to look forward to during the long months between Easter and Christmas, Halloween was and is a unique celebration for children. Unlike other "candy holidays," the amount of candy one brings home is an unpredictable surprise not determined by the amount of candy one's parents buy. Some years the plunder is massive; in other years, the booty is scant.

I know many people feel Halloween is not an appropriate holiday, especially for children, because it could be observed in accor-

dance with witchcraft or satanic rituals and therefore has no place being celebrated in America's neighborhoods and schools. I am also aware that most schools have discontinued the practice of allowing class Halloween parties and that many parents do not allow their children to go trick-or-treating because of safety concerns or religious reasons.

Times change, and perhaps this time of year I am nostalgic for the Halloween of my youth, a Halloween that no longer exists. Though people may have legitimate reasons for not seeing Halloween in the positive light I do, I can only see what Halloween has given me: loads of free candy, a closet full of cute little handmade costumes, quality time with my family and pages of memories in my mental scrapbook.

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COMMENTARY
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Letters to the editor

Judge Sullivan's actions, not his character

Well, the Pat Sullivan era is coming to a close. No doubt one can hear sighs of relief and "I told you so's" from all corners of the campus. But before we trash Sullivan's name, let's take a moment to thank him for his hard work and dedication to this school.

I must admit that when he nearly left for Louisiana State University after the 1994 season, I was a skeptic. But after hearing him speak, seeing him deal with Matt Moore's tragic injury and living in Moncrief Hall with his

players, I gained respect for this man.

Pat Sullivan is someone who has devoted the past six years of his life to helping TCU put a quality football team on the field. You can decide for yourself if he was successful at that or not. But what is set in stone is his dedication to this team, his players and doing what is right.

This coach believes in being like a parent to his players and helping to create a team with a family atmosphere. He took heat for letting players accused of a crime continue to play. I submit

that if you were charged with a crime and maintained your innocence, your parents would back you up just the same.

Sullivan genuinely cares about the people he is involved with. You may not have liked the way he made decisions, but the heart and will with which he made those decisions was unwavering. Sullivan didn't always inspire the masses, but one-on-one, his sincerity and decency are immediately apparent.

So before the name calling and gloating begin, imagine that it is your father or best friend in

Sullivan's place. Or, better yet, put yourself in his shoes, constantly facing criticism despite your best efforts and best intentions. You may not agree with what he did, but at least give him the respect that he is due for a valiant, well-meaning effort — on the field and off.

Criticize what he did if you want, but don't slander the person behind the decisions. I hope this parting is best for both TCU and Sullivan. May the Frogs find success on the football field, and may Sullivan find a new home where he can be successful as well.

Good luck, Pat Sullivan, and God bless.

Marc Istook
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Thetas' efforts for philanthropy paid off

Congratulations to the women of Kappa Alpha Theta on their successful philanthropy this past weekend. The First Annual Fall Breakaway 5K was extremely well-run, and it was a pleasure to be a part of it.

The Thetas worked very hard in order to benefit the Child Advocates of Tarrant County. I

was amazed at the number of sponsors obtained and the overall professionalism of this event. It was also great to see state Sen. Mike Moncrief there supporting a TCU event.

The Thetas proved that sororities and fraternities, as well as any group, can substantially benefit the community when they work together. I hope that the Thetas continue this event in the future and maintain the wonderful integrity it earned during its spectacular inaugural run.

Chris Brooks
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An informed campus will be a safer campus

Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act
issues
WILLIAM LAWBAUGH

College deans should wrap their arms around the Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act. When they embrace the legislation, they will show they have really done the most effective and comprehensive thing they could possibly do in their never-ending, sincere effort to reduce crime on campus.

As it is written, the law can do more than enlarge campus police forces, expand the number of lights for parking lots and purchase pepper spray, car alarms, personal pagers, The Club, mace, dogs or infrared surveillance camera systems for every campus corner and alleyway. In short, the bill is the best partner college administrators could ever find in making a campus safer and more secure.

How? Lives will be saved on campus by enhancing potential victims' right to know. Every member of the college community becomes better informed — students, faculty, administrators and staff. Parents, too — the people who pay taxes and tuition — would become better informed, as would those fortunate folks who happen to live near a college dorm or fraternity house.

The Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act does all this in five essential ways:

1. Expanding annual crime statistics. Right now, under the 1990 Campus Crime Security Act, only a fraction of campus crimes are required to be reported. Under the new legislation, more categories of crimes are added, such as simple assault and theft, the most frequent crimes on campus today. Currently, a date rape or hazing incident could be classified improperly as a simple assault and reported just like a wild rash of CD thefts. The U.S. Department of Education would collect these statistics and make them available to administrators for better public policy.

2. Crime logs. Some colleges log and report crimes clearly. Others do not. College administrators ought to stand up and cheer, as the act requires uniform crime reporting standards, the same used by local, state and federal agencies.

Of course, the bill provides for plenty of exceptions. Information can be withheld if its release would jeopardize an individual's safety. Sensitive information like names of rape survivors or juvenile suspects would still be protected under state law where enforced.

3. Disciplinary proceedings. The Sixth Amendment guarantees a fair, speedy and public trial everywhere except on some campuses where secrecy is unwisely preferred to constitutional rights. What kind of a civics lesson are those few deans teaching in star chambers and kangaroo courts? Fortunately, this legislation comes to the rescue by opening all campus disciplinary proceedings involving criminal allegations. Victims, of course, are still afforded protection, but all other records of such felony and misdemeanor hearings will be open to public scrutiny. Justice is better served in daylight than in secrecy, our founding fathers and mothers decreed.

4. Buckley amendment changes. Twice the U.S. Congress has tried to tighten up the Buckley amendment, but unscrupulous college administrators and their general counsels have exploited every loophole and language ambiguity in the act. In 1990 Congress passed the Student Right to Know Act, and in 1992 the House of

Representatives unanimously passed the Buckley Amendment Clarification resolution to insist that criminal records are not academic records. Still, some deans continue to hide behind the original Buckley amendment, keeping students and parents in the dark about real campus crime problems and trying to protect a false image. They create, instead, a false sense of security. The proposed legislation will continue to protect academic transcripts and medical and financial information, but it will open allegations of criminal misconduct handled by campus disciplinary proceedings. An informed, aware campus community is a safer one.

5. Enforcement. Finally, to put some teeth in the new law, colleges that lie or distort crime statistics would be fined 1 percent of their Higher Education Act federal funding. Whistle blowers who file a noncompliance complaint are also protected. Good and decent deans have nothing to fear from this provision. Others do.

However, Stanford Dean of Students Marc Wais said the more information we can provide students and families, the better informed they can be about the community. Stanford Police Chief Marv Harrington agrees: "It's

members work diligently to make the campus as safe as possible. The Skiff staff is also dedicated to helping with campus safety by writing about incidents reported to Campus Police and Fort Worth Police. A safe campus requires the efforts of all community members.

A bill is pending in Congress which was written, ostensibly, to help with this effort. The proposed Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act makes changes in the way campus crime is statistically reported to the Department of Education, including reporting obligations for all staff members to whom a crime might be discussed, making campus police logs open for public inspection at all U.S. colleges and universities and opening all student disciplinary proceedings to the public.

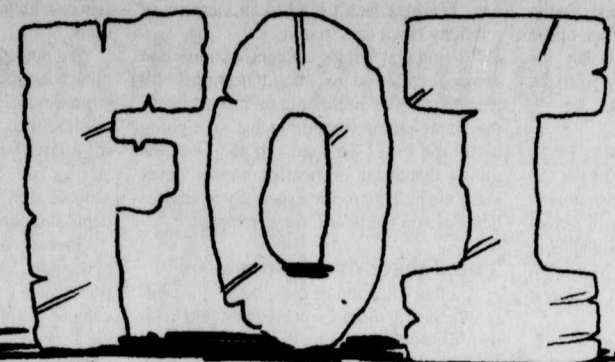
Although I share the concern about campus safety with the authors of this legislation, I adamantly disagree that the proposed legislation will have the effect they propose.

Proponents of this legislation base their support on three unsubstantiated claims: 1) that colleges and uni-

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IN COLLEGE CRIME REPORTING.

Legislation would not benefit campus safety

Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act
issues
MICHAEL RUSSEL

Everybody wants a safe campus. At TCU, our police department, hall directors and facility staff

universities misrepresent crime statistics for public relations purposes, and that more accurate crime statistics will alter student enrollment decisions; 2) that public access to all incident reports written by campus security officers (not all campuses have professional police departments like TCU) will encourage safer student behavior; and 3) that open discipline hearings will produce more justice for all students.

