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High 74
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Geology groups to sponsor party

The members of Sigma Gamma Epsilon, the earth sciences honor society, will hold a costume party from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. today in the main hallway of the Sid W. Richardson Building.

The Geology Club will provide pizza for all who attend. There will also be geology-related prizes given away for the best costumes.

Amelia Vandehey, a senior geology major, said that the festivities are open to everyone.

"For people who haven't decided on a major, this could be an opportunity to look into the earth sciences," she said.

The earth sciences include geology, environmental science and environmental earth sciences.

"We just thought we'd do something fun for Halloween," Vandehey said.

While at the contest, students can view the Monig Collection of meteorites. Vandehey said this collection is one of the best in the world. She also said the collection has grown because people who have donated to it want to support TCU.

Navy to host program on campus

The U.S. Navy will host a presentation of its Engineering Program, complete with video footage, refreshments and information on how to apply to become naval officers, at noon Monday in the Bass Building Room 107.

This year only 120 students will be selected through the Navy's Nuclear Engineering Program to train as nuclear officers aboard submarines and surface ships.

The Nuclear Engineering Program is open to all students majoring in physics, math or chemistry, who have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and who are United States citizens. The program offers a \$6,000 signing bonus and a \$1,600 monthly allowance for two years while attending college.

For more information on how to enter the Nuclear Engineering Program, students can attend the presentation or contact Lt. David Ochoa at (214) 688-0760, ext. 236.

State

Shopping crowds greet Grapevine Mills

GRAPEVINE (AP) — Thousands of shoppers, diners and curious browsers turned out Thursday for the grand opening of a 1.5 million-square-foot mall near the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport.

The \$200 million project by The Mills Corp. of Arlington, Va., opened its doors at 8 a.m. with the 170 stores raising their gates at 10 a.m.

Among the anchor stores are JCPenney Outlet Store, Burlington Coat Factory, The Sports Authority, Marshalls and GameWorks. The mall is marketed as a combination of manufacturers' outlets, clearance stores, specialty shops and entertainment venues.

Extra police were on hand to direct traffic around the shopping complex near the intersection of Interstate 635, Texas 121, FM 2499 and Texas 26. But the police presence was unnecessary — the traffic jam that officials feared never occurred.

Grapevine Mills is expected to attract 14 million to 16 million visitors annually and generate \$4 million in city sales taxes, \$22 million in state sales taxes and about 5,000 jobs

Tolerance law produces 'zero' changes

TCU officials enforce alcohol policy as usual

By Rhonda Dickens
STAFF REPORTER

Second in a series.

The "zero-tolerance" law took effect Sept. 1 in Texas, but campus police at Texas universities said no significant changes in law enforcement policies have occurred yet.

The zero-tolerance law strengthened the penalties for underage drinking by implement-

ing fines, revocation of licenses, alcohol awareness education and community service as punishment for offenders.

Campus Police Chief Steve McGee said the first concern of the TCU department and student affairs officials was to educate students about the law. He said someone from student affairs or Campus Police met with as many organizations as possible to educate the students.

As far as enforcement of the law is concerned, McGee said his officers have always enforced alcohol violations.

McGee said Campus Police and a TCU lawyer are researching what must be done to comply with

the law. He said it is difficult for the university to determine what needs to be done on campus when cities have yet to determine that.

There are many questions that remain to be answered with the implementation of the zero tolerance law, McGee said. He cited the uncertainty of where people will take alcohol education classes, where they will do community service and how information about all of the offenders will even make it to the state level.

"This law is a lot of work," he said.

McGee said that while the changes the law will require on campus are unclear, Campus Police will continue to enforce alcohol

violations as usual. He said as far as alcohol awareness education is concerned, TCU began requiring that as a sanction for alcohol violations before the state did.

"What TCU was doing was more progressive than what the state was doing until now," McGee said.

Baylor University Police Chief Jim Doak said that although his department has discussed the new law, officers are also waiting for formal policy changes to be implemented by municipal police.

Doak said he does not anticipate huge operational changes for the department, but underage drinkers who choose to drink in spite of the penalties will feel the



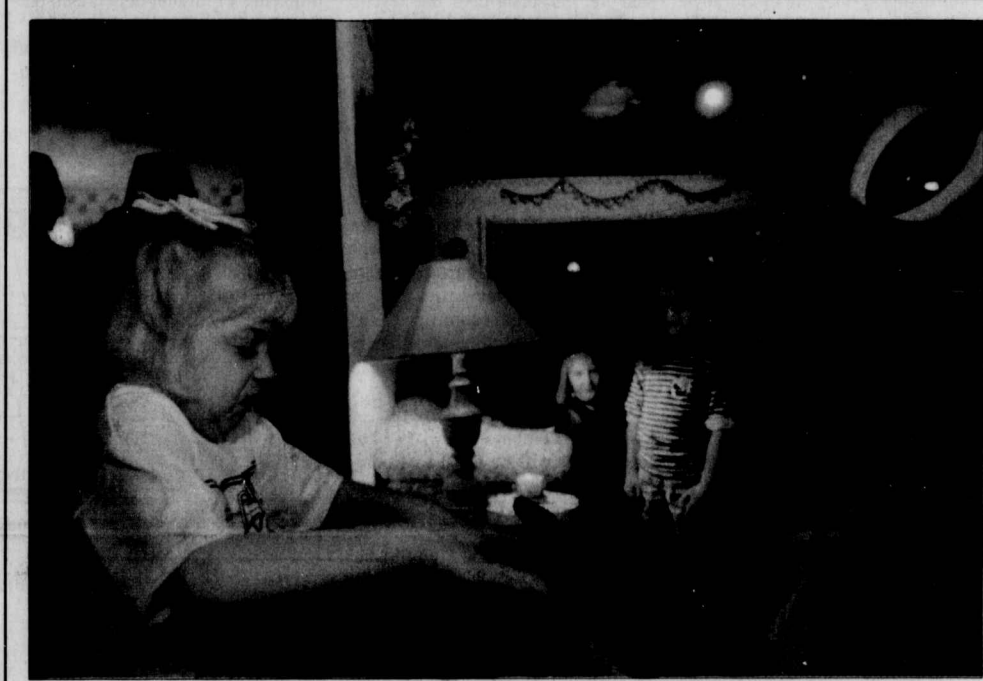
Texas fights underage drinking

greatest effects. "They might have a little shock to their system," Doak said.

So many things are required of campus officers that this will just be "a piece of the pie," Doak said.

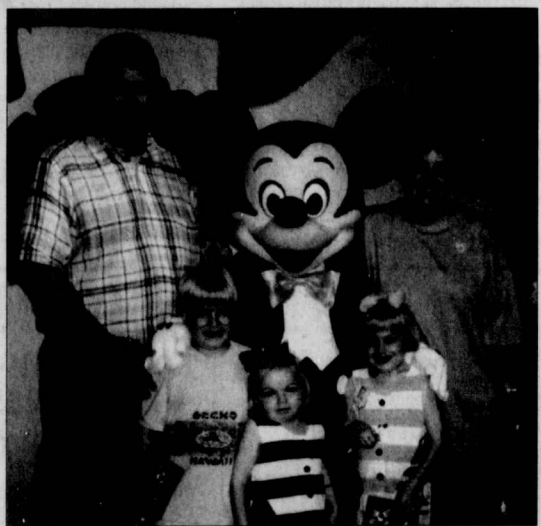
Texas A&M views the law as more of a crackdown on those individuals, especially underage drinkers, who decide to get behind

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SPECIAL TO THE SKIFF

Above: Laynie Holland, the 4-year-old daughter of TCU alumni, is entertained Wednesday by SuperFrog. Laynie and siblings, 7-year-old Spencer and 6-year-old Madison, need bone marrow transplants to help fight a rare genetic disease they all suffer. Right: The Hollands enjoys a moment with Mickey Mouse during a family vacation.



Alums' children fight rare disease

Parents search for marrow donors to stem tide of genetic affliction

By Anne Drabicky
STAFF REPORTER

SuperFrog made a special trip. Tickets to the Homecoming game, as well as a TCU football, helmet and jerseys were handed over.

But the material gifts cannot make up for the one special gift that three children of TCU alumni need most — and that currently seems out of reach.

At a welcome-home party for 7-year-old Spencer, 6-year-old Madison and 4-year-old Laynie Holland on Wednesday night, the theme was happiness.

But for parents Amy and Steve Holland, the reason for the party was more somber than the children's laughter heard throughout their home suggested.

The Holland family had just returned from a trip to a hospital in Minneapolis, Minn., where all three children underwent a series of physical and mental tests to determine if the fatal genetic disease that affects them all had gotten any worse.

The children were diagnosed in October 1994 with mucopolysaccharidosis, or MPS.

To be classified as rare, a disease must affect 100,000 or fewer people — MPS affects fewer than 500 people in the United States.

"We had no earthly idea anything was wrong," Amy Holland said.

The first signs of a problem came when the young parents noticed that their children could not lift their arms completely above their heads and that one of Maddie's pupils was dilated and the other was not.

This prompted a visit to a neurologist, who immediately recognized the symptoms of MPS.

He tested Madison for MPS, and the couple had to wait for six weeks for test results.

"After we found out she was positive, we had the other two children tested," Amy said. "We knew within a week that all three of them had been diagnosed with MPS."

At the time of the diagnosis, Spencer was 4, Maddie was 3 and Laynie was 15 months old.

"Our doctor said our children probably would not live to be 6 years old," Amy said.

MPS results from an enzyme deficiency and can cause a thick, gel-like substance to collect in major organs, bones and joints. There is no way to predict where or when the substance will collect.

The enzyme that is lacking is the one needed to break up the gel-like substance.

Spencer is most affected by the disease in his respiratory system, so

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Halloween haunts

Events around town give students alternatives to trick-or-treating

By Adriana Torrez
STAFF REPORTER

There's more to Halloween than trick-or-treating and haunted houses. Halloween can also be a great excuse to party, as area nightclubs can attest. Here's the scoop on some of the area's All Hallow's Eve celebrations.

If you want to try something different, head down to Hyena's Comedy Night Club/Swank at 604 Main St. This comedy/dance club ensemble has activities you can pair up for or do separately. Boris the Hypnotist will perform at 8:30 p.m.

"The last time we had him here I took him to KISS 106.1 and had him hypnotize (morning show members) Tara and Kelly," said Susie Long, an employee. "He's really good."

After the show, check out the Swankestein Halloween Costume Ball, with prizes for the best in the funniest, sexiest and scariest costumes. Admission is free until midnight.

Longhorn Saloon, along with other night clubs in the Stockyards area, will block off West Exchange Avenue for a street party. There will be live

music and a costume contest outdoors, but Longhorn will also have its own party inside. There will be a \$500 costume contest. Longhorn is located at 121 W. Exchange.

Looking for some good witch's brew? Well, it may not be made by witches, but The Flying Saucer will feature some brew anyway. Black and tans, Rogue Dead Guy and Blue Moon Pumpkin Ale are featured beers on Friday.

"They put these out during

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Parade to showcase campus spirit

By Brenda Schulte
STAFF REPORTER

As the week draws to a close, students are beginning to anticipate the final events of Homecoming 1997, which include the football game, the coronation of the queen and escort and, of course, the parade.

The parade, which will begin at 6:30 p.m. today regardless of weather conditions, will feature about 50 cars and floats, said Heather Jones, chairwoman of the Programming Council's Homecoming Committee.

Cars in the parade will carry Chancellor William E. Tucker, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs William H. Koehler, Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services Bronson C. Davis and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Don Mills.

Members of the Homecoming court, several TCU alumni and TCU cheerleaders will also ride in cars in the parade. The rest of the vehicles are sponsored by campus organiza-

tions. Groups had the option to decorate a car or make a float. About 10 groups opted to make floats this year, Jones said.

Organizations that make floats must have them approved by Programming Council's Homecoming Committee. Any material may be used to make floats, but most are made of tissue paper held in place by chicken wire. Groups may not spend more than \$800 on a float.

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A new beginning



Construction workers toiled into the night Thursday to prepare the new bookstore for its opening Saturday. (Please see Perspectives pages 4 and 5.)

Alumni Memories
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Pulse

Announcements of campus events, public meetings and other general campus information should be brought to the TCU Daily Skiff office at Moudy 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.

HOUSE OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES filing for executive officer positions 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. today. 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.

GOLDEN KEY NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY will meet to hear a guest speaker advise students on writing resumes from noon to 12:30 p.m. Monday in Student Center Room 203. Applications for the organization are due Nov. 11. For more information, call Nicole Miller at 924-7530 or Greg White at 920-2683.

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 an informal meeting at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in Student Center Room 205. For more information, call Chuck Williams at 921-7216.

A MARKETING CAREER NIGHT will be held at 5:30 on Thursday in Dan Rogers Hall Room 264. Executives from BTSI, Meridian Group, BDO Seidman, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad, American Airlines and Ultimate Venture Inc. will be on hand to answer questions.

Police Blotter

The following crimes were reported by Campus Police for Oct. 24 to Oct. 29.

Simple Assault

2:02 p.m., Oct. 24 — An officer was called to the Student Center after the recipient of a parking citation crumpled the ticket and threw it in the face of the officer who issued it. The citation was issued for overtime parking. When the suspect found the citation she drove by the officer, said "Thank you" and threw the citation in his face, hitting him in the left eye. When an officer spoke to the suspect over the phone, she told them her friend threw the citation out the window and that it never hit the officer.

Burglary

12:49 p.m., Oct. 26 — The owner of a vehicle parked in the Daniel-Meyer Coliseum parking lot called Campus Police after an unknown suspect stole a compact disc player from her car, damaging the dashboard.

Hit and Run

9 p.m., Oct. 29 — The driver of a white Honda Accord struck the rear fender of a legally parked vehicle in the Martin-Moore Hall lot while backing out of a parking space. The driver of the Honda left without attempting to notify the owner of the other vehicle.

Accident

5:30 p.m., Oct. 29 — A Campus Police officer requested aid from Fort Worth police after discovering one of the drivers involved in an accident had 10 warrants issued by Fort Worth Police for his arrest. Fort Worth Police were called after the Campus Police officer was dispatched to the scene of an accident at the stop sign on North Drive and West Cantey Street. When the officer asked for proof of insurance and a driver's license from both drivers, one of the drivers was unable to produce either. The officer then had dispatch run a check on the individual and discovered the warrants.

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GENETIC

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much so that the hospital refuses to operate on him further because surgeons cannot get a breathing tube down his throat.

The disease most affects Maddie in her knees, and Laynie in the valves of her heart.

MPS can also lead to blindness, deafness and eventually death. Currently the only treatment is through bone marrow transplants.

"Steve and I are both carriers," Amy said. "That gave us a 1-in-4 chance with each birth (to have a child with MPS)."

MPS occurs once in every 500,000 births and is also known as Gargoyles Syndrome because many of the children affected by it often experience distortion of the facial features.

Fortunately, Amy said, their children are very mildly affected.

"I looked at my children and I couldn't see anything like that," she said.

The success rate for bone marrow transplants at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth is only about 50 percent, so the Hollands would travel to the Minneapolis hospital, where the success rate is about 65 percent.

Transplants simply stop the progression of the disease, however, and are not a cure.

Jamie Moon, a friend of the family, said the transplant does not reverse the effects of MPS and is mainly done to prolong life.

"They're not sure how much longer

it will prolong it, either," Moon said.

Amy said she and her husband have considered transplants for all three children, but because of the rare type of the children's bone marrow, efforts to find a donor match have been unsuccessful.

"We're trying to encourage anyone who can go to a blood center and give blood (to have their marrow typed)," Amy said.

Prospective donors must be between the ages of 18 and 60 and in good general health. Good general health means the person cannot have any form of cancer, heart or lung problems or insulin-dependent diabetes.

Two tubes of blood are drawn, and the entire process takes 10 to 15 min-

utes. Minorities can donate free of charge, but Caucasian donors must pay \$40.

"If we decide to do this (marrow transplants), we're going to have to be very diligent," Amy said.

The Hollands have set up a fund to help with the medical costs associated with bone marrow transplants, each of which costs about \$25,000.

Those interested can send donations to Holland's Hope at Lake Worth National Bank, 3908 Telephone Rd., Lake Worth, Texas, 76135.

For more information on donating bone marrow, contact the National Marrow Donor Program at (800) 643-2448. The program is sponsored by Cook Children's Medical Center.

CORRECTION

In Thursday's edition of the *TCU Daily Skiff*, Chris Heber, an Air Force ROTC student from the University of Texas at Arlington, was incorrectly pictured in a story on the TCU women's golf team due to a production error. The picture should have been of junior Susan Horton.



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PARADE

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The process of making a float, referred to by TCU students as "pompom," begins two to three weeks before the parade. Greek organizations, paired into groups of two or three, along with several other campus organizations, submitted floats.

In honor of Halloween, students walking with the parade are encouraged to dress in costumes. Crowns, magic wands and balloons will be distributed to children in the crowd.

The parade route, which formerly started at Bluebonnet Circle and came up South University Drive, has been changed to move down West Berry Street to the TCU campus.

The change came in connection with Berry Street Initiative, Jones said. The Homecoming Committee contacted members of the group, who helped initiate the route change.

Merchants along West Berry Street are encouraged to participate in the event by distributing candy and dressing in costumes.

A pep rally, which will immediately follow the parade, will take place in front of the Student Center. Alumni and current cheerleaders will lead students in cheers. The Homecoming Court will be introduced, and winners from contests throughout the week will be announced.

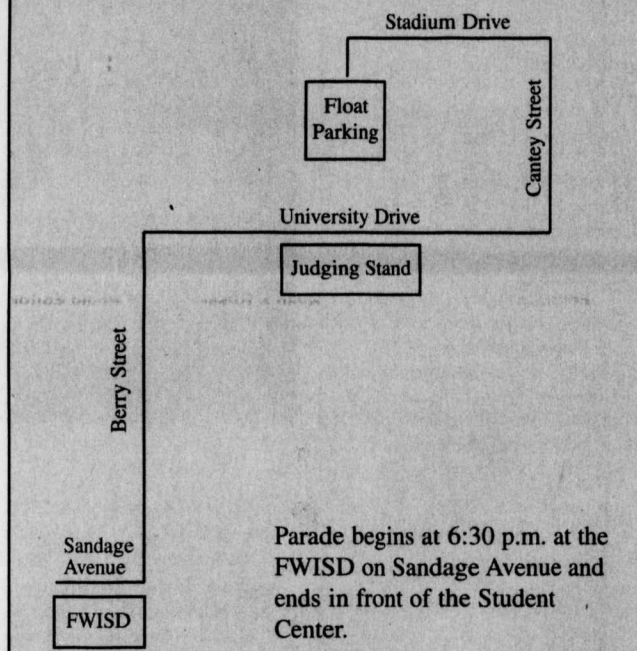
Dale Young, the director of teacher placement in the School of Education, will be master of ceremonies for the pep rally. A fireworks display will be held at the end of the rally.

For those who don't attend the parade, floats will be displayed in the main campus parking lot in front of Frog Fountain until Sunday afternoon.

Christina Stovall, a junior business management major and member of the Homecoming Committee, said she looks forward to the parade each year.

"It's always cool to see an idea brought to life through the floats," she said. "The parade is a fun, entertaining way to build excitement before the game."

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editorial

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD

In the rush of Homecoming and Halloween, it is easy to forget that Tuesday represents one of the most important days of the year for a democratic society — Election Day. Granted, a media circus has not formed around the uncontested races and noncontroversial amendments typical of an off-year election, but the importance of voting should not diminish with any election.

Though TCU has long been considered an apathetic campus, many students took the time this week to vote for Homecoming court. How much more important is voting on government officials and public policy?

It's quite a bit more important, especially when two of the proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution concern college students. One would enable Texans to use their homes as collateral for loans (including student loans), and the other constitutionally protects the Texas Tomorrow Fund (for an explanation of the amendments, please see the related story on page 1).

The trouble arises for those students who are registered to vote and would like to make their voice heard but who do not know where polling places are located. The lack of focus on the election makes such information scarce.

And TCU isn't much help. Phone calls by the *Skiff* Thursday afternoon to the Information Desk, the Office of Student Life and the political science department netted no answers as to the nearest polling places.

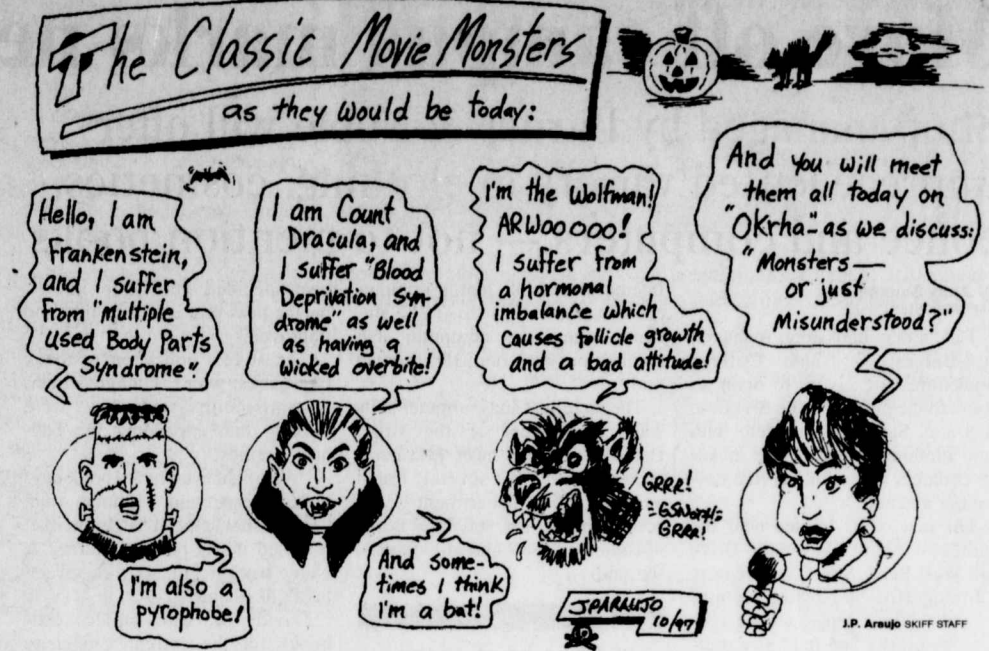
But fear not! For those of you democracy-loving, motivated citizens, the *Skiff* provides the following list of polling places:

Surprise! Tuesday is Election Day. The Skiff provides a list of the nearby polling places.

- Tarrant County residents can vote at any polling place in the county. Those in the TCU area include: the Como Community Center, 4900 S. Horne St.; the Southwest Sub-Courthouse, 6551 Granbury Road; and the John Mueller Building, 600 W. Weatherford St. The polls will be open for early voting today from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and for regular voting on Tuesday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Texas residents from other counties besides Tarrant can either vote Tuesday in their home counties or take advantage of early voting today at the Mueller Building.

A trip to any of these polling locations will take only an hour, a small sacrifice for the chance to shape public policy and make higher education a more attainable goal for Texas students.

New Year's Day we honor because we are celebrating new beginnings. Valentine's Day is for lovers. Easter and Christmas are Christian holidays.



Sugar shock, or tale of terror? Halloween has its roots in Roman empire exploits

Boo! Halloween is the day we all dress up in a strange, scary appearance in order to frighten others into giving us various sweets and treats to ward off our temptation to play tricks or pranks on them.

Thanksgiving is for celebrating football and turkey with all the trimmings. But Halloween is the only day where the intent is to scare people (unless you count April 15, but technically Tax Day is not an official holiday).

Why do we do this? Well, Halloween has interesting origins, and to learn them we must go back to the days of the Roman empire.

The time was the waning days of the republic, and Julius Caesar had just crossed the Rubicon and was about to enter Rome. On the way

there, Caesar's army hounded and intimidated some small towns into pledging their allegiance to Caesar.

At that time, the Roman soldiers were wearing funky new armor with the scrub-brush ornaments on their helmets, but word of the change of armor had not quite gotten around to all the little towns yet. When the townspeople saw these men with the strange armor demanding their allegiance, they were frightened into submission.

Some soldiers noticed how the new armor provoked fright, so they took advantage of it by demanding goods, sweets and other items along with their allegiance to Caesar.

Other soldiers were a little more imaginative, stating that they were evil spirits and making frightening and dreadful noises to scare the simple townsfolk even more into compliance. The soldiers went from house to house and gathered quite a booty with these tricks and deceptions.

Caesar was not aware of these practices by some of his men until he noticed they came back with more than they had left with when they went to these small towns. He pun-

ished the offending soldiers and demanded that the others discontinue these practices.

Caesar commanded — in Latin, of course — "Ael, haloes ist!" which translates as, "All, halt this (practice)!" Over the centuries this phrase has been corrupted into our word Halloween. The date of Caesar's declaration was, obviously, Oct. 31.

The soldiers obeyed, as one might expect, but their actions are still remembered in our time as our custom of going door-to-door on Oct. 31 with a frightening appearance and demanding goods upon the threat of otherwise imminent malevolence.

So tonight when you are faced with little trick-or-treaters (or if you are out gathering the goodies yourself), remember Halloween's Roman origins and picture the event from the soldiers' or the townspeople's perspective when "trick-or-treat" had a more ominous tone to it.

And remember, the above story is true because it is in the paper. Trick-or-treat!

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Tales from the TCU crypt

University's urban legends provide gruesome gossip

What's scarier than a Cyberwrap, scarier than the Sid W. Richardson Building psychosis-inducing blue elevator, scarier than Don Mills doing the Macarena at Frog Camp? Scary stories abound in all parts of life, many of them true, many of them myth. Try some of these popular, yet unsubstantiated, stories — our own Horned Frog urban myths, if you will — about the TCU campus:

A freshman girl, living in Colby Hall, begins to have excruciating pains in her right ear. As all good freshman Colby girls do, she goes immediately to the Health Center. The doctor there, after giving the obligatory strep test and asking about her menstrual cycle, conducts an examination. What he discovers leads him to surmise that, while the girl was sleeping in her dorm bed, a roach must have crawled into her ear and laid eggs. She is in pain because they have begun to hatch.

TCU's skeletons and worst secrets are well-hidden, to put it mildly. We might assume that we walk around in a scandal-free environment, safe from the horrors and terrors that haunt those other, more populated, public universities. We never assume, though we should, that the horrors and terrors are among us, in the places we hold as most safe. Try this:

A man partakes of lunch in the now-defunct Pit, refreshing himself with some of that good

ole' apple juice from a dispenser. Two hours later, in class, he begins to feel severe stomach pains. He, of course, excuses himself and heads immediately to the Health Center. Later he is discovered lying face-down in the grassy area between Sherley and Colby halls in a pool of his own vomit.

The apple juice that he partook of so blithely had been contaminated with salmonella.

These, of course, are just the milder examples of the desperation and depravity that can befall the human soul. They are, as well, just the milder examples of what has happened at TCU. Not all of the student body ends up delighted with diplomas, destined for a happy career in public relations, business or Taco Bell. Some people have a far graver end. Try this:

In Jarvis Hall, there is a stairwell leading up to the second floor. On the second floor, at the head of the stairs, there are three corridors. Two are long and nondescript, trundling away to the left and right. The third corridor, however, is short and odd-looking. It begins opposite the stairwell and runs for only a few feet before ending in a window. Fifty years ago, this corridor was a room. Outside the window of the room was a balcony.

The whole area was torn down, leaving that short corridor, because 50 years ago, the woman living there hung herself from the balcony.

Welcome to the darkness. Not all TCU students are killed by their own hands, however, or by the machinations and roaches of daily campus life. Some are the victims of far worse fates. Their

deaths are gruesome, the circumstances are mysterious, and the killers are still unknown. Try this:

It is a winter morning, a snow day due to a long storm the night before. Because school is cancelled, several students take their breakfasts out to Frog Fountain to eat and make a snowperson. Three or four students begin to play immediately, but one woman takes her meal to the fountain, where she sits on the rim and watches the others.

She looks down at the water in the fountain, covered by a thick layer of ice, and sees something strange. Several minutes later, the Campus Police are also there, and several minutes after the Campus Police arrive, the Fort Worth police do also.

The ice covering Frog Fountain is broken, and with a huge crowd of students as witnesses, the body of a young man is dragged out. He has been dead several hours, since before the freeze. Though an investigation is conducted, nobody ever discovers who he is, where he has come from, or why he is at TCU. The authorities only know that somehow he happened by, somehow there was a struggle, and somehow he was drowned. They suspect the murderer is a TCU student.

Just because the campus is bright and welcoming, serene and happy, does not mean that it has nothing to hide. Our campus has seen much more than it is willing to divulge. How many mysteries lie at its heart, how many murders wait to be avenged, how many gruesome acts take place that no one ever acknowledges, or believes?

How many people contribute to, or will be the victims of the horror? Will one of them be you? Welcome to the dark side. Welcome to TCU.

Julie Finn is a senior English major from Fort Smith, Ark.

Stones owe longevity to a deal with the devil

First of all, I want to wish everyone a very merry All Hallows' Eve. I also want to let you know that the 20 bucks worth of ugly, mismatched, thrift-store clothes you bought is not an original idea, since there will probably be at least a bajillion other disco kings and queens at any given party.

With that out of the way, I am going to fill you in on a little-known fact. For some of you, what I am going to relate may shock and sadden you. However, I feel it is my duty to inform all four of my devoted fans of the conspiracies and tricks that will bring harm and discomfort to them.

As many denizens of the Metroplex know, the Texas Motor Speedway will host the Rolling Stones and three other bands Saturday night.

Some of you have been duped into spending \$87 to attend this concert. People will swear up and down that it was worth every nickel, but if they knew what I know, they might be less inclined to enjoy what might be considered the biggest rock 'n' roll event since game four of the '89 World Series.

What I'm talking about, my friends, is a contract, and one of the unholy, Stephen King variety. The reason behind the Rolling Stones' peculiar longevity is because long, long ago, when there were such things as wizards and dragons and entertaining Saturday morning cartoons, five young men entered into a pact with Satan, exchanging their souls for eternal mortal existence.

These five guys lived from century to century, doing rebellious rock-star-type things. Eventually, they came into the 20th century, and when all that music revolution stuff went down, they formed a Brit-invasion band called the Rolling Stones, shocking parents and enthralling chil-

dren with tunes such as "Satisfaction," "Let's Spend the Night Together," and "Sympathy for the Devil."

Wait, don't roll your eyes yet. It isn't because of their music that I say they are in league with the armies of hell. It's because of the fact that they are still alive and kicking.

The fact that the Rolling Stones have not fallen to the ills of stardom is the most compelling argument for my theory. Take, for example, Keith Richards' arms. They look like a map of New England highways. He is the poster child for better living through heroin. Why isn't he dead yet? Because he cut a deal with Satan.

The same goes for Ron Wood. There is no logical explanation as to why he still has a liver, other than that livers aren't required if you sell your soul.

Aside from creative genius, they are certainly out of the running for a Nobel Prize. If a person ever listens to an interview with any one of them, he or she will be lucky to understand three words.

Not to mention that they are also not especially pleasing to look at. I think God made Mick Jagger directly prior to making groupers, bass, and carp, because the resemblance is incredibly striking. It is amazing that Jerry Hall ever gave him a second glance, let alone marry him.

Years from now, when cars fly and cloning technology has produced an entire Wayans brothers television network, the Rolling Stones will be moving right along.

Maybe they will write memoirs filled with entries such as, "I remember when they were putting up those rocks at Stonehenge — bully time, it was, bully time..." Hopefully someone will put two and two together and figure out why they are still around. Then again, people will probably still think disco clothes are acceptable Halloween costumes too.

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Letter to the editor

Football coach's high salary embarrassing
I used to follow TCU football with a kind of amused respect. Who cared if the Frogs never won? At least they tried, and they represented a university with some academic integrity.

At least, I thought that was the case.

But then I saw the Oct. 24 issue of the Chronicle of Higher Education, which informed me that the head football coach is the second high-

est-paid "leader" at TCU — one who currently makes nearly \$140,000 more than the provost and vice president for academic affairs! (And who somehow deserved a raise of nearly \$30,000 for last year's losing season!)

What in the world are you people thinking out there?

I'm disappointed and disgusted. And you should be embarrassed to have such statistics published.

Robert L. McDonald
doctorate degree, 1992

The next TCU Daily Skiff Issues page will run Thursday. The topic will be:

The political year in review

Next week marks the one-year anniversary of the 1996 elections. How has the year gone? Have the voters received what they anticipated from their chosen officials? If you have an opinion on this issue, please write a letter to the editor according to the guidelines printed above. Submissions must be 200 words or less and should be received before noon Tuesday.

Move off campus marks new era for University Store

Shop managed by Barnes & Noble will offer unprecedented variety in clothing, cosmetics, coffee and computers — not to mention books

By Andy Summa
STAFF REPORTER

TCU's new bookstore, managed by Barnes & Noble College Bookstores Inc., is set to open its doors to the public for the first time at 8 a.m. Saturday, complete with new clothing departments, make-up counters and a full-service coffee bar and cafe.

The new store, located near the corner of South University Drive and West Berry Street, will feature a Tommy Hilfiger clothing section, a Levi's men's department, a section of sorority and fraternity merchandise and a complete Lancome cosmetics line. The cafe will serve Starbucks coffee and will offer a full eatery.

"The heart of the campus has just moved (to West Berry Street)," said Lliisa Hannah, associate director of the bookstore. "The new store will cater to students. The goal is to provide quality service at all costs."

Though the store is open to the community, its merchandise and supplies are geared toward TCU students, Hannah said.

One of 350 such Barnes & Noble College Bookstores across the country, the new TCU store will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday. It will be closed Sunday. Grand opening activities Saturday will include free coffee and bagels from 10 a.m. to noon, bookstore officials said.

The 17,000-square-foot facility will allow a greater variety of merchandise to be sold, Hannah said. The former bookstore had approximately 5,000 square feet of selling space.

"We're doing things we've always wanted to do, but because of a tight budget or space limitations, we haven't been able to," Hannah said. "It's going to be good for all."

Heather Reed, a freshman fashion merchandising major and a student worker for the University Store, said the new store will offer students more selection.

"I think it'll be a big improvement," she said. "Our (former bookstore) seems really cramped. You could barely buy textbooks. It'll be better now. There's a lot more room. You can get everything you need... and there's even a cafe."

The store will also feature a "cybercafe," complete with three

Internet-accessible laptop computers. Available only to TCU students, the free computer lab requires only a school ID, Hannah said.

The technical and computer software department of the store, Hannah said, will have "the latest and greatest" of several brand names. The department will accommodate the software needs of computer users and aficionados, she said.

"The heart of the campus has just moved (to West Berry Street). The goal is to provide quality service at all costs"

— Lliisa Hannah, associate director of the bookstore

Textbook and office supply prices at the new store will remain about the same.

"It's hard to believe, but textbook prices are fixed," Hannah said. "We can't do anything about it. To help, we try to provide as many used books as possible, though."

Send-home billing will be available for charges at the new store, also. The original policy hasn't changed, Hannah said.

"Send-homes will be the same as always," she said. "You can use it to buy anything in the store. And, of course, we'll also accept cash, credit or checks."

Other bookstore policies and TCU-related specials have not yet been worked out by bookstore administrators.

The decision to offer a 20-percent discount on all TCU merchandise after a football team win hasn't been finalized.

"It'll be sorted out with the school after we settle in," Hannah said. "We'll see what happens."

The free textbook giveaway that has become a fixture at every TCU home football game is also yet undecided.

"Students who've already won (the raffle) will be honored," Hannah said. "But next year hasn't

been decided yet. Who knows, maybe next year it will be new and improved."

The store's policy on textbook buy-backs won't change either. Administrators said they were looking into expanding the buy-back periods.

"We might even have (book buy-backs) year-round," Hannah said. "There should be a larger market for used books because Barnes & Noble has agreements with several textbook chains."

David Yee, who handles textbooks for the current University Store, said the Barnes & Noble management will accommodate faculty requests for specific textbooks.

Security matters, both at and around the bookstore, have also been analyzed by Campus Police.

Equipped with video monitors, a high-tech burglar alarm system directly hooked up to Campus Police headquarters and undercover policemen, the new store should be quite safe for all its customers, said Campus Police Chief Steve McGee.

"TCU Police will probably have an officer on the premises," he said. "It'll get the patrol it needs because we also go by (the store) several times a night."

Froggy Five-0, the school's golf-cart safety escort service, will be available to student bookstore patrons at night, McGee said.

"When it's dark, we'll provide an escort, if needed," he said. "Most of the escorts are from 7 p.m. until 1 a.m. (Froggy Five-0) will probably go by the store at closing time."

McGee said he doesn't foresee any serious security problems at the bookstore.

"Barnes & Noble on University Drive doesn't have any (security) problems," he said. "You don't normally have security problems at a bookstore."

Though there are no call boxes between the bookstore and campus, McGee said that more could be installed, as needed.

"We're going to look into (adding more). Usually we have them in (sparsely trafficked) areas. The bookstore probably won't have that problem."

The store will employ 40 full-time employees, including 25 students. At the former bookstore, there were 18 full-time workers,



The Barnes & Noble-managed bookstore, which opens at 8 a.m. Saturday, features TCU logo clothing, retail clothing and cosmetics counters.

Hannah said. Most of the staff has been retained, she said.

"We wanted to keep people in place — people who would know the TCU students and not be concerned with self-interest," she said.

Terms of the agreement between Barnes & Noble and TCU have not

been disclosed.

Barnes & Noble College Bookstores Inc. operates more than 350 campus stores across the country. Some of its stores are at Yale, Harvard, Columbia, Northwestern, Texas A&M and Southern Methodist universities.

Barnes & Noble Inc. is the leading retail bookseller in the country. The company has more than 1,000 stores, reaching all 50 states, and it recorded more than \$2.48 billion in revenue in 1996. The company employs more than 23,900 people nationwide.

Bookstore loses manager, but gains student employees

Bigger facility calls for more full-time, part-time employees to serve students, community

By Danielle Daniel
SKIFF STAFF

The new Barnes & Noble-managed campus bookstore is more than three times bigger than the current University Store, and to compensate, at least 60 part-time and full-time positions will be filled.

The bulk of these jobs are part-time positions for students, with 24 positions already claimed and more to be hired, said Mark Bensing, Barnes & Noble director of stores. Eighteen full-time positions have been filled, he said.

Bensing said most current employees will make the transition to the new store, and the few who opted not to continue working in the bookstore were relocated to the Office of Admissions, the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center and the Office of Scholarships and Student Financial Aid. He said every employee was offered the same employee status and wages they earned at the University Store.

"We feel that the bookstore had a very professional, customer-oriented staff," he said. "We were sorry to see people leave who made that decision, but we understood it and we are very excited about the people who decided to stay."

University Store manager Mike Gore, however, will not make the transition to the new store. He received an offer to work at Washington State University's bookstore, the Student Book Corporation, and has chosen to leave TCU, where he has worked for 26 years.

Gore will begin his new job Dec. 1 as president and general manager of the Student Book Corporation.

"The job I am going to in the bookstore industry is at the top of the top — one of the premier jobs in the country," he said.

Gore applied in July and was one of four to interview for the position in October. He found out Oct. 23 that he received the job, and the deal was finalized Oct. 25.

"The opportunity to go up there is tremendous," Gore said. "The salary package and benefit package is unbelievable... it equates to some of the top jobs at TCU."