While I disagree with the conclusion of the first two arguments, I basically agree with the solution. I support accurate crime statistics publication; no responsible person supports misinformation being released, whether that misinformation presents a campus as more safe or less safe.

However, certain aspects of the law would require that accusations, even if later proved to be unfounded, would be reported as crimes, and the names of both accused and victim could be made public.

Surely, colleges and universities can work out a system of collecting this information that maintains privacy, protects individual rights and accomplishes the goal of the legislation.

Campus crime logs would not be a big deal to create, and they would probably maintain student anonymity sufficiently. I question whether or not this will have any effect on campus safety. We already provide access to police reports to the Skiff.

Open discipline hearings would be disastrous.

Colleges and universities have discipline procedures to maintain order on their campuses through the enforcement of internal rules. Discipline systems are predicated on an educational mission and fundamentally fair processes. Because student status does not make a student immune from criminal and civil proceedings, students who violate laws on campus face university discipline and criminal proceedings.

These criminal proceedings and outcomes, which occur off campus, are public information and are available to any person wishing to do the investigatory work.

Outcomes of university disciplinary procedures are not public information primarily because release of this information would be a violation of federal law. But more importantly, we need to assure all parties that the information they share in investigations and hearings is private.

Let me give an example. Short of murder, sexual assaults are perhaps the most heinous crimes that happen to a college student.

As the custodian of the disciplinary process at TCU, I have to be able to assure a person who is the survivor of a sexual assault that the information the victim shares won't be released in public forum, that her or his anonymity will be preserved, and, to the best of our ability, that the system won't re-victimize. If hearings were public, I could not make that promise.

My experience tells me that those who survive the horrors of a sexual assault are much less likely to report an incident if they know the hearing would be open to everyone on campus.

College campuses, especially small campuses like



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A LOOK AT THE PROPOSED LAW

By Ryan J. Rusek
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College students spend at least eight months a year at their various institutions of learning, leaving little doubt that, for at least that time, they are members of a unique community.

As with any community, one of the top concerns is crime.

As with any community, students can obtain information about crime from community authorities simply by asking for it.

And, as with any community, university officials file that information with a higher federal authority; in this case, the Department of Education.

But the situation on college campuses could be unique: Loopholes in the laws that require reporting of such crime statistics may allow university officials to misrepresent the amount of crime on campuses.

Legislation currently before Congress would close those so-called loopholes. The Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act, introduced by Reps. John J. Duncan Jr. (R-Tenn.) and Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.) in February, would revolutionize disclosure of all aspects of campus criminal proceedings.

The bill changes two major areas of campus crime proceedings: It would require officials to keep a daily public crime log, and it would open so-called campus courts that sometimes dispense discipline in lieu of involvement by official law enforcement.

New reporting rules

The bill would add to categories

of offenses that school officials must report under the Campus Security Act of 1990. It also calls for campus officials other than police, including "administrators, deans, disciplinary officers, athletic department officials, housing officials, (and) counselors" to provide such statistics. All incidents of violations involving alcohol, drugs or weapons — not just arrests — would have to be included in reports.

The daily crime log would have

Supporters say the measure will make campuses safer. Opponents insist it will keep crimes from being reported and violate privacy rights.

to include the "nature, date and general location" of crimes and the names of those cited or charged in those offenses. And, in the provision that has created the most controversy, universities would have to open to the public campus proceedings involving criminal allegations and the records from those hearings.

In opening those hearings and records, the bill states unequivocally that criminal allegations are not educational records and are thus not confidential under the Family

Educational Rights and Privacy Act, also known as the Buckley amendment, which has been a point of contention.

The Duncan-Schumer bill would use the threatened loss of federal funds to force universities to comply with its provisions.

The bill threatens to remove a maximum of 1 percent of a college or university's federal funding if it does not comply with the bill's provisions. Virtually all institutions of higher learning, including TCU, receive federal dollars in one or many forms.

For TCU, that would mean a maximum of about \$53,000, based on the \$5.3 million the university reported receiving from the federal government in fiscal year 1994-95.

Safety and power

The ultimate issues surrounding the Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act are safety and power. Supporters, who include journalism groups and self-styled campus security advocates, claim college officials have exploited loopholes in current crime reporting requirements and do not provide an accurate view of crime on campuses. The bill will arm students and families with information to enhance safety, supporters say.