The bookstore will employ at least 60 part-time and full-time workers to compensate for the tripling in size from the current University Store. Employment programs will feature management training opportunities for student workers.

Though Gore said he is excited about working at Washington State's 75,000-square-foot, three-level store with 110 employees, he said TCU's new store will be a success and was the right decision for the school to make.

"Barnes & Noble and TCU have made a great match," he said. "The store is going to be beautiful... They will do a heck of a job."

Gore said he notified Barnes & Noble about his decision Monday. A replacement has not been found yet.

"I felt that it was important to get that out of the way so they could start clean, and they will," he said.

Gore's last day on the job at TCU will be Thursday.

Gore said the employees who have chosen to stay with Barnes & Noble will have benefits equal to those they had at the University Store. He said the medical and retirement packages are equal in value, and employees will also receive a discount at the store. The

free tuition coverage for employees' children, however, will no longer be available.

"It really does not apply to them (employees) because they don't have kids," he said.

Bensing said the benefits offered by the store were analyzed to ensure that employees crossing over to the new facility would not have their benefits compromised.

He said employees will have more chances now for job advancement through training and relocation possibilities to other Barnes & Noble-managed stores around the country.

He said he expects the new store to be decentralized, leaving product decisions to be made at store-level, thereby building a stronger support network for employees.

"There is not anyone sitting in New York City deciding that 36 of these sweatshirts need to go to

Texas Christian University," he said.

He said another significant addition to the store will come with the student workers.

"It's going to be a bigger store with longer hours, and we are going to do a much larger operation," he said.

The new store will offer more than extra cash to student workers. Bensing said the larger bookstore will be a training ground for students pursuing any field.

"We love to employ students," he said. "There are going to be a lot of employment opportunities for students going to school as well as those interested in retail management and business management."

He said the company's Best Seller Program identifies students who show high aptitude and allows them to go through a structured management training program.

"The program lasts about a year, and usually students are in their last year of college," Bensing said. "When they graduate, we guarantee them a management position with Barnes & Noble, and we offer them the opportunity to relocate anywhere in the country."

Bensing said the bottom line is that students working at Barnes & Noble are going to have a lot of career opportunities.

"We believe that every employee should be in power," he said. "That's how you give good customer service, and I have no problem at all giving students high levels of responsibility."

Students can expect to have the chance to do more than punch numbers into a cash register, he said. Bensing said students can work in clothing and merchandising and even be a part of the buying process if they show the aptitude. He said students also can work behind the scenes in accounting.

Bensing said he plans to overhire students initially because he's not sure how many students will ultimately be needed, or if they will actually work out at the store.

Miriam Spencer, a freshman psychology major, said she started working at the University Store during Family Weekend and has gotten an early peek at the new store while unpacking boxes.

"It was pretty neat because it is so big compared to this store, and the way it's set up is really cool."

Location expected to top others in area

Managers say retail counters, computer access make TCU's store stand out

By Regan Duplisa
and Melanie R. Rodriguez
SKIFF STAFF

The opening of the new Barnes & Noble-managed university store on Saturday will add another "first" to TCU's list of credits. Although TCU is not the first university bookstore that the firm has taken over, many additions and special features make TCU's the first of its kind.

Several managers of Barnes & Noble-managed bookstores across the nation agreed that TCU's 17,000-square-foot university bookstore will boldly go where no other college bookstore has gone before.

"We're not as lucky as you are," said James Kimmet, store manager of DePauw University's bookstore,

laughing.

TCU's new bookstore is the first of its kind in that it offers a wider range of services to its students. It will contain a cafe with three online laptop computers available for public use, as well as two software demonstration stations.

In addition to TCU logo merchandise, the store will be sell Levi's, Tommy Hilfiger, Bath and Body Works and Lancome products at stations throughout the store.

Barnes & Noble regional manager Monti Eddins said other universities have expressed their interest in viewing TCU's one-of-a-kind bookstore in order for them to generate ideas for expansion.

DePauw's bookstore, which location stayed in the university's Student Union after the takeover, increased

its sales area when Barnes & Noble assumed control. The increase did not include the merchandise range TCU will have. Bookstore officials at DePauw said they will add a coffee cart in February.

The University of Portland's bookstore was taken over by Barnes & Noble 12 years ago, a move that resulted in a space increase of four times its previous size. Store manager Josh Ryan said there is no cafe in the bookstore because it is located next to the cafeteria in the university's student center.

The Texas A&M University bookstore also remained on campus when Barnes & Noble took over six years ago. No major price changes occurred, although many more books were made available and the cash registers were computerized, a store employee said.

Closer to home, Southern Methodist University's bookstore is also run by the Barnes & Noble firm. Ten years ago, the store more than doubled its space when Barnes & Noble took over. While the store remained in its old location in the student union, it was renovated to meet its new needs.

"We got a brand new glorious store," said Karen Brubaker, a TCU trade book manager who was an SMU bookstore employee during the management change. "We seemed to really broaden the product range we carried."

Brubaker said that the prices did not change with the management change. Currently, the SMU bookstore does not contain the merchandise variety TCU's bookstore will offer.

"The (clothing and cosmetic



Bookstore officials say seven other universities will look to TCU's new store to gather ideas for renovating bookstores on their campuses.

retail) counters are a new concept of what we can do and should do," Brubaker said.

There was a change for the better in the contentment of the SMU bookstore employees, Brubaker said. Since the management was chiefly concerned with servicing

universities, they were more supportive. Brubaker said not many employees left, and those who did left by choice.

As of now, seven other universities have plans to model their bookstores after TCU's bookstore, Eddins said.

Evening celebrates alumni with awards

By Melanie R. Rodriguez
SKIFF STAFF

Purple Horned Frog pride was the unofficial theme for Thursday night's 43rd Annual Alumni Awards Dinner.

John Roach, recipient of the Royal Purple Award with his wife, Jean, clearly exemplified this theme by wearing a purple bow tie and cummerbund with gold horned frog button covers and cuff links.

"I'm a Frog through and through," Roach said. "My wife and I are probably the most guilty of purple hearts."

The awards dinner was held at the Rivercrest Country Club in Fort Worth. More than 250 guests were present, including trustees, former presidents of the TCU Alumni Association, members of the 1997 Alumni Awards Committee and members of the National Alumni Board.

William Harrell, president of the TCU Alumni Association, was Master of Ceremonies, and Chancellor William E. Tucker presented the eight awards to 11 recipients.

The first award of the evening was the Distinguished Alumnus Award. This award was presented to Leon Breedon, a 1945 graduate and an emeritus professor of music at the University of North Texas who has received three invitations to perform at the White House. The award is given to an alum who has achieved prominence in his or her field and brought credit to both the individual and the university.

During Breedon's acceptance speech, he remembered his days at TCU, including the night he and his buddies went to the foot of the fire

Tandy CEO accepts 'Royal Purple' honor

escape at one of the women's residence halls and shouted, "All gals who want some good lovin', come down here!"

William "Bill" Parrish, a 1961 graduate, and Sue Parrish, who graduated in 1962, were the recipients of the second award,

the Valuable Alumnus/Alumna Award. They received this award in appreciation for their service on the Chancellor's Council and their gift toward the completion of the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center.

Although Edgar Schollmaier never attended TCU, he became an alumnus Thursday night when he received the Honorary Alumnus Award. The former CEO of Alcon Laboratories serves on the Board of Trustees, the M.J. Neeley School of Business International Board of Visitors and is a regular at Horned Frog basketball games.

The Royal Purple Award was presented to John and Jean Roach, who graduated in 1961 and 1964, respectively. John Roach, CEO of Tandy Corp., is currently the chairman of the Board of Trustees and Jean Roach recently served as co-chairperson of The Next Frontier Regional

Campaign in Fort Worth. The Royal Purple Award has always been given to Fort Worth residents.

Another set of non-TCU graduates who received an award Thursday evening, John L. Cox, graduate of Rice University and his wife

Maurine, a graduate of University of Texas at Austin, were never Horned Frogs, but their children were, and their continued support of the university earned them the Founders Award.

They have given to the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center, the M.J. Neeley School of Business, the TCU Frog Club and the Annual Fund.

Cox and his wife met at TCU after World War II. Maurine Cox worked in the geology department and was given a nickname, "Queen of the Rocks," by Cox. They were married and moved to Midland, Texas, in 1950.

TCU has many famous Horned Frogs, and Thursday night the university named one more, former TCU track coach Charles G. "Bubba" Thornton, a 1970 graduate. Thornton, who is currently the track coach for the University of Texas, received the

Frog O' Fame Award in recognition of his achievement in sports. Thornton was named the Big 12 Conference track and field coach of the year for 1997.

Tucker said, "He was a Horned Frog, is today and will be tomorrow. He played and coached his way into TCU's golden history."

The Purple Horned Frog pride was apparent in Thornton's speech.

"This is where we're from. This is what we believe. This is a great university," he said. "When we walk out there, we are the best."

Helen Stubbs Potter, who graduated in 1937, was presented with the Alumni Service Award for her service to the Alumni Association. Potter is a member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors. The John William and Helen Stubbs Potter Professorship of Mathematics is named for her and her husband.

Former House President Sharon Selby, a 1997 graduate, received the Distinguished Student Award. While at TCU Selby was a resident assistant, a member of the Senior Executive Committee and a member of Mortar Board. Selby is studying international law at New York University.

When all the listed awards were given out, Harrell presented a gift to Tucker. The gift was a frame containing three pictures: a picture of the school seal in front of the flag pole, a picture of the statue looking towards the flag pole, and a picture of a single light on in Sadler Hall at night. Tucker accepted the gift and received a standing ovation from everyone present.

Alumni say changes show TCU's progress

By Brenda Schulte
STAFF REPORTER

Over the years, TCU students have watched the construction of new buildings, sampled new places to eat and noted differences in the general student population.

Students who visit with alumni this weekend may be interested in the history of TCU, from the changes in students' social lives to how the campus has evolved in general.

Nancy Styles, administrative assistant in the office of communications, graduated from TCU in 1974.

Styles, who was a music education major, said she has watched several changes occur on campus since she was a student.

Buildings that hadn't yet been built when Styles attended classes include the Moudu Building, the Ranch Management Building and Tandy, Moncrief, Francis Sadler and Wiggins halls.

Urbin McKeever, a senior vice president at Overton Bank and Trust, earned his bachelor's degree in accounting in 1975 and his master's degree in finance in 1976.

He said that when he visits TCU now, the first things he notices are the physical changes to the campus.

"(The) campus is a lot prettier now than it used to be," he said. "The landscaping is kept up a lot better. Entryways to campus are so much more pleasant."

For off-campus entertainment, some places students went still remain, but others have been lost to current development.

Styles said students often visited the historic village on University Drive.

"One of the most fun places was the 1849 village," she said. "It was on North University, where Hoffbrau (Steakhouse) is now."

Styles said the place where everyone went on big dates, like on Homecoming weekend, was

Farmer's Daughter, a steakhouse located where Ninfa's Mexican restaurant is now. She said good dates usually started at Farmer's Daughter.

"We weren't in a winning time for football," she said. "The most memorable football Homecoming I had was my freshman year. I was dating a guy in the band, and it was really cold."

She ate at Farmer's Daughter before the game, she said.

Chris Robinson, a 1990 news-editorial journalism graduate who is now a graphic designer at

Creative Fuel, said the students are what has changed most at TCU since he graduated. When he was in school, everything was more conservative, and people's attire reflected that conservatism, he said.

"When I was at TCU, everybody dressed up," Robinson said. "We all looked like we'd just stepped off the rack at Neiman's. It's more casual now, like they've all just stepped off the rack at the Gap."

— Chris Robinson,
class of 1990

Secret's out: Iowa woman expecting 7 babies

By Roger Munns
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CARLISLE, Iowa — For at least four months, the folks of Carlisle had kept a little secret: Their own Bobbi McCaughey was expecting seven babies.

But when the pregnancy for the 29-year-old stay-at-home mom entered its 28th week — when doctors believed the fetuses had reached a viable stage — lips started to loosen in this Des Moines bedroom community of 3,200.

"I imagine at least half of the town knew and kept quiet," said florist LaVena Owens, who sent flowers to McCaughey's home and hospital room. "These aren't just people, these are friends. That's the way our town operates."

Word leaked to local media Wednesday, and by nightfall the

world knew of the pregnancy, a rare event. There are no known living sets of septuplets in the world; the last septuplet birth in the United States was in 1985.

While McCaughey's due date is not until mid-January, the babies could come at any time. She went into the hospital Oct. 15, and husband Kenny said they could be delivered next week.

"We didn't mean to be ornery, but we had to get them to the 28th week," Owens said. "We got to that magic 28th week, the whole town could take a sigh of relief. That's how it leaked out."

Next-door neighbor Kay Thompson said she was bursting with the secret for months.

"She didn't want the media to know. She was in bed, she didn't want excitement," Thompson said.

"I can understand that. She's a very sweet girl.

Some people were still keeping quiet Thursday. Nobody at City Hall would talk about the pregnancy. Nor would Chuck Moering, vice president of a Carlisle bank where a trust fund has been set up for the family.

At Wright Chevrolet, where McCaughey's 27-year-old husband works as a billing clerk, salesmen Dane Wright and D.J. Wright said everybody at the dealership knew and had no trouble keeping it secret.

"We've known since July or before," Dane Wright said. "Once (Ken) found out, we found out. We've seen the ultrasound. I think he's overwhelmed."

"It's big news for Iowa; it's big news for Carlisle," Wright said.

House members, faculty discuss athletics, grades, study abroad

By Andy Summa
STAFF REPORTER

Faculty and students voiced concerns about the role of athletics, international education and grading integrity at the annual fall Faculty Senate and Student House of Representatives joint session Thursday afternoon.

The session is designed to be an open forum faculty and student representatives. Chief concerns at the session were the educational and financial effects of study abroad programs, grading systems and TCU athletic programs.

The athletic program discussion elicited the most response during the session, with several of the participants questioning the importance of athletics at TCU.

The role of intercollegiate athletic programs on university academics should be carefully scrutinized, said Bob Vigeland, chairman of the Faculty Senate.

"I'm trained in business," Vigeland said. "I believe an invest-

ment should be evaluated on its returns and by its risk. We're not getting much return (from the athletic program)."

Discussion of the TCU athletic department, specifically the football team, sparked debate over its relative pertinence to the school.

The sentiment among most of the student representatives was the program has strong value as an institutional tradition, but the economics should be re-evaluated.

Reaction from the faculty was mixed.

Nowell Donovan, a professor of geology, said athletics can easily co-opt the integrity of the university's academics.

"A few years ago, we celebrated the fact that the football team had a 100 percent graduation rate," he said. "We haven't seen that since then."

"You can't change tradition, but you can improve it with academic integrity," he said. "We should insist that the new athletic director puts

academics first."

Vigeland said because TCU is looking to fill three of the top positions on campus — chancellor, head football coach, athletic director — the role of athletics is especially important to members of the campus community.

"We're looking at significant change at the university in a very short period of time," he said. "We should let the Board of Trustees know what we think."

Several of the students said the program's importance boils down to publicity.

Many of the students felt that the national publicity the athletic program receives is important to the school's recruitment — and its image.

"Why can't we compete with Duke or Northwestern?" asked House Vice President Kevin Nicoletti. "They've got good academics and athletics. They're (private schools) like us."

The value of TCU's athletic pro-

gram can also be measured by tradition, participants said.

"Tradition has a lot to do with the college experience," said Ben Roman, vice president of programming.

Also chief among the discussions Thursday was grading procedures. Several student representatives and faculty members agreed grading was often unbalanced and even unfair.

Pointing out student work ethics, grade values and syllabus accuracy, both faculty and students said grading procedures are difficult to universalize.

"Are grades a reward for work or performance?" asked Pat Paulus, an assistant professor of biology. "Performance. But I hear a lot (from students) that work is (more) important."

Donovan said differences between departmental grading is evident in the six-year study he performed.

"I've seen huge differentiation from department to department," he

said. "I (studied) several intro freshman classes. I found that the freshman average was different by more than a whole (letter grade) from department to department."

Grade inflation was a primary concern for students and faculty. Paulus said she reads dozens of student essays every semester, but the grading is done on an individual basis.

"Some students' essays are great," she said. "But these are a distinct few. If we inflate our grades, we help the 'C' and 'D' students, but we hurt the 'A' and 'B' crowd. We're diluting their work."

Discussion of TCU's international education program was mostly positive — from both students and faculty.

Larry Adams, associate vice chancellor for academic affairs, spoke to the forum on the importance of the school's continued study abroad and international programs.

"We live in a global community," he said. "We've tried, over the last

few years, to provide comprehensive international studies. We're trying to infuse international issues into curriculums."

Student reaction to the program was strong. Discussion of the dual degree program was positive, too.

"I'm concerned about the money involved," Roman said. "I'm graduating this spring, or I'd love to go."

Several students said expansion of the dual degree program is worth considering also.

"A lot of emphasis (on classes) is international," Nicoletti said. "I think a dual degree is a phenomenal opportunity for students. We should expand to all areas."

Adams said TCU is trying to offer all students the chance to go abroad if they are eligible.

"Study abroad opportunities should be available to all TCU students," he said. "There's a minimum 2.5 grade point average requirement, but if that's a problem, (the student) should stay home and study anyway."



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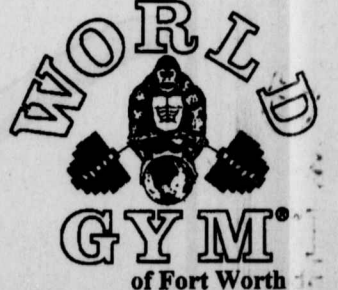
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Purple Pride. Unless you've lived in a hole for the past week, you know it's Homecoming weekend. Check out some of the events, including the parade, which begins at 7:30 p.m. today. And don't forget that the new bookstore opens Saturday. Shop till you drop... and send that bill home.

Freakers Ball. It sounds a little scary, and since it's at Deep Ellum Live on Halloween night, it probably is. Doors open at 8 p.m. for a costume contest and music by Days of the New, Creed and American Fuse.

Wurstfest. If you just can't stand to be in Fort Worth this Frog-filled weekend, venture down to New Braunfels for the opening weekend of Wurstfest, a festival in honor of the town's German heritage. Admission is \$6.

Little Charlie and the Nightcats. This California blues/jazz/swing/rockabilly band will be on hand at Poor David's Pub, 1924 Greenville Ave. in Dallas on Saturday night to celebrate its 20th anniversary and the release of Straight Up!, the band's latest album. For more information, call (214) 821-9891.

Pocket Sandwich Theatre. See fellow Horned Frog Lindsay Owens, a sophomore in a comedy spoof of "Phantom of the Opera." Shows start at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 7 p.m. Sunday. The theater is located at 5400 E. Mockingbird Lane in Dallas. For more information, call (214) 821-1860.

Hip Pocket Theatre. The last play in the series, "Old Coots Read Genesis 1-8," will close this weekend at the outdoor Oak Acres Amphitheatre with a special Halloween celebration Oct. 31. For more information, call 237-5977.

El Dia de los Muertos. The Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, 1309 Montgomery St., will celebrate the Day of the Dead, a Mexican holiday, with a mariachi band, Ballet Folklórico Azteca and storyteller Victor Dominguez. The celebration will be held from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday and is free to the public.

Wear your Wranglers. The Fort Worth Stockyards will be the site of the Women's National Finals Rodeo today through Sunday. Call 654-1148 for times and tickets. Children in costumes will be admitted free on Halloween.

Nightmare on Seventh Street. The Fort Worth Weekly Halloween Bash will be held today at the Split Atom Cafe, 3500 West Seventh St., and will feature The Susans and Hillbilly Cafe.

American Music Week. Violinist Barbara Barber will perform at 7:30 p.m. Monday in Ed Landreth Auditorium as part of this weeklong celebration of American music. The event will continue Tuesday with the TCU Chamber Orchestra's concert at 7:30 p.m.