"Campuses do a good job of warning people (about crime), but that's different from people being able to look at a department's log of incidents," said Gordon "Mac" McKerral, vice chairman of the Campus Courts Task Force, a con-

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KNOW THE FACTS

Main provisions of the Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act:

- Specifies that campus officials, including administrators, deans, athletics officials, housing officials and counselors must submit crime statistics.
- Expands crime statistic categories that universities must report.
- Requires that crime statistics be submitted annually to the Department of Education.
- Requires each institution that receives federal funds to maintain a daily public crime log, including the "nature, date, time and general location" of each incident and the names and address of persons cited or charged.
- Opens public access to campus disciplinary proceedings and records involving criminal allegations.
- Specifies that allegations of criminal misconduct handled by campus officials are not considered private educational records and are thus not confidential under federal law.
- Provides for institutions not in compliance with the act to be fined a maximum of 1 percent of the federal funds they receive.

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federation of journalism organizations fighting for passage of the legislation.

Opponents of the measure, though, fear that its provisions, especially the opening of campus court records, will cause victims and witnesses to avoid reporting crimes and hinder investigations and prosecutions on campuses.

"What concerns me most is the chilling effect on victims willing to use the disciplinary process as a means of resolving complaints," said Thomas R. Baker, the legislative issues committee chairman for the Association for Student Judicial Affairs, a professional organization for campus judicial officers.

"People are discouraged by publicity," he said. "This gives me reason to believe there will be fewer rather than more complaints."

By opening campus courts, the bill would eliminate the opportunity for college officials to hide crime by channeling it into the currently closed campus court system, McKerral said.

Opponents of the Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act scoff at the notion that courts have been used for such a purpose. They also claim that the bill will reduce public knowledge of campus crime and hinder crime-fighting efforts because individuals may not report crimes as much.

Don Mills, TCU's vice chancellor for student affairs, said the charge that crime has been hidden in the campus judicial systems isn't justified.

"The accusation is made (that crime is covered up), but there's really no proof that's happened," Mills said.

Baker said the bill changes the role of what colleges are set to accomplish.

"(The bill) transfers the educational

process to the criminal process" said Baker, who is assistant dean of students at the University of Iowa. "We like to think of the criminal process as educational, but it's legal. As school officials, we try to make disciplinary problems educational."

Sexual assault concerns

On a more concrete level, one of the top concerns raised by college administrators is that the bill will open up victims of sexual assault to having their names available to anyone as part of public record. Mills said that possibility is one of the bill's biggest poison pills.

He added that the guidelines for counseling women who are victims suggest that "women need to be given control of their lives. This legislation takes away the right to gain control."

TCU Campus Police Chief Steve McGee said he worries that newspapers — particularly the *TCU Daily Skiff* — might make public victims' names and the specifics of their assaults.

"The law doesn't affect us unless it reveals victims' names, which depends on how responsible the *Skiff* is... If victims thought their names would be plastered all over the *Daily Skiff*, they might not try to report it," McGee said.

A *Skiff* policy currently prohibits publication sexual assault victims' names.

McKerral called the idea that victims' names will be blasted throughout campus media ridiculous.

"We don't ask that victims of sexual assault be identified," McKerral said. "Only about five states prohibit identification of them. At least 45 states allow papers to publish names, but none do."

McKerral said opening campus disciplinary hearings won't lead to an increase of publicity of victims' names.

"If (judicial affairs officers) assume that someone allowed to attend hearings will lead to public disclosure of these names, they're assuming something that's not going to be the case," he said. "If they assume things discussed in hearing rooms never leave the hearing room, especially when students are on the board, they are idiots."

The debate over counselors

Another big point of contention in the bill is whether it requires counselors and resident assistants to police and report crimes. Mills said the bill does, and the role of such workers will be compromised.

"What affects us the most is that resident assistants, hall directors and counselors in the Counseling Center would report 'crimes,'" he said. "The problem is that they are not trained to recognize what a crime is."

A spokesperson for Duncan, one of the congressmen who introduced the legislation, called the charge a misrepresentation of the legislation.

"Opponents are misconstruing two points that are in totally different sections," said the spokesperson, who asked not to be identified. "Counselors and RAs have to report statistics, not specific incidents."

Universities and crime

Such points of contention in the bill are part of a larger question the bill glances at: What is the nature of crime on campuses, and what are universities' responsibilities for dealing with such actions?

Mills said the bill puts universities in the

position of identifying and classifying crime, which is not the role of the institutions.

"It's not up to the university... to determine what is a crime. Congress is confusing what we do," he said.

McKerral, who is an associate professor of journalism and student publications adviser at Troy State University, said schools aren't doing enough to inform students and parents about crime.

"Parents often ask for an issue of the newspaper," he said. "This kind of information makes parents able to assess whether a campus is safe. Quite frankly, statistics that are kept aren't uniform. Many things aren't reported."

McKerral added that a daily campus crime log available to the public, as required in the bill, would address this problem.

Describing the disclosure situation at TCU, McGee said Campus Police's goal is to get as much information about potential dangers out to the community as possible, in part by releasing information — except for the names of those involved — to the *TCU Daily Skiff*.

"If it's something major, like sexual assault by a stranger, we take even more effort," McGee said. "The goal is to keep the campus community safe."

McGee acknowledged, however, that many colleges don't take similar steps.

"Some institutions try to hide everything," he said. "We don't."

The Buckley amendment

The battle over federal control and confidentiality goes much further back than the Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act. The Buckley amendment was origi-

nally passed in 1974 in an attempt by privacy advocates to protect educational records.

The amendment encouraged compliance by threatening colleges' federal funds. "Educational records" were defined as records kept by educational institutions that contained information about a specific student. Many schools took that to include campus police reports.

Several other amendments and laws have tried to clarify Buckley and address campus crime.

The battle over campus crime records has shifted primarily to the campus courts scene, hence the fight over the Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act.

The fate of the legislation rests with the congressional committee charged with hearing it. The bill has almost 60 cosponsors from both parties, but it remains in the House Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning. The subcommittee has held one hearing on the bill in July, taking testimony from supporters and opponents.

The spokesperson for Duncan said the bill will pass only as an amendment to the Higher Education Act, the mammoth legislation dealing with colleges and universities that Congress must reauthorize in this session.

Freedom of information advocates have been waging this battle for several years, McKerral said. A few more months seems like nothing.

"It may be a year before they do anything with reauthorization. That, to me, isn't very long," he said. "I know there are going to be people who are going to fight tooth and nail."

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Women's golf evaluates successful season

Team finishes 10th in rankings, looks to spring

By Wendy Bogema
SKIFF STAFF

The women's golf team had a successful fall season, ending the fall with a No. 10 ranking in the most recent MasterCard Collegiate Golf Rankings.



Susan Heber

Two team members are ranked in the top 100 for individuals. Sophomore Angela Stanford is ranked No. 7, and junior Susan Horton is No. 30.

The team's first tournament of the season was the Mackenzie's Ram Fall Classic Sept. 7-9 in Fort Collins, Colo., in which it finished second.

The team finished the tournament 11 shots back from the winner, Campbell University, but was eight shots ahead of the third-place finisher, Arkansas-Little Rock.

The highest individual finisher for the Lady Frogs in the Mackenzie

tournament was junior Amanda Workman, who tied for sixth. Horton and fellow junior Shannon Fisher tied for ninth. Freshman Brenda Anderson tied for 16th, and Stanford tied for 22nd.



Angela Stanford

Head coach Angie Ravaoli-Larkin said the Mackenzie tournament was the match-up in which the golfers learned the most.

She said it taught the importance of teamwork and how individual success contributes to team success.

"This is the only time in their lives that they'll play golf as a team," Ravaoli-Larkin said. "They're learning to adjust to that and the different avenues they'll have to travel down to be successful in a team situation

while playing an individual sport."

The next tournament was the Topy Cup in Fukushima, Japan, Sept. 16-18. They finished fourth out of six teams.

*TCU and New Mexico State were the only two U.S. women's golf teams represented in the tournament. The other four teams were Japanese.

All five Lady Frogs placed in the top 25 in that tournament as well. Stanford finished seventh, and Horton finished ninth. Anderson and Workman tied for 16th, and Fisher finished 25th.

Following the tournament, several players said the experience was amazing and worthwhile, even though they didn't play as well as they would have liked.