Guy Bickers SPECIAL TO THE SKIFF

This virtual reality game allows GameWorks visitors to experience the thrill of horse racing. This game is one of many such racing games included in the 21,000-square-foot arcade, which redefines play with cutting-edge technology, in the new Grapevine Mills mall. The grand opening of the mall was Thursday.

GameWorks arcade offers pricey fun



Mitch Youngblood
Commentary

The opening of the Grapevine Mills mall this weekend is going to be a huge event because of the high number of stores which cater to practically every whim.

One of the biggest and costliest places in the entire mall is GameWorks, a video game parlor/virtual reality arcade and eatery. It isn't so much a store as it is a two-story arcade with a restaurant on the second floor. GameWorks is a fascinating but expensive experience.

The setup for playing the games is simple. People insert money into

a machine which returns a card with credit for that much cash on it, much like the Vendacard system for making photocopies in the Mary Coats Burnett Library. Players then insert their cards into slots on arcade machines, and the amount required to play is automatically deducted from the cards.

One of the coolest aspects of the facility is the classification of arcade games by types. With about 250 titles to play, crowding in a typical arcade would be inevitable. But in GameWorks, all the racing games are in one area, and all the sports games are in another, and so on.

The layout of GameWorks mirrors Hollywood: There is flash, pizzazz and style to spare, but once you're past the surface, there isn't enough substance there to justify the expense.

Each area of the complex has its own theme, but that can get old. Yes, arcade games are cool to play, and the atmosphere of

GameWorks is breathtakingly intense, but improvements need to be made fast.

My primary complaint: the inaccessibility of the lone bathroom. After a 40-minute drive to Grapevine, a quick trip to the lavatory is understandable. But after 20 minutes upstairs looking for the way downstairs, and then another 20 minutes on the floor looking for the bathroom, I finally spotted it tucked into a far corner.

After this side trip, I rejoined my friends in the quest for the ultimate gaming experience GameWorks touted in news releases and commercials.

The two most highly recommended games at GameWorks are "The Lost World," a lightgun shooter where two people sit in a game pod and plug raptors, and "Vertical Reality," a four-player shooter in which the players' seats physically move up as they progress through the game's four levels.

Here is what is bad about them

both: "The Lost World" is expensive to play but easy to beat if you know how to aim a gun and squeeze a trigger, and "Vertical Reality" looks a lot better than it plays. I beat it the first and second times I played, and it is just a variation on a shooter. All you do is squeeze a trigger and hope you hit what your cross hairs are on.

I'm bashing "Vertical Reality" because, despite its potential, the result is disappointing. It supports up to 16 people divided into four groups of four, with the members of each group playing against each other.

The technology that allows this to happen must be incredible, and if so, then the level its first game plays on is far below where it should be. Keep an eye on this style of game, though. One day it may be as extraordinary as it has the potential to be. Too bad today is not that day.

On a tastier note, the food was top-notch. I dislike gourmet food

more than anything, but the smorgasbord of delicacies available was fantastic. The restaurant has good service as well, not to mention a fabulous view of the floor so patrons can keep an eye on everything that is happening.

Since I drink neither coffee nor any type of healthy juice, other than orange juice, I'm not the most qualified person to ask about the coffee shop or the juice bar. But both were very open and very friendly.

GameWorks is a fun experience for the whole family, but not for long. At the other locations, in Las Vegas, Ontario, and Seattle, there is a cutoff time when people under 21 have to leave.

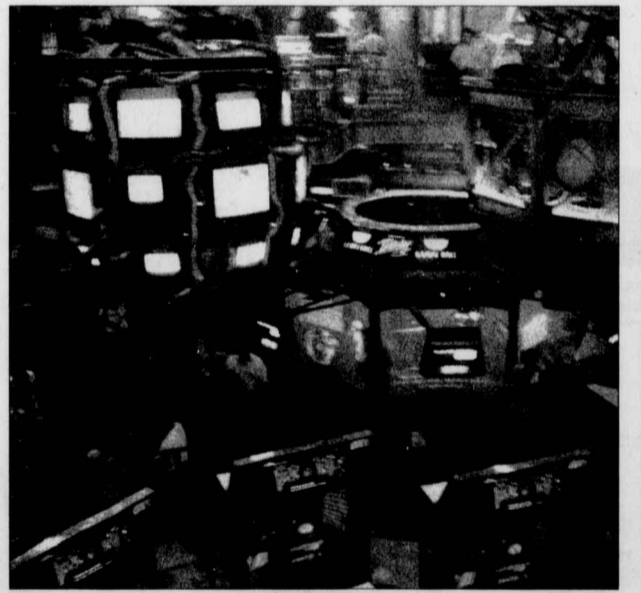
The Grapevine location doesn't have a cutoff time yet, but expect it to hit during the first quarter of 1998. For now, the entire family can enjoy GameWorks, and I recommend it.

Mitch Youngblood is a junior radio-TV-film major from Dallas.

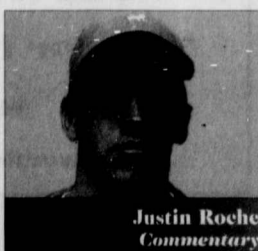


GameWorks opened Thursday night in the Grapevine Mills mall north of the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. The idea for the chain of arcades came from director Steven Spielberg and the former president of Atari. Winning players' stats and pictures are displayed prominently throughout the complex on several hanging television screens so that visitors can feel like celebrities when they win a game.

Guy Bickers SPECIAL TO THE SKIFF



Stage West comedy achieves dramatic harmony



Justin Roche
Commentary

Much to the dismay and sorrow of his parents, a young man leaves his childhood home in a quest to find himself and begin his new life as an independent—and all the joys that come with it. No, this isn't a story about my first semester here at TCU (my parents weren't that sad to see me go). It's the premise of the latest show playing at the Stage West Theater, Neil Simon's "Come Blow Your Horn."

After writing a letter explaining his reasons for leaving, 21-year-old Buddy Baker (played by TCU's own

Jamie Wollrab) departs to take up residence in his older brother Alan's apartment. The older sibling welcomes the younger with open arms and invites him to stay as long as he likes. But Buddy still has one thing to worry about: the wrath of his father, who employs both of his sons.

Soon his mind shifts and he decides to go back, but his freewheeling and love-dealing brother talks him out of it, telling him of all the wonders and pleasures to be had by being independent.

Alan, fresh from a ski trip with one of his many lady friends, must rush off to an important (and forgotten) business meeting, and leaves Buddy in charge of entertaining the lovely young woman. Full of anxiety and the sweaty palms that go with it, Buddy agrees.

As Alan runs off and Buddy prepares for the beginning of his new life, a chain of events begins that changes both men's attitudes toward

life forever.

A sudden visit from the boys' mother, who wants to smother Buddy, and a berating father who tells his sons "bums" that they're fired, serve as a reality check for the newfound permanent roommates.

To make matters worse, the one woman Alan has genuine feelings for, Connie Dayton (played by TCU student Carey Van Driest), gives him the four syllables that all men fear deep in their hearts. No, not ballet tickets—ultimatum. When Alan opts not to marry Connie, she leaves in haste, wiping the tears from her eyes as she walks out of his life forever.

Soon the brothers find themselves at ends with each other. Buddy has adapted to Alan's happy-go-lucky lifestyle so well that Alan realizes how futile and empty it truly is. As Buddy grows into his new party-hardy attitude, we see Alan advance to the next level in life: responsibility. He begins to look for new accounts

for his father's business even though he's no longer employed by him, hoping to find favor in his eyes again and take his mind off of the long-gone Connie.

As with every good play, all the elements converge at the climax of the show, when in a very comedic moment, the mother decides to run away from home too.

Theater

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As the father chases her down, the whole family is forced together, and everything is laid out on the table. But as tempers flare and words are exchanged, another place is set at that table—for Connie, who stops by to bid farewell before she leaves for

England.

Realizing what he really wants, Alan makes a last-ditch effort and proposes to his true love and then turns around and shows his father the new accounts he's managed to obtain.

The ending serves as a reflection of the hilarious comedy that is abundant throughout the entire show: plenty of one-liners and snappy comebacks. Playwright Simon, a master of dry and witty humor, truly has a winner here.

The promising portrayal of an excited but exasperated Buddy by Wollrab is well done, along with an impressive metamorphosis by Chuck Huber, who plays Alan. The entire cast's skill at humor and timing, along with great characterization, give this show plenty of reasons to blow its own horn.

Justin Roche is a freshman advertising/public relations major from St. Charles, Mo.

Pulse

Top tracks in the nation for the week ending Oct. 31

Top singles

1. "Candle In the Wind 1997 — Something About the Way You Look Tonight," Elton John (Rocket) (Platinum)
2. "You Make Me Wanna . . ." Usher (LaFace) (Platinum)
3. "How Do I Live," Leann Rimes (Curb) (Platinum)
4. "4 Seasons of Loneliness," Boyz II Men (Motown) (Platinum)
5. "All Cried Out," Allure featuring 112 (Track Masters)
6. "My Love is the Shhhh!," Somethin' for the People featuring Trina & Tamara (Warner Bros.)
7. "Foolish Games — You Were Meant For Me," Jewel (Atlantic) (Platinum)
8. "Tubthumping," Chumbawamba (Republic)
9. "Quit Playing Games (With My Heart)," Backstreet Boys (Jive) (Platinum)
10. "The One I Gave My Heart To," Aaliyah (Blackground)

Top albums

1. "The Firm — The Album," NAS Escobar, Foxy Brown, AZ and Nature (Aftermath)
2. "You Light Up My Life — Inspirational Songs," Leann Rimes (Curb) (Platinum)
3. "The Dance," Fleetwood Mac (Reprise)
4. "Butterfly," Mariah Carey (Columbia) (Platinum)
5. "The Velvet Rope," Janet (Virgin)

Country singles

1. "Love Gets Me Everytime," Shania Twain (Mercury)
2. "In Another's Eyes," Trisha Yearwood and Garth Brooks (MCA Nashville)
3. "Honky Tonk Truth," Brooks & Dunn (Arista Nashville)
4. "Everywhere," Tim McGraw (Curb)
5. "Thank God For Believers," Mark Chesnut (Decca)
6. "Love Is The Right Place," Bryan White (Asylum)
7. "If You Love Somebody," Kevin Sharp (143-Asylum)
8. "Something That We Do," Clint Black (RCA)
9. "How Do I Get There," Deana Carter (Capitol Nashville)
10. "Today My World Slipped Away," George Strait (MCA Nashville)

R&B singles

1. "You Make Me Wanna . . ." Usher (LaFace) (Platinum)
2. "My Love is the Shhhh!," Somethin' for the People featuring Trina & Tamara (Warner Bros.) (Gold)
3. "My Body," LSG (Eastwest)
4. "4 Seasons Of Loneliness," Boyz II Men (Motown) (Gold)
5. "Feel So Good," Masse (Bad Boy)

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Theater Key

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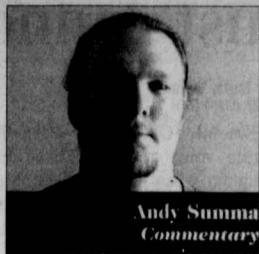
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Little-known director dazzles with bold film



Andy Summa
Commentary

Paul Thomas Anderson's controversial "Boogie Nights" can best be compared to a boy "reading" *Playboy* for the first time: the film isn't concerned with the context of the material — just the material.

It's a dynamically dazzling movie from a previously unknown director who has attained maestro status overnight.

"Boogie Nights" is a funkadelic timepiece that portrays human nature at its wide-lapelled worst — and best. Complete with platform shoes, flashy disco lights and the bubble gum nostalgia of 1970s quasi-sexual pornography, Anderson's "Nights" is a masterfully constructed and poetically jarring film. It is a cinematic tour de force.

Using the '70s porn industry as a canopy, Anderson paints a cinematic masterpiece that invigorates with its sheer audacity and tantalizes with its fantastic cinematic syntax. "Nights" is the year's best-directed film.

An epic voyage into the narcissistic excesses of the 1970s, "Nights" follows a 17-year-old busboy (Mark Wahlberg) through the murky waters

of the adult film industry. But it does so with such flair that the risqué subject matter becomes secondary. The film isn't about a young porn star — it's about the personality inebriation that comes with celebrity.

Just one problem: The film's basic premise, when stripped down to its birthday suit, is disappointingly conventional. Basically, it's an "innocence to corruption" story, one which has been done too many times before. "Nights" presents it in a more outrageous manner, but it's still the same archetype.

Fortunately, Anderson compensates for this shortcoming with delusive boldness. The film is shot with the confidence and aggressiveness of a young Altman or Scorsese, lending the film a palpable gunslinger's mentality.

Such attitude, along with deliciously hypnotic cinespeak, keeps the film firmly stationed on the cutting edge of

Film

Boogie Nights

Starring Mark Wahlberg, Burt Reynolds, Julianne Moore
Directed by Paul Thomas Anderson

★★★★★

cinema and on the outskirts of madness. For a 27-year-old sophomore director (His first movie was last summer's "Hard Eight"), "Nights" is a movie marvel.

Anderson's remarkable scene parallels in the last 20 minutes of the



Julianne Moore and Mark Wahlberg star in "Boogie Nights."

movie (parking-lot prostitution to limousine sex to donut-shop robbery) mark him as a master craftsman. These scenes' eerily unrelenting musical score, coupled with prodigious filming and subtle symbolism, are captivatingly artistic.

Frustratingly, Anderson doesn't maintain this level of mastery throughout the film. Many of the scenes are too long and self-involved

You find yourself wanting the movie to move forward, but Anderson is too busy revelling in crackerjack filming techniques. His aesthetic tricks are fun to watch, but they also slow the movie down. At 152 minutes, "Nights" would have benefited from more scene-slicing and, well, less vision.

But Anderson's cinematic forest is far more dazzling than its trees. Had

the premise been more original — and still filmed with such zest — "Nights" could have been a watershed movie. As it is, however, "Nights" marks the arrival of Hollywood's newest cinematic carpenter — one who has the tools to be a brilliant filmmaker.

Andy Summa is a senior news-editorial major from Alvin, Texas.



The pursuit of a serial killer leads FBI agent Frank LaCrosse (Dennis Quaid) into a scary situation on a Colorado railroad in "Switchback."

'Switchback' dead on arrival

Trite screenplay suspected in cinematic wreck

"Switchback," starring Dennis Quaid and Danny Glover, is like a horrible, twisted freeway accident. It's not a pretty sight.

Andy Summa
Commentary

This movie is such an upsetting wreck, in fact, that a film critic cannot cover it adequately. Only someone trained in such matters can do it justice.

So, accordingly, I've switched hats from film critic to accident reporter. And, like any good journalist covering a skin-crawling crash, my checklist of facts is complete and graphically violent.

Here are the gory details: **Identification of dead and/or injured.** Quaid and Glover's careers. For them to try something this disoriented and wrenchingly sloppy, they both must be pretty desperate — or in need of new agents.

Director Jeb Stuart, who wrote "Die Hard," "The Fugitive" and "48 Hours," should have stuck with writing. His directing pulse is faint.

Time and location. Mostly set in 1996 in West Texas, the movie tracks a serial killer from Amarillo

to Oakland, Oh, and during this time, the killer kidnaps an FBI agent's son.

Types of vehicles involved. Meant to be a star vehicle for Quaid and Glover, "Switchback" is a bad star vehicle. The film's lack of originality and knack for laughable suspense are packs of sugar in the gas tank.

Cause of accident. A horrible script, a slew of bad cliches and dreadful direction are prime suspects in this clunker.

Poor character development, giant plot holes and indecipherable directorial style are reportedly suspects as well.

Film

Switchback

Starring Dennis Quaid, Danny Glover
Directed by Jeb Stuart

Identification of others involved. Supporting characters R. Lee Ermey, William Fichtner, Jared Leto and Robert Peters. Their careers are also in traction. For Fichtner, fresh from the fantastic "Contact," this is a step backward.

Where dead and injured were taken. Quaid and Glover have been taken to the Hollywood Morgue. The others have been transferred to The Hollywood Bad Movie Detox Center.

Extent of injuries. "Switchback" may have killed the careers of Quaid and Glover. Stuart's condition is reportedly serious, too. This quality of work suggests brain damage.

Condition of injured. See above.

Heroism, rescues. The only thing heroic was Stuart's decision to make the movie only an hour and 40 minutes.

Arrests or citations. None, though charges of bad taste are still pending.

Funeral arrangements. A service for Quaid and Glover has been scheduled by contemporaries Pauly Shore, Howie Mandel and Yahoo Serious.

Damage to vehicles. Stuart's car was reportedly looted by angry viewers.

Speed, origin, destination of vehicles. "Switchback" is headed for a quick video release at speeds of 10 million miles per hour.

Unusual weather or road conditions. "Switchback" is on the Road to Nowhere, just an exit from the Highway to Cinematic Hell.

Accounts by eyewitnesses. This reporter noted several audience members choking while trying to swallow the movie's stupid premise.

Rubbernecking, authorities reported, was not a problem.

Andy Summa is a senior news-editorial major from Alvin, Texas.

Dylan turns out another winner

Rock guru's "Time Out of Mind" an archive of music wisdom

Andy Summa
Commentary

Musically, Bob Dylan is a wise old sage in a crowd of know-it-all teenagers. He quietly mutters his sapient musical scriptures while the mainstream audience's roar of self-indulgent condemnation drowns him out.

And he couldn't care less. His latest album, "Time Out of Mind," is a sanctimoniously powerful effort from a musician whose very work helped sculpt the statue of rock 'n' roll. Dylan's gritty poetry, soul-stirring vocals and stoic music provided the DNA for future so-called musical renaissances.

The spirit of today's alternative scene is a direct descendant of Dylan's anti-establishment stance in years past.

But unlike today's music, "Time Out of Mind" doesn't wallow the listener over the head with a thumping bass line and screeching guitar solo to get his or her attention.

No, "Time Out of Mind" works much more subtly and is more satisfying to the ear. Dylan's balladic and balletic music is a wormhole into an uneven universe — one that's not too concerned with life but is painfully aware of it.

At once haunting and pacifying, "Time Out of Mind's" lyrics speak of a man who has endured the travails of life and wants to tell audiences about it. Dylan is not a bitter old coot; he is a sagacious guru looking at life from the other end of experience.

Today, Dylan's music is a proverbial mistress that takes your mind off reality, if only for a moment.

On the last track of the album, "Highlands," Dylan says, perhaps autobiographically: "For some things in life/it just gets too late to learn/I'm lost somewhere/I must have made a few bad turns."

This is a man who is rueful and defiant — a musician who has shunned mainstream while irrevocably altering it.

Dylan's simple guitar strumming and bluesy-fied rhythms soothe the listener into a pacifistic nirvana — a musical pub where alcohol isn't meant just for drinking, but for washing away the day's problems. That's the theme throughout the

album. Dylan's no longer concerned with persuasive politics, jarring philosophies or changing perspectives. Today, Dylan's music is a proverbial mistress that takes your mind off reality, if only for a moment.

But Dylan still knows how to boogie, too. "Love Sick's" pulsing rhythm and blues-inspired undercurrents, paired with apocalyptic crooning, make for a deliciously Dylanesque jam.

"Time Out of Mind" is a fantastically satisfying album. More heartfelt than anything a "fresh" alternative band could ever muster, the album is the industry's purest effort of the year.

Whether or not this great music is heard by today's musical community doesn't really matter, though. Musical genius, recognized or not, is nonetheless genius.

Music

Time Out of Mind

by Bob Dylan
Sony

★★★★★

From the tone of the album, you get the feeling that Dylan doesn't care anyway.

Andy Summa is a senior news-editorial major from Alvin, Texas.

THE MAIN ALTERNATIVE

By Eden Baker and Scott Schreiber
SKIFF RESTAURANT REVIEWERS

This weekend a concert in Deep Ellum led us there for dinner. We decided to go to the Angry Dog Cafe. We heard it was a great place and also it was right in the middle of Deep Ellum. The restaurant itself is not too elaborate. Basically, it's your everyday bar/restaurant setting with a bar on one side, tables on the other, and with TVs and pool tables on either end.

The menu is full of sandwiches, salads, burgers, soups, appetizers and desserts. Their claim to fame, however, is "The Angry Dog," which is a huge hot dog covered in chili, cheese, onions and who knows what else.

It is supposed to be great, so if you're a hot dog fan, you should try it. We, however, stuck with hamburgers and fries, which were great. We had absolutely no complaints. All of the other food looked just as good.

The servers bring you more than you'll be able to eat, so be sure to go hungry. They will constantly check to see if you need anything else. We give big points to the servers. It seems as if they all work as a team, which is nice to see. All of the employees were very laid back and willing to get patrons whatever they needed.

For the area, atmosphere and quality of food, the Angry Dog is relatively inexpensive. On average, you can get an entree, drink, and dessert for about \$10. Overall, this is one of the best restaurants for quality and value that we have visited.

So, if you're looking to get out of Fort Worth, the Angry Dog is a great place to go, either for dinner or just to hang out. Or if, you're not a big Dallas fan and prefer to stick in Fort Worth, look for next week's review. We'll send you somewhere a little closer to home.

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Horned Frogs seen on concrete trucks

Local company advertises purple pride

By **Clare McLehman**
SKIFF STAFF

From street signs to bumper stickers, clothing to chants and cheers, TCU students let people know they are the Horned Frogs... and they are proud of it.

Tarrant Concrete, which has been servicing Fort Worth since 1968, is helping spread Purple Pride beyond the boundaries of campus.

In 1985, Tarrant Concrete owner Jim Rainbolt decided to use his company's cement trucks to promote college teams in the Southwest Conference.

Each truck had its own color, representing the color of the Southwest Conference school. But in 1990, Rainbolt's son James became a Horned Frog and the focus of this venture shifted entirely to TCU.

Now, three mixers and one gravel truck sport a purple and white coat, with TCU's beloved mascot displayed on the door.

"It attracts a lot of attention," said

James Rainbolt, who graduated from TCU in 1994 with a degree in advertising/public relations and now works in sales for his father's company.

"We get lots of questions about the Horned Frog," he said.

Even though Jim Rainbolt did not attend TCU, he said he has "been around TCU a long time. Chancellor Tucker is a good friend of mine.

"I love TCU and believe it is a very important part of Fort Worth," he said. "I just want to be a part of it."

The company supports TCU in many ways. Tarrant Concrete has worked on maintenance around the TCU campus, and the company is currently working on the Mary D. and F. Howard Walsh Center for Performing Arts.

Company employees have also cooked for coaches, staff and Frog Club members, and they take food to events in their Hospitality Wagon. The Hospitality Wagon is a purple and white trailer with Horned Frogs painted on the side used for trans-



Tarrant Concrete owner Jim Rainbolt has three mixers and one gravel truck that sport the purple and white of TCU. Rainbolt turned his trucks into TCU booster vehicles in 1990, when his son began attending TCU.

porting their cooking gear.

Rainbolt also has a little bus, the "Frogmobile," which is adorned in purple and has the names of some coaches and players he knows well written on horned frogs on the sides of the bus.

Rainbolt said they take it on road games in Texas. In the past it has ventured to Baylor and Texas A&M universities. This year, it will travel to Rice University, for Rice's Nov. 8 homecoming game against TCU.

"We want to show our support

for TCU and will continue to do so in any way we can," James Rainbolt said.

His father agreed.

"The whole city gets behind TCU and everyone gets fired up when the team does well," Rainbolt said. "I've supported the sports programs in the past and still do... I don't think we've ever turned down any program they need us to sponsor.

"The whole idea of it is I really believe in TCU," he said. "It's good for Fort Worth and it has certainly been good to me."

Mentoring TCU alums just cannot stay away

By **Beth Wilson**
STAFF REPORTER

Not all TCU alumni leave their purple spirit at the base of Frog Fountain when they graduate. Many give back to the university by being a mentor and offering internships to students.

Several departments have alumni/student mentor programs that allow students to take advantage of the experience of the alumni.

The School of Education has several alumni in the field who help place student teachers.

Dale Young, director of teacher placement, said there is an alumni board designed to give advice to students.

Bob Forrester, class of 1960 and principal of J.T.

Stevens Elementary School in Fort Worth, said part of his job as a teacher is to help young people enter the field.

"I feel like we get a lot from TCU," he said. "It is only natural to give back."

Forrester said the program between TCU and the Fort Worth Independent School District is good idea because it gives students a chance to benefit from the teachers' experience.

Gaila Arther, principal of Blue Haze Elementary School in White Settlement, received her master's degree from TCU in 1982. She said her school has about 20 TCU graduates teaching there.

Arther said the education students receive at TCU does not stop where the university ends. TCU students deserve a top notch school in which to continue their learning, she said.

Renee Williams, a speech pathologist at Garner Elementary and TCU graduate, said she has several graduate students working with her. She said it is a professional duty to open her offices and let graduate students experience what she is doing.

Paula Couch, a speech pathologist at All Saints Hospital, received her

master's degree from TCU in 1992. She said All Saints Hospital offers students an opportunity to intern at the hospitals.

She said she wants to support TCU before offering the intern positions to other schools.

"TCU is near and dear to my heart," she said.

While some alumni offer support through internships and job opportunities, others simply give their time.

Andrew Rhodes, class of '89 and the Alumni Band president, said his volunteer position allows him to interact with current band members.

Current band member Bill Swindlehurst, a senior English major, said the Alumni Band members are

true supporters of TCU athletics.

"The Alumni Band reinforces tradition," Swindlehurst said.

He said he likes to talk to alumni.

Rhodes said several former band members donate money to the band. He said alumnus Bob Wright, who graduated in 1950, donated a large sum of money over a five year period specifically for the purchase of new instruments.

Some departments have had mentor programs for several years, but the department of speech communication is in the beginning stages of developing an alumni mentor program.

William Powers, chairman of the speech communication department, said he would like to give students a chance to talk with people who are using their speech communication degrees.

Tina Hearne, a graduate student, is helping coordinate alumni involvement.

This program will allow students a chance to meet with successful alumni in the speech communication field, she said.

"It is all about networking and who you know and contacts in the field," she said.

"It is a renewal for them to associate with young people who are preparing for a life as teachers."

— Bob Forrester, class of 1960

Alumnae groups help exes support TCU

By **Lauren Syler**
SKIFF STAFF

One Thursday morning each month, a group of women gather to continue their affiliation with TCU. They come from many different backgrounds and have long since graduated from the institution.

Kristi Hoban, Director of Alumni Relations, has worked with past Horned Frogs in many aspects, including the Thursday Morning Women's Exes group in Fort Worth and the women's alumni group in Dallas.

"Houston had a really active women's alumni group up until a few years ago," Hoban said. "The pressures of family and other outside activities caused these individuals to have to quit having the group."

The Thursday Morning Women's Exes was established in 1959 and creates an outlet for women alumni to give back to their alma mater by doing positive things for TCU. The women meet on the second Thursday of each month in the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center.

Women rekindle college friendships, assist alma mater through scholarships

There is an active membership of 150, and the group has a regular attendance of 100. There are also honorary members of the organization, such as the chancellor's wife and the wife of the minister at University Christian Church.

Caroline Robinson, a past president of the organization, said, "The objective of our organization is to foster a spirit of loyalty and fellowship among alumni and those interested in TCU and to promote education and other interests in TCU."

Robinson said the women's exes give a yearly scholarship of \$200 to an incoming freshman called the Gayle and Mary Beth Scott Scholarship. They also sponsor a creative writing contest for TCU students and have a "Move-In" day luncheon for children of TCU alumni.

Robinson graduated from TCU in 1974 with a degree in speech pathology. Her daughter also attended TCU.

"Being a member of the TCU women's exes helps you to stay a part of TCU and renew old acquaintances," she said. "I have really enjoyed that."

Ruth R. Thrush is also a member of the Thursday morning group and has judged the writing contest, which is sponsored through the English department, for the past eight years. The women's exes sponsor the prose/nonfiction division of the contest.

Thrush is no stranger to writing experience. She is a 1943 graduate of the journalism department. Her father, J. Willard Ridings, founded the department.

Thrush wrote for the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* and *Editor & Publisher*, a magazine that covers the newspaper industry, in New York City.

She wrote for a paper in Killeen and worked for Witherspoon and

Associates Advertising and Public Relations Agency in Fort Worth. Thrush later taught English for the Fort Worth Independent School District for 27 years.

The Dallas women's alumni group was established in 1926.

Elizabeth Barlow, a past president of the group, said her alumni group supports scholarship students. Each year, the financial aid office submits a list of students to the organization.

A student is then chosen from the Dallas area. The student must be in good academic standing and show a need for financial assistance for the \$1,000 scholarship.

The Dallas organization meets on the first Friday of each month for lunch and a program. About 25-30 of the group's 40 members are active.

Barlow said the group's first scholarship recipient was Sidie Jo Johnson, who later became poet laureate of Texas.

"We're still going strong after all these years," Barlow said. "We love to show our support and help prospective students at TCU."

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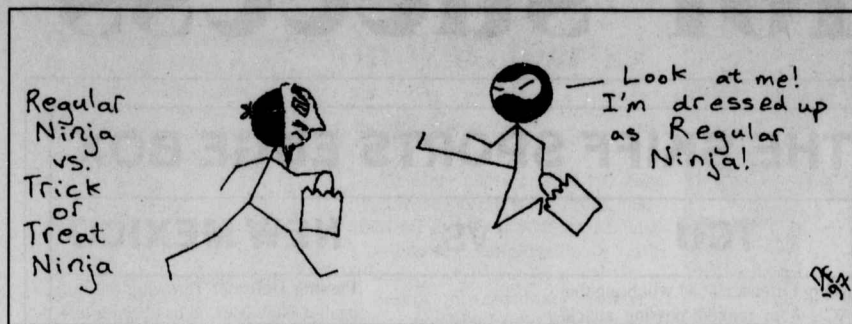
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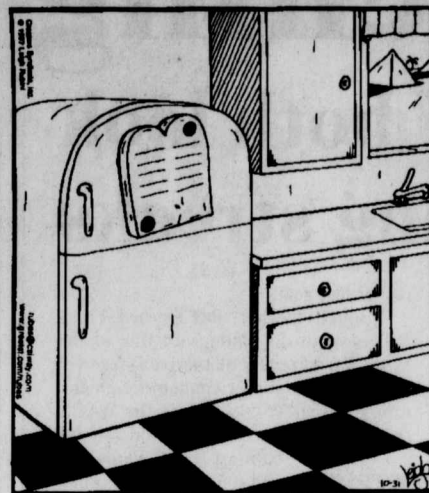
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NCAA

NCAA accused of violations, paper says

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department says the NCAA is violating a federal law that protects students with learning disabilities by improperly limiting their athletic eligibility, *USA Today* reported.

The newspaper reported Thursday that the Justice Department accused the NCAA of being too rigid and urged that it award a fourth season of athletic eligibility to 34 unidentified students who were barred from intercollegiate competition as freshmen.

The NCAA also was told to compensate five unnamed students who claimed their rights under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act were violated.

The newspaper had no further details on the individuals involved or where they attended college.

"Several of the things they recommend we do, we're already doing," Elsa Cole, the NCAA's general counsel said.

The Justice Department said the NCAA refused to give credit toward athletic eligibility for many classes designed for students with learning disabilities, *USA Today* reported.

The NCAA granted full eligibility to 29 percent of learning-disabled athletes who applied for such status last year, compared with 71 percent of students with no learning disabilities, the newspaper reported.

Boxing

Tyson punctures lung in motorcycle spill

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Mike Tyson, who punctured a lung and broke a rib when he took a spill on his motorcycle, was issued a \$77 ticket Thursday for not having a license to operate the cycle.

Police said the Nevada driver's license Tyson was carrying during his accident Wednesday night was not valid for motorcycles.

Meanwhile, doctors say the 31-year-old former heavyweight champion was expected to recover fully within six weeks but will be spending a day or two in the hospital.

Tyson's manager, Rory Holloway, said the fighter was sore but in good spirits.

"We're just fortunate that he is OK," Holloway said. "It could have been a lot worse."

Holloway said Tyson was riding with two friends to his Farmington estate when his Honda skidded on some sand as he was exiting Interstate 84, about 10 miles east of Hartford. He was wearing a helmet and a leather riding jacket.

Tyson's injuries were consistent with a motorcycle accident and there was no evidence of alcohol or drug use, said Dr. Lenworth Jacobs, chief of Hartford Hospital's trauma unit.

NFL

49ers not looking past Cowboys

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys are struggling and the San Francisco 49ers are on a roll.

Come Sunday, when the teams meet, none of that will matter, insists 49ers safety Merton Hanks.

"You look at their personnel, you look at what they bring to the table, you just automatically assume they should be doing better," Hanks said Wednesday. "Everybody's kind of looking for them to bust out. We're just trying to make sure it's not against us."

Hanks pointed to the outcome of the last two meetings between the Cowboys (4-4) and 49ers (7-1) to underscore his point.

In 1995, the 49ers were given virtually no chance to beat the surging Cowboys, but backup quarterback Elvis Grbac hit Jerry Rice with an 81-yard touchdown pass on the second play of the game and San Francisco pulled away for a 38-20 victory at Texas Stadium.

Last year Dallas appeared on the brink of falling out of playoff contention, but rallied for a 20-17 overtime win at San Francisco to turn its season around.

Searching for success

UNM, TCU both look to end losing streaks

By Todd Shriber
SKIFF STAFF

Two teams headed in opposite directions will square off Saturday afternoon at Amon Carter Stadium. The Horned Frogs and the New Mexico Lobos will provide the study in contrasts for the homecoming crowd.

These two teams have one thing in common though, and that is losing streaks. New Mexico's losing streak is at two games, while TCU's rests at nine games, dating back to last season. Along with coping with a losing streak that will probably keep growing, the Horned Frogs have to contend with the off-field distractions surrounding the resignation of head coach Pat Sullivan.

If any team has looked forward to playing TCU this year, it's New Mexico. After starting the year 6-0 and looking like contenders for the WAC championship, the Lobos find themselves reeling after losing to Rice and Utah the last two weeks.

The Lobos may have played themselves out of a shot for the conference title, but they still harbor hopes for a postseason bowl berth. A team struggling like TCU provides the perfect opportunity for the Lobos to get well.

New Mexico needn't worry too much. The Lobos have the offensive firepower to have a field day against TCU's porous defense. The Horned Frogs' defense has given up 86 points in the last three games, and generosity like that is bound to snap the Lobos out of their offensive doldrums.

After averaging nearly 36 points a game in their first six contests, New Mexico has only scored 33 points in their last two games.

The Lobos will rely on a balanced attack to kick start their offense Saturday. Junior running back Lennox Gordon leads a rushing attack that is ranked 16th in the nation, averaging 217 yards a game. Although Gordon has been plagued by injuries this year, he is still averaging five yards a carry, and he was the Mountain Division's leading

rusher last year.

Through the air, the Horned Frogs will have to do battle with one of the WAC's most potent quarterback-receiver combinations: junior Graham Leigh and senior Pascal Volz. Leigh is the WAC's second-rated passer, having thrown for almost 1,500 yards and 14 touchdowns this year.

Volz has wreaked havoc on opposing secondaries all year, catching 44 passes for 829 yards and 10 touchdowns. TCU has not faced a team as balanced offensively as New Mexico all year, and that balance is sure to keep the much-maligned Horned Frog defense on their toes all afternoon.

On the other side of the ball, the Lobos present a formidable challenge to opposing offenses. Roaming in the secondary are seniors Billy Austin and Ramos McDonald, two of the WAC's top defensive backs. McDonald is an All-WAC candidate who has an interception return for 70 yards this year.

TCU might get a bit of reprieve because Austin is listed as questionable for Saturday's game, but if he does play, the Horned Frog offense will have to contend with another All-WAC performer.

Passing against the Lobos probably isn't the best idea for TCU's struggling air attack because New Mexico's pass defense is ranked 15th in the nation allowing just six scores through the air.

Running won't come easy for the Horned Frogs either, as New Mexico features senior Blake Irwin, a second team All-WAC performer of a year ago at linebacker. Irwin is New Mexico's second leading tackler of all-time.

No matter what strategy the Horned Frogs elect to use against the Lobos, a win shouldn't be expected. TCU has too many variables working against it in this game.

Having to play a team needing a win the way New Mexico does and playing for a coach that won't be the coach much longer casts a bad omen over the Horned Frogs' chances Saturday.

Todd Shriber
Analysis

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THE SKIFF SPORTS EDGE BOX

TCU VS. NEW MEXICO

Passing Offense: TCU will bring the WAC's 13th ranked passing attack into Saturday's contest against New Mexico's top-rated passing defense. QB Derek Canine performed capably in last week's loss to BYU, but he needs better production from his receivers. Experience against North Carolina's All-American secondary could work in the Frogs' favor, but the Lobos have honors candidates in their defensive backfield as well.



Passing Defense: The Frogs' pass defense is the WAC's second-worst and will face a huge challenge in defending Lobo QB Graham Leigh. Former safety Chris Staten will slide over to CB, and walk-on Landry Burdine will take over in Staten's absence, his first-ever start. Look for the Lobos to take advantage of TCU's relative inexperience.



Rushing Offense: TB's Basil Mitchell and LaDainian Tomlinson will need a big effort on the ground to keep the Frogs from third-and-long situations. TCU's third-down conversion rate is 28 percent, 15th in the WAC. UNM is allowing 157 rushing yards a game, but the Lobos have solid defenders in LB's Blake Irwin, Brian Urlacher and Bart Barnard.

EVEN

Rushing Defense: UNM has the nation's 16th-ranked rushing attack but has been slowed in the past two weeks. The Lobos have picked up only 123 yards on 66 carries and scored no touchdowns in their last two games. Tulsa and BYU exposed deficiencies in the Frogs' defense in consecutive weeks.



Special Teams: The Lobos rely on the leg of kicker/punter Jason Bloom and the WAC's best kickoff return unit. Bloom has had 28 touchbacks out of 50 kickoffs, and field goal kicker Colby Cason is the WAC's second-leading scorer. The Frogs had a good day on kickoff returns last week and will need a similar performance.

EVEN

Intangibles: The Frogs, desperately in need of a victory, have the pressure of playing against a Lobo team that can still compete for a bowl bid. The controversy surrounding head coach Pat Sullivan's resignation will not help a team still in search of its first win of the season. Look for the Lobos to roll on TCU's homecoming weekend.



Joel Anderson SKIFF STAFF

Passing Defense: Throwing the ball against New Mexico has been a task that none of the Lobos' opponents have succeeded in this year. The Lobos are ranked No. 1 in the WAC in pass defense, allowing a meager 175 yards a game throughout the year. Giving the Horned Frogs a bit of hope in the air is the injury of safety Billy Austin who is listed as questionable for Saturday's game. Don't expect TCU's struggling air attack to have a big day, though.

Passing Offense: QB Graham Leigh is the WAC's second ranked passer, with almost 1,500 yards and 14 TDs in eight games. Leigh's favorite target this year has been Pascal Volz, who is fourth in the WAC with 44 receptions for 829 yards and 10 scores. Expect the Lobos exploit TCU's biggest trouble spot, the secondary.

Rush Defense: The Lobos rank right in the middle of the WAC in rushing defense at No. 8, surrendering 157 yards per game on the ground. TCU has run consistently all year and shouldn't have a problem against New Mexico. LB Blake Irwin will cause trouble for TCU on the ground, though. Irwin was second team All-WAC last year and is one of New Mexico's all-time leading tacklers.