The Lady Frogs returned from Japan on Sept. 20, a Saturday, and left for another tournament, the Dick McGuire Invitational in Albuquerque, N.M., the following Tuesday.

After that tournament, Ravaoli-Larkin said the team had learned how

to handle the pressure of leading rather than playing catch-up.

The team led by 10 entering the final round of that tournament and held on to win.

Horton was the highest finisher for the Lady Frogs, placing second. Stanford finished fifth, and Fisher tied for 23rd. Workman tied for 28th, and Anderson tied for 48th.

Ravaoli-Larkin said this was the best tournament of the fall for the Lady Frogs.

"Everybody had at least one really low round. We worked well as a team and had a good time, and because it came so soon after Japan, we had some adversity to deal with there and handled it well," Ravaoli-Larkin said.

The final fall tournament for the team was the 1997 Furman Lady Palladin Invitational, held Oct. 17-19 in Greenville, S.C. The Lady Frogs finished sixth.

Stanford captured this tournament for her second collegiate win. Horton

tied for 18th, and Fisher tied for 35th. Anderson tied for 50th, and Workman tied for 53rd.

The Lady Frogs originally had another tournament scheduled for the fall but found out that because they went to the tournament in Japan they wouldn't be able to compete in the scheduled tournament.

Ravaoli-Larkin said the players will work on the mental and physical aspects of their individual games but will also be attending team-building workshops, including a ropes course.

She said they will try to stay competitive and mentally and physically tough and keep adrenaline flowing.

The team has set several goals for the spring, she said.

"Our goals are to win at least two tournaments and, by the end of the year, have a No. 1 ranking," the coach said. "One of our big dreams is to win nationals and to win the conference, and always be prepared."

"All that combined, we want to really enjoy it, keep a perspective on things and have fun."

Treat coach with compassion

Sullivan deserves respect for commitment to team

In the wake of Pat Sullivan's recent resignation, I beckon you to soften your stance. I'm pointing to you: the students, the fans, the alumni, the boosters.

I'm speaking to anyone who was warming up their vocal chords for a chorus of "PAT MUST GO!" before he so politely pulled the rug out from underneath you. I've heard some of your nasty comments and, quite frankly, I don't like them. He deserves better.

At the risk of being a hypocrite, I'm now stepping away from the angry lynch mob that spent so much time questioning its head coach. My reason: Something more important than football is at stake here, and that is the welfare of Sullivan himself.

In our disgruntled dispositions we forgot that Sullivan is just like the rest of us — prone to fault, mistakes and fallacies. Like the rest of us, he has hopes and dreams, goals and aspirations. No matter what he says, many of those hopes ended in disappointment Sunday.

My theory is that he dreamed of settling in at TCU for many years, hoping to develop a strong tradition. If he didn't, he would have taken the Louisiana State job. Now, he faces a harsh reality of having neither opportunity.

"I'm a lucky man," said Sullivan, looking anything but fortunate as he stood before a platform of television cameras.

Meanwhile, I watched this man, his voice quivering, eyes watering, and lips tightened. I felt so much empathy for him.

Even with supportive wife, Jean, by his side, he projected the image of a defeated man experiencing his

darkest hour. He looked not like a man worried about his past, but more about his future. I tried to imagine how I would feel if someone snatched my dream job from me.

Still, I can see why Chancellor William E. Tucker and Athletic Director Frank Windegger hired him. I personally met coach Sullivan for the first time just four weeks ago while chatting with some other reporters at a practice.

"Hi! Who are you with?" came the voice over my shoulder, inquiring as to my representation.

An extended hand accompanied the sincere gesture, but because the sun was in my eyes I could not see the face. I was so surprised when I figured out who it was that I had to confirm my suspicion.

"Are you coach Sullivan?" I muttered.

"Yes I am," he answered, with an encouraging smile and an unassuming tone.

In 12 years as a reporter, I had never been approached by a coach in that manner. They usually just want to know what you want and try to provide you with as little pertinent information as possible.

Political positions and winning records often make coaches paranoid, causing them to revert to "coachspeak." Sullivan's approach was a refreshing change that meant a lot to me. Knowing his compassion level, he probably never gave it a second thought. A man who does out that type of compassion deserves some in return.

Yes, he should have won more than 23 football games in six seasons, but what else is he really guilty of? Lack of innovation? Bad timing? Drawing bad press because some players turned to criminal behavior?

More likely, he just never worked his way past the LSU incident. It really did hurt his recruiting efforts.

As students and fans, we forget

that Sullivan dedicated an awful lot of himself to this program. For whatever reason, his efforts just didn't translate into victories.

I still believe he is a good coach, although he may need to return to

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being an assistant. He has a good attitude, a strong character and a solid working knowledge of football.

He should show up again on a collegiate sideline in the near future, as long as he doesn't dwell on his mistakes.

"You can always look back, but I won't ever do that," Sullivan said.

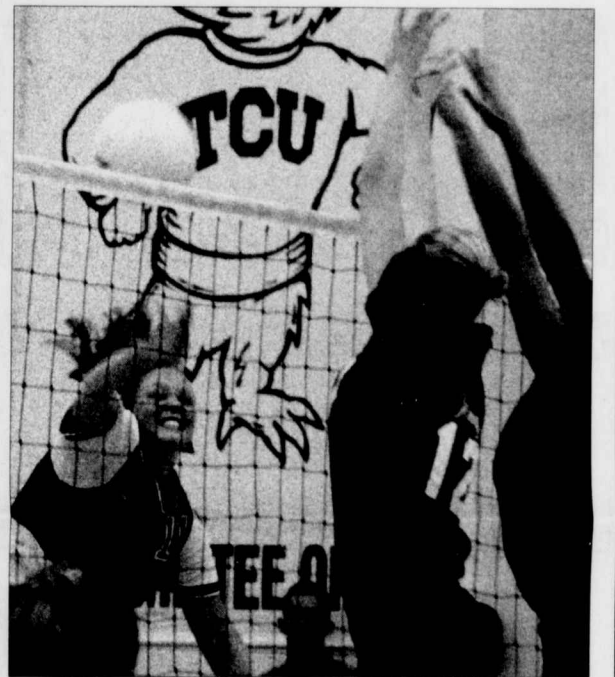
Sunday, Sullivan was only looking forward with anxious uncertainty. As he strode out of the Letterman's Lounge, one arm around his wife, the other drying his eyelids, I'm sure that was his only concern. He was obviously suffering a lot of emotional pain.

In my eyes, Sullivan is indeed a winner, not a failure, simply because he will bounce back.

Just the same, say a prayer for Sullivan and his family tonight. They obviously have a tough road in front of them.

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

Looking for a win



Sophomore outside hitter Jill Pape, shown in a recent match, and the rest of the VolleyFrogs will try one last time to get a win in October against Fresno State at 7 p.m. Friday.

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RUSSEL

From Page 5

TCU, are like small towns; no one wants to be the center of gossip.

Over the years of working with sexual assault survivors, I know that this crime fundamentally changes a person and is a very difficult crisis with which to deal. From those same incidents, I also know that being accused of a sexual assault may also be the most difficult time in that student's life.

Opening a hearing which is adjudicating a sexual assault serves the needs of no one. Open hearings should be left to the courts, where the accused has legal representation and the victim is actively represented by the district attorney.

University hearings have to try to discover the "truth" in a nonadversarial process (without lawyers) and respond appropriately with everyone's interest in mind. But remember, campus discipline is not designed to replace the criminal justice system.

We enforce our rules, not the laws of Fort Worth or the United States. And we actively encourage students to report crimes to the appropriate authorities.

Campus safety should be a concern for everyone. Learning how to live safely outside the confines of your parents' home is one of the most important lessons you can learn while a student. Unfortunately, bad things happen to students, and bad things are caused by students.

We need to have an educationally-based, confidential process to deal with those accused of policy violations. The proposed Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act does not allow for this to happen, and, if passed, will negatively change the way colleges and universities deal with these crises.

Michael Russel is the associate dean of campus life.

LAWBAUGH

From Page 5

"It's important for people to have an idea of what sorts of problems exist in our community so that people can protect themselves and their property." If only all college officials were so enlightened.

The best news about the proposed legislation is the fact that it applies equally to private and public colleges. Why shouldn't young people at TCU enjoy the same rights as students at a state college?

The bad news about the Buckley amendment is the fact that campus

crime is on the rise. Just ask the brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha at the University of Texas in Austin. One pledge claims his fraternity brothers broke his toes with a hammer for betraying them. Or ask the former Texas Cowboys at UT, where a student was hazed and then drowned at a picnic in 1995.