Rushing Offense: Lennox Gordon heads up one of the toughest run offenses in America. Gordon was a first team All-WAC selection last year while having a three game streak of 100 yard performances. Look for the Lobos to use their ground game to beat the Horned Frogs.

Special Teams: Colby Cason has made 13 of 19 field goal attempts and all 24 extra point tries on his way to becoming the WAC's second leading scorer this year. The Lobos lead the conference in kick returns. Their punting game is mediocre because they don't get as much practice as TCU.

Intangibles: The Lobos, who started the year 6-0, have lost their last two games and desperately need a conference victory to get back into contention for a postseason bowl. The Horned Frogs are still searching for their first win but are distracted by head coach Pat Sullivan's sudden resignation. The Lobos will get their winning ways back Saturday.

Todd Shriber SKIFF STAFF

TCU offensive stats

RUSHING	NO.	YARDS	AVG	LONG	TD
Basil Mitchell	94	430	4.6	21	2
LaDainian Tomlinson	85	379	4.5	36	5
Reggie Hunt	27	89	3.3	11	0
Lou Porch	21	67	3.2	14	0
Lance Williams	5	10	2.0	5	0
Tavarus Moore	1	6	6.0	6	0
Derek Canine	6	(-12)	(-2.0)	9	0
Kevin Colon	4	(-17)	(-4.3)	5	0
Jeff Dover	25	(-91)	(-3.6)	13	1
Others	1	(-12)	(-12)	(-12)	0
TOTAL	269	849	3.2	36	8

PASSING	COMP	ATT	%	YARDS	INT	TD	RATING
Jeff Dover	80	165	48.5	799	2	3	92.74
Derek Canine	19	44	43.2	211	0	1	90.96
Kevin Colon	3	14	21.4	36	1	0	28.74
Royce Huffman	1	1	100.0	1	0	0	108.40
TOTAL	103	224	46.0	1,047	3	4	88.46

RECEIVING	NO.	YARDS	AVG	LONG	TD
Torrie Simmons	21	282	13.4	32	1
Tavarus Moore	16	161	10.1	18	2
Basil Mitchell	16	120	7.5	25	0
Patrick Batteaux	12	113	9.4	18	0
Mike Brown	11	100	9.1	25	1
LaDainian Tomlinson	10	103	10.3	23	0
Lou Porch	5	32	6.4	12	0
Michael Crawford	4	63	15.8	21	0
Cedric James	4	51	12.8	15	0
Reggie Hunt	2	12	6.0	9	0
Lance Williams	1	9	9.0	9	0
Jeff Dover	1	1	1.0	1	0
TOTAL	103	1,047	10.2	32	4

Swim team hits the Atlantic coast

Women emerge victorious in first open water competition

By Rusty Simmons
SKIFF STAFF

Last weekend was a weekend of firsts for the women's swim team.

For the first time, the women entered a team in an open water swimming event. An open water swim is held in an ocean or lake rather than the more conventional indoor pool.

This was a successful venture in the ocean just off the coast of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., where the first annual U.S. Collegiate Open Water Swim Championships were held and where the distance squad of senior Stacy Fennell, sophomore Robyn King and freshmen Megan Ryther and Sarah Shepard captured the 3K championship.

"It was a great experience because you always gain experience from new situations, especially when you are successful," head coach Richard Sybesma said.

"I knew we had a good distance team that could compete," Sybesma said. "But I was pleasantly surprised with the first place finish."

Another surprise was the fact that in their first college seasons, Ryther and Shepard's times played an integral part in the victory. Their times, along with the other two participants' times were combined into a team time that left the closest follower, Pittsburgh, a distant 21 seconds behind.

The time was also good enough to beat perennial powerhouses such as Alabama, Florida State and Miami.

Although the team was in Florida on almost strictly business, the swimmers found time to play around in the ocean, go out to eat



Members of the women's swim team pose with their trophy from winning the 3K at the U.S. Collegiate Open Water Swim Championships in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

swam in Benbrook Lake, southwest of Fort Worth. Sybesma said they swam long distances, which they considered "training to train."

In the coming week, the women will focus and specialize on certain aspects of racing, or, as Sybesma said, "training to race."

"We are in good shape right now, but we are a little tired," Sybesma said. "We've had intense training thus far, and now we will fine tune things that need work for our upcoming meets."

The team's next meet is Nov. 7 in Houston. The women will then compete in a mixed team event against Notre Dame on Nov. 8.

To prepare for the meet the squad

Pulse

Football

Oklahoma State loses game, top tight end

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Suddenly, the outlook for Oklahoma State's football team isn't nearly as bright as it was just a week ago.

The defense, considered such a strength during a 6-0 start, got whipped Saturday in a 51-50 double-overtime loss to Missouri. The Tigers ran for 221 yards against a unit that had been allowing 60 per game, and finished with 452 total yards.

But the biggest blow was suffered by the offense, when tight end Alonzo Mayes separated his left shoulder. He's finished for the rest of the regular season.

Bob Simmons did a great job guiding his team in August after the Cowboys lost 11 players due to academic and discipline problems. The challenge he faces in the final four games might be even greater.

No. 19 Oklahoma State's final four games are at Texas A&M, at Oklahoma, home against Texas Tech and at Baylor.

Baseball

Pitcher heads south to resuscitate career

SAN DIEGO (AP) — For the third time since 1992, Fernando Valenzuela is heading to his native Mexico in an attempt to revive his career.

Valenzuela, who will turn 37 on Saturday, will join the Hermosillo Naranjeros on Sunday, Tony De Marco, his agent, said Thursday. The winter league season, already under way, continues into January.

"He's not going there for the money or anything like that," De Marco said Thursday from Los Angeles. "He's going there to keep in good shape to look for a chance at the major leagues next year."

Valenzuela played with the San Diego Padres from 1995 through June 13, when he was sent to St. Louis in a six-player trade that brought Danny Jackson to the Padres. Valenzuela was 2-8 with a 4.75 ERA with San Diego, and went 0-4 with a 5.56 ERA before the Cardinals released him on July 15.

Air Force loss opens doors for TCU soccer

Lady Frogs capture berth in WAC tourney

By Matt Pearce
SKIFF STAFF

Air Force's loss was TCU's gain Wednesday as the Lady Frogs qualified for their first Western Athletic Conference championship in team history.

Senior forward Stacy Zeigler's father attended the Air Force-Texas-El Paso game Wednesday, and he called TCU coach David Rubinson while the Lady Frogs were at practice to let them know they had made the cut.

"We were all excited," Zeigler said. "In fact, we had to stop practice."

The Lady Frogs hold the fourth seed in the WAC's Mountain Division. They will take on Brigham Young, the top seed in the Pacific Division, on Wednesday in Dallas. The winner of that game will play the winner of the New Mexico-San Jose State game Thursday.

Last season, the Lady Frogs finished 2-4 in WAC play, falling one game short of qualifying. Zeigler said by making it this year, the team has achieved its main preseason goal.

"It means a lot to everybody, whether you're a freshman or a senior," she said. "Everyone's worked really hard together. It's a major sense of accomplishment that everyone feels."



Patricio Crooker SKIFF STAFF

Angi Rubli, a freshman midfielder, charges for the ball during a recent women's soccer game. The women found out this week that they made the cut for the Western Athletic Conference tournament. Before

Zeigler said the players are optimistic about their chances at the BYU game and won't let the tournament pressures get to them.

"We're just going to take it like any other game," she said. "We have to go out and play hard and control the ball. We have to play physical."

Zeigler said TCU's presence in the championships will help the

team make a name for itself in the Dallas/Fort Worth area to potential recruits.

"A lot of people in the Metroplex and Texas see TCU as one of the weaker programs, and this'll definitely make a statement," she said.

Zeigler said the tournament is like a whole new season for the Lady Frogs. The WAC champions

that, though, they will face Texas A&M at 1 p.m. today at the TCU soccer field in a nonconference game. In the tournament, they will face Brigham Young on Wednesday in Dallas.

get an automatic berth in the NCAA tournament.

"We have to stay focused and take it one game at a time," she said. "We have just as great of a chance as anybody else in the tournament."

The Lady Frogs have two more nonconference games this season: against No. 3 Texas A&M at 3:30

p.m. today and against Utah at 1 p.m. Sunday. Both games are at the TCU soccer field.

Zeigler said TCU is going to play as hard in these games as any other.

"We're going to use these two games to help us prepare for the tournament, but we want to do our best and work hard to win both of them," she said.

Houston breaks ground for park

Astros' owner still negotiating financing terms with sports authority

By Michelle Koldin
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Houston Astros' owner Drayton McLane, Mayor Bob Lanier and Houston business leaders and shoveled dirt Thursday in a ceremonial groundbreaking for a new downtown ballpark.

The retractable-roof stadium on the east side of downtown, exclusively for baseball, is to be finished in time for the season home opener in 2000. Construction was narrowly approved by voters one year ago.

Despite the hoopla, which included free hot dogs and peanuts for several hundred fans, and the release of dozens of red, white and blue balloons into the Houston skyline, McLane acknowledged he still was negotiating with the Harris County-Houston Sports Authority over financing and with the engineering

firm Brown & Root Inc. on a contract.

"We're awfully close," McLane said. "We haven't solved all the problems that we need to, but we have gotten much closer, particularly on the financial side. The other one that's a more difficult process is getting the contract with Brown & Root."

McLane said the holdup was getting the price down to \$250 million. The plan is to build the stadium at the site of Houston's old downtown train station with \$180 million in local rental car and hotel tax revenues and \$70 million from McLane and other private sources.

McLane said he believed he could resolve his "small differences" with the sports authority — he declined to detail them — at the beginning of next week. He hoped to finish negotiations with Brown & Root by the end of next week.

Lanier, whose successor will be decided in an election next week, echoed that sentiment, noting that last year's countywide referendum to build the park barely passed. Local officials who favored a new stadium also faced resistance from some state lawmakers opposed to letting cities and counties use local tax money to pay for sports venues.

"This deal was on life support more than once," Lanier said. "We got it this far and it's going to happen."

McLane, saying he was losing money, had threatened to move the Astros if he didn't get a new stadium.

Business leaders rallied to close what McLane called a \$40 million gap. Enron Corp. Chairman Ken Lay, who led the effort, said more than \$35 million has been raised, with donations from companies such as Shell Oil Co. and Compaq Computer Corp.

TCU sports this weekend

FRIDAY

- Volleyball — vs. Fresno State, 7 p.m., Rickel Building
- Women's soccer — vs. Texas A&M, 3:30 p.m., TCU soccer field
- Men's tennis — at American West Invitational, Houston

SATURDAY

- Volleyball — vs. San Jose State, 7 p.m., Rickel Building
- Rifle — vs. Air Force at Colorado Springs, Colo.
- Cross country, WAC Championships at Fresno, Calif.
- Swimming and diving — varsity and alumni, 10 a.m., Rickel Building
- Men's tennis — at American West Invitational, Houston
- Football — vs. New Mexico, 2:05 p.m., Amon Carter Stadium

SUNDAY

- Women's soccer — vs. Utah, 1 p.m., TCU soccer field
- Rifle — at Wyoming
- Men's soccer — 1 p.m., at Tulsa
- Men's tennis — at American West Invitational, Houston
- Men's golf — at Rolex Intercollegiate Play, Miami

EVENTS

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Halloween," manager Elizabeth Haythorn said. "They're seasonal beers."

A costume contest will also be held, in which a total of \$175 in Flying Saucer gift certificates will be awarded. You can find the Saucer at 111 E. Fourth St.

8.0 Restaurant & Bar will be having "The Best Distortion of Reality" costume contest. Two bands will play: Water Poets will perform outside, and the Undulating Band with Brad Thompson will be inside.

How about this for incentive: First prize gets \$250 in cash.

8.0's is at 111 E. Third St.

Billy Bob's Texas will conduct its

David Allen Coe look-alike contest, along with a regular costume contest on Friday.

"Nothing could be more scary, if you've ever seen David Allen Coe," said Pam Minnick in the marketing and promotions department. "An old person with tattoos is really, really scary."

Minnick said Billy Bob's announced the contest three months ago so potential contestants could get tattoos. David Allen Coe himself will perform later that night.

You can find Billy Bob's at 2520 Rodeo Plaza.

For those of you who just want to get out of city limits, Dallas has

plenty of fun stuff too. The Lizard Lounge is putting on "The Ritual," its annual celebration, in cooperation with KDGE-FM (94.5) and The Church. It will be held at the Dallas Music Complex at 1000 S. Lamar St.

Bands will include the Necrotones and Nocturn. The first 1,000 people will receive a free Ritual compilation compact disc.

Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$10 at the door for 21 and over and \$15 at the door for 18-20-year-olds.

If you're in the mood to hear bands fight it out on Halloween, try the Battle of the Bands at Insomnia. Located at 2640 Elm St., in Deep

Ellum, Insomnia's trademark is that it serves caffeine instead of alcohol.

Some of the warring bands include: Gropius, Neon Girl, Dampier, The No Shows, Dread Scott, Popskull, Daun's Apple, Know Witch Whey, Lickwid and Ditch Kids.

Costumes are encouraged for customers.

And although it's not really related to Halloween, 2 Live Crew will perform at The Mixx. There will also be a costume contest. Prices for the show are \$10 for ages 21 and over and \$15 for the rest.

The Mixx is located at 3900 Walnut Hill Lane.

Tuesday ballot could affect students' loans

By Danielle Daniel
SKIFF STAFF

The Texas Constitution will face changes to 14 amendments on the November 4 ballot, two of which affect college loans across the state and on the TCU campus.

The proposed changes lie in the homestead protection law and the Texas Tomorrow Fund.

The homestead protection law prevents individuals from selling their home to pay off loan debts.

The proposed change in the homestead protection law, Amendment 8, would allow those seeking loans, including college loans, to use their house as collateral.

"I think there are pros and cons," said James Riddlesperger, an associate professor of political science. "The disadvantage is if a loan is

taken out on a house, and they end up in financial difficulties... they could lose their home."

Currently, Texas is the only state not to permit a form of using a house as loan collateral.

Another amendment involves the Texas Tomorrow Fund, which enables parents to pay a specific amount of money to the state to invest for college tuition years before the money is required. The benefit of the "qualified state tuition," or prepaid tuition program, is that parents are able to pay the current tuition prices for future education. Costs for room and board, books, and fees are not covered.

Forty-eight states including Texas have this option, with 65,000 families in Texas already investing in the program.

Usually money is paid according

to the age of the child. A newborn would require a total payment of \$6,200 for four years of college while a 5-year-old would need a total payment of \$9,300 for the same amount of time. The money can be paid in either a lump sum or in installments.

If a student who has invested in a prepaid tuition program chooses to go to a private institution, they can receive the original amount of money and the interest earned back.

The provision to the Texas Tomorrow Fund, Amendment 13, guarantees constitutionally that the state will protect the fund for those in the prepaid tuition program.

and they reap the benefits."

Shannon Corley, a freshman political science major, said she thinks the provision for the Texas Tomorrow Fund is important because it shows that the state is ensuring its commitment to help parents ease the burden of tuition costs.

"I think it's a really good idea," she said. "I think it's good that the state cares and wants to help as much as they can."

Riddlesperger said he would probably support the Texas Tomorrow Fund but he doesn't think the amendments should be included in the constitution.

"Most (amendments) shouldn't be in the constitution," he said. "They are too narrowly applied."

Amendments to the Texas Constitution currently total 365.

World Report

Nation

Dr. Seuss characters head immunization drive

ATLANTA — Dr. Seuss is helping the government teach parents that getting their children vaccinated is as basic as one fish, two fish, red fish, blue fish.

Six posters featuring Dr. Seuss characters were unveiled in Atlanta on Thursday to kick off a national immunization campaign. Each poster has a rhyme about a particular shot.

"What's going on here? What's wrong with this fella? Why isn't he protected against measles, mumps and rubella?" one poster says.

The art was donated by Audrey Geisel, widow of Dr. Seuss author Theodor Geisel.

Childhood immunizations are at a record high. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said a record 78 percent of 2-year-olds in the United States have received a full series of shots.

State

Texas law schools pursue minority recruits

DALLAS — Deans of eight Texas law schools are reaching out directly to minority would-be law students in the aftermath of the far-reaching Hopwood case.

"We want you to apply to our law schools, which provide welcoming and supportive environments for people of all cultures and beliefs," states the open letter signed by the

deans and published Thursday in Southern Methodist University's *Daily Campus*.

Harvey Wingo, who signed the letter as interim dean of the SMU law school, said the paid advertisement stems from an Oct. 2 meeting of the eight deans.

The four-paragraph letter states, in part: "A minority presence in our law schools allows a variety of interpretations on legal issues. Students of color, of varying cultures and socioeconomic status, bring to the classroom perspectives drawn from their varied experiences... We urge you to apply."

At Texas' four public law schools the number of first-year black students declined 23 percent, and Hispanics 19 percent.

The drop followed rulings in the case known as Hopwood, after Cheryl Hopwood, one of four white would-be students at the University of Texas law school who challenged the admissions policy in use when they applied.

That 1992 policy, meant to boost black and Hispanic enrollment, was struck down by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals as discriminatory against whites. The U.S. Supreme Court allowed the ruling to stand.

The ruling has ended the use of affirmative action in public university admissions and financial programs.

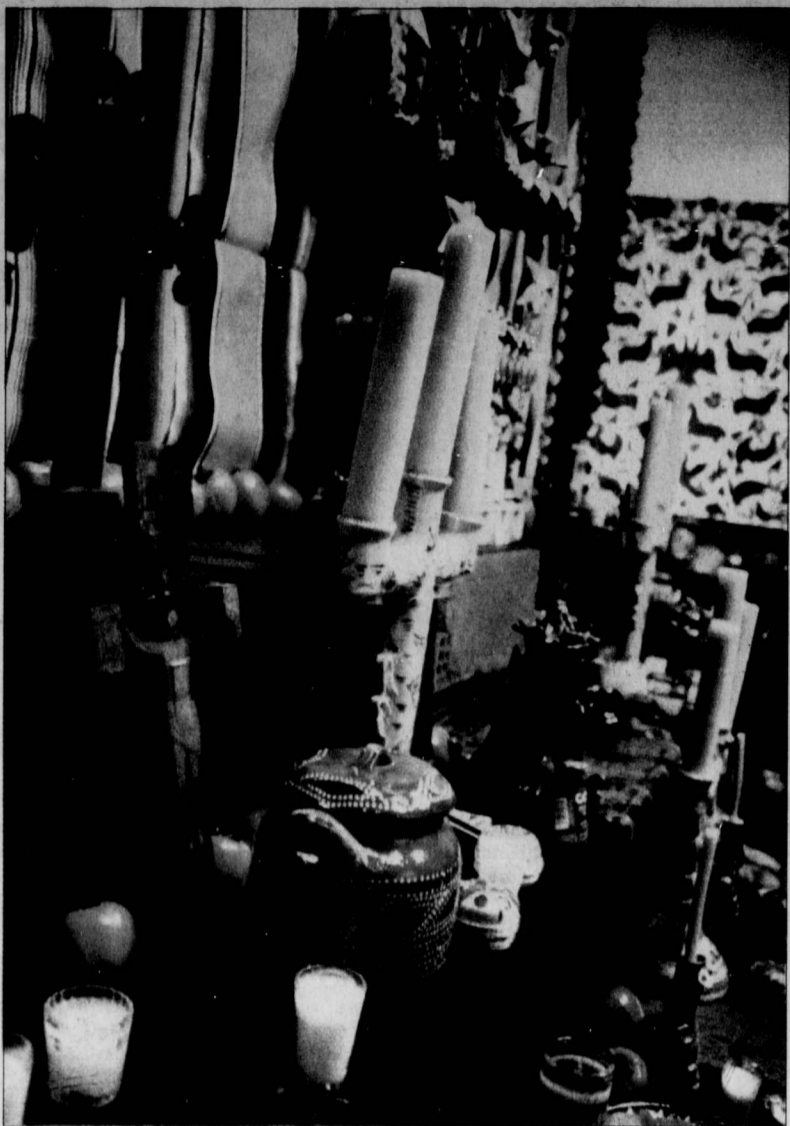
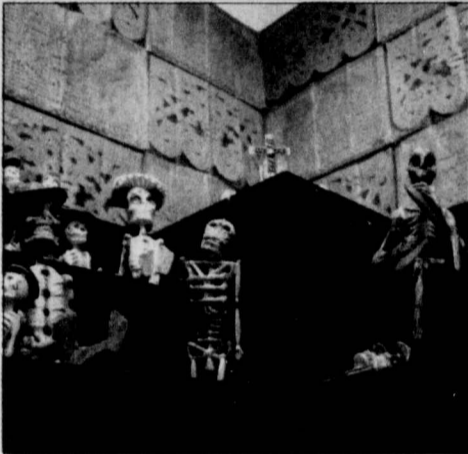
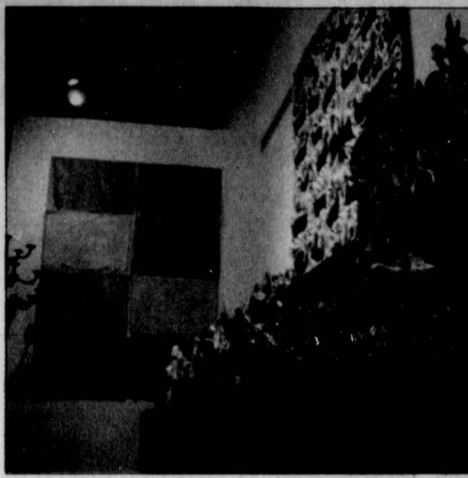
The letter is being published all Texas undergraduate colleges and universities, he said, at a cost of less than \$1,000 per each of the eight law schools.

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Honoring the dead

An art exhibit in the Moudy Building celebrates El Dia de Los Muertos, the Day of the Dead. The holiday remembers departed loved ones with colorful gifts and flowers.

Blair Pearce PHOTO EDITOR



British nanny convicted in 8-month-old's death

By Leslie Miller
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — In a case that riveted audiences on both sides of the Atlantic, a 19-year-old British au pair was convicted of murder Thursday by shaking a baby in her care to death.

"I didn't do anything," Louise Woodward said through loud sobs when the verdict was read. "Why did they do that to me?"

It took the jury three days to find Woodward guilty of second-degree murder in the death of 8-month-old Matthew Eappen. Woodward called 911 on Feb. 4 to say Matthew had stopped breathing in his crib. The baby died in his father's arms five days later.

The conviction carries a sentence of life in prison with a chance of parole in 15 years. Middlesex Superior Judge Hiller B. Zobel set sentencing for Friday morning.

Woodward's parents sat stone-faced after the verdict was read.

Matthew's parents, Sunil and Deborah Eappen, both physicians, were not in the courtroom.

Prosecutor Gerard Leone Jr. said the Eappens watched the verdict on television.

"They're obviously satisfied that the person responsible for killing Matty was found responsible," he said.

Matthew McCue, a family friend of the Eappens who testified during the trial, said there was some satisfaction "that the jury saw the truth."

"At the same time, there's no joy in seeing this happen to Louise," he said.

Stunned defense attorneys said the verdict would be appealed.

"The only 12 people who believe Louise Woodward is guilty are the 12 people on the jury," Andrew Good said. "I'm at a loss to understand how anyone in their right mind could come to this verdict."

The three-week trial captivated audiences in the United States and in Britain, where trials are not televised and viewers were transfixed by the gavel-to-gavel television coverage afforded the case.

The prosecution relied on experts who testified that medical and autopsy reports showed the baby's injuries were caused by being shaken violently and having his head slammed against a hard surface.

Police officers testified that Woodward told them she had been "a little rough" with the child, a statement she has denied making.

Woodward, who took the stand on her own behalf, was unflappable as she denied doing anything to harm the child. She said she only shook him when she panicked while trying to revive him after some kind of convulsion. She denied telling police the baby's head hit the floor.

Medical experts called by her lawyers testified that there were no external signs of trauma; they said the baby had a previously undetected head injury that could have been reopened by minor jarring.

Prosecutors contended Woodward shook Matthew and slammed his head against a hard surface out of frustration with the fussy infant and a job that hampered her social life.

The Eappens said Woodward had chafed at their efforts to get her to curb her late hours.

Week of Faith to broaden students' religious understanding

By Beth Wilson
STAFF REPORTER

Uniting Campus Ministries will sponsor the Week of Faith for the TCU community Nov. 3-7, featuring the Christian Science, Jainist, Buddhist, Hindu, Islamic and Sikh faiths.

Jennifer DiFrancesco, a senior religion major and chairwoman of the Faith Education Task Force, said the week was designed to educate students about faiths other than their own.

The Faith Education Task Force is one of three Uniting Campus

Ministries committees, and it organizes events for the TCU community to promote faith issues.

DiFrancesco said students should learn about other faiths. Students will have to deal with people of other faiths when they enter the "real world," and it would be best to know a bit about their religion, she said.

This is the first Week of Faith for TCU, but DiFrancesco said it will probably become an annual event highlighting different faiths each year.

DiFrancesco said the task force

contacted people from different faiths, and several faculty members helped coordinate events for the week.

Monday night will feature the Christian Science movement with a movie about the founder, Mary Baker Eddy. A discussion led by the Christian Science organization on campus will follow the movie.

Tuesday night will focus on Jainism, a religion of India whose members are committed to peace.

Thursday's events will allow students to participate in the unique religious practices of Buddhism,

Hinduism and Islam.

Kelly Connelly, a sophomore ballet major and member of the task force, said people from each faith will share something unique from their worship ceremonies.

Connelly said participating in this event will give students something to take with them at the end of the evening.

Friday afternoon will feature followers of the Sikh faith performing their shabads, or hymns.

DiFrancesco said the hymns play an important role in the Sikh faith because the Sikhs believe the

WEEK OF FAITH ACTIVITIES

Monday, Nov. 3
Christian Science faith presentation at 7 p.m. in Student Center Room 222

Tuesday, Nov. 4
Jainism presentation at 7 p.m. in Student Center Room 205

Thursday, Nov. 6
Experimental Night of Faiths Includ-

ing Buddhism, Hinduism and Islam at 7 p.m. in Student Center Room 204

Friday, Nov. 7
Sikh faith presentation at 11:30 p.m. in Student Center Lounge. During the presentation, food from different religious traditions will be available.

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hymns express who God is.

There will also be food from var-

ious religious traditions available to sample at Friday's program.

College News Digest

Wisconsin faculty questions tenure

MADISON, Wis. — As the taxing track to tenure grows increasingly more difficult, many University of Wisconsin-Madison faculty members are questioning the effectiveness of the university's traditional promotion policy.

As the university ups the ante in the form of increased performance standards, some say the process may be doing more harm than good.

Nick Hitchon, a Wisconsin electrical engineering professor, said he is alarmed at the current state of the tenure process and felt it had progressed to an unhealthy level of competition.

"One of the things that concerns me is that a lot of the faculty who've gone through this are literally the 'walking wounded,'" Hitchon said. "You take these bright young students (and) you put them through the tenure process and they're just jaded. We've really got this thing way out of proportion at the moment."

In the rigorous review sessions which ultimately decide the fate of each candidate, tenure review boards from four departments critique letters of recommendation and student reviews.

—Badger Herald
University of Wisconsin

Colorado pagan ready for holiday

BOULDER, Colo. — A Barbie doll and Bullwinkle the moose, the goddess and god of the ceremony, sit on the altar amidst candles, a chalice, wine, a plate of cookies and a sword. Subtract the sword, the Barbie, the moose and the light-hearted pagan laughter that fills the room and the setting could easily pass as a Catholic altar.

Warren Stott, priest and co-founder of the Boulder Pagan Alliance, took part in this ritual and says that the levity and joy in the funny side of the human experience is one of the appeals of paganism.

Stott describes paganism as a natural, pre-Christian religion that has been termed one of the fastest growing religions in the country.

The Boulder Pagan Alliance hosts monthly drum gatherings, which Stott says draw 80 to 200 followers. Colorado has a large pagan population, which Stott estimates at 2,500. According to *The New York Times*, the reason for the increase in neo-paganism in Colorado rests in the state's traditional tolerance for unorthodox religion.

Many pagans will host rituals today celebrating Samhain, a Celtic word meaning summer's end.

—Campus Press
University of Colorado

Faculty at Rochester receive hate essay

Dozens of University of Rochester faculty members have received an anti-Semitic essay in the past few weeks. The essay was also sent to the school's board of trustees in care of Rochester President Thomas H. Jackson's office.

The essays were not delivered to the trustees. The essay was sent primarily to professors in the humanities and social sciences, though some professors in mathematics and natural sciences have received it.

"It is a standard anti-Semitic diatribe," Rochester Provost Charles Phelps said.

Rochester security forces are investigating the incident.

—Campus Times
University of Rochester

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the wheel of a car even though they have been drinking.

Sgt. Allan Baron of the Texas A&M University Campus Police said the law gives officers greater latitude of action when they stop a driver who is under the influence or when officers encounter a minor in possession.

Baron said his department was briefed on the law by the assistant county attorney. All of the university's officers were given an update on the law, he said. Enforcement of the change in the law regarding DUI began Sept. 1, Baron said.

Officers will probably take a little time before implementing the other changes in the law under the zero tolerance bill, he said. Other changes include different penalties for minors purchasing, consuming or possessing alcohol or being publicly intoxicated, he said.

"It all depends on if the officers are going to want to do this or not because it involves a lot of paperwork," Baron said.

Unlike private schools, which will at times handle student offenses without involving city or county law enforcement, Baron said, Texas A&M officers handle students no differently than other off-campus officers would.

"We treat them just like any other citizen," Baron said of A&M students.

Southern Methodist University Campus Police Capt. Michael Snellgrove said he thinks there has been a hesitancy by SMU Campus Police to determine any changes in approach to the law's enforcement until municipal officers test the law.

"Everyone's waiting on each other I imagine," Snellgrove said.

Currently the department is not suspending licenses for mere possession of alcohol, although officers are administering some sanctions, Snellgrove said.

Capt. Silas Griggs of the University of Texas Campus Police said that officers in his

department are required to take four hours of training every year to receive a penal code update. The new law was part of the training this year.

He said so far the department has had to make no changes.

"It really hasn't changed the way we do business much," Griggs said.

With regards to underage drinking, Griggs said his department will issue more citations because they now have a law that justifies doing so.

Students say TABC not handling law efficiently

By Anne Drabicky
STAFF REPORTER

While police officials have said nothing significant has changed in the way they handle students who drink, those students are saying something entirely different.

"I liken it to Darth Vader and his troops going in," one student said of the way Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission officers have responded recently.

Another said, "It's like there's this dark shadow, this ghost of the TABC over us."

The so-called TABC crackdown began Sept. 1 when the now-infamous "zero-tolerance" law took effect in Texas and instituted different and more severe penalties for minors who are caught drinking alcoholic beverages.

Todd Truitt, a junior finance major and a member of a fraternity, said he doesn't think the new law had much to do with TABC's behavior.

"Every time we have any dealings with them, they just kind of walk in," Truitt said.

"They're blatantly rude. They kind of see us as the enemy, and we see them as the enemy. No one gives anybody an inch."

Both Doak of Baylor and Baron of A&M said their departments will not seek out underage offenders as a result of the law, but will implement fines and punishments according to the law.

Doak said it remains to be seen whether the law will deter students from drinking underage or when they are going to drive.

He said he is concerned with the possibility of negative consequences after he heard students say that if they are going to receive

a citation whether they drink or not, then they might as well drink.

McGee said he thinks the law will deter a lot of students, but as with any law, some will continue to break it.

Griggs said he is not sure the law will deter students from drinking, but said he thinks it will allow law enforcement to get offenders into alcohol awareness education.

"Alcohol awareness training isn't going to hurt anybody," he said.

Violations for a first-time offense of the zero-tolerance law include: a fine of up to \$500, attendance at an alcohol awareness class, 20 to 40 hours of mandatory community service and a 60-day driver's license suspension.

Consequences for a second offense include the fine and alcohol awareness class, but have an increased mandatory community service of 40 to 60 hours and a driver's license suspension of 120 days.

A third offense suspends the driver's license for 180 days, increases the fine to between \$500 and \$2,000 and can include jail time of up to 180 days.

Kaitlyn Bloomquist, a junior advertising/public relations major, said she thinks the law is valuable, but the way the TABC is handling the enforcement is ineffective.

"The law is there. It's good and we can't do anything about it, but their way of educating us on an individual basis is not the best way," Bloomquist said.

"We're college students, and we're fairly intelligent individuals," she said. "But individually, the police officers have made it

more of a joke when dealing with us.

"They seem to say, 'Here's a guy, how can we nab him?'" she said. "When it comes down to it, the interaction (by TABC) just doesn't seem to be in the best manner."

While the new law may not seem to directly affect the TABC's operations, Truitt said holding a party is still a scary endeavor.

"They (TABC) hold you responsible for other people's actions that you can't control," he said. "(And) they completely blow things out of proportion."

He said Campus Police, on the other hand, do their jobs well.

"I haven't really had any problems with them," he said.

Campus Police Chief Steve McGee said his department is still looking into the ramifications of the law.

Until cities decide definitively how to enforce the new law, he said, Campus Police won't drastically change the way they deal with students.

The deadline for Texas police departments to comply with zero-tolerance requirements is Oct. 1, 1998.

Reflections

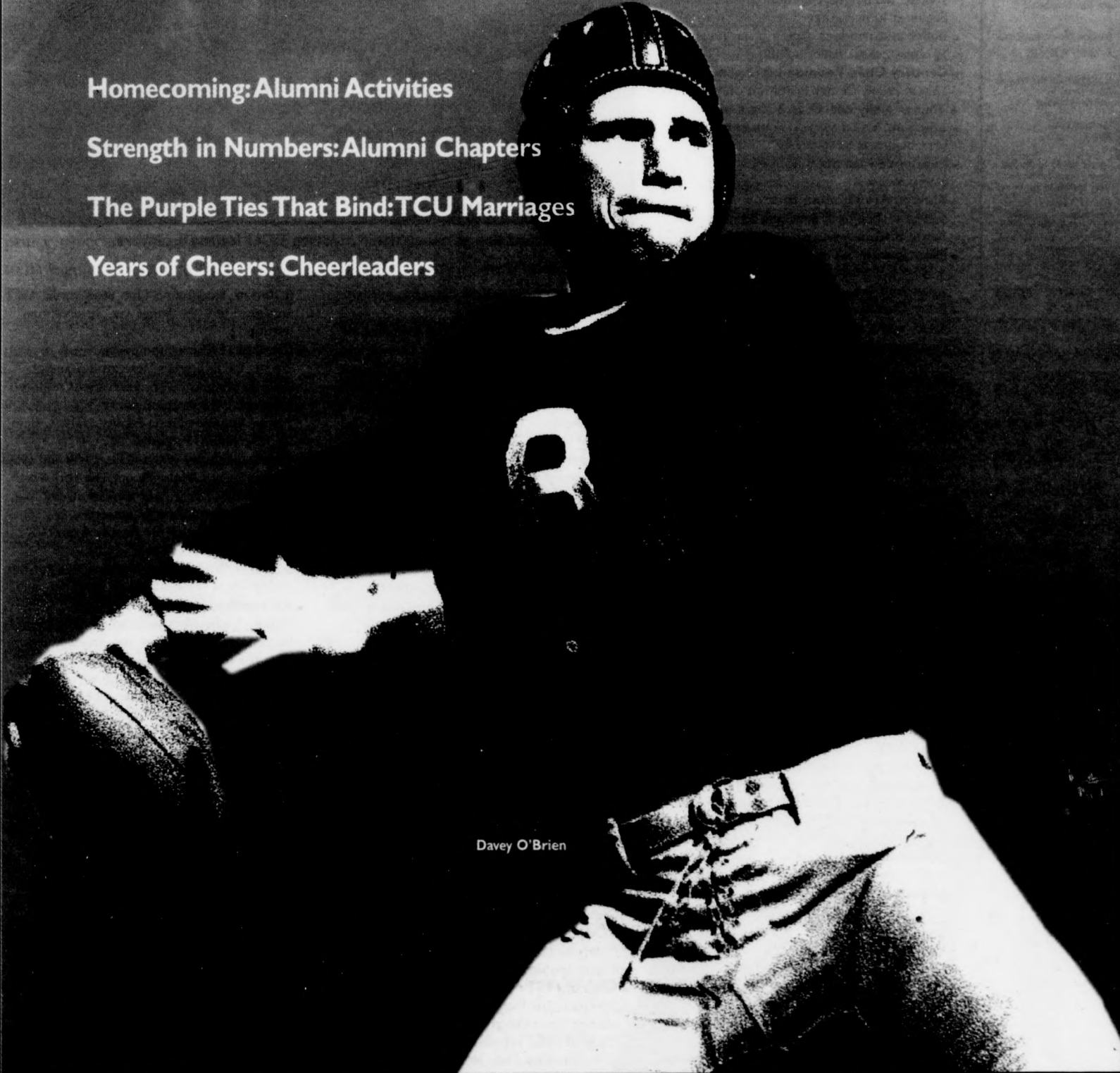
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Friday

- **Homecoming Golf Tournament**
8 a.m., Lost Creek Golf Club, 4101 Lost Creek Blvd.
- **1997 Class Reunion registration**
9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m., Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center, 2820 Stadium Drive
- **Tour of the Kelly center and the campus**
10 a.m., led by Student Foundation members, begins at Kelly Center
- **Ballet and modern dance open house**
10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Ballet Building
- **Century Club/ Reunion luncheon**
12 p.m., Kelly Center, invitation only
- **Tour of Kelly center and the campus**
1:30 p.m., led by Student Foundation members, begins at Kelly center
- **Residence Hall open houses**
3 - 5 p.m.
- **Kimbell Art Museum tour**
3:30 p.m., begins at museum, 3333 Camp Bowie Blvd., no charge
- **Miller Speech and Hearing Clinic open house**
3:30 - 5 p.m., for speech-language pathology and habilitation of the deaf alumni
- **Education Investment Fund symposium**
4:45 - 5:45 p.m., Dan Rogers Hall Room 134, Education Investment Fund former members and faculty invited
- **Honors Program alumni reception**
5:30 p.m., Kelly center
- **Homecoming Parade**
6 p.m., will proceed west on Berry Street to University Drive and through campus
- **TCU Lettermen's Association Annual Meeting and Dinner**
6 p.m., River Crest Country Club
- **All-Campus Pep Rally**
7 p.m., for students and alumni, Frog Fountain
- **"Still Thinking After All These Years"**
7 p.m., Kelly Center, hosted by Honors Program, featuring speaker, economist Michael Wiseman, 1966 graduate
- **Young Alumni social**
9 p.m., Angelo's Barbecue, 2533 White Settlement Road, hosted by Fort Worth and Dallas Young Alumni Chapters for the classes of 1987-1997

Saturday

- **Sorority and fraternity open houses**
Alumni need to check with individual houses
- **TCU Horned Frog Band alumni annual meeting and continental breakfast**
8 a.m., Ed Landreth Hall
- **Continental breakfast**
8:30 - 10 a.m., Kelly center
- **Journalism exes breakfast**
8:30 a.m., Student Center Ballroom, reservations required
- **Reunion registration**
8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum
- **Kelly Center open house**
8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Kelly center
- **125 years of academia memorabilia viewing**
8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Kelly center
- **Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center open house**
9 - 11 a.m., open to all alumni
- **Harris College of Nursing Homecoming brunch**



Future Horned Frogs meet their favorite TCU football players.