Or ask the Texas A&M fraternity in which a freshman died of an asthma attack after a hosing-down while cleaning his fraternity house. Or ask the A&M Kappa Alpha pledge who

lost a testicle due to a hazing injury. Or the freshman pledge at Huston-Tillotson College who suffered nerve damage from 100 blows with a wooden cane earlier this year.

Texas deserves better. Across the state line, Oklahoma classifies both public and private police forces as public agencies, subject now to the state's open records law. The Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act would bring such reforms to all states and all college students. That will happen as soon

as administrators wise up, let go of image, grab hold of truth and openness and get on board for passage of the Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act of 1997.

William M. Lawbaugh is an associate professor of communications at Mount St. Mary's College in Emmitsburg, Md., and chairman of the Campus Courts Task Force, a confederation of journalism groups fighting for passage of the Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act.

ARREST

From Page 1

Police report.

Mack said the suspect was dressed when he emerged from the bushes.

The Fort Worth Police report said the suspect wore a green jacket, black sweater and blue sweat pants.

"If no one would have seen him then he probably would have gotten dressed and walked away,"

Mack said.

Mack identified the suspect and Fort Worth Police Officer B.D. Kammer placed him under arrest.

"It was pretty disgusting," Mack said of the incident.

A Fort Worth Police Department sergeant said the suspect will be charged with indecent exposure.

McGee said Campus Police also

issued the suspect a criminal trespass warning to discourage him from returning to campus.

"Anytime he is on our property again he goes to jail, which is where he needs to be," McGee said.

Mack said she found the incident humorous at first, but didn't find it quite so funny after she thought about it.

"I woke up this morning and thought if it had been later and I'd been by myself, who knows what would have happened," she said.

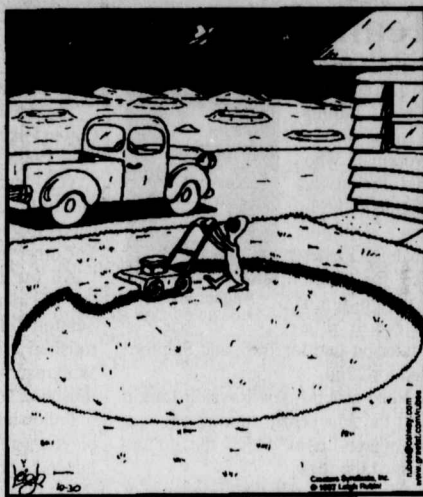
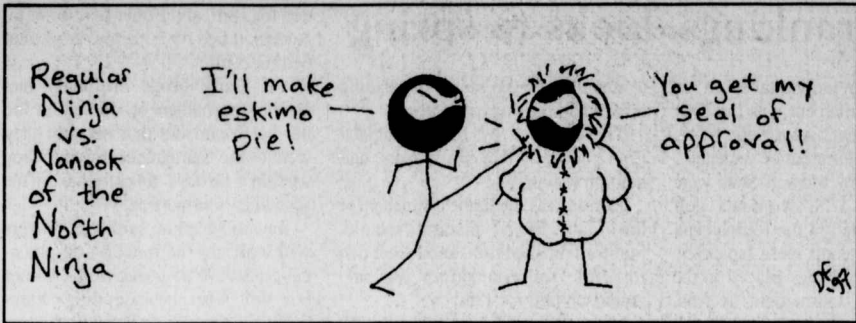
McGee said indecent exposure offenses frequently indicate a progression toward more extreme acts.

"I don't have much use for perverts," he said. "They are about one step away from rapists."

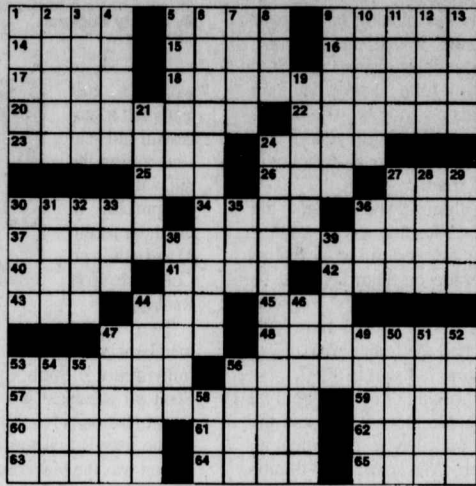
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