- 9:30 - 11:30 a.m., Faculty Center, Reed Hall 214, reservations required
- **School of Education Alumni Association continental breakfast**
9:30 - 10:30 a.m., Starpoint School, all education majors, teacher certification recipients and their friends are invited
- **Class Acts**
10 and 11 a.m., Kelly center, tour the many faces, both famous and not-so-famous of TCU
- **Admissions information program**
11 a.m., Sadler Hall Room 112, for prospective students and their parents
- **Homecoming barbecue**
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum, \$7 adults, \$6 children, reservations required
- **Class of 1957 tailgate get-together**
1 p.m., Sandra Saunders Taylor's parking space 85, parking lot 1, west of stadium
- **Class of 1962 tailgate get-together**
1 p.m., Maurice Price's parking space 399, parking lot 1
- **Class of 1967 tailgate get-together**
1 p.m., Malcolm Louden's parking space 181, parking lot 1
- **Class of 1977 tailgate get-together**
1 p.m., Ron and Jo Beth Resch Peoples' parking space 295, parking lot 1
- **Class of 1982 tailgate get-together**
1 p.m., Brenda Almes Cline's parking space 276, parking lot 1
- **Class of 1972 reunion party**
Immediately following football game, Joe T. Garcia's Mexican Restaurant, 2201 N. Commerce St., reservations required
- **TCU music alumni dinner**
6:30 p.m., Tutto Pasta, 4925 S. Hulen St., reservations required
- **Class of 1957 reunion party**
6:30 p.m., Los Vaqueros Restaurant, 2629 N. Main St., reservations required
- **Class of 1962 reunion party**
6:30 p.m., City Club, 301 Commerce St., reservations required
- **Class of 1967 reunion party**
6:30 p.m., Stockman's Club, Stockyards Station, 130 E. Exchange Ave., reservations required
- **Class of 1977 reunion party**
7 p.m., Joe T. Garcia's Mexican Restaurant, 2201 N. Commerce St., reservations required
- **Class of 1982 reunion party**
7 p.m., Vaqueros Fiesta Facility, 2609 N. Main St., reservations required
- **Dinner for classes of the 1930s, 1940s and 1950s**
7 p.m., Formal Dining Room, The Fort Worth Club, 306 W. 7th St., free admission, cash bar, featuring Curt Wilson's Quartet
- **Swingtime Dance for classes from the 1930s, 1940s and 1950s**
8:30 p.m., Trinity Room, The Fort Worth Club, 306 W. 7th St., free admission, cash bar
- **All-Homecoming dance**
9 p.m. - 1 a.m., Stampede Room of Stockyards Station, 130 E. Exchange Ave., free admission, cash bar, featuring the band Duck Soup
- **Young Alumni party**
9:30 p.m. - 1 a.m., Cowtown Corrals, 500 N.E. 23rd St., free admission, cash bar, featuring the band Buffalo Moon



Friends are reunited at Homecoming.

The purple ties THAT BIND



Curly and Clara Jo Broyles

Several TCU alumni have found that you don't have to kiss a lot of frogs to find your prince, especially if your prince happens to have gone to school at TCU.

The Broyles

Curly and Clara Jo Broyles met one day on their way to school in 1940. Clara Jo said her mother was driving her to Paschal High School one morning when they passed Curly, who was then walking to TCU, where he was a freshman.

Clara Jo said she asked her mother to pick Curly up and drive him to school. Just one month later, the Broyles went on their first date.

She said they officially became engaged in December 1942, but Curly had asked her to marry him before then.

"When he gave me the first ring, I told him I was too young and my mother wouldn't let me have an engagement ring," Clara Jo said.

After the Broyles married in the fall of 1943, Clara Jo quit school while Curly finished his education at TCU.

Clara Jo said she and her husband love TCU and still live nearby.

She said they still remain involved with the school, and have had season tickets for football for 20 years.

The Christies

Some alumni met through friends on campus — but probably not too many were like Janie and Steve Christie.

Janie Christie probably didn't think

she would ever steal her roommate's date, much less marry him. But having a history class together in 1969 started another Horned Frog romance.

"We were in Doctor Reuters' history class," she said. "He (Steve) was the smart guy in the back of the classroom then and asked a lot of questions. I was really impressed."

She said the turning point was one day when she was on her way to class.

"I was walking up the stairs and I dropped my book. He was behind me and picked it up for me," she said.

Their first date was at a TCU basketball game and ended, to Janie's surprise, with a goodnight kiss in front of her sorority house.

"He was the first guy I had ever let kiss me on the first date," she said.

Janie and Steve married Sept. 6, 1972, in Robert Carr Chapel.

The Tuckers

Another couple found their busy schedules to be somewhat of a constraint as they courted on campus.

Chancellor William E. Tucker and his wife, Jean, met when he was a graduate student at Brite Divinity School and she was a sophomore.

The two saw each other mainly in chapel and didn't go on a date for quite a while.

Jean Tucker said she was initially very impressed with the brains of the man who would later become her husband.

"I thought he was just the most intelligent, most amazing person I had ever met," she said.

The first time the two were formally introduced by a professor.

They were married a year later, on April 8, 1955, in a small church ceremony in Albany, Texas.

"It was Easter weekend and we could at least have some time together since that was a big weekend for TCU back then," Jean Tucker said.

In April, they will celebrate 43 years of marriage.

From the chapel services where the Tuckers first spotted each other to the countless Horned Frog marriages that begin each year at Robert Carr Chapel, the TCU tradition of Horned Frogs finding their soulmates on campus continues.

Skiff Staff

Several alumni have found that you don't have to kiss a lot of frogs to find your prince, especially if your prince went to TCU.



Steve and Janie Christie

Cheers THROUGH THE YEARS



*oomalaka, boomalaka,
bow wow wow;
Chickalaka, chickalaka,
chow chow chow;*

*Boomalaka, chickalaka, who are we?
We're the mighty Horned Frogs, yes
siree."*



TCU cheers have definitely evolved throughout the years. Although chants like the one above are no longer yelled during football games, alumni who were cheerleaders will never forget the days when those words were commonplace around TCU.

This Homecoming weekend, the alumni cheerleaders have returned to remind a new generation of students where they have come from and maybe to remind themselves of where they have been — just like they have been doing for the past 22 years.

Dale Young, the coordinator of alumni cheerleaders, said the idea for alumni cheerleaders came while several TCU cheerleaders were watching a

University of California-Los

Angeles football game in 1974. They saw that UCLA had invited their alumni cheerleaders back to cheer for certain games, so why not try it at TCU?

In 1975, the Homecoming committee invited the alumni cheerleaders of 1965 back to cheer for their 10-year reunion. Four showed up that year, and all alumni cheerleaders have been invited back each year since.

Last year, a resounding 32 alumni cheerleaders from various years came to the Homecoming game. Even though they were part of the opposing team, the athletic administrators of Brigham Young University demonstrated their support of the alumni by serving them ice water and Gatorade at Amon Carter Stadium.

But not all the cheerleaders that returned were wearing their former uniforms. Young, the director of teacher placement in the School of Education and a former cheerleader himself, said the alumni cheerleaders began coming back to cheer wearing their old uniforms.

Since some uniforms are no longer a

precise fit, cheerleaders have switched from the blouses and sweaters of the '60s to long-sleeved alumni T-shirts and pins with the decade they cheered in. Young said in the days he cheered, TCU had a tremendous spirit. He said he feels the school is returning to that enthusiasm.

"Now that we've completed four years of Frog Camp, the spirit of TCU is getting back to where it used to be in the early '60s, '50s and '40s," said Young, who graduated in 1966.

TCU spirit was improved when fraternities and sororities came on campus in the late 1950s, Young said. Greeks came out to support the weekly pep rallies in their attendance and with supportive signs.

Barbara Dike, a cheerleader from 1965-1968 who now works as a real estate agent for Henry S. Miller, said that the pep rallies were per-





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1969

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1927

By Kathryn Johnson
SKIFF STAFF

formed on a flatbed truck in front of the Student Center.

Bruce Herr, a cheerleader in 1974 who is now a sales representative for USA Maintenance, said cheerleaders are still as enthusiastic as ever but in a completely different way from the 1960s.

“They are much more athletic that we ever thought about being,” he said.

“The guys out there now are more like gymnasts.”

Young agreed, saying that in the '60s when he was on the squad, the cheers mostly involved hand motions.

Dike said that the cheerleaders of the '60s performed stunts such as wrap-arounds, where the male cheerleaders threw the female cheerleaders around their bodies. She said there were “no high pyramids and big tosses” like today, though.

Herr, who still enjoys coming to games as a fan, will not be cheering this weekend with his fellow alumni. He recently had back surgery, but that will not stop him from seeing football games, he said.

“I am coming. I’ll be there to help support,” he said.

Other alumni have come back to cheer through the years. Young said that in the early '80s, the first female cheerleader ever at TCU came to revisit her home team. Although she was 81 years old, she still had the same spirit she had while cheering in the 1920s.

A former school mascot has returned as well. Fans of the '50s cheered with “Addie the Frog,” the original Horned Frog mascot. He has long since been replaced by Superfrog, but Glyn Spearman, who masqueraded as Addie from 1954 to 1956, has been coming back for the past several years to cheer without a costume.

Betty Buckley, a cheerleader in 1965, has also come back to cheer. However Buckley’s mother, Betty Bob Buckley, said Buckley will be unable to return to TCU this year to cheer because she will be performing in Paris.

Buckley a former Miss Fort Worth, starred in the TV show “Eight is Enough” and has been in various Broadway performances, such as “Cats.”

Buckley’s mother said that she will have a cameo role with Robert Redford in an upcoming movie.

Betty Bob Buckley, the actresses’ mother, said that, “She had always wanted to be a cheerleader.”

The alumni cheerleaders will be in the parade and pep rally tonight and will cheer during Saturday’s game against New Mexico.

“We really appreciate the current cheerleaders for allowing us to do this,” Young said.

Strength in NUMBERS



TCU alumni groups are expanding, and not just nationally but internationally as well. With a new interest group in Tokyo and two new alumni chapters in Washington, D.C., and Atlanta, TCU alumni have gone global.

Jenny Cox, assistant director of alumni relations, said the Tokyo alumni group has held meetings and expressed interest in becoming an official chapter. She said there are also places like New York City where many alumni events are held even though the area does not have an official chapter.

Will Marcus, chairman of the new Atlanta chapter, said his group was approached by the alumni relations staff to become a chapter.

He said there are close to 300 alumni in the Atlanta area, and they have had good turnouts at their events.

Katy Smith Huggins, chairwoman of the Washington, D.C. chapter, said chapter events had been well-attended for the past four or five years when TCU asked members they wanted to become an official chapter.

Marcus said he thinks forming an official chapter will make a difference.

"I think people will be more involved, and we'll be able to get more done and do more activities," Marcus said.

The Washington chapter was established in August, and Huggins said several

activities are planned, though few have been executed.

"We want to continue activities like game-watching and do some more cultural events that take advantage of what's in our own back yard, like the Smithsonian," Huggins said.

Marcus said since the chapter was mentioned in *TCU Magazine*, he has received several phone calls and he thinks a lot more people will get involved.

He said he hopes that they can get more involved with recruiting students from the Atlanta area.

"That's something alumni can be good at doing," Marcus said. "Atlanta should be a nice place to draw students from."

He said alumni chapters are important because they provide a common element for graduates. He said it gives people who move to a new city a better chance of making friends and creating roots.

"If the alumni chapters get more involved and active people, new people to the city will meet people who are similar — and some who they may have known in school, but didn't know lived near them," he said. "It's a nice way to establish ties."

Marcus said above all else, alumni chapters keep people connected to the university and can contribute to long term growth. He said increasing the number of chapters can only have a positive impact.

"Growth of alumni chapters in major cities or any place with a large number of alumni is excellent because it gives the school more recognition," Marcus said. "They will keep alumni involved, and the more active the alumni get, the stronger the name of the school and the amount of money flowing back into the school,



which can only benefit TCU."

But the university also benefits the alumni groups. Cox said chapters function on funds from alumni relations' budget, although a few chapters use different events as fund-raisers.

"Usually we just try to break even," Cox said. "We want to make it affordable. The idea is the more the merrier, which means the cheaper the better."

By Wendy Bogema
SKIFF STAFF

With a new interest group in Tokyo and two new alumni chapters in Washington, D.C., and Atlanta, TCU alumni have gone global.

Keeping in TOUCH

The purple ties that bind aren't entirely severed when students make the transition from seniors to graduates.

Young alumni chapters serve as a reminder of times before the diploma and a promise of continued Horned Frog camaraderie in the real world.

In such chapters, the main goal is to keep everyone in touch with each other soon after graduation.

"We try to get in front of (the graduate), so as soon as they walk across the stage, they're members of the Alumni Association," said Kristi Hoban, director of Alumni Relations. "And from that time, we also try to keep them involved."

This association currently sponsors 18 organized alumni chapters across the country, including three young alumni chapters in Texas.

Fort Worth, Dallas and Houston have active chapters and they host events

several times a year.

"The activities are educational, social or athletic in nature," Hoban said. "They include (also) a service-oriented event or pregame gatherings."

Holly Lieder, a 1997 graduate with a degree in nursing, said she participated in the last two functions hosted by the Dallas chapter and plans to remain as active as she can.

"You can get to know people in a different way," Lieder said. "I wanted to make that connection with people in Dallas. This is great and a neat way to stay in touch with other graduates."

Lieder said this kind of networking is not only important but a bit nostalgic.

"(The chapter) is for business, socializing and for support," she said. "Just like peers were in college."

Although reunions with old friends can be expected, new friendships are also forged.

Chuck Mooney, a 1990 graduate with

a degree in political science, said he has "made friends with some I didn't get a chance to know until now."

Mooney, a Fort Worth chapter member, said he encourages young alumni to become involved in a chapter because of its many advantages.

"With a lot of people, it's an automatic to stay active and associate with the university through activities," he said. "Not all are going to be as enthusiastic but there is so much to gain from social (events) in young alumni chapters."

The benefits of being involved in a young alumni chapter are circular, Hoban said. By either giving time or resources, alumni become involved and are updated on issues and important events on the TCU campus.

"In turn, they can sell the university to prospective students," Hoban said.

By Jeff Meddaugh
STAFF REPORTER

The purple ties that bind aren't entirely severed when students make the transition from seniors to graduation.



Austin Young Alumni



Chicago Young Alumni



Fort Worth Young Alumni

Center ATTRACTION



The Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center, located on Stadium Drive on the east side of Amon Carter Stadium, was established to provide an accessible central location for the about 56,000 alumni of TCU.

The alumni center, the result of more than \$6 million in gifts and pledges from 35 contributors, opened in November 1996. It is one of the projects funded by the Next Frontier Campaign, TCU's five-year fund-raising campaign.

The largest gift to build the center totaled \$3.5 million and came from the Burnett-Tandy and Sid W. Richardson foundations. The donation was made in honor of Dee J. Kelly, a TCU graduate and a trustee since 1971.

The 21,000-square foot facility has a banquet hall that accommodates 300 people. It also has meeting rooms and staff offices for alumni relations and offices for the Frog Club and the annual fund. The Justin Board Room, where the Board of Trustees meets, is also located in the center.

Kristi Hoban, director of alumni relations, said the new center has brought more alumni back to TCU.

"We're having an incredible number of people come

back," she said. "More alumni are stopping by than in the past."

She also said that the center attracts more alumni now because it solves simple logistical problems.

Hoban said that parking used to be a big problem when the alumni relations office was located on Princeton Street. She said they were constantly looking for other, larger facilities to hold alumni events because of the former office's small size.

"It is neat to be able to hold all of our stuff here," she said.

Facilities at the alumni center can be used for free for alumni-related events, although other events can be held there as well. Hoban said staff members decide what events will be held at the center on a case-by-case basis.

The Kelly center is also the site of alumni events, such as Frog Club luncheons, reunions and alumni board meetings.

The center has also been used for student-focused events, such as Monday at TCU, the program in which prospective students visit TCU.

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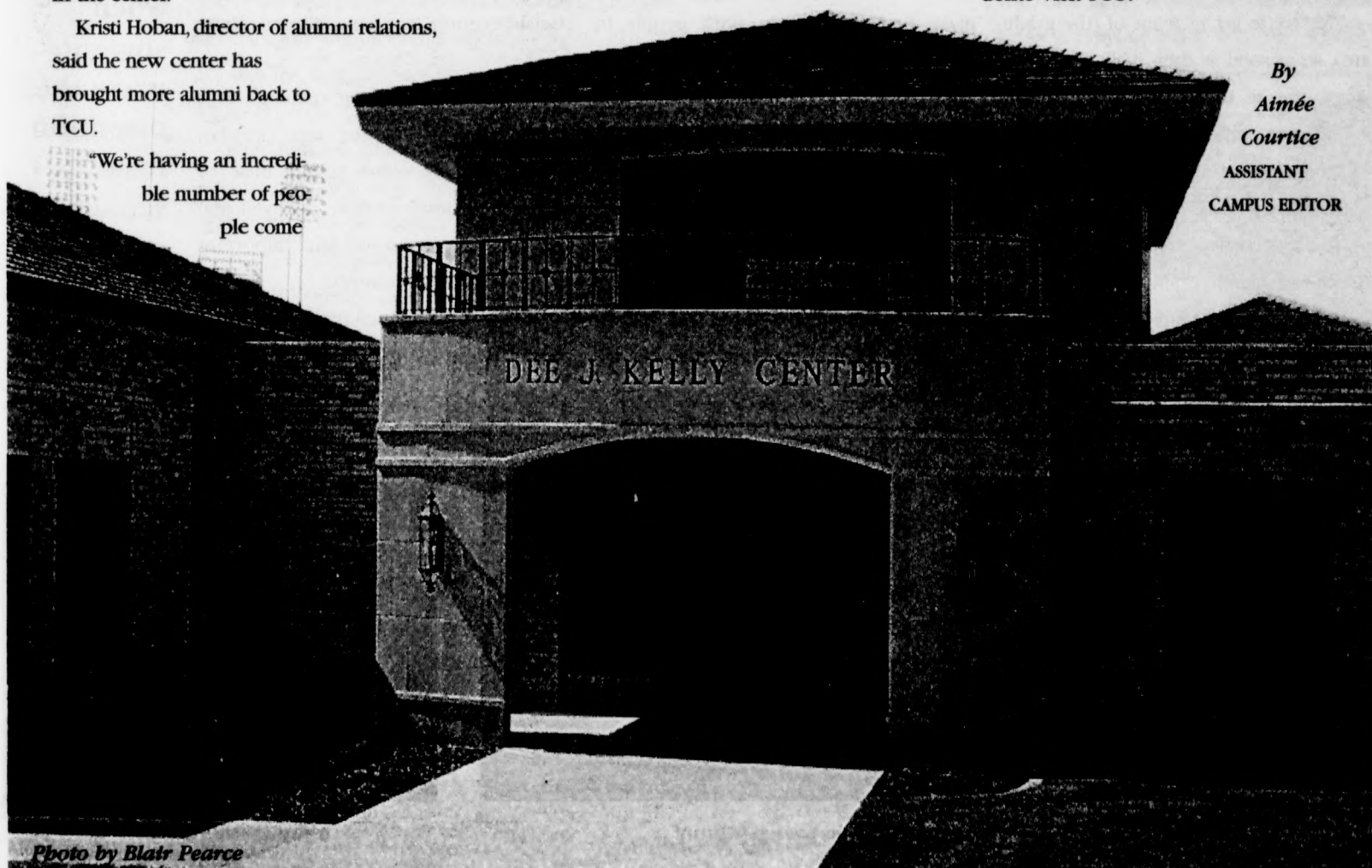


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